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Teen may face charges in crash

■ *Young mother killed in M-52 crash, local teens injured.*

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

State police will seek criminal charges against a 16-year-old driver who caused a two-car head-on collision last Thursday evening that killed a young mother.

The crash, which occurred at approximately 6:15 p.m. Thursday on M-52, just north of Clarks Lake Road near Chelsea, killed Robin Delaney.

The 29-year-old Pleasant Lake resi-

dent, the mother of a 7-week-old boy, was on the way to a holiday party at Hatch Stamping Co. in Chelsea with her husband, Joe, a quality manager with the company.

The 16-year-old boy, a Grass Lake resident, was driving northbound with three passengers, two 15-year-old girls and a 21-year-old man, all from Chelsea.

Lt. Beth Moranty of the Michigan State Police Ypsilanti Post said Wednesday that she would not release the names of the driver or the three passengers.

The driver, apparently turning into

Green Lake campground, turned his 1989 Chevrolet Caprice directly into the path of the 2002 GMC Envoy driven by Joe Delaney, resulting in a head-on collision.

Robin Delaney was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital, where she died a short time later from her injuries. Moranty said Delaney was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash.

Chelsea Area Fire Chief Dan Ellenwood said the department sent 19 firefighters to the scene. Dexter Area Fire Department provided mutual aid coverage at Chelsea's main station.

Ellenwood said firefighters used the Jaws of Life to extricate two people from the Caprice. He said one girl had severe closed-head injuries.

Ellenwood said M-52 was closed for a couple of hours after the crash. Joe Delaney, 37, was taken to the University of Michigan Hospital.

The four young people were taken to the University of Michigan Hospital. Two were listed in critical condition and two in serious condition.

Moranty said she wasn't sure if the

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NEWS BRIEFS

Newspaper sets holiday deadlines

The Chelsea Standard has set early deadlines to accommodate the holidays.

Press releases, photographs and death notices are due by 11 a.m. tomorrow for the Dec. 26 edition of The Chelsea Standard and 11 a.m. Dec. 27 for the Jan. 2 edition.

E-mail submissions to editor@chelseastandard.com, fax 475-1413 or mail to 20750 Old US-12, Chelsea, MI 48118.

Display ads are due by 1 p.m. today for the Dec. 26 edition and 1 p.m. Dec. 28 for the Jan. 2 edition. Classified ads are due 5 p.m. tomorrow for the Dec. 26 edition and 5 p.m. Dec. 27 for the Jan. 2 edition.

Legal notices are due by noon tomorrow for the Jan. 2 edition.

Local artwork on display in Ann Arbor

The Ann Arbor District Library, 343 S. Fifth Ave. in Ann Arbor, is hosting an exhibit through Dec. 30 sponsored by the Chelsea Center for the Development of the Arts.

The 37 works in the exhibit are from the "Artists Teaching Artists" group, the CCDA's Center Gallery and Chelsea Painters.

Faith In Action to host holiday dinner

Faith In Action will sponsor a Christmas Day dinner 1 to 3 p.m. Wednesday at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1515 S. Main St. in Chelsea.

Delivery is available for the homebound.

This year's dinner will honor the late Duane Layher, who drowned earlier this year. Layher, a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church, recruited cooks for the dinner for many years.

For information, call 475-3306 or 475-8913.

Tree Hunt



Photo by Rita Fischer

Dexter Township resident John Gingell and his son, Jake, stoop down to examine a Christmas tree at the Waterloo Tree Farm while Jennifer Gingell and baby Christopher look on.

Vote recount backfires on Burkhardt

■ *Candidate questions vote totals in Scio Township.*

By Will Keeler
Staff Writer

In an attempt to gain additional votes and oust seasoned politician Joseph Yekulis, R-District 1, from his county commissioner's post, former Democratic candidate Wendy Burkhardt found herself losing votes after a recount Dec. 11.

Burkhardt believed there may have been an error in the voting process and requested a recount in four

of the eight precincts in Scio Township.

As a result, two votes were found in error and in favor of Yekulis. The votes were then certified and added to the final totals.

Yekulis beat Burkhardt in the November election 7,155 to 4,595 for the District 1 commissioner's post, which covers most of western Washtenaw County.

Burkhardt, a Sylvan Township resident, said Friday that she waited until the early morning of Nov. 7 to see election results.

"Several of the precincts in

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Chelsea loses \$70,585 in state funds

■ *Village manager sees gradual erosion in state aid.*

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Chelsea Village has lost \$70,585 in revenue sharing in the current fiscal

year because of cutbacks at the state level.

Village Manager Jack Myers now has to put together a budget without funding the village was banking on.

In the 2001-02 fiscal year, Chelsea Village did better than expected. Myers said state funding, which he had budgeted at \$500,000, came in at

\$566,835, an increase of some 13 percent.

Myers said he based Chelsea's 2002-03 budget on the previous year's figures. However, budget cuts in Lansing have slowly eroded state revenue sharing. The 2002-03 figures totaled \$514,248, \$82,587 less than what was received in 2001.

On top of the shortfall, Gov. John Engler's most recent slashing of revenue sharing designed to balance the state budget before Jennifer Granholm takes the helm, resulted in an additional loss of 3.5 percent, totaling \$17,998.

The action leaves Myers wrestling

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Village gets huge refund

■ *Chelsea joined others in challenging energy rates.*

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Chelsea Village received a whopping refund of more than a half million dollars Monday from Consumers Energy Co.

The windfall was the result of efforts made by Village Manager Jack Myers in his capacity as president of the Michigan Public Power Rate Payers Association.

Myers, who has served as president of the

association for the past four years and who also represents Chelsea as a commissioner on the board of the Michigan Public Power Agency, received the check Monday on behalf of the village for \$608,897.

He said the money is earmarked for the village's electric fund for capital expenditures. Myers, working in tandem with the Washington, D.C., law firm of Spiegel & McDiarmid, which has represented the Michigan Public Power Rate Payers Association and similar associations for sev-

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Village Manager Jack Myers is all smiles Monday as he holds a refund check for \$608,897 to the village from Consumers Energy Co. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ruled last summer in favor of several municipalities, including Chelsea, that had complained the company was charging excessive rates.

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Community Award

Ed and Kathy Greenleaf of Chelsea were awarded the first Community Partnership Award by the state organization of Students Against Drunken Driving at Monday's school board meeting. The owners of Chelsea Lanes were specifically recognized for their support of Chelsea's after-prom party, which began in 1983. Pamela Voss (left), executive director of Student Leadership Services, which sponsors the Michigan SADD program, was on hand to present the award to the Greenleafs.

RECOUNT

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Scioto Township weren't accounted for and I think there might have been something wrong," she said Friday.

Burkhardt questioned the accuracy of votes tallied at four precincts new to District 1. The polling places were added to District 1 when the Washtenaw Board of Commissioners downsized early this year.

Burkhardt said that she is still not satisfied with the election results despite the recount.

She said that if the county conducted the recount in a "military method," she would have come out on top, beating Yekulis by 40 votes in her estimation.

Even though Burkhardt

garnered more votes than Yekulis in the August primary, Washtenaw County Clerk Peggy Haines said Dec. 12 that Yekulis still came out the winner after the recent recount.

"There weren't any flaws in the election and the numbers stand correct," she said.

Haines said that a request for a recount isn't unusual after a close election.

However, she said, "We normally don't see a request for a recount when there is such a large margin."

Yekulis said Monday that the recount was a waste of the county's time.

"It's time to question the judgment of a person who continues to be defeated at the polls by wide margins, re-files every two years and then demands a recount by

the county clerk's office after losing more than 2,500 votes," he said.

Burkhardt was charged \$10 a precinct for the recount.

Washtenaw County Deputy Clerk Jim Knight said that there was no way that Burkhardt could have come out on top after the recount of precincts in Scioto Township.

"After the November election, Burkhardt was behind Yekulis by 2,850 votes and there were only 2,585 votes cast in these four precincts," he said.

Yekulis will begin his fifth, two-year term in January with the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners.

Staff Writer Will Keeler can be reached at 475-1371 or via e-mail at wkeeler@heritage.com.

Chelsea Helpline now facing its own crisis

■ Board seeks new service provider in wake of SOS crisis line shutdown.

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

For the past 12 years, help was just a phone call away for local residents in a crisis. People needing help just had to dial the Chelsea Helpline at 475-0111 to find assistance.

Now the local crisis number is facing its own emergency.

Since its inception in 1992, the local telephone number has been answered 24 hours, 7 days a week by the SOS Community Crisis Center in Ypsilanti, a crisis phone line that has been in service for more than 30 years, Helpline board member William Chandler said.

"Because of a shortage of funds and a changing emphasis in the services SOS provides, they have been forced to shut down their crisis phone service," Chandler said.

The Chelsea Helpline board held a special meeting Dec. 9 at which they heard from SOS representative

Faye Askew-King.

The SOS crisis phone service shut down Friday. Crisis calls will be answered by a recorded message system before it shuts down completely in the next six to eight weeks, Chandler said.

For now, Chelsea Helpline will continue to be call-forwarded to the SOS number in Ypsilanti, Chandler said.

"But instead of a person answering the phone, as was true the past 12 years, the caller will hear a recorded message giving various phone numbers to call for various different service needs," he said.

"Since the original primary purpose of the Chelsea Helpline was suicide prevention, the number that Chelsea callers will most likely be interested in will be 996-4747, the University of Michigan's psychiatric emergency service."

Chandler said other phone numbers on the recorded message will include help for families facing homelessness and information on SafeHouse in Ann Arbor for victims of domestic violence.

"The Chelsea Helpline is in the process of searching for another answering service to connect to before the

SOS number closes," he said.

"The board plans to have the new service provider on line shortly after the first of the year."

The Chelsea Helpline was established in 1990 by a group of concerned residents in answer to a number of accidents and suicides involving teen-agers, as well as injuries from failed suicide attempts, Chandler said.

Since the board realized that the crisis line was appropriate for all age groups, it directed publicity to the entire Chelsea community, he said. Board members are from all segments of the community, including school district staff and senior citizens.

Since its inception, the crisis line has received funding from the Chelsea Kiwanis Club and the Chelsea United Way, and additional help from individuals and organizations.

Chandler said the Helpline board will meet Jan. 7.

"The board has every intention of continuing the local crisis phone number," he said.

"The only change will be who provides the answering service on the other end of the phone line."

Voter registration deadline set

■ Absentee ballots available from village clerk.

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Residents not currently registered to vote must register by 5 p.m. Monday to cast a ballot in the Jan. 21 Chelsea Charter Commission election.

The village clerk's office is located at 305 S. Main St., Suite 100, in Chelsea.

Residents living within Chelsea Village and those who reside in parts of the Lima and Sylvan townships that will be incorporated into the proposed city are eligible to vote.

Voting will take place 7

a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

Registered voters who are unable to get to the polls or who are 60 years or older may request an application to cast an absentee ballot from Clerk Jill Branson.

The 14 people running for the nine-member charter commission are Cheri Albertson, Stanley Burke, Patrick Conlin, Ann Feeney, Frank Hammer, Paul Hanker, Jack Merkel, Fred Mills, Janice Orbring, Charles Ritter, Chris Rode, Ric Sauer, Dale Schumann

and Richard Steele.

The commission will write a city charter for Chelsea in its bid to become the fifth city in Washtenaw County. The commission will have 90 days following the election to write the charter and send it to the governor for approval before it goes to a referendum of local voters.

Write-in candidates are required to file a declaration of intent with the village clerk no later than 4 p.m. Jan. 3.

Write-in votes cast for someone who has not filed the declaration of intent will not count.

REFUND

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eral years, successfully challenged the electric transmission service rates charged by Consumers Energy from 1996 to early 2002.

Last summer, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ruled in favor of several municipal electric members, including Chelsea Village, in

finding the transmission rates charged by Consumers Energy were too high.

The company was ordered to pay refunds, including interest payments on the amounts collected during those four years.

Myers said Chelsea buys power wholesale from Consumers Energy, as well as the Belle River and Campbell 3 plants, and sells electricity to residences and businesses

on the Chelsea power system.

Associate Editor Sheila Pursglove can be reached at 475-1371 or via e-mail at spursglove@heritage.com.

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Revelry

Annual Madrigal Dinner a resounding success

By Jenny Wright
Special Writer

The cafeteria at Beach Middle School was transformed into the Great Hall of a medieval castle for the Dec. 6 and 7 Madrigal Dinner.

The Chelsea High School Women's Chorus and Concert Choir hosted two evenings of music, song and food as part of a fund-raiser for the music program. Proceeds go toward the purchase of choir robes and the making of a DVD of the choir's concerts.

The Chelsea Food Service provided food for a record number of 628 guests for the two-day event.

Cast, plot, production and construction of the event was acted and designed by choir students, parents, teacher Steve Hinz, and student teacher David Neely.

Guests were announced by the town criers — senior Steve Lambert and freshman Lucas Daniels — before being escorted by candle-bearing servants to the elegantly decorated tables.

After the guests were settled, the royal court, preceded by a team of royal dancers, arrived. These included seniors Kyle Kooyers and Katie Personke as king and queen, who broke into song as they led the cast to their positions.

Accompanying their majesties were seniors Natasha Blair, Derric Touman, Anna House, Ryan Houle, Caitlin

Paul, Rachel Common, and juniors Luke and Leon Walters.

After the court was seated, the troupe broke into a song presenting their renowned wassail, a hot drink common to cider. Servants bustled into action, serving the beverage to all the diners.

As the audience nibbled at bread and wild mushroom soup, the court jester, played by junior Scott Longpre, wandered onstage and began a joke-filled conversation with the crowd. Mertonsire, Lord of Misrule, a.k.a. senior Andy Neuenschwander, yelled and mocked him.

Mertonsire and the jester became so frustrated with one another that they each vowed to win the upcoming story-telling contest.

As a meal of chicken, beans and potatoes filled the audience's plates, a band of vagabonds, professional storytellers from the Shire of Sorry, wandered in, played by senior Dan Pane, junior Sharon Dault, senior Hannah Fairley and senior Joel Kelly.

In a short intermission before the storytelling contest, the Royal Court mingled with the "commoners."

Craft-sellers approached tables, persuading guests to buy small trinkets, and beggars fought over loose change that fell to the ground.

Troubadours roamed and sang.



Elise Murphy, a senior at Chelsea High School, served as the royal grammar and vocabulary coach during the Madrigal Dinner at Beach Middle School Dec. 6 and 7.

Steve Lambert, a student at Chelsea High School, played the part of the town crier Dec. 6 and 7 during the Madrigal Dinner, a fund-raiser for the high school's choir department. Proceeds will help pay for new choir robes and the making of a DVD of the choir's concerts.

Finally, the storytelling contest got under way.

A diner was plucked from the audience to choose a name from the town crier's sack. He pulled out a scrap of paper with "me" written on it.

The town crier handed him a scroll, and the man recited "The Grady Bunch," a parody to the tune of the popular sitcom "The Brady Bunch."

Mertonsire and the three tellers from the Shire of Sorry then told a version of "Goldilocks and the Three Bears" with Mertonsire as Goldy, and the others as the bears. The story was comical as Mertonsire received the

blows and insults from the trio.

Next, Sylvania, a.k.a. Hannah Fairley, took the stage, to tell of a queen who lived in a beautiful grass castle and stored many golden thrones in the attic. The upper floor came crashing down, destroying the queen, her castle, and her beloved treasures.

The moral was "those who live in grass houses shouldn't stow thrones."

Lastly, the jester, disguised under a paper bag and with a false name, stepped in front of the crowd, but said he had forgotten his story.

However, he quickly asked

permission to enlist the audience's help. With randomly chosen audience members, he created a fantastic Mad Lib. Afterward he revealed his true identity to the court.

The winner of the contest was the "Grady Bunch" storyteller.

As the audience enjoyed tiny pastries for dessert, the Women's Chorus performed a set of songs, and the Concert Choir ended the evening with an arrangement of Latin and traditional holiday compositions.

Council wants 'rural corridor' defined

■ Planning chairman says public hearing would be needed.

By Kent Ashton Walton
Special Writer

Chelsea Village Council debated semantics last week over the term "rural corridor," a definition that could determine whether trees can be felled and roads widened in the area.

Issues related to the so-called rural corridor and the fate of Dexter-Chelsea Road have come up several times in past discussions of agricultural and residential zoning, especially in relation to Heritage Pointe, a planned unit development for 350 homes on 157 acres on Dexter-Chelsea Road.

In October, Trustee Janice Ortring raised the issue of retaining the rural character of the village by maintaining the rural corridor of the Dexter-Chelsea Road area.

Zoning and Planning Administrator James Drolett argued that the term "rural corridor" is open to a variety of interpretations.

The council decided to

seek clarification from the Planning Commission, but Planning Commission Chairman Chris Rhode declined Dec. 10 to offer the council a clear definition, calling it a policy decision.

He said the term is simply used to designate a particular part of the village, the Dexter-Chelsea Road area, and argued that to define the term would require a public hearing. He said it's a policy decision that he's not willing to make.

The current version of the comprehensive plan doesn't prohibit cutting down trees or widening Dexter-Chelsea Road, Rhode said. Tree removal and road widening have been considered in discussions involving the proposed Heritage Pointe development.

The plan says the corridor should develop a cohesive low-density neighborhood, extending northward, incorporating elements of the village's traditional neighborhoods.

It says the corridor — characterized by rural land uses, a few scattered homes, some historic, farm fields and

hedgerows — should preserve historic buildings as part of redevelopment and maintain and enhance pastoral landscape elements.

The plan recommends pathways allowing for a non-motorized connection between Chelsea and Dexter, and that all developments should have non-motorized facilities feeding into pathways along the road.

The plan also says development should be directed away from the corridor frontage to preserve hedgerows

and rural landscape.

It recommends a housing density of 10,000-square-foot lots with common areas for open space, and relatively narrow streets lined with trees and sidewalks.

A neighborhood park and open spaces should be included, according to the plan.

Village President Richard Steele said there needs to be a discussion between the Village Council and the Planning Commission.

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Chelsea Junior Troop 1733 attended a Paws With A Cause puppy holiday party Dec. 6 at the Ann Arbor Dog Training School. The girls played "Santa Paws" by distributing 144 doggie treat bags and Christmas cards. The girls interacted with the dogs in their training class, learned how to teach basic obedience commands and passed out awards to people who raise foster puppies. Pictured are helper Rosie Knaf (left) and Scouts Emily Knaf, Lily Karatzas, Robyn Cleary, Rachel Aughton and Amanda Roderick. Troop member Kelsey Skittenhelm is not pictured.

CRASH

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occupants of the Chevrolet were wearing seatbelts.

Two of the young people are students at Chelsea Alternative High School, one is a sophomore at Chelsea High School and the 21-year-old is a Chelsea High School graduate, said Chelsea High School Principal Ron Mead.

Mead said counselors were updating staff and students with information as it became available and providing support for students, especially those most impacted by the tragedy.

Moranty, who said there were no witnesses to the crash, said speed was not a factor and that toxicology testing is being conducted to determine if drugs or alcohol were involved.

Moranty said police will send a request for an arrest warrant to the Washtenaw County prosecutor's office within two weeks. Police declined to say what charges the teen-ager could face.

Delaney, a lifelong resident of the Munith area, was a 1991 graduate of Stock-

bridge High School, where she was a cheerleader and coached the cheerleading squad after graduation.

The Michigan State University graduate met her future husband at Hatch Stamping and they were married in June 2001. Delaney worked in accounts payable at the company, where her sister, Carrie Parks, is a receptionist.

Delaney's funeral was held Tuesday and she was buried at Pleasant Grove Cemetery in Munith.

Board bids clerk farewell

Board gives book about Chelsea's history.

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

More than two dozen well-wishers joined the Lyndon Township Board Dec. 10 in honoring Clerk Janis Knieper, who has resigned after eight years in the post.

Township Supervisor Maryann Noah made an emotional speech during a buffet an hour before the board's regularly scheduled meeting. She expressed sadness over Knieper's departure, appreciation for her efforts and best wishes for the future.

The board gave Knieper, who also served as the board's treasurer for a number of years, a book about Chelsea's history signed by everyone at the party.

While it was her last day as township clerk, the board voted to retain Knieper as a consultant until her house is sold and she moves to Illinois with her husband.

Knieper will be paid \$12 an hour with a per-phone call



Janis Knieper (left) was recognized Dec. 10 at the Lyndon Township Board meeting for her years of service as clerk. Knieper has resigned the post because she is moving. Township Supervisor Maryann Noah gave Knieper a book about Chelsea's history as a goodbye present.

minimum charge of five minutes and a minimum charge of one hour when her presence is needed at the township hall. The rates are based on what is paid to deputy administrative officers.

Council accepts planning pact

Regional team does not have enforcement power.

By Kent Ashton Walton
Special Writer

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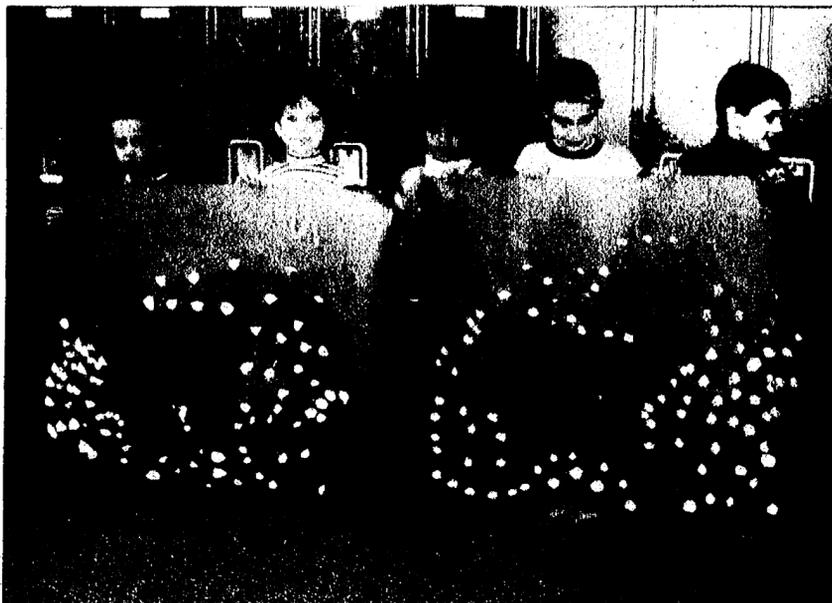
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Reindeer Art

Kindergarten pupils at Pierce Lake Elementary School show off their December artwork. Pictured holding up the reindeer posters are Ryan O'Quinn (left), Josie Elordi, Shivani Rana, Ben Whitesall and Danny Lindauer.



Winning Décor

Teacher Linda Turok's pupils in Beach Middle School's life management class proudly display their winning interior decorating bedroom-in-a-box projects. Jillian Drow (left) took first place, Callie Gavorek was second and Megan Frame took third.



Photo by Alison Marable

Artistic Trio

Matt Golden (left), Ben Sauers and Viktor Rosza, fifth-graders at South Meadows Elementary School, enjoy a recent activity in the art room.



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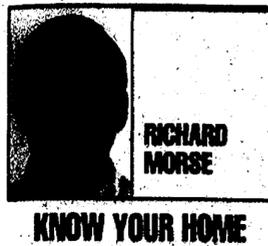
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to make the occupants of the home safer. The steps leading from your garage into the house are there as a safety precaution. Should automobile exhaust gasses collect in the garage, they are heavier than air, and will remain near the garage floor. The separation in floor level will act to keep them from entering your house.

