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Main Street Park Alliance (MSPA) has selected design firm VIRIDIS Design Group (VIRIDIS) based in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Of four bids received, VIRIDIS was unanimously selected by the MSPA design committee. VIRIDIS demonstrated the most in-depth research into the project and community and provided an impressive portfolio of work. **continued on page 5**

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Business Spotlight Smokey Michigan: Family Created, Woman Owned



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The people who regularly attend the

Wednesday Farmer's Market may have noticed a new addition recently, the Smokey Michigan food truck. Smokey Michigan has been selling BBQ sauce and relish at local markets. **continued on page 8**

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CHELSEA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

From: Joanne Ladio

The Chelsea Human Rights Commission invites the community to join in designating November as Civility Month in Chelsea. Previously held in 2021, Civility Month includes activities throughout the month on the theme of having difficult conversations, disagreeing without conflict or understanding differences within our community.

The HRC would like to issue a public call for local groups or organizations to host an event on these themes during the month of November. Such events could be a class or learning opportunity, an art experience, a panel discussion, an activity, or even a movie and discussion. Multiple opportunities to address civility could definitely contribute to improving the spirit of cooperation and respect that we value in the Chelsea area.

The HRC will organize a calendar and arrange coordinated publicity for these activities. Each organization or group is asked to determine a date, a time and a location and include a brief description of the activity and goal. Activities for young people are particularly encouraged.

Please submit any events by email to the Human Rights Commission. HRC@city-chelsea.org

DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 2.

Please direct any questions to this email and someone will reply promptly. Include a phone

number if you want to be called.

“Civility is about more than just politeness. It is about disagreeing without disrespect, seeking common ground as a starting point for dialogue about differences, listening past one’s preconceptions, and teaching others to do the same. Indeed, ‘civility represents a long tradition of moral virtues essential to democracy. Virtues like empathy, humility, integrity, honesty, and respect for others are ideals of democratic engagement.’”

-Ethics Expert, Steven Mintz.

Questions, please call Susan Morrel-Samuels, Chair 734-368-3349
Joanne Ladio, member 734-748-3564

Dexter Community Orchestra Season

From: Andrew Thomas

A famed harmonica soloist, a musical tour of Rome, and not just one but TWO bicentennial celebrations are among the highlights of a special concert season by the Dexter Community Orchestra.

Popular local bluesman Peter “Madcat” Ruth will take the stage with the DCO in March for a jazz-infused concert featuring the music of Chris Brubeck. That program will also include the winner of the DCO’s annual youth artist competition, to be held later this year.

For the opening concert on Nov. 5, Music Director David Schultz has put together a festival inspired by the many beautiful aspects of Rome, including music by Berlioz, Haydn and Respighi. This concert is sure to be a crowd-pleaser, with lots of orchestral fireworks.

The Dexter High School Chamber Orchestra will join the DCOO for the annual holiday concert Dec. 10, featuring traditional Christmas and Hanukkah favorites, old and new. As a bonus, one lucky silent auction winner conduct the orchestra in a

performance of “Sleigh Ride.” This would be a great holiday gift for your favorite music lover! (Details on how to bid for the conducting gig will be provided soon.)

The year 2024 marks the City of Dexter’s bicentennial, and the DCO will celebrate the occasion with the premiere performance of an as-yet-unnamed composition by local composer Evan Chambers, commissioned by the orchestra to honor Dexter’s history and heritage.

The May concert also marks the 200th anniversary of the premiere of Beethoven’s epic Symphony No. 9. The DCO, along with singers from the Ann Arbor Civic Chorus and the Dexter Community Choir, will perform this “Choral Symphony” in its entirety.

On Flag Day (June 14), the DCO will hold its annual Gazebo Concert in Monument Park. This is always a fun event, featuring patriotic marches and popular favorites from Hollywood and Broadway. A week later, the DCO will help kick off the opening ceremonies of the Dexter Bicentennial, with a performance of the commissioned bicentennial composition.

