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5/25 Jay Frydenlund

GRATEFUL CROW



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A Banner Year: Chelsea Robotics

SATURDAYS

- May 28 - MacDonald Bros
- June 4 - Judy Banker Trio
- June 11 - reClassical
- June 18 - Lilly MacPhee
- June 25 - Nathanael Zuellig
- July 2 - Bob Skon Trio
- July 9 - Stacey Murray
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- July 23 - Keith Parmentier
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- Sept 10 - Stacey Murray
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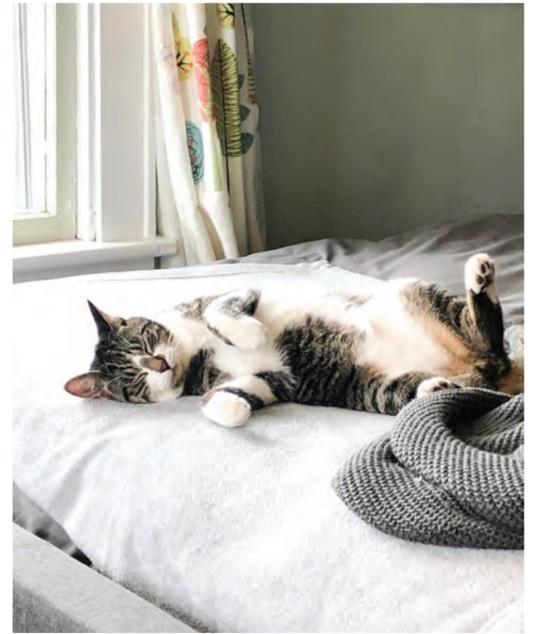
From: Stefanie Dever has officially wrapped up their 2021/2022 Chelsea Robotics FRC Team 1502 Technical Difficulties competition season. While it may not have continued on page 2

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Kelsey Heck Wood Vies to Make History in Michigan's 14th District



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By Aimee Bingham Osinski
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District 14, is a new seat created by the Michigan Independent Citizens redistricting Commission. The position is for Michigan's state senate. The new district loops in the northern half of Ann Arbor, northern and western Washtenaw County and the majority of Jackson County. It provides an opening for a Democrat in Republican stronghold Jackson County.

Many of the people in the outlying country parts of Jackson love to boast that Jackson is the birthplace of the Republican party.

The Republican party, however, identifies its birthplace as Ripon Wisconsin. Nonetheless, Jackson county is a proud Republican stronghold.

I asked Kelsey what made her decide to run. She explained that she'd been working with Voters not Politicians and has been involved in redistricting thought advocating for fair districts. District 14 created the possibility of a Democratic senator from Jackson county for the first time in 130 years. Kelsey has the experience and drive to do it and do it well, so she jumped at the opportunity.

I wanted to know

what Kelsey hoped to accomplish in the position. Kelsey explained that the economic inequality in Jackson and across the state is something she'd like to impact positively. Kelsey would like to work toward anything that can be done to address the stark economic inequality across the state, be it; child care, health care, or public schools. She is primarily focused on what can be done to address child poverty.

I asked Kelsey what experience she brings to the position. Kelsey, a former member of Jackson City Council has had to reach across the aisle to accomplish

anything in that position. She is accustomed to working with people who disagree with her opinions and in order to get anything accomplished, Kelsey learned to listen, understand and address the concerns of the opposition. That skill will be invaluable at the state level.

As a person who was born and raised in Washtenaw county but moved to Jackson county as an adult, I was in culture shock. I had no idea people still thought the way they do in Jackson county. I could not believe I lived in a place that had been battling 20 years for an LGBT rights ordinance. I was not in

Ann Arbor anymore! Kelsey has learned to lead with a diversity of opinions, which will be invaluable at the state level.

Lastly, I wanted to learn a bit more about Kelsey. I asked if she had a husband, wife, kids, fur babies and that sort of thing. Kelsey got married to her husband Conner twice. The original wedding was scheduled during the Covid lockdown. Once things got a little safer, Kelsey and Conner had the wedding they originally planned prior to the pandemic. They also share two Covid babies. Kitties; Dan and Bingo adopted during the pandemic.

I explained that Dexter Councilmember Zach Michels provided a photo of his dog during his last election and Kelsey was kind enough to send photos of Dan and Bingo, as well. If people campaign with headshots including family, why not share your fur babies too?

To learn more about Kelsey, visit her website <https://kelseyheckwood.com/>. If you would like some questions answered, Kelsey will be hosting coffee and beer hours to get to know constituents. The events are posted here: <https://kelseyheckwood.com/events>.

A Banner Year: Chelsea Robotics



much to be proud of in these students and they are excited and determined to attain new goals this upcoming season.

Thank you to each and every one of you that have supported and encouraged their journey this year. It has been amazing to see such support and encouragement and hope they can count on it again next season!

If you or someone you know are interested in FIRST robotics within our Chelsea community please check out www.chelsearobotics.org for more information. There are opportunities at each school level in our district and they are always welcoming and new students and mentors. Chelsea's K-12 robotics teams are supported by Chelsea School District, Chelsea Robotics, a 501c3 non-profit supporting STEM for all students in our community, as well as contributions from families and businesses like you.

