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NEWS BRIEFS

Chelsea grad named

in student Who's Who Rachel Mead, a junior at Taylor University's Upland. Ind., campus, has been included in the 2002 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." The publication features students from more than 2,300 institutions of higher learning.

Students are nominated based on academic achievement, community service, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

Mead, a graduate of Chelsea High School, is the daughter of Ron and Marilyn Mead of Cheisea.

Chelsea students at Lansing reception

Congressman Mike Rogers congratulated candidates he has nominated to U.S. military academies at a reception Dec. 21 in Lansing.

Chelsea High School student Griffin Biedron, the son of Laura Schieb and Ronalds Biedron, and Chelsea High School student Michael Kattulia, the son of Carol and George Kattula, were among the candidates. The two stu-dents have applied to the U.S. Air Force Academy and

the U.S. Naval Academy. Library to kick off

reading program
The Chelsea District Library will kick off its first annual Winter Family Reading Program Jan. 12.

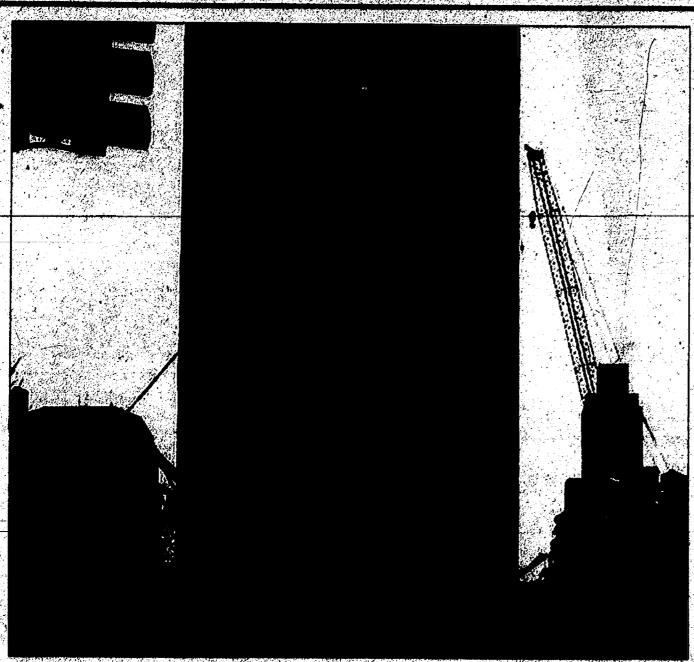
This year's countywide program, a collaboration between libraries and the Exhibit Museum of Natural History in Ann Arbor, has the theme "Dinosaurs and Other

The Absolutely Baffling Magic Show will showcase opening day 2 p.m. Jan. 12.

From January through March, families are encouraged to read and log daily reading times. Participants can earn prizes and enter monthly drawings.

The library will also hold family science workshops. story times and book clubs. Participants must register.





Old Glory flies proudly from a building in New York City overlooking the devastation left when the twin lowers of the world trade Center collapsed after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. A team of 24 volunteers from Shalom Lutheran Church in Pinckney helped at St. Paul's Chapel in New York City last month. Volunteers included Eric Gillingham of Chelsea.

Arhelping hand
Local residents volunteer des
Ground Zero in New York City

By Shella Purselove

Z N wo dozen volunteers from Shalom Lutheran Church in Pinckney experienced an emotional 24 hours last month when they traveled to New York City to help at Ground Zero, the site of terrorist attacks Sept. 11.

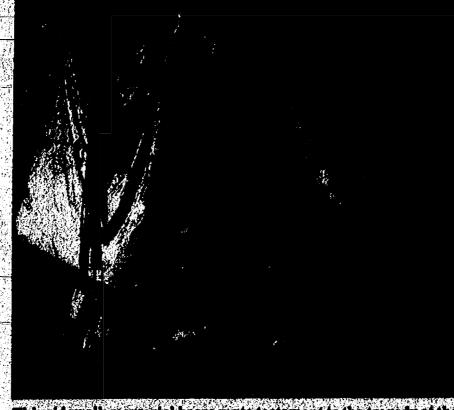
Chelsea resident Eric Gillingham, who has attended Shalom church for 10 years, was one of the 24 volunteers chosen by lottery from more than 70 members of the congregation who volunteered to

The group, led by pastor Kurt Hutchens and his wife, Karen, took the 12-hour journey to New York City on Dec. 12 in a 15-passenger van donated by Biff Weber of Palmer Ford-Mercury in Chelsea, a van donated by a Brighton dealership and a minivan laden with donations from local people.

An eighth-grade social studies teacher at McPherson Middle School in Howell, Gillingham, who has lived in the area since 1986, said he felt he was taking part in a very historic event.

"I had expected a historical perspective and was taking photos for my social studies class;" he said. "I was surprised at how emotional it was to visit Ground Zero.

"The images you see on TV or in the newspaper are far more sanitized and taken from a distance. Being there in person is a very intense and emotional experience."



This sidewalk memorial bears mute testament to the tragedy at the World Trade Center. Volunteers from Shalom Lutheran Church in Pinckney, who went to help at Ground Zero last month, handed out markers for people to sign cards.

The group toured the perimeter of Ground Zero, where the twin towers of the World Trade Center collapsed after airplanes were grashed into them by terrorists Sept.

"As we walked toward the perimeter, we were chatting away in our group as people do," Gillingham said. "Then we saw the mementoes, banners and drawings, and no one said anything. Suddenly, the idea that 3,000 people perished here was intensely real."

Gillingham said the group

saw not only the devastation at Ground Zero, but also the surrounding buildings that remain shrouded in mesh because of damage sustained when the towers collapsed.

The Shalom volunteers divided into two groups - one working the day shift and the other the night shift at St. Paul's Chapel of Trinity Episcopal Church, directly across the street from where the World Trade Center stood. The historic chapel, one of the oldest active buildings in

See HOLD - POPE GA

State police begin patrols in townships

■ Troopers begin service in Lima, Sylvan townships.

By Will Keeler Staff Writer

The new year has brought changes for law enforcement agencies in the county and for residents receiving police services.

As of Jan. 1, the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department no. longer responds to calls in Lima and Sylvan townships because those municipalities have chosen not to contract for law enforcement services. The Michigan State Police will respond to calls instead.

Officials in both townships decided last year that their tax dollars would be better spent elsewhere.

"We won't see much of a change, but the township will work with the state police to determine where the services are needed the most," said Lima Township Supervisor Ken Unterbrink "I'm hoping to get a bi-monthly or monthly report from the state police to see its

Sylvan Township is also prepared for the transition, I am happy with the services that the state police has offered

and looking forward to working with them," said Charles Burgess, Sylvan Township

According to a November 2001 memo sent to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, the county charges \$118,686 for one police service unit, with \$40,383 covered by county subsi-

The amount includes one police service unit at 40 hours. one vehicle and supervision, as well as secretarial and investigative work. Dexter Village, and Webster, Scio and Dexter. townships have signed con-

State troopers will continue to work from a detachment post at Sylvan Township Hall, 18027 Old **US-12**.

"Two troopers will be on duty during the morning, and two more will be on the afternoon shift," said 1st Lt. Wynona Sturtevant.

State troopers will patrol Sylvan, Lima and Lyndon townships. Aside from the two troopers in the townships, one will continue to patrol Interstate 94.

The Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department will only respond to calls in noncontractual areas if a felony is in progress or if a state trooper calls for assistance, said Washtenaw County Sheriff's Cmdr.

John Southworth.

"The sounty has kept off the interstates, M-14, 1-94 and US-23 since last May. These areas are covered by troopers," See PATROLS -- Page 3-A

Washtenaw Land Trust director resigns

Barry Lonik had been involved in local environmental issues for a decade.

By Sheila Pursgiove Associate Editor

Dexter Township resident Barry Lonik resigned as executive director of the Washtenaw Land Trust at the end of December.

The Oak Park native had been at the helm of the organization for nearly six years, since it was created with the combining of the Potawatomi Land Trust and Washtenaw

Conservancy. Lonik. who has called Dexter Township home for five years, joined the Potawatomi Land Trust in 1991 and became president of the board a year later.

childhood, Lonik brought a wealth of experience to the posi-counties.

He majored in environmental studies at Albion College. After graduating in 1983, he traveled out west and spent a year in Wyoming, where he became interested in development

In 1984. Lonik returned home to Oak Park and applied to graduate school at the University of Michigan School of Natural Resources, earning a master's



Barry Lonik

degree three years later. His master's project was research in the Saginaw River and Saginaw

Lonik's first job was with the Citizens for a Better Environment in Milwaukee. He left Wisconsin in 1989 to return to his native state. He worked in A nature enthusiast from Flint but lived in rural locations in Washtenaw and Livingston

After joining the Potawatomi Land Trust in 1991, one of Lonik's first projects was the Ann Arbor Community Farm. He helped find the 12-acre site in Lima Township, where city residents buy shares and farmers grow their vegetables and fruits.

Since its formation, the Washtenaw Land Trust has been responsible for saving nearly See RESIGNS - Page 2-A



'Mushroom Man' hunts morels

See Page 1-B

Tankers off to fast start

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Former Lima Township offical to turn 100

See Page 1-B



Making Christmas Crafts

RESIGNS

County, Lonik said:

trust.

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1,100 acres of land in Washtenaw

He expects another 500 acres

of Washtenaw farmland to soon

become part of the state's pur-

chase of development rights pro-

gram, also aided by the land

Lonik also heads the commit-

tee looking for parcels of land to

buy with Washtenaw County's

"The Washtenaw Land Trust

served as a great vehicle for me

to accomplish both professional

and personal goals of preserving heritage.com.

open-space acquisition fund.

Kindergarten teacher Sherri Plank and pupil Zealand Smith get together to create crafts at South Meadows Elementary School.

> "I'm very proud of having created the organization and very

> proud of the accomplishments

that have happened during my

Lonik said he was looking at a

number of other opportunities to continue the work of saving

"I'll continue to pursue that as

a goal, but it will take a different

form," he said. "Also, my contin-

uing work with the county area

natural preservation program

will generate a lot of interest

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land," Lonik said.

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felon whose idea of a white

Christmas allegedly had more to

do with cocaine than snow-

At about 9:25 p.m. Dec. 25, a

Michigan State Police trooper

stopped a car headed eastbound

on Interstate 94, near Pierce Road in Sylvan Township, for

The state trooper discovered the male driver had a long crim-

inal history and recently had been released from prison for a

A trooper found drug paraphernalia and residue after receiving consent to search the

While the trooper was contacting backup units, the driver

appeared nervous and became

uncooperative. Police said he fled a couple hundred yards

down the freeway, up the shoul-

der and into the woods before

he was tackled and arrested

Officers from the Chelsea

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Police make drug arrest County Sheriff's Department

and Michigan State Police responded to the scene. bust in Sylvan Township. Chelsea Police Officer Jeff Staebler and his German shepherd Tango were called away from home to help.

Staebler said he was called because the county's K-9 teams weren't available.

He and his four-legged partner conducted a search of the area where the foot chase took place and located a baggie of cocaine near where the man was tackled.