“It is rare for a community the size of Dexter to be home to such an accomplished orchestra, and to bring forward such ambitious programming,” notes Andrew Thomas, DCO Treasurer and violist, and member of Dexter’s Arts, Culture and Heritage Committee. “There is something here for everyone – familiar orchestral masterpieces, jazz and blues, outstanding soloists, and a once-in-200-years celebration of our local heritage.”

All concerts are free to the public, no ticket required. Performances will take place at Deter High School’s Center for the Performing Arts. A full schedule is provided below, so mark your calendars!

Sunday, Nov. 5, 4 pm “When In Rome”
Sunday, Dec. 10, 4 pm “Together For the Holidays”
Sunday, March 3, 4 pm “Madcat and the DCO”
Sunday, May 5, 4 pm “Bicentennial Celebrations”
Friday, June 14, 7 pm Gazebo Concert (Monument Park)
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From: D&B Strategic Marketing

On September 20, 2023, the Chelsea Community Foundation hosted a lovely evening in Honor of Ann Feeney at Robin Hills Farm. Chelsea Community Foundation (CCF) recognized each of the five Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce's Annual 2022 Honorees by awarding them a \$1,000 grant. The Honorees chose a pub-

lic Chelsea charity to receive the grants in memory of Ann Feeney, who personified the Chelsea Community Foundation's desire to "Support All Things Chelsea."

Anne Mann, Past Chair of Chelsea Community Foundation, and Katelyn Videto, Director Donor Services, Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, presided over the event and presented the awards

to:

- Citizen of the Year Sue Jacobs who granted \$1,000 to Chelsea Senior Center,
- Lifetime Achievement Award recipient Gary Zenz granted \$1,000 to Chelsea Rotary Foundation,
- Small Business Rick Taylor Real Estate, Reinhart Realtors, granted \$1,000 to The Purple Rose Theatre,
- Joanne Rau, Chelsea State Bank, Large Business granted \$1,000 to Faith In Action, and
- Nonprofit Business Leadership 5 Healthy Towns Foundation, Steve Petty granted \$1,000 to Faith In Action.



Photos courtesy MC Creative Design & Photography from left Tate, Ila & Lisa Feeney, Kelli Smith & Sheri Hardcastle, Peter Feeney & Lori Coryell.

Chelsea Community Foundation Advisory Member David Schaible announced the unanimous decision to increase the current \$2.8 million endowment to \$4 million by 2030. This would ensure continued growth of the CCF legacy in Supporting All Things Chelsea. To learn more about donating or creating a family or business endowment, please contact Katelyn Videto Kvideto@cfsem.org, or donate here.

The evening was magical - The Chelsea Chamber Players String Quartet provided lovely music. Ballet Chelsea Ballerinas graced the event, per-

forming a Nutcracker vignette on the outdoor patio. Maxine's Table provided food and Robin Hills Farm served signature cocktails and beverages.

Anne Mann articulated the evening's purpose, "We are here to join the legacy of those whose actions

have illustrated their devotion to improving our community and inspiring others." 130+ guests enjoyed the beautiful Robin Hills vista and the company of people who share a common thread - to make Chelsea a sustainably vibrant community.



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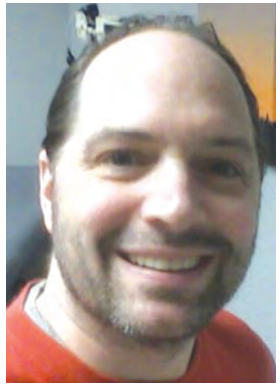
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CHELSEA ATHLETICS



ON THE SIDELINE: NEWER CARS, A ROAD ATLAS, HIGH-TECH GADGETRY AND A GAL NAMED CORI



By Don Richter
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I bought a new car last week.

Well, a newer car, I should say. I fell in love with a gal named "Cori." Cori's full name is a 2021 Buick Encore SUV. Like ships at sea, aren't cars nicknamed after women? I don't know, but every vehicle I've ever owned had a female nickname or at least a female-sounding nickname.

"Cruzie," "Escapie," "Tori," are a few nicknames I've given the past few vehicles I've driven. I know, all those

names are a stretch, female-name-wise, but in my mind the vehicles I've owned have always been women.

