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NEWS BRIEFS

Community Education offers builder's class

Chelsea Community Education will offer a 16-hour seminar for the Michigan state builder's license examination. The seminar is scheduled 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Jan. 20 and 27 and Feb. 3 and 10 at the Washington Street Education Center. The cost is \$175, plus \$20 for the textbook and sample questions. Pre-registration is required by Jan. 18. Call 433-2206, Ext. 6011.

Softball program to hold bottle drive

The Chelsea High School women's softball program is conducting a bottle and can drive 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Jan. 13 in the village to raise funds for its spring trip.

To help support this program, leave returnable cans and bottles bagged on the porch or driveway by 9 a.m. In the event of severe weather, pick up will be rescheduled for Jan. 20.

For more information, contact Denise Long, 475-2629 or Jane Diesing, 475-2341.

CATS to host an informational tea

The Chelsea Area Transportation System will host a tea 1 p.m. Jan. 12 at Chelsea Senior Center. CATS Director Michaelene Pawlak will answer questions, give updates, discuss gaps in service and get input from participants. Everyone is welcome.

Quilter to speak at Chelsea library

Debra Danko, an award-winning quilter, is the guest speaker 7 p.m. Jan. 15 at Chelsea District Library. Danko, the recipient of a Michigan Creative Artist Grant, will give a presentation on "From Traditional Quilts to Fabric Gardens," with a slide show of gardens that have inspired her floral quilts.

She will discuss the techniques used to create them, and many of her pieces will be shown. There also will be time for questions and discussion.

For information, call the library at 475-8732.

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Jeff Daniels looks out over Park Street from the newly renovated lobby of his Purple Rose Theatre Co. Previews of the play "Rain Dance" open tonight, with a VIP world premiere gala on Jan. 20. The theater will host a special evening with Daniels, playwright Lanford Wilson and actor Matthew Letscher 7 to 9 p.m. Jan. 15 at the Chelsea Center for the Development of the Arts, 400 Congdon St.

Back in bloom Daniels to reopen renovated theater

By Sheila Pursglove
Staff Writer

The Purple Rose Theatre is back in full bloom.

After a year and a half of extensive renovations, Chelsea's famous theater, founded by actor Jeff Daniels, will throw open its doors for the 2001 season with a gala VIP premiere at 6 p.m. Jan. 20.

Partygoers will see the renovations up close through behind-the-scenes tours while rubbing shoulders with renowned playwrights and stars of stage and screen.

Corks will pop and bubbly will flow in a champagne toast commemorating the milestone event before the audience settles in to enjoy the world premiere performance of "Rain Dance."

Blue Moon Catering and the Common Grift will provide an array of goodies in the newly renovated and expanded lobby.

Tickets for the gala are \$250 and are tax deductible. All proceeds benefit the Purple Rose Theatre Co.

For those with champagne tastes but a beer

budget, lower-priced preview performances kick off tonight and run through next Thursday, with tickets ranging from \$17.50 to \$22.50.

"Since the preview shows are test-runs, audiences get a unique chance, not only to be among the first to see the play, but to give feedback to the cast, crew and director," said Alan Ribant, managing director.

"Artistic Director Guy Sanville will talk to the audience at the end of each preview performance to discuss what works and what needs changing."

The real critics get their chance at Critics' Opening Night on Jan. 19.

The play then runs through St. Patrick's Day on March 17, with performances 8 p.m. Wednesdays through Saturdays, and matinees 3 p.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays.

Ticket prices are \$22.50 for Wednesday and Thursday performances, \$27.50 for matinees and \$32.50 on Friday and Saturday evenings. "Rain Dance," sponsored by The Mosaic

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Longtime Chelsea businessman dies

More than 500 people attend memorial service in Ann Arbor.

By Lisa Allmendinger
Staff Writer

A flag flew at half-staff at Chelsea Milling Co. Jan. 3, 15 minutes after the death of one of the town's most prominent business leaders.

Howard Sumner Holmes was 87 when he died. More than 500 people attended his memorial service at the First Presbyterian Church in Ann Arbor Jan. 7.

Three people spoke during the service to the friends and family of the longtime Chelsea community leader. Among the speakers was Holmes' eldest son, Howdy.

"For the past 12 years, I've had the honor to be with Dad every day at the office," Howdy

Holmes said.

"He loved his work so much. He really enjoyed being in the plant and talking with people. He looked forward each day to interacting with our employees and (he) respected them very much."

For 50 years, Howard Holmes led Chelsea Milling, manufacturers of Jiffy Mix, as president, director and chairman.

Born July 24, 1913, in Chelsea, Holmes attended Chelsea schools, Phillips Exeter Academy, Princeton University and the University of Michigan. He earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the U of M.

A longtime civic and community leader, Holmes was active in every major capital campaign at Catherine McAuley Health Center and St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

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Teens face charges

Three boys caught breaking into homes.

By Will Keeler
Staff Writer

Three Chelsea teen-agers could face criminal charges after they were caught breaking into a home around 11 p.m. Jan. 2 in the Wellington and Lane Street neighborhood.

Chelsea Police Chief Lenard McDougall said a resident in the 500 block of Lane Street reported that someone had broken a side window to the house to get inside.

Two log-barreled guns, worth more than \$5,000 for both, a PlayStation video game, a VCR, binoculars, a camera and some

cash were reported missing.

With the theft of the guns, the teens could face first-degree felony charges.

McDougall said that the three teens, ages 13, 14 and 16, went up to several of their neighbors' homes and knocked on the door to see if anyone was home.

If no one answered, the three would break a window to gain entry.

Police Officer Jeff Staebler and his tracking dog, Tango, tracked the boys to a home three doors away from one of the break-ins.

Staebler and Officer Tom Tanner recovered most of the

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Sylvan officials OK regional plan

Document needs approval from all participants.

By Lisa Allmendinger
Staff Writer

Following a lengthy discussion and a motion to table a resolution supporting the Chelsea Area Regional Plan, the Sylvan Township Board decided to embrace the document Jan. 2.

At issue was Lyndon Township's removal from the restrictions placed on driveway access on county roads.

"To me, this is not a regional plan if they start exempting townships," Sylvan Township Treasurer Arlene Grau said. "It's either a regional plan or it isn't."

At the initial meetings, a planning commissioner from Lyndon Township said the

Lyndon board would not support the regional plan if that particular section remained in the document. As a result, the group voted to exempt Lyndon Township from that particular section.

"This is a master plan," said Sylvan Township resident David Brooks. "This is not a zoning ordinance and, because of a public safety issue, it's wise to minimize the number of driveways. Not all townships will use the ideas with the same ordinances."

Brooks, an unsuccessful candidate for Sylvan Township supervisor last November, attended many of the regional planning meetings.

His assessment was echoed by former Sylvan Township Supervisor Gerald Dresselhouse, who served on the com-

mittee and who rephrased the resolution that the board eventually approved.

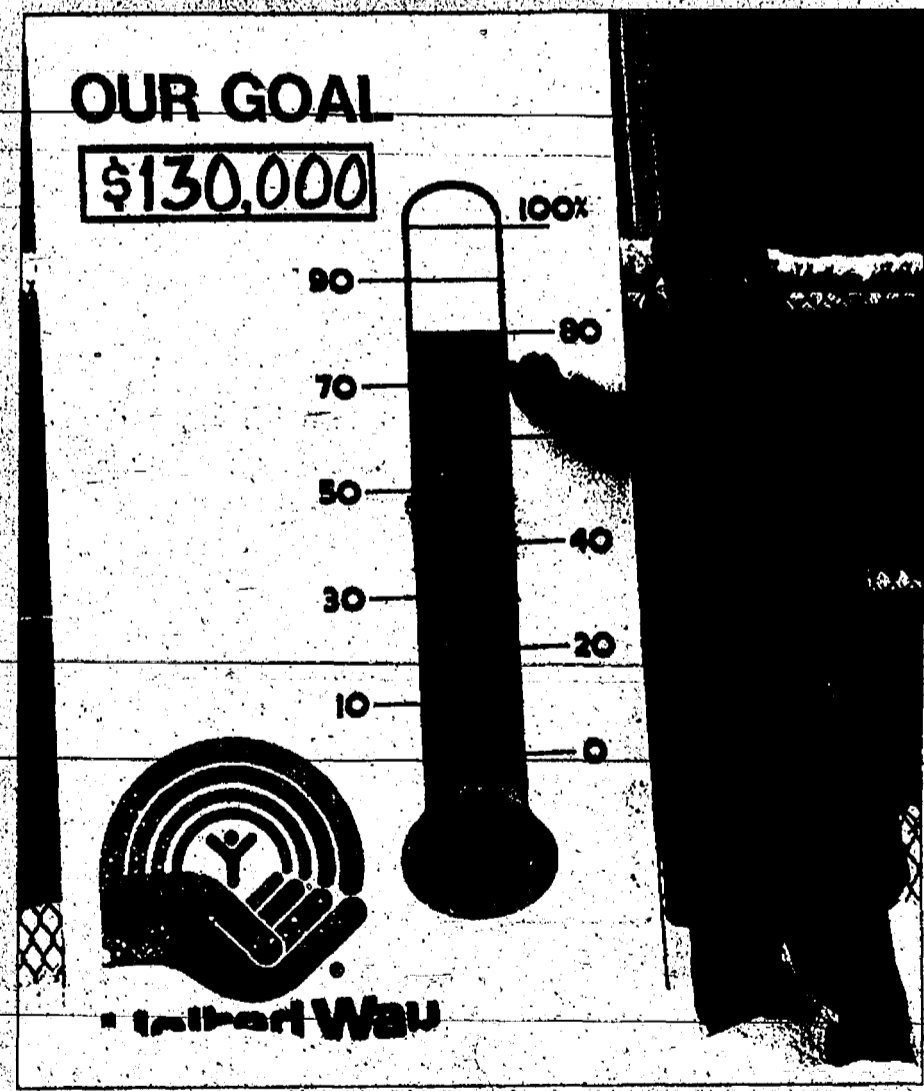
Dresselhouse reminded the board that the regional plan was a two-year effort by the surrounding townships and village, and it was an attempt to do planning on a larger scale. But, he emphasized, it was not binding on the township.

"The township's master plan needs to be updated in accordance with the area plan in those areas where it wants to be," he said.

Dresselhouse suggested that the plan was "a step in the right direction" and that it should be given to the Sylvan Township Planning Commission to see how it fits with the goals of the township.

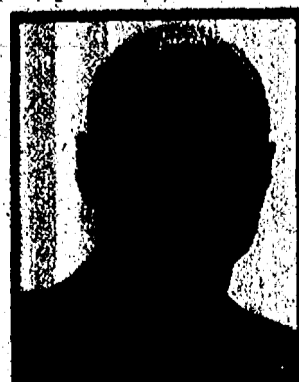
The area regional plan is a

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Campaign Under Way

Chelsea United Way is currently at approximately 80 percent of its goal of raising \$130,000. Nearly all the money collected goes to local agencies helping the Chelsea community, including Faith In Action, Chelsea Area Transportation System, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Chelsea Recreation Council, Chelsea Help Line, Parents as Teachers and many others. Contributions may be mailed to Chelsea United Way, 1119 S. Main St., Suite 147, Chelsea, MI 48118-1426.



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THEATER

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"Rain Dance," sponsored by The Mosaic Foundation of Ann Arbor, reunites some old pals. Pulitzer Prize winning playwright Lanford Wilson was resident playwright at New York's Circle Repertory Company from 1989 through 1995, where Purple Rose founder Jeff Daniels cut his professional dramatic teeth.

"Rain Dance" is Wilson's second opus for the Purple Rose Theatre Co. The first, "Book of Days," performed in Chelsea in 1998, received the Best New American Play Award from The American Theatre Critics Association that same year.

The third member of the triumvirate is artistic director, Guy Sanville, who also directed "Book of Days."

Hanging his hat in the theater after an absence of eight years is actor Matt Letscher, one of four protagonists in the play.

Since last setting foot in Chelsea, Letscher has amassed an impressive array of credits that includes regional and Broadway theaters and appearances in feature films and television.

Letscher is joined on the boards by Paul Hopper, a familiar face on Michigan stages for more than a quarter century, and Purple Rose resident artist Suzi Regan, the lead actress in "Book of Days."

The three welcome Canadian actor Billy Merasty, who has a lengthy list of film, TV and theater appearances to his name.

Rounding out production are set designer Vincent Mountain, lighting designer Dana White, costume designer Rebecca Ann

Valentino and prop designer Danna Segrest.

In addition to leading lady, Regan wears her second hat as the play's sound designer. Anthony Caselli and Julie Dougherty are stage managers.

"Rain Dance" centers around a pivotal event in history. In 1945, a young American scientist leaves the Big Apple to work on a top-level project in Los Alamos, N.M. On the eve of a breakthrough that will alter the destiny of humanity, he is joined by a German colleague, his wife and a Native American soldier.

Within the next 24 hours, the culmination of their work will unfold, dramatically disrupting the serenity of the desert southwest.

"We're excited our previews are finally here," Ribant says. "This gives the people of Chelsea and Michigan the

chance to see this play before folks from all around the country see it."

The theater's 2001 season offers another drama and a comedy. "Orphan Train: An American Melodrama" by Dennis E. North, will run April 12 through June 16, while Annie Martin's comedy "Completing Dahlia" will have a summer run from July 12 through Sept. 1.

The public gets another chance to peek behind the scenes of the newly renovated theater noon to 8 p.m. Feb. 5. Call 433-7762 for details.

The newly expanded box office, with double the space, personnel and phone lines, is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Reservations can also be made one hour prior to opening curtain by calling 433-7673.



Winter Art Show

Beach Middle School will hold its annual Winter Art Show 6:30 to 8 p.m. Jan. 15. Students from the sixth grade and Art I and II classes will display drawings, paintings, sculptures and pottery. The free event is open to the public. The young artists pictured here with their ceramic vessels are Scott Allen (left), Tom Lewis, Zach Gregory, Phil Thayer and Mark Long.

HOLMES

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He was also active with the U of M Cancer Center Development Committee.