"The trooper suspected the man had thrown something when he ran," Staebler said. "With the white cocaine in a clear baggie, it would have been very hard to find without Tango's help."

Staebler said it took about an hour out of his Christmas celebration at home.

Michigan State Police Cmdr. Beth Moranty said the involvement of the K-9 team was a key to finding the cocaine.

The man, who was arrested for possession of cocaine, resisting arrest and parole violation, was held at the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department prior to being sent back to prison with a new felony narcotics charge to his name.

"This stop was an excellent example of cooperation between city, county and state officers to apprehend a dangerous and repeated felon," Moranty

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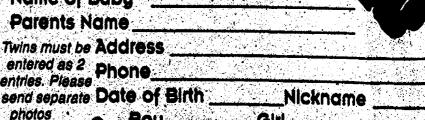
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Musical Octet

These young ladies harmonized together during a recent music class at South Meadows Elementary School. Kneeling in front are Hannah Mahalak (left), Olivia Rowland, Megan Bennett and Courtney Rey. Standing behind are Michaela LeVanseler, Shainna White, Katle Sroufe and Sarah Allen.

PATROLS

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Southworth said. Sturtevant said that there will be no changes in the number of troopers at the Sylvan detachment, but there will be an increase in the number of troopers patrolling the southwestern portion of the county.

"We took some of the troopers who were patrolling in general areas and reassigned them to areas that have not contracted with the county," she said.

The state police was able to pull-troopers from Bridgewater, Lodi, Scio and Dexter townships and reassign them because those areas have contracted for police services with the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Depart-

The state police has 31 state troopers who patrol the highways, trunk lines and non-contractual areas of the county.

· Washtenaw County Undersheriff Herb Maloney said that in 2000 the county received 1,008 calls from Sylvan Township. Of that number, the sheriff's department handled 498 calls. State police troopers handled 398 calls.

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Chelsea hospital enjoys growth

Chelsea Community Hospital marked many milestones in 2001.

The hospital began a surgery department renovation and expansion project last summer to meet the growing needs of the community.

The project included adding a fifth operating room, enlarging two of the four existing operating rooms, expanding the instrument care area, adding another consultation room, expanding the recovery room, and adding new space for mammography, ultrasound and bone density.

Hospital Marketing Director Becky Pazkowski said last week that all phases of the project will be completed by November. Holiday Gala 2001, a fund-raiser for the project, drew 168 people, the largest crowd ever to come to the event. Pazkowski said.

The Women's Health Center began a much-needed expansion last fall and is slated for completion in the first quarter of the year. The expansion includes a spacious reception area, additional exam room and an additional nurses' station.

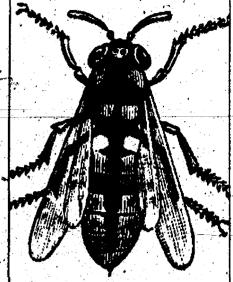
The hospital also expanded the scope of the orthopedic services. In September, a fourth orthopedic surgeon joined. Chelsea Orthopedic Specialists and the program was moved to the new Health and Wellness Center, which opened its doors on Oct. 1.

Outpatient physical and occupational therapy, and the cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation department also found a new home in the center.

The Health and Wellness Center held a grand opening Oct. 7 that drew more than 800 people. The hospital also hosted the annual Heart & Sole run in May, drawing more than 400 participants.

The hospital held its annual auction, golf classic at Reddeman Farms and a Breakfast with Santa for the children ofemployees.

"All in all, 2001 was a tremendous growth year for Chelsea Community Hospital, which is a reflection of the support and needs of those we serve," Pazkowski said.



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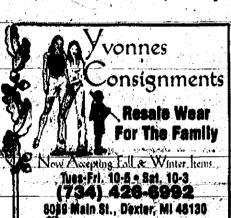
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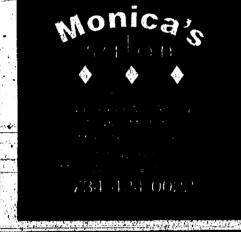
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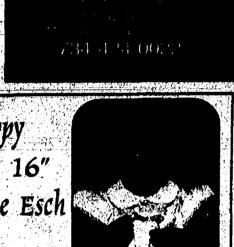
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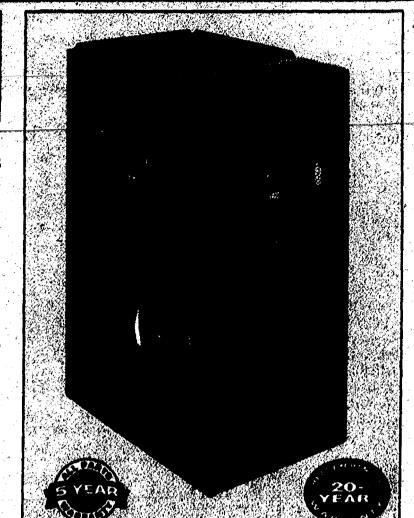
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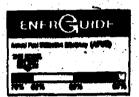
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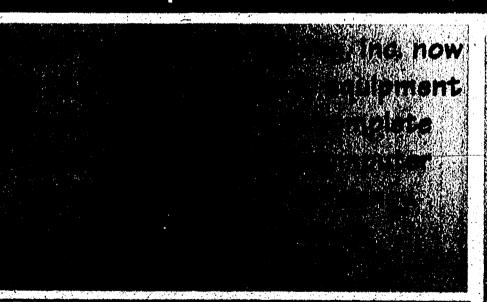
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Thomas' poems evoke images



BOOK REVIEW

The first part of Laurence W. Thomas' book of poetry, "Songs Sacred and Profane," derives from what he has witnessed in his garden on "Greenside Up," as he refers to the road where his suburban house stands.

The poems not only chronicle his responses to the four seasons as they exolve in his garden environment, but also to the particular days, mornings, flowers, plants and animals that inhabit his immediate landscape.

The poems are personal, contemplative and observant, detailing the dramas seen often from his kitchen window. The language and similes are uncomplicated, yet refreshing: "From under, tender umbrella hearts, tiny faces touch, shy as lovers." (From "Violets.")

Observation sometimes gives way to philosophizing, as in "Gardens."

"Except for permanence, gardens provide what pictures deny: grounds for growing, away from conformities."

In contrast to the more sacred poems about the goings-on in the small, complex world of a Michigan garden and Thomas' intrigued responses, the second part, titled "Let It All Hang Out," demonstrates his selfstyled profane side.

Here is a mixture of poems and poetically structured prose that provokes without being strident. It is wide ranging in content in contrast to the contained "Greenside Up" selection. Yet the reflections remain personal. whether they tackle computers, religion, the U.S. Postal Service. abortion, aging or war.

Thomas reveals his cynicism, wry wit, anger and sadness, sometimes all in one stanza. "The irony is on us when what we regard as progress turns to grief and every change constitutes a loss that leaves us stronger, maybe, but more alone," (From "Pyramid.")

The two parts of the book contrast almost as though there were two of him - the suburban. pastoral, and the worldly acerbic who can say laconically, "I called upon my soul one day but,

of course, nobody was home. The poem "Autumn," in the second half, is not about the drawing down of summer or the leaves, "yellow, red, orange, gold before they fall from branches." as in his poem "The Fall" in part one. "Autumn" is about fear of death.

The book is a selection of poems from other works by Thomas together with many poems not before published in book form.

Thomas has taught English in Uganda, Costa Rica, Saudi Arabia, Michigan and Florida. He now resides in Michigan giving lectures and concentrating on writing poetry and some fic-

Thomas will read poems 7 p.m. Jan. 11 at the Little Professor Book Center, 1250 S. Main St., in Chelsea. There will be an open microphone for local poets to follow.



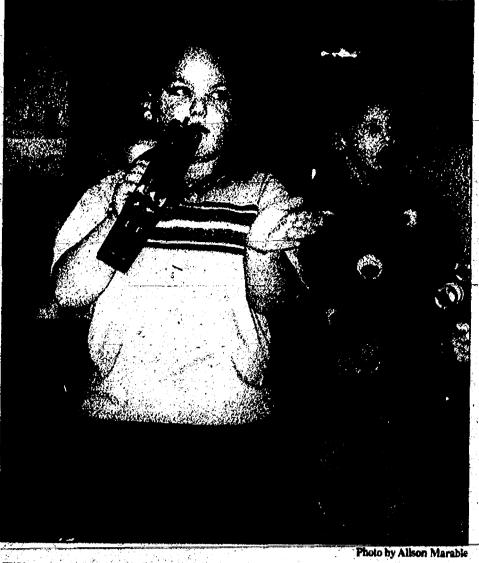
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"While the calls we receive are not necessarily directly attributable to those tragic events, the national tragedy has certainly exacerbated problems for some people or prolonged recovery, especially in the higher levels of care," she said.

Siegrist said terror attacks have resulted in an outpouring of emotions and feelings across the country.

-"People who may have trouble expressing emotions now feel they have permission to freely express themselves and perhaps seek the professional help they might not otherwise have sought," she said.

Siegrist said that the holidays can be a very difficult period for some people.

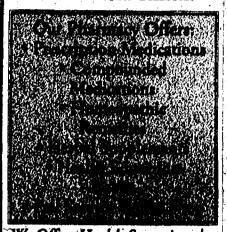
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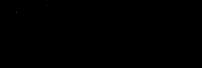
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one's way up to God, but the indi-vidual has to do the work, namely, "lead a moral life. This view, at best, leaves a person in doubt: How could you ever

know you've'done enough to satisfy God? How could you ever say you tried hard enough?
This view also makes Jesus only

The real teaching of the Bible is more straightforward, and more certain, yet far less flattering for human egos. The Bible teaches that there is nothing good in us by nature, nothing we can do that could contribute to our being accepted by God. The Bible also teaches that God Himself has done everything necessary. When Jesus said on the cross, "It is finished," He meant everything was taken care of for us. And He rose from the dead a few days later to prove it.

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Property Damage Someone broke into a storage

unit and damaged a boat between Dec. 11 and 12. The boat was at the Storage Chest, 3033 W. Liberty Road.

The owner of the boat noticed that the tarp was ripped and water had damaged the interior.

A window was also smashed on another boat parked nearby. Police think that the suspect probably stepped on the window while trying to remove the tarp.

Someone damaged a cement mixer between 5 p.m. Dec. 19 and 8:30 a.m. Dec. 20 at a construction site in the 3900 block of Jackson Road.

The owner of the construction company noticed the belts to the

prised at the number of different

professions represented there.

"I was expecting to see fire-

fighters and police, but there was

a whole conglomerate of people

- members of the National Guard, the Coast Guard, engi-

neers, ironworkers, clergy and

even chiropractors and massage

The Shalom teams helped at different workstations, handing

out moré than 1,300 meals, pro-

viding counseling and talking to people. They also handed out

markers for people to sign ban-

"Many of the rescue workers are working 12-hour shifts and are extremely fatigued," Gillingham said. "Some of them were very quiet and others were

loud and upbeat. We saw the

"We heard that in the early

days at the center, you could hear a pin drop. But now that it's

been three months since the attack, some workers are a little

Gillingham, who treasures a yellow-construction hat signed by 45 rescue workers, said there

are several volunteer teams

coming in from Connecticut," he

said, "Also, many New Yorkers

to help on an ongoing basis."

