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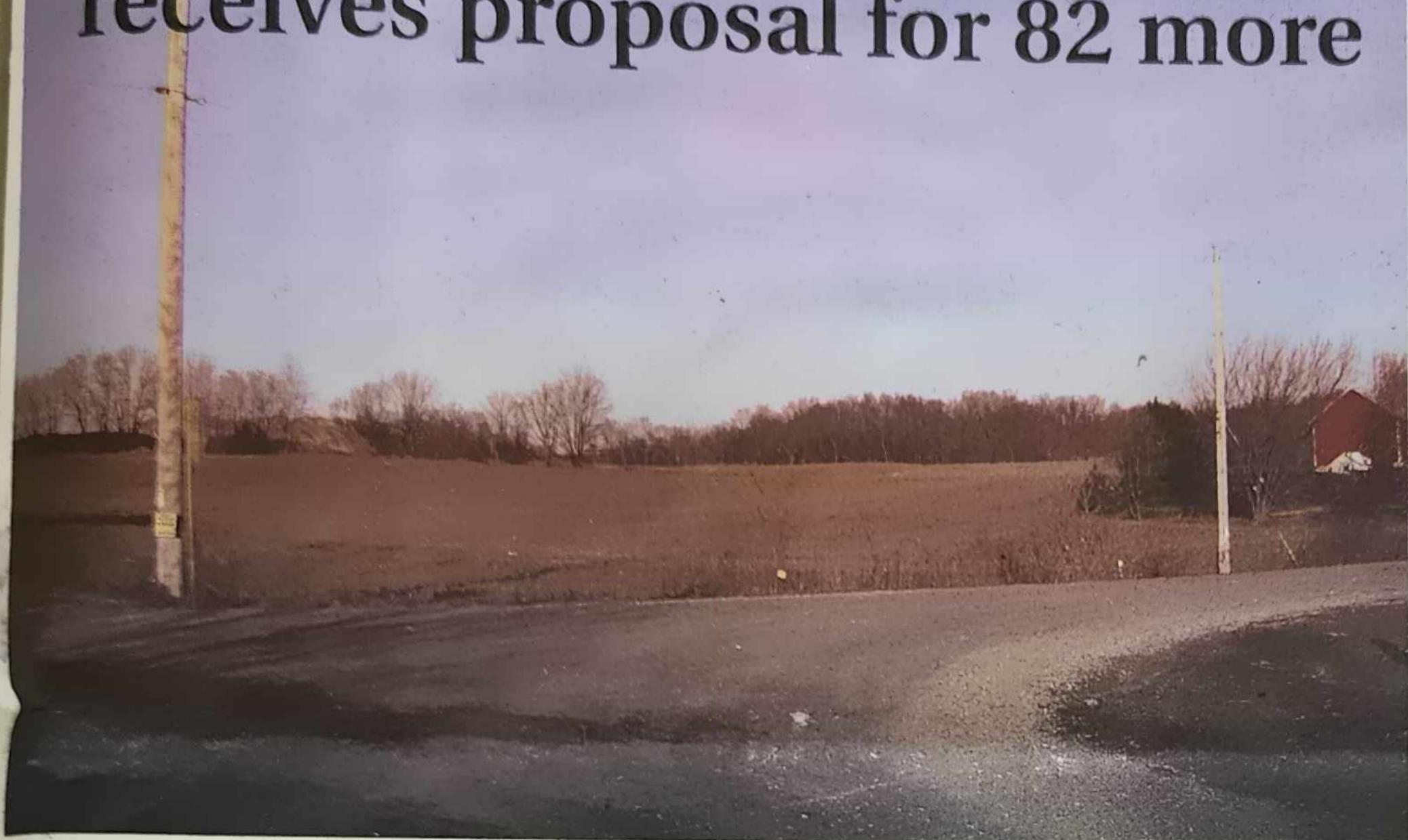
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Village annexes 94 acres, receives proposal for 82 more



The corner of Badger Road and Prospect Drive in the Town of Kewaskum became part of the Village of Kewaskum as the Kewaskum Village Board voted unanimously to annex 94 acres from the town at their meeting held Monday, December 13. The land, known locally as the Behnke farm is being proposed as a subdivision by local developers Gary and Linda Gavin. Land owned by Ted Mielahn is also part of the annexation. The Gavins are proposing single family homes and condominiums for the land. Three town residents and a town of Kewaskum board supervisor attended the meeting. Town board supervisor Jim Koepke thought that there could be a better use for the land. Koepke thought with the proposed industrial park, some of those executives building in the industrial park would want to build larger homes on more land next to park. Gavin explained that people just can not afford to purchase these larger lots and there is a need in the village for medium size lots and condos. At that same meeting the village board accepted another petition for annexation for a parcel of land east of the newly annexed parcel. That next annexation proposal is part of a multi-million dollar TID project that will result in a industrial park for the village. That proposal will bring in an additional 82.9 acres.

