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Featured Listing of the Week



Beautifully updated 3 bed/2 bath historic home in the heart of Chelsea! New asphalt pull through driveway welcomes you to the park like setting with mature trees on the oversized lot. Big enclosed porch makes for a great entry with sitting & storage space also. Original kitchen with snack bar & crown molding has been tastefully updated with granite tops, tile splash & stainless appliances along with charming ship lap ceiling.

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Chelsea Community Cafe: Looking to Brighten Spirits during COVID-19 Pandemic



Photo By Eric Stricklin

By Charla Hamilton
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(Special Thank You to Eric Stricklin for Providing Information)

As the COVID-19 Pandemic shutdown looms on, everyone is looking for different ways to bring hope and goodness to the community. Pastor Eric Stricklin of St.

Paul United Church of Christ is doing just that. Beginning on April 29, he will be hosting a live Zoom event called Chelsea Community Cafe. Every Wednesday at noon for the remainder of the COVID-19 shutdown, Eric will host a guest from a local Chelsea organization who will share a

word about their work during the crisis, how community members can help, and even tips and tools to help brighten the day. Eric states: "Chelsea is strong because it is such a connected community where people care about their neighbors, and the Community Cafe is offered in that spir-

it. We hope you'll join us."

Last week on the Chelsea Community Cafe Eric featured Sheri Montoye from Faith in Action and the upcoming guest for Wednesday May 6 will be Amy Heydlauff, Chief Executive Officer for the 5 Healthy Towns Foundation. **continued on page 4**

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Thank You Letter Campaign



From Matt Pegouskie
5 Healthy Towns Foundation, in collaboration with a community team of volunteers called Health Ministry in Action, and Community Wellness Coalitions, launched a thank you letter cam-

aign this week to support essential hospital workers at St. Joseph Mercy/Chelsea and Henry Ford Allegiance Hospital/Jackson. The campaign, which started small with a group of Chelsea high school students, quickly took shape as each community identified some steps to promote words of encouragement during this difficult time.

Drop boxes have been placed at Chelsea

Wellness Center, Dexter Wellness Center, Whistlestop Depot in Grass Lake, and Manchester United Methodist Church for individuals who want to write thank you cards. Those will be collected and delivered each week. For individuals who would prefer to mail their letters directly, those can be addressed to:

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<p>The Ann Arbor's 107one Pet-of-the-Week is Hoppy</p> <p>Hoppy is a 1-year-old bunny looking for a forever home! Rabbits are intelligent, sensitive, and joyous creatures that love to share their exuberance for life with the humans that they trust and love. Once they know and trust you, rabbits will greet you at the door after a long day of work, sit in your lap, and even play with toys - the best of both dogs and cats! They rarely need grooming, and can be litter-trained as well.</p>	<p>The WTKA Top-Dog-of-the-Week is Miss Sadie</p> <p>Miss Sadie is cute as a button, from her big ears to her little white muzzle. She is a smart youngster and loves activities that get her brain working, like scent detection exercises or clicker training. With an experienced adopter who continues these positive reinforcement-based exercises, Sadie could really become a star! In addition to an active mind, this cutie has lots of energy - whether it's hiking, going for runs, or zooming around the play yard, Miss Sadie can't wait to get out and do it! If you have an active family with children over 12, Miss Sadie may be the one for you!</p>
<p>The W4 Country Pet-of-the-Week is Miss Kitty</p> <p>Miss Kitty is ready to waltz right into your life! Well, she doesn't really waltz... what Miss Kitty really loves to do is lay down, especially if it's in your arms! She'll let you cradle her for eternity, soothing you with a purring lullaby. You'll never find a more affectionate cat. Miss Kitty asks only for a calm home, without small children - because while she adores attention, she also likes to be handled with care.</p>	<p>The Lucy Ann Lance Show Pet-of-the-Week is Chops</p> <p>Chops has been through a lot of change recently, and is a little nervous of new people and new places. But if you're a patient person, he'll quickly learn that he can trust you! This sweet little blonde will look at you with soft eyes from his hiding space and accept attention if you go slowly with him, and tell him over and over again that he's the BEST kitty! If you have a calm home where he can find his confidence, Chops will make a truly wonderful companion!</p>

For more information call: 734-662-5585 or visit www.hshv.org

UMRC Foundation Receives \$15,000 Grant from Chelsea Community Foundation

Gift Supports General Operating Needs at United Methodist Retirement Communities During COVID-19 Crisis



UNITED METHODIST
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The United Methodist Retirement Communities (UMRC) Foundation is pleased to announce that it has received a \$15,000 grant from the Chelsea Community Foundation, an affiliate of the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan. This grant to the UMRC Foundation will help provide general operating support for this senior living organization

with headquarters in Chelsea. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Chelsea Community Foundation (CCF) has provided eleven grants totaling \$140,000 to local nonprofits, according to senior program officer, Surabhi Pandit. "The CCF Board wanted to proactively address the needs in the community and voted swiftly to make these grants to

support vital nonprofit organizations in the Chelsea community."

