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NEWS BRIEFS

Group holds Open House at CRC

The Retirement Homes Friends invited residents of the Chelsea Retirement Community to enjoy an open house and refreshments Oct. 12 at the Dancey House dining room.

The Friends take in about $1,000 annually toward gifts to the Chelsea Retirement Community. These have included outdoor benches, coffee urn, rocking chairs and two televisions.

Author of wartime memoirs to visit

Author Russell McLogan will sign copies of his book "Boy Soldier: Coming of Age During World War II" from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday at Cranesbill Books, 108 E. Middle St., in Chelsea.

The book is an account of McLogan's experience as a young rifleman in the 6th Infantry Division.

For information, call 433-2665.

Santa will return to Chelsea Saturday

Santa Claus, who visited Chelsea last weekend for the Festival of Lights, will make a return trip noon to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Chelsea Teddy Bear Co., in the Clock Tower complex.

Children may have their photo taken with Santa and the record-breaking giant teddy bear.

For information, call 433-5444.

Senior center trip to show set April 15

The Chelsea Senior Center has organized a trip to see "The Lion King" 8 p.m. April 15.

The $79 price includes tickets and transportation. The outing is open to everyone.

Registration and a $25 deposit are due by Monday.

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Sousaphone players Greg Van Orman (left), Alex McVay and Eric Lawrence were among members of the Chelsea High School marching band who performed Friday at the opening of the Festival of Lights.

Wonderful weekend

Festival of Lights a huge success

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

The Christmas tree fairy must have been smiling on Chelsea last weekend.

The area dodged the weather bullet that slammed parts south and east, leaving visitors enjoying the 16th annual Festival of Lights in crisp but clear weather.

Chelsea Community Fair Queen Mia Lancioni waved a magic wand to light the Christmas tree near the McKune House Friday, kicking off a weekend of fun as the Chelsea High School Marching Band played and the crowd sang.

Mia Lancioni

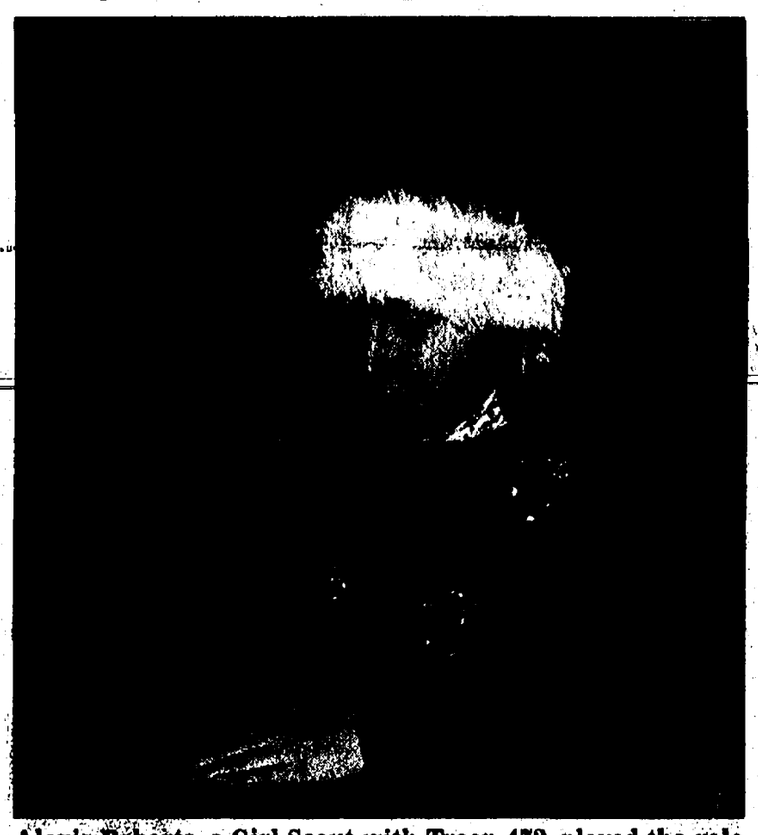
Santa Claus arrived on a Chelsea Area Transportation System bus and made himself at home in the UAW Hall, where Girl Scouts and Brownies served as Santa's elves. Children made crafts out of materials provided by the Chelsea Children's Co-Op Preschool as they waited to tell Santa their wish list.

"The event went great," Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Director Bob Pierce said Monday.

"The planning and support from the merchants, community volunteers, Chamber Ambassador Club, and the village made this one of the best Festival of Lights in recent memory."

The Historic Home Tour was a sell-out, said Jackie Frank of Preservation Chelsea.

"Homeowners and tour-goers enjoyed the entire event," Frank said. "The houses were beautifully decorated. Gigi (Batsakis) did another outstanding job with Christmas decorating.



Alexis Roberts, a Girl Scout with Troop 472, played the role of Santa's elf during Santa's Workshop at the UAW Hall. Roberts rolled out dough for craft projects.

"People were awed and amazed with what our Victorian homes can look like again with love, attention and sweat. Homeowners loved showing what they had done to bring their houses back to full glory."

Janice Ortbring and her husband, Todd, threw open the doors of their home — the former Frank Glazier mansion — on South Street. Glazier was an industrialist in the late 19th century.

The Ortbrings had the loan of several items for the occasion, including a photo of Glazier from the courthouse, as well as many Glazier items, including a corporate seal, from attorney Peter Flintoft.

The Chelsea Historical Society loaned the couple an oil painting from the 1880s of the first cottage on Cavanaugh Lake, and promotional calendars from the Glazier Stove Co.

The Ortbring's son, Blake, who served as greeter, told the Glazier story and pointed out many hidden secrets.

Blake also showed two books, "Our Hometown: America's History As Seen Through the Eyes of a Midwestern Village" by Cynthia Furlong Reynolds, and "Less than Mortal: The Rise and Fall of Frank Porter Glazier" by Louis Doll, containing Glazier information.

"We love having the community tour our home," Todd Ortbring said. "It's the living history of a prominent Chelsea family, and family secrets have been revealed during demolition in the nooks and crannies of the home.

"We're also happy to help Preservation Chelsea out this way."

After the tour, visitors met back at the First Congregational Church for cookies and cocoa, and a chance to talk with homeowners and

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CHELSEA

Coliseum owners face foreclosure

■ *Facility owes $600,000 in back taxes.*

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

The owners of Chelsea's Arctic Coliseum are seeking an infusion of new capital as they face mortgage foreclosure.

A mortgage sale is set for public auction 10 a.m. Jan 8 in the Washtenaw County Courthouse in Ann Arbor. The mortgage, as of Nov. 13, stood at $3,890,789.76, including principal, interest and late charges.

The mortgage is currently held by Bank One. Jeffrey Kravitz of Honigman, Miller, Schwartz and Cohn in Detroit, attorneys for Bank One, declined to comment Tuesday.

John Stansic, one of five partners in the business venture, said Tuesday that the company owes about $600,000 in back taxes to Chelsea Village and Sylvan Township.

He said the facility, which opened in 2000, is appealing its 2001 and 2002 taxes, and has had the tax bill reduced by about $50,000.

"We are behind on taxes, and are currently working on a capital infusion and refinance that will clear up the taxes and put us in a formidable position," Stansic said.

"The taxes are higher than other arenas are paying in the state and we do have a special assessment district for Coliseum Drive, which has been a burden from the beginning."

Stansic said the partners are currently working with a bank to refinance the loan, and are heading up a list of

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SYLVAN TOWNSHIP

Local woman charged with embezzlement

■ *Bookkeeper took nearly half a million dollars from Hamilton Building & Design Inc.*

By Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor

Kimberly Willis of Sylvan Township appeared in Washtenaw County 15th District Court in Ann Arbor Dec. 2 accused of embezzling funds from her former employer.

Willis, 35, worked for Hamilton Building & Design Inc., located in the Jackson Road Industrial Park in Scio Township, for almost 15 years.

The single mother of two was arrested by Washtenaw County Sheriff's deputies in March and questioned about her possible involvement in more than $400,000 in missing money.

Business owner Gordon Hamilton of Dexter told police in March that he had found discrepancies in his accounting books over the two previous months. After his accounting firm looked over the errors, about $70,000 in discrepancies was initially discovered.

Hamilton said he confronted Willis because she was the only person with access to the company's checking accounts. Willis later admitted to stealing at least $400,000 in the last 12 years.

"I was very busy remodeling homes, and never questioned her work," Hamilton said.

"I did question her lifestyle — an expensive home, Corvette, motor home — but she said her parents were giving her an inheritance early."

Hamilton, who said his business did about $1.25 million per year, said Willis stole in excess of $686,000, at an average rate of $8,000 a month.

He said Willis wrote checks for personal bills, and when the bank statements and canceled checks were returned, she would shred the checks and recode the amount as materials.

"It looked like we were spending a lot of money on materials, which wouldn't necessarily be unusual for a construction firm," Hamilton said.

He said his accounting firm checked the books monthly but failed to notice the discrepancies.

Hamilton said Monday it took nine months and $30,000 in accounting fees to get to the bottom of the embezzlement.

So far, he said, about

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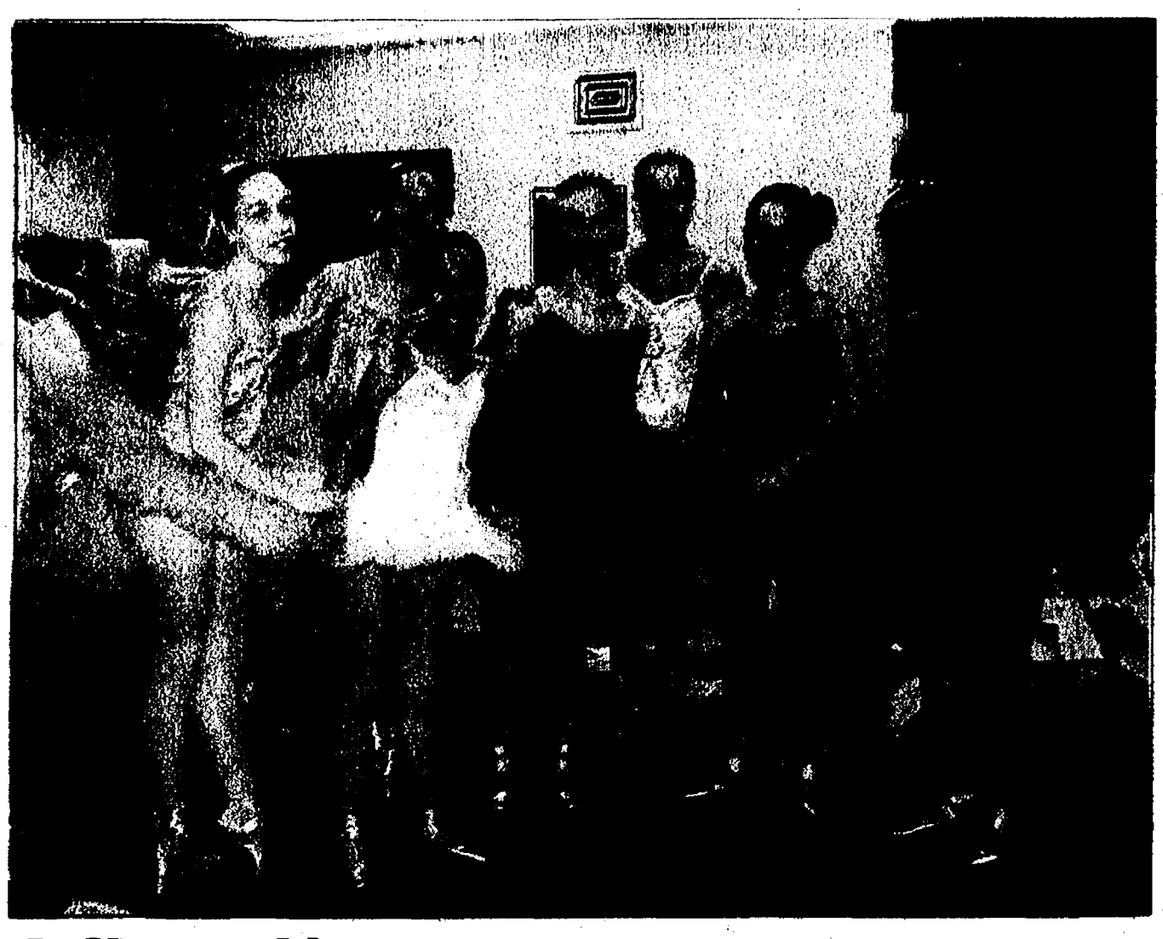

A Chorus Line

These budding ballerinas took part in a preview of "The Nutcracker" ballet Saturday at the Chelsea Center for the Arts. The ballet was part of the center's Yule Tree celebration for the Festival of Lights. The Youth Dance Theatre of Michigan will perform 7:30 p.m. tomorrow, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday at the Chelsea High School auditorium, 740 Freer Road. Pictured are Haley Schebor (left), Katarina Arneric, Sophie Kurek, Liisa Locker, Alyssa Alger, Caitlin Burke and Hallie Walton.

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investors to infuse capital to bring the back taxes current.

"The arena is current on all payments to the bank and also current on every vendor," he said.

"The only issue has been the outstanding taxes."

Stansic said the Arctic Coliseum is one of the finest rinks in Michigan, and the Chelsea area is benefited by the more than 300,000 people drawn to the facility each year.

"These people not only visit the ice arena but visit all the eateries and gas stations and stores in the Chelsea area," he said.

"We think that the arena is a great asset to the well-being of business in the Chelsea community."

In addition to the economic impact, Stansic said the arena employs more than 50 people from the community and is home to several businesses, including Ollie's Pizza, Ace Sports Shop and the Master Skill Development Center.

Stansic said the rink, managed by general manager Don Wright, offers physical education programs for Chelsea students, and skating programs for the developmentally disabled.

"Adult leagues are strong and the youth hockey program is becoming one of the finest in the state," he said. "Chelsea High School is also one of the top programs in their division."

Stansic said that even after the Jan. 8 mortgage sale, there is a six-month redemption period.

"We're not worried about this season," he said.

"We want to refinance and come up with a good, solid plan for the future.

"We plan on being in Chelsea for a long time."

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$200,000 worth of canceled checks has been uncovered. He is working with Republic Bank in Ann Arbor and has 90 days to produce a further $400,000 worth of canceled checks.

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Paul Barnett said Tuesday that Willis was placed on probation for five years and ordered to pay restitution in the minimum amount of $400 per month until the total amount of restitution is determined within 60 days.

If Willis defaults on her probation, she may be sentenced to jail or prison, Barnett said.

"Even though she stole in excess of $686,000, she received no jail time, minimal restitution and five years probation," Hamilton said. "There doesn't seem to be any justice in our justice system today."

Hamilton, who read a victim statement in court, said the crime was a life-changing experience for him.

"The loss of trust is the worst," he said. "I feel I'll never be able to trust again."

Hamilton said the worst experience was that his brother, David, committed suicide seven years ago when faced with financial problems.

"If I'd had more money I would have been able to help him," Hamilton said. "My mother lives in Florida on a very small income, and I haven't been able to give her more help."

Hamilton said the crime could have put his company — whose workers are mainly from Dexter, Chelsea and Manchester — in jeopardy. The company remodels homes in Ann Arbor, Dexter, Chelsea, Manchester and Saline.

"But we have a good following and our clients have stuck by us," he said.

"Things will get better."

Willis could not be reached for comment.

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STRAIGHT FACTS

An article in the Dec. 4 edition should have said the Glazier mansion is located on South Street in Chelsea.

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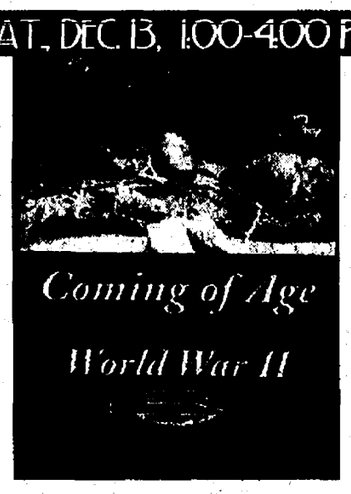

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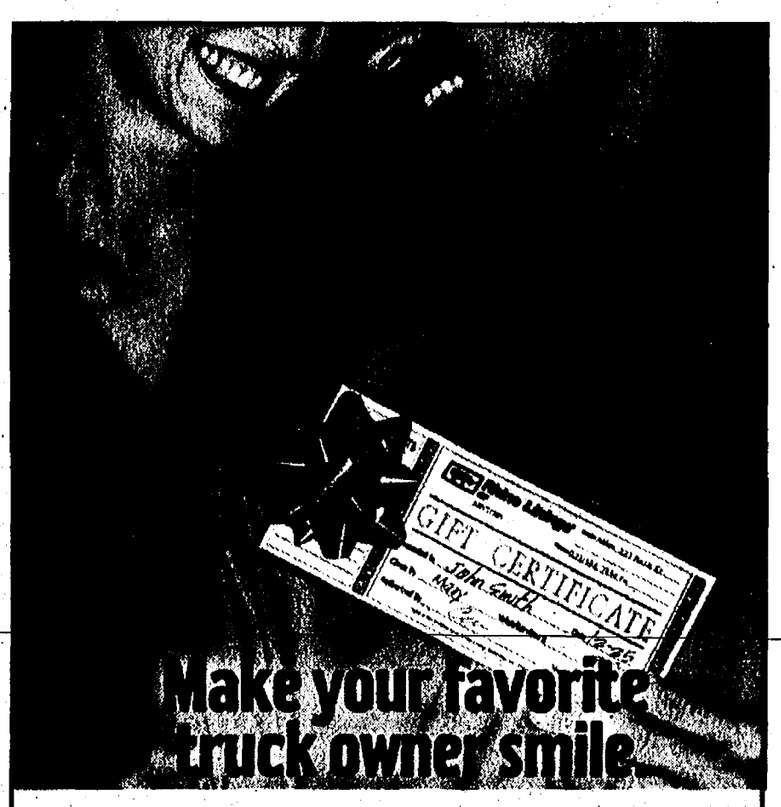

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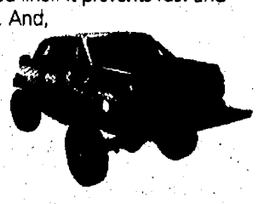

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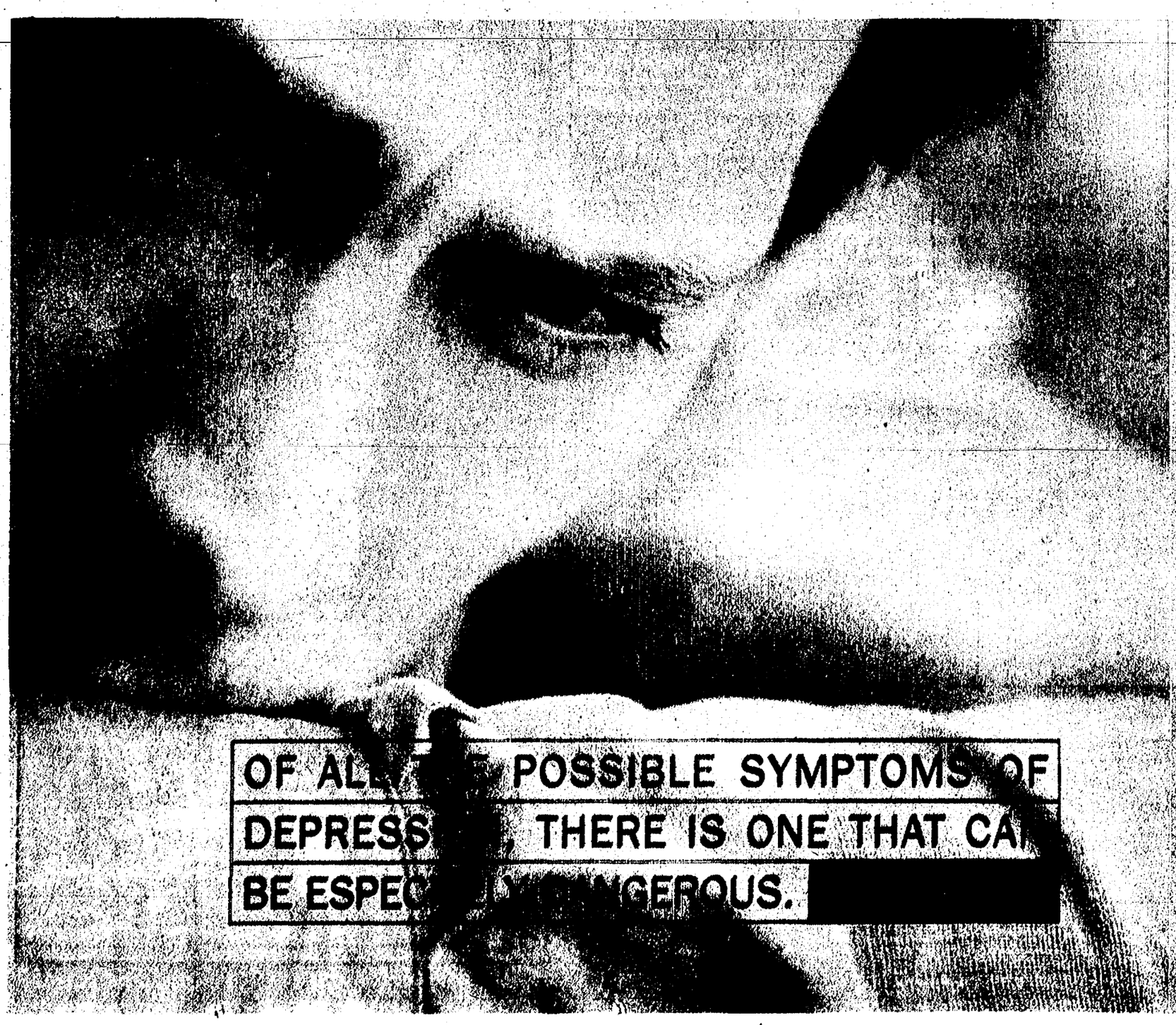

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CHELSEA

Interim manager named

■ *Council hopes to interview candidate from Nebraska.*

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

Chelsea Village Council named Barbara Fredette, an administrative assistant for the village, interim manager Tuesday.

The village ordinance mandates the position cannot remain vacant beyond 180 days. Jack Myers stepped down from the post June 10.

Council has offered the position to three candidates. Dale Martin and Dennis Coryell declined the offer. Council rescinded its offer to Hart City Manager Shea Charles when trustees felt he asked for too much in the way of salary and benefits.

This is not Fredette's first time at the helm. She served as interim manager for four months after former village manager Fritz Weber stepped down in November 1988 and before Robert Stalker was appointed manager in February 1989.

Fredette started as a clerical worker in the village offices in 1970. The Lyndon Township resident has since worn many hats during her tenure with the village, including deputy clerk, office manager and office supervisor.

Village President Richard Steele said Tuesday that Michael Steklac, city administrator of Gering, Neb., is interested in the job. Gering, with a population of 8,000, is located in the North Platte River Valley in the western part of the state.

Steele said the council hopes to interview Steklac Dec. 17. He has been employed in municipal government since 1982 and has a bachelor's degree in political science and public administration from the University of Illinois.

Prior to being Gering's city administrator, Steklac worked in Michigan as city manager of Keego Harbor from 1997 to 2001.

He has also worked as a labor relations consultant for Gibraltar and assistant city manager in Riverview.

—Associate Editor Sheila Pursglove also contributed to this article.

Fire destroys home

Chelsea firefighters were joined by crews from Stockbridge, Scio Township, Dexter, Grass Lake and Napoleon in an early morning house fire yesterday.

The Chelsea Area Fire Department was called at 1:20 a.m. to the home in the 1000 block of Clear Lake Road in Waterloo Township.

A family member returning home saw the house on fire and woke other family members, Chelsea Fire Chief Dan Ellenwood said. No one was injured in the blaze.

Ellenwood said the home was a total loss. The cause is under investigation.

Photo courtesy of Chelsea District Library

Let It Snow

Girls from Chelsea Girl Scout Cadette Troop 1264 have decorated the Chelsea District Library a "Let It Snow" theme, including hundreds of hand-cut paper snowflakes, and several handcrafted snowmen, as well as fascinating facts about snow. Pictured are Missy Judd (left), Jenny Franklin, Danielle Williams and Grace Biller.

CHELSEA

Local officials discuss registration ordinances

■ *Businesses would be required to list toxic substances.*

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

The Chelsea Area Fire Authority revisited the issue of businesses submitting registration forms for safety inspections Dec. 3.

Sylvan Township Clerk LuAnn Koch had solicited the opinions of Bill Fahey and Ron Richards of the law firm Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith because members of the Sylvan Township Board perceived the ordinances as intrusive and far-reaching.

Registration forms would require businesses with 10 employees or more to list on-site toxic substances and items owners want protected.

Chelsea fire inspectors would begin with the highest risk businesses and make recommendations.

Failure to comply would result in a fine.

The legal opinions were mainly in favor of registration and inspections.

Fahey and Richards cited a 1941 opinion from the state attorney general that only municipal employees could do inspections. This would exclude Chelsea fire personnel because they are supra-municipal employees, serving Chelsea Village and the townships of Sylvan, Lyndon, Lima and Waterloo.

Fire Board Chairwoman Maryann Noah said every municipality has the right to delegate authority and cited the Chelsea Area Construction Agency as an example of an entity several municipalities use for building inspections and to issue permits.

Noah said a paragraph stating each participating municipality agrees to cede its authority in the matter would solve the problem.

Another legal issue raised was why certain businesses were exempt from the ordinance such as day-care centers and schools. Several board members were surprised that the lawyers were not aware such entities were under state supervision.

Fire Chief Dan Ellenwood said he was pleased Fahey and Richards recommended charging for inspections.

"It was originally conceived that way and I never like it when that plan was withdrawn," Ellenwood said. "Residents should not have to pay for business inspections" through tax dollars.

Ellenwood said retracting the idea of charging for inspections came from within and not from the business community itself. He said the only concern of business owners was that there was nothing in place to prevent the Fire Authority from continuously raising its fee.

Ellenwood said a system of checks and balances could be in place that depended on rate hikes being subject to municipal approvals.

Koch said she was worried there was no way to enforce businesses to comply with Fire Authority recommendations short of legal action, and that going that route would have a negative public relations effect.

Noah said the issue could be put to rest if the village refused to renew business licenses if an owner refused to submit to an inspection or pay a fine.

The board decided to send the ordinances back to the legal firm to incorporate the board's recommendations.

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tour guides again. They also received gift bags donated by local merchants and businesses.

Deborah Greer of the River Gallery presented the history and background of the Chelsea Post Office mural, and developed a gift postcard of the mural specifically for the tour. Frank said the 140 people on the tour are now eager to search out other similar murals.

The First Congregational Church was also the site for Sunday's holiday concert by the Chelsea Chamber Players.

"The music was outstanding," Frank said. "Difficult, but very beautiful music was played. Musicians had practiced every week for four months on the two pieces and it showed."

Mark Peterson of Dexter Township was impressed with the festival.

"This should be a model for other towns of what can be done during the holidays," he said.

The Chelsea Center for the Arts held its Yule Tree celebration Saturday. CCA Director Ginger Sissom called the event the center's holiday gift to the community.

"And we're pleased that many people accepted this gift of art," she said.

"Rick De Troyer's metal art class was active and noisy, Cindy MacFarlan's Paper Players origami class was more settled and quiet," Sissom said. "What the two classrooms had in common was that they both offered wonderful opportunities to be creative, to learn a new skill and to have fun with art."

Sissom said the performance of "The Nutcracker" ballet was beautiful, while the hand-chime music of the Common Chords has become a tradition.

"It just isn't the holidays until we enjoy traditional music played by these talented artists," she said.

Photos with Santa and Chelsea's record-breaking giant teddy bear at the Chelsea Teddy Bear Co. proved so popular that Santa is making a return visit to the Clock Tower building noon to 3 p.m. Saturday.

Rosie Brodeur of Chelsea said the activities were a lot of fun for children.

"My kids love the hayride, and the lighting of the Christmas tree," she said.

Chelsea resident Rich Fahle has been coming to the festival for five years.

"We love this for the kids," Fahle said. "This is a part of our holiday season, and it's community-oriented."

—Freelance writer Rita Fischer also contributed to this story.

Photo by Rita Fischer

Kendra Clay (left), Kristi Clay and Katylyn Maino visited Dayspring Gifts to dip and sample pretzels.

Local metalwork artist Rick De Troyer created this unusual Christmas tree from metal recycled from the Dumpster at the old Chelsea Industries building. De Troyer led a metal workshop for children Saturday at the Chelsea Center for the Arts' Yule Tree celebration, part of the Festival of Lights. Children created Christmas ornaments out of tin cans.

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Merrill McDonnell of Dexter Township admires the pinecone bird feeder she made at Gigi's Flowers at last weekend's event in downtown Chelsea.

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In recent months I've spoken with a number of people who had joined larger churches because of the extra activities and programs they offered, and it's very obvious that many large churches are in a better position to have more programs than a smaller church; but these people I talked to eventually missed the personal touch of a smaller church.

In a smaller church there are also more opportunities for making a big difference.

You don't have to be an expert or a professional; the acts of service you do in our church, no matter what their size, are genuinely appreciated. If you attend our Christmas play tonight or tomorrow evening you will see regular people (most in costume, of course) talking and singing; no one was denied a part in our play.

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Winners named in lighting contest

Gary Kitska won the Best Use of Lights category in Chelsea's Festival of Lights Holiday Lighting Contest. Kitska's home is located at 18111 Waterloo Road in Lyndon Township.

Russell and Paula Linneman, who live at 800 Darwin Drive in Chelsea, were voted Most Artistic.

Craig and Dorothy Houle's home, 116 McKinley St. in Chelsea, won for Best Religious Display.

Jared and Krista Bradley, 126 Railroad St. in Chelsea, won Best Historic Presentation.

Winners each received a $50 gift certificate from the Chelsea Merchants' Association.

Shopping contest a draw for many

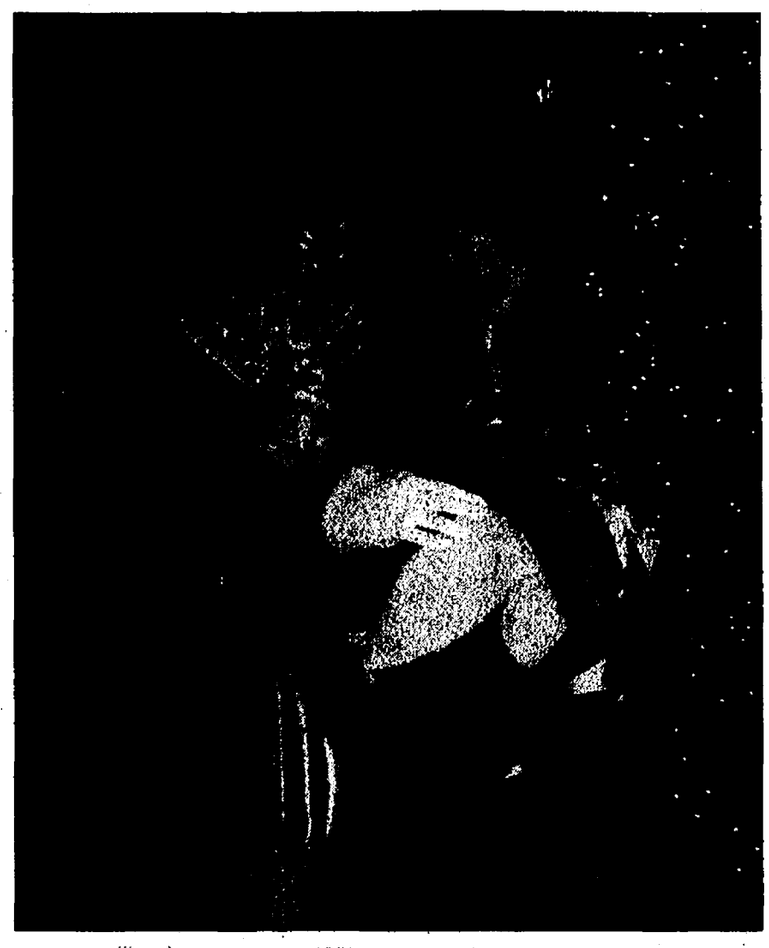
You may not find 12 lords a-leaping or 11 ladies dancing — or even a partridge in a pear tree — but the 12 Days of Christmas shopping contest in Chelsea is off to a great start.

Bonnie Cook of The Potting Shed, where artist Ruth Schwarz personalized handpainted garden markers during last weekend's Festival of Lights, said numerous customers asked for cards or got their cards initialed.

Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Director Bob Pierce said he was very pleased with the response to the contest.

"It's extremely important for folks to shop at our local establishments," Pierce said.

"Our local merchants and restaurateurs not only provide great services and products, they are an invaluable source of local jobs. So when you shop locally, you're helping your neighbors and the community in many different ways."



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Alone Time with Santa

Dominic Triveline sits on Santa's lap at the UAW Hall and tells St. Nick what he would like for Christmas. Santa was visiting Chelsea as part of the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce's Festival of Lights.

Photo courtesy of Linda Cramer

Candy Cane Makers

Halley Sissom (left), Bella Cramer and Nathan Taylor prepared candy canes at the Chelsea Center for the Arts for Santa Claus to hand out to young visitors during Saturday's Yule Tree celebration. The event was part of the Festival of Lights.

A Pretty Sight

Alex Miller of Stockbridge admires gingerbread houses Saturday in downtown Chelsea during the Festival of Lights.

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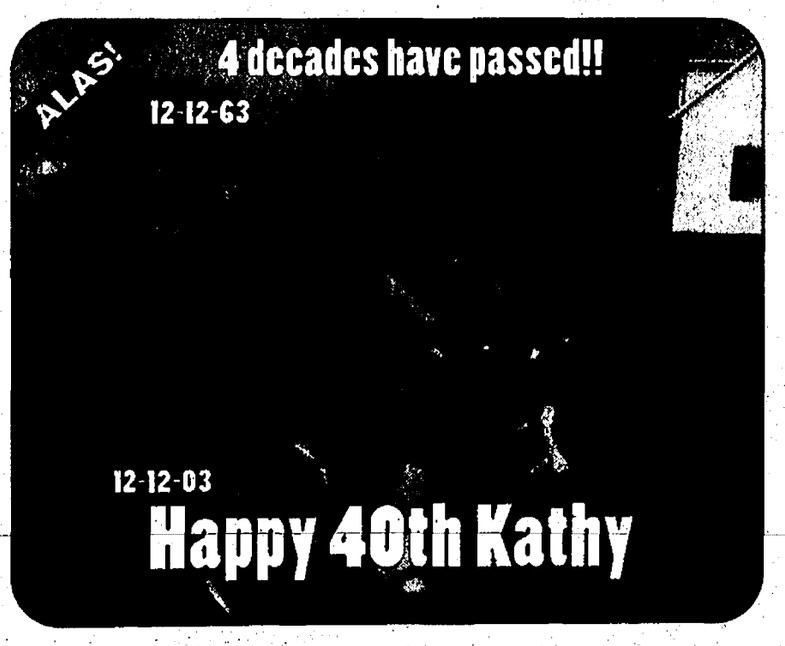

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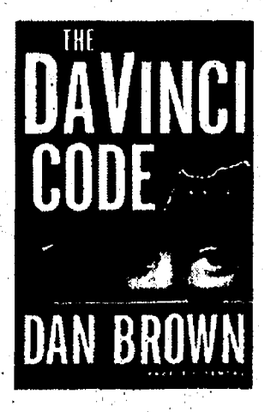

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SYLVAN TOWNSHIP

Township Hall lacks snow removal

■ *Board names Corinne Sikorski, to two posts.*

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

Sylvan Township has yet to find a contractor to clear snow at the township hall.

Trustee Earl Heller speculated at the board's Dec. 2 meeting that no one wants the job because of rising insurance costs.

Matt Hinderer, who has done the job for the township in the past but passed on bidding this year, said it's not the snow removal that jacks up insurance costs but the salting. He said his insurance rates for salting tripled over the last three years, and forced him out of his grounds maintenance business during the winter.

Hinderer said the Sylvan Town Hall site is difficult to maintain because officials want different types of salt applied on pavement, gravel and sidewalks.

Heller said the township should look into whether a groundskeeper could be covered by the township's insurance.

In other business, Sylvan resident Corinne Sikorski was named the township's representative to the Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority and to the Washtenaw County Solid Waste Consortium.

She succeeds Planning Commissioner Tom Bareis on the authority board. Her appointment to the consortium will be the first time the township has named a representative to that body.

Also at the meeting, the board debated whether to make a contribution to the Chelsea Area Transportation System.

Clerk LuAnn Koch said the township has $2,500 in its budget for a contribution. She said, legally, no money could be contributed to an entity that does not provide a township service and that data supplied by CATS appeared to show that no one in the township uses the service.

Trustee Reuben Lesser said a closer look should be taken as to whether there are riders within the Sylvan side of Chelsea Village.

Action was postponed until further research could be done.

The board also adopted an ordinance to allow bed-and-breakfast establishments within the township under special-use permits.

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Photo by Rita Fischer

Construction Zone

Ben Ingall, a pupil at Chelsea Children's Co-op, shovels sand into trucks in the classroom's sandbox.

FIRE REPORT

Dec. 2

•Firefighters answered a medical call in the 100 block of South Fletcher Road in Lima Township. Huron Valley Ambulance took a person with a head laceration to Chelsea Community Hospital.

Dec. 3

•Firefighters investigated a carbon monoxide alarm in the 200 block of Pierce Lake Drive in Chelsea, but found nothing wrong.

Dec. 5

•Firefighters answered a medical call in the 800 block of West Middle Street in Chelsea. A person with chest pain was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

Dec. 6

•Firefighters responded to the 400 block of Washington Street after a car hit a fire hydrant in Chelsea. The driver was not injured.