So now I'm with "Cori." She's definitely the smartest and most technologically advanced gal I've ever had, vehicle-relationship-wise. Heated seats? Never knew I needed them, but apparently now I do.

Back-up screen? Again, never knew I needed one, but I have one now. I still use this thing called a rear view mirror and a twisted neck to see what's behind me as I back up, but my new gal, "Cori" keeps offering me all these new-fangled gadgets and gizmos to assist me. She beeps and throws a fit if I get too close to the car in front of me and screams in my ear if I drift into the other lane. It's all fine

and dandy, but I must admit, I'm already growing tired of her constant "chatter."

And I must say, when did it become normal to start your vehicle by pushing a button? I feel absolutely lost without a set of car keys. No more turning the ignition for this guy. It's very odd for me. It's been a week now since I bought "Cori" and I'm still not used to the pushing-a-button-to-start-my-vehicle thing.

Also, now I can just move my foot back and forth underneath the back bumper to open my hatch door. So far, I've refused to use that option. It doesn't feel too manly doing that, in my opinion.

Everything about "Cori" is easy and seamless. It's almost too easy. I swear, the leather seats I get to sit

on every time I get behind the wheel are actually quite nice. I must admit, it's like driving around on my living room couch.

The technology available at my fingertips with "Cori" is mind-boggling, to say the least. I swear I have more high-tech gadgetry at my disposal than a NASA spacecraft. Sadly, more than likely, I will never use any of the technology.

I'm not very tech savvy to begin with. The car salesperson went over all the high tech-wizardry available with "Cori" and my eyes glazed over within the first minute. Call me old-fashioned, but I just need a reliable vehicle that'll get me from A to B safely and smoothly. Unless the vehicle can fly, I really don't need all of the high-tech gizmos.

All of the tech is actually a bit distracting to me. And being distracted while driving is never a good thing, right? Cell phones, texting, emails, calls and everything else under the sun but paying attention to driving and the road ahead is a recipe for disaster if you ask me.

My first car I ever owned had an AM/FM radio and that was it, technology-wise. I had no power steering or power windows or locks. Heck, if it was raining, I had to lean out my side window just to see the road. I'm kidding, my wipers actually worked. Sorry, I got a little carried away. I had no power mirrors or heated seats. I had to use a key to open my trunk. I had a map of the state of Michigan in my glove compartment. I still keep

a map of Michigan in my glove compartment to this day. Old habits never die.

I'm proud of the fact I drove from Michigan to California and from California back to Michigan when I was 21 years old using only a road atlas and common sense. I didn't need "no technology" then and I still don't now.

But I guess it is nice for most people. And it's always a good thing to improve and get better and more efficient. My "Cori" is one amazing gal. I'm honored to be her driver.

I bought a newer car last week.

I can't wait to drive her all over the state and the country.

Now where's that road atlas of mine...

CHELSEA BULLDOGS MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

2023 COUGAR FALCON INVITE AT THE EAGLE'S NEST RESULTS SOUTH CHRISTIAN SPORTS COMPLEX, BYRON CENTER - SEPTEMBER 23RD (LOW 70S AND SUNNY)

On Saturday (9/23), the Chelsea High School Cross Country team brought three Junior Varsity runners and five freshmen to the Cougar Falcon Invitational at the Eagle's Nest held at South Christian Sports Complex in Byron Center. With cooler temperatures than past meets and a nicely groomed cross country course, seven out of eight of our runners set personal records (PRs). Mason Maley set the tone for good performances by placing 44th out of 142 runners and setting a PR with a time of 19:25.8. Thien Nguyen, a Vietnamese exchange student, ran his first 5K race of his life in a time of 24:55.4 and placed 137th. Luis Solorzano

ran a respectable time of 28:30.5 and placed 141st.