"This was such a blessing and a wonderful surprise! We are grateful to receive this gift from the Chelsea Community Foundation to support the healthcare needs of older adults and the brave service of our direct care teammates," says Wendy Brightman, President of the UMRC Foundation and Porter Hills Foundation. "Their calling leads them toward the danger of this virus in order to provide outstanding care for

older adults. They have children who are out of school, spouses who are laid off, older parents who rely on them. Yet, they put aside these burdens to provide love and care for the older adults at UMRC."

UMRC has acted swiftly to launch several initiatives to assist its frontline team members, including supplemental sick leave and pay, food pantries, babysitting services, and more, says Brightman. "This generous grant from the Chelsea Community Foundation provides welcome assistance for these efforts in support of UMRC's frontline Healthcare Heroes."

Building on a foundation of 114 years of service, United Methodist Retirement Communities (UMRC) is a faith-based, nonprofit organization that promotes the wellness, dignity and independence of older adults, by providing high quality, innovative and compassionate senior residential and supportive services. Celebrating 50 years, the mission

of Porter Hills is to be trusted experts serving seniors with grace. Its vision is to be nationally recognized as an unparalleled leader and partner in senior services. In March 2019, UMRC & Porter Hills affiliated, under shared governance and leadership. Together, UMRC & Porter Hills represent the second largest nonprofit senior living organization in Michigan. With a tradition of exceptional quality and a commitment to cutting-edge care, these faith-based organizations and their affiliates combine to serve more than 6,700 older adults each year, from 24 locations and service lines, across 22 counties in Michigan's lower peninsula. umrc.com | 734.433.1000 and porterhills.org | 616.949.4975

The UMRC Foundation is the charitable arm for United Methodist Retirement Communities, with headquarters in Chelsea, Michigan. Since its inception in 1998, the UMRC Foundation has provided over \$18,500,000 through its

Benevolent Care Fund to help UMRC residents remain in their homes when they outlive their resources. The mission of the UMRC Foundation is to promote the wellness, dignity, and independence of seniors by supporting UMRC residents, staff, and the communities UMRC serves. umrcfoundation.com | 734.433.1000

The Chelsea Community Foundation is a permanent charitable endowment totaling more than \$2.5 million created through gifts from generous individuals, families, and businesses who care about Chelsea. The Chelsea Community Foundation has provided more than \$1.6 million in grants to nonprofit organizations working to address community needs and opportunities that improve the quality of life in the City of Chelsea and surrounding areas. The Chelsea Community Foundation is an affiliate of the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan. For more information, please visit www.chelseafound.org.

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Important Discussions Held During Chelsea Community Forum

By Charla Hamilton
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On Saturday April 18, Chelsea Community Forum held their monthly meeting via Zoom with 23 attendees.

COVID-19 was the main topic discussed and there were several elected officials present to update. County Commissioner Jason Maciejewski discussed recent Board actions during the shutdown which included the continuation of meetings over Zoom. \$4.3 million has been allocated from the reserve fund to address county virus concerns. It was stated that the County Health Department, assisted by the Sheriff's Department, has been designed as the lead agency for COVID-19. For additional information visit washtenaw.org.

Chelsea City Councilors Jan Pacheco and Rick Catherman discussed city government actions and operations. In many cases city operations are continuing but are altered to meet the guidelines of lockdown. Rick also discussed directions the Chelsea School District is taking. Chelsea

School District is maintaining a COVID-19 updates page that can be found here: chelsea.k12.mi.us/updates.

