

Adopt-a-Pet



Chelsea: This 10-month-old chow chow mix puppy came in as a stray and little is known of her habits. She is very playful and happy. She is 35 pounds and black tan in color. With some training, she'll make a good companion. Chelsea and other pets are available at the Michigan Humane Society Rochester Hills Shelter. Call 810-852-7420.

'Roadshow' offers free appraisals

And what do you use to cut your watermelon? Could it be a Civil War sword worth \$35,000?

That's what a fellow found out when he attended the "Antiques Roadshow" in Seattle, said Nancy Boos of the Frank Boos Gallery appraisal and auction firm in Bloomfield Hills.

When the man was a child, the sword was found in the chimney of his family's home. He played with it, used it for Halloween costumes and then as an adult used it to cut watermelons. He was going to give it away or put it in a tag sale. Fortunately, he first went to the Antiques Roadshow for a free appraisal and was told that it was a Civil War sword worth at least \$35,000.

Appraisers from the Boos Gallery have been invited to join the Antiques Roadshow, a group of nationally recognized experts from other auction houses such as Christie's, Sotheby's and William Doyle Galleries of New York, Skinner's of Massachusetts and Butterfield's of California, which will be open to the public for free appraisals of art, antiques, decorative arts and artifacts 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, at the Southfield Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn

if you have a treasure in your attic — or chimney. For more information, call the Frank Boos Gallery at (810) 332-1500.

Based on the format of a successful 19-year British TV program, the Roadshow started in Concord, Mass., in June and will continue its 13-city coast-to-coast tour through October.

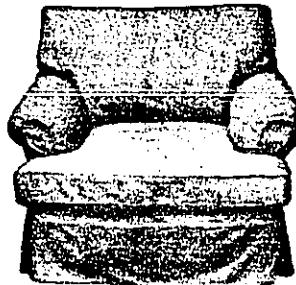
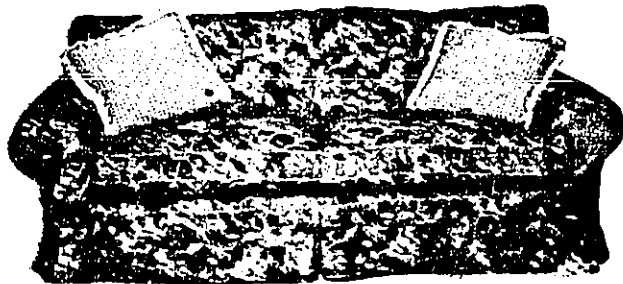
The Roadshow is sponsored by the Chubb Group of Insurance Companies and WGBH public TV of Boston. If agreed to by the owners, appraisals of extremely unusual, rare or interesting items will be taped by WGBH (maintaining owner confidentiality if desired) and included in a nationally broadcast public TV program at a later date.

Arrangements can be made for previewing items at the owner's home prior to Aug. 3 if they are too large to be conveniently brought to the Roadshow. If any such items are deemed appropriate for the TV program, Kim Blomquist of WGBH, production supervisor of the Roadshow, can make arrangements for their transportation and insurance coverage.

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