The Chelsea freshmen squad ran very well and placed 3rd out of 8 teams with the top three of our runners earning a medal. The team was led by Leo Alafita who placed 9th out of 79 runners with a time of 18:50.8 (a PR - first time under 19 minutes). Dylan Hodges placed 16th with a time of 19:17.8 (almost a two minute drop in his best time). Owen Thorburn made his debut with a 19th placing in a time of 19:30.4. Sam Clifton continued to improve in his season performances by placing 23rd overall and setting a PR with a time of 19:37.3 (almost a one minute PR). Our

5th runner, Jack Meehan placed 57th with a time of 21:53.4 (close to a 30 second drop in his best time).

I am proud of how our runners were able to put in a week of hard workouts and be able to set substantial PRs. It was a fun day to focus on our freshmen and some of our junior varsity runners at an invitational. We will continue to focus on preparing for upcoming meets as we head into next week with the SEC Jamboree #2 at Heritage Park in Adrian on Wednesday (9/27) and The Coaching Legends Invitational held at Manly Bennett Park near Pinckney on Saturday (9/30).

Freshmen Team Results

Team	Points
1. Holland Christian	41
2. Caledonia	84
3. Chelsea	90
4. GRTC Peregrines	97
5. GR Christian	107
6. FHN GR Forest Hills Northern	118
7. FHC GR Forest Hills Central	165
8. Portage Northern	180

Chelsea Individual Freshmen Race Results - 79 Total Runners

Place	Name	Time
9	Leo Alafita	18:50.8 (PR)
16	Dylan Hodges	19:17.8 (PR)
19	Owen Thorburn	19:30.4 (PR)
23	Sam Clifton	19:37.3 (PR)
57	Jack Meehan	21:53.4 (PR)

Chelsea Junior Varsity Results - 142 Total Runners

Place	Name	Time
44	Mason Maley	19:25.9 (PR)
137	Thien Nguyen	24:55.4 (PR)
141	Luis Solorzano	28:30.5



BULLDOGS GET WIN OVER ADRIAN

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From: Josh Lucas

“We defeated Adrian 28-18 at home to move our record to 4-1 overall and 3-0 in the SEC White,” said head coach Josh Lucas.

Tyson Hill had 28

carries for 150 yards and 3 TDS.

Luke Anstead was 7 of 9 for 123 and 1 passing TD to Max Herter.

Jimmy Sciackitano had 3 Catches for 40 yards.

The defense played

great all night and capped the night off with an INT in our territory by Luke Webster. The Bulldogs travel to 2-3 (1-2) Tecumseh on Friday night.

Main Street Park Alliance Selects VIRIDIS Design Group

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folio of work and references.

The park design process will include transparent engagement that allows significant input and multiple feed-

back loops between the VIRIDIS Team, MSPA, the City, stakeholders, and the general public. It will also consider diverse points of view to develop a plan that addresses needs and

concerns to enhance the human experience. There will be a focus on improvements that promote good urbanism with a focus on flexible space development and preservation of iconic,

character-defining features—maximizing the aesthetic appeal and environmental stewardship while minimizing maintenance requirements and impact on existing infrastructure

and services. The combined MSPA and VIRIDIS team will develop realistic cost estimates for implementation and preventative maintenance of the park space. A forward-looking ap-

proach that anticipates construction needs to reduce circulation and economic impacts on the surrounding business community and downtown residents will be uppermost.



Chelsea Community Town Hall

Monday, October 16
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Adult Learners Announces its October Classes

While Machu Picchu is the tourist attraction most of us might associate with Peru, **Rhoda Perkins-Boyer** will take us not only to that "Lost City of the Incas" but also to Peru's capital city, Lima, then on to Cusco and finally to that ancient monument in her class, **Peru and Machu Picchu on October 3**

Travel of another kind happens when **Charlie Taylor** takes us to stars, nebulae, black holes, planets and constellations in his **Astronomy classes on the first three Wednesdays of October**. It's fun and questions are mandatory.

The Far East offers yet another journey as **Laura Scriven** continues her exploration of **Korea - A Traditional Beauty** with an art activity on **October 10** at her Culture Creations store on Main Street in Chelsea. This includes the use of hanji, a sturdy paper made from the wood of mulberry trees. You might be surprised at what can be done with it.