A question was also posed about the status of local businesses during the shutdown. A lengthy discussion then followed which included finding out which businesses need help and how that help can be provided. It was mentioned that Chelsea State Bank has been rapidly processing the Payroll Protection Plan funds for businesses. It was also mentioned that Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce is taking steps to provide lists of businesses closed but that are still taking orders. Terris Ahrens (Executive Director of the Chelsea Area Chamber

of Commerce) made this statement after the meeting: The Chelsea Chamber of Commerce is using the chelseamich.com website to post information - it's a "one-stop" area to access what the Chamber is doing to support local business at this time. The Chamber is using social media, including a Facebook page and is using that format to post "business spotlight" interviews with area business owners during the week. The Chamber will be moving ahead with a more "aggressive plan" in June to include "Restaurant Month" to promote local restaurants, and is working on a possible event using street sales/sidewalk sales where

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Is anybody out there?

By: Amy Heydlauff

I've been thinking about things. Important things, like my Dad. And less important things, like my dirty car.

I usually enjoy weather in all its forms. But the mid-to-late-April cold snap irritated me. I want to sit in their living rooms and visit with my Dad and in-laws. It's so irritating that I can't. I now know what color my hair really is... I'm irritated that many women on T.V. do not. Their hair-stylists are working. I'd like to move some 5Healthy Towns Foundation collaborations forward, but meetings are required... I'm annoyed! I'm irritated because I used up all my good tea bags & now must use the old & stale ones from the back of the cupboard. The ones I didn't want to use in the first place, or they wouldn't be in the back of the cupboard.

And then it occurred to me. I'm irritable! I miss my usual routines. I'm tired of sitting in a make-shift office on an uncomfortable chair. I'm cold and bored and I'm starting to not care if I take a long walk with Mark or just sit and watch another episode of whatever. I'm in desperate need of administering hugs to family (and getting hugs back). I am especially in need of the hugs.

Luckily, I have decades of life behind me. I recognize what's happening. I know it can be short-lived. Recovery is just around the corner because I can take control of irritability. I may not want to right now, but I will soon because being irritable is not fun. And for most of us, Eleanor Roosevelt was exactly right. We can be as happy as we choose to be, most days.

For some, though, that is not true. What is a self-limiting funk for some may be more concerning for another person. It is vital those people connect to the many resources in our community intended to give them a hand. If someone can find even some small support, they may be able to avoid a crisis. A crisis can come in many forms and almost always puts those around us in crisis, too. Many organizations in our communities want to help. Confidentially.

If tenacious sadness, unrelenting substance use, violence or irrational behavior feels imminent - right around the corner - for you or a loved one, please reach out to one of these resources and they will help you. Keep reaching out. As many times as it takes to find the right resource for you.

Resources - places to start:
St. Joseph Mer-

cy Chelsea Behavioral health

Kathy Walz-734-680-5312 and Abigail Norris-734-395-8975;

Email: Navigator@stjoeshealth.org

Washtenaw County Community Mental Health

<https://www.washtenaw.org/839/Community-Mental-Health>

Tel: 734-544-3050

Crisis Services 24/7 Disaster Distress Helpline - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services

<https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/disaster-distress-helpline>

Tel: 1-800-985-5990

Henry Ford Allegiance Behavioral Health - Tel: 517-205-4730 <https://www.henryford.com/locations/allegiance-health/behavioral-health>

Tri County Clinton, Eaton, Ingham Counties

Tel: 517-346-8460

<http://www.ceic-mh.org/>

Reach out to your health plan for mental health support services

Reach out to your employer's Employee Assistance Program

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From Washtenaw County Road Commission
COUNTY: Washtenaw
ROAD: M-52
C L O S E S T CITY: Chelsea
START DATE: 7 a.m., Monday, May 4, 2020

E S T I M A T E D COMPLETION DATE: 5 p.m., Friday, May 22, 2020
PROJECT: The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will be closing M-52 in each direction just north of the Green Lake Campground between Waterloo Road and North Territorial Road beginning Monday morning. MDOT has issued a permit to Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation to install a pedestrian tunnel under M-52.

TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS: Please follow posted detours. Motorists are advised to seek alternate routes.

SAFETY BENEFITS: Closing the intersection during this type of work is necessary to provide the safest work area possible for crews and motorists.

ESSENTIAL WORK: This road construction project is an essential function. Transportation workers in the field follow Centers for Disease Control guidelines to limit their risk of getting sick.