Village residents fight back against vandals

By Andrew Kuehl
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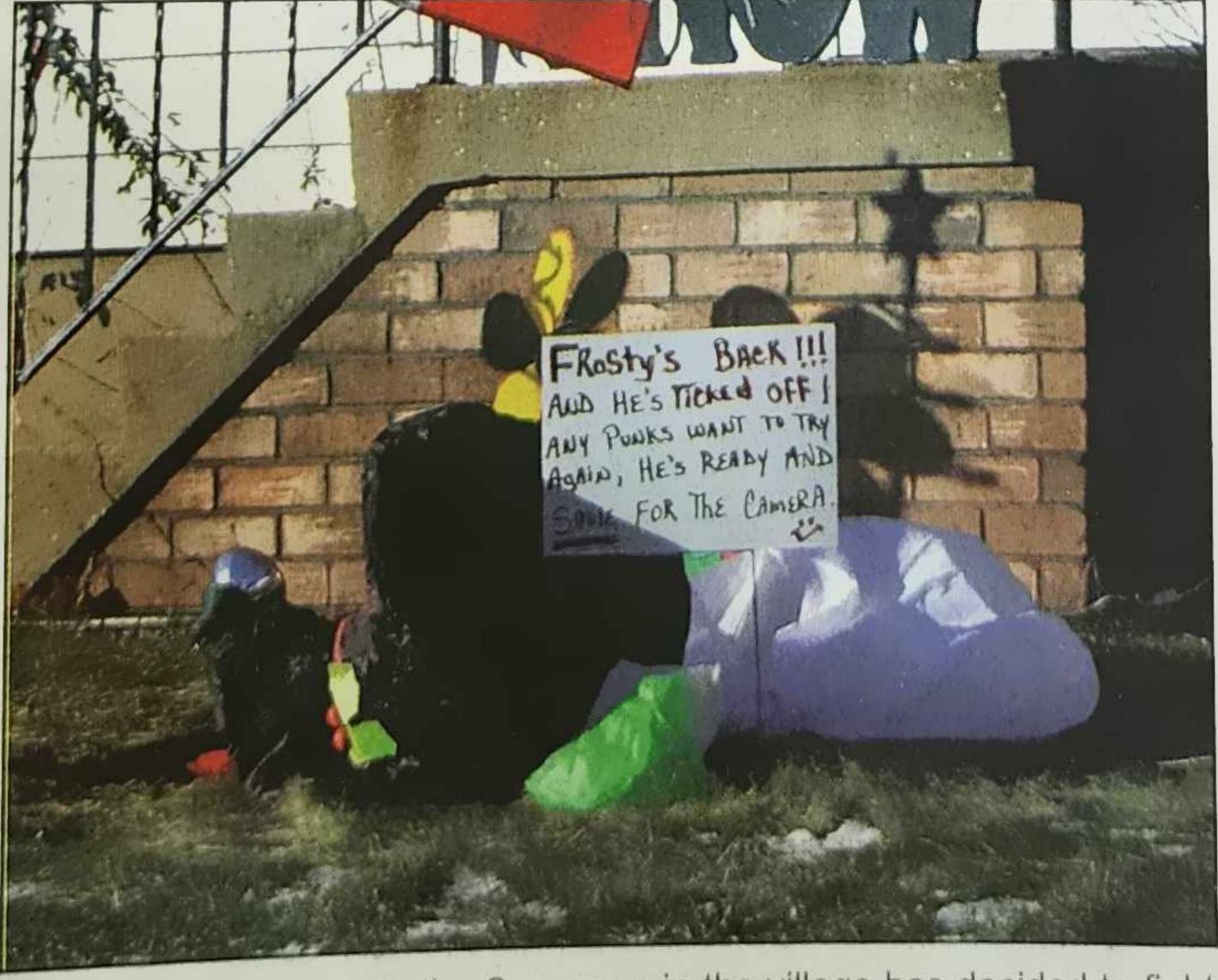
A few village of Kewaskum residents are not fazed by the recent vandalism done to their Christmas decorations. One village resident has even taken it upon himself to help his fellow decorators by fixing their decorations.

Last week vandals hit a number of large, blow-up Christmas decorations by slashing them, thus destroying them. A few days later many of the decorations were back up, repaired.

Upon their return, one Kewaskum Street resident gave a warning. "FROSTY'S BACK!!! and he's TICKED OFF! Any punks want to try again, he's leady and SMILE for the camera!"

Police Chief Richard Knoebel statthat his department has received
lix or seven reports of decoration vandalism. The same vandalism has went
on outside of the village as well.

Knoebel asked that if anyone has been anything related to these crimes call the County Sheriff's tipline 800-232-0594



One of the many Frosty the Snowmen in the village has decided to fight back against his attackers.

Statesman Photo: Andrew Kuehl

LOCAL NEWS BRIEFS

- TWO QUESTION REFER-ENDUM TO BE ON APRIL BALLOT- The Kewaskum Board of Education decided at Monday night's meeting to move ahead with a two question referendum on the April 2005 ballot. One question will be in regards to textbooks and the other on technology. The board will work on the wording of the questions at the January meeting.
- PARTMENT GETS BRUSH TRUCK Fire Chief Mark Groeschel indicated in this report to the Kewaskum Village Board that the department will take delivery on their new brush fire truck this coming week. He also indicated that the department may have another fire department interested in purchasing the old truck.
- LIBRARY CIRCULATION
 UP 10% FOR 2004 Village
 president Matt Heiser reported
 Monday that, the village's library
 circulation is up 12 1/2 percent
 from November 2003's numbers.
 He also indicated that overall the
 library's circulation is up 10 percent from 2003 for the year. The
 Friends of the Library will also
 meet on January 5 at 6:15 in the library. All interested parties are invited to attend the meeting.
- AUBURN ANNOUNCES HOLIDAY HOURS FOR RE-CYCLING CENTER The town of Auburn will be changing their holiday hours for the holiday season. The recycling center will be open as normal from 1-8 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 22, closed Christmas day, open Dec. 27 from 8 a.m. 4 p.m. open as normal Dec. 29 from 1-8p.m. and closed New Year's Day.

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WEEK'S WIT

He who stops to look each way lives to drive another day!

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ON THE RECORD



December Rescue Kewaskum Boltonville First Responders were dispatched to the town of Farmington for a rollover accident. A transport was made.

December Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person with back pain. A transport was made.

Also on December 8, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person that had leg and arm pain. A transport was made.

December Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a child hit by a bus. A transport was made.

On December Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person with a possible seizure. A transport was made.

TOWN OF WAYNE

\$225,500.

\$180,500.

Building

Campbell

Backhaus.

Every Wed.

and Thurs.

Laufer, \$178,000.

LLC, \$400,500.

Arlene Schmidt to Thomas

Angela Loveland and Elaine

and Judith Schmidt, \$65,000.

Becker to Becker Dev. LLC,

Carl Becker to Becker Dev

Allen Luedtke to Jeremy and

Reuben and Viola Fritz to

Laufer Builders Inc to John

Allen Luedtke to Richard

The winners at cards

Annex

played at the Municipal

Wednesday, Dec. 8th were:

SKAT: Byron Gessner, 12-1--

11 net; Fred Lettow, 12-2--10

Petri, Marian Herriges, Ruth

Marriage License

Chad William Shafer, Town

and

and Ginny Heller, \$105,000.

XYZ CARD RESULTS

SHEEPSHEAD:

Joseph and Jennifer Merkes,

Jennifer Thill, \$115,000.



SCHMIDT -- A son, Owen Theodore, to Christine and Michael Schmidt, Town of Wayne, born on Dec. 6, 2004. Owen weighed five pounds and 14 ounces and was 19 inches long.

DURAND - A son, Logan James, to Kelly and Sean Durand, Slinger, born on Dec. 5, 2004. Logan weighed five pounds and nine ounces, and was 18 inches long.

MONDAY NIGHT

Dec. 6th were: Hubert Nett, 21-1--20 net; Butch, 413 points; Tom Radtke, 48 high

The next skat will be

TUESDAY NIGHT SHEEPSHEAD WINNERS

65, 18-4--14; Syl Stern, 56-5--51, 19-3--16; Ralph Stern, 50-4--46, 19-2--17 Bernie Roberts, 49-6--43, 18-4--14; Delores Mielke, 46-6--40, 19-4--15; Adam Cornelius, 20 most loses; Judy Lickmann, 12 low points.

The next five handed callan-ace will be Tuesday, Dec. 21 at 7:30 p.m. American

Monday, Dec. 20 --Spaghetti, golden corn, applesauce, bread w/butter, pumpkin bar, milk.