How many times have you stumbled up the steps leading from the garage to your house, maybe with arms full of grocery bags, and wondered why such an obstacle is there in the first place? Can't the garage and the house be on the same level?

Like many features in a home, this is an item designed to keep you safe.

If you have a garage attached directly to your house, it may pose a safety hazard to you and your family. Why? It's because of the dangers implicit in having motor vehicles and flammable items stored in a portion of your home.

Think about some "worst case" scenarios: automobiles occasionally catch on fire; a car left running produces toxic exhaust gasses that can kill and gasoline vapors that can explode; stored items such as gasoline, cleaning agents, paint, and trash items create fumes and may ignite through spontaneous combustion.

There are a number of items built into most garages

Another element designed to keep you safe is the door separating the garage from the house. It should be a solid core door for fire resistance, have a gasket (weather seal) around the perimeter to keep air and toxic fumes from seeping around it, and include a closing mechanism to automatically shut itself.

Every garage should also have a firewall separating it from the house. This wall is typically made of 5/8-inch thick fire rated plasterboard, and extends from the floor to the roof. Should a fire start in the garage, this wall will slow the fire's spread from the house, allowing the occupants time to react and escape the flames. A smoke detector in the garage will also act as a warning.

It's unwise to locate a gas-fired utility system in a garage. A furnace or water heater fueled by natural gas contains a flame that may ignite gasoline vapors from the automobile and result in a fire or explosion. This risk can be decreased by raising the gas-fired unit above

ground level (since the heavier-than-air gas vapors will collect at ground level) or enclosing it in a sealed enclosure vented to the outside.

Perhaps the most threatening feature of a garage is the automatic overhead door. Older models often lack a reversing mechanism to stop the door should something be in its way when closing.

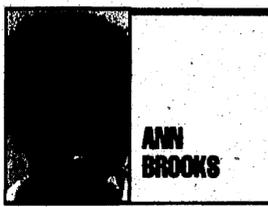
Newer doors will reverse if an object is in the path, activated by both an electric eye and a sensor automatically activated if the door strikes an object.

Take a look at the walls of your garage. Do they rest on the garage floor, or is there a concrete or concrete block base for the wood-framed wall to set on?

The wood framing of the wall should be raised above the garage floor by at least 4 inches for a couple of reasons. It will help to keep insects such as termites from access to the wall, keep the wall above the soil on the outside, and will allow you to periodically hose off the garage slab for cleaning without soaking the wood studs.

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.

Resistance training beneficial



everyday life situations. For example, you may be able to lift 50 pounds on an overhead shoulder-press machine. But when it comes to lifting that 50-pound bag of dog food onto your shoulders from the trunk of your car, you can forget it.

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Free weights can be used at home or on vacations, as well as at the gym, so they are very convenient. However, using free weights is more dangerous and, if not used properly, can lead to injury.

Anyone who uses free weights needs to be sure that they are performing exercises with proper form and control. This often means finding a fitness professional or personal trainer to critique

your form and give advice or instruction.

Heavy lifts with free weights require an extra hand in the form of a spotter for safety.

Other types of resistance training equipment such as resistive bands, cables and body-weight exercises such as pull-ups, abdominal crunches, dips and push-ups have many of the same pros and cons of free weights.

The optimal workout routine would involve both uses of weight machines as well as free weights.

Your routine should include those exercises that allow you to reach your personal fitness goals in the most effective and efficient way possible. If you're not sure which type of resistance training would benefit you the most, ask for some advice from a fitness professional.

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Tyler Shuler (left) and Steven Buss of Pierce Lake Cub Scout Pack 445 made wooden neckerchief slides, pinecone ornaments and sock snowmen during the recent Holiday Craft Night.

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Reaching out

Local Girl Scout writes book about adoption

By Sheila Pursglove

Associate Editor

Stephanie Cashman, a Senior Girl Scout from Chelsea, is drawing on her own experiences as she works to earn the Gold Award.

Her scout project, which requires 50 hours of work, is two-fold.

For the first part, she is writing and illustrating a book focusing on the feelings of only children becoming a sibling through adoption.

The 15-year-old, the daughter of Brian and Peggy Cashman of Chelsea, has two adopted siblings, both from Russia. Seven-year-old Lena was adopted from Ekaterinburg in 1999 and two-year-old Nicholas was adopted from Volgograd last year.

"Though becoming a sibling is very exciting, it can also be frightening and unsettling," Cashman said.

"It's hard for kids to share their feelings of apprehension or uneasiness with their parents because they don't



Chelsea senior Girl Scout Stephanie Cashman is writing a book about adoption as part of her Gold Award project. The 15-year-old is pictured with her adopted siblings, Lena, 7, and Nicholas, 2, both from Russia. Cashman will also host a traditional Russian Christmas celebration Feb. 8 at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Scio Township.

want their parents to think that they don't want a sibling. They may think that their feelings are wrong or bad

when, in fact, they are perfectly normal."

Cashman, a student at Gabriel Richard High School

in Ann Arbor, where she is on the honor roll, plans to make a one-of-a-kind book using an at-home book creation program and drawing the illustrations by hand.

She will donate the book to the Hands Across the Water adoption agency, located in Ann Arbor, the agency that helped her family with two adoptions.

She plans to submit her manuscript for possible publication.

The second part of her project is to host a traditional Russian Christmas celebration for other families created through Russian adoption. The event is slated for Feb. 8 at the Covenant Presbyterian Church, 5171 Jackson Road, in Scio Township.

Guests are asked to bring donations of Russian language children's books or items for infants and children.

The items will be donated to Hands Across the Water and will be taken to Russian orphanages by families trav-

eling to adopt their children.

The Feb. 8 celebration will include a display of Russian items, music, traditional foods and children's crafts.

The Rev. Gregory Joyce of St. Vladimir Russian Orthodox Church, 9900 Jackson Road, in Scio Township will give an overview of Russian tradi-

tions and the history of religion in Russia.

Cashman, who has been in Girl Scouts for 10 years and is registered as a Juliette Scout, is also earning the Marian Medal, a Catholic religious recognition available only to senior Scouts.

Anyone interested in attending the celebration or donating items may contact Cashman at 475-3415.

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From: Family & Friends

Sleeping Bear stories to air on Christmas

Books to be featured on two TV shows.

By Sheila Pursglove

Associate Editor

The overgrown pine tree in Colleen Monroe's book "A Wish To Be A Christmas Tree" was always overlooked at Christmas.

Not anymore.

The award-winning publication from Sleeping Bear Press in Chelsea will be featured on the airwaves twice on Christmas Day.

Katie Couric, co-anchor of

the Today show on NBC, will read the book on the show Wednesday morning.

"This is great news for us," said Heather Hughes, children's book editor at Sleeping Bear Press. "It puts Sleeping Bear and all of our authors and illustrators on a national level."

Detroit Free Press columnist Mitch Albom will read the story in Sleeping Bear Theatre, airing 10 a.m. Dec. 25 on WDIV Detroit.

The hour-long show, which first aired in November 2000,

also features local actor Jeff Daniels, Channel 4 news anchor Devin Scillian and Tweed Roosevelt, the great-grandson of the late President Theodore Roosevelt narrating stories for children.

Scillian narrates his own creation, "Fibblestax," the musically rhythmic tale of the man who names everything. The father of four wrote the story 10 years ago.

Daniels narrates "The Legend of Sleeping Bear." The Ojibway Indian legend of the famous dunes and islands on Michigan's west coastline was brought to life by Petoskey writer Kathy-jo Wargin and illustrated by Gijbert van Frankenhuyzen.

The book is the official children's book of the state.

Van Frankenhuyzen also illustrated Frank Murphy's tale "The Legend of the Teddy Bear," chronicling the origin of America's favorite stuffed animal.

Murphy tells of the two candy store entrepreneurs who turned Roosevelt's refusal to shoot a cornered bear into a folklore and toy history.

Sleeping Bear Press Publisher Brian Lewis arranged for Tweed Roosevelt to narrate his ancestor's story.

The production, with animation by Petersen Productions, includes interviews with the authors and illustrators.

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Roslyn graduates from basic infantry training

Army National Guard Pfc. Gary Roslyn has graduated from basic infantry training at Fort Benning in Columbus, Ga.

Roslyn, the son of Kathy Roslyn of Pinckney, is a 1990 graduate of Pinckney High School.

During the eight weeks of basic training, he received training in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history, core values and traditions.

Roads OK despite weather

Despite yesterday morning's freezing rain, commuters in Chelsea and Dexter coped well with local roads in the morning rush hour.

As temperatures increased and salt took effect, the roads were just wet by about 8:30 a.m.

While commuters groaned, Chelsea and Dexter schoolchildren celebrated their first snow day, joining many other school districts across southeast Michigan in closing for the day.

Ken Nixon, operations director for the Washtenaw County Road Commission, said crews were out by 4 a.m. He said the blackout roads

weren't too bad, just icy in places, with the worst trouble spots in the northern areas of the county.

However, Nixon said gravel roads, hills and subdivisions were problem areas, especially for school buses.

Chelsea Public Works Superintendent Dave Bulson said his salt crews were out at 3 a.m. Wednesday.

The main roads weren't too bad, Bulson said, but the back roads, side streets and parking lots were icy.

Neither the Dexter nor Chelsea fire departments were called out to help motorists.

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County delegates attend annual Michigan Farm Bureau meeting

The Michigan Farm Bureau 2002-03 policy books will hit legislators' desks in January thanks to contributions made by Washtenaw County members during the 83rd farm bureau annual meeting held Dec. 3 through 6 in Acme, near Traverse City.

In addition to approving agriculture policy, more than 1,200 statewide delegates participated in educational workshops, idea sharing and award presentations at the Grand Traverse Resort.

Representing Washtenaw County were Mike Fusillier, Dave Dejanovich, Dale Lesser, Ken Siler, Brian Weidmayer, Matt Shane, Judy Johnson, Lynda Horning, Ellery Rouster, Gerald Huehl, Kathy Fusillier, Sharon Talladay and Wayne DeForest.

The county collected six Star Awards in a program designed to recognize county farm bureaus for their hard work, creativity and promotion of agriculture in 14 total program areas.

Delegates reviewed 140 resolutions submitted by 68 county farm bureaus.

Adopted state resolutions determine the direction of Michigan Farm Bureau for the following year, while national and international policies are forwarded to the American Farm Bureau Federation for consideration.

Key state issues include wildlife management, taxation, water use and pollution prevention. Leading the discussion on national issues was the U.S. farm policy.

Farm bureau members collected 12,500 pounds of non-perishable food items for Ronald McDonald Houses as part of a new Harvest Gathering program.

The Ronald McDonald Houses, located in Detroit, Lansing, Ann Arbor and Grand Rapids, provide a place for parents of ill children to stay while their children are hospitalized.

As part of the Traverse City Outreach program, 120 members and 23 Future Farmers of America students educated approximately 1,100 children about agriculture and natural resources. The volunteers, who served as teachers for the day, visited sec-

ond- and fifth-grade classrooms in the Traverse City area.

The creativity and innovation of farm bureau members were also showcased at the annual meeting.

"Ruby Mae on the Mooove," a freestanding plywood cow that educates children on dairy products and cattle diets, received the Program Exchange Contest Award.

The electric-heated artificial insemination semen sling, an improved transport mechanism for bull semen, was selected as the Farmer Idea Exchange award winner.

Dr. Harlan Ritchie, a respected teacher, researcher, author and speaker, was given the Distinguished Service to Agriculture Award.

Ritchie was selected for the organization's highest honor based on his contributions to Michigan's agriculture industry through his work in genetic improvement, beef production efficiency programs to enhance carcass safety, and food safety.

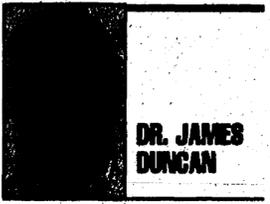


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Lunch Bunch

Natalie Dixon fixes a sandwich for her twin, Jillian, during a recent lunchtime at South Meadows Elementary School in Chelsea.

Exercise caution shoveling snow



DR. JAMES DUNCAN

CHIROPRACTIC CARE

When winter arrives, there are many seasonal activities that people look forward to enjoying, including skiing, ice skating and sledding.

But along with the fun comes seasonal work, such as shoveling snow, which we don't look forward to and are rarely prepared to perform.

The best preparation for winter shoveling is a body properly conditioned by exercise and good posture all year round.

•While shoveling, let your arms and legs do the work instead of your back. This will reduce your chances of causing back pain and injury to your spine, while at the same time, strengthen the arms and legs so shoveling will become a little less strenuous.

•Consult a doctor of chiropractic before shoveling snow if you have a history of lower back pain or other spinal problems.

•Prior to shoveling, do some warm-up exercises to limber up your back, neck, arms and legs.

•Dress warmly and comfortably, but avoid overheating. Cover sensitive areas such as nose, ears, cheeks and hands to prevent frostbite in very cold weather.

•Push snow when practical, but be aware of cracks or uneven surfaces that can stop you abruptly and cause injury to ligaments, joints and the spine.

•Don't lift snow with your back.

•Use your arms and legs to lift the snow. Bend at the knees and try to keep the spine as straight as possible.

•Avoid bending and twisting at the same time with a load of snow. Bending and twisting of the spine is a common cause of disc and ligament damage.

•Lift only light to moderate amounts of snow each load. Heavy loads will cause overexertion and fatigue, which makes you more prone to injury.

•Change grip and stance often to avoid overusing the stronger side of your body.

•Pace yourself when shoveling snow. Don't work yourself into a state of huffing and puffing. If you do, stop and rest immediately.

These tips should be followed by people of all ages who plan to shovel snow. Following these tips, however, will not automatically give you the green light if you have other serious health conditions.

If you have other health risk factors such as heart or lung conditions it may be best to avoid shoveling altogether.

Dr. James Duncan is a graduate of Palmer College of Chiropractic and owner of the Chelsea Chiropractic Center. He can be reached at 475-2932 or via e-mail at drjimduncan@hotmail.com.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Scio Township

Larceny
A flatbed trailer was reported missing Nov. 25 from a construction site in the 5200 block of Jackson Road. The construction manager didn't find anything suspicious. The last time he saw the trailer was Nov. 22. The trailer is worth \$6,000.

A holiday wreath was reported missing Dec. 2 from a home in the 600 block of Dornoch Street.

The last time the homeowners saw the wreath, it was hanging on the front door.

The homeowner was upstairs Dec. 2 when he heard the maid service ring the doorbell. He told deputies that he couldn't get to the door in time to let the maid inside, so she left.

Before coming to the door, he heard a loud snap and believes the maid may have taken the wreath. The wreath is valued at \$60.

Two cement pots decorated for the holidays were stolen from a porch in the 1900 block of Harley Drive Dec. 2.

When the homeowner returned from work, she noticed the pots and a wreath were missing.

The decorations are valued at approximately \$130.

Breaking and Entering

Someone stole several compact discs Dec. 13 from a truck that was parked at the Quality 16 Theater, 3686 Jackson Road.

The owner parked on the east side of the building. When the woman returned at 11:30 p.m., she noticed that someone broke into the vehicle.

Someone pried the console area open and took the CDs. Damage is estimated at \$500 and the items stolen are valued at approximately \$200.

Driving with a Suspended License

A 42-year-old Flint man was arrested Nov. 29 for driving with a suspended license.

Deputies stopped him because he did not come to a complete stop at the intersection of Zeeb and Dexter-Ann Arbor roads.

Deputies checked the man's identification with the Law Enforcement Information Network and discovered

that his driver's license was suspended. The man was taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

Embezzlement

Deputies are questioning two employees who work at Travel America truck stop, 200 Baker Road, about \$1,198 reported missing Nov. 24.

A cashier said she counted the money in her drawer at the end of her shift at 4 p.m. It's store policy for cashiers to have a manager witness them balance their cash-drawers.

The cashier told deputies that a manager wasn't available so she counted it without a witness.

The following morning, the store manager questioned the assistant manager who was working the shift when the money was discovered missing.

The two workers told deputies that they didn't know anything about the missing money. Deputies continue to investigate the case and are looking at video tape from a surveillance camera.

Drunken Driving

Police arrested a 29-year-old Ann Arbor man for drunken driving Dec. 3 near Jackson and Zeeb roads.

Deputies stopped the man after noticing that he was swerving his car off the road. He was also speeding 46 mph in a 35-mph zone.

When deputies stopped him, they could smell a strong odor of alcohol on his breath.

The man was given a Breathalyzer test. The man had a blood-alcohol level of 0.15 percent. A blood-alcohol level of 0.10 percent or higher is considered legally drunk under Michigan law. The man was taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

Dexter Township

Drunken Driving

A 39-year-old Pinckney man was arrested for drunken driving Dec. 5 near Dexter-Pinckney Road and Grove Drive.

Deputies stopped the man for speeding 46 mph in a 35-mph zone. He was given a Breathalyzer test. His blood-alcohol level was 0.19 percent. A blood-alcohol level of 0.10 percent or higher is considered legally drunk under Michigan law. He was

taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.

Dexter Village

Property Damage

A mailbox was reported damaged Dec. 2 near Forest Street and Baker Road. The owner told deputies that the mailbox was damaged between 7:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. Dec. 1.

The mailbox was smashed, but nothing was taken. Damage is estimated at \$55.

Chelsea Village

Property Damage

An employee at Chelsea Amoco gas station, 1630 S. Main St., called police Dec. 12 after someone damaged a gas nozzle at a gas pump.

The employee told officers that someone in a white sports utility vehicle drove off while the gas nozzle was still in the gas tank.

The store employee didn't get a license plate number. The driver pre-paid for the gas.

Suspicious Situation

A woman visiting Curves for Women, 1167 Main St., called police at 8:45 p.m. Dec. 9 after noticing a man lingering around the business.

The woman felt uncomfortable and wanted police to come to the business before she left the building. Officers arrived and escorted the woman to her vehicle.

Breaking and Entering

More than \$2,300 worth of household appliances and items were reported missing Dec. 16 from a home under construction in the 400 block of Antique Court in Chelsea Fairways.

The construction manager believes someone may have found an extra key to the house in one of the lock boxes. A microwave, dishwasher, wall-mounted lights and a mirror were reported missing.

Compiled by Staff Writer Will Keeler based on reports filed with Chelsea Police and the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department.



Photo by Mary Kumbler

Can Drive

Student Council representatives at Mill Creek Middle School recently collected 800 pounds of canned goods for Food Gatherers in Ann Arbor. Faculty adviser Shirley Jackson organized the event. Pictured in the back row are Morgan Davis (left), Mike Kedroske, Kyle Boren and Alexis Sobczak. In the third row are Josh Abbot (left), Krista Valdmanis, Ryan Wikaryasz, Alex Bercu, Alexandria Carr, Emily Magyar, Ryan Wesley, Ashley Blackburn, Zac Carpenter and Caitlyn Rize. In the second row are Cody Read (left), Alyse Shannon, Rachel Brouwer, David Paoella, Becky Jordan, Chris Carendar, Liam Donevan, Stephanie Knight and Patrick Ledwidge. In the front row are Tim Stoddard (left), Krystal Thompson, Allison Paclorka, Mitchell Diles, Kristi Hughes, Jennarose Roffes, Travis Rize, Karly Sherwood, Zeke Duke, Erin Johnson, Kristy Olton and Connie Hart.

Local residents earn degrees

Six local residents are among 659 people who received degrees from Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo at the end of the summer session.

Lori Barnes of Chelsea, the daughter of James and Linda Barnes, graduated cum laude with a bachelor's degree in psychology and recreation.

Brandi Berg of Chelsea, the daughter of Robert Berg, graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in textile and apparel studies.

Ryan Briggs of Dexter, the son of Gregory and Theresa Briggs, earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice.

Denise Booth of Pinckney, the daughter of Frank and Marie Booth, graduated with a degree in advertising and promotion.

degree in home economics education.

Lauren Kyle, the daughter of Joe and Kathy Kyle, graduated with a degree in sociology.

Amanda Kivi earned a

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Bowles wins scholarship

Dexter Township resident Joshua Bowles has received a scholarship from the Print and Graphics Scholarship Foundation.

Bowles, a 2002 Dexter High School graduate, is studying printing technology at Western Michigan University. He is the son of Michael and Grace Bowles.

The Print and Graphics Foundation is a 46-year-old

nonprofit organization that provides scholarships in the printing and graphic arts industry. The foundation has helped more than 6,000 students further their education.

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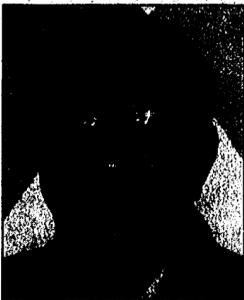
Street Talk

By Rita Fischer

How will you celebrate Christmas?



"I'll celebrate Christmas with our new grandson." John Stevens, Sylvan Township



"I'll celebrate with family, friends and grandchildren and open presents." Chuck Wilson, Sylvan Township



"Stay home with the family and maybe watch a video." Sue Tea, Sylvan Township



"Open presents, and have Santa visit our house and give the kids presents. It's so fun to watch the little ones open their presents." Priscilla Hale, Sylvan Township



"The traditional way, open presents. I also was Bishop St. Nicholas at the Festival of Lights, walking around, and will do the same for Saline Hospital." Joe Weber, Lyndon Township

All my son wants is an empty box



LISA CAROLIN

MARCHING TO A DIFFERENT BEAT

While parents everywhere are spending this month scrambling to fulfill their children's Christmas wish lists, I have the luxury of staying out of the hubbub. That's because all I need to do is empty out every gift

from every box we get, and give my son the empty boxes.

It all started when my son, Laurence, was 3 years old. He had all of the requisite toys for a 3-year-old, but his most prized possession was an empty box that had once shipped something about the size of a book.

Whether he was on his bicycle playing delivery games, or loading the box with organic matter, that box was his focal point and the provocateur of his imagination.

Since then, an empty box is to Laurence what a blank canvas is to a hungry artist — an opportunity to create.

He has epoxied a soccer

ball and paddles to a box to create a makeshift flying device. He has glued blown-up plastic bags to a box, attached a kite string and launched it in a lake.

He has stacked boxes and put foot holes in the bottom, attached a steering wheel and driven it like a car.

When a shipment of plastic pipes arrived as a gift from his cousin, Laurence quickly dumped out the pipes and began playing with the box. His tape gun and his glue gun are always by his side, in addition to sharp objects for punching holes in the boxes.

A large box turned upside down now consumes 80 percent of the floor space in his

room. He has cut out windows and a speaker hole from which he uses an unnecessary amplifier to make announcements.

Neighbors have done double takes as he wears a suit made out of a cardboard box in the same way that a knight would wear a suit of armor. He learned a painful anatomical lesson the hard way about carving leg holes in the bottom of the box rather than the sides.

Up until his last birthday, when our friend Maryann built him a real clubhouse, he was spending oodles of time in a clubhouse made out of a box that occupied the garage. More than one neighbor who glanced into our

box-laden garage asked if we were moving.

The recycling bin is to Laurence what a toy chest is to most children. Boxes, bottles and paper towel rolls are the inspiring building blocks for robots and transportation devices for his stuffed animals.

This holiday season, every child in Laurence's class was asked to write a letter to Santa. You can guess what he asked for this Christmas: "100 big boxes."

Have a heart, Santa, and buy him a warehouse instead so that he has a place to keep marching to a different beat.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cranky critic deserves award

I would like to honor free-lance writer Michael Rybka with the very first Chelsea Community Cranky Critic Award in recognition of his astonishing review of George Harrison's CD "Brainwashed" ("George Harrison has done better," Dec. 5 edition).