Chelsea Community Cafe: Looking to Brighten Spirits during COVID-19 Pandemic

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 es of St. Paul, Chelsea, 5 Healthy Towns, and other area churches. Chelsea Guardian will also share this link on their Facebook page as well. Don't miss out on the next Chelsea Community Cafe!

ation. Be sure to tune in every Wednesday at noon at this Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84933685833>. Eric mentioned the link will also be shared on the Facebook page-

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ON THE SIDELINE: "GLADIATOR," QUARANTINE, MAXIMUS AND ENTERTAINMENT



By Don Richter
drichter101@comcast.net

Day 44 of quarantine.

I really have no idea how long the stay-at-home-mandate has been in place, the days are all blending together now.

Now that I think about it, what month are we in?

Is it football season yet?

Did the World Series already come and go?

Without my beloved sports, my personal "calendar" is all off-kilter. A well-worn phrase in southeastern Michigan proclaims this time of year as "April in the D." The phrase signifies the start of playoffs and championship runs for the Pistons and Red Wings and the beginning of Tiger baseball in Detroit.

With the stoppages of sports at all levels and therefore no playoffs, no potential championship runs and no Opening Day for Tiger baseball, "April in the D" could now be branded "April in Dulls-ville" not Detroit.

I'm so bored. I need to be entertained.

There I said it. "Are you not entertained? Are you not entertained? Is this not why you are here?"

I always hear Russell Crowe's character of Maximus utter those famous and oft-quoted lines from the movie "Gladiator" in my mind as I sit bored in my living room during the quarantine.

And I always answer back out loud to no one in my house, "No, I am NOT entertained, Maximus."

I want Maximus to fix this situation we're all currently enduring. I want the former Roman general and gladiator-extraordinaire to seek out and defeat COVID-19, just like he vanquished all who dared oppose him in the movie.

To answer the quote from Maximus, "No, it's not why I'm here. I'm here for many different reasons, but one of them is to plop myself down in my comfy recliner and stare at the TV for hours on end doing nothing but watching sports and eating pizza."

I currently have the recliner and pizza-thing down pat, what's missing is the sports-thing. I need Maximus to handle this problem for me. He's currently getting a thumbs-down from me regarding his efforts concerning this matter.

While I deal with my "entertainment"

problems, I still have an "essential" job to perform each and every day. I've commented previously in this column about how nice it's been on area roads and freeways with most everybody quarantined inside their respective homes this past month and a half. Well, apparently, a certain chunk of the local population is not being entertained and is instead clogging up local roads and freeways much to my chagrin.

What used to be wide-open, traffic-less German autobahn-like on local roads and freeways these past few weeks, seemingly is now, slowly, but ever surely, returning to congested, chaotic and crazy -- a threesome I definitely didn't miss while driving throughout Washtenaw County every day this month. It truly was (and yes I'm using the word "was" because I fear those halcyon, care-free days of yore with freeway lanes filled with nothing but a random semi-truck and miles and miles of open road are long gone) a blissful few weeks of driving.

I guess I should be thankful for being allowed to experience such driving-nirvana, if only for a few stress-reduced weeks. But it sure was nice. It's how our local roads and freeways should be. Why can't I-94 be six lanes in both direc-

tions? Somebody get on this idea, pronto.

Maximus, I'm talking to you, good sir.

Day 44 of quarantine.

I'm bored, hungry and craving sports.

I remember when a face mask was something attached to a football helmet and a glove was something

an infielder used to scoop up a ground ball in baseball.

Are you not entertained?

No, I am not...



Special Announcement from Chelsea Athletics

The Michigan High School Athletic Association has made the decision to cancel spring sports for the remainder of the school year. The Chelsea Athletic Department supports this decision for the safety and wellness of our students. Spring sports coaches will be reaching out to their athletes in the near future with more information.

BRAD BUSH, ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

CHELSEA HIGH SCHOOL BULLDOGS ALL-DECADE TEAM

103	Jacob Jacobussy (2018)
112	Ben Doll (2011)
119	Nick Bleise (2015)
125	Nick Matusko (2018)
130	Andrew Nold (2010)
135	Corbyn Munson (2018)
140	Dakota Cooley (2010)
145	Steve Bleise (2014)
152	Mitchell Reynolds (2020)
160	Gus Reynolds (2017)
171	Dan Wisnewski (2014)
189	Michael Hovater (2013)
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285	Josiah Fitch (2020)

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SculptureWalk CHELSEA

An opportunity to support Artists and culture in Chelsea
SculptureWalk Chelsea



Everyone is aware of how the COVID-19 pandemic has created a challenging environment for particularly self-employed and small businesses. That is also true for the arts and culture sectors.

