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24 Pages This Week

NEWS BRIEFS

Newspaper sets early New Year deadlines

The Chelsea Standard newspaper has shorter deadlines for the holiday. The office, 20750 Old US-12 in Chelsea, will be closed Monday and Tuesday. The editorial deadline is noon today for the Jan. 3 edition. Press releases and electronic files may be sent via e-mail to editor@chelsea-standard.com. The fax number is 475-1413.

Display advertising is due by 4 p.m. today for the Jan. 3 edition. To place a display ad, call 1-877-429-7380.

Classified advertising is due by 5 p.m. tomorrow. To place a classified ad, call 1-877-888-3202.

Chelsea Area Players to hold auditions

The Chelsea Area Players will hold auditions for the comedy "The Seven Year Itch" 7 p.m. Jan. 9 and 10, and 1 p.m. Jan. 12 at Chelsea Community Hospital.

The production of the dinner-dessert theater production is slated March 7 through 10 and will be produced by John Daly.

For information, call 428-9581 or go online to www.ChelseaAreaPlayers.org.

Local artist featured at Taubman Center

Chelsea resident Flo Collins is one of several artists featured in the Ann Arbor Women Artists Winter Exhibition 2001-2002 at the University of Michigan's Taubman Center.

Collins and her husband attended the opening reception Dec. 18. Her painting is an acrylic titled "Little Traverse Bay Overlook."

The juried show runs through Feb. 16.

CATS bus closed for New Year holiday

The Chelsea Area Transportation System will be closed Monday and Tuesday for the New Year holiday.

The CATS bus usually runs 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For information, call the office at 475-9494.

Reindeer Herd



Reindeer invaded first-grade teacher Laura Holdworth's class at South Meadows Elementary School during recent holiday classroom activities. The herd of deer and other assorted characters include Alex

Beaumont, Kyle Bell, Caleb Bentley, Matthew Caister, Madeline Day, Alex DeMeijer, Natalie Dixon, Lucas Hollandsworth, Jacob Jedele, Kyle Koseck, Austin Lauridsen, Hannah Linteau, Kathleen Olsen, Brendan Oswald, Courtney Ray, Marco Ruiz-Acosta, Nathan Saarinen, Grace Sauers, Katie Sroufe, Kennedy Stoddart, Mackenzie Trester and Shalima White. At right, Holdworth rounds up Rudolph the Red Wings Reindeer, a.k.a. pupil Kyle Bell, who sports reindeer antlers and a Red Wings shirt.



Photos by Alison Marable

Township supervisor resigns post

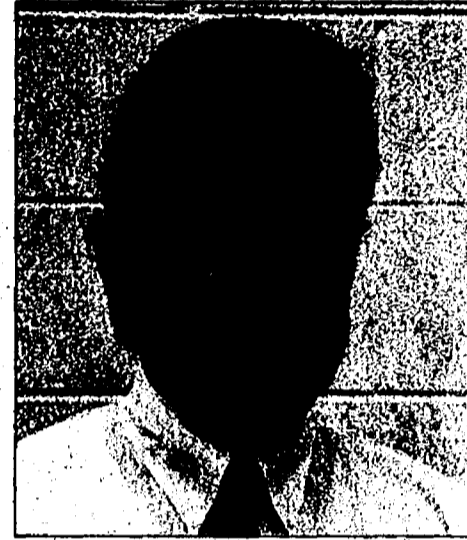
Robert Tetens steps down after four years.

By Kent Ashton Walton
Special Writer

Robert Tetens will leave his post as Dexter Township supervisor Feb. 28.

Tetens has served as the township's top officials since 1997, when he was appointed to succeed John Sdao. He successfully ran in 1998 and was re-elected to a four-year term in 2000.

In a letter last week to the Township Board, Tetens said he is resigning because of increased job responsibilities. Last year, he was named director of the Washtenaw County Parks Commission. He previously had served as executive direc-



Robert Tetens

tor of the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti Urban Area Transportation Study Committee.

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Village plans for big move

Grants could help pay for renovations.

By Will Keefer
Staff Writer

Chelsea Village officials are anxious to start preliminary work on moving the village offices. But a long list of renovations and inspections are ahead of them.

Vanier Graphics Corp. of

Englewood, Colo., accepted the village's bid of \$995,500 last month to buy the former BookCrafters building at 140 Buchanan St.

The move will allow all the village offices, including the administrative offices, zoning department, police department and Department of Public Works, to be located in one spot.

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Group wants schools to recognize holiday

Some residents think more should be done to celebrate Martin Luther King Day.

By Kent Ashton Walton
Special Writer

The First Congregational United Church of Christ in Chelsea hosted a meeting Dec. 18 to discuss Martin Luther King Jr. Day and what Chelsea School District is doing to observe the

holiday. Carol Rauchenberger, a former Village Council trustee, arranged the meeting. She said that 140 countries celebrate the holiday.

Some parents said they are interested in a formal recognition of the holiday by the Chelsea School District, either by declaring it an official school holiday or by setting the day aside for specific activities related to diversity, and the life

and contributions of King. Some people at the meeting said there has not been enough discussion of the issue at school board meetings, and that no actual decision about celebrating the day has been made by the board.

It was acknowledged at the meeting that each school in Chelsea incorporates elements of King's teachings in the curriculum, including listening to his speeches, and discussing

multicultural heroes such as King, Sojourner Truth and Rosa Parks.

Rauchenberger said other activities focus on diverse ethnic and cultural groups, multicultural arts, and concepts such as tolerance, prejudice and discrimination.

The concern, Rauchenberger said, is that there is no mandate to the teachers to officially observe Martin Luther King Jr. Day, whether as a holiday or not.

Currently, special activities are left up to individual teachers to integrate into the curriculum throughout the year, she said.

School Superintendent Edward Richardson said his official position on Martin Luther King Jr. Day is that the school district should observe it and have "appropriate activities for students to make them aware of the contributions of the civil rights movement."

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Former resident, longtime barber dies at 60

Norm Wilson was known to many.

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Former Chelsea resident Norm Wilson, who cut hair in Dexter for 30 years, died Dec. 17 at the age of 60.

Before handing over the reins to Robin Reed in April, Wilson had run Norm's Barber Shop at the corner of Baker Road and Main Street in Dexter.

Wilson had been a barber for 40 years and in business since 1971.

Throughout his long tenure as barber, Wilson got to know local families

well. In many cases, he gave customers their first haircuts when they were children and went on to give haircuts to their children, too.

In April, in an interview about his retirement, Wilson told The Dexter Leader that what he enjoyed most about barbering was meeting people. He said he loved to talk with clients, and learn about them and their families.

Paul Cousins, who owned a restaurant about 100 yards from the barber-shop, was a close friend who helped Wilson through his battle with cancer.

"When I owned the restaurant, I used

to walk across and kibbitz around with Norm," Cousins said last week.

"I'd known him back when I was a teacher at Dexter High School and his daughter, Linda, was in my class," he said. "It was a joy to have a parent who was so caring and involved."

Cousins and Wilson were buddies on the golf links, playing at Pierce Lake Golf Course, Reddeman Farms and — for the last time together — at Calderone Farms Golf Club in Grass Lake.

"We used to have little bets, like a quarter a hole," Cousins said. "We

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Former Chelsea resident Norm Wilson died Dec. 17 at age 60. He worked in Chelsea for a short time and then opened up shop in Dexter.

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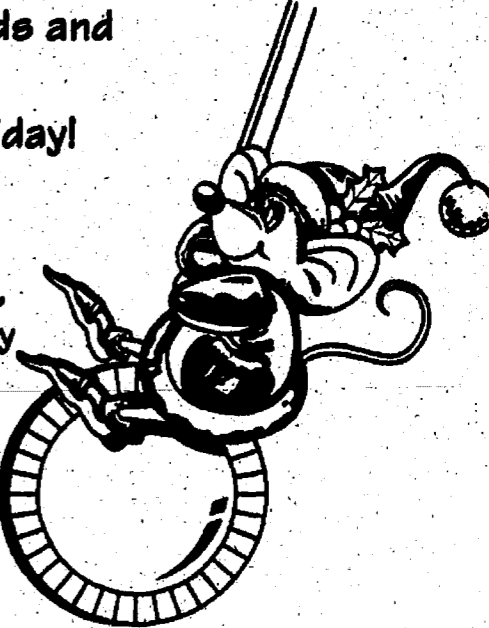
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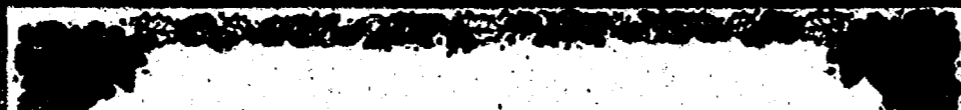


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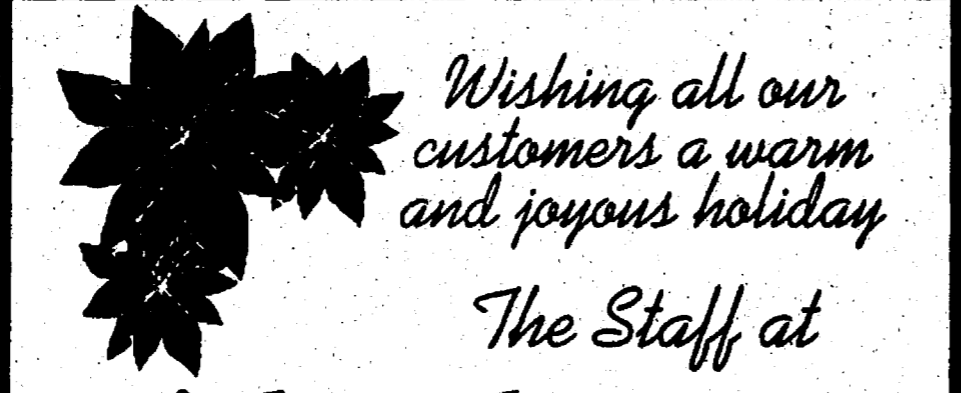
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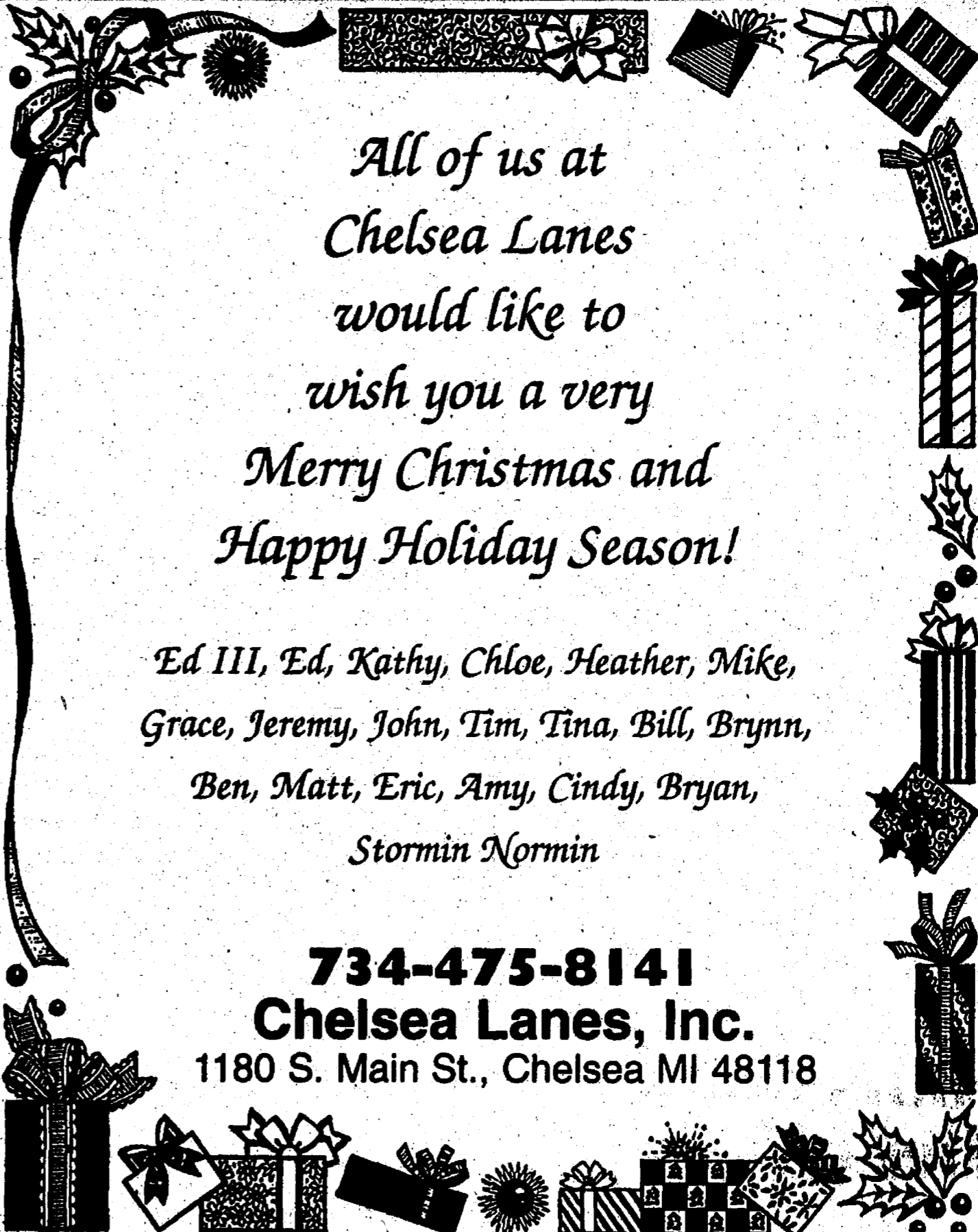
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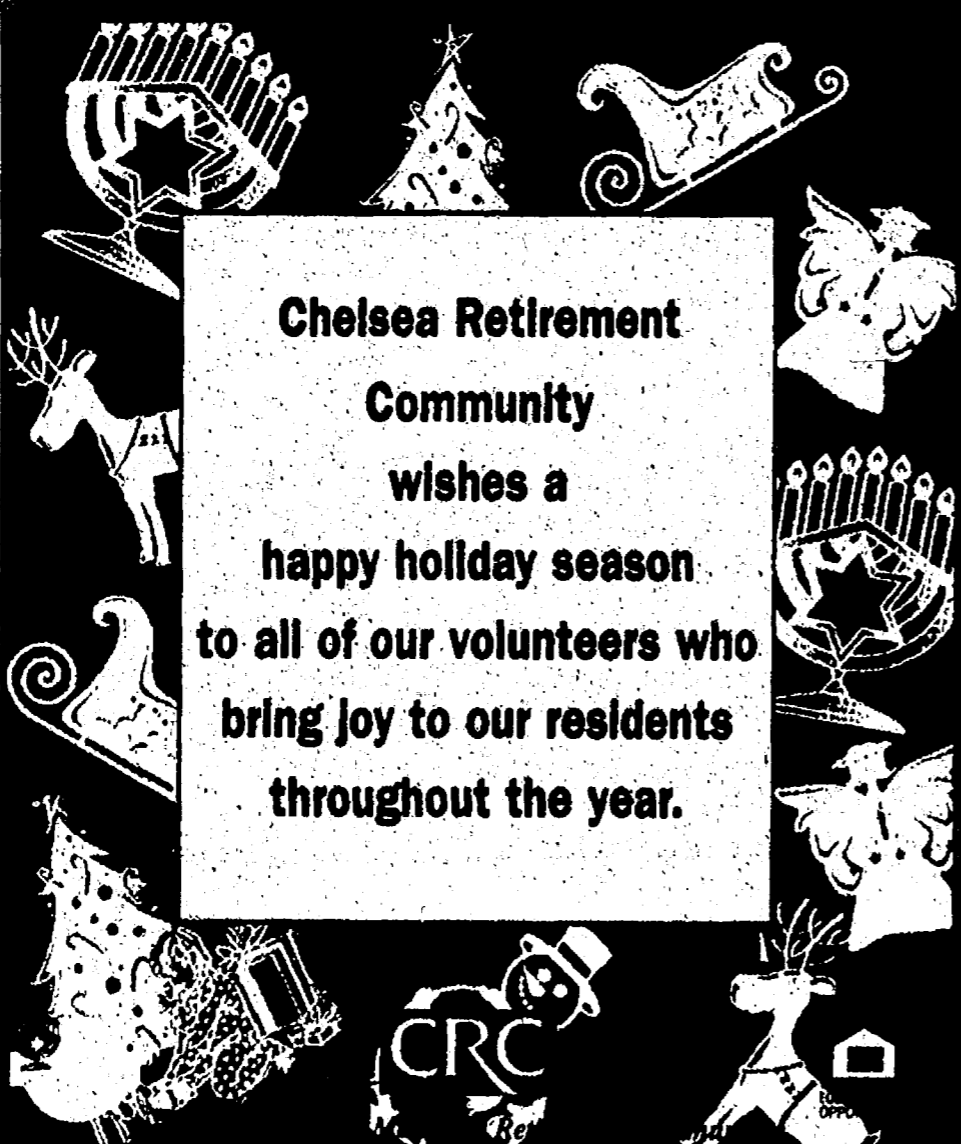
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Better screening needed for athletes