"There are many things I'll remember about Dad," Howdy Holmes said. "I, personally, am awed by his amount of community contribution."

Holmes served as Washtenaw United Way Alexis de Taqueville chairman from 1990 through 1995. He sat on the board of directors for Domino's Pizza, the Chelsea State Bank, Ronald McDonald House, Eastern Michigan University Foundation, Boy Scouts of America, Cleary College, Mennel Milling Co. and Washtenaw Community College.

"What did Howard teach us?" Howdy Holmes asked during the service. "In his actions. He showed us how to be fair with others. He was respectful of people. He taught us how to live in the moment. He always put others first."

"He showed us that having a good sense of humor puts others at ease. He was a class guy."

Holmes is survived by his wife, "Tiny," five children, four grandchildren, his twin brother,



Howard Holmes

er, Dudley, nieces and nephews.

Howdy Holmes said there were two personal qualities he'll cherish most about his father. Those are his smile and the ever-present twinkle in his eye.

"Dad loved people," he said, "and he was a skilled communicator."

In April, Chelsea Milling, a family-owned business, will celebrate its 100th anniversary. "The legacy that Dad has cre-

ated is unparalleled," Howdy Holmes said. "We believe in certain principles: treat each other with respect, and always try to do the right thing."

Chelsea Milling has about 350 employees and is one of the village's largest employers.

Since 1802, nine generations of the Holmes family have milled flour.

"It goes to show you what idiots we are," Holmes was quoted as saying, with his classic sense of humor, in a Detroit News article that is on the company's Web site.

"We're too dumb to get out of the business."

Holmes' father and mother, Mabel, operated gristmills in Kansas, Illinois and Indiana before buying the Chelsea flour mill in 1887. In 1901, it became Chelsea Milling Co.

In 1936, Holmes' father was killed in an accident in a silo elevator and Mabel Holmes became president of the company. This is when Holmes at age 23 and his twin brother joined the company.

Holmes was president and his brother was secretary-treasurer. Holmes remained as chairman of the board and continued to contribute to the company. Dudley retired in 1984.

Howdy Holmes returned to Chelsea Milling in 1988 after a successful stint as an Indy car driver. He is now CEO and president of the company.

"As a son, I honored him," Howdy Holmes said Monday. "I respected him as a business partner. I miss him."

Memorial contributions in Holmes' honor may be made to Arbor Hospice, The Humane Society of Huron Valley, or Towsley Village at the United Methodist Retirement Community.

When Holmes died peacefully on Jan. 3, Howdy Holmes said his family was by his side, as they had been for years, not only in business, but also in everyday life.

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STRAIGHT FACTS

An article in last week's Chelsea Standard should have said Patti Feeney has a degree in hotel and restaurant management and took college credits in Switzerland.

No matter how hard we try to avoid mistakes, sometimes they happen anyway. When that occurs, we rely on our readers to let us know about them. So, please help. To request a correction, e-mail Editor Michelle Rogers at editor@chelseastandard.com or call 475-1371.

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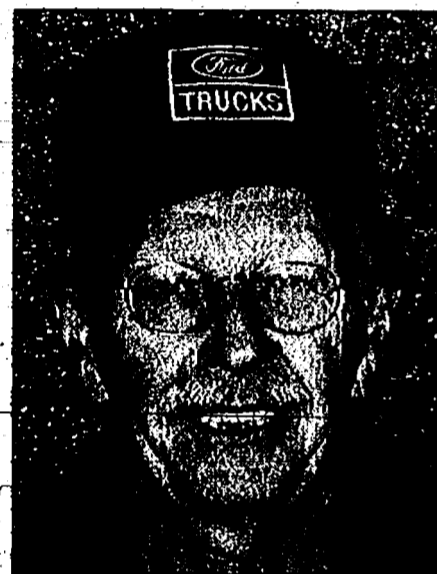
Street Talk

By Erin Dronen

What's one song that makes you feel good when you hear it?



"It would have to be 'The Two Trees.'" **Chris Gaunt**
Sylvan Township



"Dark Side of the Moon." **Chuck Hillman**
Sylvan Township



"Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer." My husband's name is Rudy." **Bernice Ottoman**
Waterloo



"Happy Days Are Here Again." **Jeannette Kirk**
Manchester



"One Voice." **Chelsea Stech**
Sylvan Township

BY BILL MANGOLD



I leave for the Emerald Isle today



ELIZABETH WAGENSCHUTZ

LETTERS FROM IRELAND

I've never been more ready for this: For living in another country, and traveling and experiencing a different culture. Yet, I feel utterly and totally unprepared.

Today I leave from Grand Rapids. Right now I am probably on the airplane, or perhaps sitting in Cleveland, where we have a five-hour layover.

Today is when I fly from Michigan to Ireland, where I will be living for the next four months.

I am living in Ireland until May because I am participating in a study-abroad program through Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, the school I have attended since graduating from Chelsea High School in 1998.

I am now halfway through my third year at Aquinas, and I am spending the next semester in a village on the West Coast of Ireland.

The Aquinas program is

unique and different from many other study-abroad programs offered by other colleges and universities. Unlike most other programs, I will not be studying at an Ireland university or living in one of the bigger cities, such as Dublin or Galway. Instead, the Aquinas program sends a group of 25 Aquinas students and two professors to the very small town of Tully Cross.

Tully Cross is in County Galway, on the coast of the country, and has an extremely small population. While we will have all of the modern conveniences of running water and electricity, we do not have television, computer or Internet access.

There are only two phones in the village. One is in the pub and the other is a payphone right outside of town. Money transactions can only be done once a week when the "banking bus" comes to town.

There are no washing or drying machines. We can only bring two suitcases with us and though we've been assured that we really only need about two pairs of pants and three sweaters, I have a hard time believing it.

Walking is the main mode of transportation, so comfortable, water-resistant shoes are a must. Water resistance is especially important because the climate is extremely damp.

While Ireland is much more north than we are, the country never experiences temperatures as cold as ours, nor does it get snow often. It is an island, and the surrounding ocean waters keep the climate in a moderate range, generally between 40 and 65 degrees, and provide a great deal of rain.

We have to heat our cottages with coal, and we've been told that no matter how much coal is burned, the cottages are perpetually chilly. Therefore, most people spend the majority of their time when not in class in one of the two town pubs. One can eat all three meals in the pub, and enjoy the free heat.

The pub acts as a social center for the town, a gathering space to see and chat with others. Almost everyone that I have spoken with that has traveled to Ireland has told me that the pubs are the best part of the country, because it is there that people are their most welcoming, friendly and fun.

The two professors who are traveling with us teach the classes offered for the semester. They team-teach the basic 12 credit hours of Irish literature, Irish history and Irish civilization that all students must take.

Classes are held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, allowing students to travel around the country or fly to

London, Paris and other European countries for a weekend.

We have a two-week spring break in the beginning of March, and I will be spending that time in London. I am also planning on extending my trip a week after the program ends so I can spend time in Scotland. Other students will spend their breaks traveling through the European continent, and some choose to stay in Ireland during the break.

Obviously, living there will be a drastically different experience from the one I have received in Chelsea and Grand Rapids. We have been meeting together as a group to prepare for our trip, and past participants have come to the meetings to brief us on what to expect, what changes we'll have to make, including adjusting to the "strange" powdered cheese for macaroni and cheese and "weird-tasting" peanut butter.

Mostly, though, we've been given suggestions of how to prepare for a very different way of everyday life, one that is slower, calmer and more relaxed than America's.

And I am ready for this, but I feel ridiculously unprepared. Despite all of the meetings I've attended and all that I've read and seen, I feel amazingly anxious.

I am excited, of course,

because I have wanted to travel to Ireland since I was young. My Irish ancestry always has been present in my life, and traveling to this country has been a dream I remember having in elementary school.

And yet, I know that I will forget things in packing. And I know that I will miss my family and friends.

I know that this will be an incredible experience, but still I'm nervous and happy and terrified and joyous, and I am more than anything grateful that I have the opportunity to do this.

But I feel so unprepared. Am I really ready?

Yes, I know that I am, although I may not feel like it.

And the subscribers of this newspaper will have an opportunity to read all about it. I will be writing periodically about my travels, experiences and what I see.

Know the dynamics of separation



MONICA HORODECZNY

IT HELPS TO KNOW

Separation is an interesting stage of development that takes place during adolescence. It's characterized by the teen's growing dissatisfaction with his parents and home life.

Understanding the dynamics and the reasons behind what is taking place makes this time easier for both the parent and teen.

As young people approach adulthood, they begin to feel some fear and sadness mixed in with the excitement of striking out on their own and leaving the

nest. To make this separation easier, the unconscious mind, which we are normally unaware of, draws the attention of the young person to the flaws of their current situation. This new focus makes the parting less painful.

Parents will be relieved to know that their IQ has not dropped 20 points. In most cases, they aren't the ones who have changed. Better yet, what's happening is really a backhanded compliment. In most families it's tough to leave home.

This process brings to mind a cartoon I spotted years ago, which showed four stages in the cycle of life. In the first picture was the little son watching his dad and thinking, "My dad is so smart!" The next frame showed the teen watching his dad thinking, "When did he get so stupid?" This was followed by a frame showing the young father thinking, "I wonder how dad

would have handled this?"

This isn't to say we will all grow up to go through life exactly like our parents. How we operate will be a blend of many experiences, people and factors.

Many parents may feel hurt and worried that they have lost their sweet child forever. So, it's good to know that in time the young person and his admiration will be back. And everything will be new and improved because of the lesson life will have taught them.

Knowing the dynamics of separation gives both the parent and young person a new insight into this stage of development. This time will pass by more smoothly, if everyone in the family can just understand what's happening and why.

Monica Horodeczny has a doctorate in clinical hypnotherapy and has studied theology. She operates the Whispering Woods Wellness Center in Manchester.

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School board hears presentation on career program

■ High school students learn about government by sitting in on school board meeting.

By Sheila Pursglove
Staff Writer

More than 60 high school students needing credit in government classes got a look at the workings of the Chelsea school board at a meeting Monday.

"We weren't expecting quite such a crowd. I had to scurry off and make more photocopies of the agenda," said Jan Pratt, secretary to superintendent Ed Richardson.

The students heard two special presentations, approval of several action items, and discussion of the Durant III lawsuit, as well as a proposal for the girls' softball team field trip.

Iva Corbett, assistant superintendent for instruction and personnel, spoke about the teacher technology initiative, while Curriculum Director Brian Kissman gave an overview on the Career Prep System.

"Most of us have questioned, either as students, parents or teachers, why we are learning something and how does it connect to the real world outside of the school walls," Kissman said. "The Career Prep System is a

comprehensive program aimed at making the learning experience relevant to students' future careers."

Chelsea School District has made an informal commitment to utilize this program, adopted by the Michigan Department of Education.

In the Washtenaw Intermediate School District, the program goes under the name, Career Connections: School to Community.

"The idea is for all Michigan school districts to commit to this framework, so that students who move can carry their career preparation with them," Kissman said.

The system includes work-based learning, technology education, career assessment and guidance and counseling.

The curriculum director, who outlined the career awareness and career exploration benchmarks at the different school building levels, thinks the program is a good one, and that grant funding and free resources make participation worthwhile.

"There are many good elements to the program, and we are piloting it, customizing it to meet our needs in Chelsea," Kissman said.

"As we implement it further,

things will change and we'll decide what to use on a long-term basis."

On the down side, school staff has some concern that students are being asked to focus on a career too early.

"The beauty and benefit of Chelsea High School is our broad range of electives," Kissman said. "We don't want to put students in a box or have them too firmly entrenched on a career path too early."

Corbett and technology specialist Scott Wooster will keep teachers and technical staff up-to-date on the goals and purposes of the program.

Eligible staff will go high tech with the option of a laptop computer, peripherals such as a SmartBoard, scanner, digital

camera, video digital camera, data projector and software; professional development; or software necessary to run the peripherals.

The board approved participation in the program, agreeing with Richardson that this would enhance teaching and learning.

High tech tools were on the agenda later as the board approved setting up a webmaster position.

"Initially, individual pages were created and placed on our Web site via a combination of parent volunteers, student technology employees, students and teacher Deborah Bentley," Corbett said.

"It's become apparent we need to develop a Web maintenance procedure to provide

timely information for the community without having to hire another member of staff."

In other business, the board approved acceptance of funds to allow an additional 11 children to participate in the Michigan School Readiness Program.

Total funds for the 2000-2001 school year equal \$49,500 for 15 children.

The board accepted Richardson's recommendation to hire James Otto as middle school

band director, a position left open with Paul Mundo's resignation last October. Mundo succeeded longtime director Bill Gourley.

Otto, a Manchester resident currently teaching in Dearborn, will start on Jan. 22.

The next school board meeting will be on Jan. 22 at South Meadows Elementary, with an informal gathering at 6:30 p.m. and the regular board meeting to follow at 7:30 p.m.

I would like to thank all my friends, family members and everyone in the community who supported me during these difficult times with their cards, letters, gifts and condolences.

Thanks for being there!

Cory Picklesimer

Book signing set for Tuesday

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Rehabilitation makes

HOPE A REALITY

Chelsea Brain Injury Program making a difference in people's lives

By Sheila Pursglove
Staff Writer

More than 5 million Americans — a number greater than the population of Los Angeles — live with a disability caused by brain injury.

You may know one of them. The human brain, with its billions of individual cells, controls body functions, interprets information from the senses, and controls thinking, reasoning, memory, speech and judgment.

Car accidents, falls, playground roughhousing, firearms accidents and helmetless in-line skating, skiing and bicycling make people vulnerable to brain injuries that cost this country an estimated \$48.3 billion annually.

One million people are treated for brain injuries each year. More than 50,000 die as a result. Adolescents, young adults and seniors older than 75 face the highest risk.

The Chelsea Brain Injury Program at Chelsea Community Hospital offers help to people who have suffered brain injuries. Patients come from Chelsea, Dexter, Manchester, and Livingston, Jackson and Lenawee counties.