As the Chelsea SculptureWalk wraps up the 2019-20 season, you have an opportunity to help the participating artists by purchasing a world-class outdoor sculpture at very affordable prices. Many of the Artists are open to negotiable prices and payment options that can make the sculpture a fixture in your home, garden, or office environment.

70% of the proceeds go directly to the Artists with the remainder going toward the continuation of SculptureWalk in Chelsea. Please contact Crystal Scott, (email: visualarts@chelseafestivals.com., phone number 586 291 8007) Visual Arts and Exhibition Coordinator, or visit Sculpture-

Walk to learn more. Amazing new sculptures for the 2020-21 season of SculptureWalk are coming soon! This will be the 11th year the sculptures will be gracing Chelsea's streets and parks. Sculptures featuring top regional artists bring free contemporary sculpture to visitors and Chelsea residents. This annual rotating exhibition enhances and enables the cultural and artistic Chelsea City-Brand.

Chelsea Area Festivals and Events (CAFE) revitalized this outdoor art project as part of the visual arts component of its mission. This was accomplished with community support from the City of Chelsea, Chelsea Downtown Development Authority, Chelsea District Library, Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, generous sponsors, and a mini-grant from the Michigan Council for Arts

and Cultural Affairs Minigrant Program. CAFE did not receive a grant for the upcoming year, leaving a funding gap.

Sponsors for the 2019-20 SculptureWalk season are: Chelsea District Library (2 sculptures), D&B Strategic Marketing, Rick Eder Agency - Farm Bureau Insurance, LAFCU - Your Credit Union for Life, La Maison, Live in Balance Consulting, O&W / Atwater Brewing, Rumpus Room, Secret Crisis Comics, Silver Maples of Chelsea, Stieper & Brust Orthodontics, and Surelutions,

Chelsea Area Festivals & Events is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that enriches Chelsea and the surrounding communities by promoting the presentation of and participation in quality performing and visual arts throughout the year. www.chelseafestivals.com.



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Chelsea State Bank Announces Board, Bank Appointments



The Board of Directors of CSB Bancorp and Chelsea State Bank

recently announced the election of Chelsea State Bank President Joanne Rau to the Boards, and the reelection of Directors William B. Holmes, Vice President, Chelsea Milling Company and David M. Schaible, Retired President, Chelsea State Bank.

The Board of Directors of Chelsea State Bank also announced the promotions of Jessica M. Stubbs to Senior Vice President, Matthew Noggle to Assistant Vice President, Teresa Beegle to Compliance Officer and

Stuart Mann to Commercial Loan Officer.

"I am very pleased to announce that Joanne has joined our Boards, and Bill and Dave are reelected for another three-year term," stated Chelsea State Bank Chief Executive Officer John

Mann. "I am equally pleased to announce our Bank promotions. We are fortunate to have these leaders in our Bank to drive excellent customer service with our commercial and agricultural loans as well as our overall operations. As the local

community bank, our focus is always to take care of the individuals, families, farmers and businesses in our communities, especially during these uncertain times. I am proud to say our teams excel in meeting our customer and community needs."



Joanne Rau

President Joanne Rau is elected to the Board of Directors of CSB Bancorp and Chelsea State Bank. Rau joined Chelsea State Bank as President in 2019 with 19 years of distinguished banking experience. Prior to joining Chelsea State Bank, Rau spent the last 15 years moving into executive positions at Fifth Third Bank (Cincinnati, Ohio) and most recently as Senior Vice

President and Business Banking Executive.

Rau received her Bachelor of Business Administration from Eastern Michigan University. She is currently an Executive Committee Member of Ann Arbor SPARK, previous Power of the Purse Chair for United Way of Washtenaw, and previous board member and mentor of Winning Futures. Rau resides in the Chelsea community with her family.



Jessica Stubbs

Chief Financial Officer Jessica Stubbs is promoted to Senior Vice President. Stubbs joined Chelsea State Bank in 2011 as Assistant Vice President and Compliance Officer. She was promoted to Vice President in 2014 and Chief Financial Officer in 2017. She is a Certified Public Accountant and has over 20 years of experience with financial institutions, beginning as a teller in a community bank and progressing to vice president. Stubbs also worked as an audit manager at

an accounting, tax and business consulting firm.