Young competitive athletes are more than twice as likely to experience sudden death as their non-athletic counterparts, according to an Italian study presented recently at the American Heart Association's Scientific Sessions 2001 conference.

This is the first prospective, population-based study comparing the incidence of sudden death of athletes and non-athletes in the same population and geographic area.

This data shouldn't discourage young people from participating in sports. Instead, it should point to the need for more extensive screening methods for young athletes, said study author Dr. Domenico Corrado, consultant of clinical cardiology and electrophysiology at the University of Padova Medical School in Padova, Italy.

"In young people, cardiovascular diseases that usually are silent account for a higher risk of sudden death during sports," he said. "Pre-participation screening is important in identifying the athletes affected by these potentially lethal conditions."

To establish the effect of sports activity on the risk of sudden death, researchers investigated the incidence of fatal events in the athletic and non-athletic populations, ages 12 to 35, in the Veneto region of Italy from 1979 to 1999. All athletes in Italy of these ages undergo mandatory sports screenings, including personal and family history and a 12-lead electrocardiogram.

Three hundred sudden deaths in young people were recorded during this period, representing 1 per 100,000 per year in this age group. Among athletes, the rate of sudden death was 2.3 per 100,000 compared with 0.9 per 100,000 for non-athletes. There were more deaths among non-athletes

(245) versus athletes (55), but the non-athlete group is much larger than the athlete group, Corrado said. The estimated risk of sudden death was 2.5 times higher in athletes.

The relative risk of sudden death among athletes versus non-athletes was 1.95 for males and 2.02 for females.

The study also identified the conditions most likely to cause sudden death in younger athletes, including anomalous coronary artery origin, a congenital heart abnormality in the coronary artery, and arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy, a heart muscle disease that predisposes people to deadly irregular heart rhythms.

The relative risk of sudden death due to anomalous origin of the coronary artery was 78.4 times higher in athletes than in non-athletes. The relative risk for sudden death due to arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy was 5.5 higher in athletes compared with non-athletes.

The researchers noted that one of the major causes of sudden death in young athletes in the United States didn't show up as much in the Italian population — an excessive thickening of the heart muscle.

A U.S. study indicated that 36 percent of 158 athletes (median age 17) who died of sudden cardiac death from 1985 to 1995 had probable or definite hypertrophic cardiomyopathy.

This discrepancy could be due to the Italian protocol for pre-participation sports screenings that includes an ECG, which identifies those at risk for hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, Corrado said.

Corrado believes the addition of the pre-participation ECG testing is beneficial for younger athletes because it is especially sensitive for identifying heart abnormalities.



Children's Choir

The Children's Choir from the Chelsea Church of the Nazarene recently performed in "The Good News Story," a musical composed by the Rev. Jeff Crowder. Pictured in the back row are Noah Crowder (left), Rebecca Mattison, Tony Vermilye and Trevor Nold. Singers in the front row are Sam McMullen (left), Mitchell Lear, Katie Lear, Timmy Johnson and Joey Vermilye. A second performance of the musical will be held 11 a.m. Dec. 30 in the chapel of the Chelsea Retirement Community, 805 W. Middle St.

RESIGNS

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Tetens said his new job is taking up more time than he had anticipated.

"I have found that my responsibilities as director of the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Department do not allow me to participate at a level sufficient to fulfill the obligations of a township supervisor," he said in a letter last week to the Township Board.

Tetens said that he must focus his full attention on the facilities, programs and land under the jurisdiction of the County Parks and Recreation Department. As director, he oversees 1,400 acres of recreational land in Washtenaw County and a \$9 million budget.

The Township Board has set a Jan. 15 deadline to accept applications for the supervisor's position. A special meeting has been set for 7:30 p.m. Feb. 4 to hear from candidates hoping to be Tetens' successor. Although there were rumors

that Tetens was to step down, board members only knew for certain the day the letter was received, officials said.

The board voted Dec. 18 to accept his resignation.

In the letter, Tetens expressed gratitude for having had the opportunity to serve on the Township Board, the Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals.

During his tenure, Tetens has seen highs and lows. He was at the helm when Panda Energy proposed a gas-generated power plant in the township. The company eventually nixed its plans after pressure from residents. He also mediated a neighborhood squabble between residents who wanted to eliminate open burning and those who did not want any restrictions in the Stofer Road area.

Tetens has been recognized for his efforts over the years. He was awarded the Outstanding Leadership Award by the Southeastern Michigan Council of Governments for his work at UATS.

As a member of the Township

Board, he was hailed for helping to restore financial stability to the Multi Lakes Sewer Authority.

Tetens was also involved in the development of the Chelsea Area Regional Plan.

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Scouts donate to relief efforts in NY

Chelsea Cub Scout Pack 455 kept busy this year on service projects, from donations to Faith in Action, to the Scouting for Food project in the spring.

Following the Sept. 11 terror attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City, the Cubs extended their generosity beyond Chelsea by raising and donating \$1,000 for relief efforts in New York City.

"Some of the New York City

Cub Scout packs had their places of meeting disrupted and others experienced losses of adult leaders in the event," Cubmaster Doug Worthington said. "The pack felt it was important to show our support for the scouting program in New York."

Pack 455, whose Cub Scouts are in first through fifth grades at South Meadows Elementary School, conducts fund-raisers throughout the year to pay for its activities.

One of the group's biggest events is hosting an annual Christmas tree sale.

"The tree sale really helps us do many activities with the boys," said Assistant Cubmaster Mark Wesley, coordinator of this year's sale.

"This event is a success due to the generosity of Chelsea-area residents who support Scouting through the tree sales."

STRAIGHT FACTS

The article "Council denies zoning request" in the Dec. 20 edition should have said the Village Council followed a recommendation Dec. 13 to deny the rezoning request.

The article "Healing through art" in the Dec. 20 edition should have said Lorin Kummer has a bachelor's degree in psychology and fine arts, and a master's degree in social work.

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

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He said each individual community should make the decision of whether to have the day off from school.

"I don't want to make a choice for any other community in how they choose to celebrate that day," he said.

For now, the group suggested the creation of a community-based program for the coming holiday, which is on Jan. 21.

Suggestions for the future include holding a seminar on Martin Luther King Day, with speakers on such topics as non-

violence and civil rights.

The teaching of tolerance and respect were also suggested, with a "one world, one family" theme. Others wanted to see culturally diverse forms of music, art and a public march.

Group members said it's important that people from all parts of the community become involved. Schools such as West Bloomfield were cited as possible models for a program.

The people at the meeting volunteered to make contacts and follow up on the issues discussed.

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LOOKING FOR ANSWERS
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Township mulls regional plan

■ Three municipalities have signed on.

By Kent Ashton Walton
Special Writer

An overview of the Chelsea Area Regional Plan was presented to the Dexter Township Board Dec. 11.

Mark McFadden, director of the Washtenaw County Metropolitan Planning Commission, and Erin Perdue, a planner, spoke to the board.

They described how the Chelsea Area Planning Team, which

has met since the early 1990s, has addressed growth management, roads, public utilities, manufactured housing and many other issues in the plan.

The planning team enlisted the help of the Washtenaw County Metropolitan Planning Commission in 1998.

McFadden said Dexter Township, Lima Township, Sylvan Township, Lyndon Township and Chelsea Village are involved.

So far, only Lyndon, Lima, and Sylvan townships have approved the plan. Dexter and

Lima townships have not.

Issues that have been considered in the planning stage include minimum lot sizes, sites for manufactured housing, a broad range of housing options and such public services as water and sewer.

The board voted to send the regional plan to the Township Planning Commission for consideration. A recommendation is expected in March.

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VILLAGE

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Before architectural bids for renovations are sought, the village will have the building inspected.

"Mechanical, electrical and plumbing inspections need to be done before any renovations can start," said Village Manager Jack Myers.

Myers recently looked into the possibility of getting a grant to help defray the cost of inspections. Brownfield redevelopment funds could pay some

\$10,000 toward the inspection fees, Myers said.

If the results of the inspections come back unfavorable, additional inspections may be necessary.

Myers said that a baseline survey may be needed to get a better understanding of any problems.

"Once the surveys and inspections are done, we can begin short listing," Myers said.

The village will look at several architects and narrow down its choices based on bids.

Myers said that the village will pay for the building from its gen-

eral fund and enterprise fund. The enterprise fund includes money collected from water, sewer and electric bills.

"This is how we are paying for our current rent," he said.

The first phases of work on the building may take several months. The village has not yet set a move-in date.

Meanwhile, the village will continue to lease space from Chelsea State Bank, 305 S. Main St., at a cost of \$84,000 a year.

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Children's Christmas Service

The Waterloo United Methodist Church held its annual Children's Christmas Service Dec. 16. Children showcased the Christian traditions of African and Hispanic Americans who represent 25 percent of the U.S. population. Pictured in the front row are Matthew Waltz (left), Ricky Cassell, Dillon Rosentreter, McKenna Jerant, R.J. Menge and Tony Nichol. In the middle row are Kim Lancaster (left), Kate Menge, Kim Hansen, Sam Christie, Ashley Beeman and Julia Cassell. In the back row are Abe Rosentreter (left), Joey Hansen, Megan Jerant, Jeff Fitch, Andria Fitch, Ashley Hadley, Christine Rosentreter, Ben Christie, David Boyle, Thomas Lancaster, Colleen Zander and Ross Fortner.



Warming Up

Chelsea High School band members warm up in a corridor before the high school's Winter Concert Dec. 3. The concert featured the band, choir and orchestra. Aaron Connell (left), Patrick Zuccala, Graham Beer and Aaron Smith look over the music and wait for their turn to perform.

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This is the case with many aspects of life: Promising new jobs end up producing headaches and ulcers. Promising athletic careers are often curtailed by injuries. Retirement plans all too often get derailed by health problems. Or, you go to work on a beautiful Tuesday morning in mid-September with all kinds of plans for your future - well, you know the rest. Plan A falls by the wayside, and we have to settle for Plan B.

This all started over 6000 years ago, when our first parents, Adam and Eve, rejected God's Plan A and chose their own Plan B. We've lived with the sad results ever since.

Fortunately, God can work with Plan B just fine, and not only work with it, but put blessing into it. His providence took into account

human error and sin. His purposes cannot be defeated by failures or disappointments.

The cross and empty tomb of Jesus Christ is proof that his saving purposes cannot be frustrated. From the humiliation and death of His Son He brought forgiveness and life to the human race.

The Bible says, "In his heart a man plans his course, but the Lord determines his steps" (Proverbs 16:9), and, "Many are the plans of a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails" (Proverbs 19:21). This can be frustrating: "We don't want to have our plans overruled. We want to be in charge."

But we gladly place ourselves into the hands of this God. "We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose" (Romans 8:28). Whether your Plan A for 2002 will materialize or not, God's Plan B will work in your favor.

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Street Talk

By Erin Dronen
What's your New Year's resolution this year?



"To focus on the simple pleasures in life, like family, and not get wrapped up in unimportant things."

Bonnie Mobley Tecumseh



"I don't have any yet."

Vic Webber
Lyndon Township



"To be kinder."