Dexter resident Helen Karns.

'As we left, there was a team

whole gamut of emotions.

more upbeat."

doing similar work.

therapists," he said.

sleep and unwind.

mixer were cut and someone had tampered with the mixer's gas tank. Damage is estimated at **\$**500.

Larceny

Someone stole \$136 worth of gas at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 18 from Pilot gas station, 195 Baker Road.

An employee noticed a semitractor trailer pull up to the pump and the driver pump more than 128 gallons of gas. The driverthen drove off without paying.

Webster Township Breaking and Entering

Someone broke into a garage between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Nov. 26 in the 2500 block of North Territorial Road.

· More than \$1,000 worth of tools and equipment was taken from the garage. The missing items include an air compressor

and frame-nailing machine.

Someone stole a radio and tape player from an unlocked surveillance camera. car parked in the 3200 block of North Territorial Road between midnight and 7 a.m. Dec. 24.

The owner of the car noticed that the radio was missing when ving at 1 a.m. Dec. 16 at the interhe returned in the morning. The driver's side door was open. There was no damage to the car. The radio is worth \$100. Robbery

Someone stole \$117 at 11:30 a.m. Dec. 20 from the Clark gas station, 3535 Jackson Road.

While paying for a pack of cigarettes, the suspect punched a female gas station employee and took \$80 in cash from the register. He also took \$37 from the Special Olympics container.

Officers searched the area and could not find the suspect. The gas station did not have a

Dexter Village Drunken Driving

A 38-year-old Pinckney man was arrested for drunken drisection of Baker Road and Forest Street.

Deputies noticed the man stop at the intersection and pause for 15 seconds before speeding through. While he was driving south on Baker Road, officers noticed the man's vehicle cross the yellow line.

When the man was stopped, he told police that he had been drinking beer and he was on his way to get something to eat.

The man was given a

even better on this trip. Shalom

members are very special peo-

Gillingham said church mem-

ple."

Breathalyzer test. His bloodalcohol level was .15 percent. A blood-alcohol level of .08 percent is considered legally impaired.

A 27-year-old Ann Arbor man was arrested for drunken driving at 2 a.m. Dec. 8 at the intersection of Hudson and Fourth streets.

Deputies stopped the man when they noticed his vehicle swerve over the centerline. The suspect told police that he was at his girlfriend's house and he had a few beers.

He was given a Breathalyzer test. His blood-alcohol level was a .13 percent. A blood-alcohol level of .08 percent is considered legally impaired.

Dexter Township Domestic Violence

Police broke up a fight

bers are making tentative plans for a second group of volunteers to make a trip to Ground Zero

Jan. 16.

her against the wall. The man was arrested for domestic violence and taken to the Washtenaw County Jail.



between a husband and wife at

Deputies came to the house

The two were arguing over

money and the holidays. They

pushed each other. When the

woman was about to leave, the

man grabbed her and pushed

after receiving a 911 call from

11:30 a.m. Dec. 20.

the suspect's wife.

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around the world love and care for them."

Christensen said her 12-hour Continued from Page 1-A night shift flew by and that most Manhattan, once counted of the team was ready to do George Washington among its another 12 hours. worshippers.

"We were so incredibly privi-St. Paul's now serves as a leged to be in that sacred spot in respite center for workers at: the midst of all the chaos and Ground Zero, providing food, destruction," she said. "St. fresh clothes, a place to rest, Paul's is hallowed ground, and Gillingham said he was sur-

was not damaged on Sept. 11. "God knew people needed a place to be."

Christensen said the experience gave her insight into what it must be like to live close to the World Trade Center.

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"I talked to people who had? seen the towers when they were built, and they were a beacon for them," she said. "Other people were there for the first time and were stunned at the incredible hole in the skyline."

Gillingham said the Shalom team was in high spirits during the ride to New York and was still upbeat on the way home despite the intense and oftensomber experience.

"I found I also appreciated the trip for sharing the experience with others," he said. "I was with people I've know for 10 years and yet I got to know them

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"Three of us are members of the Stephen Ministry, a lay ministry, and it was wonderful to be able to share our skills in a different setting," Christensen said. "We were able to pray with people, offer encouragement, hug and hold people, and let

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"All of my trips when I got to come up here to visit my sisters.

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We can benefit from historic district



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understood about Chelsea. Walking downtown Main Street, it seems obvious. Just look at the storefronts, the facades. Examine the McKune House. Study the structures on

Middle and Park streets. Given the historic significance of a still-standing and still-operating Main Street commercial district dating to the 19th century, I've never understood why downtown Chelsea isn't on the National Register of Historic

Shouldn't there be some sort of plaque commemorating the downtown commercial district? Of course, the issue goes far beyond a plaque. But I'm getting

ahead of myself. I recently learned that a few years ago, a group of Chelseans Downtown

I don't want to reopen this can of worms, but let's just say that the idea of a historic district with its rules and regulations regarding the appearance of historic structures -- didn't sit well with some businesspeople, many of whom successfully opposed the plan.

There's something I've never the chistoric district issue Ass opposition also led to the downfall of a plan to place the downtown area on the national registry, which has no binding stipulations whatsoever.

Somewhere, somehow, many people bought into the notion that both the historic district and the national register were bad for Chelsea. Specifically, they believed that the proposals and business owners in the affected district.

For now, it seems like the historic district proposal — with its preservation codes and binding authority - is still on the back burner.

But according to December's edition of the Chelsea Development worked tirelessly to make the Authority newsletter, the quest

downtown area a historic dis- to place portions of the down- "Listing in the national register, such decisions impact historiistrý has héen revived

> Unfortunately, once again, it appears that there's some opposition. And this time, more misinformation and misunderstanding are clouding the issue. Hopefully, this will clear up some points of contention.

For a historic area to be placed on the national registry, for extra tax breaks, including a it must be of historic signific 20 percent federal Investment cance (as determined by siste. Tax Credit There are other tax and federal governments). Also, breaks—not to mention the fact a majority of its property hold ers must not object to such a designation.

Thus, significant opposition could once again stop the proposal in its tracks.

The thing is, there's simply no logical reason to oppose being listed on the national registry. Remember, this isn't the his-

were oppressive to real estate—toric district—we're talking about, with its binding rules and regulations governing outward appearance. Maintaining the historic appearance of buildings on the national registry is completely voluntary.

Let's see what the Michigan State Historic Preservation Office, which administers the program for the state, has to say about the national registry:

trict and place it on the national town area on the national reg- however, does not prevent a pri- cally significant areas, being on vate citizen from altering, managing or disposing of the proper-

> There you have it. Straight from the horse's mouth.

But if building owners did decide that they wanted to renovate or restore based on historic specifications, they may qualify that properties on the register are given special consideration for federal and state aid.

Talk about a win-win situa-

tion, Let's look at the other benefits. Of course, we can get those great plaques commemorating the downtown area. We can market Chelsea's downtown area as -being-on-the-national-registry: which attracts tourists and other heritage buffs,

Also, while the register doesn't prevent property owners. from altering their buildings, it can help them fight to save their structure from outside forces.

For example, let's say that the state wanted to widen M-52 or alter it in some other way. Since the state must consider how

the national registry could work in our favor.

I can't speak for everyone, but for me, being on the national registry is also a matter of pride. I'd love to say that I live in a town that's got a historic area. with plaques to prove it.

If others agree, then it could translate into higher values for properties in the village.

The list of benefits to being on the registry is significant, and it greatly outweighs any costs. In fact, I can't think of any costs. It's not binding, and it has nothing to do with a historic district des-

There's been much talk recently about preserving the small-town character Cheisea, keeping its Main Street alive, maintaining its ties to the past. Let's recognize all of these goals and work for a listing on the national registry.

Let's support the DDA's efforts — and the efforts of others who have worked tirelessly toward this goal.

Let's get those plaques. Gregory Parker is a free-lance writer living in Chelsea. He can be reached at glparker@umich.



HOME FRONT

It's 10 p.m. Do you know where your kids are?

That was the catch phrase for parents a generation or two ago. Nowadays, high-tech gadgetry is making it easier for parents to keep tabs on their children, and the emphasis has shifted from finding out where

they are to checking on where

they have been. There is software available. for instance, which goes beyond filtering inappropriate Web sites and restricting access to chat rooms, e-mail and other Internet functions.

Now, parents can install socalled Internet "monitoring" software to secretly record their child's incoming and outgoing email, instant messages and chat.

room conversations. The software can be set up to track Web browsing habits --even to take "snapshots" of text screens and e-mail them to the person doing the virtual surveil-

Concerned about whether a youngster is abusing drugs? Check out a home drug test

product and determine once and for all whether that smile on junior's face is the real thing or a byproduct of the club drug-Ecstasy.

The test kit comes with-complete instructions. The parent, though, is on his own when it comes to explaining why he is asking his son or daughter for a urine specimen.

For parents worried that the procedure might damage the bond of trust they have nurtured with their kids, the kit features a "patented masking agent' detection system" to determine if the urine samples have been tampered with or if the child has taken a masking agent to conceal his drug use.

Software developed by a Wisconsin-based company that markets integrated management solutions for public school systems allows parents to become part of the "education team."

Just like an administrator researching whether teachers' benefits meet budgetary requirements, parents use a password to sign on over the Internet for a real-time look at their

Ve can spy on our children

and images on monitored child's attendance record. grades and class schedule.

They can get a detailed report on disciplinary incidents and can even get a breakdown on what their child is eating for

Using a card hanging around their neck, students swipe a bar code reader to pay for their food in the lunchroom.

The company cites an example of parents who used the system to learn their child was buying ice cream and fruit juice for lunch every day.

Now, when the student shows up at the cash register, the computer alerts the lunch lady that the parents have arranged to block the sale of juice and ice cream to their child who, instead, gets a banana with Perrier or whatever else mom and dad permit.

The system speeds up the lunch line, reduces theft of lunch money and improves the school's overail record keeping, advocates say.

It is less clear, though, whether the nutritional benefits of a banana so outweigh those of ice cream that a student deprived of exercising his judgment is any better off than one who succumbs to his sweet tooth.

Even foggier is the notion that secretly recording a child's Internet use and conducting home drug tests somehow will strengthen the ties that bind.

Though the measures are touted as being "proactive," if parents are banking on a software upgrade and test strips to reach their kids, the battle may already be lost.

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Chelsea tankers off to fast start as season begins

With decisive victories over Adrian 107-65 and Pinckney 100-80, Chelsea's boys' swimming and diving team is off to

another solid start. . Though the Balldogs graduated six talented seniors from last year's squad, this, year's team has regrouped and seeks another top finish in the Southeastern Conference and at the state level.

Chelsea got its dual meet season started against the Maples Dec. 14.

The Bulldogs began the meetwinning the 200 medley relay. Zack Christman, Matt Holmes, Aaron Connell, and Andre Bravo stopped the clock at 1:50.23. Finishing second was the foursome of Andy Kellogg, Tim Wacker, Mike Bowdish and Josh Haynes in 1:55.88.

