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CHELSEA

Byrnes, Yekulis debate at forum

Two political veterans running for 52nd District seat

By Scott Hagen
Staff Writer

As the final weeks of campaigning wind down, 52nd District state representative candidates Pam Byrnes (D-Lyndon Township) and Joseph Yekulis (R-Chelsea) clashed on social and economic issues at a debate last week in Chelsea.



Pam Byrnes

Though the candidates shared few of the same ideas as they traded answers at the Washington Street Education Center, both agreed that supporting the region's growth, with help from Lansing, would be key in their terms. The two candidates are running to fill a seat being vacated by Gene DeRossett (R-Manchester).

Joe Yekulis, a Chelsea resident, is now running for a two-year term representing the 52nd District in the Michigan House of Representatives. Traditionally, the 1st, 3rd and 7th district seats have been a stronghold for republicans. Democrats have typically dominated in the county's 6th, 9th, 10th and 11th

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— Governor Visits Chelsea —



Photo by Craig Watson

Gov. Jennifer Granholm swept into Chelsea Monday night and slipped out almost as fast. The Democratic governor stopped in at two events to endorse 52nd District candidate Pam Byrnes, who is locked in a close contest with Republican Joseph Yekulis. Both women were joined by state House Minority Leader Dianne Byrum.

WASHTENAW COUNTY

Candidates for county offices debate merits

Race for county prosecutor, clerk contested

By Steve Ricci
Staff Writer

Washtenaw County residents will decide two con-

tested races when they head to polls Nov. 2 — one for prosecutor, with a history of bad blood between the opponents, and another between a longtime county clerk and a local attorney who created politicalgraveyard.com, a popular Web site about U.S. political history. The prosecutor race pits



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incumbent Democrat Brian Mackie, who has held the job for nearly 12 years, against Republican challenger John Stanowski, a former assistant

county prosecutor whom Mackie chose not to reappoint upon taking office in 1992. The two had worked

together for some 13 years. Stanowski later sued Mackie for not being reappointed, alleging reverse discrimination.

More recently, Stanowski was fired from his job as assistant city attorney for the city of Jackson, when he changed his voter registra-

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WASHTENAW COUNTY

Two candidates vie for Board of Commissioners

Quimet, Ratliff agree on need for new county jail, disagree on other issues

By Maria Sprow
Staff Writer

It's a two-man race for the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners in the county's 1st District, which covers Lyndon, Sylvan, Dexter, Lima and parts of Webster and Scio townships.

While Democrat Don Ratliff and Republican Mark Quimet ran unopposed in the Aug. 3 primary, the race for who will win the spot is

now wide open. Neither are incumbents to the two-year position, which has been held by Republican Joseph Yekulis since 1994. Yekulis, a Chelsea resident, is now running for a two-year term representing the 52nd District in the Michigan House of Representatives.

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Mark Quimet

districts, which cover parts of Ann Arbor.

Whether partisanship will play a role in this year's election has yet to be seen.

The county commissioners are responsible for maintaining a regional plan, selecting Washtenaw County Road Commissioners, and maintaining jail space, as well as overseeing the county budget.

Ratliff said he believes a candidate's party affiliation does make a difference at the county level.

"Republicans have more of a focus on big business, cut taxes, put everything into the private employer, and that affects the county enormously," he said. "Democrats are more labor friend-

ly. They support maintaining the workforce."

Ratliff is president of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local Union 369, which represents 330 city of Ann Arbor employees and about 25 city of Milan employees.

But Quimet said he has received bipartisan support.

"I'm not sure party labels matter in this election," he said.

Meet the Candidates
A Scio Township resident for the



Don Ratliff

last 10 years, Quimet, 55, earned a bachelor's degree in 1971 from Northwood University and a master's degree in business administration in 1999 from LaSalle University. He is currently CEO of Construction Loan One.

Quimet's previous governmental experiences include participation in various chambers of commerce, including in Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti and Midland, as well as work on the Washtenaw Development Council.

He also served on the Ann Arbor City Council for a period of time, during which he said the council was successful in balancing its budget.

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■ **Beach Middle School parent-teacher conferences set Nov. 3:** Parents of Beach Middle School pupils are invited to attend parent-teacher conferences from 12:30 to 3:45 p.m. and from 4:45 to 8 p.m. Nov. 3 in the school's cafeteria and gymnasium, 445 Mayer Drive, in Chelsea. Individual conferences will be limited to approxi-

mately five minutes.

■ **St. Louis Center to host charity auction:** The St. Louis Center will host its 17th annual charity auction dinner 6 p.m. Nov. 6 at the Chelsea Community Hospital dining room, 775 South Main St., in Chelsea.

The annual event is one of St. Louis Center's biggest fund-raisers, with more than \$30,000 in items up for auction. Proceeds from the event will

benefit the St. Louis Center facility, a residential home for the developmentally disabled, located at 16195 Old US-12.

The evening begins with music at 6 p.m., followed by an elegant dinner at 7 p.m., and silent and live auctions, as well as a wheelbarrow raffle at 8 p.m.

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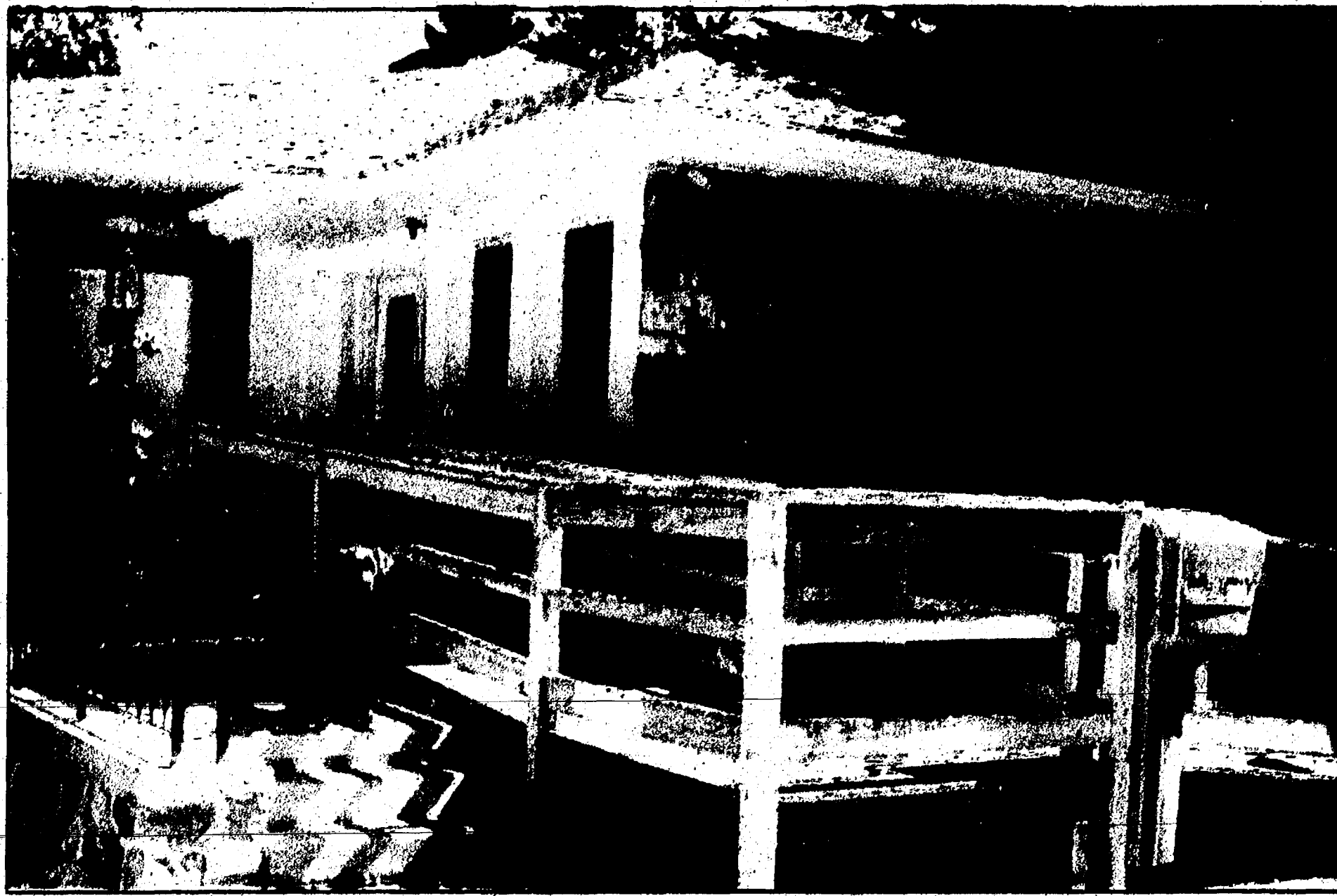
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James Kleo Kleanthous, D.P.M.
Podiatric Physician and Surgeon

Early Steps

When the opportunity to establish a foot medical clinic in Chelsea presented itself to Dr. James Kleo Kleanthous, he seized the moment and started making plans. His return to Chelsea has been an eagerly awaited homecoming of sorts. Although Dr. Kleanthous did not grow up in Chelsea, it has been his home base since 1979 when his parents, Dr. Costas (known by many as 'Dr. K') and Sylvia Kleanthous, retired from many years of service to the U.S. Army and living overseas, returned to Michigan upon urgings from their previous fellow University of Michigan medical school classmates to come to Chelsea and practice medicine there. While the senior Kleanthous made their move back and established their work and home in Chelsea, their son, James, also made a move to Michigan, however, his address was in East Lansing. "I chose Michigan State because my parents are University of Michigan alumni," Dr. Kleanthous laughingly states. "I thought we needed some kind of balance in the family." But every chance he got, Dr. Kleanthous made the drive 'home' to spend a fleeting weekend or holiday break in Chelsea. "My parents' Chelsea home is very special to me," Dr. Kleanthous states. "Growing up in a military family, my sisters and I never had the sense of a permanent home. Just when we started to know a place, my father would announce an assignment in another country. How my dad got the notion to make a transfer just the same time each of his three children entered the senior year of their high school education, I will never know, we really got our fill of experiencing the 'new kid' syndrome." Some of the places where Dr. Kleanthous lived while growing up were Texas, Germany, Italy, Ethiopia, Oklahoma, Virginia, Georgia, and Florida. "We moved every two to three years. When my parents retired from military life and decided to settle down here, their home in Chelsea became our first real family home, however," Dr. Kleanthous adds, "by that time, my sisters and I were young adults spread out all over the country so our parents' home became our home base which still brings us together even today."

Step By Step

Careers and educational opportunities have a way of making people mobile so upon his graduation from Michigan State with a degree in business, Dr. Kleanthous moved to Hilton Head, South Carolina where he worked for the Hyatt Hotel company. After a few years in the hotel management industry, Dr. Kleanthous made the decision to follow in his father's footsteps and become a physician. "My dad actually suggested Podiatric Medicine to me," Dr. Kleanthous states. "Because he was familiar with the life of a medical doctor, he thought this specialty medicine could be good for me. I recall when we lived in Africa the abundance of afflictions and deformities to the human foot made a great impact on me. I remember thinking even at a young age that if these people are to live useful satisfying lives, they must be able to move about and the key to their independence is mobility."

One Step At A Time

That concern stayed with Dr. Kleanthous for years and led him to the decision to pursue Podiatric Medicine. For the next 4 years he attended the College of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery at the University of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Sciences in Des Moines, Iowa, a medical academic setting for not only Doctors of Osteopathy and Podiatry, but included a Physical Therapy school and a Physician Assistant program. Dr. Kleanthous states, "I was very fortunate to attend this particular school; it has really given me respect for the various healthcare fields. For the first two years we attended classes with the osteopathic medicine students, the third year we focused on podiatric medicine and the fourth year we clinically practiced in supervised settings throughout the country." Upon graduation in 1994, Dr. Kleanthous started his post-graduate training in Pennsylvania in a Podiatric Orthopedic Residency at a Veterans Administration Hospital. "I really enjoyed my year-long experience in the VA system providing care to our veterans. This is where I spent a lot of time focusing on the diabetic foot," Dr. Kleanthous recalls. He also fondly remembers this time as the first year of his marriage to his wife, Elaine, a native of Des Moines and a former staff member of the medical university he attended. "If being a new resident wasn't enough, I had to complicate it by being a newlywed," Dr. Kleanthous laughs. "But, I have to admit, having her with me made it a whole lot easier for me anyway. Elaine probably has an opposite opinion looking back on that first year," he adds with a smile. From Pennsylvania, Dr. Kleanthous' postgraduate training took him back to Iowa where he participated in a year-long program accredited by the William W. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine. That name may sound familiar to you as the founder of the school is the original Dr. Scholl himself, inventor and marketer of many over-the-counter foot health products. This particular program focused on delivery of podiatric medicine and surgery in the private practice setting. Here he treated patients of all ages but really developed his interest in caring for the senior foot. If all that training wasn't enough, Dr. Kleanthous was then accepted into a two year Podiatric Surgical Residency Program in Texas. "This was a unique situation where the hospital was actually owned by podiatric surgeons," Dr. Kleanthous states. "It was located in a small town in East Texas and people would come to this hospital for all of their medical concerns. We were very busy performing foot and ankle surgeries for the people of Northeast Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. In addition to practicing podiatric surgery, the resident doctors were also responsible for assisting the medical doctors of this facility in emergency room coverage, plastic surgery, vascular surgery, and even delivering babies. We got to see and participate in all aspects of medicine. It was a very interesting place to be during my surgical training."

When Dr. Kleanthous finished the four years of his residency training, he accepted a position as an associate physician in a private practice group in Fort Smith and Fayetteville, Arkansas. "I was very busy practicing there," Dr. Kleanthous states. "I treated and performed surgery on all ages in a busy factory area. We had Trane, Whirlpool, Tyson, and Gerber just to name a few, and my patients would stand on hard concrete floors throughout their entire working shifts. We treated a lot of heel pain." Dr. Kleanthous also treated University of Arkansas students as well as a large population of seniors that resided in the region. "I still have patients from Arkansas that keep in touch with me," Dr. Kleanthous states. "My former patients have remained my friends over the years." Dr. Kleanthous practiced in Arkansas for four years before returning to Michigan.

A Big Step

Upon leaving his southern practice, Dr. Kleanthous explains that the patient load began to get demanding which started taking away from the time he could spend with each patient. "The clinic I worked for started caring only about the bottom-line. That philosophy didn't live with mine when it came to personal patient care," Dr. Kleanthous states. "It was at this point in my medical career I started thinking about establishing my own podiatric medicine practice, one where the patients are given priority." Dr. Kleanthous' father, Dr. Costas Kleanthous (Dr. K), who still practices at Chelsea Community Hospital, had been for years talking to his son about establishing a clinic in Chelsea. "I don't know if he thought it would be good for my career or he just wanted me to live closer to him," Dr. Kleanthous wonders, "but he didn't have to twist my arm a bit, when the possibility arose to live and practice in Chelsea, I was there." So, in September of 2002, Dr. Kleanthous and his wife, Elaine, and their two dogs packed up and headed north to Michigan. "I believe the time was right for me to make this move," Dr. Kleanthous states. "Everything has just fallen into place." Dr. Kleanthous goes on to explain how on the first day he was back, he contacted Donna Lane about the former building for the Lane Animal Hospital. From that minute on they started plans for renovating the Hospital into the Foot Clinic. "We are fortunate to know Mrs. Donna Lane and her family and to have this type of relationship with them." The actual construction efforts began in January of 2003 under the talented direction of Mr. Warren Porath, Jr. and his crew. "I was thinking we could come in here and just make a few changes," Dr. Kleanthous states, "but Porath Construction had great insight and really made this a beautiful clinic." Dr. Kleanthous enjoys having visitors who used to bring their animals to this facility come in to see how things have changed. "Most of our patients have a good story to tell about their pets and this building," Dr. Kleanthous states. "Being a lover of dogs myself, I enjoy reminiscing with them." At least once monthly, Kleanthous Family Foot Clinic still finds a dog or cat with a bewildered owner at the front door in search of a veterinarian. "We are always happy to assist people and their pets with the directions to the Lane Animal Hospital," Dr. Kleanthous states. "We simply just point diagonally across the street at their beautiful newer facility."

A Step Above

When you make a visit to Kleanthous Family Foot Clinic, the first thing you will notice is the convenient off street parking and the available ramp access to the front door. Once inside, a comfortable private waiting room welcomes you to the Clinic. But don't plan to spend much time waiting there. The Clinic has the flexibility to schedule appointments so often you will find you are the only patient there at one time and Dr. Kleanthous will be able to devote 100% of his time specifically to you. A carpeted ramp will lead you to one of three of the Clinic's state-of-the-art examination/treatment rooms. This is where medicine specializing in the treatment of diseases and injuries to the foot is practiced in a comfortable, professional setting. At Kleanthous Family Foot Clinic preventative and conservative care is focused on to resolve foot problems. To do this, the first goal is to achieve the most accurate diagnosis of the current conditions. The Clinic uses a complete physical foot exam and state-of-the-art digital imaging to pinpoint the exact location and nature of the problem. "At the Clinic we have the ability to take x-rays onsite at the time of our patient's visit," Dr. Kleanthous explains. "We use digital imaging here which means after we take the x-rays, the film is processed by scanning it into the computer and the images appear on the computer screen. We no longer have to deal with duplicating film, a darkroom, and with processing chemicals that are toxic, have an odor, and are difficult to dispose of." Dr. Kleanthous goes on to explain that once the x-rays are processed and appear on the monitor, he is able to magnify the area of the foot or zoom in to take a close look at the problem areas. He is then able to print out hard copies on glossy paper. Additionally, at the patient's request, copies can be instantly provided either as hard copy or on a CD inker, 1 of on the large duplicating film. "It is really nice to have our patient's x-rays available at the touch of a button," Dr. Kleanthous states. After a diagnosis is made, Dr. Kleanthous develops an individual plan of treatment that may include one or more of the following measures:

- Routine Foot Care
- Medical Treatment
- Injury Management and Rehabilitation
- Fabrication of Orthotics
- Minor In-Office Surgery
- Foot Surgery

Dr. Kleanthous will meet with you personally to answer all of your questions and help you decide which treatment is appropriate. At Kleanthous Family Foot Clinic, foot surgery is used only as a last recourse after the appropriate courses or consecutive conservative care have failed to be effective.

The mission of Kleanthous Family Foot Clinic, PC is to be the best provider of Podiatric Medicine in the eyes of their patients and colleagues. Their motto is From Our Family to Yours. Dedicated Service for Your Foot Care Needs. Dr. Kleanthous goes on to explain that he wanted to use the word 'Family' for several reasons. "This is a family business for all ages of your family where we treat everyone like a member of our own family. We use the word 'Dedicated' to show our total

commitment to your foot health. I not only have my clinic in Chelsea, I live in Chelsea so I can be available to my patients 24 hours a day, 7 days a week." Dr. Kleanthous has clinic hours every day of the work week and appointments can be scheduled around the patient's need. If an emergency arises after the clinic is closed, Dr. Kleanthous can still be reached by calling the Clinic. Your message will be immediately forwarded to Dr. Kleanthous and he will return your call promptly.

A Step Up

The service at Kleanthous Family Foot Clinic does not stop at foot care. Just as they are committed to providing the highest quality medical care, they are also concerned with keeping their services affordable. Dr. Kleanthous is a provider for many area insurance carriers. "We work daily with various insurance companies and we know how each person's policy can be difficult to understand," Dr. Kleanthous states. "We make every effort to assist our patient in this area, too. When a new



At Kleanthous Family Foot Clinic, PC, state-of-the-art digital imaging is used along with a complete physical foot exam to pinpoint the exact location and nature of your foot problem.

patient calls to schedule an appointment we always ask what type of insurance they have so we will be able to assist them with maximizing their benefits. And of course, we are happy to service patients who find themselves without any health insurance coverage.

Keeping In Step

If you are wondering if your particular ailment falls within the realm of Podiatric Medicine, the following is a list of foot conditions Dr. Kleanthous treats at Kleanthous Family Foot Clinic, PC:

- Ingrown nails and nail injuries, corns, calluses, warts
- Thickened fungal toenails
- Senior routine foot care
- Bunions and hammer toes
- Infections from cuts or ingrown nails
- Skin conditions such as dry and sweaty skin
- Diabetic and circulatory complications
- Arthritic conditions/gout
- Acute injuries/fractures/punctures
- Infant deformities and congenital defects
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DEBATE

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who left the state House for an unsuccessful attempt at Congress.

The debate, which was the only head-to-head interaction between the candidates, was comprised of questions from the Chelsea business community and members of the audience of about 50.

While both candidates revealed their partisanship when it came to social issues, more specific questions about the immediate impact of growth in the area brought more specific answers.

Byrnes, the current Washtenaw County Road Commissioner, and Yekulis, the current Washtenaw County Commissioner representing District 1, touted their experience with the issues facing the county and said it would serve them in Lansing.

In answering a question about explosive growth in western Washtenaw County and the jobs and infrastructure needed to support that growth, the candidates offered two options.

Yekulis said there was a growing disconnect between one community and another in the area, and said he would work to foster communication.

Byrnes said she would work to provide incentives for economic growth and would seek legislation that would allow local input in the placement of mobile homes — a hot topic in Sylvan, Lima and Webster townships. Byrnes also said she would work to preserve farmland through proper taxation.

Both said they would take a guarded approach to budget problems in Lansing.

Byrnes said that bolstering the technology and service industries in the county, educating people and moving beyond "sin" taxes would be the best route to cope with stagnant state revenue. Although she advocated her bipartisanship, Byrnes said the current Republican Legislature holds on to Governor Granholm could be replaced as part of the lackluster

economy.

Yekulis fired back before telling the audience that he would not raise taxes "on the middle class or anyone else," but said there were too many intangibles in the national spectrum — war, prices of oil and the stock market — to predict what the fiscal environment would be in the state next year.

Yekulis said that, in times of financial panic, the state should look at the budget in the same way regular people look at their checkbooks, and would favor cuts across the board, instead of one specific area, if need be.

On social issues, the two candidates displayed their differences, though both sup-

ported the right of people to keep guns.

Byrnes supported a woman's right to choose, while Yekulis advocated his pro-life stance.

On the separation of church and state, Yekulis said he did not oppose government working along side faith-based groups. Byrnes said no religious group should receive state funding.

On education, Yekulis said he would support replacing the MEAP test with the ACT test for high school students, and said he supported President Bush's No Child Left Behind initiative.

Byrnes said the ACT would need to be modified if it were to replace the MEAP test, as

it focuses on different areas.

On affirmative action, Yekulis said he felt he was the victim of reverse discrimination during his 17-year tenure at the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department, and opposed gender or racial preferences given to job applicants. Byrnes said she did not support quotas, but does believe in equal opportunity.

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CHELSEA WEEKEND

- Sat 10/23: Doug Aikenhead speaking on Chelsea history via postcards @ 2 p.m.
- Sun 10/24: Two Author Signings, Michigan native, Amy Benson signing The Sparkling-Eyed Boy, @ 2 p.m. • Bill Wellman of Saline, signing his memoir, Three Suns of August, @ 3 p.m. • Chelsea Film Society showing of "Cinema Paradiso" @ 6 p.m. -FREE

NOVEMBER

- Thurs 10/28: Homeschoolers mock election
- Thurs 10/28: HALLOWEEN Toddler Time party
- Sat 10/30: Jere Stormer Halloween concert 2 p.m.
- Sun 10/31: Treats for all trick or treaters.

- Tues 11/2: Bring in your "I Voted" sticker for a discount
- Wed 11/3: Homeschoolers silent movies
- Thurs 11/4: Toddler Time, noon, with local storyteller Jackie Maveal
- Fri 11/5: Open Mike Poetry Night
- Wed 11/10: Homeschoolers: Maggie Swanson, Creativity
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He said he is interested in serving on the Board of Commissioners because he believes regional planning is vital to the well-being of each community.

"My goal, first, is to partner with the villages and townships and the cities regarding land planning," he said.

Ratliff, 39, whose first name is officially James, has lived in Sylvan Township since 1998, but said he considers all of Washtenaw County home.

"I have lived all over the county. I was born in Ypsilanti, lived in Ann Arbor, lived in Saline, lived in Chelsea, lived in Ypsilanti Township," he said, "so I chose to enhance the county instead of a local government."

If elected, he will find a way to alleviate traffic congestion, he said.

"I think there are ways to calm the traffic, such as creating a maintainable bus route stretching as far as Jackson to Ann Arbor," Ratliff said.

Senior citizen programs, such as those involving help with transportation and grocery shopping, also will be a high priority for him, he said.

Street-wise, Ratliff said he will try to work toward making weight limits on area roads more consistent.

Ouimet, who worked in banking for 25 years, has cited his experience in finances as a major differentiating factor between himself and Ratliff.

"I think the No. 1 thing voters will look at is experience. They want someone who has been able to get things accomplished, to pull things together," he said.

"I have experience working with large budgets and complicated employee issues, and I am someone who can provide leadership."

But Ouimet said his campaign shows that he is interested in listening to voters.

He has canvassed the area more than twice now, knocking on doors and speaking with residents about the county-level issues that concern them, he said.

"People are concerned about taxation, police patrols, land development and housing," Ouimet said. "There are specific

issues when you are in Dexter, where people are concerned about the Baker Road corridor and the Parker Road extension. In Chelsea, people are concerned about the (Chelsea west bypass)."

If elected, Ouimet said he will work with partnering local governments.

"We need to make sure that we are getting these types of developments designed in a way that serves the village and the township," he said of Baker Road.