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ended the way every FRC team dreams of, by playing their final matches on "Einstein" field (the final competition field in front of everyone) this team has experienced a year like no other. They ended their 10 qualifier match journey over 2 days on Carver Field with a record of 2-8, yet individually their performance was just stellar. In a competi-

tion that features top robots from all over the entire world, it's amazing to watch all these fantastic matches unfold. Per scouting data, Technical Difficulties showed up as a top 15 team in their division by point contribution alone, and out of 75 teams that's incredible!

These young engineers have earned their stripes this year with a new 1st Place Blue Banner in their

Robotics Center, an Innovation in Control Award from their first competition, a 2nd place finish at their next competition, an alliance selection matchup in the State Championship playoffs and taking the final place for the Michigan District to represent our great state at the Worlds competition down in Houston Texas April 21-23 2022. Wrapping up their amazing

experience in Houston, Chelsea's Technical Difficulties was awarded the "Industrial Design Award sponsored by General Motors" in the Carver Division out of the 75 teams competing with them. It was an incredible honor to be recognized for their 3D nylon printed turret design showing the advancements and benefits of additive manufacturing. It has been

the year of dreams and achievements and all the successes both large and small have made for an immeasurable year of growth for the team. They averaged almost 25% more points during their match play at Worlds which shows how much these hard-working engineers are continuously looking to improve each and every week. The Chelsea community has

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CHELSEA ATHLETICS



ON THE SIDELINE: MERRY-GO-ROUNDS, SOCIAL MEDIA AND LIFE 101



By Don Richter
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I'm tired.
Yes, it's four in the morning as I sit at my desk typing this column. I just returned from a long eight-hour day, er, I mean, night at the oh so lovely J.O.B. Though my stomach is grumbling and my head groggy, here I sit trying to write something interesting. I've

hung up my blue collar shirt and put on my columnist's hat. Or I think it's my columnist's hat. It could be my vintage Baltimore Orioles hat or my hat with the clapping hands on top. I don't know.

I'm tired.
I need sleep.
I need to lose 20 pounds.

I need a life.
Does anyone else feel like they have no balance in life?

Hello, is this mic on? Anyone out there? I get it, you're all probably working or sleeping, right? I completely understand. My life right now feels like I'm on a turbo-charged

merry-go-round that whirls around at 100 miles per hour never stopping.

My life at the moment consists of three things. You've heard of eat, pray, love? Well, my life has one of those three. My life consists of a seemingly never-ending cycle of eat, work, sleep.

And social media certainly doesn't help.

Does everyone have a perfect life?

Does everyone go on vacation every week?

Does anyone actually work anymore?

I think I missed that class in school about not working and still being able to afford

a lavish lifestyle. I've often thought to myself I'm playing a different "game" in life than most other people. I've always felt like, compared to other people, I didn't know the "rules" of this game called life.

Influencers who make millions of dollars.

People on YouTube who make millions of dollars sitting in a chair putting on make-up.

Where is the class teaching someone like me how to do that? Not that anyone would want to watch me put on make-up. Yikes, that'd give people nightmares. I guess I'm too grounded and real (and in need of paying

my mortgage) to have that level of hustle.

Plus, I'm tired.
I'm tired of paying four dollars or more for gas. I saw a station in Ann Arbor tonight with prices nearing five bucks a gallon.

I'm paying for a new driveway this summer.

I made an appointment to take my vehicle in for a brake job later this week.

I need my turbo-charged merry-go-round to slow down.

I'm sorry for the column rant. My life is actually quite blessed in so many ways. It's just...well, you know. I do eat, pray, love. I do a lot of other things, too.

Or at least I used to, it seems. Even though I've spent this entire column complaining, I guess I really shouldn't complain. Life is good. I have to remind myself of that every now and again. There are a lot of people far worse off than me.

Those people however aren't on social media that's for sure.

I'm tired.
My bones ache.
My body aches.

The bill for my soon-to-be brake job is going to "ache" big time, too.

Life 101?

Sadly, I think I missed that class...

CHELSEA BULLDOGS BOYS TRACK AND FIELD

TECUMSEH & YPSI DUAL MEET 5/3/22 @ HOME

TEAM CHELSEA - 89

TECUMSEH - 48

SCORES:

CHELSEA - 128

YPSI- 8

PLACES LISTED VERSUS TECUMSEH, THEN YPSI

Coach Eric Swager's comments:

"On (yet another) rainy night, we performed very well to take 2 victories against our SEC White division foes. The guys had a great attitude, and performed well across the board. We move to 4-1 in the league, and it sets up a showdown with Pinckney for the league title at next Friday's SEC meet.

Track is a very unpredictable sport, with timing peaks and a fair amount of luck involved putting it all together. We will continue to work with athletes in all disciplines trying to hit our peaks

at the right time as we enter Championship Season. We rely on our expert coaching staff to make this happen. Again, exciting, but quite unpredictable.

Individual highlights include the races by Drew Sherwood - with some big PR performances in the 100 and 200. Connell Alford was once again rock solid, as was Brandon Snyder. Andrew Hilbert showed why he is a crucial part of this team with his hurdle performances, and many of the younger guys had lifetime bests."