On behalf of many other Chelsea readers, I also wish to compliment him on his profound insights about the magic, love and devotion of Mr. Harrison to his spiritual journey, and how generously he shared his gifts with the world.

As Mr. Rybka is an obviously highly qualified musicologist, the extensive level of his research is apparent throughout his writing, not only in this subject, but every other type of review published in The Standard.

Heaven help Paul McCartney if ever his family fails to produce a posthumous collection of his last music that Mr. Rybka deems unworthy.

And I suspect that the "lightweight" Mr. Richard Starkey (Ringo Starr) will face an even more gracious review from Mr. Rybka some day.

On another subject, I'd like to commend The Standard for publishing the excellent review of Saleem Peeradina's poetry collection book "Meditations on Desire" (Poet to appear in Chelsea, Dec. 5 edition).

Free-lance writer Kent Ashton-Walton clearly possesses a true understanding of this exquisite poetry, helping readers to understand Professor Peeradina's impressive talents. When I heard him reading some of his writings at Little Professor Book Center, it was a total treat.

However, the placement of the review on the last page (8-D), with the announcement of this rare opportunity to hear one of the top 20 Indian English language poets, concerns me.

It would be worthy to remember that the Chelsea community needs and desires every opportunity to learn about the rich traditions of other cultures, and the back page is a very poor spot to draw attention to an event that offers rare exposure to diversity education.

In the future, please keep in mind that the poor placement of this type of article may suggest that it is not very important.

Thank you again for every effort made to bring meaningful reviews and news about multiculturalism to your readers.

Jennifer Kundak, Dexter Township

War with Iraq would be reckless

We have seen many

reports in the last few months of how our own leaders in the U.S. military, along with the CIA and other agencies, have been warning that a war in Iraq is a reckless and ill-advised course of action.

They have all pointed out that such action is likely to create more dangers for the United States, along with unpredictable consequences for many others.

These loyal public servants are bound, of course, to follow orders. Consequently, it's up to us as local citizens to ensure that politicians, including the commander-in-chief, do not place our soldiers in dangerous situations against the interests of our country.

Many people in our community are members of the reserves, in addition to those in active service. We need to be their voices of influence.

Violating treaties, threatening the Constitution and attacking other countries are directly against U.S. ideals and values.

We must work hard to change the course of the unpatriotic and un-American push to war for oil to benefit the elite by a president who failed in Afghanistan to stop al Qaeda or capture Osama bin Laden.

A.T. Miller, Bridgewater Township

Fire department billing outrageous

I have protested the way the fire department billed for many years.

Yet it was people involved in crashes on Interstate 94 who got emergency services and no bill despite the fact wreckers and ambulance workers got paid.

We all have fire insurance and it states how much will be paid for fire. Yet the insurance company said we owed the fire department and it will not pay, even though we paid for this coverage.

Now it's cell phone calls. Anyone calling in a false alarm is guilty of breaking the law. There are no exceptions and people should be billed from their cell phone

number.

Calls for people sleeping, changing a tire, two cars stopped so people could talk — now the ultimate, a call for a fire at Chelsea Grain, where steam was coming out of a dryer. Men were visible in the door, but did the caller inform them? No, he called 911. This is a false alarm of the worst kind.

The worst thing will be if we send firefighters and trucks to a false alarm, and then have a big fire and not enough firefighters to fight it, or a firefighter is killed.

It must be stopped. Roland Helm, Lima Township

Chelsea United Way deserves local support

At this time of counting our many blessings, there is one easy but important way for Chelsea residents and businesses to reach out to those in our community who sometimes need a helping hand.

For a small town, our community has an amazing fabric of services and support systems in place. People helping other people, it's one of the things that make Chelsea a special place to live and work.

The Chelsea United Way is the cornerstone of that foundation of support and services. Often unrecognized, the Chelsea United Way is the largest source of funding for some of Chelsea's most important services.

For example, the United Way provides 35 percent of the annual budget for Faith in Action. The Chelsea United Way supports all local units of Scouts, provides funding for the Chelsea Area Transportation System, and ensures that important services from agencies that our community can't support alone, such as the American Red Cross and the Salvation Army, are funded to serve Chelsea area families.

I served on the Chelsea United Way board from 1988 to 1994 and my wife, Anne, served from 1995 to 2001. One of the reasons that Anne and I are proud to serve as honorary chairs for this year's

campaign is because we know that 95 cents of every dollar contributed to this all-volunteer run charity goes directly to the agencies and those who need it.

I hope that you will give generously to the Chelsea United Way so that it can continue its important work. At Chelsea State Bank, our employees just completed a record-breaking fund drive for the Chelsea United Way. The Chelsea School District, Chelsea Community Hospital, Chelsea Milling Co. and other businesses are doing the same.

I urge business leaders and individuals to join us by making a generous contribution that helps the Chelsea United Way reach its campaign goal of \$130,000.

John Mann, Sylvan Township

Think about the true meaning of peace

We approach this holiday wishing for peace on earth and good will, yet we prepare for war. What has brought us to this juxtaposition of ideals and where do we go from here?

History might help, but we have changed the definition of history, instead of spanning the breadth of time it is truncated to fit the politics of the moment. We ride the truth pretty hard these days, twisting it to fit the needs of those that wish war.

There is no doubt that the man in Iraq is evil, there is also no doubt we will have to wade through a sea of dead and maimed innocents to get him. It is interesting that our current defense secretary once sat across from this tyrant and described him as "strong and purposeful," forgetting to mention he was the devil incarnate.

It is illuminating that during his war with Iran our government provided aid, in-

cluding satellite intelligence to this thug, continuing after his use of chemical weapons against opposing troops and his own people.

The Bank of Credit and Commerce International scandal, which a dying Clark Clifford took the rap for (a la William Casey), allowed Saddam Hussein to convert billions of dollars of U.S. grain loans into weapons. They were certainly weapons of mass destruction because this was during the "war of the cities," a battle fought with medium-range missiles.

Does anyone remember the Apache gunships sold to Iraq, stripped of rocket pods and machine guns with the red cross painted on their sides, these same helicopters once refitted were used to suppress those we now seek to protect.

During the Reagan administration the Kurds in northern Iraq (6,000 died in one chemical attack by Hussein) were a source of instability and worry; 35,000 freedom fighters had died in their civil war in Turkey.

The Shites in the south were agents of Tehran and again their repression was seen as key to the stability of the Middle East. These groups are now protected from U.S. helicopter gunships and other hardware by U.S. fighters and bombers, a sad irony.

These examples are part of a litany too long to recite here but are indicative of the fact that at one time Hussein was accepted as a necessity in the balance of power politics.

The list of governments and corporations who aided Hussein in his quest for power is too long to recite, but it spans the breadth of the globe. None was able to see or cared that he was a butcher then.

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Scout Honors

Thirteen Boy Scouts from Troop 442 in Dexter recently received awards and advancement during the fall Court of Honors ceremony. Pictured are Michael Spiegel (left), Louis Fead, Eric Gamble, Jesse Schoof, Steven Blair, Ian Williamson, Andy Kish, Robert Spiegel, Eric Swikowski, Jeremy Loy, Andrew Kilinkman, Tony Tomshany and Jacob Simonds.



Photo by Mary Kumbler

Friendly Greeting

Santa and Mrs. Claus asked children last Saturday during the Victorian Christmas celebration in Dexter if they have been good or not during the last year and what they might want for Christmas. Santa and Mrs. Claus welcomed visitors to Monument Park Dec. 7 and 14.

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Hazel and Domingo Hermosillo of Dexter Township enjoy lending a

helping hand

Local couple volunteers at home in Guatemala

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Dexter Township residents Hazel and Domingo Hermosillo returned home Nov. 20 after spending 10 weeks at the home of the Lilly of the Valleys in Guatemala. It was their second year of service.

The Hermosillos, members of Immanuel Bible Church in Chelsea, were placed in the short-term mission by Kids Alive International, a group based in Valparaiso, Ind.

The organization, launched 72 years ago in China, has created homes in Latin America, Africa, Eastern Europe, Middle East, Asia and the Pacific Rim.

Last year, the couple, parents of four Chelsea High School graduates, supervised the daily schedules of 18 girls, ranging in age from 4 to high school-age. They ran the household, kept track of finances, bought groceries, and went on doctor and hospital visits.

This year, they were asked to teach English and sewing, while also helping with music, overseeing soccer and taking the girls on special outings.

When they arrived, they found themselves subbing as house parents for the eight youngest girls, stepping in until a candidate was approved. Two weeks later, a woman was approved but declined the job.

"We were informed that as soon as a house parent was found, we would be relieved of that responsibility and

start doing what we thought we were going to do," Hazel said.

"Our replacement as house parents came a day and a half before we left for home," Hazel said. "The Hermosillos found their role as house parents both challenging and rewarding."

"Getting oneself up at 5:30 every morning is hard enough, let alone getting eight girls ready for school," Hazel said. "Of course, socks and shoes were forever getting lost. Some girls were grumpy or cried because they didn't want to get up or go to school."

"With only one bathroom, there was always a line of girls who 'could not wait.'"

The girls got home from school about 1:30 p.m., and spent time doing homework, followed by shower time, dinner and the evening prayers.

With little time for play, everyone welcomed the end of the school year in early October when they wouldn't have to get up until 7 a.m.

The school break brought a change in schedule. After breakfast and chores, the girls had two blocks of class time of 45 minutes each. They learned English, painting, math and computers, and received tutoring in some subject areas.

The mornings ended with soccer, lunch and prayer.

After a rest period, the afternoon classes included a choice of sewing, gardening or cooking. Free time—with games, reading, videos, singing, puzzles and dress-up—dinner and showers rounded out the day.

The Hermosillos also took the girls on special trips to fast-food restaurants, birthday parties, corn roasts, the



Dexter Township residents Hazel and Domingo Hermosillo are pictured with girls from the Lilly of the Valleys home in San Lucas, Guatemala. The Hermosillos returned to Michigan Nov. 20 after spending 10 weeks as house parents and teachers at the home.

ballet and an ice cream parlor.

"We grew very close to the girls and they grew close to us," Hazel said. "There were many tears the night before we left."

Three of the young girls woke up at 3 a.m. and kept vigil until 5:30 a.m., hopping out of bed when the

Hermosillos' light came on to see the couple off.

The Hermosillos are finding the adjustment back to Chelsea difficult.

"It's hard to believe we're back in Chelsea and not at the Lilly of the Valleys with the girls," Hazel said. "It was such an intense time of caring and sharing, seven days a

week, 24 hours a day."

The Hermosillos said the ministry to the girls at the home cannot be measured in time or money.

"Shaping young lives according to the Bible so that they can become leaders in an emerging Third World country is a rare opportunity," Hazel said.

"The challenges were great, but God is greater and we were and are grateful for the prayer support many gave us and for the opportunity to serve in Guatemala."

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LeCloux enjoys seeing youngsters succeed



Michael LeCloux, who was hired to teach special education at Beach Middle School earlier this fall, enjoys seeing his pupils succeed. The Wisconsin native, who is also licensed to teach social studies, helps young people become successful members of society.

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

Michael LeCloux studied philosophy in college but found careers in the field to be in short supply.

So instead, he turned his attention to teaching, where he could apply his own brand of philosophy.

"Throughout my career, I've had many students who have become successful in one way or another," he says. "Many start out with strikes against them."

"They have difficult home lives, poor social skills, low self-esteem and difficulties managing behaviors and emotions, as well as problems learning."

"The difficult part is finding a way to help these children not only learn to be content, but to grow emotionally and personally."

LeCloux was hired as a special education teacher at Beach Middle School his fall after teaching for three years in Wisconsin and four years in Minnesota.

The Madison, Wis., native holds a bachelor's degree in secondary education, with a major in political science. He also earned a master's degree in special education from St. Cloud State University and the University of Wisconsin.

The skills LeCloux teaches can be applied in everyday life, such as anger control and peer-relation skills, as well as school success skills.

He cites as an example a former student who was constantly getting into trouble and irritating his teachers.

"We worked together on making some minor changes in his behavior," LeCloux says. "By the end of junior high, his teachers really appreciated him."

A typical day for LeCloux involves teaching small groups, with his specialty being "high-needs" math classes. He is also licensed to teach social studies.

He helps pupils with coursework, specialized instruction, handles behavior issues, and communicates with parents, teachers and administrators.

LeCloux, whose father is a high school principal, interviewed in several school districts, finally choosing Chelsea because of its "solid" middle school program and what he perceived as a good "fit" for him.

He says Beach Middle School's program provides a good transition between elementary school and high school, setting high academic standards while nurturing the complex needs of adolescents.

LeCloux says he enjoys teaching young people with learning disabilities and emotional impairments because he feels he can help them be successful members of society.

"I love to see my students be successful and make progress," he says.

When not teaching, LeCloux, who is engaged to be married next June, enjoys downhill skiing, cycling, fishing, travel, reading, music, art and dining out. He also enjoys golf and has previously coached school golf teams.

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FEATURE**

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Friday, Dec. 20 and Saturday, Dec. 21

The Town Hall Players present "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" 7 p.m. Friday, and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday at the historic Stockbridge Township Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens. For more information, call 1-517-851-8222.

Saturday, Dec. 21

Pierce's Pastries Plus, 103 W. Middle St., in Chelsea presents Mochas and Music from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This week's entertainer is Keith Parmentier.

A choir performance sponsored by the Chelsea Center for the Development of the Arts will be held 2 p.m. at Silver Maples, 100 Silver Maples Drive, in Chelsea. Both CCDA's adult choir and children's choir will perform. For more information, call 433-2787.

Sunday, Dec. 22

"Sounds of the Season," a live performance of Christmas favorites will be held 6 p.m. at the Chelsea Depot, 125 Jackson St., in Chelsea. Members of the Chelsea Church of the Nazarene will perform. Coffee, cocoa and cookies will be served.

Monday, Dec. 23 through Wednesday, Jan. 1

Eddy Discovery Center will be closed over the holidays and reopen 9 a.m. Jan. 2. For more information on the winter hours and programs, call 475-3170.

Wednesday, Dec. 25

The 16th annual Christmas Day Dinner sponsored by Faith In Action will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1515 S. Main St., in Chelsea. Home delivery is available for the homebound. For more information, call 475-8305 during the day or 475-8193 in the evening.

Thursday, Dec. 26

The Committee for Chelsea will not meet as previously scheduled.

MISCELLANEOUS

Thursday

Alzheimer's Association Family Caregiver Support Group meets from 2 to 3:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at the Chelsea Retirement Community, 805 W. Middle St. Meetings are free and confidential. Call the Alzheimer's Association at 1-800-337-3827.

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

Friends of Chelsea District Library meets 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at the Chelsea District Library, 800 Washington St. Call 475-2224 for more information.

Senior Nutrition Program meets at noon Thursdays for dinner at the Waterloo Township Hall, 8061 Washington St., in Waterloo. For reservations, call 475-7439.

Friday

Al-Anon meets 12:30 p.m. every Friday at Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St., in the White Oak Inn. For more information, call 475-1462.

Saturday

Hope Clinic, a free clinic for people with no health insurance, is held 9 a.m. to noon, on the second Saturday of the month at Faith In Action, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-3305.

Western Washtenaw Republicans meets 9 to 11 a.m. the second Saturday of each month at Wolverine Food & Spirits on Old US-12 in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-8874.

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 1-800-852-9781.

Monday

Al-Anon meets 8:30 p.m. every Monday at Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St., in the Woodland Room. For more information, call 475-1462.

Chelsea AA group meetings are held 8:30 p.m. Monday, 8 p.m. Thursday and 7 p.m. Sunday at the Chelsea hospital dining room; and Tuesday at the U.A.W. Hall next to the Chelsea Post Office.

Chelsea Area Garden Club meets 12:30 p.m. the second Monday of the month at First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 433-5451.

Chelsea Kiwanis Club meets at 6:15 p.m. every Monday at Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-5944.

Masonic Lodge 156 of Chelsea meets 7:30 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at 113 W. Middle St. in Chelsea. Call 433-1432 for more information.

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

Overeaters' Anonymous meets Monday nights at the Covenant Church, 50 N. Freer Road, in Chelsea. For more information, call 433-0902.

Tuesday

Chelsea District Library Board meets 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. on the first and third Tuesday of the month at Chelsea Community Hospital, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea.

Chelsea Rotary Club meets 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Common Grill, 112 S. Main St., in Chelsea.

Euchre Party is held 7 p.m. every Tuesday at the Chelsea Senior Citizen Center in the Faith In Action building, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-9242.

Senior Nutrition Program meets noon every Tuesday for dinner at the Waterloo Township Hall, 8061 Washington St., in Waterloo. For more information, call 475-7439.

Woman's Club of Chelsea meets 1 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of each month at The Pines, 325 Wilkinson St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-0467.

Wednesday

Chelsea Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4078, 105 N. Main St., meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month. For more information, call 475-1448.

The Evening Primrose Garden Club meets 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month at the Chelsea Depot, 125 Jackson St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 1-517-522-5859.

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. For more information, call 426-5304.

Dexter Community Band meets from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at the Dexter High School band room, 2200 N. Parker Road. For information, call 426-2734.

Dexter Historical Society meets 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at the Dexter Area Museum, 3443 Inverness St., in Dexter.

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

Dexter Downtown Development Authority meets 7:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the Copeland Administration Building, 7714 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter.

Dexter Lions Club meets 6:45 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of the month at DAPCO Industries, 2500 Bishop Circle East, in Dexter. Call 475-6945 for information.

Monday

Dexter Board of Education meets 7:30 p.m. the first and third Mondays of each month at the Copeland Administration Building, 7714 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter.

Dexter District Library Board meets 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of every month at Dexter District Library, 8040 Fourth St., in Dexter.

Dexter Village Council meets at 8 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of the month at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter.

Dexter Village Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of every month at the Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter.

Dexter Village Zoning Board of Appeals meets at 7 p.m. the third Monday of each month at Dexter Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor St., in Dexter.

Tuesday

Dexter Child Study Club meets 7 p.m. at various locations on the third Tuesday of the month. For information, call 426-3664.

Dexter Garden Club meets 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month at the Dexter Museum, 3443 Inverness St., in Dexter. Call 426-2372 for information.

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

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

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

Dexter Village Parks Commission meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at Wylie Elementary School, 3060 Kensington St., in Dexter.

Independent Order of Oddfellows meets 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesdays at Dexter United Methodist Church, 7643 W. Huron River Drive, in Dexter.

Wednesday

Friends of Dexter District Library meets 12:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month at the Dexter District Library, 8040 Fourth St., in Dexter. For more information, call 426-6775.



Photo by Mary Kumbler

Little Angel

Two-year-old Rory Tell walks through the manger on display in Monument Park in Dexter. The display is set up during the holidays and for Victorian Christmas, which ended last Saturday.

Sleeping Bear Press publishes Christmas tale



BOOK NOTES

Author Colleen Monroe and illustrator Michael Glen Monroe have crafted a story in "The Christmas Humbugs" that's sure to become another holiday children's classic.

Following in the success of last season's "A Wish To Be A Christmas Tree," the husband-and-wife team from Brighton has created another darling tale recently published by Chelsea's Sleeping Bear Press (hardback, \$17.95).

Michael Monroe first created the adorable Humbug characters — bright green, insect-like critters with gold bells on their antennae, red noses and red-and-white Christmas stockings on their

feet — when he was in high school, more than 20 years ago, said Brian Lewis, publisher of Sleeping Bear Press.

Cookies and milk are their favorite food, and they like to cut all of the tags off gifts, while creating havoc with the Christmas tree.

But, according to the book, "Christmas spirit is not about the gifts, the wrapping or the bows. Christmas spirit is the joy, the laughter, the loving way it shows. The Humbugs know the spirit isn't bothered by their tricks."

Monroe has the ability to make a snowy scene warm, little Gremlin-like creatures appealing, all the while capturing the true spirit of Christmas.

If you truly believe, the Humbugs handiwork disappears.

"They aren't trying to be nasty. In fact, the opposite is true," the book states. "They're testing Christmas Spirit and how strong it is in you."

"Mike's in the upper eche-

lon of artists, not only Michigan artists but also national ones," Lewis said.

It's always been Monroe's dream to be an artist. In addition to the children's books he has illustrated, he was invited to go to the White House to paint one of the national Easter eggs, Lewis said.

Sales are brisk for the couple's other book. A month ago, "Christmas Tree," which was on the cover of the national magazine Publisher's Weekly in October, placed in the top three of children's picture books for Christmas, Lewis said.

The initial print order was 30,000 and another 30,000 were added. Lewis said the book is headed for a third print run of 30,000.

He also said that the duo's first book will be read on national television by Katie Couric, co-anchor of NBC's Today Show, Christmas Day.

Lisa Allmendinger is a free-lance writer. She can be reached at 433-1052 or via e-mail at yankee@izzy.net.

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WEDDINGS

Sara Smith, Eric Arsenault wed

Sara Smith of Ann Arbor, daughter of William and Kathleen Smith of Chelsea, and Eric Arsenault of Ann Arbor, son of Denise Arsenault of Albuquerque, N.M., and Bruce Fowlds of St. Clair Shores, were married Aug. 31 at Mission Point Resort on Mackinac Island.

The Rev. Edwin Remaly officiated.

The bride was attended by her sisters, maid of honor Amy Smith of Chelsea and matron of honor Wendy Koceski of Castlerock, Colo.

The bridesmaids were April Harden of Farmington Hills, Lisa Polvi of Sacramento, Calif., and Jamie Westcott of Chelsea. The bride's niece, Melanie Koceski of Colorado was the junior bridesmaid.

The groom's friend, Mike Moronezyk of Roseville, was best man.

The groomsmen were the groom's friends, Mike Cain of South Carolina and George Eder of Florida, and the groom's cousin, Jason Fowlds of Shelby. The bride's nephew, Scott Koceski of Colorado, was a junior groomsman.

The couple had 150 guests



attending the lakefront gazebo ceremony and reception at Mission Point Resort on Mackinac Island. The couple honeymooned in Aruba. They reside in Ann Arbor.

The bride is a graduate of Chelsea High School, and the groom is a graduate of L'Anse Creuse North. They are both graduates of the University of Michigan.

Noye and Early exchange vows

Krista Noye of Ann Arbor, daughter of Don and Debbie Noye of Chelsea, and David Early of Ann Arbor, son of David and Joanne Early of Dexter, were married July 13 at First United Methodist Church in Chelsea.

The Rev. Richard Dake officiated. The maid of honor was Emaly Noye of Chelsea. Bridesmaids were Meghann Early, Shannon Early and Beth Roth, all of Dexter.

Lydea Noye of Chelsea and Julie Early of Dexter were the flower girls. The ring-bearer was Jay Packard of Chelsea.

Aaron Johnston of Stockbridge was the best man. The groomsmen were Kevin Early, Jeremy Early, both of Dexter, and Don Early of Gaylord. The ushers were Jeff Nowaczek and Chris Vollbrecht, both of Dexter.

A reception was held at Washtenaw Community College western campus. The couple honeymooned in the



Pocono Mountains. They reside in Ann Arbor.

The bride is a 1997 graduate of Chelsea High School and a 2001 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She has a bachelor's degree in elementary education and

is employed as a substitute teacher.

The groom is a 1996 graduate of Dexter High School and is employed at Koch & White Heating and Cooling in Ann Arbor.