"Public safety should combine to save tax dollars and provide appropriate protection to the taxpayers," Ouimet said in a survey sent out by The Dexter Leader before the Aug. 3 primaries.

Jail overcrowding — as well as the possibility of building a new jail — and county budget spending are two of the biggest issues facing the county today, the candidates said.

"The question becomes, 'Have we exhausted all of our resources looking at alternatives (to a new jail)?'" said Ouimet, who believes there is a need for a new jail. "Have we looked at how we want to go about funding this? And, quite frankly, what can we afford to do? There is still work that

needs to be done."

"I think as a county, we need to look at police and fire on more of a regional basis," Ouimet said, adding that various police services should work more closely together to protect their areas and those around the areas they serve.

The same is true of other services, as well, Ouimet said.

"There are services that the cities, villages and townships can use that the county has," he said. "I want to build partnerships with the cities, villages and townships to work together to better maximize the taxation of the money and how it serves the residents."

Ratliff also said he believes the county will soon need more jail space.

But he was more critical of the way the current board has dealt with budget concerns. He said the county has laid off approximately 40 employees in the last year or so.

"The county laid off far too many of the actual hands-on workforce," he said. "I would have made it more of an even cut. Taxpayers don't want to see more managers, they want to see our services increase."

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tion address from his Jackson home to a Saline address.

The county has employed incumbent Washtenaw County Clerk Peggy Haines, a Republican, since 1960. She began her career in the register of deeds office, and was elected clerk in 1990.

Haines was subsequently re-elected in 1992, 1996 and 2000 — no small feat considering Ann Arbor voters have traditionally comprised a solid Democratic bloc.

The Michigan Association of County Clerks named Haines County Clerk of the Year in 2002, and she is the past president of the Michigan Association of Register of Deeds and the Michigan Association of County Clerks.

Larry Kestenbaum, who is currently employed by the University of Michigan Institute for Social Research, served as a Washtenaw County commissioner from 2000 to 2002. He is also a member of the Sierra Club and the American Civil Liberties Union.

While the clerk race has remained civil, Stanowski was quick to open the first salvo in the prosecutor contest last Friday.

"I'm running because I see a lack of leadership in the prosecuting attorney's office," Stanowski said. "I find there's hostility and an

adversarial relationship between the office and the police department, the defense bar and with some courts.

"(Mackie) is like an island unto himself," Stanowski said. "He's antagonistic and adversarial with everybody."

Mackie responded to Stanowski's criticisms Monday by saying, "(Stanowski) makes constant unwarranted attacks on me because he has nothing positive in his record, and I'm tired of him."

"We have a good staff, and everyone takes their responsibilities seriously," Mackie said. "We work with everyone — but we can't make everyone happy all the time. No one could do that and do their jobs as they should."

"The job of the prosecutor's office is not just to rubberstamp police requests," Mackie said. "We wouldn't need a prosecutor if we decided the police were the ones who make the charges."

"It is true that when John was in office, he would charge just about anybody."

Candidates for various county races are as follows (asterisks denote incumbents):

Prosecuting attorney

4-year term

*Brian Mackie-D

John Stanowski-R

Sheriff

4-year term

*Daniel Minzey-D

Clerk / Register of Deeds

4-year term

*Peggy Haines-R

Lawrence Kestenbaum-D

Treasurer

4-year term

*Catherine McClary-D

Drain Commissioner

4-year term

*Janis Bobrin-D

The following are candidate responses to election-related questions from The Chelsea Standard and The Dexter Leader:

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BRIAN MACKIE: "I am proud to be associated with a widely respected office that delivers good service to everyone in Washtenaw County. I have assembled an outstanding staff and I am very pleased with the work that we have done. Having personally tried more than 200 felony trials, including 24 consecutive murder convictions, I have the experience and leadership to continue protecting the rights of the people of this county."

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"Washtenaw County has an outstanding prosecutor's office that is respected throughout the state. Since we do not seek publicity, it is hard for the public to know about the good work our office does.

"However, people who know me and know my work, such as former Republican Sheriff Ron Schebil, numerous police officers, crime victims and defense attorneys support me for re-election because I run a good office. My colleagues in the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan elected me as their president because they trusted my leadership.

"I am running for another term because I want to continue the important work that my staff and I have been doing for more than 11 years. The citizens of this county deserve the best prosecution service delivered by people who care more about public service than about merely holding elective office.

"In the coming term, I plan to continue my work in crime prevention. As state co-chair of Fight Crime: Invest in Kids, I have worked to ensure funding for proven crime-prevention strategies such as quality pre-school education and after school programs that help reduce crime, teen pregnancy and poverty. Legislators of both parties have recognized the importance of our agenda and have funded the initiatives that we know will work to reduce crime.

"Our office's Juvenile Diversion Program has proven effective in teaching young offenders to be responsible, law-abiding citizens.

"This office's Bad Check Restitution Program has helped the owners of both large and small businesses recover full restitution faster, while reducing the burden these cases place on the police and the courts.

"I appreciate the trust given me by the voters of this county for the past 11 years and vow to continue providing good service and fighting for a safe community in my next term as your prosecutor."

JOHN STANOWSKI: "The prosecutor's office has stagnated for the past 12 years.

"As the chief law enforcement officer for the county, the prosecutor is responsible for the prosecution of criminal activities within the county.

"Currently, the prosecutor has a 30 percent conviction rate for domestic assault cases. This is primarily due to his deferred sentencing model. As the Jackson City trial attorney, my plea/conviction rate is 87.5 percent for domestic assault/assault cases.

"This is primarily due to a deferred sentencing program that requires a minimum probation of six months,

immediate counseling for anger management or Aggression Intervention for Men, similar to Batterers Intervention, and fines and cost as determined by the court.

"My experience has shown that a greater number of persons charged with domestic assault are willing to enter a program knowing that the deferred sentence recommendation is given up front, theirs to keep or lose.

"A violation of probation or any federal, state or local law voids the deferred sentence agreement. Most assault victims want immediate intervention via anger management, alcohol or drug classes for their spouses as opposed to a jail sentence. Some want immediate incarceration.

"I have elected to run for county prosecutor because of my knowledge, training and experience as a trial attorney in the federal, county, city and township levels of government, as well as my ability to work others.

"I will work with the courts to establish a domestic violence court, whereby a single judge in each district would handle only domestic assault cases from arraignment, plea/trial, sentencing and probation to discharge.

"In the event that a trial is demanded, trials will be accomplished within 30 days of the assault.

"To ensure speedy disposition, I would require the police agencies to incorporate the following requirements: photographs of the victim on the date of the incident, as well as a follow-up the next day when injuries are more pronounced, written or taped statement of the victim and witnesses to prevent the victim, as well as other witnesses, from recanting their statements, 9-1-1 tapes of victims calls, medical reports and photographs.

"Additionally, I will work with the courts to establish a drug offender court to address the non-violent drug and alcohol abuser by requiring the following indi-

viduals to work as a unit: judge, prosecutor, defense attorney and probation officer including hospitals and other facilities for the care and treatment of individuals afflicted with alcohol or drug addiction. This program would be similar to the ones in Livingston and Jackson counties.

DANIEL MINZEY: "I am running for office to continue accomplishing goals for the sheriff's office that will improve public safety and justice in Washtenaw County.

"The jail in Washtenaw County is too small, and public safety is at risk. More space is needed to keep dangerous criminals off the street.

"A cost-effective and comprehensive plan must be created for policing the citizens of Washtenaw County.

"The radio system in the county needs to be improved so that all police, fire and emergency medical responders can communicate for better public safety."

PEGGY HAINES: "I am running for the clerk/register's position because of my commitment to public service and good government for the citizens I serve.

"Being a public servant is important to me and I am proud to be a part of the Washtenaw County Team that provides 'world-class customer service.' I enjoy working for the citizens of Washtenaw County, and I want to continue to provide caring, personalized and courteous service to all the citizens and customers whose records we have in our care and custody.

"We were one of the first clerk's offices in the state to

purchase ballot generation software, enabling us to generate ballots, program electronic voting devices and post election results and campaign finance on the Internet.

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"After the November election, I will continue to enhance technology in my office to improve service, cut costs and streamline the management of records.

"We are in the process of initiating a back file conversion in the register of deeds office, which will incorporate on line, the Grantor-Grantee Index and records from 1969 until the present.

"We will be working with the local city and township clerks to implement the new state laws with election consolidation and the Help America Vote Act. We will continue to work with the local units of government and the private sector to enhance the services that the clerk/register's office provides to the citizens of Washtenaw County.

"In the Court Services Division, we are working to develop a new payment system for jurors. Once in place, jurors will receive payment immediately upon completion of their services.

"I want continuous enhancement of the important components of the clerk/register's office, which are accuracy, accountability and customer service."

LAWRENCE KESTENBAUM: "In the largest sense, I'm running because I believe in democracy. I know that sounds like a platitude. But American democracy is battered these days by declining participation and widespread skepticism about the proper handling and accurate counting of votes.

"One basic participation problem is the shortage of candidates for office, which has gotten steadily worse over the last generation. We politicians love to be unopposed, but it isn't good for democracy to have elections with no choices, and it isn't even good for the leaders who gain election or re-election without any incentive to interact with and learn from voters.

"Those of us who are qualified — especially for specialized positions such as county clerk and register of deeds — have a particular obligation to step forward and make ourselves available for public service.

"Our whole system derives its legitimacy not just from the consent of the governed, but also from the participation of the governed.

"The goal of election administration should be inclusive: to maximize the number

of people who take part, to remove unnecessary barriers to voting, to make the intricacies more understandable, information more accessible and the process more efficient, secure and trustworthy.

"I have a great deal of background in elections. As an election inspector at the city, township and county level, a poll challenger, candidate, elected official, director of voter registration drives, and attorney in recounts, I have participated in nearly every aspect of the election process. I have written articles and given speeches about problems in election administration, voter authentication, tabulation and voting systems.

"We need a county clerk who understands this critical technology, who can recognize problems, ask the right questions, and evaluate costs and risks, rather than simply taking the word of hired techs or salesmen.

"Dealing with the public day after day is not easy work. Lots of customers are rude or impatient or challenging in other ways.

"After a while, even the most well-intentioned organization starts to develop a 'customer-is-the-enemy' culture. This tendency must constantly be resisted.

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do in a county government that aspires to provide 'world-class service.' To achieve this requires ongoing, daily commitment from management, as well as support and training for front-line staff.

"Final authority rests with the judges, but I believe the clerk should be an advocate for making jury service as brief and efficient as possible. One-day, one-trial service should be the standard.

"Republicans have held the office of Washtenaw County Clerk for seven decades.

"Partisanship is relevant because the clerk leads the redistricting process in the county, and helps make appointments to fill vacancies in other partisan — and policymaking — elected county positions.

"I'm the first Democrat to run for county clerk in eight years, and I'm the first one to

put on a serious campaign in a lot longer than that. But the baseline vote for Democrats in Washtenaw County has been rising gradually since the 1960s. This will be Washtenaw County's most Democratic election year in modern history, so I think my chances are very good.

"But Washtenaw Republicans are not going away: the county clerk's job requires cooperating with township clerks, most of whom are Republicans. I have a strong record of working across party lines.

"For example, as county commissioner, I successfully pushed for the creation of a minority party (i.e., Republican) position on the board leadership team.

"Better decisions result when all sides are at the table.

"A great many respected leaders have endorsed me and supported my campaign from the beginning. Former state Rep. John Hansen and Washtenaw County Treasurer Catherine McClary are perhaps the most well

known. "My opponent and I are running positive and educational campaigns. Peggy Haines and I have been on good terms for years, and I want that to continue. She and I disagree on many issues, but I do not attack her record or stewardship. Rather, my campaign material offers my vision of what the office would be under my administration."

CATHERINE MCCLARY: "My job as county treasurer is to safeguard public funds. My office receipts, deposits, accounts for and reconciles more than \$400 million annually. I manage the county's investment portfolio of approximately \$135 million. "I have developed internal controls and adhere to best practices to protect public



Catherine McClary

monies. I established an automated cash management program for the county, implemented electronic banking, and worked with the cities and townships for a standardized, computerized collection of property taxes.

"I developed a program to prevent foreclosures and homelessness among delinquent property taxpayers that serves as a model for other communities. State law requires the county treasurer to collect delinquent property taxes, or else to foreclose on the person's home and auction it to the highest bidder. In Washtenaw County, we do whatever possible to collect rather than foreclose.

"Competent, caring staff in the treasurer's office will assist all home and business owners who face an emergency or financial hardship.

"I worked with the Board of Commissioners of Washtenaw County to create a new social worker position in the treasurer's office to help people facing foreclosure to prevent homeless-

ness. "I have done a good job serving the people of Washtenaw County and protecting public funds, and I would appreciate their support for re-election."

JANIS BOBRIN: "My position provides fabulous opportunities to try to implement approaches for sustainable development and to try to protect the county's natural resources.



Janis Bobrin

"The drain commission's first and foremost function is construction, operation and maintenance of the county's stormwater systems and drains.

"We've created some terrific partnerships with local governments. We've been able to help protect and preserve natural resources and grow smarter, with less environmental impact in areas we know will see lots of

growth in the future. "We've developed watershed plans for large portions of the county, and are working to implement new federal mandates to provide better natural features protections.

"Washtenaw County is one of fastest growing counties in Michigan, and the way we grow will be the key determinant in what kind of water quality we have in the future.

"We're working with Huron and Raisin River watershed councils, and across governmental bodies to try and protect our watersheds.

"If you don't work across jurisdictional bodies, you don't accomplish anything when trying to protect watersheds.

"Passage of open space millages has protected stream corridors, critical habitat and natural areas.

"We're looking at providing better and more efficient customer service, and better programs that are more cost-effective."

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EXTENSION

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Township Supervisor Pat Kelly said.

"It's a five line you walk. One camp would say, 'If you build it, they will come.' The other camp will say, 'They've already built it. They are already here. We need to figure something out,'" she said.

Road Commission officials said the extension was just one of many ideas to discuss when considering solutions to traffic congestion problems in Dexter and Chelsea, and the lack of north-south connecting roads in western Washtenaw County.

Ken Reiter, a transportation planner for the county, said the extension is under consideration because of planned developments that will be added to the area near Dexter Townhall Road and Island Lake Road, where Dexter Townhall currently ends.

Two contractors are planning separate subdivisions to go at the intersection. One of the subdivisions, Lindemann Farms, proposed by Peters Building Co., includes land that can be used to extend Dexter-Townhall.

That, combined with another as-of-yet-unplanned development for the land south of Lindemann Farms, would extend the road almost all the way to Dancer.

The costs associated with such an extension would fall largely on the developers, with a small amount falling on the county.

"(Peters Building) would build the first piece on their parcel. There is another parcel to the south that could be developed, and if that were to happen, the developer would be asked to continue the extension as part of their development," Reiter said.

"There's a development in front of us today, so that's why we are looking at this portion."

Other proposals included a Parker Road or a Baker Road extension.

Reiter stressed that all the proposals are simply ideas up for discussion.

"The township really needs to decide whether or not this is something that they want to support," he said.

He added that more than

one north-south extension is likely to be necessary, given the developmental pressure of the area.

Much of what happens with the Dexter Townhall extension is reliant on the outcome of the Nov. 2 election in which township voters must choose against eight candidates running for four trustee seats.

Because Lindemann Farms is already in planning stages and because developmental pressure elsewhere in the township is high, the issue of whether to extend the road is fairly immediate.

"In positive way, it would free up some of the bottlenecking in Chelsea and Dexter," independent candidate Guerin Wilkinson said, "but do we want to have all that traffic coming through the middle of the township? I'm not sure we do."

Kelly said that she does not want to rule out the possibility of extending the road, despite the current opposition.

"I am for preserving the possibility of a Dexter Townhall Road extension," she said. "I'm not in favor of hastening it. I'm not in favor of pushing it."

Kelly said she believes extending the road may help alleviate traffic congestion in the area and give people living in Dexter Township a faster way to commute to their jobs.

"Maybe in 50 years, (Dexter

Townhall) eventually goes all the way to 94. It would eliminate a lot of people having to go through Dexter or Chelsea to get through 94," she said. "All they want to do is get to 94 to get to their jobs."

She said the town board is working on taking steps to ensure that local officials have a final say in whether an extension will be built.

The board has an agreement with Peters Building that the developer will give a portion of the land that would have to be used when building the extension, Kelly said.

The land, termed a "nuisance strip" then could be used as leverage to ensure that improvements to Dexter Townhall and Dancer roads are completed before the extension is completed.

Reiter said he believes such leverage is unnecessary and that the Washtenaw County Road Commission understands the safety concerns associated with the project.

Clerk Harley Rider said there are many dangerous points in the road that would have to be fixed before it could be used as a major route.

Rider said he is not in favor of extending the road because of safety concerns at several intersections, as well as sight-distance issues.

But he added that, because growth in other townships and municipalities is not

something Dexter Township officials can control, commuter traffic will have to go somewhere.

"We can help channel and direct where that traffic goes," he said. "Our goal is to get that traffic that is coming into the township through and out of the township as quickly as possible."

Independent candidate Marcia Ottoman said she is "way against" a Dexter Townhall Road extension.

"I just don't think it needs to happen," she said, calling the proposal an "invitation for more development."

Ottoman said more development would adversely affect farms in the area.

"If that extension goes there, you can just kiss agriculture goodbye in both (Lima and Dexter) townships," she said.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Dexter Village Resisting Arrest

A 20-year-old Ann Arbor man was arrested early in the morning of Oct. 8 by deputies from the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office for resisting arrest, indecent exposure and possessing alcohol.

According to a police report, the man was among seven people deputies were questioning in a parking lot across the street from St. Joseph's Catholic Church Cemetery about other events. The man fled from the rest of the group after Dexter Village deputies called for backup.

Deputies watched as the man ran away, falling several times. He crossed Dan Hoey Road running north and jumped the chain-link fence to the cemetery "with great difficulty," the police report stated. He then fell to the ground again and continued north, finally exiting the line of sight of the officers, who had stayed in place to tend to the other six people.

Eventually, deputies took the others to the Dexter Village substation. Deputies drove by the cemetery on their way, searching for the running man. They found him sleeping on his back on an embankment in the cemetery.

Deputies noticed that the man had abrasions on his arms and dirt on his pants and shirt. In addition, the man's pant zipper was undone, and the police report said he was exposing himself. Deputies attempted to awake the man, who became hostile, a report said. They turned him on his back to handcuff him, but he struggled and screamed throughout the arrest. Deputies told him they would use a chemical spray to calm him down, if necessary. The arresting deputies used a chemical irritant on the man twice before he stopped struggling, a report said.

His blood-alcohol content at 5:50 a.m. was 0.172 percent, tests showed. A level of 0.08 percent or higher is considered legally drunk. He was taken to jail.

Scio Township Theft

A rash of tire and rim thefts plaguing area car dealerships has not stopped.

According to police reports, on Sept. 18, two sets of Pirelli tires and rims were found missing from two 2005 Ford Focus vehicles that had been at the Varsity Ford dealership, 3480 Jackson Boulevard, for only one day.

Also, sometime between 11:30 p.m. Oct. 6 and 1:20 p.m. Oct. 7, two 17-inch aluminum wheels, with a total value of \$2,000, were reported stolen from a 2005 Envoy at the Jim Bradley Auto Sales lot, 3500 Jackson Road. That car had also arrived at the lot during the previous day and did not yet have wheel locks in place.

In addition, four tires and rims were reported stolen from the Dunning Subaru dealership, 4225 Jackson Road, sometime between 5 p.m. Oct. 8 and 10 a.m. Oct. 9.

Deputies were able to lift five fingerprints off of two hydraulic jacks left at the scene.

A 38-year-old Chelsea man reported to deputies Oct. 8 that \$2,000 worth of his personal belongings had been stolen from a locker at Polo Fields Golf and Country Club.

According to a police report, the man had gone to Polo Fields to work out at approximately 3:20 p.m. that day and had finished at 4 p.m. He took a shower and upon returning to his locker, discovered that several items were missing from their shelf.

The items included a Spring PCS handspring trio silver cell phone valued at \$400, a Blackberry Cingular wireless e-mail pager valued at \$300, a Tughuer silver and black watch valued at \$700 and a \$800 gold University of Chicago alumni ring with a flat face and the "MBA" and "06" engraved markings.

The man told deputies he had seen two men, who appeared to be in their mid-20s, walk into the locker room for 10 or 15 minutes and

then leave again while he had been working out. He said he did not know if anyone entered the locker room while he had been in the shower.

Employees said they had not noticed any non-members in the area during the time of the alleged theft.

Deputies believe one of the universal keys that fits all lockers in the locker room was used to break into the locker.

Drunken Driving

A 36-year-old man from Mexico was arrested at 1:15 a.m. Oct. 10 for drunken driving. According to a police report, the man also did not have any valid driver's license.

Deputies first observed the man, driving in a black Chevy pickup, traveling 20 mph near Dexter and Clarendon roads. According to a police report, he was first weaving in his own lane, but then crossed over the centerline. He returned to his own lane, then crossed entirely over to the other lane into oncoming traffic. Another vehicle had to drive on the road's shoulder to avoid a collision.

The vehicle then slowed to just 5 mph and again crossed over the centerline.

Officers reported that the man smelled of alcohol and that his eyes were bloodshot. Unable to communicate effectively with the man, who spoke little or no English, officers had to turn off the man's vehicle.

The man was able to convey to officers that he had been in the United States for only eight days. He said he was staying with friends in Ann Arbor or Ypsilanti and had been in Dexter the night before. He told officers he had had three beers during the night.

The man's blood-alcohol content was 0.20 percent at 2:19 a.m., tests showed.

Compiled by Staff Writer Maria Sprow based on reports filed with the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office.



65th Reunion

Members of the Chelsea High School Class of 1939 gathered in the Woodland Room at Chelsea Community Hospital Sept. 19 for their 65th reunion dinner. Attending were, in back, Vincent Heim (left), Betty Boyce Worden, Howard Haselschwardt, Virginia Burg Rowe, Duane Rowe, Victor Hindelang, David Eaton, Roland White, Mary Jane Riker Leeman and Martin Merkel; in front, Bernard Lyons (left), Lucille Martin, Helen Jurecki Wahl, Henrietta Beach Johnson, Virginia Lehman Elkins and Betty Seltz Bust.

CHELSEA

Book discussion set

The Chelsea District Library, in partnership with the Chelsea Seniors Center, will host the Senior Book Discussion Club 1:30 p.m. Oct. 21 at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St.

The discussion will focus on "The Undertaking: Life Studies from the Dismal Trade" by Thomas Lynch and "The Alchemist" by Paul Coelho.

Lynch, a poet and undertaker, has been called "a cross between Garrison Keillor and ... Irish poets," by The New York Times.

"The Undertaking" is a collection of essays, anecdotes and musings about life and death.

"The Alchemist" is a novel about an Andalusian shepherd boy who travels from his homeland Spain to the

Egyptian desert searching for a treasure. A classic fable, the book has been a bestseller in the author's native South America.

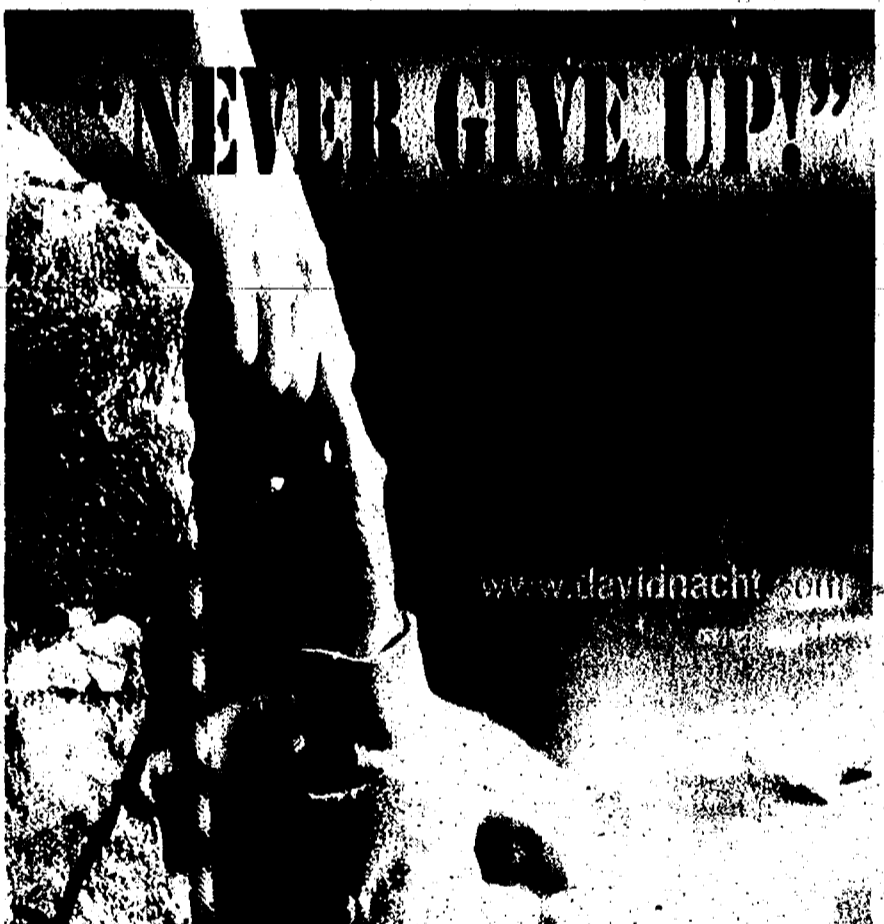
The Senior Book Discussion Club is held the third Thursday of each month, and is moderated by Chelsea District Library Adult Services Librarian Tracy Malek. Books are available for participants.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Telephone calls were misleading to voters

Just after 9:30 p.m. Oct. 1, we received an automated telephone call from "Pam" about the 52nd District State House of Representatives campaign. The content of the call was a dishonest misrepresentation of Pam Byrnes' goals for protecting the quality of life that makes our communities so special.