•Firefighters answered a medical call in the 18000 block of Waterloo Road in Lyndon Township. A person was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

Dec. 7

•Firefighters responded to Interstate 94 and Kalmbach Road after a car ran off the road. The driver was not injured.

•Firefighters answered a medical call in the 300 block of Wilkinson Street in Chelsea. A person with chest pain was taken to Chelsea Community Hospital.

Dec. 8

•Firefighters answered a medical call in the 6600 block of Portage Lake Road in Waterloo Township. A person refused transportation to hospital via ambulance.

Compiled by Associate Editor Sheila Pursglove based on information provided by the Chelsea Area Fire Department.

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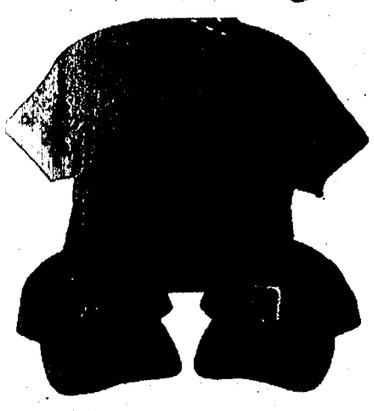

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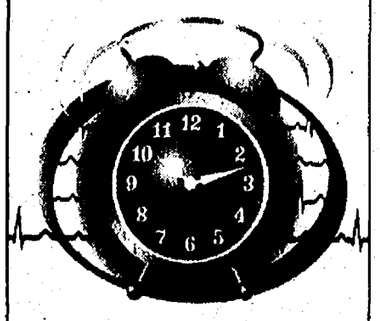

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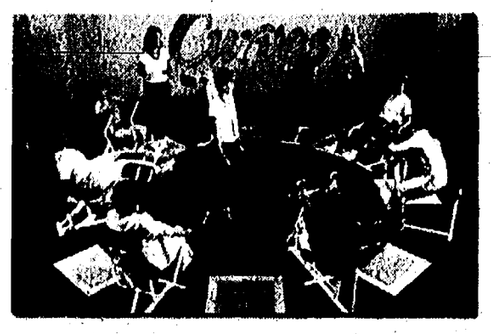

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Do you remember your favorite holiday programs you watched on television when you were younger? Maybe it was "It's a Wonderful Life," or "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer."

One of my favorites was the animated "How the Grinch Stole Christmas," which you can still see every holiday season.

The Grinch cartoon originated from the black-and-white sketched character with pink eyes from the Dr. Seuss book. The Grinch hated those "Whos" down in "Who-ville" so much that he stole their Christmas by shoving all their gifts, decorated trees and even their roast beef up their chimneys for disposal.

The late actor Boris Karloff narrates the story about a grouchy Grinch with a small heart being taught a valuable lesson about the spirit of the season. In the end, the Whos down in Who-ville soften his mean heart and it grows three sizes larger.

I was reminded of the story every year as I drove either to work or to go Christmas shopping. Out in the yard of a house on Baker Road in Dexter stood a Grinch fashioned out of wood and stained the perfect color of grinch green. He wore a red Santa hat and coat and was joined by his dog, Max, with the buckeye nose.

They always made an appearance sometime during December. If you passed by after dark, they were still visible thanks to special lighting surrounding them.

The Grinch, who stole our hearts, never came too early as other Christmas reminders do, such as decorations at the mall or commercials on television. Driving by the quaint house on Baker Road and anticipating his arrival was like waiting for the excitement of Christmas morning itself.

In December 2001, the Grinch appeared right on schedule. In early January of 2002, I noticed he was already gone. I was saddened to read in the newspaper that the Grinch had actually been stolen. A real-life grinch had swiped him sometime during the night.

I guess whoever took him had a heart "two sizes too small." Perhaps it was someone new to the area who didn't realize what an icon the Baker Road Grinch was to us.

The following year, I paid a visit to the family who had faithfully displayed the Grinch for everyone to enjoy since 1996. I wanted to let them know that I missed him. I bought a Grinch ornament at the local drug store and stopped by their house one sunny afternoon. My intention was to leave the ornament if no one was home and be on my way.

As I approached the door, and a split second before I knocked, I got a glimpse between the curtains of a young mother with her two small sons in their kitchen. They were decorating Christmas cookies. I didn't know what to expect, but it could not have been better than that. It was a Norman Rockwell moment.

They were surprised to see me and invited me in. I couldn't stay, but I was really touched that they would ask a perfect stranger into their house. I introduced myself to Lori Sprague and we spoke a minute. I asked her if a new Grinch might be back out on display in front of their house. She said if her husband, Jim, found the right piece of wood then, perhaps, he would make it. But the wood has to be special. It must be Grinch-worthy.

A few days later, I received a lovely thank-you note from the whole family. Jim wrote that I shouldn't feel bad because it was probably the final season for the Grinch. It was time to let him go because he suffered from a bad case of terminal termites.

Lori wrote that, had the Grinch not left in the middle of the night, it would have been hard to retire him. She went on to say that they have met many nice people in the community because of him.

Jim says the theft of the Grinch is still an open case and he may create a new one if a good-size carving log inspires him. But, in the meantime, he's moved on to other projects.

The culprits left Max behind and the Spragues are keeping his head while they wait for another suitable body. Max's old body was in bad shape, so it's gone by way of the fireplace. It's nice to know at least Max was able to warm their hearts just a little bit longer.

I'll miss the Grinch again this year every time I drive down Baker Road and pass the Sprague home. In the meantime, I'll hang my own Grinch ornament on the tree this year and remember with fondness that comical curmudgeon turned caring character and be glad that while his fingers were nervously drumming he never could manage to stop Christmas from coming.

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CHELSEA SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL CALENDAR

Dec. 11 – 6:00 PM – 1st Grade Music Program, Group A
Dec. 11 - 7:00 PM – 1st Grade Music Program, Group B
Dec. 12-13 – 6:30 PM – High School Madrigal Dinner – Pierce Lake

LOOKING AHEAD

Dec. 15 – 5:30 PM – HS Volleyball – Home
Dec. 15 – 7:00 PM – Board of Education Meeting
Dec. 17 – 7:00 PM – HS Hockey – Home
Dec. 18 – 6:30 PM – HS Wrestling
Dec. 19 – 5:30 PM – HS Basketball – Home
Dec. 22-23 – 10:00 AM – HS Basketball Holiday Classic
Dec. 22 – Jan 2 – Winter Break
Jan. 12 – 7:00 PM – Board of Education Meeting
Jan. 15 – 7:00 PM – Community Forum – Everyday Math
Jan. 19 - No School for students-Records day (floating day)
Jan. 26 – 7:00 PM – Board of Education Meeting – Beach Middle School
Feb. 13-16 – No School-Presidents' Day Weekend
Mar. 9 – No School for Students – Professional Development Day for Teachers
Mar. 24 – 5:00-8:15 PM – Parent/Teacher Conferences District-wide
Mar. 25 – 1/2 Day for Students; Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences 12:30-3:45 PM Secondary Teachers – Professional Development – 12:30-3:45 PM 5:00-8:15 PM – Parent Teacher Conferences - District wide
Mar. 26 – 1/2 Day for Students and Teachers
April 5 – 9 – Spring Break
May 31 – No School for Students and Teachers – Memorial Day
June 8 – Last Day of School for Students

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Touring Scouts

Dexter Cub Scout Pack 477's Den 6 toured the Thompson-Shore printing plant in Dexter Oct. 29. Thompson-Shore is a manufacturer of printed books. During the tour, Scouts were shown how books are printed, bound and packaged. Andrew Shay (left), Colin Greeley, Laurie Minnick, Jesse Whittinger, Nathan Shay and Justin Skiver are all smiles during the tour.

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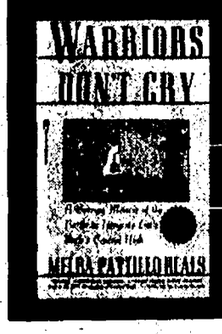

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Stepping back

Women's fascination with shoes has rich history

For many women, feet are nothing more than a place to wear shoes.

Ah, the joy of having a couple of appendages on which to display those beloved boots, pumps, platforms, spikes, stilettos, sandals, slingbacks, sneakers, slippers, ghillies, loafers, brogans, oxfords and mules.

Some of us have been in love with shoes since we heard about Prince Charming fitting the glass slipper on Cinderella's dainty foot.

Debbie Williams readily admits she's crazy for cute shoes. "I'm estimating that I have at least 30 pairs," she said. "You've got to have brown boots, black boots, tennis shoes, dress shoes, you know."

But she knows plenty of other women who have a lot more shoes than she does.

Everyone knows about ultimate shoe fanatic Imelda Marcos, who had more than 1,220 pairs arranged in her luxurious closets.

But not everyone knows how much damage the wrong shoes can do to your feet — at least they don't know until they get older.

Then the years of tottering around on spikes begin to take a toll on those tender tootsies.

But by then, it's too late to undo all of the damage, said podiatrist Daniel Zahari.

"We don't start changing into better shoes until we're older, and it's what we do when we're younger that makes the difference," he said.

For instance, if you've inherited a tendency toward bunions — a protuberance of bone or tissue around the joint at the base of the big toe — high heels are wrong, wrong, wrong, Zahari said.

"Add a heel and there's more pressure," he said. "It pushes the bone right out."

The big toe pushes against its neighboring toe, and it can develop a corn and become bent, leading to a new condition — hammertoes.

Also, calluses can form on the bottom of the foot.

Does Zahari think women will heed the message and switch to more sensible shoes?

No way, he said. And history bears him out.

Catherine d'Medici, a short woman, reportedly set the style in 1533 when she wore heels to make herself look taller during her wedding to the Duke D'Orleans. The French court promptly followed suit.

"Within the next century, European women walked on heels five inches and higher, balancing with canes so as not to fall," according to a history of high heels by fashionbrokers.com.

Pointy-toed stilettos were invented in Italy in the 1950s, and for the most part, no one has ever looked back, to the enrichment of podiatrists everywhere.

"We don't even think about our feet until they're hurting us," Zahari said. "We choose style over comfort."

Look at all the emphasis we put on preventative medicine, he said. We get vaccinated to prevent the flu, take vitamins to prevent illness and eat carefully to prevent heart disease.

But most people don't practice the same philosophy when it comes to their feet, he said.

"The truth is, we could have prevented those foot problems," Zahari said.

Of course, not all women wear Manolo Blahniks and their ilk.

Irene Will, president of the Downriver chapter of the National Organization for Women, is an advocate of sensible shoes, and has been for a long time.

"I went to China in the early '80s," she said. "I saw old women who were walking on stumps, using two canes. When I saw that, it affected me terribly.

"Their feet were probably the size of my 3-year-old granddaughter's. What a way to cripple women."

For many centuries in China, women bound their feet to prevent them from growing. Tiny feet — "lotus feet" — were considered the epitome of frail, feminine beauty.

Margarete Hasserodt, a past president of the Downriver NOW chapter, remembers reading as a girl the 1931 novel "The Good Earth" by Pearl S. Buck.

The book's description of foot binding in China — and the agony women felt when their feet were unbound — stayed with her forever, she said.

Feet are a transportation tool that has to last your whole life," she said. "'These Boots Are Made For Walking' is not just a divorce song."

Imagine if Helen Reddy had sung, "I am strong; I am invincible; I am woman, but I can hardly walk in these cute high heels."

"Women have given up their mobility, their ability to move for some crazy reason," Will said. "It's a form of submission just like binding feet in China."

Ouch.

Kellman to attend design institute

Corie Kellman

Corie Kellman of Gregory will study merchandise marketing at the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising in Los Angeles.

Kellman, 18, the daughter of Dennis Kellman and Teresa Domrase, graduated summa cum laude from Chelsea High School earlier this year. A member of Students Against Destructive Decisions, she was on the National Honor Roll. In addition, she was a four-year academic letter award winner, and on the school's high honor roll for eight semesters.

Kellman has worked as a hostess, personal assistant, nanny and sales associate.

The teen, who hopes to become a personal stylist and open her own boutique, enjoys drawing, music, concerts and travel.

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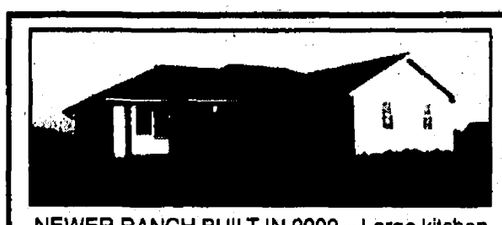

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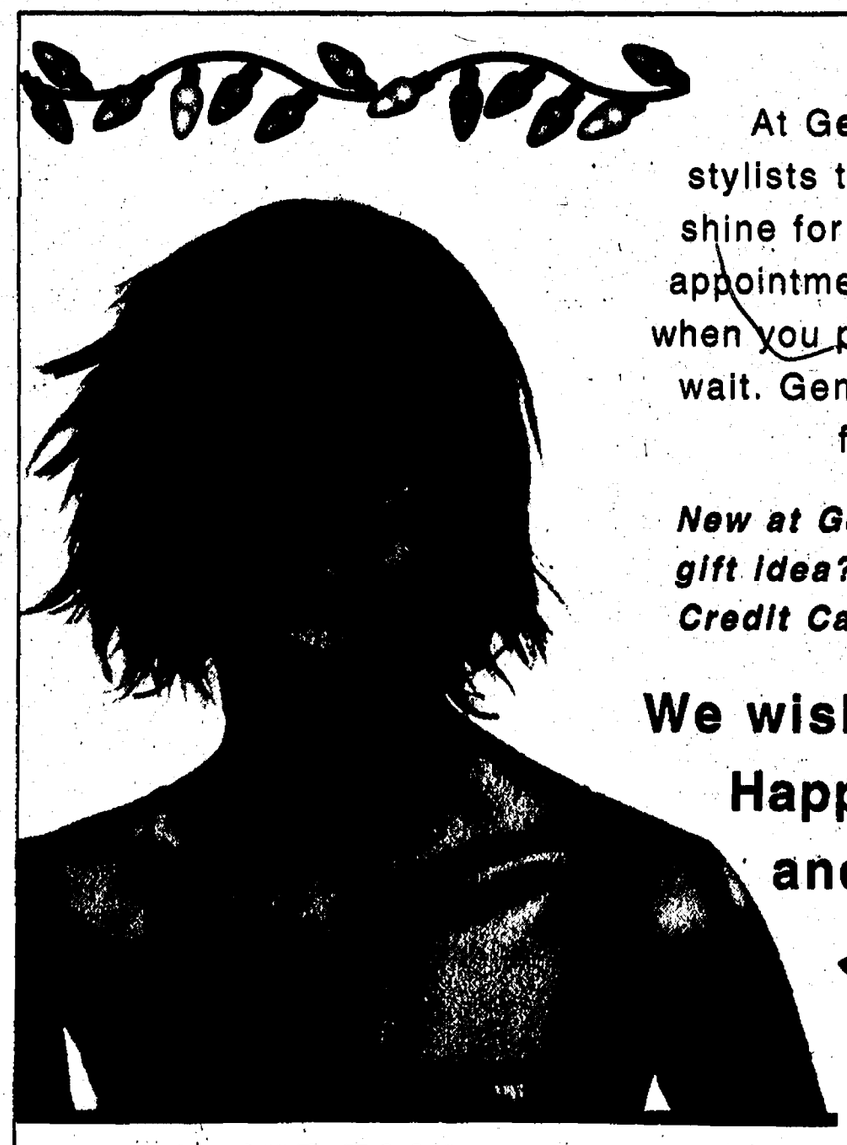

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CHELSEA

Group attends 'cool cities' conference in Lansing

Fourteen Chelsea residents are at today's "Creating Cool" conference in Lansing.

Representatives from the Chelsea District Library, Chelsea Center for the Arts, Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce, Chelsea Music Boosters, Chelsea Village, the Chelsea Downtown Development Authority and the River Gallery are attending.

The group includes Shawn Personke, Ginger Sissom, Linda Cramer, Lorin Kummer, Doris Galvin, Cecily Donnelly, Patti Schwarz, Deb Greer, Bob Pierce, Pete Lenehan, Gail Turluck, Ann Feeney and Cynthia MacFarlan,

The group is joining more than 1,100 people at the Lansing Center for the sold-out daylong conference, which features Richard Florida, author of the best-selling book, "The Rise of the Creative Class."

Gov. Jennifer Granholm said last week that she was thrilled with the overwhelming response to the event.

"The Creating Cool Conference is a key part of the dialogue we are having with Michigan communities about how we create the cool cities and hot jobs that will attract the younger knowledge-workers who are key to our state's future economic prosperity," Granholm said.

"We can't wait to hear and then share the exciting developments that are sure to happen when more than 1,000 bright creative and committed people come together to create the 'cool cities' that will turn Michigan into a magnet of economic opportunity."

David Hollister
Department of Consumer and Industry Services

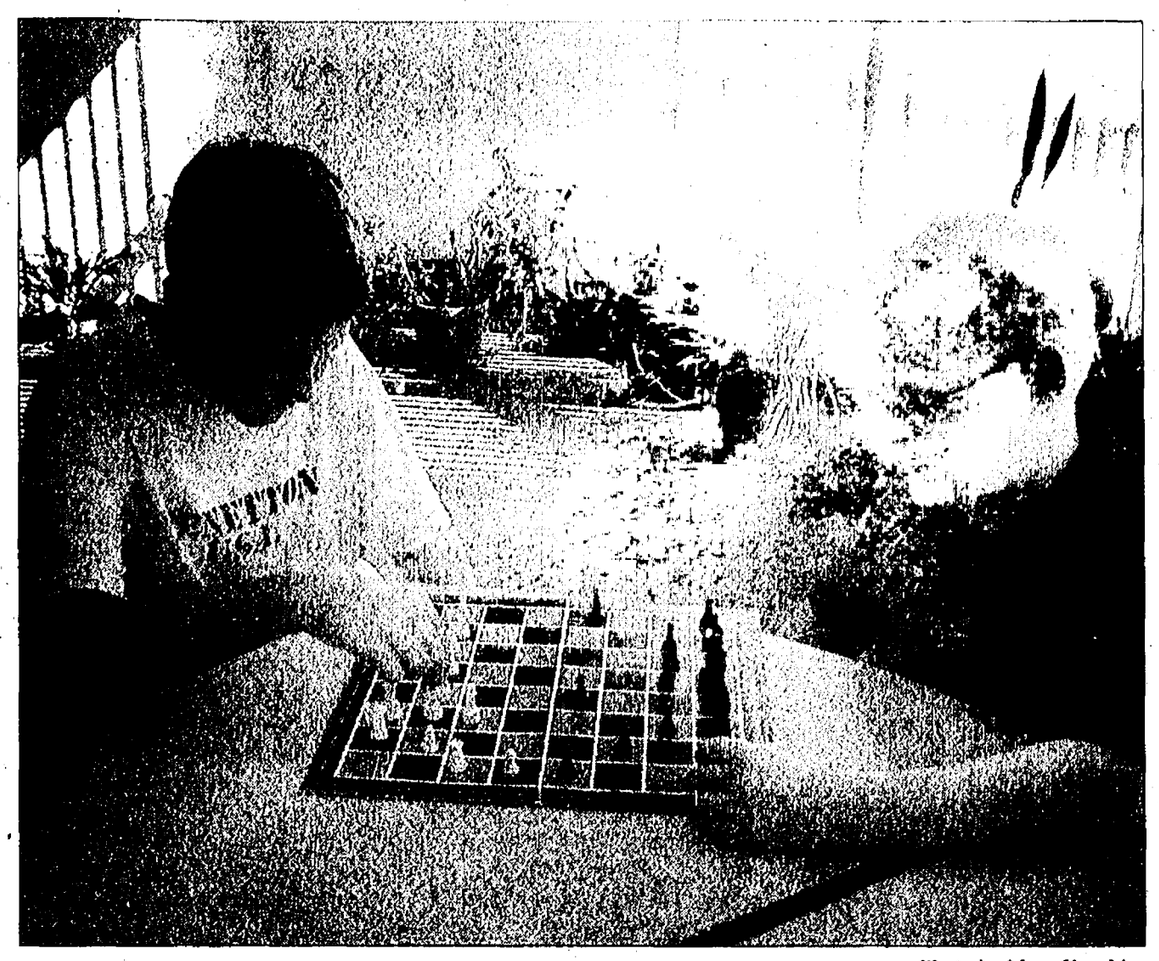
The first gathering of its kind is part of the Governor's "cool cities" initiative.

Granholm will open the conference with introductory remarks.

Other speakers will include William Anderson, director of the Department of History, Arts and Libraries, and David Hollister, director of the Department of Consumer and Industry Services.

"Clearly this topic and this event, which marries economic development efforts with the arts, are resonating with people," Hollister said.

"We can't wait to hear and then share the exciting developments that are sure to happen when more than 1,000 bright creative and committed people come together to create the 'cool cities' that will turn Michigan into a magnet of economic opportunity."



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Lunch Games

Fifth- and sixth-graders at Creekside Intermediate School in Dexter have the opportunity to play board games on the carpeted side of the cafeteria when their lunch is finished. Playing chess are John Oliver (left) and Justin Wike, sixth-graders in teacher Kristen Arbaugh's class.

LIMA TOWNSHIP

Board fills post

The Lima Township Board prepared for the new year by filling positions Dec. 1 that were set to expire by month's end.

Elizabeth Sensoli, Vince Spade and Trustee Gregory McKenzie were re-appointed to the Planning Commission.

Ron Ziegler was re-appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals, while Spade was appointed for his first term. Spade will succeed Planning Commission Chairwoman Karen Malone.

State law requires a ZBA to have one sitting planning commission member.

All the appointments were for three-year terms.

— By Michael Rybka

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Serving with Style

Mill Creek Middle School seventh-grader Jay Semifero and eighth-grader Chris Singer donned costumes and served hot cocoa to visitors during Dexter's annual Victorian Christmas celebration last weekend. They are pupils in the Community Service and Leadership class.

DEARBORN

Ford estate offers events

For a nostalgic step into history at holiday time, consider the Henry Ford Estate in Dearborn.

A plethora of festivities are planned.

From 3 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, a Christmas High Tea will be held, ending with a tour given by "Clara Ford" herself. Cost is $29.95 per person.

From 11:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. today and Tuesday, the Holiday Luncheon Walk, a meal in a historic room and a tour of the estate, will take place. Cost is $19 per person.

From 6 to 8:30 p.m. tomorrow, Santa's Workshop will be held. It's a chance for children to visit the Powerhouse, create a holiday keepsake and follow a lighted path to the busy workshop for a visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus and a cup of hot snowflake soup. Cost is $7 for children and $2 for adults.

From 6 to 9 p.m. Sunday, the Holiday Dinner Walk, an evening that begins with an hors d'oeuvre reception followed by a holiday dinner and ends with a tour of the estate, will take place. The cost is $40 per person.

From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, the Holiday Luncheon Concert in one of the historic rooms will be a highlight. The cost is $32 per person.

From 6 to 8 p.m. Dec. 26 and 27, a Candlelight Tour will be held. It will provide a romantic look at the decorated residence followed by spiced, mulled cider. The cost is $12 per person.

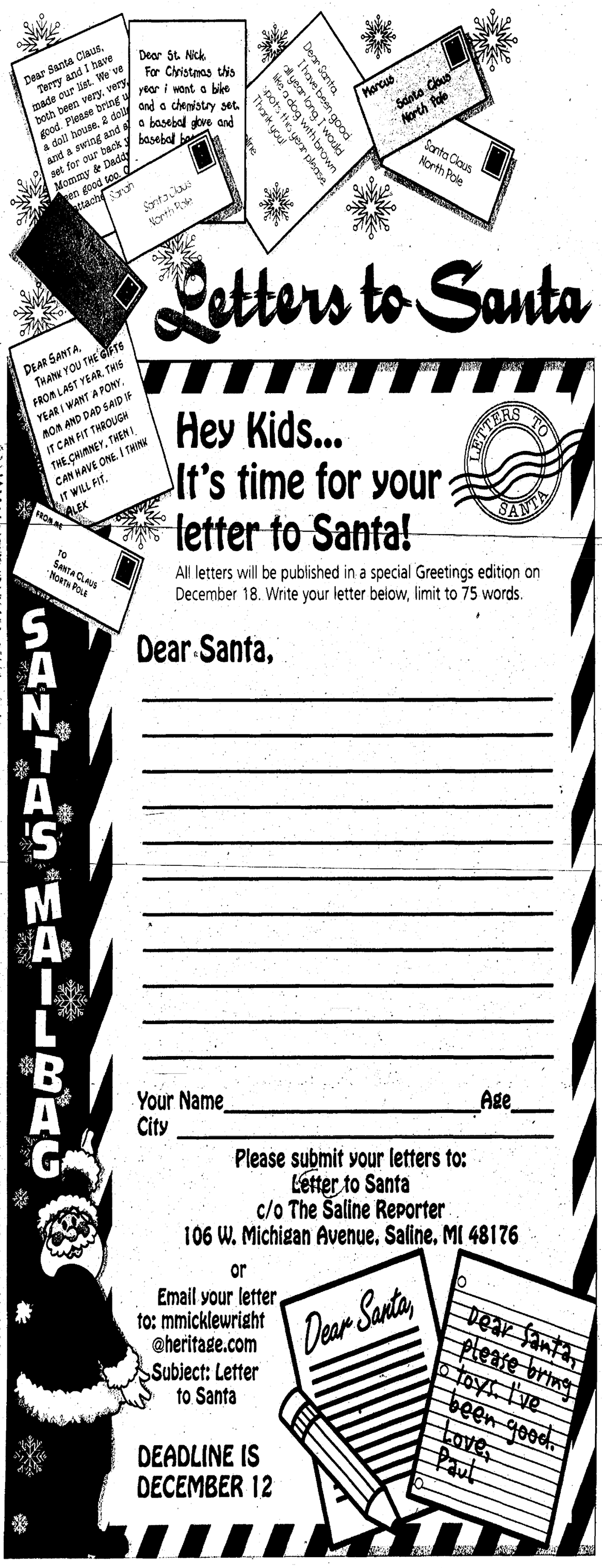
From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays, except Dec. 24 and Jan. 1, a Holiday Lunch will be provided at the Pool Restaurant. Reservations for groups of six or more may be made for 11 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. or 1:30 p.m. Early calls are suggested.

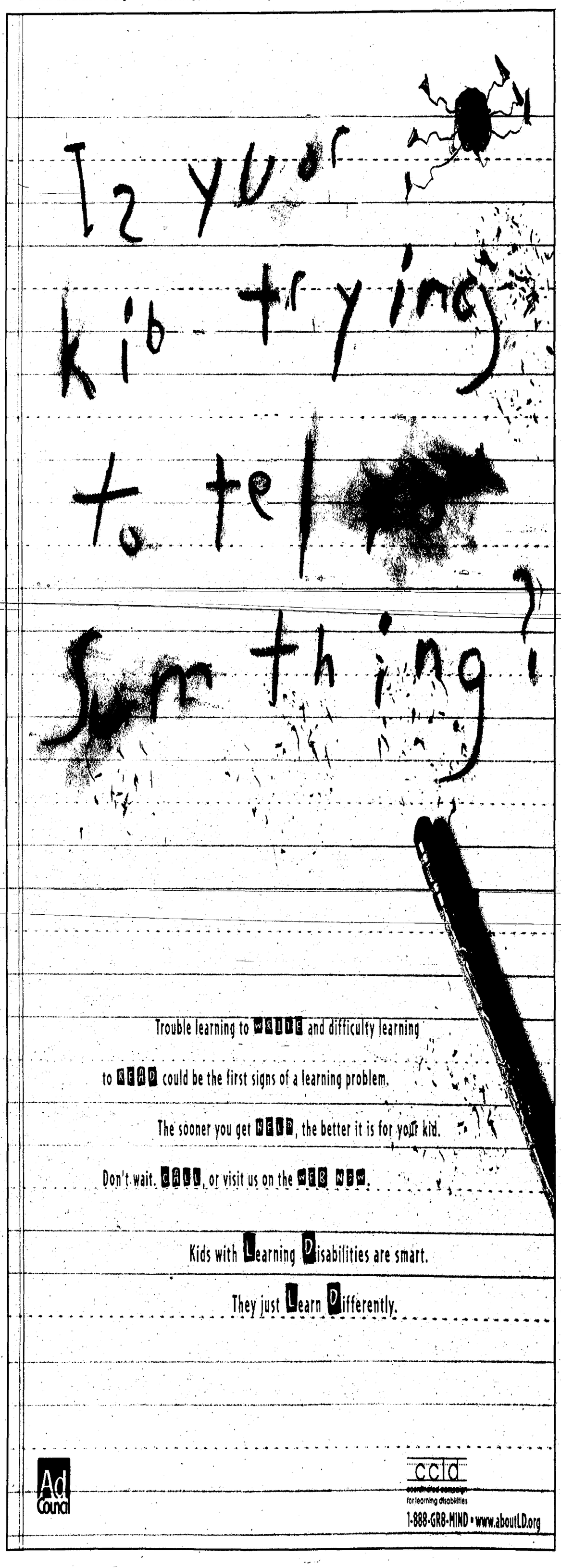
Other offerings include guided historic tours of the estate, a National Historic Landmark dressed in holiday splendor by area florists.

Tours are weekdays and Saturdays at 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m., except Dec. 24, 25 and Jan. 1. Sunday tours are from 1 to 4:30 p.m., every half-hour.

The estate gift shop offers souvenirs, as well.

To make reservations for any of the events or for more information, call 1-313-593-5590.





MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP

Runaway steer finds temporary home

■ *Rescue group hopes to adopt steer that escaped slaughter.*

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Heritage Newspapers

Dorothy Davies says she is a woman of peace, but she is waging a bizarre battle of language, culture and principles via phone, fax and e-mail from her Manchester Township farm.

And she's right in the middle of the battle despite being in Arizona when it all started.

"I feel like I'm beating my head against a wall," Davies said. "My phone is ringing constantly."

It all started Dec. 2 while Davies was visiting her son, Darian, and his wife at their home in Arizona. In a story that was publicized across the country, an enormous 1,800-pound bull escaped from an Eastern Market slaughterhouse and romped around Detroit's east side for more than an hour before being tranquilized by a veterinarian and taken into custody.

The tranquilizer bought the bull — now called "Jefferson the Re-bull" by Davies and her colleagues at the Shelter and Safe Haven for Animals Farms on Mahrle Road — two weeks of time because it cannot be slaughtered while it has sedatives in its system.

But time is running short for Jefferson. Davies said misunderstandings in negotiations between the farm and slaughterhouse owner Nazem Saad have been complicated by language and cultural barriers.

"Basically, he wants to make all the money he would have made if he had slaughtered the animal, plus his expenses," she said. "Then, he also wants us to tell people it was a gift.

"I can't get him to understand that if I tell him he gave us a tax-deductible gift, I can't give him money, too."

Davies said that the price of beef has escalated sharply since the beef importation and that if the farm tries to pay market value, the figure could fluctuate almost hourly.

"He's a commodity," she said. "It's like the stock market.

"To me, animals are not property, but Mr. Saad said he's holding out for the highest bid. We don't know what the figure could be."

Davies said it hasn't helped the situation that press reports have said that donations are flooding in.

"There are rumors that we have been offered lots of financial assistance, but this is not true," she said. "Donations received thus far total less than $500."

Davies said, too, that she fears Saad believes that the farm is trying to make money from the situation, which simply isn't true.

"Any previous donations that have been given to our nonprofit sanctuary have literally been eaten up," she said. "All money goes to the care and feeding of the 200-plus rescued animals already residing at the farm."

Davies has some empathy for Saad's situation.

"An action alert went out to 60,000 people last week from PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals)," she said. "He's being besieged by phone calls, just like I am.

"I've never met the man in person; I am faxing a letter to him today asking to meet face to face. We're inviting him to visit the sanctuary and see what we do here. I don't think he understands why we are offering to buy the steer."

Marsha Johnson Chartrand is the editor of The Manchester Enterprise. She can be reached at 428-8173.

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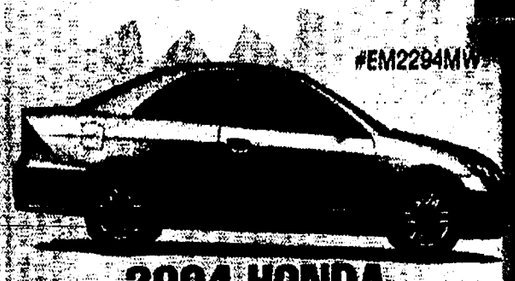

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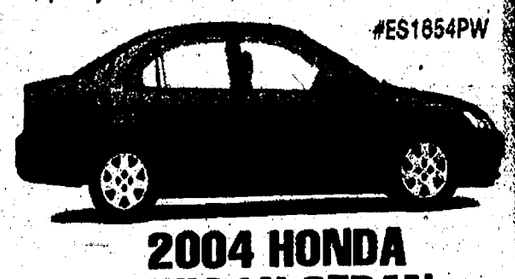

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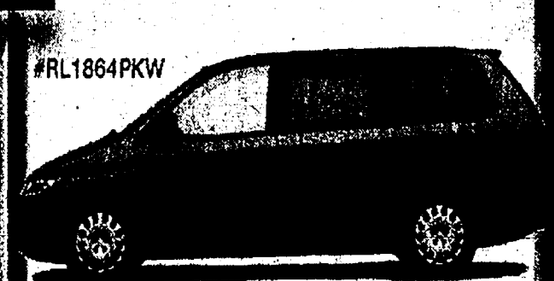

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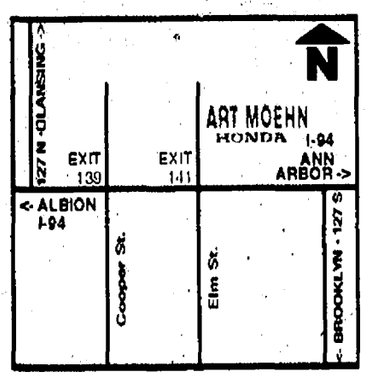

POLICE BLOTTER

Lima Township

Possession of Marijuana

Michigan State Police troopers stopped a 35-year-old Indiana truck driver Dec. 2 for speeding on eastbound Interstate 94 in Lima Township and subsequently arrested him for possession of marijuana.

In addition, the man was driving with a suspended driver's license.

A trooper reported smelling marijuana in the vehicle, and asked the man about it. The driver, however, said he didn't have any.

Based on probable cause, the trooper searched the man's truck and found a marijuana cigarette.

An officer from the Chelsea Police Department helped in the man's arrest.

The suspect faces charges of speeding, possession of marijuana and operating without a license.

Sylvan Township

Drunk Driving

Troopers responded to a crash Dec. 1 on I-94 and found a 48-year-old Rives Junction man had been driving drunk.

The man failed a field sobriety test and was found to have a 0.11 blood-alcohol level. A level of 0.08 percent or higher is considered legally drunk under state law.

The driver told troopers that he had been drinking a few beers while playing pool with his daughter.

Witnesses said the man was trying to pass another car when he drove into a ditch in the early evening.

A search yielded an empty beer bottle in the vehicle.

Suspicious Activity

Troopers responded Dec. 3 to a suspicious man near the 4500 block of Kalmbach Road. The 55-year-old Ypsilanti man was waiting for a tow truck after his car had broken down.

A homeowner called because the man was waiting on her porch, and she did not feel comfortable letting him in her house.

Scio Township

Possession of Marijuana

An 18-year-old Ann Arbor man and a 24-year-old Ann Arbor man were arrested for possession of marijuana Nov. 26 at Eagle Pointe apartments.

Deputies responded to a possible fight between two men. But when they arrived on scene, there was no fight.

An apartment manager said he wanted police to issue trespassing tickets to people who had been sitting in the parking lot.

When deputies approached the car, the suspect began acting suspiciously. The man and his passenger stepped out of the vehicle, and police found marijuana during a search.

Breaking and Entering

Deputies investigated a home invasion in the 900 block of Baker Road Dec. 2. The house was vacant and nothing was reported missing.

It appears as if someone entered the house by shoving in the front door because the doorjamb was broken.

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A home invasion was reported Dec. 3 in the 5300 block of Scio Church Road. Someone entered the home during the day and stole $4,000 worth of property, including radio parts. The victim is an amateur radio collector.

Police have no suspects at this time, but are still investigating.

Larceny

Larceny was reported Nov. 28 in the 4200 block of Dexter-Ann Arbor Road.

A 71-year-old man told police that a chainsaw, wheelbarrow and MP3 player were stolen from his garage sometime in the last few weeks.

The stolen goods are valued at $578.

A 31-year-old handyman is suspected of stealing the property, a police report said.

The case is open pending police contact with the suspect.

Property Damage

Police are investigating malicious destruction of property Nov. 24 at the Jim Bradley car dealership, 3500 Jackson Road.

An employee noticed that when he arrived for work during the afternoon, a Pontiac Vibe was in a ditch and the front and rear windows were cracked and broken. The passenger-side rear window of a nearby GMC Yukon was also smashed.

Damage is estimated at $8,600.

Webster Township

Property Damage

Malicious destruction of property was reported Dec. 4 in the 5400 block of Gregory Road.

A 49-year-old man said he was asleep around 4:30 a.m. when he heard a vehicle on his front lawn.

When he left for work the next morning, the victim noticed damage to his lawn.

Damage is estimated at $2,000.

Police have no suspects.

Larceny

Larceny was reported Dec. 4 at Mill Creek Middle School, 7305 Dexter-Ann Arbor Road, after $2,200 worth of electronic equipment was noticed missing from a storage room near the auditorium.

The stolen items include a laptop computer with an estimated value of $1,200 and a stereo worth $200.

Chelsea Village

Fraud

An 82-year-old Chelsea woman called police Dec. 5 after she received a notice of a delinquent account with SBC Michigan. The woman said she does not hold an account with SBC, and was told that her Social Security number was used to obtain the account.

The victim does not know how anyone obtained her personal information, she told police.

Suspicious Activity

An officer responded to Pamida Discount Center in the Chelsea Shopping Center on M-52 Dec. 7 after two juveniles were reported to be acting suspiciously and throwing things at vehicles.