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ENGAGEMENTS & ANNIVERSARIES



ENGAGED: Jamie Kelly of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Jeffrey Wilke of Colorado Springs, Colo., have set a July 5 wedding date. The future bride is the daughter of James and Karen Kelly of Hortonville, Wis. She is a 2000 graduate of Michigan Technological University. She is employed as a graphic designer. The future groom is the son of Karen Wilke O'Connor and Barry O'Connor of Dexter, and the late David Wilke. He is a 1996 graduate of Dexter High School and a 2000 graduate of Michigan Technological University. He is employed as a program manager for RBM Precision.



ENGAGED: Katherine Littlefield of Stockbridge, daughter of Janie Culver of Stockbridge and Donald Culver of Gregory, and Lance Maze of Stockbridge, son of Donald and Mary Jane Maze of Gregory, have set a May 3 wedding date. The future bride is a 1997 graduate of Stockbridge High School. The future bridegroom is a 1999 graduate of Chelsea High School and works for Palmer Motor Sales in Chelsea.



ENGAGED: Lori Knaut of Clark Lake, daughter of Leonard and Teresa LaCoe of Clark Lake, and Michael Ruhl of Brooklyn, son of Michael and Carolyn Ruhl of Pinckney, have set a July 26 wedding date. The future bride is a 1998 graduate of Clinton High School and is currently attending college to train as a medical billing specialist. She is employed as a dental receptionist and medical biller. The future bridegroom is a 1992 graduate of Dexter High School and a 1987 graduate of Hillisdale College. He is employed as a teacher and varsity basketball coach at Clinton High School.



ENGAGED: Margaret Henson and Theodore Brockman, both of Santa Monica, Calif., have set a June 7 wedding date. The future bride is the daughter of Thomas Henson of Phoenix, and Karen Knoll of Nerinx, Ky. The future bridegroom is the son of Anne Ferris and Harry Greenberg of Dexter, and the late William Brockman. The future bride is a 1995 graduate of the University of Michigan and a 2000 graduate of University of Chicago. She is employed as an administrator at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. The future bridegroom is a 1990 graduate of Dexter High School and a 1994 graduate of Kenyon College. He is employed at Amgen, Inc.



ENGAGED: Candace Tolzdorf of Imperial, Pa., daughter of Robert and Suzanne Tolzdorf of Dexter, and Jason James of Beaver, Pa., son of Charles and Linda James of Beaver, Pa., have set a Sept. 20 wedding date. They plan to marry at Hidden Valley Resort in Pennsylvania. The future bride, a 1990 graduate of Dexter High School and a 1994 graduate of Ferris State University, is a flight attendant with U.S. Airways in Pittsburgh. The future bridegroom is a 1994 graduate of Beaver Area High School and a 1998 graduate of Allegheny College in Meadville, Pa. He is employed as a circulation field auditor with Audit Bureau of Circulations out of Chicago.



GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY: Donald and Mary Ellen (Van Riper) Pierson of Grass Lake celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Oct. 10. The couple married Oct. 10 1952, in Reno, Nev. Approximately 125 people, including their children, attended an open house Oct. 12 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Chelsea to celebrate. The party had a Mexican theme because family and friends sent them to Cancun for an anniversary present. Their children are Debby Stahl of Pinckney, Alicia Lixey of Chelsea, Donald Pierson Jr. of Phoenix, Daniel Pierson of Cedar Hills, Utah, Daren Pierson of Tomball, Texas, and Jason Pierson of Highland, Utah.



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Sunday, Dec. 22, 6 p.m.
Christmas Musical Evening
Tuesday, Dec. 24, 5 p.m.
Christmas Eve Service
Sunday, Dec. 29 • NO 8:30 a.m. Service
Tuesday, Dec. 31, 7 p.m.
New Year's Eve Prayer Meeting

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Dec. 22, 8:30 - Episcopal Rite 1
Dec. 22, 10:30 - Joint Service of Advent Lessons and Carols
Dec. 24, 7 p.m. - Lutheran Service
Dec. 24, 9:30 pm - Episcopal Eucharist
Dec. 29, 8:30 - Episcopal Rite 1
Dec. 29, 10:30 - Joint Service of Christmas Lessons & Carols
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Yankee (left) was a longtime companion and good friend to Lisa Allmendinger. She holds him and her dog, Widgeon, outside her home in Sylvan Township.

ence titles. He never really liked obedience, but he did it willingly because I asked him to.

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in my van. My dog loved to go for a ride.

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This column was written in

memory of my favorite dog, Yankee, who died Dec. 12.

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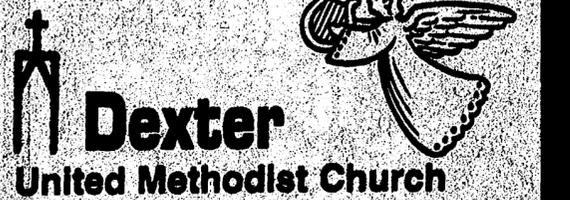
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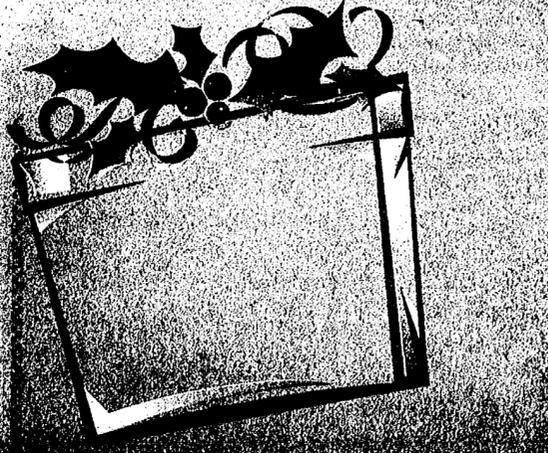
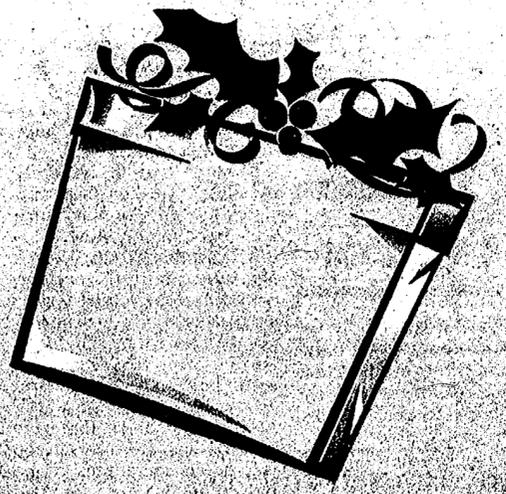
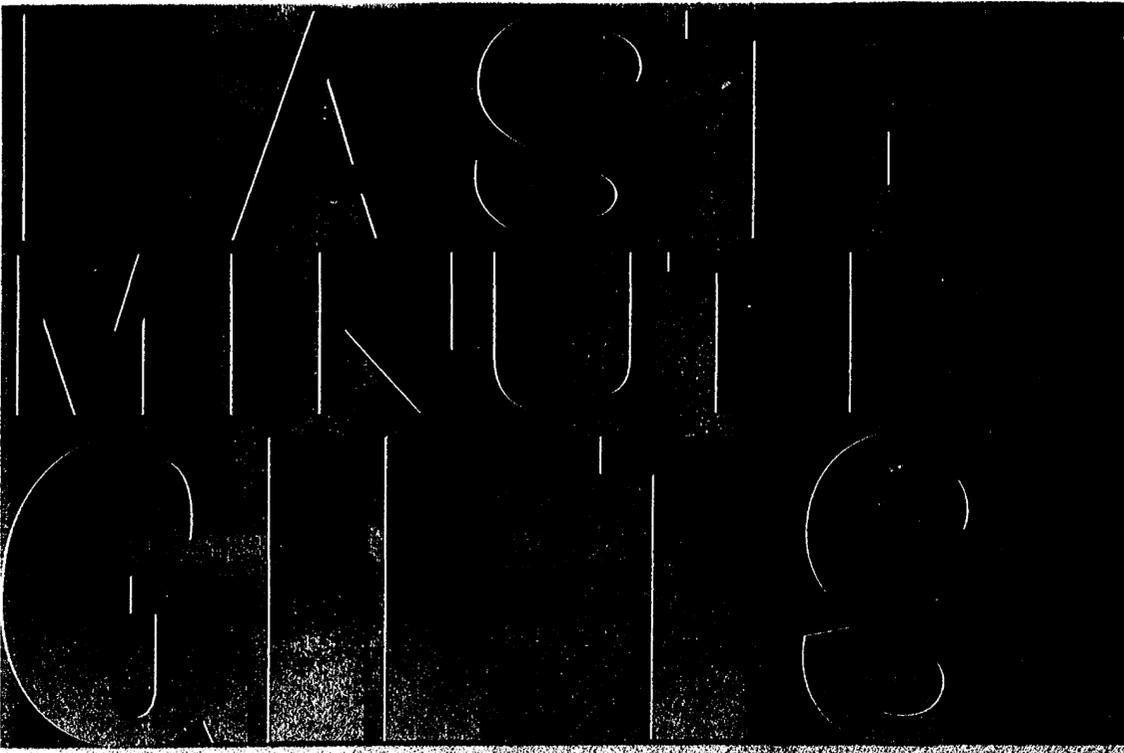
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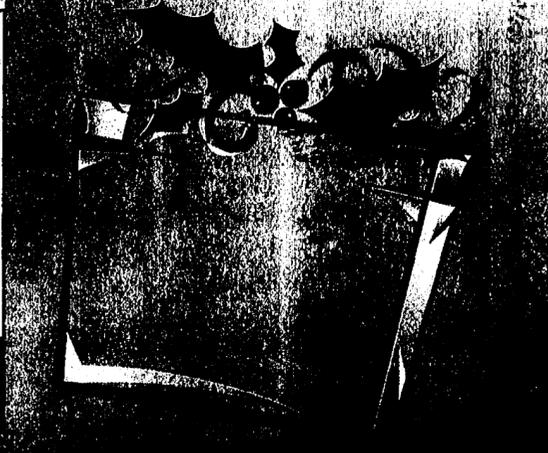
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Thursday, December 19, 2002

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Chelsea cagers begin season with two victories

By Don Richter

Sports Editor

Chelsea's boys' basketball team defeated Adrian 58-43 last Friday night.

Bulldog forward Paul Newhouse paced Chelsea with 14 points, nine rebounds, three blocked shots and two steals.

Teammate center Scott Dettling added a double-double of 11 points and 13 rebounds. The 6-foot-7 senior also swatted away seven shots for the Bulldogs.

Seniors James Ballas and Jimmy Baker each netted nine points for Chelsea (2-0). Baker also had four steals.

Joe Myers finished with six points, while Kyle Brown had five points and George Royce four points to round out the Dawgs' scoring.

"Defense turned the game in our favor," said Chelsea coach Robin Raymond. "Adrian got a little frustrated and forced some shots."

Overall, the Bulldogs limited the visiting Maples to 35 percent shooting from the field. Adrian was 15-of-43 from the floor and 0-of-8 from three-point land.

Chelsea ended up 14-of-33 from the field for 42 percent. The Bulldogs were 5-of-18 from beyond the arc.

Chelsea led 35-23 at half-time.

In the second half, the Bulldogs outscored the Maples 23-20 for the final margin.

Chelsea limited Adrian's top scorer, junior Kellen Davis to five points in the first half and 14 points overall. The 6-6, 230-pound center had difficulty getting his shot off down low.

"We double-downed on him," Raymond said. "Dettling played behind him and we double-downed on him from the wing. He didn't get many good looks."

On Dec. 10, the Bulldogs opened the season with a 76-41 victory over Pinckney.

"I was real pleased to open up on the road and play as well as we did," Raymond said. "We kept pressure on them for four quarters."

Besides playing well defensively, visiting Chelsea also cranked it up on offense.

"We ran the court really well," Raymond said. "Our fast break was working. Plus, we had a great night rebounding. Every player had at least one rebound. When you rebound, it's much easier to run."

The Bulldogs led 10-0 early in the first quarter. By half-

time, Chelsea had built a 36-16 advantage.

"Our aggressiveness on defense forced Pinckney to do what they didn't want to do," Raymond said.

Indicative of the Bulldogs' tenacious defensive play was the shutting down of the Pirates' highly recruited guard, Brandon Thompson. The 6-foot-3 Division I prospect was held scoreless in his home gym.

"James Ballas and Joe Myers guarded him," Raymond said. "I didn't think we'd hold him scoreless. I didn't think that would happen."

The Bulldogs blocked 11 shots. Dettling had eight of the swats. In two games, Dettling has 15 blocked shots.

Newhouse, 6-5, led the Chelsea offense with 27 points on 11-of-19 shooting. On the glass, he hauled down 11 rebounds and he also blocked three shots.

Brown added 10 points, including 2-of-2 from beyond the arc, six rebounds and six assists for the Bulldogs.

Besides his eight blocked shots, Dettling scored eight points and grabbed five boards.

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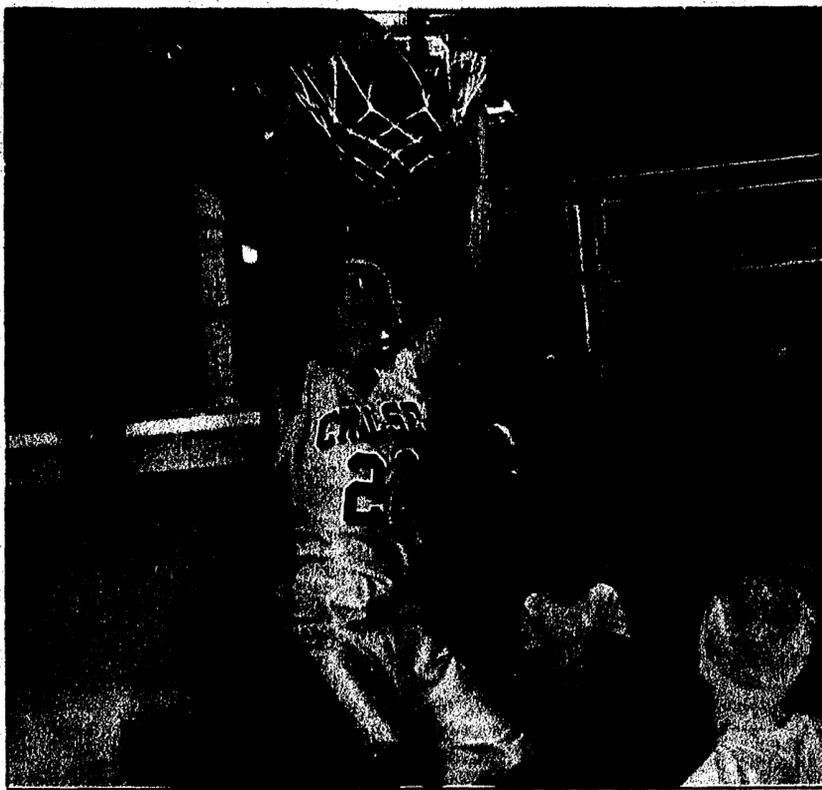


Photo by Doug Trojanowski
Chelsea senior Paul Newhouse dunks the basketball during the Bulldogs' 58-43 victory over Adrian last Friday. Newhouse, a 6-foot-5 forward, led Chelsea with 14 points.

Bulldog hockey falls to Dexter in overtime thriller



Photo by Doug Trojanowski
Chelsea senior assistant captain Ben Daniels looks to pass the puck up ice during action last week. The Bulldogs lost 6-5 in overtime to Dexter in the Dreadnaughts' Christmas Tournament championship game last Saturday.

By Don Richter

Sports Editor

Chelsea hockey lost to county rival Dexter 6-5 in overtime of the Dreadnaughts' Christmas Tournament at Veterans Arena last weekend.

"It's a never a dull moment," said Chelsea coach Don Wright while talking about games against the Bulldogs' county rival.

The Dreadnaughts (3-2) scored two early goals 14 seconds apart to lead 2-0 in the first period.

Dexter's Pete Vollbrecht and Eric Cappel turned the light on at 13:43 and 13:29, respectively, in the first period.

Chelsea (3-2), however, responded.

Craig Urwin scored on a power play at 10:33 of the frame closing the gap to 2-1.

Assisting on the play were Drew Warren and Matt Eckler.

Less than a minute later, defenseman Lee Woodruff scored to tie the contest at 2-2. Luc Daniels recorded an assist on the play for the Bulldogs.

In the second period, Urwin notched goal No. 2 off an assist from Ryan Ruikka. The score gave Chelsea a 3-2 lead, with 3:56 remaining in the frame.

With 12 seconds left in the period, Luc Daniels scored to give the Bulldogs a 4-2 advantage heading into the locker room. Urwin recorded an assist on the goal.

"I thought we were playing better," Wright said.

In the third period, Dexter came out fired up.

As in most rivalries, the Dreadnaughts were not going to give up easily.

Vollbrecht scored at 12:59 of the stanza, bringing Dexter closer at 4-3.

Luc Daniels answered for Chelsea, scoring unassisted at 9:21 of the period for a 5-3 Bulldog advantage.

A minute later, Vollbrecht scored goal No. 3 for the hat trick. The blast trimmed Chelsea's lead to 5-4.

At 5:16 Tony Kingsley scored for the Dreadnaughts, tying the contest at 5-5.

At 6:03 of overtime, Wayne Huber ended the game, scoring on a shot just inside the post.

With the goal, Dexter was crowned champions of the Christmas Tournament.

"Obviously, we never like to lose," Wright said. "But we're off to a good start. Dexter played well."

Last Friday, Chelsea defeated Saline 3-2 in over-

time in the tournament's first round.

After a scoreless first period, Luc Callow scored a power-play goal at 1:40 of the second period. Recording an assist on the play was Kenny Williams.

In the third period, the Hornets' Kyle Carer tied the game scoring at 9:44 of the frame.

Saline took the lead four minutes later as Shawn McBride turned the light on at 5:57 of the period.

Ben Daniels tied the contest at 3:58 of the period, scoring a power-play goal. Warren won the face-off in the Hornet's zone, drawing the puck back to Daniels, who blasted a shot past the Saline goaltender.

In overtime, Urwin scored at 3:41 of the extra session for

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Spikers capture South Lyon tourney

By Don Richter

Sports Editor

Chelsea volleyball opened this season the way it closed last year - on a roll.

The Bulldogs, who caught fire late last season, advancing all the way to the Class B state semifinals before losing, continued their hot streak to begin this year.

Last Monday, Chelsea defeated always-tough Adrian 15-11, 15-8, 15-8.

Prior to their match against the Maples, the Bulldogs captured the 16-team South Lyon Invitational to open the season last Saturday.

"It's nice to play some good competition," said Chelsea coach Laura Cleveland. "It's a great way to start the season."

Against Adrian, the visiting Bulldogs performed well.

"We were looking forward to the match up," Cleveland said. "Our serve reception and defense were the keys. We struggled early, but we were able to execute late, and had a well-balanced off-

sive attack."

Senior outside hitter Anna Arend and junior outside hitter Lindsay Tye paced Chelsea's attack each recording 14 kills.

Senior Karri Kuczajada added 13 kills, while junior Lindsay Parker finished with eight kills for the Bulldogs.

Senior setter Courtney Bentley ended the match with a team-high 29 assists.

Last Saturday, Chelsea began its season placing first at the 16-team South Lyon tournament.

The Bulldogs also captured the championship last year.

"The girls were ready to play," Cleveland said. "We came into the tournament with confidence. We were excited to repeat as champions."

The invitational was set up into four pools of four teams each.

In its pool, Chelsea went 2-0-1.

To open the tournament, the Bulldogs defeated Saginaw Heritage 15-3, 15-5.

Chelsea followed the victory with a 15-1, 15-1 sweep

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Chelsea grapplers sixth at invite

By Don Richter

Sports Editor

Chelsea wrestling finished sixth at the 16-team JAWS (Jackson Area Wrestlers) Invitational at Jackson High School last Saturday.

The tournament is a round-robin type invitational.

The Bulldogs finished the meet 2-3 overall.

Chelsea defeated Jackson 51-24 and Jackson Parma County Western 42-38.

The Bulldogs lost to Jackson Northwest 52-26, Addison 54-27 and Brooklyn Columbia Central 39-27.

Chelsea ended the meet with seven undefeated wrestlers.

Finishing unbeaten on the day for the Bulldogs were Geoff Wonders at 103 pounds (3-0), Cody Schiller at 130 pounds (2-0), Randy Ostrowski at 140 pounds (5-0), Adam Egeler at 160 pounds (5-0), Ben Rodgers at 171 pounds (3-0), Joel Powers at 215 pounds (3-0) and heavy-weight Ross Davis (3-0).

Others competing for Chelsea included Aaron Chiarelli at 103 pounds (0-1), Marty Kelly at 112 pounds (1-1), Steven Phillips at 119 pounds (1-3), Ryan Lundquist at 119 pounds (0-1), Josh Clark at 125 pounds (0-5), Fred Dehn at 130 pounds (1-



Photo by Frank Weir
Bulldog Ben Rodgers, competing in the 171-pound weight class, and his Chelsea teammates lost to Saline last Thursday.

1), Derek Jolly at 140 pounds (0-4), Jeremy Loe at 140 pounds (0-2) and John Lowry at 145 pounds (0-4).

Participating in the upper weights for the Bulldogs were Neil Turlock at 152 pounds (0-2), A.J. Suffety at 152 pounds (0-2), Stephen Kolokithas at 160 and 171 pounds (1-1), Dave Bell at 169

pounds (1-3), Zack Powers at 215 pounds (1-1) and heavy-weight Brad Hinderer (1-1).

"We just thought we'd get our feet wet," Chelsea coach Kerry Kargel said. "We rotated kids in and out."

Kargel said he's looking for improvement from his team in upcoming meets.

"We haven't put enough

combination moves together to be successful on the mat," he said. "We're working on that now. The kids that are winning are constantly moving making things happen. Those that aren't winning are stopping during the match."

Last Thursday, Chelsea lost

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Bulldog tankers make big splash to start season

By Don Richter

Chelsea's boys' swimming and diving team dunked three consecutive opponents to jumpstart its season last week.

Last Friday, the Bulldogs defeated Adrian 111-73 in a dual meet at Chelsea.

On Dec. 10, the Bulldogs traveled to South Lyon for a tri-meet with Northville.

Chelsea bested the Lions 98-74 and defeated the Mustangs 94-76.

The Bulldogs showed promise for the future by qualifying for the state meet in five events and breaking two pool records after only two meets.

Pacing Chelsea in the early season are tri-captains Jake Holton, Tim Wacker and Matt Holmes.

Wacker was the first swimmer in the water this season

as he led the way for the Bulldogs in the 200 medley relay at South Lyon.

Besides Wacker, Aaron Connell, Josh Haynes and Holmes combined to win the event in a state qualifying time of 1:49.48. Chelsea's 200 medley relay B foursome of Ryan Kelly, Benj Kellogg, Andre Bravo and Jeff Diekis placed fifth in 2:01.41.

Capturing the 200 freestyle was Andy Kellogg in 1:59.66. Matt Kellogg finished fourth with a clocking of 2:03.69. Andrew Ceo ended up seventh for Chelsea in 2:14.14.

In the 200 individual medley, Wacker finished second with a clocking of 2:15.75.

A highlight of the South Lyon tri-meet was Holton's first-place time of 22:58 in the 50 freestyle.

"What made the performance even more impressive

was the fact Holton did not see a time of this caliber until the conference meet last season," said Chelsea coach Dave Jolly.

Josh Haynes also swam well, finishing the 50 freestyle in 25.13. Andrew Ballow touched in 28.48.

In the 100 butterfly, Connell placed second with a time of 1:04.08. Holmes finished fifth in 1:07.24, while Bravo was sixth in 1:07.76.

