



# Newspapers have generated interest

■ *President of newspaper group optimistic about future.*

By Ken Welsch  
Heritage Newspapers

It was born 16 years ago when a few small, community newspapers were brought under the same roof.

It has grown into a commodity that — judging by the reported response of prospective buyers — few would have imagined in 1985.

When it was announced Nov. 2 that Heritage Media — one of the country's most highly regarded weekly newspaper chains and owner of The Chelsea Standard and The Dexter Leader — was for sale, the current economic climate left some people wondering what the response would be.

Less than three weeks later, the answer has been made clear, according to Heritage Media President Fredrick G. Manuel.

"There's been even more interest than we expected," said Manuel, without specifying the size and location of the interested buyers due to the early stages of the buying-and-selling process. "It's been very encouraging."

"Heritage's stature has grown in the industry. It's actually remarkable for a company our size to be so known in this industry."

Citing the worth of the company's multi-winged operation, which includes weekly publications that cover 21 southeast Michigan communities, a production and computer services office in Southgate, and a classified Web-based publication, as well as technological advancements that few larger newspapers employ, Manuel said

Heritage is an attractive company to many.

Crane's Detroit Business magazine publisher Keith Crane agreed. He was a longtime friend of the late Heinz Prechter, who in 1985 bought the papers that merged to form Heritage's core publications.

"Heinz was smart enough to support it, and treasure it, and hire good people to run it, and keep his hands off it," Crane said. "It has blossomed as a reflection of the communities it serves."

"It's going to be a great asset for someone who's interested in that market. It could indeed change the entire Detroit-area newspaper scene, depending on who buys it."

Crane pointed to a once-community newspaper on Long Island, N.Y., that became a daily and is now challenging New York's longtime daily papers. Whether Heritage's new owner takes that route or stays true to Heritage's "small-town" roots remains to be seen.

But Manuel thinks few major changes will take place.

"Any company that acquires us will change some things, but that they would change the core of what has made us so valuable is highly unlikely," he said.

"These newspapers are financially strong. They've never needed outside help. Why would you change an operation that has done so well?"

Manuel said that it is quite possible that Heritage's new owner might be enticed by the company's advanced systems of production, in hopes of employing those same systems at its other publishing properties.

"I met with someone with a paper (far bigger) than us, and

they were at least three years behind us," he said, noting that editing copy from remote offices and having 12 offices electronically linked help make Heritage an attractive operation.

"There is a real value to buying a company with those advances," he added.

As for the impact the sale might have on the Downriver community and Heritage's many other readers in southeast Michigan, Manuel, and anybody else, can only speculate at this point. Much will depend on whether the new owner is local or national, and whether it's a privately or publicly owned company.

And as for the futures of the 300-plus employees who work at Heritage, again much will depend on the eventual buyer. Manuel is not alone in thinking that most employees' jobs are likely safe, and that the future of his own job as president is more in question than any.

"I can't imagine that there would be a significant effect on employees here," he said. "In the end, there is a chance that employees might have even more opportunity because the buyer might be a bigger player than us."

"I would absolutely be the most vulnerable. That goes with the business after you move up over time. Initially, I had some concerns, but I'm less concerned today. I think there's a high likelihood that I'll still be here after the sale."

Manuel, a Saline resident, moved up the Heritage ladder after his own Trenton-based Times Publications was one of the papers purchased by Prechter in the 1980s. The Wyandotte-based News-Herald and Lincoln Park-based Mellus were two of the others. He began as general manager, was later named publisher, and eventually became president of Heritage Media.

Manuel oversaw much of the company's expansion, growth that now includes the Downriver papers Heritage Sunday and The News-Herald. Other Heritage-owned weekly publications serve the communities of Monroe, Grosse Ile, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Milan, Chelsea, Dexter, Saline, Manchester, Belleville and several suburban Flint cities.

The Chelsea and Dexter newspapers were purchased from Walter and the late Helen May Leonard in September 1995.

Greenleaper.com, an Internet classified Web site, was more recently added.

"This is one of the premier suburban newspaper groups in the country," said Owen VanEssen, partner with Dirks, VanEssen & Murray, the investment banker hired by Prechter Holdings, the paper's parent company, to list the chain on the market.

"They publish first-rate newspapers, and they serve excellent markets. I anticipated there would be a good response."



## Tae Kwon Do Winner

Matthew Malone of Chelsea shows off two Tae Kwon Do medals to Mearl Bradley, pastor of the Chelsea Free Methodist Church and a chaplain with the Michigan State Police. Malone, the son of Jack and Karen Malone of Chelsea, won the bronze medal for forms and the silver medal for sparring at a recent tournament in Lansing.

## STRAIGHT FACTS

A story in the Nov. 1 issue of The Chelsea Standard should have said the Sultana memorial that was dedicated Nov. 11 in Hillsdale is being funded by contributions to the Sultana Memorial Fund.

A story in the Nov. 15 issue of The Chelsea Standard should have said Matthew McAtee is

currently playing football at Adrian College.

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## Arbor Hospice to hold volunteer orientation

Arbor Hospice & Home Care is hosting a two-part volunteer orientation at the Arbor Hospice Residence, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, in Ann Arbor.

Session 1 is set from 6 to 9 p.m. Dec. 4. Session 2 will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Dec. 11.

To register or for more information, call the Arbor Hospice

Volunteer Service department at 662-3742, Ext. 143.

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# Students attend citizenship academy

■ *Group tours county buildings, discusses area's needs.*

**By Will Keeler**  
Staff Writer

The future looks bright for Jenna Satterthwaite.

The Chelsea High School junior was recently selected to participate in the Washtenaw County Citizenship Academy.

The academy was created by the Washtenaw County MSU Extension and the 4-H Youth Development Program for high school students to have a hands-on experience in how county and state government work.

Other surrounding counties have citizenship academies, but the Washtenaw County chapter wanted to make some changes and get students more involved.

Last spring, the Washtenaw County MSU Extension asked area schools for applicants and input about a future academy.

A total of 11 students from schools in Washtenaw County were selected. Students represent schools in Dexter, Chelsea, Saline, Ann Arbor, Belleville, Ypsilanti, South Lyon and Grass Lake.

Satterthwaite heard about the program from a school announcement and later spoke to school counselor Susan Ash.

"I think it's good to get involved with things that you believe in and hold in high regard," she said.

In the academy, students are identifying and discussing issues in each teen's community; learning about county departments; meeting county commissioners and state legislators; and working with other students.

"This program will not only allow students to learn about the county but also from their peers," said Caton Gauthier, Citizenship Academy director.

Besides touring county buildings, students will have a chance to discuss and find solutions to pressing issues in their communities.

Satterthwaite said that there are a lot of county-based issues that are important to her. Urban sprawl is one of her main con-

cerns. "Where are we going to fit people and what land should be preserved and especially land for schools?" she asked.

The 16-year-old said that anyone can get involved and help with some of these issues.

"If you stand up and say what you believe in, then others may agree and something might be done," she said.

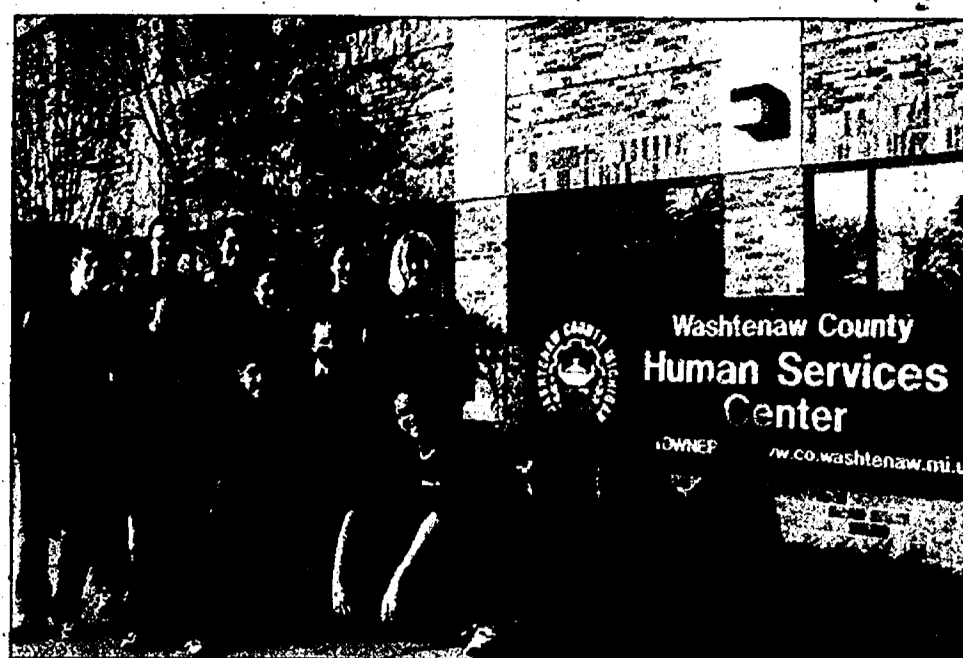
On Nov. 2, the group met with Washtenaw County Administrator Bob Guenzel to get a short overview of the nuts and bolts of county government and its different departments.

After meeting with Guenzel, students spoke with Washtenaw County Sheriff's Lt. Rick Visel and toured the county jail and the sheriff's department on Hogback Road in Pittsfield Township.

Students rounded out the day by meeting with public health officials at the County Human Services offices in Ypsilanti, where they learned about how people can apply for county services.

State legislators will meet with the citizenship academy Nov. 30 to speak about the students' concerns. They will chat with county commissioners at a meeting Dec. 5. The academy will end with a pizza party Dec. 12.

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Members of the Washtenaw County Citizenship Academy toured several county buildings and facilities Nov. 2. Pictured outside the Human Services Center are Sean Hennessey of Ann Arbor, Gabriel Peoples of Belleville, Matt Sowash of Webster Township, Matt Stauffer of Dexter, Olivia Cohn of South Lyon, 4-H Program Manager Maria Haapala, Jessica Lee of Ann Arbor, Renee Thelen of Saline, Jennifer Brock of Ypsilanti, Bonnie Easley-Appleyard of Grass Lake, Jenna Satterthwaite of Lima Township and Jonathan Alef of Ypsilanti.



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The Congdon Quartet will perform 3 p.m. Dec. 2 at the First Congregational Church in Chelsea as part of the finale to the Chelsea Festival of Lights. Angela Leidig (sitting in front), Sara Cumming (center), Ian Cumming (left) and Nathan Peters comprise the quartet.

## Congdon Quartet to perform Dec. 2

As a finale to the Festival of Lights, the Congdon Quartet will perform 3 p.m. Dec. 2 at the First Congregational Church in downtown Chelsea.

The concert is a joint presentation by Chelsea Musical Celebrations and Chelsea Chamber Players.

The Congdon Quartet, Chelsea's own resident string quartet, is known for its vibrant performances.

For its part in lighting up the festival, the quartet, together with Ann Arbor pianist Renée Robbins, will be performing the Dvorak piano quintet.

Also included in the program will be a set of duets for two violins by Bartok and Beethoven's piano trio No. 4.

The Bartok duos, with their sparkling wit, are a cornerstone of the violin literature. Beethoven's piece, written for clarinet or violin with cello and piano, contains slow movements and ends with a set of variations.

To enhance the musical experience, the musicians will provide personal comments about the composers, the pieces and their historical context. In the European tradition, refreshments will be served at the end of the concert.

The concert will be held at the First Congregational Church, 121 E. Middle St., just east of Main Street in Chelsea. The facility is wheelchair accessible and parking is located in any village parking lot or on any village street.

The price of tickets is \$12.50 for adults, \$7 for senior citizens and \$5 for students and children.

Tickets may be purchased in downtown Chelsea at Zou Zou's, 101 N. Main St., the Art and Soule Gallery, 123 S. Main St., the First Congregational Church and at the door.

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# Festival of Lights kicks off Nov. 30

The 14th annual Chelsea Festival of Lights is scheduled to begin 6:30 p.m. Nov. 30 with a tree lighting near the McKune House lot.

Festival-goers can enjoy the sounds of the holiday provided by the Chelsea High School pep band, holiday skits by performers from the Purple Rose

Theatre Co., and the arrival of Santa Claus.

The Festival of Lights, sponsored by the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, runs through Dec. 2.

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## COMMISSIONER

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night. Elie has a medical degree from Michigan State University and a bachelor's degree in physical therapy from the University of Michigan. He is certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine and is a member of the American Academy of

Home Care Physicians, the American Medical Association and the American College of Physicians.

Before opening a practice in Chelsea, he was a staff physician at the Visiting Physicians Association in Southfield and, prior to that, a staff physician for Emergency Physicians Medical Group in Ann Arbor.

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In 1636, in the midst of all these horrors, Pastor Rinckart composed the words to the hymn, "Now Thank We All Our God," a hymn which you wouldn't dare leave out in a Lutheran Thanksgiving service, and one that I believe is known quite well outside the Lutheran Church.

Now thank we all our God, With hearts and hands and voices, Who wondrous things hath done, In whom His world rejoices.

How could he write those words? Was he blind to the troubles around him? Didn't he notice people suffering and dying? Didn't he care? The answer is that

Rinckart was aware that his God was far greater than any troubles occurring on this earth. His faith in the power and love and ultimate victory of his God led him to put the words of St. Paul into practice, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." (Philippians 4:6)

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## PETITION

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through a combination of grants from land trust and conservation organizations, private donations and a millage of up to 2.5 mills for 10 years.

The Committee for Chelsea Park had a meeting planned for Nov. 19 with Barry Lonik, executive director of the Washtenaw Land Trust, to discuss grant availability, Wendy Wallace told the Village Council Nov. 13.

Information from that meeting was not available as of press time Friday.

A preliminary site plan for the proposed subdivision, called The Vineyards, was on last night's Village Planning Commission agenda.

Planning Commission Chairman Chris Rode told the Village Council last week about the preliminary site plan.

"We have a proposal in front of us and we've been working on it for a long time," Rode said.

"This is going to be a very important and far-reaching project," he said.

Rode said that a set of findings will be discussed at the meeting. He said those findings would be used to draft a resolution.

Rode also said that the plan has a 30-acre parcel that could be developed as parkland.

"It all boils down to what your definition of a park is," he said, adding that there may be a possibility of having the smaller parcel deeded to the village.

Rode also suggested the village draft a development agreement between the Village and FFH Enterprises, the developer.

The Committee for Chelsea Park handed the Village Council a letter and fact sheets that state FFH Enterprises' proposal to build 352 new homes on the property could increase the village's population by 25 percent within a few years.

"We already have a number of subdivisions in the works, including Chelsea Ridge (60 homes), Chelsea Fairways (124 homes) and Orchard Ridge (250 condominiums), a total of 434 housing units," the letter states.

"About 800 more homes are in the planning stages, and we could conceivably have more than 1,200 new homes in our village before we know what is happening to us. This could more than double our population," the letter states.

Wallace told the Village Council that for every dollar of residential property revenue, it costs the village \$1.40.

"For every agricultural property, every \$1 of revenue costs the village 62 cents, while for every \$1 in commercial or industrial revenue, it costs the village 28 cents.

"The larger the acreage, the less it costs the taxpayers," she said.

Wallace was quoting from a document supplied to her by the Washtenaw Land Trust.

Council Trustee Brian Cashman asked her to bring documentation of the numbers. He also questioned the millage for the land purchase.

"I've calculated this several times and I've gotten 3.5 mills every time," he said.

Wallace said someone else in the group had done the math.

Council Trustee Jim Myles pointed out inconsistencies in the group's proposal. He said the millage on the petition said 2.5 mills, but the letter supplied to the council said about 2 mills for 10 years.

The group's plan includes the potential for nature trails, soccer and baseballs fields, bike paths, and open land for present and future residents.

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## Curious George Pays A Visit

Curious George, a.k.a. parent Ken Potter, paid a visit to North Creek Elementary School, where he read to several classes, including teacher Martha Piper's kindergarten class and the multi-age classroom of teachers Sandy Lantis and Bev Peebles.

## Scouts to sell wreaths

Boy Scout Troop 425 will be selling Christmas wreaths from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 23 and 24 at Chelsea State Bank at 1010 S. Main St. in Chelsea.

They will also sell the wreaths from 5 to 9 p.m. Nov. 30 in front of Palmer Family Ford-Mercury at 222 S. Main St. in Chelsea.

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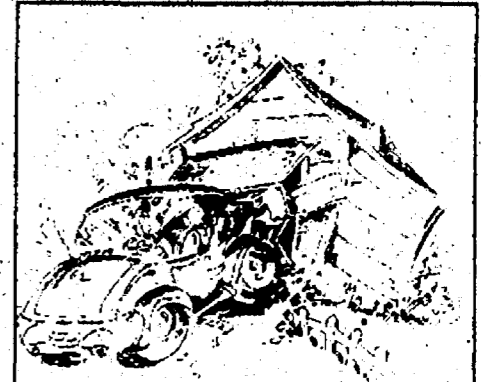


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## CATS closes for holidays

The Chelsea Area Transportation System's nonprofit bus will not be operating for six days between now and the New Year.

The CATS bus will not make its rounds Nov. 22 and 23; Dec. 24 and 25 or Dec. 31 and Jan. 1.



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## VILLAGE

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As of press time, Myers was waiting for a counter offer from the owners.

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It offers 19,251 square feet of

office and engineering space, and 59,828 square feet of warehouse space. Of that, 21,600 square feet has 16-foot-high ceilings, which Myers said would be ideal for the DPW vehicles.

The building, which sits on a little more than four acres, also has three loading docks.

Summer property taxes were \$10,270.31.

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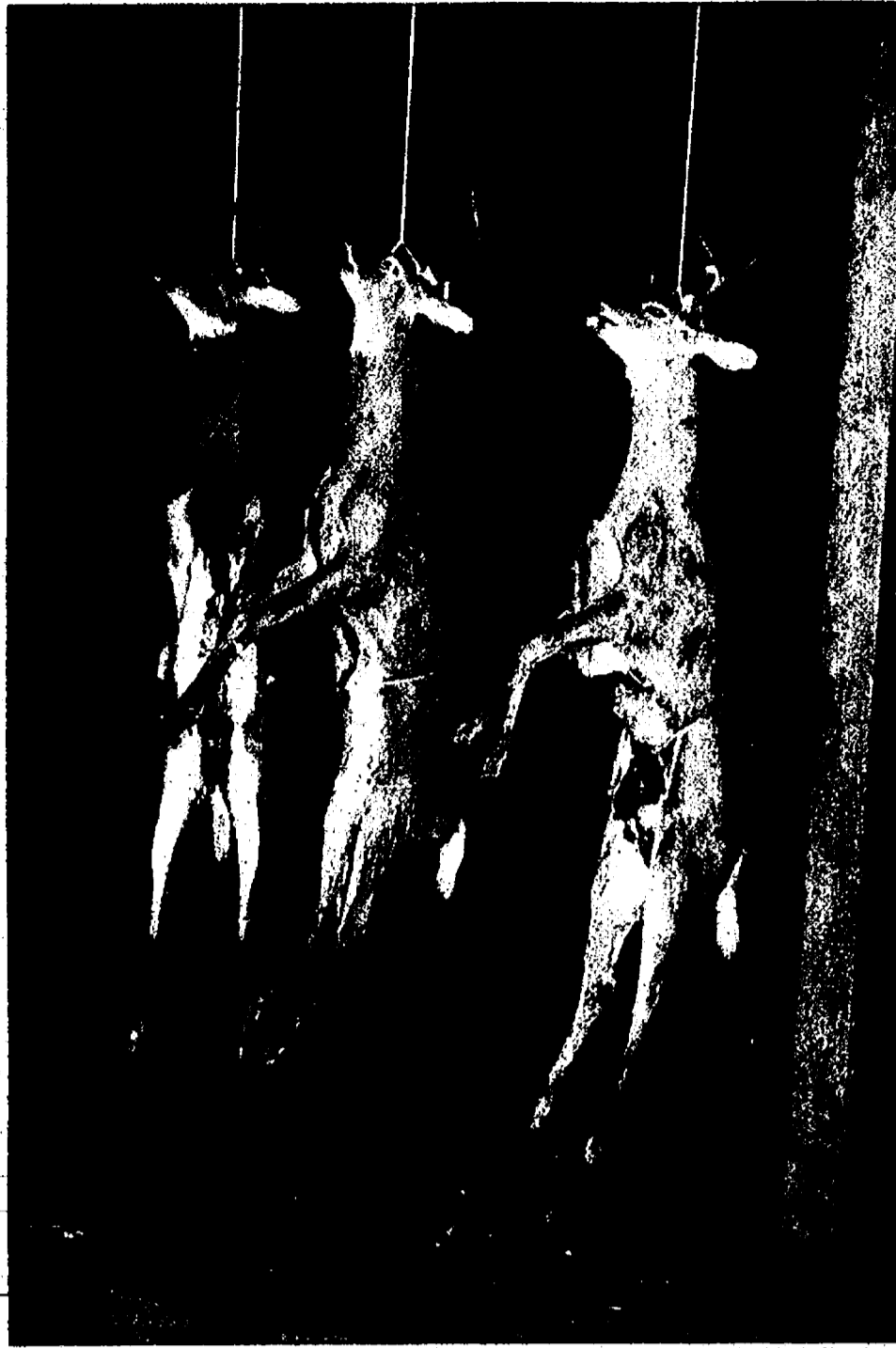


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Firearms deer hunting season got under way Nov. 15, but the buck pole at Mill Creek Sporting Goods does not have as many deer this year because of the warm weather.

## Hunters face unusual climate

Storeowner optimistic for good hunting season.

By Will Keeler  
Staff Writer

Warm temperatures usually bring about a smile for many, but not this year for many deer hunters or a local sporting goods storeowner.