Who paid for these calls? Who is the force behind them? Can it be her opponent or his supporters?

Pam is for protecting Michigan jobs, making health care more affordable, supporting excellence in our schools, listening to people who live throughout the district and bringing people together in an honest and forthcoming way.

Attempts at sneaky misrepresentations counter democracy. The media should help voters learn who is behind these calls.

Deborah Oakley
 Lyndon Township

Waterloo incumbents, write-in deserve support

It's an important time in the future of Waterloo Township that the proven leadership is maintained. The Preserve Rural Waterloo group has clearly indicated that they intend to change the way we live in the community. Instead of being able to live harmoniously in this quiet community, the Five Who Care has poisoned the atmosphere by spewing untruths and pitting longstanding neighbors against each other.

The slate of Huttenlocher, Sweet, Hannewald, and Sweet will truly preserve and maintain the real rural Waterloo Township that we have enjoyed for years.

Remember that you do have choice for clerk. It is Mike Sadler as a write-in candidate.

Bob Burgess
 Waterloo Township

Chelsea firefighters should be lauded

All the residents of Chelsea owe a big "thank you" to the Chelsea Area Fire Authority for all the work it puts into our community's Chelsea Fair Parade.

For many years, we have watched as department members arrive at several of the streets and work hard to see that the floats, bands, old cars, horses and all the other participants are placed in order.

In their spare time, they handed out "parade participant" plaques to participants (we have a large collection of them). All this time, we're sure they are wondering when a fire or other emergency may occur.

We also would like to thank the department for the very unexpected honor they bestowed upon us by honor-

ing us as the Parade Marshals of 2004.

Every day, the men and women of the Chelsea Area Fire Authority stand ready hoping we never see anything like Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks here. But if they save one life, and they have, they are our heroes.

Don and Linda Cole
 Chelsea

Waterloo voters should maintain leadership

The creative and often deceptive tactics presented by the Five Who Care is a clear indication how they will represent the citizens of Waterloo Township. Surely it is not in the best interest of the collective body, but in the self-serving interest of the Preserve Rural Waterloo platform.

Vote Nov. 2 for Huttenlocher, Sweet, Hannewald and Sweet. The real representation needed is the proven leadership in Waterloo Township.

This is your opportunity to make a difference. Write in Mike Sadler for clerk.

Edwin Haft
 Waterloo Township

Preservationists forcing ideals on Waterloo folks

It's time for the residents of Waterloo Township to speak up and be counted. For some time now, the Preserve Rural Waterloo group has railroaded and pushed its community property rights platform down everyone's throats.

Do not be the silent majority sitting by and allowing this noisy and obnoxious group of people to force their ideal upon the rest of the residents who respect the property rights of others.

Vote for Huttenlocher, Sweet, Hannewald and Sweet.

Mary Bozelak
 Waterloo Township

Time for new leadership in Waterloo Township

It's time for new leadership in Waterloo Township. The Five Who Care for Waterloo believe that the Township Board should work to preserve the quality of life we enjoy in our township.

They believe this can be done by considering the opinions of every resident and finding solutions that balance the rights of all.

They will work to manage growth so that our rural character and natural resources are protected.

Opponents have accused them of wanting to take away property rights. To the contrary, they are genuinely concerned about the plight of farmers and others who want to sell their land for retirement.

They believe in establishing policies that allow landowners to receive a fair return without opening the door to large-scale developments.

We urge all concerned

Waterloo residents to join us in voting for Steve Leiter for supervisor, Judy Gray for clerk, Doug Lance for treasurer, and Ron Beyer and Wesley Schulz for trustees.

Kathy and Lathe Claffin
 Waterloo Township

Vote for those who support PDR ordinance

Purchase of development rights programs are voluntary. These programs are nationally proven ways to preserve farmland and open space. If a willing seller in Jackson County chooses to apply for virtually any PDR funding program, public or private, his chances of getting that money are nil.

He will lose too many points to win funding because of the lack of a supporting resolution in the county or township.

When you vote in November, make sure the candidate you choose will actually adopt the necessary resolution. In Waterloo Township, this means voting for Leiter, Gray, Lance, Beyer and Schulz.

Charity Steere
 Waterloo Township

Sylvan incumbents deserve another term

The Sylvan Township Board has our vote.

We just received a simple white postcard for the members of the Sylvan Township Board asking for our support. There was no bashing of their opponents. They just stated with humble elegance what they have accomplished for Sylvan Township.

I will just restate the main points.

- Balanced budget and new township hall paid in full.

- Environmental protection: The sewer will preserve the quality of the lakes and our groundwater.

- Community stewardship with a master plan, development standards and a planned urban area.

- Public safety: Chelsea Area Fire Authority and a Michigan State Police detachment located at the township hall.

- Communication and participation: Sylvan newsletter, citizens advisory committee, night with the trustees and availability before every board meeting.

- Relationships: City of Chelsea, surrounding townships and the Chelsea area planning team.

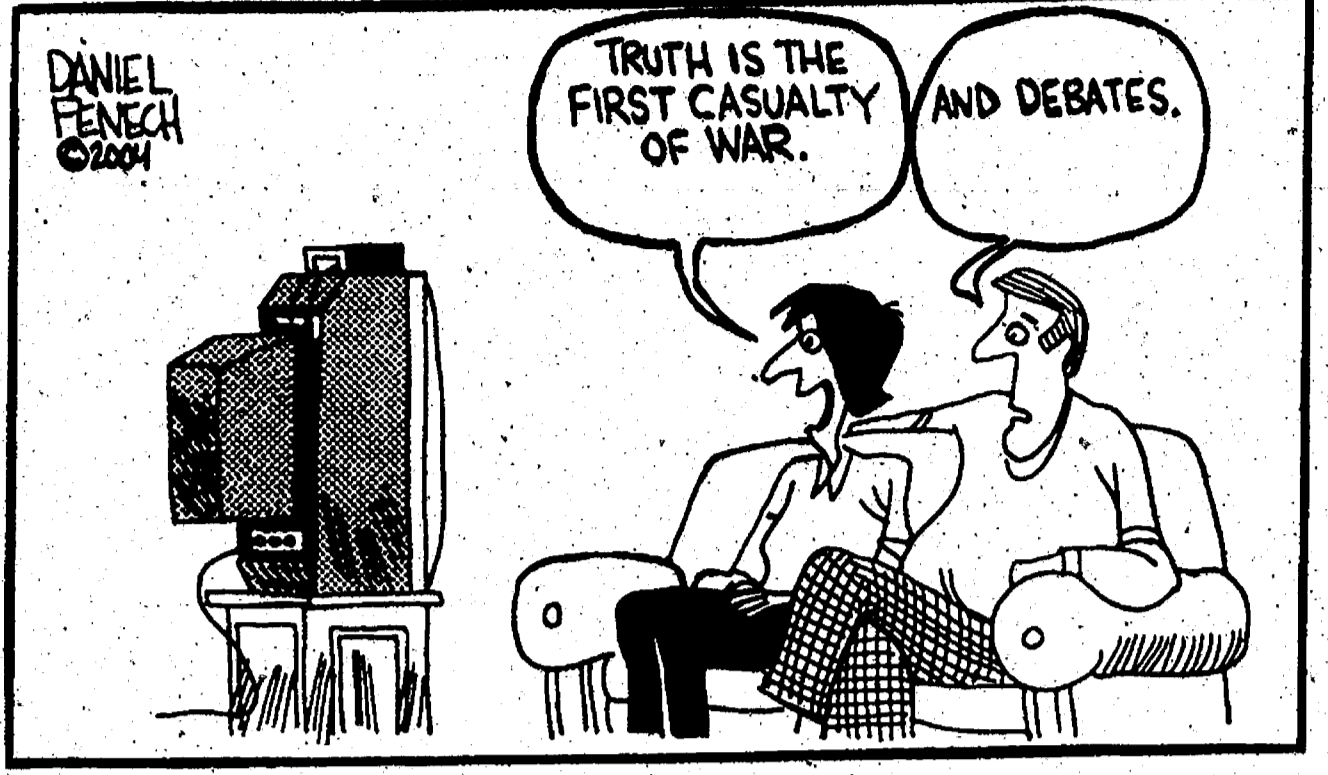
Their closing statement says it as it should be, "We are committed to serve the township with integrity and with a vision for the future."

They have our vote.
 Donald and Cheryl Schoenberg
 Sylvan Township

Waterloo voters should make informed decision

With all the news coverage about the national election,

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EDITORIAL

Heroes touch our lives

Growing up, heroes were something that came few and far between.

It all goes back to Super-Man.

Heroes, defined by my daily dosage of cartoons, are infallible, I learned. They are brave and never hesitate to rush into danger. They are strong and feared, and have God on their side because they are good.

I had never met a person who fit the bill. In my quest to find a hero, I focused on finding and analyzing others' flaws, believing that the world doesn't change by doing what everyone else has already done.

A person who focuses on flaws rarely finds a hero. I thought a hero was a nice theory, an ideal version of every human that would never exist because the world isn't ideal, and because there are billions of flaws out there to afflict even the best of people.

Now I know that heroes — or that cartoon version of a hero — are actually idiots. Humans should always hesitate before rushing into danger; they fear, they have weaknesses, they have their bad side.

This all goes back to Super-Man — the real Super-Man, not the character he played.

I remember the day actor Christopher Reeve fell off that horse. As someone who rides and has fallen off herself, I cannot imagine my own reaction to such an accident. All I could think was, "There lies Super-Man, paralyzed and fallen."

I would have given up after suffering such a life-altering crash. But in the days, months and years after his accident, Reeve, even at his worst, showed that he was a real hero — someone to look up to because of his strengths and his flaws.

A hero, I learned, is someone who hesitates, but goes on anyway; who fears, but faces those fears; who

adapts to their weaknesses and thrives despite those weaknesses; who recognizes that the easiest or most immediately rewarding course of action may not be the "good" course; who struggles to choose the good course but who, in the end, does choose the good course.

They are people who try to better society without having to be asked. They are people who do the little things that others fail to do. They are people who operate well in crises, who simply take the needs of others into account.

Reeve's death last week

was the only time I've ever felt saddened by a celebrity's passing.

He was remarkable to me not as Super-Man — I have never seen his movies — but as a person and everything that he stood for. He personified hope in a way that no one I knew had ever done before. He allowed the world to see him at his most vulnerable and, though he couldn't move or breathe on his own, still managed to lead the world in its fight for new medicines.

That's pretty remarkable. There's not really anything to


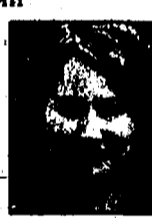
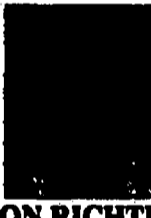





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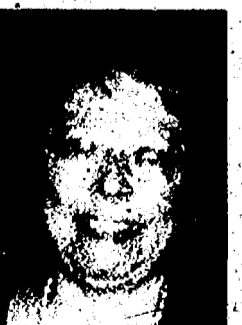
By Rita Fischer

What do you think of all the political junk mail and phone calls?



"I am sick of it. I ignore it. It's all propaganda, and how do you know that they will do what they say?"

Bill Dyke
 Dexter Township



"I think that if it's a person running who I am interested in, I will read it. If not, I just throw it out. It's better than what they have on TV."

Kathy Buss
 Lima Township



"I do not have time to read them, but it's a good opportunity to learn about who is running. One cannot base your opinions on any of it. It could be biased."

Chery Cremer
 Chelsea



"I am sick of it all. I throw it away, and I have had enough of it on TV."

Sandy Donner
 Dexter Township

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LETTERS

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We can't afford four more years of Bush

My father was a devout Republican and Christian man for 81 years. He voted for Bush in 2000 and lived to deeply regret his vote.

He grew to despise how the Bush administration uses this country and its people for its own agenda. He saw how the Bush administration takes from the poor and middle class to line the pockets of the wealthy. He saw the Bush administration's disregard for the elderly, the working class, the environment and the world.

Sadly, my father passed away in May. But if he were alive today, he would be crossing his party line and voting for Kerry. He knew our country couldn't afford four more years of the Bush administration.

I agree with my father.
Brenda Queen
Bridgewater Township

Bush is right choice for pro-life supporters

I was profoundly disturbed to read several letters in The Chelsea Standard within the past few weeks. Members of the Chelsea-area church I attend wrote to support pro-choice presidential candidate John Kerry.

I am befuddled as to how any Christian can vote for someone who would spend tax dollars on an act as heinous as partial-birth abortion. John Kerry will do just that.

The war in Iraq is an issue on which God-fearing people can disagree. I recognize that as pacifism and isolationism are not in conflict with church teaching, neither is the idea of a just war. That being said, we must recognize that our presence in Iraq has saved thousands of lives.

During his 30 years in power, Saddam Hussein was responsible for the deaths of an average of roughly 100 people per day. The United Nations has calculated that 5,000 people per month lost

their lives as a result of his policies during the embargo.

Those who truly value all human life should applaud our efforts toward liberty in this region.

The white crosses in several front yards recognize the Americans who have lost their lives in the defense of freedom worldwide. Please realize, however, that these numbers are dwarfed by the number of innocent children brutally killed each day in our own country.

To stand up in church and worship the creator of all life, while supporting someone who advocates the killing of babies is, in my view, the height of hypocrisy.

For pro-life voters, there is only one candidate: George Bush.

Eric Swager
Chelsea

Lindow best choice for WCC board seat

I was a longtime resident of Chelsea and have family attending Washtenaw Community College. I have never written a letter such as this, but I do feel strongly about a candidate who is running for the Washtenaw Community College Board of Trustees. This candidate's name is Kenneth Lindow.

Ken grew up in Chelsea. He graduated from Chelsea High School. And he continues to care about small communities. He is also knowledgeable and cares about Washtenaw Community College. Ken received an associate's degree from WCC and now teaches at the college as an adjunct professor.

Ken is concerned about outreach programs and realizes how far it is for you or your children to drive to the campus to access the classes needed. In an effort to ease the burden, he would like to see more classes offered in small communities throughout Washtenaw County.

The current president of the college, Larry Whitworth, has said he wants to raise tuition \$4 to \$6 per credit hour for the next several years. This becomes an issue of access:

more limited means and puts an additional burden on middle-class families.

Ken has vowed to fight to hold tuition down to the rate of inflation.

Right now, the board makes many of its decisions behind closed doors. Ken would like to bring openness to all board activities.

He also feels current spending on facility repair and maintenance needs to be reviewed. He would like to discuss budgets and ask the hard questions about where our money is being spent and how we can trim wasteful spending without changing the quality of our education.

It is not often that we have a chance to vote for a candidate with a fresh outlook, the heart to fight for changes that will benefit small communities and the determination to fight for the right to do so. When you come to this particular section of the ballot, the candidate who will support your interests, and that's Kenneth Lindow.

Karen Mirochna
Grass Lake

Stephen Gill would be an asset to WCC board

During the nearly 40 years I spent as an automotive industry executive, I was very much aware that my most valuable asset was a workforce of well-trained and motivated employees.

The training provided and the skills that can be acquired at Washtenaw Community College in the fields of technology and engineering provide the platform upon which students can build successful careers.

This kind of training is becoming increasingly critical as the manufacturing environment becomes more technical and sophisticated.

Steve Gill, who is a candidate for the Washtenaw Community College Board of Trustees, understands the changing training needs in not only the automotive industry, but across the workforce in general. He has a broad background in adult

education and organizational development.

He has provided consulting services to businesses, non-profits, colleges and universities. His experience and vision will serve WCC well.

There is a generally accepted principle that past performance is no guarantee of future performance. Based on my experience, however, in serving with Steve Gill on the board of HelpSource, Washtenaw County's largest social services organization, I witnessed the devotion and commitment that he displayed. You can expect that same level of performance as he takes on yet another community role as a trustee of Washtenaw Community College.

Don't miss the opportunity to enlist the services of an exceptional individual. Vote for Stephen Gill Nov. 2.

L.M. Callaway
Lodi Township

Choose the country's next president wisely

We as Americans have a critical choice before us regarding the future of this country. I have investigated the candidates in some (gory) detail.

George W. Bush is a conservative and proud of it. I do not like all the spending, but he has done a good job on the economy, taxes, jobs, trade (except for the steel tariffs), education, the War on Terror, Afghanistan, Iraq, judicial appointments, etc.

The U.S. recovered from the recession inherited from Clinton-Gore and the economic shock of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. Unemployment is 4 to 5 percent below most of the industrialized world.

John Kerry is a northeastern, big-government liberal, but doesn't want to admit it. He was rated the most liberal Senator on all issues for only one year, but he was rated the most liberal senator on social issues for 10 years of his 20 years in the Senate.

There have been several

versions of Kerry — Kerry-lite (northeastern liberal running to the center), Howard Dean-lite (angry white liberal but not quite the anti-war candidate), Bush-lite (for the war in Iraq but less so), Bush-heavy (tougher, meaner, smarter), now John Edwards-lite (a populist but not smiling as much), and Santa Claus-lite (free goodies for everybody).

Kerry's four-point plan for Iraq is in tatters: German and French ministers have said they will not send any troops to Iraq, Kerry has slandered both our current coalition partners and Iraqi Prime Minister Iyad Allawi, the Duesler Report identifies the corruption of the United Nations and France in the oil-for-food program, as well as an "imminent threat" from Saddam's biological agents program.

Kerry's "middle-class values": Partial-birth abortion, against parental notification of minors having an abortion, use of human embryos for research, and only appointing pro-choice judges to the Supreme Court. Who is going to pay for Kerry's \$1.25 to \$1.5 trillion health care program? The middle class. Who will he appoint to the Supreme Court? Activist judges.

President Bush is not perfect, but I trust him to lead our country. Kerry, on the other hand, appears willing to say anything to win, including misleading and deceptive statements.

It's your choice. Make it carefully.

Donald DeSmith
Dexter Township

Hold Bush responsible for snafu with vaccine

Why isn't the Bush administration being held accountable for the flu vaccine shortage?

Across the country, seniors and disabled citizens are standing in lines for an hour after hour for a flu shot. Many of them are on respirators, using canes, in wheelchairs or in pain. Many have gone to two, three or four clinics, showing up hours early, only to be told there won't be enough vaccine for everyone.

Why didn't the government have a back-up plan when, for years, public health officials have cited the real risk of a flu pandemic?

How can we trust the Bush administration to protect us from a biological terrorist attack when it can't even manage to provide flu shots?

Timothy Smith
Rehoboth Beach, Del.

Letter writers did not have all the facts

There is a saying that goes something like this: All that is necessary for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing.

My firm belief in that saying and the unsupported accusations of Robin Jones and Marian Sprague coupled with the gross misstatement of facts by D. Michael Hinkle in last week's edition of The Chelsea Standard requires a response.

The unsubstantiated assumption that because the Preserve Rural Waterloo candidates' signs were torn

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down Oct. 8, that it could only be the supporters of the current Waterloo Township Board is typical of PRW and its supporters.

The supporters of the group have a history of making unsubstantiated claims without thinking first or having any real facts to support their claims.

What Ms. Sprague and Ms. Jones seem to have missed in their finger-pointing exercise is that the event took place on a Friday night or early Saturday morning, when there were also mailboxes laying on Waterloo-Munith Road. There is a lot of sign pilfering taking place as reported in the newspapers and I, who am a current Waterloo board member and supporter of the candidates running against the PRW crew, also had two signs stolen from my place Oct. 8.

The events sound more like Friday night pranks than the conspiracy that Ms. Jones and Ms. Sprague are suggesting. If I thought like they did, I would have to ask why their candidate signs were pulled up and left on the road, while my candidate's signs were taken. But I am a lot smarter than that.

Now with respect to Mr. Hinkle's absurd claim that the board is for development because they gave "approval to the largest high-density development project ever to be allowed in this community." Well, for your information, Mr. Hinkle and to anyone who believes this fairytale, the approval of the Burgess/Woodhouse land divisions is a matter of law.

The Michigan Land Division Act sets the guidelines for how many divisions a person is entitled to. If they meet those requirements, you are obligated to approve the land division. This was a land division allowed by law, not a high-density development.

And just so the rest of the world knows how much the supporters of the PRW misled people, Mr. Hinkle failed to mention that Ron Beyer, a PRW candidate, voted without hesitation or objection to approve of the land division.

Do not be misled by PRW and its candidates. Think about your vote and do not jump to conclusions without getting the facts.

I have thought about it and, even though I support a number of Democrats for other offices, I will support the Republican candidates Everett Huttenlocher, Pam Sweet, Robert Hannewald and Dave Sweet for the Waterloo Township Board. I will also write-in Mike Sadler for Waterloo Township clerk because I know that Mike is the better candidate for that position, and he will represent the people and not PRW's leaders' agenda.

Helmuth Schultz
Waterloo Township

Elect slate of Sylvan Township incumbents

I have always felt that politics at the local level was founded on the principle that all of the candidates wanted what was best for their community, and that they sup-

ported each other's efforts to that end. When there was a difference of opinion, they would put forth their ideas by attending meetings and participating on citizen committees.

Williams, Brooks, Sikorski, Solo and Wilson have chosen to approach the upcoming election with a negative campaign filled with falsehoods, half-truths and reading-between-the-lines insinuations.

The Sylvan Board has chosen to take the moral high ground and talk about their accomplishments instead of their opponents' lack of understanding and inexperience in township matters.

On July 22, The Chelsea Standard printed full-length interviews given by each of the candidates. The following are a few quotes from those interviews.

Michael Williams, running for supervisor: "I think we would be able to bring in-house some of the accounting that we are now contracting out to Plante & Moran and save some dollars there."

The township spends \$20,000 to \$25,000 yearly for accounting services. The state requires that audits be done and certified by accounting firms such as Plante & Moran, and if the township conducted the audit itself, the township would lose approximately \$190,000 in state revenue sharing.

Inexperience and lack of understanding by Williams would cost the township \$165,000.

David Brooks, running for clerk: "Maintaining a rural quality of life in Sylvan Township is impossible without the cooperation of the city of Chelsea, surrounding townships, Washtenaw County and Jackson County. Building long-term, constructive relationships with all levels of government will be a high priority."

I could not agree more with his statement. There will be an ad in next week's paper sponsored by the people who endorse retaining the Sylvan Township Board. If you read through the list, you will see members from the Chelsea City Council and every other municipality listed, as supporting the Sylvan Township Board. This type of endorsement has been earned through many years of cooperation and trust.

Elizabeth Wilson, running for trustee: "I am not interested in politics in itself. I became involved in 1997 after finding out that a Chelsea bypass was in the planning stages."

Candidates who serve the least are ones who serve themselves. It is apparent that Wilson is a single-issue candidate. The Chelsea bypass has been planned for 25 years. Lima Township has a proposal to extend Parker Road, which would bypass Dexter Village. Improvement to roads, bypasses and new roads are planned to meet the needs of the community.

David Solo, running for trustee: "In addition, they have filled all appointments with insiders, rejecting the offers of service from residents who are not one of the 'old boys' network."

During the past two years, Williams, Wilson and Solo never applied for any of the

vacant position within the township.

In 2003, Corinne Sikorski applied for and was appointed to be the Sylvan Township Representative to the Western Washtenaw Recycle Authority. Sikorski was also asked to represent Sylvan Township at meetings of the Washtenaw County Consortium for Solid Waste. It has been approximately a year since her appointment, and she is yet to make a report to the board about either of the groups for which she is Sylvan's representative.

This group of challengers asks: "Should it be rampant sprawl? Or smart growth?" Sylvan Township has had a solid master plan since the 1970s. The master plan provides for controlled growth on the west edge of Chelsea. If the township's master plan did not provide for a mobile home park, the developers, using the courts, would have decided where and how large the Sylvan mobile home park would have been.

If you do not plan for growth, the developers and the courts will plan it for you.

The only thing that is certain is that change will occur. A township can be visionary or reactionary. You can envision controlled growth as Sylvan's master plan does, or you can react every time a developer wants to plant a row of houses in a cornfield. By planning an urban area, you can protect your rural areas.

David Brooks, in an interview titled "Sylvan Township resident to launch political newsletter," was quoted by The Chelsea Standard: "Brooks said that in a private property and industrial-based economy, property owners should be free to do what they like with their land

without restrictions."

Does this sound like a candidate who is promoting "smart growth?" With no restrictions, there would be no need for a master plan or a vision of the future. The township's future would be thrust upon it by others.

Having served almost eight years on the Lima Township Planning Commission as both chairman and vice chairman, I feel I have earned the right to complain, to criticize and, most of all, to thank the Sylvan Township Board members for all they have done for our community.

I also would like to recommend to the residents of Sylvan Township that they retain Heller, Koch, Grau, Lesser and Merkel.

My name is Terry Wesner and I not only approved this message, but also took the time to write it, even though I cannot vote for any of the candidates.

Terry Wesner
Lima Township

Lonik would serve Dexter Township well

Dexter Township voters, please take note of the independent candidates running for the Township Board.

Barry Lonik is an articulate and knowledgeable candidate who is interested in developing a land preservation plan for our township. It was apparent when we were voicing our concerns about a possible gas station that many of us share the desire to preserve the farmland and to protect the farmers who do not want to sell their property for development.