"We take care of patients from ages 17 to infinity," says Diane Fenske, program director. She has been on board at the Chelsea Brain Injury Program for three years.

"People come to us after car accidents with head injury or loss of consciousness, slips or falls, construction accidents, after strokes and after brain surgery for hemorrhages, aneurysms or tumors.

"We've also cared for patients suffering the debilitating effects of multiple sclerosis or Parkinson's disease."

Therapy lasts anywhere from a couple of months to a year or more, depending on the severity of the injury and what the therapists are trying to accomplish.

"Long-term outpatient therapy is typical for patients who have suffered a brain injury," Fenske says.

"Someone who is being readied to return to the work force needs more help than someone who had a mild injury and may be staying home and retiring or who was debilitated to begin with."



The Chelsea Brain Injury Program at Chelsea Community Hospital has a dedicated team of six members. Shown are Dana Bowers (left), Stephanie Hafner, Jackie Dalton, Kathleen Baines and Diane Fenske. Physical therapist Wendy Carender balances on a large ball, while the others stand around equipment used to teach physical therapy patients.

Fenske, who has a master's degree in social work from Wayne State University, and a background in nursing, serves as therapist, case manager, liaison with physicians and insurance providers, and care coordinator.

"The general population doesn't have a clue

about the magnitude of the problem of brain injuries," Fenske says.

"One of the leading problems for individuals affected by a mild brain injury is lack of a correct diagnosis and appropriate treatment."

"Mild brain injuries are often not recognized by

family physicians emergency room staff or even by the person's family. They know something is not right but don't know what it is," she says.

"The person goes home, appears normal to others, then develops some of the many symptoms and can't understand what's happening."

Brain injuries can cause a wide range of symptoms and after-effects, including difficulty concentrating, memory loss, anxiety, impulsive behavior, agitation, irritability and depression.

Patients may have difficulty with balance and coordination and suffer from headaches, extreme fatigue and insomnia. They may have speech problems, seizures and movement disorders or even paralysis.

"A traumatic brain injury doesn't just happen to one person, it affects the entire family, who all need to make adjustments," Fenske says.

For this reason, the program encourages family involvement, with individual and group therapy sessions and a weekly support group. Every Wednesday, patients, family members and staff get together for a luncheon social.

"It's a fun gathering and a good opportunity for people to talk with others who are recovering from a brain injury," Fenske says.

Prior to working at Chelsea hospital, Fenske, a member of the Speaker's Bureau at the hospital, was director of several departments at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit.

"Obviously, this was a big change in environment and patient population," she says. "I enjoy working in Chelsea and love the hospital for a whole lot of reasons."

The six team members work very closely together daily, and every patient's plan is tailored for them.

"Our size allows us to give very personal attention to the patients and their families," Fenske says. "Our main goal is to help patients become as independent as possible at home and work."

The program blends several therapies into a complete, customized program for each patient.

Fenske's fellow teammates are neuropsychologist Dana Bowers, occupational therapist Jackie

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Brian Kissman, director of curriculum for Chelsea schools, shows one of the oil paintings he will have on display at Art & Soule Gallery this month. The artwork, created in 1999, is one of approximately 100 paintings Kissman has produced.

Soul man

Local artist finds inspiration in travels

By Sheila Pursglove
Staff Writer

Brian Kissman, director of curriculum for Chelsea schools, spends most of his days planning how local students will spend their days in study.

But the evenings and weekends are an entirely other matter.

That's when Kissman picks up his paintbrush and loses himself in another world — a world of oils and pastels, of bright, bold, colorful expressions that flow across canvas.

Local residents can share in that creativity when Kissman's works go on display at Art & Soule Gallery Saturday.

A native of New Buffalo, Kissman credits the beauty of his hometown area and the dunes and forests on the shores of Lake Michigan with stimulating his sense of color and creativity from an early age.

However, he showed no interest in art until his college years at Grand Valley State University, where he studied psychology and sociology as an elementary education major.

"Grand Valley State was a very liberal university back then," Kissman says. "I had friends who were interested in art, which piqued my interest. I started doodling and painting, and taking three or four art classes."

The largely self-taught artist remembers one particularly stimulating introductory to art class at the university.

"Our professor encouraged us to produce creative, innovative work, telling us if we painted anything that he had seen before, he would rip it up in our faces," he says. "I got the message loud and clear, and took it to heart."

While Kissman may have come relatively late to the world of art, he was never short of creative juices.

"My brothers and sisters and I were all involved in summer stock theater productions from an

early age, in productions of Oliver, and The Sound of Music," he says.

At 24, Kissman took a year off from teaching and toured Virginia and Kentucky with a professional dinner theater troupe, performing as a congressman in a production of "1776."

Kissman is also a musician, and played with a rock band in high school.

"My interests in music and acting all eventually led to the creative process of painting," he says.

After earning a master's degree in educational leadership from Western Michigan University, Kissman went on to teach at every grade level. He worked at International American Schools in several countries around the world.

"I took a trip to France when I was in high school, and that did it. I caught the travel bug," he says. "In college I spent summers in Greece and the Netherlands, then later I went on to teach in West Africa, Switzerland, France, Spain and Japan — the last two being my favorite countries."

Kissman's only regret from his worldwide travels is that he didn't take the opportunity to learn much of the native tongue in each place.

While teaching second grade in Liberia, West Africa, Kissman spent his spare time traveling and painting.

"Much of my artwork is influenced by the time I spent in Africa, with paintings of Colonial Africa and of men dressed in brightly colored uniforms," he says.

In Liberia, Kissman met his wife, Simendea, who grew up in West Africa and Denmark.

The couple, who have called Manchester home for four years, have two daughters, Ashly, 13, and Amanda, 10. The girls, who have both inherited their father's love of art, attend Ackerson Middle School in Manchester.

Kissman spent three years as principal of Klager Elementary School in Manchester, before

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CHELSEA
Thursday, Jan. 11
 Chelsea Center for the Development of the Arts will hold the Armchair Art Series Lecture II 7 p.m. at the CGDA Building, 400 Congdon St. Call 433-ARTS for more information.
Tuesday, Jan. 18
 Lima Township will hold a public hearing and regular Planning Commission meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Lima Township Hall.
Thursday, Jan. 18
 Concerned Citizens of Lima Township will meet 7:30 p.m. at the Lima Township Hall.
 An American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at the First United Methodist Church, 128 E. Park St., in Chelsea. The drive is open to the public.
Saturday, Jan. 20
 Michigan Friends Center is sponsoring a one-day training workshop on guided autobiography for people who work with older adults. The training is 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The registration fee is \$3.5, which includes the workshop and leader's guidebook. Participants are asked to bring a bag lunch. Call Deborah Bailey at 475-1892.
CHELSEA
MISCELLANEOUS
Thursday
 Chelsea American Legion Herbert J. McKune Post 31 meets at 8 p.m. the first Thursday of the month. For information, call Pat Merkel at 475-1824.
 Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meets the third Thursday of each month. For more information, call 475-1145.
 Chelsea Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors meets on the first Thursday of each month. For information, call Bob Pierce at 475-8081 or the chamber office at 475-1145.
 Chelsea First United Methodist Church monthly dinner the second Thursday of the month from 5 to 7 p.m. in Grams Hall at the church, 128 Park St. For more information, contact the church at 475-8119.
 Little Professor Reading Group for adults meets at 11:30 a.m. every other Thursday. For more information, call 433-2665.
 Senior Nutrition Program meets at noon Thursdays for dinner at the Waterloo Township Hall. For reservations, call 475-7439 between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.
Friday
 Chelsea Arbor Treatment Center offers a new Nicotine Anonymous meeting from noon to 1 p.m. Fridays in the center's Community Room, 900 Victor's Way, Suite 310, Ann Arbor. For more information, call 930-0201.
Saturday
 Christian Film Ministries will offer a free family oriented film at 7 p.m. the second Saturday of the month at Chelsea Community Hospital, Woodland Room B. For more information, call 433-0902.
Sunday
 The Parkinson Education and Support Group of Washtenaw County meets from 1:30 to 4 p.m. the second Sunday of the month. Call 741-9209 or 1-800-852-9781.
Monday
 Chelsea Area Garden Club meets at 12:30 p.m. the second Monday of the month at First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St. Summer and holiday season meetings may vary. For information, call Christine Forch, president, 475-4273, or Jennifer Kundak, publicity chairwoman, 475-2424, or e-mail jak@mich.com
 Chelsea Kiwanis Club meets at 6:15 p.m. every Monday at Chelsea Community Hospital.
 Domestic Violence Project Safe House Support Group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Monday at Chelsea Community Hospital, Behavioral Health Services Building. For more information, call 426-0369.
 Lima Township Board meets at 8 p.m. the first Monday of the month.
 Mystery Book Club meets regularly at 7:30 p.m. on the second Monday of the month at the library's new location.

Overeaters Anonymous meets at 7:30 p.m. Mondays at First United Methodist Church in Chelsea.
Tuesday
 Chelsea Amateur Radio Club (cptr: 145.45) meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of the month at Key Bank, 1478 Chelsea-Manchester Road (next to Chelsea Lumber). Holiday season meetings may vary. For information, call Jeff Cowall (N8KPA), 475-2424 or e-mail jcowall@fame.com.
 Chelsea District Library Board meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month in the Washington Street Education Center meeting room.
 Chelsea Lions Club meets at 6:45 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays at Chelsea Community Hospital.
 Chelsea Rotary Club meets at 12:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the Common Grill.
 Euchre Party is 7 p.m. every Tuesday at the Chelsea Senior Citizen Center in the Faith in Action building. For more information, call 475-9242.
 Lima Township Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month.
 Senior Nutrition Program meets at noon Tuesdays for dinner at the Waterloo Township Hall. For reservations, call 475-7439 between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Lunches, cards and fellowship.
Wednesday
 Alzheimer's Association Family Caregiver Support Group meets the second Wednesday of each month from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Chelsea Retirement Community. The meetings are free and confidential. Call the Alzheimer's Association at 1-800-337-3827 or 677-3081 for more information.
 Chelsea Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4076 meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of every month. For more information, call LeRoy Fulcher at 475-1448.
 Friends of Chelsea District Library meet 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month at the Chelsea District Library, 500 E. Washington St. For more information, contact Tom Gerstenlauer at 475-7500 or Jennifer Kundak at 475-2424.
 Grief Support Group is for people who have experienced the death of a loved one, offered as a community service by the Chelsea Retirement Community. Meetings are from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Wednesdays. Call 475-8833 for location.
 The Evening Primrose Garden Club meets regularly 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month at the Chelsea Depot on Jackson Street. For more information, call Helen Brown at 1-517-322-3859.

OTHER
 Chelsea Senior Nutrition Program meets at the Senior Center. To reserve lunch, call Arlene Larson a day ahead at 475-0160.
 Faith in Action House Community Center is open daily and provides free services to those in need. Services include food, clothing, financial help, advocacy and many other forms of assistance. Need friendly help? Call from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 475-3305.
 Home Meal Service, Chelsea meals, served daily to elderly or disabled. Cost per meal is \$3.25 with milk, \$3 without milk, for those able to pay. Anyone who is interested can call 475-9494 or 475-3305.
 Parent to Parent Program in-home, friendly, visiting support system for families with children. For more information, call 475-3305.
DEXTER
Sunday, Jan. 14
 The Huron River Watershed Council is asking for help from the public in creating a festival about clean water and other river issues. An organizational and design meeting open to everyone, will be held 3 p.m. at the New Center in Ann Arbor. Call Joan Martin or Theresa Dalkin at 769-5871 for more information.
DEXTER
MISCELLANEOUS
Thursday
 Dexter Rotary Club meets 7:30 a.m. every Thursday at Cousins Heritage Inn.
 Village of Dexter Downtown Development Authority meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at National City Bank in Dexter.
Monday
 Dexter PTO meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Monday of the month in the media center at Mill Creek Middle School.
 Dexter Village Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at National City Bank in Dexter.
 Dexter Village Council meets at 8 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month at National City Bank in Dexter.
Tuesday
 The Dexter Garden Club meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month, September through June, at the Dexter Area Museum at 7 p.m. Call 426-2372 for more information.
 Dexter Kiwanis Club meets 8:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays of the month at Cousins Heritage Inn.
 Dexter Touchdown Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month in the Dexter High School library. For more information, call

Patrick Little at 426-3991, Ext. 6407.
 Dexter Township Board meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month in the Dexter Township Hall.
 Dexter Township Zoning Board of Appeals meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month in the Dexter Township Hall.
 Dexter Township Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the Dexter Township Hall.
 Smokers Anonymous meets from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays at St. James' Episcopal Church in Dexter. For more information, call 426-8696.
 Dexter Village Parks Commission meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of each month at National City Bank in Dexter.
Wednesday
 Dexter Jaycees are looking for adults, ages 21 to 39, to join the club. Meetings are at 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month at National City Bank in Dexter. For more information, call 426-1080.
 Monument Park Committee meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of the month in the basement of the National City Bank (go through the back door of the bank). This is a public meeting. For more information, call Jeff Hall at 426-2883.
 Parents For Safety is a non-profit organization dedicated to safety issues within the schools and the village of Dexter. Meetings are open to the public at 7:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month in the Mill Creek Middle School media center. For more information, call Rhonda Hall at 426-2883.
 Village of Dexter Zoning Board of Appeals meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month at National City Bank in Dexter.
OTHER
 Alcoholics Anonymous meets at St. Joseph Parish Hall in Dexter at 8 p.m. Tuesdays and 7:30 p.m. Thursdays.

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HOPE

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Dalton, physical therapist Wendy Carender, speech and language therapist Kathleen Baines and program secretary Stephanie Hafner.

Carender has been the physical therapist at the Chelsea Brain Injury Program for almost two years. A hospital member for five years, she previously worked in home care and at the Chelsea Retirement Community.

A Dexter resident since 1995, where she lives with her husband and two sons, she has a master's degree in physical therapy from the Krannert School of Physical Therapy at the University of Indianapolis.

"My primary goal is to assist in returning people to their highest possible level of independent mobility," Carender says. "This is achieved through strength training, balance exercises, and/or gait training with special devices such as a walker or leg braces."