When the firearm deer season started Nov. 15, temperatures in the Dexter area were unusually mild for the season, making it difficult for some deer hunters looking for their prized buck.

"Cold weather and less daylight make deer more anxious and mobile," said Ray Kroske, owner of Dexter's Mill Creek Sporting Goods.

Kroske also said that this time of year is mating season, also making deer more active.

The storeowner said that he could remember about a dozen years ago when the area saw similar warm temperatures.

"I like the warm temperatures, but it would be nice to see some snow for tracking them," he said.

Despite the warm weather last week, Kroske said that business has been good at his store, although he has seen less spectators at his annual buck pole.

"We have seen droves of people, but the spectators haven't seen much on the buck pole," he said.

By Nov. 16, just three bucks had been roped on the buck pole. The buck pole, usually teeming with deer, has attracted protestors, animal rights activists and TV news reporters in the past.

The pole is set up near the sporting goods store to let the carcasses cool and for everyone to see the prized bucks.

PBS sports personality Fred Trost visited Dexter last Saturday to tape his Practical Sportsman show at the buck

## Activities can fill winter months

There are inexpensive and fun things to do for a few hours or a whole day.

By Laura Merte  
Special Writer

For many children, the holiday season is filled with glittery decorations, the anticipation of presents and lots of family time.

When watching "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" and "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas" have lost their attraction and there's just not enough snow for a good snowman, here are some inexpensive excursions the whole family can enjoy.

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To reach Domino's Farms, take exit 41 off US-23. Be warned that this busy attraction may have backed up traffic on the highway.

The display is open from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Sunday through Thursday at a cost of \$7 per car and from 5:30 to 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays at a cost of \$9 per car. Admission to the petting zoo is \$3.50 per adult and \$3 for children ages 2 through 12.

For more information, call 930-4427 or visit the Web site, www.stnicholaslightdisplay.com.

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**Ice Skating**  
The Ann Arbor Ice Cube,

2121 Oak Valley Drive, in Ann Arbor, offers skating. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$3 for youth and seniors, and \$3 skate rental. Public skate is 11 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. Monday through Friday, 12:45 to 2:05 p.m. and 8:30 to 9:50 p.m. Saturday, 1:30 to 2:50 p.m. and 6:30 to 7:50 p.m. Sunday. Call 213-1800 or visit the Web site www.a2ice3.com for more information.

**Buhr Pool and Rink, 2751 Packard Road, in Ann Arbor** also offers skating. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$3.50 for youth and seniors, and free skate rental. General skate is from noon to 1 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, noon to 1 p.m. and 7:15 to 8:45 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, 2:30 to 4:30 and 7:15 to 8:45 p.m. Saturday, and 2:45 to 5:15 p.m. Sunday. Call 971-3228 or visit the Web site www.ci.ann-arbor.mi.us for more information.

**Veterans Indoor Ice Arena and Pool, 2150 Jackson Avenue, in Ann Arbor** offers skating. Admission is \$4.25 for adult, \$3.50 for youth and seniors, and \$2 skate rental. General skate is 1:15 to 2:45 p.m. Friday, 1 to 2:30 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 2:30 p.m. Sunday. Call (761) 7240 or visit the Web site www.ei.ann-arbor.mi.us for more information.

**Optimist Ice Arena, 1300 W. North St., in Jackson**, offers skating. Admission is \$3 to \$5, with a \$2 skate rental. Call 1-517-783-2664 for public skate times.

**Cobblestone Farm**  
Located at 2781 Packard Road in Ann Arbor, Cobblestone Farm offers a variety of family activities to keep you going during the winter. Call 994-2928 or 973-7287 for information.

The Family Dance Series on Sundays (Dec. 16 is the next date) offers square and contra dancing from 2 to 4:30 p.m. for

\$10 per family.

A Country Christmas with music, cooking, decorations, and other holiday activities from the 1850s will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. Dec. 2. Cost is \$2 per person, \$8 per family, with children's crafts and refreshments for sale.

**Museum of Natural History**  
The University of Michigan Exhibit Museum of Natural History maintains an ongoing series of events at the museum and planetarium. On Saturdays and Sundays, sign up for a 30-minute tour of the dinosaur exhibits at 2 p.m. A special "Cosmic Discovery Day" is set from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 8. It will showcase presentations about astronauts and space missions. Activity stations will present rocket models, crafts and experiments.

The planetarium also offers shows throughout the winter. "Season of Light" explores ancient and modern solstice celebrations, including Christmas and Hanukkah.

"Autumn Stars" discusses the stars, constellations, and mythology of the season in this all-ages show. "The Stars of

Winter" are the subject of the live and taped presentation, along with the Greek and Roman mythology often associated with the constellations.

The Exhibit Museum of Natural History is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays. The museum is located at 1109 Geddes Avenue in Ann Arbor; the main entrance is one block west of Washtenaw Avenue.

Admission to the museum and events is free; tickets for the planetarium shows cost \$3 per person and are available for purchase one hour before the show. Groups of 10 or more must call to make a reservation.

For more information call 763-6085 or visit the Web site at www.exhibits.lsa.umich.edu.

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On the first and second Sunday of every month, the historic 1898 Fire Station at 110 West Cross St. in Ypsilanti is open from 2 to 5 p.m. You can explore the antique fire trucks, bells and pictures that show how fires used to be fought.

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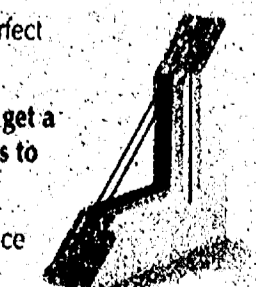
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### Book Store

Liberty in downtown Chelsea, will have a special living story time. The event will feature turkey at 11 a.m. Activities include a team game at 7 p.m. Nov. 28, a rural holiday show 11 a.m. Dec. 1, a musical holiday show 11 a.m. Dec. 8, and more events throughout the month. Check out the Web site [www.borders.com](http://www.borders.com) for more events.

### Space Center

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### Greenfield Village

Holidays are a festive affair at Greenfield Village. Open through the end of the year. From 8:30 to 9:30

p.m. Thursday through Saturday, the village is lit with lanterns for a stroll past authentically decorated homes, carolers, a turn-of-the-century tree lot and more.

The Anderson Theatre in Henry Ford Museum will present a holiday play for children. "The Adventures of the Frog Prince" will be offered at 2:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through December. Call 1-313-982-6001 for more information.

The museum and Greenfield Village are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Combined admission for the two is \$18 for adults, \$16 for seniors and \$12 for youth. Visit the Web site [www.henryford-museum.com](http://www.henryford-museum.com) for directions, ticket information and more.

The movies "3D Mania, Mysteries of Ancient Egypt," and "Shackleton's Antarctic Adventure" are playing until the end of the year in the IMAX theater. Tickets for the theater are \$10 for adults, \$8.50 for youth and seniors. Call 1-313-271-1570 for the latest show times and for more information.

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The main entrance is located at 220 East Ann St., and is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$5 for children, students with ID, and seniors.

### Detroit Zoo

The new exhibit "Arctic Ring of Life" opened in October, offering visitors a close encounter with polar bears, arctic fox, snowy owls, harbor seal, a gray seal and a harp seal. A 70-foot clear tunnel passes through

the exhibit, where families can watch the polar bears and seals as they dive and swim in the water.

Displays within the exhibit illustrate the relationship between the Inuit people and wildlife of the arctic. An ice cave and igloo add to the experience.

The Arctic Ring of Life is located within the Detroit Zoo in Royal Oak, and is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. No additional admission to the Arctic Ring of Life is charged. Regular zoo admission rates are \$7.50 for adults, \$5.50 for students and seniors, and \$4.50 for children ages 2 through 12. Visit the Web site [www.detroitzoo.org](http://www.detroitzoo.org) or call 1-248-398-0900 for more information.

### Frankenmuth

Michigan's "Little Bavaria" is perfect for a family day-trip or weekend outing.

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The all-new River Place near the Bavarian Inn Restaurant and Lodge hosts 30 shops and attractions, including a fun house, teddy bear factory, chocolate and fudge shops, and a free laser light show every night.

To reach Frankenmuth, take US-23 north, merge with I-75 north, to exit 136. Go east two miles to M-83 (Gera Road) and turn left, this will take you to downtown Frankenmuth.

For more information on events in Frankenmuth, visit the Frankenmuth Chamber of Commerce/Convention and Visitor's Bureau Web site at [www.frankenmuth.org](http://www.frankenmuth.org).



Photo by Mary Kumbler

## Mole Day

In honor of National Mole Day, chemistry students at Dexter High School created a variety of moles. Jim Whitehead (left), Lance Thomas and Alex Milks measured the moles of a giant tiger. Bobby Barden measured the moles of a pair of crutches.

## HUNTERS

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However, with the colder temperatures and opening of hunting season comes an increase in deer-car accidents.

Washtenaw County Sheriff's Deputy Connie LeVanseler said that normally with the opening of deer hunting season, the sheriff's department sees a rise in deer-related accidents.

LeVanseler said that only a handful of car-deer accidents have been reported during the first week of firearm deer hunting season. None of the accidents was life threatening.

"You tend to see deer roaming around with cooler temperatures, either early in the morning or in the evening," she said. According to the Michigan National Department of Natural Resources, more than 700,000 hunters took to the woods on opening day. About 25,000 came from Washtenaw and Livingston counties.

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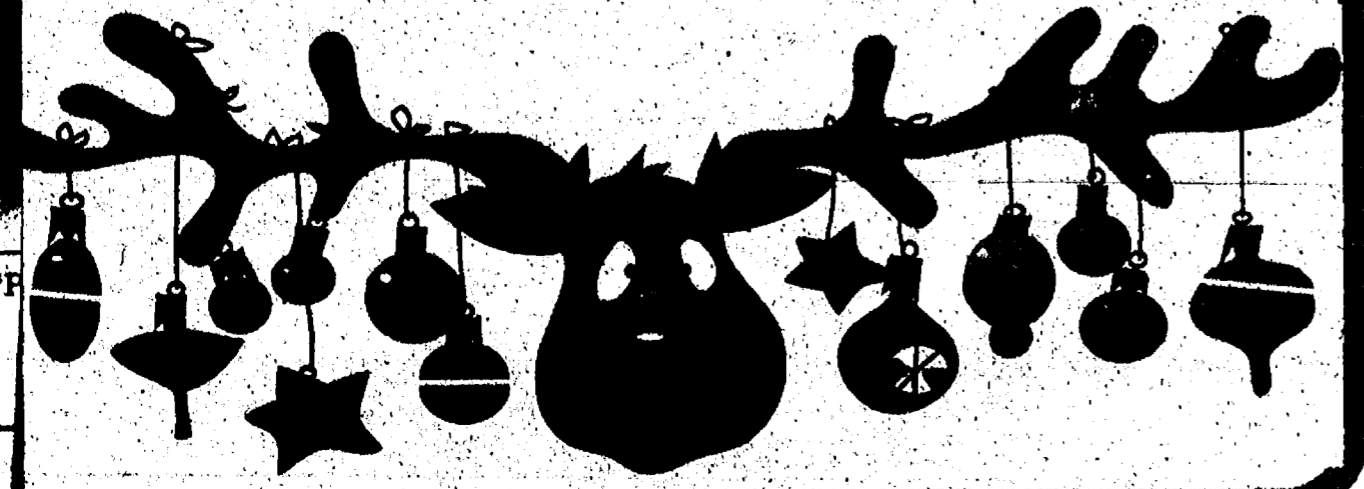
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# POLICE BLOTTER

## Scio Township

### Larceny

Someone stole a \$25,000 check from an office in the 1000 block of Baker Road at about 8 a.m. Oct. 22.

A blank check was taken from the office and later illegally written for \$25,000.

The bank was called to cancel the check.

A tree stand was taken from a hunting location in the 3800 block of Miller Road between Nov. 3 and 7.

The victim last saw the tree stand when he was hunting Nov. 2. Police noticed tire tracks that led to West Delhi Road.

Officers found a crowbar near the location that may have been used to break the lock on the stand.

The stand is worth approximately \$95.

### Driving with a Suspended License

Police stopped a 31-year-old Ypsilanti man at 8:30 p.m. Nov. 7 for not completely stopping at a stop sign.

Officers realized the man had a suspended driver's license. The driver had three prior violations for driving with a suspended and revoked license.

The man's license plate was taken and he was arrested.

### Stolen Vehicle

A 21-year-old Dexter Township woman drove away with a car without the owner's permission at noon Nov. 4 from a construction site near Stonegate and Adrienne lanes.

The victim left his car near the construction site with the woman, a longtime friend. He noticed her drive off with the car when he was on the roof of a house.

The victim said he did not give the woman permission to take the car. The car is worth \$13,000.

### Credit Card Fraud

The manager of All-Around Lawn Care, 7730 Jackson Road, called police Nov. 4 to report that a former employee has been using a company credit card without permission.

The 20-year-old suspect, a man from Plymouth, worked at the lawn care company and quit in September. He did not return the company's cellular phone or credit card, the report said.

Since the man quit, he has reportedly used the credit card numerous times, buying more than \$180 worth of gas and other items.

The credit card and cell phone have been canceled.

### Breaking and Entering

Someone broke into a car that

was parked in the parking lot at Meijer's, 5645 Jackson Road, between 10:30 p.m. Nov. 9 and 2:30 p.m. Nov. 11.

The suspect stole a camcorder, several compact discs and a digital camera from the locked car. There was no damage to the vehicle.

Police did not find any prints on the doors or the trunk.

### Stolen Vehicle

Someone stole a vehicle between 7 and 10 p.m. Oct. 9 from the Lexus dealership, 590 Auto Mall Drive.

The vehicle was later found at the intersection of Goffredson and Warren roads in Superior Township. Someone had set the car on fire.

A Lexus employee left the vehicle at the dealership. The employee was leasing the car and was planning to buy it in December.

### Property Damage

Three paintballs were shot at a home in the 1900 block of South Zeeb Road at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 4.

The owner of the home was in her garden when she heard a group of men in a truck passing by the house. Three blue paint balls were shot at her house.

The woman did not recognize the men or the car.

Damage to the house is estimated at \$500.

## Dexter Township

### Drunken Driving

A 51-year-old Gregory man was arrested at 3 a.m. Nov. 10 for drunken driving near the intersection of Dexter-Pinckney and North-Territorial roads.

Officers noticed that the man had pulled off the road and later sped off.

The driver was eventually stopped and officers could smell alcohol on his breath. They also

noticed that the man's speech was slurred and his eyes were bloodshot.

Police gave the man a Breathalyzer test. His blood-alcohol level was .10 percent. A blood-alcohol level of .08 percent is considered legally impaired.

The driver was arrested and taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

## Dexter Village

### Property Damage

Someone damaged a student's car at Dexter High School, 2815 Baker Road, between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Oct. 10. The 16-year-old student was leaving for the day when she noticed several scratches on both front doors. The convertible roof also had been cut.

Damage is estimated at \$2,000.

### Drunken Driving

A 40-year-old Manitou Beach man was arrested for drunken driving at 2 a.m. Nov. 11 near the intersection of Baker and Dan Hoey roads.

Officers stopped the man after they noticed him swerving across the yellow line. The man and his wife had just left The Alley, 2830 Baker Road, where the driver said they had a drink.

Officers could smell alcohol on the man's breath and gave him a Breathalyzer test. The man had a blood-alcohol level of .16 percent. A blood-alcohol level of .08 percent is considered legally impaired. The man was taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

A 42-year-old Pinckney man was arrested for drunken driving at 2:50 a.m. Nov. 9 near the intersection of Baker and Dan Hoey roads.

Officers stopped the man because he was swerving off the

road and he crossed over the yellow line.

Officers could smell alcohol on the man's breath and gave him a Breathalyzer test. His blood-alcohol level was .13 percent. A blood-alcohol level of .08 percent is considered legally impaired.

The man was taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

### Breaking and Entering

Lawn equipment and tools were taken from a shed in the 7500 block of Ann Arbor Road between 3 and 4 p.m. Nov. 4.

The owner of the shed noticed that the lock was hanging off the shed and later realized the items were missing.

The items include refrigeration gauges, a vacuum pump, an air compressor, a snow blower, a tent and hand tools.

The value of the missing items totals more than \$1,700.

## Chelsea Village

### Harassment

A 58-year-old Chelsea resident called police at 1 p.m. Nov. 11 after her son received several threatening phone calls from a former friend.

The calls were from a 39-year-old Ann Arbor woman. Police warned the woman to stop, but the suspect reportedly continued to call.

### Larceny

Someone drove off without paying for \$16 worth of gas at the

Perky Pantry, 501 S. Main St., 4:45 p.m. Nov. 12.

The gas station employee noticed a woman pump the gas, but did not pay for it at the pump or in the store.

The employee did not get a driver's license number.

Office personnel at Chelsea High School called police noon Nov. 9 to report that \$276 was missing from a safe.

An office worker was preparing a deposit when she noticed that the money was missing. The woman said two of the three bags were missing and the third was empty.

Police could not lift any fingerprints from the safe because people had already touched it.

Several people have access to the room where the safe is located, including staff and alternative education students.

An illuminated advertising sign was stolen from a pizza delivery car at about 9 p.m. Nov. 10 in the parking lot of Ollie's Pizza, 501 Coliseum Drive.

The driver of the car noticed the sign was missing when he returned to his vehicle to make a delivery. The sign is worth \$175.

### Minors in Possession of Alcohol

Police caught two teen-agers who had been drinking alcohol

at 10:30 a.m. Nov. 9 near High School on Freer Rd.

Police were looking for boys because they had run J.B.'s Party Store, 528 N. The store manager wasn't they had stolen anything.

When officers caught they didn't find anything could smell alcohol on their breath.

The two were Breathalyzer tests. The 15-year-old had a blood-alcohol level of .028 percent. The 15-year-old had a blood-level of .076 percent. A blood-level of .08 is considered legally impaired.

Police called their parents and got them.

### Suspicious Incident

A 44-year-old Chelsea called police at midnight to report that a group of teenagers were throwing toilet paper on her house in the 500 Lane Street.

The group had smashed bricks on her porch and was banging on the front door.

When police arrived women's house, they did not find any suspects.

Compiled by Staff Writer Keeler based on reports from Chelsea police and Washtenaw County Department.

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# COMMENTARY

Wednesday, November 21, 2001

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## Street Talk

By Erin Dronen

**"What are you thankful for?"**



"My family."  
Rachel Vreeland  
Sylvan Township



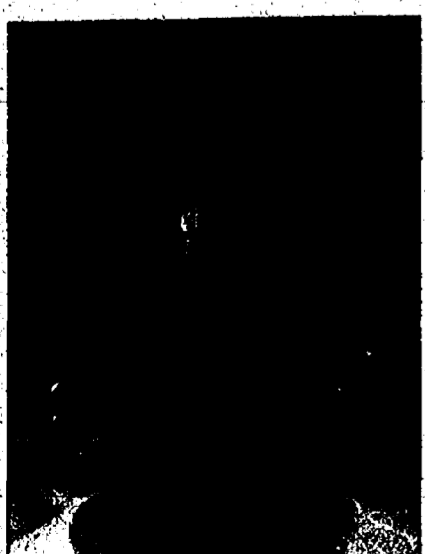
"Everything that has been given to me."  
Emmy-Lou Woodruff  
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"I'm most thankful for cheese."  
Jordann Krumm  
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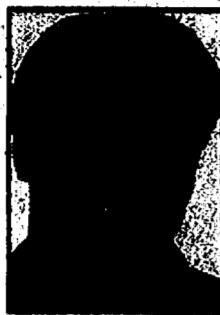


"Trees, all the way."  
Lyndsey Walton  
Sylvan Township



"Probably for my health."  
Rachel Armstrong  
Sylvan Township

## Chelsea is 'front porch' town



GREGORY PARKER

### COMMUNITY ROOTS

"Hi, my name's Greg. I live down the street."

During the past few weeks, I helped circulate a petition for the Committee for Chelsea Park. The petition calls on the Village Council to explore purchasing the proposed Vineyards land and turn it into a park.

I hadn't done this before, and I was nervous about doing so. I didn't want to get tarred and feathered at the suggestion of a potential tax hike. I didn't want anyone to think I'd try to sell them brooms or brushes.

Most were receptive to what I had to say. Some didn't support the idea; some had to think about it. Some had been following the issue in the newspaper. Only one person was rude.

If I had to make any sort of

general observation about my experience, I'd say that most people I encountered were skeptical.

They were skeptical when I appeared at their door. They were skeptical when they opened it.

Only when I identified myself as a homeowner from just "down the street" did I find people get more comfortable with the stranger on their front porch.

I must admit, I'm skeptical of door-to-door solicitors, too. I cringe when strangers appear at my door. I wince in anticipation of being put on the spot.

And 99 percent of the time, my fears are unjustified.

So why am I skeptical? Why do most of us feel that way when strangers knock at our doors?

I think it has much to do with how we define our community, and how society has changed in the last century.

A hundred years ago, America was what I call a "front porch" nation.

When families built detached houses, most of them had front porches. Aesthetically, this was perhaps the most dominant feature of the house. It functioned as a buffer between a family's domestic life inside the house

and the public life outside. It was a place to congregate, a place to meet and greet visitors.

In cities, with attached, semi-private housing, the front stoop or the sidewalk served the purpose of the front porch.

Take a quick look at houses in the village, and it's easy to see that Chelsea was once a "front porch" town. In many ways, it still is.

Many of the people in Chelsea moved here - or remain - because of their strong sense of community, because you're close to your neighbors, because people still walk to the store, because you can sit on your front porch and wave to passers by.

Chelsea may remain a "front porch" town, but it exists in a "garage door" nation.

For many new houses, the dominant aesthetic feature is the garage door. It faces the street; it greets the public. For me, when a garage door is located on the front of a house, it's the first thing I notice. To top it off, many newer houses lack front porches, or they're much smaller than the ones constructed years ago.