Holton qualified for the state meet in his second event, winning the 100 freestyle in 51.41. Andy Kellogg touched third with a

time of 52.07. Mike Policht ended up sixth, clocking a 56.94.

In the 500 freestyle, Matt Kellogg finished third in 5:44.68. Ceo placed fifth in the event, with a time of 6:09.21. Chris Moyle was sixth in 6:42.66.

Chelsea broke its second pool record by winning the 200 freestyle relay in 1:35.09. The Bulldog foursome of Andy Kellogg, Haynes, Wacker and Holton combined to place first.

In the 100 backstroke, Ryan Kelley finished sixth for Chelsea with a time of

1:12.51. Holmes bested the field in the 100 breaststroke, touching first in 1:08.62.

"His time was just off the state cut and leaves much anticipation for great things to come this season," Jolly said.

Connell finished sixth in the event, clocking a 1:19.40. In the 400 freestyle relay, the Bulldogs placed first in a state qualifying time of 3:34.72.

Against Adrian, Andy Kellogg, Wacker and Holton each won two events for Chelsea.

Andy Kellogg placed first in the 100 breaststroke in 1:07.25 and the 200 freestyle in 1:56.96.

Wacker touched first in the 100 backstroke, with a time of 1:02.94, and the 200 individual medley in 2:16.18.

Holton finished first in the

50 freestyle, clocking a 22.72 and the 100 freestyle in 52.04.

The Bulldogs captured two of three relays against the visiting Maples.

The Chelsea team of Andy Kellogg, Haynes, Bravo and Holton placed first in the 200 freestyle relay in 1:36.74.

In the 200 medley relay, the Bulldog foursome of Wacker, Holmes, Connell and Bravo bested the field in 1:48.52.

In diving, Shawn Bergman placed second for Chelsea with 171.95 points. Cliff Ballard ended up fourth with 142.90 points, while Sean Cleary was fifth with 125.05 points for the Bulldogs.

Chelsea next travels to DeWitt to participate in its invitational 10 a.m. Jan. 4.

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"His time was just off the state cut and leaves much anticipation for great things to come this season."

**— Dave Jolly
Chelsea coach**

JV hoopsters fall to Adrian

By Don Richter

Chelsea's JV boys' basketball team lost to Adrian 47-36 last Friday.

Despite running out to a 16-12 first-quarter advantage, the host Bulldogs (0-2) were unable to maintain their lead in the second stanza.

In the second quarter, the Maples began clicking offensively, outscoring Chelsea 12-6 in the frame heading into the break leading 24-22.

In the third quarter, Adrian broke the contest open, netting 14 points while holding the Bulldogs to eight points. With their offensive outburst, the Maples entered the fourth period up 38-30.

In the last frame, Adrian outscored Chelsea 9-6 for

the final margin. Pacing the Bulldogs was Alec Penix, who scored 16 points.

Danny Keilman added seven points, while Steve Koenn ended up with six

"We are playing pretty well on the defensive end, but we are really struggling to score points at this time."

**— Mark Scheese
Chelsea coach**

points for Chelsea.

On Dec. 10, the Bulldogs opened the season losing to Pinckney 44-39 in overtime.

As it did against Adrian, Chelsea started out strong,

leading 16-13 at halftime.

In the second half, however, the host Pirates outscored the Bulldogs 24-21, forcing the extra session.

In overtime, Pinckney held Chelsea to two points, while scoring seven to secure the hard earned "W."

Penix led the Bulldogs, with 18 points.

Terry Arnold chipped in eight points, while Koenn had five points for Chelsea.

"We are playing pretty well on the defensive end, but we are really struggling to score points at this time," said Chelsea coach Mark Scheese.

The Bulldogs next travel to Saline today for a game at 6 p.m.

On Dec. 27 and 28, Chelsea will participate in its own Holiday Classic

Stiles MVP of Chelsea swim

By Don Richter

Chelsea's Kara Stiles was named MVP of the Bulldog girls' swimming and diving team at last week's end-of-the-season banquet.

Stiles, a sophomore, finished eighth in the 100 freestyle and 12th in the 50 freestyle at the Division II state finals held Nov. 22 and 23 at the University of Michigan's Canham Natatorium.

Besides her individual accomplishments, Stiles also was a member of Chelsea's 200 freestyle relay and 400 freestyle relay, both of which placed fifth at the state meet.

Earning Most Improved honors were senior Allison Sayers and junior Daniele Hughes.

Sayers, Southeastern Conference White Division diving champion, finished ninth at the state finals.



Stiles

At the state finals, Lodewyk finished 12th in the 200 individual medley, 29th in the 100 butterfly and was a member of the 200 freestyle relay and 400 freestyle relay, both of which placed fifth.

Senior Rebecca Armstrong was presented the Coaches Award.

Individually, Armstrong finished 15th in both the 50 freestyle and the 100 backstroke at the state championship. She also was a member of the first-place 200 medley relay and of the fifth-place 200 freestyle relay.

Chelsea finished seventh overall in the state in Division II with 163 points.

Capturing the state title was Dexter with 221 points.

Beach Blue cagers top rival Dexter

By Don Richter

Chelsea's Beach Middle School boys' Blue basketball team defeated county rival Dexter 44-31 last Thursday.

The visiting Bulldogs (9-2) had balanced scoring on the night as eight players netted baskets.

Leading Beach was Adam Connell, who scored 10 points.

Eric Dudek added eight points, while Abe Kane chipped in seven points.

Jason Ratliff recorded six points, while Antwan McClendon had five points and Mike Sauers had four points. Josh Ripberger and Reece Hammer each netted two points for Chelsea.

Last Monday, the Bulldogs defeated Adrian Springbrook 47-28.

Visiting Beach jumped out to an 11-4 first-quarter lead taking control of the game early. By halftime, Chelsea increased its advantage to 22-11.

Pacing the Bulldogs' attack was Kane, who scored 13 points.

Connell added nine points, while Dudek and Sauers each scored six points.

George Merkel and Hammer each recorded four points, while Jon Seelbach had two points and Kyle Bucholz had one point for Beach.

"Our free-throw shooting continues to be a strength as we continually average over 50 percent," said Chelsea coach Jim Tallman.

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Bulldog center Scott Dettling brings down a rebound against Adrian last Friday. Besides being a force on the boards for Chelsea, Dettling has been an intimidator in the lane. The 6-foot-7 senior has 15 blocks in two games, including seven against the Maples.

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Baker chipped in eight points, while Ballas had seven points. Royce had six points and Tony Reifel had five points, including a triple.

Joel Hohnke finished with three points, while Mark Borders and Myers each netted one point to round out Chelsea's scoring. Myers also had six rebounds and five assists.

From the free-throw line, the Bulldogs were 14-of-20 for 70 percent. The Pirates ended up 8-of-14 for 57 percent.

From the field, Chelsea

was 25-of-51 for 49 percent. Pinckney finished 9-of-28 for 32 percent.

The Bulldogs dominated the boards, out rebounding the Pirates 51-23.

"Our goal from Day 1 was to build our team from the defensive end," Raymond said. "We're playing with intensity. And the kids are passing the ball well."

Chelsea next travels to Saline for a game 6 p.m. tomorrow.

On Dec. 27 and 28, the Bulldogs will host their own Holiday Classic.

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to Saline 46-24 in a dual meet.

In the lower weights, Chiarelli lost at 103 pounds on a pin in 3:24 against the Hornets' Chris Eberon.

At 112 pounds, Kelly was pinned by Chris Mullins in 1:55.

At 119 pounds, Chris Watt was pinned in 1:36.

Lundquist, bumped up to the 125-pound weight class, lost a 14-0 major decision to Saline's Geoff Bowen.

At 130 pounds, Clark was

pinned in 3:56 by Mike Mullins.

The Hornets' Nick Wallen pinned Dehn at 135 pounds in 2:55.

The Bulldogs earned their first win at 140 pounds as Ostrowski pinned Joe Zack in 1:48.

At 145 pounds, Lowry was pinned in 3:39.

At 152 pounds, Chelsea's Andy Hurst was pinned in 1:57 by the Hornets' Ryan Stephen.

Egeler, at 160 pounds, pinned Saline's Clint Holland in 1:35, for the Bulldogs' second victory.

At 171 pounds, Rodgers

dropped a 6-3 decision to Adam Stephens.

Darl Bauer, in his first match of the season, pinned the Hornets' John Craigmile in 1:51.

At 215 pounds, Karl Wint lost a 9-5 decision to Saline's Tom Blanch.

At heavyweight, Davis pinned Kyle Schuyler in 39 seconds for Chelsea's final victory.

"We had a couple close decisions," Kargel said. "They could have gone either way. The guys we thought would win did. It will come down to basics. We'll continue to work hard. Hopefully,

we'll get better."

The Bulldogs next host Ann Arbor Pioneer 8:30 p.m. today.

On Saturday, Chelsea travels to Coldwater to compete in its invitational at 9 a.m. The Bulldogs will begin the meet against Battle Creek Harper Creek.

Chelsea's second match will be against state-ranked Stevensville Lakeshore. The Bulldogs' final opening round match will be against Allegan.

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the final margin. Picking up an assist on the game-winning goal were Ben Daniels and J.R. Engelbert.

"Saline pressed all five players (in Chelsea's zone) and got a shot off," Wright said. "Ben cleared the rebound out of the zone to Urwin, who was trailing the play. He quickly turned it into a breakaway and beat the goaltender for the game-winner."

On Dec. 10, Chelsea shut out Dearborn Heights Crestwood 9-0.

Scoring goals in the first period for the visiting Bulldogs were Ryan Ford, Ben Daniels and Matt Eckler. Recording assists for Chelsea in the opening frame were Luke Daniels, Warren and Ford.

In the second period, Ben Daniels and Eckler scored for the Bulldogs.

Warren had two assists and Urwin one in the stanza for Chelsea.

In the third period, David Midura, Callow, Warren and Eckler scored. For Eckler, it was his third goal of the night and a hat trick.

Taylor Hooper, Brad Tyler, Brett Common, Callow and Ford each had one assist in the final frame. Urwin ended the period with two assists to pace the Bulldogs.

Combining for the win in net were Maris Turner and Engelbert.

Chelsea finished with 33 shots on goal. Crestwood ended with five shots on net.

"We played well," Wright said. "We moved the puck well. We did a nice job of passing the puck."

The Bulldogs next travel to Plymouth Salem, unbeaten and ranked No. 4 in Division I, for a game 8 p.m. tomorrow.

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BOWLING

SENIORS FUN TIME - 12-11-02		W	L	Blue Division	W	L
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The New Kids	66	39	39	Deloon 5	192.5	227.5
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New Millennium	57	48	48	Janex	128	292
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Steadies	54	51	51			
Sugar Loafers	53	52	52			
Two Gals and a Guy	50	55	55			
K & C	50	55	55			
Spare Ribs	49.5	55.5	55.5			
Squares	48	59	59			
Alley Cats	45.5	59.5	59.5			
Latecomers	41	64	64			
Keplers	39	66	66			
Sand Baggers	36	69	69			
High Game: Ginny Wharton, 170; David Buko, 233						
High Series: Phyllis Harok, 519; Jerry Emery, 622						

CHELSEA LANES YOUTH MIXED - 12-14-02		W	L	HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS - 12-11-02	W	L
Crazy Eight	65	33	33	Gutter Grips	72	40
We Got Mail, Yay!	61	37	37	Executives Suite	66	46
Empty Brains	58	40	40	Sisters	64	48
Slackers	56	42	42	The Grillers	60	38
Syran Wrap	54	44	44	Blue 50	59	33
Unleashed	52	46	46	The Acres	55	37
The Screaming Cabbaleros	51	47	47	All Meet	52	30
Lucky 7	47	51	51	Vacant Team	0	98
Red Wings	45	53	53	High Game: Jeanne Perry, 181		
We Are Family	41	57	57	High Series: Debbie Noye, 480		
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Cagers battle Bedford

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

What a home opener. In a thrilling second-half comeback, Dexter's boys' basketball team defeated Temperance Bedford 43-41 in overtime last Friday night. After trailing 24-14 at halftime, the Dreadnaughts (2-0) outscored the visiting Kicking Mules 20-10 in the final two quarters, forcing the extra session. "After halftime, we made a few adjustments to their (Bedford's) defense," said Dexter coach Mike Bavineau. "The guys willed themselves back into the game." Senior 6-foot-7 center Eric Przyblinski paced Dexter with 18 points. Senior forward Brian Caldwell added 12 points, while juniors point guard Seyi Kukoyi and post player

Dan Dyer each netted four points for the Dreadnaughts. "We found a way to win, even when we didn't play well," Bavineau said. "I think that's really important." On Dec. 10, Dexter opened the season with a 52-46 victory over Ypsilanti Willow Run. The Dreadnaughts jumped out to a 19-10 first-quarter lead. In the second stanza, the host Flyers outscored Dexter 15-12 to trail 31-25 at halftime. In the second half, both squads scored 21 points for the final margin. "For the first game, we were just trying to figure everything out," Bavineau said. "We were up by 15 points at one point." To try and turn things around, Willow Run started launching three-pointers.

"They tried to get back in the game," Bavineau said. "It turned into street ball a bit. But we hung on and made plays down the stretch to win." Dyer, 6-5, led Dexter, scoring 13 points. Przyblinski chipped in 12 points, while Caldwell finished with 10 points. Senior guard Brian Schielke, sophomore forward David Muchmore and Kukoyi each recorded four points for the Dreadnaughts. Dexter next hosts its own Winter Tournament Dec. 27 and 28. On Jan. 7, the Dreadnaughts host Saline at 7 p.m. On Jan. 10, Dexter hosts county rival Chelsea at 7 p.m. Sports Editor Don Richter can be reached at 475-1371 or via e-mail at drichter@heritagetage.com.

Beach Basketball



Photo courtesy of Alice Rawson
Chelsea's Ben Johnson goes up for two points in the Beach Middle School eighth-grade boys' Gold basketball team's 39-36 victory over Adrian Drager last Thursday.

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over Webberville. In their third and final pool match, the Bulldogs split with Milford 16-14, 10-15. In the invitational quarterfinals, Chelsea defeated Pinckney in three sets 15-9, 9-15, 15-9. In the semifinals, the Bulldogs bested Milford 15-12, 15-11. In the tournament finals, Chelsea defeated Novi 15-7, 15-12.

Tye, a 5-foot-11 returning All-Stater, paced the Bulldogs on the day, finishing with a team-high 55 kills and 23 digs. Arend ended up with 22 kills and 16 digs, while Kuczajada added 28 kills for Chelsea. Parker, a middle hitter, led the Bulldogs with five solo and three assisted blocks. Bentley was tops on the squad with 101 assists. Cleveland said she was pleased with her team's opening season performance.

"The highlight of the day was our excellent serve reception and our defense," she said. "We also improved our blocking, which is an early season goal." Chelsea next travels to Ann Arbor Pioneer for a match 6 p.m. today. On Dec. 28, the Bulldogs will participate in the University of Michigan Dearborn Invitational at 9 a.m. Sports Editor Don Richter can be reached at 475-1371 or via e-mail at drichter@heritagetage.com.

Heydlauff places in gymnastics meet

Chelsea's Samantha Heydlauff finished third all-around at a Region V youth gymnastics meet in Cincinnati last weekend. Competing in Level 9, Heydlauff, a 14-year-old Beach Middle School pupil, finished third on bars with a score of 8.825 and seventh on beam with an 8.7.

In youth gymnastics, the highest standard an athlete can achieve is Level 10. Heydlauff is a member of the Gym America Gym Stars. Last weekend's Region V meet included gymnasts from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky.

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Jenni Martin dreams of teaching

By Jenny Wright
Special Writer

Once senior year of high school sets in, most students become frantic with the uncertain vision of the rest of their life. College is either a terrifying event that determines one's future, or a huge party opportunity.

Questions fill many of their minds, such as "Which school do I want to attend?" "What is my major going to be?" "What do I want to do with my life?"

However, for one Chelsea High School graduate, there were no worries.

Jenni Martin, who graduated from Chelsea High School in 2000, has always known what her future would hold.

"I chose to become a teacher because I want to help others learn," Martin said. "I enjoy learning myself and I want to create that desire in others."

Martin, the daughter of Bonnie and Jim Martin, graduated from high school summa cum laude, receiving the highest academic honor. She is currently in her junior year at Central Michigan University.

For Martin, the decision on what university to attend was a no-brainer.

"I chose to come to CMU because it was a medium-size school," she said. "I loved the feeling I got when I came to campus, and it is an excellent teaching school."

Martin is working on a degree in secondary education, concentrating on math and English.

"My favorite classes at CHS were calculus, English and physics," Martin said. "I was also involved in volleyball, choir, water

polo, National Honor Society and a musical ('Bye, Bye Birdie')."

With such a hectic schedule in high school, Martin was able to adjust well at CMU. Her mathematics studies alone entailed 10 different classes at the university.

Martin also had to observe teachers to gain field experience. She has had the opportunity to study with Chelsea High School teachers Lonnie Mitchell, Vincent Brumfiel and Adam French.

"All of them had their own teaching styles, but they were all excellent teachers," she said. "Their students respond well to them and are obviously learning."

Part of Martin's passion for teaching was influenced by her teachers while she was growing up.

"I have had a ton of wonderful and inspirational teachers throughout my years of schooling," she said. "One of the first ones that comes to my mind is Mr. Brumfiel. Another is Mr. (Eric) Swager and Mrs. (Julle) Deppner, even though she never taught me, and Mr. Mitchell."

CMU also holds role models for her future career.

"My calculus professor, Ken Smith, and my sign language professor, Darci Norris, are excellent teachers, and they are very passionate about what they do," she said.

Life at CMU isn't all academics, however. Martin has pursued such social activities as chorus, several honor societies and some Christian fellowship groups.

"I am currently an R.A. (resident adviser) for the hall I live in," Martin said. "This is my job, which is 24 hours a day and seven days a week.



Jenni Martin, a 2000 Chelsea High School graduate, is a student at Central Michigan University and aspires to become a teacher. Martin, who has gained experience under Chelsea teachers Lonnie Mitchell, Vincent Brumfiel and Adam French, is surrounded by a group of unidentified youngsters.

"I am responsible for my floor and have responsibilities within my hall. I put on programs, do bulletin boards, work with a staff of eight, have 'duty nights,' and help my residents with problems. I love it because it allows me to get to know hundreds of people. I get to interact with them on a

daily basis, being a part of their lives and they are a part of mine. It's wonderful."

Martin plans to finish college within the next four semesters. After that, her dream of teaching will most likely come true.

"I want to teach early high school math, hopefully algebra,"

Martin said. "I would like to teach at a school about the size of Chelsea... in a nice, small town."

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Catching up with...

Blood drive exceeds goal

By Elise Murphy
Special Writer

A blood drive three months in the making at Chelsea High School netted 135 pints of blood for the American Red Cross Dec. 4.

The total is 45 more pints than organizers had originally expected.

"The reason for the success was not only the workers but the organizers," said Dani Sawyer, president of the National Honor Society, the group that hosted the event.

High school senior Katie Personke couldn't wait to give blood. She turned 17 Dec. 1, just in time for the semi-annual blood drive.

"I just felt really good about it," Personke said. "I was really excited to be able to do it and that I could."

The blood drive, chaired by high school seniors Caitlin Paul and Joyce Lewis, was held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., wrapping up months of planning and preparation. While the chairs worked out details with the Red Cross, honor society members recruited donors.

"The whole reason we do the blood drive is twofold," said Barbara Pruess, adviser to the National Honor Society.

"Of course, we want to give blood because there's a shortage. But, really, what we're doing is getting kids started giving blood, convincing them that it's up to them... and, hopefully, forming a habit that will last the rest of their lives," she said.

The blood drive was not limited to high school students. Local residents were also invited to donate.

As early as 6 a.m. the day of the drive, members of the National Honor Society arrived at the school to meet the Red Cross truck, which had been on the road since 4 a.m.

Students helped Red Cross workers unload the truck into one end of the gym, placing chairs for waiting, nurses stations for questioning and health exams, cots for donors, and the canteen, a table filled with juice and cookies.

Donors began arriving at 8 a.m., with some students getting out of class to give blood and residents of the community dropping in before work. An hour later, every station was filled with eager donors.

While Red Cross workers administered exams and took blood, volunteers from the National Honor Society checked people in, held the hands of donors, and worked the canteen.

Despite a few minor fainting spells by first-time donors, organizers said the blood drive ran smoothly until its ending point at 2 p.m.

"The blood drive was really successful and we're proud of everyone who gave blood," Paul said.

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David Dels, a student at Chelsea High School, donates blood to the American Red Cross as part of the National Honor Society's semiannual blood drive.

Christmas should be about love

For me, Christmas used to be a time when everyone on my list had to receive the perfect present.

Everything had to be precise. All of my gifts had to be wrapped, all of my shopping had to be completed by Dec. 20 and I could not give a bad gift. I would double-check my purchases with nearly every friend to make sure everything was just right.

I felt that the holiday season was just about giving, and giving the best thing that you could possibly offer someone.

My gifts sometimes contained inside jokes, things that only my friends or family would understand. But they usually did not constitute significance, the meaning that gives people chills up their spines and tears in their eyes.

Christmas was all about being the best gift-giver, and I thought that was the only crucial thing



about the season.

During my sophomore year, I had all my gifts ready, and I went to school with a bag full of presents for each of my friends the day before Christmas break. The morning was spent exchanging compact discs, candles, gift bags and other accessories.

At times of receiving during the day, I felt as if none of my friends had put as much energy and effort into their gifts as I had with

mine. Looking back, I feel selfish and silly in how I viewed the situation. After all, many people do not even get the chance to receive presents, much less to give them.

Once I arrived at math class, the process continued, and my friend, Allie, and I handed each other bags, exchanged hugs, and returned to our seats. As I watched Allie open a pair of earrings, she smiled, and turned around in her seat to mouth a genuine-yet-silent "thank you."

I grinned back, and reached down to open my gift. Inside the bag, I found a small book that looked the size of a journal. Pasted across the front, back and spine of the book cover were images cut out from various magazines.

I found pictures of my favorite celebrities, funny sayings and

phrases that described me or that described our friendship.

In astonishment, I opened the hardback to find pictures of Allie and me plastering the first section of pages. She had gathered photos from our childhood, and had written captions to each of them, along with cute drawings surrounding every one.

I almost started crying in the middle of class, because I could not believe that she had taken the time and effort to create such a present for me. I then realized that the box containing the earrings I had given her were still clasped tightly in her hand, and I felt ridiculous that my end of the bargain had been so much lower in value.

I wanted to turn back time so that I could go and buy her something that could compare to how much she had given me.

When had I — and a good portion of the shopping world — for-

gotten the true meaning Christmas? The entire joy of the season had been boiled down to shopping carts, appearances and who could buy the most expensive and impressive gifts.

I felt so ashamed after that day that I promised myself then and there to never forget the original message behind the holiday.

Christmas is about love, not about presents, trees, lights or ourselves. The only giving that should be taking place is the same love that Jesus showed us on his dying day thousands of years ago.

What better gift could one give?

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BUSINESS

— Day-trip Destination —

Cadillac Sands is a year-round playground

By Sarah Rigg

Heritage Newspapers

A handful of places proclaim they are a year-round playground, but the Cadillac Sands Resort has good reasons to make that claim, with beachfront property for summer vacationers, golfing packages for spring and fall, and snowmobiles to rent in the winter.

The resort is not difficult to find, located right off Highway M-115. Although it's located off the main drag, once you're in the resort or walking along the beach, it's easy to forget that your accommodations are located along a busy thoroughfare.