Ellen Schneider Jackson



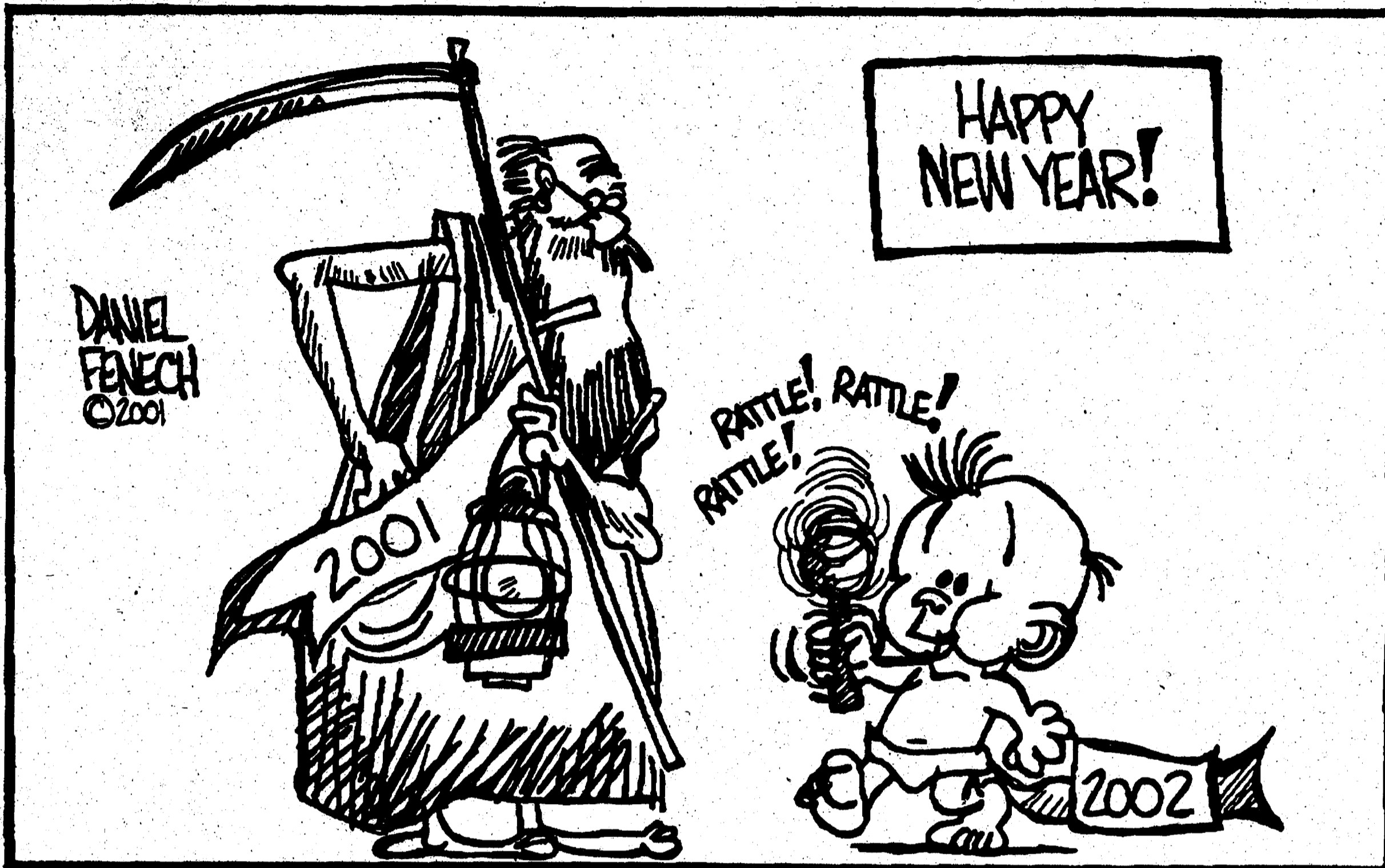
"To quit smoking."

Trisha Miller
Columbia Township



"To get rid of this cold I've got."

Veryl Hafley
Sylvan Township



It will be nice to say goodbye



GREGORY PARKER

COMMUNITY ROOTS

Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And never brought to mind?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And auld lang syne!

When the clock strikes 12 on Dec. 31, as we exchange hugs and kisses and handshakes, as the confetti falls and the corks pop, we'll sing. We'll sing "Auld Lang Syne."

Do we know what we're singing? Do we know the meaning of the words?

George Bailey knew, in "It's a Wonderful Life." You can tell by the look on his face.

I think that this year, we'll know, too. Even if we aren't sure of the true meaning of the

Scottish vernacular that peppers the verses. Even if we sing the wrong words.

Chorus:
For auld lang syne, my dear,
For auld lang syne,
We'll tak a cup o' kindness yet,
For auld lang syne.

I think many of us will be happy to bid "adieu" to 2001. Of course, nothing really changes with the coming of another year besides new calendars and remembering to date correspondence and checks with a new digit or two.

Sure, the planet begins another trek around the sun, and the seasons will repeat their unending cycle. For a natural point of view, this is a big deal; however, in our lives, the significance is mostly symbolic.

But this year, with all the events that need not be mentioned here, it'll be nice to tack a new calendar on the bulletin board. It'll be nice to see that the pages read 2002. It'll be nice to start with a blank slate.

In a metaphorical sense, New Year's celebrations commemorate the death of one year and the birth of another. The bap-

atism, for many, is by alcohol. It'll be nice to start over.

And surely ye'll be your pint stowp!
And surely I'll be mine!
And we'll tak a cup o' kindness yet,
For auld lang syne. (chorus)

In 1788, Robert Burns adapted the version of "Auld Lang Syne" that we sing today. He is Scotland's national bard, responsible for writing and collecting hundreds of songs and poems integral to the Scottish folk tradition. His birthday is a major holiday for Scots.

The song was traditional, a Scottish folk song, used to celebrate the passing of a major event, the start of something new. It had been used for generations to ring in the new year, even before Burns published it. When adapting traditional folk songs, Burns wasn't above going to the people.

According to him, the source of his adaptation of "Auld Lang Syne" was "an old man's singing."

We twa hae run about the braes,
And pou'd the gowans fine;

But we've wander'd mony a weary fit,
Sin' auld lang syne. (chorus)

So what does it mean? "Times long ago" is a loose translation for the phrase "auld lang syne." The song is essentially a toast to the past, a remembrance of hardships overcome, a celebration of prior successes.

It doesn't specifically mention the present or the future. It alludes to it by speaking of an unrepeatable past, a past that is perhaps not so distant, but still "seas" away.

We twa hae paid'd in the burn,
Frae morning sun till dine;
But seas between us braid hae roar'd
Sin' auld lang syne. (chorus)

An unrepeatable past. In the next few days we'll weather the media blitz of New Year's resolutions, men of the year, a year in review and the proverbial "what's hot" and "what's not" lists. And, undoubtedly, as journalists once again try to make history, we'll be told that 2001 was the year that

changed everything. And, once again, we'll be told how to feel, what to feel, how to think, and what to think. Things weren't the same after 2001, they'll say.

And there's a hand, my trusty fere!
And gie's a hand o' thine!
And we'll tak a right gude-willie waught,

And this year, as the ball drops in Times Square, once again we'll sing the song. And more than 200 years after Robert Burns adapted it — after he formally brought it into popular culture — it will ring so true.

For if ever there was a need to view the past as passed, it is now. If ever there was a need to move on — to remember, but to move on — it is now.

And this year, even though we may not know all of the words, or exactly what they mean, we'll know what we're signing. We'll know what we mean.

For auld lang syne. Gregory Parker is a free-lance writer living in Chelsea. He can be reached at giparker@umich.edu.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We should trust our public servants

We live in a great place, don't we? It's no coincidence that our own movie star, Jeff Daniels, traveled all over the world and chose to return here to stay. He must have recognized that the strength of his hometown was greater than the magnetism of any of the wonderful places that he could have chosen to call home.

The depth of character that we find in Chelsea is truly remarkable and especially important in these times. I tell co-workers in Ann Arbor about my relationships with merchants that make house calls in Chelsea and they just can't believe it.

So, if we have so much to be thankful for in our community, what drives people to go to the trouble to exhaustively and continually second guess every move of our library and the library board?

There were tough choices in 1999 when it came time to face the fact that our library couldn't provide services to physically challenged people because of its architecture. It was against the law to stay there, but the sense of tradition we all saw in the historic building was impossible to ignore.

Faced with really difficult choices, the library board sought from the voters a budget that would allow new construction to bring us up to date as well as a budget that would allow the new facilities to operate. Who would have guessed that voters would turn down the building but approve the funding to operate it?

This is really not the time to publicly complain about how the community volunteers that run the library are soaking up too much of our money.

Do people really think that the library staff, director or board is really trying to get away with something? I think they are real people just like the rest of us who have tough jobs to do. It would be impossible to provide everything to everyone, but let's thank those who try.

Recent letters to the editor have told us that we can't trust the library board. Some have suggested that there are devils, malicious, irresponsible and unscrupulous things going on in our library.

To those who would look down their noses at our trusted servants, I say it's time for you to do your share. Why not join them and help to solve the dilemmas that they face?

I did just that two years ago

and my reward was in the knowledge of my contribution. Everything didn't go my way, but I did my best and it helped the library.

Historians might someday look back at the long trail of letters published in this paper and draw the conclusion that our library's leaders were incompetent. How wrong they would be.

I might offer a solution to the difficulty experienced by those who have witnessed imperfection in our library board: Where you see trouble, bring your best effort and your resources to resolve it. Where you see those in need, help them with honest effort. And should you find yourself stand-

ing in judgment of those who are working to better our community, be quiet and get to work.

Resist the temptation to tell the world that you know better and things would be all right if they only went your way. Find a way to help, and you might become a trusted servant or maybe even a leader some day yourself.

To the library board and all those in public service in our community, I say thank you for doing your best to serve all of us with the resources at your disposal. You continue to set great examples for the rest of us.

Bob Garyple
Chelsea Village

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Chelsea grads to volunteer at orphanage

Alix Ryder and Stacy Miller, 1999 graduates of Chelsea High School, are planning to spend spring break working at an orphanage in the Dominican Republic.

The volunteer program is run by Orphanage Outreach, a non-profit organization working to provide children with an opportunity for a better life, Ryder said.

Orphanage Outreach has been working in the Dominican Republic for about five years at an orphanage that helps victims of abusive, irresponsible parents or poverty.

Ryder, an elementary education major at Michigan State University, said the trip has special meaning for her.



Alix Ryder and Stacy Miller

"The orphanage where I will be living and working is very poor and struggles to meet the basic needs of the children," Ryder said. "The education the children receive in the schools is of poor quality."

"This trip has special personal meaning for me as I have the

opportunity to help those less fortunate than myself. I will also be learning hands-on about a culture and a country that is very unlike my own."

Ryder said the trip has three main goals: to show each child he or she is unique and special; to give the children a fun, memorable experience; and to instill the joy of learning and show the children the opportunities that arise from a quality education.

Ryder said she and Miller would conduct a combination school and camp for children from the orphanage and local neighborhood.

"We'll be teaching English, a skill that creates career and educational opportunities in the Dominican Republic," Ryder

said.

"We'll also be working on mathematics, art and crafts, reading, theater and recreation. Outside of the classroom we'll provide basic facility maintenance and provide some financial assistance for basic necessities."

Ryder said that Orphanage Outreach is a small organization that is not government funded; it relies heavily on tax-deductible donations.

Donations will also help with program expenses, and provide basic assistance for the orphanage.

Donations, payable to Orphanage Outreach, may be mailed to Ryder at 302 Wood St., Stockbridge, MI 49285.



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Mitten Tree

Rebecca Trester (left) and Cooper Nickel admire the Mitten Tree in the lobby of South Meadows Elementary School. Pupils donated mittens and gloves for the Aware Shelter in Jackson.

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the last time together — at Calderone Farms Golf Club in Grass Lake.

"We used to have little bets, like a quarter a hole," Cousins said. "We always had a lot of fun. We also played down in California, where he and Sandy had a home in Palm Desert."

"I never enjoyed playing golf with someone as much as I did with Norm. I had hoped we'd be spending a lot of time on the golf course together in retirement, but it wasn't meant to be."

When Reed first knew him, Wilson had just taken up golf.

"That year, he was always saying, 'Well, what can you expect, it's only my first-year of playing,'" Reed said Friday from the barbershop. "Of course, he was still saying 'Well, what can you expect,' 10 years later."

Reed said the only time she

knows that Wilson left the golf links with the game unfinished was when his granddaughter, Morgan, was born during a golf tournament he was playing in.

Reed met Wilson 13 years ago, when he sat down in her chair at the barbershop she was working at in Ann Arbor.

"I didn't know him, but he knew my husband, Gary, who owns a barbershop in Chelsea," she said.

Although Wilson offered Reed a job, she wasn't sure she wanted to work in a small town.

"Norm would direct people to my chair, so I got to know local people, and after three months I was accepted," she said. "He was a great friend to me, a father figure I could talk to about anything and everything."

"He had great patience with kids, and would take them to the bakery for doughnuts. He really enjoyed spoiling my own daughter, Shelby."

Reed and barber Gordie

Bellaire remember Wilson as a great U of M fan who enjoyed wagering on the outcome of sports games.

"He was able to joke with us even up to the end," Reed said. "We'll all really miss him."

Wilson started his barbering career at age 20 by attending the La Mar Barber School in Highland Park. He apprenticed at Dascola Stylists in Ann Arbor, then worked at O'Grady's Barber Shop on South University Street in Ann Arbor.

In the 1960s, Wilson worked for Dave Murphy at Murphy's Barber Shop in Chelsea until 1970, when he moved to Dexter to start his own business.

Wilson lived in Chelsea before moving to Webster Township 25 years ago.

Wilson and his wife, Sandy, whom he met in Dexter where she worked as a secretary at an insurance office, have two children, Linda and Lance.

The couple loved to travel, and

had been to Italy, Hawaii, the Cayman Islands and the Caribbean. They had talked of backpacking in Europe in their retirement.

Despite their close friendship, Cousins said Wilson never gave him a haircut.

"I used to kid him that I'd seen him take too many divots out of the turf to let him near my head," Cousins said.

Graveside services were held at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Dexter. Memorial contributions may be made to the Make A Wish Foundation of Michigan, 1689 Hamilton Road, Suite 210, Okemos, MI 48864-1809.

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YEAR IN REVIEW

Chelsea sports make mark in SEC and in statewide competitions

By Don Richter
Staff Writer

It was quite a year for Chelsea sports.

The Bulldogs not only made their mark in the Southeastern Conference, but on a state level as well.

Here's a look back:

Jan. 11—Chelsea's boys' swimming and diving team captures prestigious DeWitt Invitational.

Jan. 11—Chelsea volleyball wins its own invitational, defeating Jackson Lumen Christi in the final 15-8, 15-3.

Jan. 25—Bulldog wrestling pins county rival Dexter 49-28 in a dual meet.

Feb. 8—Senior Dave Poupard scores a goal with 30 seconds remaining to tie Dexter 4-4. The ice battle was played in front of over 1,000 fans at Chelsea's Arctic Coliseum.

Feb. 8—Chelsea's No. 5-ranked Class B-C-D boys' swimming and diving squad falls to top-ranked Dexter 101-85. The meet wasn't decided until the day's final event.

Feb. 15—Bulldog wrestling captures the Southeastern Conference title with 233 points. The SEC championship was Chelsea's first in five years.

Feb. 22—Chelsea wrestling captures team district crown with a victory over Marshall. Junior Jared Powers clinches title with a pin in 34 seconds in the heavyweight division.