Dominant garage doors and minimal front porches symbolize the decline of community in

much of America, a general "turning in" from the outside world to private life.

And the two main causes are televisions and automobiles.

Big surprise, right?

Televisions allowed families to rely less on public entertainment. Why watch local life from your front porch when you can watch the world in your living room?

Likewise, automobiles allowed families to live farther apart, commuting to work alone on freeways.

I'm not a technological determinist. In the past 50 years, millions have willingly - or almost willingly - incorporated televisions and cars into their lifestyles to the point of dependence. Me included.

All of this - this "turning in," this loss of community - was encouraged by and helped create suburban developments without sidewalks, parks and density. In America, this is the norm.

One might even say that suburban development - based on a "garage door" mentality - discourages grassroots activism. It's hard to align with your neighbors when you never see them. It's hard to go door-to-door when

there aren't sidewalks and the houses are a quarter-mile apart.

Chelsea is surrounded by - and partly composed of - a landscape that is almost antithetical to the "front porch" mentality, and it undoubtedly influences us no matter how much we fight it.

So maybe the skepticism I encountered in Chelsea - mine included - is a spin-off of living in a "garage door" nation.

While we're undoubtedly influenced by it, we can't let it take over. If we're going to maintain the strong sense of community that many Chelseans value, we're must take a stand against the "garage door" mentality.

One way is to fight suburban development in Chelsea - development that hinders and discourages a strong community. Another way is to make the effort to create a strong community regardless of our environment.

By doing so, we will not only create a landscape perfect for community building, we'll also build community in the process.

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## I am thankful for the women's movement



SARA RIGGS  
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### MY TWO CENTS

When I was growing up, my family had a Thanksgiving tradition: Before we tore into the plates of food, each of us took a turn at saying what we were thankful for.

To me, this season is always a time of reflection about what I have to be grateful for.

The pilgrims and American Indians who inspired the holi-

day were, of course, thankful for having lived through the previous winter and for having enough food to eat at the end of the harvest season.

These days, most of us don't have to worry if we have enough venison jerky saved up to make it through the winter, and we cite the usual things we're grateful for, like our families or living in a free country.

I'm thankful for all the standard things, too: my husband, my nuclear and extended family, good friends, good health, being in good financial shape.

However, after attending the YWCA Women of Achievement Awards two weeks ago and the opening of the Women's Resource Center at the western campus of Wayne County Community College District

last week, I am especially grateful for the trail-blazing women who have gone before me.

Work still needs to be done when it comes to gender equality. More employers need to implement policies to make the workplace friendlier to the schedules of busy moms and dads.

Some traditionally male careers are still difficult for women to succeed in. Sexual harassment is still a problem in some companies.

Women are less likely to take abuse from a partner, but domestic violence hasn't gone away altogether.

However, many of the really big battles have been fought and won by women now deceased, or by elegant-look-

ing older ladies like many who attended the awards ceremony and the opening of the resource center.

Women's options today were expanded by these older women whom the younger, brasher feminists sometimes disdain as too cautious, too eager to please men, too conservative, too un-hip.

But those "square" older women are the ones who fought for changes in property rights laws, who won women the right to vote, who raised hell when counselors discouraged girls from pursuing higher education.

The women who came before me were the ones who worked for girls' rights to participate fully in sports, the right to be believed and treated with dig-

nity when women report being raped or abused, and many other rights we young women sometimes take for granted today.

During this time when our country is embroiled in a fight against terrorism, I am grateful to live in a free country, and I'm grateful to our founding fathers for enshrining our civil rights in the Constitution.

However, at this time of year, I'm feeling very grateful to the nation's founding mothers as well.

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## Native Americans shouldn't suffer again



PAULA NEWMAN  
HERITAGE NEWSPAPERS

### HOME FRONT

The first use of bioterrorism on American soil wasn't perpetrated by some demented monster sending letters seeded with anthrax spores.

And it didn't sicken and kill a dozen or a hundred or even a thousand people.

Over the years, it annihilated millions of Native American men, women and children.

The history books I learned from in school spoke of smallpox and its devastating effect on Native Americans.

But you won't find anything in the standard school texts about the use of smallpox as a weapon of mass destruction to rid the "New World" of the people who had already lived there for countless generations.

So I was stunned when I recently heard Lucy Harrison, executive director of American Indian Health & Family Services in Detroit, speak of this.

"Our people witnessed the first biochemical warfare in America when smallpox was given to us by soldiers," she said.

What I found out isn't news to Native Americans. But I don't think it's common knowledge to many of the rest of us.

Fay Givens, executive director of American Indian Services Inc., told me of whole tribes of people who were wiped out by

smallpox. Most of the time, it was spread unintentionally.

But sometimes - and this is documented if you look hard enough - it was spread through deliberate acts of germ warfare.

"It's disgusting and it's sad and it's a horrible, horrible history," Givens said. "Why wouldn't there be resentment when we talk about it? Those were our grandparents."

Perhaps American bioterrorism began in the 15th century with Francisco Pizarro, who reportedly conquered the South American natives of Peru with the help of "gifts" of clothing contaminated with smallpox.

In North America during the French-Indian War in 1763, acting under orders from Lord Jeffrey Amherst, British soldiers at Fort Pitt gave blankets from a smallpox hospital to Native Americans who were loyal to the French.

The ensuing epidemic spread throughout the Ohio Valley, decimating the Delawares, the Shawnee, the Mingo and other tribes. More than 100,000 Native

Americans died before the virus had run its course.

In the mid-1980s, more than 265 graves were dug up and moved from a little Indian cemetery in Gibraltar without the permission of the family members whose ancestors were buried there.

Amherst's letters document the deliberate attempt at genocide by germ warfare.

In 1763, he wrote to a colonel at the fort: "You will do well as to try to inoculate the Indians by means of blankets as well as to try every other method that can serve to exterminate this execrable race."

In later years, as white settlers pushed west, American soldiers used the same tactic to kill off Indian populations who had no immunity to the disease.

History tells of the Mandans in 1837 and of their terrible suffering from the disease. When it was over, no one was left to bury the Mandan dead.

Health officials say smallpox, which hasn't been seen worldwide since 1977, kills 20 to 30

percent of its victims. People of European backgrounds have had thousands of years to develop some amount of immunity.

But the toll of smallpox on Native Americans is far worse.

"Once introduced into an Indian village, smallpox usually killed between 50 and 90 percent of the inhabitants," according to "Through Indian Eyes," a 1995 history published by The Reader's Digest Association Inc.

I read the other day of how the government is stockpiling smallpox vaccine in case terrorists once again unleash the disease's fearsome killing power in our nation.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Cost of park more than general budget

The Community Roots article in the Nov. 8 edition of The Chelsea Standard stated that the estimated value of The Vineyards is \$4.5 million and that a 2.5 mill tax over 10 years could finance this. According to a simple spreadsheet function, at 5 percent interest, the debt service for this amount over this term is \$582,771 a year.

The village currently gets

\$159,044 for 1 mill. That means that it would cost 3.84 mills and not 2.5 mills as was stated.

For a \$200,000 house with \$100,000 SEV, this would mean \$364 a year, or about \$114 more than stated.

Perhaps to put this amount in a little perspective, the dollar figure being considered here is nearly twice the village's total general fund budget for a year.

Brian Cashman  
Chelsea

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## Labor of Love

### Residents to showcase their old homes on Twilight Tour



A Twilight Tour Dec. 1 will feature this 1890s Victorian home on Middle Street in Chelsea. It's thought to have once served as the parsonage for the Congregational Church. Owners are Vince and Michelle Elle.

**BY SHEILA PURSGLOVE**  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Chelsea residents compliment Judy and Denny Smith on their house decorations every Christmas.

This year, they'll get to peek inside, too.

The Smiths will be throwing open the doors of their large turn-of-the-century Greek revival house on Orchard Street during the Dec. 1 Twilight House Tour. The tour, sponsored by Preservation Chelsea, is part of the Chelsea Festival of Lights.

"People always tell us how much they enjoy our house decorations at Christmas," Judy Smith says. "We thought it would be fun to be a part of the Twilight Tour this year."

The Smiths have called Chelsea home since 1978, when Denny was accepted into a physician's assistant program in the Detroit area.

They originally thought their stay in Chelsea would be temporary — a minimum of



paint and wallpaper would do the job.

Almost a quarter of a century later, the couple has lovingly restored and renovated the home, with one project leading to another — pulling up old rugs to unveil an oak floor, restoring the original chandeliers languishing in the basement, and removing a wall between the living and dining rooms.

The house boasts architectural gems, including dental cornice molding, four-over-four paned windows, pillars, an unusual transom above the front door, claw-foot bathtub and wall sconces.

An Apple Fan above the front door — a colonial holiday tradi-

tion Judy discovered in Williamsburg constructed of real apples, a pineapple and magnolia leaves — will welcome Twilight Tour guests.

While the Smiths have called Chelsea home for more than two decades, Jan Loveland moved to Chelsea from Oakland County a little less than two years ago.

Loveland, a Cincinnati native, grew up in a home of a similar vintage to her classic American Four-Square cast-block house on East Street.

The home, with an inviting wrap-around porch, was a Sears kit house, offered in 1909 for \$903.

Coal-burning fireplaces — with fairies gracing the original tin fireplace covers — take center stage in the two front parlors.

Visitors will also enjoy the pocket doors, mantel piece with Doric columns, oak style moldings, built-in dining room cabinet, Victorian couch and beveled mirrors.

For the holiday season, Loveland is working with Gigi Batsakis of Gigi's Flowers to create greenery appropriate to the Arts and Crafts period.

"I'll also be displaying family Christmas decorations from my childhood, including a collection of ceramic elves," she says.

Loveland says she was thrilled to find a house in the village itself.

"It's a wonderful experience living in Chelsea," she says. "I love the tempo of life and the friendliness."

When Sharon and Mike Auquier first moved to Chelsea in 1993, they were shown a home

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Judy and Denny Smith will share their Greek revival house on Orchard Street with Twilight Tour visitors. Judy is pictured above on the home's roomy front porch, where a colonial-style Apple Fan above the front door will welcome guests. Jan Loveland is pictured at left on the porch of her South East Street home, a Sears kit house built in 1910. Loveland will display family Christmas decorations from her childhood in Cincinnati.



## Catching up with . . . Zachary Smith plays in Dixie band

**By Sheila Pursglove**  
Associate Editor

Zachary Smith is heading back to Chelsea, bringing his own special brand of music with him.

The 1982 Chelsea High School grad is leader and manager of the Dixie Power Trio, a band based in Washington, D.C., about an hour from his home in Stafford, Va.

The band will perform its special mixture of zydeco, New Orleans jazz, funk and original compositions at the Ark in Ann Arbor Dec. 6. It will be the group's first appearance in Ann Arbor in more than two years.

Smith, the son of Donald and Judith Smith, who still live in Chelsea, moved to the area from Ann Arbor at the age of 6.

After starting with piano lessons in third grade, by sixth grade he was playing trumpet, emulating his uncle, Dave Wolter, former band director at Saline High School.

Smith went on to conduct the

school's jazz band during his sophomore through senior years and was also editor of the school newspaper.

The Dixie Power Trio is not the first band Smith has formed.

"I remember getting together with a bunch of fellow 'band nerds,' writing up a marching drill, rehearsing it, and performing it several times at Chelsea High School basketball games," Smith says. "We called ourselves the Bean Dip Marching Band, for reasons too vague to get into."

"When I think back to that, the first question that comes to my mind is, 'What on Earth were we thinking? I hated marching. I also can't believe that I used to get up and hustle to school by 7 a.m. so I could rehearse with the jazz band before school — and that usually everybody showed up.'"

Smith attended the University of North Texas, joining more than 120 trumpet players in what he calls one of the more competitive music programs in the

country. "It was a humbling experience after being a big dog all through high school," Smith says.

At one point, his trumpet professor even suggested that Smith drop out of the music program.

"Eventually, I improved and worked my way up the ladder. But it took a lot of practice room shedding to get there," he says.

Smith enjoys composing music, although he says his love of television has influenced his writing.

"I once wrote a big-band arrangement of one of my original tunes and took it to the top band at the university to sight read," he says.

"After the band played it, the director turned to me and asked, 'So, Zack, do you watch a lot of game shows?' It took a couple of semesters to live that one down."

However, one of his songs was used on the WB network's TV show, "Eliminate Deluxe" — "so I guess I have arrived," he says.

After graduating in 1986 with a degree in jazz performance, Smith moved to Washington, D.C., to spend several years freelancing with some of the country's best-known musicians.

He played in Harry Connick Jr.'s big band at the Kennedy Center right after Connick had hit it big with the soundtrack to the movie "When Harry Met Sally."

"He was a pretty cool guy and a very impressive entertainer," Smith says.

Famed jazz artist and composer Wynton Marsalis sat in with Smith's group after an afterglow party for Marsalis' award-winning jazz opera "Blood on the Fields."

"He actually had an emissary come up and ask us if it would be OK for Mr. Marsalis to sit in with us," Smith says. "Like we would say no?"

But it wasn't all glamour and fame.

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Musician Zachary Smith, a 1982 Chelsea High School graduate, is leader and manager of the Dixie Power Trio, a band based in Washington, D.C. The band will perform its special mix of zydeco, New Orleans jazz, funk and original compositions at the Ark in Ann Arbor Dec. 6.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## CHELSEA

### Thursday, Nov. 22

Thanksgiving dinner is being served at 1 p.m. for anyone who doesn't want to eat alone. The dinner will be served at the Church of Christ, 13661 E. Old US-12, in Chelsea. For reservations, call 475-8458 or 475-8798 by Monday.

### Friday, Nov. 23

Boy Scout Troop 425 will be selling Christmas wreaths from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Chelsea State Bank, 1010 S. Main St., Chelsea.

### Sunday, Nov. 25

Flu and pneumonia vaccines are being offered by Michigan Visiting Nurses from 9 a.m. to noon at St. Mary Church Parish Hall, 14200 E. Old US-12. Flu vaccines are \$15 and pneumonia vaccines are \$25. Both vaccines are free to those with Medicare Part B. Bring a Medicare card. The clinic is open to the community.

### Monday, Nov. 26

U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers' 8th District office staff will meet with Washtenaw County residents from 9 a.m. to noon at the Chelsea Village Offices in the Chelsea State Bank building, 305 S. Main St. Rogers is also available by phone at his Lansing office at 1-877-333-MIKE.

### Tuesday, Nov. 27

La Leche League of Western Washtenaw meets from 10 a.m. to noon at the First Congregational Church, 121 E. Middle St., Chelsea. Call 475-2094 for more information.

Flu Vaccine Clinic for adults only will be offered from 9 to 11 a.m. by ChelseaCare Home Health, at Chelsea Community Hospital Health and Wellness Center. The cost is \$15 or ChelseaCare will bill Medicare/Medicaid.

### Wednesday, Nov. 28

A Christmas tool sale will be held from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Chelsea Community Hospital's dining room. All proceeds from the sale will benefit the Emergency Room Project. Call the hospital auxiliary at 475-3913 for more information.

### Friday, Nov. 30

Flu Vaccine Clinic for adults only will be offered from 1 to 3 p.m. by ChelseaCare Home Health, at Chelsea Community Hospital Health and Wellness Center. The cost is \$15 or ChelseaCare will bill Medicare/Medicaid.

### Boy Scout Troop 425

will be selling Christmas wreaths from 5 to 9 p.m. in front of Palmer Ford, 222 S. Main St., in Chelsea.

## CHELSEA MISCELLANEOUS

### Thursday

Alzheimer's Association Family Caregiver Support Group meets on the third Thursday of each month from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the Chelsea Retirement Community, Crippen Building, 805 W. Middle St. The meetings are free and confidential. Call the Alzheimer's Association at 1-800-337-3827 or 677-3081 for additional information.

Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meets the third Thursday of each month. For more information, call 475-1145.

Chelsea First United Methodist Church hosts a monthly dinner the second Thursday of the month from 5 to 7 p.m. in Grams Hall at the church, 128 Park St. Call 475-8119.

Little Professor Book Store Reading Group for adults meets at 11:30 a.m. every other Thursday. Call 433-2865.

Senior Nutrition Program meets at noon Thursdays for dinner at the Waterloo Township Hall, 8061 Washington St., in Waterloo. For reser-

ations, call 475-7439 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Tamarack Green Party meets every third Thursday and at other times for special projects. Call Lynn Meadows at 433-9102 for information.

### Friday

Chelsea Arbor Treatment Center offers a Nicotine Anonymous meeting from noon to 1 p.m. Fridays in the center's Community Room, 900 Victor's Way, Suite 310, in Ann Arbor. For information, call 930-0201.

### Saturday

Western Washtenaw Republicans meets 9 to 11 a.m. the second Saturday of the month at Wolverine Food and Spirits on Old US-12 in Chelsea. The meeting includes coffee, pastries and a speaker. Call 475-3874.

### Sunday

The Parkinson Education and Support Group of Washtenaw County meets 1:30 to 4 p.m. the second Sunday of the month. For more information, 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. For information, call Christine Forsch, 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 775 S. Main St. For information, please call Gary Daveal, President, (734) 485-6090.

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, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea. Call 428-0369.

Mystery Book Club meets regularly at 7:30 p.m. on the second Monday of the month at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

### Tuesday

Chelsea Amateur Radio Club (rp: 143.45) meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of the month at UAW Local 1284, 2795 Chelsea-Manchester Road, in Chelsea. For information, call Jeff Cowall (N8KPA), 475-2424 or e-mail jcowall@chartermi.net.

Chelsea District Library Board meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month in the Washington Street Education Center meeting room, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

Chelsea Lions Club meets at 6:45 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays at Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St., Chelsea.

Chelsea Rotary Club meets at 12:30 p.m. every Tuesday in the lower level of the Common Grill, 112 S. Main St., Chelsea.

Discover "Tai Chi" from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. for beginners and 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. for Level II, now through Dec. 4 (no class Nov. 20), at Chelsea Community Hospital's White Oak Center Great Room, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea. Call 475-4103 for more information and registration.

Euchre Party 7 p.m. every Tuesday at the Chelsea Senior Citizen Center in the Faith In Action Building, 775 S. Main St., Chelsea. Call 475-9242.

La Leche League of Western Washtenaw meets from 10 a.m. to noon on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the First Congregational Church, 121 E. Middle St. Call 475-2094.

Lima Township Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month at Lima Township Hall, 11452 Jackson Road,

in Chelsea.

Senior Nutrition Program meets at noon Tuesdays for dinner at the Waterloo Township Hall, 8061 Washington St., in Waterloo. For reservations, call 475-7439 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

### Wednesday

Chelsea Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4076, 105 N. Main Street, 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 meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St., Chelsea. For information, call 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, 805 W. Middle St., in Chelsea. 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, 125 Jackson St. For more information, call Helen Brown at 1-517-522-5859.

Chelsea AA group meetings are scheduled 8:30 p.m. on Mondays at the Chelsea Community Hospital dining room, noon on Tuesdays at the U.A.W. Hall next to the Chelsea Post Office, 8 p.m. Thursdays at the Chelsea Community Hospital dining room and 7 p.m. Sundays at the Chelsea hospital dining room.

## DEXTER MISCELLANEOUS

### Thursday

Dexter American Legion meets 8 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at the American Legion Post, 8225 Dexter-Chelsea Road. Call 426-5304 for more information.

Dexter Rotary Club meets 7:30 a.m. every Thursday at Cousins Heritage Inn, 7954 Dexter-Ann Arbor Road, in Dexter.

Dexter Downtown Development Authority meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at National City Bank, 8123 Main St., 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 Council meets at 8 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month at National City Bank, 8123 Main St., in Dexter.

### Tuesday

Dexter Kiwanis Club meets 6:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of the month at Cousins Heritage Inn, 7954 Dexter-Ann Arbor Road, in Dexter.

Dexter Township Board meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Road, in Dexter.

Dexter Township Zoning Board of Appeals meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Road, in Dexter.

Dexter Township Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and fourth Tuesdays of each month at Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Road, in Dexter.

Dexter Touchdown Club meets every second Tuesday each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Dexter High School media center, 2615 Baker Road, in Dexter. For more information, call Mary Sullivan at 1-810-231-8040 or Kurt Augustine at 426-1979.

Dexter Village Parks Commission meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at National City Bank, 8123 Main St., in Dexter.

### Wednesday

Monument Park Committee meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of the month in the basement of the National City Bank, 8123 Main St. 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, 7305 Dexter-Ann Arbor Road, in Dexter. For more information, call Rhonda Hall at 426-2883.

Dexter Village Zoning Board of Appeals meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month at National City Bank, 8123 Main St., in Dexter.



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Webelos Scouts from Pack 448 recently visited Boy Scout Troop 477 for a meeting. Taylor Biallas (left) and David Willis practice making various knots.

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# WEDDINGS, ENGAGEMENTS



## Quinn, Oliverio wed

Jessica Quinn of Dexter, daughter of Sharon Quinn and the late David Quinn of Dexter, and Benjamin Oliverio of Dexter, son of Joseph and Jenny Oliverio of Dexter, were married Sept. 15 at St. Damian Catholic Church in Westland.

The matron of honor was Jessica Wright of Ann Arbor. The maid of honor was Brooke Stouffer of Dexter and Chad Edwards of Dexter was the best man.

The bridesmaids were Jennifer Guenther of Ann Arbor, Jennifer Buresh of Canton and Pam Feetua of Pinckney. The junior bridesmaid was Kayla Wright of Ann Arbor. Teresa Wright of Ann Arbor and Rachel Quinn of Pinckney were flower girls.

The ushers were Matthew Wright of Ann Arbor, Robert Roscoe of Wixom and Aaron Quinn of Dexter.

Austin Edwards of Dexter was the ring bearer.