In the 200 freestyle, Mike -+ Policht placed second to top the finishers from Chelsea. His time of 2:04.87 was considerably better than his clocking last season. Matt Kellogg placed fourth in the event at 2:07.79.

Christman had one of the best performances of the evening. winning the 200 IM with an impressive early season time of 2:13.97. Tim Wacker was second with a career best of 2:20.00, Chris Moyle was fifth at 2:43.97.

The 50 freestyle, a premier event for the Bulldogs, proved to be outstanding for the team again. Junior Jake Holton made the state qualification standard in the event as he blasted to victory at 23.10. Andy Kellogg was second in the event at 24.64 and Bravo was third, stopping the clock at 25.55.

Diving saw two new faces for Chelsea. Freshman Clif Ballard scored 148.80 points in his first dual meet, placing him third overall. Shawn Bergman, another freshman, finished fourth at 122.70 points.

Senior captain Bowdish led the way for the Bulldogs in the 100 butterfly, placing second at 1:05.13. Sophomore Connell looks to contribute, as he finished third with a time of 1:07.92. Freshman Chris Moyle took fifth

The 100 freestyle, probably the strongest event for Chelsea, was dominated by Holton, who cruised to a first-place finish at 52.41. Bravo was solid at 55.45 for

third place, with Haynes taking

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34 433 4226 134 433 4228 fax fourth at 57.07.

Matt Kellogg improved upon last season's performance, winning the 500 freestyle with a time of 5:45.90. Policht was third and Andrew Ceo was close behind at 6:04.40.

Holton led off the 200 freestyle relay followed by Wacker, Andy

Though the Bulldogs graduated six talented seniors from last vear's squad, this year's team has regrouped and seeks another top finish in the Southeastern Conference and at the state level.

Kellogg and Haynes, who combined for first place at 1:38.69.

Christman again proved that seniors definitely get the job done right the first time, winning the 100 backstroke in a time of 1:01.18. Sophomore Ryan Kelley was third, stopping theclock at 1:10.91.

Holmes was dominant in the 100 breaststroke, easily taking charge of the event and winning in 1:07.68. Andy Kellogg was second at 1:10.23 and Tim Wacker was fourth at 1:14.79.

The last event of the evening was the 400 freestyle relay. Christman, Haynes, Bravo and Holton proved that Chelsea's sprinting is powerful, cruising to victory in a solid time of 3:44.39.

The meet against Pinckney Dec. 18 was a different story.

The Bulldogs came out a little flat, getting themselves behind going into diving. This is a position the team hasn't been too accustomed to in the past few seasons.

Andy Kellogg, Holmes, Bravo and Christman got the team off to a good start by winning the 3:40.01. 200 medley relay. They had a solid time of 1:51.88.

Following the 200 medley relay, the Pirates jumped all over Chelsea, winning the next three events in a row.

Holton was upset in the 200 freestyle, as the Pinckney swimmer moved by, never looking back.

Tim Wacker had his best time in the 200 IM, but it was to no avail, as he earned second at

In the 50 freestyle, Christman start and was out-touched by two of the Pirates, finishing third

The Bulldogs got a few points Bergman taking second.

The comeback really took hold after the 100 butterfly, as Bowdish ended up second in the event at 1:04.43. Connell was third and Bravo came in fourth, outscoring the Pirates 9-7 in the

Holton qualified for the state meet with a sterling time of 50.90 in the 100 freestyle, earning him second place. Haynes really impressed the coaching staff, taking third at 55.93.

Matt Kellogg continued to improve his 500 freestyle performance, dropping his time to a

Holton, Bravo, Andy Kellogg, and Jeff Diekis won the 200 freestyle relay by a whisker, as Diekis just got his hand on the wall before the Pinckney swim-

1:10.16.

nance of the 100 breaststroke, 1:07.65. His time was just shy of the state cut standard.

The last event was the 400 freestyle relay. Chelsea could not muster up enough energy to sweep the relay events, but Christman, Haynes, Wacker, and Holton ended up second at

Chelsea's record is now 2-0 and 1-0 in the SEC.

the Dewitt Invitational, which they captured last year.



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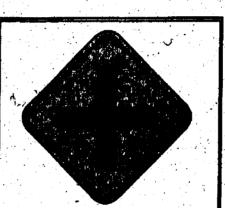
Christman won the 100 backstroke at 1:02.14. Ryan Kelley was third in a season best

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Cheisea freshmen divers Shawn Bergman (left) and Clif Ballard helped lead the Bulldogs to season opening victories over Adrian and Pinckney last week.



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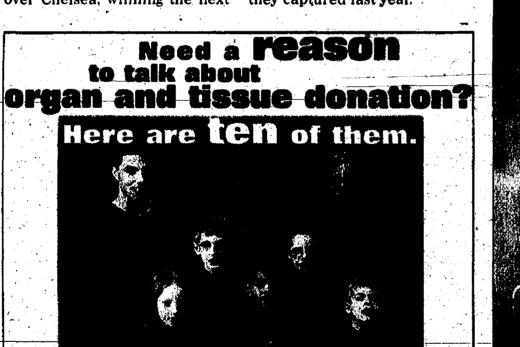
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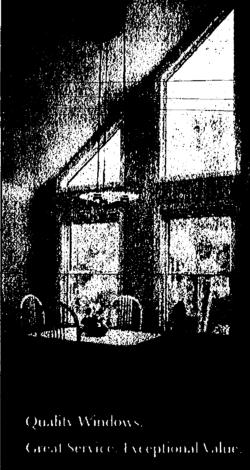
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Bulldog frosh spikers hit court

By Don Richter Staff Writer

Cheisea's freshman volleyball team hosted Ann Arbor Pioneer in its home opener. winning 15-9, 15-6 Dec. 17.

"We won the first game with consistent serving and by playing as a team," said Chelsea coach Terri McCalla. Danae Sauers finished 9-of-9 serving with three aces.

In the second game, the Bulldogs continued serving well sweeping the Pioneers.

Liberty Dickerson ended up with five aces, while Christyna Toon was 4-of-5, with one ace.

Michelle Alber finished with three kills, while Ciara Worden was 3-for-3 on serve receive.

"The team is working hard." McCalla said.

On Dec. 15, Chelsea competed in a tournament in Saline.

The Bulldogs participated in a six-team.pool comprised of Ann Arbor Huron, Pinckney, Plymouth Salem, Livonia Churchill and Tecumseh.

Cheisea began the tournament by defeating Ann Arbor Huron 15-7, 15-13.

"We played as a team and had 12 aces," McCalla said.

In their next game, the Bulldogs split with Pinckney 15-17, 15-13.

In its following two matches. Chelsea fell to Plymouth Salem 14-16 and 5-15 and Livonia Churchill 10-15, 11-15.

In their final match of pool play, the Bulldogs swept Tecumseh 15-5, 15-10.

"We had to beat Tecumseh. to continue on after pool play and the girls proved they really wanted it," McCalla said. With the victory over the Indians, Chelsea finished third in its pool.

In their first match out of pool play, the Buildogs lost to the host Hornets 8-15, 7-15.

"It was a very long day, but we played well," McCalla said.

Out of 12 teams competing in the tourney, Chelsea finished sixth. Megan Korc and Amanda

Mattocks paced the Buildogs with seven aces each. Annie Guertin, with six kills

and Shannon Kinner, with five kills led Chelsea. In serve receive, Danae

Seward and Dickerson played "It was a great experience and I believe we will only. improve in future tourna-

ments," McCalla said. "We have four tournaments this year - the most ever for a freshmen team."

On Dec. 13, Chelsea began its season against Saline losing 15-5, 12-15, 6-15.

"The team played well for the first competition of the season," McCalla said, "We know now what we need to work on."

The Bulldogs had three aces, receiving one each from Kelly Kennedy, Kinner and Mattocks.

Kara Kimmen, Guertin and Dickerson led Chelsea in

"We need to improve on serve receive to win games. but for our first match, it was good competition," McCalla said.

The Buildogs next travel to the Brighton Invitational 9 a.m. Saturday.

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Chelsea hockey ties Saline

By Don Richter Staff Writer

The score officially goes down in the record books as a 1-1 tie.

But for those who played in the Chelsea-Saline hockey game Dec. 21, the outcome was unofficially different.

Two Bulldog goals, one each by junior center Drew Warren and senior Josh Barron, were disallowed in the tightly called, contest.

"It was unfortunate," said after a scramble in front. Chelsea coach Don Wright, "It's disappointing. I felt we played good enough to win."

The visiting Bulldogs (7-4-1, 1-1-1) took an early 1-0 lead as freshman Brad Tyler scored in the first period.

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Early in the second period, Chelsea appeared to go ahead 2-0, as Warren turned the light on



Bulldog Eddie Ameel looks up ice to pass. Despite having two goals disallowed, Chelsea still managed a tie against Saline.

The referee, however, saw things differently, disallowing the goal, saying Warren kicked in the puck.

The Hornets went on to tie the game, scoring a power-play goal with less than a minute remain-

ing in the period. The puck bounced over freshman net minder J.R. Englebert's

pads for the score. "It was a fluke goal," Wright

In the third period, the Bulldogs again appeared to take the lead, as Barron scored midway through the frame. Or did he?

The referee again disallowed

the apparent score, saying the puck never crossed the goal line.

For the night, Chelsea out shot Saline 26-14.

Despite the disappointment, Wright felt his team played well.

"We played a strong game defensively," he said. "We held them to a couple of good scoring opportunities. We've been working on our defense. I was pleased with our performance." Chelsea next hosts Pinckney

Saturday at 7 p.m. On Wednesday, the Bulldogs travel to Plymouth Canton for a game at 7 p.m.

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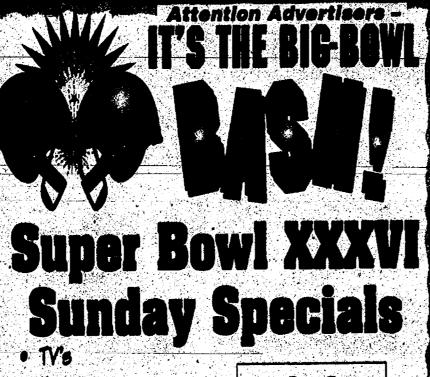
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Walton,"like the rest of the 60 or so athletes on hand for the grand opening is a new breed of athlete. Maybe not big enough to play football or tall enough for basketball, he has to channel his athletic ability and boundless energy in another direction.

But unlike many Dexter athletes, kids like Walton haven't had a place to focus and release that energy.

Until now.

"Oh gosh, the kids, they just needed someplace to go," said Bonnie Chubb, one of three Extreme Sport Park owners. "There was no place in the area for inline skaters and skateboarders to practice their hobby.

"I mean, you get fined for skateboarding in downtown Ann Arbor. I thought to myself 'That's ridiculous.' So we got together and started planning the Extreme Sport Palace."

Chubb, along with her husband, Art, and relative, Sandy McClure, decided to get together on the project after the Chubbs' Dexter home burned to the ground about this time last year.

"Naturally, you're depressed when your home burns down," said Chubb, CEO of ESP and a former champion roller speed skater. "My husband kept telling me, 'Bonnie, you need a hobby.'