Barry Lonik was an effective advocate for protecting our interests at that time, and he will be effective again in preserving the land that

all of us value.

Show that you want to help shape the next four years by giving their voice a vote in November.

Virginia Ryan
Dexter Township

It's the Democrats' turn in Scio Twp.

Residents of Dexter Village and Scio Township take notice: Even though a majority of Scio folks vote for Democrats at the state and national level, there are no Democrats on the Scio Township Board.

This year, for the first time ever, a full team of Democrats is running for township office.

We need the Democrats' perspective on important issues such as planning, zoning, public safety, recycling and open space preservation.

Please give the Democratic team your strong support Nov. 2 and help bring some balance to our township government.

John Hansen
Dexter Village

Pam Byrnes is best candidate for seat

Pam Byrnes is an outstanding candidate for state representative. She is educated, with a bachelor's and a law degree; intelligent; hard working; and experienced in city and county government.

Her bipartisan consensus-building ability has been demonstrated by her accomplishments as a Washtenaw County Road Commissioner and on the Michigan Board of Pharmacy.

Pam's priorities and focus are health care, long-range planning for job creation, environmental protection and childhood development, as she has been an educator.

She will be able to work effectively with Gov. Jennifer Granholm and the state Legislature in implementing the governor's seven-point plan for economic development.

Pam is the responsible, focused, common-sense choice for the 52nd District.

John Frank
Chelsea

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Gill would make a good WCC trustee

I want to remind voters that there is a nonpartisan election for trustee of the Washtenaw Community College Nov. 2. Voters may vote for two candidates.

An outstanding candidate for this position is Stephen Gill. He has taught at the college level, consulted with colleges and nonprofit organizations, and published more than 40 articles evaluating educational programs and measuring the needs of college students.

Steve and Nan have lived in the county for almost 30 years. He was chairman of the board of HelpSource, when that agency was formed to become the largest public service organization in Washtenaw County.

He also has served as a volunteer for such agencies as NEW Center and the Corporation for a Skilled Workforce.

Steve is committed to helping WCC address its financial challenges, continue to improve the quality of education for all students, and maintain its excellent reputation as a resource for continuing learning.

Bob Carr
Scio Township

Many lessons can be learned from the past

In 1830, France invaded Algeria in the hopes of distracting the French people from its unpopular homeland policies and failures of the time. The decision to invade was met with serious misgivings by French military officials and rage and ridicule by the rest of the world.

France stubbornly held to its plan, which contained no provisions for post-war victory. It easily drove out the cruel Ottoman dictatorship, but thrust Algeria into a

power vacuum. Public safety disintegrated, innocents were killed, and the country's finest treasures were looted or destroyed.

My great, great-grandfather, the Emir Abd Al-Kader Al-Jazairi, led a resistance against the French army according to the laws of Islam. He treated his prisoners of war with dignity and respect, while the French were known for their cruel and inhumane practices.

France finally yielded to popular opinion and withdrew from Algeria in 1962, after generations of Algerians had endured over a century of harsh, inhumane conditions — conditions under which contemporary terrorism was born. One million Algerians died in the final battles.

The Godless lunatics responsible for the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks were not from Iraq and were not in Iraq when we invaded that country. Tens of thousands of innocent Iraqis have died since the U.S. invasion of Iraq, and we have lost more than 1,000 of our country's most precious resources.

We have driven out a vicious dictator whose greatest crimes were committed over a decade ago. In the process, we inadvertently invited new criminals to per-

form additional heinous crimes against Iraqis, U.S. troops and foreign civilians alike.

Imagine if our current administration had been students of history, willing to know and understand its enemy. Arabs are not all one and the same.

This administration has taken advantage of our fears and prejudices to foist its own personal and economic agendas upon us. As a result, we as a nation are in more danger than ever before.

We owe our great country and our brave troops the time and energy to become truly informed about the decisions our administration makes. No patriot would sit by in ignorance, blindly trusting that this administration has only our best interests at heart. Its policies consistently and blatantly suggest otherwise.

As for my great, great-grandfather, he was captured by the French and exiled to Damascus, Syria, in 1847. There, he saved the lives of thousands of Christians, harboring them in his own home, during the riots of 1860. Luckily for them, all Christians did not look alike to him.

Badria Jazairi
Lima Township
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"These have been acquired at incredible savings from banks (repos), Factory auctions and other sources," said Bob Thompson, Used Car Sales Manager at Briarwood Ford.

"Our creditors have asked us to sacrifice this inventory immediately - regardless of loss or profit. If that means selling these vehicles for near or below wholesale, then that is what we will do."

Every bank repo and other pre-owned vehicles will be available for just \$29 plus a fee* and then start making payments.

"It's just that simple" said Thompson. "To make these bargains even easier, we'll mark the payment right on the windshield. Just pick a car and a payment. You won't find a faster-easier way to get a great deal on pre-owned vehicles."

Almost every type and price range will be available, from luxury to 4x4's, to basic transportation. "With pre-owned vehicles near an all

time high, chances are we will have what you are looking for in stock and ready to drive home," Bob said.

Auto Liquidators of North America has flown in extra financial staff from three states to assure customers prompt, courteous service and the best financial terms possible. Bob said "we will have over \$5 million in financing available for this event. So chances are we can arrange financing for just about anyone who is employed, regardless of past history."


All trade-ins will be accepted with a minimum \$2500 guaranteed value and customers are encouraged to bring their titles or payment book to expedite immediate delivery of these vehicles.

The opportunity bargaining hunters have been waiting for is here, Monday through Saturday in Saline. Every bank repo and other used vehicle is just \$29 and then start making payments. Customers won't find a faster easier way to save big money on a great used vehicle," Thompson said.

After the mega-sale ends at 4 pm Saturday, June 26th, Briarwood Ford will send many of these vehicles to auction. Any questions can be directed to 1-800-258-1580. Briarwood Ford is located at 7070 E. Michigan Ave., at the corner of State Street, 5 minutes south of Briarwood Ford Mall.

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Don't let Waterloo lose its character

My wife and I have lived in Waterloo Township for 10 years. We moved here because we wanted to retire in a rural setting. We live on farmland that was split per the zoning ordinances in effect 10 years ago.

Waterloo Township is home to the largest recreational area in Michigan. We should be proud to live here and work to protect it not, try to change it.

Wildlife is still plentiful, the woods are still beautiful and the skies are still dark. Why would anyone who lives here want to change that?

Thank God that you are fortunate enough to live in such a wonderful sanctuary so close to urban sprawl. When is the last time you tried to get through Chelsea at rush hour or seen the urban sprawl of Grass Lake, or taken a drive on North Territorial Road, east of M-52?

Now a chosen few want to change the rules for their benefit. They want smaller parcels to allow for greater housing density. We do not believe their plan is in anyone's best interest except their own.

The zoning ordinances, as they are, do not stop people from selling their property. The difference is, they are required to sell in larger parcels that help curb sprawl and high-density residential. This is less appealing to large developers.

The ordinances now in place were put there to protect the rural character of the township. We realize you can't stop development, but it needs to be controlled.

It's time for a change in Waterloo Township leadership. We need to protect Waterloo Township's rural character. After all, once you

allow a change to smaller parcels, urban sprawl development will take place and you have lost the township's rural character that attracted you in the first place.

Mickey Stamper
Waterloo Township

Yekulis deserves voters' support

I urge voters in the upcoming Nov. 2 election to cast their ballots for Joe Yekulis for the 52nd District state House of Representatives.

Whether you are an independent voter or have party affiliation — Democrat, Green, Libertarian or Reform — you can split your ticket and vote for an experienced office holder who has served his community and constituents well.

Joe Yekulis listens to the voters' concerns and responds to them. We need a grassroots representative in Lansing who will champion our interests and take our problems to the state Legislature for action.

Join me in supporting Republican Joe Yekulis for state representative of the 52nd District.

Tom Herron
Chelsea

Choose candidates who are pro-life

The Nazi Holocaust could not have happened without the acquiescence of the everyday person in German society. Many people had to participate one way or another, at the very least, look the other way.

In 1929, Hitler urged Germany to emulate the ancient Spartan practice of killing weak newborns.

"If Germany every year would have one million children and eliminate 700,000 to 800,000 of the weakest, the end result would probably be an increase in national strength," said Hitler at a Nazi rally.

Three years later, the National Socialist party

received more votes than any other party in the 1932 parliamentary elections. The German people already had inured themselves to the idea that some human beings had no right to life years before the Holocaust started.

During the late 1930s, approximately 45 percent of medical doctors were in the Nazi party, and physicians determined who among the mentally ill, sickly, elderly and young could be killed. This well-documented "mercy killing" preceded and laid the groundwork for the Holocaust.

People looked the other way. After all, it was humane killing. We know what the Nazis accomplished in their 12 million people-killing spree that we know as the Holocaust. The German people allowed it to happen.

When Nazi war criminals said that their leadership forced them to do the killing, Justice Robert Jackson at the Nuremberg trials accused them of "an abdication of personal intelligence and moral responsibility."

One cannot condone or acquiesce in the willful destruction of innocent human beings and remain blameless.

Elie Wiesel, a well-known

Holocaust survivor has observed: "The opposite of love is not hate; it is indifference."

The Nazi party defined certain segments of the population as "less than human" and "not worthy of life." This allowed them to be killed with a clear conscience both before and during the Holocaust.

The participating Germans saw themselves as good and moral people performing humane and necessary tasks. Sadism and overt cruelty was often punished by the Nazis themselves.

In much the same way the atrocities of American slavery were justified by defining the Africans as subhuman property. Laws defined them as three-fifths of a person for purposes of representation in the government.

The same language is used to define unborn human life as non-people. People in persistent vegetative states are defined as lacking characteristics that would make them truly human beings.

Therefore, they can be denied food and water. Human beings in the embryonic stage are thought of as sources of stem cells. Killing any segment of the human population makes us

all vulnerable, yet it is happening and it is expanding.

Some 4,000 abortions a day was unthinkable when the Roe v. Wade decision was handed down in 1973, yet that is where the number is today. If the federal government expands funding for embryonic stem cell research, which requires the scrambling of the cells of developing human beings, then the killing will increase by logarithmic proportions.

The "pro-choice" position at its worst is pro-death and pro-abortion, and at its best is an acquiescence to another Holocaust. This type of thinking allows ever-expanding groups of human beings to be targeted.

The German people learned from their Holocaust experience. The Constitutional Court in West Germany ruled in 1975, and in reunited Germany in 1993,

that under the constitution or basic law of Germany the state not only has the right to protect the lives of the unborn, but the duty to do so.

Abortion was ruled as unconstitutional. In support of the basic law, the Constitutional Court explained that the protections extended to human life and dignity had to be read in light of Germany's experience under the Nazis.

C.K. Chesterton said, "The only way for evil to prosper is for good men (women) to do nothing."

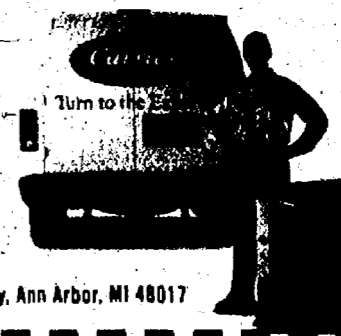
Before you vote, think long and hard about the big picture and about where we are headed as a nation. Please think about how our indifference contributes to the progressive, ongoing, devaluing of human life.

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CHELSEA SCHOOLS

Chelsea MEAP scores continue state trend

Scores rising in all but one area, according to latest results released

By Scott Hagen
Staff Writer

Students from the class of 2004 at Chelsea High School improved scores on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program test in four out of five areas when compared with the class of 2003.

According to results released Oct. 14 by the Michigan Department of Education, students in last year's graduating class scored higher percentages than their previous class in math, reading, social studies and writing, and remained at the same percentage for science.

The improving scores follow a general trend among other Michigan schools. According to a press release from the education department, scores for the class of 2004 improved in almost every subject area and

jumped 10 percentage points in reading.

In the categories the state uses to determine passing rates — adding scores that meet state standards to those that exceed state standards — Chelsea students scored 12 percentage points higher in reading scores than the state average.

Social studies scores — a point of worry after results from previous years show a lack of proficiency in the subject — also show a sharp increase across the state, though the number of students passing the area is still low.

Chelsea students increased their passing rate in that area from 35 percent for the class of 2003 to 53 percent of students for the class of 2004.

Since scores for social studies do not count toward the Michigan Merit Scholarship program — where students are awarded a \$2,500 scholarship for passing in the other four tested areas — some students may not take the exam as seriously, said Chelsea High School

Principal Ron Mead. "The kids know it really doesn't count, so I think that's the best explanation of why that's so low," Mead said. "I think if it counted you would see it jump up comparable to the other grades."

Excluding the social studies scores, at least 81 percent of Chelsea students passed each area of the test.

Those results mean 198 out of 279 students were eligible to receive the state scholarship.

Chelsea students were

most proficient in reading with 88 percent of students meeting or exceeding state standards, up from 75 percent. The passing rate in math rose from 77 percent to 81 percent and in writing from 78 to 80. The 81 percent passing rate in science remained the same through both years.

Although he was pleased with the results, Mead said scores from last year's class were lower than the class of 2002.

"Obviously, I would defi-

nately say we are pleased. The class of '04 has always proved to be a class that performs well," said Julie Deppner, assistant principal of instruction at the high school.

"We would hope that the class of '05 would perform as well as the class of '04, if not better."

Staff Writer Scott Hagen can be reached at 475-1371 or at shagen@heritage.com.

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CHELSEA

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This week, Chelsea's Channel 18 will air a double feature beginning 7:30 p.m. tonight.

In "Life Isn't a Spectator Sport," Chelsea's Linda Meloche interviews several upperclassmen from Chelsea High School who are involved in various extracurricular activities at the school.

The second program is the latest edition of "Around Town with Linda" featuring local artist Flo Collins. Collins recently donated an acrylic painting to Chelsea Community Hospital titled "Taking Fight," which is one of the few original pieces on

display at the hospital.

In the interview, Collins talks about being featured in a show that just opened at the historic Gem and Century Theatre in Detroit. She is among 40 women artists who were asked to compose a self-portrait.

Collins also shares how she overcomes "white canvas fear," how her husband, Jim, inspires her and her hours of volunteer work with the Red Cross.

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Step 1: Pick your poison. Or rather, the basket you want to make. Keep in mind the different levels of difficulty involved with each style, as well as the length of time involved. Also, choose your color combinations. This may be the hardest part of your basket-making experience.

Step 2: Get out your supplies, including a large container full of water, a spray bottle, towel and an apron. Soak the rattan in the water for a couple minutes, then start forming your base. With circular bases, start by taking a long strand of rattan, folding it so that one side is longer than the other, then loop it around one spoke. Then start to weave.

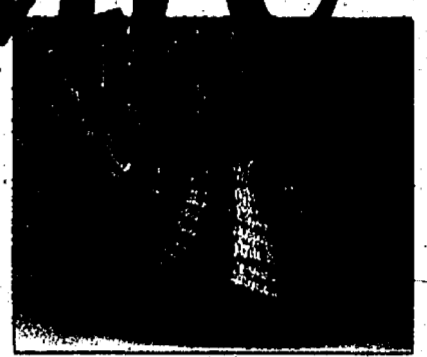
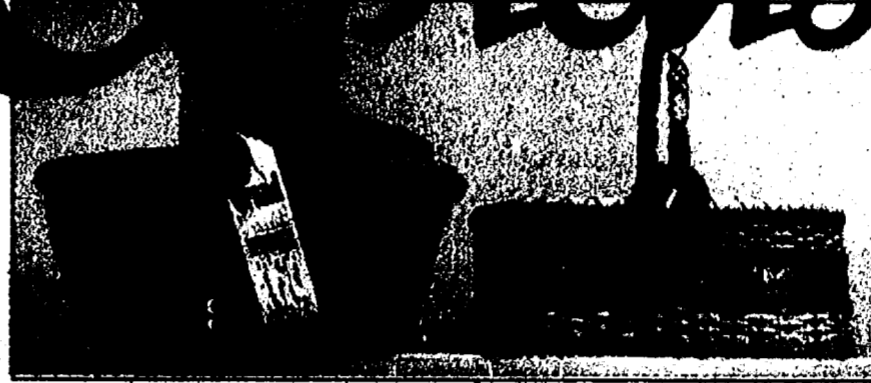
Step 3: Stop to make sure your base is the correct size. If it's too small, grab another strand out of the water. Bend it at the beginning, slip it under the same spot, hold it in place and start again. Continue weaving or twining until the base is the correct size, then stop where you started.

Step 4: To start the walls, turn the basket on its side. There are multiple weaves to choose from; here, a triple twill is being used, where one strand goes over two spokes, then under the third.

Weaving together



Business & Pleasure



Dexter Township woman makes case for starting basket-making company

By Maria Sprow
Staff Writer

For anyone who has ever seen a piece of art hanging on the wall and wished they could create something just like it, well, now they can.

Cherilyn Braun can show anyone how to weave a basket — so long as they are willing to put in the time. Two weeks ago, Braun, who has been teaching basket weaving classes via Community Education in Ann Arbor, Dexter, Chelsea and Pinckney schools, opened her own shop at 7300 West Huron River Drive in Dexter Township.

But the shop's purpose isn't to sell her creations. It's to show other people how to make them.

The decision to teach basket weaving full time was a personal one, said Braun, who started weaving more than five years ago.

She started the craft after a couple friends dragged her to a class, which was not unlike the classes she now teaches.

"A couple friends of mine were teaching at Community Ed, and they kept persuading me to take a class, which I finally did," she said. "I got hooked after the first basket."

"I'm crazy about basket weaving and I get super enthused about it," she said. "My friends and I go on road trips for three, four hours just to go to a basket store."

Braun said that while growing up, she had never been into art. It had been her sister's hobby, not hers. Braun's interest was in teaching, and she could picture herself one day teaching math or English.

Life, however, took her down another path, at least for a while. "When I was in high school, there was such a glut of teachers on the market that you couldn't get a job," she said.

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Cherilyn Braun Basketweaving opened two weeks ago at 7300 W. Huron River Drive. Braun will celebrate the business' official grand opening Nov. 13. Her work is now part of a display at the Ann Arbor Art Center. In January, she'll have her own display at the piano gallery in Pierpont Commons on the University of Michigan's north campus.

Photo by Maria Sprow

Step 5: End the walls where they began and out of the excess reed. Now, there are many different ways to make a rim. Soak the spokes (but not the basket) to make them more pliable. Bring one spoke in front of the one next to it, then behind the one after that. Bend down and slip over. Continue around the basket until you're done.



PLAY REVIEW

'Irma Vep' fulfills promise

Purple Rose play is wacky and outrageous

By Maria Sprow
Staff Writer

After watching "The Mystery of Irma Vep," the Halloween-theme spoof of classic horror films, much of what I just saw is, well, still a mystery.

Let's start with the basics (I promise not to give anything away): Lord Edgar and Lady Inid are married, but they haven't been married for long. Lord Edgar had been married to Irma Vep, and together they had a son named Victor.

Both Victor and Irma Vep died at separate times. At any rate, there is a maid named Jane and a stable hand named Nicodemus running around. Lady Inid spends most of her time digging into Lord Edgar's background, and then something happens to her, and Edgar decides it would be best to visit Egypt for a while. While there, he meets Alcazar and opens up a mummy's tomb, temporarily bringing Pev Amri back to life.

In the end, one person turns into a werewolf, one person may be a vampire, another commits murder, someone

attempts to commit murder, and somehow we end up with a happy ending.

What I know is this: Irma Vep is dead. Or maybe she isn't. I'm pretty sure she was. Her husband loved her dearly, or maybe he loathed her, or was just terrified of her.

Either a vampire or a werewolf, or just a wolf, or possibly a person, killed Victor. But Victor may or may not be dead, I'm not sure. He may be the undead, or a werewolf.

Consider me confused, but still at least slightly amused.

The play, which opened at the Purple Rose Theatre in Chelsea Friday night and is directed by Purple Rose veteran Anthony Caselli, is everything it promises to be. There's madness and exaggeration, and while most people will recognize parts of "Wuthering Heights," "Rebecca" and "The Mummy," I kept thinking about Scooby Doo.

Friday's performance at the Purple Rose earned a lot of laughter, but there were a lot of times I wasn't among those laughing — perhaps because I, admittedly, having never seen the films Playwright Charles Ludlam intended to spoof.

MARIA SPROW

Cast and Crew:
Jane Twisden John Seibert
Nicodemus Underwood John Lepard
Lady Enid Hillcrest John Lepard
Lord Edgar Hillcrest John Seibert
An Intruder John Seibert
Alcazar John Lepard
Pev Amri John Lepard
Irma Vep John Seibert

Set Design: Vincent Mountain
Costume Design: Darcy Eora Hofer
Lighting Design: Reid G. Johnson
Sound Design: Joel Klein
Prop Design: Danna Segrest
Fight Choreography: David Woolley
Stage Manager: Amy Hickman
Director: Anthony Caselli

Regular performances of "The Mystery of Irma Vep" are 8 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday evening, with Saturday matinees at 3 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. The performances are scheduled to run through Dec. 18. Tickets may be bought through The Purple Rose Theatre Co. box office at 435-7762.

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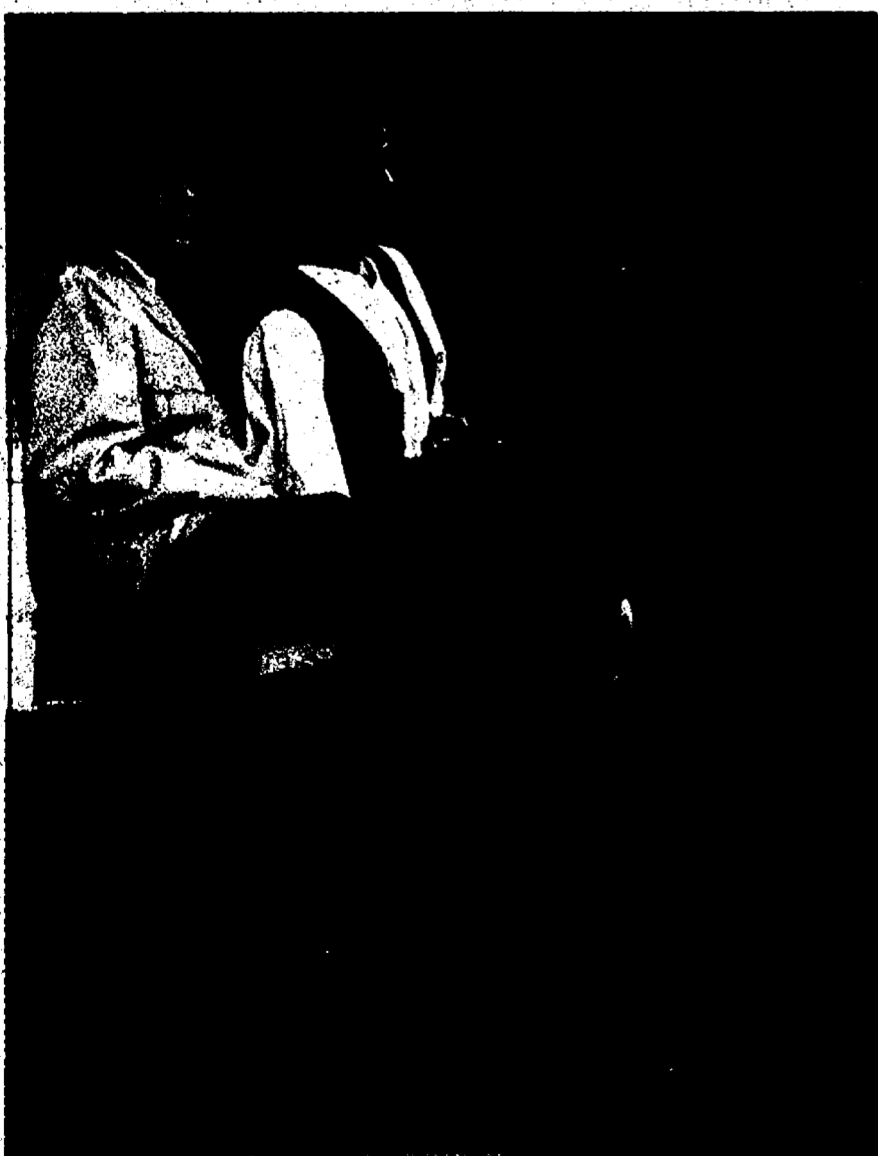


Photo courtesy of Danna Segrest
Actors John Seibert, as Lord Edgar, and John Lepard, as Alcazar, perform in "The Mystery of Irma Vep," now playing at The Purple Rose Theatre Co. in Chelsea. Regular performances are scheduled Wednesday through Saturday evening at 8 p.m., with Saturday matinees at 3 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. through Dec. 18.

WEDDINGS



Williams, Skidmore wed

Meghan Williams of Chelsea and Ian Skidmore of Grass Lake were married June 18 at the home of Kevin and Amy Tremper in Ann Arbor. The Rev. Tommy Burdette officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Kristopher and Melissa Williams of Chelsea. The groom is the son of James and Barbara Skidmore of Grass Lake.

The matron of honor was Lisa Nester Schultz of Jackson.

The maids of honor, sisters of the bride, were Brittney and Kaitlyn Williams of Chelsea.

The bridesmaids were Charity Nemeth of Allen Park, Jennifer Skidmore of Westland, Tracy Beerens of Britton and Susanna Thomas of Chetopa, Kansas.

Summer Peringini of Farmington Hills was the flower girl.

The best men were Michael Smith of Midland and Stephan Skidmore of Westland.