Cadillac Sands has to compete with one other large resort and dozens of smaller ones in the immediate area, but the Sands is the only large local resort to have any lake frontage. Owners Ann and Wayne Fox have 600 feet of white-sand beachfront property.

The hotel offers Jacuzzi suites with a view of Lake Cadillac. All of the rooms are clean, spacious and attractive.

The dining room, with a nautical theme, offers a full course. Appetizers are priced from \$4 to \$6, salads are in the \$6 to \$8 range and main dishes cost \$14 and up. The menu consists of lots of seafood and meat dishes, carefully seasoned and artfully presented.

There is no vegetarian option listed on the menu, but a note says that you can inquire about a vegetarian entree option.

The resort's front desk offers coupons for 10 percent off one entrée and specials are affordable for those on a budget.

The bar area of the dining room is less formal, with bar stools and a half-naked mermaid sculpture on the wall.

The main dining area overlooking the resort's pool — kept at 84 degrees year-round — is white-linen formal.

Although the resort is four decades old, a \$1.1 million remodeling project two years ago freshened up its look. During the remodeling, the Foxes updated the look of the entire building so that it's now attractive and modern looking outside and in.

The resort isn't just a magnet for vacationers, but also for weddings and conferences. Two meeting rooms are available, one medium-size and one quite large.

The large one upstairs contains a full bar

and a dance floor. At one time, the large ballroom housed a weekend dance club, but Wayne Fox said that some rowdy patrons made keeping the dance club open more trouble than it was worth. Now the ballroom is usually used for conferences and receptions.

An outbuilding contains 35 snowmobiles. Fox said that winter is his busiest time of year.

"People come to rent snowmobiles the day after Christmas, and by the end of the day on the 26th, we're booked solid through New Year's Day," he said.

After the winter business boom, visitors taper off in the spring. Then in summer, vacationers come out to relax in the sun on the beach.

Possibilities for summer activities include renting pontoons or paddleboats, or simply lounging on the beach and ordering a mixed drink from the beach bar.

Fox said that autumn also tends to be quiet, but he gets some business from people on fall color tours or from hunters.

Fox said he got into the business of owning motels because his wife's family was heavily into the hotel business.

Before he owned Cadillac Sands, Fox teamed up with his father-in-law to run an enormous hotel in Midland, Texas. The sheer size of the hotel and the commute from Michigan, however, proved to be too much.

Once he bought the Cadillac Sands Resort, family was once again a big help. One of his sons from a previous marriage served as an on-site manager for a few years.

Fox's wife helped with much of the financial side of the business, and also helped pick out materials for redecorating and updating the look of the rooms.

However, these days, she is concentrating on being a stay-at-home mother with their 3-year-old son, Matthew, and an infant, Marne.

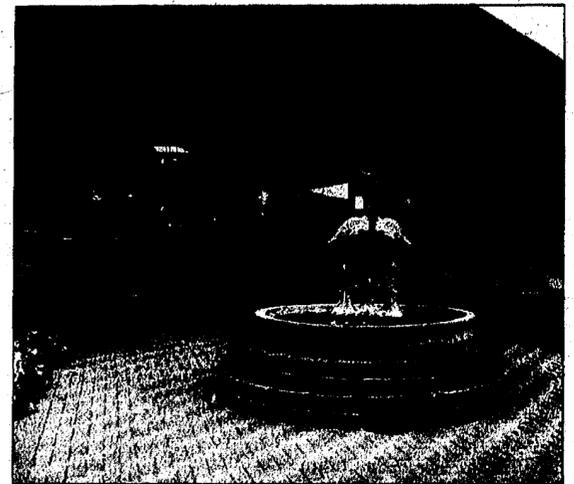
The Cadillac Sands is just a three- to four-hour drive away from most locations in southeast Michigan, and it's a beautiful and relaxing site for a summer vacation or a short weekend getaway.

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A view of Lake Cadillac can be seen from several of the resort's rooms. Patrons can rent boats in the summer and snowmobiles in the winter.

IF YOU GO...
WHAT: Cadillac Sands Resort in Cadillac is an 1800+ bed resort with a view of the lake, Jacuzzi suites, gourmet food and white-linen dining. The resort also offers golf packages, swimming and snowmobile rentals.
WHERE: Take I-75 north on US-10 west. Take US-10 to M-115 north. The resort is located near the junction of M-115 and M-35.
DIRECTIONS: To make reservations, call 1-800-547-1227. To get a 360-degree view of the resort and find out what recreational opportunities are available in the Cadillac area, visit www.cadillacresort.com.



The facade of Cadillac Sands Resort got a facelift in 2000. This fountain is a new addition.

White earns designation

Cyril White of Chelsea has earned the designation of certified structured settlement consultant by the National Structured Settlement Trade Association and the University of Notre Dame.

White completed courses required for certification and took a comprehensive exam.

The managing director of White House Financial

Services, White is among 300 industry professionals from across the country to earn the designation since it was first offered seven years ago.

The course consists of more than 75 hours of combined study culminating with an intensive series of courses on the campus of the University of Notre Dame.

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MARCHING TO A DIFFERENT BEAT

Yoga offers choice

Last spring, when a friend tried to convince me to join her in a yoga class, I was skeptical. I envisioned emaciated double-jointed people positioning themselves like pretzels.

Because of my occasional bout with sciatica, a nerve condition, I decided to give it a try. It took 90 minutes in my first class of beginner yoga, and my pain was gone and has not returned.

Yoga is an exercise in stretching and flexibility. We did some unusual moves with chairs, ropes and belts, and our limber instructor, Sally Rutzky, gave specific and repeated directions.

Frequent commands from Rutzky included, "relax your tongue," and "release the flesh of your buttocks."

Rutzky says that one of her many goals from yoga is "not to have to use a walker to get to the bathroom when I'm 95."

Bad knees, bad backs, and bad groins were the norm in the class. Personal embarrassment for physical foibles went out the window with Rutzky. No body part was sacred if she thought she could help.

While trying to maintain unusual body contortions, Rutzky would walk from person to person correcting and physically assisting us, using a firm hand. She was attune to everyone's problems and often ordered individuals to work with special pieces of equipment.

Walking into the yoga studio was a vision of barefoot women and men of all ages and sizes, loosely clad, hanging from ropes and standing on their heads. It wasn't necessarily pretty, but it was effective.

Some have likened the effects yoga to a massage. For me, the benefits were the release from pain and the increase of strength, balance, and flexibility. I always left the class feeling relaxed and restored.

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Attorney finds passion in yoga

Local instructor updates her skills during a month in India.

By Lisa Carolin
Special Writer

When Sally Rutzky is not practicing divorce law, she's practicing and teaching yoga, a discipline she says keeps her calm and centered in her work.

A yoga instructor for 21 years, Rutzky is a devotee of BKS Iyengar, an 83-year-old man who created his own school of yoga. Iyengar's yoga first took off in the United States in Ann Arbor.

Rutzky, who teaches at Yoga Space in Scio Township, spent four weeks this fall at the institute Iyengar built 30 years ago in Pune, India, about two hours from Bombay.

"There's no other place where the quality of teaching is as wonderful," Rutzky said. "They teach at a higher level. I learned 100 things in every class."

After recovering from jet lag, she began taking one class a day, six days a week for two hours. She also attended a two- to three-hour practices every day.

Iyengar's son and daughter taught the classes, which accommodated between 50

and 70 students. Iyengar came to some of the practices to make specific points to students.

Rutzky, who was in the advanced class, also observed beginner and intermediate classes.

The majority of students were from India, with others from the United States, England and Australia. Classes were simultaneously taught in English and the local language, Marathi.

"The classes were an inspiration in feeling like the world is connected and they gave me ideas for teaching my own classes," Rutzky said.

"It's a wonderful thing to have a month where all you do is yoga, eat and sleep."

Rutzky and a friend shared the third floor of a house, eating oatmeal for breakfast, soup for dinner and lunch at Indian restaurants.

When temperatures soared into the 90s, they would retreat to the Internet Café, the only local place with air conditioning.

Rutzky, 56, began practicing yoga in 1978 in a class taught by Mary Palmer at the Ann Arbor YMCA. It was Palmer who first brought Iyengar to Ann Arbor.

Rutzky started out in a karate class before feeling the urge to sign up for yoga,

although she found yoga harder than karate.

"It's as close to divinely inspired as I came," she said.

"Yoga has changed my whole attitude toward life. It makes the process of aging feel like an adventure more than a decline. Mr. Iyengar is the inspiration for that."

Rutzky says yoga is a subjective experience measured by what one's mind and body were like before, during and after doing a yoga session.

When she's not teaching yoga, Rutzky is an attorney, practicing divorce law and also serves as a mediator. She finds the discipline keeps her calm and centered at work.

She adds that yoga is also a spiritual discipline with its foundation in non-violence.

"I used to get road rage, which is a violent sensation that gets you nowhere," she said. "Yoga helped me to stop having road rage."

"You can take personal responsibility for yourself so that you don't feel so powerless. Yoga helps to keep your mind open as you age, which takes a lot of work. It has made me less fearful and more open to the world."

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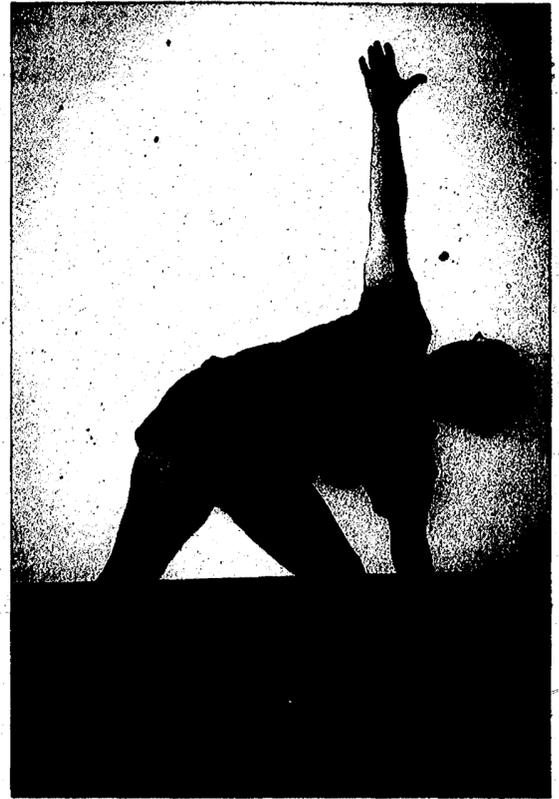


Photo by Lisa Carolin

Yoga instructor Sally Rutzky, a divorce law attorney by profession, recently studied the teachings of BKS Iyengar India. She shows off a position called utthita trikonasana.

New statute takes effect

Chelsea Village Council adopted an ordinance and resolution Oct. 29, implementing Michigan's new telecommunications statute that came into effect Nov. 1.

In early fall, Gov. John Engler signed the Metropolitan Extension Telecommunications Rights-of-Way Oversight into law. The act was designed to encourage the introduction of broadband technology throughout the state by streamlining and standardizing the permit process and fees.

The act creates a statewide authority, empowering it to collect an annual maintenance fee from telecommunication providers with facilities in the state. For most municipalities, this will provide funds available to offset some of the cost of maintaining public rights-of-way.

Providers will pay an annual maintenance fee of 2 cents per linear foot through March 31 and then 5 cents per linear foot.

It's estimated the authority will collect approximately \$25 million to \$30 million per year in fees once the program is fully implanted. All of the fees will be redistributed back to Michigan municipalities.

Of the first \$30 million collected each year, 75 percent will be distributed to cities and villages based on the Act 51 gas tax formula.

The other 25 percent will be distributed to townships based on each township's

proportionate share of the total rights-of-way.

Chelsea Village Manager Jack Myers said Qwest, Norlight and Level 3 carry their fiber optic cables in public rights-of-way in the village.

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Mitchell attends annual meeting

Last month, members of the world's largest international association of independent funeral homes met in Boston and Chelsea's John Mitchell Sr. was there.

The focus of the 2002 annual meeting of the Selected Independent Funeral Homes was to discuss how to continue a nearly 100-year legacy of promoting and protecting the interests of each community.

"Our members are the best in class among independent, community-based funeral homes," said George Clark, executive director. "We have an obligation to continue to set the highest standards for an industry serving the most vulnerable segment of society — those planning a funeral."

Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea has been a member of the association since 1983.

At the meeting, the organization outlined an education program aimed at providing consumers with the best information available on funeral planning services.

As part of its consumer education campaign, the association unveiled the redesign of its Web site, www.selectedfuneralhomes.org. The site contains information about all aspects of dealing with a death, from grief to what to look for in selecting a funeral home.

The updated Web site also contains a series of guides on understanding the customs of different religious funeral practices.

In addition, the site provides consumers with links to local Selected Independent Funeral Homes and the code of ethics its members are required to follow.



CATS Donaton

Mary Underwood (left) and Bob Trudell, board members of the Chelsea United Way, present a check for \$9,000 to Chelsea Area Transportation System Director Michaelene Pawlak and CATS Board Vice President Bob Pierce. The Chelsea United Way contributed \$18,000 to CATS for the 2002 calendar year.

Daniels re-ignites one-man show

Local actor Jeff Daniels will grab his guitar and take to the stage to reprise his successful one-man musical show, "Onstage & Unplugged."

The limited eight-show engagement is slated for Dec. 27 through Jan. 4 at the Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park St., in Chelsea.

This is only the second time that Daniels, the executive director and founder of the company, has performed on the stage since the theater company opened in 1991.

The actor and playwright,

who is also a prolific songwriter, will entertain the audience with his guitar, an arsenal of songs and the stories behind them.

Last year's three performances of "Onstage & Unplugged" were a sell-out success.

Ticket prices range from \$45 to \$60, with evening shows and weekend matinees.

For information on times and ticket prices call the box office at 433-7673.B

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT Zoning Ordinance, No. 79-KKKKK, "An Ordinance to amend the provisions of Ordinance No. 79, known as Chelsea Village Zoning Ordinance as relates to the Zoning Map" which rezoned two parcels of land (Tax Code #: FC-08-13-275-035 and FC-08-13-275-034) from AG-1 to RS-2, was adopted by Chelsea Village Council on December 10, 2002. This Ordinance shall become effective 20 days after adoption and publication as provided by law. Copies of the Ordinance may be purchased or inspected at the Chelsea Village Clerk's Office, 305 S. Main Street, Suite 100, Chelsea, Michigan 48118, telephone (734)475-1771, during regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays.

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Please be advised that the Supervisor of Lyndon Township, Washtenaw County has caused a survey to be made for an Assessor's Plat to be known as ASSESSOR'S PLAT OF BRIGHTMOOR CAMPING ASSOCIATION in Section 5, Town 1 South, Range 3 East.

In accordance with Act 288 P.A. of 1987 section 201 through 213 as amended, the plat has been drawn and will be open to view from December 5, 2002 to January 4, 2002 at the Lyndon Township Hall during regular office hours.

Monuments have been installed to designate the boundaries of each parcel of land, and any person or public body having an interest in any lands affected by the plat has the opportunity to examine the map of said subdivision, view the temporary monuments and make known any disagreement with the boundaries as shown, if there are any disagreements suit may be brought to have the plat corrected within thirty (30) days of the date of this publication.

YOGA

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I was back for the summer yoga session, and now I'm planning to attend the winter session. It's not exactly a walk in the park, but yoga is a wonderful alternative exercise for anyone open to marching to a different beat.

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SYLVAN TOWNSHIP SEWER USE ORDINANCE

This following is a synopsis the Sewer Use Ordinance adopted by Sylvan Township, the entire copy is available for inspection in the office of the Clerk.

The Sylvan Township Water and Sewer Authority, will provide a means to collect wastewater in the specific Service areas 1, Sylvan Township, Lyndon Township, and Lima Township, and to transport the wastewater to the Leoni Township wastewater collection and treatment facilities. As such, the Rules and Regulations adopted herein must establish procedures for the Authority's Sewer System and accommodate, where applicable, those rules and regulations of the Leoni Sewer Use Ordinance.

The objectives of these Rules and Regulations are: to prevent the introduction of pollutants into the wastewater which will interfere with the normal operation of the systems or contaminate the resulting municipal sludge; to prevent the introduction of pollutants into the wastewater system which do not receive adequate treatment in the Leoni wastewater treatment plant, and which will pass through the system into receiving waters or the atmosphere or otherwise be incompatible with the system; to improve the opportunity to recycle and reclaim wastewater and sludge from the system; to provide for equitable distribution of the cost of the wastewater system; to protect the personnel operating the Sylvan POTW and the Leoni POTW who may be affected by wastewater and sludge in the course of their employment; to provide for the investigation of instances of pass-through or interference, the notification of the responsible industry; and for appropriate enforcement actions. R323.2303(1)

Adopted: 11/10/02, Effective 11/12/02

SYLVAN TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 11, 2002

The regular meeting of the Sylvan Township Board was held December 3, 2002 at 7 P.M. in the Sylvan Township Hall, 18027 Old US 12, Chelsea, MI 48118.

The following board members were present: Supervisor Burgess, Clerk Koch, Treasurer Grau, Trustees Heller and Lesser.

Also present: David Brooks, Bob Dorer, Ray Steinbach, Mike Rybka, Jerry Dresselhouse, and Bob Lange.

Motion by Lesser, seconded by Heller to accept minutes as presented. Carried.

Motion by Grau, seconded by Koch to pay bills as presented. Carried. Public participation: David Brooks spoke regarding Open Space and Preservation.

Zoning Inspector Lange reported 7 permits, 3 certificate of occupancy and 2 waivers issued in November. There were no reports.

Old Business - CAFA ordinances were presented to the Board with changes. No action was taken.

The Board was in receipt of a Petition from the Cedar Lake Residents for sewer service, 65% of the land area for both East and West Cedar Lake were represented. Motion by Lesser, seconded by Koch to set a public hearing on January 7, 2003 to establish the Sanitary Sewer District #4 - Cedar Lake. Carried.

Special Project Coordinator updated the Board on the status of the Agreement with Cassidy Lake Technical Center.

Motion by Koch, seconded by Grau to appoint Walter Hahn, Bill Sotirion and Mary Barels to the Board of Review for a 2 year term beginning in January 2003. Carried.

Motion by Heller, seconded by Grau to approve Supervisor Burgess attendance at the MTA Annual Conference in January. Carried.

Motion by Koch, seconded by Lesser to approve the driveway permit on Witness Tree Lane for Todd and Beth Starkey subject to Midwestern Consultants review. Carried.

Motion by Lesser, seconded by Koch to adjourn.

LuAnn S. Koch
Sylvan Township Clerk

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING - WASHINGTON STREET EDUCATION CENTER NOVEMBER 26, 2002

Present: President Steele, Village Clerk Branson
Trustees Present: Trustees Albertson, Holmes, Myles, Ortring, Ritter and Schumann

Absent: Village Manager Myers
Others Present: Michelle Rose, Alex and Colleen Weddon, Nell O'Brien, Valerie Wittler, Dan Rosentreter, Gigi Batsakis, Susan Lackey, Ric Sauer, Steve Daut, Ann Feeney.

President Steele called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Myles seconded by Schumann to approve the Consent Agenda. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ortring seconded by Myles to approve the Regular Agenda with the addition of OpAve Agreement, Forward Letter to Library Board, Newsletter, Village Manager Evaluation and State Shared Revenue under New Business. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Audience Participation:
No one wished to speak from the audience.

Public Hearings:
Susan Lackey of the Washtenaw Development Council explained that the MCM Group is building a new building in the Industrial Park and they are requesting a tax abatement for real property for 7 years. According to the Village scoring system, MCM group qualifies for a 6 year abatement. However, Neil O'Brien of MCM Group explained that once the building is finished they should qualify for 7 years. MCM Group has approximately 20 employees and they will be adding about 10 more.

President Steele opened the Public Hearing. No one in the audience wished to comment so the Public Hearing was closed.

Motion by Myles seconded by Ortring to approve the Resolution approving Application of the MCM Group for Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for Real Property for six (6) years. Six Ayes, One No (Ritter). Motion carried. (Resolution attached as Appendix A)

Audience Participation:
Mr. Herbert Hinz, 262 Harrison Street, spoke to Council regarding his property and disruption to his water service many times since July. He is addressing Council tonight in order to get this on the record. He has spoken to an attorney. His water line has been broken 5 times, his gas line has been broken 2 times and the sidewalk was broken last Saturday. These breaks were a result of work done by TCI during installation of the water-main on Madison or Michcon. He had a five foot hole in his yard around Halloween without any fencing. These problems have caused problems with his homeowners insurance and he has until December to get this straightened out. Items in the basement have been ruined by water and he is concerned that his water heater and furnace have been damaged. President Steele asked him to submit an itemized list of items he would like replaced along with costs to the Village office for review. Mr. Hinz did state that Jack Myers, Village Manager, is very good and efficient and has kept his word on what he said would be done. Mr. Hinz did have water tonight because the 16 foot line, that had been spliced 4 times, was replaced. Mr. Myers and Christine Linfield have written a letter to Mr. Hinz stating what corrective measures will be taken and when. (Letter attached as Appendix B)

Communications to Council:
President Steele brought to attention of Council the following correspondence: letter between Immanuel Bible Church and President Steele re: annexation, U.S. News and World Report article on water, MPPA minutes, letter from Mike Rodgers re: FCC and broadband legislation, letter from WCEDC re: local EDCs, FAX alert and MML update re: revenue sharing cuts, DDA minutes, letter from Comcast re: merger with AT&T Broadband, Howard Holmes' CAFA meeting notes; memo from Christine Linfield re: Hinz property and letter to Mr. Hinz.

Report from Council Committees:
Trustee Holmes said he attended the CAFA meeting last Wednesday.

Trustee Albertson reported on the Planning Commission meeting. It took 20 minutes to get a quorum and site plan review took quite a while. Members of the public present for discussion on the proposed Red and Parks plan left before the discussion took place.

Trustee Ritter reported that revised ordinances from CAFA have been received regarding the Fire Prevention Code and Business Registration. These will be on the next Council agenda for action by Council.

Ann Feeney, DDA, reported that Mr. Rubbish will install the compactor in the East Municipal lot on December 9th and 10th. All but one business will be using the compactor. All businesses except for one along the alley between Winans and Chelsea Print and Graphics have installed downspouts and gutters to solve the ice problem in the winter. Corbin Design has given a proposal for new signage downtown.

Trustee Schumann corrected what he had reported at a previous meeting: WATS does still exist. He will be attending the December 18th meeting.

Trustee Ortring reported that she had attended the Library Board meeting. Nancy Schumann is doing a great job representing the Village.

President Steele reported that he and several others met with Lima Township regarding plans for development. It was a promising meeting and another meeting is coming up.

Reports from Village Officers:
Clerk Branson reminded Council that Monday at 4:00 p.m. is the deadline for submitting nominating petitions for Charter Commission.

Unfinished Business:
Trustee Ortring reviewed the email she had sent regarding Channel 18. Many people believe the station is underutilized. Alex Weddon explained

that the Village Manager is the manager of the station. Mr. Weddon accepts no money from the Village in setting up and taping meetings. The station is supported by sponsorships from businesses. The Village did help with the purchase of digital equipment. Access is open to anyone. He does not accept political and negative ads. Trustee Myles said he would like to know the amount of franchise fees the Village receives. Mr. Weddon said he had contacted the FCC and the content of a local government channel is up to the local government and establishing a fee schedule is also up to the Village. Trustee Ortring would like to see Council use Mr. Weddon to help set up an appropriate budget. Trustee Albertson would like to see closed captioning and she will get information on grants for public access.