Remaining in the Far East with three Friday classes beginning on **October 27** and running into early November is **Edwin Hoffman's** voyage to the China of the Song Dynasty and to

the Japan of the shoguns to view **The Chinese and Japanese Aesthetic in Painting and Sculpture: 1200-1600**. Along the way, we will meet Mongol invaders, Buddhist sages, samurai, Zen masters and some of the most amazing and beautiful art in the world.

Closer to home, on **October 17, 24, 31 and November 7**, **Karen Vigmostad** whose love of the islands of the Great Lakes is known to ALI learners will provide a tour of the islands located in an unusual locale in her class, **Islands of Paris**. That's right. That town in France.

Robert McElwaine's book, **The Times They are a'Changin'**, provides the focus for Susan Nenadic's discussion of that "long decade" from late 1963 to the summer of 1965 during her classes of the same name on **October 6 and 13**. However, she will broaden McElwaine's discussion to explore whether or not we have fulfilled the promises of that decade.

On Monday **October 9**, **Captain "Honest Jon" Van Hoek** will explore the differences between modern baseball and the game as it was played in the mid-nineteenth century in his class on the **Pastime of**

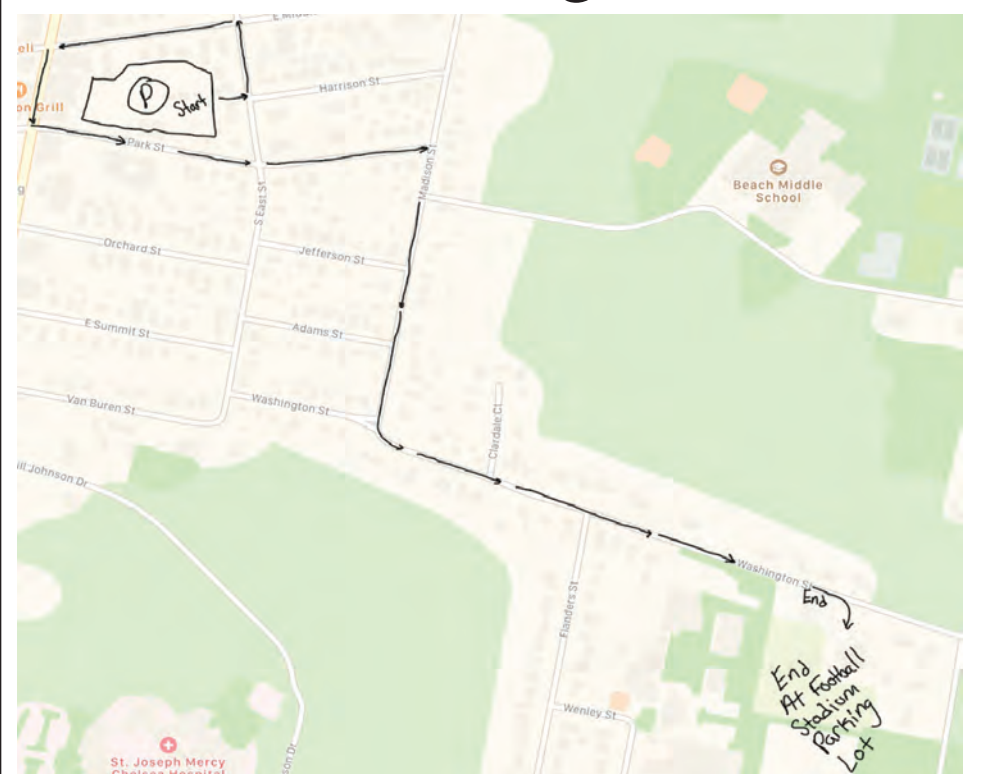
Vintage Base Ball. This is a **FREE** class presented in cooperation with the **Chelsea Senior Center**, but you must register by calling the **CSC at 734-475-9242**.

Retirement is great but if you know how to manage your finances, it's even better. **John Daly's** class **Managing Your Money in Retirement** on October 16 and 23 might be of help in that area.