Discus	Dist	pl	Shot Put	Distance	Pl	Pole Vault	HT	pl	Long J.	Dist	PL
Scott	123.5	1,1	Scott	45.2	1,1	Olk	10	1,1	Snyder	19.1	1,1
McGuire	120.7	2,2	McGuire	35.9	3,3	Fleszar	9.6	2,2	Shemwell	16.9	2,2
Shemwell	95.11	-,3	Shemwell	35.5		Cugliari	Nh		Berg	15.4	
Reeves	91.5		Reeves	37.8	2,2				Hopkins	15.8	3,-
Joyce	83.2		Joyce	31.9					Napieralski	14.6	
Thomas, Kail	68.9		Thomas, Kail	30.6							
Mater	77.1		Mater	29.2							
Peterson	75.2		Peterson	27.11							
Guthre	67.4		Guthre	23.8							
B. Thomas	57.11		Warriner	15.4							
			B. Thomas	25.4							
4x800 R.	Time	Pl	4x800"B"			High Jump	Ht.	Pl			
Cugliari	2:17					Fisk	5' 2"	3,2			
Radu	2:19					Wacker	5' 2"	2,1			
Alford	2:17					Turnbow	5'	-,3			
Spruce	2:18					Wehrly	NH				
TOT	9:13	1,1	TOT								
110 Hurdles	Time	Pl	100 Dash	Time	Pl	100 Dash	Time	PL			
Kwaske	19.5	3,2	Wacker	11.97	-,2	D. Fisk	12.75				
Keaton	24.2		Sherwood	11.39	2,1	Warriner	18.65				
Sing	21.5		Napieralski	12.34		Alafita	14.42				
			King	12.16	-,3	Nelson	42.96				
Hilbert	17.1	1,1	Howard	12.43		Leschuk	13.73				
						Taliford	13.76				
4 x 200 Relay	Time	Pl	4 x 200 Relay	Time	Pl	1600 Run	Time	Pl	1600 run	Time	PL
Berg	24.98		Delong	28.16		Alford	5:47	1,1	Grayson	5:07	
Hill	25.44		Bennett	27.86		Kapolka	4:04	-,2	Gabe .m	6:07	
Radu	28.03		Pietro	27.08		Hartsuff	4:52	2,2	John M	6:22	
Turnbow	25.53		Wehrly	25.69		Leo	4:59	3,3			
TOT	1:43.98		TOT	1:48.8							
4x100 R.	Time	Pl	4x100 R.	Time	Pl	400 Dash	Time	Pl	400 Dash	Time	PL
Snyder	11.04		Berg	12.86		Sherwood	57.58	-,2	Manuel	64.03	
Wacker	11.03		Radu	12.13		Hopkins	61.86		DeLong	68.83	
Napieralski	12.47		Hill	10.99		King	56.09	2,1			
Fisk	12.09		D. Fisk	14.13		Fleszar	60	-,3			
TOT	46.6	-,1	TOT	50.97							
300 Hurd.	Time	Pl	800 Run	Time	Pl	800 Run	Time	Pl	200 Dash JV	Time	Pl
Hilbert	44.97	1,1	Alford	2:09	1,1	G. muckle	253				
Shemwell	47.69	2,2	Hartsuff	2:17	3,2	j. muckle	256				
Kwaske	51.56		Kapolka	2:21	-,3						
			Grayson	2:28							
200 Dash	Time	Pl	200 Dash JV	Time	Pl	3200 Run	Time	PL			
Sherwood	23.1	T2,1	Alafita	29.7		Alford	1001	1,1			
Howard	25.2	-,3	Bennett	28.9		Dell	1027	3,3			
King	24.6	-,2	Manuel	27.2		Spruce	1025	2,2			
Snyder	25.77		Delong	28.1		Misha	1101				
Fisk	24.2										
Ziolkowski	26.72										
4x400 Relay	Time	Pl	4x 400	Time	Pl	4x 400	Time	Pl	4x 400	Time	Pl
Hartsuff	63		Snyder	63		Kapolka	59		Shemwell	62	
Kwaske	67		Wacker	59		Ziolkowski	58		Wehrly	68	
Manuel	72		Napieralski	55		Pietro	66		Sing	75	
G. Muckle	88		Fisk	61		J Muckle	83		D. Fisk	76	
Tot	4:50		TOT	3:58	-,1	tot	4:26		tot	4:41	
4 x 400	Time	Pl	4x 400	Time	Pl	4x 400	Time	Pl	Alternates		
Radu	67		Howard	62		Turnbow	66		Zebedee		
Hopkins	65		Fleszar	63		Misha	69				
Grayson	70		Keaton	75		Leo	67				
Alafita	80		Delong	78		Bennett	69				
Tot	4:42		Tot	4:38		Tot	4:31				