An officer spoke to a 13- and 11-year-old. After they failed to provide a plausible story to the officer, they were taken into custody and held until their parents arrived, police said.

Property Damage

Malicious destruction of property was reported Dec. 6 after a Chelsea resident noticed an expletive carved into the hood of her car.

The car was parked behind Gemini hair salon in the Chelsea Shopping Center on M-52. The victim did not notice the damage until the next morning.

There were also long scratches down the left side of the car and short gouges in the right side.

There are no suspects at this time, police said.

Larceny

A 74-year-old Chelsea man reported a larceny Dec. 6 after he discovered $300 worth of computer software missing from his car in the 100 block of Orchard Street. The bag containing the property was found a few houses down the road.

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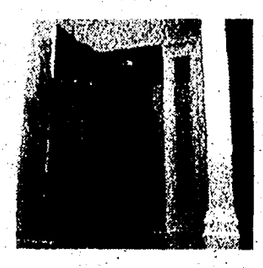
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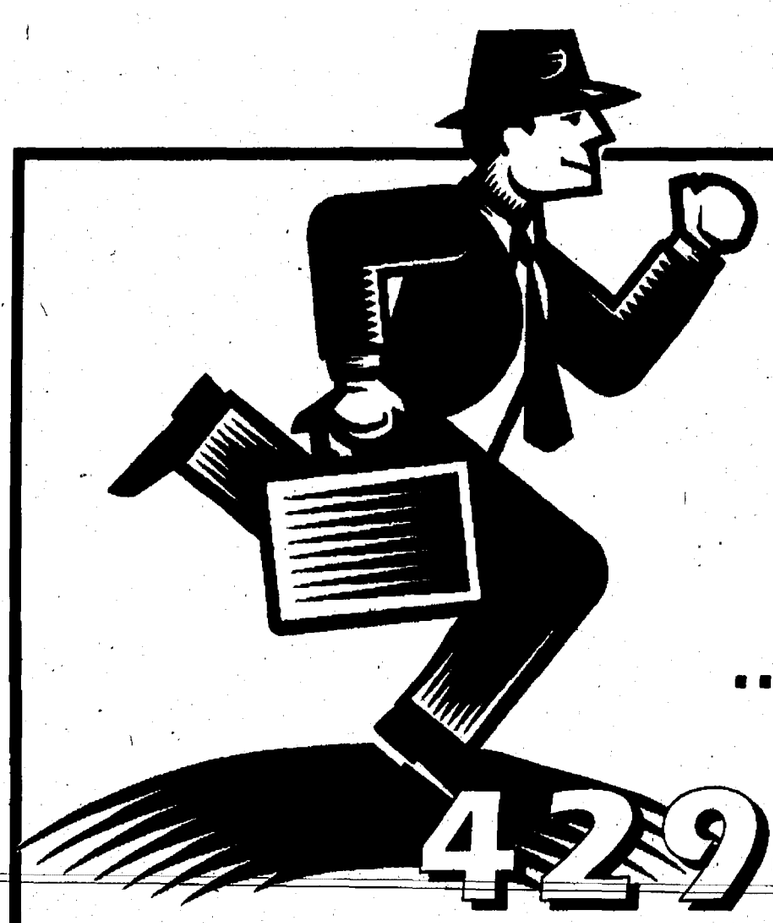
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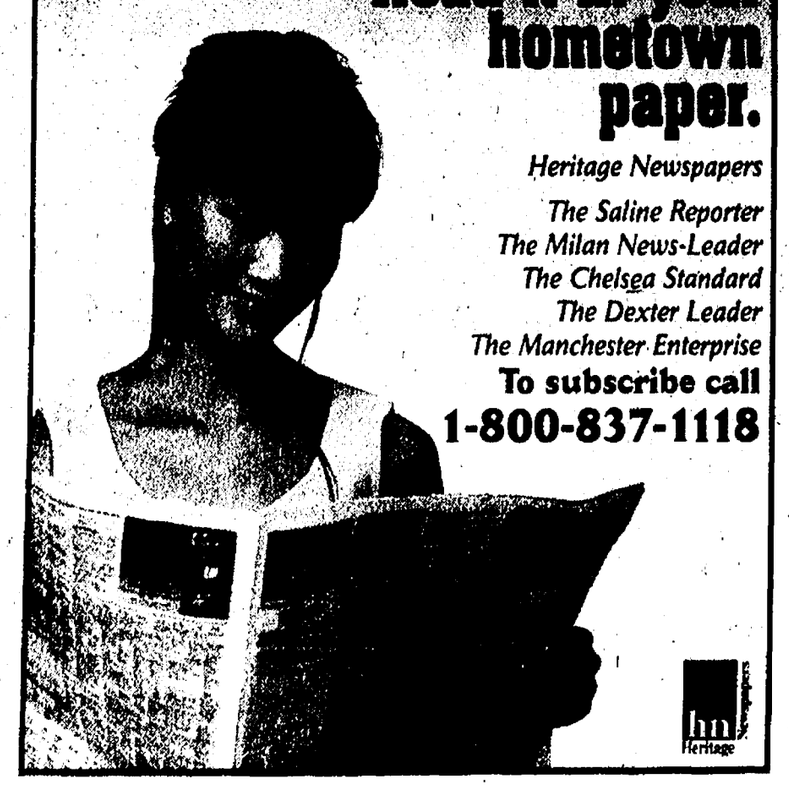
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COMMENTARY

Street Talk

By Rita Fischer

What's the best gift you ever received?

"I like the X-games that I got last year."

Anthony Radu
Lyndon Township

"I like the Game Boy with games."

Michael Radu
Lyndon Township

"For our 40th wedding anniversary, my husband got a garden plot ready for me."

Lola Richardson
Lyndon Township

"I like the twin doll that I got because it looks like me."

Jordan Davis
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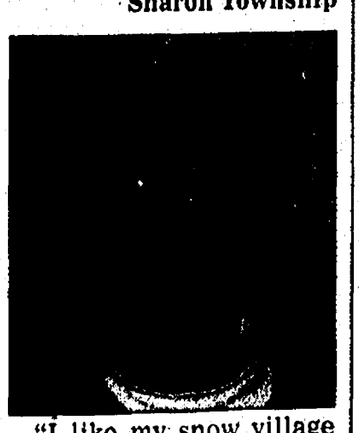
"I got a Nikon camera that I really enjoy."

Bill Peterson
Sharon Township



"I like my snow village that my family has kept adding to for the last 10 years."

Cynthia Layher
Dexter Township

Christmas season starts too early

TOM TIGANI

HOMEFRONT

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas.

Problem is, that thought first occurred to me while walking through my neighborhood in the first week of November, or as I like to think of it, a few days after Halloween.

But before you write me off as another curmudgeonly Christmas-hater, allow me to explain the nature of my discord. While not all who know me will believe it, I truly enjoy the Christmas season with all of its sights and sounds.

I just don't want to see and hear them two months before the day itself.

Now I know many of you probably like to take advantage of the unusually warm days that can occur in these transitional months. There's a lot to be said for hanging decorations without blowing on your fingers or dodging icicles from the gutters.

But inevitably, the lights that people go through so much trouble to hang get turned on, not just immediately afterward for testing, but for every single night until Christmas.

And you know what happens when one of your neighbors does something: you feel the pressure to produce as well, lest ye be the target of snide remarks and general yearlong disdain.

You know, just like the person commemorated by Christmas would have wanted.

There is another way to look at it, I suppose. Let's say that this year, the race to re-create the Griswolds' house in "Christmas Vacation" is particularly in keeping with the holiday spirit of forgiveness. And for whom is this blessing reserved?

Why, the power companies, of course. You remember, the folks who gave you the Aug. 14 blackout. How nice that we turn on some extra lights to pay for the special billings they're planning to send us to cover their lost revenue during said blackout. Very forgiving, indeed.

There are those who will say that this is America, and we have a right to celebrate our holidays by turning on as many lights as we want for as many nights in a row as we want. And I guess we do.

But the spirit of the holiday would be far better served if we'd turn off some of those lights, take some of that money and put it toward food or clothing for the people who really need it.

Because as much as I love the idea of a blowup Homer Simpson Santa, showing him off to the world on my lawn for two months doesn't help people to live any better.

And I think that's the point that we're too often blinded to by all those lights.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Police chief served Chelsea Village well

I would like to add my voice to all those thanking Chief Lenard McDougall for his many years of laudable service to our community.

I also support the appointment of Acting Police Chief Scott Sumner to chief.

I am sure that our Village Council will make a prompt, proper and fiscally responsible decision.

After all, just consider their brilliant handling of the village manager situation.

Denham Smith
Chelsea Village

Acting police chief should get the job

I'd like to join my other former village council members in expressing my strong support for making Scott Sumner Chelsea's police chief.

I believe Scott has the trust and respect of the other officers that are necessary for this position. Clearly, he has the trust and respect of retiring Chief Lenard McDougall. Just as important, I believe he has the trust and respect of the community.

There are two ways to advance in a position such as this. One can rise up through the ranks or move from community to community, advancing with each move.

• Chelsea has been fortunate to have longevity in two very important positions: the police chief and the fire chief. McDougall served, as we know, for 30 years. Both former fire chief Bud Hankerd and current chief Dan Ellenwood served for many years. All three rose through the ranks to their positions. The village was well served by each one.

The job of police chief is more than just administrative. But the resume/interview process can't adequately measure the intangibles necessary in a police chief — intangibles that I strongly believe Sumner possesses.

In a relatively small department, it's important for the chief to have the respect of both the other officers and the community. In addition, the community needs to know that there will be continuity in this position.

Does it serve the village to bring in a new chief every three to five years as each candidate moves on to another position? Or does it better serve the village, as we've seen in the past, to promote from within and put in place a well-qualified officer with command experience who brings the commitment to the community that his predecessor did?

The choice is obvious. Sumner should be appointed Chelsea's permanent police chief.

Brian Cashman
Chelsea Village

Thief stole spruce trees near cemetery

The summer before last, my family planted six lovely spruce trees along the road frontage of our farm in Lima Township. They were planted to enhance the serenity and privacy of our family cemetery. They were beautiful trees.

Last December, I was shocked and disgusted when someone cut down one of the trees under cover of night. How could someone do such a thing? How could someone celebrate Christmas under a stolen tree? How could someone so defile the spirit of Christmas — faith, love, harmony, giving?

Did they give presents to innocent children underneath that stolen tree?

Well, that was upsetting last Christmas. But now, even worse, we seem to have a serial Christmas thief.

Guess what was missing Monday morning.

Now we have two stumps gracing my father-in-law's final resting place.

Is this thief planning to harvest the rest of our trees over the next four years?

I am still incredulous that anyone could do such a mean and hurtful thing. Perhaps, eventually, I will find it in my heart to pity this person who is so devoid of faith, love and giving that they can perpetrate such a crime.

For now, I am still too angry.

Elizabeth Sensoli
Lima Township

Society should look at disease prevention

I continue to be amazed at the levels the pharmaceutical industry will go to promote their agenda. The column, "Pharmaceutical companies at risk," in the Dec. 4 edition of The Chelsea Standard and The Dexter Leader is a good example.

The author relates that the members of the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America invested $32 billion to develop new medicines. He fails to mention that in 2001, outpatient prescription drug spending totaled $154.5 billion, according to the National Institute for Health Care Management Research and Education Foundation.

Not a bad return on investment.

It should also be known that in an article published in the Journal of the American Medical Association by Barbara Starfield from the Department of Health Policy and Management at Johns Hopkins Schools of Hygiene and Public Health, correctly prescribed medications result in 106,000 deaths annually. That makes prescription drug deaths the fourth leading cause of death in the United States behind heart attacks, cancer and strokes.

Drug-related morbidity and mortality are estimated to cost more than $136 billion a year, according to an article published in American Family Physician.

The authors "wish list" includes better insurance coverage through Medicare and Medicaid programs, which would guarantee more income for the industry while costing the Medicare program and the American public millions — if not billions — more dollars.

Our society needs to focus more on disease prevention. A new study released by the Lewin Group Oct. 2 showed that the daily use of a multivitamin by adults 65 and older could lead to more than $1.6 billion in Medicare savings over the next five years.

This cost savings resulted from improved immune function and reduction in the relative risk of heart disease.

They also reviewed the beneficial effects on colorectal cancer, prostate cancer, diabetes and osteoporosis, and these conditions were not even included in the cost-savings analysis.

While I acknowledge that some medications are necessary to sustain life, it is hard to feel sorry for an industry that is concerned about losing its profit margin due to competition when they are the fourth leading cause of death in this country.

Instead of trying to develop new medications for "diseases" such as compulsive shopping and gambling (these are currently being researched), wouldn't it be better to spend the research dollars on making necessary drugs safer?

James Duncan
Dexter Township

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SOUND OFF

Lynn Meadows of Lyndon Township: Our environment and the citizens of Michigan received some great news Nov. 25. Judge Lawrence Root of Mecosta County ordered Nestle to shut down its Ice Mountain water pumping operations within 21 days.

The decision was careful to ignore the impact of "public opinion or political pressure," speaking rather to the effect of the pumping operation on the surrounding ecosystem. Nestle, of course, will appeal the opinion, but this judgment sets an important precedence, indicating the factual evidence that our ground waters do impact the surface waters of our wetlands, streams and lakes.

The bottled water industry has received a blow, but we have a responsibility to quit supporting the industry with our purchases of water in bottles.

Got an opinion on something? Here's your opportunity to be heard. Send a brief Sound Off e-mail to spursglove@heritage.com. Keep it short and to the point. We reserve the right to edit.

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Lunch with the Grinch

Mr. Grinch visited North Creek Elementary School Dec. 5, and tried to steal Christmas decorations from the cafeteria. He is pictured with Maya Pifer (left), Emily Orefice, Julia Porter, Taylor Pace and lunch supervisor Chris Kempf.

Candlelight ceremonies scheduled for Sunday

Two candlelight ceremonies will be held Sunday in Chelsea.

The first, which will be held at 5 p.m., is a community candlelight service for anyone who has suffered a loss. It will be held at the Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

John Mitchell II of Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea will welcome people to the service and present each family with a crystal angel tree ornament.

Mitchell also will give a brief explanation of the rosemary candles and the legend behind the rosemary bush.

Social worker Mary Tomac of Chelsea Community Hospital will discuss how to handle the holiday season after a loss, and members of the Chelsea High School Orchestra will play "Amazing Grace."

Chelsea Ministerial Association is sponsoring the ceremony. Dick Shaneyfelt, president of the association, said that ministers will be on hand to talk to people. For more information, call 475-1444.

The second event, which will be held at 7 p.m., is an informal candle-lighting ceremony in memory of those who have lost loved ones. It will be held at the Pathway to Renewal spiral mosaic sculpture in Timber Town Park on Sibley Road.

The ceremony is part of the Worldwide Candle Lighting organized by The Compassionate Friends in memory of all children who have died.

'Warriors Don't Cry' an eye-opener

ANNE MERKEL

BOOK REVIEW

EDITOR'S NOTE: "Warriors Don't Cry," by Melba Patillo Beals, has been chosen for a community read project sponsored by the Chelsea District Library, One World, One Family Task Force and Cranesbill Books.

In 1957, many schools in the South were segregated. Drinking fountains, restrooms, and five-and-dime store dining counters were not available to African Americans. Even access to sidewalks was limited.

But while most Americans are acquainted with segregation in the 1950s, many Americans have no understanding of what nine young people went through during the long, harrowing school year in 1957-58.

My first reaction to "Warriors Don't Cry," by Melba Patillo Beals, was that this book was fiction.

The account of Beals' year at Central High School, in Little Rock, Ark., is an eye-opening read.

All the events in this book were based on a diary Beals kept during her year at Central High, her mother's notes and news clippings, as well as recollections of her family.

The Supreme Court's 1954 decision in Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka, Kan., ruled that segregation was illegal.

It took a few years, but by 1957, the Board of Education in Little Rock was implementing "limited integration" to Central High School.

Melba Patillo was one of nine black children who volunteered to enter Central High in September 1957.

For a few months, the students had the protection of the 101st Airborne Division of the U.S. Army, called in by President Eisenhower.

However, not even the presence of the U.S. Army could prevent daily abuse of the black students at Central High.

Beals' experiences during her year at Central High were horrendous. She endured physical assaults, verbal abuse, and emotional ups and downs every day.

Some of the students pretended to be friends with the black students, and then turned on them.

Many ganged up on the children in the hallways, cafeteria and even in the classroom.

Many teachers and administrators did nothing to halt the continual stream of rage and abuse showered upon the black students.

To those of us in the North, segregation seems something that happened in the time of the Civil War, not in the '50s and '60s — and, unfortunately, still exists in some locations today.

Beals' account of segregation in the South is difficult to fathom.

Before starting school in 1957, Beals traveled to Cincinnati. Her account of that visit, and the contrast between Cincinnati and Little Rock is a fascinating story of how different life can be in the same country, in two places just a 10-hour drive apart.

The questions and issues the book raises make "Warriors Don't Cry" ideal for discussions and comparisons of what the actions of those children in 1958 have to do with us in 2003.

This book is a wonderful choice for our community read.

Chelsea resident Anne Merkel is a member of the Chelsea Education Foundation board of trustees.

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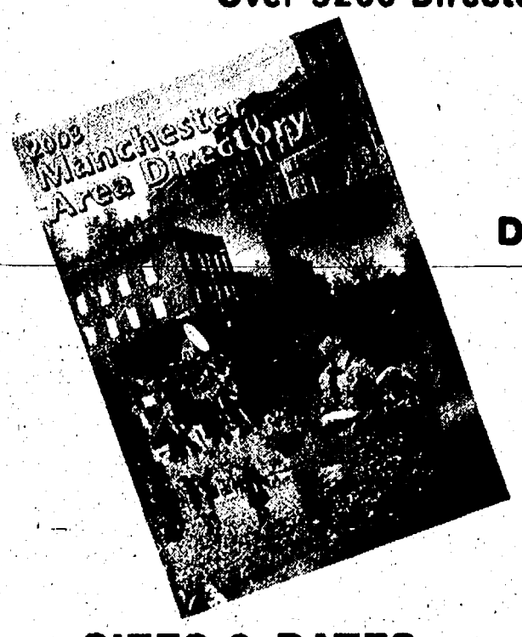

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Still smiling

Frederick enjoyed career at Chelsea Post Office

By Paul Fletcher
Staff Writer

Until Oct. 31, it was easy to find Faye Frederick if you were so inclined.

Since 1968, she's spent her days at the Chelsea Post Office, sorting mail, running a window or performing other customer service tasks.

And she was probably smiling the whole time.

But after 35 years, Frederick has retired from the first and only job she ever had since graduating from Chelsea High School.

"This all came about so quick," Frederick said. "It's still hard for me to believe."

Although she expected to work another 18 months or so, Frederick decided to take an unexpected early retirement option.

What will she do now?

"Whatever I want, whenever I want," she said.

"It's the first time in 35 years I can say that."

And, of course, she'll probably keep smiling.

In 1968, a family neighbor who also was the Chelsea postmaster asked Frederick if she wanted a job. She took the offer and never looked back.

With plans of taking some college courses while working, she never dreamed she'd spend her career at the post office.

But it proved to be a rewarding position.

"It was a good job," she said, "good benefits. It was convenient, (and) 35 years ago, you kind of chose your profession and stayed with it."

Frederick began as a distribution clerk, a job she held until her retirement, although under a few different titles.

"The job didn't change that much," she said.

On one occasion, when Frederick wanted to try her hand at a delivery route, her bosses wouldn't hear of it.

"They said I was too valuable inside," she said.

Her wide smile and pleasant disposition obviously set well with customers, some of whom she served on a regular basis throughout her career.

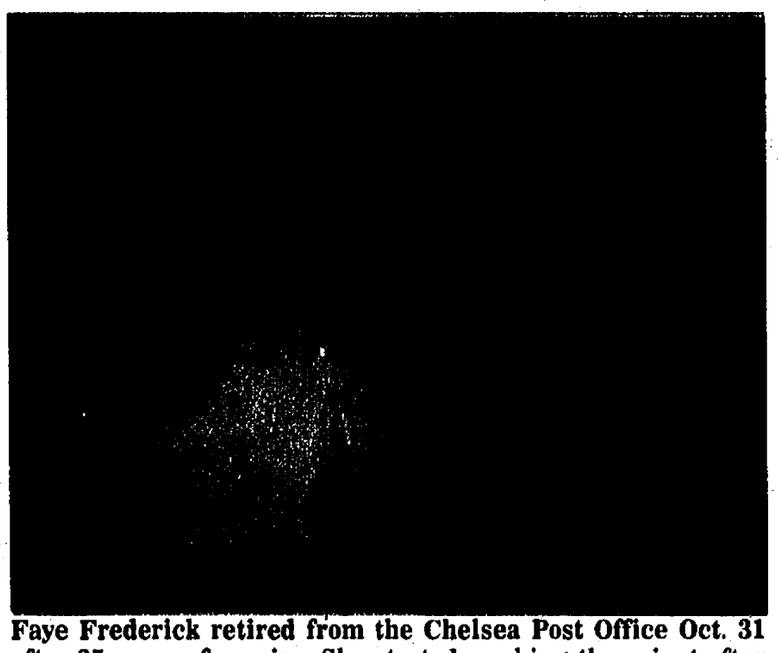
Although she admits that her job sometimes became routine and lacking in excitement, she took pride in her public service.

"What made it fun was the customers," she said. "I liked working at the window.

"A lot of my customers ... I will always consider them friends."

And at the end of a career that saw the price of a first-class stamp rise from 6 cents to 37 cents, and the staff of Chelsea Post Office grow from 11 to 26, guess what?

Faye Frederick is still smiling.



Faye Frederick retired from the Chelsea Post Office Oct. 31 after 35 years of service. She started working there just after graduating from high school in 1968.

Boosters launch fund-raiser

Chelsea Music Boosters has launched a silent auction fund-raiser of a pass for two to the Purple Rose Theatre Co. for a Wednesday, Thursday or Sunday performance of the winner's choice in the 2003-04 season.

Bids may be made by e-mail, in person at Chelsea schools' music performances, or by telephone until the auction closes 9 a.m. Dec. 17.

More information is available at the Chelsea Music Boosters Web site www.chelseamusicboosters.org.

Bids will be in increments of whole dollars.

The status of the auction will be maintained on the Web site.

Information about the performances is available at the theater's Web site www.purplerosetheatre.org.

To bid, write your name, e-mail address, phone number and the amount and e-mail to turluck@core.com or call Gail Turluck at 475-9454.

Any day upon which a Chelsea Music Department event occurs will include the opportunity for in-person bidding at the Chelsea Music Boosters table. The table will be located at the Chelsea High School Commons before and after the show.

E-mail and phone bids that come in during this time will be posted after the performance closes.

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FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR WASHTENAW COUNTY

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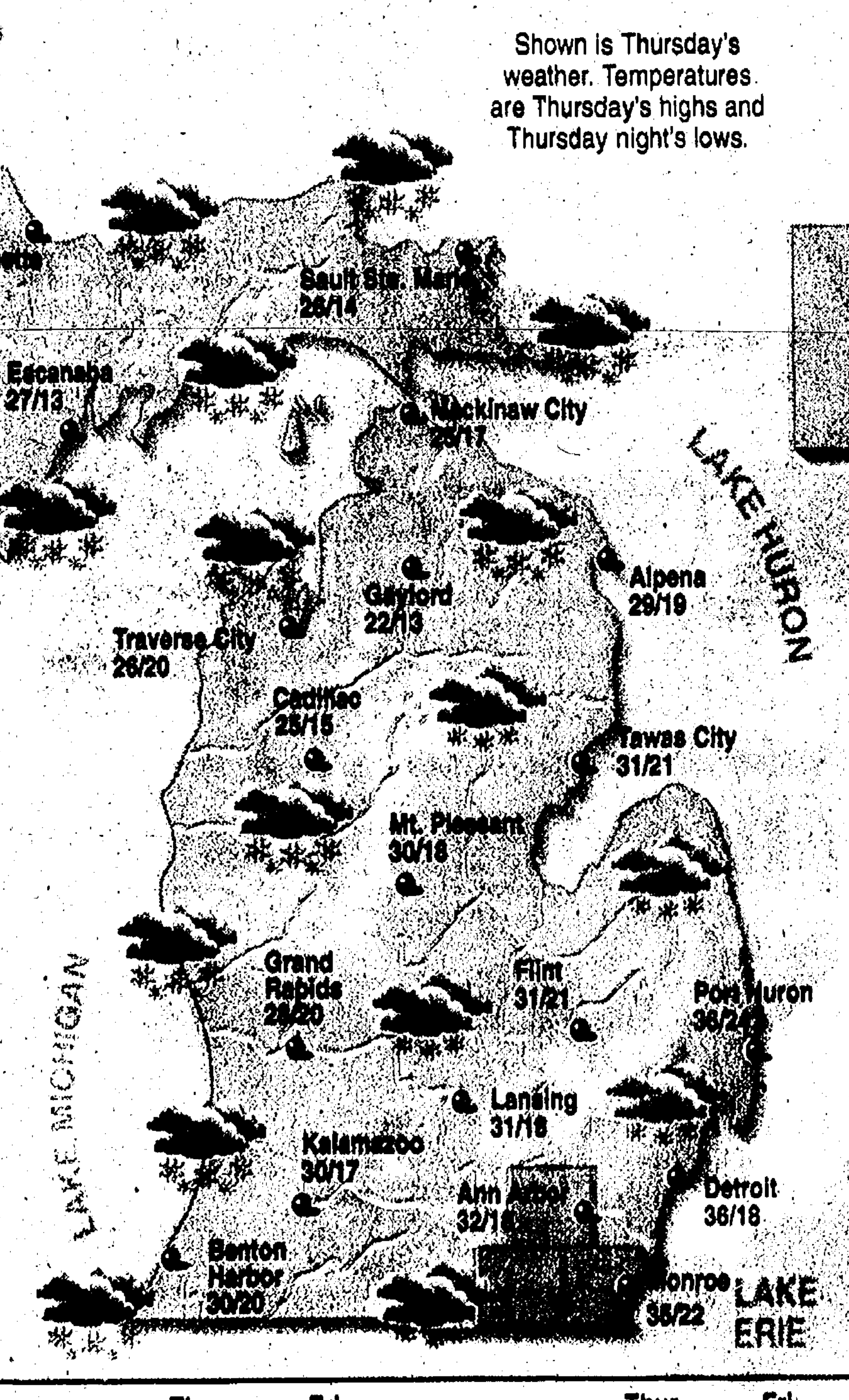
THURSDAY	THU. NIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
HIGH: 30°-34°	LOW: 16°-20°	HIGH: 26°-30°	HIGH: 28°-32°	HIGH: 32°-36°	HIGH: 34°-38°
Mostly cloudy with flurries.	Partly cloudy and cold.	Cold with clouds and sunshine.	Partly sunny and cold.	Mostly cloudy.	Cloudy with snow possible.
		LOW: 8°-12°	LOW: 14°-18°	LOW: 18°-22°	LOW: 22°-26°

MICHIGAN

Shown is Thursday's weather. Temperatures are Thursday's highs and Thursday night's lows.



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Statistics for the week ending Dec. 8.

Temperatures:

High for the week	42°
Low for the week	14°
Normal high	38°
Normal low	26°
Average temperature	29.0°
Normal average temperature	31.9°

Precipitation:

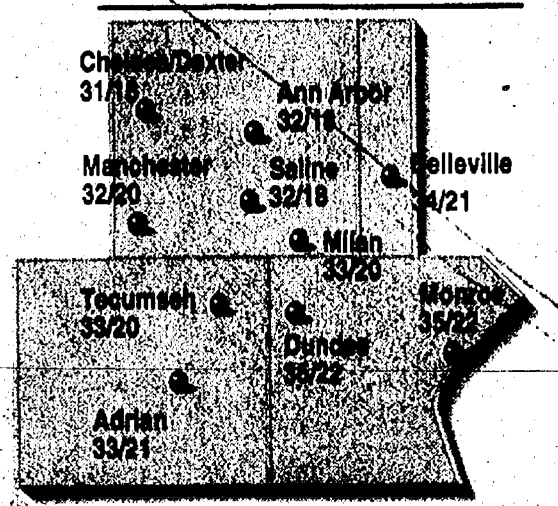
Total for the week	Trace
Total for the month	Trace
Total for the year	31.37"
Normal for the month	0.80"
% of normal this month	0%
% of normal this year	94%

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise Thursday	7:53 a.m.
Sunset Thu. night	5:03 p.m.
Moonrise Thursday	7:18 p.m.
Moonset Thursday	10:30 a.m.

Last	New	First	Full
Dec 16	Dec 23	Dec 30	Jan 7

LOCAL WEATHER



TRAVEL

Lenawee, Monroe and Washtenaw Counties
A cold front will bring windy and cold weather to the region Thursday along with flurries. Winds will be northwest at 15-25 mph.

REAL FEEL TEMP™

The exclusive AccuWeather RealFeel Temperature measures how the air feels, taking into account all weather factors including temperature, humidity, wind, precipitation and sunshine. Shown is the highest realfeel temperature for each day.

Highest Thursday	20°
Highest Friday	22°
Highest Saturday	26°
Highest Sunday	30°

SOLUNAR TABLE

Four-day forecast indicates peak feeding times for fish and game.

	Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Thu.	1:01 a.m.	7:14 a.m.	1:27 p.m.	7:39 p.m.
Fri.	1:57 a.m.	8:10 a.m.	2:22 p.m.	8:35 p.m.
Sat.	2:53 a.m.	9:06 a.m.	3:17 p.m.	9:30 p.m.
Sun.	3:47 a.m.	9:59 a.m.	4:11 p.m.	10:23 p.m.

UV INDEX

Highest Thursday .... 1 .... Minimal

The ultraviolet index is a guide to exposure to the sun. The higher the UV index number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

MICHIGAN CITIES

City	Thur. Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Ann Arbor	32/18/c	28/10/pc
Battle Creek	30/17/sf	28/16/pc
Bay City	31/21/c	31/18/pc
Coldwater	32/19/pc	29/19/pc
Dearborn	36/22/c	31/21/pc
Detroit	36/18/c	30/20/pc
Grand Rapids	28/20/sf	28/20/pc
Holland	29/20/sf	28/18/pc
Jackson	32/20/c	30/18/pc
Kalamazoo	30/17/sf	30/17/pc
Lansing	31/18/c	30/16/pc
Livonia	35/23/c	32/21/pc
Midland	31/20/c	31/18/pc
Monroe	35/22/c	31/20/pc
Muskegon	27/21/sf	29/19/pc
Pontiac	32/21/c	30/17/pc
Port Huron	36/24/c	33/18/pc
Saginaw	32/21/c	31/18/pc
Saline	32/18/c	28/10/pc
Sault Ste. Marie	26/14/sf	21/9/c
Sturgis	29/18/pc	30/18/pc
Toronto	41/23/sf	31/18/pc
Traverse City	26/20/sf	27/17/pc
Warren	39/22/c	32/22/pc

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, r-rain, t-thunderstorms, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice

WORLD CITIES

City	Thur. Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Acapulco	89/72/s	88/73/s
Algiers	56/37/pc	60/45/pc
Amsterdam	45/37/c	48/43/pc
Athens	59/52/r	64/50/c
Auckland	74/62/c	76/61/pc
Bangkok	83/65/r	84/66/c
Barbados	87/71/pc	86/69/pc
Beijing	36/21/s	39/23/s
Beirut	73/54/s	76/56/s
Belgrade	48/37/c	50/46/r
Berlin	43/34/c	45/32/pc
Bogota	71/53/r	70/52/c
Buenos Aires	80/53/s	81/56/s
Cairo	79/57/s	82/62/pc
Calgary	15/-5/pc	18/3/pc
Cape Town	66/47/c	68/53/pc
Copenhagen	44/35/c	51/34/pc
Dublin	49/37/pc	53/42/c
Frankfurt	42/33/pc	51/38/s
Geneva	42/32/c	47/37/s
Hong Kong	69/58/s	65/55/s
Istanbul	56/47/pc	62/50/c
Jakarta	85/73/t	86/76/t
Jerusalem	66/48/s	67/51/s
Johannesburg	84/60/pc	91/65/pc
Karachi	86/56/s	83/55/s

City	Thur. Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Kiev	34/30/pc	39/32/c
Lima	78/62/c	77/61/c
Lisbon	57/47/c	57/51/pc
London	48/39/c	52/48/c
Madrid	51/41/pc	57/44/pc
Manila	87/71/pc	84/68/c
Mexico City	68/45/pc	[illegible]
Montreal	43/30/r	31/17/pc
Moscow	32/26/c	30/19/[illegible]
Nairobi	72/51/r	79/54/c
New Delhi	79/47/s	[illegible]
Panama	87/75/c	88/75/c
Paris	49/39/r	[illegible]
Rio de Janeiro	81/70/t	85/74/c
Rome	57/46/r	59/45/pc
San Juan	86/74/pc	86/74/pc
Santiago	77/50/s	[illegible]
Seoul	34/20/pc	39/21/pc
Singapore	86/72/t	[illegible]
Stockholm	40/27/sn	37/23/pc
Sydney	66/60/s	[illegible]
Tehran	35/17/sn	32/21/pc
Tokyo	[illegible]	[illegible]
Vancouver	44/38/c	44/37/r
Vienna	42/34/c	[illegible]
Warsaw	41/33/c	41/31/pc

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Thur. Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Akron	36/23/c	30/20/pc
Albany	48/37/r	39/21/pc
Albuquerque	54/28/s	47/28/c
Anchorage	32/25/c	30/23/c
Atlanta	50/32/s	54/36/s
Atlantic City	56/36/pc	48/32/s
Austin	62/40/s	63/45/pc
Baltimore	54/34/pc	46/28/s
Baton Rouge	56/33/s	61/45/pc
Billings	18/10/c	23/15/pc
Birmingham	51/29/s	55/34/s
Bismarck	3/-5/c	10/0/pc
Bloomington	34/16/pc	34/19/pc
Boise	40/28/c	38/30/pc
Boston	48/39/r	46/28/pc
Brownsville	74/52/s	74/59/pc
Buffalo	40/28/sn	32/22/sf
Burlington, IA	22/14/pc	25/16/c
Burlington, VT	47/34/r	37/19/pc
Casper	30/13/c	32/15/c
Cedar Rapids	17/9/c	19/12/c
Charleston, SC	58/34/s	58/34/s
Charleston, WV	42/28/pc	40/25/pc
Charlotte	52/30/pc	52/30/s
Cheyenne	32/17/pc	34/16/c
Chicago	30/12/pc	26/12/pc
Cincinnati	38/23/pc	35/21/pc
Cleveland	36/29/c	32/23/pc
Columbia, MO	30/18/s	32/22/c
Columbus, OH	37/26/pc	34/24/pc
Dallas	59/37/s	57/44/pc
Davenport	20/11/pc	22/11/c
Denver	43/24/pc	39/21/c
Des Moines	17/10/pc	19/13/c
Duluth	9/-3/pc	12/3/pc
El Paso	62/34/s	58/34/pc
Fairbanks	13/0/pc	10/-4/c
Fargo	3/-6/pc	8/0/pc
Flagstaff	44/22/s	38/20/c
Fort Wayne	32/18/pc	28/14/pc
Gary	27/15/pc	27/16/pc
Green Bay	23/10/pc	22/10/pc
Helena	21/6/c	26/13/pc
Honolulu	84/72/pc	82/73/s
Houston	62/46/s	68/52/pc
Indianapolis	34/20/pc	34/21/pc
Juneau	36/30/i	38/32/i
Kansas City	26/17/pc	31/21/c

City	Thur. Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Knoxville	44/29/pc	48/27/s
Las Vegas	56/40/c	54/38/pc
Lexington, KY	39/25/pc	39/27/pc
Lincoln	19/11/pc	23/13/c
Little Rock	48/26/s	52/32/s
Los Angeles	63/48/r	65/46/pc
Louisville	40/26/pc	39/27/pc
Madison	23/11/pc	19/12/pc
Memphis	45/30/s	51/34/s
Miami	73/57/pc	74/61/pc
Milwaukee	23/16/pc	26/16/pc
Minneapolis	14/2/pc	12/6/pc
Mobile	57/35/s	61/40/s
Nashville	42/26/s	46/28/s
New Orleans	55/37/s	60/49/pc
New York	52/40/pc	47/33/s
Norfolk	57/39/pc	52/35/s
Oklahoma City	49/30/pc	52/34/c
Omaha	18/12/pc	18/12/c
Orlando	65/47/s	72/52/pc
Palm Springs	66/46/c	66/44/pc
Peoria	30/13/pc	27/17/s
Philadelphia	54/38/pc	46/28/s
Phoenix	66/46/s	62/44/c
Pittsburgh	40/24/sn	34/22/pc
Portland, ME	45/38/r	42/23/pc
Portland, OR	46/38/r	45/40/r
Providence	46/39/r	48/28/pc
Raleigh	52/28/pc	52/30/s
Rapid City	16/6/c	18/7/c
Reno	45/25/c	45/28/pc
Richmond	56/34/pc	51/29/s
Sacramento	[illegible]	[illegible]
St. Louis	34/20/s	36/24/c
Salt Lake City	[illegible]	[illegible]
San Antonio	66/42/s	67/47/pc
San Diego	62/52/r	[illegible]
San Francisco	56/46/c	55/48/pc
Santa Fe	50/23/s	43/22/c
Seattle	46/36/c	46/40/r
South Bend	29/19/sf	29/18/pc
Springfield, IL	30/15/pc	32/20/s
Tampa	[illegible]	72/52/[illegible]
Toledo	35/22/c	32/21/pc
Topeka	28/17/[illegible]	33/22/[illegible]
Tucson	68/39/s	63/37/pc
Washington, DC	54/38/pc	48/32/s
Wichita	35/22/s	39/26/c

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COMMUNITY

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Master CRAFTSMAN

Local man spends five decades creating tile work

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

Ray Egeler has spent much of his life on his knees laying tile.