KEWASKUM SCHOOL

DISTRICT

Chicken stir fry w/rice,

pears, Mandarin oranges & a

dippers w/marinara dipping

sauce, tossed salad w/asst.

derssings, orange slices & a

chocolate chip cookie.

*Chicken salad. (2) P.B. & J.

Chicken patty/bun, broc-

coli, cheese sauce, pineap-

ple & a rice crispy treat.

*Baked potato bar. (2) P.B. &

Cheeseburger/bun, French

fries, green beans & cherry

Friday, Dec. 24

Christmas Eve - No School.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL

Thursday, Dec. 23 ---

Wednesday, Dec. 22 --

Tuesday, Dec. 21 -- Pizza

Monday, Dec.

chewy granola bar.

uncrustable.

J. uncrustable.

applesauce.

Tuesday, Dec. 21 ---Mexico: Tacos, enchiladas, brown rice, refried beans, assorted fruit, cinnamon sugar cookie, milk.

Wednesday, Dec. 22 --Christmas Concert: Hot dog on a bun, corn chips, baked beans, pears, Rice Krispie square, milk.

Thursday, Dec. 23 --Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes w/gravy, green beans, Mandarin oranges, dinner roll, Christmas cookie, milk.

Friday, Dec. 24 -- No School! Merry Christmas.

ST. LUCAS SCHOOL

Monday, Dec. 20 -- Beefy shepherd's pie, dinner roll, green beans, sugar cookie.

Tuesday, Dec. 21 -- Tacos - hard or soft shell, rice, peas, peaches, pudding.

Wednesday, Dec. 22 --Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes w/gravy, corn, peanut butter bar.

Thursday, Dec. 23 -- Early Release Day. No Hot Lunch.

LUNCH MENUS CAMPBELLSPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Monday, Dec. 20 Grillburger or sandwich, tri tater, fruit choice, x-mas cookie, milk.

Tuesday, Dec. 21 -- Mini corn dogs, cheese slice, yogurt, curly fries, fruit choice, milk.

Wednesday, Dec. 22 Chicken nuggets, buttered corn, fruit choice, Rice Krispie bar, milk.

Thursday, Dec. 23 -- Brat or hot dog, baked beans, chips, fruit choice, ice cream, milk.

ST. MATTHEWS SCHOOL

Monday, Dec. 20 -- Sub sandwich, potato wedges, applesauce, or corn, banana, pudding cup, milk.

Tuesday, Dec. 21 Christmas Dinner: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, coleslaw, cranberries, broccoli, cauliflower, fruit salad, dinner roll, Christmas cookie, milk.

Wednesday, Dec. 22 --Hamburger/bun, cheese plate, French fries, pickles, grapes or orange, ice cream, milk.

Thursday, Dec. 23 Sausage pizza, lettuce salad, garden fresh peas, mixed fruit, cookie, milk.

KEWASKUM SENIOR DINING CENTER For the Elderly Menu Meadowcreek Complex 262-483-2056

Monday, Dec. 20 -- Ring bologna, potato pancakes, spring blend vegetables, cornbread muffin, strawberry ice cream.

Tuesday, Dec. 21 -- Pub burger, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, whole wheat bread, oatmeal raisin cookie.

Wednesday, Dec. 22 --Stuffed green peppers, parslied potatoes, baby carsourdough bread, chocolate meringue pie.

Thursday, Dec. 23 -- All meal sites and office on aging closed.

Bingo every Monday, 10 -11:30 a.m. Bring 50¢ prize to participate.

SKAT WINNERS

Skat winners on Monday, play.

Monday, Jan. 3rd at 7:00 p.m. sharp. Woody's Steakhouse.

Five handed winners on Tuesday, Dec. 7th were: Raymond Ruplinger, 72-7--

Legion Hall.



REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

VILLAGE OF KEWASKUM

Elnora Hinn to Lawrence Depons, \$115,000.

Gary and Linda Gavin to JL Property Dev. LLC, \$425,000. Condo Trio LLC to Gerald and Marilyn Hinze, \$164,500. Scenic Home Builders Inc. to Ryan and Jessica Holte, \$197,500.

Timothy and Amy Bingen to Joshua and Nicole Ebert, \$189,900.

Clare Schneider to Lynn Wiesner, \$118,000.

Russel and Angela Sponholz to Travis Rosine Rebecca and Verette, \$185,000.

H&H Dutie LLC to Michael Rebecca Schickert, \$125,000.

David and Joyce Schulz to Vincent Bonini and Patricia Mottl, \$162,500.

Thomas Timblin to Sue Rehberg and Thomas Zimmerman, \$250,000.

Evangeline Harter to Carol Vetter, \$92,000. Troy and Angela Zehren to

Katie Kissinger, \$95,000. JP Morgan Chase Bk to David and Nancy Gonia, \$88,000.

Robert Victoria and Hackbarth to Bradley and Mariah Niekamp, \$167,000.

Scenic Home Builders Inc James and Dottie Andaloro, \$189,500.

TOWN OF KEWASKUM

Francis and Dorothy Volm to Shannon Mitchell, \$30,000.

TOWN OF FARMINGTON

Calvin Martinez to Enright, \$360,000. Dennis Skiba to Robert Susen, \$30,000.

Edwin Mallory to Mark Gutbrod, \$60,000.

Thomas and Nancy Cuiray William and Debra Rettmann, \$187,900.

Kenneth and Janet Enright to Camar LLC, \$4,500.

Bank of NY to David Strong, \$160,000.

of Eden and Rebecca Sarah Kern, Town of Eden.

Eileen

Harold



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THE STATESMAN P.O. Box 98, Kewaskum, WI 53040 circulation@kewaskumstatesman.com School officials allow students to distribute Christmas cards

West Bend High School averts federal lawsuit

WEST BEND, WI- Late in the afternoon on Monday, December 13, the West Bend Joint School District made an eleventh-hour decision that averted a federal lawsuit scheduled to be filed the following morning, Tuesday, December 14.

school's refusal to allow high school students to distribute Christmas cards containing the story of the religious origins of the candy cane. The five high school students are represented by Liberty Counsel.

Liberty Counsel is a nonprofit litigation, education and policy organization dedicated to advancing religious freedom, the sanctity of human life and the traditional family. Established in 1989, Liberty Counsel is a national organization headquartered in Orlando, Florida, with branch offices in Virginia and hundreds of affiliate attorneys in all 50 states.

Jeffrey Weigand, Rebecca Voigt, Danny Garris, David Daniel, and Kara Waala West Bend attend High School and are members of a student-initiated Christian known the Wednesday Morning Bible Study Prayer Group ("prayer group").

