

# Back yards

Life in our towns

## Revenge of the librarian Joanne

Jensen had reason to gloat Tuesday night. Last April, the Lansing library director was forced to resign the job she had held for 24 years—and considered her whole life—after a string of personality conflicts with library trustees. Tuesday, she was elected one of them, beating four challengers for a six-year term.

"It's quite a victory. I feel vindicated. I'm sorry, but I have to gloat a little bit," said Jensen, who still lives across the street from the library that she helped locate and design.

She noted that one of her old enemies, a member of what she terms "the bridge club faction," recently moved out of the area. Others also have left the board since last year, when they gave every library employee but Jensen a pay raise.

Now, she says, it's her chance to take charge. And what will she do first?

"See about a new roof," she said. "It's been leaking since the beginning of time."

**A real tea-totaler** A Canadian whiskey bottle concealed in a brown paper bag sat in front of Deerfield Village Trustee J. Robert York at the April 1 board meeting, and at the end he poured a hearty dose into a paper cup and gave a toast.

"Forty-four years ago today, I moved to

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