'Well, my son, Bryan, is an avid aggressive inline skater and I had this idea to start a park for some time. So we just decided to go for it and here we

For Bryan, the reality that his mom owns a skatepark is still sinking in.

"You have no idea," he said. "This is like a dream come

The Chubbs and McClure pulled out all the stops, invest-

JV cagers battle Pirates

By Don Richter Staff Writer

Behind 16 points from Joel Hohnke, Chelsea's JV boys' basketball team defeated Pinckney 50-45 Dec. 18.

The visiting Pirates started out quick, leading 10-8 after one quarter and 25-21 at halftime.

In the second half, however, the Bulldog offense heated up, while their defense stiffened.

In the third quarter, Cheisea (3-2) outscored Pinckney 15-9 taking a 36-34 advantage into the fourth period.

In the final frame, the Bulldogs netted 14 points, while limiting the Pirates to 11 sewing up the "W."

Besides Hohnke, Kinaschuk led Chelsea with 10 points while Mark Borders had seven points.

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Ben Walton, 16, summed up ing nearly a quarter million dol- as well," McClure said. lars in the facility.

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extensions, metal coping, vert, -banks, rails, boxes are all set up for skateboarders and aggressive inline skaters of all ages and abilities. It is, as Bryan Chubb put it, a "dream come true" for the area's alternative sport athletes.

"It's good for the community," said Matt Brushinski, 19, of Dexter. "It'll keep kids from destroying property, mainly curbs, marble ledges and stuff. I think every city should have

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What makes ESP different is that it's indoors. Athletes need not worry about the ever-changing elements outdoors.

"The kids in the Ann Arbor area who skateboard and inline skate deserve a place like this," said McClure, vice-president of ESP. "They have for some time.

"We hired the ultimate in skatepark design and construction companies to build this park. And not only will it be a stand out facility of its kind in the region, but it will also be one of the premier skate parks in the United States."

McClure, whose 13-year-old son Ron uses the park, said ESP keeps kids busy and out of trouble.

Though the park is a challenge for even the most talented athletes, it welcomes newcomers.

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. Plus, lessons are available onsite from some of the area's best skateboarders and in-liners for those yearning to improve

their skills. Safety equipment, specifically a helmet, is required at the park.

When it's time to take a break, athletes can check out the park's full-on arcade, eat pizza from Cottage Inn or browse through the fully stocked pro shop managed by Ann Arbor-based Modern Skate shop,

In the future, ESP plans on holding competitions, demos by pros and even hosting bands at the facility.

Walton said ESP would be a benefit to skaters in the area.

"Man, there's nothing to do in Dexter," he said. "Anybody can learn how to skate. And if they stick with it, they'll get good real quick.

"And you know what? You're going to see a lot of Dexter kids get real good, real quick here."

Young golfers get own tour

The Game of Your Life Foundation (GOLF) has announced plans to run a minitour for young linksters ages 6 through ? this summer.

The tour, the only one of its kind in the nation, tees off at Jackson's Arbor Hills Country Club June 17.

The six-event season wraps up at Tanglewood in South Lyon Aug. 1.

Tournaments are open to both genders. A youth's age as of Aug. 1, 2002, determines eligibility.

Each tournament will be a 9hole stroke play event played at approximately 2,200 yards. for the boys' division and 1,600

yards for the girls' division. There is no limit to the num-

ber of events a player may participate in.

The tournament will allow a maximum score of 12 strokes per hole for the first eight holes. On the ninth hole, the player must completely hole out.

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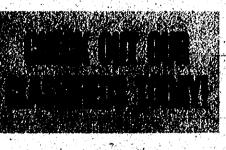
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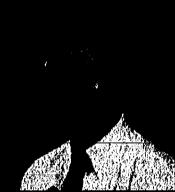
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On Jan. 11, Hilda Pierce will celebrate her 100th birthday. She gathered for a birthday party Christmas Day with friends and family in Homer. At left, Pierce is pictured blowing out her candles with her great-grandchildren Jeffrey Squires (left) and sister Jennifer Squires. Inset. Pierce as Lima Township clerk.

As Hilda Pierce celebrates her 100th birthday, she looks back on her many accomplishments.

By Will Keeler

hile Chelsea marks its 168th birthday this year, Hilda Pierce also celebrates a milestone. The former Lima Township treasurer will turn 100 years

Pierce is a distant relative of one of the village's founders, Nathan Pierce. As she celebrates her birthday Jan. 11, she will look back at a century of achievements.

Pierce was born Jan. 11, 1902, on a small farm on Lima Center Road in Lima Township, the daughter of Frederick and Emma Wenk. The small farmhouse that her father built still stands. And Pierce recalls many memories of her childhood home, just a mile from her

current home on Jackson Road. Pierce remembers riding the electric streetcar along Jackson Road into Chelsea. For 5 cents, she took the streetcar into the village and to the high school at its former location on Park Street.

When the snow hadn't been cleared from the roads. Pierce and her family would ride into town on a horse-drawn sled.

The third oldest in a family of six other. siblings, Pierce kept busy on the family's farm by helping her mother with household chores. She recalls spending many hours churning butter and waiting for the cream to

It was hard work, but it was well worth the

work," she says. One of her fondest memories as a child was when she went ice skating with a friend at a nearby pond and was injured by her friend's skate.

"My friend went to grab onto me and she slipped and the skate hit my knee. My father had to carry me into school several times," she says. Pierce was confirmed at St. Paul United Church of Christ in 1916. She remembers the service was given in German – a tradition she says faded

after World War II. Pierce graduated from Chelsea High School in 1920 with 32 other class-

"Back then, I thought 33 was a large class," she says, "But these days,

there are classes that are well over 300." As a constant reminder of her earlier years, Pierce still wears her

class ring with the fine etchings of Class of '20 on its surface. On Oct. 4, 1926, she married Elmer Pierce on her parents' anniversary. The couple exchanged vows in Toledo, Ohio, with her uncle, Emil Wenk,

officiating. The couple had two children, Donald and Joan, who continued to farm in Lima Township. The couple raised their family on Lima Center Road. Pierce and her husband raised cattle and kept busy year-round by canning vegetables in the fall and preparing for a new planting season in the

Pierce says that times were tough, especially during the Depression

and World War II, so the family butchered its own meat, smoked hams and made its own sauerkraut.

"We had to be careful with our rations," she says, "We had to make sure we had enough sugar for baking."

Pierce enjoyed sewing - something she now considers a hobby.

In exchange for grains and feed, the local milling company gave Pierce feed bags that she later sewed into aprons, shirts and other clothing for her children.

Pierce's life is a lot like some of her long-lasting accomplishments. For 24 years, she served as treasurer of Lima Township. She says people urged her to run for the position, but initially she wasn't interested. Pierce eventually changed her mind and was elected to the post in 1952, the same year her husband died.

"I really didn't have an interest in the job. My husband was a Republican and I was a Democrat, and he would always joke with me and say that when he voted it really wouldn't count because my vote would cancel out his."

Pierce also found time to work at an antique shop near her home.

"I really enjoyed working there after my husband died," she says.

Pierce also volunteered at the Chelsea Senior Citizens Center until she was 95 years old.

"I worked in the nutrition-department and met a lot of nice people over the years," she

Pierce gave her time to many church activities. She served as secretary and treasurer of the church offices and spent many hours watching children in the church nursery. Recently, the church recognized her efforts by giving her a certificate for "Best Babysitter of the Century."

As Pierce looks back on her life, she says that she is amazed by some of the new gadgets, like the telephone, computer and television.

"I remember listening to the radio, but now everyone has a TV," she says.

Pierce enjoys spending time with her family and looking at pictures of the past. Her granddaughter, Kathryn Squires of Chelsea, has organized a history of the Pierce family. She also enjoys doing some household chores and making meals for herself."

Pierce celebrated her 100th birthday with family Christmas Day at her granddaughter's home in Homer a small town near Jackson

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Mushroom Man? hunts morels in Chelsea

By Shella Pursglove and Sven Gustafson Heritage Newspapers

Larry Lonik jokes that there are Bigfoot sightings reported every year in the Dexter-Chelsea

"When you get a guy like me, at 6-foot-7, creeping around the woods, it generates some interest," he says.

Lonik — also known as "Tree," "Spore Boy" and "The Mushroom Man" — spends a lot of time in local woods hunting

for mushrooms. His company, RKT Trade Publishing, is based in Chelsea, where local resident Jan Manning works as his assistant.

Mushroom hunter, world traveler and author, Lonik has been called "our foremost morel authority" by CBS Morning . News. He has been interviewed on National Public Radio and quoted in The Wall Street Journal, Lonik has even hung out with Martha Stewart and cooked for the first President George Bush.

Lonik regularly tours the

the "Squirrel Cam" and Celtic music by the Ann Arbor group Nutshell.

A lifelong Michigan resident, Lonik says he has been interested in hunting mushrooms since age 6, when his father took him into the woods near Grand Rapids to search for morels. It was that experience that sparked in him a passion for the outdoors and turned him into a

"We're just another living thing on this planet," he says. "Wè get a little arrogant sometimes. You have to look at Mother Nature to realize how intelligent its systems are.

"The answers to who we are. where we came from, what happens when we die ... the answers to me are all out there in nature. We just don't ask the right questions. My hope is that someone that I interest in nature will ask the right questions."

And Lonik, who has been on tour as the Mushroom Man for the last three years, seems to be interesting plenty of people.

country, selling mushrooms and ferent trade shows have been giving cooking demonstrations. shocked at the thousands of peo-He also promotes his books and ple that have questions about video, "Motherlode," which fea- mushrooms who come to these tures forest-floor footage from shows and never come to a boat

show or an outdoor show, ever," he says, "But when they find out they all have questions about mushrooms."

Lonik offers weekend morel hunting outings, which include meals, seminars, guided hunts, strategy sessions and cooking demonstrations.

Lonik leads groups of 60 people at a time into the woods. Then, he watches as his apprentices, who average 40 to 60 years of age, turn into 10-year-olds, crawling around on their hands and knees, yelling, "Don't move! I got one!"

"That's sort of my reward," he

Every spring, Lonik waits for the temperature to inch above the 60-degree mark. Then, he puts on his boots and comfortable walking clothes, and grabs a mesh bag.

Mushrooms depend on spores for reproduction. Lonik created Spore Boy, a mesh bag that allows spores to sprinkle to the ground and create more mush-

"Any mesh bag will work, but I created Spore Boy like a Johnny Appleaced character," Lonik says. "I used a paper bag for 20 years. I could walk into a wall,

I'm so stupid."

Each morel cap contains up to where the Mushroom Man is, 500,000 spores. It takes five years for a morel spore to produce an edible fruit.

"We can produce more mushrooms than we've ever seen," Lonik says. "It gets back to understanding where we are in nature, where our place is."