The reception was held at the Hawthorne Country Club in Westland. The couple honeymooned in Las Vegas. They reside in Livonia.

The bride is a 1998 graduate of Dexter High School. She works for Livonia Public Schools and is a full-time student at Schoolcraft College studying law enforcement.

The groom is a 1995 graduate of Dexter High School. He graduated from Universal Technical Institute in 1997 with an associate's degree. He is a prototype engine mechanic at Ford Motor Co.

**ENGAGED:** Kimberly Klave of Dexter, daughter of Kerry and the late Billie Sue Klave of Dexter, and Brian Staley of Farmington, son of Dennis and Janet Staley of Whitmore Lake, have set a March 2 wedding date. The future bride is a 1996 graduate of Dexter High School and a 2000 graduate of Washtenaw Community College. She is employed at Klave's Marina. The future bridegroom is a 1993 graduate of Farmington High School and is employed at Staley Asphalt Paving Co.

## Wagner, Maurer exchange vows

Jessica Wagner of Itasca, Ill., daughter of Ronald and Cindy Wagner of Las Vegas, and Timothy Maurer of Itasca, Ill., son of Dale and Eleanor Maurer of Chelsea, were married Aug. 27 in Las Vegas. The Rev. Jerry Stevens officiated.


The maid of honor was Margaret Wagner of Crest Hill, Ill., and Dale Maurer of Chelsea was the best man.

The reception was held at the Top of the World Restaurant in the Stratosphere Hotel, Las Vegas. The couple honeymooned in Las Vegas. They reside in Itasca, Ill.

The bride is a 1993 graduate of Lakeview High School and a 2000 graduate of the University of Cincinnati. She is employed as a store manager for Victoria's Secret.

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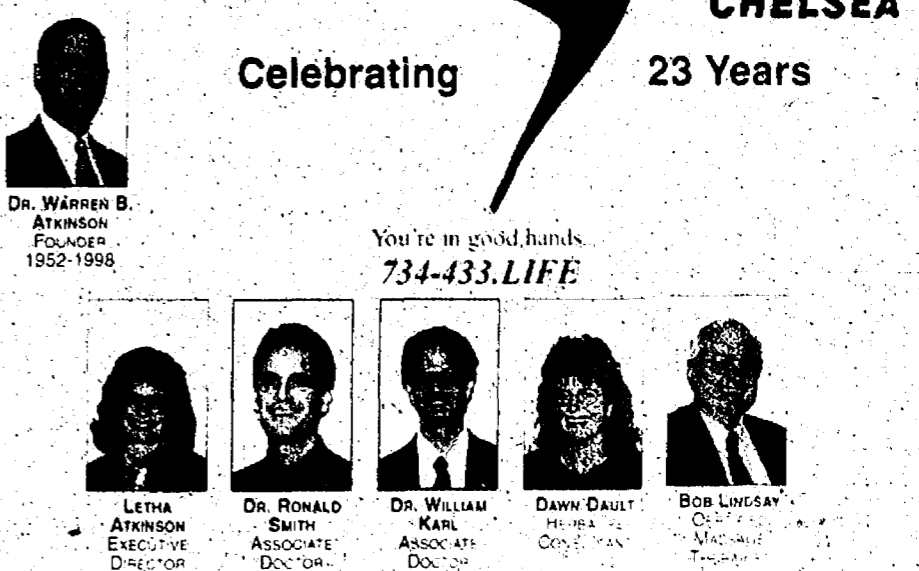
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## TOUR

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on Jefferson Street. While Sharon disliked the small, dark rooms, the illogical traffic flow and the poorly executed addition, her husband fell in love with the carriage house in the back.

The carriage house won out, and the Auquiers moved in. Throughout the years, they have made the home open and elegant by moving doorways, windows and walls, adding a new kitchen, bedroom, bathroom and room with a hot tub overlooking the garden.

Despite modernizing their

home, the Auquiers have preserved or recreated details to reflect the charm of an old house — laying new hardwood floors, recreating trim style around interior doors, adding paned windows in the front rooms.

A block window in the kitchen not only adds light but also highlights a Chinese teapot collection, a memento of time spent in China in the mid-1990s. Mike Auquier's career in the auto industry has taken them to many countries and their home reflects treasures from their travels, including English lace pillows and Belgian plates.

The Auquiers change their holiday decorating motif each

year. This year, visitors will enjoy poinsettias and cloisene, a Chinese art form using copper and porcelain.

Vince and Michelle Elie bought their 1890s Victorian house — possibly once the parsonage for the First Congregational Church — in 2000.

The house, of traditional vernacular cross-gable design, features new oak millwork custom made to match some original millwork still found in the house. Other touches include sliding pocket doors, wainscoting, maple floors and the authentic Victorian-style custom cherry wood cabinets in the

kitchen and bath.

This is the second year Preservation Chelsea — a non-profit organization whose mission is to preserve the historic charm and rural nature of Chelsea — has run the Twilight Tour. Last year, the event attracted 125 people, many from out of town.

"We take great pride in our old homes here in town, they are the major charm of Chelsea," says Carol Rauschenberger, a founding member of Preservation Chelsea. "I think it's important for people to see these are unique houses that can never be replaced. We like to show that people have spent a labor of love taking care of

them."

The guided tour begins at 4 p.m. Dec. 1 at the First Congregational Church, 121 E. Middle St. The church, one of Chelsea's most historic and beautiful buildings, is also part of the tour.

The original church was built in 1852 by Congregationalists who came to Chelsea, from Vermont. When that building was destroyed by fire in 1894, the present church was built.

The building offers an eclectic mix of Romanesque style in its large, semi-circular arches; an Italianate hipped belfry roof; gothic wood tracery in the belfry; and Queen Anne design

influences. The assembly area is a Romanesque amphitheater with curved pews, situated so that the morning and mid-day sun illuminates the stained-glass windows.

After their tour of four houses, walkers will return to the church at about 6:45 p.m. for a brief reception and refreshments.

Tickets, which are limited in number, cost \$15 and are available from Art & Soule Gallery, Zou Zou's, Vogel's and Foster's, Chelsea Pharmacy and the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce office. Proceeds will go to improving Chelsea's parks.

For more information, call Rauschenberger at 475-0527.

## GRAD

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"Sometimes, you can't help but step back when you're playing at a place like the Kennedy Center and be amazed to be playing on the same stage that so many of your musical heroes have performed on," Smith says.

"Then the next day, you're playing the grand opening of a 7-Eleven and stepping in the middle of your solo to hand someone a bag of ice."

Smith also spent a season as music director for Sitmar Cruises.

"It was a great place to make some money and get experience playing professionally," he says. "But eventually cruising got pretty old and I had to move on."

"One of the scariest realities of cruise ships is the fact that in the event of an emergency, the musicians and other entertainers are actually responsible for lowering lifeboats and sending out emergency signals."

In 1990, Smith formed his own band — the Dixie Power Trio — with tuba player Andy Koehenour. The "four-person trio," as they refer to it, includes Wayne Wilkinson on guitar and

Byron McWilliams on drums. Smith plays cornet, accordion and harmonica, and does the lead vocals.

Smith says he picked up instruments as they became necessary for the band's sound, learning to play the accordion two weeks before the band recorded its first CD.

He started "messing around" with the harmonica not long before that, and is an official endorser for Hohner harmonicas and accordions.

The group's debut CD in 1993 was titled "Out of Control." "Greetings from Gumboville" followed in 1995 and "Bad Spuds," in 1999. The group's latest opus, recorded last year, is "Ain't My Fault."

And how does the band come up with their CD titles?

"When you're driving 16 hours to a gig in Wisconsin, you would be amazed at some of the strange ideas you come up with," Smith says.

Smith, whose compositions have been performed and recorded by a number of jazz groups in the Washington, D.C., area, says he sometimes sits at the piano and "noodles around" until he comes up with a song. "Sometimes, one of the guys in

the band will have a lick or idea, and I will take it and build something out of it," he says. "Sometimes, I just steal other people's stuff that sounds good."

Smith has published a method book, "Jazz Essentials," for high school and college jazz bands, and directed the award-winning jazz program at James Madison High School in Vienna, Va.

He and his wife, Barbie, have been married for five years and have a 3-year-old son, Jacoby, named after Smith's trumpet mentor, Don Jacoby.

Smith gets back to visit his folks once or twice a year and says he misses the small-town atmosphere of Chelsea.

"People are much more uptight and not nearly as neighborly here on the East Coast," he says. "The traffic is horrific."

"Thankfully, most of the grocery stores carry Jiffy Mix."

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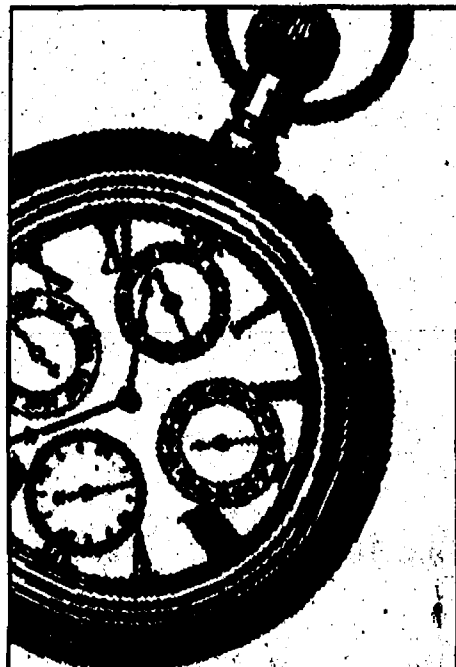
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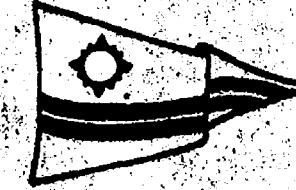
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## Chelsea cagers overwhelm Milan

By Don Richter  
Staff Writer

Behind junior forward Allison Mann's 25 points, eight rebounds and four assists, Chelsea breezed by Milan 57-19 in the Class B district semifinals at Onsted last Wednesday.

"We picked up our defensive intensity in the second half and created some easy basket opportunities," said Chelsea coach Todd Blomquist.

The Bulldogs' first half performance wasn't too shabby, either. After two quarters, Chelsea entered the locker room with a comfortable 23-7 halftime lead.

By the end of the third period, the Bulldogs had upped their advantage to a commanding 44-13.

Besides Mann, senior guard Stephanie Crews, who scored eight points and dished out a team-high seven assists, paced Chelsea.

Other top performers for the Dawgs were junior forward Julia Arnold, who netted eight points and senior forward Connie Kolokithas, who added six points.

On Nov. 9, Chelsea traveled to Tecumseh, defeating the Indians 69-34 in each team's last regular season game.

With the victory, the Bulldogs clinched a share of the Southeastern Conference championship with county rival Dexter.

Last season, Chelsea captured the SEC crown outright.



Chelsea junior Courtney Bentley comes up with the loose ball against Tecumseh as teammates senior Audrey Richardson (left) and junior Sarah Brigham look on. The Bulldogs bested the Indians to wrap up their second consecutive SEC title.

Photo courtesy of Kathleen Brigham

DON RICHTER

### ON THE SIDELINE

#### Frozen snickers, gazelles and warp speed

With Thanksgiving tomorrow, I began pondering what I, as a sports writer, was thankful for.

Here's a few:  
For the girls' swimming and diving programs at both Dexter and Chelsea high schools. It's not often a sports writer gets to cover two of the best teams in the state—both within 10 miles of one another.

For Linda Munson's sense of humor and encyclopedic-like recall of athletes past and present.

For Sue Myers' bubbly personality and ability to fax over deadline-saving athletic information at warp speed.

John Robinson and Wayne Welton never had it so good.  
For the Dexter and Chelsea ADs mentioned above, may you both never leave your posts. Without your time, knowledge and professionalism, my job would be impossible.

For the Speedway in Chelsea. Thank you for Dole Paradise Blend and for frozen Snickers.

For my fellow Spartan at Subway—you go girl! With lines out the door, you must be doing something right. And, no, I'm still not collecting the stickers.

For the crew at Wendy's, I'll take a No. 5, Biggie Size, to go. But you knew that didn't you?

For Busch's in Dexter. Thank you for 24-hour service—a sports writer's dream.

For parents like Pete, Jane, Sue, Jerry, Jim, Kathleen, Janet and Becky. Your help is immeasurable. Parents like you make sports enjoyable to cover and so rewarding.

For my extended eyes Doug and Mary, there's no one better. You two never fail to amaze me.

For Chelsea-Dexter Road. Thank you for being such a lovely ride every day.

For Dexter High School's old gymnasium. Thanks for the memories. Not only mine, but for the countless athletes and fans before me.

For The Harbor, the name being bantered around for the new high school's gymnasium, you're quite an impressive building. May you follow your austere predecessor's stellar example.

For Friday night football in Chelsea and Dexter. For lightning storms, snow showers, rain and even hot, August sunshine, it was a sports writer's—if not a weatherman's—ideal season.

For the gazelles, I mean, cross country runners at Dexter and Chelsea high schools. Where do you get your energy? I know, I know, it's in "the pack."

For the equestrian teams at Chelsea and Dexter. Thank you for all the preparation and care you put into your sport. How such small, petite young ladies can be so commanding is a wonder.

For all the coaches, without whose cooperation and consideration would render this sports section nonexistent. Many thanks.

For Tim, the best mechanic Amoco's ever had. Thanks for going the extra mile. Sorry about U.D. Jesuit beating Brother Rice—it had to happen some time. Don't fret, though, Chippewa Valley will take care of 'em in the semis.

For the Purple Rose Theatre. Thank you Marvin.

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"I am pleased with how the girls responded after we started the season 2-3," Blomquist said. "We set the goal of winning the SEC and we did that."

"We would rather win outright, but we can share this year."

Against Tecumseh, the Bulldogs ran out to a 21-2 first quarter lead.

By halftime, Chelsea had built

an insurmountable 39-11 advantage.

Mann, with 19 points and six rebounds, led the Bulldog attack.

Crews added 14 points and 10 assists.

Senior forward Audrey Richardson and Arnold each chipped in eight points.

On the boards, junior post player Anna Arend hauled

down six rebounds.

In the SEC, Chelsea and Dexter split its two meetings this season. Surprisingly, both squads won on the road.

It was the only loss in SEC play for either team.

On Sept. 13, the Dreadnaughts beat the Bulldogs 34-31.

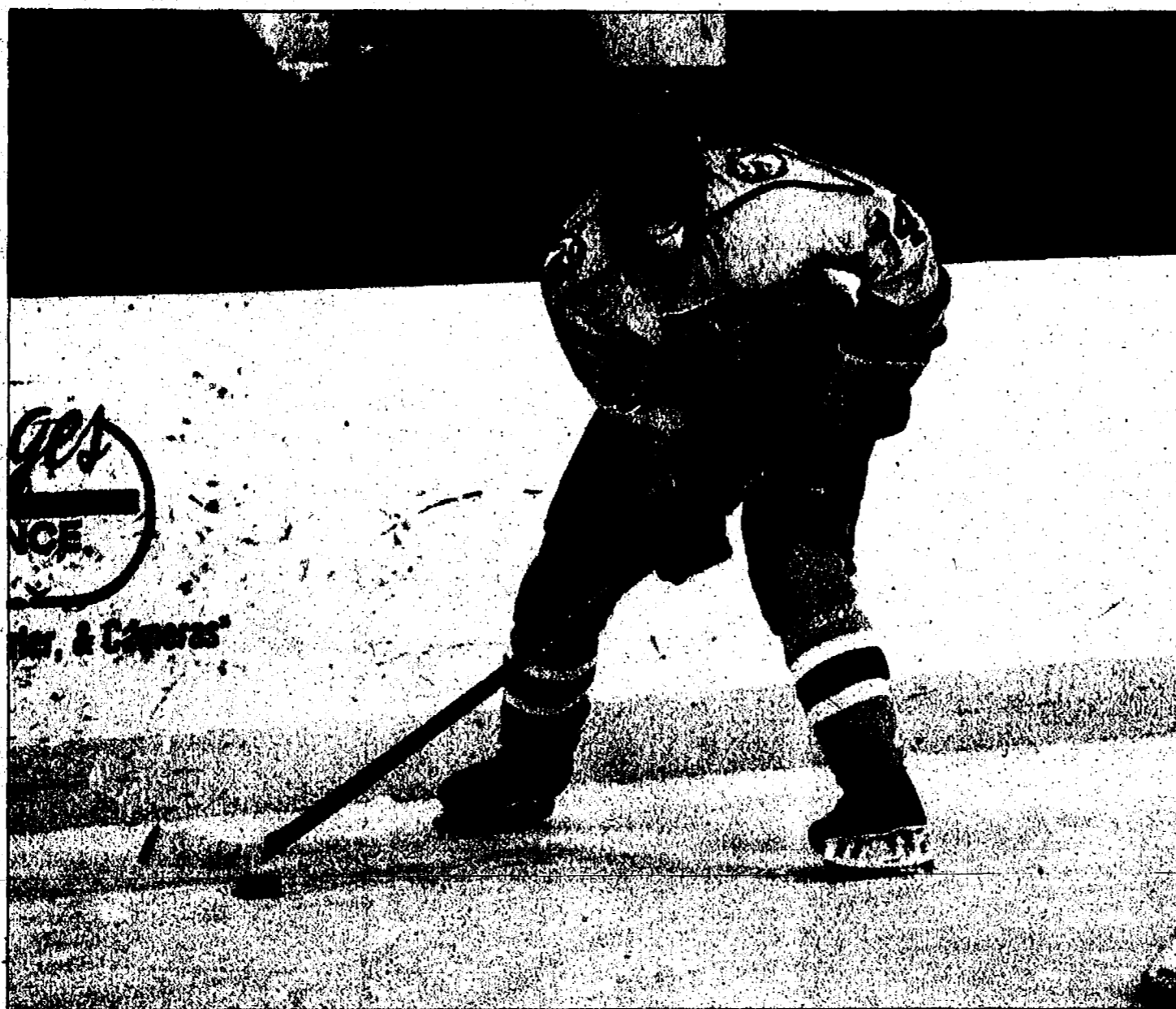
On Oct. 18, Chelsea returned the favor, defeating host Dexter 37-27.

If successful in district play, the Bulldogs will advance to regional action at Tecumseh against the winner of the Dearborn Divine Child district.

Other teams competing at the Tecumseh regional include the Riverview and Gibraltar Carlson district winners.

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## Bulldog hockey begins exhibition season



Bulldog Lee Woodruff looks for an opening to pass against South Lyon.

Photo by Doug Trojanowski

By Don Richter  
Staff Writer

Rev up the Zamboni, lace up the skates and strap on the helmet, it's hockey time.

Chelsea began the exhibition portion of its schedule, hosting South Lyon Nov. 7 and Plymouth Canton Nov. 10.

Though officially no score was recorded, Bulldog coach Don Wright quietly kept tally in his head.

"In scrimmages, we reset the scoreboard after each period," he said. "But we outscored our opponent in both scrimmages."

Wright said he was glad to get back on the ice.

"It felt pretty good," he said. "Everybody was working together."

To be successful this year, Chelsea will have to continue that trend.

"This year, we've got a lot of younger players," Wright said. "We have seven freshmen and sophomores."

"We've got a lot to do to be a good team."  
Against Canton, the Bulldogs' youth showed, as did their resolve.

"We gave up three goals in three minutes," Wright said. "But we came back and worked through it. I was pleased with that."

Wright said the team's youth would be a focus this season.

"The key will be how the younger players develop," he said.

Last year, in its first varsity season, Chelsea was impressive. The Bulldogs skated to a 15-9-1 overall record and an 8-3-1 Southeast Michigan High School Hockey League mark.

The conference championship came down to a winner-take-all battle against county rival Dexter at Veterans Ice Arena.

In front of over 1,000 howling fans, the Dreadnaughts defeated Chelsea 5-1 to capture the league crown.

With the loss, the Bulldogs finished second in the conference standings.

Chelsea qualified for the Division III state playoffs, falling in the first round of regionals to state-ranked Dearborn Divine Child.

This year's regular season opener began last Saturday against Pinckney.

The game, played at Chelsea's Arctic Coliseum, was officially an away contest for the Bulldogs.

This season, the Pirates will play their home games at the Arctic Coliseum.

"It's really not that odd at all."

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## Holdsworth assistant coach of the year

By Don Richter  
Staff Writer

The Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association recently named Chelsea's Fred Holdsworth Assistant Coach of the Year.

Holdsworth, an assistant to longtime Bulldog coach Wayne Welton, was one of eight coaches honored by the MHSBCA.

"They don't come any better than Fred Holdsworth," Welton said. "He's a great model for the kids to be around. They all love him. He's such a tough competitor."

Welton and Holdsworth began working together in 1990.

"He's been invaluable to me, working with pitchers," Welton said. "He's up with me at 6:30 in the morning, when we start working with pitchers and catchers."

Holdsworth, a pitcher in the major leagues from 1972 through 1974 and from 1976 through 1978

with the Detroit Tigers, Baltimore Orioles and Montreal Expos, said he found out about the award two weeks ago after receiving a letter from the MHSBCA in the mail.

"It's nice," he said. "I coach because I enjoy the kids. Coaching helps me stay involved in the game."

"Plus, I have a lot of respect for Wayne."

Holdsworth is the third Chelsea assistant baseball coach to receive the award. Akel Marshall, an assistant for 21 years, and Randy Brier, an assistant for 13 years, also have been honored.