CHELSEA BULLDOGS BOYS TRACK AND FIELD

2022 GOLDEN TRIANGLE MEET - MAY 6, 2022

Discus	Distance	Place	Shot Put	Distance	Place	High Jump	Height
Scott	124' 0"	6th	Scott	43.8	7th	Fisk	NH
McGuire	135' 5"	4th	McGuire	38.6		Wacker	5.4
Shemwell	112' 10"		Shemwell	36.8		Turnbow	NH
Reeves	89' 4"		Reeves	36.7			
Joyce	81' 6"		Joyce	34.5			
Pole Vault	Height	Place	Long Jump	Length	Place	Var-4x800 R.	Time
Olk	11	4th	Snyder	21.3	1st		
Fleszar	10.6		Hopkins	18.2			No Entry
			Shemwell	18.8			
			Berg	17.7			
TOT							
110 Hurdles	Time	Place	100 Dash	Time	Place	100 Dash	Time
Sing	DQ		Fisk	12.35		Ziolkowski	13.13
Hilbert	17.1	7th	Hill	13.27		Turnbow	13.03
			Berg	12.64		Hopkins	13.40
				12.52		Wehrly	13.71
						Wacker	
1600 Run	Time	Place	Var. 4x100 R.	Time	Place	400 Dash	Time
Grayson	505.86		Snyder	11.65		Hopkins	64.5
Alford **	4:25	2nd	Wacker	11.38		Fleszar	60.66
Dell	4:38.38		Sherwood	11.27		Wehly	66.05
			Fisk	11.29		Ziolkowski	64.17
			TOT	45.59	6th	King	55.45
300 Hurd.	Time	Place	800 Run	Time	Place	200 Dash	Time
Shemwell	48.47		Spruce	2:04		Ziolkowski	27.54
Kwaske	51.93		Radu	2:21		Turnbow	26.39
Sing	52.34		Wehrly	28.48		Hopkins	27.43
						Wehrly	28.48
			King	27.54		Wehrly	26.95
			Napieralski	26.39		King	27.97
3200 Run	Time	Place	Var. 4x400 R.	Time	Place		
Kapolka	10:48.08		Dell	54.07			
Leo	10:27.15		Spruce	54.17			
Alford **	9:31	2nd	Napieralski	54.9			
Hartsuff **	10:10		Sherwood	54.42			
Eckland	11:08.79			3:37.58	6th		

- NO TEAM SCORES KEPT @SALINE HIGH SCHOOL. 57 DEGREES, OVERCAST, 12 MPH WIND FROM NE

Coach Eric Swager's comments:

We attended the Golden Triangle Meet of Champions last Friday - a fairly high powered meet, with 20+ (mostly Division 1) schools sending a bunch of quality athletes. There were no team scores kept, but our guys got to see some outstanding competition on a comfortable day.

Brandon Snyder once again led the highlight reel, winning the long jump with another lifetime best, as well as leading off the

medal-winning 4x100 relay. Drew Sherwood was involved in both medaling relays, and Connell Alford took runner-up honors in both of the Elite distance races. Many other guys set PRs in their events, including Leo Swager, Thomas Shemwell, and Landen Napieralski.



CHELSEA BULLDOGS GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD

2022 GOLDEN TRIANGLE INVITATIONAL WRITEUP

The Chelsea Girls Track & Field team competed at the Golden Triangle Invitational (a non-team scoring meet with 23 teams represented). This big invitational was held at Saline High School on Friday, May 6th. We had better weather conditions than most of our meet days (i.e., mid 50s with some rain in the beginning of the meet and a 15 mph wind). At Golden Triangle, we continued to improve as a team. We earned four medals (only given to the top

six finishers). We had 15 personal records (PRs) and six season bests. I have summarized these accomplishments:

- Makayla Kegerreis placed 8th in the 400m dash with a season best time of 63.66.
- Paiton Doyle in the 800m run with a PR of 2:27.57.
- Madison Morgan in the 800m run with a PR of 2:34.28.
- Tess Wheeler in the 800m run with a PR of 2:46.93.
- Claire Zarinnia

in the 800m run with a PR of 3:01.21.

- Kaitlyn Kubicki had double PRs: one in the 800m run (3:22.57) and the 1600m (6:51.47 - a 25 second drop in time).
- Seren Angus in the 1600m run with a season best time of 5:56.11.
- Trilian Krug placed 8th in the 3200m run with a season best time of 12:11.08.
- Julia Kause in the 3200m run with a PR of 12:27.18.
- Leila Wells in

100m hurdles placed 2nd in the race with a PR time of 15.71. Her time in the 100m hurdles puts her #1 in the 100m hurdles in D2 as of May 6th. Leila also tied for 5th in the high jump (4' 10" tying her PR).

- Molly Mannor placed 5th in 100m hurdles with a season best time of 16.63. She placed 9th in the 300m hurdles with a time of 52.46.
- Brooke Matusik placed 13th overall in the 100m hurdles with a time of 18.07.
- Madaline Collins

placed 12th in the long jump with a PR distance of 14' 9".

- Ava Woodard placed 6th in the shot put (32' 6.75") and placed 8th in the discus throw (92' 6").
- Claire Ashe had two PRs - one in the shot put (27' 8.75") and the other in the discus throw (76' 4").
- Anna Brant had a PR in the discus throw with a distance of 80' 4".
- Wynne Van Hoek also had two PRs. In the shot put, they threw 22' 11" and in the discus throw they

threw 62' 1".