"Vestibular treatment is necessary to help people who have dizziness because of their head injury," she says.

Carender gets great satisfaction from seeing her patients improve.

"For instance, when a patient first comes to our program in a wheelchair, it's very rewarding to help them progress to walking again," she says.

Dalton, who lives in Ann

Arbor with her husband and two small daughters, has been occupational therapist at Chelsea hospital for three years. She holds a master's degree from Western Michigan University and a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan.

"My general goal is to facilitate a patient's ability to resume daily living activities, such as shopping, cooking, managing money, and returning to work," she says.

"Treatment time may be spent doing activities such as upper body strengthening, community outings, simulating job skills or doing cognitive retraining."

As a speech therapist, Baines concentrates on communication issues, including reading, writing, memory, information processing and retention.

An Ohio native, Baines has a master's degree from the University of Michigan. She has worked at Chelsea hospital for 22 years.

"Working with the Chelsea Brain Injury Program treatment team is one of the most rewarding experiences I've ever had," Baines says. "The team expertise is outstanding."

"We get to know the patients very well because it helps us provide better care, and I learn from them every day. Chelsea Community Hospital is truly a unique and wonderful place to work."

Bowers has been the brain injury program's neuropsycholo-

gist for the past 18 months. A native of Grand Rapids, he and his wife moved to Chelsea in May.

Bowers completed his post-doctoral residency in clinical neuropsychology and rehabilitation psychology at the Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan, part of the Detroit Medical Center at Wayne State University School of Medicine.

Bowers earned his undergraduate degree from Albion College, and his doctorate degree in clinical psychology from Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio.

"As a neuropsychologist, I deal with brain-behavior relationships," Bowers says.

"While computed tomography or magnetic resonance imaging show structural aspects of the brain, it doesn't necessarily give any indication of the effect a problem will have on specific skills such as memory."

"I measure areas associated with attention, concentration, language, visuospatial processing, memory, reasoning and intelligence. It's also important to take into consideration the emotional effects of medical conditions and overall personal adjustment," he says.

Secretary Stephanie Hafner has lived in Chelsea for 28 years, and has two grown children who are graduates of Chelsea High School.

Hafner has worked at the hospital for three years, 18 months

of that with the brain injury program. She coordinates the weekly schedules of patients and therapists, a complex job considering many patients spend two or three days a week at the hospital and may have at least two to three therapies a day.

"Two things have amazed me since starting work here," Hafner says. "The first is what a caring, supportive staff we have. Everyone communicates so well with each other and always with the patient's benefit in mind. The individual's growth and improvement drives everything we do."

"The second thing I am in awe of on a daily basis is the improvement and recovery of each patient and their determination to get better. I see some things that must be pretty close to miracles."

The brain injury program also offers such techniques as biofeedback and relaxation techniques.

"A lot of what we teach patients and families are compensatory strategies," Fenske says. "When patients cannot do something they used to do with ease, we help them compensate by finding a way to do the task differently."

The rehab team communicates with each other, patients, families and physicians. The patient's personal physician receives progress reports and is invited to team meetings.

Dr. Lawrence Handelsman, a specialist in physical medicine and rehabilitation at Chelsea

hospital, is the program's medical director.

"The average person can't see the brain injury and doesn't understand it," Handelsman says.

"Concussions are the most common form of mild brain injury. We've all heard football players and boxers joke about having their bell rung. In reality, this is a serious condition with the possibility for accumulative damage to the brain if there are additional injuries."

Prevention is the only cure.

"That means wearing helmets for cycling, skiing and in-line skating," Handelsman says.

"There are good guidelines available now for coaches and team physicians when a player

gets a concussion.

"Older adults should have their risk for falls assessed and their homes modified if necessary. And everyone should fasten their seatbelts."

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It was a good game, real close until the end of the third quarter, when the Lions began to totally dominate the Patriots.

The man to my left was enjoying the game immensely. During the course of the game he consumed more beer than I normally drink in two months, and he was in a great mood, high-fiving everyone around him whenever the Lions scored, whether people wanted the high-five or not.

After each touchdown the Lions' fight song was played. I was following the words on the screen and trying to sing along. After this happened several times, the fan on my left confided to me, "I don't know the words, but I know the word 'Lions' is in there a lot." Containing my laughter, I simply replied, "Yes, it really is."

After I got home I thought, "This is pretty much the relationship many people have with the Bible. They don't know what it's about, but they know the word 'Jesus' is in there a lot."

The truth is, Jesus is not just in there. He's everything, from beginning to end. Unless a person understands that He came, as both God and Man, to remove our sins through His holy life and sacrificial death, the Bible is a closed book. But with faith in Jesus, the Bible is open, and so is heaven.

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Canned Food Drive

The Western Washtenaw Republican Committee held its 5th annual Faith In Action canned food drive at its December meeting at the Wolverine Food & Spirits in Chelsea. Shown are Joseph Yekulis (left), Nancy Anderson, Paul Peltes, Karl Fink, Jane Lumm, Dean Alseth, Barb Alseth, Charlie Burgess, Ken Unterbrink, Sam Cooms, John Frank, Al Alber, Ann Alber, Rod Anderson, Scott Cooper, Diane Stortors, Jay Hopkins, Bill Stortors, Pat Buhner, Fred Van Reesema, Ray Kemner, Dan Burch and Bob Carr. Not pictured are Warren McArthur and Margaret Sias. The group meets 9 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month at the Wolverine. The next meeting will be Jan. 13, when the guest speaker will be Marlene Chockley, a former county commissioner and the newly elected chairwoman of the Washtenaw County Republican Party.

Township adopts new guidelines

Residents must apply to board of review for reduction.

By Lisa Allmendinger
Staff Writer

When the Sylvan Township Board of Review convenes in March to determine tax hardship cases, it will have a new set of guidelines to help in the decision-making process.

The new guidelines were adopted at the Sylvan Township Board meeting Jan. 2.

These new guidelines apply to both homeowners, as well as farm property owners, and a specific set of criteria must be met for a tax reduction or exemption.

However, meeting the criteria does not automatically qualify an applicant for a tax exemption.

A resident must own and occupy as a homestead the property for which the exemption is requested, according to the guidelines.

Since 1995, Public Act 390 of 1994 states that property exemptions "may be granted by the board of review to claimants that are owners of homesteads only." This excludes property owned by a corporation.

Previously, exemptions could be granted for any real and personal property.

Claims may be filed until March 14 on a three-page form provided by the assessor. A fourth page has the findings of

the board of review.

"The filing of this claim constitutes an appearance before the March board of review for the purpose of preserving the right to appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal," according to the document.

Applicants must provide both federal and state income tax returns for all the people residing in the home, including any property tax credit returns.

The returns can be from either the current year or the previous year.

A valid driver's license or other form of identification, and a deed, land contract or other evidence of ownership for the property for which the claim is being requested are also required.

Applicants cannot make more than \$16,000 for a one-member household, \$20,000 for a two-member household, \$25,000 for a three-member household, and \$3,000 for each additional member of the household.

Sylvan Township Supervisor Charlie Burgess, who is also a member of the board of review, said these numbers are the same as last year.

"The homestead assessed value must be less than \$111,800, which is 150 percent of the average assessed value of residential property in Sylvan Township in 2001," the document says.

Burgess said this number changes each year.

Other factors that come into play with the board of review

are additional assets such as cash, stocks, bonds, real estate holdings and income from other household members. Expenses and extenuating financial circumstances also factor into the board of review's decision.

The board of review will meet several times in March to review applications.

KISSMAN

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coming to Chelsea a year ago as director of curriculum.

His wife worked as a kindergarten teacher at Manchester Co-op Nursery for a year. After graduating from college in December, she is currently doing her student teaching at Klager Elementary School.

This is not Kissman's first appearance at an art show. He has had his work displayed at Local Color Gallery in New Buffalo and at Noah's Underground Gallery in Ann Arbor.

His show at Art & Soule, which coincides with the re-opening of the Purple Rose Theatre, will be his largest to date, featuring 25 to 30 paintings from his collection of approximately 100 completed pieces.

"I'm very excited about appearing at Kim's (Soule) new gallery. I think Art & Soule is a great new addition to the Chelsea community, and a terrific outlet for local artists," Kissman says.

"I'm really looking forward to showing my work this Saturday, and talking about my artwork with members of the public."

Kissman, who names Van Gogh, Gauguin, Picasso and Matisse as his influences, feels art should provide the viewer with a sense of pleasure, an uplifting experience of emotion, wonder and appreciation.

"Art should be enjoyed," he says. "With an inner sense of a need for creative harmony, I tend to allow my paintings to take me where they will."

Kissman, who finds creating something new to be a very powerful feeling, doesn't buy into the theory of shock value.

"Some artists try to make a

statement with disturbing art. I have a difficult time with that concept," he says.

"My art is colorful and expressionist, full of soulful faces and figures. I want viewers to wonder about the people in my art, and fire up their imagination and fantasy."

When Kissman is not wielding a paintbrush, he enjoys swimming, sailing, travel, adventure and athletics, especially basketball.

Kissman's show at Art & Soule Gallery is from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday. The art will be on display the rest of the month. Refreshments will be provided and the artist will be available to meet with the public.

Art & Soule Gallery, at 123 S. Main St., opened seven months ago. It has a variety of three- and two-dimensional art, ranging from jewelry, ironworks, glass and sculpture, to oils, watercolors and pastels.

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ONGOING ACTIVITIES
Little Professor Book Reading Club:
The reading group meets at 10 am on January 4 ("Not One Shred of Decency" by Bob Brown) and January 18 ("Martin Dressler" by Steven Millhauser). All are welcome. Invitation to all new and existing reading groups: register at the Chelsea Little Professor for 20% off your monthly selection and 10% off all books.

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GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY: John and Virginia (Groomes) Parsho of Chelsea celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 11. The couple was married on Nov. 11 1950, at Old West Side Methodist Church in Ann Arbor. The couple has four children, John (Sheila) Parsho, Jay (Diane) Parsho, Becky (Jeff) Murillo and Dennis (Jennifer) Parsho. An open house for relatives and friends was hosted by the children and their families on Dec. 10 at the UAW Hall in Chelsea. The Parshos also celebrated with a three-week trip to Europe in September.



GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY: Robert and Betty (Scherdt) Schultzt, longtime Dexter residents now living in Lake Placid, Fla., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 26. The couple was married at St. Andrew's United Church of Christ in Dexter. They have three children, Robert (Debbie) Schultzt, Pamela (Jay) Tasker of Dexter and Susan (Rose) Davenport of Canton. The couple has eight grandchildren, Joshua, Jacob and Jesse Schultzt; Britt and Karra Tasker; and Rebecca, Sarah and Zachary Davenport.



ENGAGED: Shana Leigh Miller, daughter of William and Dianna Miller of Dexter, and Peter Thomas Barnum, son of James and Sandra Dollars of Durand, and Larry and Sue Barnum of Bancroft, have set a July 21 wedding. The future bride is a 1993 graduate of Dexter High School, a 1997 graduate of Western Michigan University and a 2000 graduate of Michigan State University. She is a junior primary teacher for Marshall Public Schools. The future bridegroom is a 1992 graduate of Byron High School and a 1996 graduate of Michigan State University, where he is pursuing a master's degree. He is a high school agri-science teacher and adviser for Future Farmers of America in Mason Public Schools.