The students prepared Christmas greeting cards which they intended to pass to classmates during noninstructional time. The cards

candy that symbolized the true meaning of Christmas. The candy cane was shaped like a "J" to represent the name of Jesus.

"The color white stands for the pureness of Jesus. The color red represents the blood of Jesus shed for us". The suit was regarding the The card then concluded by saying, "Have a Merry Christmas."

> On December 6, Jeffrey Weigand presented the greeting card Principal to Cassandra Schug, who denied permission to distribute the card because of its religious message. December 7, Superintendent David Shapley informed Jeffrey that the card could not be distributed because of its religious content.

Liberty Counsel then faxed a letter to the Superintendent and entire school board December 7, requesting a response by December 9. Hearing no response, a federal lawsuit was prepared, but while Liberty Counsel attorney Rena Lindevaldsen was at the Orlando International Airport on December 13 waiting to board a flight to Wisconsin, the school district attorney informed Liberty Counsel that the district would allow the distribution of the Christmas cards.

In the suit, the students were seeking an emergency hearing for Tuesday, December 14.

ond annual "Friend or Foe" campaign. Liberty Counsel will be a friend of school districts or governmental entities that do not intentionally censor the religious aspect of Christmas but will be the foe of those that do.

"The main reason we are doing this distribution of the religious cards is to bring the name of Jesus back into the public high schools. My youth director and I along with several other students that attend the high schools have had a real heart to show and spread the love of God to the youth in this area," said Jeffrey Weigand.

Weigand went on to say, "The literature we wish to distribute was nonoffensive, did not contain foul language and was age appropriate for students. It met all of the standards of the school districts policy yet both of the school principals along with the district superintendent would not allow us to distribute the cards. It is absolutely ridiculous and infringes on our student freedom of speech."

Bus accident takes life of four-year-old village boy

By Andrew Kuehl STATESMAN MANAGING EDITOR akuehl@kewaskumstatesman.com

Four-year-old David J. Sabish is spending Christmas in heaven this year. He died in a tragic bus accident that has left neighbors in Kewaskum in mourning.

Kewaskum's Chief of Police, Richard Knoebel says accident happened around 3:50 p.m. Thursday, December Sabish and three other children were getting off the bus at the Bel Ric Drive and Lin-De-Lane intersection.

Sabish was a student at Elementary Kewaskum School where he attended kindergarten.

Knoebel says the children were standing on the corner of that intersection, when the driver closed the door of the bus and the safety arm retracted. The child then ran in front of the bus and was run over.

Knoebel says the driver, Charles Kleinke, 58, of Kewaskum, was a substitute and was filling in for the regular driver who had called in sick.

Knoebel says the driver told authorities he felt a bump, but continued down the block. He stopped shortly thereafter. A 10-year-old girl was the one who called 9-1-1.

The boy was taken to St. Joseph's Community Hospital in West Bend by Kewaskum Rescue Squad. He was later pronounced dead.

Kleinke has 12 years of driving experience with Johnson Bus Company, the owner of the bus.

Police questioned students Friday and Monday. The state patrol also played a role in the investigation. Acording to the State Patrol all safety equipment was functioning properly. A crossing gate had been extended in front of the bus while it was stopped and the gate was retracted as teh bus began to resume it's route.

According to a police official Kleinke will not face any criminal charges in the accident.

The Statesman asks it's readers to please keep the family of David Sabish in your prayers.

Judy Steffes contributed to this article.





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COMMUNITY

The Village of Grafton was

the first to invoke the agree-

ment conditions this past

summer with member com-

munities responding to their

request for assistance due to

heavy wind damage.

Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement between ten communities signed



Shown above are some of the mayors and village presidents who signed the Public Works Mutual Aid agreement between 10 communities in Washington and Ozaukee counties. Included is Kewaskum's Village President Matt Heiser, back row, right.

Community mayors and village presidents got together earlier this year for this photograph to highlight the signing of a Public Works Mutual Aid agreement between the communities of Hartford, Cedarburg, Port Washington, Germantown, Jackson, Kewaskum, Newburg, Saukville, Grafton and West Bend.

The agreement is thought to be the first Public Works Mutual Aid agreement of its kind in the State of Wisconsin. The agreement is patterned after similar documents in place in the States of Washington and New Hampshire. The agreement is helpful in this era of tight municipal budgets and heightened concerns of ter-

rorist attacks. Each municipality is responsible for insuring their own equipment and personnel. Issues Workmen's Compensation and different union affiliation concerns were ironed out and agreed upon by the communities.

The agreement will be invoked in case of situations like floods and tornados or other naturally occurring catastrophe or man-made accidental, military, or paramilitary event the document states. In most cases there would be no charge for the services provided, unless there are federal or state funds given to the stricken community. In those cases, the assisting communities may be reimbursed.

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Addition to Kettle Moraine State Forest Approved

The Natural Resources Board has approved the purchase of 223 acres in Washington County as an addition to the Northern Unit of the Kettle Moraine State Forest. The property, owned by Raymond Schaeffer, is located south of County Highway H and east of Highway 45 in the Town of Kewaskum. If approved by Governor Doyle, \$1,455,000 in state stewardship funds will be used for the purchase and the Ozaukee Washington Land Trust will contribute \$45,000.

"This property will provide a significant benefit to public recreation and natural resource protection in this area," said Jim Morrissey, DNR lands specialist. He noted that an exceptional feature of the property is one mile of frontage on both sides of the Milwaukee River, which flows through the center of the property.