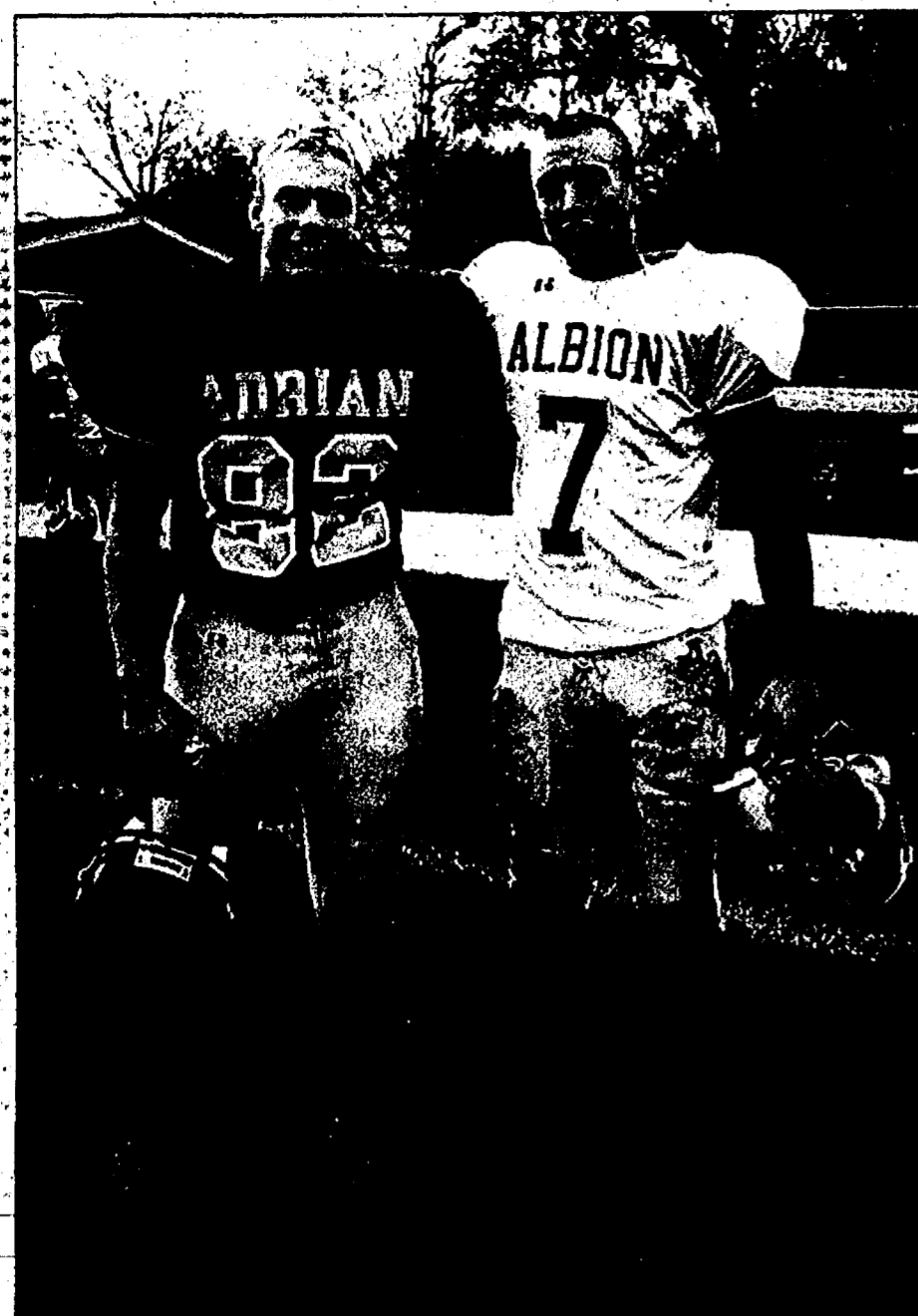
Holdsworth, who signed with the Tigers after a star-studded career at Northville High School, will receive his award at the MHSBCA yearly conference in Lansing Jan. 12.

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Chelsea's Fred Holdsworth (right), pictured with former Bulldog Ryan Hubbard, was recently honored by the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association as its assistant coach of the year.

## Former Teammates



Former Chelsea teammates Matt McAtee (left), a freshman at Adrian, and Cory Picklesmier, a freshman at Albion, get together after facing each other on the gridiron earlier this season.

## HOCKEY

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said Wright, who is also the general manager of the rink. "A lot of rinks host multiple teams. Not every school has its own place to play."

Tonight, Chelsea hosts Dearborn Heights Crestwood in game No. 2 of the regular season at the Arctic Coliseum at 7 p.m.

This weekend, the Bulldogs will host their inaugural Chelsea Thanksgiving Classic.

On Friday, the Bulldogs will play Holland West Ottawa at 7 p.m.

In the Classic's other game Friday, South Lyon will face-off against Lincoln Park at 5 p.m.

On Saturday, the tournament's consolation game is scheduled for 5 p.m., with the championship contest at 7 p.m.

Next Wednesday, Chelsea hosts Saline at 7 p.m.

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Finally, thank you, stomach, for refusing to let the Lions ruin my appetite tomorrow. Pumpkin pie rules!

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## Bagging A Buck



Chelsea resident Chris Lussier recently bagged this 8-point buck with a 22-3/4" inside spread. Lussier was hunting with a bow and arrow in the area north of Dexter.



Waterloo resident Dale Hadley, 29, shows off his nine-point buck that he shot with a bow at Waterloo Recreation Area Nov. 11. It was Hadley's first buck in 14 years.

## Maynard is perfect

Nov. 14 was a good day for John Maynard. No, make that a perfect day. The Chelsea resident recorded a hole-in-one at the Polo Fields Golf Course a week ago today. Maynard aced the 140-yard No. 9 Hole using an 8-iron. Chelsea's Mike Martin, Carl Maynard and David Lawrence witnessed the memorable shot.

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# Travelers should see cheap fares

By Maria McMackin  
Heritage Newspapers

The 102-hour Thanksgiving holiday begins at 6 p.m. today.

Traditionally a time for family get-togethers, those who exercise their freedom to travel might find significant price reductions on airfare, hotels, car rentals and gas prices.

"Despite some low fares, security precautions are high and the number of scheduled flights has been reduced," said Larry Dickens, director of Travel Vendor Relations for AAA Michigan.

"Air travelers need to be more flexible and allow more time."

All of the nation's commercial airports have met the Federal Aviation Administration's heightened security standards, which can greatly increase the time it takes to board an airplane.

AAA recommends arriving at the airport at least two hours before domestic flights and three hours before international flights.

Other travel tips include: Carry two pieces of photo identification with you. Be prepared to provide identification multiple times upon request. In some instances, passengers may

be selected for more thorough screening.

A passenger traveling with an e-ticket should carry a receipt or other evidence of having purchased the ticket. Check with the airline to learn if any other requirements apply.

Examine every item you pack for potential security violations. No knives, razors or cutting instruments will be allowed in the aircraft cabin. Such items may be transported only in checked baggage.

Expect rigorous security checks, including canine patrols and more uniformed security officers. You may be subject to more frequent hand inspections of carry-on luggage. Be patient and understand that these new procedures are designed to help keep you safe.

Electronic equipment, such as laptop computers and cell-phones will likely be checked for normal operation before you will be allowed to take them with you.

No one without a ticket will be allowed beyond the security checkpoint. Provisions will be made for parents who need to meet unaccompanied minors, for disabled people and people with special needs who must be accompanied by health-care

assistants.

Expect heavy congestion in front of the terminals and around curb fronts. Drivers dropping off or picking up passengers will not be allowed to wait. Park in short-term parking and meet your party in the baggage claim area.

Call 1-800-642-1978 for up-to-date parking information at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

Wrap gifts after you arrive at your destination. Security personnel may request that gifts be unwrapped at screening checkpoints.

Stay calm in lines and during inspections. Don't make jokes or take actions that may be construed as threatening.

Those who prefer to drive to their destination, however, will find gasoline cheap and plentiful during the holiday weekend, paying an average 43 cents less per gallon than last year at this time.

The statewide average for self-service, no-lead regular as of Nov. 5 was \$1.18 per gallon.

According to an Auto Club survey, 83 percent of all Michigan travelers will drive to their final destination, an increase of 10 percent from last year.



Photo by Mary Kumbler

## New Third-Graders

Teachers and staff at Bates Elementary School recently welcomed several new pupils to the school when classes began in August. Pictured in the front are Candyce Grainger (left), Jordan Anderson and Tyler Dunham. In the middle row are Kevin Skiver (left), Anne MacLennan, Amber Dostert, Kellie Owsley, Pantea Sokansanj and Michael Kunitz. In the back row are Phillip Stevens, Emily Schubert, Julie Gordon, Beth Pressley, Dorian Scott, Brittany Whittaker, Michael Richter, Ryan Sikorski, Elliot Sabbath and Taylor Garcia.



## Bear Badges

Chelsea Scouts in Den 7 of North Creek Elementary School visited The Chelsea Standard newspaper office Nov. 14 while working on their Bear Badge, Achievement 17, "Information, please." Pictured in front are Matt Malone (left), Kevin Burchett, David Slusser, Nick DeHar and Matt Mills; in back are Bobby Hall, Spencer Knight, Melanie Burchett and Brad Schleicher.

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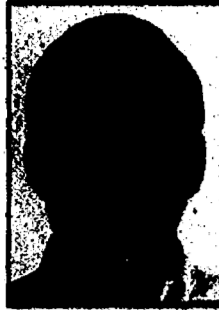
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# Ice dams can damage homes in winter



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How well do you remember last winter? Do you remember the deep snows, cold winds, and lack of sunshine? How about the damage done to many homes by ice dams on the roof? Unfortunately, such dams caused thousands of dollars in damage to homes in this area. How can a homeowner prevent a repeat of this occur-

rence? The best remedy is to improve the insulation and venting of the attic.

Ice dams are formed by the gradual melting of snow on the roof. This happens as heat escapes our homes through the attic and passes through to the roof.

Snow sitting on the roof then melts from the bottom, resulting in water running down the shingles toward the rain gutters. But before it reaches the gutter, the water again freezes. This occurs at the roof overhang, which is colder than the rest of the roof, because it's not warmed by the escaping heat.

Over time, this melting and re-freezing process repeats itself continuously, so that the re-freezing water forms a continuous dam along the edge of the roof. Additional melting

snow gets caught behind the dam, then ponds and backs up beneath the shingles.

The result is water leaking through the roof and into the home, creating all sorts of damage. One warning sign of melting roof snow is the formation of ice cycles along the roof overhangs.

To prevent this chain of events, the best thing for a homeowner to do is to increase the insulation and venting of the attic space.

Ideally, the temperature in the attic should match that of the outdoors. Increased attic insulation will keep more of your heat within the house, and the venting will allow any escaping heat to leave the attic. The roof stays cold, the snow stays frozen, and no dams will form.

Attic insulation can be increased fairly easily in most homes that have easy access to the attic. It is more difficult in homes where no attic access is possible, or with cathedral ceilings.

If the attic can be easily reached, either professionals or the homeowner can add insulation.

How much insulation is enough?

Insulation is measured by R-value, which is a measure of a material's resistance to heat transmission. In this area, an R-value of 38 is recommended for attics. The depth of insulation required to achieve an R-38 varies based on the type of insulation used.

Additional benefits of the increased insulation are a warmer home in winter, a cool-

er home in summer and a decrease in energy costs. Over time, the cost of the insulation will be paid back in energy savings.

Ventilating the attic is also important. Adequate ventilation will keep the attic temperature closer to the outside temperature, and will keep moisture from being trapped.

The homeowner should not close off any roof vents at any

time of year. Too much humidity trapped in the attic can lead to the delamination of roof sheathing, peeling paint and the eventual rotting of the roof framing.

Richard Morse is a Dexter Township resident, architect, licensed builder and owner of Inside Out Home Inspection Service Inc. He can be reached at 424-9069 or at insideoutinspect@aol.com.

## Festival of Lights starts Nov. 30

The 14th annual Chelsea Festival of Lights is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 30 with a tree lighting near the McKune House lot.

Festival-goers can enjoy the sounds of the holiday provided by the Chelsea High School pep band, holiday skits by performers from the Purple Rose

Theatre Co., and the arrival of Santa Claus.

The Festival of Lights sponsored by the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, begins at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 30 and runs through Dec. 2.

For a schedule, call 475-1145 or go online to www.chelsea-web.com

**DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE**  
 WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2001 AT 7:30 P.M.  
 AT DEXTER TOWNSHIP HALL,  
 6880 DEXTER-PINCKNEY RD., DEXTER, MI. 48130

**AGENDA**  
 1) Concerns with Zoning Ordinance, Harley Rider's 2/24/00  
 2) Commercial District Discussion  
 3) Policy Direction For Township General Development Plan

John Gillespie, Chairman

**LYNDON TOWNSHIP NOTICE TO RESIDENTS PUBLIC HEARING**  
 WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2001 AT 4:30 P.M.  
 LYNDON TOWNSHIP HALL  
 17751 N. TERRITORIAL ROAD, CHELSEA, MI 48118

**AGENDA:**  
 1. An application for a Variance from the Private Road Ordinance by John Kasparek of 3440 Coon Road, Gregory, MI 48137 (parcel # 05-02-305-007 & 05-02-305-008). Mr. Kasparek is planning on having a home built on his parcel. Written comments may be sent to Lyndon Township Clerk, Janis Knieper, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI 48118.  
 The Lyndon Township Board will provide, if time after the request allows, necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids or services to individuals with disabilities at the public hearing.  
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Village Administration

**VILLAGE OF DEXTER PUBLIC NOTICE**

Scio and Webster Townships are collecting the balance of the Village's General Operating Millage in December of 2001. An error in the Village General Operating millage collected in the summer is being corrected. The balance of the general operating millage is .7865 mills. This millage is being collected on your winter tax statement.

If you have questions about the corrected general operating millage for the Village of Dexter, please contact Donna Euresse, Village Manager at 426-8303.

**DEXTER VILLAGE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING — OCTOBER 22, 2001**

Pledge of Allegiance  
 Call to Order  
 President Coy, at the National City Bank Building, 8123 Main Street, called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M.  
 Present: Coy, Hale, Huddleston, Kimmel, Seta  
 Absent: Hall, Walters  
 Also present: Village Manager Euresse, Zoning Officer Zelkainis (Mr. Hall entered the meeting at 8:05 P.M.) (Mr. Walters entered the meeting at 8:24 P.M.)

**Public Hearings**  
 1. Resolution Amending the June 25, 2001, Resolution Which Established Millage Rates for 2001-2002  
 The hearing was opened at 8:02 P.M. There were no citizens who wished to speak. The hearing was closed at 8:03 P.M.  
**Approval of Minutes**  
 -Moved Kimmel, support Huddleston to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2001, regular meeting as presented.  
 Ayes: Coy, Hale, Huddleston, Kimmel, Seta  
 Nays: None  
 Motion Carried

**Approval of Agenda**  
 Added under New Business Item 2. Village Services to Residents on Private Drives  
 -Moved Huddleston, support Hale to approve the agenda as amended.  
 Ayes: Coy, Hale, Huddleston, Kimmel, Seta  
 Nays: None  
 Motion Carried  
 (Mr. Hall entered the meeting at this point -- 8:05 P.M.)

**Non-Arranged Citizen Participation**  
 -E. Abramson, representative from the Red Cross, gave Council an update on activities and assistance given following the 9-11-01 terrorists' attack and thanked the Village for its support of the Red Cross.  
 -G. Cantor, 8258 Huron, stated he has presented the Village with an estimate of fees for the removal of trees which over hang his house and that he believes the tree to be dangerous for him. He requested the Village take action.  
 -R. Darr, 7428 Wall Ct., spoke in favor of the installation of an American Flag in Peace Park.  
 -D. Kapala, Shield Road, expressed his opinion regarding the meaning of the Flag and its proposed placement in Peace Park.  
 -D. Stortors, 779 Kookaburra, offered her support for the installation of a Flag at Peace Park.  
 -L. Pommerville, 7630 Fifth, Parks Commission Chair, declared his respect for the American flag and posed questions regarding the placement of the flag in Monument Park, stating he is not sure what need must/will be met regarding the placement of the flag in this area. He cited different uses of the Village Parks and requested clarification from the Council.  
 -B. Stortors, 7799 Kookaburra, stated his opinion that the flag should be put in all Village Parks.  
 -N. Walker, 7901 Ann Arbor Street, requested Council to set a procedure for consideration of the matter and implored Council to let the process be harmonious. She further stated her hope that the issue at hand would not turn Peace Park into a war park.  
 (Mr. Walters entered the meeting at this point -- 8:24 P.M.)  
 Communications - packets contained the 8 items listed on the agenda.

**Approval of Bills & Payroll**  
 -Moved Kimmel, support Huddleston to approve bills and payroll costs in the amount of - \$321,012.07 dated October 22, 2001.  
 Ayes: Coy, Hall, Hale, Huddleston, Kimmel, Seta, Walters  
 Nays: None  
 Motion Carried

**Reports**  
 1. Washtenaw County Sheriff's Report - Sgt. Treaster presented the September report.  
 -Moved Seta, support Hale to receive the September Washtenaw County Sheriff's Report for filing.  
 Ayes: Coy, Hall, Hale, Huddleston, Kimmel, Seta, Walters  
 Nays: None  
 Motion Carried

2. Engineering Update - Scott Westover gave the OHM report. Many projects are nearing completion and the final major project that will begin is the re-building of the intersection of Dexter-Ann Arbor and Dan Hoey Roads.

3. Zoning Officer - written report included in meeting packet.  
 4. Village Manager - Manager Euresse, requested input from Council regarding a request from Mr. McMurry that the prohibition of on street parking on Huron view Court be lifted to allow said parking.  
 -Moved Kimmel, support Hale to direct the Village Manager to inform Mr. McMurry that the Huron View request for on-street parking is denied.  
 Ayes: Coy, Hall, Hale, Huddleston, Kimmel, Seta, Walters  
 Nays: None  
 Motion Carried

Negotiations for a 3-year contract have begun. The DPW and Village Manager are working on refuse contract figures.

**Consent Agenda**  
 1. Appointment of A.J. Hale to represent the Village on the UATS Policy Committee  
 2. Approval of Request from Dexter Community Band to place temporary signs in the Village to publicize coming free music concert.  
 -Moved Walters, support Kimmel to approve the two items listed on the consent agenda.  
 Ayes: Coy, Hall, Hale, Huddleston, Kimmel, Seta, Walters  
 Nays: None  
 Motion Carried

**Old Business**  
 1. Consideration of Resolution to Amend 2001-2002 Millage Rates  
 Moved Kimmel, support Huddleston to adopt the Resolution to Amend the 2001-2002 Millage Rates, dated October 22, 2001.  
 Ayes: Coy, Hale, Hall, Huddleston, Kimmel, Seta, Walters  
 Nays: None  
 Motion Carried

2. Consideration of Flag in Peace Park  
 -Moved Huddleston, support Seta to form a subcommittee comprised of members of the Parks and Planning Commission to study the most appropriate placement of a Flag on the east side of town in the Peace Park area.  
 Ayes: Coy, Hall, Hale, Huddleston, Kimmel, Seta, Walters  
 Nays: None  
 Motion Carried

**New Business**  
 1. Consideration of Parks Commission Appointments  
 -Moved Walters, Support Seta to approve the appointment of J. Duetsch and C. Burton to fill vacant Parks Commission seats and to re-appoint Nancy Walker and Karen Jovenally to the Parks Commission with terms expiring April 30, 2003.  
 Ayes: Coy, Hale, Hall, Huddleston, Kimmel, Seta, Walters  
 Nays: None  
 Motion Carried

2. Village Services to Residents on Private Drives  
 Presentation was made by J. Seta, who stated that the Village currently picks-up twigs and bagged leaves from public areas. He further requested that the Village leaf vacuum be operated on private drives as well. The subject was referred to the Village Manager for investigation.

**Non-Arranged Citizen Participation**  
 -N. Walker, 7901 Ann Arbor Street, offered thanks to Trustee Walters for his comments regarding the need to have faith in the Village Committees and Commissions and the work they do. She further stated that if Council has no faith in the Parks Commission, why should members serve?  
 -V. Dunbeck, 7205 Wilson, expressed his concern regarding speeding traffic at Wilson and Dexter-Ann Arbor and stated he believes a stop sign is necessary at that location.

**President's Report**  
 -President will meet with WCSD Under-sheriff and Manager Euresse regarding police coverage in the Village.

**Adjournment**  
 -Moved Seta, support Huddleston to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 P.M.  
 Ayes: Coy, Hall, Hale, Huddleston, Kimmel, Seta, Walters  
 Nays: None - Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,  
 Donna L. Fisher, Village Clerk

Filing Approved: 11-12-01

**DEXTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE**  
 TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2001 AT 7:30 P.M.  
 AT DEXTER TOWNSHIP HALL,  
 6880 DEXTER-PINCKNEY RD., DEXTER, MI. 48130

**AGENDA**  
 1) Fox Ridge Site Condo, Preliminary Site Plan  
 2) Concerns with Zoning Ordinance, Harley Rider's memo 2/24/00  
 3) Commercial District Discussion  
 4) Policy Direction For Township General Development Plan

John Gillespie, Chairman

**VILLAGE OF CHELSEA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING — OCTOBER 23, 2001**

Present: President Steele, Village Manager Myers, Village Clerk Branson  
 Trustees Present: Trustees Cashman, Hammer, Myles, Ortring, Ritter, Schumann  
 Absent: None  
 Others Present: Jim Drollett, Michael Priest, Chen Albertson, Ann Feeney, Howard and Pam Holmes, Gary Adams, Lyn Arons, Diane Kyte.  
 President Steele called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.  
 Motion by Hammer supported by Ritter to approve the Consent Agenda with one correction to the Minutes of October 9, 2001, page 2, paragraph 5, change Brian Cashman to Trustee Cashman. All Ayes. Motion carried.  
 Motion by Hammer supported by Schumann to approve the Regular Agenda with the addition of Consent and Agreement Resolution regarding Consumers Energy and Authorization for Village President and Clerk to sign the Joint Settlement Agreement with Townships under New Business. All Ayes. Motion carried.