Locally, Lonik says morels come out in late April and early May. First come the black morels, then the white. Then come giant morels, and so on until the weather heats up to 80

"And then you go north," he

For Lonik, that could mean a trip up to Gaylord, which he says boasts a bounty of morels within a 60-mile radius of the intersection of M-32 and I-75. Or the Porcupine Mountains in the western Upper Peninsula, where Lonik finds black morels he can sell for \$10 for a 1-ounce plastic bay of the dried delica-

Lonik has picked morels in 17 tates, as well as in Poland. Czechoslovakia, Mexico, every province of Canada and Peru. He says Michigan may be the most known of any place in the world for morels.



Photo by Sven Gustafson Larry Lonik displays Chanterelle and Portabella mushrooms along with his new video, "Motherlode," at the Royal Oak Farmers' Market. Following a book and seminar tour, Lonik will return to Michigan Jan. 30 for the Silverdome Boat, Sport & Fishing Show in Pontiac, and to the Royal Oak Farmer's Market on Mother's Day.

"It's not because there's more in Michigan, and no poisonous travel bureau does a good job promoting the mushroom festivals in Michigan," he says.

Lonik says there are 25 different kinds of edible mushrooms

morels here, it's because the ones in the springtime, Mushrooms like sandy, welldrained soil, and some - like honey mushrooms, hen-of-thewoods and chicken-of-the-woods

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CHELSEA.

Saturday, Jan. 5 Hiking Hickory Hills, an activity at the Waterloo Recreation Area. Eddy Discovery Center, will be held at 2 p.m. The center is located on Bush Road between Pierce and McClure roads in Chelsea. Participants should meet at the parking lot on McClure Road across from the headquarters. Advance registration is required by calling 475-3170. There is no charge for the program. A State Motor Vehicle Permit is required for entry.

CHELSEA MISCELLANEOUS

Thursday :

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

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

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

Little Professor Book Store Reading Group for adults meets at 11:30 a.m. every other Thursday. Call 433-2665 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 between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

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

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

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

The Parkinson Education and Support Group of Washtenaw County meets 1:30 to 4 p.m. the second Sunday of the month. For more information, call 741-9209 or 1-800-

Monday Chelsea Area Garden Club meets at 12:30 p.m. the second Monday of the month at First United Methodist Church, 128 Park St. For information, call-Christine Forsch, president, at 475-4273, or Jennifer Kundak, publicity chairwoman, at

475-2424, or e-mail jak@mich.com Chelsea Kiwanis Club meets at. 6:15 p.m. every Monday at Chelsea Community Hospital 775 S. Main St. For information, call Gary Maveal,

president, at 475-6090. Domestic Violence Project Safe House Support Group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Monday at ... Chelsea Community Hospital, Behavioral Health Services Building, 775 S. Main St., in Chelsea. Call 428-0369 for more information,

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

Tuesday

Chelsea Amateur Radio Club (rptr: 145.45) meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of the month at UAW Local 1284. 2795 Chelsea-Manchester Road, in Chelsea. For information, call Jeff Cowall (N8KPA), 475-2424 or e-mail icowall@chartermi.net.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Chelsea Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4076, 105 N. Main St., meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of every month. For more information.

call LeRoy Fulcher at 475-1448. Friends of Chelsea District Library meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month at the Chelsea District Library, 500 Washington St., in Chelsea. For information, call Tom Gerstenlauer at 475-7500 or Jennifer

Kundak at 475-2424.

Grief Support Group is for people who have experienced the death of a loved one, offered as a community service by the Chelsea Retirement Community, 805 W. Middle St., in Chelsea. Meetings are from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Wednesdays. Call 475-8633 for the location.

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

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

Saturday, Jan. 5

"On The Trail of the White Tail". will be held 2 p.m. at Hudson Mills Metropark. 8801 North Territorial Road, in Dexter. It will include aleisurely paced hike to look for signs of the white tail. Call 426-8211 to preregister for the program.

DEXTER MISCELLANEOUS Thursday

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

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

Dexter Downtown Development Authority meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the Wylie Middle School media center, 3060 Kensington St., in Dexter. **Monday**

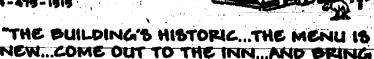
Dexter PTO meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Monday of the month in the media center at Mill Creek Middle





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Dexter Village Council meets at 8 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month at the Wylle Middle School media center, 3060 Kensington St., in Dexter.

Tuesday

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

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

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

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

Dexter Touchdown Club meets every second Tuesday each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Dexter High School media center, 2615 Baker Road, in Dexter. For more information, call Mary Sullivan at 1-810-231-8040 or Kurt Augustine at 428-1979.

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

Wednesday

Monument Park Committee meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of the month in the basement of the



National City Bank, 8123 Main St. For more information, call Jeff Hall at 426-2883.

Parents for Safety is a non-profit organization dedicated to safety issues within the schools and the village of Dexter. Meetings are open to the public at 7:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month in the Mill Creek Middle School media center, 7305 Dexter-Ann Arbor Road, in Dexter, For more information, call Rhonda Hall at 426-2883.

Dexter Village Zoning Board of Appeals meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Road, in Ann Arbor.

Wylie Middle School media center, 3060 Kensington St., in Dexter.

NAMI is a support group open to families of people with mental illness. The group meets at 7:30 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of the month at St. Clare's Church-Temple Beth Emeth, 2309 Packard Road, in Ann Arbor, Call 994-6611 for more information.

ANN ARBOR Thursday, Jan. 3

Mothers & More will gather at 7 p.m. to discuss "School Philosophies-Preschool" at St. Clare-Temple Beth Emeth, 2309 Packard

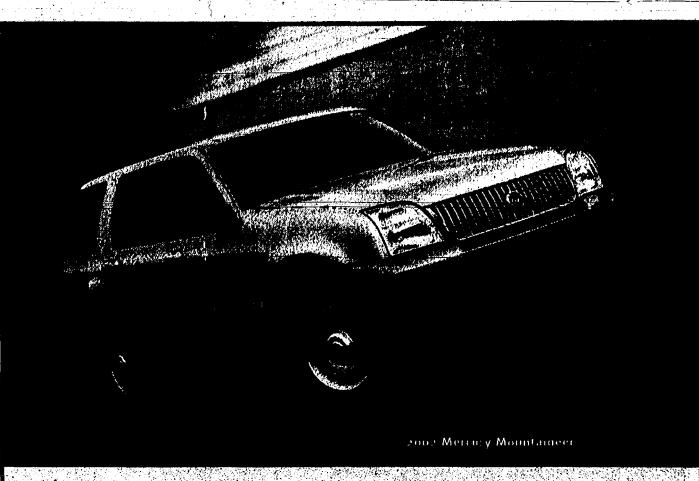


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REVIEW

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June

28-More than 1,200 motorcyclists took to the rural streets around Chelsea and the neighboring areas Sunday for the annual Thin Blue Line Benefit Ride. The group met at Chelsea Fairgrounds and made the 70mile trek to benefit fallen and stricken police officers and their families.

28—An Ingham County judge denied an injunction June 13 filed by Lima and Sylvan townships to stop Chelsea's plans for cityhood. Now Circuit County Judge James Gidding will consider a motion by Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, representing the State Boundary Commission, to dismiss the townships' lawsuit.

28-Alyssa Van Nuys, 21, of Jackson, pleaded not guilty to a charge of indecent exposure and an alternate charge of disorderly conduct at a pretrial hearing Monday in 14A District Court in Cheisea. Van Nuys, who was arrested outside Art & Soule Gallery May 26 during a publicity stunt arranged by photographer Harvey Drouillard, appeared before Judge Richard Conlin. July

5-Village officials say a special assessment district, not a millage, may be the answer to Chelsea Area Transportation Authority's financial woes. Transportation officials had initially asked that a millage request be placed on the village ballot. But according to a legal opinion from the village's attorney, the council doesn't have the power to ask for a millage to support the bus system.

5—Lima Township Board held a special meeting June 26 to discuss a proposed agreement-with-Sylvan Township to supply Walter and Sandy Zeeb were sewer and water services. Gary Adams, a former Lima Township supervisor, recommended that Lima Township join Sylvan and Lyndon townships' sewer pro-

5—A familiar face will soon be

3410 Broad St., Dexter

Council. Despite choosing not to run for re-election in the spring, Brian Cashman is back. He was appointed to fill a seat vacated by Trustee Richard Rigg May 22. The term expires March 2002.

19—The group Friends of Pickerel Lake hopes it can talk the Department of Natural Resources into imposing a moratorium on improvements planned for the boat landing and the surrounding area at the lake until further research and

negotiations are done. 19-Although the Village Council failed to support a request to fund a sidewalk study along M-52 during its last meeting, the issue may not be dead. Village President Richard Steele said the council will reconsider funding July 24.

26-More than two dozen business leaders and residents attended a meeting at the Washington Street Education Center last week to learn more about Chelsea's quest for cityhood status. The driving force behind the move is a citizens committee of 12 residents led by Jack Merkel Merkel presented information about Chelsea's quest July 18 at the Chelsea. Area Chamber of Commerce breakfast meeting.

August 2-Chelsea's water woes continue through a long, hot summer. Sunday's torrential downpour did little to provide relief, giving an inch of water in about 11 minutes in Chelsea.

2-The village recently received a clean bill of fiscal health from an auditor who examined the books. Accountants with Plante and Moran told Village Council trustees July 24 that the village's records and funds appear to be in good shape.

9-Sylvan Township residents recently presented with a key to the village and recognized as Citizens of the Year. The Zeebs have owned and operated Chelsea Greenhouse for more than 40 years.

16—An 11-year-old boy returning to Chelsea Village drowned in Independence Lake

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Saturday in Webster Township during a field trip from the St. Louis Center, a home for developmentally disabled youths and adults located in Sylvan Township. Matthew Swanson of Pinckney, a resident at the center for several years, was pronounced dead at approximately 9:30 p.m. after he was taken to the University of Michigan

Medical Center. 16—Lima and Sylvan townships are not pleased that the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce is supporting Chelsea's drive to become a city. Lima Township Supervisor Ken. Unterbrink said the Chamber of Commerce is an entity that represents a number of services to the community, not just the downtown businesses, and should look for everyone's inter-

23-It's the end of an era in Chelsea. At 10 a.m. Aug 13, buildings once housing the Serendipity bookstore and Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home came tumbling down to make

room for a new municipal parking lot.

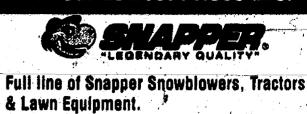
23—The Village Council voted last week to pursue a sidewalk study south of town. The village will pay Tetra Tech, an engineering firm based in Ann Arbor, \$9,500 to provide cost estimates for installing sidewalks on both sides of M-52, from Interstate 94 to Old US-12.

30-Saturday's closing of Camp Waterloo, an inmate rehabilitation program in Waterloo Township, will have an impact on surrounding communities as municipalities lose reducedcost laborers and one police department possibly becomes homeless.