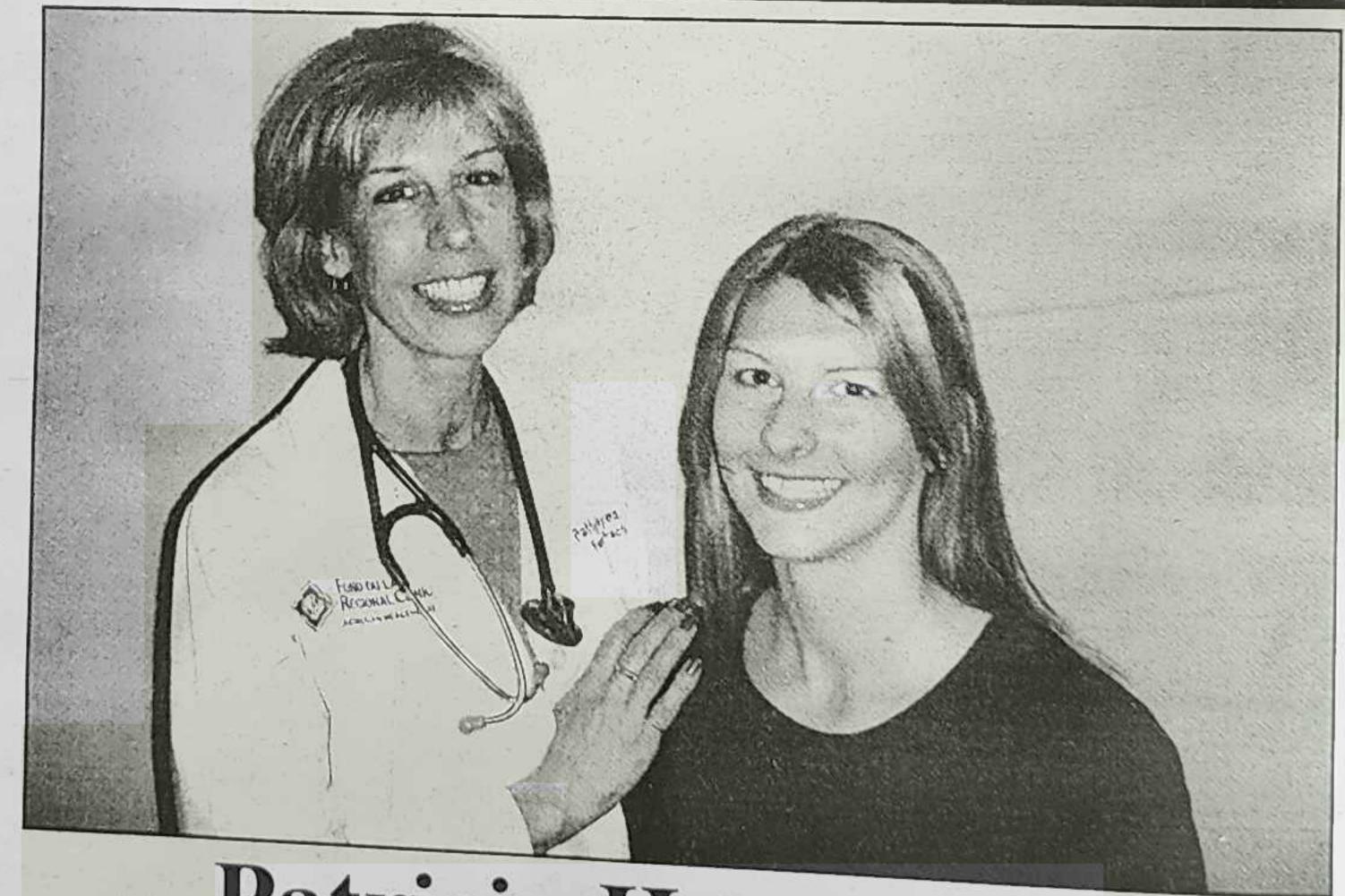
"Part of this property

would be the only segment of the Ice Age Trail located along the Milwaukee River. This new trail would connect directly to the existing 31mile segment of the Ice Age Trail through the Northern Kettle Moraine State Forest." Morrissey said.

The Northern Unit of the forest was established in 1936 to provide recreational opportunities in the populated southeastern part of the state and to protect the outstanding glacial topography of the area for research and educational opportunities. Kewaskum is located on the southern edge of the forest that encompasses 30,000 acres in Washington, Fond du Lac and Sheboygan counties.

"This is a high priority purchase for the forest and the Ice Age National and State Scenic Trail. It will be an outstanding addition of public land in this part of the state," Morrissey said.

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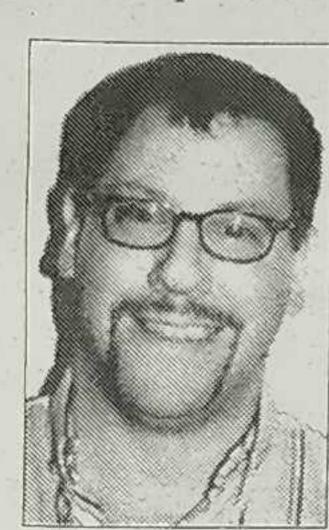
Kewaskum Village President addresses budget concerns

Open letter to the residents of the Village of Kewaskum,

Greetings everyone. It has come to my attention over the past couple of weeks that there have been some questions about the recently passed village budget for 2005. I would like to take a moment to summarize a few features of it in the hopes of clarifying some things.

Some of the questions

posed to me centered on the difference between our tax levy and tax rates. The budget for next year will raise the



Matt Heiser

tax levy by approximately eight percent. The tax levy is the amount of revenue collected by the village. More than half of the tax levy increase will be covered by new development. This means that, while the amount collected is going up eight percent, the tax rates for village residents will only increase 3.9 percent.

Personally, I felt this was an acceptable tax rate increase because it is very close to the cost of living

increase or rate of inflation over 2004.

Other questions were more interested in the reasons behind the increase. The rise in spending is due to a variety of factors. The village borrowed a substantial amount of money for the Riverview Drive reconstruction project which was the largest street renovation project in village history. The debt payment for this project alone accounted for \$90,000.

The village is also grappling with rapidly escalating liability and health insurance costs in the same manner this has become an issue for businesses.

Finally, wage increases for all village employees, both unionized and non-unionized, contributed to the spending increase.

I fully appreciate how confusing it can be to understand all the different issues surrounding taxes. Our village staff does a fantastic job at breaking down this very complicated information in the Taxpayer Memo that accompanies our tax bill. I find the Taxpayer Memo to be impressive because many communities do not offer such a detailed account of how peoples' tax money is being spent.

Please do not hesitate to call the village office if you have questions about your tax bill. Please do not hesitate to call me if you have concerns about the costs to live in the village or the services provided.

I am eager to receive your feedback and would encourage everyone to attend Village Board meetings in the fall when the budget for the next year is developed. Understanding how we are taxed and how that money is spent is a critical function of government.

> Thank you for your time. I hope this helped. Your Village President, Matt Heiser 626-2952

ONE DOLLAR BILL

The Latin below the pyramid, NOVUS ORDO SECLORUM, means, "a new order has begun." At the base of the pyramid is the Roman Numeral for 1776. If you look at the right-hand circle, and check it carefully, you will learn that it is on every National Cemetery in the United States. It is also on the Parade of Flags Walkway at Florida

the Bushnell, National Cemetery, and is the centerpiece of most hero's monuments. Slightly modified, it is the seal of the President of the United States, and it is always visible whenever he speaks, yet very few people know what the symbols mean.

The Town of Auburn

BY ANDREW KUEHL

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approved spending \$26,000 on updating the fire numbers at town residences. This comes after a mandate from Fond du Lac that says all townships must have new fire numbers by 2010.

Lang Enterprises Occonomowoc will be handling the project for the town. This includes printing the metal reflective signs and then placing them at each residence in the town.

The project should be complete in the spring of 2005, five years ahead of schedule.

The town also decided to wait on acting on the possibility of adding additional supervisors to the town board. This came after Town Howard Chairman Laubenstein's announcement that he will not be running for another term as town chairman.