Feb. 22—Senior George Fairley (160 pounds) and sophomore Darl Bauer (171 pounds) earn individual district titles. Junior Eric Lixey (160 pounds) and Powers (215 pounds) each finish fourth. All four advance to

regional competition.

March 1—Chelsea hockey, in its first varsity season, loses to Dexter 5-1 in the Southeast Michigan High School Hockey League championship.

March 1—Bulldog boys' swimming and diving places second overall in the SEC White Division.

March 1—Fairley, Bauer and Lixey all qualify for the state wrestling finals at Detroit's Joe Louis Arena. Both Fairley and Bauer win regional championships. Lixey places third.

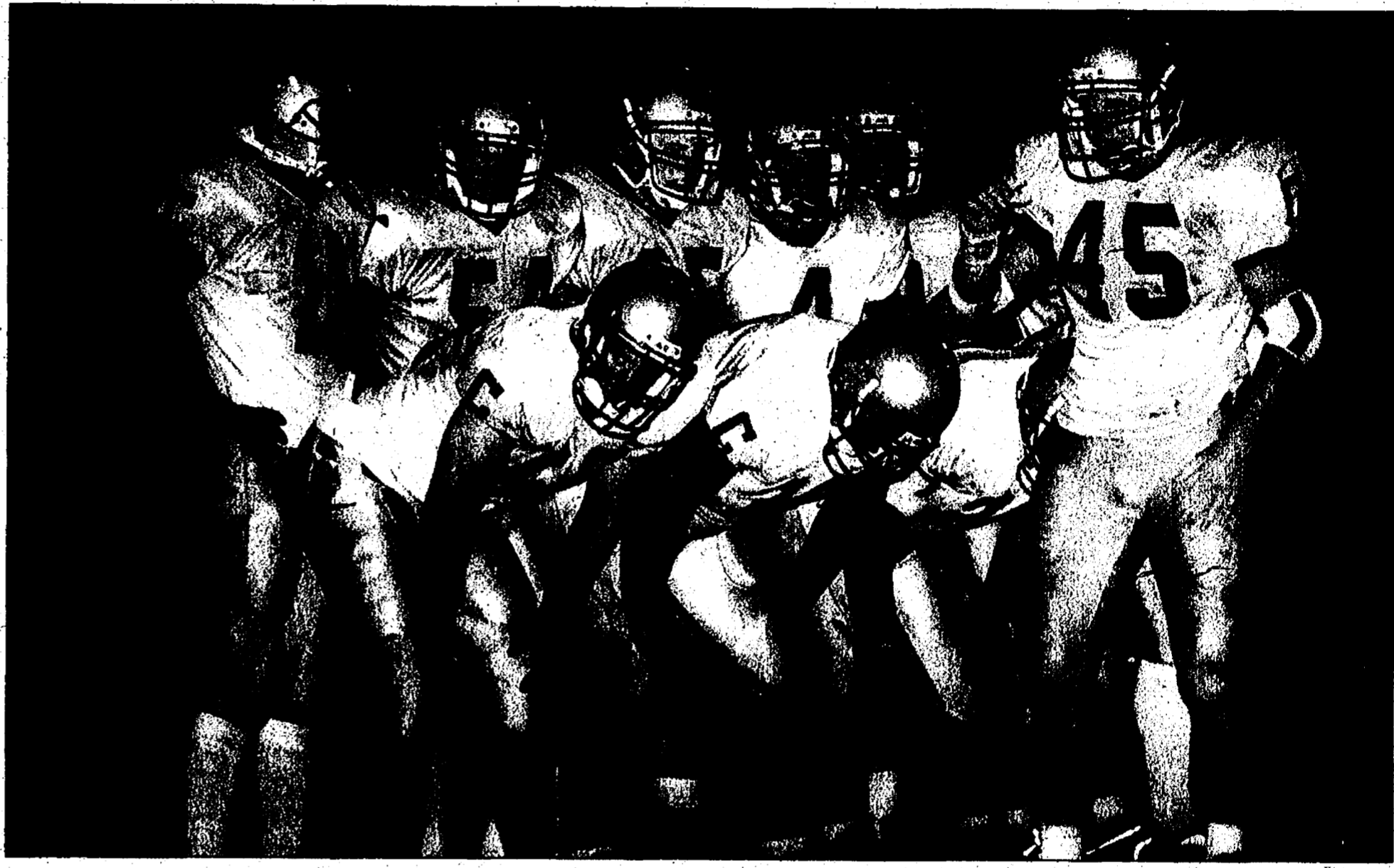
March 1—Chelsea wrestling loses in Division II team regional semifinals to No. 3-ranked Eaton Rapids 51-17.

March 1—Bulldog volleyball falls to eventual Class B state champion Marysville 2-15, 3-15 in the semifinals of the University of Michigan-Dearborn Invitational. In the tournament's quarterfinals, Chelsea swept eventual Class A semifinalist Fraser 15-12, 15-10.

March 8—Chelsea's competitive cheer squad finishes seventh at regional meet. Bulldog juniors Jessica Smith and Amanda Titus earn Class B All-Region honors.

March 15—Chelsea's boys' swimming and diving places fourth at the Class B-C-D state championship at Eastern Michigan University. Bulldog senior Andy Hack is named Class B-C-D Swimmer of the Year after winning the 200 individual medley and the 100 backstroke.

March 15—Fairley captures a state championship at 160 pounds at the Division II finals at Joe Louis Arena. Fairley



Chelsea football captured its third consecutive SEC championship in 2001. The Bulldogs finished the season with a 10-1 overall record. Chelsea fell to eventual state champion Farmington Hills Harrison in the district finals.

Photo by Jerry Milliken

defeats Mattawan's Luke French 9-1 in title match. Bauer finished fourth overall at 171 pounds. Lixey placed seventh at 160 pounds.

March 15—The Bulldog boys' basketball team drops out of the state tournament, losing to Dexter 62-49 in the district semifinals. Chelsea ends season with a 10-12 overall record.

March 22—Chelsea junior Kari Taylor wins indoor state championship in the shot put. Taylor's first-place toss was 40-foot-6. She is the first Bulldog ever to win an indoor state track and field title.

May 10—Danielle Montpetit sets a new Chelsea record in the pole vault clearing 9-foot-9 against Ypsilanti Lincoln. She broke her old record in the event, which stood at 8-6.

May 10—Bulldog girls' golf sets a new school record by shooting a 388 over 18 holes at the 21-team Jackson County Western Tournament. Chelsea tied for second in the tourney.

May 17—Chelsea baseball captures second consecutive SEC White Division championship. The Bulldogs finished 10-0 in the league and are 21-2 overall. Chelsea clinched the title with a doubleheader sweep of Ypsilanti Lincoln 16-3, 15-0.

May 17—The Bulldog boys' tennis team finishes third in the SEC tournament. Freshman Trevor Bach placed third at No. 1 singles to lead Chelsea.

May 24—Chelsea girls' track and field places eighth at the Division II regional meet. Taylor and Montpetit each qualified for the state finals. Taylor captured the shot put (40-foot-6) and discus (136-3). Her discus toss set a school record. Montpetit ended up third in the pole vault clearing 8-6.

May 24—Bulldog boys' track and field places fourth at the Division II regional meet. Junior Joe Tripodi finished first in the shot put (56-foot-1) and second in the discus (151-3) to qualify for the state finals. Pole vaulter Robert Heuhl, long jumper Eddie McClendon and hurdler Ben Smith also advanced individually to the finals. Darl Bauer, Adam Montero, Andy Montero and McClendon qualified in both the 400- and 800-meter relays.

May 24—Chelsea's boys' tennis finishes third overall at the Division III regional competition. Brian Merkel, at No. 2 singles, and Evan Wildey, at No. 4 singles, reached the regional finals before losing.

May 31—The Bulldog boys' track and field squad captures the SEC White Division championship.

May 31—Chelsea softball wins own invitational, defeating Dearborn Heights Annapolis 10-0 and Walled Lake Central 6-3. Jennie Diesing and Jenna Connelly record pitching victories for the Dawgs.

May 31—The Bulldog girls' golf team places third overall in the SEC with a final tally of 427. Chelsea's Blythe Crane earned All-League honors shooting a 89.

June 7—Taylor wins state titles in both shot put and discus at the Division II track and field final. Her 41-5½ mark in the shot put set a new Division II record. Tripodi captures a state championship in the shot put. His toss of 55-11½ sets a Division II final meet record. He finished third in the discus.

June 7—Chelsea baseball, ranked No. 1 in Division II, falls to Tecumseh 4-1 in the district final. The Bulldogs finish the season with a 31-3 overall record. The 31 wins are second most in school history.

June 7—Bulldog girls' soccer loses to Adrian 4-0 in district semifinals. Chelsea finishes the year 5-12-1 overall.

June 7—Chelsea softball loses in district final to Tecumseh 1-0 in 12 innings. The Bulldogs end the year with a 25-9 overall mark.

June 7—The Bulldog boys' track and field team places 13th at the Division II state championship.

June 14—Senior softball play-

ers pitcher Jennie Diesing, first baseman Michelle Dettling and outfielder Betsy Ruhlrig and junior shortstop Stephanie Crews earn All-District recognition.

Aug. 2—Wide receiver Tony Scheffler competes in the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association All-Star game at Michigan State University for the West squad. The 6-foot-4, 220-pound flanker caught two passes despite the West's 38-14 loss. Scheffler also

participated in the state's baseball All-Star game at Detroit's Comerica Park.

Aug. 2—Chelsea resident Bill Eversole finishes 16th at the ARCA Michigan 200 at Michigan International Speedway.

Sept. 13—Chelsea's boys' golf team wins pre-season SEC White Division tournament. The squad is ranked No. 3 in Division II.

Sept. 27—Bulldog girls' tennis
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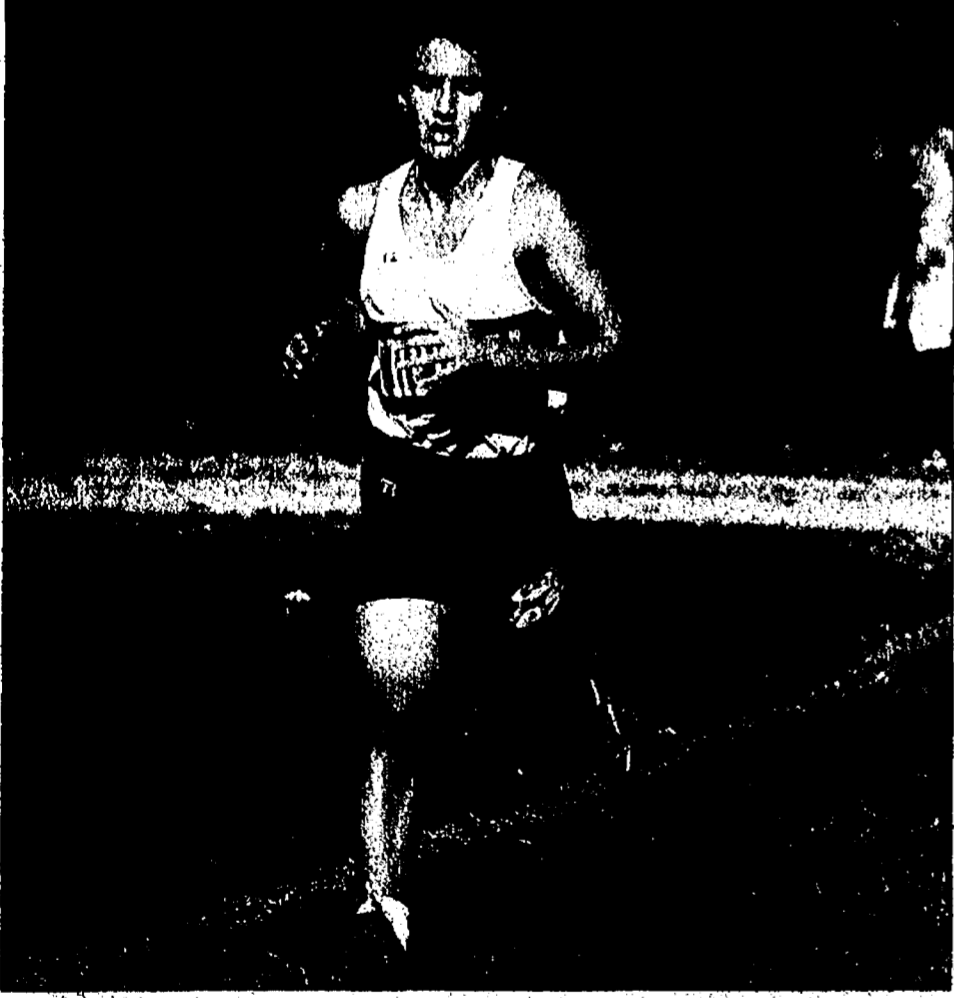


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Chelsea's David Fedele finished 33rd in 16:34 at the Division II state finals to pace the Bulldogs.



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Chelsea's girls' swimming and diving squad placed third in the state at the Class B-C-D championship at Eastern Michigan University. It was the Bulldogs' highest finish ever.



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Chelsea junior Kari Taylor finished first in the shot put and discus at the Division II state championship.

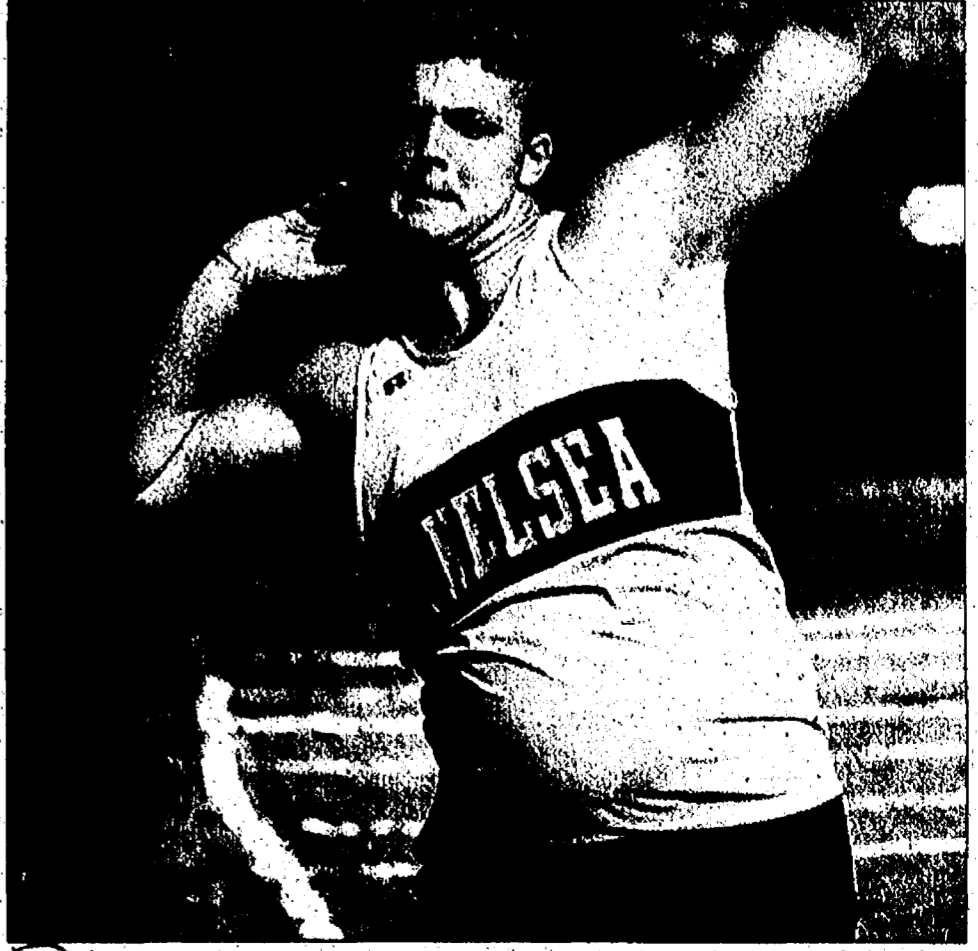


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Bulldog junior Joe Tripodi captured a state championship in the shot put at the Division II finals.