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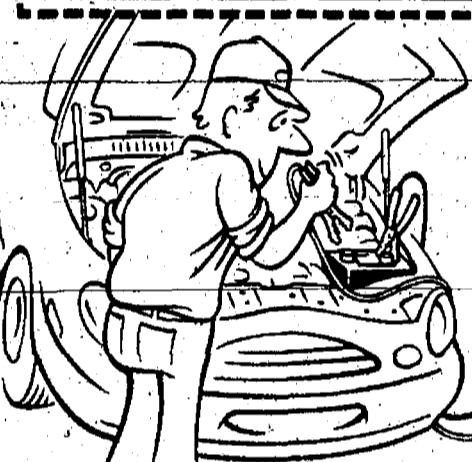
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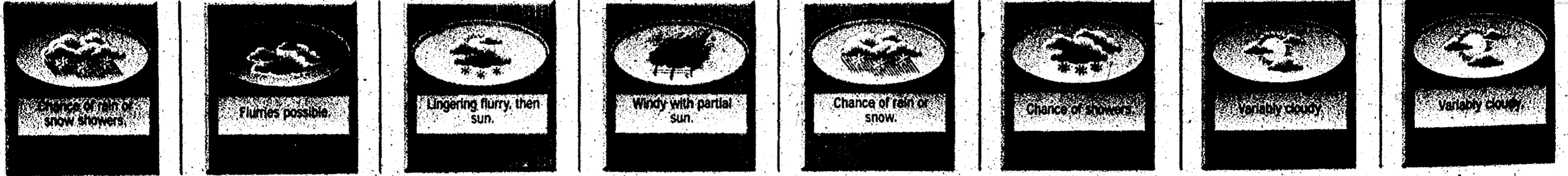
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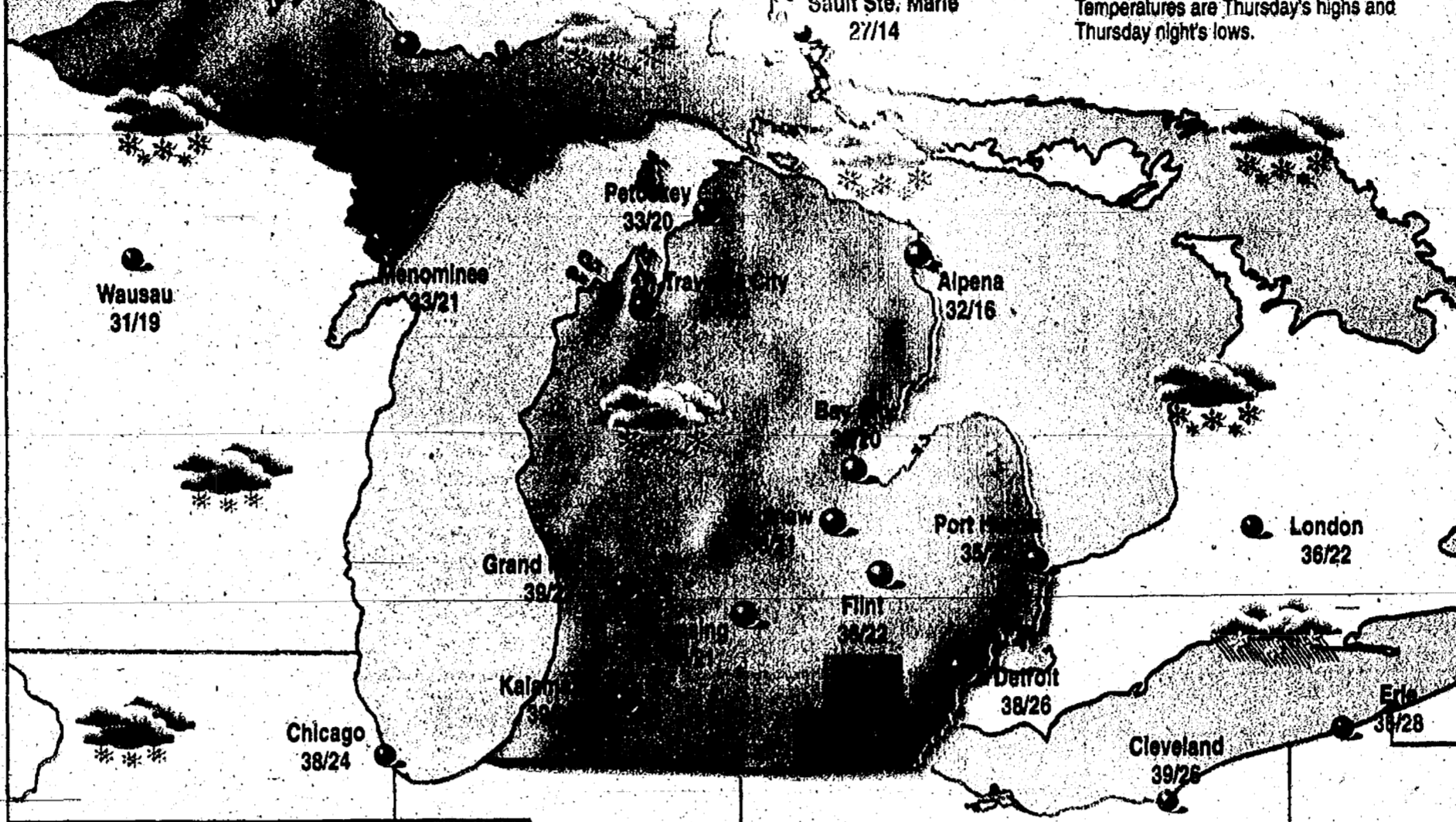
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Bay City	35 20 pc	34 22 pc	36 26 c	37 23 sn
Cadillac	40 24 pc	36 24 pc	39 26 c	38 26 sn
Dearborn	38 25 c	36 24 pc	38 27 c	38 27 sn
Detroit	38 26 c	36 24 pc	38 27 c	38 27 sn
Grand Rapids	39 22 c	35 26 pc	39 24 c	38 26 sn
Holland	37 26 pc	36 26 pc	37 28 c	39 28 sn
Jackson	37 22 pc	36 24 pc	36 26 c	37 25 sn
Kalamazoo	39 24 pc	36 26 pc	39 28 c	39 27 sn
Leansing	35 24 pc	35 23 pc	36 26 c	36 24 sn
Livonia	39 24 pc	37 25 pc	38 27 c	38 27 sn
Midland	38 22 pc	34 23 pc	36 26 c	38 24 sn
Muskegon	37 26 pc	36 25 pc	37 25 c	38 29 sn
Owosso	38 22 pc	34 23 pc	36 26 c	38 25 sn
Portiac	38 23 pc	36 24 pc	37 27 c	38 30 sn
Port Huron	35 20 pc	33 22 pc	35 24 c	36 22 sn
Sturgis	38 25 pc	37 27 pc	38 29 c	40 27 sn
Toronto	31 13 pc	30 15 pc	32 26 c	35 24 sn
Traverse City	35 22 pc	35 23 s	37 25 c	36 24 sn
Warren	38 25 c	36 24 pc	38 27 c	38 27 sn
Wausau	31 19 c	32 20 sn	34 20 c	32 14 sn

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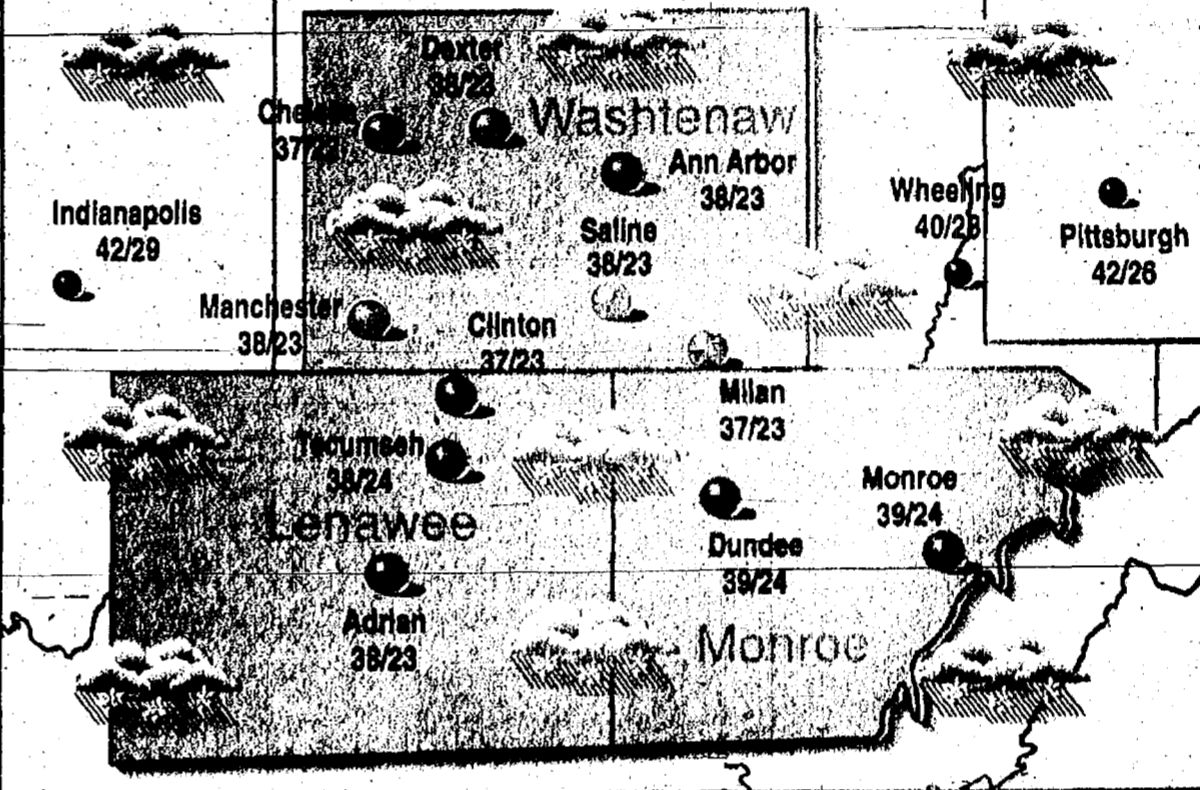
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Moonset Saturday	10:55 a.m.		
Moonrise Sunday	11:31 p.m.		
Moonset Sunday	11:26 a.m.		

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NATIONAL ROUNDUP

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Bismarck	33 15 pc	31 13 c	28 12 c	29 5 c
Boise	38 20 c	36 18 c	38 20 c	34 18 c
Casper	44 22 c	40 24 pc	40 22 c	38 18 c
Cedar Rapids	33 19 c	34 22 c	35 24 c	36 23 sn
Cheyenne	45 19 c	43 19 pc	38 21 sn	38 19 c
Colorado Springs	41 19 c	36 22 c	41 20 sn	41 24 c
Columbia	41 27 c	43 32 c	44 31 c	41 26 sn
Dallas	58 40 c	58 46 c	58 42 c	54 38 c
Denver	44 22 c	42 22 pc	40 24 c	40 20 c
Des Moines	35 22 c	35 24 c	36 23 c	35 20 sn
Eugene	41 29 c	41 31 sh	44 32 c	41 29 c
Fresno	52 38 sh	52 38 pc	54 40 pc	54 36 pc
Garden City	39 24 pc	37 25 pc	38 27 c	38 27 sn
Grand Island	37 24 c	41 22 c	38 24 sn	35 19 c
Grand Junction	36 26 c	38 23 c	36 20 sn	35 25 c
Great Falls	39 22 c	38 20 c	38 20 c	33 4 c
Greely	41 19 c	39 22 c	41 19 sn	40 26 c
Houston	62 48 c	66 54 c	64 50 c	64 48 c
Kansas City	40 28 sn	38 26 c	38 28 c	38 22 sh
Las Vegas	54 36 c	57 33 c	54 33 c	54 30 c
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SPORTS

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Chelsea grapplers face true test at Jackson Invite

Split Bulldog squad heads west to compete in two tournaments

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

In what Chelsea coach Kerry Kargel called "a true test for our kids," the Bulldog wrestling squad finished eighth at the 16-team Jackson County Western tournament Jan. 6.

The 37th annual tournament was captured by traditional state power Mason with 194.5 points.

Portland, with 177.5 points, and Portage Northern, with 135 points, placed second and third, respectively.

Chelsea ended up with 100.5 points.

Despite the strong competition, the Bulldogs showed themselves well.

Three Chelsea grapplers earned first place finishes.

At 160 pounds, senior George Fairley got the decision over Portage Northern's Dave Covill, a state qualifier last year, 8-2, to win the championship.

Fairley also avenged an earlier loss to Saline's Chris Schuyler (10-9 on Dec. 14), defeating the Hornet grappler, 4-3, in the semifinals.

Schuyler finished sixth in the state last season.

In the 171-pound final, Bulldog sophomore Darl Bauer defeated Tecumseh's Rob McNamar in a 20-8 major decision.

At 215 pounds, Chelsea junior Jared Powers beat Jackson Lumen Christi's Jason Martinez,

5-3, to earn the championship.

Like Fairley, Powers avenged an earlier loss to Martinez to grab the title.

Placing third for the Bulldogs was sophomore Adam Egeler at 152 pounds.

Egeler won an 8-7 decision from Ryan Richards of Portage Northern.

In the tournament semifinals, Egeler suffered his first loss of the year.

Despite an inspired effort, Egeler fell to Mason's Jeff Steavens, 11-4.

The eventual tourney champ, Steavens finished second in the state last year.

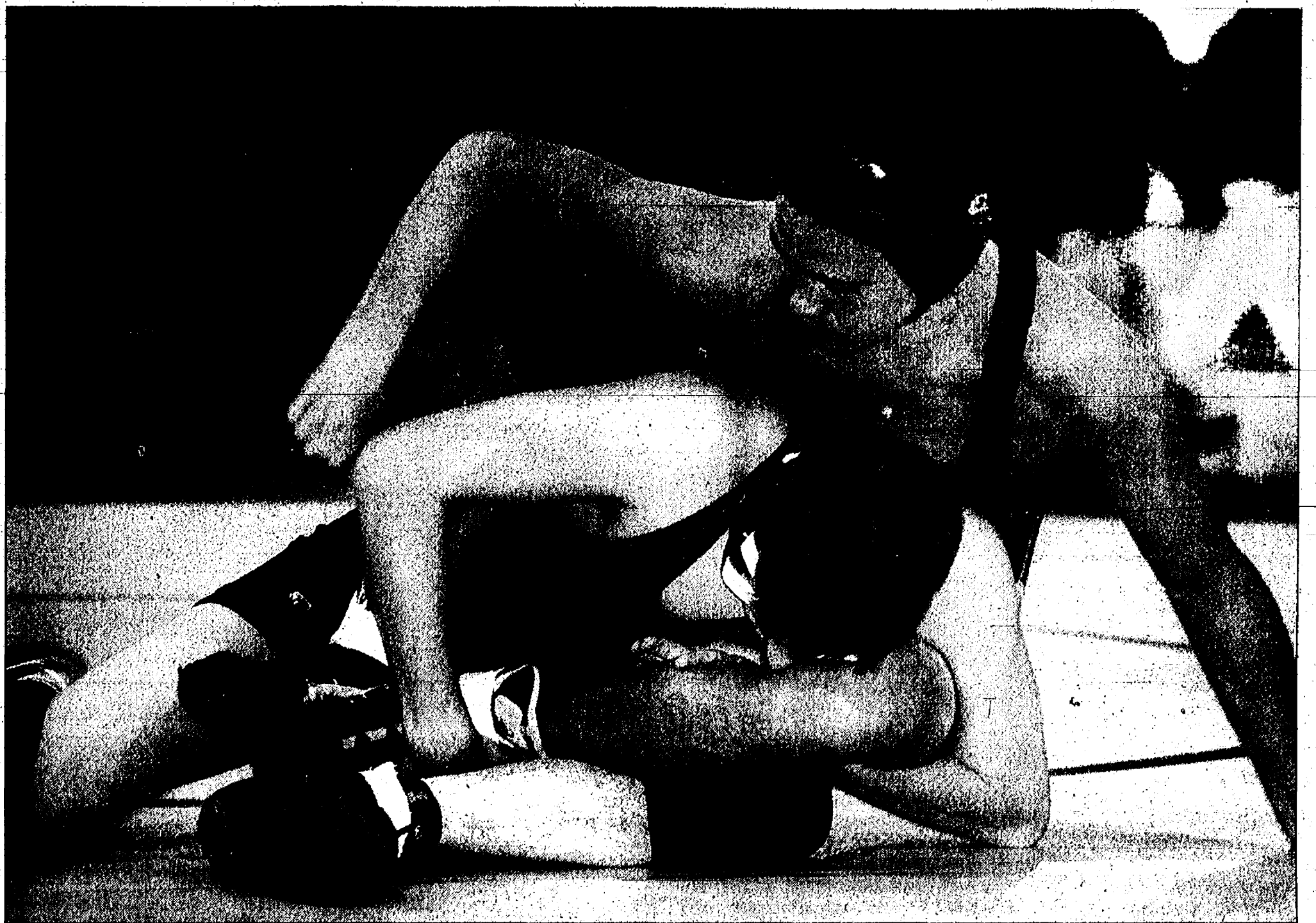
Placing fifth for the Dawgs was Randy Ostrowski at 125 pounds. He finished 3-1 overall for the day.