The 81-year-old Lima Township resident has spent five decades working with tile from Italy, Japan, China, Germany and Mexico, among other countries.

In his younger days, he was famous as a master of tile, getting work across Washtenaw County. Examples of his work may be found at the former Lane Animal Clinic, the home of local families such as the Heydlauffs and Daniels, and was part of the fabric of the old Staffan-Mitchell funeral building before it was torn down.

His skill is also on display in his own home, with its tile floor, ceramic kitchen counter and ceramic tiled shower. He has also done tile work on Mackinac Island at the Mission Point Resort and a home near the Grand Hotel.

Egeler has even traveled to Hawaii to put tile in his daughters' homes. The trip was problematic, and he found it difficult to work with tile.

"It's something else to work without cement," he says. "There was no sand. I had to use crushed lava rock. The ocean sand wouldn't work because it had too much salt."

Egeler, who was born and raised in Scio Township, attended the old schoolhouse at Dexter-Ann Arbor and Platt roads until eighth grade. In 1943, he started work on a farm that used to be the "Doc Davis" home and is now Bella Gardens on Baker Road.

While building a farmhouse out of fieldstone, a tiler noticed his hard work and took him under his wing. Egeler took the challenge of the work and learned the [illegible] old art.

He spent seven years working with his mentor to [illegible] card, and then opened his own tile business. Egeler taught his son, Tim, who lives in Dexter, to carry on the trade. Tim has his own business in Dexter, Tim Egeler Tile.

Egeler lost much of his stock of tiles in a barn fire in 1979. He managed to salvage some tile dating back to the '20s and '30s, and used the brown tortoiseshell color in his bathroom shower.

"Tile has changed over the years, from one kind to another," he says. "You can't find good tile anymore.

"The quality of work isn't there any more. Back when I put tile on, you put it in to stay, using wire screening and cement to reinforce it."

Egeler spent more than half a century in the trade until lung cancer led to the removal of one of his lungs and he could no longer do the work. The dust from the tile, and tearing out old plaster, nearly cost him his life, he says.

"I'm tired and wore out," he says, "I should have been gone a long time ago."

But he still walks four miles a day to keep healthy, and to keep his Jack Russell terrier happy.

Egeler and his wife, Dorthy, who attend St. Thomas Lutheran Church, enjoy activities at both the Dexter and Chelsea senior centers, and spending time with their nine grandchildren who live in Dexter, Hawaii and Grass Lake.

Egeler also enjoys working in his garden, hunting and fishing.

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Lima Township resident Ray Egeler, 81, spent five decades on his knees laying tile. Egeler was a master tile setter in Washtenaw County and his work can be found throughout the area.

Photos by Rita Fischer

Ingall fulfills lifelong dream of teaching

By Rita Fischer
Special Writer

When Beth Ingall steps into the classroom at Chelsea Community Education Preschool, she's fulfilling a lifetime dream.

"I have wanted to teach for as long as I can remember," she says.

"My biggest inspiration was my fifth-grade teacher. She made learning fun and interesting every day."

Education runs in the family. Ingall, who is married to Beach Middle School Principal Andy Ingall, also followed her older brother, aunt and uncle into teaching. Her father-in-law was an administrator at Jackson Community College.

Ingall earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Western Michigan University and is currently pursuing a master's degree in elementary education at WMU.

After doing some substitute teaching for a few years in Lansing, Grand Ledge and Waverly, she stayed home for eight years to raise her children — Abby, Joey and Ben — and was very involved with their preschool education, enjoying the opportunity to watch them grow and learn.

Ingall decided to return to teaching this year, landing a job at Chelsea Community Education Preschool this past fall.

"I'm so excited about doing my best to help make children's first school experience a positive one," she says.

"The kids are always so excited about all the things that we're doing. There is never a dull moment, and they keep me hopping.

"To hear them say, 'Mrs. Ingall, I did it,' with such pride and excitement, makes me smile every day."

Ingall says that one of the most important roles of preschool is for children to learn socialization skills.

"The best thing about the preschool experience, in my opinion, is setting the foundation for success all the way through school and life," she says.

"We engage them in learning through play."

Ingall's three children want to continue the family trend, she says.

"They seem to really like coming to our workplaces when they need to," she says. "Right now, both the boys want to be school principals."

At the end of her workday, Ingall picks up her children from school for some family time together, and they play a game or have a snack.

"It's just a nice time to shift my role from teacher to mom — to have that quiet time with them," she says.

TEACHER FEATURE

When she's not teaching, Ingall enjoys spending time with her family, vacationing up north, swimming, gardening, reading and exercising. The family also enjoys camping, sailing, playing board games, and going to Bulldog sporting events.

Ingall, a native of Grosse Pointe and a devoted Detroit Tigers fan, moved to Sylvan Township from the Lansing area in 2002 after her husband took the assistant principal's post at Beach in 2000.

"I love living in Chelsea," Ingall says. "My family has made wonderful friends and I have such great preschool families.

"I feel very fortunate."

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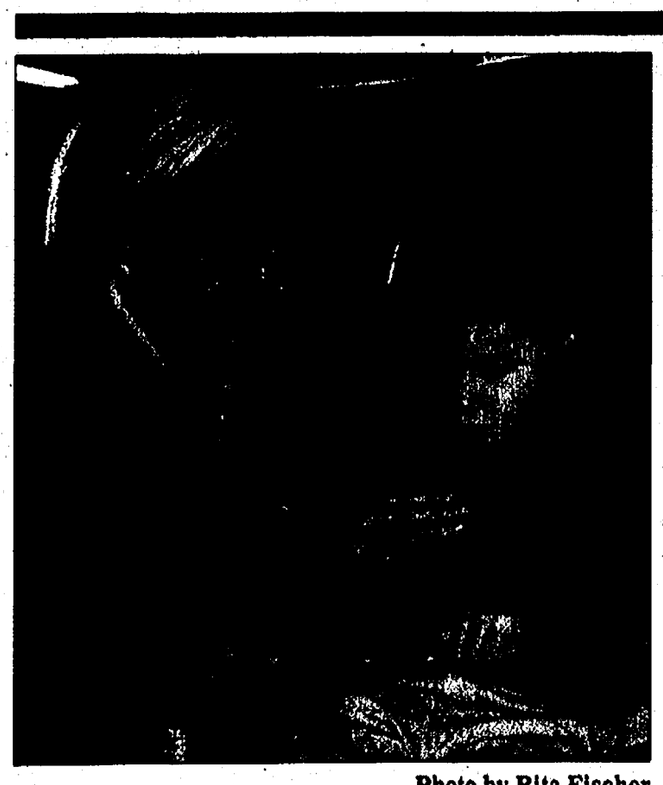

Photo by Rita Fischer

Beth Ingall, a teacher at Chelsea Community Education Preschool, uses a toy stethoscope to pretend to listen to pupil Joseph McFate's heartbeat. Ingall, who is married to Beach Middle School Principal Andy Ingall, started working at the preschool this fall.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CHELSEA

Saturday, Dec. 13

Pierce's Pastries Plus will present Morning Mochas and Melodies 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at 103 W. Middle St. in Chelsea. This week's entertainment is Counterpoint.

The Chelsea Area Youth Musicians will play holiday and classical music 11 a.m. at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

"Live Nativity" will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. at North Lake United Methodist Church, 14111 North Territorial Road, just east of Riker Road, in Chelsea. Everyone is welcome.

Sunday, Dec. 14

Community Candlelight Service will be held 5 p.m. at the Washington Street Education Center's board room, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-1444.

Candle Lighting Ceremony in memory of a loved one will be held 7 p.m. at Timber Town Park on Sibley Road, a half-mile off M-52, north of the village. For information, call 475-2704.

Wednesday, Dec. 17 and Thursday, Dec. 18

Holiday Story Time "Twas the Week Before Christmas" will be presented from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. It's planned especially for children ages 2 to 5. Registration is required. Call 475-8732.

Thursday, Dec. 18

Senior Book Discussion to be held 1:30 p.m. at the Chelsea Senior Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

CHELSEA 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.

Bingo is held 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at Chelsea American Legion and VFW, 1700 Ridge Road, in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-7212.

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

U.S. Congressman Nick Smith, R-7th District, offers office hours from 4 to 5 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Chelsea Village Planning and Zoning Office in Chelsea State Bank, 305 S. Main St. For information, call 1-517-783-4486 or e-mail rep.smith@mail.house.gov.

Friends of Chelsea District Library meets 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St. Call 475-2424 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.

Bingo is held 6:30 p.m. every Friday night at Chelsea Rod and Gun Club, 7103 Lingane Road, in Chelsea. Proceeds will benefit the building fund. For more information, call 475-7910.

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 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. the second Saturday of each month at Cleary's Pub, 113 S. Main St., in Chelsea. For more information, call 475-3874.

German Social Club meets 1 p.m. the last Saturday of the month at Wolverine restaurant, 20460 Old US-12, in Chelsea. For information, call Edith Weber 475-1583.

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 7:30 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 433-1452 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 6 to 7 p.m. at the Covenant Church, 50 N. Freer Road, in Chelsea. For more information, call 995-1835.

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.

Grandparents as Parents Program is held 12:30 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St., in Chelsea. For more information, call Virginia Boyce at 712-3625.

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 4076, 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

Thursday, Dec. 11

Winter Orchestra Concert by pupils in sixth through eighth grades will be held 7 p.m. at Dexter High School's Center of Performing Arts, 2200 N. Parker Road, in Dexter. The event is open to the public.

Saturday, Dec. 13

Dexter Victorian Christmas will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Monument Park on Main Street in Dexter. Call 426-0887 for information.

"Coyotes, Fox, and Wolves" slide presentation will be held 2 p.m. at Hudson Mills Metropark, 8801 North Territorial Road, in Dexter Township. There is a fee of $2 per person. Call 426-8211 to pre-register.

Fred Schmid Memorial Holiday Light Parade will be held 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to participate with a lighted vehicle or float. Participants should meet 5 p.m. at the Wylie Elementary School parking lot, 3060 Kensington St. For information, call the chamber at 426-0887

Tuesday, Dec. 16

Dexter High School Orchestra Winter Concert will be held 7:30 p.m. at Dexter High School's Center of Performing Arts, 2200 N. Parker Road, in Dexter. The event is open to the public.

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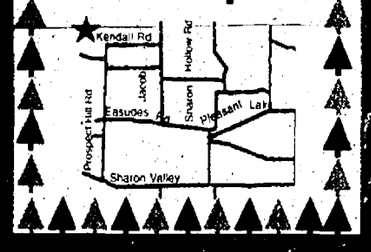

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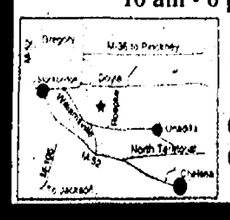

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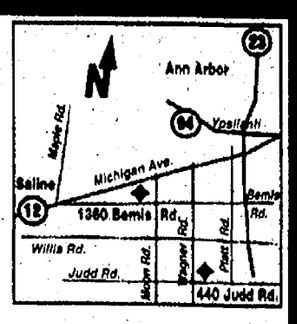

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WEDDINGS

Appleton, Walters tie knot

Sara Walters and Timothy Appleton, both of Phoenix, were married March 29 at Tempe Mission Palms Hotel in Tempe, Ariz.

The bride is the daughter of Susan and Charles Walters of Chelsea. The groom is the son of Nicholas and Mary Ann Appleton of Tempe, Ariz.

The maid of honor was the bride's friend, Andi Bischoff of Denver.

The bridesmaids were the bride's friends, Raychel Cook of Scottsdale, Ariz., and Katie Spink of Chelsea.

The groom's friend, Brian Martin from Tempe, Ariz., was the best man.

The groomsman was the groom's friend, Merrick Hermann of Tempe, Ariz.

The ushers were the bride's brothers, Mark Walters of Tempe, Ariz., and Jeff Walters of Austin, Texas.

A reception was held at Tempe Mission Palms Hotel in Tempe, Ariz. The couple honeymooned in Costa Rica.

They reside in Phoenix.

The bride is a 1996 graduate of Chelsea High School, and a 2000 graduate of Arizona State University with bachelor's degree in finance and international business. She is employed as a senior financial analyst for Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide Inc. in Phoenix.

The groom is a 1996 graduate of McClintock High School in Tempe, Ariz., and a 2001 graduate of Arizona State University. He has a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering and is employed as an engineer with Intel Corporation in Chandler, Ariz.

Wilke, Kelly marry in Greenville

Jamie Kelly of Hortonville, Wis., and Jeffrey Wilke of Dexter were married July 5 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Greenville, Wis. The Rev. John Zickert officiated.

The bride is the daughter of James and Karen Kelly of Hortonville, Wis. The groom is the son of Barry and Karen O'Connor of Dexter, and the late David Wilke.

The maid of honor was Melissa Meyer of Hortonville, Wis.

The bridesmaids were the bride's friends, Anja Doombos of the Netherlands and Tina Chitwood of Hortonville, Wis.; the groom's sister, Kimberly Wilke; and the bride's sisters, Wendy Kelly, Stacy Beduhn and Lori Baumgart, all of Hortonville, Wis.

Special attendants included the bride's friends, Angie Provost, Leah Zimmer and Nicole Rynerson, and the bride's cousins, Nicole McCarthy.

Steven Smith of Dexter was

the best man.

The groomsmen were Mike Bowman, Jason Manders and Jason Adelberg, all friends of the groom from Michigan Technological University, and the groom's cousins, Dan, David and Mike Budd.

The ushers were the groom's friends, Timm Keppler, Chris Marr, Rich Nesbitt and Brian Smith, all of Dexter.

The rehearsal dinner was held at the Kellys' residence in Dexter July 4 and included fireworks.

A reception was held at the Paper Valley Hotel in Appleton, Wis. The couple honeymooned in Cancun, Mexico. They reside in Palmer Lake, Colo.

The bride is a 1996 graduate of Hortonville High School and a 2000 graduate of Michigan Technological University. She works as a graphic designer and marketing assistant for Intelletech Colleges in Colorado Springs.

The groom is a 1996 Dexter High School graduate and a 2000 graduate of Michigan Technological University. He is employed as a mechanical engineer at Mikron Manufacturing in Colorado Springs.

Minnick, Collins say 'I do'

Jennifer Minnick of Chelsea and Jason Collins of Marquette were married Aug. 16 at the First United Church in Chelsea. The Rev. Richard Dake officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Lori and Pat Minnick of Chelsea. The groom is the son of Caroline and Roger Cole of Marquette, and Cathy and John Collins of Marquette.

The maid of honor was the bride's sister, Katie Minnick of Chelsea. The bridesmaid was the bride's sister, Meghan Minnick of Chelsea.

Brianna Cole of Marquette, the groom's half-sister, was the flower girl.

Chris LaVigne of Owosso was the best man. The groomsman was Brian Pelton of Marquette.

The ushers were the bride's cousins, Benjamin and Joseph Myers of Chelsea.

A reception was held at the Minnick's house in Chelsea. The couple resides in Grass Lake.

The bride is a 2001 graduate of Chelsea High School. She has a degree from Baker College in Owosso and is employed as a receptionist at Gemini Salon in Chelsea.

The groom, a 2000 graduate of Alcona High School, attended Baker College in Owosso. He is an assistant service manager and shop supervisor at Ann Arbor Automotive.

CALENDAR

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DEXTER MISCELLANEOUS

Thursday

Dexter AA group meets 7:30 p.m. every Thursday at St. Joseph's Perish Hall in the education building, 3470 Dover St., in Dexter.

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 426-8549 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 7:30 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 AA Group meets at 8 p.m. every Tuesday at St. Joseph's Perish Hall (Education Building), 3470 Dover St., in Dexter.

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 Tuesday of every month at Dexter United Methodist Church, 7643 W. Huron River Drive, in Dexter.

Wednesday

Dexter Touchdown Club meets 7 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month in the media center at Dexter High School, 2200 N. Parker Road.

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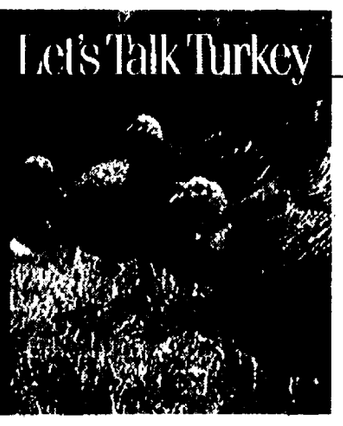

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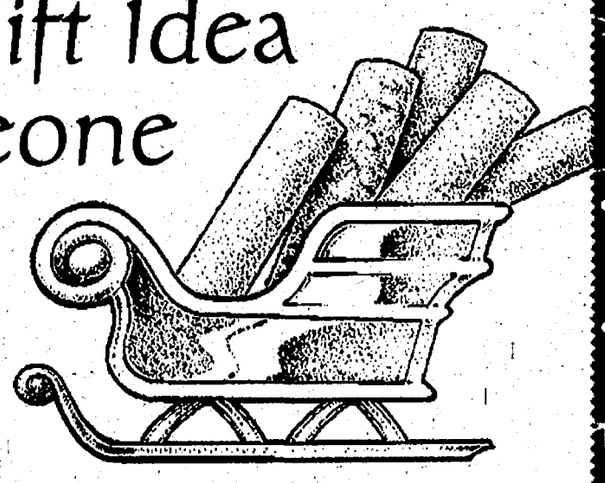

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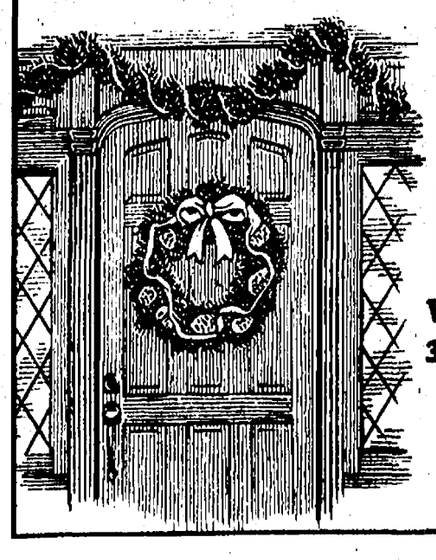

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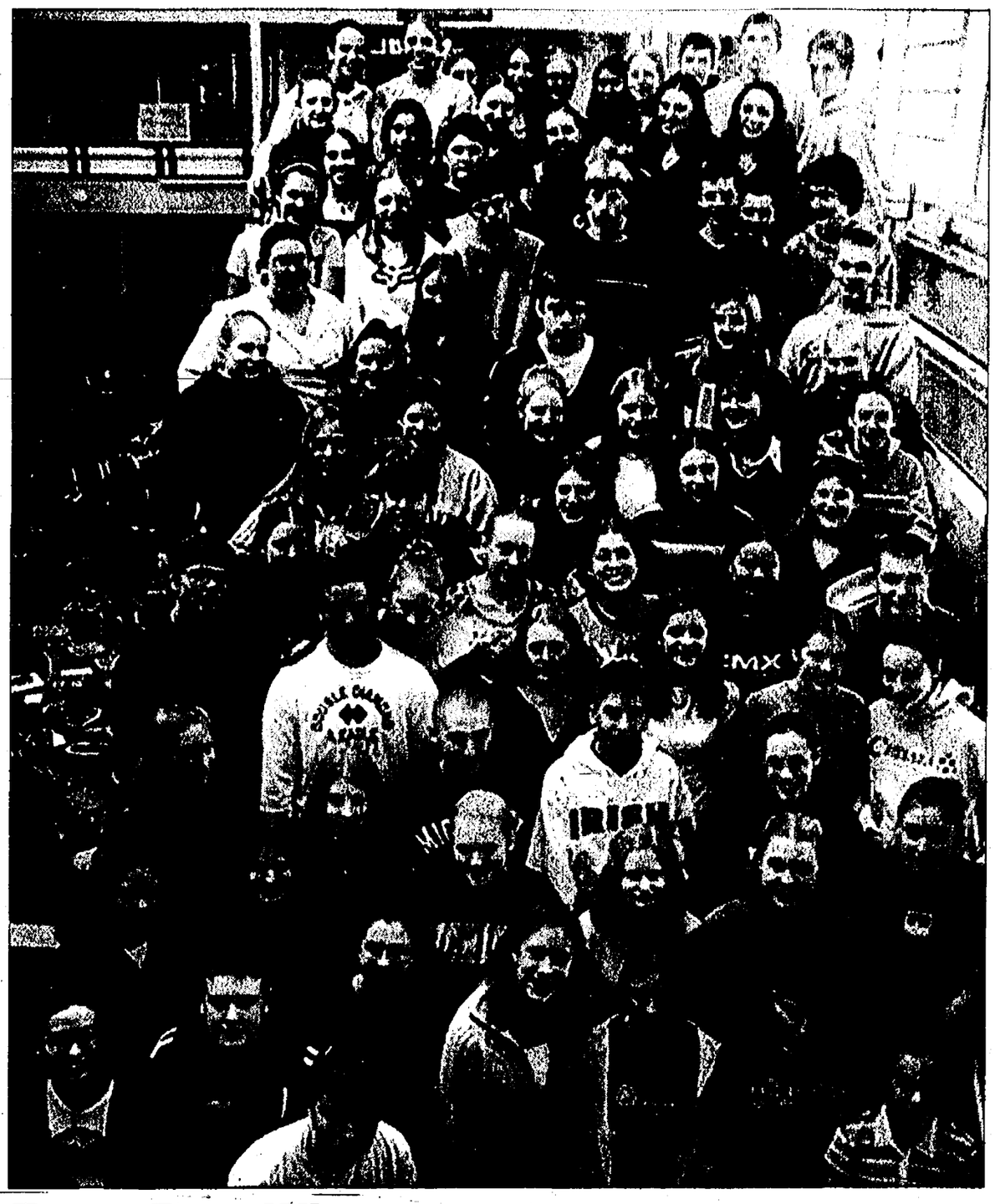

Brass Pass Winners

Chelsea High School Brass Pass winners are Anneliese Abney, Alex Adrian, Jason Allen, Ryan Allen, Amanda Arntson, Emma Bumstead, Blake Burnette, Kali Burnette, Alice Butcher, Maureen Callery, Nat Christman, Jenna Connelly, Kristen Coulter, Blythe Crane, Erin Critchfield, Greg Daniel, Brittany Denison, Nick Downey, Eric Dudek, Mike Ernst, Kathy Everett, Athena Eyster, Lauren Fouty, Megan Frame, Allison Frayer, Kim Gasieski, Christina Gaul, Dan Gauthier, Alice Gauvin, Zach Green, Liz Gunden, Kate Guzik, Emily Hardcastle, Erin Hoeflinger, Alisha Jacobs, Natalie Johnson, Christine Kelley, Kara Kimmen, Lindsey Kindt, Melissa Koch, Brett Kruse, Katherine Lixey, Jessica Lodewyk, Amy Lowman, Erik Massey, Emily Meloche, Sarah Nassiri, Jenny Pane, Lindsay Parker, Sarah Patrias, Matt Perry, Chelsea Raupp, Daniel Rhodes, Adam Rogacki, Elisabeth Rohrkemper, Jenica Rutherford, Christina Scharrer, Sarah Schauder, Alex Schwiebert, Andy Sereno, Kate Shrosbree, Cheryl Spencer, Liz Spencer, Doug Sproull, Danielle Steiger, Tracy Steinbach, Alex Stewart, Casey Sullens, Courtney Sullens, Stephen Tapping, Nathan Taylor, Tiffany Taylor, Trisha Terns, Anne Thiel, Kate Trinkle, Margaret Valle, Jeremiah Walton, Luke Waterbury, Meg Wheeler, Amanda White, Chrissy Widmayer, Lauren Williams, Tristam Wolf, Emily Wrathall and Dana York.

CHELSEA REMINISCING

100 Years Ago . . .
December 1903

The entertainment of the Church of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart at the Opera House was well attended. There was a program of instrumental and vocal music, and professor Allison Knee's dancing dolls. Fruits, nuts and candies were distributed by Santa Claus.

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On Christmas day, the post office will be open from 7 to 9 a.m. and 6 to 7 p.m. The rural carriers will make their trips as usual.

75 Years Ago . . .
December 1928

Chelsea enjoyed a merry Christmas. Many homes in Chelsea were beautifully decorated with illuminated Christmas trees that presented a very attractive and cheerful appearance. A midnight Mass was celebrated in St. Mary Catholic Church that was attended by a large congregation. Chelsea merchants enjoyed large holiday trade and, in many cases, their stocks have been nearly all purchased.

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The moving picture "King of Kings" attracts large crowds at the Princess Theatre. This is one of the best productions the management has ever given its patrons.

50 Years Ago . . .
December 1953

More than 200 people attended the open house Christmas party held at Colonial Manor hospital Friday evening. Girl Scouts, as well as St. Paul's choir, presented several Christmas songs. Guests toured the hospital's recently expanded facilities and visited patients.

25 Years Ago . . .
December 1978

Thirty-three students were inducted into National Honor Society this month. This year, faculty members based their selections on scholarship, leadership, character and service, instead of just the traditional scholarship.

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Rallying around the battle cry "when not in use, cut the juice," Chelsea School District students and faculty are doing their best to reduce energy waste. Insulated panels have been installed and old thermostats replaced. So far, efforts have proved successful in reducing number of kilowatt hours used relative to last school year.

10 Years Ago . . .
December 1993

Sixty-five Brass Pass recipients were announced at Chelsea High School. The Brass Pass, which entitles students to substantial discounts at area businesses, is awarded each quarter of the year to show exceptional character and attitude toward school.

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A new test track is to be installed at Chrysler Proving Grounds. It will have a cobblestone surface on which prototype vehicles will be driven 2,000 miles, which will simulate 100,000 miles of authentic driving in terms of wear on the vehicle.

—Compiled by Chelsea District Library volunteer Nathan Taylor.

Senior book group to meet Dec. 18

The Senior Book Discussion group will meet 1:30 p.m. Dec. 18 at the Chelsea Senior Center, located in the Faith In Action building at 775 S. Main St. on the grounds of Chelsea Community Hospital.

The drop-in group discusses some of the most interesting fictional characters of all time, as well as some best-selling fiction.

This month's books will be "The Talented Mr. Ripley" by author Patricia Highsmith and Dan Brown's "The Da Vinci Code."

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PEOPLE

Thursday, December 11, 2003

The cast of the Madrigal Dinner takes a breather during rehearsals. Pictured in back are Shana Weddington (left), Anthony Sensoli, Luke Walters, Mia Lancioni, Josh Koch, Nathan Taylor, Jayna Katz, Chris Watt, John Maynard and Lucas Daniels. In front are Meghan Minnick (left), Tabithah Burby, Emily Drinkwater, Ben Garrison, Kathrin Rosenberger, Jennie Palluzzi and Sharon Dault.

Madrigal Merriment

Pierce Lake Elementary School will be transformed into Merrie Olde Englande tomorrow and Saturday for the 12th annual Madrigal Dinner presented by the Chelsea High School choirs.

The cast, directed by Steve Hinz, has been rehearsing hard for the event, which will feature Renaissance fun, frolic and frivolity, as well as traditional fine food.

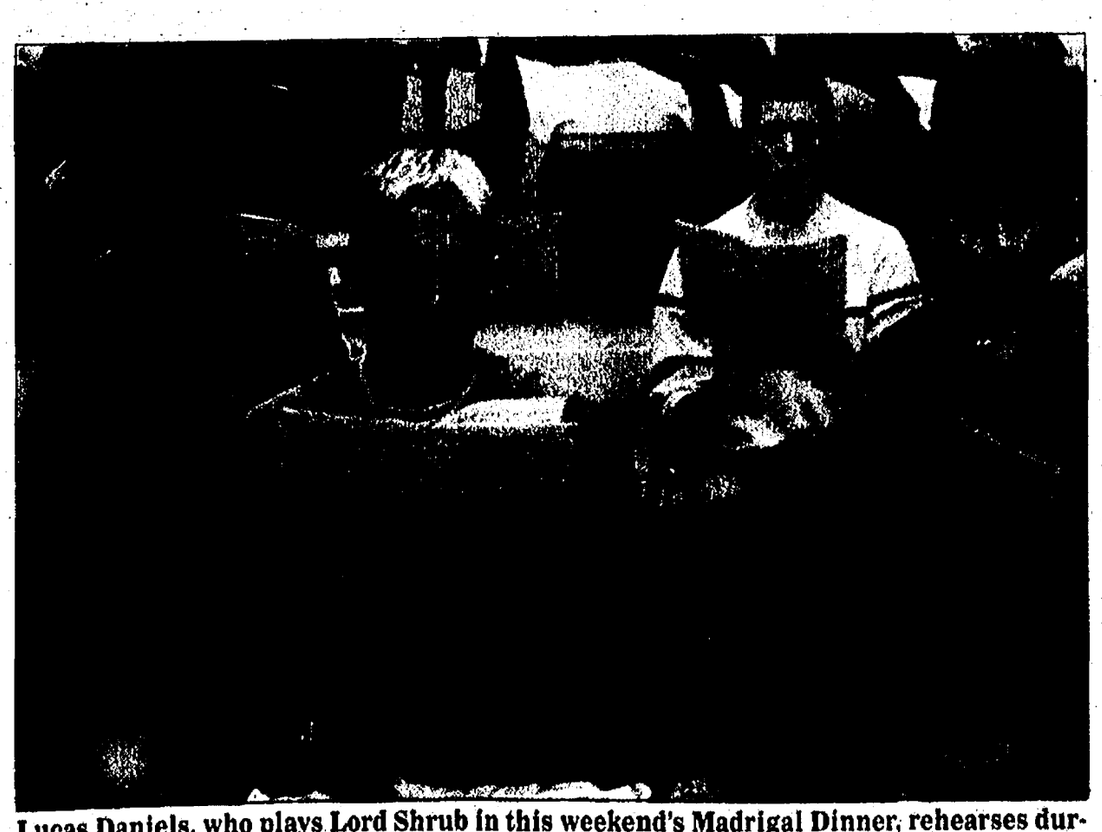
The event is a much-treasured tradition in Chelsea and a splendid start to the holiday season.

For information or reservations, call 475-4524 or visit the Web site www.chelsea.k12.mi.us and click on special events.

Emily Meloche and Meghan Grau rehearse during choir practice.

Mia Lancioni gestures dramatically as she rehearses her role as Mertonsire, Lady of Misrule.

Photos courtesy of Jennie Palluzzi



Lucas Daniels, who plays Lord Shrub in this weekend's Madrigal Dinner, rehearses during choir practice. He is flanked by Chris Watt, Leon Walters and Ben Garrison.

Kathy Everett looks on as Ben Garrison rehearses his role as the court jester.

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Dexter's Victorian Christmas

Saturday, December 13th, 2003

11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Downtown Dexter & Monument Park

Holiday Light Parade Saturday, Dec. 13, 5:30 p.m.

Sponsored by the Dexter Area Chamber of Commerce.

December 13th marks the second week of Victorian Christmas in downtown Dexter. Saturday's events include a chance to talk to Santa with a picture, compliments of Huron Camera, carriage rides, a petting zoo attired for the holidays, pony rides, hot chocolate and cookies and a mini performance of the upcoming Dexter Community Players production of "Santa's Elves on Strike."

At 5:30 pm Dexter will hold its own Light Parade. Anyone is welcome to join the parade with a decorated vehicle. Meet at the Wylie Elementary School parking lot at 5:00 pm. The parade will come down Main Street past the park.

Have you entered the Gift Wagon drawing sponsored by the Merchants. Entry cards can be found at many of the local merchants and when completed can be brought to the park on Saturday. The drawing will be held at 4 pm.

Don't forget to get your Dexter Collectible Ornament. This is the 6th such ornament and it features The Heritage Inn. Cost is $10 and available at many of the merchants or at the Chamber Office. There are also a few of the previous year's ornaments available if you wish to start your collection now.

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Thursday, December 11, 2003

MICHELLE MITCHELL

REC BEAT

Chelsea Rec dedicated to safety

Chelsea Recreation is dedicated to providing a safe environment for all participants and, thanks to a grant provided by the Chelsea Community Foundation, it will be offering free American Red Cross CPR and first-aid training to all coaches.

During the holiday break, several sessions are being offered. Two training sessions will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Dec. 29, Dec. 30 and Jan. 2. Coaches only need to attend one session. All coaches, head and assistant, are welcomed to attend.

If you plan on coaching in the future, you're encouraged to attend a session. More sessions will be offered in January and February.

Sign Up

Remember, signing your child up for a recreation program is $45. Volunteering to coach your child's team is rewarding. Saving the life of a child is priceless.

Chelsea, continue to keep our community strong and healthy.

Puzzle

Here's a recreation puzzle for you. Once you have successfully completed the puzzle, either phone in your correct answer to 475-1112 or e-mail your answer to the office at mmitchell@gmail.chelsea.k12.mi.us. All correct entries will be placed in a hat on Wednesday. One name will be drawn and the winner will receive a coupon for one free recreation program.

Here is your puzzle: You have four cubes, each cube has six sides, one letter on each side of a cube, and no letter is repeated on any other cube or side. Using deductive reasoning and the word list, figure out which letters are on each cube.

Here is the word list: phat, jump, deaf, make, yost, quiz, crab, fold, mule, waxy, clot, cake, moat, ward, dune, milk, host, bend, bold, mate, most.

Good luck, and don't forget the deadline to enter the puzzle contest is noon Dec. 17.

Floor Hockey

Registration is ongoing for floor hockey, indoor soccer, volleyball, kickball, basketball, wrestling and Iddy Biddy Basketball. Register online. It's fast, easy, and secure. Go to www.chelsearec.com.

Recreation Basketball

Our recreation basketball season is quickly coming to an end. Congratulations to all coaches. This season, the children have been so excited about basketball, and have learned so much about the sport.

Thank you for your time and dedication. Many coaches rearrange their work schedule to accommodate the practices and games. The community appreciates your hard work and effort.

Coaches include Mike Gier, Darwin Smith, Cindy Livegston, Jill DeMeijer, Chris Seitz, Mick Carry, Nancy Shanley, Stu Strahan, Chris

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Grapplers open season at Haslett

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea wrestling opened its season traveling to Haslett to participate in a 15-team invitational Saturday.

The Bulldogs placed sixth overall with 107 points.

Capturing the tournament was Monroe with 258.5 points.

Rounding out the top five were Saline with 201.5 points, followed by Haslett with 158 points, Midland with 155 points and Ovid-Elsie with 124 points.

"It was a good start," said Chelsea coach Kerry Kargel. "Haslett is a perfect tournament. Most of the kids can place in this tourney."

"This is a really good group to work with. They're having a lot of fun. We have a lot of togetherness. Our goal is to win."
Kerry Kargel
Chelsea coach

Bulldog senior Joel Powers led the Bulldogs, finishing first in the 215-pound weight class.

Powers pinned Midland's Nathan Able in 1:13 and beat Saline's John Craigmile on a 6-5 decision. In the final, he won by injury default.

Also at 215, Chelsea's Austin Rodgers placed fourth. The sophomore won two matches by pin and lost to Craigmile on a pin in 2:05.

At 171, Bulldog Ben Rodgers finished third. He pinned Midland's T.J. Stoney in 2:30 for his final position.

Also at 171, A.J. Suffety placed seventh. The sophomore ended the meet with a 2-2 overall record.

Karl Wint placed fifth for Chelsea at 189 pounds. He finished with a 3-1 record, beating Haslett's T.J. Lindeman 6-2 for his final spot.

At heavyweight, Bulldog Brad Hinderer finished fifth. He ended up with a 3-1 record, beating Midland's Will Nestle for his placing.

Chelsea's Geoff Wonders finished fifth at 103, defeating Midland's John Weybourne 5-2 for his final position. Wonders was 3-1 overall for the meet.

Andy Hurst placed sixth at 160 for the Bulldogs. He was 2-2 for the day.

Also competing at 160 for Chelsea was Neil Turluck. He ended up 0-2 for the meet.

Josh Clark placed seventh at 135. He ended up with a 3-1 overall record on the day.

Also at 135, Fred Dehn finished 2-2 overall for the Bulldogs.

Matt Robinson placed seventh at 152, ending the tournament with a 3-1 mark.

Also at 152 for Chelsea was Stephen Kolokithas, who finished 2-2 overall.

Rounding out the Bulldog line-up was Aaron Chiarelli at 112 (1-2), Chris Watt at 119 (0-2), Cody Schiller at 140 (2-2) and Drew Wint at 145 (0-2).

"This is a really good group to work with," Kargel said. "They're having a lot of fun. We have a lot of togetherness. Our goal is to win."

Photo courtesy of Norm Bauer

Chelsea's Josh Clark finished seventh in the 135-pound weight class at last Saturday's Haslett Invitational. As a squad, the Bulldogs placed sixth in the 15-team tournament.

Kargel said for his team to be successful this season, his veterans would have to lead the way.

"Our older kids will have to step it up," he said. "We have a lot of work to do. We have 20 freshmen on the team."

Also Saturday, Chelsea participated in the Ann Arbor Pioneer JV Invitational.

Placing second for the Bulldogs, at the freshman/sophomore tournament was Phil Taylor at 171 and Tom Tanner at 215.

Finishing third for Chelsea was Matt Schultz at 103, Marty Kelly at 119 and Rob Guysky at 140.

Jesse Nickerson placed fourth for the Dawgs at 171.

At 135, Steve Tapping finished fifth, while teammate Derek Brown was fifth at 215 for Chelsea.

K.J. LeBeau, at 171, and Mark Bowdish, at heavyweight, both finished sixth for the Bulldogs.

Evan Helvey ended up seventh at 112 for Chelsea.

David Fishburn ended up seventh, while Bob Griffith was eighth in the 189-pound division for the Bulldogs.

"It's a good competition for the kids," Kargel said of the Pioneer Invitational.

Chelsea next travels to Adrian for a match 6:30 p.m. today. On Saturday, the Bulldogs visit Jackson to participate in the JAWS tournament.