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captures its own tournament, outdistancing Jackson Northwest 28-24 in the four-team event. Alyssa Warren earned a gold medal at No. 2 singles.

Sept. 27—Chelsea's boys' soccer team remains unbeaten on the year at 6-0-2 after tying Ann Arbor Huron 1-1.

Oct. 11—Chelsea football wins its third consecutive SEC White Division title with a 12-6 double overtime victory over Tecumseh.

Oct. 18—The Bulldog equestrian team finishes second in districts. Senior Kelly Jackson led the squad in total points with 95.

Oct. 18—Chelsea's boys' golf places sixth at the Division II regional competition with a score of 322. Mike Mignano paced the Bulldogs with a 78.

Oct. 18—The Chelsea football team defeats Class A No. 1-ranked Ann Arbor Huron 21-14. The visiting Bulldogs were led by senior Eddie McClendon's three touchdowns.

Oct. 18—The Bulldog girls' tennis squad finishes third at regionals with 17 points. The team was one point shy of qualifying for the state finals. Winning regional titles for Chelsea were Alyssa Warren at No. 2 singles and the No. 4 doubles combo of Jenny Parker and Cynthia Johnson. Amy Baker placed second at No. 3 singles.

Oct. 25—Chelsea's boys' golf captures the SEC championship. Chris Johnson leads the Bulldogs shooting an 83. Nate Chamberlin and Mike Lucas earned All-League honors.

Oct. 25—Bulldog girls' cross country wins SEC title. Alice Gauvin paces Chelsea with a second-place finish in 20:03.

Oct. 25—Chelsea boys' cross country places second in the SEC. David Fedele finishes fifth in 17:17 to lead the Bulldogs.

Nov. 1—Chelsea's boys' cross country finishes fifth at Division II regional meet. Fedele qualified for the state meet with a 13th place time of 17:02.

Nov. 1—The Bulldog girls' cross country squad finishes second at the Division II regional meet. The placing qualified the team for the state finals. Gauvin finished seventh in 20:01 to lead Chelsea.

Nov. 1—Chelsea's boys' soccer falls to Adrian 2-1 in overtime in the district final. The squad, ranked No. 8 in Division II, finishes season with a 12-4-3 overall record. "This is the most talented team Chelsea has had," said Chelsea coach Chad Scaling.

Nov. 1—Bulldog football beats Tecumseh 30-7 in the first round of the Division II state playoffs. Chelsea scored 18 points in five plays to take control of what had been a tight game. The Dawgs rolled up 309 yards of total



Photo by Doug Trelanowski
Chelsea's Craig St. Clair battles a Dexter player for the puck. The Bulldogs finished second in the Southeast Michigan High School Hockey League in its first varsity season.



Photo courtesy of Jeanne Franks

Bulldog sophomore Joel Griffith heads upfield against Adrian in the district finals. Chelsea lost 2-1 in overtime.

offense.
Nov. 8—Fedele finishes 33rd out of 250 runners at the cross country state championship at Michigan International Speedway. His time of 16:34 shaves 18 seconds off his previous best clocking.
Nov. 8—Chelsea's girls' cross country places 10th overall at the Division II state finals at

MIS. Gauvin finished 30th in a personal best 19:48. For her efforts, Gauvin earned All-State honors.

Nov. 8—The Bulldog No. 5-ranked girls' swimming and diving team finishes second in the SEC White Division behind No. 2-ranked Dexter. Chelsea ended up setting five school records and having two All-American

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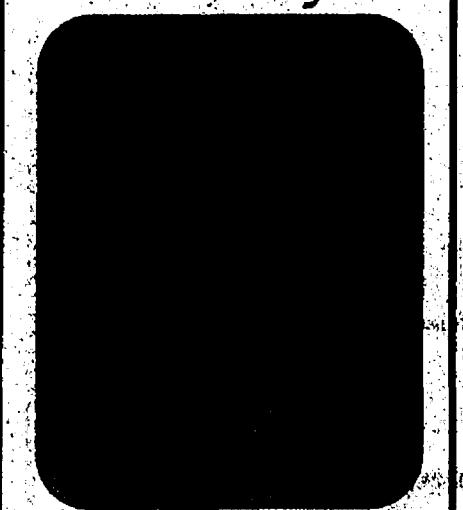
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up setting five school records and having two All-American times.

Nov. 8-Chelsea football falls to eventual Division III state champion Farmington Hills Harrison 42-6 in district final. The Bulldogs finished 10-1 overall and ranked in the top ten in the state. "We were well-prepared, we played hard and we played with confidence. We just came up short," said Chelsea coach Brad Bush.

Nov. 21-The Bulldog girls basketball team shares the SEC title with Dexter.

Nov. 21-Chelsea coach Brad Holdsworth is one of eight chosen Assistant Coach of the Year by the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association.

Nov. 21-Chelsea girls basketball loses to Dearborn Divine Child 52-47 in regional semi-

nals. The Bulldogs earlier had defeated Dexter for a district crown. Chelsea ended the season 17-6 overall.

Nov. 21-Joe Tripodi (6-foot-4, 275) was named first team Class B All-State by the Associated Press and was a member of the Detroit News' football Dream Team.

Nov. 21-Chelsea's girls' swimming and diving squad finishes third at the Class B-C-D state championship at Eastern Michigan University. It was its highest finish ever. The Bulldogs set nine varsity records. Sophomore Alise Augustine placed second in the 100 breaststroke in a school record and All-American time of 1:07.82. The 200 medley relay foursome of Rebecca Armstrong, Dani Sawyer, Julie Mida and Augustine finished second in a school record and All-American time of 1:50.02. "The girls were nothing but fantastic," said Chelsea coach John Crispin.



Chelsea's Jimmy Baker helped lead the Bulldogs to a 31-3 overall record and a No. 1 ranking in Division II in 2001.

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Chelsea's Alice Gauvin placed 30th in 19:48 at the Division II finals to lead the Bulldogs.

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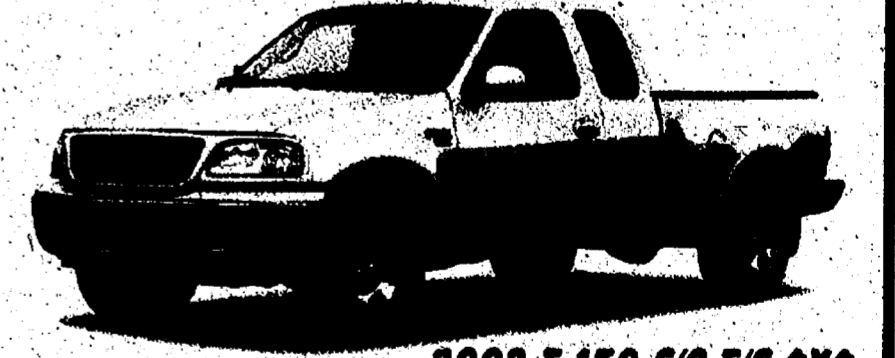
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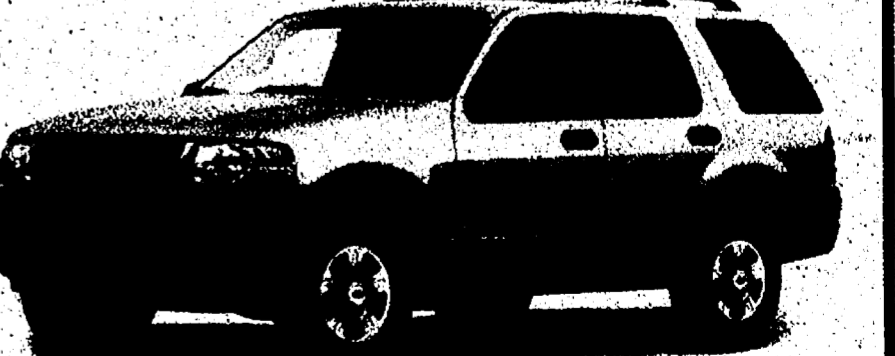
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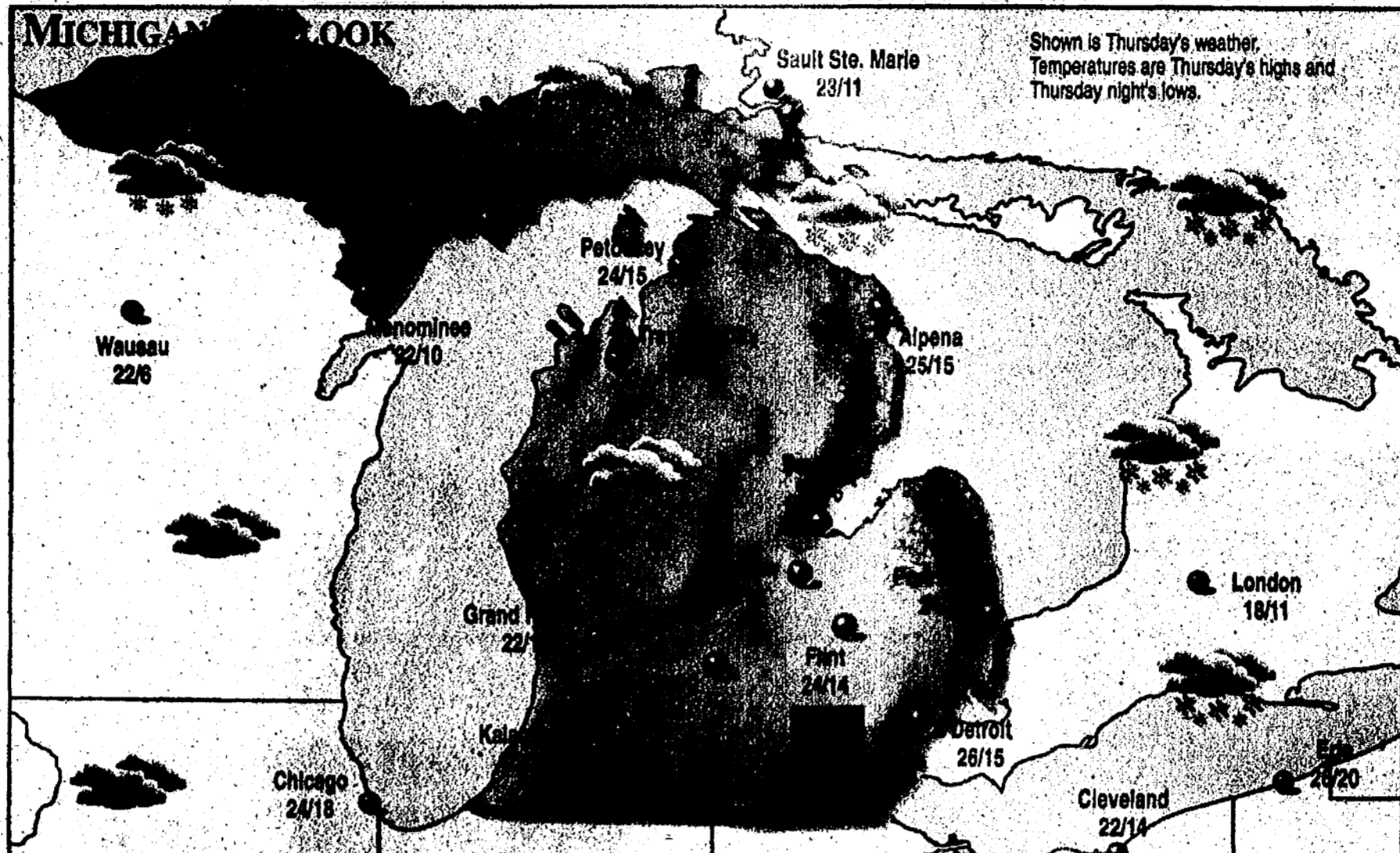
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Battle Creek	21 13 c	21 10 c	21 9 c	22 7 c
Bay City	20 15 c	20 12 c	21 10 c	21 8 c
Calhoun	20 15 c	21 10 c	21 10 c	21 8 c
Dearborn	26 15 c	24 15 an	24 14 an	23 7 c
Detroit	26 15 c	24 12 an	24 13 an	23 7 c
Grand Rapids	22 16 c	22 12 c	21 13 c	22 8 c
Holland	22 17 c	22 14 c	21 12 c	23 8 c
Jackson	22 13 c	21 10 c	21 10 c	22 6 c
Kalamazoo	23 12 c	20 10 c	21 8 c	21 8 c
Lansing	23 12 c	22 11 c	21 9 c	22 6 c
Livonia	24 15 c	24 13 an	24 13 an	22 9 pc
Midland	25 15 c	23 12 c	20 9 c	22 10 c
Muskegon	25 18 c	25 15 c	21 15 c	25 11 c
Owosso	24 14 c	23 12 c	22 11 c	22 5 c
Pontiac	25 18 c	25 19 an	25 15 an	23 10 pc
Port Huron	24 15 c	23 14 an	24 11 an	24 8 c
Reynolds	25 18 c	23 12 c	21 10 c	21 8 c
Shurga	21 12 c	20 11 c	21 9 c	22 10 c
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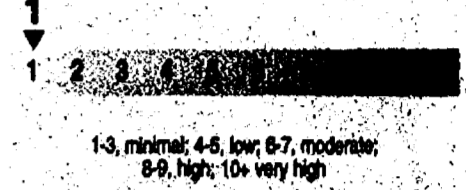