The groomsmen were Christopher Love of Ann Arbor, Eddie Ameel of Chelsea, Michael Selby of Port Huron, Rodney Johnson



Richard, Caro marry

Cindy Richard of Chelsea and Steve Caro of Portage were married April 24 in Maui, Hawaii.

The bride is the daughter of Ken and Debbie Richard of Clear Lake. The groom is the son of Jeannie and Bob Caro of Kalamazoo, and Gerrie and Ralph Carmen of Copemish.

In addition to their parents, Matt Richard, brother of the bride, and friends of the bride and groom, Misty Seelye, Jonny Rollins and Josh Locke, were in attendance.

A reception was held May 5 at the Knights of Columbus



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WEAVER

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So, Braun went to college and scored a double degree in accounting and international trade. She stayed on that path for the next 18 years.

The thought of opening up her own basket-weaving businesses first crept in her mind about a year ago, when a similar shop in Plymouth closed down. It turned serious six or seven months ago, when family circumstances led her to reconsider her career.

Braun's mom died five years ago and her siblings don't live in the state, so when her dad began needing someone to take care of him, she stepped up.

"It's nice to be able to

spend the time with him," she said. "The more time I spend with him, the more I get to know him."

The problem was that she no longer had time to do all the things she wanted to do, such as continue teaching basket-weaving classes out of her home, work, care for her father and spend time with family.

"I took a little bit of time off work to think about what I wanted to do," she said.

A little bit of time turned into a long length of time.

"I thought, I either really need to cut back on what I'm doing at home or I really need to go for it," she said.

So, Braun's going for it. Whether she'll make it has yet to be decided, but Braun said she's confident her business decision is a good one.

"I'm really excited about

it," she said. "It's a big risk, both emotionally and financially."

"If you take on a big life change and fail," she said, pausing, "but if I really thought it was going to fail, I wouldn't have started it. And if it does fail, it won't be for a lack of trying."

Growing up, Braun was never the artistic type. Her parents encouraged her to try out different things, but art had been her sister's activity.

"Basket weaving was the first creative thing I did with my hands and it opened up a whole new world for me," she said.

Much of her time is spent exploring the different ways in which she can make each basket unique.

The slightest change can have a huge impact in a bas-

ket's outcome. In the simplest of examples, with a circular basket and a triple weave, having six spokes, or nine spokes, will make a vertical pattern appear around the basket. Taking away a spoke will cause a spiral pattern to form.

"It's meditative and therapeutic," she said. "I can get into a groove and it pushes everything else out."

Braun credits her husband, Tom, for helping her during the transition.

"My husband has been incredibly terrific about all this," she said. "He's thinking of ideas without me even prompting him. He's getting excited about it, right along with me."

Walk into her store, and every basket is up for grabs — but not necessarily for sale.

Many of her classes are open-weave sessions, meaning students can go in and weave the basket of their choice. She'll be there to help.

Braun says she often instructs up to 12 people at a time, so don't be afraid to bring friends a long.

Beginning students are allowed to use her collection of tools, but students who wish to continue in the craft are encouraged to buy their own, either from her or the local hardware store.

The hardest part of making a basket for most people, she said, is the first two rows of the walls.

"It's hard to get them started and shape the wall well," she said.

But mistakes are easy to undo when weaving.

"One of the rules in my

class is that everything is fixable," she said. "It's not supposed to be a frustrating thing. It's supposed to be a fun thing."

Besides operating her store, Braun spends several weekends a year traveling to basket-weaving conventions, where she is both a student and a teacher.

Today, for instance, she's in Grand Rapids for a basket weaving convention.

When her store celebrates its grand opening on Nov. 13, Braun will be ready with goodie bags, raffle prizes and food.

"I'm just hoping for a big turnout, for people to come and help me celebrate the opening of my store," she said.

Staff Writer Maria Sprow can be reached at 475-1371 or msprow@heritage.com.

CALENDAR

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

Dexter Village Council meets 7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor St.

Dexter Village Planning Commission meets 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of the month at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor St.

Dexter Village Zoning Board of Appeals meets 7 p.m. the third Monday of the month at Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor St. **Tuesday**

Dexter AA Group meets 8 p.m. every Tuesday at St. Joseph's Parish Hall Education Building, 3470 Dover St.

Dexter Child Study Club meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month. Call 426-3664.

Dexter Garden Club meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month at the Dexter Area Museum, 3443 Inverness St. Call 426-2372.

Dexter Kiwanis Club meets 6:30 p.m. the first and third

Tuesdays at The Tuscan House, 7954 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter.

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

Dexter Township Planning Commission meets 7:30 p.m. the first and fourth Tuesdays at Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Road.

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

Dexter Village Parks Commission meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month at Wyllie Elementary School, 3060 Kensington St.

Independent Order of Odd-fellows meets 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month at Dexter United Methodist Church, 7643 W. Huron River Drive, in Dexter.

The Washtenaw County Board of Road Commissioners meets 1 p.m. every other Tuesday, 555 N. Zeeb Road, in Scio Township.

Wednesday
Dexter American Legion Auxiliary meets 7 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month at the American Legion Post, 8225

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Dexter Touchdown Club meets 7 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month in the media center at Dexter High School, 2200 N. Parker Road.

Friends of Dexter District

Library meets 12:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month at the Dexter District Library, 8040 Fourth St. Call 426-4477.

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TOPS Weight Loss Group meets weekly from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor-Dexter Road. Call 426-4031 for more information.

ANN ARBOR Sunday, Oct. 24
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Washtenaw County will meet at 1:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Education Center at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, 5305 Elliott Drive, in Superior Township. The meeting is open to the public. For information, call Marcia McCrary at 1-734-483-2799.



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CHELSEA AREA

Long-lasting marriages a family specialty for Egelers

In an age with high divorce rates and more and more couples choosing not to marry, a person may begin to wonder if there is some sort of secret to happily reaching the golden years with his or her partner.

One look at the Egeler family, which consists of five brothers and one sister — all in their senior years — and the possibility of a marriage gene springs to mind.

All five of the Egeler brothers, who live in the Chelsea-Dexter area, have each celebrated 50 years of marriage with their respective wives.

Robert and Alice Egeler were the first to marry. The couple exchanged vows on Sept. 27, 1946.

Then Edwin and Margaret Egeler, now of Dexter, married Oct. 7, 1950.

Those vows were quickly followed by the Nov. 22, 1950, marriage of Douglas and Barbara Egeler, now of Grass Lake.

Then Raymond and Dorothy Egeler, now of Chelsea, married June 23, 1951.

Finally, Erwin and Ann Egeler of Dexter married Sept. 7, 1951.

In addition, sister May Egeler has been married to her husband, Tom Hardy, for more than 40 years.

The Egelers are all proud of their feat, but don't seem to think there's anything miraculous about their situation.

They cite good, old-fashioned family values and upbringing as one reason why they have been able to happily maintain their marriages for so long, Raymond Egeler said.

"You've just got to communicate," his wife, Dorothy, added matter-of-factly.

Of course, if it were that easy, more marriages would last longer, right?

Dorothy and Raymond both admitted that it might have been easier to build a better foundation back in the 1950s, when there were fewer distractions available to take away from family time.

Whether that's the secret or not, they aren't saying.



The five Egeler brothers, who all live in the Chelsea and Dexter area, have each celebrated 50 years of marriage with their wives. Pictured are Robert and Alice Egeler (left), Raymond and Dorothy Egeler, Edwin and Margaret Egeler, Erwin and Ann Egeler, and Douglas and Barbara Egeler. Sister May Hardy also has been married to her husband, Tom, for more than 40 years.

IRMA VEP

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Still, the play makes for good, adult, Halloween-time fun, and actors John Seibert and John Lepard do an amazing job of keeping up with the fast-action pace of the script, which gives no time for reflection or catching-up. Of course, reflection is not the purpose of the play, and audience members who look for meaning may wind up feeling a little lost.

The only lessons I got from the play? If ever there are werewolves and monsters outside, close and lock the door. And, also, when all else fails, blame the butler.

Seibert (Maid Jane Twisten, Lord Edgar Hillcrest, an intruder and Irma Vep) and John Lepard (stablehand Nicodemus Underwood, Lady Enid Hillcrest, Alcazar and Pev Amri) both deserve credit for an exhaustive performance. Each had his or her moments, but the female roles — Jane and Lady Enid — could have been more exaggerated. In general, Lepard does a better job of getting in touch with his feminine side.

The duo also deserves applause for their ability to play with the audience, which comes in handy during the second act. The best parts of Irma Vep were often unscripted, or seemingly

unscripted, or where the script made fun of itself and was unashamed to admit it was simply a play.

To say that only the actors deserve props would be misleading. In this play, especially, the crew seems to be just as important as the cast.

Set designer Vincent Mountain and lighting and sound designers Reid Johnson and Joel Klain also deserve commendation for the play's many special effects, which include a bleeding painting, a secret door and a moving set. Costume designer Darcy Elora Hofer also deserves recognition for creating quick-change costumes, a necessity for the enjoyable two-man performance.

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CHELSEA

Theater guild to perform in 'Little Shop'

The Chelsea Theater Guild has selected a cast and has begun rehearsals for Alan Menken and Howard Ashmund's musical comedy "Little Shop of Horrors," starring Eric Hohnke and Lauren Wright.

The musical will be performed in the Chelsea High School auditorium Nov. 18 through 20. Tickets may be purchased at the door or from Chelsea Theater Guild members.

The musical, which has a science-fiction plot, opens in a New York City street outside a run-down flower shop. The neighborhood is not in one of the best parts of town and a female trio who sounds like a combination of every girl group of the 1960s sings the opening number "Little Shop of Horrors," accompanied by winos, bums and other people on the street.

The flower shop is run by Mr. Mushnik, who was played in the 1986 movie version by Vincent Gardenia. Mushnik has two assistants, Seymour Krelborn, and inept nerdy type, and Audrey who is beautiful but completely without self-confidence.

Seymour and Audrey are secretly in love, but each is clueless about the mutual attraction. Instead, Audrey settles for her abusive boyfriend, Orin Scrivello, a dentist with masochistic tendencies.

In the movie version, Rick Moranis played Seymour and Steve Martin played Orin.

Business is not so good at Mushnik's flower shop until one day after an eclipse of the

sun, Seymour discovers a strange plant and buys it, naming it Audrey II. While caring for the plant, Seymour discovers that it has a rather unusual appetite and, once fed, wants more and more.

The girl-group in the Chelsea Theater Guild production is played by Emily Meloche, Beth Muszkiewicz and Carolyn Paul. High school sophomore Eric Hohnke plays Seymour, Lauren Wright is Audrey, Adam McGuinness is Mushnik and Joe Daly plays Orin.

Hohnke and Daly were in last fall's theater guild production of "The Pajama Game." Wright is a newcomer to Chelsea, but has been in several other theater productions.

The role of the plant alone requires four people. John Maynard is the voice, while Grace Biller, Zoe Zvidveld and Danielle Williams are puppeteers. Other cast members include Andy Bean, Alex Stacy, John Davidson, Lee Bailey and Michael Sullivan.

The director is Scott Mancha. He has been involved in many other Chelsea productions, including last season's "Wonka!" and "The Pajama Game."

Bill Hohnke is the musical director. He was last seen as professor Henry Higgins in the Chelsea Area Players' summer production of "My Fair Lady."

The Chelsea Theater Guild produces at least three shows a season. Membership is open to all Chelsea High School students.



Eric Hohnke, Beth Muszkiewicz, Carolyn Paul and Emily Meloche will perform "Little Shop of Horrors" Nov. 18 through 20 at the Chelsea High School Center for Performing Arts. Tickets may be purchased at the door or from Chelsea Theater Guild members.

CHELSEA

Author Tom Grace to visit library

The Chelsea District Library will host adventure author Tom Grace 7 p.m. Nov. 4 at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

Grace's novels, including his latest work, "Bird of Prey," feature protagonist Nolan Kilkenny, an ex-Navy SEAL who races against time to search through the wreckage of the past to save both the love of his life and the world from chaos.

Critics and fellow authors alike have praised Grace's techno-thrillers as spellbinding page-turners. Best-selling author Clive Cussler has called Grace's "Spyder Web" a "rich tale" with an "absorbing, carefully plotted adventure." The San Francisco Examiner calls Kilkenny "a truly believable hero."

A Webster Township resident and architect, Grace's Nolan Kilkenny series began in 1999 with "Spyder Web,"

followed by "Quantum Web," and "Twisted Web" in 2000 and 2003.

Books will be available for purchase and Grace will autograph copies.

The event is free and no registration is required.

For more information, call 475-8732 or visit the library Web site at www.chelsea.lib.mi.us.

CHELSEA

Film slated

The One World, One Family organization, in partnership with the Chelsea District Library, is hosting a series of films that celebrate the world's diversity.

The next movie to be shown is the winner of several Sundance Film Festival awards. It will be shown from 5 to 7 p.m. Nov. 5 at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St.

The movie is a wry, coming-of-age/road trip story of two Native American teens who come to know each other and their pasts. The first film written, directed, acted and produced by Native Americans, it has been called funny and wonderfully acted, according to a press release from One World, One Family.

The film is rated PG13 and is partially based on the stories by Sherman Alexie, "The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fistfight in Heaven."

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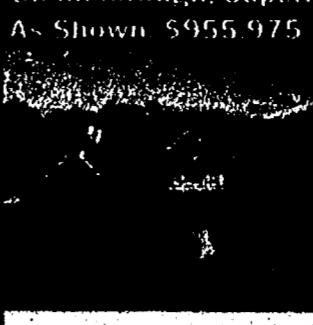


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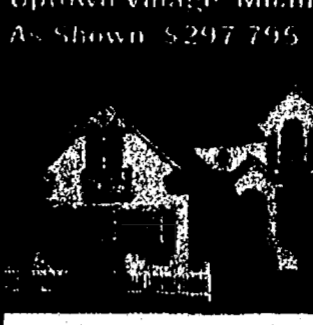
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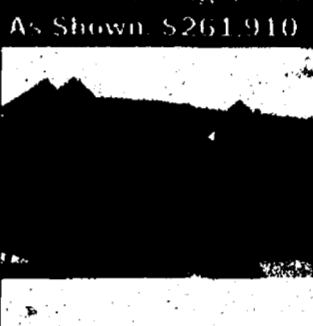
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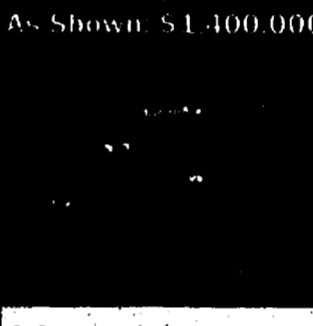
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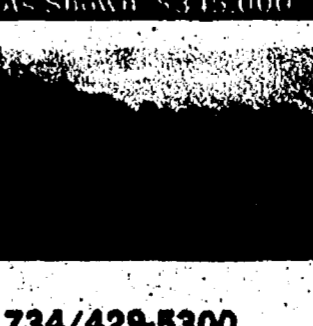
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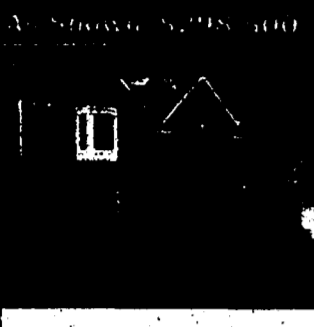
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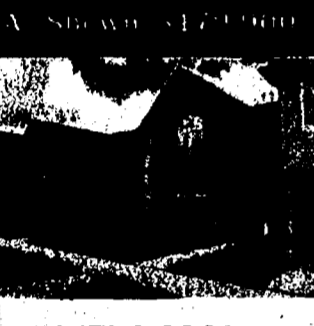
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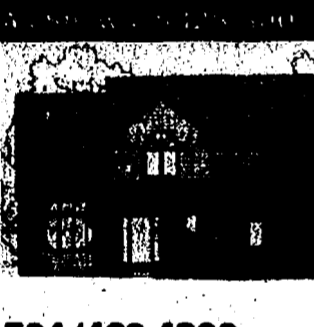
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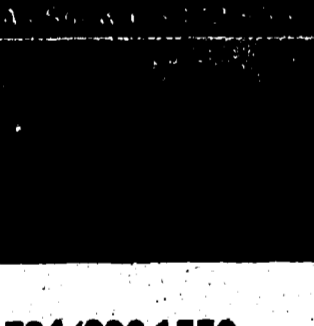
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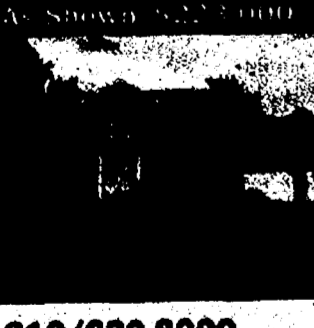
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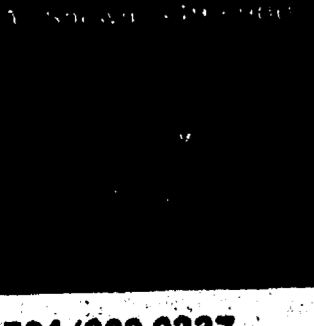
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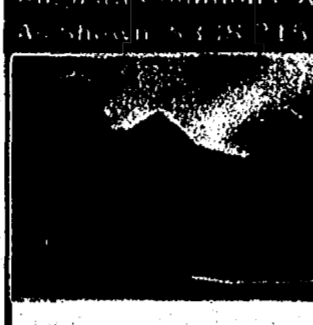
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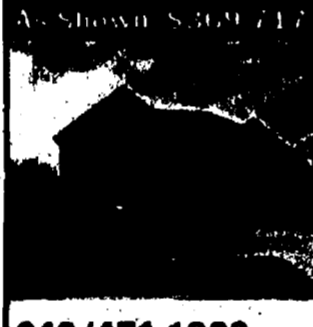
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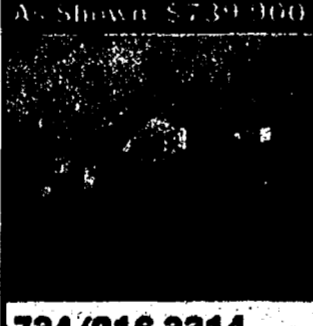
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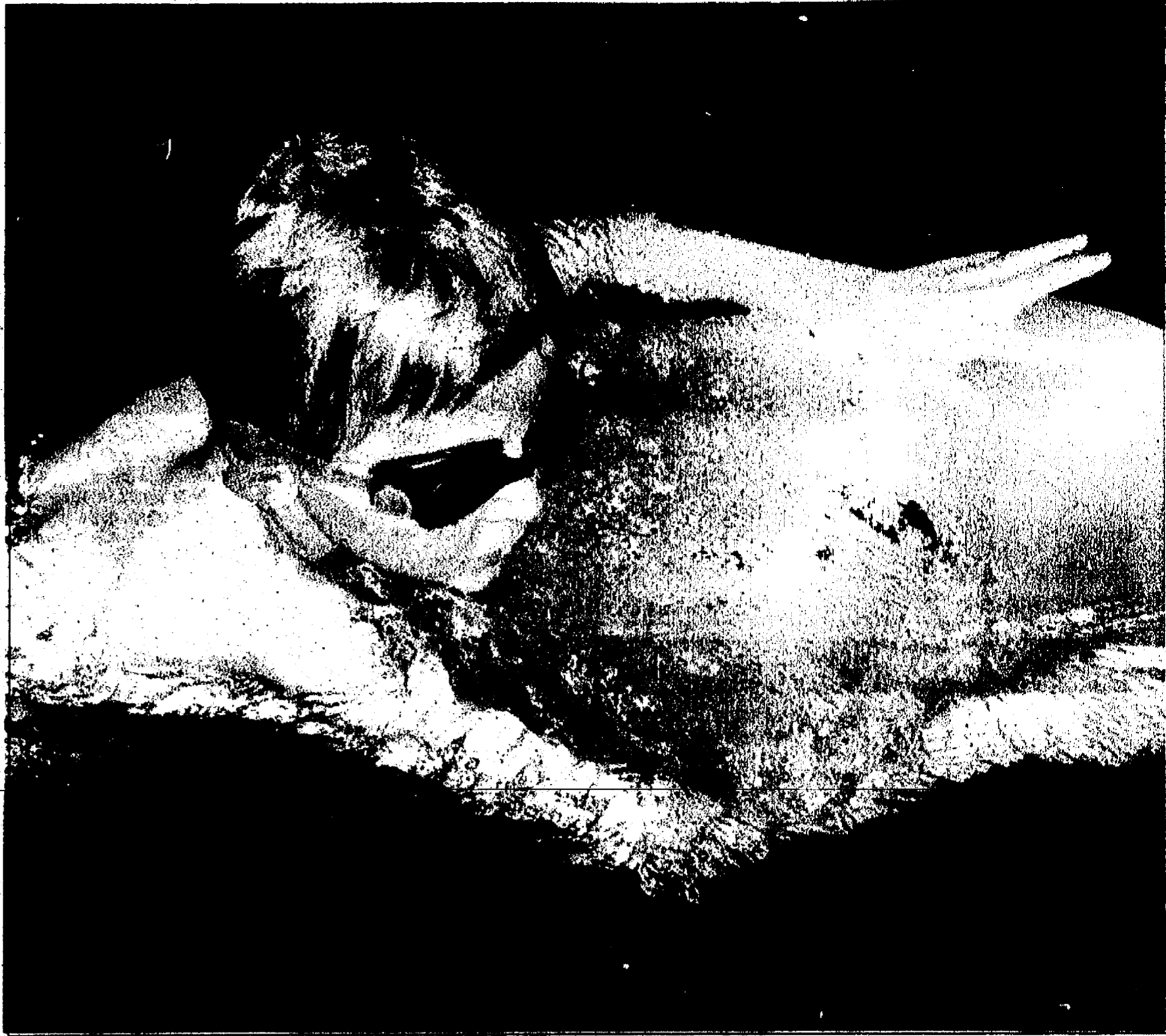


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Rachel Modafferi takes a break with Rachel Fredricks to watch the older swim group dive.



Daniel Lindauer puts on his goggles to see under water while practicing with the Chelsea Area Aquatics Club.

The Chelsea Aquatic Club is 115 members strong this season. Greg Cook has been coaching the swimmers for the past three years, while Dawn Borders, Daniel Hughes and Tiffany Sims serve as assistant coaches. The kids, ages 5 to 14, practice six days a week and come as often as they want. They learn freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and the butterfly, as well as diving and flip turns. The club has swim meets throughout the year, and each time a child swims he or she receives a ribbon.

CHELSEA AQUATIC CLUB

Photos by Rita Fischer



Rachel Fredricks shows her swimming style to members of the Chelsea Area Aquatics Club.



Coach Greg Cook shows Noah Ruffin how to relax his arms more to swim.



Marty Hubbard listens to the coach as he gives instructions.

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FOOTBALL

Chelsea slogs out victory over Pioneer

Bulldog defense clamps down on Ann Arbor in win last week

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea senior defensive back Danny Swain had one goal in mind after intercepting a pass late in the third quarter last Friday night against Ann Arbor Pioneer.

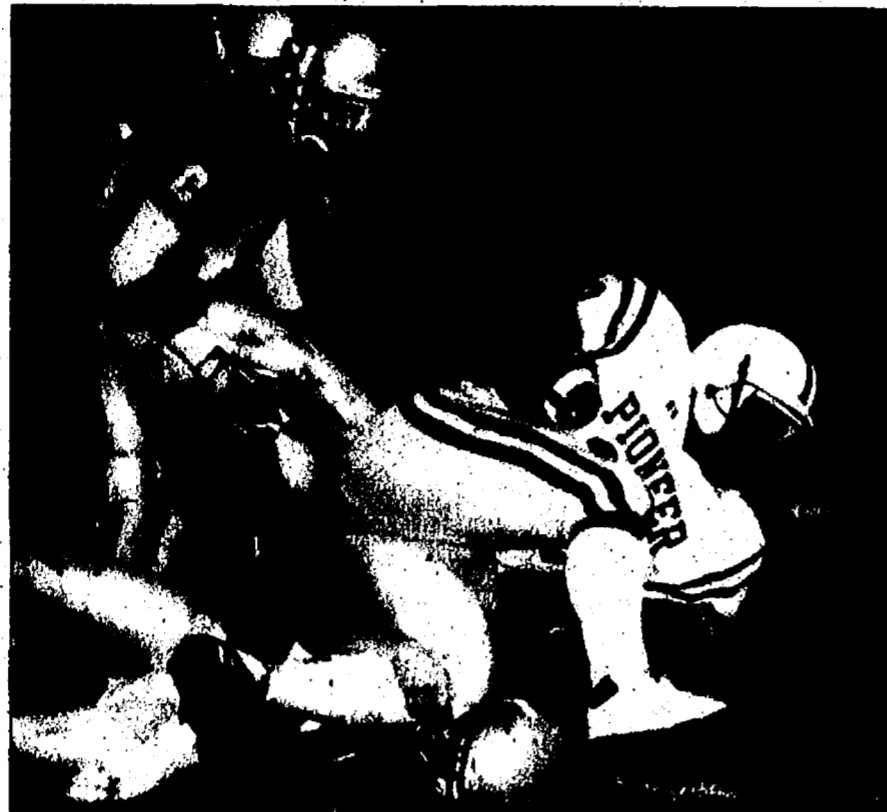
"As soon as I caught it, I saw the end zone and started running toward it," he said. "I got a couple blocks, and that set me free."