On Dec. 18, Chelsea hosts Saline at 6:30 p.m.

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Spikers Baker, Deis spark Alma College

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea's Lindsey Baker and Caitlin Deis helped lead Alma College to the NCAA Division III volleyball tournament last month.

The local duo played a big part in the Scots' success this season.

Baker, a junior setter, was named Alma's MVP for the second year in row. She also was selected the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association MVP.

Deis was named, along with teammate Kerri Judson, as the Scots' Defensive Player of the Year.

Baker had a monster season for Alma. She broke her own school records for assists in a season with 1,361, while also setting records in assists per game with 11.44 and service aces, with 66.

She also moved into ninth place in Alma's all-time record book for digs in a season with 420. Besides her setting duties, Baker (5-foot-9) is also a threat at the net. This year, she had 166 kills and 63 blocks.

Baker, who majors in business, said she felt the key to the Scots' season was its closeness.

Chelsea's Lindsey Baker (left) and Caitlin Deis stand next to current Bulldog coach Laura Cleveland and Ann Schaffner, retired Beach Middle School coach, at the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association's volleyball finals at Alma College last month. Baker and Deis helped lead the Scots to the NCAA Division III tournament this season.

"We all worked hard every day, and we worked together as a team," she said. "Our team got along great all season. We were also successful because we had so much talent on our team. Many different individuals stepped up and filled in at key moments during the season."

Deis (5-10) was a strong player for Alma from her outside-hitter position. A transfer from Hope College, she became a starter for the Scots almost immediately.

This season she received All-Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association honorable mention accolades. She was nominated twice for league player of the week honors.

In the MIAA-title clinching match against always-tough Calvin College, Deis recorded the most kills for Alma, including the final spike that sent the Scots to the NCAA tournament.

At the tournament, Deis had the second highest kill total for Alma.

"The key to our success was defense," said Deis, a junior exercise and health science major. "It was something we performed and practiced every day.

"We all wanted to be good. We always wanted to get better and we wanted to win. All of our positive attitudes and hard work in the off season and in practice paid off."

Behind Baker and Deis, Alma finished 13-1 in the MIAA and 31-6 overall this year. For the third consecu-

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Chelsea hockey ties Jackson Lumen Christi

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Chelsea hockey tied Jackson Lumen Christi 2-2 last Saturday.

The visiting Bulldogs (4-1-1) gave up a game-tying power play goal with two minutes left. The Titans' Tommy Smith tied the contest on a power-play slap shot from the circle.

Both of Lumen Christi's goals came at the end of periods. The Titans' first score came at 14:24 of the first frame, as Ryan Lamarre turned the light on to tie the game at 1-1.

Chelsea opened the contest, scoring at 7:33 of the first stanza on a goal by Schyler Williams.

Assisting on the play for the Bulldogs was Davis Turner and David Midura.

After a scoreless second period, Chelsea took the lead as Craig Urwin scored off an assist from Luc Daniels at 7:46 of the frame.

The Bulldogs held the advantage until Smith's power-play goal with two minutes remaining.

"The goal at the end of the first period was a turnover in our own zone," Chelsea coach Don Wright said of Lumen Christi's late score. "But I thought our penalty killers did a good job. We were shorthanded five times in the game."

The Division III No. 8-ranked Titans out shot Chelsea 29-17 on the night.

Goaltender J.R. Engelbert preserved the tie in net for the Bulldogs.

"We had an opportunity to win the game," Wright said. "But we're young. We're going to keep progressing. This was a typical Lumen Christi-Chelsea game."

On Dec. 3, the Bulldogs defeated Dearborn Heights Crestwood 6-1.

Ryan Ford scored two goals to lead Chelsea.

To begin the game, Urwin turned the light on at 12:53 of the first period.

Assisting on the play for the Bulldogs was Luc Daniels and Ford.

The host Chargers answered, however, as Steven Popp scored at 9:28 of the first frame, tying the contest at 1-1.

Chelsea took the lead for good, five minutes later, as Ford scored the first of his two goals at 4:51 of the stanza.

Picking up an assist on the goal was Daniels and Urwin.

In the second period, Williams upped the Bulldogs' lead to 3-1, scoring off an assist from Turner and Midura.

With 22 seconds left in the period, Daniels hit the back of the net, giving Chelsea an insurmountable 4-1 advantage.

Recording an assist on the play for the Dawgs was Lee Woodruff and Ryan Ruikka.

In the third period, Ford scored his second goal at 11:46 of the frame.

Assisting on the play was Urwin and Ruikka.

Chelsea closed out the scoring as Midura scored at 6:10 of the period, upping the lead to 6-1.

Williams and Turner assisted on the goal for the Bulldogs.

Chelsea out shot Crestwood 41-26 for the game.

Chalking up the victory in net for the Dawgs was Engelbert.

"They (Crestwood) were improved over last year's team," Wright said. "It was a hard-fought game. We got stronger as the game went on. We

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Beach Blue loses to Lincoln

Chelsea's Beach Middle School eighth-grade Blue boys' basketball team lost to Ypsilanti Lincoln 49-26 Dec. 8.

"I was particularly pleased how we held our own against such a talented team as Lincoln," said Chelsea coach Jim Tallman.

The visiting Railsplitters are unbeaten on the year.

After losing their leading scorer for the season — Nathan Vlcek, last Thursday in the Dexter game due to an ankle injury — the Bulldogs (1-8) were forced to go with Stuart Mann as their floor leader to bring the ball up the floor and to initiate their offense.

"Stuart came through and did a very respectable job and led the team with 17 points," Tallman said. "I was impressed with how Stuart took over as floor leader for the team, and how he did a good job in getting the ball into the offense and into scoring position."

Besides Mann, Scott Naab scored three points for Beach, while teammates D.J. Conrad, Dan Case and David Case each netted two points.

Chelsea next travels to Adrian Drager for a game 4 p.m. today.

On Monday, the Bulldogs host Adrian Springbrook at 4 p.m.

On Wednesday, Beach visits Temperance Bedford for a contest at 4 p.m.

Members of the Chelsea Chiefs include, front row, Kevin Stockwell (left), goalie Matt Darr and goalie Brian Bazydlo; second row, Branden Neeb (left), Clay Hoggard, Shane Trojanowski, Shae Haymen and Kyle Nagy; third row, Matt Stirling (left), Justin Owen, Frank Shumacher, Andrew Hanna, Rocco Corrunker, Drew Harper, Nick Luongo and Jordan Jack; back row, coach Doug Trojanowski (left), coach Steve Luongo, coach Jeff Stirling and coach Frank Shumacher.

BOWLING

SENIORS FUN TIME –

12-3-03	W	L
Pals	65	33
Go Getters	60	38
Squares	60	38
Keglers	58	40
Coach/Experts	58	40
Alley Cats	57	41
Hot Shots	56	42
Hit or Miss	54	44
Wild Ones	52	46
Spare Ribs	48	50
The New Kids	47	51
Good Timers	47	51
Three Cookies	46	52
Spoilers	44	54
Sand Baggers	43	55
Two Gals and a Guy	37	61
K & C	25	73
Sugar Loafers	25	73

High Game: Phyllis Harook, 213; Gene Burnett, 209
High Series: Phyllis Harook, 553; Ron Kapolka, 590

CHELSEA SUBURBAN -

12-3-03	W	L
Creative Stitchery	62	36
3-D	54	44
Vogel's Party Store	54	44
R. G. Scrappers	53	45
Chelsea Lanes	52	46
Schulz Enterprises	50	48
Veterans Cab	48	50
A & W	44	54
Gaul Painting	39	59
Flow Ezy	34	64

High Game: Crystl Underhile, 214
High Series: Crystl Underhile, 522

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS –

12-3-03	W	L
The Grillers	282.5	187.5
Gutter Snipes	252.5	197.5
Room 321	236.5	213.5
Executives Suite	226.5	223.5
Momma's Girls	221	229
All Most	212	238
Sisters	195.5	253.5
Suite 50	159.5	290.5

High Game: Beth Salyer, 246
High Series: Beth Salyer, 644

MID MORNING MIXED –

12-6-03	W	L
The Demons	61	30
Team Victory	52	39
Meteorites	51	40
Pin Busters	49	42
Striker Girls	43	48
3's Company	41	50
Sharks	9	54
Empty Team	7	56

High Game: Rachel Abel, 143; Justin Green, 145
High Series: Kandy Cook, 370; Justin Green, 389

YOUTH MIXED LEAGUE -

12-6-03	W	L
Crazy Eight	55	36
Slackers	52	39
Lucky 7	49	42
Empty Brains	49	42
Red Wings	48	43
We Are Family	42	49
Wicket Rydz	42	49
Gutter Dusters	41	50
Double Digitz	33	37
Vacant Team	0	70

High Game: Marianne Zenz, 190; Jacob Zenz, 226
High Series: Bailey Pichan, 471; Jacob Zenz, 593

SUNDAY NITE COME ONS -

12-7-03	W	L
YoYo's	39	17
BSers	37	19
Fire & Ice	33	23
WWMS Embroidery	33	23
St. Stan's	32	24
Ha Ha's	32	24
Who Cares	30	26
B & G	30	26
Pin Busters	29	27
Pin Heads	28	28
T-Birds	26	30
900 Gang	25	31
Strikers	24	32
Waterloo Aces	24	32
Irish vs. Mexicans	23	33
The Jolly Neighbors	20	36
What's Left	19	37
Gone Fischin'	18	38

High Game: Karen Rosentreter, 205; Charlie Stapish, 264
High Series: Jennifer Guenther, 556; Charlie Stapish, 718

GIRLS JUST WANNA HAVE FUN –

12-2-03	W	L
Chuck Elkins Excavating	53	31
Thompsons Pizzeria	48	36
Marshall Motors	43	41
Chelsea State Bank	42	42
Greenwood Acres	41	43
Rathburns BBB	25	59

High Game: Dawn Foster, 198
High Series: Dawn Foster, 573

KAHUNA LEAGUE –

11-30-03	W	L
Neighbors	116	45
What the ... ?	95.5	65.5
Family	91	70
Bud's Boners	83.5	77.5
D.T.P.	82.5	78.5
The Gutter Balls	76.5	84.5
The Dukes of Hazzard	67	82
Watch Out	63	82
So Close	61	84
Jeannie's Team	60	101
Causes of Trouble	59	102
Newcomers	50.5	94.5

High Game: Patricia Borton, 179; Marv Frinkle, 248
High Series: Kathy GreenLeaf, 506; Chris Allensworth, 624

Chiefs second at tournament

The Chelsea Chiefs Peewee A hockey team placed second at the Kensington Valley Ice House Big Bear Tournament over the Thanksgiving holiday.

During the tournament's round-robin play, Chelsea defeated the Canton Chill 5-0 and the Ann Arbor Wolves 8-2. With their victories, the Chiefs were tied with the Motor City Storm for the top seed.

During the elimination portion of the tournament, Chelsea beat the Redford Scorpians 4-3, scoring two unanswered goals late in the third period.

In the tournament championship game, the Chiefs lost to the Motor City Storm 5-1.

Coliseum hosts skating event

Chelsea's Arctic Coliseum will host its first ever Holiday Exhibition figure skating show 2 p.m. Sunday.

The show features the coliseum's Learn-to-Skate students performing to holiday music. The event also will showcase other U.S. figure skaters in holiday performances.

The public is invited. The show is free.

The event will last approximately one hour.

The Arctic Coliseum offers Learn-to-Skate classes all year round. The lessons follow the U.S. Figure Skating Association's guidelines.

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Whitaker, David Stucki and Cheryl Caffrey.

Other coaches are Dave Busch, Michael Purdy, Sean Fosdick, Mike O'Quinn, Rich Fahle, Rich Maloney, Todd Starkey, Andy Fletcher, Lynn Arons, Gordy Fournier, Randy Brown, Brian Schuh, Bill Devries and Kevin Phillips. Plus, coaches Sue Koseck, Edie Kingsley, Jed Fritzemeier, Jami Sherman, Dan Helvey, Terri Burtch, Jerry Benjamin, Julie Slusser, Jim Hall, Bud Ripberger, Jon Mykala, Debbie Schmelz, and Karen Burchett.

Also, a special thank you to all the parents who have helped their coaches.

Thank you for making basketball fun.

Michelle Mitchell is the director of Chelsea Recreation. She can be reached at 475-1112 or mmitchell@gmail.chelsea.k12.mi.us

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played very well.

Chelsea next hosts Ypsilanti Lincoln 7 p.m. Wednesday.

On Dec. 19, the Bulldogs travel to Gaylord to participate in its tournament at 7 p.m.

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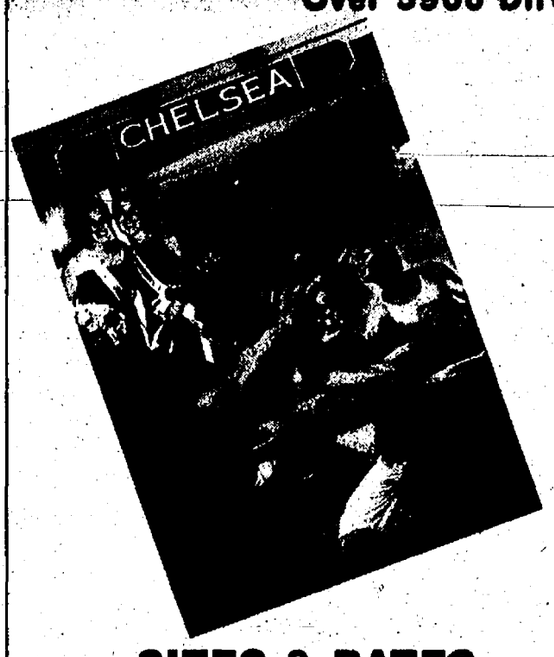

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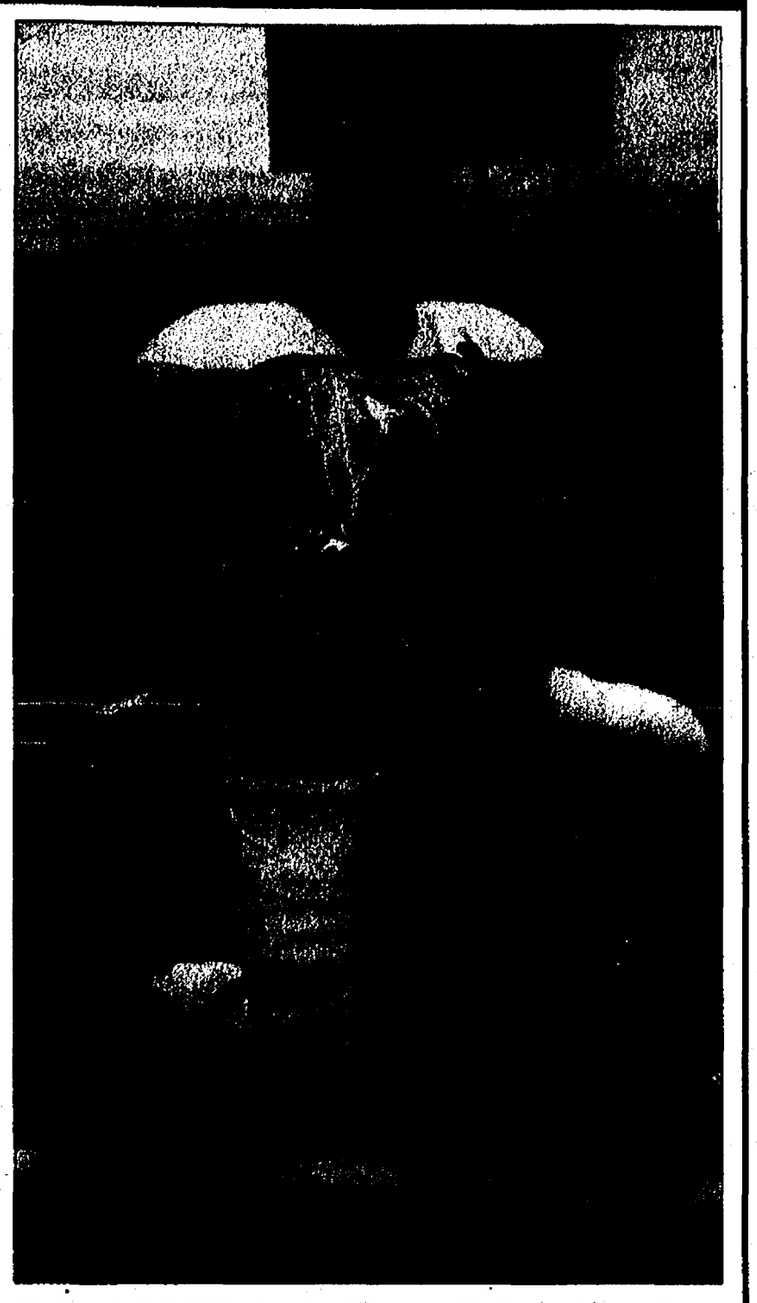

Chelsea's Rob Mida is a junior at Ferris State University. A two-year starter at outside linebacker, Mida was named All-Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference after recording 88 tackles this season for the Bulldogs. Last season, he was named FSU's Defensive Rookie of the Year.

ALMA

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tive season, the Scots captured the league crown.

Alma's 31 wins set a school record.

At the Division III NCAA tournament in Springfield, Ohio, the Scots beat Thomas Moore College from Kentucky in the first round before falling to Wittenberg University of Ohio in the second round. Wittenberg was ranked No. 5 in the nation at the time.

It was only the second time in school history Alma qualified for the NCAA volleyball tournament.

"Competing in the NCAA tournament was my most memorable moment," said Baker, who recorded a rare volleyball triple-double of 11 kills, 51 assists and 23 digs against Kalamazoo College earlier in the year. "It was something we weren't able to do last year, and it felt good to finally make it. Next year, our goal is to go even further."

Deis said her most memorable moment this season was beating Hope College, her former school.

"I wanted to win so bad," she said. "And so did the rest of the team. They had been our only loss of the season."

Though both players are succeeding at the college level, they both admitted it would have been difficult getting to where they are now without Chelsea volleyball.

"Chelsea volleyball has taught me how to be a true athlete and it taught me what sportsmanship is all about," Deis said.

Baker agreed, though she said she also learned about volleyball by playing on club teams.

"I learned a lot through all of my high school volleyball experiences," she said. "I think I learned the most by playing club ball. Caitlin and I played together every year on different club teams."

Chelsea coach Laura Cleveland, a former setter herself at Alma College, has built the Bulldogs into a volleyball power the past couple of seasons. Last year, Chelsea finished 54-4-4 overall, and two seasons ago they advanced to the Class B semifinals before losing.

"It was great to see Caitlin and Lindsey win the MIAA championship," Cleveland said. "They both played very well. I was especially proud since Alma is the school I attended.

"Caitlin and Lindsey were probably the best practice players I have ever coached. They came and played hard everyday and really enjoyed playing volleyball."

Baker and Deis still keep in touch with Cleveland.

"I still see Coach Cleveland every year," Baker said. "She has attended one of my games every year since high school. I have a ton of respect for (her) and of her knowledge of the game."

Deis said she keeps in touch with Cleveland by helping out with camps and attending her open gyms over Christmas break and in the summer.

"She also attends some of my collegiate games," she said. "She continues to give me advice. It's always helpful. She knows a lot about the game. She has given me a lot of confidence throughout the years in showing me that I had the ability to become a successful collegiate athlete."

Springbrook tops Beach

Chelsea's Beach Middle School eighth-grade Gold boys' basketball team lost to Adrian Springbrook 48-19 Dec. 2.

The visiting Bulldogs (3-4) were led by Jeff Adams with five points.

Drew Dehring and Nic Avila each added four points, while Jason Kolokithas and Chris LeDuke each netted three points for Beach.

Chelsea next hosts Saline Blue 4 p.m. today.

On Monday, the Bulldogs travel to Adrian Drager for a game at 4 p.m.

On Wednesday, Beach hosts Ypsilanti Lincoln at 4 p.m.

Tryouts set for hoopsters

The Southeastern Athletic Club U-14 girls' AAU basketball team will hold tryouts 10 a.m. to noon Saturday at Dexter's Creekside Intermediate School, 2615 Baker Road.

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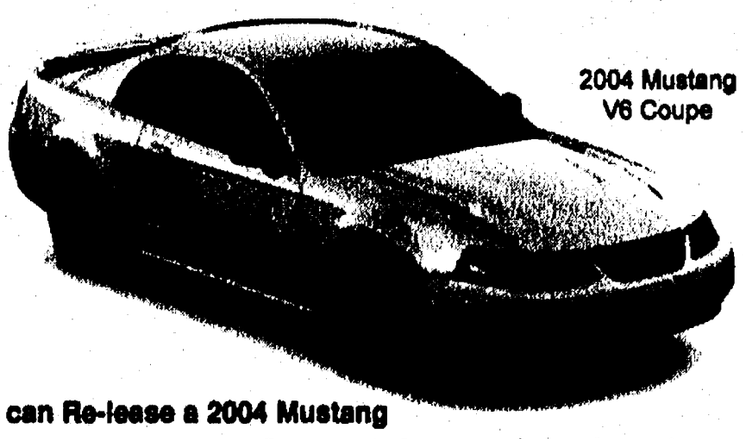

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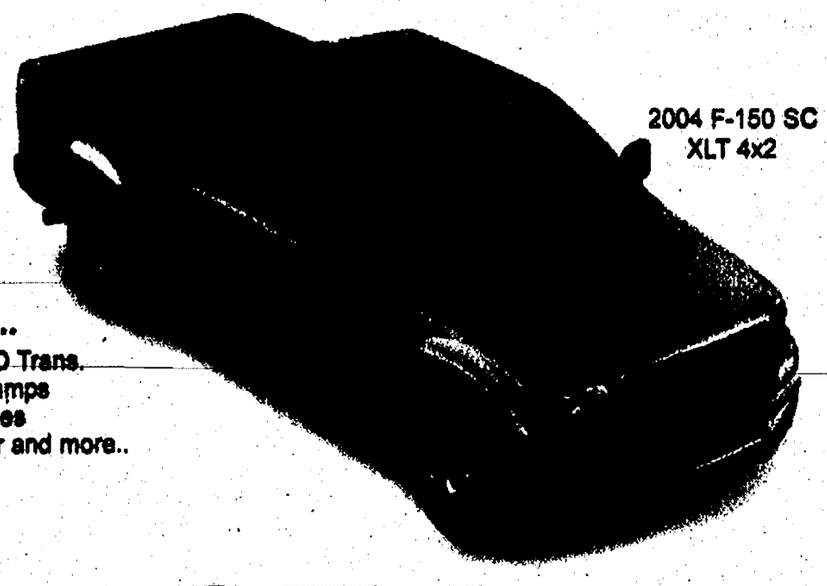

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POWER POINTS — THE ULTIMATE FOOTBALL CONTEST

Midwest Results Week 13 – 12-1-2003 – The only thing missing was the Stanford University marching band from that wild and lateral-filled closing scene Sunday as the Carolina Panthers tried desperately to find a way to score 10 points on one play after the final gun had sounded during their game with Philadelphia. But it was not to be and the Eagles prevailed 25-16. The numbers don't lie.

Things were pretty wild, too, in Week 13 of the POWER POINTS of the Midwest Football Contest, which stretched from Thanksgiving morning until late Sunday. The first game and the last game provided significant upsets – Detroit over Green Bay and Jacksonville over Tampa Bay – sending contestant points plummeting. The highest regional score, in fact, was one of the lowest recorded this season and belonged to an 9-year-old third grader, Aaron McCollum, of Janesville, WI. He tallied 123 of the possible 136 points to capture the grand prize of $1,000 in cash. Asked by Your Commissioner what his favorite subject in school is, he responded quickly, unambiguously and succinctly: "Football."

Aaron entered the contest through the Janesville Gazette newspaper. Four weeks – and four thousand-dollar prizes – remain in the 2003 POWER POINTS season.

Local winners in Week 13 were:

Adrian... Bill Lorenc, 552 N. McKenzie, Adrian, (121 points)

Coldwater... Pete Inde, 761 Lake Shore Pt, Coldwater, (104 points)

Garden City... Pat Edwards, 815 Fitz, Garden City, (107 points)

Grand Haven... Paul Watson, 2574 River Road, Twin Lake, (118 points)

Monroe... Ken Brooks, 5920 Pte Aux Peaux, Newport, (111 points)

Pontiac... W. Christner, 252 Surrey Hts, Westland, (106 points)

Saline... Jim Sadler, 18459 Redman Rd, Milan, (103 points)

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Trenton... Howard Lynch, 513 Pleasant View, Trenton, (108 points)

CHRISTMAS COLORING Contest

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RULES:

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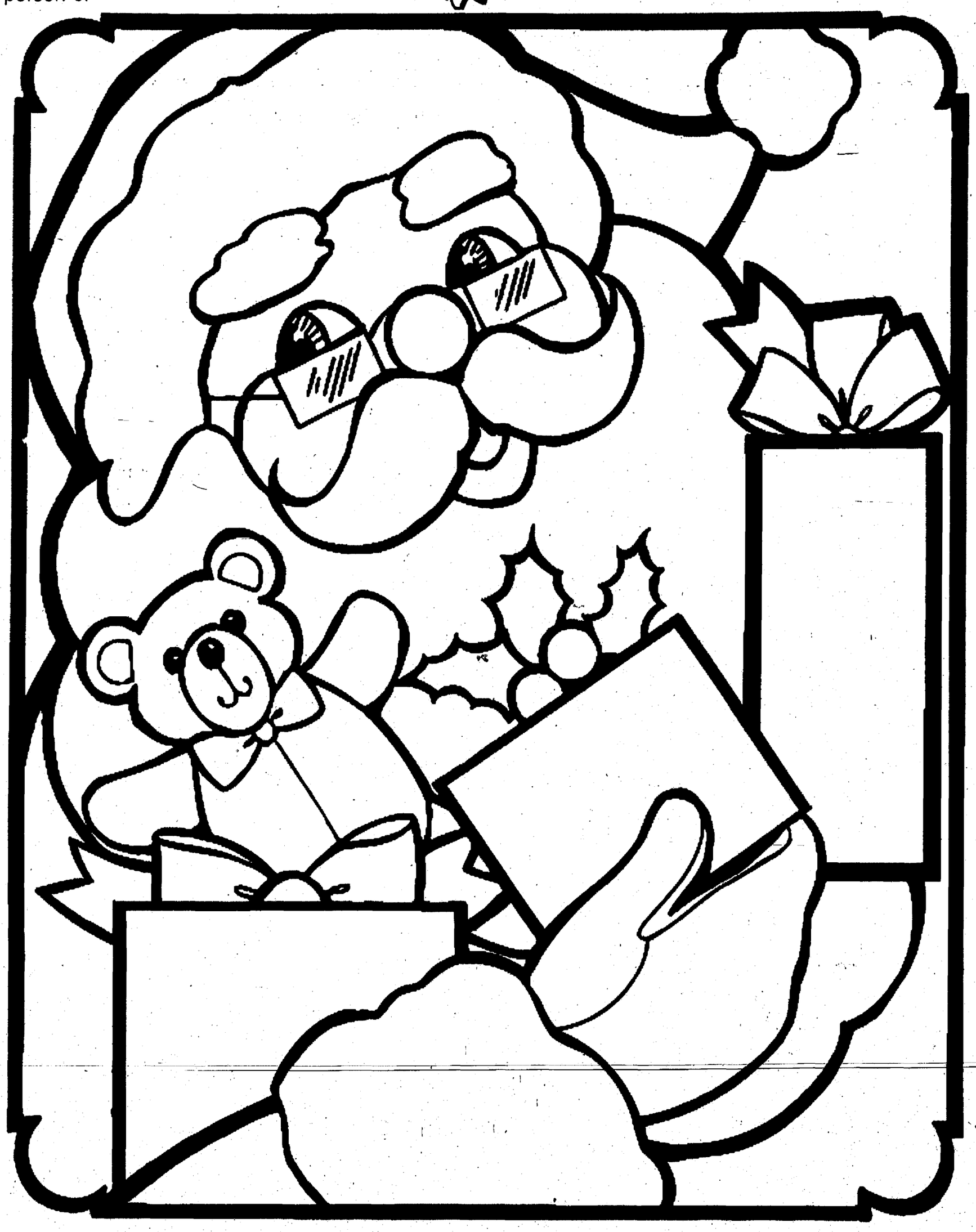
1. Contestants may enter their colored picture at any of our offices in person or by mail: The Saline Reporter/Milan News-Leader, 106 W. Michigan Ave., Saline, 48176; The Chelsea Standard/Dexter Leader, 20750 Old U.S.-12, Chelsea, 48118; or The Manchester Enterprise, 109 E. Main St., Manchester, 48158.
2. Contest is open to area children ages 4-12. Artists ages 4-5, 6-8, and those ages 9-12 will be judged in separate groups. A $25 cash prize will be awarded to the coloring entry judged best in each group.
3. Coloring must be done by the child, using crayons, paint, felt-tip pens, colored pencils, or any other coloring medium.
4. Each entry form must be completed with contestant's name, age and phone number.
5. **DEADLINE** for entering is Friday, December 26, 2003.
6. Winners will be published in the January 10 editions of the newspapers.
7. Employees of the Heritage Newspapers and their immediate families, and familiies of the judges are not eligible to enter.



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WESTERN WASHTENAW COUNTY

SBC to offer high-speed Internet

■ *DSL available in Dexter, Chelsea and Manchester.*

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Heritage Newspapers

A small office filled with grids and wires just outside of Dexter seems an inauspicious spot for an announcement that could bring a "world of possibilities" to western Washtenaw County.

Certainly the Internet is nothing new to residents and businesses in Chelsea, Dexter and Manchester, but the availability of low-cost, high-speed direct service lines to access the Internet is something that will change the future of communication in these communities.

SBC Yahoo!, an industry leader in technology, is now able to provide DSL as of Monday's announcement at the SBC Central Office in Dexter.

More than 60 percent of residents and businesses in the three communities will have new possibilities for faster Internet connections.

Lisa Hamway, director of external affairs for SBC Michigan, referred to the Dexter Central Office as the "brains" of the phone company for the Dexter area.

Every telephone call made in the Dexter exchange goes through the building on Dexter-Chelsea Road, just east of Parker Road.

Each community has its own central office. The location for this announcement underscored the importance of the expanded service provided by SBC.

It will not only enhance local Internet connections by providing a direct link, but may actually take some pressure off telephone lines by eliminating dial-up connections.

"This is truly an economic development tool for all three communities," Hamway said. "It opens many doors for residences and small businesses, and will help to improve the quality of life in Manchester, Dexter and Chelsea."

Regional manager John Clark demonstrated the service and outlined many of the features of DSL, adding that SBC offers a wide range of products that will make the new service work for everyone.

One of the major benefits is speed — at a minimum, about six times the speed of the fastest dial-up connection. It's also a direct connection to the Internet and, unlike a cable modem, does not have to be shared with other users. It does not tie up a telephone line and the price is only slightly higher than most dial-up connections.

"It enables anyone — a large business, a small business owner or a resident — to have the Internet available whenever they need it," Hamway said. "Right now, SBC Yahoo! DSL is available to 68 percent of Michigan residents. We hope to be able to serve 80 percent of the state population by the end of 2004.

"Dexter, Chelsea and Manchester are just three of 140 communities where we are launching this service right now."

The DSL service includes enhanced personalization, safety and security features, multiple email addresses, a bundle of premium services and a comprehensive parental controls package.

Cindy McFarlan, a Chelsea Village Council trustee, said Tuesday she is excited to see the availability of a digital subscriber line being offered to the area at a competitive price.

"I sincerely appreciate the investment SBC has made in our area, not only for the immediate benefit of our residents and existing businesses, but equally for the tool this technology represents in attracting future businesses and jobs in our community," she said.

Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce Director Bob Pierce said Monday that high-speed Internet connectivity is emerging as an important element for the economic stability of the area.

Pierce, a member of the steering committee for Washtenaw County's Link Michigan initiative, said the chamber will host a communitywide informational meeting on the future of broadband Internet for the county and state Jan. 8 at the Washington Street Educational Center, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea.

"The Internet is no longer merely an entertainment alternative," Pierce said. "It's a key element in our inventory of business tools.

"The chamber could not do what we are doing today if not for the services provided by the Internet."

—Associate Editor Sheila Pursglove also contributed to this article.

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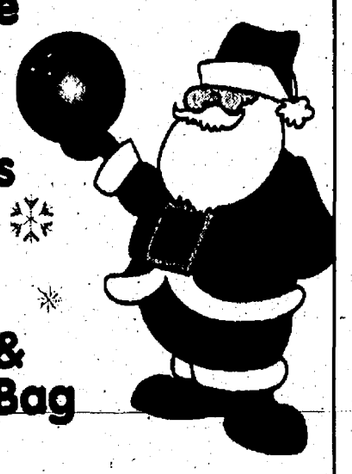

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HOW TO PLAY

Select a winner from each of the week's games, listed below. Select in descending order of your CONFIDENCE in your choices. Win points at left for each correct selection toward possible total of 136 points. See complete rules below. You must be at least eight (8) years old to enter. To enter, clip along dotted line and bring game entry to any Heritage Newspaper Western Region office listed. Entrants must list name, address and phone number below.

LIMIT: You may enter the contest only once per week.

DEADLINE: 2 P.M. THURSDAY

TIEBREAKER 1 ☐ Total points scored (both teams) in RAMS game.

TIEBREAKER 2 ☐ Total offensive yards (both teams) in this game.

THIS WEEK'S GAMES

Atlanta at Tampa Bay
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1. Object of the game is to amass as many of the 136 possible points as you can. Simply review the week's schedule of games, listed on entry form, and decide which game you are SUREST of picking a winner in. Write the name of your projected winner on the 16-point line, and so on down to the 1-point line, which game you figure to be a toss-up. Next, fill in Tiebreaker 1, the total points scored by both teams in the week's designated game. If this step fails to produce a winner, the judges will apply Tiebreaker 2, total offensive yardage from scrimmage in this game. If a winner still doesn't emerge, a drawing will be held among those contestants still tied. Decisions of the judges are final. The weekly Midwest regional winner will receive $1,000.

2. Any entry form that does not contain a legible name, address, etc., will be disqualified.

3. Entries that fail to forecast a winner from each and every game will be disqualified, as will entries that fail to distinguish between the Jets and Giants of New York and other similar teams.

4. No points are awarded on tie games or in case any game is not played for any reason during its scheduled week.

5. Entering POWER POINTS constitutes permission by contestant for his or her name and photograph to be used for news and reasonable promotional purposes at no charge.

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10. Neither this newspaper nor any co-sponsor will be responsible for illegible entry forms or those lost, stolen or damaged in any way.

11. Limit: one entry per person per week. Each entry must represent the original work of one entrant; "group" entries, "systems" or other attempt to enter multiple entries will be disqualified. Filling out extra forms and putting your friends' and relatives' names on them violates this rule. Any such entries are destroyed prior to grading.

12. Contestants must have reached the age of eight (8) years by the Sunday of any week's play.

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DEATHS

A. THOMAS JOHNSON
Apelika, Ala.
Formerly of Chelsea

A. Thomas Johnson, 57, of Apelika, Ala., died Nov. 17, 2003. He was born Nov. 29, 1946, in Jackson the son of Alfred and Blythe (Smith) Johnson.

Mr. Johnson graduated from Chelsea High School in 1965 and was senior class president. He served honorably in the U.S. Army, and was stationed in Vietnam.

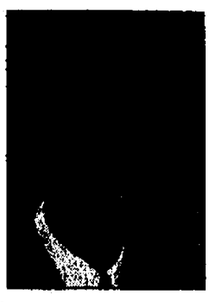
Among his career accomplishments, he assisted in designing and manufacturing the U.S. moon rover, and in the development of timepieces used in NASA space launches.

Everything Mr. Johnson included himself in, he accomplished with excellence and pride.

He is survived by his wife, Donna Williams Johnson of Dadeville, Ala.; son, Ronald Thomas (Kim) Johnson of Benton, Ill.; daughter, Nicole (Eric) Echols of Lawrenceville, Ga.; and mother, Blythe Johnson of Leesburg, Fla. and Kenton.

Also surviving are his brothers, Ralph (Beth) Johnson of Leesburg, Fla., Marlin (Belinda) Johnson of LaGrange, Ga., and Morris (Linda) Johnson of Chelsea; and his sister, Marsha (Les) Lentz of Chelsea.

A funeral and burial took place Nov. 29 at the Ft. Mitchell National Cemetery.



Mr. Johnson's wonderful sense of humor and pride will be his legacy.

If you knew him, you loved him; therefore, he will never be forgotten.

ROBERT D. MOULTON
Chelsea

Robert D. Moulton, 61, died Dec. 6, 2003, at University of Michigan Hospital surrounded by his loving family. He was born Jan. 28, 1942, in Flint, the son of Robert Lee and Lucille Lila (Gillespie) Moulton.

Mr. Moulton had been a resident of Chelsea since 1986. He graduated from Flint South Western High School in 1960. He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and master's degree from Western Michigan University.

Mr. Moulton began his career in human resources at Detroit Edison in Detroit, then went to Phillips Petroleum in Bartlesville, Okla., returning to Michigan in 1986 to work for Consumers Energy in Jackson, where he became a human resources consultant.

To say Mr. Moulton was an avid U of M and Detroit Lions fan is an understatement. He also loved to sing, dance and laugh. Most of all, he loved his family and friends. The sunshine of his life, however, was his 2-year-old granddaughter, Ruby Mae Brown.

Mr. Moulton is survived by his wife, Maxine C. Elliott, whom he married Dec. 26, 1964; his son Robert Jeffery Moulton and Robert's girlfriend, Erin Snoddy, both of Whitmore Lake; his daughter, Kathryn Marsy (Todd Wesley Brown) of Milan; his best friend since childhood, Joseph (Jean) Skornicka of Bloomfield; niece, Debbie (Harold) Starnes of Flint; nephew, David (Teresa) Moulton of Burton; second mother, Clara Laxton of Flint; father and mother-in-law, Max and Lila Elliott of Ypsilanti; brother and sister-in-law, Dennis and Marsy Doan, and their children Matthew (Miki) Doan, all of Chelsea, and Bradley (Amy) Doan of Manchester; as well as his canine friend, Molly.