This is geared to people who have passed their wage-earning years and now want to ensure that what they have worked for will indeed be passed on to their descendants.

Even if you have never been to Luckenbach (pop. 1) or Galveston or Dallas and think Willie Nelson and Waylon Jennings sound the same, the songs - and the songwriters - of Texas have a special charm. **Bill Nedela** will share his vast collection of this unique genre in this class on Sunday, **October 29**. You might even see the collection of guitars and even the bar stools that he has made from hockey sticks. **This is FREE class presented in cooperation with the Chelsea District Library but you must register by calling the CDL at 734-475-8732**.

Chelsea High School 2023 Homecoming Parade



From: Bradley Dunn, CHS Student Council, Class of 2026

On Friday October 6 the Chelsea High School Student Council will host the 2023 Homecoming Parade. The parade will feature:

- 1.) The sixteen nominees of Chelsea's excellence award, their alternative to the traditional homecoming king and

queen. The four winners - one per each grade - will be announced that night at the football game during halftime.

- 2.) Many Chelsea High sports teams.
- 3.) Several school clubs.
- 4.) The 'pride' of Chelsea, the high school marching band.
- 5.) Class floats for each grade level.

Here are the details:

- 1.) The parade will start in the parking lot behind BBQ 52, run through downtown Chelsea, and will end at the football stadium.

- 2.) The parade will start at 5:15 PM on Friday, October 6th.

If any local businesses are interested in entering a float, please email 6vanhoeb@chelsea.k12.mi.us.

What better time to talk about haunts and phantoms and spirits and poltergeists than on the **Wednesday before Halloween in Beverly Fish's In-Person class, Tales of the Paranormal**. Scary costumes are optional.

The catalog with more class information

on these and the rest of the Fall term classes as well as the enclosed registration form is available for download on the website, www.info@adultlearnersinstitute.org, as well as at local libraries and various other locations in the area.

Registration for ALI classes is by mail only.

Mail completed registration forms to: **Adult Learners Institute, P.O. Box 134, Chelsea, MI 48118**. Registration fee is \$10 per semester and the class fees range from \$10 to \$35. If you have questions, please call the office at (734) 292-5540 or visit the ALI web site.

Business Spotlight Smokey Michigan: Family Created, Woman Owned



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kets since 2019. In 2021, Smokey Michigan started catering. This past August the Smokey food truck started serving food. It wasn't until a Facebook friend posted raving about the food, and announcing that it was a woman owned food truck that I took notice. I messaged the Facebook page for Smokey Michigan and asked if I could do a business spotlight for the food truck. Michaela Levanseler quickly agreed and was readily available to discuss her new business endeavor.

I wandered over to the Farmer's market on Wed. as the market was shutting down. I took photos of the truck. As I was standing at the window, a very friendly man apologized that the truck had taken its last order. He seemed genuinely apologetic and even offered to get me something if I just wanted a taco. I spent years in the restaurant

industry and I know better than to walk up at close and try to order. I was really taken aback by how friendly and nice he was. I noted that when I interviewed the owner, I would tell her how wonderful her employee was. As it turns out, this was no employee, this was Jeff, Michaela's Dad he loves to roast the meat Smokey Michigan serves. I took a picture of the menu and Jeff let me know that it "changes every week." "She likes to keep us on our toes."

Michaela explains that she enjoys the creativity of creating new things. She likes to mix and match foods. She explained that she often sets up shop at Blake Farms in South Lyon. She wanted to try to make a sandwich utilizing their donut as a bun. The idea turned out mouth watering, Blake's Brisket Donut Sliders, brisket topped with mango salsa and your choice of BBQ Sauce. It sounds so satisfying, hitting the sweet and savory at once. She's enjoying the creativity of it and she enjoys working with businesses like Blake's to help each other out.

Michaela and Jeff are from Chelsea and she began cooking

in her grandmother's kitchen as a small child. She participated in several cooking competitions throughout school. She is a Chelsea grad. Her Dad cooked with his parents from an early age as well. He previously cooked for major automotive events sponsored by Detroit's Big Three. If you've ever enjoyed potato salad at German Park, you've probably tasted Jeff's Dad's food. Quite the local legacy in Smokey Michigan!