Lastly, the town approved raising the snowplow drivers wage from \$13 per hour to \$15 per hour. The board also decided to hold off on hiring an additional part-time driv-

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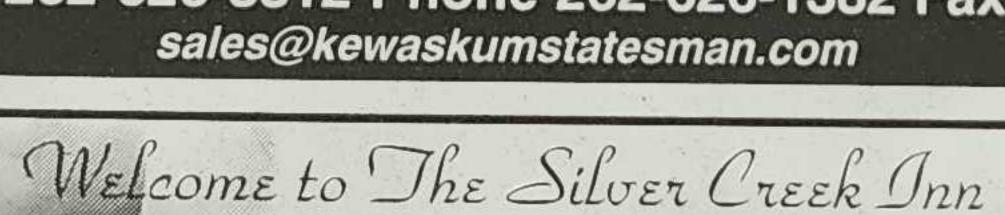
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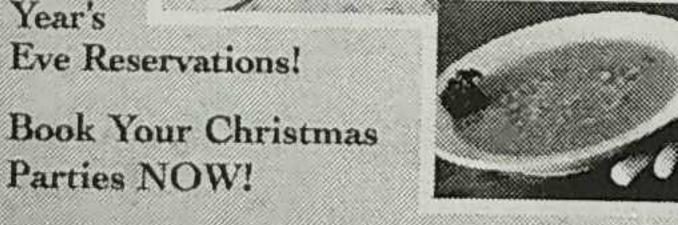
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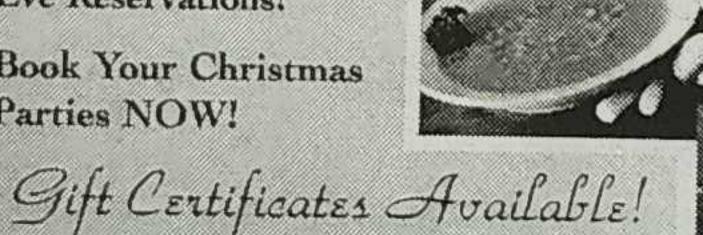
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Fire at Harisam Marsh

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Jennia Giese, the Pond du Lar girl who is receivering from rables is using sign language to rommunicate according to her mom Jenna rominues to have limited appealing ability. Her mom wate she is optimistic about her daughter's progress.

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Jenna however in attle receiving treatment at Children's Heaphal in Milwankee

Karshna resigns from Cudahy Police Dept.

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The most surposes infraction by Karshira happened in August when he was taking a tup in his aqual. Records show a woman woke him up and asked for help. A man pulled up and Karshira ter the woman leave. It turns out the mid should have been arrestand should have been arrestand should have been arrestal. That man then severally ascarified the woman.

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ME men sentenced for sinth drunk druning offense

A West Bend man with live previous drunk driving convictions was sentenced in Washington County on Monday for his sixth offense, As part of an agreement with prosecutions, 36 year-old Duniel Newly pheaded guilly to drunk driving and had two other changes dientificated.

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Dodge County woman deported

County was deported to India on Monday. December 13. Officials say Terwinder Singh was allegedly in the country illegally for the last 12 years. She's was in the Dodge Country jail where she was held until she left for O'Hare Mirport in Chicago. Singh's 12 year-old daughter and 8 year-old son will go with her. Singh's husband will remain in Shesey for the time being.

Grafton hunter arrested after shouting at bus

A humber from Graffon was anested December 10 after police say a blast from his shorgum bit a school bus. None of the children on the bus were injured after two windows on the bus were blown out. The bus was traveling on highway 173 near Richmond in McHenry County in Illinois. Police say Steven Carr had apparently been hunting at a nearby hunt club. The 35 year-old was waiting for police when they arrived at the scene. Carr was charged with felony reckless discharge of a firearm as well as reckless conduct and unlawfully shooting across a state highway.

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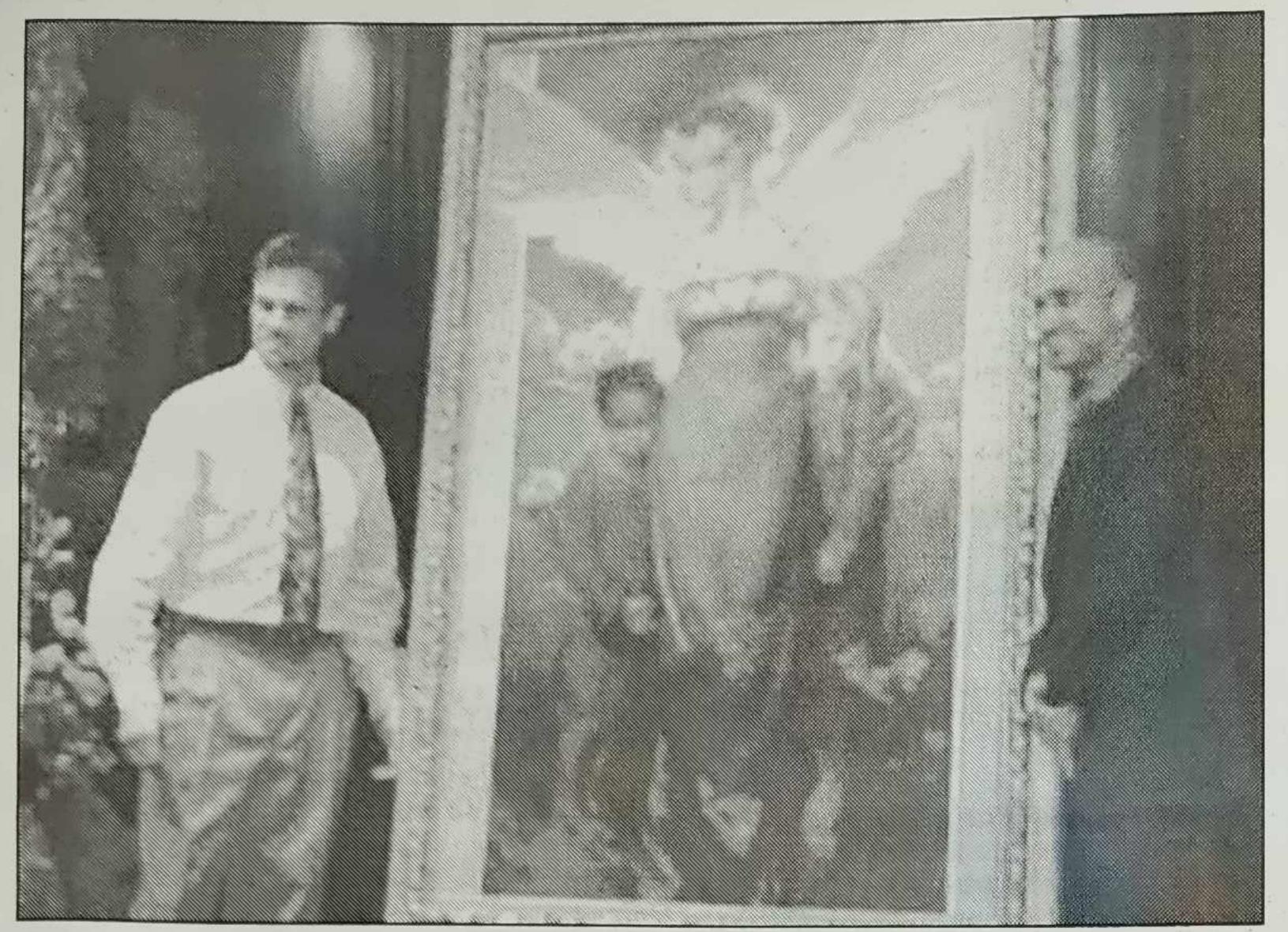