Also unleashed were the more than 4,000 Bulldog fans, who let out a scream as Swain's interception return for a touchdown put Chelsea up 22-0 with nine seconds left in the third quarter.

The Bulldogs (8-0), ranked No. 1 in Division III, shut down the Pioneers in the fourth quarter, closing out a convincing 23-0 victory over Ann Arbor (6-2), which came into the contest ranked No. 7 in Division I.

"Our defense did a great job of putting pressure on their quarterback," said Chelsea coach Brad Bush, describing a key to Chelsea's win. "Our defensive coaching staff did a great job getting ready for the game."

Offensively, the Bulldogs were pretty prepared, as well.



Ann Arbor Pioneer junior running back Richard Franklin rushed for 149 yards on 26 carries against the Bulldogs last Friday night.

After Pioneer punted to begin the game, Chelsea needed just two plays to find the end zone as senior running back Alec Penix sprinted 58 yards up the gut for a touchdown with 10:28 left in the first quarter.

Senior Alex Rabbitt's extra point was good, giving the Bulldogs a 7-0 lead.

On Ann Arbor's ensuing possession, senior safety Danny Keilman recovered a fumble at the Pioneer 28-yard line.

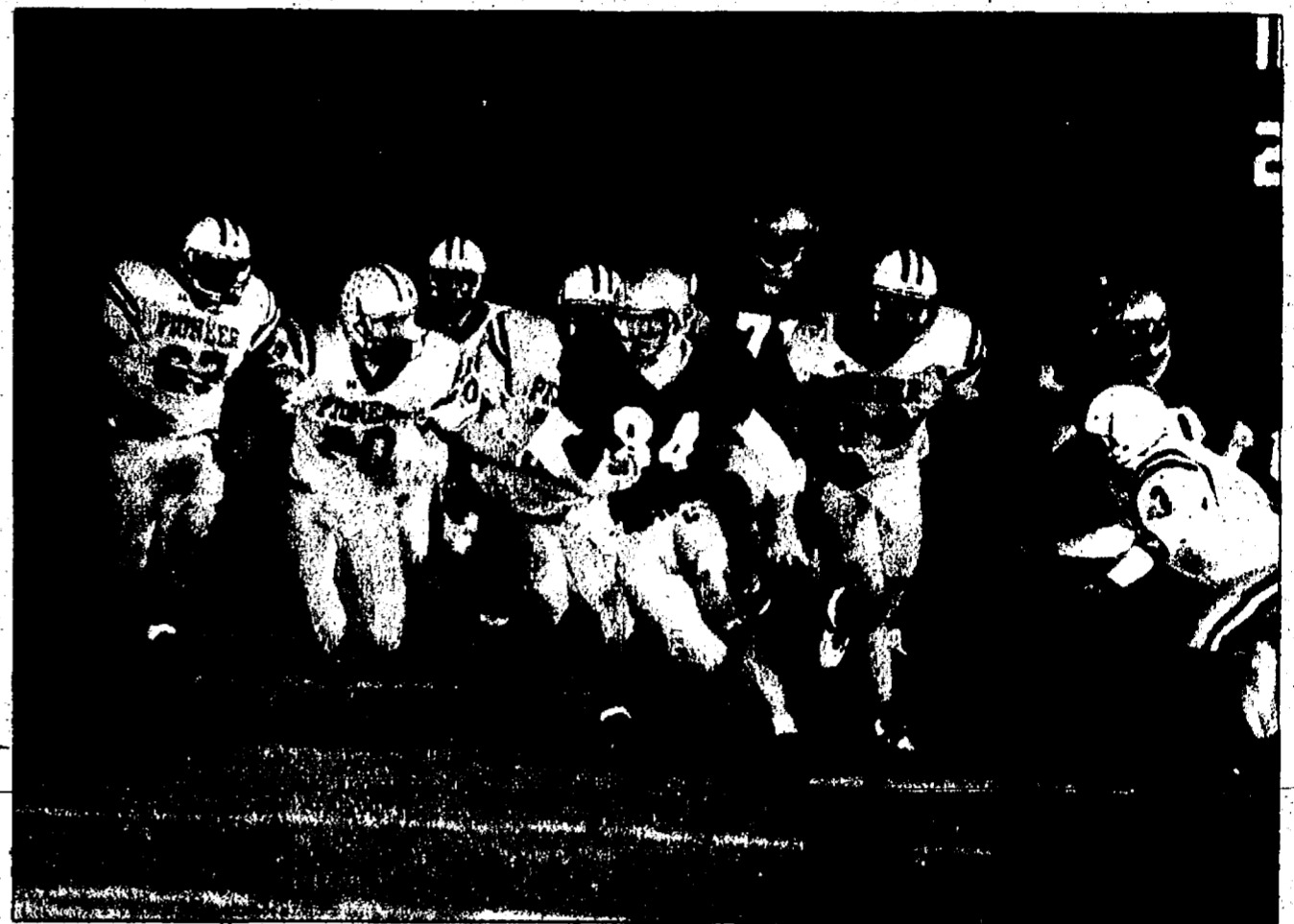
A few plays later, Rabbitt split the uprights, nailing a

37-yard field goal to increase Chelsea's advantage to 10-0 with 5:31 remaining in the opening quarter.

After a Pioneer punt on the following possession, Bulldog senior quarterback Bryan Dunn dove in from 1 yard away on a sneak for a touchdown, upping Chelsea's lead to 16-0.

A key play in the drive was a 54-yard run by Penix down to the Ann Arbor 10-yard line.

With a steady rain throughout the contest, conditions were wet and muddy on the field.



Chelsea senior tight end Pat Brooks is surrounded by Ann Arbor Pioneer defenders after catching a pass in last Friday's 23-0 Bulldog victory.

"In that weather, the fact we were able to get an early lead was huge," Bush said. "Once we were able to get that third score (Dunn TD), it was going to be difficult (for Pioneer) to come back."

Bush said it was unexpected getting an early lead against the hard-hitting Pioneers.

"I was surprised at our ability to run the football," he said. "For us to jump on

them early was the best-case scenario."

At halftime, Chelsea continued leading 16-0.

The only score in the soggy second half was Swain's interception return for a touchdown. The Bulldog defense did the rest.

"We wanted to shut down their back (Richard Franklin) because we knew they weren't going to throw well in this weather," Swain

said. "He's (Franklin) a big back and he uses his legs. He's good in this weather."

Indeed, A junior, Franklin (5-11, 205) finished with 149 yards on 26 carries.

Penix matched Franklin, ending up with 149 yards, as well, on 17 attempts. Senior Justin Esch added 39 yards on four tries, while senior Terry Arnold had 37 yards on

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SWIMMING AND DIVING

Bulldogs splash Indians

Chelsea tankers victorious in key SEC meet against Tecumseh

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Chelsea girls' swimming and diving team defeated Tecumseh 102-84 last Thursday.

The host Bulldogs celebrated Parents' Night.

"We thanked our seniors for four wonderful years representing Chelsea so well, both academically and athletically," said Chelsea coach Dave Jolly.

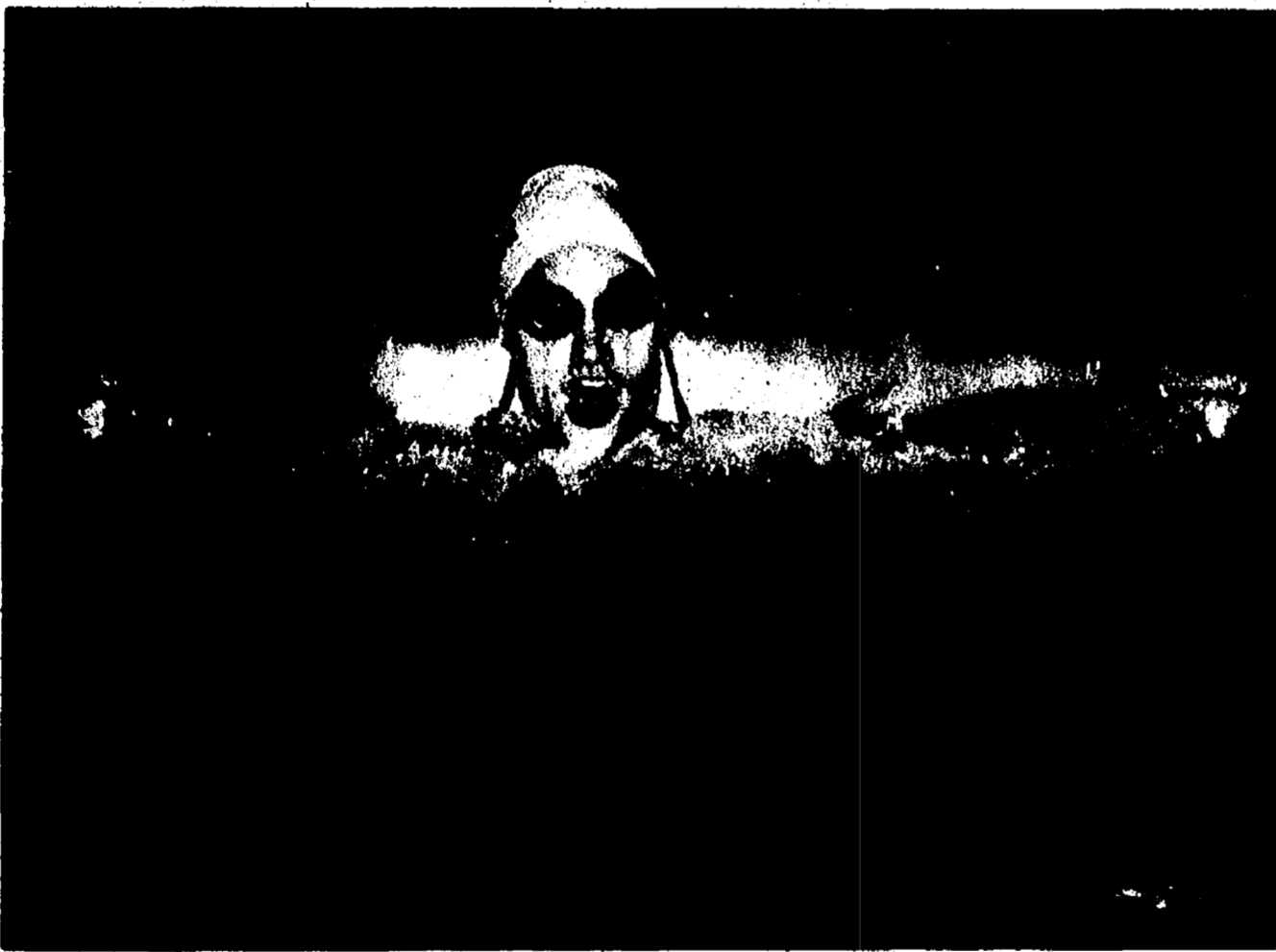
To begin the meet, the Bulldog foursome of Allison Frayer, Tara Jennings, Jessica Lodewyk and Kara Stiles placed first with a time of 1:57.27 in the 200 medley relay.

Erika Purdy touched third in the 200 freestyle in 2:15.44, while Phoebe Conybear was fourth in 2:15.97.

Jessica Lodewyk bested the field in the 200 individual medley with a clocking of 2:17.89, while Kellyn Pagliarini was third in 2:30.48 for Chelsea.

Stiles finished first in the 50 freestyle in 25.08, while Ayla DeTroyer was second in 26.93 and Jennings third in 27.21.

In diving, Jillian Drow was second with 214.20 points for



Chelsea's Nicole Lodewyk finished first in the 100 butterfly, with a time of 1:05.17, as the Bulldogs bested Tecumseh 102-84 last week.

the Bulldogs. Kirsten Shelton ended up third with 159.65 points. Anna Drow was sixth with 105.10 points.

In the 100 butterfly, Nicole Lodewyk placed first in 1:05.17. Conybear was third in 1:11.81, while Anna Rowland was fifth in 1:18.60. Jessica Lodewyk touched first in the 100 freestyle in 56.01. DeTroyer was fourth in

1:00.21, while Hillary Phillips was sixth in 1:04.34.

Frayer finished second in the 500 freestyle with a clocking of 5:59.89. April Adams was fourth in 6:19.87, while Aurora Knopper was sixth in 6:45.23.

In the 200 freestyle relay, Jessica Lodewyk, Purdy, Phillips and DeTroyer placed second in 1:47.44.

Pagliarini was first in the 100 backstroke in 1:06.46, while April Adams was third in 1:11.28 and Purdy fourth in 1:12.53.

Stiles finished first in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:10.28. Jennings placed third in 1:17.76, while Julie Adams was sixth in 1:24.76.

To close out the meet, the

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GOLF

Linksters finish ninth at state match

Common leads Chelsea with two-day score of 164

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Chelsea boys' golf team finished ninth at last weekend's Division II golf state tournament at the Meadows Golf Course at Grand Valley State University.

The Bulldogs ended up with a two-day total of 677 (328-351).

Capturing the state crown was Trenton with a score of 627 (305-322).

Rounding out the top five were East Grand Rapids with a 634 (304-330), followed by Mount Pleasant with a 653 (316-337), Flint Powers with a 657 (323-334) and Ludington with a 664 (312-352).

"I'm very pleased with our performance," said Chelsea coach Joe Ewald. "Our main goal was to get to the second day after missing (the second day) by one shot last year."

"Once we got to the second day (this year), we wanted more."

Senior Brett Common led Chelsea, shooting a two-day score of 164 (81-83).

Senior Nick Harwood added a 167 (83-84) for the Bulldogs.

"That was a real good score for Nick," Ewald said.

Senior J.R. Engelbert finished with a two-day tally of 177 (84-93), while freshman Elliot Marshall also had a 177 (78-99) and junior Kevin Todd a 178 (87-91).

While the GVSU course was tough, it was the elements that really tested Chelsea.

"The weather was brutal," Ewald said. "It was horrendous. There was rain, wind, sleet and cold. The course was underwater in some spots."

Ewald said despite the wet conditions, his team stayed poised.

"Nerves were never a factor for us," he said. "The guys were very relaxed and ready to go. I think it was to our advantage that we had been there before (state match)."

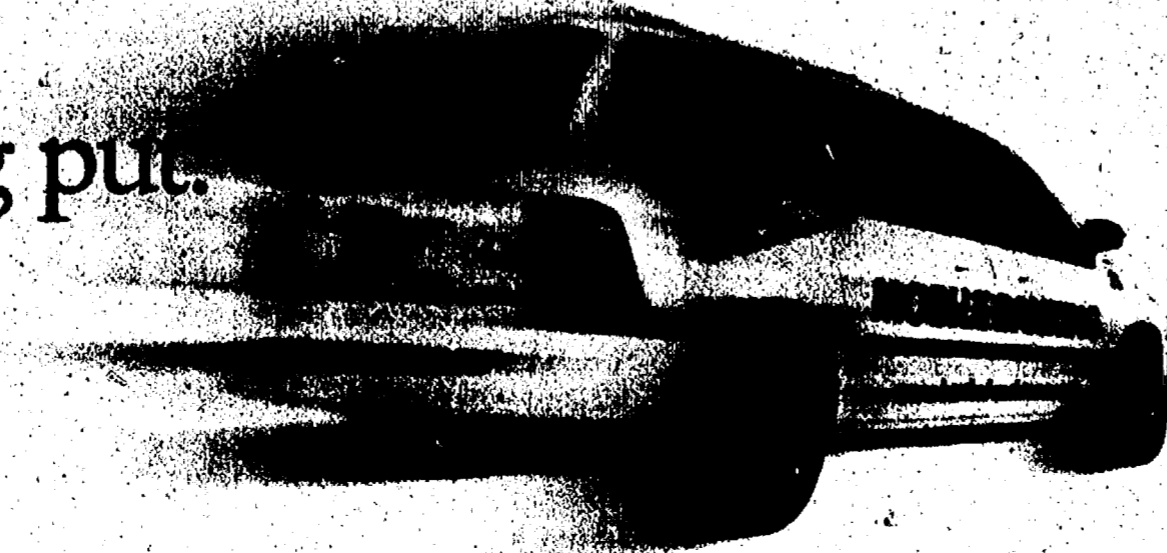
"I felt really good about the guys going into the tournament."

Winning the individual state title was Ben Landgraf of Niles, who carded a two-day total of 150 (71-79).

State runner-up was Trenton's Kris Belcher with a score of 151 (72-79).

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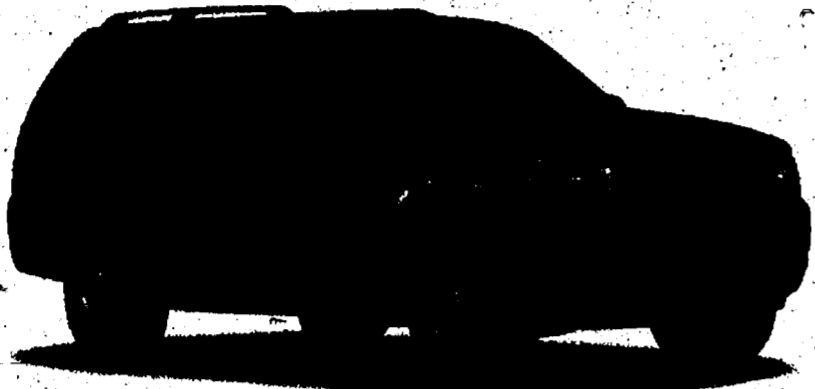
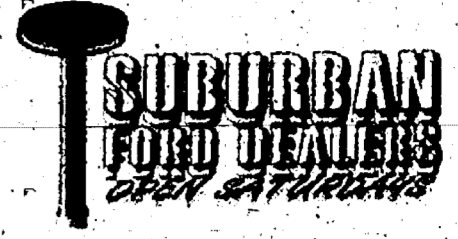
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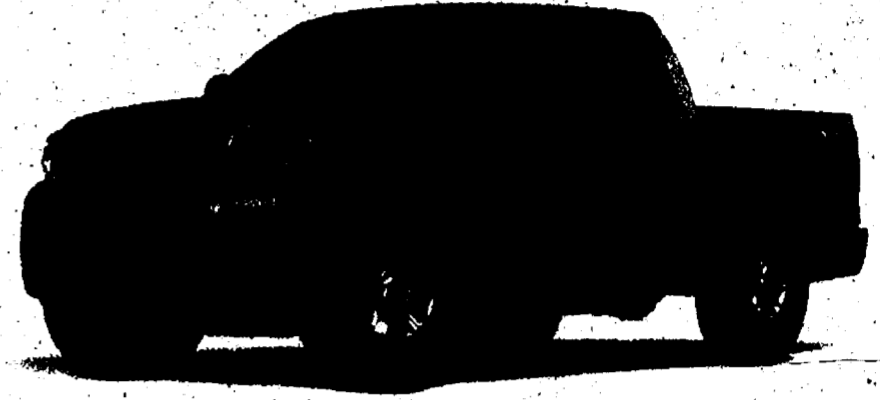


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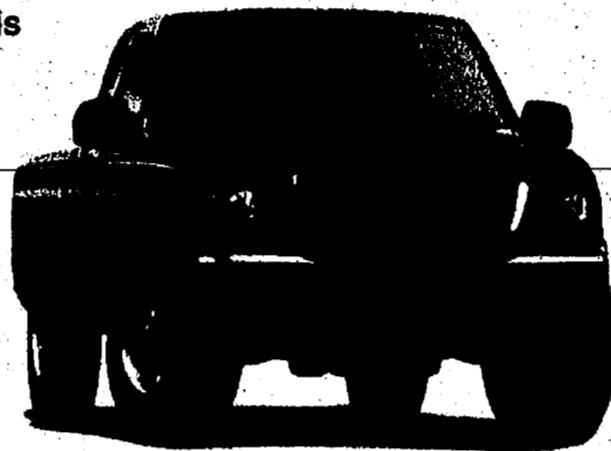


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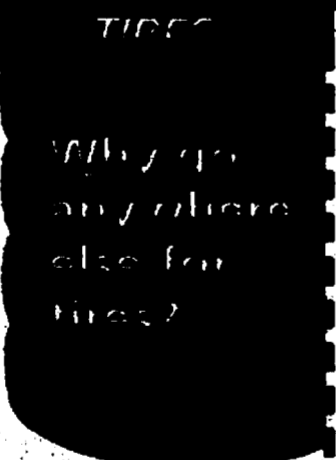
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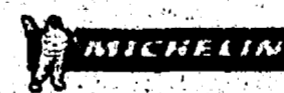
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BASKETBALL

Fourth quarter rally sparks cagers

Chelsea heats up offensively late against Lincoln

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Chelsea girls' basketball team defeated Southeastern Conference White Division foe Ypsilanti Lincoln 59-47 last Thursday.

The visiting Bulldogs (2-11, 1-1 SEC White) ran out to a 19-8 first-quarter lead.

In the second and third quarters, however, Chelsea was outscored 25-14, entering the fourth frame tied 33-33.

In the final stanza, the Bulldogs heated up offensively, netting a season-high for a quarter 28 points, while limiting the Railsplitters to 14 points.

"We are still working on playing consistently for four quarters," said Chelsea coach Todd Blomquist.

Junior swing player Emily Woodruff paced Chelsea, scoring 23 points and dishing out four assists.

Sophomore forward Rachel Fitzsimmons added 16 points, a team-high six assists and four rebounds. She finished 6-of-10 from the field and a perfect 4-of-4 from the free-throw line.

"I'm counting on that being a breakout game for Rachel," Blomquist said. "She really made good decisions and was aggressive offensively, but also recognized when to pass the ball, too."

"I hope she builds on that game." Senior point guard Liberty Dickerson, and junior center Sarah Iverson each ended up with six points and four boards for the Bulldogs.

Senior post player Megan Korc was strong in the paint for Chelsea, hauling down a team-high eight rebounds.

On Oct. 12, the Bulldogs lost to SEC Red opponent Temperance Bedford 49-31.

The host Mules opened up a 12-2 first quarter lead and, despite battling hard, Chelsea was never able to make up for its slow start.

"We got off the bus about a quarter too late," Blomquist said.

The Bulldogs committed 32 turnovers during the game.

Woodruff led Chelsea with seven points and four rebounds.

Fitzsimmons chipped in six points and three boards,

while senior swing player Trisha Terns had five points and senior forward Brittany Carey four points for the Bulldogs.

Chelsea next hosts SEC and county rival Dexter today at 7 p.m.

On Tuesday, the Bulldogs travel to SEC Red power Saline for a contest at 7 p.m.

On Oct. 28, Chelsea visits SEC White, foe Tecumseh for a game at 7 p.m.

JV Basketball

The Bulldog JV girls' basketball team defeated Ypsilanti Lincoln 42-31 last Thursday.

Visiting Chelsea (10-3) jumped out to a 16-0 first quarter advantage and a 31-8 halftime lead.

Hannah Guenther led the Bulldogs with 13 points.

Bridget Lynn added seven points and four steals, while Annie Hollandsworth had six points and Kate Shrosbree and Katie Lynn each had five points for Chelsea.

Liz Gunden finished with four points and a team-high 10 rebounds, while Anna Foley had two points for the Dawgs.

Lizzie Bentley ended up with five rebounds for Chelsea.

On Oct. 12, the Bulldogs beat Temperance Bedford 38-10.

Visiting Chelsea led 12-8 at the break, but exploded for 16 points in the third quarter, while holding the Mules to two points, entering the fourth quarter leading 28-10.

In the final period, the Bulldogs clamped down defensively, outscoring Bedford 10-0 for the ending margin.

Bridget Lynn and Shrosbree paced the squad, each scoring nine points.

Bentley had six points and a team-high nine boards, while Gunden had six points and Hollandsworth four points and five steals.

Katie Lynn and Foley each added two points for Chelsea.

The Bulldogs were sharp from the line, finishing the game 10-of-12 for 83 percent.

Chelsea next hosts rival Dexter 5:30 p.m. today.

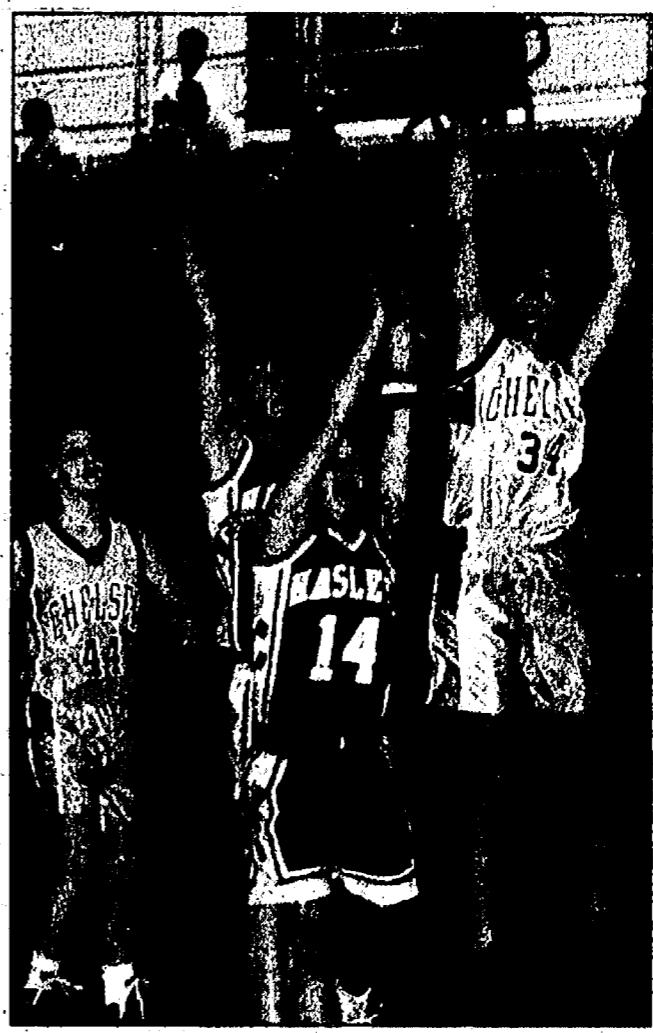
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Freshman Basketball
The Bulldog freshman



Chelsea junior Emily Woodruff scored 23 points and had four assists in the Bulldogs' win over Ypsilanti Lincoln last Thursday.