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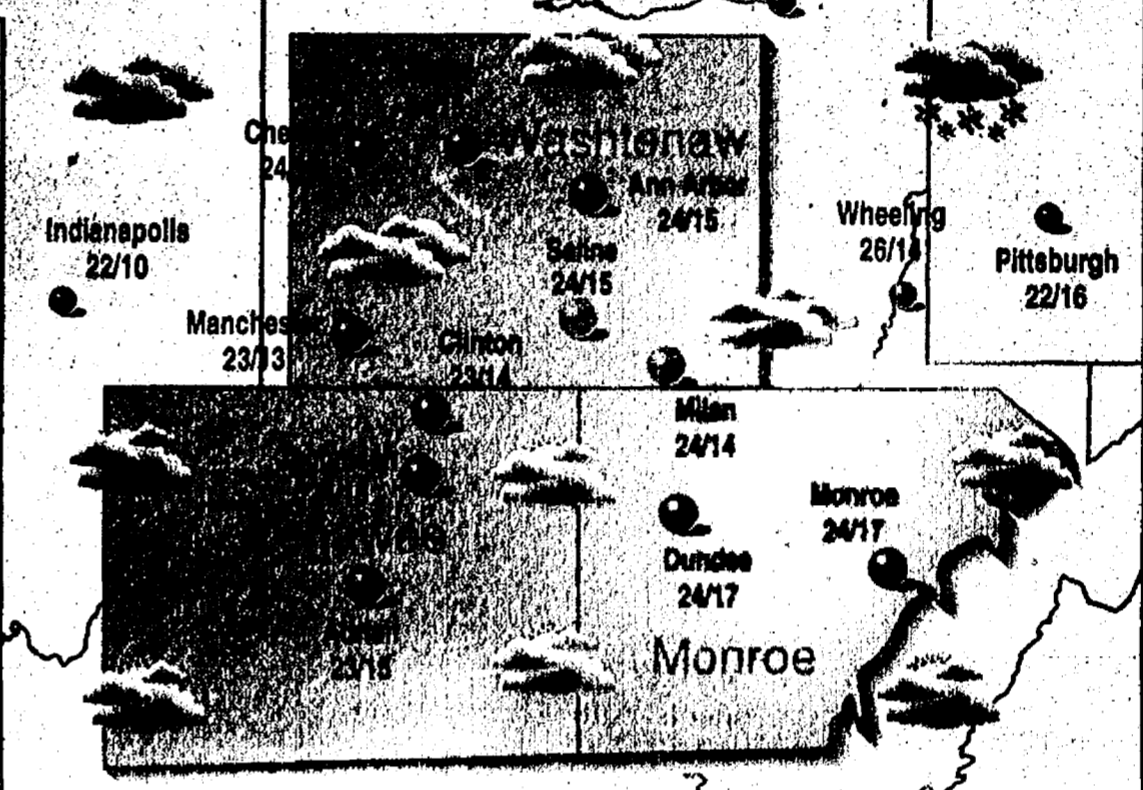
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Atlanta	51 18 pc	53 20 pc	53 20 pc	53 20 pc
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Boise	36 20 pc	34 22 pc	38 26 c	32 30 c
Casper	30 10 af	30 10 pc	26 8 s	30 8 s
Cedar Rapids	25 6 c	22 10 pc	20 9 pc	27 12 pc
Cheyenne	32 14 c	38 12 pc	32 8 s	38 8 s
Colorado Springs	36 14 pc	40 17 pc	47 21 s	46 15 s
Columbia	32 15 s	28 16 s	38 16 pc	35 18 pc
Dallas	48 32 s	46 26 s	48 32 s	50 29 s
Denver	37 18 pc	34 16 c	36 14 pc	34 12 pc
Des Moines	28 9 c	22 11 pc	20 12 s	34 13 pc
Eugene	46 34 s	50 38 pc	50 45 r	52 46 sh
Frederic	52 36 pc	56 38 pc	54 40 pc	52 38 pc
Garden City	24 15 a	24 18 an	24 14 an	23 8 c
Grand Junction	58 21 s	52 18 pc	58 21 s	53 19 s
Grand Rapids	36 17 pc	40 15 s	42 18 s	42 19 s
Great Falls	32 15 s	35 18 s	39 18 s	38 23 c
Greely	36 11 pc	36 12 c	44 15 s	44 19 s
Houston	58 38 s	51 28 s	54 28 s	51 30 s
Kansas City	32 16 c	30 14 c	32 16 pc	38 18 pc
Las Vegas	59 36 s	57 36 pc	56 36 pc	55 31 s
Lincoln	20 15 c	26 16 pc	31 18 s	35 18 s
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2001 Year In Review

January

4—The Chelsea Downtown Development Authority hopes to sell the 120-year-old Eastlake Residence at 116 Park St., part of a \$1.45 million DDA land purchase that also includes the Staffen-Mitchell Funeral Home. Any buyer would need to remove the home from its current site and relocate it. The site will be turned into a parking lot.

4—The Chelsea Department of Public Works has received high marks for its efforts to battle the recent heavy snowstorms. Dave Bulson, superintendent of public works, said the village has already used 100 tons of salt and 100 tons more just arrived at the DPW. Some of the crews worked 24 hours before getting rest, and will see more than 40 hours of overtime in their paycheck.

4—Efforts are under way to improve water quality in the Middle Huron River, pollution reduction efforts that are in response to a state mandate.

11—Howard Holmes, 87, one of the town's most prominent business leaders, died Jan. 3. For 50 years, Holmes led Chelsea Milling Co., manufacturers of Jiffy Mix, as president, director and chairman.

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

11—After a year and half of extensive renovations, the Purple Rose Theatre Co. will throw open its doors for the 2001 season with a gala VIP world premiere of Lanford Wilson's play "Rain Dance" 6 p.m. Jan 20.

11—Following a lengthy discussion and a motion to table a resolution supporting the Chelsea Area Regional Plan, the Sylvan Township Board decided to embrace the document Jan. 2. At issue was Lyndon Township's removal from the restrictions placed on driveway access on county roads.

18—Chelsea Village Planning Commission took issue with the density requirements for manufactured housing in the final draft of the Chelsea Area Regional Plan and, as a result, recommended officials not approve the document.

18—Towers, mostly for cellular phone transmission, are proliferating across the American landscape. Last Thursday, the Lyndon Township Planning Commission held a public meeting to discuss another proposal for a cellular phone tower. A new tower is planned for Roske Road, less than two miles to the north of an existing 1,000-foot tower. It would stand on property owned by Tom and Lee Ann Shanahan. Lee Ann Shanahan is a member of the Lyndon Township Board.

18—A citizens committee has offered its final recommendations to the Chelsea Village Council for commercial design standards, a gateway district and landscaping requirements. Committee Chairman Fred Mills said few changes were sug-

gested for the commercial design ordinance that it intended to encourage development and redevelopment in the village and enhance its small-town character.

18—A Chelsea landmark fell to the wrecker's ball in the last couple of weeks to make way for a new CVS Pharmacy. Paul Pierce, grandson of the family who pioneered the area, built the structure on the northeast corner of M-52 and Old US-12 in the late 1920s. He ran a small lunchroom and gas station called "The Corners."

25—The computer screens and the faces of Washtenaw County Sheriff Dan Minzey and his new staff were all blank when they walked into their new offices at the beginning of last month. Minzey's predecessor, Ron Schebil, and his administration vacated the offices on Hogback Road at the end of December. Minzey and his crew moved into the offices on Jan. 1 and noticed all the files were missing from the computer system.

25—South Meadows Elementary School teacher-consultant Judy Bareis gave a presentation at Monday night's school board meeting about YAHOO, or Young Achievers Helped One by One. The board accepted the resignations of Special Education Director Henry DeYoung, teachers Mary Koert and Ann Schaffner and custodian Don Wright. Curriculum Director Brian Kissman presented the results of the California Achievement Tests, administered in third, sixth and ninth grades during the fall.

25—Chelsea District Library discussed its future building plans, how to handle requests for information and addressed other topics during a meeting held Jan. 17.

25—Concerned Citizens of Lima, a group opposing a mobile home part proposed in Lima Township, met at the Township Hall last Thursday to discuss a lawsuit pending against the township.

February

1—Local residents, waiting to see if the Chelsea Proving Grounds will be affected by the recent job cuts announced by DaimlerChrysler Corp. will be relieved to hear that, according to a company spokesperson, Chelsea is "not even on the radar." A spokesperson said if there are job reductions, they would come through attrition, retirement or special early programs.

1—Wet weather mixed with cold temperatures caused havoc on local roads earlier this week. Traffic during the morning rush hour was chaotic Monday and Tuesday for many drivers and local schools closed because of road conditions Tuesday.

1—About two dozen residents attended the Chelsea Area Traffic Committee meeting Friday to hear the latest news about the M-52 Relocation Study. The study concerns the proposed alternate route around Chelsea Village. The committee voted unanimously to accept the proposed horizontal alignment.



Village Manager Jack Myers casts his vote in March's Village Council elections. Election Inspector Fran Manzel and Deputy Clerk Georgia Beeman look on. Winning seats on the council in 2001 were Charles Ritter, Jim Myles and Janice Ortring.

1—At the Chelsea Area Fire Authority Board meeting Jan. 24, board members discussed the quality of service that the fire authority provides in the surrounding townships and village. Board members said there is now a need to review the fire authority and understand to what extent the authority is able to respond to current and future emergencies for all municipalities.

8—There is a possibility that Chelsea residents could go to bed one night in the near future and wake up the next morning as residents of the City of the Village of Chelsea. Changing from a village to a city means withdrawing from the township and providing, through a new city government, local services formerly provided by the village and the township.

8—After 16 years, Fred Barkley, the director of parks and recreation for Washtenaw County, wasn't in his office last Thursday. Instead, he was beginning his retirement in Arizona, where he planned to play some golf and loaf around a little with his wife, Judy, and another couple.

8—Local residents woke up to a headache Tuesday morning after a major water line was accidentally cut in Chelsea. Village crews worked to repair the break, which occurred near Sibley

and Werkner roads at about 8 a.m.

8—For the last nine years, Brian Cashman has been a familiar face on the Chelsea Village Council. But now he is stepping down. Cashman has decided not to run for another term as a trustee so he can spend more time with his family.

15—Washtenaw County Sheriff Dan Minzey and his administrators presented the nuts and bolts of a plan Monday afternoon for road patrol in non-contract areas for the western townships of the county. Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners approved a measure to discontinue county-paid road patrol for those areas beginning Jan. 1.

15—Five area supervisors participated in a roundtable discussion that covered both local and regional issues Saturday at a meeting of the Western Washtenaw Republicans.

15—The Chelsea District Library Board discussed policy and procedures at a retreat Saturday at the White Oak Center in Chelsea. The board met first in a closed session for 90 minutes to discuss information considered attorney-client privileged. Library attorney Cynthia Faulhaber then talked to the board about updating library

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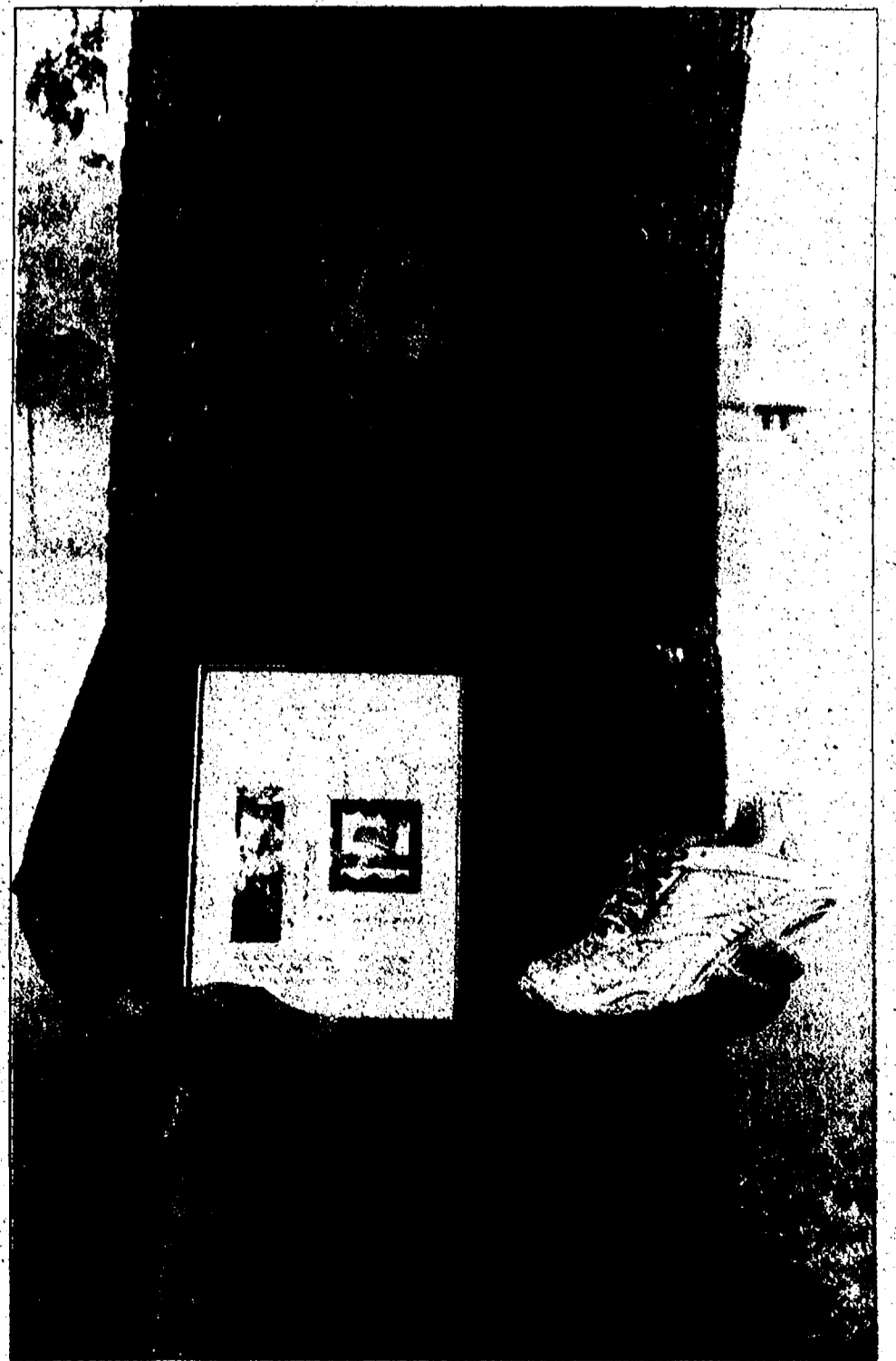
'McFun-raiser'

Erika Mallinoski, a member of the Chelsea House Orchestra, played her harp at the St. Patrick's Day "McFun-raiser" that raised funds for the 2001 Summer Fest. More than 200 people attended the event held in the clock tower in 2001.