After graduating from Albion College with a bachelor's degree in Economics and Management, Stubbs earned her CPA license in 2013. In the community, Stubbs is the Treasurer of Christian Fellowship Bible Church. She is also a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants. She resides in the Chelsea community with her family.



Matthew Noggle

Matthew Noggle is promoted to Assistant Vice President. Noggle joined Chelsea State Bank in 2017 as a Commercial Loan Officer specializing in agricultural lending. Noggle has a lifetime of experience in farming including 17 years as a partner in a family-owned farm, and four years as a loan officer for the Bank of Colorado.

Graduating from Colorado State University, Fort Collins,

Colorado, with a dual Bachelor of Science in Animal Science and Agricultural Business, Noggle also studied at the Institute of Agriculture Technology on the campus of Michigan State University, East Lansing. He received an Associate of Animal Science from Connors State College in Warner, Oklahoma. Noggle is active in community service including the Young Farmers and Michigan Farm Bureau.



Teresa Beegle

Teresa Beegle is promoted to Compliance Officer. Beegle joined Chelsea State Bank 2016 as a Customer Service Representative. She was promoted to Loan Operations in 2018, and in 2019 was promoted to Compliance and Marketing Specialist. Beegle graduated

with an Associate in Business Administration from Jackson College in 2008. She will graduate with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Siena Heights University, Adrian, in December. Beegle will also graduate from the Perry School of Banking, Lansing, in 2021.



Stuart Mann

Stuart Mann is promoted to Commercial Loan Officer. Mann began his career with Chelsea State Bank in 2015 as a Credit Analyst. He was promoted

to Commercial Loan Representative in January 2020. Graduating from Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Mann has a bachelor's degree in Finance.

Thank You Letter Campaign

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Health Improvement, 1515 Commerce Park Drive, Chelsea, MI 48118

Henry Ford Alliance Health Administrative Offices, 205 N. East Avenue, Jackson, MI 49201

For individuals who would prefer to send a statement electronically, SJMC will receive your note and add it to their Wall of Gratitude. Go to <https://bit.ly/2xIT45h>

Lori Kintz, 5HF Communications Manager, organized the campaign after both SJMC and HFHS expressed their desire for employee support. "Representatives in each community picked up on it quickly. People are eager to share their thanks with

those who are taking on frightening work. Everyone in the community can participate." Amy Heydlauff, 5HF CEO, added that "It's not just the clinical staff who deserve our thanks. It's everyone going to work in our health centers - environmental services staff, dietary workers, radiology and lab personnel, pharmacy techs social workers and many more. We want them to know that we appreciate their commitment."

Health Ministry in Action is a local volunteer group who provides information and support to local faith community leaders regarding health ministries for youth, families and older adults.

About Chelsea State Bank

Chelsea State Bank is a full-service financial institution with offices in Chelsea and

Dexter. The Bank was formed over 100 years ago by local business leaders to provide timely financial solutions to individuals,

families and businesses in the community. This tradition of community service continues today. For more information, please call

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By Kitty Golding

Kitty & Company will be conducting a series of short interviews with Chelsea Residents for 52 weeks, bringing to light differing personalities and design styles in our community. Perhaps you will meet someone new through these weekly interviews or perhaps it will be YOU! Stay tuned and follow us each week – we now introduce you to Mrs. Debra Myers.

What is your profession and for how long?

My background is public and corporate accounting but I have worked as a tech business writer and small business owner over the years. Since 2013 I have given much of my time to a local non-profit (Ballet Chelsea) and to another project that will be ready to go to market in 2021.

Your family members:

I have been married to my amazing husband, Ty, for over 25 years: He asked me to marry him nine days after our first date. We married six weeks later! He usually travels a lot but has worked from home since 2008. Together we have two incredible children: Joel who graduated from Western Michigan University and Sarah Maye who is graduating from Ohio State University in May 2020.

People think of me as:

Blunt or direct--you know, to the point--but I am really just impatient. And I am really not that impatient, I just don't like to waste time. Years ago I would have admitted I was impatient. But then I had children. I very quickly realized as a parent, you must have superhuman patience.

When did you move to Chelsea? Where did you live prior to this?

Ty and I first moved to Chelsea in 1995. We stayed two years and then left for a job change. We moved to the Maryland/DC area and then returned in 2002. We have been here since. Prior to that I lived in Ohio, Wisconsin, and before that the Rocky Mountains--Utah and Colorado. I attended college out West.