Mr. Moulton was preceded in death by his parents and his brother and sister-in-law, Alan and Joyce Moulton.

Memorial services were held Wednesday at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 120 North Huron St., in Ypsilanti. The Rev. JoAnn Kennedy Slater, priest-in-charge, officiated

The family received friends Wednesday at the church. Private interment was at the Church Garth.

Memorial contributions may be made to the University of Michigan Hospitals for cardiac research or for research on Myelodysplastic Syndrome.

Arrangements were by Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea.

FLORENCE R. HOOVER
Grass Lake

Florence R. Hoover, 87, of Grass Lake died Dec. 7, 2003, at Cedar Knoll Care Center, where she had resided for several years.

Mrs. Hoover was born June 24, 1916, in Mackinac City the daughter of Clarence Ray and Jessie L. (Taylor) Clear. She had been a resident of Grass Lake for many years, and worked as a waitress and cook in the area, including at a hotel in Grass Lake.

Mrs. Hoover enjoyed her grandchildren, often babysitting for them. She also loved flowers, embroidery work, berry picking, lunches and visiting with her group of lady friends.

She married Earl L. Hoover Dec. 23, 1936, in Chelsea, and he preceded her in death.

Survivors include her two sons, Robert and Ronald (Liegh) Hoover, both of Grass Lake; three daughters, Pat (Richard) Schittenhelm of Grass Lake, Linda Shepherd of Kentucky and Lila Corey of Jackson; nine grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and four step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her stepmother, Margaret Clear; an infant brother, Earl Edward Clear; a grandson, Donald Hoover; a great-grandson, Dustin Willett; and son-in-law, Israel Shepherd.

A funeral will be held 2 p.m. today at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea. The Rev. Patty Kinney of St. John's United Church of Christ will officiate.

Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Chelsea.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cedar Knoll Care Center discretionary fund.

CAROL ANNE PFAUTZ
Dexter

Carol Anne (Vresilovic) Pfautz of Dexter, a loving wife and mother, died Dec. 4, 2003, surrounded by her family at Chelsea Community Hospital after struggling courageously with cancer.

Mrs. Pfautz was born Aug. 1, 1959, to Edward and Mabel Vresilovic in Lancaster, Pa. She graduated from Penn State University, and was previously active as a lector and choir member at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in White Lake. She also was a lector at St. Joseph Parish in Dexter.

Mrs. Pfautz was very passionate about her faith, and her children's education. She was a gardener, homemaker and an outstanding mom.

Mrs. Pfautz is survived by her husband, Douglas Pfautz, and five children, Krista, James, Harmony, Lilliana and John, all at home.

She is also survived by her parents, Edward and Mabel Vresilovic of Ardmore, Pa.; two brothers, Thomas Vresilovic of Albany, N.Y. and Robert Vresilovic of Drexel Hill, Pa.; three sisters, Paula Ruoss of Wernersville, Pa., Joan Greenslade of Millersville, Pa., and Andrea Vresilovic of Philadelphia; and in-laws, Douglas and Elizabeth Pfautz of Elizabethtown, Pa.

Visitation was held Sunday at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Dexter. A Mass of the Christian Burial took place Monday. Burial will take place in Lancaster, Pa. at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made in Mrs. Pfautz's name to St. Joseph Catholic Church, Stairway to the Future Campaign, 3430 Dover St., Dexter, MI 48130.

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5484 Webster Church Rd., Dexter, MI
(734) 426-5115
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Praise 11:00 a.m.
Education Hour 9:45 a.m.
Pastor Larry Courson
(734) 424-0899
e-mail: peacelutheran@cuaa.edu

Chelsea Church of Christ
13661 East Old US-12
Chelsea, MI 48118
(734) 475-8458
Brandon Coats, Preacher
Sunday Bible Class 9:30 am
Sunday Morning Service 10:30 am
Sunday Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Class 7 p.m.

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Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
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Chelsea, MI (734) 475-9823
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ELLA J. CALLAWAY
Ann Arbor

Ella J. Callaway, 92, of Ann Arbor died Dec. 4, 2003, in Chelsea. She was born March 20, 1911, in Webster County, Ky., the daughter of Thomas and Amy (Williams) Hall.

On Jan. 24, 1929, she married William M. Callaway in Providence Ky., and he preceded her in death.

Mrs. Callaway had been an Ann Arbor-area resident since 1936. She was a longtime and faithful member of Grace Bible Church. She demonstrated her loving nature by working as a nurse's aide in Ann Arbor, and as a lathe operator at King-Seely Co. during World War II.

She is survived by her two sons, John (Lauren) Callaway of Huntsville, Ala., William (Susan) Callaway of Manchester; and five grandchildren, Erin, Sarah, Cara, Matthew and Ian.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Judith, in 1942.

A funeral was held Saturday at Grace Bible Church in Ann Arbor. Burial followed at Washtenong Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grace Bible Church.

Arrangements were by Nie Family Funeral Home in Ann Arbor.

THOMAS F. SHEA
Dexter

Thomas F. Shea, 75, of Dexter died unexpectedly Dec. 4, 2003. The longtime Dexter resident and Washtenaw County judge was born June 1, 1928, in Mineola, N.Y.

He graduated from high school at age 16 and enlisted in the U.S. Army, where he served in the infantry and later in the Counterintelligence Corps in Europe at the end of World War II.

Mr. Shea earned a bachelor's degree from Tulane University in 1952 and a juris doctorate from the University of Michigan Law School in 1955. Following a clerkship with a federal district judge, he returned to the military as a regular Army officer in the Judge Advocate General's Corps.

Mr. Shea left the Army to join a large Detroit law firm, where he specialized in tax and estates. He served as an assistant prosecuting attorney in Washtenaw County for 11 years before being appointed a judge by then-Gov. William G. Milliken to the 14th District Court, where he served 21 years until retirement in 1994.

Mr. Shea was a member of St. James' Episcopal Church, Dexter Kiwanis Club, Dexter American Legion Post 557, Power Squadron, Washtenaw County Bar Association and the National Counterintelligence Corps Association.

He was an avid reader who had a passion for raising unusual dogs.

Mr. Shea is survived by his beloved wife, Julia, of 53 years; four daughters, Susanne (Joseph) Luesse, Barbara (Mark) Elliott, Sandra (James) Baer and Patricia (Linden) Dixon; 14 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and his faithful American bulldog, Bonnie.

Funeral services were held Monday at St. James' Episcopal Church in Dexter. Burial took place at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Hosmer-Muehlig Funeral Chapel in Dexter.

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VILLAGE OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN APPROVAL

An application has been filed by **RENE PAPO** of **CHELSEA LAND COMPANY** for Preliminary Site Plan approval of a proposed **CHILD CARE CENTER/OFFICE** for the following described parcel of land:

TAX CODE: # 06-13-385-001 AND PART OF 06-13-380-019
1580 AND PART OF 1640 COMMERCE PARK DRIVE

The application for Preliminary Site Plan Approval will be considered by the Chelsea Planning Commission on **Tuesday, DECEMBER 16, 2003** at **7:30p.m.** in the **Board Room, Washington Street Education Center, 500 Washington Street, Chelsea, MI.**

Signed, written comments, concerning the application will be accepted prior to the Planning Commission meeting, and will be read at the meeting. Comments should be addressed to the Chelsea Planning Commission, 305 S. MAIN ST. STE. 100, Chelsea, Michigan 48118.

Persons requiring reasonable accommodations to disabilities in order that the hearing be accessible to them, are requested to notify the Chelsea Planning Commission Chairman no later than five (5) business days prior to the date of the hearing of such disability.

CHELSEA VILLAGE PLANNING COMMISSION
Chris Rode, Chair

ATTENTION
Township and Village Offices

Notices will Deadline at 5:00 pm Wednesday, December 17 for the Christmas issue.

For the New Year's issue the deadline will be at 5:00 pm Monday, December 22nd.

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 11, 2003

The first monthly meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Steele at Washington Street Education Center.

Present: Steele, Myles, Holmes, Albertson, Ritter, MacFarlan, Schumann

Absent: None

Others: Jim Drolett, Dan Rosentreter, Brad Roberts, Jim Machnik, Andy Johnson, Bob Shepherd, Mike Rypka

Approved Consent Agenda with corrections to minutes.

Approved Regular Agenda with addition of Mayor Exchange and item for CATS under new business.

Approved action to proceed with the MML contract to search for a police chief.

Tabled action on GASB 34 regarding American Appraisal Associates proposal.

Approved action to create Fire Task Force consisting of John Frank, Tom Osborne, Harry Thurkow, Joe Tinsley and Scot Broekhuizen.

Approved action to forward 435 Agreement to Lima Township.

Approved reappointment of ZBA members, Tom Osborne and Harry Thurkow and Charles Schauer as alternate. Terms ending in September 2006.

Approved action to appoint Karen Dixon as the Village representative to the Chelsea Library Board.

Approved action on Ordinance 79-PPPPP to rezone property south of Pierce Park to C-2 with Planning Commission's recommendation.

Approved action for high-speed wireless Internet connections through OpAve and to work with Washtenaw County on Village Webpage.

Approved Proclamation of One World, One Family Task Force, Chelsea reads together.

Approved Adoption of Benefit Program E for retirees for 2% increase.

Approved action on allowing park benches to be put in Timbertown Park.

Adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Teresa Burtch
Village Clerk

LIMA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The regular meeting of the Lima Township Board was called to order at 8:00 P.M. and opened with the Pledge to The Flag. Present were Supervisor Unterbrink, Clerk Bareis, Treasurer Havens, Trustees McKenzie and Laier and Zoning Administrator Wesolowski. Also present several residents and guests.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to approve the minutes of November 3, 2003 as corrected. Carried.

The treasurers' report was received.

Zoning Administrator issued one new address and 11 compliance permits for homes, 1 addition, 2 storage buildings, 1 deck, 1 ag building and 1 attached garage.

Motion by Bareis supported by Laier to send a letter to Pinecrest by December 10, 2003 requiring a new bond in the amount of $5000.00, issued in the name of Lima Township to cover installation of signs. If the $5000.00 bond is not in place by December 16, 2003, the township will file on the present bond. Carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to grant the Right of Way Telecommunications permit as submitted by SBC and their attorney. Carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to table the proposed First Amendment to the Karbal/Moss Consent Judgment and request review by the township attorney and the insurers attorney, the developers are to pay all consultant and attorney fees. Carried.

Motion by Laier supported by Bareis to approve the appointments of Elizabeth Sensoli, Vince Spade, and Greg McKenzie to the Lima Township Planning Commission for a three year term. Carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to approve the appointments of Ronald Ziegler and Vince Spade to the Lima Township Zoning Board of Appeals. Carried.

Motion by Laier supported by Bareis to table the PDR ordinance to the February 2004 meeting. Carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to accept the 2004 Lima Township Poverty Guidelines, resolution number 2003-04, as submitted. Carried.

Motion by McKenzie supported by Laier to table any action on the franchise agreement between Lima Township and Comcast Cablevision of the South, Inc. Carried.

Motion by Laier, supported by McKenzie to pay bills as presented. Carried.

Motion by Laier, supported by Havens to adjourn at 10:00 P.M. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Arlene R. Bareis, Clerk

CHELSEA DISTRICT LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Board Meeting Minutes — Tuesday, October 21, 2003 – 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Location: Chelsea District Library Meeting Room

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Trustees in attendance: Kathy Sprawka, President; Jan Dohner, Vice President; Greg DeGraff, Secretary; John Gourlay, Treasurer; Lynn Fox, Trustee; Kate McAuliffe, Trustee, Nancy Schumann, Trustee; Metta Lansdale, Director.

Guests: Jim Mumby, Shawn Personke, Georgette De Salvo, Ron Andrews, Linda Ballard, Christy Gutekunst, Marie Brooks, Lee Draugelis, Michael Rybka

K. Sprawka called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA REVIEW AND ADDITIONS

K. Sprawka said that the Public Relations Resolution Discussion Item would not be led by K. Sprawka, but would be led by the Public Relations Committee Chair. There were no other changes to the agenda.

COMPULSORY SEGMENTS

Minutes

MOTION made by N. Schumann to approve the September 16 Open Meeting Minutes, Seconded by J. Gourlay.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION made by G. DeGraff to approve the September 16 Closed Meeting Minutes, Seconded by N. Schumann.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Director's Report

M. Lansdale discussed library presentations at the public elementary schools' open houses and S. Personke added that the Library received positive feedback from principals for the library's participation. M. Lansdale also reported that the Library held an impromptu book sale in McKune Memorial Library running concurrently with the Main Street celebration on 10.18.03 and raised $400 in three hours. Finally, the Director indicated that she would be preparing material for year-end adjustments to the budget.

Approval of Checks

MOTION made by N. Schumann, Seconded by J. Dohner to approve the list of checks.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Communications

M. Lansdale noted the letters included in the packet.

ONE WORLD – ONE FAMILY PRESENTATION

C. Gutekunst, Head of Adult Services, reported on her participation in One World One Family, a group dedicated to educate the community on diversity. She reported that this group developed a "Chelsea Reads" program, choosing the novel, Warriors Don't Cry, by Melba Patillo Beals, which also has a young adult companion novel. She stated that the Library will be hosting book discussion groups for seniors, adults and youth. She also mentioned this program flows nicely with Black History Month, in February.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Building Planning Update

J. Mumby distributed preliminary drawings depicting the outside front, back, Orchard Street side, and an interior 'cross cut' of library construction for the Board's review and discussion.

Public Relations Resolution

J. Dohner, Chair of the Public Relations Committee reported that the Committee hadn't met since the last Board meeting, and so had no presentation on this topic. Therefore, discussion was tabled.

Policy: Paid Time Off Revisions

L. Ballard, Head of HR, noted the major change for this policy was combining all staff classifications into one, with PTO allotments applying to all staff equally. She also stated the initial goal of revising the policy was to make the library's time off allotment comparable to other Class IV libraries time off allotments. She stated that the estimated cost impact of this change would be $2,600 annually.

Policy #302: Employment Process

L. Ballard noted Policy #302 was amended to reflect that unsolicited applications would not be accepted by the library and that applications received in response to open positions would remain active for six months.

Borrower Registration and Non-Resident Fee Policy

Some Board members expressed concern with library policies containing too much procedure.

M. Lansdale noted that the Non-Resident Fee policy was revised to allow people whose workplace is in Chelsea to receive fee-waived library cards when they can show an official letter from their employers confirming their employment.

Discussion ensued concerning the one-year library card renewal policy. M. Lansdale stated she would review practices in other libraries and report to the Board at its next regular meeting.

Discussion ensued concerning the correctness of the definition of the 'Chelsea District Library service area' on both the Non-Resident and Borrower Registration policies.

Policy #230: Privacy of Library Records

M. Lansdale noted the Policy Committee reviewed this policy at length, which summarizes the USA Patriot Act's effect on library patron records and efforts taken by the library to legally preserve the privacy of its patrons.

Resolution on the USA Patriot Act

J. Gourlay discussed the proposed Resolution on the USA Patriot Act, as distributed at the meeting, noting the one in the packet was revised. The Board slightly amended this resolution for action at the next regular Board meeting.

Artwork Donation

This item was withdrawn from discussion by M. Lansdale.

ACTION ITEMS

Election Date Selection

M. Lansdale reminded the Board that they had a previous discussion about selecting May 4, 2003 as the date for a bond election to finance the construction of a new building. MOTION made by L. Fox, Seconded by N. Schumann, to adopt May 4, 2003 as the scheduled election date.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Interior Designer

M. Lansdale suggested that the Board consider J. Mumby's recommendation of the Interior Designer Alyce Riemenschneider, who has extensive public library experience, has received numerous design awards and has lived in Chelsea over 30 years. M. Lansdale referred to the interior designer's proposal in the board packet, noting her fee for Phase I was under the $5,000 amount budgeted in 2003. G. DeGraff expressed concern that the Phase I and Phase II were closely linked, and that approval of a designer for Phase I would be a tacit approval of that designer for Phase II. Since the cost of Phase II is a substantial financial commitment, G. DeGraff felt the choice of designer should be the subject to a competitive bidding process.

MOTION made by J. Gourlay to allow J. Mumby to select an Interior Designer of his choice within the budget of $5,000 for design work required prior to the passage of the bond, Seconded by J. Dohner. Ayes: J. Dohner, J. Gourlay, N. Schumann, Lynn Fox, K. Sprawka, K. McAuliffe, Nays: G. DeGraff. MOTION PASSED

REPORTS

Nominating

K. McAuliffe stated she has spoken with the Dexter Township Clerk about changing board member rotation as it currently is determined in the District Library Agreement, who said she would cooperate in this process. She noted she has not yet spoken with the other townships.

Personnel

G. DeGraff reported that a Committee meeting was held earlier tonight, to evaluate staff requests to be included in the Director's evaluation. He stated that, after discussion, the Committee recommends reducing the number of yearly Director evaluations from quarterly to semi-annually and recommends including staff in both evaluations, via questionnaires and interviews. He reported the Committee would be working on the interview questionnaires promptly to have them ready for the annual evaluation in December. He also stated the Board should begin negotiations with the Director about her annual contract, which expires on 12.31.03.

Public Relations

J. Dohner reported that no meetings have been held since the last Board meeting.

Friends of the Library

G. DeGraff stated that the Friends are holding their annual Bake-Off 10.25.03 during the Friends awards ceremony.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

M. Lansdale reported that the Requests For Proposals (RFP) for Construction Managers were mailed out today to interested firms, noting they are due on 11.03.03 at 1:30 p.m., with the library and the Interview Team opening bids in a public forum at 2 pm. The Interview Team will then convene on 11.05.03, with their assessment of each bid, and together will narrow the field to three firms. On 11.13.03, the Interview Team would interview the three finalist firms.

M. Lansdale stated the interview process would be both highly structured and the same for each firm. She then asked if Board members would want to be part of the interview team, which now includes the Director, the architect J. Mumby and Phil Bohan of the Chelsea Community Hospital. N. Schumann, K. Sprawka and G. DeGraff stated they would participate on the Interview Team.

MOTION made by L. Fox, seconded by J. Gourlay, to form a committee whose charge would be to review Construction Manager bids, narrow the field to three firms, interview these three firms, and bring their recommendation of one firm to the Board as a Discussion Item at the 11.18.03 meeting. A Special Board meeting would then be held the next night, 11.19.03 at 7 p.m., to take Action on the recommendation.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Capital Campaign

M. Lansdale reported that she and K. Sprawka would be meeting soon to confirm campaign leadership. She noted the next step toward the election would be for the Board to approve the text that appears on the voting ballot. J. Dohner reported that the Capital Campaign Communications Committee has recently sent their first newsletter to the public, and noted that Andy Sacks helped with the story about L. McDonald.

PARKING LOT

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, MOTION made by N. Schumann, Seconded by L. Fox and unanimously agreed, the meeting hereby adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Minutes recorded by G. De Salvo

Submitted by:
Gregory P. DeGraff, Secretary

LYNDON TOWNSHIP ATTENTION RESIDENTS — NOTICE —

LYNDON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2004 AT 7:00 P.M. THE LYNDON TOWNSHIP HALL 17751 N. TERRITORIAL ROAD, CHELSEA, MI 48118

AGENDA:

PETITION OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF LYNDON TOWNSHIP TO THE LYNDON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, TO CORRECT ZONING MAP

NOW COMES the Township Board of Lyndon Township and requests that the Lyndon Township Planning Commission to hold a public hearing and make a recommendation to the Lyndon Township Board to amend the Lyndon Township 2002 Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map by correcting the Zoning Map adopted with and attached to said Ordinance to show the correct zoning district for the lands of the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources in Section 32, Lyndon Township, as W-R Wilderness and Recreation District, including those lands lying west and north of Guinan Drive. The published zoning map erroneously shows the parcel as being L-R Lake Residential, which is contrary to intents and purposes of the Ordinance, contrary to the intent of the Township Board in adoption of the said Ordinance, and contrary to the prior recommendations of the Planning Commission on the 2002 Zoning Ordinance to the Township Board.

LYNDON TOWNSHIP BOARD
By: LINDA REILLY, Township Clerk

Dated: December 4, 2003.
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DATE PRINTED: 11/25/2003

ASSR REQUEST 08/07/01 LY 32-2A-1 E 1/2 OF SE 1/4 SEC 32, EXC N 660 FT OF W 1080 FT, ALSO NW 1/4 OF OF SE 1/4, EXC N 350 FT OF E 500 FT OF W 650 ALSO EXC E 82.5 FT OF N 232 FT, ALSO SW 1/4 OF NE 1/4 EXC THE E 5 AC, ALSO THAT PT OF NW 1/4 LYING N OF FOLLOWING DESC LN, BEG AT NW COR SEC 32, TH S 89-40-00 W 186.94 FT ALG N LN SEC 31, TH S 37-23-00 E 268.85 FT, TH S 50-22-30 E 70.71 FT, TH S 26-50-00 E TO C/L CREEK, TH SWLY ALG C/L OF CREEK TO INTRSCTN OF WATERLOO-CHELSEA RD, TH SELY 339.90 FT ALG C/L WATERLOO-CHELSEA RD, TH N 49-17-00 E 608.42 FT, TH S 72-43-00 E 271.29 FT, TH S 49-47-00 E 37.49 FT, TH N 19-23-30 E 60.38 FT, TH S 72-56-00 E 306 FT, TH S 19-23-30 W 189.68 FT, TH S 87-55-00 E 338.09 FT, TH S 53-56-00 E 565.71 FT, TH N 07-59-00 E 820 FT, TH E 320 FT TO POE. ALSO THAT PT OF SW 1/4 LYING SELY OF FOLLOWING DESC LN, BEG AT CEN OF SEC 32, TH S 88-52-17 W 1466.04 FT, TH S 27-17-00 E 705.12 FT, TH S 04-50-50 W 32.50 FT, TH SELY TO NE COR OF LOT 113 GRIFFIN'S SUB NO. 2, TH N 26-27-00 E 62.00 FT, TH S 89-02-00 E 34.20 FT, TH N 60-28-28 E 199.60 FT, TH N 32-36-00 W 168.27 FT, TH S 07-36-35 W 187.69 FT, TH S 33-32-45 W 33.00 FT, TH 45.16 FT ALNG CURV LFT RAD=56.60 CH=N 79-18-25 W 43.97 FT, TH S 77-50-20 W 72.31 FT, TH 18.99 FT ALNG CURV LFT RAD=118.95 FT CH=S 73-15-59 W 18.97 FT, TH 20.64 FT ALNG CURV LFT RAD=118.95 FT CH=S 63-43-17 W 20.62 FT, TH S 58-45-05 W 45.82 FT.

Written comments may be sent to: Helena M. Robinovitz, Office Manager, 17751 N. Territorial Road, Chelsea, MI 48118.

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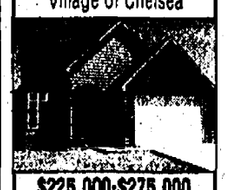

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Munith Better than new ranch on 3.10 acres. Great open layout, cozy fireplace, master spa tub, doorwall to deck. Decorative landscaping, sidewalk & shed. $175,000. Shelley Scott 475-9600, eves 517-914-1570. #240775

Chelsea Bring your own builder! Beautiful & dramatic topography describes this secluded & completely wooded, 6.3 acre site. Parcel 5A off of beautiful Riker Rd. $175,000. Nicki Noel 747-7777, eves 544-5919. #236056

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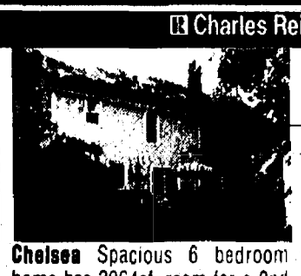

Chelsea Spacious 6 bedroom home has 3064sf. room for a 2nd kitchen, huge unfinished attic space, 2nd floor laundry room, 2 full baths and 2 half baths. Tranquil acre. $375,000. Heather McDougall 475-9600, eves 734-320-3722. #236896

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Dexter Wonderful, affordable home in great family neighborhood with 3 bedrooms and 2.5 baths. Immaculate on a wonderful cul-de-sac w/custom paint job. Must see! $214,900. Margaret Delaney 971-6070, eves 395-0689. #241679

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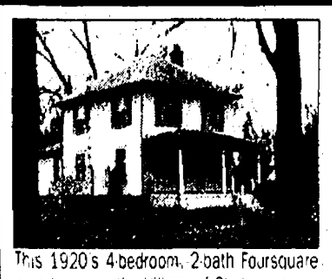
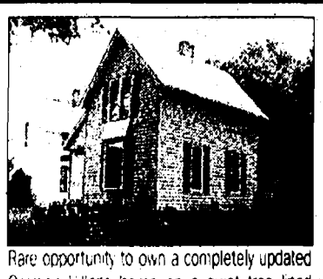
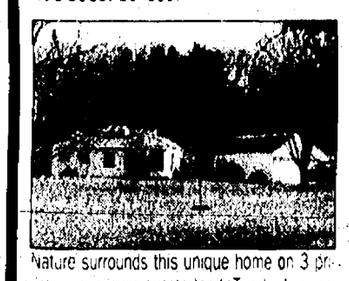


This 1920's 4-bedroom, 2-bath Foursquare on a big lot in the Village of Chelsea's just waiting for that right person to make it old again inside. $189,900. **Steve Easudes, 475-8053.** 234685.



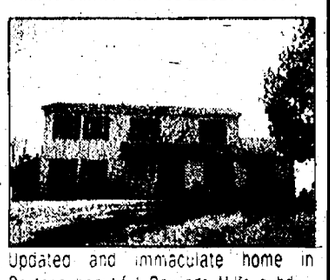
Rare opportunity to own a completely updated Chelsea Village home on a quiet tree lined street. Three bedrooms, 1.5-car garage, numerous updates including kitchen. $185,000. **Tammy Lehman, 320-0959.** 241266.



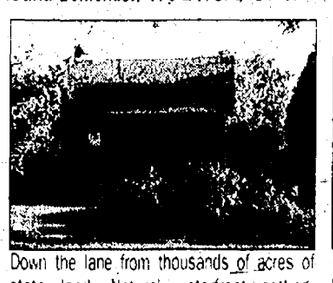
Nature surrounds this unique home on 3 private acres joining state land. Two bedrooms, 1 bath, 12x17 four season room. Many ornate trees. Great access to I-94. $169,900. **Leah Herrick, 475-1672.** 237842.

Sharp, completely renovated ranch with 2 car garage. Three bedrooms, 2 baths, 1150 sq. ft. Newer windows, roof, and kitchen. Easy access to I-94. $165,900. **Charlie Silkworth, 433-1180.** 239892.

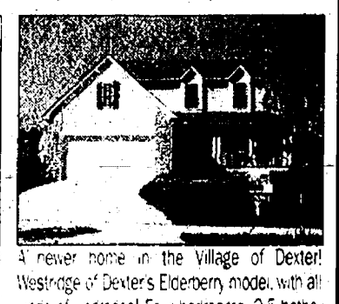
Wonderful 3-bedroom, 2-bath starter home updated and redone. Third bedroom great as office den. Heated workshop attached to the 1-car garage. $159,000. **Darla Bohlender, 475-1478.** 241470.



Updated and immaculate home in Dexter's beautiful Carriage Hills subdivision on 1.2 acres. New hardwood floors. Four bedrooms, 2.5 baths. $249,900. **Kathy Jackson, 645-3895.** 242129.



Down the lane from thousands of acres of state land. Natural waterfront setting. Waterloo Recreation Area. Screened porch, hardwood floors, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. $295,000. **Diane Bice, 475-8091.** 239281.



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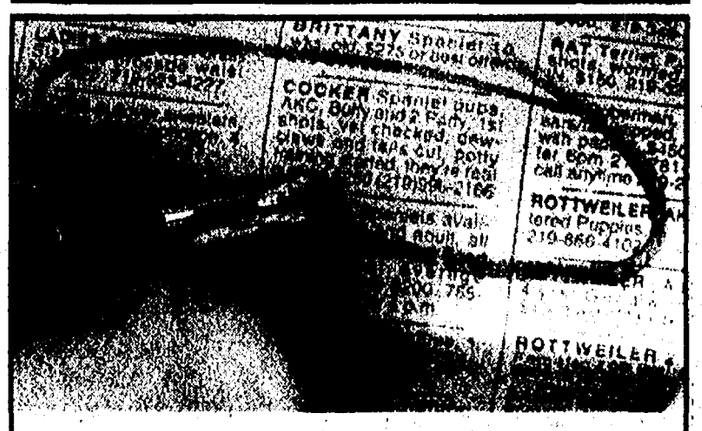

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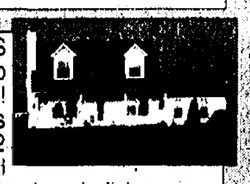

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Apartments/ Flats 300

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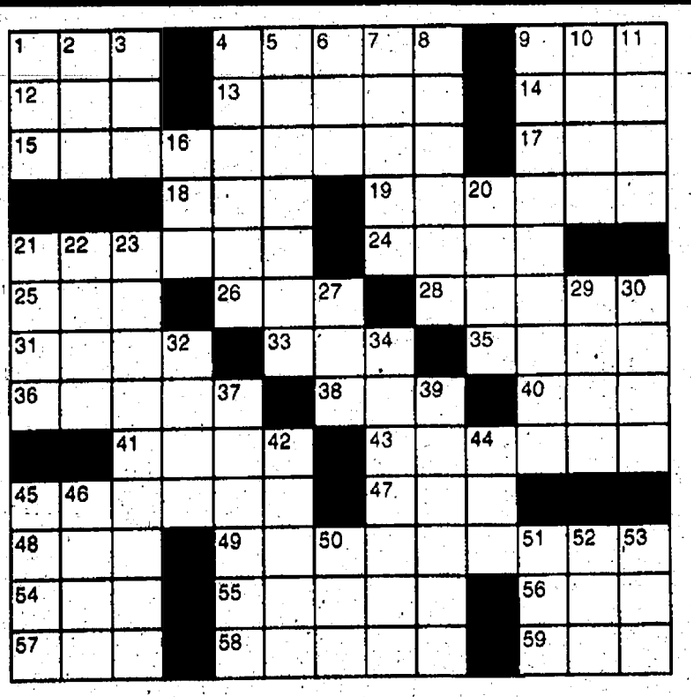

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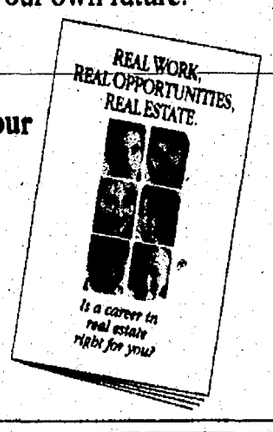

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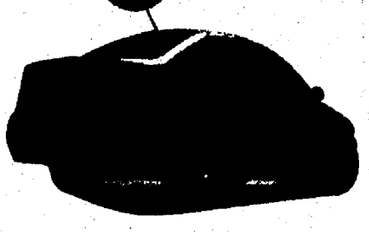

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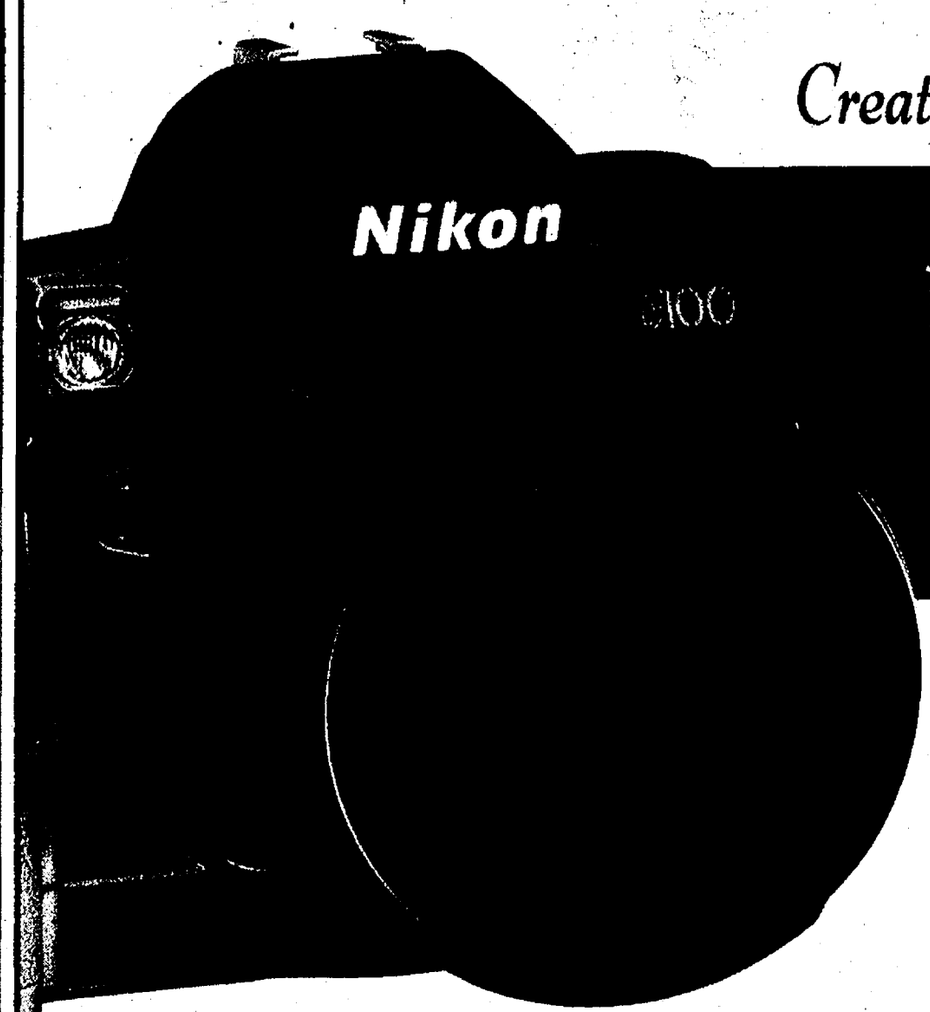

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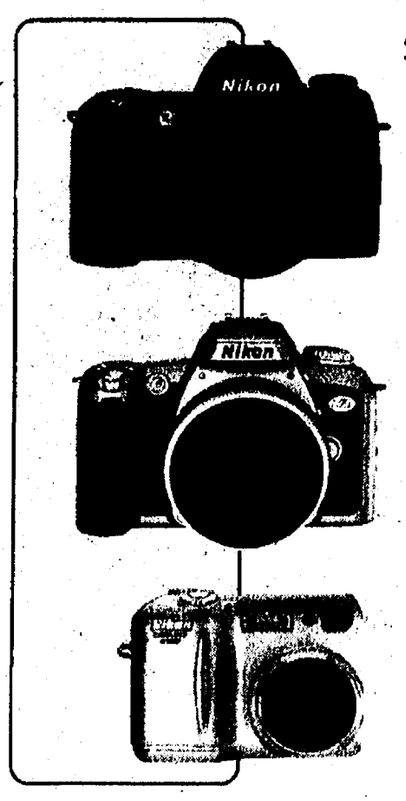

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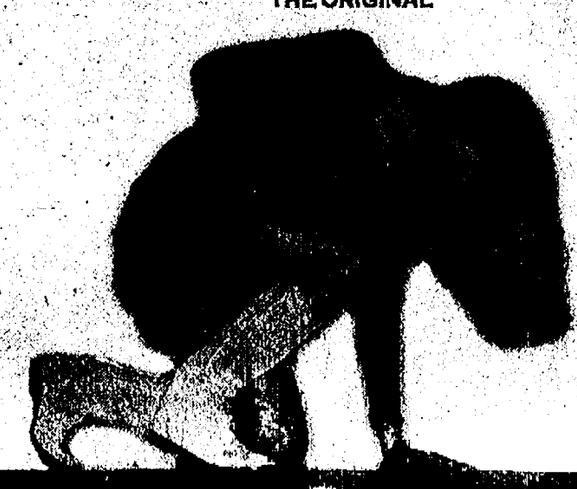

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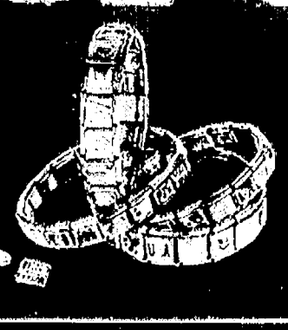

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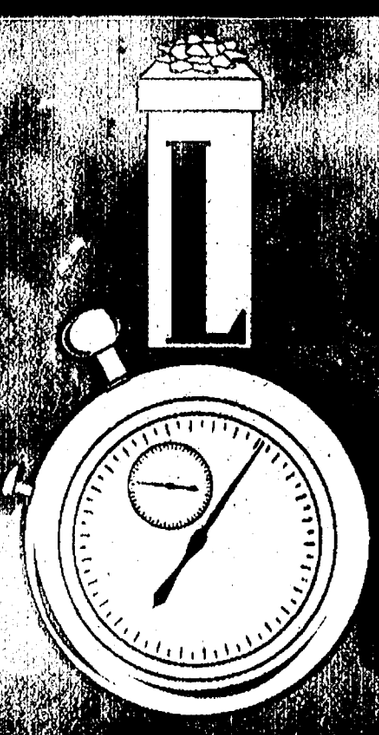

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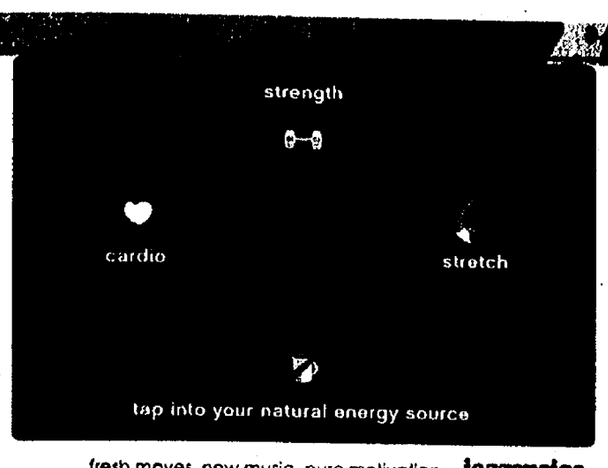

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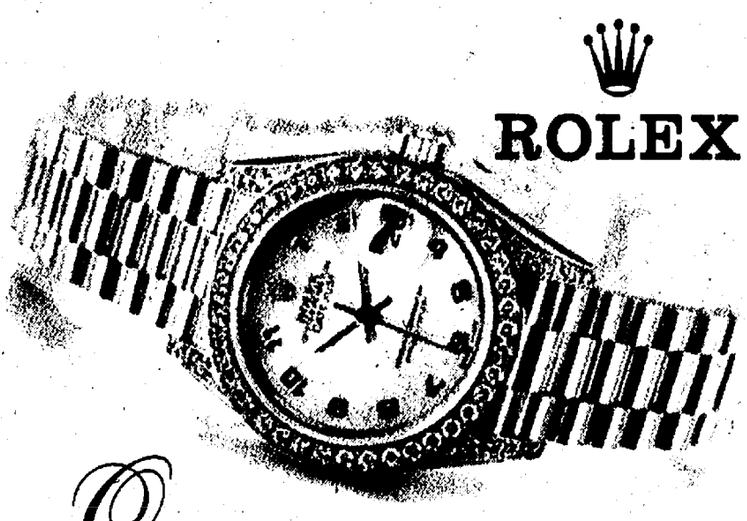

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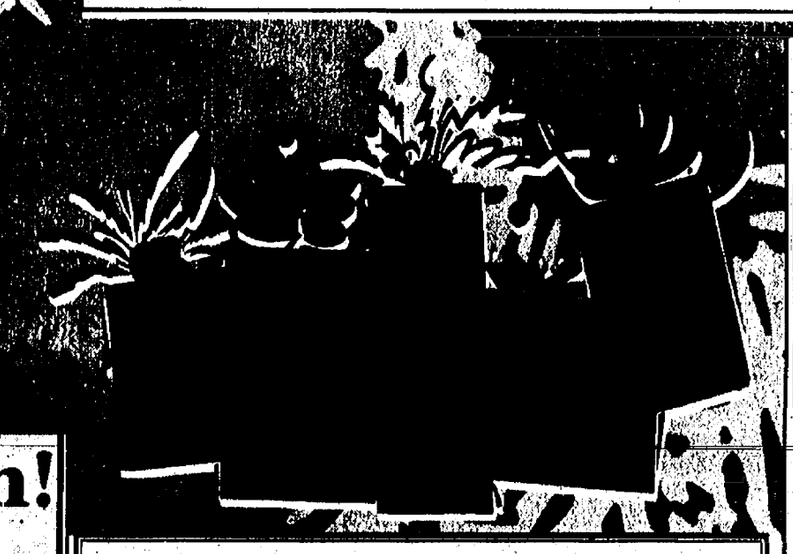

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RON LAIRD
Dexter

Ron Laird, 37, of Dexter died Nov. 24, 2003, the victim of an automobile accident. He was born Feb. 3, 1966, in Illinois. He lived in Canandaigua, N.Y., California and Ithaca, N.Y., before moving to the Ann Arbor area four years ago.