Other wrestlers competing for Chelsea in the tournament included Jeremy Loe (112) who ended up 0-2 on the day; Adam Ellis (119), 1-2; Mike Stager (135), 0-2; J.T. Gilley (140), 0-2; Robert Herst (189), 0-2 and heavyweight Alex Slocomb, who finished 0-1 before suffering a meet-ending injury.

"The County Western tournament is a bona fide tournament," Kargel said. "I'm happy with our place. Anytime you take three firsts, you're doing an excellent job."

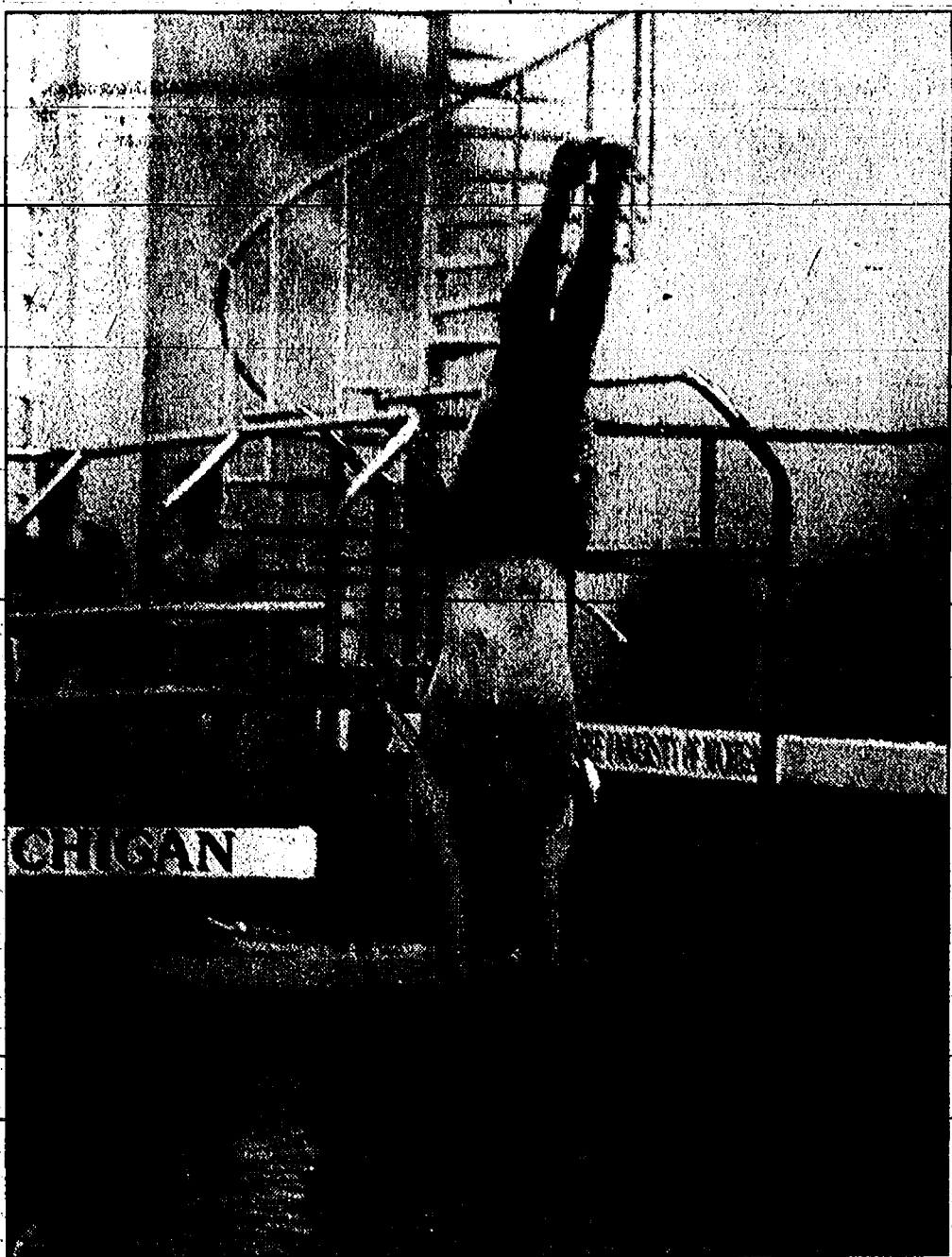
Also on Jan. 6, the Bulldogs traveled to Hillsdale to compete in the Hornets' 11-team tourna-

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Chelsea sophomore Adam Egeler holds on tight during his match against Ann Arbor Pioneer.

Bulldog tankers dunk defending state champion Milan



Bulldog diver Gabe McGuinness prepares to enter the pool. McGuinness placed second at the DeWitt Invitational.

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

Starting one's day off right with a good, hearty breakfast is always recommended.

As with the day's opening meal, beginning a high school swim meet with a victory is also quite beneficial.

In the same way a healthy breakfast can carry one through the day, a win in the meet's opening event can help propel a team onward to victory.

On Saturday, the Chelsea boys' swimming and diving team used an opening meet win in the 200 medley relay to help spur it to an impressive victory at the ultra-competitive DeWitt Invitational.

The Bulldogs (2-0) racked up 293 points to finish first.

East Kentwood, with 265 points, placed second. Grand Rapids Northview, with 234 points, ended up third.

Teams competing but failing to crack the top three included defending state champion Milan; Holt, Bridgman, Lansing Everett and host DeWitt.

Members of Chelsea's first place 200 medley relay team (1:46.73) were Andy Hack, Matt Holmes, Greg Cook and Jake Holton. The foursome's winning time qualified them for the state meet to be held later in March.

The Bulldog "B" 200-yard medley relay group of Tim



The Chelsea boys' swimming and diving team poses for a group shot after capturing the DeWitt Invitational Jan. 6.

Wacker, Mike Bowdish, Zack Christman and Mike Policht placed ninth (1:56.42).

In the meet's second event, Cook placed sixth in the 200-yard freestyle (2:03.17). Tim Wacker finished 12th (2:05.94).

Both times were season-best performances for each swimmer.

In the 200 individual medley, Hack continued to dominate, easily outdistancing the field to win in (2:04.18).

Christman, with a season's best (2:22.15), placed ninth.

In the 50 freestyle, senior Jeff Heydlauff finished second in a season's best (22.49). Holton placed 10th (24.24).

Gabe McGuinness finished second in one-meter diving with a 204.25 score. Steve Basar was eighth with a score of 160.60.

Hack placed third in the 100 butterfly (55.59), with another season's best time. Bowdish finished 11th (1:05.79).

In the 100 freestyle, Heydlauff swam to second place (49.99), while Jared Wacker finished ninth (52.91).

Cook cruised to a fifth place finish in the 500 freestyle (5:28.71). Policht broke six minutes for the first time this year, placing 13th (5:59.35).

In the 200 freestyle relay, the team of Heydlauff, Holton, Christman and Jared Wacker captured first place (1:34.55).

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Chelsea wins sportsmanship award

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

As if reaching the state football quarterfinals weren't enough, the Michigan High School Athletic Association has honored Chelsea High School with its Good Sports Are Winners regional award.

The award is selected by MHSAA tournament managers based on schools displaying the most exemplary sportsmanship by its coaches, student-athletes and spectators.

Also earning a regional football award locally was Milan. Manchester was named a district winner.

In boys' soccer, Chelsea and Saline earned a Good Sports Are Winners district award.

In girls' basketball, both Chelsea and Dexter high

schools garnered district awards.

Saline was named a regional winner.

In all, 203 schools in girls' basketball, 123 in football and 85 in boys' soccer will receive certificates at the district level or plaques at the regional level for its outstanding sportsmanship.

Receiving top honors statewide for its sportsmanship in boys' soccer were Allen Park Inter-City Baptist, Schoolcraft in football and DeWitt in girls' basketball.

Other county honors announced by the MHSAA included Manchester being named a Division 7 Academic All-State team. Saline and Milan earned honorable mention.

Chelsea head football coach

Brad Bush, who helped engineer the Dawgs' unprecedented playoff run, was named a regional coach of the year.

Milan's Steve Robb was also honored by the MHSAA as a regional coach of the year.

Saline's Randy Dunny was named one of 26 assistant football coaches of the year statewide for his 24 seasons on the Hornet sideline.

An additional honor for Chelsea's Bush will be speaking at the 29th annual Michigan High School Football Coaches Association Clinic in Battle Creek.

The two-day clinic, Jan. 26 through 27 at Battle Creek's McCamly Plaza Hotel, has selected Bush to be one of nine Michigan high school football coaches to speak.

JV hoops remain unbeaten

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

Behind 14 points from Jake Freeman, the Chelsea JV boys' basketball team ran its unbeaten streak to six games with a convincing 60-32 victory over Milford Dec. 28.

The game was the Bulldogs' second and final contest in the Chelsea High School Holiday Tournament.

The Bulldogs led 19-11 after one quarter and 33-16 at the half to improve to 6-0 on the year.

By the end of the third quarter, Chelsea had increased its lead to 48-25 and in the fourth outscored Milford 12-7 for the win.

Besides Freeman, Scott Dettling scored 11 points and Jimmy Baker, David Grabarkiewicz, and Kyle Brown each chipped in seven.

On Dec. 27, in the tournament's opener, the

Bulldogs overcame a sluggish first half to defeat Manchester, 69-38.

After taking a 15-5 first quarter lead, the Flying Dutchmen outscored Chelsea 12-8 in the second quarter, closing the Bulldog lead to 23-17 at the half.

In the third quarter, Chelsea awoke, outscoring Manchester 24-8 to take a commanding 47-25 advantage into the final frame.

In the fourth quarter, the Bulldogs continued to pour it on, outscoring the Dutchmen 22-13 to sew up the victory.

"After playing our worst half of the season against Manchester, we responded by playing outstanding basketball the rest of the tournament," said Chelsea coach Mark Scheese.

The Dawgs next travel to Dexter tomorrow for a game.

On Jan. 19 Chelsea hosts Ypsilanti Lincoln at 6 p.m.

"After playing our worst half of the season against Manchester, we responded by playing outstanding basketball the rest of the tournament."

— Mark Scheese
Chelsea coach

Bulldog spikers defend home territory, capture own Invite

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

Riding stellar defense and pinpoint serving, the Chelsea varsity volleyball squad captured its own Invitational defeating Jackson Lumen Christi in the championship match, 15-8, 15-3, Jan. 6.

"The team played tremendous defense throughout the day," Chelsea coach Laura Cleveland said. "Josie Wells and Ali Mann put up tremendous blocks and were able to shut down the middle attack of our opponents throughout the tournament."

The Bulldogs began the day competing in pool play.

In its opening match, Chelsea disposed of Milan, 15-6, 15-0, 15-0.

In its second and last pool match, the Dawgs chewed up Novi, 15-8, 15-12, 15-9.

With the two wins, Chelsea finished pool play with a perfect, 6-

0 record. With their outstanding pool performance, the Bulldogs drew a quarterfinal bye.

In the semifinals, Chelsea overcame a determined Howell team, 15-2, 15-7.

"Team defense was the key for us," Cleveland said. "We also served well on the day, too."

Cleveland, a former volleyball captain at Alma College, said Caitlin Deis and Anna Arend paced the squad defensively. "They both led the way with great digging," she said.

Besides the hustle defense, the Bulldogs shined offensively. Lindsay Baker led Chelsea with 19 aces.

Deis, with 31 kills, and Wells and Mann, with 21 each, sparked the Bulldog attack.

Chelsea next hosts No. 1 ranked (Class B) county rival Dexter 6 p.m. Jan. 18.

"The team played tremendous defense throughout the day."

— Laura Cleveland
Chelsea coach



The Chelsea volleyball team gathers for a group shot after winning its own invitational Jan. 6. Members include, front row, Connie Kolokithas (left), Laura Baird, Molly Welton, Jenelle Vitek and Caitlin Deis. Back row, coach Laura Cleveland (left), Lindsey Baker, Audrey Richardson, Anna Arend, Heather Tanner, Alison Mann, Josie Wells, Amber Mattocks, Michelle Detting and assistant coach Amanda Hollis.

Collins aces field

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

The Chelsea freshman volleyball team came away victorious Jan. 6 as it traveled to the 16-team Brighton Invitational.

Behind Nicole Collins' seven aces and Lindsay Parker's three aces, the Bulldogs bested Okemos, 15-3, 3-15, 15-5, to capture the Invite championship.

"Okemos was a very strong team," said Chelsea coach Terri McCalla. "They had tough serves and attacked the ball strong. But we were determined. The girls wanted to win."

Besides Collins and Parker, McCalla mentioned Rachel Dotson for her outstanding play in the finals.

According to McCalla, Dotson had nine assists and was, "all over the court."

To begin the tournament, Chelsea (5-1-1) competed in pool play.

In its first match, the Dawgs beat Fowlerville, 15-2, 15-11.

In match two, Chelsea swept Livonia Churchill, 15-4, 15-10.

In its third match, the Bulldogs split with host Brighton, 15-11, 15-17. It was Chelsea's lone defeat.

The Dawgs completed pool play with a 5-1 record.

In the Invite quarterfinals, the

No. 2 seed Bulldogs squared off against Eaton Rapids, sweeping the Greyhounds, 15-10, 16-14.