- Lily Paddock threw a PR in the shot put (22' 9").
 - The 4x800m relay team of Paiton Doyle, Trilian Krug, Julia Kause, and Morgan Madison ran a season best time of 10:28.62.
 - The 4x100m relay team of Natalia DeMea, Eva Dewaele, Ayela Smith, and Leila Wells placed 8th overall and ran a season best time of 52.12.
- Next week, we have the SEC White Conference Championship at Chelsea on Friday, May 13th.

2022 TECUMSEH & YPSILANTI DOUBLE MEET RESULTS

On a rainy night, the Chelsea Girls Track & Field team competed at home against the Tecumseh High School and Ypsilanti Community Schools in a double dual meet. Chelsea came away with a win against Ypsilanti (106 to 27), but fell short against a talented Tecumseh team (81 to 56). The girls team's dual meet record stands at 4-1. With less than ideal weather conditions, the girls had 12 personal records (PRs) and some individual standout performances. Some of

the PR highlights include: Leila Wells winning the 300m hurdles with a time of 50.71 and placing second overall in the 200m dash with a time of 26.66 seconds. Brooke Matusik placed in the top three in the 100m hurdles race with a time of 17.64. Anna Brant placed in the top three in the shot put with a throw of 28' 8.5". Paiton Doyle placed second behind a talented Tecumseh 800m runner with a time of 2:28.77. Sofia DeMea placed in the top three in the 400m dash with

a time of 71.16 seconds. Other notable PRs were Alyson Baize in the 200m dash (30.36 seconds), Taylor Wharton in the 200m dash (35.48 seconds), Caitlyn Ash in the 300m hurdles (55.45 seconds), and Kaitlin Kubicki with a double PR performance - 1600m run (7:16.32) and 3200m run (15:43.15). Our next meet is the Golden Triangle Invitational (Friday, May 5th) held at Saline High School track and field complex.

CHELSEA BULLDOGS COLLEGE SIGNINGS



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Business Spotlight: Chelsea Consignment



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Chelsea Consignment (formerly Moran's Consignment) has been a staple in Chelsea for many years. Owner, Stephanie Merkel has provided quality unique and beautiful resale items to the citizens of Chelsea and loves doing so! Read on to find out more about her and about Chelsea Consignment.

Chelsea Guardian: Provide some background information on Chelsea Consignment, how long have you have been in business, where did the idea come from

for Chelsea Consignment?

Stephanie Merkel: I began Chelsea Consignments LLC in 2014 after a friend of mine approached me about possibly purchasing her consignment shop, Shabby Chic!

CG: Why did you choose to open the business in Chelsea?

SM: I grew up shopping thrift and resale and feel every city should have a resale shop.

CG: What is your favorite thing about owning your own business?

SM: I absolutely love seeing one person's un-needed

items, become someone else's much needed items... on a daily basis.

CG: What are some things you love about Chelsea and about having a business in Chelsea?

SM: I was born and raised here in Chelsea and love our town! I love seeing familiar faces in the shop, and now after 8 years I'm blessed to see familiar faces outside of the store too!! Chelsea is a great city for work and play! I love when guests come in to the shop from out of town, just to spend the day or weekend... to eat, shop, or catch a show.

It makes me so proud of our city!

CG: What characteristics do you feel set you apart from similar businesses in the area?

SM: We try to make every shopping experience a positive one, even if our guest is leaving empty handed, we want them to leave the shop with a smile. Our greeter, Scout helps with that!

CG: Why did you decide to change the name from Moran's Consignment to Chelsea Consignment?

SM: Pride and love for Chelsea and it's community.

These last two years were the most difficult years of my life, but I've never felt so much support. Our city made it through such a bizarre situation, and we're thriving! I'm proud to see those big letters above my window.

CG: Any special facts, deals etc. you would like your customers to know about?

SM: With over 2,500 consignors, we get new items in every day, seven days a week! And we do markdowns weekly, up to 75% off!

Stop in and see Stephanie and Scout and find out why everyone in Chelsea loves Chelsea Consignment. For more information you can visit their website at www.chelseaconsignment.com. Chelsea Consignment is located at 104 E. Middle Street in Chelsea.



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Chelsea Hospital Partnering with Local Organizations to Celebrate May is Mental Health Month

From: Von Lozon

Since 1949, organizations around the United States have celebrated Mental Health Month in May, a month dedicated to increasing the importance and awareness of mental health and wellness in people's lives. This year, Chelsea Hospital is celebrating by partnering with local organizations to offer free mental health resources and education under the Mental Health Awareness and Training (MHAT) program.

"We are excited to partner with so many local organizations to bring conversations surrounding mental health to the forefront in our communities," said Sarah Wilczynski, the MHAT program coordinator. "The support from our local communities has allowed us to be creative in the way we approach the topic of mental health."

The first of these creative activities is partnering with the libraries in Chelsea, Dexter, Grass Lake and Stockbridge to host mental health book displays. These displays will house recommendations from the library staff, as well as mental health bookmarks and

a mental health media guide with recommendations from local social workers, librarians and other health care staff.

Along with book displays, the hospital, in partnership with srsly Chelsea and the Kiwanis Club of Chelsea, is offering an online, self-paced version of Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR). This one-hour training is focused on helping people recognize the warning signs of suicidal thoughts and behavior, and how to refer someone to appropriate professional help.