Mr. Laird was a graduate of the University of Rochester. He had a degree in optical engineering and was employed by Guardian Industries, where he held a leadership role in research and development.

Mr. Laird was married to Carole in 1992, and they have two children, Daniel, 6, and Katelyn, 8.

He is survived by his wife; children; parents, Nyal Ernest and Karon Laird; brother, Nyal James Laird; three grandparents; numerous aunts and uncles, and several other family members.

He is also survived by his parents-in-law, William and Shirley Carpenter, as well as brothers-in-law, Kenneth, Richard, William and Robert Carpenter, all of California.

Mr. Laird was a member of Dexter United Methodist Church, where a memorial service took place Nov. 29. The Revs. Steve Bringardner and Matt Hook officiated.

Memorial donations may be made to the family to establish a trust fund for Mr. Laird's children.

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RUTH L. KRUPP
Chelsea

Ruth Louise Krupp, 91, of Chelsea died peacefully Dec. 9, 2003, in Towsley Village at the Chelsea Retirement Community. She was born in Eau Claire, Wis., Aug. 19, 1912, the daughter of Hugh and Anna (Ovig) Boyd.

Mrs. Krupp was raised and educated in Minneapolis, Minn., and moved in 1936 to Detroit, where she met her husband, John A. Krupp. They were married Dec. 31, 1938, and resided in Detroit until 1981, when they relocated to South Lyon. Mr. Krupp preceded is wife in death in 1985.

Mrs. Krupp was employed at Henry Ford Hospital and then became a loving homemaker and active community leader. She served as president of the University of Minnesota Women's Club, was a member of the Detroit Council of Parent Teachers' Association, and served in various Scouting and volunteer positions.

Mrs. Krupp will be remembered for her devotion to her husband and family, and her love of nature.

She was diagnosed with dementia, possibly Alzheimer's disease, in 1993 and her family has grieved her loss every step of the way. The staff at Chelsea Retirement Community has been invaluable in easing her transitions, creating the best quality of life possible, and supporting her family through this passage.

Mrs. Krupp is survived by two daughters, Mary (David) Robb of Chelsea and Nancy (Bruce) Romant of Ann Arbor; a son, John (Jan) Krupp of Traverse City; two granddaughters, Emily and Anna; three step-grandchildren, Michael, Jeannie, Carrie, and their families; and three nieces and nephews.

A celebration of her life will be held 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Chelsea Retirement Community Chapel. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until time of service.

Interment will be at the South Lyon Cemetery in South Lyon.

Memorial contributions may be made to Towsley Village, United Methodist Retirement Community.

Funeral arrangements were by the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea.

WALTER L. BONE, JR.
Pinckney

Walter L. Bone, Jr., 85, of Pinckney died Dec. 8, 2003, at his home. He was born Jan. 11, 1918, in Calumet the son of Walter and Florence (Robillard) Bone.

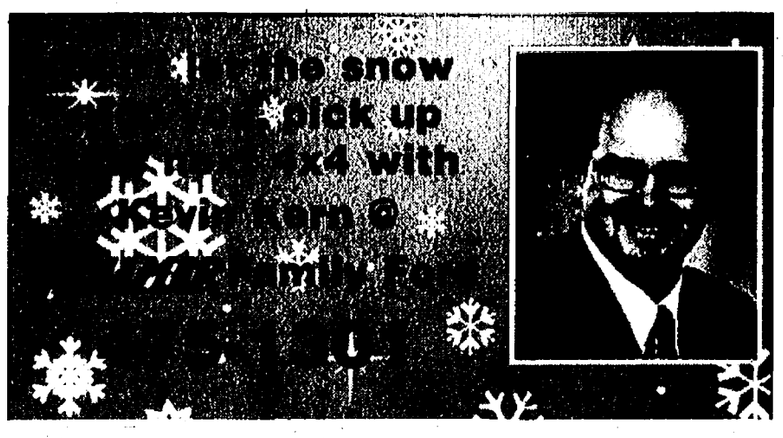
Mr. Bone is survived by his wife, Helen, of 62 years.

Also surviving are two sons, three grandsons and eight great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held 11 a.m. Saturday at Community Congregational Church in Pinckney, with visitation from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. before the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Howell.

Arrangements were made by Hosmer-Muehlig Funeral Chapel.



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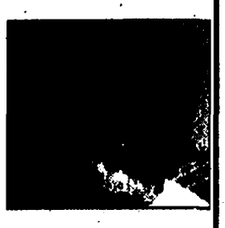

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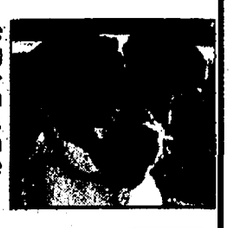

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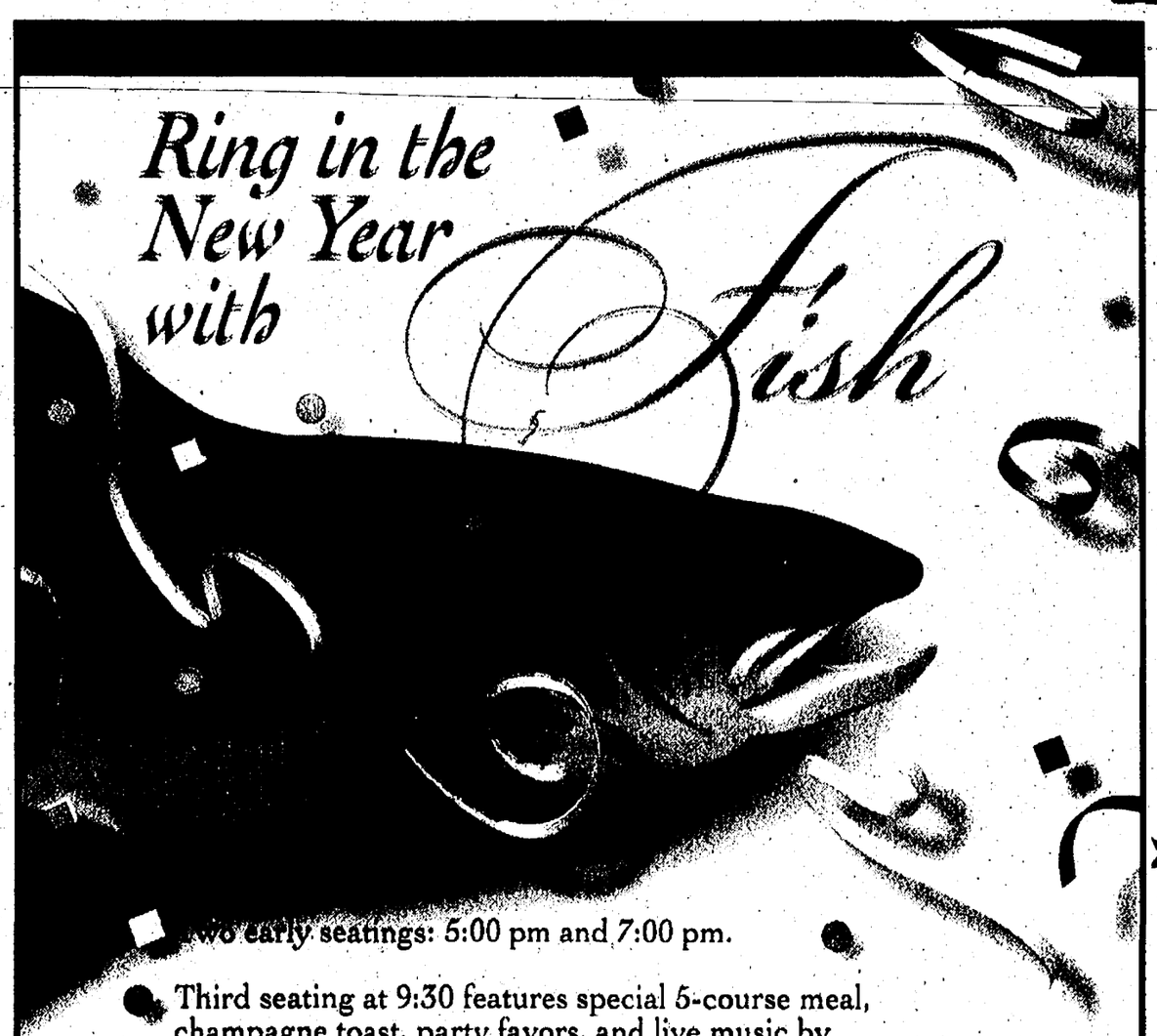

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Chelsea cagers to use speed, quickness to subdue foes

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

With one of its shorter teams in recent history, this year's version of Chelsea basketball will have to rely on speed and quickness to gain an advantage this season.

Whereas last year's squad was one of the tallest teams ever, with all-time shot blocking record-holder Scott Dettling (6-foot-7) and high-flying Paul Newhouse (6-5) patrolling the paint, Bulldog basketball was strong inside.

"Those guys were dominant inside for us," said Chelsea coach Robin Raymond, entering his 22nd season. "We set team records in blocked shots. We lost 91 percent of our scoring from last year."

The Bulldogs lost their top six players, including all five starters from last season's club, which finished 18-3 overall, and champions of the Southeastern Conference White Division, with an 8-2 record.

Chelsea lost in districts to Jackson.

Despite losing all that talent, the cupboard is far from bare for the Bulldogs.

"We're going to be able to do things this year that we couldn't do last year," Raymond said. "We'll be able to interchange positions. Plus, we're pretty athletic. Out of 13 players, 10 were on the football team.

"We're going to use our athleticism on offense and defense. In the past, we've always tried to play up-tempo. This year, we're going to pick it up even more than usual. We want to extend our defensive pressure full court. We'll run different traps, and play full court defensive basketball."

Leading the charge for Chelsea will be a slew of seniors. The Bulldogs return six seniors to the squad.

Returning upperclassmen include backcourt players George Royce (6-foot) and Brian Kinaschuk (6-0). Swing players include Mark Borders (6-0) and Tony Reifel (6-0). Upfront, Chelsea welcomes back Jeff Elliott (6-2) and Joel Hohnke (6-1).

Another senior added to the team for this year is Kyle Kendzicky (6-4).

Juniors looking to contribute this season include guards Terry Arnold

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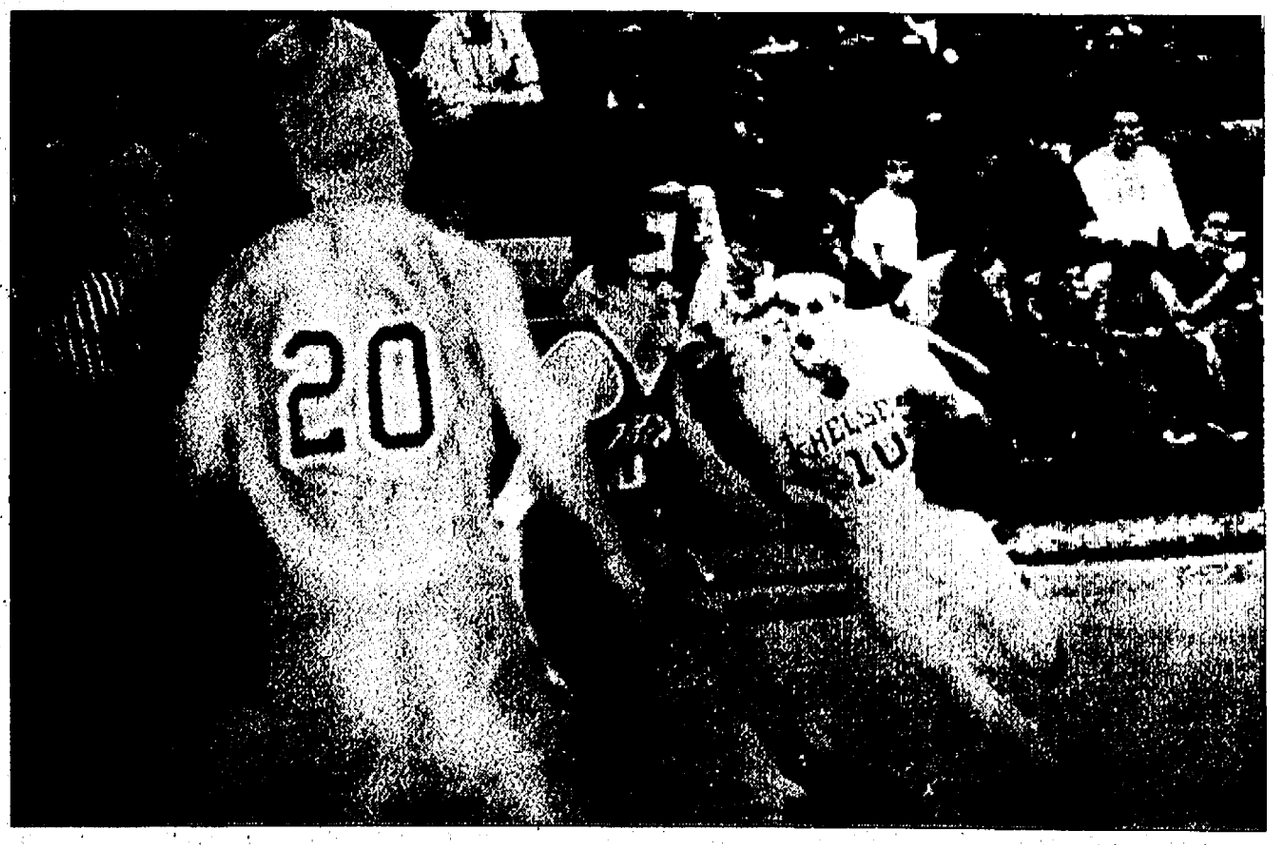
Chelsea seniors Jeff Elliott (50) and Brian Kinaschuk (40) return to a Bulldog squad that finished 18-3 overall last year, and was Southeastern Conference White Division champions.



Bulldog senior George Royce should see plenty of minutes this season in the Chelsea backcourt. The Bulldogs lost in districts last year to Jackson.

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Winter Sports Preview

Bulldog grapplers to battle for league crown

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Last season, Chelsea wrestling finished second in the Southeastern Conference White Division to upstart Tecumseh. The Indians had a magical year a season ago, advancing all the way to the state finals in Battle Creek before losing.

The Bulldogs, traditional SEC White powers, look to get back on top this season.

"Our goals this year are to win the league and be district champs," said Chelsea coach Kerry Kargel, entering his 20th season.

Returning to lead the Bulldogs this year are six determined seniors.

In the upper weight divisions, Joel Powers returns at the 215-pound weight class, while Karl Wint will battle at 189 pounds this season.

Ben Rodgers will participate at 171 pounds this season, while classmate Andy Hurst will compete at 160 pounds for Chelsea.

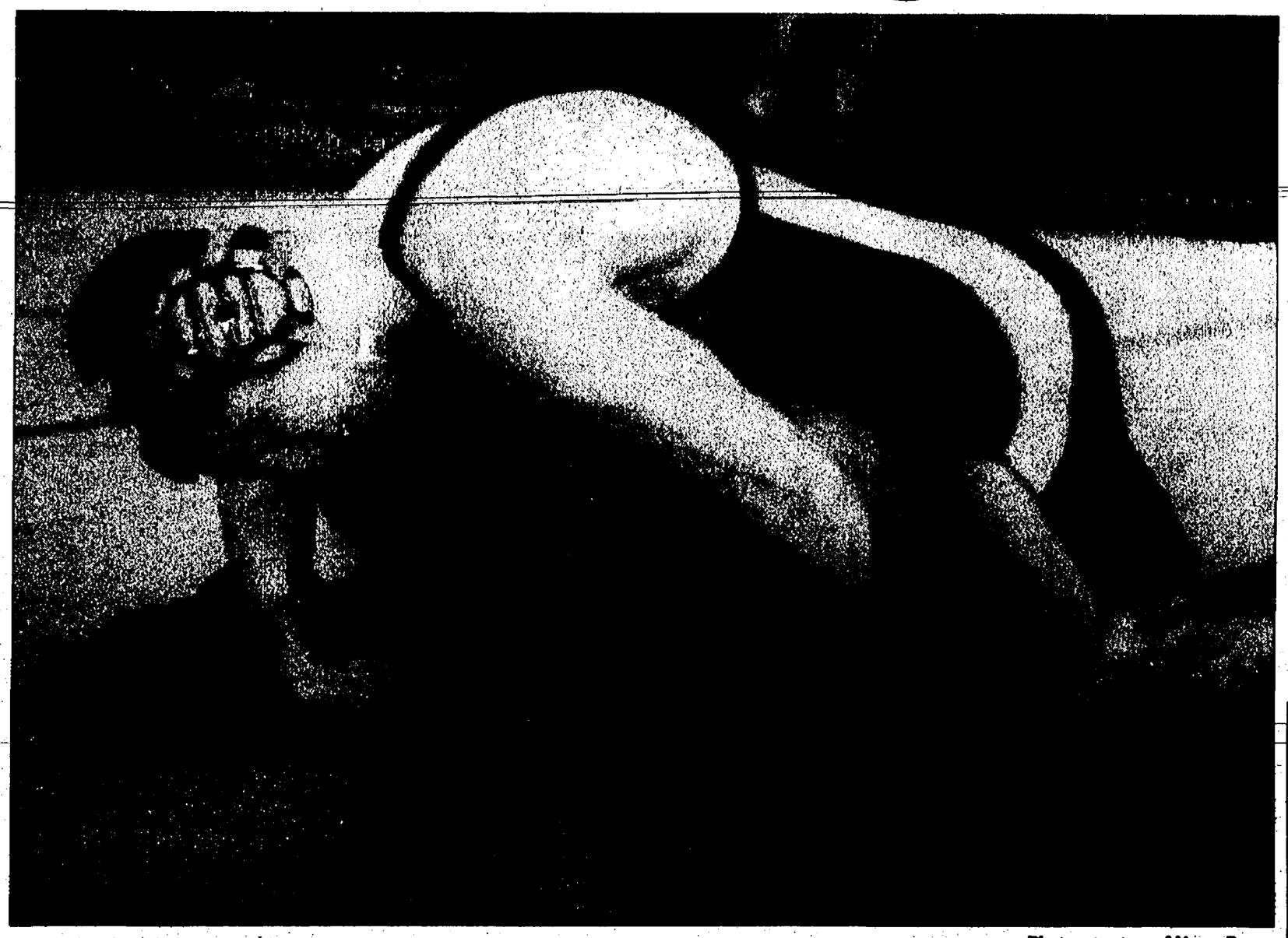
At the middle weights, Matt Robinson will hold the fort at 152 pounds this year, while Josh Clark will hit the mat at 135 pounds.

Top newcomers this season for the Bulldogs will be junior Stephen Kolokithas, at 145 pounds, and sophomores Cody Sciller, at 140 pounds, and Geoff Wonders, at 103 pounds.

Chelsea lost four talented grapplers off last year's team.

Randy Ostrowski, Adam Egeler, Darl Bauer and Ross Davis all were state qualifiers and All-State performers for the Bulldogs.

Ostrowski finished second in the state at 140 pounds last year. He lost to Brandon Carter of Swartz Creek 11-5 in the final. Ostrowski ended up with a record of 48-8.



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Chelsea senior Matt Robinson, who'll compete at 152 pounds, returns to help lead the Bulldog grapplers this season. Last year, Chelsea finished second in the Southeastern Conference White Division behind Tecumseh.

Egler placed fifth at 160 pounds at the state meet. He finished with a record of 39-4.

Bauer placed third at 189 pounds at the state final. He [illegible] in the state semifinals to eventual-state and national champion Roger Kish on a 26-11 technical fall. Bauer ended up 40-2 on the year.

Davis placed seventh in the state at heavyweight last season. He finished with a record of 33-10.

Despite those losses, Kargel remains upbeat about this season.

"Our strengths will be leadership and our desire to win," he said.

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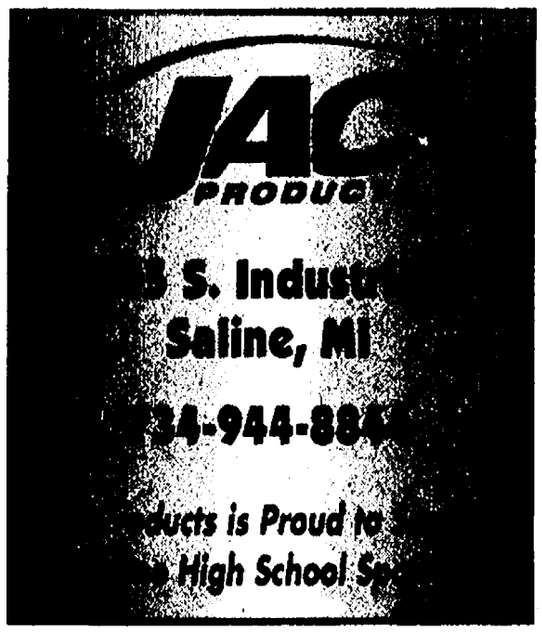
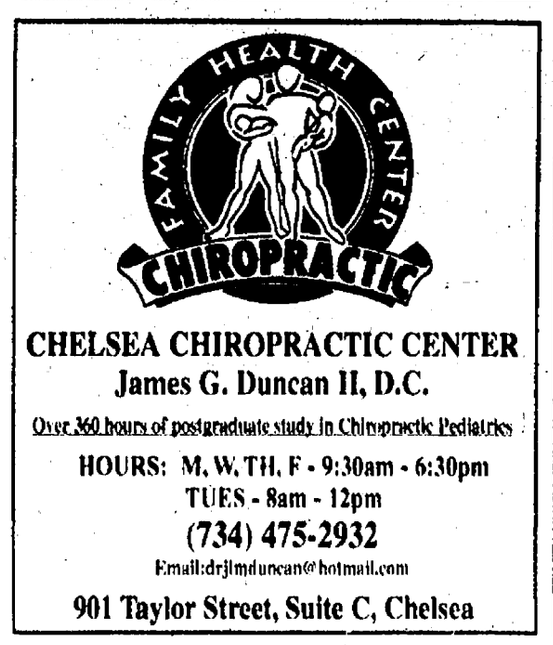
Bulldog Ben Rodgers should be a force this season for Chelsea in the 171-pound weight class.





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(5-10) and Spencer Daniels (5-10), swing player Danny Keilman (6-0) and frontcourt players Aaron Parisho (6-1) and Tim Mann (6-1).

The team's lone sophomore is center John Mantel (6-4).

Raymond said to be successful this year his squad has to do a few things.

"We have to rebound and play defense in the key, and we need to handle the ball offensively in the open court," he said. "If we play well in those areas, we should be competitive.

"This is one of the shortest teams we've ever had in all my years. But, I think, we can do a lot of different things on the court.

"This team has excellent chemistry. We pass the ball very well. That's very important in our offense. And we're very unselfish."

Raymond said the team's goals are to repeat as SEC champions and to be a dominant defensive team.

"If we play well on the defensive end, we'll be successful," he said.

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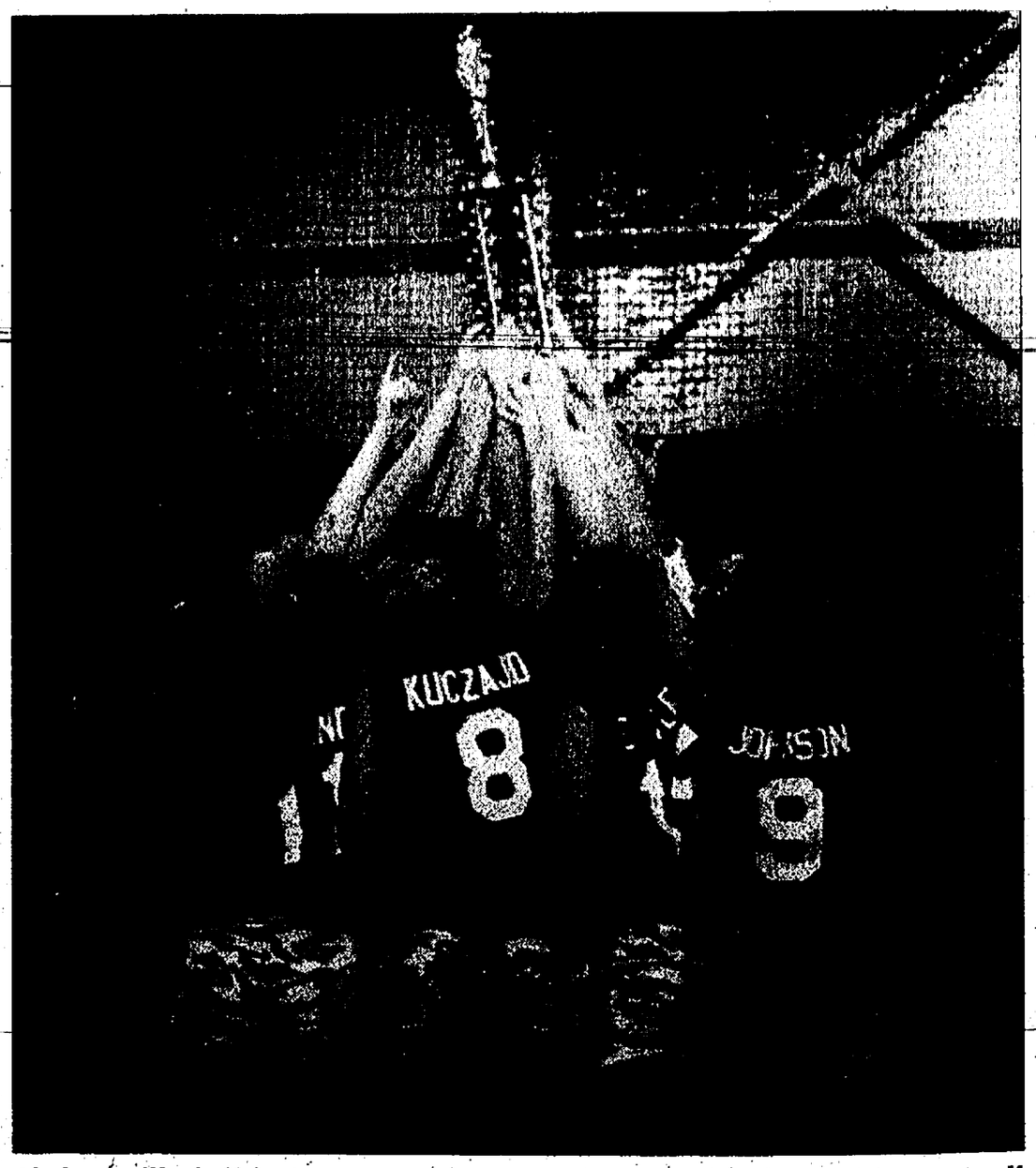

Chelsea volleyball had a tremendous season last year, finishing with an overall record of 54-4-4. The Bulldogs, however, made an earlier-than-expected exit from the state playoffs, losing in the first round of district play.

Chelsea spikers look to atone for last year's setback

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

It was not a very good moment in Chelsea volleyball history.

Last year, the host Bulldogs fell 15-8, 4-15, 14-16 to Adrian in a first-round district match.

Chelsea, coming off a season in which it had advanced to the Class B state semifinals, was looking to make another long playoff run. However, the Maples had other ideas.

Despite the earlier-than-expected exit from the state tournament, the Bulldogs had a phenomenal season last year. Chelsea ended up with an overall record of 54-4-4, including a 10-0 Southeastern Conference White Division mark and six tournament titles.

With their perfect league record, the Bulldogs captured the conference championship.

Chelsea coach Laura Cleveland said the past two years of highs and lows have been good for her team.

"I believe the experiences that we've had, both in making a run far into the state playoffs and losing early in districts last year, has given us a good perspective," she said. "It's given us the drive to improve and play consistently throughout the year, and work to play our best at the end of the season."

Returning to lead the Bulldogs this year is outside hitter Lindsay Tye. The 5-foot-11 senior earned All-State recognition a season ago.

Other top players looking to contribute this year include senior middle hitter Lindsay Parker (5-11) and senior middle hitter Renee Johnston.

Chelsea will have to overcome the loss of four quality seniors from last season's 54-win squad.

Middle hitter Karri Kuczjada, now playing at Henry Ford Community College, along with setter Courtney Bentley, outside hitter Anna Arend and defensive specialist Cynthia Johnson had a big part in the Bulldogs' success last season.

But with the returning talent, and last year's early state playoff exit, look for Chelsea to be hungry this season.

"We want to communicate better as a group," said Cleveland, beginning her fourth year as Bulldog coach. "We want to improve our serve receive

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Hard working swimmers strive to move up the rankings

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Chelsea boys' swimming and diving team hopes to combine talent and a positive attitude, helping propel it up the state rankings this season.

"Our strength will be our work ethic," said Chelsea coach Dave Jolly, who is beginning his 16th season on the deck for the Bulldogs. "We have some real good athletes on this year's squad who know hard work is the key to success.

"They all have had great mentors to work with over the past four years, and they know what it takes to be successful."

Last year, Chelsea finished 10-3 overall, placing second in Southeastern Conference White Division, and 10th at the Division II state meet.

Jolly said the squad is aiming for nothing less than a repeat of last season's success, or better.

"We hope to finish in the top two in the league and somewhere in the top 10 at the state level," he said.

Returning to lead the team is junior Andy Kellogg. Last season, he finished 15th in the 200 individual medley, with a time of 2:03.14 at the state meet. He also clocked a 1:03.28, placing 15th in the 100 breaststroke at the final. This year, Kellogg will compete in freestyle events, the individual medley and the breaststroke.

Also returning to lead the squad is senior Aaron Connell, who'll participate in butterfly events this year.

Matt Kellogg, in distance freestyle and Josh Haynes, in sprint freestyle, are other top seniors returning to pace the team this season.

Last year, Haynes finished 50th in the state in the 50 freestyle with a time of 23.77.

In diving, Chelsea will look to junior Shawn Bergman for points.

Newcomers looking to make an impact this season include Nick Armstrong, Rick Kensey and Doug Lance.

Despite the depth on this year's team, the Bulldogs will have to overcome the loss of a trio of talented swimmers to graduation.

Jake Holton, Andre Bravo and Tim Wacker all played important roles during Chelsea's drive to a top 10 state finish last season.

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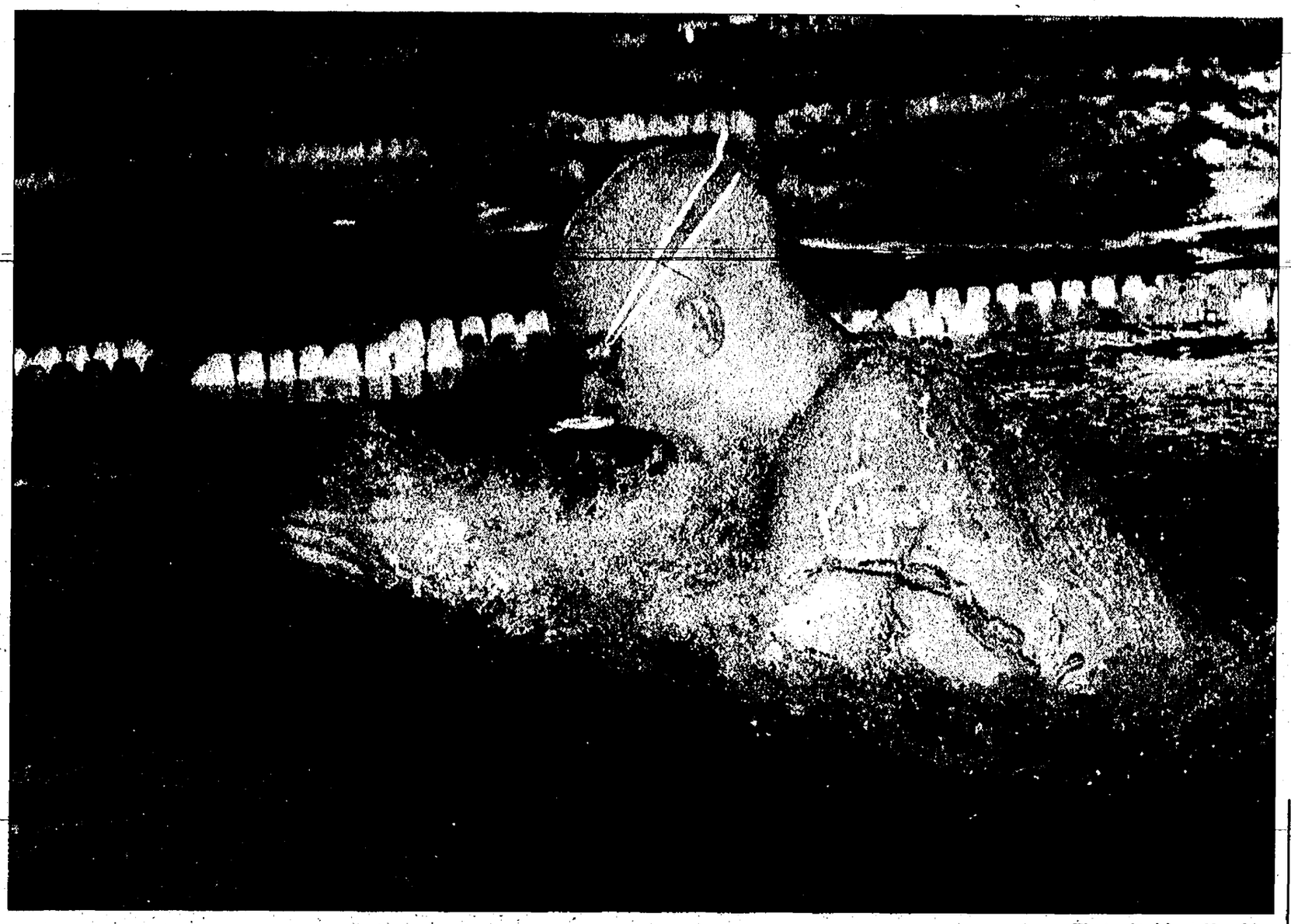

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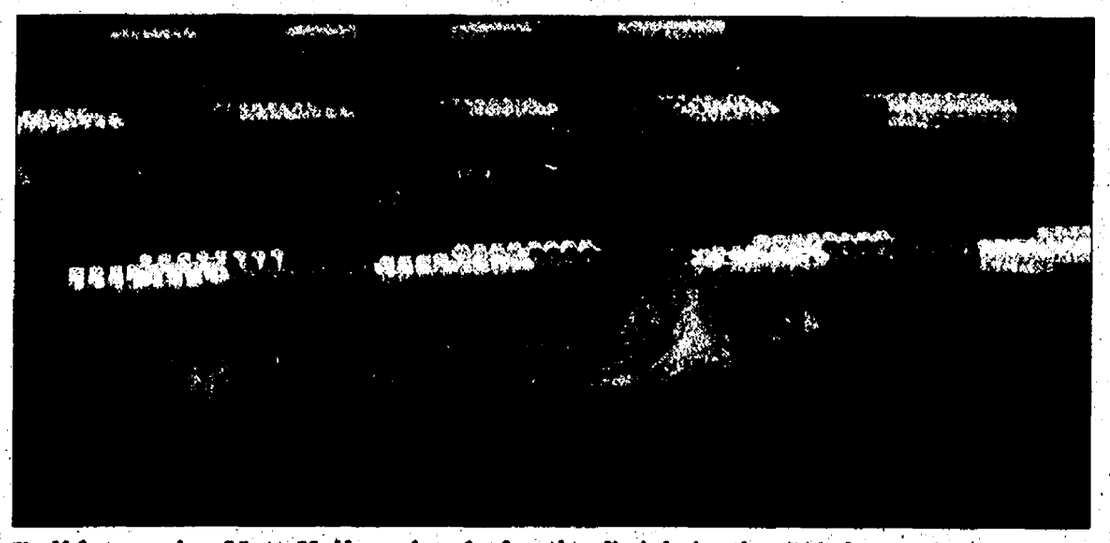
A key returnee for Chelsea swimming is junior Andy Kellogg, who finished 15th in the 100 breaststroke at last year's Division II state meet.