In the semifinals, Chelsea beat a tough Lansing Sexton squad, 16-14, 15-11, advancing to the finals.

For the tournament, the Bulldogs were paced by Meagan Reames with a team-high 12 digs and Brittany Denison, who added three digs.

Ashley Gadbury had two solid blocks and according to McCalla, "served outstanding the entire day."

Parker dominated at the net with a team-high 49 attacks and 35 assists. Dotson finished with 26 attacks and 79 assists.

Missy Morcom ended up with 22 attacks, Devon Lixey had 19 and Sidnay Olinyk had 15 for Chelsea.

Though not recording many attacks, McCalla said Kelly Reinhardt is "coming on strong at the net."

McCalla said her squad's serve receive is improving with Heather Cobb, Kaylyn Rohkohl, Renee Johnson and Becky Sprague accounting for 28 of Chelsea's 30 good passes at Brighton.

The Bulldogs next host their own Invite Jan. 20 beginning at 8:30 a.m.

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Pat and I are very grateful for the support and confidence the people of Chelsea and surrounding areas placed in my care. We will continue to live in the area as we enter this next phase of our lives. Some travel is in the future, as well as some relaxing at home.

Dr. Duncan is a 1993 graduate of Palmer College of Chiropractic. He practiced in Rockford, Ill. for 7½ years before joining our practice in July of 2000.

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Myers leads Dawgs by example, hustle

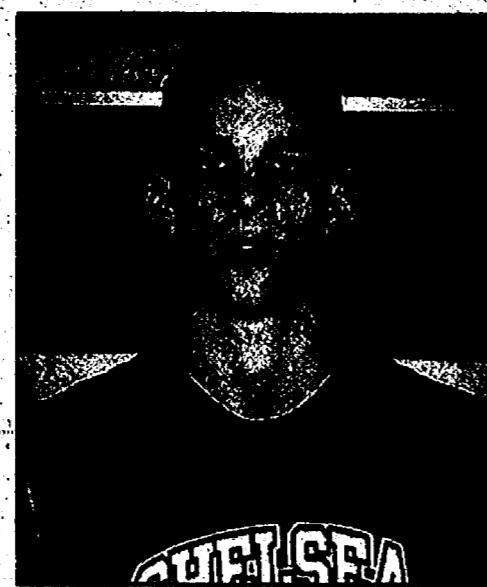
By Don Richter
Staff Writer

Chris Webber would have been proud. The Sacramento Kings All-Star power forward and former University of Michigan great would have nodded his head in approval.

Like Webber and his "Fab Five" freshmen teammates of the early-1990s, the Chelsea boys' basketball squad "shocked the world" last season by advancing to the quarterfinals of the state high school basketball playoffs.

The upstart Bulldogs won 13 straight ballgames before losing to eventual state champion Orchard Lake St. Mary's, 74-49.

For Chelsea's Ben Myers, whose favorite player happens to be Webber, last season's playoff run was a streak he'll never forget.



Ben Myers

son he was chosen captain by his teammates this season.

In describing his role on the team, Myers said he tries to concentrate on the finer aspects of the game, the ones not always noticed by fans or the record books.

"I do more of the little things," he said. "Whatever it takes to win, I'll do. I'll take charges, dive for loose balls, anything. Scoring points is icing on the cake."

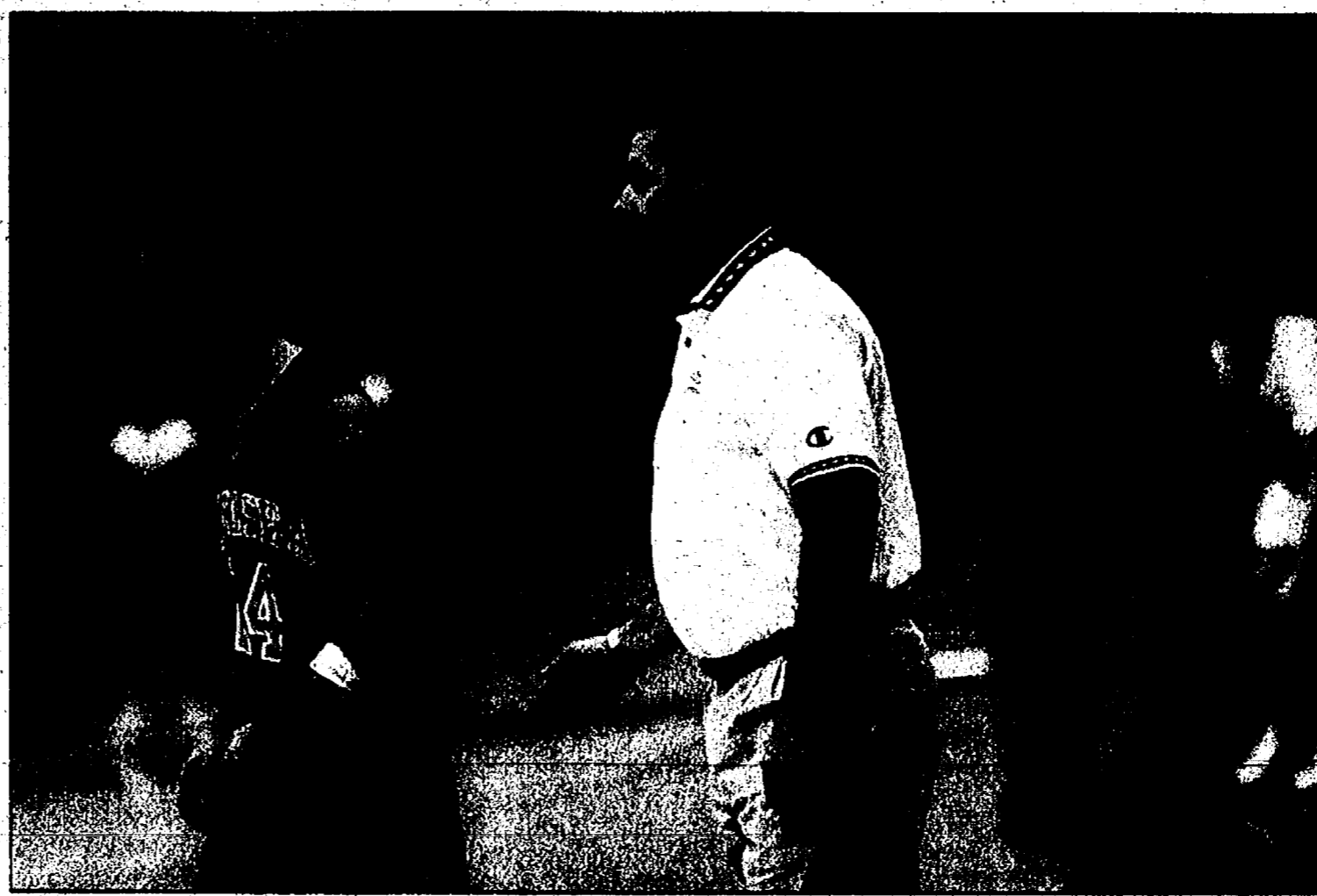
That respect and love for the game started back in elementary school.

"I first played basketball in the first grade when I lived in Hudson," said Myers, who hopes to play baseball in college and major in elementary or physical education. "I started playing with a bunch of buddies after school."

For Myers, a defensive back on the Bulldogs' state quarterfinal-reaching football team and one of the area's top baseball catchers, sports is a part of his life he hopes to continue even after his playing days are over.

"I'd like to coach someday," he said.

Not surprising for someone who leads Chelsea in floor burns and enjoys crashing into the



Chelsea senior co-captain Ben Myers gets instruction from Bulldog coach Robin Raymond.

hardwood in search of loose balls.

Only a future coach could appreciate those details of the game.

When asked why a 6-1 guard would choose Webber, a 6-10 power forward, as his favorite player, Myers said: "I like his personality and how he plays. He has fun on the court."

And "on the court" is where you'll find Myers — literally.

A spark plug of a basketball player, Myers has proven though he might not lead his team in scoring, he'll lead them in what is sometimes considered an even more important category: hustle.

Team captain, future coach, floor burn leader, Chris Webber would be proud.

"I do more of the little things. Whatever it takes to win, I'll do. I'll take charges, dive for loose balls, anything. Scoring points is icing on the cake."

— Ben Myers
Chelsea senior guard

"It's something everyone should feel," he said. "It was so nice. People thought we wouldn't make it that far."

Myers, a senior co-captain on this year's squad, said despite falling to St. Mary's, which was ranked No. 1 at the time, last season's excitement was still an experience to remember.

"It was fun to play a team ranked so high," he said. "It was kind of like 'David and Goliath.' It showed we could play with anybody."

According to Myers, a 6-foot-1 guard, last year's playoff run has fueled this season's version of Chelsea basketball.

"We want to get back to the quarterfinals and advance," he said. "We're hungrier this time around."

The Bulldogs are primed and ready for another long state playoff ride this season.

"We hope to first win our league and then districts," said Myers, a three-sport athlete and two-year varsity basketball performer. "We're going to work a lot harder this year."

This is nothing new to Myers. Hard work is something he thrives on.

His effort and dedication on and off the court was a main rea-

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Ten-year-old Henry Hubbard glides along a ledge on a recent outing. Hubbard is one of Michigan's best inline skaters for his age group.

Young skating phenom soars

The honors just keep piling up for this local skating talent.

Ten-year-old Chelsea resident Henry Hubbard placed first in the Best Trick Contest at Airborne Extreme Skate Park in Roseville in late November.

The North Elementary fourth-grader bested the field in the 12

and younger division to capture the title.

For Hubbard, the November honor comes on the heels of winning Michigan's 12 and younger Aggressive Skaters Association championship at Airborne in May.

Hubbard, a fearless competi-

tor, bested the field in November by successfully attempting a "fakie" - a daring airborne rotation performed on a 12-foot high half pipe - the U-shaped apparatus used by inline skaters in competition.

For winning November's contest, Hubbard was awarded a \$75 certificate.

Last second basket sinks Dawgs

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

Visiting Ann Arbor Pioneer overcame a four-point deficit in the last 30 seconds to pull out a 50-49 victory over Chelsea in freshman boys' basketball Jan. 8.

The Pioneers nailed a three-point shot to trim the Bulldog lead to one.

After a Chelsea turnover, Pioneer drained a bucket with three seconds remaining to win the ballgame.

Despite the heartbreaking set-

back, Bulldog coach Mike Bareis stayed positive.

"We played extremely hard at both ends of the court tonight," he said.

Brian Kinaschuk, with 13 points, and Nick Miller, with 12, paced Chelsea.

Tony Reifel, with nine points, Joel Hohnke, with seven, George Royce, with six, and Jeff Elliot, with two points, rounded out the Bulldog scoring.

Prior to the Ann Arbor battle, Chelsea hosted its own holiday

tournament. The Bulldogs handily defeated two visiting opponents to capture the tourney last Dec. 27 through 28.

In its opening game, the Dawgs disposed of Manchester, 67-33.

In the tourney championship, Chelsea overwhelmed Milford, 48-17.

The Bulldogs next travel to county rival Dexter tomorrow for a game beginning at 6 p.m.

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The group's time qualified them for the state meet.

"That was one of the more impressive swims of the day," said Chelsea coach Dave Jolly.

The "B" 200 freestyle relay foursome of Andre Bravo, Aaron Connell, Josh Haynes and Basar finished ninth with a season's best (1:44.45).

Jared Wacker placed third in the 100 backstroke (1:00.29). Christman was 10th (1:07.45).

In the 100 breaststroke, Holmes glided to second place with a personal best (1:08.23). Tim Wacker ended up ninth in (1:13.17).

In the meet's final event, the team of Heydlauff, Hack, Cook



and Jared Wacker finished second (3:30.72) in the 400 freestyle relay. The time qualified the group for the state meet.

The "B" 400 freestyle relay team of Connell, Policht, Haynes and Bowdish placed 13th.

The Bulldogs next travel to Saline tomorrow for a meet at 6:30 p.m.

On Jan. 19, Chelsea hosts traditional state power Ann Arbor Pioneer at 6:30 p.m.

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High Game: Mary Pichan, 226

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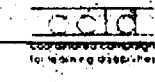
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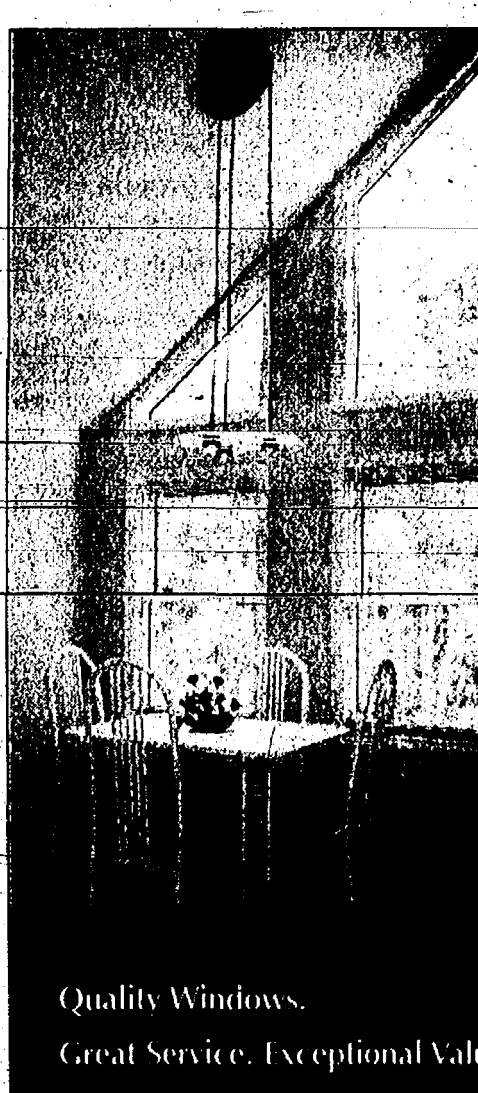



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ment. Chelsea finished fifth overall. Jonesville won the tournament.

The Bulldogs were split with half the squad competing in Jackson and half in Hillsdale.