Michaela sounds like she's enjoyed her first month. If you've tried her food and are interested in having her cater your event check out her website <https://www.smokeymichigan.com/>. If you are interested in tracing down the food truck follow her Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/SmokeyMichigan/> Michaela has only had the truck for about a month but she says one day she'd like to open a little restaurant so she can continue to, "give good food to good people," and continue her passion, "I love cooking." Based on the reviews I'm hearing, Michaela will undoubtedly get there.



Chelsea Police Department Weekly Summary

Incident #: 23-3816

Date: September 19, 2023

Location: 900 block of Moore Dr.

Time: 6:13 pm

INFORMATION: While on routine patrol an officer was dispatched to the 900 block of Moore Dr. to speak with a complainant regarding an attempted fraud. The complainant stated that they had received a telephone call from a person representing themselves as a "United States Treas-

ury Agent" and told the complainant that he owed a large sum of money. The complainant stated that he had been on the phone with the person for several hours and at times the suspect became upset and told the complainant not to talk to anyone else and to meet him at a local bank. Af-

ter the lengthy phone call the complainant was able to confirm that the call was in-fact a scam and the suspect finally disconnected the call. There was no monetary loss at the time of the report and no further information on the identity of the suspect was available.

Incident #: 23-3889

Date: September 23, 2023

Location: 700 block of N. Main St.

Time: 4:50 am

INFORMATION: While on routine patrol an officer observed tail-lights stationary in the 700 block of N. Main Street. The area is currently closed to thru traffic and under construction, prompting the officer to investigate further. The officer approached and found that the vehicle had been involved in an apparent motor vehicle accident and appeared to be wedged between two excavators. Upon

closer inspection the officer found that the vehicle was occupied by a male subject in the driver seat and the airbags had been deployed. Contact was made with the driver and he appeared to be slow to react to the officer, the officer also noted that there was a strong odor of alcohol emitting from his person. The officer conducted some standard field sobriety tests at the scene and at the

conclusion the driver, a 48-year-old Ypsilanti man was placed under arrest for driving under the influence of alcohol. The suspect was transported to the Washtenaw County Jail. The case remains open pending laboratory analysis by the Michigan State Police Crime Lab to determine the level of intoxication and warrant review by the Washtenaw County Prosecutor's Office.

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Local Municipal Group Focuses on Regional Issues – Annual Calendar Updated

Western Washtenaw Regional Advisory Group is the new name for a group formerly known as CAPT/DART (Chelsea Area Planning Team/Dexter Area Regional Team). CAPT/DART was formed over 20 years ago as a non-voting, regional-issues and planning advisory committee, made up of local elected officials and municipal staff from Western Washtenaw communities. The group meets at the WAVE bus offices in Chelsea monthly (calendar below).

The current Chair of the group is Dexter Councilmember Zach Michels and includes representatives from many of the communities that make up Western Washtenaw County. Please contact Zach at ZMichels@DexterMI.gov to receive notice of meetings and related information. Agendas for meetings typically include local updates and quarterly focus themes of hous-

ing and transportation issues. The meetings are public and those interested housing, transportation and other regional issues are encouraged to attend.

2023-2024 WW Regional Advisory Group Calendar

Public Meetings at WAVE offices @ 7:00 pm (unless otherwise arranged)

September 7, 2023 – Quarterly Housing Focus

October 5, 2023 – Regular Meeting

November 2, 2023 – Quarterly Transportation Focus

December – No Meeting

January 11, 2024 – Washtenaw County Update

February 1, 2024 – Quarterly Housing Focus

March 7, 2024 – Quarterly Transportation Focus

April 4, 2024 – Regular Meeting

May 2, 2024 – Quarterly Housing Focus

June 6, 2024 – Quarterly Transportation Focus

July 2024 – No Meeting

August 1, 2024 – Regular Meeting

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4TH QUARTER/END OF YEAR HOLIDAY SPECIALS!

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