Bulldog senior Matt Kellogg heads for the finish in the 500 freestyle last year. Kellogg and the rest of his Chelsea teammates hope to unseat county rival Dexter as Southeastern Conference White Division champions this season.

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Defense to anchor Bulldog hockey this season

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

It's always said defense wins championships.

Well, if that's the case, then Chelsea hockey should be in for a great season. The Bulldogs are loaded defensively this year.

Leading the way along the blue line for Chelsea this season are two rugged defensemen.

Seniors Matt Eckler and Lee Woodruff form an imposing and physical pair on the ice. Eckler (6-foot-5), towers over most players, while Woodruff (5-11, 175), a starting linebacker on the Bulldog football team, brings aggressiveness and tenacity to the ice.

"They're both strong skaters and both have good offensive skills to go along with their defense," said Chelsea coach Don Wright.

If Woodruff and Eckler weren't enough, Chelsea returns junior net minder J.R. Engelbert between the pipes.

Offensively, the Bulldogs aren't too shabby, either.

Senior center Craig Urwin returns after leading the team in scoring a year ago.

He'll be joined by fast-skating wingers juniors Ryan Ford, third on the team in scoring last season, and Davis Turner.

Top newcomers to the team include sophomore winger Eric Cremer and freshmen Schyler Williams, as well as Travis Amburgey and goalie Zach Leszczynski.

Chelsea is coming off a strong year in which it finished 15-9-3 overall and reached the regional finals before losing.

This is the fourth year for the Bulldog hockey program as a varsity sport.

"We have only four seniors on this year's team," said Wright, Chelsea coach all four seasons. "This year our strength will be defense. We have five of six defensemen back and our goaltender."

Wright said if there's a weakness on the squad right now, it's youth.

"We're going to have to see how these players develop," he said. "It's a process. Upfront offensively, we'll have to see who'll produce from a goal scorer's standpoint."

Wright this season's goals are simple.

"We'd like to win the league and win our regional," he said. "We were able to get to the final last year, but lost to (Dearborn) Divine Child. Though we lost, it was still great getting to the final."

This year, Chelsea will play in the Southeastern Conference, instead of the Southeast Michigan High School Hockey League, as it had in season's past.

As it does in other sports, the Bulldogs will compete against Dexter and Ypsilanti Lincoln in the White Division, while in the SEC Red Division, there will be Saline, Ann Arbor Pioneer and Temperance Bedford.

Six of the eight SEC schools will participate in the league. Only Tecumseh and Adrian, traditional SEC schools, will not compete.

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"We moved on some wonderful swimmers last year," Jolly said. "Jake Holton is swimming and doing quite well for the Flying Dutchmen at Hope College.

"Andre Bravo was also a big loss for us. He's also at Hope doing well. Our other big player was Tim Wacker, who is going to Washtenaw (Community College) and working as a coach for our age group swimming program."

Jolly said his newcomers would have to help fill the void left by last year's graduating seniors.

"We hope to move our 10 incoming freshmen into contributing roles as soon as possible," he said. "We should have good depth in our events, but we will need to find an identity quickly.

"We have some fine swimmers that have swam and placed at the state level. They are great leaders and should help us to move ahead quickly."

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sideout efficiency, and we want to improve our defensive intensity and our blocking."

Cleveland said one of the strengths of this season's squad is its ability to listen and absorb instruction.

"It's a very coachable group," she said. "It's a very focused group. Individuals are working hard to improve in the areas they are weakest in to help make the team stronger. We also have good passing abilities and strong attacking skills."

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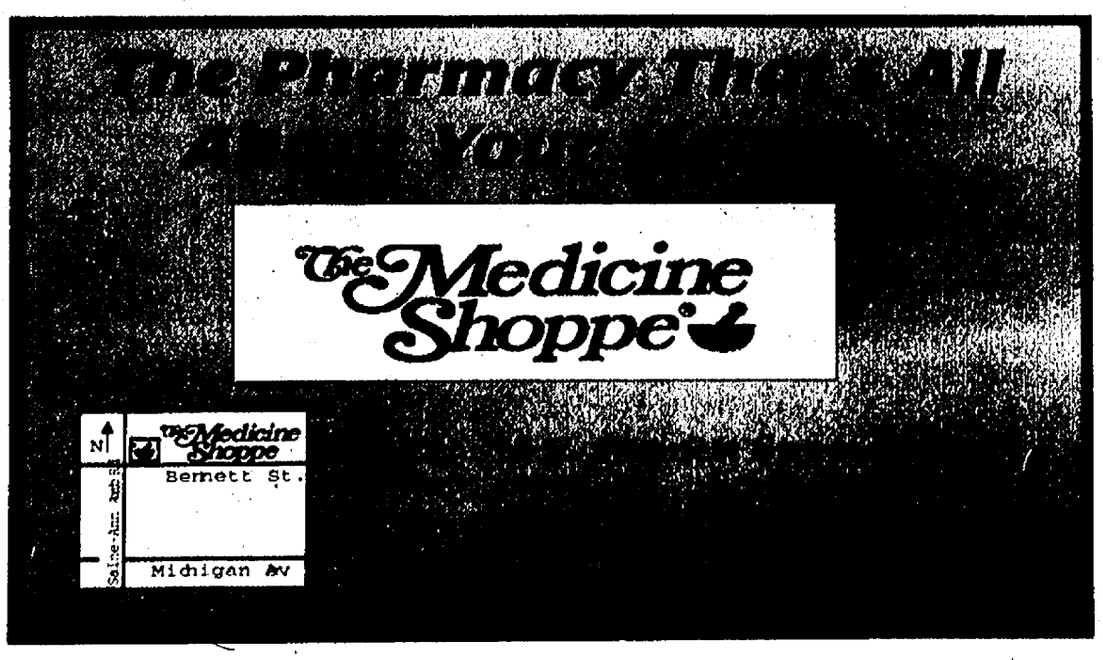

Dexter tankers aim for sixth straight league title

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Dexter boys' swimming and diving team looks to make it six straight Southeastern Conference White Division championships this season.

The Dreadnaughts have not only dominated the SEC White during that time span, they have also been one of the state's top programs.

Since 1999, when Dexter captured the Class B-C-D state title, the Dreadnaughts have finished runner-up in the state (2000), sixth (2001), third (2002) and last year placed ninth overall.

This season, Dexter welcomes Mike VanRhee to the program. VanRhee replaces former coach Darcy Schrieber, who left the program after last season for personal reasons.

VanRhee and Schrieber have known each other for years.

"I swam with Darcy at Eastern Michigan," said VanRhee, a four-year letterwinner with the Eagles. "But this is my first year as a head coach."

Despite having limited head coaching experience, VanRhee inherits a strong and talented team.

Returning to lead the Dreadnaughts this season is Bryan Vessels. The junior is the defending state champion in the 100 backstroke, clocking a 51.51 at last year's Division II final. Vessels also placed fourth in the 50 freestyle with a time of 21.19. He owns schools records in both events.

"He'll mix up his events all year long," VanRhees said of the multi-talented Vessels. "He's an exceptional swimmer."

Also returning to lead this season's squad are senior tri-captains B.J. Jacobs, Thane Wolcott and Steve Crompton.

Jacobs finished 12th at last year's finals in the 500 freestyle with a clocking of 4:57.78. Besides competing in the 500 freestyle, he'll also race in the 200 individual medley and in the 100 butterfly.

Wolcott returns after placing 30th in the 100 breaststroke in 1:05.46 at last season's state meet. Besides the breaststroke, he'll participate in the 200 individual medley and the 100 backstroke this year.

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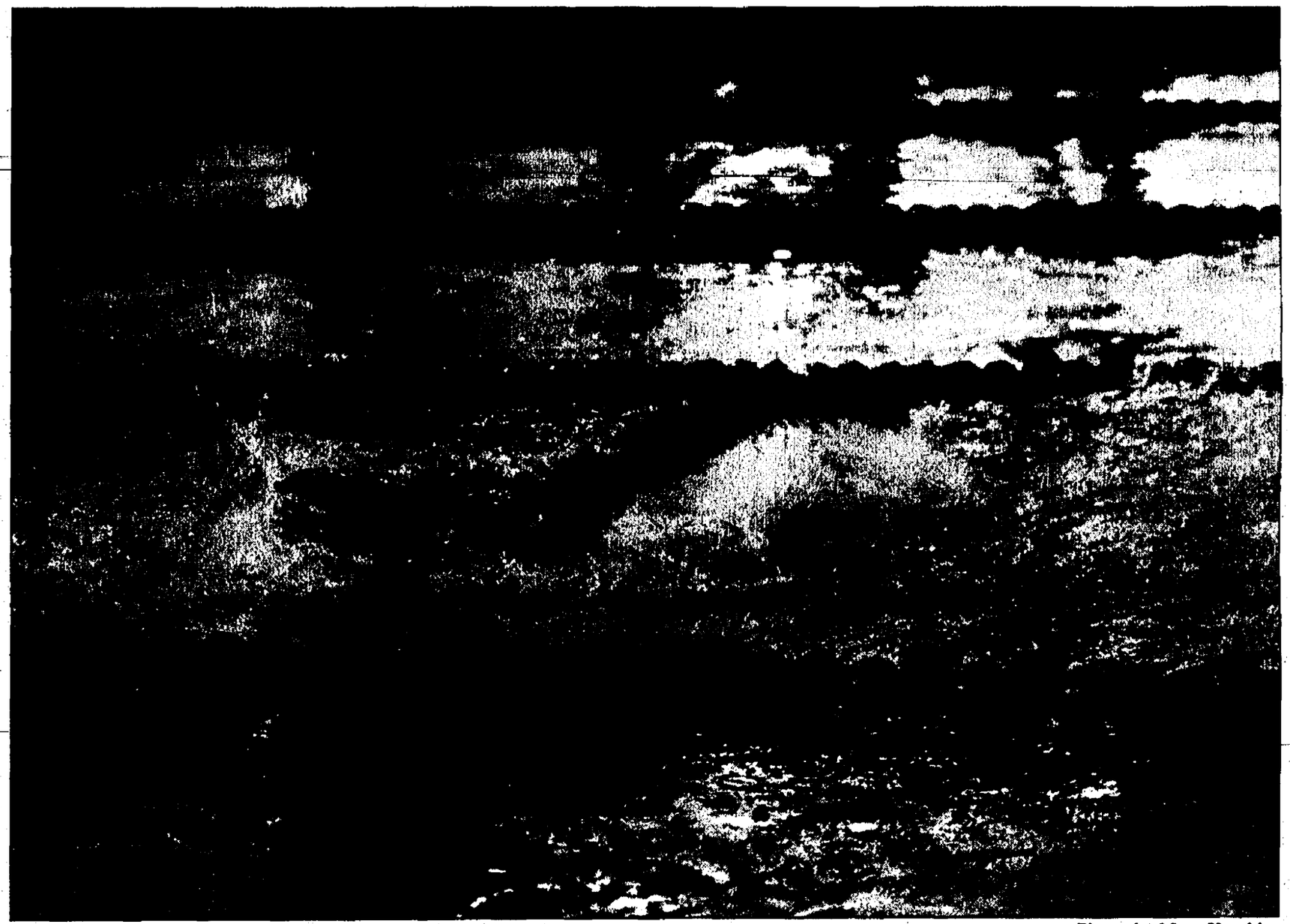

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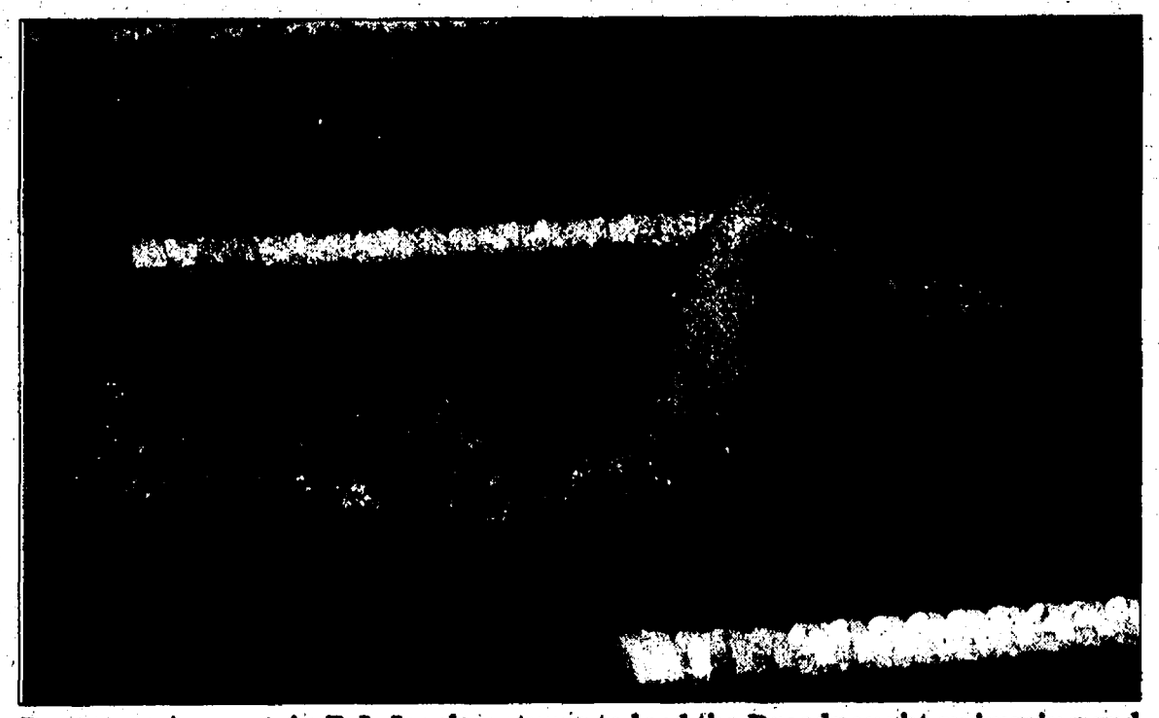
Dexter junior Bryan Vessels glides to another victory during action last season. Vessels captured a Division II state title in the 100 backstroke last year. He also placed fourth in the 50 freestyle. He holds school records in both events.



Dexter senior captain B.J. Jacobs returns to lead the Dreadnaught swimming and diving team after finishing 12th in the 500 freestyle at last year's Division II state meet.

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Quick, tenacious Dread icers ready to face off

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Dexter hockey returns a bevy of talented and experienced players to the ice this season.

Though the Dreadnaughts return numerous players, Dexter welcomes a new face behind the bench this year.

Mike O'Donohue replaces Dave Debol as Dexter coach this season.

O'Donohue has extensive coaching experience, previously leading travel hockey teams in Chelsea, Ann Arbor and Trenton. In all, he has 20 years coaching in hockey and football.

"I played hockey up to the Junior level, at which time I gave up playing to pursue a football scholarship," said O'Donohue, who was an All-State and All-Catholic quarterback at Dearborn St. Alphonsus in 1973.

Helping O'Donohue this season on the bench will be Tad Bergman and Tony Kingsley. Bergman has coached with O'Donohue for six years, while Kingsley, a former player, returns to the Dexter program after leading the Dreadnaughts on defense the past two seasons.

Dexter returns a deep and talented bunch to the ice this year.

Leading the returnees are seniors center Wayne Huber, forward Eric Cappo, forward Drew Gardner, forward Brian Taylor, forward Austin Unrath, forward Chris Deegan and defenseman Brett Gardner.

Juniors returning to make an impact this season include forward Kevin Vlazny, forward Lee Hoggard, forward Lex Williams, defenseman Zach Morhaus and goaltenders Paul Cynar and Matt Hattie.

Top newcomers to the program this season include junior defenseman Craig Jones, sophomore defenseman Scott Thompson, sophomore defenseman Neal Rion, freshman defenseman Justin Jack, sophomore forward Tony Sinelli, sophomore forward Jon Carrender and freshman forward Nick Field.

O'Donohue said a strength of this year's squad is its experience on offense.

"We are quick and tenacious up front, and have a couple of highly skilled players," he said. "We've got a blend of leadership and toughness from the returning players."

O'Donohue also said his goaltending appears strong.

"We have two very hardworking and experienced goalies in Cynar and Hattie," he said.

A possible weakness for the Dreadnaughts, at least early in the year, is its defensive corps.

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Dexter goaltender Matt Hattie makes a sprawling save during action last season. The junior net minder will share goaltending duties this year with fellow classmate Paul Cynar.

Dreadnaught junior Kevin Vlazny out races an opponent for the puck last season. He returns this year as one of Dexter's top scorers.

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Dexter hoops return nine from district title squad

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

The Dexter boys' basketball team will have a deep bench this season, compliments of nine returning players from last year's 13-11 district championship squad.

"They'll bring experience, stability and leadership," said Dexter coach Mike Bavineau, beginning his third season at the Dreadnaught helm.

Leading the charge for Dexter this season will be a pair of three-year varsity performers.

Dan Dyer, a 6-foot-6, 210-pound senior center, will patrol the paint this season for the Dreadnaughts, while running the show for Dexter this year will be senior point guard Dan Snyder (5-11).

Other top returning seniors include frontline players Tom McCarty (6-2), Joe Keinath (6-3) and Joe Szymusiak (6-4), and backcourt mates Dan Roberts (6-0) and Ben Reynolds (6-0).

The squad's lone returning junior is post player Dave Muchmore (6-5).

A quality addition to this season's team will be Mark Munson. The 6-5 senior transfer from Illinois will help solidify Dexter's strength on the block.

"He fits right in," Bavineau said. "He's a welcomed addition to our team."

One noticeable loss to the team will be Seyi Kukoyi. A point guard, Kukoyi, whose family moved to the Toledo area, saw action last year off the bench for the Dreadnaughts.

Dexter also lost top scorers Eric Przybylinski (6-7) and Brian Caldwell (6-4) to graduation.

Despite the personnel losses from a year ago, Bavineau is excited about this season.

"I like this team," he said. "We had some success last year, but I felt we didn't represent Dexter basketball the way we should have.

"We really think it's vital that we represent our community and our team in a positive way. We need to work as a team, and we need players to accept their roles.

"We have to work harder than our opponent. We have to face adversity together and overcome obstacles."

Bavineau said his team wants to win the Southeastern Conference White Division title (Chelsea captured the crown last year) and earn another district championship. But, besides those lofty goals, he said he wants his team to act with class on and off the court.

"We want to set an example where people can look back and say this is what basketball in Dexter should be," he said. "We're constantly talking about character. We want our kids to be winners."

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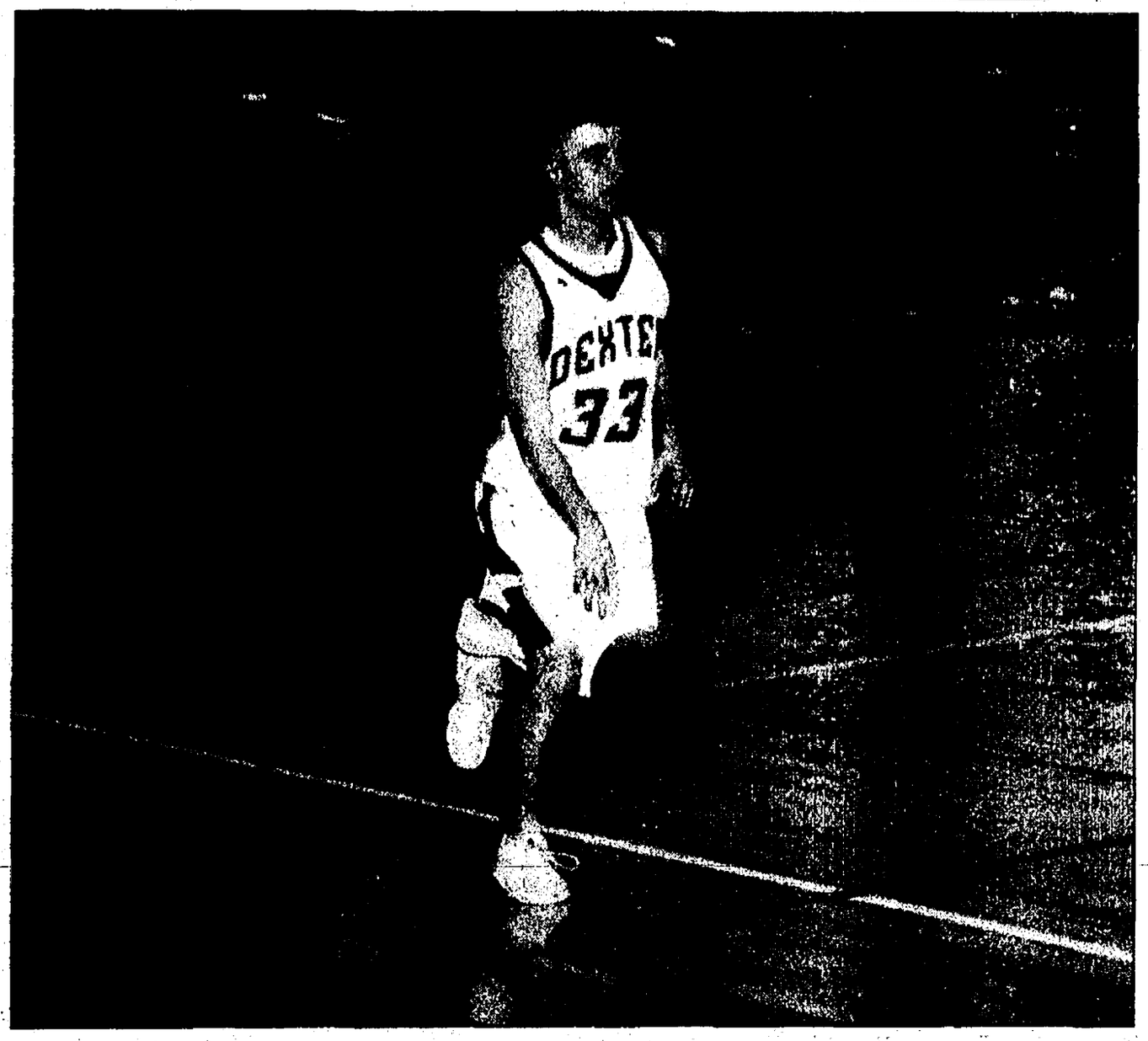

Dexter senior Dan Snyder will run the show this season from the point guard position. Last year, he helped lead the Dreadnaughts to a district championship.

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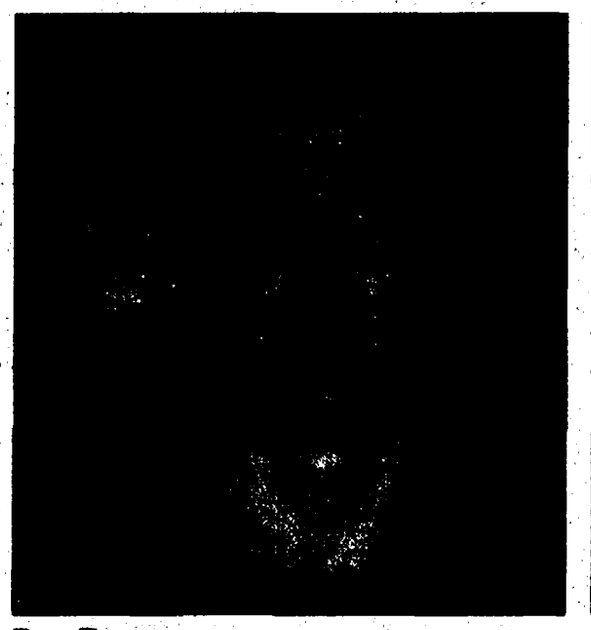

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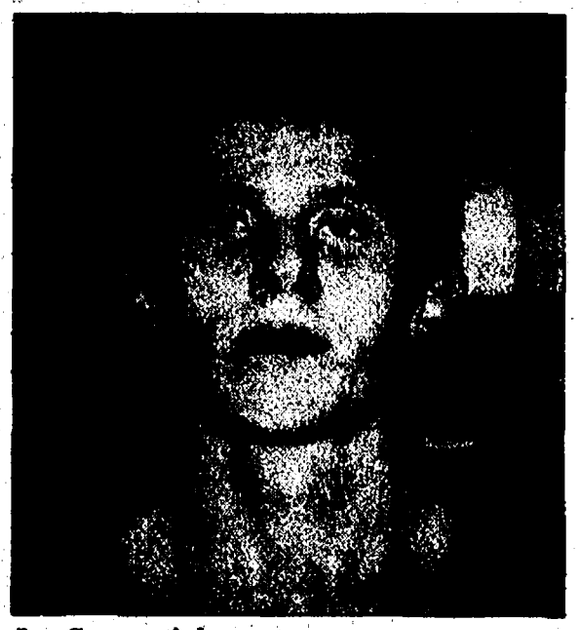

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Dread volleyball continues to rebuild under Black

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Dexter volleyball continues its rebuilding project under second-year coach Angie Black.

A former player at Eastern Michigan University, Black is already acting like a seasoned veteran. Under her tutelage, Dreadnaught volleyball should once again be among the state's best.

Prior to Black's arrival, Dexter posted records of 67-5-3 in 2001 and 42-12-3 in 2002.

In 2001, under coach Rey Regualos, the Dreadnaughts advanced to the Class B state semifinals before bowing out 11-15, 15-5, 9-15 to Fruitport.

In 2002, county rival Chelsea upset Dexter in districts. The Bulldogs made it to the state semifinals before falling against Fruitport.

Last year, in Black's first season, Dexter finished with an overall record of 3-34-4. The Dreadnaughts lost in the first round of districts 4-15, 10-15 to Brooklyn Columbia Central.

Eventual state Gatorade Player-of-the-Year Erin Cobler, a 6-foot-1 middle hitter now playing at the University of Michigan, led Dexter prior to Black's arrival.

With Cobler gone and numerous other top performers graduated, last season was a learning experience for Black and her young squad. With most of last year's team returning this season, fortunes should be brighter for the Dreadnaughts.

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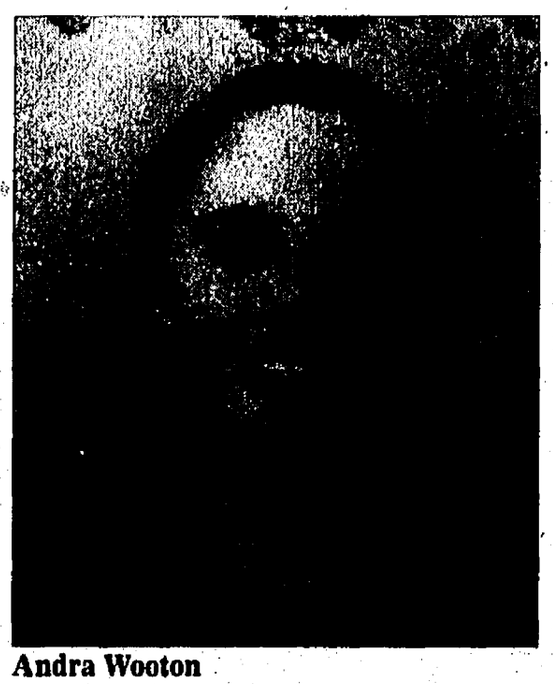
Andra Wooton

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Returning to pace the squad this year is senior outside hitter Michelle Brushaber (5-foot-8).

Other key players expected to make an impact this season include junior outside hitter Stephanie McCart (5-6), senior middle hitter Andra Wooton (5-9), junior outside hitter/setter Kristy Davey (5-10), senior defensive specialist Stephanie Fischer (5-7) and sophomore setter Kim Sullivan (5-5).

Newcomers looking to contribute this year include juniors middle hitter Karah Hubbard and outside hitter Lauren Parin, as well as sophomore outside hitters Sara Hornback (5-7), and Holly Woods (5-10) and setter Alyssa Cavanaugh.

An interesting newcomer to the program is Josefine Lundberg (5-7), a senior transfer student from Sweden.

"She's never really played competitively," Black said. "But having her a part of the team is exciting."

Black said the team's goal this year is to be competitive.

"We finally have more experienced players," she said. "We're looking forward to what we can bring to it."

With experience and Black's coaching, the future looks bright for Dreadnaught volleyball.

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Young Dexter wrestlers hoping to make mark

By Don Richter
Sports Editor

Dexter wrestling lost arguably the program's greatest grappler ever when Jeff Marsh graduated last year.

Marsh, a two-time state champion and an All-American wrestler, has taken his considerable talents to the University of Michigan.

Also lost from last season's squad were state placer Josh Dillon and team captain Ben Howison.

Another notable omission from this year's team is coach Corey Grant, who left to pursue other interests.

Replacing Grant is longtime Dexter assistant coach Jeff Virgne.

Virgne, who wrestled in college at Ball State University, has assisted with the Dreadnaught grappling program for 10 years. He inherits a team with only 19 members.

"We're a little down in numbers," said Virgne. "We're awful young. We have only two seniors."

Though young, Virgne said his squad could sneak up on foes.

"I think by the end of the year, we might surprise a couple people here and there," he said. "We got kind of a late start this year. It jammed things up time-wise."

Returning to pace this season's team at the lower weights is junior Mike Little at 130 pounds and sophomore Kyle Thompson at 112 pounds.

Another grappler to look out for at the lighter weights is sophomore Matt Bastion at 103 pounds.

A top returnee in the middle weights looks to be Jarrod Dillen at 145 pounds.

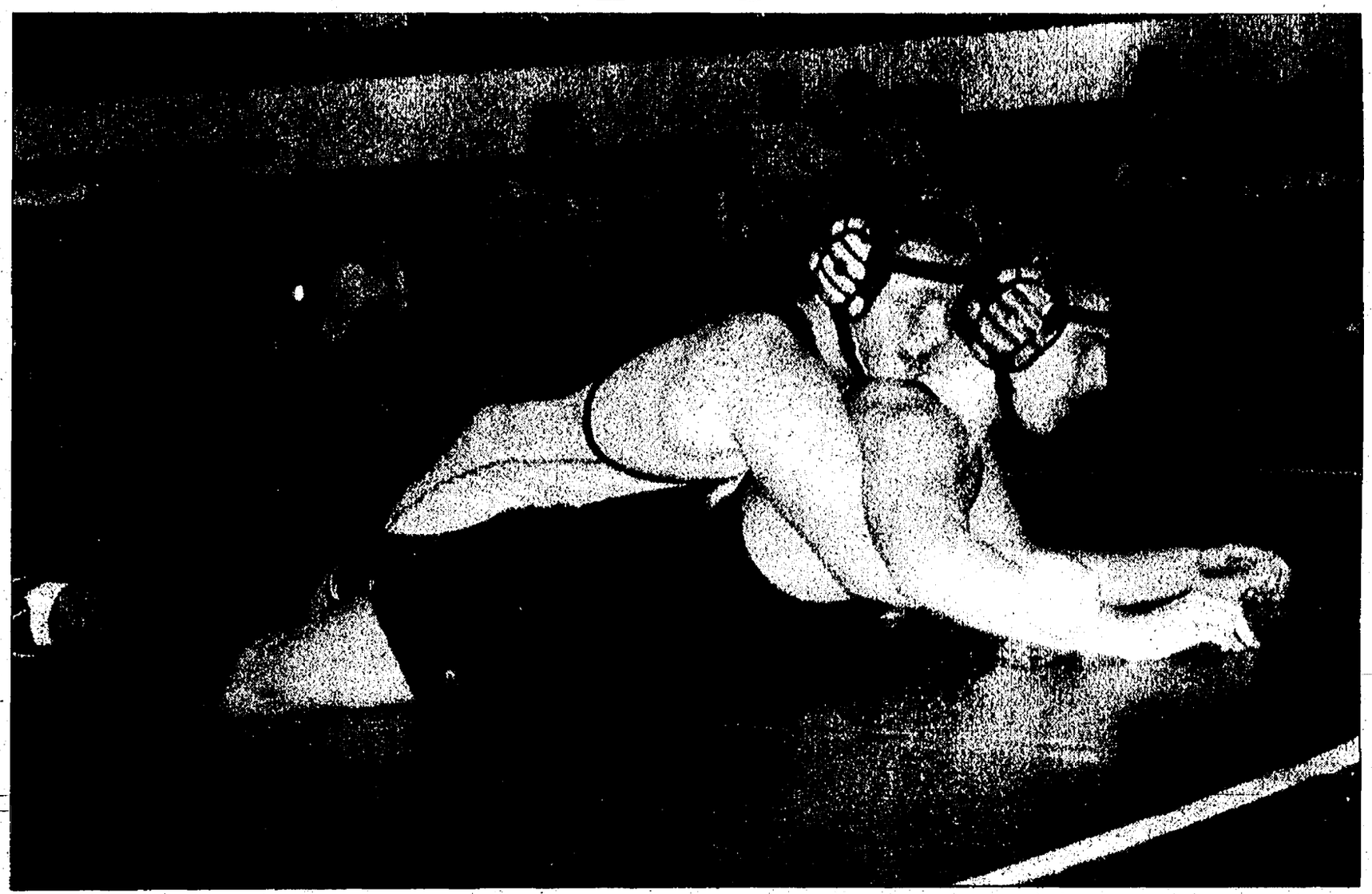
In the heavier weights, junior Ricky Howell could have a big year in the 189-pound class. Also looking to contribute is Eric Gilbertson at 171 pounds.

A key newcomer to the program is freshman Joe Spurr, who'll wrestle at 130 pounds.

Virgne said the strength of this season's team is its attitude.

"We have a bunch of hard working kids," he said. "All of them compete. We've got to have some of our younger people step up.

"We're going to keep working on the basics. We'd like to be competitive and pick up our numbers. We'll also continue to work with the junior high kids."



Dexter's Eric Gilbertson is in control during a match against Tecumseh last year. Gilbertson returns this season to wrestle in the 171-pound weight class.

Dreadnaught junior Ricky Howell will compete this season in the 189-pound weight division.

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Crompton, along with fellow classmate Michael Beel-Bates and Jeff Pompliano, will pace Dexter's dive team. Pompliano finished 18th at last season's final with 215.80 points.

Other top seniors returning include Phil Steenstra, Alex Rolfes, Kevin Dyer and Andrew Przybylinski.

Steenstra placed 10th in the 100 breaststroke at last season's state meet with a time of 1:02.63. This year, he'll also swim the 200 individual medley.

Rolfes was 37th in the 500 freestyle in 5:13.17 at last season's final. Besides the 500 freestyle, he'll also compete in the 200 freestyle for the Dreadnaughts.

Dyer will participate in sprint freestyle events this season, while Przybylinski will race in the 500 freestyle and the 200 freestyle for Dexter.

Besides Vessels, other underclassmen looking to make an impact this year, include junior Matt Brown and sophomore Matt Mead in sprint freestyle events; junior Eric Kumbier in the breaststroke; and freshman Kirk Kumbier in sprint freestyle and breaststroke.

Last season, Eric Kumbier finished 33rd in the 100 breaststroke at the state meet with a clocking of 1:06.01.

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Dexter's Alex Rolfes returns to the Dreadnaught lineup this season. The senior should be one of the squad's top distance swimmers.

Also new to the boys' squad will be dive coach Manuel Billegas, a former diver at EMU. This past season, he was dive coach for the girls' team that finished as Division II state runner-up.

VanRhees said he's hoping to continue Dexter's strong showing in the state and also in the league this year.

"We're looking for a top five finish at state," he said. "That's our No. 1 goal and desire heading into the season.

"We also want to step up and bring home another SEC title. It should be an exciting year."

VanRhees said he's ready for the season to begin.

"I'm anxious," he said. "I want to get this thing started. I want to get it going. It should be a great year."

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"Our area of concern is to bring the young defensemen along," O'Donohue said. "We will employ a team oriented defensive focus to help the young players as they gain confidence and develop."

Despite a young blue line group, Dexter aims to win its fourth consecutive league championship.

The Dreadnaughts will play in the Southeastern Conference White Division this season, as opposed to the Southeast Michigan High School Hockey League, as in years past.

Six of the eight SEC schools field a hockey squad. Only Adrian and Tecumseh will not compete for a league crown.

"Our No. 1 goal is to repeat that feat (as league champions)," O'Donohue said. "We also want to continue to build the team through the year so that we can make a strong showing in districts at year's end.

"Our overall team goal is to never be outworked, play with 100 percent effort and intensity in every game, and if we play to the best of our ability, we feel we will have a very successful season."

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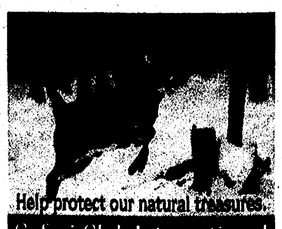
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