**Audience Participation:**  
 President Steele asked for audience participation.  
 Cheri Albertson, Elm Street resident, spoke regarding the presence of a court reporter in the audience at the last Planning Commission meeting who was hired by the developer of the Merkel property to record the proceedings. She considers this to be community level intimidation. She asked that the Council remember that the residents are their constituency.

**Correspondence:**  
 President Steele brought to the attention of Council the following correspondence: Memo from Village Manager Myers regarding information from Peter Filloft, email from Michigan Municipal League regarding revenue sharing, letter from Merrill Crockett regarding Farmer's Market, letter from MDEQ regarding inspection of the landfill, letter of resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals from Tom Begres, letter from Washtenaw County Emergency Management Division regarding letters with Nigerian postmarks, current REU schedule, draft of letter from President Steele to the State Boundary Commission, letter from Jim Myles, Chamber of Commerce minutes, DDA minutes from regular and special meeting, fax from MML and letter sent to Dale Schumann from AATA.

**Report from Council Committees:**  
 Ann Feeney reported that the DDA will be transferring the property on the corner of Orchard Street and S. Main Street to the Chelsea District Library.  
 Trustee Schumann reported that he and Trustee Ritter attended the CATS bus meeting. He urges Council to approve the bill from AATA. The increase this year is due to fact that the passenger fares are not increasing. The ridership in this segment is not high so the cost is being passed on to the Village. He asked for clarification that the Purchase of Service agreement is with AATA and the donation of \$4,000.00 to CATS are two separate items. Discussion regarding CATS and AATA took place.  
 Trustee Schumann also suggested that the Village renew its efforts in the area of Civil Defense to insure our water and electrical systems are safe. Village Manager Myers said those efforts are underway.

Trustee Cashman reported he and Trustee Ritter attended the Recreation Council meeting. The Recreation Director has submitted his resignation. The Recreation Council would like to resurrect the Recreation Planning Committee, as provided for in the Ordinance. Trustee Ritter said the School Board may be asking for a millage for recreation and pointed out this position (Recreation Director) would report to the School Board.

President Steele said he went to Lansing with Kathy Hunt to pick up the award the Village received from the Governor's office regarding physical fitness. He also congratulated Chelsea Community Hospital on the award they received.

**Reports from Village Officers:**  
 James Drollett, Planning and Zoning Administrator, reported the Planning Commission is recommending denial of two rezoning requests from Mr. Riemenschneider and Mr. Papo. These will be forwarded to Council at the next meeting.

**Unfinished Business:**  
 Motion by Ritter supported by Hammer to remove final approval of final plat for Chelsea Fairways from the table. All Ayes. Motion carried.  
 Motion by Cashman supported by Hammer to grant final approval of the final plat of Chelsea Fairways subdivision and authorize the Clerk to sign the mylar. All Ayes. Motion carried. (Conditions of Approval attached as Appendix A)  
 Motion by Ortring supported by Hammer to accept the ballot as presented for the election of eight Board of Directors for the Michigan Municipal League's Liability and Property Pool. All Ayes. Motion carried.

**New Business:**  
 Diana Kyte spoke to Council as a representative of the Committee for Chelsea Park. She referenced several sections of the Comprehensive Plan and stated The Vineyards does not comply with the Plan. She said many residents have come together and want to file a petition to indicate their wish that the land be purchased by the Village for a recreation/nature park. Trustee Cashman asked if the property owner was willing to sell. Ms. Kyte said he hadn't been approached yet, but she would contact him tomorrow. Much discussion took place.  
 Cheri Albertson and Lynn Arons spoke in favor of purchasing the land for a park. Howard Holmes said he was at the last Planning Commission meeting and he understood that there were many studies yet to be completed in regards to this subdivision.  
 Village Manager Myers outlined possible tax/fee increases the residents may be facing in the near future: need for new Village hall and police headquarters, CAFM millage, library millage, Board of Education recreation millage, increased recycling assessments, water rate increases. New developments proposed just outside the Village will impact our streets and schools. Houses would generate tax dollars, a park would not.  
 Trustee Myles suggested that the Committee talk to the property owners to make sure they are willing to go forward with this plan for a park. He would like to see petitions signed by a quarter of the citizens. President Steele said the Committee needs to find out the cost of the property and see how that translates into a millage increase.  
 President Steele announced that Kathy Carter has resigned from the Planning Commission. In the past vacancies on the Planning Commission have been advertised in the paper in April and May and interviews are then done. If a vacancy occurs mid-term then he consults his list of those previously interviewed. Dr. Vincent Elle was interviewed last spring. Dr. Elle is still interested in the position and President Steele asked that the Council consider appointing him to fulfill Ms. Carter's term. Trustee Ortring moved to table the appointment until the next meeting and invite anyone from the Committee for Chelsea Park to submit a letter of interest. Motion supported by Myles. Much discussion took place. Trustee Cashman asked if Dr. Elle is aware of the commitment involved. Trustee Myles would like to see the resumes of the applicants. Motion modified by Ortring to include the resume of Dr. Elle in the next meeting packet and ask Dr. Elle to attend. All Ayes. Motion carried.  
 Motion by Hammer supported by Myles to approve the Consent and Agreement Resolution. All Ayes. Motion carried. (Resolution attached as Appendix B)  
 Motion by Ritter supported by Myles to authorize the President and Clerk to sign the Joint Settlement Agreement. All Ayes. Motion carried. (Agreement attached as Appendix C)  
 Motion by Hammer supported by Ortring to go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing potential purchase of property at 9:07 p.m. Roll Call: Ayes: Ortring, Ritter, Schumann, Steele, Cashman, Hammer, Myles. Nays: None. Motion carried.  
 Motion by Hammer supported by Ortring to come out of Closed Session. All Ayes. Motion carried.  
 Motion by Hammer supported by Schumann to authorize Village Manager Myers to negotiate for the purchase of the property at 140 Buchanan Street to a level not to exceed what the realtor has suggested is possible, contingent upon a complete mechanical inspection, a Phase 2 Environmental Study and a thorough examination of the roof. All Ayes. Motion carried.  
 Motion by Hammer supported by Ortring to adjourn regular session. All Ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.  
 Approved: November 13, 2001

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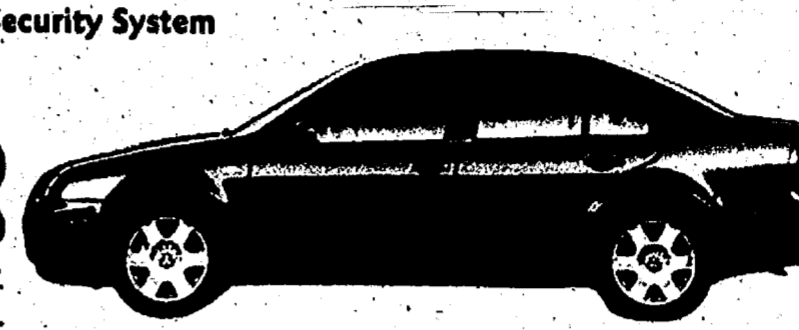
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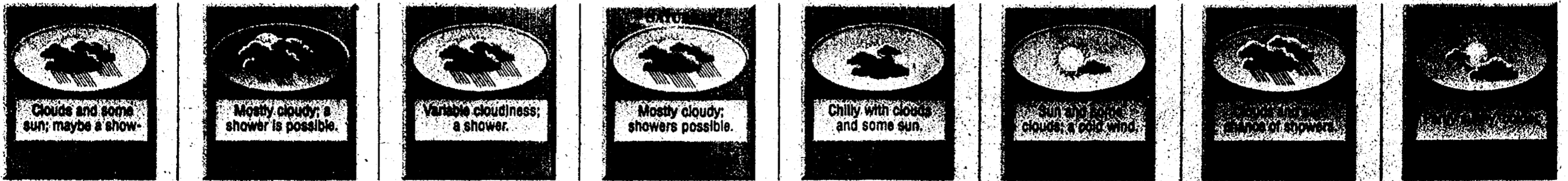
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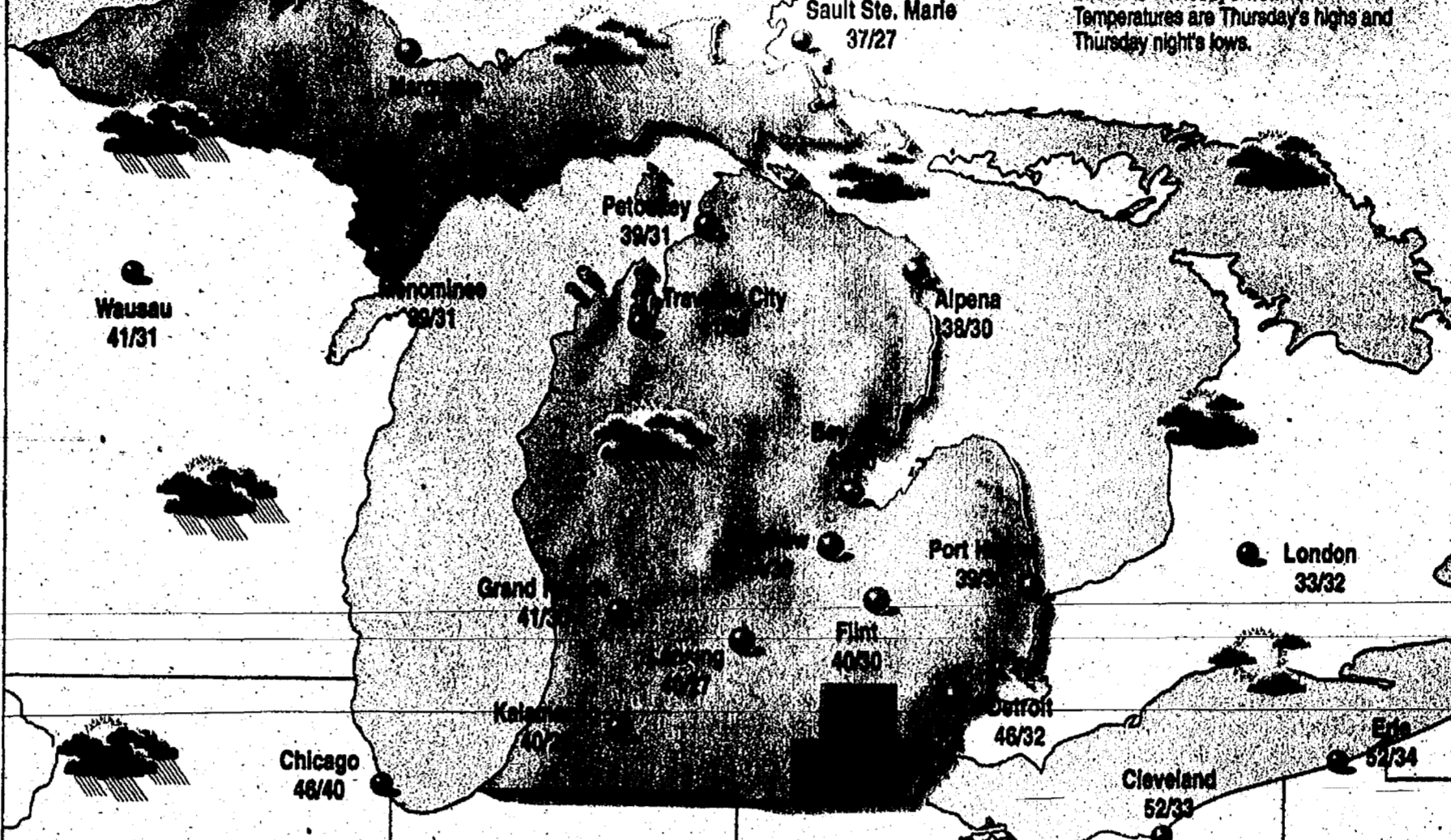
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Dearborn	44	32	47	37	49	37	48	30
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Grand Rapids	41	30	42	35	43	34	43	34
Holland	42	31	44	36	47	37	45	35
Jackson	40	29	41	33	46	35	45	32
Kalamazoo	40	28	42	34	43	35	43	35
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Midland	40	31	41	33	43	34	44	35
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Port Huron	39	30	43	32	44	32	47	29
Saginaw	44	30	40	32	48	34	44	32
Sturgis	41	30	43	35	45	37	45	30
Toronto	32	30	38	34	38	34	40	29
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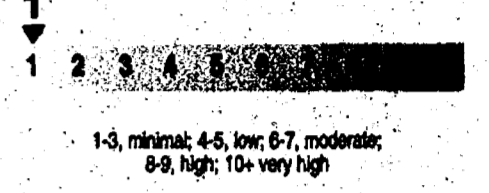


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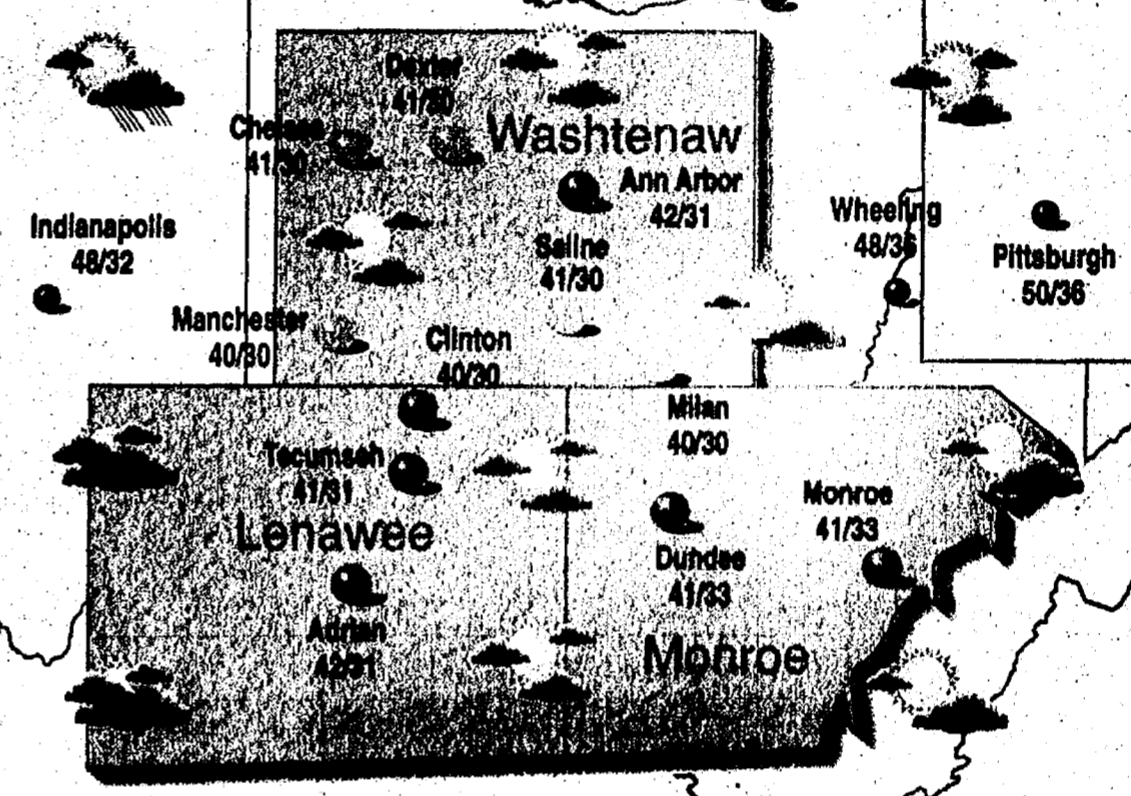
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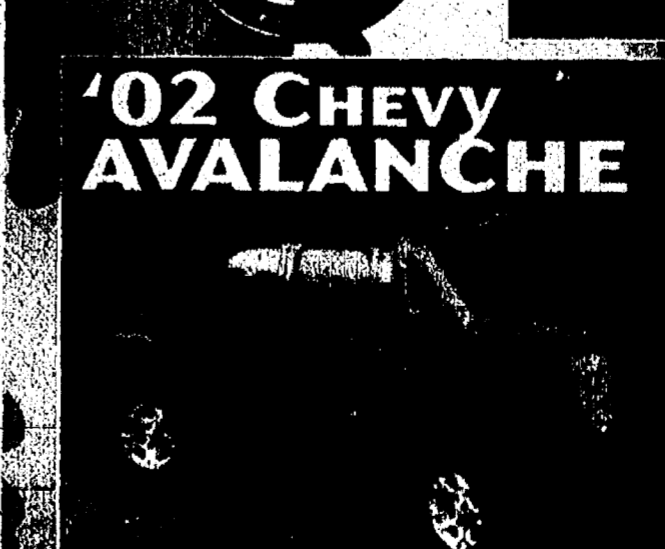
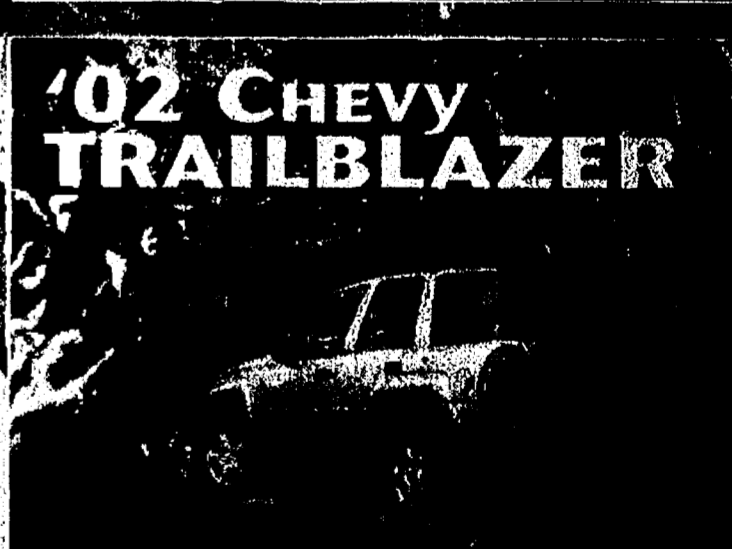
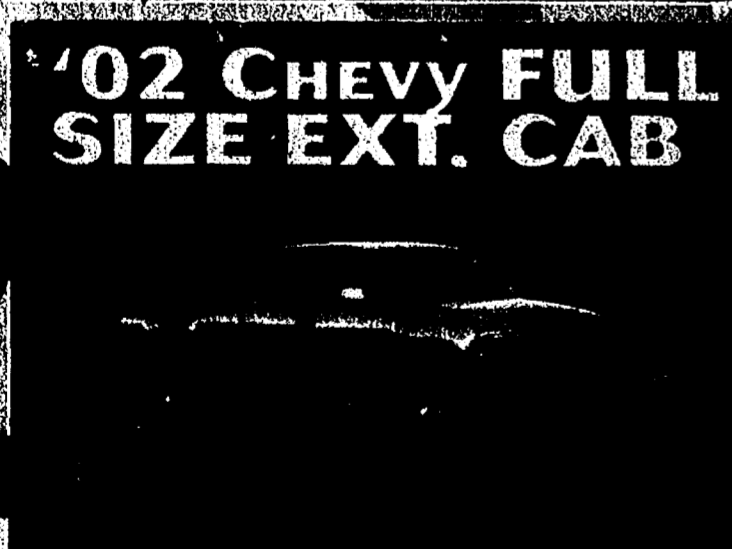
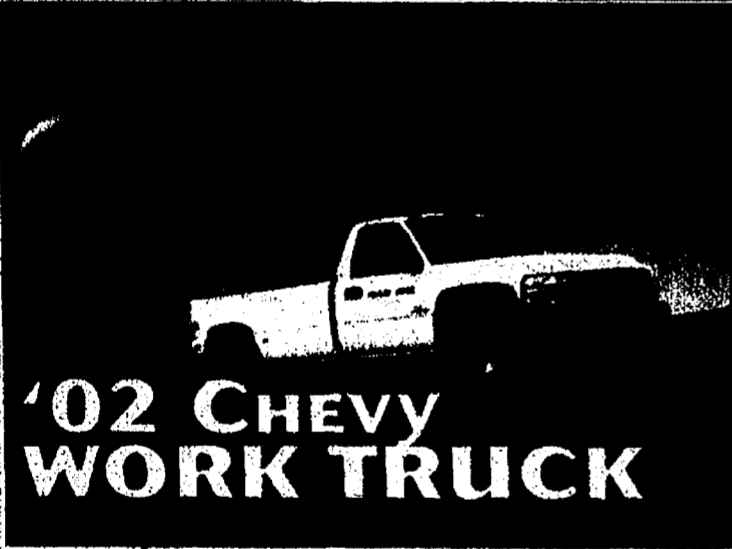
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Baltimore	48	29	48	28	48	21	38	18
Bismarck	38	28	43	21	38	18	35	24
Boise	50	32	44	28	44	30	43	17
Casper	46	28	44	22	40	20	36	16
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Chattanooga	50	28	46	24	40	20	32	20
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Columbia	47	36	50	36	51	28	51	42
Dallas	66	44	66	48	68	48	68	53
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## Holiday Entertaining & Gift Giving

# Local parades herald start of holiday season

By Connie Maked

Heritage Newspapers

The Milan Area Chamber of Commerce has its holiday parade plans well underway for a spectacular night of holiday cheer and fes-

tivities Dec. 1. The lineup begins at 5 p.m. with the parade to follow at 6 p.m.

"All the plans seem to be going pretty well. We've got the reindeer again this year that will bring Santa into town," said Chad Nyitray, Chamber president.

Harmony Acre Arabian Horses will be featured, attired in Arabian costumes. Other equine acts, such as the Garden Gate Drill Team also will perform during the parade.

"They are so cool," said Nyitray. "They have eight horses that do a drill routine when they stop in the middle of the road. It's very impressive and organized."