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PEOPLE

Gerhartz's gifts keep giving Gauger-Engel



Daniel Gerhartz and Andre Agassi at the unveiling of the painting "The Gift of Hope" at this years Grand Slam for Children held in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Professional tennis player Andre Agassi, The Threshold Incorporated, and Washington County all benefit from the artistic abilities of the locally based Gerhartz family. The Threshold Incorporated includes the vocal abilities of dad, Gary Gerhartz, on the 2004 holiday CD edition of A Threshold To Christmas. Andre Agassi' Charitable Foundation auctioned a painting by Gary's son, Dan, at a recent fundraiser in Nevada. Gary's other son Steve's sculpture adorns the historic, red-roofed Washington County Historical Society.

Gary Gerhartz is a vocalist and was a music teacher in Kewaskum for decades. His son's Dan and Steve, both area residents, followed in dad's creative footsteps but developed their skills more in the visual arts. Both sons are renowned oil painters and in Steve's case also a sculptor. All three have made a name for themselves in their chosen area of creativity and are highly regarded.

Gary's vocal abilities can be heard as a member of the 4Gs on the holiday CD A Threshold to Christmas (available in local stores) and throughout Washington County in a variety of choirs and musical groups. Most recently, Gary performed at Kewaskum High School for the KEYS concert as part of the Moraine Chorus, directed by Peter Gibeau.

Eldest son, Dan Gerhartz' oil paintings can be viewed in galleries, private collections and homes throughout the United States. His works can be found or referenced on over 1000 links in a Google search and at www.danielgerhartz.com. Tennis legend Andre Agassi first heard of Dan through another visual artist. Yet, it was the caliber of

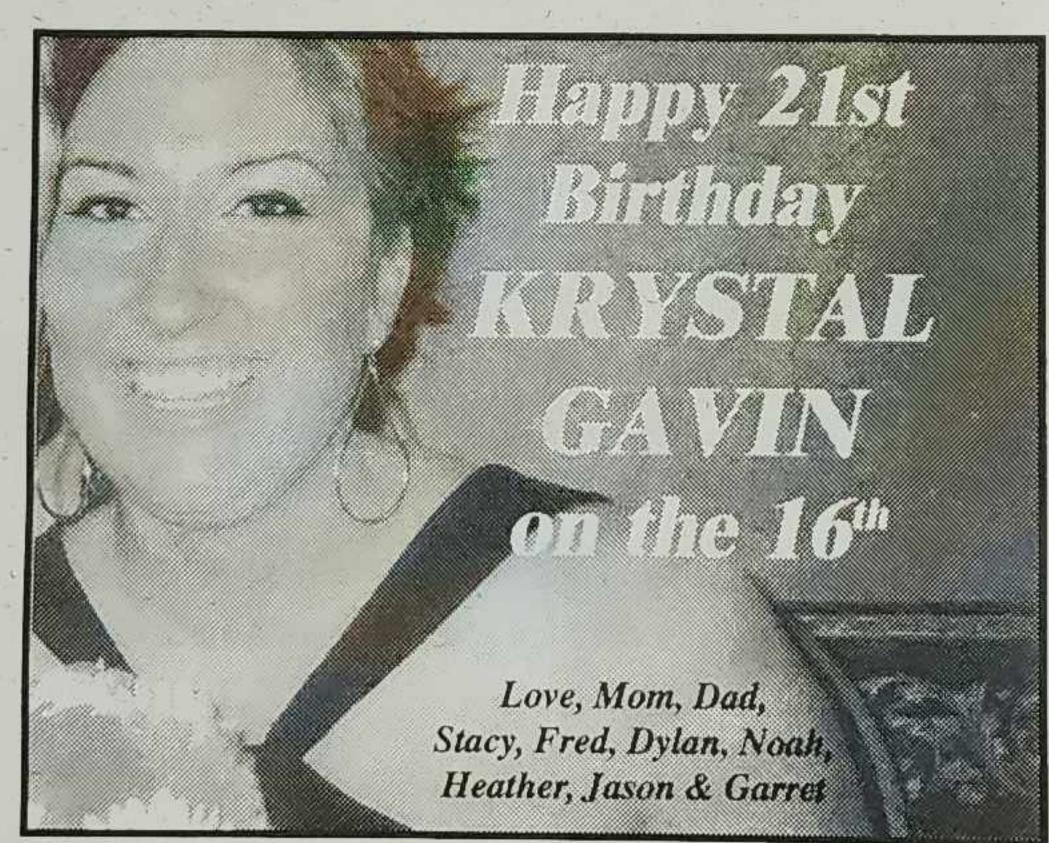
Gerhartz's oil paintings that drew in Agassi and his wife.