"The Kiwanis Club of Chelsea is thrilled to be a community partner with srsly," said Marianne Knox, a member of the Kiwanis Club of Chelsea. "We believe promoting positive mental health and educating everyone on how to help someone during a mental health crisis is an urgent need and important goal."

If you are interested in participating in the QPR Training, please visit tiny.one/mhatqpr to learn more and register. If you see a Kiwanis Club of Chelsea booth at an event in May, please stop by to learn how completing

the QPR training can get you a coupon for a free popcorn or beverage from the Kiwanis Food Trailer event.

Chelsea Hospital is also partnering with Stockbridge Community Schools to offer Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHA), a training course designed to teach adults how to help youth who are experiencing a mental health or addiction challenge. This training, which is open to anyone 18 or older in the Chelsea Hospital service area, takes place over two days, May 24 and 26 from 5:30-8 p.m. at the Stockbridge Jr./Sr. High School. To register, please click here.

Chelsea Hospital invites everyone to stop by the mental health booth being hosted by the Chelsea Farmers Market on May 14. The booth will have information about the activities listed above, as well as information on how mental health can be affected by what you eat.

For more information about the MHAT Program, please visit stjoeshealth.org/mhat or contact Sarah Wilczynski at sarah.wilczynski@stjoeshealth.org.

My Kummerspeck, Comes to a Spectacular End



Photos By Aimee Bingham Osinski.

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A former student teacher in an expository writing course in high school posted on facebook,

"The Germans always have the perfect word. Kummerspeck: the binge eating that comes after an emotionally devastating experience. Literal translation: "Grief bacon." I spent the entirety of Covid in grief bacon. There's no better way to describe it. My grief bacon was well justified beyond my own emotions. As a reporter for the community, I felt an obligation to local businesses. Without the usual community events and happenings on which to report. I felt responsible to highlight local businesses and encourage as much local patronage as possible. I indulged in grief bacon by visiting as many of the local restaurants as I could.

I was never able

to visit the Fillmore, but when news of the changes at The Common Grill hit, I was reminded that I did not have the opportunity to try the Fillmore during Covid and grief bacon. The former executive sous chef from the Common Grill, Tyler Wisely, partnered with his brother Cody to help bring the owner of the Fillmore Bar and Grill's original dream to fruition. The Fillmore introduced a new menu in March. On Thursday, May 5th, I was able to enjoy a meal and chat with Cody.

I started with the handmade German Pretzel served with cheddar ale sauce and mustard. It was fresh, soft, and hot. I snapped photos and sent them directly to my oldest son explaining that this is how grief bacon is done. I was feeling unbridled joy rather than grief. My table was in a little corner, next to a window with

blooming yellow daffodils. I was far enough back that I could people watch, unnoticed, perfect for a nosey reporter. The customer service was incredible. My server was friendly, helpful and managed to hide any disdain she may have had for my curious behavior. I demanded to know about the ghost mentioned on the menu, Agnes, I accidentally called Angus. She gently corrected me and Agnus did not seem to take offense to my mistake.

I wanted to try something a bit out of my normal cuisine, so I asked for a suggestion from my server. Tacos or chicken nuggets would have been my easy go to. But the server suggested a salmon rice bowl. It is Tekka Don on the menu. As I waited for the meal I was kicking myself. I'm not a huge fan of salmon, why would I waste this chance on something I may not love? I had

a pep talk with myself and tried to remember that chicken nuggets and french fries are not the end all be all. My salmon arrived and it was beautiful. The plate looked like art and not what my chicken nugget pallet is accustomed to. Each bite was a little different, kimchi, salmon, ginger and spicy mayo. The salmon was perfect and I was immediately glad I decided to step away from my comfort zone. I decided it would be rude not to let the person tending bar showcase her skills. I opted for the Hello... Agnus? It is a fruity concoction served in a martini glass. It is deceptively tasty. A person could easily have too many, thinking it's not that potent. It's very easy to drink, so

take care if you choose that path.

I asked Cody to talk about his vision for the Fillmore. He explained that he and the owner are on the same page. Cody wants to utilize the freshest local ingredients. He does not like the term farm to table because for many months out of the year in Michigan, it's just not possible. But, as a 4th or 5th generation Dexter family, Cody and Tyler are committed to the community. The Fillmore Bar and Grill proudly serves Carosello pasta located at 3126 Broad St. in Dexter. Cody wants to continue to expand upon the idea of friendly, fresh, and local. The patio has expanded and the Fillmore is looking to host events featuring local

talent. Happy hour is 3-5 pm and specials rotate. Fridays and Saturdays stay booked so be sure to call ahead and reserve a table. The next time I have a night free from children, I am going to indulge in bacon grief once again. Maybe the Germans have a word for bacon joy, the joy experienced with great service, delicious food and a top notch drink. If not, I would like to add the Fillmore bar and grill into the vernacular. Keep up to date on events on social media: <https://www.facebook.com/FillmoreBarandGrill/> Or <http://fillmorebarandgrill.com/?fbclid=IwAR-1HjOk3Ojbvpcs1Mz-K4onkL5quMkY-d0DpEXcgPDPks-RX0bX1yRydybcq8>.