What do you love about where you cur-



Debra
Photos submitted by Debra Myers

rently live?

In Chelsea, I appreciate the lack of traffic. I have lived in large cities, and don't care to go back to that--every time I visit my daughter in Columbus, I am reminded of that. If we are talking about my home, well, there's lots to love here but it's mostly outside: nature. Our property adjoins state land so we have complete privacy, quiet, safety and security--something many people do not have. There is much to learn about our world, our God, and ourselves when we spend some time alone in nature.

If you could have a second home anywhere, where would it be?

I would like my second home to be within walking distance to my children. I miss them so.

What three words describe your style?

Rustic, Southwestern, Natural.

Who most influenced your design styles?

Myself--where I have lived, my surroundings, and my life philosophy.

What are you most inspired by in your design/decor?

Nature, color, pattern, artistic expression, function, craftsmanship, and ease of cleaning/maintaining.

As you think about the home in which you grew up, what elements did you like and do you think you have incorporated some of them in your own home?

My father built the house I grew up in. We were surrounded by trees. I have been surrounded by trees in nearly every home I

have lived in since.

When entering your home, how do you want it to feel?

Unpretentious.

What is one trend in design you do not like?

White on White on White on White. Too much white!

Have you ever built a new home or remodeled an existing one?

We have remodeled parts of our current home, but the bulk of our home dollars have gone to outdoor projects: asphalt driveway, an outdoor get-away shed, complete redo of our pole barn, new decks, patios, and porches, and most recently, the residing of our home (which is in progress), and new windows.

What is the biggest issue you struggled with during your remodeling project?

The biggest interior design issue in this house is the agreement with my husband, who has opinions, about what goes on inside. And if we don't agree on the vision, it (the kitchen) doesn't get done. But the outside is looking great!

If you were moving and could only select one item from your home to keep, what would it be and why?

The 19th century primitive wood cabinet. I love it. It's a rare size with incredible chip-py paint and patina. I pulled it out of a dirty auction barn myself. It contains irreplaceable family memorabilia.

No room is complete without:

A view.

If you are a pet owner, how has that influenced your choices in design, if it has?

Other than putting down non-carpet floors, my design style is unaffected by the many animals we have had over the years.

By nature I am a: Collector of "things" or treasures!

If you were given \$1,000 to buy a new piece of art, what would it be?

It would not be a framed piece of art,

however, I have my eye on a metal artist who makes railings, as our new front porch really needs a railing.

A few of your favorite things!

Historical Place You Have Visited- Ghost towns in the Rocky Mountains.

Scent- The smell of the coniferous mountain forests after a rain.

Style of Music - The Founding Band, my son's band. Also R&B (old) and Christian music.

Meal- None. I do have a favorite coffee though--Kicking Horse.

Favorite TV show -Currently, Father Brown.

Favorite Season - It's NOT winter!

Things to Collect- Wood Bowls--primitive, and "out of round"-meaning "very old"

Colors- Warm colors, not one specifically.

Design Trend/Style- Arts Crafts/Mission.

Dogs, cats or other? All of them plus more including chickens.

Favorite hobbies- Searching for and reading old apologists writings (1880s and prior).

Favorite Tree or Plant - White Pine tree.

Favorite item on a bookshelf - My vintage scale. It never lets me down! 100% accurate for all my Ebay shipping.

Kitty's note: Debra and I have known each other for many years now....15 I think? Our boys became best friends in grade school. I appreciate all design, but our personal styles are very complementary, so it is easy for me to feel comfortable in her woodsy, rustic home. Debra is a jack of all trades and seemingly a master of most of them! She sets her mind to do something and does it very well. I have known her to paint murals, find, fix and sell furniture, deliver a professionally written document, thoroughly research an item and or find numerous ways to rearrange her home environment to accommodate their family at various life stages. In my life, I have known several women I would classify as "superwoman" – she is one of them!



The primitive Cabinet

Important Discussions Held During Chelsea Community Forum

continued from page 3 local shops could use tents, etc. for outside sales, which could help better promote local shopping while more easily observing social distancing.

environment). It was determined that some serious thought would need to be put into the concept of a community center once the quarantine is over. The meeting concluded with Pacheco discussing local mental health efforts including a plan to incorporate the school district, SRSly, and related groups into a common effort.

The next Chelsea Community Forum is planned for Saturday May 9 at 9:00am.

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