September 6-More than 3,000 registered voters in Dexter Township will have the opportunity to cast a vote Oct. 16 during a special election that will determine the amount of police coverage in the township beginning Jan. 1. By a 5-0 vote Friday, the wording for the ballot proposal was

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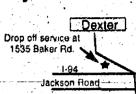
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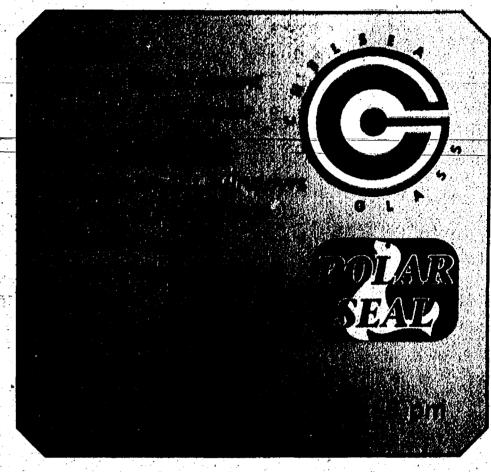
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Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on Wednesday the 9th day of January, 2002; at 7:30 p.m. at the Webster Township Hall, Washtenaw County, Michigan, located at 5665 Webster Church Road, to determining the advisability of designating Scully Road between the north end of Scully Road and Arms Creek, a distance of approximately 1.35 miles on Section 3 and 10 of Webster Township which is a public road, as a Natural Beauty Road pursuant to Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994.

Fred J. Viegel, Chairman

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WEBSTER TOWNSHIP

Webster Township Board Meeting called to order at 7:30 by Sup. Fisher. Present Fisher, Baldus, Calhoun, Fink, Kingsley, Zoning Inspector Jim Ross, Deputy Hause and eleven residents.

Sup. Fisher opened the meeting with the Pledge to the Flag.

Motion Kingsley support Fink to approve the November 20,2001 minutes as pre

Motion Calhoun support Fink to accept treasurers report and pay bills as presented as well as the anticipated Sheriff payment, mileage, also the Road Commission; Standard Register and Postmaster not to exceed \$42,004.69. Roll call

Planning Commission report received. Parks and Recreation Comm. report update received.

Zoning Inspector issued thirteen permits and seventeen properties were inspected since the November 20, 2001 meeting.

Sheriff report received.

vote, all ayes and carried.

Review and approve the agenda. Under new business item D to be Tabled until he Jan. Meeting, item E to be tabled until the Jan. Meeting by advice of Counsei. Motion Calhoun support Baldus to approve the agenda with the exception of the two items tabled. Carried. OLD BUSINESS:

A) Nextel Cell Phone Tower. No update on starting time.

Scully Rd Lane. Discussions with Hamburg Township have been held and expect to address at January Meeting. Drug Ordinance, Tabled.

Special Use Permit for Tall Oak Kennel Information update to be addressed at the Planning Commission December Meeting.

Township Road Speed Limits. Delayed in legislature.

FY 2002 Budget. Input from Boards and Committees for budget considerations for January Meeting.

G) FY 2002 Road Projects, Input requested for road projects for the upcoming

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Input from concerned citizens pertaining to: 1) Private Road and 2) barking dog Motion Fink support Kingsley to amend agenda under new business adding Item

G. Enforcing Barking Dog Ordinance. Roll call vote: Fink. Kingsley, Calhoun, Baidus.

aye, Fisher opposed. Carried. NEW BUSINESS: A) Appointment of Planning Commission Members, Motion Fisher support Fink to re-appoint Wilber Woods, Paul Zalucha, Don Heller for three year terms on Planning

Commission and appoint John Westman to fill the term of Charles Estleman. Discussion. Kingsley wanted to publicly thank Robert Mast and Charles Estleman for their work on the board and unanimously supported by the Township Board. B) Health Care for Elected Officials, further information to be on the agenda at

the January Board Meeting.

C) Fire coverage for Harbor Trail: Hamburg Township will present the question to

their board tonight. Tabled-see above

Tabled-see above

Equipment Disposal. Motion Fisher support Fink to dispose of unusable equipment. Carried.

G) Barking Dog Enforcement, Discussion, Motion Fink support Kingsley to table the enforcement of Barking Dog Ordinance at Tall Oaks Kennel, Carried.

Motion Calhoun support Baldus meeting adjourn at 9 o'clock. Carried.

Respectfully submitted Wana M. Baldus, Clerk

VILLAGE OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF **VARIANCE HEARING**

An application has been filed by JOHN AND CANDACE PAPPAS of 409 MADI-SON ST., CHELSEA, MI for a variance from the requirements of Sections 4.05 C2B and 10.06 of Ordinance No.79 (Zoning Ordinance), to REDUCE THE NORTH SIDE YARD SETBACK FROM 5' TO 2' TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 14' TO 16' ADDITION ON A NON-CONFORMING LOT. The property is described as fol-

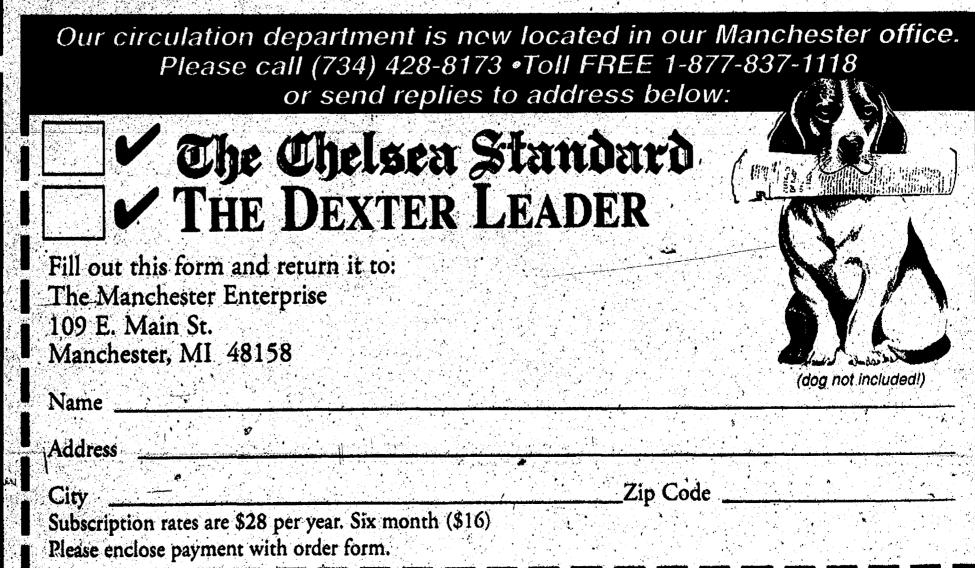
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Pursuant to the procedure for a variance request: a Notice of Hearing shall be given and will be served personally or by mail at least ten (10) days prior to the date of such hearing, upon the party or parties making the request for appeal, and all owners of record of property and occupants of property located within three-hundred (300) feet of such premises in question.

You are herein notified that a hearing will be field by the Chelsea Zoning Board of Appeals on Tuesday January 16, 2002, at 5:00 o'clock P.M. or as soon thereafter ble, in the Chelsea Village Offices, located in the Chelsea Bank Building, 305 S. Main Street, Suite 100 (lower level conference room); to consider objections

The petition is on file in the office of the Planning and Zoning Department, 305 S. Main St., Suite 100, Chelsea and may be examined prior to the date of the hearing. Persons requiring reasonable accommodations to disabilities in order that the hearing be accessible to them, are requested to notify the Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman no later than five (5) business days prior to the date of the hearing of such disability.

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the Dexter Township Board.

13—Chelsea residents joined Americans across the nation Tuesday as they reacted in stunned disbelief to terrorist attacks on New York City. D.C., Washington, Pennsylvania. Two hijacked jets crashed into the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City, a third hijacked plane crashed into the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., and a fourth, possibly on its way to attack

crashed in rural Pennsylvania. 13—After more than three hours of discussion and public comment last week, the Lima Township Board voted to negotiate with Sylvan Township over providing sewer services to Lima.

Camp David or the White House,

13—If a proposed subdivision near the intersection of Freer and Dexter-Chelsea roads is constructed, the village could see a sharp increase in the number of houses. And some residents living near the proposed project are not happy about it. The Vineyards would consist of 352 single-family homes that would be constructed on more than 150 acres of land owned by Marty Merkel.

13—Washtenaw County Commissioner Joseph Yekulis was named president of the Michigan Association of Counties. He was sworn in last month in

20—Lima Township will enter into an agreement with Sylvan Township to receive sewer services and oppose the Chelsea Village initiative to become a city. The board approved both decisions Monday.

20—The new Dexter Township Hall opened Sept. 12. The hall was built in about 1970 and the employees were crammed in 3,300 square feet of space. The addition provides another 2,850 square feet. The cost for the new surroundings is about \$550,000.

27-The Chelsea High School auditorium was packed on Friday evening as the community came together for a memorial service for the firefighters, police officers, emergency service workers and victims of the recent terrorist attacks. More than 500 people gathered to hear

a message of hope and healing. 27—If local residents have their way, plans for a new subdivision near the intersection of Freer and Dexter-Chelsea roads will be scrapped for a village park. Chances, however, are unlikely.

27-Sylvan and Lima townships say they do not oppose Chelsea's efforts to become a city as long as the village doesn't gobble up the townships' agricultural and residential land in the process. More than 100 people gathered Tuesday afternoon at the Chelsea High School auditorium for a public hearing about Chelsea's quest for cityhood.

October

4—A report by the Michigan Municipal League Consulting Services suggests the Chelsea Area Fire Authority upgrade the fire chief's position to full time, hire an additional full-time firefighter and seek a miliage to support additional services.

4—Lima Township Supervisor Ken Unterbrink is saying the township no longer supports the Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce and is asking the Chelsea Area Fire Authority to withdraw its membership. The controversy stems from a recent vote of the chamber's board of directors to support Chelsea's drive to become a city.

4—In the past few months, officials in Lima and Sylvan townships have discussed sharing police services with the village. But now they are trying to settle arguments over land. Many area residents have mixed feelings as to whether Chelsea should become a city. Homeowners in some of the outlying areas were unhappy when Judge Richard Conlin sen-

flavors out there," he says. "If

you know what to look for and

when, it's really not that difficult

After springtime, mushroom

season in Michigan doesn't

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summer, when the woods fill up

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Lonik says the woods around

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they found out that their land soon may become part of the village or new city.

11—The student count in Chelsea has dropped this year. There are fewer pupils at the elementary and middle schools and more teens enrolled at the high school and Chelsea Alternative High School. There were 2,943 students registered last fall. Looking at the September 2001 unofficial count, the final total is down 20 from an estimated 2,924 students.

11—One of Chelsea's top 10 employers, Chelsea Industries Inc., will move most of its workforce to a new facility in Saline by next March. The company is establishing a new manufacturing and technical center in Saline's Sauk Trail Industrial Park on South Industrial Drive:

18—Despite bad weather Tuesday, 365 voters in Dexter Township made it to the polls and passed a five-year police millage, 205-160.

18-Alyssa Van Nuys, 21, the Jackson waitress who achieved notoriety as Chelsea's "Lady Godiva" in a nude horseback ride, returned Monday to 14A District Court in Chelsea. Judge Richard Conlin upheld a charge of indecent exposure, overruling defense attorney John Minock's argument that the ruling violates Van Nuys' constitutional rights to free speech.