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Fridge Treats

From: Laura Perkins, Laura Perkins Animal Behavior, LLC, Chelsea

This month, I'd like to share one of my very favorite training tools. Fridge treats.

I find that one of the common struggles that comes up when working on behaviors around the house - and especially recalls - is that treats or other reinforcers aren't always easy to get to quickly enough for them to be useful.

The great thing though, is that we can teach our dogs a special marker word that tells them a reinforcer is coming ASAP but there might be a little delay.

Marker words or marker signals are stimuli that communicate a few things to our dogs. It tells them that what they did in that moment, and leading up to it, is what we like! Do more of that. It also lets them know that a reinforcer is now available. Often these signals even let our dogs know which specific reinforcer (a ball toss, game of tug, a crunchy cookie?) they will get. And finally, it lets our dogs know how they can get that reinforcer. Maybe they need to look on the ground, maybe they need to come to you or maybe you'll throw it up in the air.

So it tells them:

1. That's the behavior we want
2. A specific treat or activity is available now
3. How to get that treat

or activity. So, let's circle back to the Fridge Treat tool. The wonderful thing about using the fridge for this exercise, is that you can keep perishable treats handy. Many favorite treats are perishable and can be kept for a while in your fridge. So, we need to teach our dogs that when they hear the Fridge Treat marker word they will get something from the fridge - boiled chicken, cheese, hot dog, turkey - whatever they like and you have.

This is a really simple thing to teach. All you need to do is say your Fridge Treat word (I like to use "cheese" or "fridge!" but you can pick any word) and then open the fridge and give your dog a piece of meat or cheese. Repeat this anytime your dog is hanging out nearby. Sprinkling this practice throughout your daily routine will be most effective later.

The other thing your dog needs to learn is that to get a Fridge Treat, they need to come to the fridge. This may seem obvious, but it's something we need to teach intentionally. Once you've introduced your marker word, you can begin to say it when your dog is in the next room hanging out (preferably not when engaged in a fun activity at first). Then you'll walk to the fridge and give the treat. Just like with the word alone, you'll want to

practice this throughout your days. Try to practice when your dog is a little further away each day until you can say your word and they come running to the fridge from anywhere in the house.

The last step for making this tool super useful is to slowly use it in more "real life" situations. So maybe your dog is playing with a toy or sniffing the air in the window. Say your dog's name or other attention cue and when they look at you say "Fridge!" And go there together for the treat. Here we are both adding in the distraction of daily activities and the idea that we may ask for a behavior before the Fridge Treat marker word (in this case, looking in your direction).

In this phase of the training process, you want to be sure to start with things that are easy for your dog to walk away from and gradually work up to more challenging distractions (deer, squirrels or rabbits are usually the most challenging!). It's critical to observe your dog's response. If they aren't doing the behavior you asked for - then the distraction is too difficult. Work on easier ones for a while before coming back to that particular distraction.

I'd encourage you to try out the Fridge Treat exercise! I would love to hear your stories about how this fits into your life with your dog.



Chelsea Police Department Weekly Summary

Incident #: 22-1431

Date: May 2, 2022

Location: 400 block S. East St.

Time: 2:22 am

INFORMATION: While on routine patrol officers responded to the 400 block of S. East Street for the report of a domestic disturbance. Upon arrival the officers made contact with the involved parties. Officers separated the subjects and spoke with them about what had transpired. It was reported that the complainant/victim was

sleeping when he was awoken by the suspect and a verbal altercation ensued. The victim told the officer that during the argument the suspect a 37-year-old Tecumseh woman, pushed him in the chest and then proceeded to punch him in the mouth. The victim told the officer that after he had been assaulted, he called the police. After

obtaining statements from the involved parties the suspect was placed under arrest for domestic assault and they were transported to the Chelsea Police Department for processing and then transported to the Washtenaw County Jail where they would be held pending review by the Washtenaw County Prosecutor's Office.

2021 Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient Announced

From: Terris Ahrens

"A committee of community leaders, representatives from our service clubs, government officials, members of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce and most importantly, past winners of this award have met, deliberated and proudly select-

ed Craig and Donna Common as Chelsea's 2021 Lifetime Achievement Award recipient.

The Lifetime Achievement Award is presented to people that demonstrate, over many years, a commitment and involvement in our community with the

selfless intent to improve the quality of life for all of the citizens of Chelsea.

On behalf of the citizens of Chelsea, we congratulate Craig and Donna Common, and thank them for their dedication and service to our wonderful community of Chelsea, Michigan."



Craig and Donna Common were awarded the 2021 Lifetime Achievement Award. Photo By: RK Studios.

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IAN CARTER



Parents: Erin Hunt-Carter, Brent Carter
Ian played the tuba in the band and was a member of the Varsity football team. He was also a member of the high school robotics team and coached for one of the middle school robotics teams. In addition, Ian independently builds miniature combat robots.
Ian's favorite memory from Chelsea High School was his recent trip to Houston, Texas to compete in the Robotics World Championship.
He will be attending Michigan Tech University to study Engineering.