An Annual Event

Chelsea Retirement Community hosted its annual Easter Egg Hunt in cooperation with the Chelsea Kiwanis Club in 2001. The event delighted local youngsters, who made friends with the Easter Bunny.



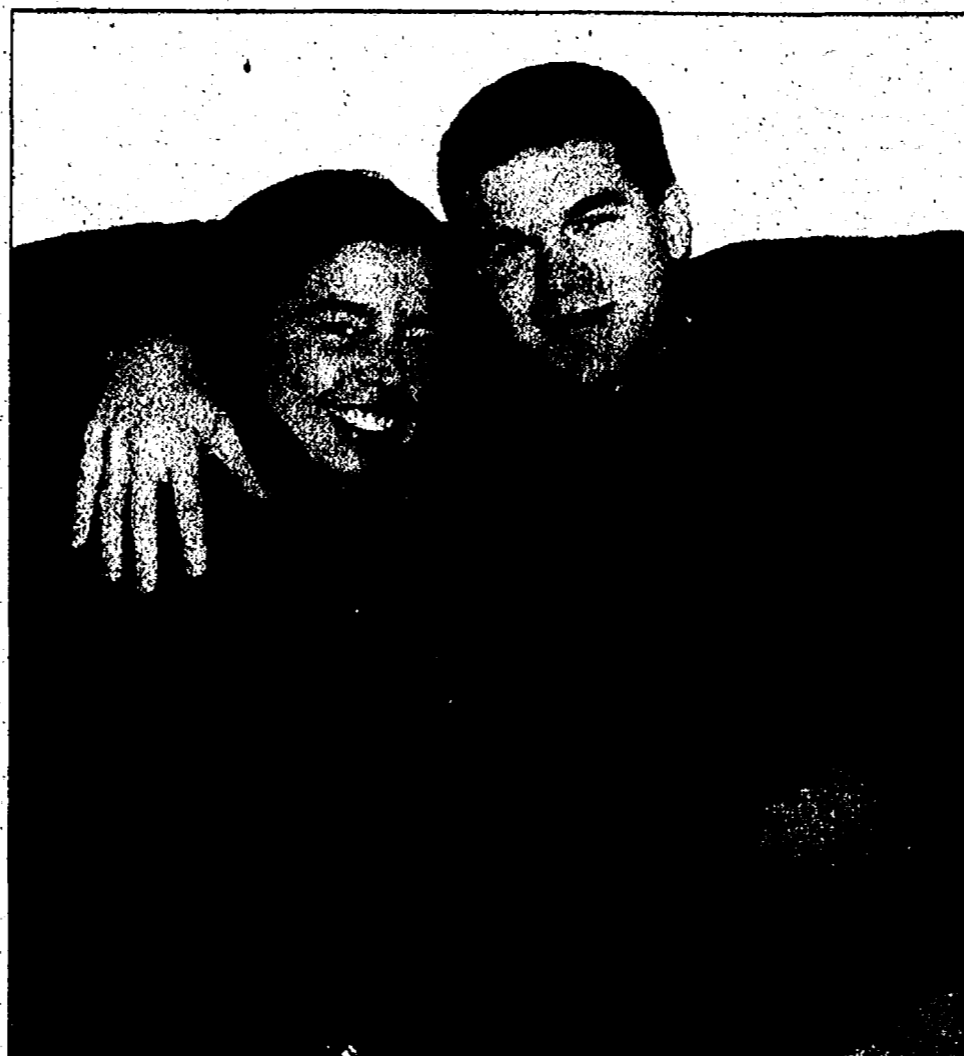
A Feat

Chelsea resident Dan Kaminsky was awarded the Golden Sneaker by the American Cancer Society in 2001 for his sterling efforts at the Relay for Life. The event, held in Chelsea, raised a record amount of \$80,000, double what was raised last year.

ENGAGEMENTS



ENGAGED: Kara Bossenberger of Rochester Hills, daughter of William and Marilyn Bossenberger of Rochester Hills, and Tobin Strong of South Lyon, son of Robert and Eleanor Strong of Chelsea, have set a February wedding date. The future bride is a 1993 graduate of Kimball High School in Royal Oak and a 1996 graduate of William Tyndale College. She is employed by Oakland Family Services. The future groom is a 1993 graduate of Chelsea High School and a 1997 graduate of Cedarville College. He is employed at TRW in Livonia.



ENGAGED: Emily Pratt of Grass Lake, daughter of Bob and Jan Pratt of Grass Lake, and Rodney Balcom of Milan, son of Marge Balcom of Milan, have set a June 1 wedding date. The future bride graduated from Chelsea High School in 1995. The future bridegroom graduated from Milan High School in 1990 and Washtenaw Community College in 2000. He is employed as a respiratory therapist at Forest Health Medical Center in Ypsilanti.



ENGAGED: Nancy July of Kalamazoo, daughter of James and Dorrie July of Davison, and Bradley Hergott of Ypsilanti, son of Patrick Hergott of Dexter and Pamela Rescorla of Ypsilanti, have set a Sept. 14 wedding date. The future bride graduated from Davison High School in 1998 and is a senior at Western Michigan University majoring in human resource management and business communications. The future bridegroom graduated from Dexter High School in 1990. He is employed as a manager at Washtenaw Country Club in Ypsilanti.



Photo by Alison Marable

Rudolph Enjoys a Snack

First-grader Olivia Rowland, in reindeer antlers, enjoys a snack during a holiday activity in class. Rowland is a pupil in teacher Susan Harris' class at South Meadows Elementary School.

Dot-com boom, bust moved people

By Alex Burkulas

Special Writer

The long-running dot-com soap opera may finally be coming to an end.

Most of the major players that were going to die in this technology probably have already bitten the dust.

For those folks who ventured into the stock market on the technology bubble, that may sound like just more bad news. While technology stocks continue to struggle, there are a lot of lessons to be learned in the dot-com failures, and many ignored and overlooked benefits.

Let's talk about money and investments again. Wall Street investors set their conventional

cautions aside and invested billions in far-flung ideas with unproven, questionable business models. True, many of those business models were based on the naive assumption that the money would continue to feed the dot-com glamour, and many, as we know, failed.

But there was still an incredible amount invested in technology-based companies and manufacturers. Entrepreneurs sunk billions into developing computer technology, servers, innovative programming and electronics and fiber-optic lines.

There were a lot — and still are — of savvy computer and Internet-based companies that wrote good software, developed a number of new applications

and enhanced many levels of Internet security.

Andrew Grove, chairman of Intel Corp., believes that 15 years worth of Internet and e-commerce infrastructure got built in just the last five years. The rapid development of the Internet and computer industries has been compared to the rise of the steel and railroad industries, at least in the ways these industries have changed the face of American business and life. There is tremendous value in that for everyone, whether or not you own a PC.

Everyone agrees the dot-com industry has been weeded out. Again, in a very short time, the Internet went from promising the sublime to the ridiculous.

Priceline.com, for example, started out selling airline tickets and then tried selling gasoline and groceries.

Another overlooked benefit of the dot-com boom and bust is that it moved corporate America off its collective backside, and scared everyone into getting on the Internet.

From being wary of the Internet, corporate thinking quickly shifted to the belief that if your company wasn't on the Internet, you were dead or soon would be.

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BIRTHS

A son, Jonathan Parker, was born Dec. 3 at Decatur General Hospital to Jodi and Jonathan Vandine of Decatur, Ala. Maternal grandparents are Loren and Nancy Keezer of Chelsea. Paternal grandparents are Donald and Carol Vandine of Unionport, Ohio. Great-grandparents are Dorothy Keezer of Chelsea, the late Elwood B. Margaret Vandine of Ohio and the late Leon Meabon of Chelsea. Jonathan has a brother,

Hunter.

A daughter, Autumn Rose Schultze, was born to Patty and Brian Schultze of Chelsea Dec. 13 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Maternal grandparents are Garland and Florence Henry of Brooklyn. Paternal grandparents are Dietrich and Mary Schultze of Chelsea, and Ute and Uli Ullrich of Brooklyn. Autumn has two brothers, Hunter and Beau.

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bylaws and establishing communication procedures.

22—Chelsea's Downtown Development Authority is trying to find solutions for those who are frustrated with trying to find downtown parking. DDA member Jim Myles presented a parking study and its findings Feb. 15 to DDA members.

22—Chelsea Fire Department was called late Monday night when a Manchester man was killed in a single car crash on Old US-12 in Sylvan Township. Jamie Adams, 26, had just left Chelsea Lanes, where he participated in several bowling leagues, when the crash occurred.

March

1—Barring a write-in campaign, three candidates will run uncontested in the March 12 village election. They are James Myles, Janice Ortbring and Charles Ritter.

1—Dexter Township officials are not thrilled with Charter Communications, a cable company serving the area. Interrupted cable service during Christmas was cause for residents' furor. Now representatives from Charter Communications are being asked to address this and other customer service problems in public. They did so Feb. 20 at the Dexter Township Board meeting.

1—Three representatives from the Washtenaw County Road Commission presented an annual report and answered questions about road projects slated this year in Dexter Township. The report said that countywide road improvements were fairly balanced between widening and paving projects last year. Five new traffic lights were installed throughout the county and five bridges were rehabilitated.

1—A group of Chelsea residents asked the library board last week why they were charged \$280 for a request filed under the Freedom of Information Act when the board initially agreed to waive the fee. Gwen Stubbs said she was upset that an apparent verbal agreement to waive the fees had been ignored. Fees were for documentation related to the board's purchase of a home at 121 Orchard St.

1—The Chelsea Area Traffic Committee met Friday to discuss the proposed Chelsea reroute. A civil engineer and

environmental planner outlined details of the latest study of topographical analysis and vertical alignment for the proposed relocation of M-52.

1—Residents near the proposed Fieldstone Village condominiums will have an opportunity to talk to village planning commissioners about the development's impact on the Wilkinson Street drain system at a special hearing later this month.

8—After a pleasant, sunny weekend, March came back with a vengeance, catching the area on the fringe of the nor'easter, blasting the eastern seaboard. By late Monday afternoon, a line of snow squalls alternating with blue skies caught motorists in a bizarre and unpredictable weather pattern. At 4:30 p.m., the Washtenaw County Emergency Management Division put out a traveler's advisory on the emergency alert system.

8—Area residents will have to wait a little longer for the Chelsea Village Council to make a decision about police services for Lima and Sylvan townships. Village Manager Jack Myers and Police Chief Lenard McDougall presented the cost projections for consideration to Village Council trustees and township officials at the Village Council meeting Feb. 27.

8—Since the early 1970s, Robert Tetens has watched the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Department grow and wondered what it would be like to be at the helm. On Monday, he got the opportunity to find out as the new director.

8—Charter Communications promised to change its customer-service practices at a recent Dexter Township Board meeting. Township officials grilled both the general manager and the operations manager during the Feb. 20 meeting.

15—Voter turnout Monday was as gray as the day. Less than 3 percent of the registered voters in Chelsea voted in the annual Village Council election. In an uncontested race, James Myles and Janice Ortbring retained their council seats and Charles Ritter filled a seat vacated by Brian Cashman. All three will serve two-year terms.

15—More than 50 people filled the meeting room at Sylvan Township Hall March 6 to speak to board members and local police officials about the survey and options for police protection. Last year, Washtenaw County Commissioners voted to end general road patrol in non-

contractual areas beginning Jan. 1.

15—A group of Chelsea school bus drivers came to Monday night's Board of Education meeting to make their views known and ask for support in coming to a fair resolution to their contract negotiations. Chelsea bus drivers Connie Gook and Vicki Murdock both addressed the board.

22—While the battle continues between Chelsea Village and its neighbors over police protection, another heats up over the village's quest for cityhood. Chelsea's petition to become a city is pending before the State Boundary Commission. On March 8, attorneys hired by Lima and Sylvan townships met in Lansing with Chelsea officials and the Boundary Commission to determine if the petition is sufficient.

22—Many will be surprised with the new changes the Chelsea Farmers' Market has undergone when it opens in May. Chelsea residents Janice Ortbring and Elaine Economou have joined forces to help the market grow and reach its full potential by building a group of community volunteers to help manage it.

22—On March 13, Lyndon Township Board talked about distributing a survey to residents to find out their thoughts on expanding the township hall and contracting for police services. Officials said the township hall is badly in need of repair. The structure does not meet federal standards. It is also limited in space for holding elections, meetings and records.

22—Brian Kissman, director of curriculum for the Chelsea School District, will be packing his bags and leaving for Malaysia this summer. He will take up a new position as curriculum director of the International School of Kuala Lumpur.

22—At the March 12 school board meeting, Superintendent Ed Richardson reported on the results of arbitration regarding the involuntary transfer of band director William Gourley from the high school to the middle school last fall. The arbitrator ruled in favor of all the positions taken by the school district.

22—Sylvan Township has rejected a proposal from Chelsea for police protection. Effective Jan. 1, the sheriff's department will end road patrol in townships that don't have a contract with the county.

29—Despite a lack of funding, the Chelsea Area Traffic Committee voted Friday to have consultants JRR SmithGroup and HNTB Inc. complete studies of the proposed relocated M-52 Chelsea bypass. Meanwhile, the committee continues to look for funds to cover the project's cost.

29—The group Friends of Pickerel Lake has added the Dexter Township Board to its list of advisers. On March 20, the board agreed to support a resolution that asks the state parks and recreation division to enact a one-year moratorium on development around the 23-acre state-owned lake.

29—Lima and Sylvan townships are still considering police protection from the county despite a recent rise in costs. Washtenaw County Commissioners recently announced an 8.9 percent increase for sheriff law enforcement services.

29—About 100 Lima Townships residents gathered Saturday morning at the township hall to hear information from the Public Safety Review Committee on options for police services.

29—A group of residents on Orchard Street that has been seeking answers from the Chelsea District Library Board got some last week. On March 20, the board responded to letters a couple of members of the group wrote regarding e-mail and fees related to request they made under the Freedom of Information Act. Board members appeared to agree that no ethical standards had been compromised.

April

5—A committee charged with reviewing police services has recommended that Lima Township rely on the Michigan State Police in the future. The decision would mean the township would not contract with Chelsea police or the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department. The Township Board will vote on the issue June 1 and is expected to have an agreement in place by August.

5—The numbers are in from the U.S. Census Bureau and, for the most part, there are no surprises for township and village officials. In Chelsea, there was a 16.6 percent increase in population during the last 10 years.