SO FAR, THE Chamber Parade Committee has four walking units lined up to participate, including the Milan High School Marching Band.

"We have more than eight floats so far registered and 11 vehicles, including Miss Washtenaw County," said Nyitray. "The parks and rec departments will showcase its new dump truck all decked out in lights. We've received many donations from many local area businesses to help make the event a success. Twilight Flights will be on hand to show off the blazing burner that shoots flames into the air downtown. It's amazing and it gets pretty warm when they walk by. I think, as always, it's going to be an exciting time. The kids will be able to visit with Santa Clause after the parade. Candy will be passed out along the route."

AID IN MILAN will have a float

this year as well. People can bring cans of food, mittens and hats with them to the parade. Milan cheerleaders will gather items for Aid In Milan from parade-goers during the parade.



Annual holiday parades throughout the area attract children of all ages.

The Chamber still is looking for parade entries as well as volunteers to assist with the lineup. Call Sherri Horvath at 439-7453 for more information or to assist.

"Every year the parade seems to grow and we're looking forward to another joyous event to kick off the holiday season in Milan," said Nyitray.

The annual Holiday Parade in

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# Holiday Entertaining & Gift Giving

## Garden treasure yields gift ideas

By Kym Boelter-Muckler

Special Writer

Roses are beautiful to the eye, intoxicating to the senses and are the undisputed grand dames of any table arrangement. But what do you do with them, once they've lost that fresh luster in the vase?

Don't toss out those rose petals, before reading how to make these nifty gifts.

### Rose sugar

- 1 c. granulated sugar
- 1 rose head, any variety
- 1 decorative jar that will hold 1 cup of sugar/ with tight fitting lid

Carefully remove all petals from the rose and place them attractively in the bottom of the decorative jar. Fill the rest of the jar with the sugar. Shake the jar a couple of times. After a week or so the sugar will have absorbed the essence of the rose.

Rose sugar is sweeter than regular sugar and deliciously fragrant. Wrap a nice ribbon around the jar, and add it to a basket for a friend who enjoys tea. Adding a few packages of specialty teas to the basket and a mug make a beautiful personal gift for a friend.



### Rose perfume

This is the same perfume that ladies of fashion wore centuries ago.

- Ingredients:
- 6 cups of rose petals, no stamens
- 6 cups of water
- 1 large aluminum pot
- Cheesecloth
- Funnel
- Perfume bottle with a tight fitting lid

Put all ingredients into the pot and bring to a boil. Then turn heat to simmer and cook for 2 hours. Strain the liquid through the cheesecloth several times until all pulp is removed. Let the perfume cool completely before pouring into a decorative perfume bottle.



### Rose Water

Rose water is a staple found in most European and Italian homes. Rose water adds a light, sweet aroma to breads, pastries, glazes and teas.

- 5 or 6 rose petals
- 1 gallon of mineral water
- 1 gallon glass container with a tight lid.
- 1 aluminum pot that will hold a gallon of water

Add the rose petals to the water and boil for fifteen minutes. Remove petals from water after cool. Pour water into the glass container and use as needed.

### Rose Beads

Some people believe that these beads were used to make the original rosaries, hence the name "rosary."

- Ingredients:
- 6 to 8 cups of rose petals
- 10 cups water
- 1 aluminum pot
- 1 tablespoon of glycerin
- Colander

Combine all ingredients in the pot and bring to a boil for 1 minute. Turn down to low and slowly cook for 3 or 4 hours until most of the water has evaporated and the petals have formed a paste. Pour mixture into a colander to get rid of excess moisture. When the paste is cool enough to touch, form small beads, and use wooden toothpicks to make the holes. Note: if the paste doesn't

stick together, add a teaspoon more of glycerin. Let the beads completely dry overnight then string into a rosary or necklace. When the beads come into contact with body heat, they will emit the aroma of roses.

### Rose Potpourri

- 4 or 5 cups of dried rose heads
- Favorite container

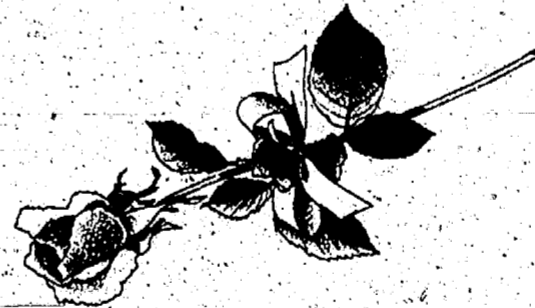
Pour the rose heads into a basket or decorative jar. Add scented oil for a stronger smell.

### Decorative Rose Topiary

Materials:

- 1 3-inch clay pot
- 1 Styrofoam ball, about the size of a tennis ball
- 1 8-inch long, 1/2 inch dowel rod, painted brown or green
- Spanish moss
- Florist foam
- Hot glue gun
- Approximately 40 tea rose heads

Fill the clay pot with florist foam. Glue the top of the foam with Spanish moss to cover. Center the dowel in the center of the pot and place in the florist foam. Use glue to cover the Styrofoam ball with Spanish moss. Glue the entire ball with the rose heads, and fasten to the top of the dowel rod. Tie a ribbon around the pot.



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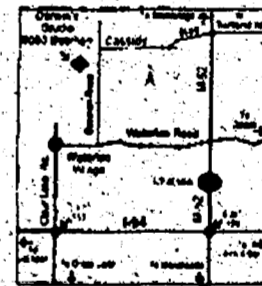
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## Holiday Entertaining & Gift Giving

# Expert tips for the holiday tree

Did you ever wonder why those beautiful Christmas trees in store windows, magazines and floor displays looked so much different than your tree at home?

Why they reached out and made you stop and stare, ohhh and ahhh at their dazzling glimmer?

Did you ever examine these exquisite trees for ideas and when

you tried them at home it just didn't look the same?

There is a trick (or two) of the trade in decorating Christmas trees and Minn.-based Midwest of Cannon Falls, a leader in the giftware industry, is willing to reveal some of their top secrets to you. With 13 showrooms across the U.S. and one in Hong Kong, these

experts have holiday trimming down to a science.

### 1. SELECTING A TREE

Remember it will have a visual impact and be the focal point of your room throughout the holiday season. The size of your tree will partially be determined by how much space you have in your room, but also keep in mind these factors to enhance showing off your ornament collection. The more branch tips on the tree, the more ornaments you can hang.

If you want an informal look, choose a tree with long needles and upswept branches. For a formal appearance, select a tree with short needles and horizontal or downswept branches. If you are purchasing an artificial tree you should take storage into consideration and choose a tree that allows you to store it with the lights attached.

### 2. LIGHTING THE TREE

A general rule of thumb is to use one strand of lights per foot of tree. Of course the simplest way is to purchase a pre-lit tree that is hinged for easy storage. But if you are starting from scratch, remember the lights should be strung throughout the tree, not stretched over the tips of the branches. Tuck your lights around the trunk, weave them in and out of the length of the branches to give the tree depth. Keeping the amount of lights uniform throughout the tree is important.

### 3. ADDING GARLAND

There are several ways to place garland on a tree. The most traditional is to swag your garland, beginning on the bottom, at the back of the tree. Swag the garland from tip to tip, using 12" to 20" swags, depending on the width of the tree and then twist the garland on each tip.

The swags should become smaller as you go up the tree. Other styles are to double swag the garland with one row falling lower than the other or to spiral the garland at an angle on the tree.

There are also many types of garland to choose from. Midwest of Cannon Falls suggests everything from traditional berry or gold leaf

garland to elegant Vintage blown glass beads and stretches your imagination with designs of fish, sporting equipment or gumball garland.

### 4. USING FILLER

Filling the spaces inside the tree creates an enchanting look from the inside out. This is the step that many household tree decorators don't know about. Filling inside spaces adds interest and compliments the overall mood of the tree. You can use ornaments, ribbon, garland, fruit, toys, mirrors, small gifts, cards or pinecones, whatever fits your theme.

### 5. THEMING YOUR TREE

To make a strong statement, it is important to choose a dominant subject or color for your tree. Most trees look best with a balance of texture, shape, size and color but this should be tied together with one element being dominant.

For example, if your existing ornament collection has no theme, you can create one by introducing a significant quantity of one color or shape.

### 6. DESIGN

Repetition establishes design and can help create the theme of your tree. Using different shapes in the same color or repeating the same texture in different colors also works.

Midwest of Cannon Falls makes choosing ornaments easy by categorizing their products into themes that can mix and match with each other, such as the antique look of Christmas Past blending with the nostalgic toys of Santa and Friends or the elegant old world sporting look of Stag's Head Inn and Pine Tree Lodge.

The key is to keep your theme in a basic motif — outdoors and nature, angelic and romantic, folk art and handcrafted, Western and Southwest, antique glass and heirlooms, nostalgic and family, etc.

### 7. HANGING ORNAMENTS

First you must determine how many ornaments you will need for the size of your tree. Chris Tkachuck, visual manager for Midwest of Cannon Falls says it's not an exact science, but she uses a rough formula to achieve the look

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# Light festival is a Chelsea tradition

The 14th annual Chelsea Festival of Lights will be held from Nov. 30 through Dec. 2.

"The entire town will be decked out in its holiday finest," said a festival spokesperson.

The festival kicks off with a tree lighting ceremony Nov. 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the corner of Orchard and Main streets.

On Nov. 30, activities will include cookie decorating, visits with Santa, a community sing-along, craft making and live Creche Tableau with readings.

The First Congregational Church will offer a glimpse of the Nutcracker Ballet while the Youth Dance Theatre will perform vignettes of the time-honored classic. Festivalgoers can decorate cookies and enjoy hot chocolate while waiting to see the performance.

People also can stroll over to the Village Shoppe Too to see traditional folk art carving by wood-carver Marlene Dusbiber, and rug hooking by Sue Ogden. The community sing-along will be held at the Chelsea Depot.

ON SATURDAY, festival attendees can see the Yule Tree Gala,

sponsored by the Chelsea Center for the Development of the Arts. Santa Claus will give visits at the CCDA, where attendees can listen to sounds of the season by budding young musicians or shop the displays from local artists.

Festival attendees also can view the magic of Jeff Boyer at the Washington Street Education Center. Later Saturday afternoon, they can visit some of Chelsea's historic

homes decked out for the holiday season in the Twilight Home Tour.

For these two events, tickets must be purchased. (Contact the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce at 734-475-1145.)

On Sunday afternoon, the Congdon Quartet, with pianist Renee Robbins of Ann Arbor, will perform at the Congregational Church. On Sunday evening, the churches of Chelsea will hold a Festival of Lessons and Carols at the Chelsea Retirement Community Chapel.

For more information about the Festival of Lights, call the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce at (734) 475-1145 or visit <http://www.chelseaweb.com>.



Live reindeer are again making the rounds throughout the area in time for holiday parades, with Saline and Milan being two stops for the magical steeds.

The festival kicks off with a tree lighting ceremony Nov. 30 at 6:30 p.m.

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## Creating holiday memories

By Lisa Vidaurri-Bowling  
Heritage Newspapers

What are your holiday traditions?

If you'd like to add more, or are just starting out and want to choose some new traditions, then this list may just get you inspired. Add one or two new ones a year, and you'll find yourself looking forward to them as December rolls around.

Create a traditions book. Use a blank book (with acid-free pages) to record your holiday traditions.

Make a note of the year at the top of the page, then write down where you lived (helpful if you move frequently), what the tree looked like, traditions you observed, and who was there.

Ask guests and visitors to write a few lines as well. Take a couple of digital photos of the tree, your family, and guests, and add these to the book. It should be kept on a bookshelf (since closed storage may tend to make it musty).

Visit one of the "Giving" or

"Angel" trees placed in many malls and department stores, where you can pick one (or several) ornament(s) listing the gift wish of a child.

Purchase the items and deliver them to the collection point so they can be wrapped and distributed.

Pick your weekend, whether it's the Friday after Thanksgiving, December 1, or the second weekend in December, make it a holiday tradition to get your tree on that date every year.

Perhaps you have a special tree topper, a set of antique ornaments, or handmade children's decorations—use these on your tree each year.

Gather everyone by the fire and read something special on Christmas Eve. One family I know asks each person at Christmas dinner to come prepared with a short reading, poem, or memory story to share with everyone during or after the meal.

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### PARADES

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Saline will kick off a two-day celebration of the start of the holiday season.

The parade, which will begin at 7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 7, heralds the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus. Following the parade, children will be able to line up for a picture with St. Nick and tell him their Christmas wishes as well as visit Santa's Village for refreshments and a view of the live reindeer.

New this year is the "Treasure Trail to Santa," set for Saturday, Dec. 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The jolly old elf and his wife will be on hand to greet children at Busch's Shopping Plaza and will bring some reindeer along with them.

The Saturday event replaces the "pre-parade party" of years past. Merchants in the plaza will welcome young visitors and their parents as they find their way to Santa.

At Santa's Village, which will be housed in Lucky Bucks Cafe, the Saline Area Players will assist greeting all the boys and girls who stop by to see Santa.

An antique calliope will mark the spot for children to line up and see St. Nick.

Ann Arbor Dance Classics will stage a performance at Union School in the gymnasium on Friday at 5:30 p.m. The Saline Area Chamber of Commerce will be drawing the winner of its auto raffle at 6:45 p.m. and tickets will be available from any member up until the drawing.

This year's grand marshal is Tom Collins, who will lead the 26th annual event. Upward of 60 groups are expected to participate in the parade.

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The festival also includes Victorian ladies, strolling musicians and carolers, horse-drawn sleigh rides, and more.

The festival will run on two consecutive Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and will conclude with the annual Holiday Light Parade on Dec. 8 at 5:30 p.m.

The parade is sponsored by the Dexter Area Chamber of Commerce and the Dexter Area Merchants Association.



The holiday parade and season offers opportunities aplenty for fun and games.

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# Make holidays tasteful and healthy

Turkey and gravy and mashed potatoes and stuffing and green beans casserole and sweet potatoes and pumpkin pie. Just reading the list of holiday standards can make a person hungry for the traditional feasts.

But for those who have been trying to eat healthy, the holidays can seem like an obstacle ready to throw them off the health track. This holiday traditionally centered around food can leave you feeling guilty if you eat and deprived if you don't. So, what's a health conscious person to do?

Nutritionists at Saint Joseph Mercy Health Stop offer these tips to allow you to enjoy Thanksgiving without feeling guilty or deprived:

Don't skip meals. This only sets you up for overeating later.

Eat something small before going to your gathering so you're not starving when dinner's served.

Circle the buffet table first and decide which foods you really want. You want some of everything? Okay, but try to limit the portion size you take. Half of your

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rolls with 1 tsp. margarine	whole wheat hard roll, 1 tsp. Light margarine	7gm fat, 60 calories
1 slice pecan pie	1 slice pumpkin pie	18gm fat, 230 calories

plate doesn't have to be covered with stuffing; try one spoonful.

If you always look forward to something special, such as Grandma's pumpkin pie, don't deprive yourself. Just take a smaller piece and try fat free whipped topping.

Make sure you're getting your fruits, vegetables and whole grains.

Continue with your exercise regimen. It's difficult to get on track once you stop.

Above all, keep your perspective. Remember, one slice of pie didn't put the weight on. It was repeated overeating and/or a sedentary lifestyle that caused your weight to slowly increase.


"Another idea is to replace one

of your traditional dishes with a new lower-fat dish each year," says Cheryl Bell, registered dietitian with St. Joe's Health Stop. "Before you know it, you will have a healthier traditional Thanksgiving meal."

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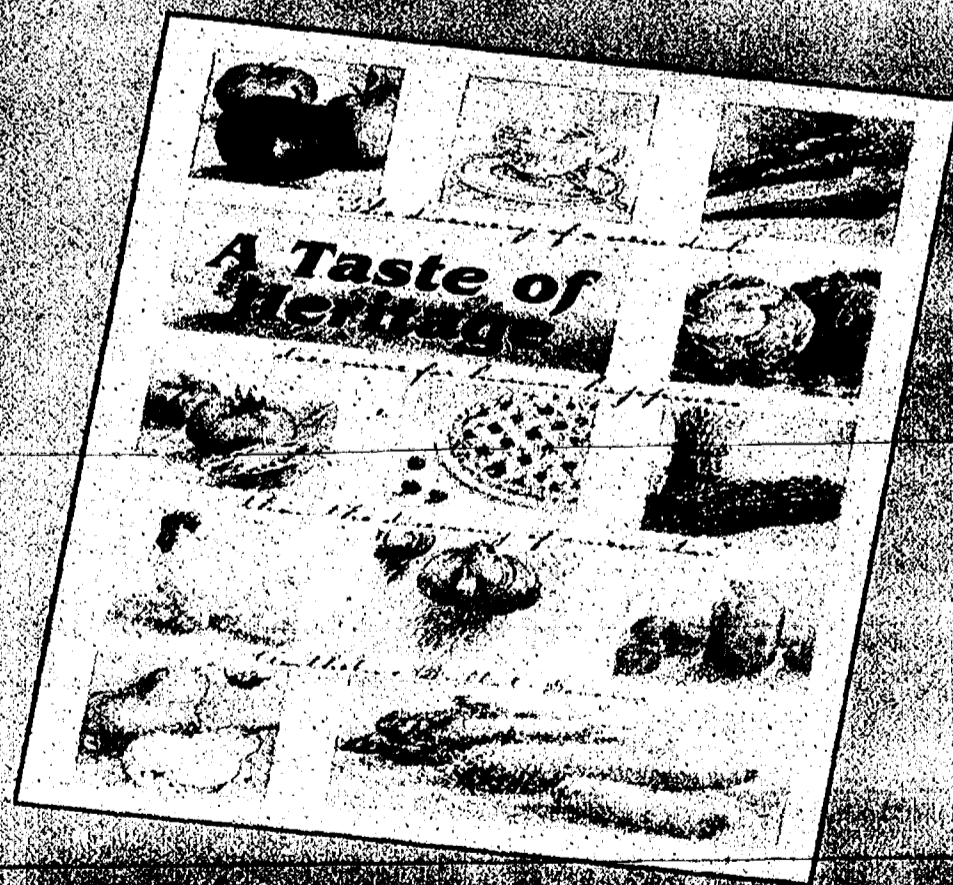
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# The Perfect Hostess: Surviving company of all kinds during the holidays and beyond

By Helen Polaski

Special Writer

Want the secret of how to entertain, lodge and feed your family and friends without losing your cool? There's no real trick. In most cases it's just a matter of patience.

Sometimes, lots of patience.

Being a good host or hostess is quite easy, or should be. Unfortunately, most guests end up overstaying their welcome and that's where most difficulties arise.

It's your job to entertain: if you expect your guests to enjoy themselves, you'll have to try a little bit harder than usual. Don't make anyone feel as though they have overstayed their welcome, even if they have. (Bear with me, there is a method to this madness.)

It's always something along the same lines. The guests arrive and everyone's glad to see each other, but in the excitement the guest's suitcases are left in the doorway or in the living room, or in the hallway. Wherever they are, unless they're tucked away out of sight, they're in the way. Even if they've already been taken to the guest room, if the host/hostess can see them through the open door, to them, their home seems to be in upheaval.

**THEN OUT** of the corner of host's eye he spot movement. Inwardly, he groans and shifts his eyes to his wife. "Hon, did you just see a dog?"

"Yes," she says through stiff lips. "They brought Spot."

Now, you, the host, are upset by this indiscretion. You do not attempt to smile. You do not think this is okay. You grit your teeth, then for the next three days doubt your sanity. Didn't you tell them NOT to bring the dog? You could swear you did - even recall a speaking to the guest on the phone about this very thing at which time said guest when into a lengthy three paragraph explanation on why he understood you didn't want the dog—so why is a canine running around your house?

After the initial welcomes and smiles, tears and reminiscing, some real problems begin to skirt around in the host's head. They not only brought the dog, but their little darling, barely walking, is hugging the furniture as she makes her way around the living room

with the largest lollipop the host has ever set eyes on. His guests smile encouragingly, and brag about their newest arrival. Unfortunately, all the host can see is the sucker smears she made as she traveled from the TV to the end table and now...what's that smell? Does he detect diaper leakage?

**WITHOUT** wanting to sound urgent, he screws his face into a tight smile and cheerfully says, "Well, it looks like she's due for a diaper change!" The guests nod knowingly, their smiles never leaving their faces. About this time the host and hostess have exchanged several meaningful glances: What have they gotten themselves into?

**Make Do:** Take it from me, your castle's gonna get a little messed up. Deal with it. Perhaps you don't do well with babies and pets, (shame on you) but I

promise...you'll live. It's probably not that bad. After all, you knew there

would be a baby, right? So what if she smears a little bit of sticky stuff here and there, it can all be washed off, right? Well, it can, and you probably don't really mind, but after a few days of doing double duty in your own home, it can wear pretty thin.

**AND SPOT.** Well, heck, he's just a dog, right? How much damage can a dog do?

He might smell a little bit—it's only for a few days, you can air the house out when he leaves—and he might have some accidents in his excitement to see you. (I know, you weren't excited to see him, but he had his own agenda, and this is his vacation, too, so deal with it.) Keep him on the kitchen tile or in the bathroom...if you can't live with that and just can't come clean, take the easy way out. Explain to your guests that you've just developed an allergy to dogs. Sneeze a bit to make it believable, and they'll be rushing to put Spot in the garage or back in the dog crate in the car. (By the way, that one works.)

**Be up front:** If something becomes a problem, let your guest know. Don't let a small thing like personal habits get in the way of a beautiful visit.

**Buck up:** smile. You're the host/hostess. You invited them to

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## HOSTESS

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your home, now treat them like royalty. Let them know what you expect when it comes to keeping the homestead clean and picked up, then give them the option to share

or not. Most guests will want to help, but don't be upset if they don't. They may have just flown in from halfway around the continent, they may have had a horrible drive, they may not have slept the night before, the dog may have caused more trouble on the way than he was worth. You have no way of knowing.