25—Dexter Township voters may have passed a police millage thinking they would get the services of two full-time deputies, but officials have other ideas in mind. Dexter Township Board has decided to contract for three deputies beginning Jan. 1.

25—By next summer, members of the group Friends of Pickerel Lake may get their wish. The Dexter Township Board is considering a "no wake" and "no gas motor" ordinance for the lake, which has been at the center of debate since the Department of Natural Resources announced plans to improve an existing boat launch.

1—Chelsea's drive to become a city is now being considered by the State Boundary Commission. Since the commission's Sept. 25 public hearing, where residents of Lima and Sylvan townships opposed the taking of their land, the City Study Committee has downsized the amount of land to be incorporated into the proposed city.

1-Residents living on Werkner Road may have been startled to see a man in a hazardous materials suit Oct: 21 investigating a white powdery substance in a neighbor's yard. The white powder, which caused the anthrax scare, turned out to be a hoax, Fire Chief Dan Ellenwood said.

8—In the past two months, many village residents have voiced concerns over the 157 acres of farmland targeted for a 352-unit subdivision called The Vineyards. The Committee for Cheisea Park, a grassroots group opposed to the development, would like to see a park at the site instead of homes. The group kicked off a petition drive Nov. 1 in hopes of collecting 1,000 signatures from village residents to convince the village to buy the land for a park.

8- The Washington Street Education Center board room was filled Monday evening when the Chelsea Board of Education presented a community survey focusing on funding issues for the district. Board president Scott Broshar, who joined Superintendent Ed Richardson in delivering two back-to-back 30-minute presentations, estimated about 70 people attended.

15-Helen May Leonard, former newspaper publisher of The Chelsea Standard and The Dexter Leader, died Friday at the age of 84. She and her husband. Walter, were at the helm of the two newspapers for almost five decades. They received the Chelsea Citizens of the Year award in 2000.

. 15—At a court hearing Nov. 5.

MAN 100 years old and more, because of the age of the forests, they are Continued from Page 1-B an ideal breeding ground for fungus," he says. "All the leaves - like areas around oak trees. and branches are broken down "There are some interesting

> rooms are." Lonik says wild mushrooms are very good for circulation, and contain many vitamins and nutrients. Scientists, he says, will be releasing lots of information about the food in the coming years.

by fungus, which is what mush-

Lonik is a member of the Outdoor Writers Association of America and has authored four books, including "Basically these parts provide ideal condi- Morels: Mushroom Hunting, Cooking, Lore, and Advice" and a book about honey.

tenced Alyssa Van Nuys, who achieved notoriety after a nude horseback ride in Chelsea, to six months non-reporting probation and a fine of \$125 after she pleaded guilty to disorderly person/obscene conduct.

15-A 12-year-old resident of the St. Louis Center in Sylvan Township has been charged with the murder of 11-year-old Matthew Swanson of Pinckney, another resident of the center. Swanson drowned Aug. 11 in Independence Lake in Webster Township during a field trip from the St. Louis Center.

15—Chelsea High School students, linking arms for support, held an emotional ceremony Friday before releasing balloons to commemorate the anniversary of last year's fatal car crash that took the lives of three of their friends, Amanda Martin, Tia Schiller and Jennifer Young.

21-Chelsea Village Council met in a closed session Monday to discuss purchasing the former BookCrafters building at 140 Buchanan St. The brick-faced building, which also housed Sheridan Books at one time, may become the new village hall.

29—The results of the recent community survey presented by the school board indicate that Chelsea residents may be happy to dig deeper into their pockets to maintain good schools and recreational facilities.

29-Local businessman Ron Weiser left today for Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia, where he will serve as U.S. ambassador during the remainder of President George W. Bush's term. Weiser was sworn in Tuesday by Secretary of State Colin Powell at the State Department in Washington, D.C.

29—The grassroots group Committee for Chelsea Park may need more leverage to save 157 acres of undisturbed land along Dexter-Chelsea Road. The Chelsea Village Planning Commission voted Nov. 20 to recommend that the Village Council approve the housing development despite the committee's desire for the property.

29-The village's bid to buy the former BookCrafter's building at 140 Buchanan St. has been accepted — an early Christmas wish for village officials. The move will allow all the village offices, including the administrative offices, zoning department, police department and Department of Public Works, to be located in one facil-

December

6-Robert Fowler, the South Carolina native accused of the April 24 murder of his wife, former Dexter resident Sylvia Mae Fowler, appeared before Washtenaw County Circuit Judge Archie C. Brown Nov. 30. Fowler pleaded guilty to second-degree murder, punishable by up to life in prison. He will be sentenced Jan. 4.

13-Two parking spaces on West Middle Street have spurred a lawsuit between a local business owner and the village. Joanne Oesterle, who owns a building at 115 W. Middle St., is asking the village to label the two parking spaces in front of her building as "no parking." The spaces have been marked for three-hour public parking since last spring.

20-Chelsea Village Council denied a request Dec. 11 to rezone 16 acres of farmland so that developers could begin work on an apartment complex. The Village Council followed a recommendation Dec. 13 from the Planning Commission to deny a zoning change for Magellan Properties.

27-Robert Tetens will leave his post as Dexter Township supervisor Feb. 28. Tetens has served as the township's top official since 1997, when he was appointed to succeed John Sdao.

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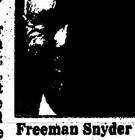
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FREEMAN "WOODY" SNYDER Chelsea

Freeman: "Woody" Snyder. 84. died Dec. 24, 2001, at Chelsea Retirement Community. Towsley Village. He was born Dec. 6, 1917, in Philadelphia.

the son of Freeman and Mary (Shaffer) Snyder.

Mr. Snyder had lived in Perkasie, Pa.; Greenbelt. Md.; and East Lansing. He graduated the from University of



Idaho in 1938 with a bachelor's degree in forestry, and earned a doctorate from Cornell University in plant physiology in 1950. Mr. Snyder worked for the U.S.

Department of Agriculture research service from 1953 to 1983. He was a research scientist in sugar beets at Michigan State University and USDA headquarters in Beltsville, Md. Mr. Snyder was a member of Our

Savior Lutheran Church and a former member of St. Luke Lutheran Church in Dublin, Pa. He was very active in Lutheran Layman's League and the National Association of Retired Federal Employees.

Mr. Snyder married Elizabeth Fink Aug. 6, 1938, in Ottsville, Pa.,

and she survives. Others survivors include a son, Robert (Patricia) of Yardley, Pa.; a daughter, Barbara (Homer) St. John of Chelsea; three grandchildren; and three greatgrandchildren.

A funeral was held Dec. 27 at Chelsea Retirement Community, with the Rev. James Hilliard officiating. Burial followed at St. Joseph Cemetery in Dexter.

Memorial contributions may be made to Towsley Village. 💛 🛦 Arrangements were made by Cole Funeral Chapel in Chelsea.

WALTER NICKELL Corinth, Ky. **Formerly of Dexter**

Walter "Nick" Nickell, 75, of Corinth, Ky., died Dec. 16, 2001, at his home. Mr. Nickell was born Sept. 13, 1926, in Toledo, Ohio, to Claude and Freda (Shipp) Nickell. He was a resident of Dexter and Pinckney for many years.

Mr. Nickell worked as a bus driver in Ann Arbor. After retirement, he worked at Hudson Mills golf

Mr. Nickell was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and Coast Guard.

Surviors include his wife, Mary Nicholson Nickell of Corinth; a son, Tom Allen Nickell of Ypsilanti; a daughter. Tamara Lee Nicks of Breckenridge, Texas; two stepdaughters, Patricia Clark of Venice. Calif.: and Teresa King of Santa Cruz, Calif.; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A funeral was held Dec. 19 at New Columbus United Methodist Church in Corinth, where he was a member. Buriai will be at a later date in Michigan.

DELLA J. MOORE Whitmore Lake

Della J. Moore, 88. of Whitmore Lake died Dec. 22, 2001, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. She was born Oct. 23, 1913, in Farwell the daughter of Jesse and Clara Pitts) Burgess.

Mrs. Moore married Paul R. Moore June 27, 1932, in Angola, Ind. He preceded her in death Feb. 4.

Mrs. Moore was a homemaker and a member of the Hiawatha Beach Church in Hamburg.

Survivors include two daughters, Audrey Potter and Beverly Helms; one son, Richard Moore; eight grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; four sisters and one sister-inlaw. She was preceded in death by one son-in-law, Bruce, and a greatgranddaughter, Mary.

A funeral was held Dec. 26, 2001. at Hiawatha Beach Church, with the Rev. Jerry Wichert officiating. Interment followed at Hamburg Cemetery.

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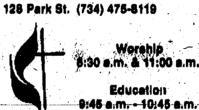
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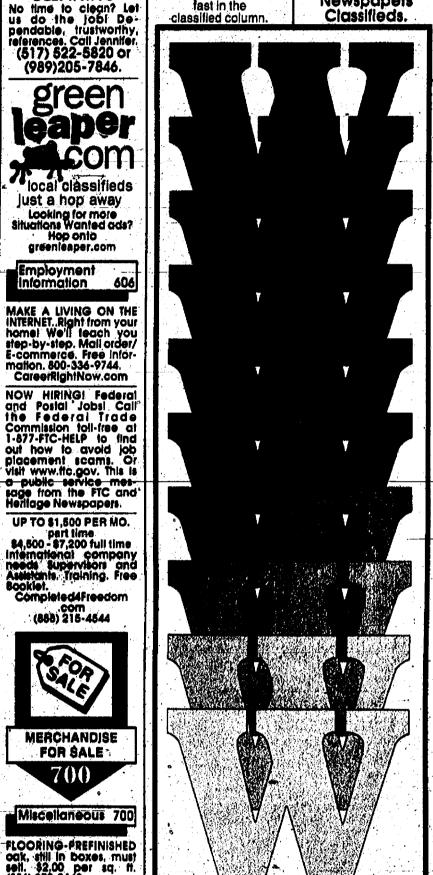
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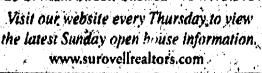
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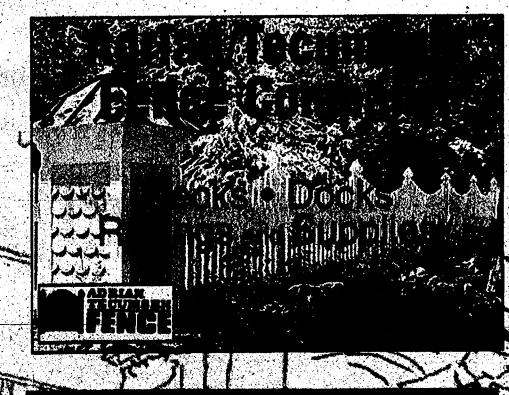
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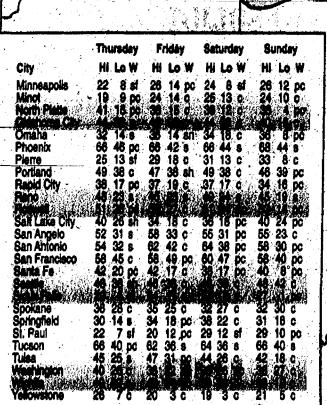
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