Leading Chelsea in the Hornet tournament was sophomore Dave Dault, who captured the 171-pound title and was named MVP of the meet.

Eric Lixey placed second for the Bulldogs at 160 pounds.

Placing third for Chelsea were Ryan Keiser at 135 pounds and Justin Seitz at 189 pounds.

Keiser came back from an opening match loss to win three straight. Seitz finished the tourney 3-1.

Ending up fourth for the Bulldogs were Matt Robinson at 112 pounds and Ross Davis in the heavyweight division.

Both grapplers finished 2-2 on the day.

Other wrestlers competing for the Dawgs were Josh Clark (103); Mike Kattula (125); Ben Rogers (140); Andy Herst (145) and Carl Wendt (215), who moved up from the 189 pound weight class.

Prior to the Jan. 6 tournaments, a full Chelsea squad took on Ann Arbor Pioneer in a dual meet.

The host Bulldogs prevailed in the competition winning, 44-27 on Jan. 4.

Earning victories for Chelsea in the lower weights were Ryan Lundquist (103) on a pin in 5:44; Rogers (145) by forfeit and Egeler (152) on a major decision, 10-2.

Gaining wins for the Dawgs in the upper weights were Fairley (160) on a pin in 2:25; Lixey (171) on a pin in 3:27; Bauer (189) on a technical fall, 15-0; Herst (215) by forfeit and Powers (heavyweight) on a technical fall, 16-1.

"It was a good team win," Kargel said.

Chelsea, 4-4 overall on the



Chelsea sophomore Darl Bauer is in control against Ann Arbor Pioneer.



Bulldog Junior Jared Powers has his opponent all tied up during action against Ann Arbor Pioneer.

year, next travels to Ann Arbor Huron today for a meet beginning at 6:30 p.m. On Jan. 13, the Bulldogs travel to Athens for a tournament starting at 9 a.m.

Dexter falls to Saline

By Don Richter

Staff Writer The Dexter wrestling team hosted Saline and Brooklyn Columbia Central Dec. 21 in a double dual meet.

In its first match, the Dreads fell to the Hornets, 51-28.

Earning victories for Dexter were Ryan Fike at 103 pounds on a pin in 2:59; Jeff Marsh (119) on a pin in 1:13; Josh Dillen (125) in a major decision, 13-3; Aaron Akans (135) on a pin in 48 seconds and Kyle Marsh (140) on a pin.

Dexter coach Mike Klapperich came away pleased with his squad's effort.

"Giving up three voids hurt us, but with the voids it was only a 12 point difference."

Versus Brooklyn Columbia Central, Dexter lost 54-24.

Winning for the Dreadnaughts, all on pins, were Fike, Jeff Marsh, Ben Howison and heavyweight Tommy Schultz.

"We were really close to beating Saline," said Dillen, a sophomore. "Some guys came through and won, which helped a lot."

Despite bad weather and a missed double dual meet with Adrian and Huron, Dexter traveled to Flat Rock Dec. 16 to participate in a six-team tournament.

Although placing sixth, the Dreadnaughts performed well.

Six of 10 grapplers won matches for Dexter.

Sophomore Jeff Marsh led the way, ending the tournament with three pins and two wins.

Teammate Schultz added three pins and a win. Dillen and Jimmy Knapp each had two pins and Kyle Marsh and Howison each recorded two wins for the Dreads.

Other wrestlers helping the squad out were Akans, Daemon Stahlin, John Bollinger and Abe Burleigh.

Dexter senior captain Kyle Marsh felt the team did well at Flat Rock despite voiding four weight classes.

"The teams at the tournament were strong," he said. "But we wrestled well against them."

"We're going to change the way we practice. I think it will make our team better. We're giving up so many points as a team. We want to focus on individual wrestlers."

Individually, the squad as a whole is doing well match per match.

With the season almost at the halfway point, the goal for the

Dreads now is to see how much each wrestler can improve in their respective weight classes.

Dexter next travels to Ann Arbor Pioneer today for a match beginning at 6:30 p.m.

A week later, the Dreads host county rival Chelsea at 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 18. —Dexter resident Elizabeth Howison contributed to this article.

Staff Writer Don Richter can be reached by telephone at 475-1371 or via e-mail at drichter@heritaget.com.

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Milan tops Dexter freshmen

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

Despite holding a 21-17 half-time advantage, the Dexter freshman boys' basketball team was unable to record victory No. 1 of the season, falling to Milan, 47-43.

The Dreadnaughts (0-3) started out strong in the first half, hitting 9-20 from inside the arc.

Dexter could have had a larger halftime lead, but went cold from three-point range, hitting just 1-of-10 from beyond the arc.

In the third quarter, the Dreads played arguably their best period of the year on offense.

"We played about as good as we can," said Dexter coach Brock Rychener. "We hit 80 percent of our shots."

"But our defense hurt us. We

gave up way too many dribble drives and we didn't block out very well the whole game, which led to many second chance points for Milan."

Besides its defensive woes, Dexter led 39-30 heading into the fourth quarter.

"I was pretty confident we were going to win," Rychener said. "But then we fell apart."

The Dreadnaughts shot just 1-of-15 from the field in the frame and 2-of-5 from the line.

The frigid shooting helped the Big Reds outscore Dexter 17-4 to capture the win.

"We couldn't hit anything and a lot of our misses were coming from inside 8 to 10 feet," Rychener said.

Dan Dyer paced the Dreadnaught attack, scoring 16 points and blocking three shots.

"Dan played a really good offensive ballgame," Rychener said. "One of our goals for the game was for our guards to create more offense. When they drove, Dan found the open spot and knocked down his shots."

Joe Keinath added eight points and a team-high nine rebounds for Dexter.

"He played his best game of the year," Rychener said.

Point guards Seyi Kukowi and Brian Taylor led the Dreads, combining for nine of Dexter's 12 assists.

"They both played solid games," Rychener said. "They really did a good job handling pressure, penetrating and find-

ing the open man."

Despite the solid play of his team, Rychener was disappointed in its effort on the defensive side of the court.

"Our downfall was our half-court defense," he said. "We need to start checking people better and not give up so many dribble drives."

"On top of that, we didn't block out well at all. We gave Milan second and third chances and they cashed in."

The Dreads next host conference rival Chelsea tomorrow at 4:30 p.m.

Dexter JV second

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

Behind Lindsey Steenstra's 11 aces and 28 blocks, the Dexter JV volleyball team finished second overall at University of Michigan Dearborn's Holiday Classic Dec. 29.

For her efforts, Steenstra was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

Besides placing second, the Dreadnaughts' other highlight of the tourney was beating long-time nemesis Temperance Bedford in the semifinals.

The Mules, a state power on the varsity-level, have one of Michigan's best all-around volleyball programs. Beating Bedford at any level is always an accomplishment.

Besides Steenstra, Chelsea Jones paced Dexter with 15 aces. Teammate Kandi Sanders added 16 aces.

Lindsey Messmore, Caitlin Kalke and Jennifer Bradshaw led the team in defensive serve receives, helping dig the

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WEBSTER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING — DECEMBER 20, 2000

Webster Township Board Meeting called to order Dec. 20, 00 by Sup. Fisher. Present: Fisher, Baldus, Calhoun, Fink, Kingsley, Deputy House and six residents. Presentation by representatives for AT&T on need for a 195' cell phone tower near N. Territorial and Webster Church Roads. Numerous questions by members of the board about use of existing towers including Edison Transmission line towers and any projected future requirements. Motion Kingsley support Fink to accept minutes of Nov. 21, 00 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting as presented. Carried.

Motion Calhoun support Baldus to accept Treasurers Report and pay bills as presented. Roll call vote. All ayes and carried.

Report received from Webster Township Planning Special meeting November 28, 2000.

No Parks and Recreation Report received.

Zoning Inspector issued 11 permits, 5 address's and twelve property inspections. Deputy House presented the Sheriff Report.

Motion Fink support Kingsley to approve agenda as presented. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:
Media One Comcast Transfer.
Motion Kingsley support Fink to direct Supervisor and Clerk to sign necessary documentation to agree to the Cable TV Franchise Transfer to adopt resolution as proposed. Roll call, all ayes and carried.

Motion Kingsley support Calhoun to authorize Sup. and Clerk to execute documents necessary to complete purchase of 9.72 acres from May Mast Estate. Roll Call. All ayes and carried.

Prochazka Consent Judgement. Discussion between attorneys. Webster Township VS Thomas Bloom. No additional information. Leavitt VS Webster Township ZBA. No additional information. Designation of Jennings as Natural Road. Denied by Road Commission.

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Will additional land be used for Township purposes? Yes.
Will township need to borrow money? No.
Historical Society would like to pursue grant money to preserve May Mast House and Property.

NEW BUSINESS:
A) Portage Base Lake Sewer.
Motion Fisher support Calhoun to adopt the Preamble and Resolution Portage Base Lakes Sewer Rules and regulations amendment No. 1H. Roll Call, all ayes and carried.

B) Compensation for At Large Representative to DAFO Board. Motion Kingsley / support Calhoun At Large Rep. be compensated same as trustee per meeting. All ayes and carried.

C) Expression of Support for Non-motorized Trail through Webster Township. Motion Fink support Kingsley Supervisor send letter of support for HCMA Grant Application. Carried.

D) Petition for Speed Limit Reduction on Chamberlin Road. Motion Fink support Calhoun Webster Township prepare a request to County Road Comm. to reduce speed on Chamberlin Road and potentially some other roads in township and bring to January Meeting for consideration of the Board. Carried.

E) Appointments to Zoning Board of Appeals.
Motion Fink Support Calhoun to reappoint Richard Kleinschmidt and Donald Heller to three year term on Board of Appeals. Carried.

F) Appointments to Planning Commission.
Motion Kingsley support Calhoun to reappoint Charles Estleman and Jim Burnett to three year term on Planning Commission. Carried.

Motion Calhoun support Fink Township appoint a second Notary Public. Carried. Mariah Howell to be appointed.

Motion Calhoun support Fink meeting adjourn at 9:30. Carried.

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Dated: December 19, 2000 Prepared by: KEUSCH, FLINTOFT & CONLIN, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff BY: PETER C. FLINTOFT, (P-13531) 119 S. Main Street, P.O. Box 187 Chelsea, MI 481189 Telephone: 734/475-8871

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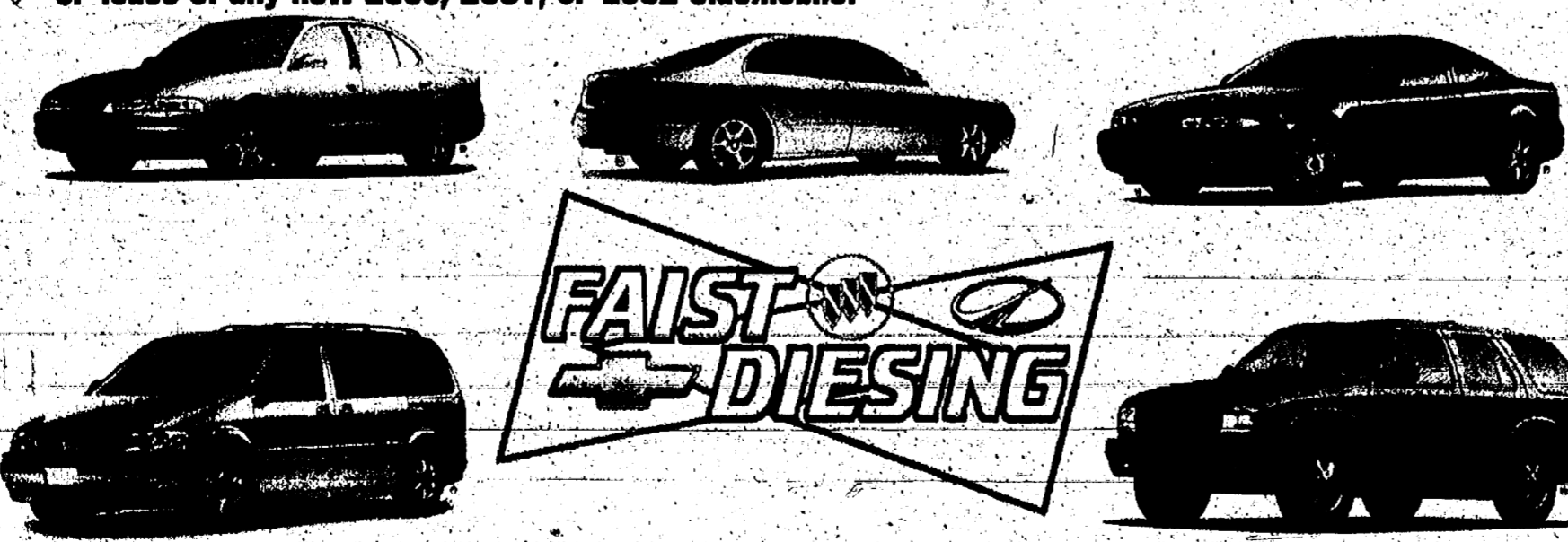
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Feeney, also a founding member of the organization, is the second person to head the Chelsea Community Foundation Advisory Committee. She replaces Walter Hamilton, the organization's founding chair, who will remain on the committee.

Phillips joined the advisory committee last September. Griffiths is the newest member of the advisory committee and is also the president and CEO of Chelsea Community Hospital.

The Chelsea Community Foundation, which is guided by its volunteer advisory committee, was formed through a merg-

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The advisory committee works to support and improve the well-being and quality of life of the Chelsea area by:

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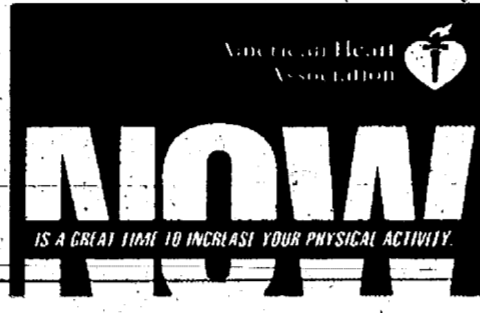
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