JACE DEROSIA



Parents: Maria Derosia, Tom Derosia
Jace's accomplishments include being a member of the economics challenge state championship team, the personal finance challenge state champs team and a mhsaa scholar-athlete award finalist. Athletically, jace was also selected as a
3x all-conference selection for the golf team, 3x conference golf champs, 2x regional golf champs and top 5 at golf states. He was also a 2x district soccer champ.
Jace's favorite memory from chelsea high school was dominating at both the economics and personal finance challenges and being a part of the state championship team for both.
He will be attending the college of engineering at the university of michigan.

GABRIELLE DOUGHERTY



Parents: Trish & Dennis Dougherty
Gabrielle is a member of the National Honor Society and will be graduating with Summa Cum Laude status. In addition, she was a 3-year Academic Letter recipient. Gabrielle also played AAA hockey and was a captain for 2 years and won 4 state championships, as well as 2 national championships. In 2019, Gabrielle was the Congressional App Challenge winner. She was a 4-year Varsity Soccer team member; her Soccer awards include: 3-year Academic All State, All District and All conference.
Gabrielle's favorite memory from Chelsea High School was her Freshman year because this is the only year she was able to attend school with her brother.
She will be attending Syracuse University majoring in Sports Analytics and will Play D1 hockey.

KATE GAISER



Parents: Randall & Susan Gaiser
Kate is the National Honor Society President, the Board of Education Student Liaison, the Student Council Community Events Chairperson and Key Club President. In addition, she is a Chelsea Robotics Team Programming Lead and Drive Coach, a LINK Crew Leader and a MYLead Representative. Kate has received the Senior Excellence Award and the DAR Good Citizen Award. She will graduate with Summa Cum Laude status and is recognized as an AP Scholar with Honors. Athletically, Kate is an All-State Academic Athlete, Varsity Cross Country and Track Captain and All-Conference and All-Region Cross Country Athlete.
Kate's favorite memory from Chelsea High School was using a bunsen burner to make smores in AP Chemistry.
She will be studying Engineering at Colorado School of Mines.

FORREST GORBY



Parents: Ellen Kent & Doug Gorby
Forrest is a member of the National Honor Society, an Academic Letter recipient and will graduate with Summa Cum Laude status. He is also an AP Scholar Award recipient and was a member of the 20-21 Southeastern Conference All-Academic Team. Forrest has been involved in Quiz Bowl (Co-Founder and 2nd and 3rd at States) and Vice President of the Arbor Club. He was also a member of the Varsity Soccer team and a member of the District Champion team.
Forrest's favorite memory of Chelsea High School was winning Districts in soccer.
In the Fall, he will be attending the University of Michigan, majoring in International Studies.

MCKENNA MAJOR



Parents: Jamie Major
McKenna was a member of the Chelsea volleyball team, HVVC volleyball club, Key Club and an American Red Cross volunteer. She was a member of National Honor Society and will graduate with Summa Cum Laude status.
McKenna's favorite memory from Chelsea High School was watching Chelsea win the football state championship at Ford Field with friends!
McKenna plans to attend Michigan State University to study pre-med.

HUNTER NAPIERALSKI



Parents: Todd & Peggy Napieralski
Hunter was a member of the National Honor Society, a 3-year Academic Letter recipient and will graduate with Summa Cum Laude status. He has received the Presidential Scholarship from Hope College. In addition, Hunter earned his Varsity Tennis letter and won SEC and Regional Tennis Championships. He also received SEC All-Conference honors, All-State Tennis Award, Scholar-Athlete Award, Tennis MVP Award and Coach's Award.
Hunter's favorite memories from Chelsea High School were competing at the State Finals for tennis all four years.
In the Fall, Hunter plans to attend Hope College to study Pre-med and play Men's Tennis.

ELENA NESTALE



Parents: David & Monica Nestale
Elena was a 4-year member of the Interact Club and served as President. She was also a Student Council Representative, National Honor Society member, and SEC All Academic award recipient. She will graduate with Summa Cum Laude status.
Elena's favorite memory at Chelsea High School was Choreography Bootcamp and the retreat for Co.C freshman and sophomore years.
Elena plans to attend the University of Michigan to study Biological Anthropology.



EVAN SING



Parents: Eric & Christine Sing
Evan was the Founder and captain of the CHS Quiz Bowl team and was a 2-time highest individual scorer in Michigan. Evan is an AP Scholar with Distinction and received the Chelsea Excellence Award. He was also Class president and President of the Arbor Club. He recently was a member of the State Champion Econ Challenge team and National Finalist for the Personal Finance Challenge. In addition, Evan was also nominated by CHS for "WXYZ's Brightest and Best". He was a member of the Varsity tennis team and the SEC champion at 1 Doubles.
Evan's favorite memory from Chelsea High School was making the state final in our first year as a Quiz Bowl team.
In the Fall, Evan plans to study International Relations at Stanford University.

MICHAEL STRUK



Parents: Melissa Struk, Alex Struk
Michael was a member of the Student Council as the Class President/Cabinet VP. He was also a member of National Honor Society and will graduate with Summa Cum Laude status. In addition, Michael volunteered with the Chelsea Community-Ed. He participated in Marching Band as a snare drum player and was a member of the Varsity Tennis team as a doubles player.
Michael's favorite memory from Chelsea High School was competing in the Personal Finance Challenge State Championship.
Michael will be attending the University of Michigan to study Astrophysics and Astronomy.