At the last meeting, Council indicated that they would like to see the Alternate Delegate to CAFA attend all meetings possible. Mr. Osborne was contacted and he is unable to do so.

Motion by Ritter seconded by Albertson to remove Tom Osborne as Alternate Delegate to CAFA. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ritter seconded by Albertson to appoint Howard Holmes as Alternate Delegate to CAFA. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Ric Sauer spoke to Council regarding the Agreement to install an antenna on the water tower. OpAve has an insurance policy in the amount of one million dollars, as specified in the Agreement with the Village. The Village's insurance company is recommending that OpAve match the Village's insurance of five million dollars. Mr. Sauer asked that Council waive the five million and accept the one million dollars insurance policy, which President Steele recommends.

Motion by Myles seconded by Schumann to approve the insurance policy in the amount of \$1,000,000 for OpAve's antenna on the water tower contingent on an annual insurance review. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ortring seconded by Albertson to forward the name of Amy Bolt to the Chelsea District Library Board for consideration for the Delegate at Large. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Albertson reported that Susan Franklin of Tetra Tech emailed a draft copy of the newsletter to her for review. Trustee Albertson emailed back revisions that Ms. Franklin said would be incorporated in to the newsletter. None of these revisions were in the newsletter mailed to residents. Trustee Ortring said that her changes were not incorporated either. The Trustees would like to know what happened.

Trustee Myles spoke regarding the Village Manager's evaluation. He said there is a flaw in the process because Council doesn't see the Manager perform his job on a daily basis. He has spoken to Village Manager Myers and Trustee Myles would like feedback from Department Heads and staff. A 3rd party will summarize these comments. He also asked Village Manager Myers to fill out a self-evaluation.

Motion by Myles seconded by Ortring to postpone the evaluation of the Village Manager for 30 days while staff evaluations and information are collected.

Discussion ensued. Trustee Holmes said it is common practice in industry for peer/subordinate reviews. Trustee Albertson is concerned that policies haven't been followed, i.e. yearly evaluations. President Steele is concerned as to what will happen if the review comes back very different from Council reviews. Discussion took place on whether this would now be policy. General consensus was that it would be a pilot program this year and if all went well, it could become policy in the future.

Motion by Myles seconded by Ortring to be amended to postpone the evaluation of the Village Manager for 30 days while staff evaluations and information are collected, the information will be collated and summarized by the personal committee and the Council and Manager will not see the individual forms. Five Ayes, Two No (Ritter, Steele). Motion carried. Evaluations will be due at the 1st meeting in January as there is not a 2nd meeting in December.

Trustee Myles said he is very concerned with the information Council has been receiving on the revenue sharing cuts. He believes this will impact everything across the board and it is a critical issue.

New Business:
Michelle Rose** from TERN (Traumatic Events Response Network) gave a presentation. This is a free service provided by the county. It was suggested that a presentation be given to CAFA and the Chelsea Police Department.

Motion by Ortring seconded by Schumann to approved the Intergovernmental Contract (Bylaw Revisions) of the MML Liability and Property Pool. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ortring seconded by Albertson to adopt the Uniform Resolution for Adopting Benefit Program "E" for retirees. All Ayes. Motion carried. (Resolution attached as Appendix C)

Motion by Ortring seconded by Albertson to appoint Dale Schumann as Delegate to SEMCOG. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ortring seconded by Myles to appoint Richard Steele as Alternate Delegate to SEMCOG. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ortring seconded by Albertson to adjourn Regular Session. All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Approved: December 10, 2002

Richard Steele, Village President
Jacalyn J. Branson, Village Clerk

**Minutes corrected at 12/10/02 Council meeting.

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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHTENAW**
File No. 02-1270-CH
HONORABLE Timothy P. Connors
Circuit Court Judge

LELA ALBER, MAX J. KLEMPERT,
Personal Representatives of the Estate
of Irene Olga Nelson, deceased,
SHIRLEY CALCATERRA, Personal
Representative of the Estate of Marie E.
Kemper, deceased, KARL GEBHARDT,
and ELAINE CREECH, SHIRLEY
CALCATERRA and MAX J. KLEMPERT,
individually,
Plaintiffs,
v.
ALEX PECKINS and ELIZA PECKINS,
JOHN GEORGE MAYER, WILLIAM MAYER,
JOSEPH MAYER, JOHN MAYER, CAROLINE
BREITENWISCHER, LEWIS MAYER, MARIA
WACKENHUT, MATILDA VAIL, CLARENCE
MAYER, ARTHUR MAYER, WILLIE MAYER,
ELMER MAYER, WALTER MAYER,
EDGAR MAYER, PATRICIA SMITH MAYER
MILLER, PATTIE MILLER RIGAN, ANNA MILLER
DONAHOE, MARILYN WACKENHUT TRAILER,
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WACKENHUT NOREY, MARY WACKENHUT
MCDUFF, MARCIA WACKENHUT MITCHELL,
JEANETTE COLVIA, NEIL COLVIA, EVELYN
OSBORNE, KATHLEEN TROCHCO, THOMAS
MONZITTA, J. GEORGE MAYER, and
their unknown heirs, lineal descendants,
and representatives.
Defendants.

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**ORDER FOR SERVICE
BY PUBLICATION**

At a session of said Court held in the Washtenaw County Courthouse, on the 6th day of December,
2002.

PRESENT: THE HONORABLE Timothy P. Connors, CIRCUIT JUDGE.

A showing having been made to the Court that service of process upon the Defendants, ALEX
PECKINS and ELIZA PECKINS, JOHN GEORGE MAYER, WILLIAM MAYER, JOSEPH MAYER,
JOHN MAYER, CAROLINE BREITENWISCHER, LEWIS MAYER, MARIA WACKENHUT, MATILDA
VAIL, CLARENCE MAYER, ARTHUR MAYER, WILLIE MAYER, ELMER MAYER, WALTER
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OSBORNE, KATHLEEN TROCHCO, THOMAS MONZITTA, J. GEORGE MAYER, and their
unknown heirs, lineal descendants, and representatives, can not be reasonably made as provided
by MCR 2.105, and, therefore, it is ORDERED that service of process may be made upon the
Defendants, ALEX PECKINS and ELIZA PECKINS, JOHN GEORGE MAYER, WILLIAM MAYER,
JOSEPH MAYER, JOHN MAYER, CAROLINE BREITENWISCHER, LEWIS MAYER, MARIA
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COLVIA, EVELYN OSBORNE, KATHLEEN TROCHCO, THOMAS MONZITTA, J. GEORGE
MAYER, and their unknown heirs, lineal descendants, and representatives, by publication and
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO:
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unknown heirs, lineal descendants, and representatives.

THAT:
a. The name of this Court is the Washtenaw County Circuit Court
b. The Plaintiff or Plaintiffs are: LELA ALBER, an individual, the Estate of Irene Olga Nelson, deceased,
MAX J. KLEMPERT, Personal Representative, Washtenaw County Probate Court File No. 02-1081-
DE, the Estate of Marie Emma Kemper, deceased, SHIRLEY CALCATERRA, Personal
Representative, Washtenaw County Probate Court File No. 02-374-DE, and KARL GEBHARDT,
ELAINE CREECH, MAX J. KLEMPERT and SHIRLEY ANN CALCATERRA, individuals, and the
Defendants are: ALEX PECKINS and ELIZA PECKINS, JOHN GEORGE MAYER, WILLIAM
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MAYER, and their unknown heirs, lineal descendants, and representatives; and
c. The nature of these proceedings is to settle the title of the Plaintiff, LELA ALBER, MAX J.
KLEMPERT, SHIRLEY CALCATERRA, KARL GEBHARDT, and ELAINE CREECH, to the real
estate described as:
The Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 9;
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and to extinguish and remove the claims, if any, of the said Defendants from said title;
d. The Defendants must file an answer to the Complaint with the Clerk of the Court at 101 E.
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permitted by law or Court Rule on or before forty-five (45) days from date of this Order;
e. The effect of failure to answer or take such other action will be that a Judgment and Order of
the Court will be entered ordering that the Plaintiff, LELA ALBER, MAX J. KLEMPERT, SHIRLEY
CALCATERRA, KARL GEBHARDT, and ELAINE CREECH, are the owners in fee simple title of the
real estate described above free and clear of any lien, claim or interest of any of the
Defendants named and their known and unknown heirs, lineal descendants, successors, and personal
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Quit Claim Deeds as to their interest in the real estate immediately upon entry of the Judgment and
upon the failure to receive said Quit Claim Deeds that a certified copy of the Order of Judgment
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the Quit Claim Deeds as requested and ordered had been executed, delivered, and recorded.
Timothy P. Connors, Circuit Judge

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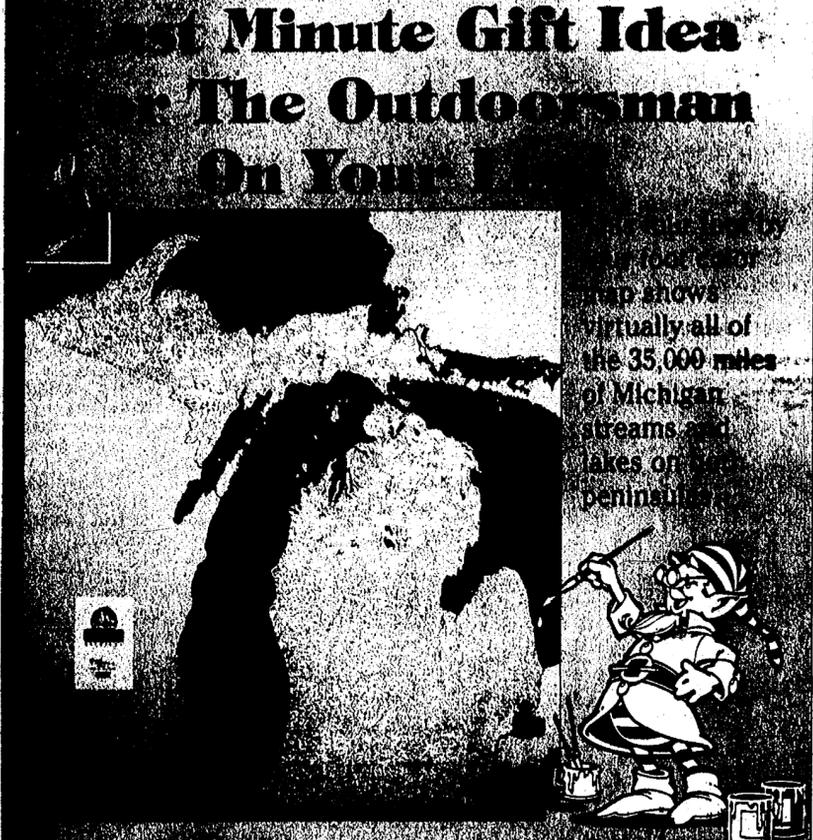
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I eventually discovered that what is needed to record stereo analog sources onto a Windows laptop can be found within the programs provided in most post-1998 models and only a \$50 hardware purchase.

The mono input jack solution.

I heard the only way around the problem was to purchase a \$150 Soundblaster Exegy unit that plugged into a USB port.

Economics inspired me to wander into a store's video department, where I found an USB audio/video cable called Pinnacle Linx for \$50.

This cable transfers camcorder movies onto a CD-ROM using the Pinnacle Studio 7 software that is included. I assumed this system could be used effectively for analog audio recording by simply not using its video aspect.

The cable has two RCA stereo input jacks that allow you to crosspatch from the output jacks of your stereo receiver and transcend the monophonic limitations of the microphone jack.

How to Capture Stereo Sound Part I:

Make the necessary cable connections between your stereo output jacks and the input jacks of the Linx cable. Find an FM radio station. The sound from the station will be part of an initial test to make sure everything is connected properly.

Now bring up your newly acquired Pinnacle Studio 7 program.

At the top you will see three boxes labeled "capture," "edit" and "make movie."

The "edit" box will be depressed because this is the program's default setting and it cannot be changed.

Ignore "edit" and click the "capture" button. Once this is done, a "start capture" device will appear and you should hear the radio coming through your computer's speakers.

The "start capture" device will have a "settings" option. Click on this and, subsequently, on each of its four sub-headings.

For each sub-heading, maximize the audio quality to 16-bit, 48-hertz stereo.

Now go up to the task bar on the top of the screen and click on "setup."

These adjustments will become default settings.

In actuality, a Windows device called Sound Recorder does the actual capture, not the Studio 7 program.

gram.
About Sound Recorder:
To find Sound Recorder first click on "start." From there, slide your cursor up to "programs," glide over to "accessories" and then to "entertainment," where you will find Sound Recorder.

Sound Recorder will allow you to capture the analog sound coming through your Studio 7 program in a file form easily transferred onto compact disc.

That would not be the case in an actual Studio 7 capture. Sound Recorder is a frustrating device.

The first problem you will encounter is noticing that you are limited to 60 seconds of recording time. This can be overcome in two ways.

How to Capture Stereo Sound Part II:

The first method is to take a long song on a compact disc and transform it into a WAV file using your CD creator hardware.

With Adaptec Easy CD Creator - the one usually bundled in a Windows system - you would highlight the long song and click on "extract" to ensure it ends up in the "My Music" folder.

Next, exit out of your CD Creator program and call up Sound Recorder.

Under "file," click on open, go to "My Music" and click on the long song.

Sound Recorder will then bring up that song's inherent length. All you need to do now is record over it.

A second method is to bring up Sound Recorder and record nothing throughout the allotted 60 seconds.

Unfortunately, the default setting for Sound Recorder is narrow-frequency, low-resolution mono. Nothing can be done to permanently change the default setting.

So, before you begin recording, click on "file" and point to "properties." From there, click on "convert now." Under "attributes," change the default sound to the widest-frequency, highest-resolution stereo your computer offers.

This is not usually a concern using the first method. The manufacturer has likely transferred a song onto CD in high quality stereo and Sound Recorder will recognize it as such.

When your 60 seconds has been recorded, click on "features." There you will see a "decrease speed" entry. Click on this until your Sound Recorder states that you have 960 seconds (16 minutes) of usable time.

Save the 960 seconds of high-quality silence for future use.

Once recording is done, cue to the end of the first song and under "edit" hit "delete after current position" to isolate it. Then incorporate the song title under "save as," once again under "My Music."

Isolating the middle songs will require a combination of "delete before..." and "delete after..." The last song will be isolated using only the "delete before..."

Use your CD creator for the rest.



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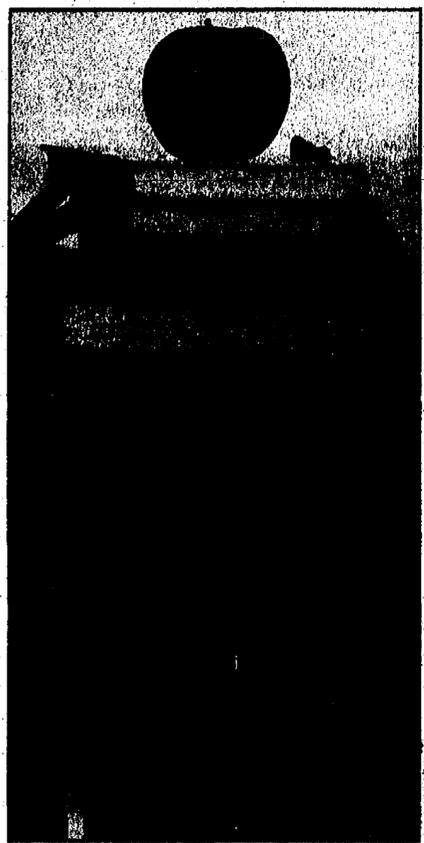
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Love Haley Green, Age 7 1/2
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Dear Santa,
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Dear Santa,
do you drink all that milk and do you go down the chimmney and do you right the list all the people toys list and do you give coal and do you give lots of things?
Michael Golding, Age 6
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Dear Santa,
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Dear Santa,
I have been good sometimes. I would like a hammerhead swing and alsoly a Hot Wheels Shark thing where the shark tries to get the car and I would like a URV rescue robot and alsoly Hoyle kid computer games. I'll be thankful for whatever you bring though. Alsoly my parents have been good and my one years old sister is sometimes good.
Tyler Darr, Age 5 1/2
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Dear Santa,
I hop you have a good Chistmis can I Have a saprie and the rocket power beach bandet game an the game boy advance and a Game Cueb and sonic Advance Eatlie 2 pies. Mary Christmes.
Brad Kingston, Age 8
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Dear Santa,
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Merry Christmas!
Your Friend
Maya Benedict, Age 8
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Dear Santa,
Hi, I want you to know I've been really good this year and for Christmas I would like a battleship that holds planes and comes with army guys. I would also like a motocross racing shirt and the transformer's Optimist Prime and Santa, can we have some snow this year, please.
Glenn Knight, Age 5
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Dear Santa,
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Katie Knight, Age 3
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Dear Santa,
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Love Emily Diehl, Age 5
Saline

Dear Santa,
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Thank you Santa.
Angela Gray, Age 4 months
Clinton

Dear Santa,
twins, red for the girl, blue for the boy, and they have a stroller and a pikachu playhouse
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Dear Santa,
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Your Friend
Taylor Manders, Age 8
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I wish I could have a tv and a dvd player. Do you like cookies? I wish I could have a c.d. player.
Katie Odeons, Age 6

Dear Santa,
You would not believe how good I've been this year! Really, really good. I have made new friends at school and played nicely with my sisters. Please bring me more of my favorite toys, legos and Dragons and things to go with my castle. We will leave cookies for you! Have a wonderful Christmas!
Ben Tattersfield, age 6^{1/2}
Saline

Dear Santa,
I have a carrot for Rudolph. Why does Rudolph's nose glow? How are you doing? I have been good. Give me a snow board.
Cody Paul, Age 7 yrs
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Dear Santa,
This is my very first Christmas and I am the best boy I can be. I give everyone big smiles and hardly cry at all. I've got one tooth and one on the way. Please bring me lots of toys, hugs, kisses and fun, and I promise to be a very good boy for everyone to see.
Randy Sanders,
Age 8 months
Milan

Dear Santa,
I wish for a lite Brite. for my brother Eric a Magic talking grill. thank you. Have a nice Christmas
Christina Meyer, Age 6
Saline



DEAR SANTA,
TELL RUDOLPH AND THE REINDEER I SAID HI. MY FAVORITE REINDEER ARE COMET, Cupid, Blitzen, Rudolph, AND DANCER. I THINK ALL THE REINDEER ARE kind of cool. Is it fun working with elfs in the North Pole. I think it would be kind of fun working with you.
GRAHAM WAGNER, AGE 11
CHELSEA

Dear Santa,
I would like some snakes, cars and a rollercoaster. That is all I want. I would also like some Legos and a ball launcher. Thank you, goodbye, and I love you. I also want some trains for Thomas.
Jordan Montero, Age 5
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
Christmas is the best holiday of them all.
Love, Madison Rabbitt,
Age 6
Chelsea

Dear Santa,
Thank you for all the wonderful toys you brought me last year. I want so many more this year. I've been a good boy most of the time but sometimes you've just gotta be two. I love Dora, Spiderman, The Monster Inc. movie to give you an idea, and I've already made you cookies. Merry Christmas
Rodney W. Sanders II, age 2^{1/2}
Milan

Dear Santa,
Do you like mail? How do you get down chimneys?
Emily Proctor, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I want a truck and a Barney like Drew. Where is Rudolph? When are you coming to our house? I hope you ride safely. Please come visit soon! Merry Christmas!
Maggie Tattersfield,
Age 2^{1/2}
Saline

Dear Santa,
Are you getting fatter and I will leave cookies, and milk for you and how do you go down chimneys
Ryan Stiles, Age 7
Manchester

DEAR SANTA,
MAY I PLEASE HAVE A RABBIT. I DON'T CARE IF YOU DO NOT GIVE ME ONE. I WANT A NICE CHRISTMAS. I'M GLAD YOU GIVE PRESENTS TO CHILDREN. YOU ARE VERY NICE. I WANT A AMERICAN GIRL DOLL. I WILL APPRECIATE IF YOU DID. I LIKE WHEN YOU GIVE US PRESENTS. THANK YOU FOR GIVING THINGS IN OUR STOCKINGS.
YOUR FRIEND
LAUREN NICKELS, AGE 8
MANCHESTER

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. Please bring me a Barbie Jeep that I can ride in, a Barbie house, a cinderella doll, a Little Mermaid doll, a Sleeping Beauty doll, a Belle doll, some shoes with wheels that can fold up, a Dorothy game, a Barbie hair salon and some new clothes and jammies for my doll kit. Come visit soon!
Claire Tattersfield, age 5
Saline



Dear Santa,
I wish I had puppy. I wish I had collie.
Baeleigh Rectermeere,
Age 7

Dear Santa,
I would like a American Girl Doll number 3 please. I was good this year. I saw you on t.v. with Linzy.
Love Mackenzie O'Conner,
Age 8
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I want a million dollars and I wonder you want? I woud build my own house and give some to the poor people. Merry Christmas Santa.
Nick, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
Please give me a mini 14, a bb gun, and a c.d. player because I was good.
Katelynn Pffizenmaier,
Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I have been good my mom told me. I want a Leap pad and my mom wants a new coat and my dad wants a new pair of shoes.
Love Stefani Smith,
Age 7
Manchester



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Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I would like a guitar, Mommy's Little Patient. My little sister Camryn likes Barbie camera Divastar. Thank you.

Alexandra McPherson, age 5
Saline

Dear Santa,
Thank you very much for all of the presents last year. I've been pretty good so far & I would like these for X-mas: 1. Barbie Van 2. Barbie Train 3. a few more Barbies & Baby Dolls 4. HamTaro for G.B. 5. Big Kelly doll 6. Polly Pockets 7. Barbie as Rapunzal movie (DVD)

Allison Keseler, age 4 1/2
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I enjoy Christmas! Thank you for everything! We won't forget your cookies and carrots for you reindeer! See you soon at he mail. Bye! Bye!

Love, Amy Bruestle, age 8
Saline

Dear Santa,
May I have a rated T-game. I've been a good boy. If I can I want the Lord of the rings the two towers. And a golden retriever.

Nathaniel Bazydlo, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
You're a nice man who brings lots of toys. Will you come to my house at Christmas time? I'd like a VeggieTales video, a steam shovel and a bulldozer. I've been a good boy.

Benjamin Schmidt, age 2
Saline

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. I would like a guy on a motorcycle, a car with a big green wheel, Rapunzel Barbie and Prince Stefan. Thank you, Santa. I hope your reindeer are feeling fine.

Allison VanOirschat
age 6
Saline

Dear Santa,
I want the number 18 away jersey for Wisconsin, and 5 home and 28 away, a Notte Dame jersey and I have been trying to be good, plus a BMX bicycle

From Nate Bossory, Age 7
Manchester

PS. Thank, You

Dear Santa,
My younger brother & I would like anything Thomas the train or Disney. Jake likes hot wheels or trucks. But most of all we want you to be sure to visit all the children at U of M hospital & give them your Christmas cheer & blessings. Merry Christmas to all.

Brock & Jake
Krzyzaniak, ages 8 & 3
Adrian

Dear Santa,
I WANT A NEW DIGIMON ACTION figure, the big kind. I want a football. That's ALL. That's it. Jared Burge, age 5
Manchester

Dear Santa,
May I please have a new Barbie Jeep and a baby puppy if my mom and dad will let me have one. I am not sure what I want. I have been very good. I will try to be even better then I have been. I like it when you come to our house and eat the milk and cockies.