12—Firefighters from Chelsea, Dexter and Stockbridge fought two home fires April 4 on Sugarloaf Lake Road in Lyndon Township. Firefighters were called to 1280 Sugarloaf Lake Road at 1:29 a.m. as both homes owned by Matthew and Dianne Dobos burned.

12—Five candidates are in the running for the Chelsea school board. The slate includes one eight-year veteran and four newcomers. Two four-year terms are up. Vice President Sandra Merkel will run for re-election but Trustee Jan Roberts will not. Newcomers Robert Turner, John Davidsen, Beth Starkey and Frederik van Reesema have also put their hats in the ring.

12—The Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce is suffering growing pains and is doing something about it. In a dual effort to alleviate the problem and offer growth and expansion, the chamber plans to move into a 1,100-square-foot office at 522 N. Main St.

12—Chelsea Village Council has appointed Marcia White to the planning commission. She will fill a three-year term vacated by Mary Oesterle.

12—Chelsea Industries, one of the top 10 employers in Chelsea, is looking to expand its operations and open a new plant outside the village. Company officials said any new facility will be an expansion and will not affect the Chelsea operation.

19—By installing new software that blocks sexually explicit or obscene material, libraries in Dexter and Chelsea are trying to make life easier for computer users while still complying with state law. Chelsea District Library is planning to implement a system called LibraryGuardian in the coming months.

19—Washtenaw County Sheriff's deputies investigated two larcenies in Lima Township last week. Two neighbors told deputies that someone broke into their cars in the late evening in the 13000 block of



Following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the country, local residents showed their patriotism by flying Old Glory. At this home on West Middle Street, the American flag flew at half-staff to commemorate the many lives lost in the attacks.

Harper Road.

19—On April 10, Jill Branson was sworn in to fill the village's newly combined clerk and treasurer position. The local resident has worked with several planning and zoning departments, including Chelsea Village.

19—Lyndon Township Planning Commission held a public hearing April 12 to discuss the location of a proposed cellular phone tower on farmland off Roepeke Road. MIOP Inc. in conjunction with Trintel Communications and tower owners TWS/TWT want to build a 240-foot-tall self-supported lattice tower on a 100-foot-square site owned by Tom and Lee Ann Shanahan. The move requires a special-use permit from the township. The public hearing attracted dozens of residents, who filled the township hall nearly to capacity.

19—The Lyndon Township Board met last week to discuss extending sewers to surrounding lake communities, as well as road issues and police services. Officials voted to enter into an agreement with the Washtenaw County Department of Public Works and Multi-Lakes Water

and Sewer Authority for construction, financing and operation of sanitary sewers to serve Blind, Half Moon, Silver, Joslin, Bruin and Patterson lakes.

19—The Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department continues to look for a driver who drove off after hitting a 31-year-old Dexter Township man in the early evening of April 10. The man said that he was jogging at about 8:30 p.m. on Wylie Road near Island Lake Road when he was hit.

26—The installation of a new sanitary sewer is causing major headaches for residents and drivers along Sibley and Werkner roads. Part of Werkner Road has been closed to traffic for a few weeks as Anderzack-Pitzen Construction of Metamora, Ohio, installs two water mains and a sanitary sewer main in the roadbed. The work is part of a project to build a new water treatment plant just north of Sibley Road.

26—After reviewing reports and hearing lengthy discussions about a proposed retail complex at their monthly meeting April 17, Chelsea Village planning commissioners tabled consider-

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Sam and Joyce Johnson retired in March after many years of owning and operating Johnson's How-To Store on North Main Street in Chelsea.

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Chelsea Fire Chief Dan Ellenwood shares some photos with Danny Claffey during the fire department's open house. The event took place during National Fire Prevention Week in October.

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honored and received certificates for their academic accomplishments during the Cum Laude Banquet May 16.

24—Lyndon Township Board recently adopted a resolution to create a district to include Ellsworth Lake and Island Lake in the Multi-Lakes Phase 2 water and sewer project. On April 30, Township Supervisor Maryann Noah presented a written summary of the Multi-Lakes Phase 2 sewer project for Ellsworth Lake, Joslin Lake's Roepke Court, Island Lake, South Lake and Wild Goose Lake.

31—The Memorial Day weekend claimed the lives of Amanda Taylor, 18, Aaron Schmill, 20, and Kevin Bollinger, 22, with a single-car crash just before 12:30 a.m. Saturday on Waterloo Road a few hundred feet west of the Jackson County. Kevin's brother, Grant, 20, survived after being thrown through the car's sunroof.

31—Chilly temperatures and low hanging clouds didn't hinder the turnout at the annual Memorial Day parade and program Monday in Chelsea. Police Chief Lenard McDougall led the parade. Residents and visitors gathered in Oak Grove Cemetery to listen to the American Legion's annual Memorial Day program. The keynote address was given by Stephanie "Sis" Kanten of Chelsea.

31—Last week, the school board discussed whether to raise the cost of meals to \$2.25 for elementary and middle school pupils and \$2.50 for high school students.

31—Chelsea Area Fire

Authority denied an appeal May 23 by residents who were billed \$500 when they called the fire department to respond to a fire out of control. Carolyn and Charles Hillman of Sylvan Township called the Chelsea Area Fire Department when the barrel they were burning burst into flames March 30.

7—For the Chelsea High School Class of 2001, the graduation ceremonies on Sunday had the added weight of missing four of their own. The premature deaths of Amanda Martin, Tia Schiller, Jennifer Young and Amanda Taylor left a gaping hole in what should have been a crowning moment in the lives of 195 young graduates.

7—The Chelsea Area Transportation System may ask taxpayers to dig deeper into their pockets. CATS officials talked to Village Council members May 22 about holding a special election in the coming months to require millage to support the bus system.

7—Lima Township Board is considering dropping out of a lawsuit disputing Chelsea's plans for annexation. Attorneys representing Lima and Sylvan townships filed the lawsuit to stop Chelsea Village from eating up township land in its quest for cityhood.

7—Chelsea Board of Education and school administration held a luncheon May 24 to honor retirees and exemplary employees. Teacher Brad Bush and Food Service Supervisor Karen Carty were honored as exemplary employees.

14—Two new faces will be on the Chelsea school board in July. Rob Turner and Beth Starkey beat incumbent Vice President Sandra Merkel and

newcomers John Davidsen and Frederik van Reesema in Monday's election.

14—A settlement has been reached between the school district and the International Union of Operating Engineers local 547, representing the Chelsea school bus drivers and bus monitors who have been without a contract since July 1, 2000. The school board ratified the four-year contract at Monday's board meeting.

21—The Lima Township Board held a special meeting June 12 to discuss water and sewer options. The board heard from Gerald Dresselhouse, Sylvan Township's special projects coordinator, who presented his township's proposal for a sewer and water authority.

21—The Jackson County Sheriff's Department has identified Kevin Bollinger as the driver of the car that crashed and killed three young Chelsea residents May 28. Bollinger, the car's owner, was legally drunk when the car ran off the road.

21—Local business owners list cost and safety as reasons for their opposition to the village putting in sidewalks along the M-52 corridor. Despite the discord, Chelsea Village Council plans to move forward with the project.

21—A few families in Chelsea had more than happy memories linger after the Memorial Day weekend. Six local people developed salmonella infections.

21—Ted Gardella was chosen from a field of 30 applicants as Chelsea School District's new curriculum director. He comes to Chelsea from Battle Creek Public Schools.

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DEATHS

MARY LOUISE ADAMS CANTRELL, Chelsea

Mary Louise Adams Cantrell died Dec. 20, 2001, at her home surrounded by her loving family and friends after a short illness. She was born June 6, 1925, in Salyersville, Ky., the daughter of Dewey and Bertie (Cooper) Adams.

Mrs. Cantrell married George Cantrell Oct. 13, 1945. She had been a resident of Chelsea since 1943 and retired from Federal Screw Works in December of 1967.

Mrs. Cantrell was a faithful member of the Chelsea Church of Christ. In addition, she was a member of the O.E.S.

Mrs. Cantrell was a devoted wife and mother. She loved her home and enjoyed gardening, cooking and traveling.

Survivors include her husband, George; one son, Robert J. (Cathy Clark) Cantrell, and their daughter, Ashley of Lilburn, Ga.; one daughter, Sheryl L. (Donald) Trinkle, and their children, Steven and Sarah of Dexter; one sister, Ruth (Hobert) Caudill of Aberdeen, Ohio; one sister-in-law, Mabel (Johnny) Adams of Henryville, Ind.; one brother-in-law, Glenn (Lucy) Estapp of Mt. Sterling, Ohio.

Also surviving are several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins

and many special friends. Her beloved son, Stephen Craig, preceded her in death Nov. 6, 1974, at the young age of 18. She was also preceded in death by her parents, one brother, Johnny T. Adams, and two sisters, Lucy Jean Estapp and Clara Mae Domby.

A funeral was held Sunday at Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea, with the Rev. Brandon C. Coats, minister of the Chelsea Church of Christ officiating. Burial was at Oak Grove Cemetery in Chelsea.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Church of Christ Building Fund.

NORMAN HARRISON WILSON, Dexter

Norman Wilson, 60, died Dec. 17, 2001, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. He was born Jan. 20, 1941, in Fairfield Township, the son of Lester and E. Imogene (Drake) Wilson.

A barber by profession, he worked at O'Grady's Barber Shop until 1962. He then moved to Chelsea and worked at Murphy's Barber Shop until 1970, when he moved to Dexter to start his own business. He owned and operated Norm's Barber Shop in Dexter until his retirement last year.

Mr. Wilson was active in the com-

munity and was well respected by all who knew him. He was a very caring man who loved children.

Mr. Wilson was also an avid golfer. He and his wife, Sandy, enjoyed their condominium in California, making at least two trips there a year.

Mr. Wilson will be missed by his family, friends and the community.

Surviving are his wife, Sandy; one daughter, Linda L. Nicholas (Barry) of Dexter; one son, Lance A. Prague (Angela) of California; two grandchildren, Morgan L. Nicholas and Kiefer D. Sprague; his mother, E. Imogene Yovanoy, and her friend, Ben Mercer; and one brother, Charles Wilson (Lucy) of North Carolina.

Family graveside services were held at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Dexter.

Mr. Wilson's family appreciates the contributions of the staff at McAuley Cancer Care Center, the hospital nursing staff, Dr. Stella and his staff, and Dr. Scott Schenck.

Mr. Wilson's request was that memorial tributes in his name be made to the Make A Wish Foundation of Michigan, 1689 Hamilton Road, Suite 210, Okemos, MI 48864-1809. Arrangements were made by Hosmer-Muehlig Funeral Chapel in Dexter.

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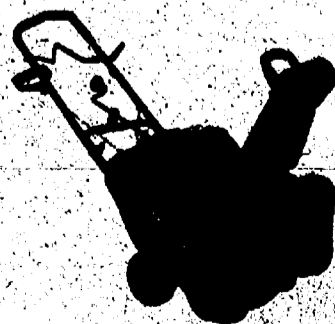
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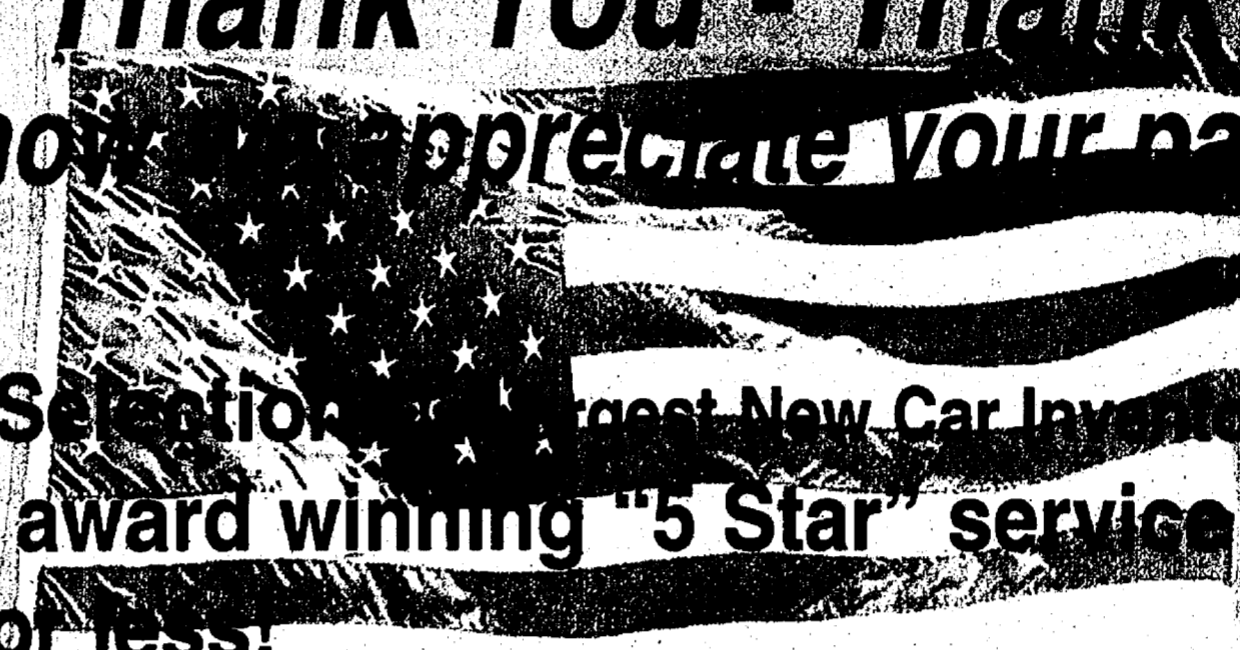
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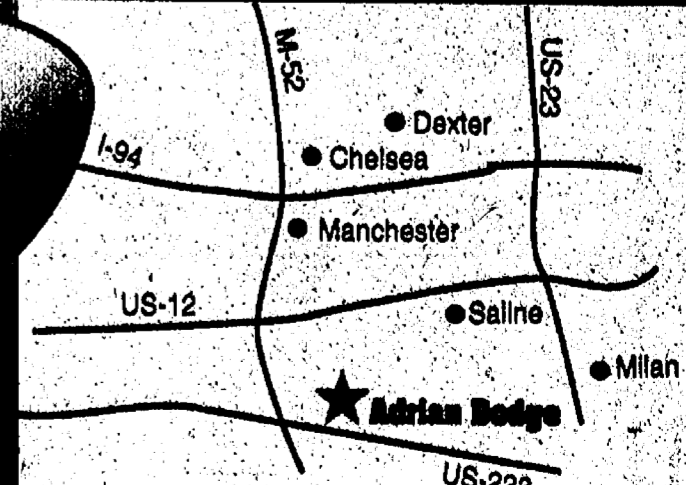
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