Bulldog senior Megan Korc goes up for two points in action earlier this season. Last week, Korc hauled down a team-high eight rebounds in Chelsea's 59-47 victory over Ypsilanti Lincoln.

Photos by Alice Rawson

girls' basketball team defeated Ypsilanti Lincoln 57-24 last Thursday.

Jenna Jarvis led visiting Chelsea with 12 points. Casey Keilman added nine points, while Nellie Daniels and Brogan Darwin each had eight points and Samantha Minzey five points for the Bulldogs.

Jamie Gipson and Emily Rabbitt each netted four points, while Karah Schanz had three points and Maureen Lynn and Sara Myers each had two points for Chelsea.

"We played a great game," said Chelsea coach John Ruhlrig. "Lincoln played us man-to-man for a lot of the game and that gave us a

chance to get inside and run our plays.

"We haven't had a game like that lately. It was fun to see what we could do against a man-to-man defense. All 10 girls scored; it doesn't get better than that."

On Oct. 12, the Bulldogs lost to Temperance Bedford 37-31 in overtime.

"What a tough game," Ruhlrig said. "The girls played hard and never gave up. It just didn't go our way tonight."

Rabbitt paced Chelsea with 15 points.

Jarvis chipped in five points, while Keilman and Lynn each had four points; Minzey two points and Myers one point for the Dawgs.

Chelsea next hosts county rival Dexter 5:30 p.m. today at the Washington Street Education Center. On Tuesday, the Bulldogs travel to Saline for a game at 5:30 p.m. On Oct. 28, Chelsea visits Tecumseh for a contest at 4 p.m.

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Football Parity Brings Overtime Games, Tie Score in Power Points Competition
Midwest Results Week 5 - Sure the NFL wanted parity, but now there's so much of it that Mike Wallace is having trouble getting his prime time face time. Three NFL games went into overtime on Sunday with the San Francisco Seattle game eating up more than half the scheduled hour for Wallace and his 60 Minutes show.
Not even Week 5 of the POWER POINTS of the Midwest Football Contest was spared as four contestants all tallied 127 of the possible 136 contest points. Jeff Webster, of Adrian, MI, Jean Kruse, of Council Grove, KS, John Clifford, of Chicago, and Mike Reitz, of Canton, IL, all performed that feat. Onward to Tiebreaker 1: total points scored in the St. Louis Rams game (60).
Drum roll, please...
With a guess of 50 points, Webster claimed regional grand prize honors and the accompanying cash prize of \$1,000.
He entered the contest through The Daily Telegraph newspaper in Adrian.
Local winners in Week 5 were:
Adrian... Jeff Webster, Adrian (127 points)
Coldwater... Larry Stout, Coldwater (102 points); Mike Witham Jr., Coldwater (102 points)
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TENNIS

Morrison named Chelsea tennis MVP

Senior singles player advances to regional semifinals

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Chelsea girls' tennis team ended its season two weeks ago, finishing fifth at the Division II regional match at Okemos.

The Bulldogs (7-3-1) just missed qualifying for the state final tournament, but had a strong year, nonetheless.

Chelsea placed first overall in the Southeastern Conference White Division, capturing every league quad in the process.

Individually, the Bulldogs had an impressive season, as well.

In singles, No. 1 player Ariel Schepers finished 14-8 overall. The third-year junior was league champion, advancing to the second round of regionals before falling.

At No. 2 singles, Jackie Daane ended up 12-7 overall. The third-year junior was league champion and also advanced to the regional second round before losing.

Heather Neff cleaned up at No. 3 singles for Chelsea, finishing with a 16-4 overall mark. The second-year junior earned a league title this season to go along with a Dexter Invitational championship.

At No. 4 singles, Stacia Morrison dominated. The third-year senior ended up with a 17-4 overall record, including two invitational titles. A league champion, she advanced to the regional semifinals before losing.

For her efforts this season, Morrison was named Bulldog MVP. She also earned a scholar-athlete award.

In doubles, the Chelsea twosome of Lindsay Olsen and Rachel Gentz finished with a 13-8 overall record at the No. 1 flight. The senior duo placed second in league play and captured two invitational titles this season.

Individually, Gentz

received a scholar-athlete award and a SEC sportsmanship award.

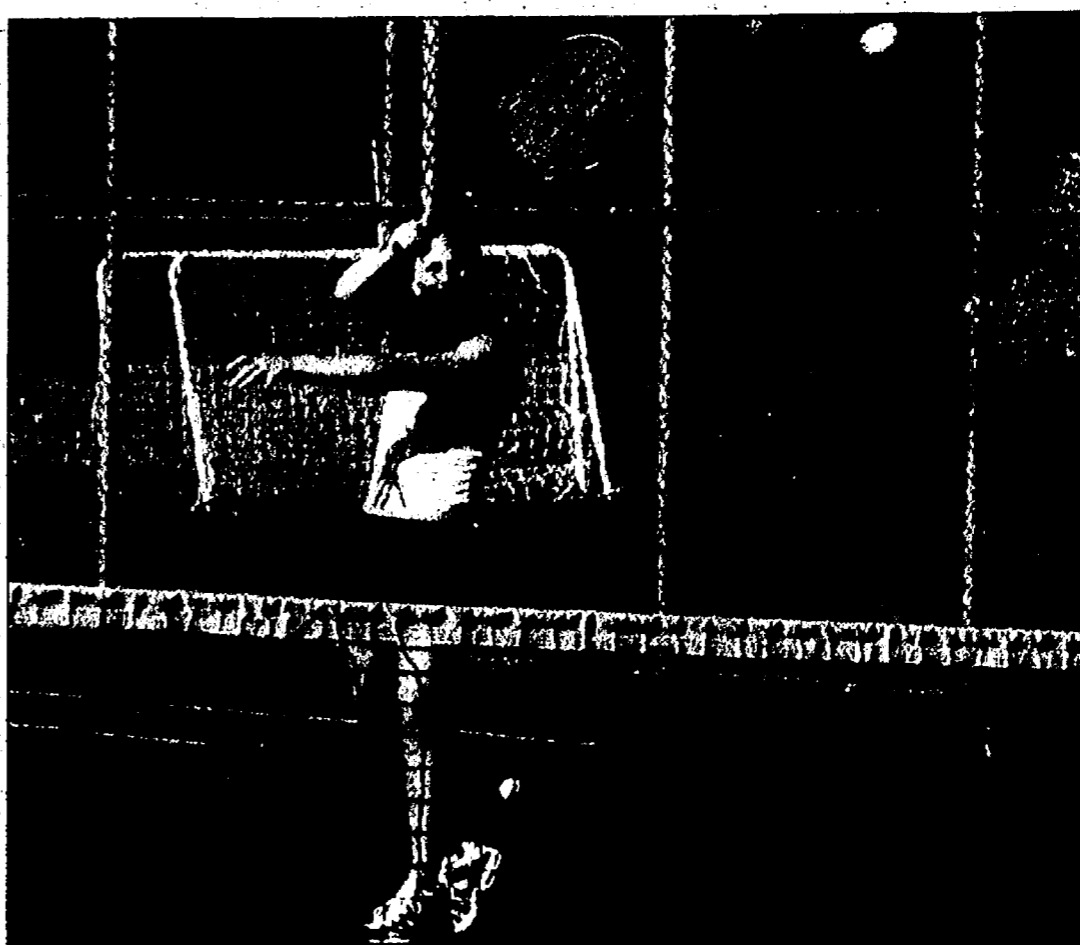
At No. 2 doubles, Hanna Taylor and Taryn Hammer ended up with a 13-10 overall mark. The senior twosome finished second in the league, winning a first-round regional match.

Individually, Taylor received the squad's Coaches Award, and also earned a scholar-athlete award. Hammer also was named a scholar-athlete.

At No. 3 doubles, senior Natalie Johnson and junior Amanda Arnston finished 14-8 overall this year. The first-year varsity combo captured a league title and advanced to the regional semifinals before falling.

Individually, Johnson received the team's Most Improved Player Award and also earned a scholar-athlete award.

At No. 4 doubles, Liz Hood and Maggie Valle shined, concluding the season with a 17-5 overall record. The sophomore duo finished first in the league and was region-



Chelsea's Stacia Morrison was named Bulldog tennis MVP after going 17-4 at No. 4 singles this season.

Photo by Alice Rawson

al semifinalists. The future looks bright for Chelsea tennis as three of four singles players and three of eight doubles players return next year. Sports Editor Don Richter can be reached at 475-1371 or at drichter@heritage.com.

BEACH BASKETBALL

Maveal leads Beach hoops

Chelsea's Beach Middle School eighth-grade Gold girls' basketball team defeated Saline Blue 22-13 Oct. 13.

Kelly Maveal, who scored eight points, led the visiting Bulldogs. Lindsay Parisho added four points for Beach.

Defensively, Chelsea played well, limiting the Hornets to four first-half points.

On Oct. 11, the Bulldogs lost to Tecumseh 29-21.

"We played well in the second half," said Chelsea coach Rahn Rosentreter. "We just got too far behind in the early going."

Host Chelsea trailed 19-8 at halftime.

Maveal paced the Bulldogs with nine points, while Stevie Gregory had six points.

Chelsea's Beach Middle School eighth-grade Blue girls' basketball team lost to Ypsilanti Lincoln 32-28 Oct. 11.

Visiting Beach (4-5) trailed

14-12 at the break and 23-20 entering the fourth quarter.

Erin Benjamin topped Chelsea with 17 points.

On Oct. 6, the Bulldogs lost to county rival Dexter 25-23.

"We lost to them by a big margin the first time we played, so this is a sign that we have improved throughout the season," said Chelsea coach Lonnie Mitchell.

The host Bulldogs jumped out to a 10-2 lead after one quarter. At halftime, Dexter rallied, taking a 12-11 advantage into the locker room.

Entering the fourth frame, Beach trailed 19-15. In the final period, Chelsea struggled from the free-throw line, finishing 0-of-13 as the Bulldogs outscored Dexter 8-6.

"We can't do that and expect to win many games," Mitchell said of his squad's poor foul shooting.

Benjamin led Chelsea with 10 points. Krystin Schwarze added six points.

On Oct. 4, Beach defeated Saline Gold 22-20.

After falling behind 6-5 in the first quarter, the Bulldogs outscored the Hornets 17-14 to secure the victory.

Heather Boyer scored five points for Chelsea.

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FOOTBALL

JV remains unbeaten on gridiron

Chelsea's JV football team defeated Ann Arbor Pioneer 21-14 last Thursday. The visiting Bulldogs (8-0) were strong in the first half defensively, blanking the Pioneers. Offensively, Chris Tapping scored on a 3-yard run in the second quarter. Danny Rhodes added the point-after kick, giving Chelsea a 7-0 lead. In the third quarter, Pioneer (6-2) was driving for what appeared to be a game-tying score, when the Bulldog defense recovered a fumble inside its own 20-yard line. A few plays after recovering the fumble, Chelsea quarterback Jon Seelbach connected with Rhodes on an 80-yard TD pass. Rhodes turned a short, inside screen pass into a long touchdown run. With Rhodes' kick, the Bulldogs increased their advantage to 14-0. Pioneer responded with a touchdown and two-point conversion, cutting Chelsea's lead to 14-8. On the Bulldogs' next drive, Tapping

scored on a 14-yard run up the middle. Rhodes kicked the extra point, giving Chelsea a 21-8 advantage. "We were able to thwart a Pioneer drive deep in our end," said Chelsea coach Chris Orlandi. "We (then) took a few minutes off the clock, and punted back to them." "Pioneer began another long drive and scored with less than one minute in the game. With the score 21-14, they tried an inside kick, we recovered, and that was it." Chelsea next travels to Allen Park for its season finale today at 7 p.m. **Freshman Football** Chelsea's freshman football team lost to Ann Arbor Pioneer 26-7 last Thursday. The visiting Bulldogs (6-2) led 7-0 at halftime. On a fake punt attempt, Chelsea's Jeff Adams passed 40 yards to Stu Mann for a touchdown. Pioneer rallied, however, taking a 12-7 lead into the fourth quarter. In the last frame, Ann Arbor scored two

late touchdowns, with less than five minutes remaining, for the night's final margin. "We had three big turnovers, some untimely penalties and I made a bad game management decision," said Chelsea coach Dennis Strzyzewski. "But we hung in and had a chance to win in the fourth quarter. Pioneer just took over the line of scrimmage in the final 10 minutes." Adams finished 7-of-13 for 100 yards passing. Chris Schmelz paced the Bulldogs on the ground, rushing for 68 yards. Taylor Hopkins and James Connelly each had eight tackles, while Rodney Ostrowski had seven stops for Chelsea defensively. "We have had a great season, and our kids have come a long way," Strzyzewski said. "I think the kids will respond positively next week." The Bulldogs next travel to Allen Park for its last game of the regular season 4 p.m. today.

SOCCER

Dawgs tie Indians

The Chelsea boys' soccer team tied Southeastern Conference White Division foe Tecumseh 1-1 last Thursday. The Bulldogs out shot the host Indians 14-8 for the regular season finale. "We missed several golden opportunities to win the game in the second half," said Chelsea coach Chad Scaling. On Oct. 12, host Chelsea lost to SEC and county rival Dexter 1-0. "They scored at the 52-minute mark and held on for the win," Scaling said. "We hit two posts and had a penalty kick saved in the first half, and hit the post again in the second half."

YOUTH SOCCER

Soccer club snaps Dearborn win streak

The Chelsea Youth Soccer Club boys' U-10 Dynamos lost to Wayne-Westland 5-3 last week. Bret Croskey scored two goals, while Josh Borton had one goal for Chelsea. The U-12 boys' team (3-3-1) defeated Dearborn Heights 3-0 last week. With the victory, Chelsea snapped Dearborn Heights' 14-game winning streak. Recording the shutout in net for the local squad was August Pappas. Scoring for Chelsea were

Logan Yordanich, Chris Ballow and Eric Meyers. The squad also lost to Livonia 2-1 last week. Ballow scored the team's lone goal. The boys' U-13 club (6-3) won its fifth straight game, defeating Garden City 5-0 last week. Max McLaughlin scored two goals, while Nate Branham, Lance Hammer and Vince Verardi each scored one goal for Chelsea. Combining for the shutout in net were Josh Moffat and Viktor Rozsa. Joe Gunden;

Nick Forsch, Collin Scott and Greg Cornwell played strong defense for Chelsea. The U-14 boys' squad blanked Huron Valley 1-0 last week. Emily Harris and Sarah Reinhardt each scored a goal for Chelsea.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Lewis leads Chelsea runners

Despite poor weather, Bulldogs perform well at meet

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Chelsea boys' cross country team overcame soggy conditions, finishing fourth overall at last Saturday's Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard Invitational at Hudson Mills.

The Bulldogs ended up with 97 points.

Winning the 17-team meet was Flint Powers with 45 points.

Birmingham Seaholm was second with 69 points, while St. Clair was third with 77 points and Orchard Lake St. Mary's fifth with 195 points.

"This was a wet, rainy, muddy day," said Chelsea coach Eric Swager. "A perfect day for runners or ducks."

"After winning this event for the past two years, we were shut out of the trophies."

Individually for the Bulldogs, Dan Lewis led the way, placing eighth in 17:04.

Teammate Brendan Smith was ninth with a time of 17:05, while Ian Girard was

18th in 17:30 and Max Wineland 27th in 17:47 for Chelsea.

Chet Hopp crossed the line 35th with a clocking of 18:05, while Jeff Squires was 53rd in 18:52 and Drew Hamilton 58th in 19:03.

In the JV race, Teddy Eyster paced the Bulldogs, placing seventh in a season best 19:09.

Josh Fitzsimmons finished 14th in 19:29, while Nick Huehl was 18th in a season best 19:31, Dolan Personke 20th in 19:42, Mike Hankerd 22nd in 19:51 and Abe Booth 26th in a season best 20:24.

Ben Fournier placed 29th in 20:08, while Seth Breeze was 48th in 20:52 and Steve McDonald 69th in a season best 22:02.

"We have seen all the best teams in the state this season, so we know what it will take to compete at the state level," Swager said. "By the end of the year, we need to have all our varsity runners run well on the same day. This has yet to happen."

"Our task is to have all runners perform to their potential at the end of the year."

Chelsea next participates in the Southeastern Conference Jamboree No. 3



Chelsea's Teddy Eyster finished seventh in the JV race in 19:09 at last Saturday's Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard Invitational at Hudson Mills.

Photo by Alice Rawson

at Hudson Mills 3 p.m. today. can be reached at 475-1371 or Sports Editor Don Richter at drichter@heritage.com.

Chelsea's Rachel Severin finished first overall at last Saturday's Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard Invitational. As a team, the Bulldogs placed fourth.



Photo by Alice Rawson

CROSS COUNTRY

Bulldog harriers fourth at invite

Chelsea duo finish 1-2 at Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard race

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Chelsea girls' cross country team placed fourth at last Saturday's Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard Invitational at Hudson Mills Metropark.

The Bulldogs ended up with 131 points.

Monroe Jefferson captured the 18-team meet with 58 points. Milan finished second with 83 points, while Dexter was third with 102 points.

"This was a fair meet for us," said Chelsea coach Pat Clarke. "We ran fairly well despite the fact we were missing two varsity runners."

Pacing Chelsea was Rachel Severin, who finished first with a time of 18:32.

Teammate Amanda McKenzie was second with a clocking of 19:05 for the Bulldogs.

"Rachel and Amanda both again ran very well," Clarke said. "Both girls had (personal records) for Hudson Mills."

Nicole Boucher crossed

the line 21st for Chelsea in a personal best 20:44, while Katelyn Ciacio was 45th in 21:37.

Meg Wheeler ended up 62nd in 22:15, while Kelly Catalina was 63rd in a personal best 22:16 and Leah House 81st in 22:51.

"We need to get healthy as a team if we are to have any chance this week at the SEC (Southeastern Conference) finals," Clarke said.

In the JV race, Athena Eyster placed fifth with a time of 22:44 to pace the Bulldogs.

Katie Grabarkiewicz finished eighth in 23:05, while Rachel Stone was 10th in 23:26, Casey Sullens 12th in 23:29, Caitlin Dronen 23rd in 24:11 and Stasi Kanelopoulos 28th in 24:14.

Kimmi Zimmerman was 40th in 24:50, while Katy Martin was 41st in 24:51, Bekah Sauers 44th in 24:55, Emma Inwood 46th in 25:01, Danielle Prince 56th in 25:44 and Mallory Weddon 70th in 26:33 for Chelsea.

The Bulldogs next compete in the SEC Jamboree No. 3 at Hudson Mills 3 p.m. today.

Sports Editor Don Richter can be reached at 475-1371 or at drichter@heritage.com.

COLLEGE ATHLETICS

Mann named preseason All-MAC

Former Chelsea All-Stater Alison Mann has been named to the Mid-American Conference preseason all-conference women's basketball team. The squad is a result of voting by members of the MAC News Media Association.

Last season, Mann was named the league's Freshman of the Year. She earned honorable mention all-league accolades last year averaging 12.9 points and a team-high 7.9 rebounds. Her 400 total points was second most by a freshman in

Bowling Green State University history, while her 245 rebounds was a Falcon freshman record.

A two-time All-State selection for the Bulldogs, Mann last season helped lead BGSU to a 21-10 overall

record and a league mark of 11-5. The Falcons finished second, advancing to the MAC championship game.

Bowling Green opens its season Nov. 12 at Ohio State University.

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Chelsea senior Kara Stiles placed first in the 200 individual medley against Ann Arbor Huron last week.

SPLASH

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Chelsea group of Stiles, Frayer, Conybeare and Pagliarini touched first in 3:56.34 in the 400 freestyle relay.

Chelsea vs. Huron

On Oct. 12, the Bulldogs lost to Ann Arbor Huron 104-82. Chelsea was flat against the River Rats, Jolly said.

"This time of year it becomes difficult to get up for every swim or dive," he said. "We performed well, but they performed better."

To start the meet, the Bulldog team of Jessica Lodewyk, Jennings, Frayer and Stiles finished first in 1:58.99 in the 200 medley relay.

Jessica Lodewyk placed first in the 200 freestyle with a time of 2:01.84.

Stiles finished first in the 200 individual medley with a clocking of 2:14.06, while Nicole Lodewyk was third in 2:26.96.

DeTroyer ended up second in the 50 freestyle in 26.39, while Jennings was fourth in 27.18 for Chelsea.

In diving, Jillian Drow finished first with 197.30 points. Shelton was fourth with 165.30 points and Anna Drow sixth with 136.20 points.

Nicole Lodewyk was second in the 100 butterfly with a time of 1:04.95. Rowland was fifth in 1:20.36, while Kelly Whitley was sixth in 1:22.40 for the Bulldogs.

Stiles touched first in the 100 freestyle with a clocking of 54.46.

Jessica Lodewyk outdistanced the field in the 500 freestyle, placing first in 5:33.12. Knopper was fifth in 6:35.29, while Danielle Schulze was sixth in 7:06.42 for Chelsea.

In the 200 freestyle relay, the Bulldog foursome of Jessica Lodewyk, DeTroyer, Stiles and Purdy placed first in 1:44.20.

Pagliarini was the Bulldogs' top finisher in the 100 backstroke, touching third in 1:06.90.

Jennings finished second in the 100 breaststroke in 1:16.60, while Anna Drow was fourth in 1:17.83 and Anne

YOUTH BASKETBALL

Common Bond holds tryouts

The Common Bond boys' AAU basketball club is holding tryouts for its upcoming travel season.

Tryouts will be at Ann Arbor Pioneer.

Cost to tryout is \$5. Players from throughout the area are encouraged to try out.

The club's fourth- and fifth-grade travel team will hold tryouts 5 to 8 p.m. Nov. 7. Registration is at 4:30 p.m.

The sixth-grade squad will conduct tryouts 1 to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 7. Registration is at 12:30 p.m.

The seventh-grade team will hold tryouts 4 to 7:30 p.m. Nov. 14. Registration time is 3:30 p.m.

The eighth-grade club will hold tryouts noon to 3:30 p.m. Nov. 14. Registration is at 11:30 p.m.

For more information, call Tyrone Hicks at 1-734-358-4392 or log on to the Web site at www.commonbondbasketball.org.

PIONEER

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two rushes for Chelsea.

Passing-wise, Dunn was 1-of-6 for 17 yards. Pioneer junior Pedro Arruda finished 4-of-13 for 39 yards. Arruda was filling in for starter Mike McCoy, who was held out because of severe headaches.

"He wasn't cleared to play this week," said Pioneer coach Chuck White of McCoy. "They evaluated him on Wednesday (Oct. 13), and said he was a no-go. We just have to make the best of it. We can't put our (team) goals in front of his personal safety. We just had to hold him out."

"But we hung in there. We showed some pride."

Senior tight end Pat Brooks caught the Bulldogs' lone pass of the day for 17 yards.

Franklin had two receptions for 17 yards for Ann Arbor. Senior Alex Seyferth (6-3, 210), Pioneer's deep threat, was held to just one catch for 10 yards.

As a team, the Bulldogs had 248 yards of total offense, including 229 yards on the ground.

Ann Arbor had 206 total yards with 167 yards rushing.

Defensively, senior linebacker Mike Ernst led Chelsea with nine tackles, while junior tackle Austin Rodgers had seven stops.

Senior linebacker Pete Fremuth, who ended up with nine tackles, paced Pioneer.

Ann Arbor's other loss this season has come against Division I Plymouth Canton

(8-0), ranked in the state's top five regardless of division.

White said Chelsea is similar to the Chiefs in some respects.

"Chelsea does a lot of trap work and counters, while Canton is in your face all the time trying to blow you off the ball," he said. "But Chelsea's very talented. We had a difficult time defending the run. I know Canton doesn't have big tackles like that (Chelsea's PJ Sawicki, 6-4, 290 and Nick Toth, 6-2, 295). They are big and mobile kids."

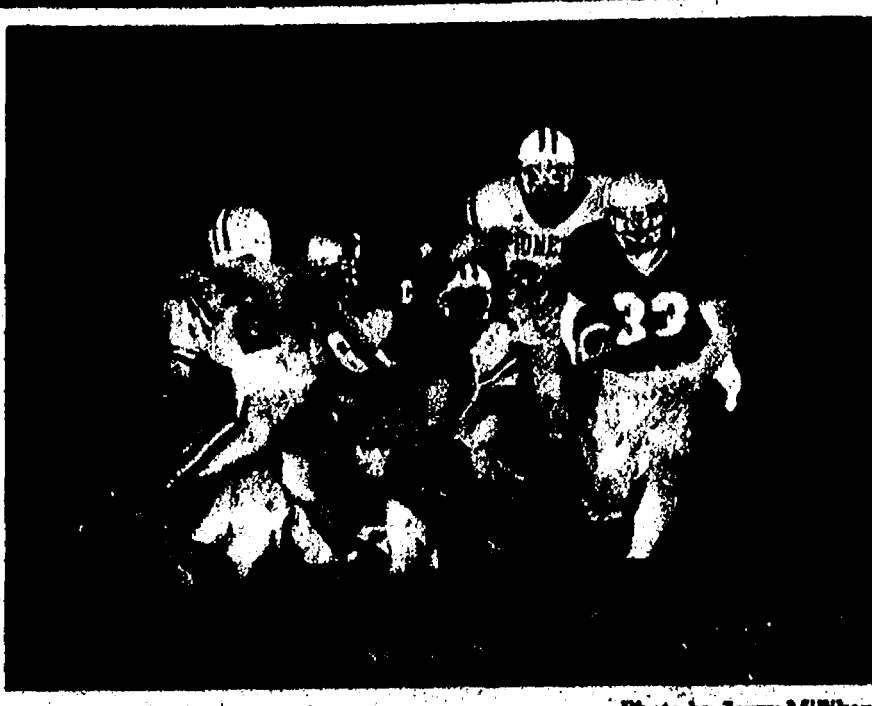
"Chelsea makes you defend the whole field, while Canton you need to defend what's in front of you. But that's hard enough to do."