Rae Doster, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I love the gifts you gave me last year. This year, may I please have a Backyard Football game for my gameboy, and a gameboy advance. May I also have a gameboy light so I can play in the dark. May I also please have headphones. For my oldest sister, can you please bring her a Karaoke machine. For my other sister can she please have a sparkly polly house. Can you bring my mom those turtle candles and my dad a new computer. Thank you sooooo much.

Evan Burke, age 6
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I want my stocking full of Yu-Gi-Oh cards and I want the Japanese Yu-Gi-Oh decks. Happy Holidays From Tyler Frieble, age 9
Chelsea

Dear Santa,
I have been very, very good. I would like to have a playstation two, with two controllers, and a memory card, and a Tony Hoc pro-skater Four game. Thank-you

Love Eric Davis, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
My name is Andrew. I am 3 years old. I have been a really good boy this year. I would be really happy if you could bring me a remote-control motorcycle. I would like to tell you my special secret now. My secret is I LOVE YOU!

Thank You,
Andrew Furness, age 3
Ann Arbor/Saline

Dear Santa,
Do you like the reindeer?? David Gibson, Age 6
Manchester

Dear Santa,
My mom and dad said I am good. I really want a Bichon Frise dog. That's is the same kind of dog as my baby puppy Opie

Love
Cassidy Horodeczny,
Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. I have been a good brother and have listened to my mom and dad. For Christmas I would like a snowboard, a remote control Hot Wheels car and a red Bionicle.

Love, Ian Springsteen
Age 5, Saline

Dear Santa,
I have been very good all year. For Christmas I would like a bucket of flowers, a bag of marbles, books, an elephant toy, computer games, and a container of M&M's.

Thank you!
Love, Jennifer
Age 5, Manchester

Dear Santa,
I think you're the best Santa ever! I'm glad you were born. Thanks for all the goodies. I love you and the reindeer. Bye!

John B., age 6
Saline

Dear Santa,
Please give me a Harry Potter castle because I was good.

Love Jessica Karn, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I have been very, very, very good. Last years presents were fun. I liked them a lot Thank you very much. This year, I want a nintendo game cube, and the new star fox game, and one controller, and a nintendo game cube memory card, and Men In Black Two, the DVD too.

Love Hoden Knapp, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I would like Barbie dolls, Dora doll, and bikes for me and my brother Allan. Thank You, Santa

Anna Lee, age 4
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I would Like Bunk Beds For my Dolls AND Bunk Beds for me. I WANT a new Doll, a BARBIE VAN and a NEW Bike. Please come down the FIRE PLACE.

Love Lyda, Age 3
Ann Arbor

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S A N T A S M A I L B A G

Dear Santa,
Thanks for the presents from last year. I enjoyed all of them. Please bring me whatever you think is best this year. I hope you have a merry happy X-mas this year. P.S. Please bring toys for my sisters and cousins too.

Alexandria Zadrzynski, Age 11
Dexter

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. Now here is a short Christmas list! Easy bake oven, easy bake oven mix, clothes, walkie talkies, robe, Pixar, Pixar games, Art and crafts, Harry Potter Potion kit, Jump 5 cd. I have a couple other things but they're not important. Well have a merry christmas!

Anica Zadrzynski, Age 9
Dexter

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I would like a Rapunzel Barbie & a Popstar Diva. I will leave out carrots & celery for the reindeer. Have a very merry Christmas Santa

Love,
Morgan Fogleman
Age 5
Dexter

Dear Santa
I would like a new elevator, a dump truck, and thats all

Mitchell Voeller, Age 3
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I would like a web blaster, a battle bots, some cars and thats all.

Matthew Sinelli, Age 3
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I would like lots of toys for my home. I want a real dog, movies, cars and trucks and maybe some puzzles.

Thank you!
Love,
Brett Shell, Age 2 1/2
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I would like a train, play-doh w/ Bob the Bullder playset and maybe some race cars. Santa can I please get something with Bob the Bullder on it.

Thank you,
Jim Rodgers, Age 2 1/2
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I would like a Christmas tree, Cinderella doll and a new menorah with candles. Santa what is the North Pole like? Happy Holidays.

Love,
Zoe Mackeridge-Koster
Age 3, Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I would like a "Dragon Tales" movie. Could I see your reindeer? What kind of cookies do you like?

Love, Molly Karain, Age 3
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I would like a Christmas Tree, Kasey the kinderbot and a barbie doll. Santa what kind of Christmas cookies do you like?

Love, Faith Neubig,
Age 2 1/2
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
Where are you? I would like to see the reindeer. I would like a truck. I would like the reindeer to come to my school. I would like to give you my Letter "L" picture that I colored at school.

Love,
Rose Sornno,
Age 2 1/2
Northville

Dear Santa,
I would like a choo-choo train. I would like some dollies. Do you have a Christmas tree?

Matissa Szydlowski
Age 3
Dexter

Dear Santa,
I would like a bow and arrows. I would also like a Buzz Light year costume and shoes. Santa do you like M&M cookies for a snack when you come to my house?

Love,
Emmett Turner, Age 3
Dexter

Dear Santa,
I would like Mr Potato Head, Play-doh and race cars. Also I like the frog tennis game. Come to my house please.

Love, Ben Kunec,
Age 2 1/2
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I would like some snowmen, a cow and a Little Tikes kitchen. How many elves do you have?

Nikhita Jacob, Age 3
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I would like choo-choo train. I would like a trampoline too. I would like to see one of your elves. I would also like a house. I would also like a Snow White pillow. I've been a good girl.

Love, Morgan Esche,
Age 3
Dexter

Dear Santa,
I would like a T-Rex, toys, and a choo-choo train. I would also like "Toy Story" I would also like some trees.

Love,
Grace Young, Age 2 1/2
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I would like a "Bob the Bullder" and Robin from "Batman." Are your reindeer as fast as ghosts? Are Oreos OK for Christmas Eve?

Love,
Camran Astani,
Age 2 1/2
Ypsilanti

Dear Santa,
I would like some cars for Christmas and choo-choo trains. I've been a good boy I would like a Batman. I would like Rudolph to help you on Christmas Eve. I would also like an elephant.

Love,
Truman "Batman" Stovall
Age 3
Dexter

Dear Santa,
I would like some dinosaurs and some Pokemon, Power Ranger wild force guys.

Love, Tyler Erwin, Age 3
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I would like a Santa Clause outfit. I lost my new Christmas hat, so I would like a new one. I would like an old house and a new one too.

Love,
Lia Schroeder, Age 3
Ann Arbor



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Dear Santa,
Could I please have a Green Bay helmet. A number four Green bay Jersey. And a Green bay football.
Love Scott Wagner, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
Dear Santa,
I would like a c.d. player and a playstation in one game, a game boy advanced with a Harry Potter game. I think I deserve it.
Love James Schriber, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I would like a Gameboy It was Spirit in the Station I wish that Santa can give us candles I want kittens thats what I want!
Emily Proctor, Age 6
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I want a dece ver remote control cat. I want also, a battery scooter. I want a train track. I want a ice maker. I want a skate board
Tyler Ball, Age 6
Manchester

Dear Santa,
My mom said I could have Little tractors. I want a vicking jersey, Nick Davis 86. I have been good. I went to Michigan adventures in the spring.
Brian Robert, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
For Christmas This year I want a big banana beanie baby and I want a lot of socks. And I want the pokémon book collection, a big stuffed Riachu, the whole collection of pokémon beanie-babies, a pokémon light, pokémon board games, a pokémon blanket, and a stuffed ash. And other stuff I wished for that I forgot.
See ya next Christmas,
Mike Spuller, Age 8
Dexter

Dear Santa,
I was a good girl this year. I want a puppy dog stuffed animal. I want an American girl doll because ther are cool. a bratz doll because they look cool. a stuffed animal kitty cat.
Love,
Erica Vanneste, Age 7
Chelsea

Dear Santa,
Please bring star wars things, like a new light saber. I will leave you a cookie. I will be up to see you! I would also like the Rescue Hero Command Center.
Connor Paul, Age 4 yrs
Manchester

Dear Santa,
Thank-you for the Big Red Fire Truck last year. This year I would like some Princess- Stuff. I have been very good. I would especially like a Snow White costume and Magic Mirror.
Please don't forget I have a new baby sisiter named Claire. She likes Elmo. We will leave milk and cookies Christmas Eve.
Love Katie Wallace, Age 3
Dexter

Dear Santa,
This year I want a dollhouse, a jewelry box and a lot of jewels. And I want a Barbie play tent, a painting easel with a lot of paint, and I want some coloring books. I want a lot of dolls. And I want a toy barn with a lot of horses, and a baby care-center.
Shelby Spuller, age 9 1/2
Dexter

Dear Santa,
This year I want a ride-on choo-choo train, and a bar-b-q play food grill. I want a lot of blocks with men, a lot of tonka stuff, and toy Noah's ark, and a Bob the builder backpack and other Bob the builder stuff.
Merry Christmas
Santa,
Travis Spuller, age 4 1/2
Dexter

Dear Santa,
This year I want the pappa's pizza topple, and the pop-up pirate. And a bingo game, and I want a drum set and guitar. And a pitching machine, a remote control four wheeler, and a play ride-on motorcycle. And a play ATM bank.
See Ya soon Santa,
Ben Spuller, age 6
Dexter

Dear Santa,
For Christmas this year I want an Xbox with two controllers and the games I want are Spiderman, N.H.L. (anyone) N.F.L. (anyone) and wrestling (anyone). And I want a kitten, and the last thing on my list is the Lego-Space-Shuttle.
Bye for now,
Jake Spuller, Age 9
Dexter
P.S. I want a chemistry set.

Dear Santa,
Can I Please Have:
Throw me a Bone, Silly Golf, Game Boy Advance, Nintendo Game Cube and The Ice Age Movie. I hope to see you at Christmas Timal XOXO
Ben Vanneste, Age 5
Chelsea

Dear Santa,
I want Play-Doh, a Play Kitchen and a Barbie and Kelly Doll for Christmas
Love Anna Vanneste, age 3
Chelsea
P.S. I will leave you milk and cookies

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa. I've been a good boy this year. Would you please bring me a toy? I would like Matchbox Emergency Car Wash. I would like the Rescue Heros Robotic Vehicle and the Rescue Heros Command Center. Santa, could you please come to my school? What do you want for Christmas, Santa? I would like to give you cheese sticks and a new suit.
Daniel Schantz, Age 4
Saline

Dear Santa,
My name is TOM. I WANT a computer, a RoBot AND a ship.
Thank you
Tom, Age 5
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
My name is Jamie. I am 4 yrs. old and I live in Chelsea. Here is what I would like to have for christmas: Leap Pad-big & little one, 3-in-1 baby doll stroller, Real cd player, barbie case, Big Backpack barbie, Barbie camera, Barbie & ken doll, Blue Clue movies, Book call 5 little monkey
Jumping on bed. Hope you can bring me some of these things and Have a nice christmas Santa
Jamie E. Strader, Age 4
Chelsea

Hey Santa,
how are you
are your raindeer doing good? I am in 2 grade. I have Mrs. Rogers,
Love
Michelle Sweigart, Age 7
Saline

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the presents I got last year. Here are some things I want for Christmas. this year, A necklace, nail-polish, toys, nail polish remover, diary, note pad, and crafts. I have been very good this year. Please bring me some presents.
Love, Sara Zadrzynski,
Age 7
Dexter



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Dear Santa,
I wish for an electric tooth brush, a dog, a new bike, and the best Birthday and Lost of other Presents. I hope you eat and drink all your cookies and milk, and all the children get their wishes too.
Katelyn Paul, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a Merry Christmas, and a Jolly olly Christmas. and I wanted a play Station #. I believe in you. some people don't believe in you, but I do!
Justin R., Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I want the DVD "The Rookie. Game boy Advanced game pack Man and Miss Pack Man, a blue goobly Light, The book Junie b. Jones and her big fat mouth!
Sincerely,
Haley Schaekel, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I hope had a Long Sleep through the summer. I hope you don't get tired. I hope you get Lots fo cookies for every house. Could you rely turn invible and go through chimney tops when there's a fire? Does your reindeer get any carrots from houses? Good luck if there's wind and really bad weather.
Love, Cassidy, Age 8

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a Merry Christmas. I hope you give Me What I Want for chrltmas Please. I want a Barbie train With a Barbie volk Wagon Car and a New Barbie and some Barbie Clothes. and some tea sets. I would Like Stuffed animals With Clothes on them adn flowers by there ears, and I ant them to be roses please, and some new BaBy Dolls Please, and everything you Need for Play time fun and BaBy clothes.
Please, Thank you,
Erika, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I hope that you have a good Christmas I will put out cookies and Milk and for The reindeer I will Leave celery.
Love,
Kaylle Vigo, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I Want a skateboard for Christmas. I Know Lots of moves in my mind. Like a frosty and I trasformers the ones I Want ars octmose primey and mayastron. I like Christmas Morning.
Justin W., age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I belived in you still. Merry christmae! I hope I've been a good boy. I like to get a lot of toys this year, even Steve, my little brother. I hope you have a good ride here and your reindeer.
Eddie Zielineki, Age 8
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I like his reindeer!
Cheyenne Curtie, Age 6

Dear Santa,
I will Leave you Milk and cookies.
Jessica Deacons

Dear Santa,
Do you like mail? How do you get down chimneys?
Kyle newman, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I wish I could have a play station two. I wish I could have a game cube.
Leo Schmitt, Age 7

Dear Santa,
I would like a yellow ducky for the bathtub. I would also like a toy teddy bear. I would like a fishy stuffed animal toy. I would like a toy froggy. I want a toy dolphin.
Kate Montero, Age 4 yrs
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I celebrate Hannukah. During Hannukah we light my Menorah using candles. I play with my little dreidels made out of glass and we play dreidel games using Gelt. The dreidel games are very fun. For Hannukah I would like horses, Lamps, spiders and some new clothes. Thank You!
Zoe Koster-Mockeridge
Age 3, Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a barbie, a baby doll, a daddy barbie and thats all
Lara Aljammal, Age 3
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I always wanted to see you in my house because I think that just coming to the mall and seeing you is not as special as you coming here. Please don't forget to give a present to my mom and dad. I think that if you don't have enough presents for me at least give some to my family.
Julie Heaton, Age 8
Saline

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie car that is purple I have a loose tooth and my Sissy thought it would come out on christmas Day. I want everyone too be happy on Christmas Day.
OOOXXOOO
Zealand Smith, Age 6
Chelsea, MI

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! Will you bring me a Groovy Girl Doll and some clothes please?
What do reindeer like to eat? Where is the North Pole, so I can come see you? I love you Santa!
Emily Fauser, Age 5
Dexter

Dear Santa,
I want a baby boy that has a bottle and pasiphier I would also like a crib for the baby.
Hana Sinha, Age 4
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a dinosaur, some new shoes, a fire truck, a toy carrot, a toy kichen, and a toy dog.
P.S. I like your long white beard.
Spenser Malley, Age 4
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a puppy, a mommy dog, a rabbit and a baby T-rex.
Lauren Foyteck, Age 3

Dear Santa
I would like a skateboard, bow & arrow, and a Spiderman movie.
McGregor Wright, Age 4
Brighton

Dear Santa
I would like a kitchen with dishes, new boots, and dress up things.
Maretta Turner, Age 4
Dexter

Dear Santa
I would like a monkey, some barbie toys, a baby doll.
Salma Bawardi, Age 3
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Dear Santa,
I would like a baby doll,
some cars, a toy house
for my cars, thats all
Maria Oginsky, Age 3
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I would like a robot, a jeep, some
cars, a robot car, and a snake.
Ashwin Arasu, Age 3
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa,
I would like trucks, Bunny,
spongebob stuff, Dinosaurs, lagos,
light, bike.
Thank you,
Love,
Ireland Adams, Age 2 1/2
Dexter

Dear Santa,
Can I please have a Superman
dad, a superman mom, a super-
man big brother, a superman lit-
tle brother and a superman baby
brother? Also, a superman Hot
Rod for the whole family. Oh,
and a girl superman with a pur-
ple cape. OK? That's all I want.
Thank you!
Love,
Elle Kennedy, Age 4 1/2
Saline

Dear Santa,
I want a Pente game for Christmas
and a remote control motor cycle, too.
Please get me everything I want. Have
a very merry Christmas Santa clause. I
will leave you some cookies and milk. I
hope you eat everything I give you. I
also want a red wings game movie
and bigger skies. Bye santa clause!
Logan, Age 8
Manchester

Dear Santa,
Could you get me A girl. Kitten and a
cell Phone please? I'd Love the
Rapunzul My Size Barbie. Have A
Happy, Happy Christmas. Then Get Me
some other Toys. Oh, and I would Like
Josie and The Pusey Cats, please.
Love Wiyaka, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I will leave you Milk and cooles. I would
like any thing you bring me. And don't for-
get the remotecontrol airplane X-Box and
a Lions Jersey.
Thank you, Santal
Garrett, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I will leave you milk and
cookies. I really want Ye-gi
cards, and please give Maya
a ring, and Garrett a Red
Wings Hockey helmet. Happy
Christmas!
Quin carson, Age 7 1/2
Manchester

Dear Santa,
My mom can make all kinds of
cookies. Which one would you
like? Just send a letter to 6701.
Thanks.
Paul, Age 8
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a jolly Christmas. I
want a Indian Chief, and a Indian doll
named Kaya. I hope you like the cook-
ies and mild. I hope you don't get
cold, and I hope you have a smooth
flight.
Love, Marie Cook,
Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I want some stuffed
animals, games, a
calendar, Marry
Christmas Santal +
Books.
Nate Fischer,
Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I hope that you Have a good
flight to My home. I will put out
cookies for you and for the rein-
deer. I will Leave carrots. Tell the
elves I Said "Hi" to them.
Love,
Matthew f, Age 8
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I'm excited! Too excited to
wait! I Have Been Very Good
This Year Except For The Time I
Overcooked Dinner. That Was A
Little Naughty, I Guess. But The
rest Of The Year I've Been
Good. Every Year For The
School Library I Get At Least
One Overdue Notice. I Don't
Remember Anytime When I'm
Naughty. I'm Not Very Naughty
At All I only Lie When I'm
Forced Too Your Boy Who Likes
Thomas,
Isaac Garrigues-Cortelyou,
Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I have a poem for you. I hope you like
it. Christmas is here, christmas is
here, I wonder what I'll get this year. I
hope it is a Fox in a box, and a baer
with a grin under my chin and a treat
but not under my feet!
Emma, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I Love you! For Christmas I would like
Bratz and a Bratz house and a Bratz
Car.
Love,
Marie Gray, Age 8
Manchester

Dear Santa,
How are you? I'm doing Great. HOWS
rudolph? I want a Game Boy
Advanced, a Tony Hawk Pro Skater 3
Game, a Sonic Game Boy Game, a yu-
Gi-Oh Game Boy Game, and OMOLik
The Tormentor and Exodia. Those are
yu-gi-Oh Cards. Thank You Santa.
Ben Heuser, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am doing great.
Can I have a Scooter, a snow
ball maker and a dog beanie baby.
I hope you have Merry Christmas
Santal
Karl, Age 8
Manchester

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a Merry christ-
mas. I want a dictionary. I want
animal books and toys. I hope you
a happy New Year.
Phillip Louie, Age 7
Manchester

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? DO YOU remem-
ber what I wanted? I wanted a Harry
Potter Journal. But can you give me
more presents? If you do may b I can
go to the sportsmen's club. See you
at the sportsmen's club.
Jared Aoha, Age 7 1/2
Manchester



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Dear Santa
I would like a fire truck, and I don't know what else.
Raymond Zhang, Age 4

Dear Santa
I would like new rollerblades because my old ones aren't rolling.
Alexis Heath, Age 4
Dexter

Dear Santa
I want spiderman spider gun, a sponge bob movie, firetrucks and bears christmas.
Michael Watson, Age 4
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a radio. I would like a new fashion Barbie. I would like a new horse.
(Fashion Horse)
Courtney Jones, Age 4
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a Mighty Ducks jersey (practice) because I like the Mighty Ducks. I would like a Mighty Ducks movie. That is all.
Rhett Rampinelli, Age 4
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a pogo stick I would like a Barbie with a green shirt that comes with a shower. I would like everything on the T.V. except for CD players and cameras. I want a boy horse for my beauty horse.
Maranda Fischer, Age 4
Dexter

Dear Santa
I would like a Sponge bob movie (Halloween). That's all
John Kunec, Age 4
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like Barbie movie, toy, Jasmine polly a toy dolly and that's it.
Anna Lee, Age 4
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a barbie house, barbie princess and her name should be sleeping beauty. I would also like an ornament for my tree, and a pretty princess dress.
Maria Dziubinski, Age 4
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a cinderella baby doll, raupunzel dress & wig & crown and everything for raupunzel, a baby wagon, my own kitchen toys, a barbie aram.
Hannah Turner, Age 4
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a baby wagon a baby doll that is all
Clare Wu, Age 3
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a baby doll, Britney Spears clothes, and cinderella barbie and whatever Santa wants to bring me.
Jenny Clancy, Age 5
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a velvet action figure, masters of the universal movie.
Nick Angerman, Age 5^{1/2}
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a white lion that makes noise, boy diva star, a toy monster truck, a superman hat to keep my ears warm, a batman pen, that's all.
Larry Gotcher, Age 5
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like an action figure, two neck ties, octopus race track, spiderman web shooter. that's all.
Von Heath, Age 6
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a megatron star scream, an ultra magness a grimlock a dinobot, a dinosaurs, a toy that turns into a fire truck, that's all.
Alex Nosbisch, Age 4
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a rupencil barbie, a new barbie wagon, a letter puzzle, new mary-kate & Ashley dolls, new Kelly clothes, a new play table to color on, a school set for my dolls, a gate for my door so my baby brother can't get in my room.
Jenna Hardy, Age 5
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a unicorn horse or a pony that talks, a barbie, a powerpuff girl that talks, and a kitchen set, and I want some paint, and a toy cat. a gate to block my dog out.
Brianna Miller, Age 5
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like some snakes, cars, and a rollercoaster. That is all I want.
Jordan Montero, Age 5
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
A tigger poggostick, a poo book, maybe a car its going to be orange with strips on it, maybe a poo pogo stick, an orange crayon, a name plate for my bicycle (Conor), a big box for my toys, a disney picture of all the charaters.
Coner Donnally, Age 3
Dexter, Michigan

Dear Santa
I would like a rupenzel barbie doll, a rupenzel doll as big as me, a barbie wagon, new baby doll clothes, new books, movies, new barbie skirts, a unicorn horse, and hope that all my friends can come to my B-day party.
Abby Morse, Age 5
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
Spiderman web where water comes out of it, a car like a Jeep that "I" can drive, a play dinosaur, a hockeystick, a football, a bowling pin, my dad really wants a soccer ball, a hockey puk, a puzzle of buz light year, and one more thing a kids table for legos and cars. And thats it.
Dawson Horning, Age 4
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Santa
I would like a mommy barbie and a baby barbie, a gumball machine, a little barbie tree, a barbie backpack with toys in it for my barbies and ice cream.
Ann Matterson, Age 3
Ann Arbor

Dear Santa
I would like a gumball machine, and a toe ring thats all.
Cheyenne Fischer, Age 3
Ann Arbor

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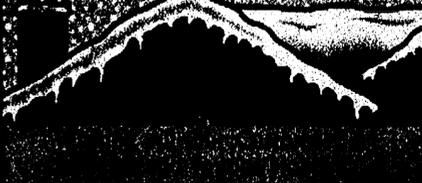
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