Rules is rules: But, not everyone's household rules are the same. It's your job to let your guests know what yours are right off the bat. That'll ease everyone's mind and hopefully set perimeters. (Don't hold me to that.)

**LIVE AND let live:** Your guests may be peculiar. It's your job to accept any oddities they may indulge in as long as it doesn't make you uncomfortable or impede your own family's progress

throughout the day. If they attend mass on a daily basis, get a schedule to the church of their choice and have it waiting in the guest room for them when they arrive. In fact, anything you feel would make them more welcome should be included on this list and either left in the guest room, or handed to the guests as they arrive.

**Agenda:** Your guest will want to know what kind of shopping is available, what things are within walking distance, are there any restaurants in the vicinity? If you work and your guests will be expected to entertain themselves throughout the day, that information will assist them in doing so easily and comfortably. Make things as painless as possible.

**BE GRACIOUS:** NEVER decline a gift, even if it's a fruitcake and you hate fruitcake. Take it, smile and put in the kitchen. If the thank you gift is a horrendous picture that you'd never hang in your home, mum's the word. Smile,

accept the gift and say nothing at all. If you must say something, say it's

different, say it's unique, but don't say it's horrendous. Don't let

your kids say the gift is horrendous, either, and if they do, reprimand them on the spot. There is no reason to be rude.

**IF YOUR** guests want you to pick out a "thank you" gift, pick one out. Make them feel like the stay was mutually rewarding, even if it wasn't. Chances are, minus a few delicate situations, you've all had a great time. Don't be overly expensive, but don't be too inexpensive when choosing. Decide on something you really want. If it's a picture for the kitchen and it'll remind you of them and you'll actually use it, don't be afraid to choose it.

If they want to take you to dinner, let them. If you want to entertain them on a given day, let them know beforehand. Don't surprise them with tickets to the ballet. They may hate the ballet. They may have other plans. This is their vacation, you invited them over, let the decisions about where to go and what to do come from your guest or should be mutually decided. After all, you live there, you can do anything you want in your area anytime you want. They can't. They will appreciate your thought-

fulness.

**ASK 'EM** over again: Finally, when they prepare to leave, offer a genuine welcome back. Chances are, if it was a bad visit, there were extenuating circumstances that couldn't be helped, anyway. It was probably no one's fault. No one visits with the intention of turning their host's home upside down, but, on occasion, it does happen. Live with it. Invite them back again next year, then walk them to the door, to the taxi, or to the terminal. A parting gift from you—something to munch on during the trip—would be considered very thoughtful. A book for the children, a snack bag, or something fun to remember the visit by is especially rewarding for your guests' children.

Your guests will love you and praise you as the perfect hostess—their visit will become the stuff of family legends, repeated over and over for years to come.

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Let's face it. No matter what anyone says, women bear the greatest share of the burden of holiday shopping, cooking, cleaning, and decorating. It can make for a pretty hectic few weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas, Hanukkah, or Kwanzaa.

We all know we're made to juggle the responsibilities of homemaker, mother, wife, and often, employee, but when the stress levels increase—as so often happens during the holiday season—it's good to give yourself a short vacation.

Making time for pampering before the holidays should give you an opportunity to recharge your batteries as you indulge in a new haircut and style, a pedicure, a manicure, a massage, a facial, or a short course on new makeup looks for the holidays.

Many new looks are in store for the fashion conscious, whether you happen to be size 2 or size 20. Take a day off to indulge in a visit to a spa or even your local salon for all kinds of techniques guaranteed to

spoil you.

Getting a new hairstyle can improve your outlook on life. Feeling unusually stressed after a day of fighting traffic and mobs at the mall? A pedicure or a massage can help relax your mind and body.

Remember, you need rest and renewal every day to combat the stress of the holidays. Take some time off to enjoy a manicure or facial.

Don't give up your fitness or exercise program just because you think you're too busy. Sticking with an established program is one of the best ways to combat the additional pounds that creep on during this season of savory treats.

Exercise also helps you feel bet-

ter. It's been proven that raising the heart rate over an extended period of time, say 30 minutes, will help increase the levels of dopamine in your brain, increasing your sense of well-being.

Taking time for your exercise program and paying attention to calories, even when tempted to eat at a fast food restaurant, will help you feel pampered as well.

Don't be afraid to ask for help. Sometimes, we are guilty of feeling like no one else can do a job better than we can, whether it is running the vacuum cleaner or picking out a gift for a mother-in-law. If you really can't compromise on the cleaning (a tough one for me, I can tell you!), have your husband pick out the gift for his mother this year.

If necessary, give him a list. Ask an older son or daughter to pick up groceries or clean the bathroom.

Whatever you do, schedule time for yourself as the holidays approach. It's one of the best ways to fight the depression many of us feel as Christmas approaches, as well as the sense of "letdown" that may follow.

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Whispering wishes to Santa is one of the traditions observed during the Christmas season.

### TREE

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she likes for her displays which is approximately 40 ornaments per foot of tree.

For example if you are decorating a 7 foot tree you will need about 280 ornaments. She also notes that you will establish symmetry to your tree by hanging the largest quantity of ornaments first, then the next largest and so forth.

Be sure ornaments are suspended and hang freely so they are not touching other branches. Shiny finishes should be hung before matte or soft finishes, and bright colors before muted colors. Each size, shape, texture and color should be distributed over the entire tree. Larger ornaments should be placed on the lower part of the tree for balance.

For dramatic effects you can cluster several ornaments, combining different colors, sizes or shapes in one bunch, bound together with ribbon or a bow. These can be placed symmetrically throughout the tree or joined and placed as a swag spiraling the tree.

Tkachuck candidly offers another of her important tree decorating hints. "A faithful decorating staple I always use, especially with glass ornaments, is our green coated ornament hooks. We have two different lengths so I get an assortment of height when placing ornaments which adds dimension. I prefer the green coating because the wire seems invisible against

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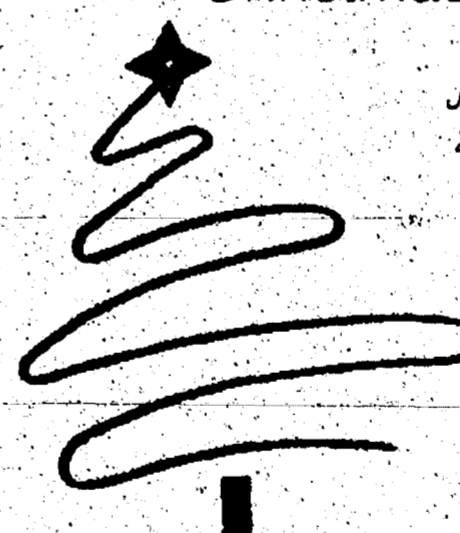
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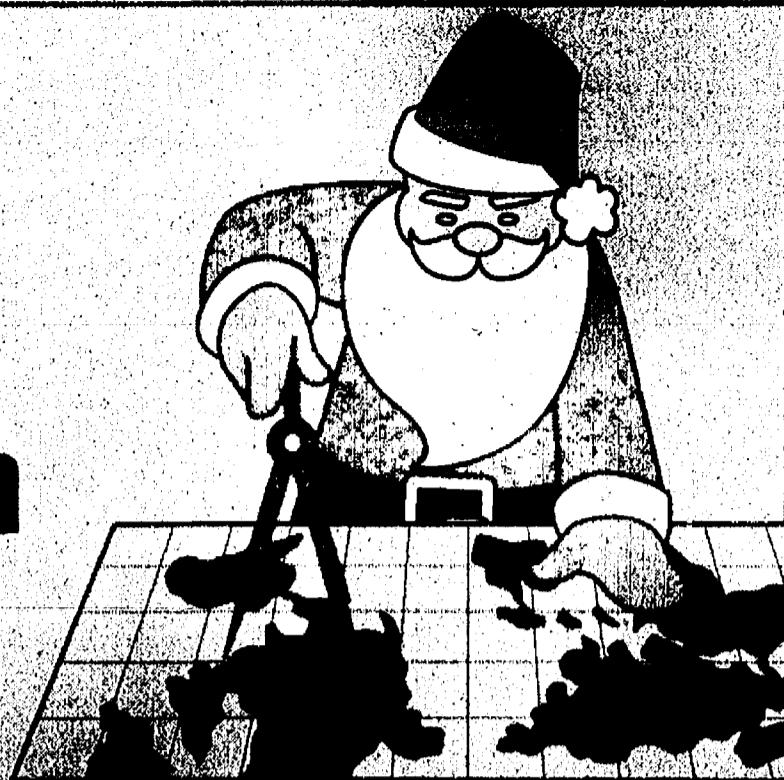


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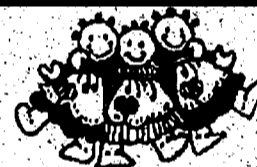
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# Quick decorating ideas for the holidays

Too busy to do much holiday decorating? Between work, home, and family obligations, sometimes there is little time to do more. However, if you start simple, build traditions, and try not to overdo it, you'll be able to add sparkle to your home without getting overwhelmed.

Choose from these ideas for 10 simple holiday touches to help create a holiday mood at your house. Most are easy, many are free, and all take a minimum of time and effort.

**1. Put bows on everything** — Add bows to candlesticks, wreaths, garlands, basket handles, drapery tie-backs, banisters, chair backs, houseplants, or doorknobs. These not only look festive but tie together your decorating theme throughout the house.

Buy several bolts of ribbon in a pattern that will work well with your decorating. If you have navy furniture, for example, look for a Christmas plaid ribbon with red, green, and navy. If your taste is peach, find a peach and gold floral ribbon. If nothing looks quite right then turn to plain red or a metallic silver or gold.

**2. Use holiday tableware for every meal in December.** Get out your holiday dishes and use them each day. To start a collection of dishes, begin with several dinner plates, or make a tradition of purchasing one or two new place settings every year.

**3. Turn off the lights.** Light a fire each evening. Dine by candlelight even if you're having pizza. Put pillar candles in the bathroom. (Note: Due to fire dangers, if you have very small children you may want to wait a few years before using so many candles. And, never leave burning candles unattended.)

**4. Add wreaths.** A wreath or swag on the front door, the back door, inside and out, over the mantle, or in all your front windows ... Decorate them with bows, pinecones, ornaments, birds, dried materials, fruit, or candy. If you are worried about them drying out or dropping needles, then purchase some good quality permanent wreaths to use year after year.

**5. Add color.** Put up the perfect Christmas tree (real or artificial) on banisters, mirrors, armoires, and the mantle. Use holiday paper napkins at every meal. A colorful poinsettia will add holiday color to your entry hall, dining room sideboard, bathrooms, and guest room.

(If your thumb is not green, consider using artificial.)

Gift wrap your plants with some colorful holiday fabric tied around the plant containers.

**6. Add sound.** Play Christmas music from CD's or the radio whenever you're home.

Tie some sleigh bells onto the front door. Wake up your kids each morning with bells and "ho, ho, ho". Watch some Christmas specials on TV. Rent or buy "It's a Wonderful Life", "A Christmas Story", "Scrooge" or "The Santa Clause."

**7. Add sweetness.** Put out a candy wreath with small scissors to cut off candies for guests. Put a basket on the coffee table and fill it with pretty candy canes. Set a ginger bread house on the buffet. Put a bowl of fresh fruit or holiday cookies on the entry table when guests arrive.

Bake little tea loaves and wrap with plastic wrap and ribbons, and hand one to each person who visits your home. Add sweetness to your guestroom with these tips on preparing for holiday guests. Create ornaments with your kids, then sign and date them for instant heirlooms and memories.

**8. Add natural touches.** Make several quick arrangements with natural materials and put them on tables, in bathrooms, and on bookcases. Collect pine cones and pile them in a basket with a few ornaments and bows. Tie up small bundles of greens with a gold bow and hang them on windows inside your home. Put small poinsettias next to bathroom and kitchen sinks. Hang evergreen swags on each bedroom door. Decorate candles with a few evergreen boughs and balls.

**9. Add sparkle.** Fill a glass bowl or vase with shiny ornaments. Hang decorations from your



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emony will be held on Thursday, Dec. 13 at 4 p.m. at the hospital.

Forms for the Tree of Love program are available in the hospital lobby and at many local merchants. Requests for lights can be mailed directly to the hospital along with a check payable to SCH Auxiliary.

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Silver Bells may be a well-known holiday tune, but when you walk into most stores this season it isn't bells you see - it's candles.

It seems that candles have never been more popular or more available. From department to discount stores and everywhere in between, you'll find a large selection of candles to fit almost any style and budget.

According to Tom Hunsche, vice president of marketing for leading candle manufacturer, Hearth & Home Traditions, Ltd., candles can play a large part in your holiday decorating. And, brightening your season with candles can be simple.

"Candles cast a warm and welcoming glow in any setting," Hunsche said. "From a striking display on the mantle or center of the table to single candles placed throughout the home, there is nothing that says home quite like candlelight."

Hearth & Home Traditions, Ltd. offers these tips for decorating with candles this season:

- Use a collection of 5-7 pillar candles in varying heights to make a dramatic statement. Odd numbers tend to work better in arrangements.

- Simple red or white candles on a beautiful, heat-resistant platter can make a stunning centerpiece or can stretch across the mantle to create an equally elegant effect.

- Try different colors this season. Instead of the traditional red and green, decorate your home in a collection of icy colors like silver and blue. Or, for something really different, add a touch of this year's hot color — fuchsia — to your holiday decorations.

- A long, low candle makes a wonderful centerpiece because it provides decoration without obscuring views across a dinner table. It works equally as well on a buffet table.

- Use several votive candles in glass containers around a buffet table. The twinkling lights cast a magical glow.

- Surrounding any candle with a few sprigs of holly or fresh evergreen can create an instant focal point on an entry table. (Just be

sure to keep these items away from the flame.)

- If you love to put the decorations up early and can't have a real tree in your house, use a collection of pine scented candles nearby to give your entire home the fragrance of a fresh-cut tree without all those needles.

- Candles don't need to stay indoors even during the winter months. Tin punched luminaries with votive candles make a welcoming addition to a walkway or front door.

- When holiday guests stay the night, put a candle and matches in their room. Nothing is as soothing after a hectic holiday afternoon than an evening of soft candlelight.

Holiday decorations aren't the only place for candles this season. They make a wonderful gift for friends and acquaintances.

"Candles continue to be popular gifts for teachers," according to Hunsche. "The holidays provide a break for teachers and an aromatherapy or other scented candle with a note of thanks makes a thoughtful and useful gift."

Candles also offer a fantastic alternative to the traditional bottle of wine as a hostess gift. "The Original Cake Candle from Hearth & Home Traditions, Ltd. is a fun way to take a bit of 'fresh baked' goodness to any hostess."

And, you can find a candle to fit almost any personality from babysitter to co-workers. Candles are an appreciated gift for many of those hard to buy for people on the holiday gift list.

While candles make a wonderful gift or decoration for the holidays, it is important to follow a few simple safety tips.

- Trim wick to 1/4 inch at all times.
- Always keep candles away from anything that can catch fire.
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Department Renovation, and Expansion Project. State-of-the-art digital radiography will help reduce patient wait times, improve image quality and reduce the need to re-take images, provide the ability to view and electronically transfer images from remote sites, and eliminate the need for extensive film storage. The goal of the 2001 Holiday Ball Steering Committee is to raise \$600,000 toward the Emergency Department Project.

tions of the holiday season. Our decorators have met and exceeded the challenge of combining new century design with last century traditions."

With a nod to past tradition, Ms. Lord states: "Since 1976, the Holiday Ball has raised over \$8 million for the hospital, its patients and its programs. As we move into the technology-strong 21st century, the emphasis in health care will not only be on improving overall patient care and satisfaction, but on increasing efficiency and treatment through the use of state-of-the-art technology. This year's Holiday Ball theme reflects that forward-looking vision while supporting a long-standing, vital component of St. Joe's — the Emergency Department."

Stephanie Lord and Maya Savarino, long-time Holiday Ball volunteers and donors are the co-chairs for this year's event. Both Ms. Lord and Ms. Savarino have lent their energy and talents to many St. Joe's Holiday Ball events. Their long friendship, along with a strong belief in doing what is best for the community, guides their leadership of this event.

Tickets to the Holiday Ball are \$1,000 or \$1,250 per couple; corporate tables for 8 or 10 guests are \$5,000 and \$7,500, respectively. Underwriting opportunities are also available. Holiday-themed decorations, including trees, from "St. Joe's 2001 Odyssey Ball" are also for sale the week before the event.

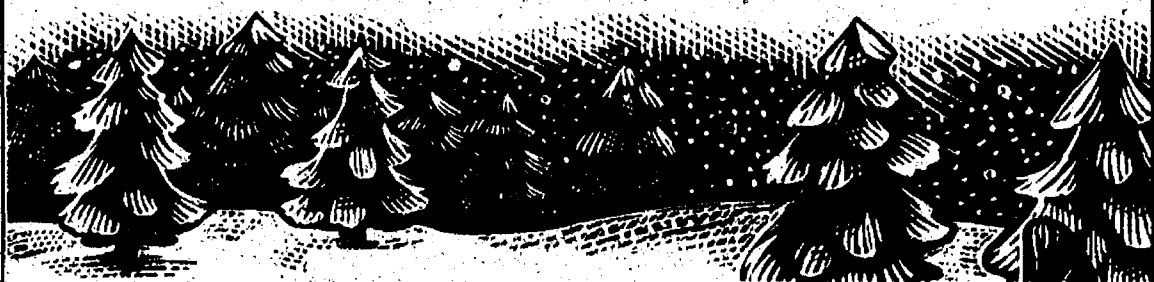
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"THE EVENING'S theme is based on the movie '2001: A Space Odyssey,'" said Ms. Savarino. "Neon-colors, new-age lighting and cutting-edge materials will be highlighted in the decorations and will strive to blend seamlessly with the more traditional decora-

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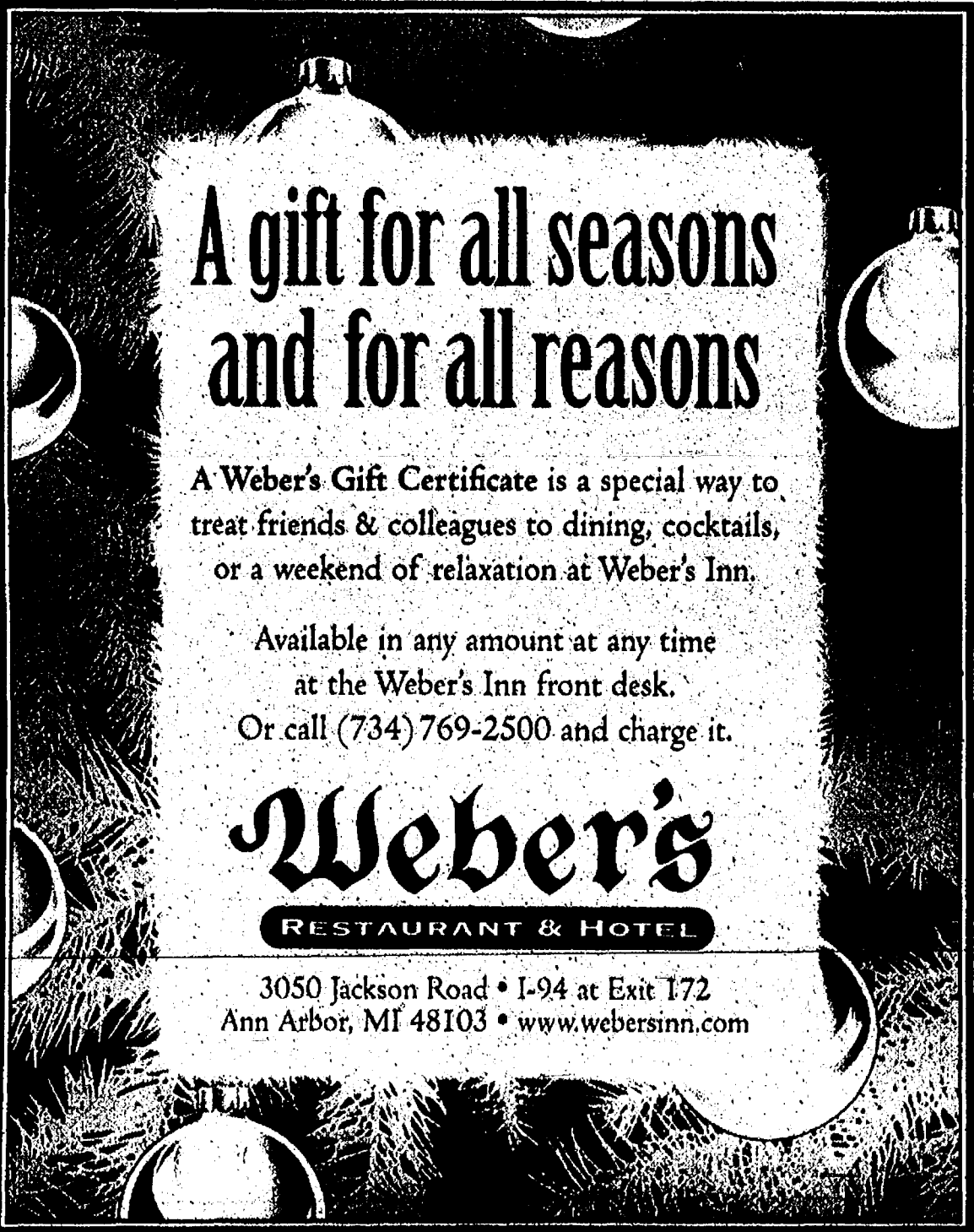
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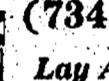
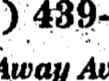
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