What's also difficult to do is play Allen Park.

Tomorrow, the Bulldogs take on that challenge, hosting the Jaguars (8-0) and, like Canton, ranked in the state's top five, regardless of class. Last year, Allen Park lost in the Division III state final to East Grand Rapids. Kickoff is 7 p.m.

"They have a great tradition," Bush said. "They're a very athletic team. They're the best football team we've played all year. They have a lot of guys with big game experience. They're used to playing in that type of (big game) situation."

Allen Park, who's closest game this season was 26-0, is led by one of the state's top juniors, in running back/defensive back Derek Brighton (6-0, 185). Brighton's brother Bryan signed a football scholarship with Michigan State University last season.



Chelsea senior Alex Rabbitt runs for yardage against Ann Arbor Pioneer during last Friday's 23-0 victory.

"He's a great player," Bush said of Derek Brighton. "He's an excellent free safety."

Also leading the Jags is quarterback Reid Cutty (6-3, 190).

"He's very good," Bush said. "He's a lot like (Saline's) Sean Brown."

No matter what happens tomorrow, Bush said the Bulldogs are having a great season.

"I think there's a chance we can make a run in the playoffs," he said. "We're going to go as far as our offensive line takes us."

On Sunday, Fox Sports Net Detroit will announce the playoff pairings at 5:30 p.m. The Selection Sunday show will last 30 minutes, and include all playoff pairings throughout the state and in all eight divisions.

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BUSINESS

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Ken Wright of Dexter, president of the Haas Technical Education Council and a HFCC manufacturing productivity systems instructor, is pictured with manufacturing equipment in the Haas Technical Center.

DEXTER

Wright named to post

Henry Ford Community College manufacturing productivity systems instructor Ken Wright, a Dexter resident, has been elected president of the Haas Technical Education Council.

The council is comprised of instructors and administrators from more than 35 two- and four-year institutions in the United States and Canada, with the mission of promoting and advancing manufacturing productivity through excellence in manufacturing education.

Wright is the second president of Haas Technical Education Council since its inception in 2002, and also is one of the organization's founding members.

As president, Wright plans to increase the number of students enrolled in college and university manufacturing technology programs.

"One of my objectives as president includes moving forward with a recruitment program designed to increase interest in

manufacturing technology in students graduating from high school," Wright said in a press release.

"I am looking forward to continuing the great work that has already been done and moving forward with new improvements."

The experience Wright brings to his new position dates back to 1999, when the council became the first Haas Technical Center in Michigan. Since then, Haas Automation Inc., headquartered in Oxnard, Calif., has entrusted new equipment and machines to the council to train students in the latest manufacturing equipment through its factory outlet, a division of Gerotech Inc., in Flat Rock.

Currently, Haas Technical Center houses more than \$200,000 worth of high-tech manufacturing tools.

"Haas Automation Inc. has been very generous in its support of manufacturing technology instruction at HFCC," Wright said. "Through this support, HFCC has received

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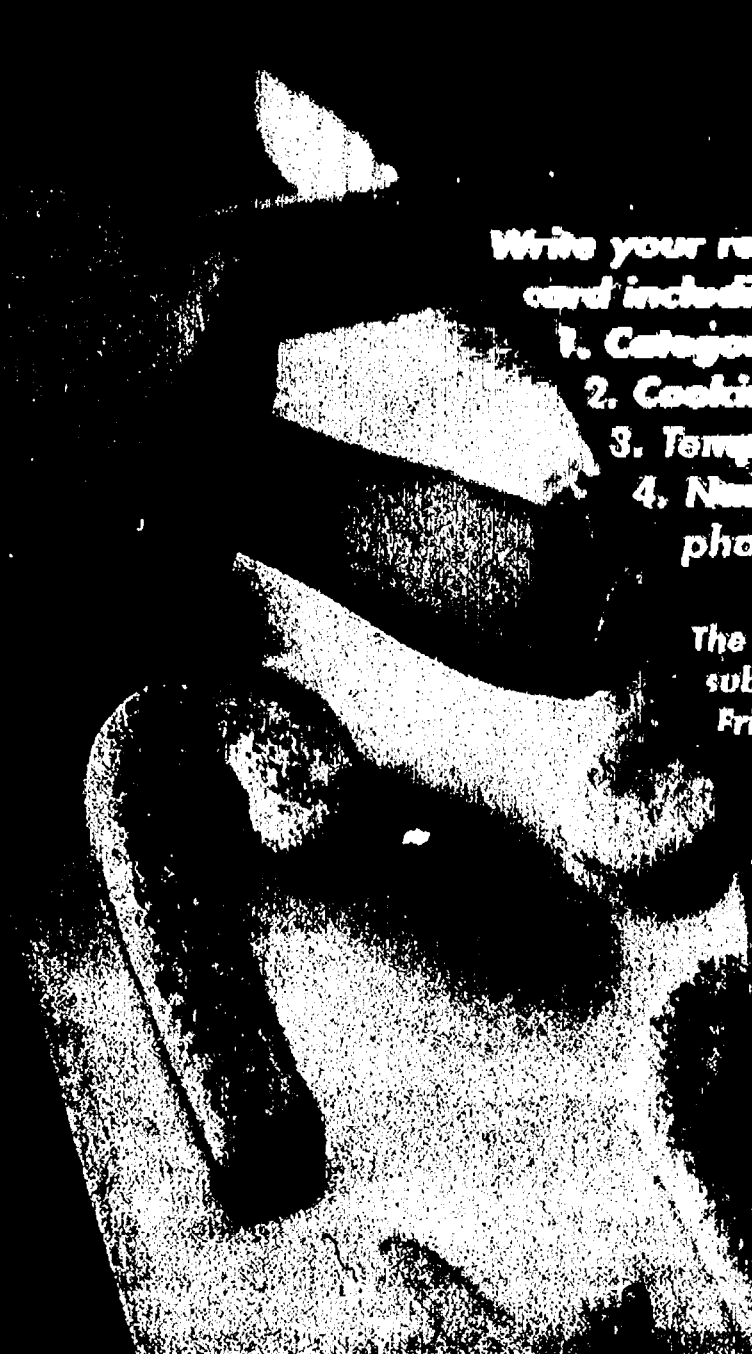
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Jennifer Ellison (center) marked her first year in business last week at Chelsea Village Flowers, 112 E. Middle St. The 1997 Chelsea High graduate specializes in traditional arrangements with a modern touch. She gained experience working for six years with Chelsea Greenhouse veterans Walt and Sandy Zeeb. Ellison then decided to go out on her own. Ellison is pictured with her two part-time employees, Cala Hale (left) and Tamra Montgomery.

CHELSEA

New yoga studio opens

Committed to making the practice of yoga accessible and enjoyable for all adults, regardless of age, size or current physical condition, Andria Blackwood is preparing a studio, and a weekly schedule of classes that began Monday at Vishnu's Couch Yoga Studio.

The new business is located in the lower level of the Sylvan Building, 114 N. Main St., in Chelsea.

Vishnu's Couch Yoga Studio will offer six different types of classes, available at various times throughout the week.

"I named the studio Vishnu's Couch after one of the poses or asanas practiced in Hatha yoga," said Blackwood.

"Vishnu is the deity of balance and harmony, and yoga has brought balance and harmo-

ny to my life."

To celebrate the opening of the yoga studio and to welcome prospective class members, Blackwood is offering to conduct every class session for free this week.

"This will allow individuals to acquaint themselves with yoga if they have not tried it before, and will give everyone the chance to see how I guide class sessions," she said.

A newcomer to Chelsea, Blackwood and her husband recently moved from the Washington D.C., area with their two boys.

While living there, Blackwood received her instructor certification and offered a full weekly schedule of classes.

Her personal journey with the practice of yoga began when she was a teenager.

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CHELSEA

Book store to host events

In celebration of the sandhill cranes' annual migration to the Waterloo Recreation Area, Cranesbill Books in downtown Chelsea will host a "coming home" weekend of activities.

Activities this weekend will include author signings, entertainment and a Chelsea memorabilia expo.

Doug Aikenhead, a local collector of Chelsea artifacts, will present a history of Chelsea via postcards from his vast collection beginning at 2 p.m. Participants may bring their own collectibles for show and

share stories of yesteryear. The presentation is free.

"We have many local collectors and Chelsea history buffs who would really enjoy this event," store owner Jan Loveland said in a press release.

On Sunday, Cranesbill will host back-to-back author appearances and book signings.

At 2 p.m., Michigan native Amy Benson returns to her home state to sign copies of her critically acclaimed memoir, "The Sparkling-Eyed Boy," a story of adolescent

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DEXTER

Local man to lead legal group

A Dexter resident who works for Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone attorneys has been named deputy chairman of the Litigation and Dispute Resolution Group.

Mark Boonstra of Dexter, principal in the Ann Arbor office, and Richard Gaffin, principal in the Grand Rapids office, both were recently named to the position. Boonstra will represent



Mark Boonstra

the Detroit, Ann Arbor, Troy and Monroe areas, while Gaffin will represent Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo.

Boonstra is also a director and chairman of the Washtenaw County Economic Club, a graduate of the

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Family Fun

North Lake United Methodist Church of Chelsea celebrated its monthly Family Fun Night Oct. 9 by making scarecrows. Kevin Higman (left) of Dexter, Jacob Higman of Dexter, Krista McInnis of Chelsea and Elizabeth Boyce of Chelsea were among those who attending the event.

DEATHS

EDNA L. SCHANZ
Dexter

Edna L. Schanz, 96, of Dexter died Oct. 17, 2004, at her home. She was born Aug. 8, 1908, in Greenfield, the daughter of Karl and Emilie (Osgrat) Schenk.

Mrs. Schanz had worked at several places in the Dexter and Chelsea areas, including the Spring Plant, Ann Arbor Singer Sewing Machine Co., Dexter Bakery and Otto Schanz's Upholstery Shop.

Her favorite pastimes were canning, baking, sewing, and spending time with her family, friends and neighbors.

On July 25, 1925, she married Earl Schanz, and he preceded her in death July 13, 1972.

Surviving are her eight grandchildren, Jeff Schanz, Debbie Siedhoff, Lynette Schanz, Ann Schanz, Scott Schanz, Stephen (Lori) Schanz, Michael (Annette) Schanz and Tammy (Brian) Veal; 11 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was also preceded in death by two sons and their wives, Robert (Pat) Schanz and Richard (Ruth) Schanz; three sisters; two brothers; and one grandson, Mark Schanz.

A funeral was held yesterday at Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea. Deacon Richard Shanley officiated. Burial followed at Oak Grove Cemetery in Chelsea.

Expressions of sympathy can be made to Hospice of Michigan's Ann Arbor chapter.

GORDON D. BURKE
Grass Lake

Gordon D. Burke, 66, of Grass Lake died Oct. 18, 2004, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

A funeral will be held 11 a.m. Saturday at Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea. Visitation is from 7 to 9 p.m. today, and 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, as well as 10 a.m. Saturday until the time of service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Marine Corp League of Ann Arbor.

RICHARD "DICK" PARKS
Waterloo Township

Richard "Dick" Parks, 68, of Waterloo Township died Oct. 19, 2004, at his home.

A funeral will be held 2 p.m. today at the Caskey-Mitchell Funeral Home in Stockbridge. Visitation is from noon until the time of service.

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Our Faith

<p>Webster United Church of Christ 5484 Webster Church Rd., Dexter, MI (734) 426-5115 <i>The Rev. LaVerne Gill</i></p> <p>SUNDAY: Holy Communion 8:00 a.m. Church School, 9:15 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p>First United Methodist Church 128 Park Street, Chelsea, MI 48118 734-475-8119</p> <p>Sunday Worship: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Wednesday Night Oasis: meal 5:45 p.m., Program for All Ages 8:30 p.m. www.chelseaumc.org</p> <p>The Rev. Joy Barrett The Rev. Barbara Lewis-Lakin</p>	<p>Join us this Sunday...</p> <p>8:15am Heritage Service 10:30am Celebration Service</p> <p>Our Savior Lutheran Church 1515 South M 52, Chelsea (Next to McDonald's) 734 475 1401 www.oursaviorlutheran.com</p>	<p>DEXTER CHURCH OF CHRIST 734-945-6539</p> <p>"We Care About You"</p> <p>Family Friendly—Bible Based Christianity Sunday Morning: Bible School 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Wed. Evening 7:00 PM Devotion & Bible Study</p> <p>We meet at: MILL CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL 7305 Dexter Ann Arbor Road Dexter, MI</p>	<p>Come Visit Us First Assembly of God</p> <p>14900 Old US-12 Chelsea, MI 48118 (across from Polly's)</p> <p>Sunday Worship 11am & 6pm</p> <p>Sunday School Adult-Children 10 am Wednesday Family Night 7:00 pm</p>
<p>PEACE Lutheran Church 8260 Jackson Rd., (Corner of Jackson & Parker Rds.)</p> <p>SUNDAY SERVICES Traditional 8:30 a.m. Praise 11:00 a.m. Education Hour 9:45 a.m. Pastor Larry Courson (734) 424-0899 e-mail: peace@lutheran@cuaa.edu</p>	<p>Chelsea Church of Christ</p> <p>13661 East Old US-12 Chelsea, MI 48118 (734) 475-8458</p> <p>Brandon Coats, Preacher Sunday School 9:30 am Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am Sunday Evening Service 6 pm Wednesday Bible Class 7 p.m.</p>	<p>St. Andrew's United Church of Christ 7610 Ann Arbor St. Dexter, Michigan 734-426-8610</p> <p>Rev. Gary Kwiatek, Pastor Church Services Sunday 9:00 am & 10:15 am "A place for everyone."</p>	<p>Fire Mountain Worship Center Pierce Lake School 275 N. Freer, Chelsea Sunday Worship Service: 10 a.m. Pastors John & Sarah Groesser (734) 475-7379 "Come to the mountain and touch the fire!"</p>	<p>Dexter Gospel 2253 Baker Road, Dexter (734) 426-4915</p> <p>John O'Dell, Pastor Sunday: Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; Worship 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.</p> <p>Independent Fundamental Baptist Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.; Awana September till May</p>
<p>Faith Lutheran Church 9575 N. Territorial Rd., 1/4 mi. W. of Dexter-Pinckney Mark Porinsky, Pastor (734) 426-4302 Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>"We're in your neighborhood"</p>	<p>Immanuel Bible Church 145 E. Summit St. (734) 475-8936 Jim Gorski, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship Service . . . 10:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. AWANA Clubs: 5:30-7 p.m. Sundays www.immanuelbiblechurch.net</p>	<p>Christ House of Prayer Preaching Bible Doctrine Singing Hymns & Choruses Simple Worship & Praise</p> <p>*Wed. Night Home* Meeting 7 p.m. Sunday • 10:30 a.m. Location change possible. Call 734.475.1147 for weekly info.</p>	<p>WATERLOO VILLAGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 8110 Washington St. Service: Sunday 11:00 a.m. (734) 475-1171 Breakfast-2nd Sunday Sept. to May</p>	<p>Chelsea Free Methodist</p> <p>Traditional Worship 8:30 am At 7665 Weikner Rd. Contemporary Worship 11:00 At Chelsea High School Auditorium</p> <p>A different kind of church for the 21st Century</p> <p>475-1391</p>
<p>FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH 4030 Kalmbach Rd. (exit 156 and 194)</p> <p>10 am Sunday School 11am Morning Service 6 pm Evening Service 7pm Wednesday Mid-week Service</p> <p>Pastor Jack T. Story Call 734-433-1356 for details.</p>	<p>Be Our Guest at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Hamburg</p> <p>SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES 8:00 am & 9:30 am 11:00 am Contemporary Service Education Time: 9:15 am Sunday School 9:30 am</p> <p>Take U.S.-23 to East M-36. St. Paul is located on the right side of M-36 before Hamburg.</p>	<p>Chelsea Nazarene</p> <p>Temporarily Meeting at 805 W. Middle St. (the CRC Chapel) (734) 475-2526</p> <p>Sunday: Worship Services, 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p>Dexter United Methodist Church 7643 W. Huron River Dr. (734) 426-8480</p> <p>Rev. Matthew Hook, and Rev. Stephen G. Bringardner</p> <p>WORSHIP SERVICES Traditions 9:00 am Contemporary 10:30 am www.dexterumc.org</p>	<p>Chelsea Christian Fellowship</p> <p>337 Wilkinson St. Chelsea, MI 475-8305</p> <p>John Dambacher, Pastor Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.</p>
<p>Zion Lutheran Church (ELCA) 3050 S. Fletcher Rd., Chelsea (734) 475-8064</p> <p>Preparing Christ's Disciples & Sharing God's Love</p> <p>Pastor Doris Sparks Sunday Summer Worship Hours: 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m.</p>	<p>Baha'i Faith "So powerful is the light of unity that it can illuminate the whole earth." Baha'u'llah</p> <p>Weekly devotions, study, and children's classes All are welcome!</p> <p>Please call for more information: (734)475-2718 • 1-800-22-UNITE www.us.bahai.org</p>	<p>First Congregational (United Church of Christ) 121 East Middle Street Chelsea, MI (734) 475-1844</p> <p>Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Rev. Barbara Wright, Pastor</p>	<p>St. Barnabas Episcopal Church 1979 Book of Common Prayers Rite II Sunday Service 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>Morning Prayer Doris Case, Preaching 20500 Old U.S. 12 Chelsea, MI 48118 (across from Chelsea Fairgrounds) 734-475-9823 or 734-475-8188</p>	<p>St. John's United Church of Christ Rev. Dr. Nancy M. Doty, Pastor</p> <p>12716 Waters Road in Freedom Township</p> <p>Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Office Phone (313) 461-2211</p>
<p>NORTH LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 14111 N. Territorial Rd. Chelsea, MI (734) 475-7569</p> <p>SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:00 am Sunday School for all ages 9:00 and 10:45 am Worship Services (Children's Church & nursery at second service.) Alice Sheffield, Pastor</p>	<p>St. Paul United Church of Christ 14800 Old U.S. 12 Chelsea Karen Schulte, Pastor 475-2545</p> <p>Church service begins at 10:30 am (Nursery provided) Sunday School 9:15 a.m. We'd love to have you join us!</p>			

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A Day at Camp

Brownie Troop 420 at North Creek Elementary School in Chelsea participated in the Chelsea Area Girl Scout Encampment at Camp Munhauke at Bruin Lake, spending Sept. 11 at the camp. From left are Chelsea Brownies Morgan Matusik, Phoebe Clacher, Allisa Gray, Cassidy Polzin, Jordan Hirst, Anna Collins, Rosie Hintzen, Colleen McDevitt, Rose Sanville, Olivia Catherman.

WASHTENAW COUNTY

WDC adds three new staff members

The Washtenaw Development Council has added three new staff members.

Marietta Van Buhler is the new internship program manager. She is responsible for managing the internship program portion of the BioConnections program, working with program partners from MichBio, Search Masters International and Statprobe.

Van Buhler joined the WDC with a background in placement-career development and recruiting. She also has a degree from the University of Michigan with a concentration in labor economics.

Traci Chauncey is the new special projects administrator. She is responsible for supporting a number of WDC projects. She brings strong communication skills to the company and has a background working with the Michigan Education Association, Express Personnel Services and the Washtenaw County Public Defender's Office.

Chauncey has a degree from Washtenaw Community College in criminal justice.

Amelia Holmes is the new network administrator. She is responsible for management of the company network system and security. She has a bachelor's degree in computer information systems and is working on a master's degree at Eastern Michigan University.

Holmes has a wide range of experience and skills in her background, working with the Center for Automotive Research, Phoenix Home Life Insurance, Eckerd Drug Co. and Computers Etc.

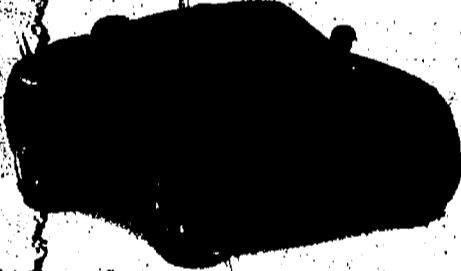
The WDC is a non-profit economic development organization. Devoted to businesses interested in locating, expanding, or remaining in the Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti Area, the WDC works toward the vision of a "home and a job" for all residents of Washtenaw County, according to a press release from the organization.



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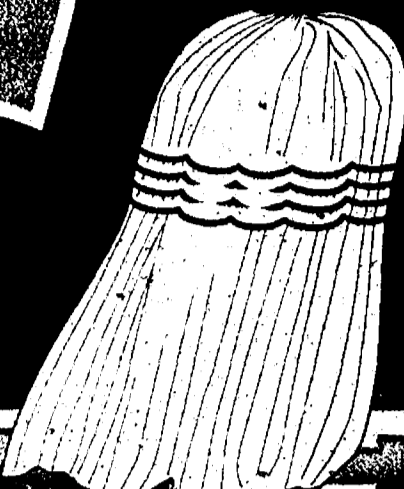
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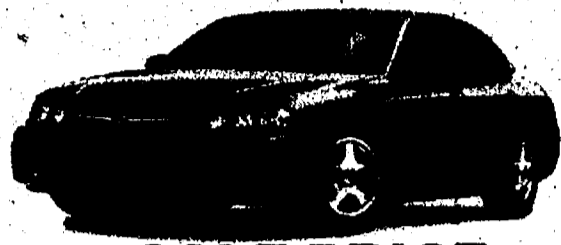
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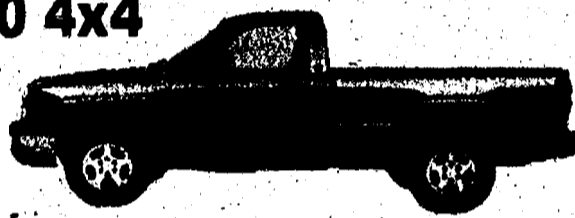
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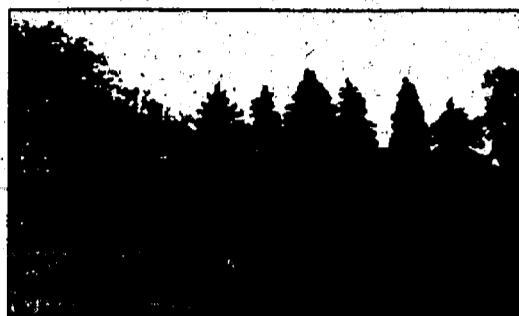
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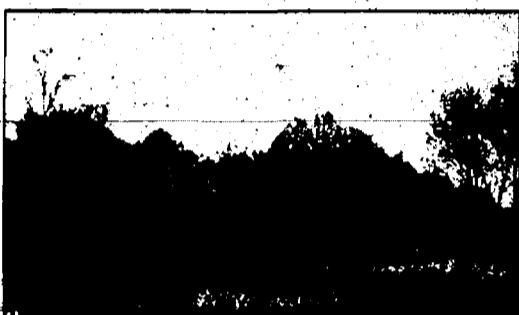
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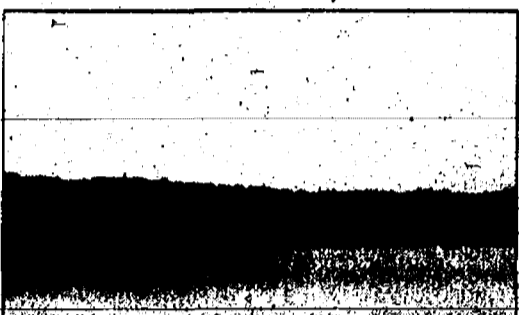
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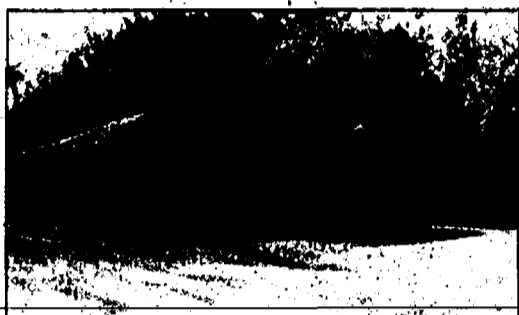
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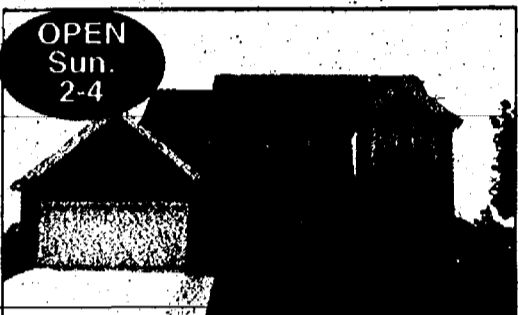
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