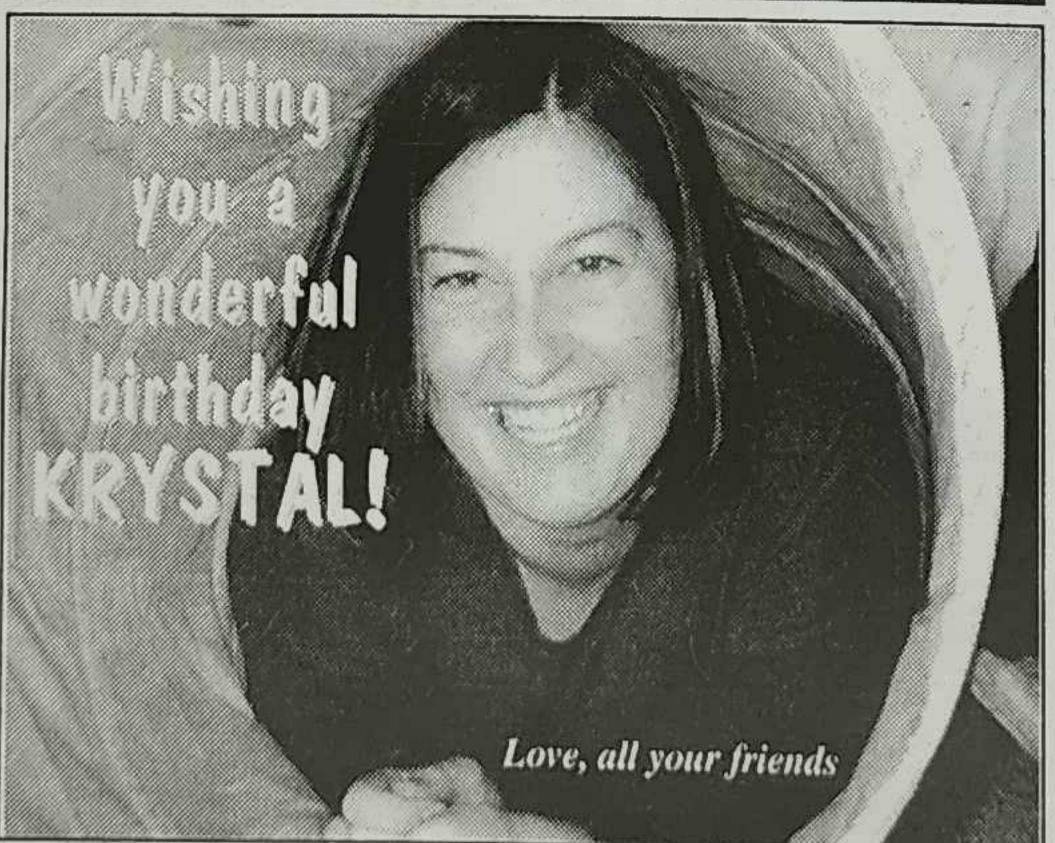
In October 2004, Dan and Andre Agassi together unveiled Dan's painting "The Gift of Hope" at the feature program event of the Grand Slam for Children held in Las Vegas, Nevada. Dan donated the work to Agassi' foundation and the painting was auctioned for the price of \$210,000. Proceeds Gerhartz' work and other nationwide. selected items raised over \$6,000,000 for the Andre Agassi Charitable Foundation

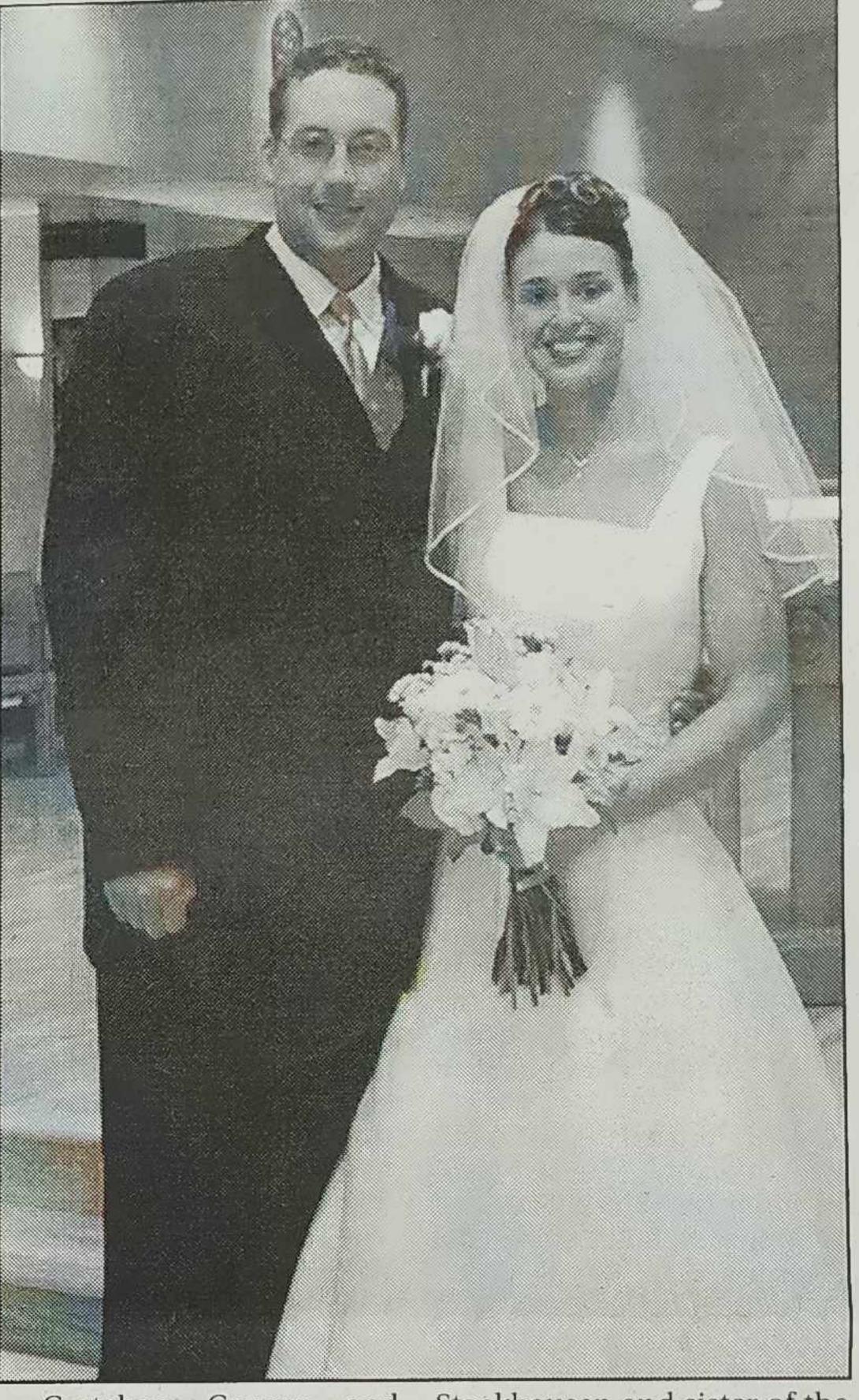
to be used to give aid to, educate, and inspire the at-risk children of the Las Vegas community. Annually, 2400 private guests come to the event from around the globe to be entertained by the likes of Elton John and Celine Dion and to rub shoulders with Robin Williams and Stevie Wonder. The Grand Slam for Children is rated the number one charity event

Younger son, Steve

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Gretchen Gauger and marriage on October 9, 2004. The couple exchanged vows at St. Kilian's Church in Hartford.

Parents of the couple are Kenneth and Sharon Gauger of Kewaskum and Wolfgang and Cathie Engel of West Bend.

Matron of honor was Pamela McQuin, sister of the Amy Larabell and Erin

Stockhausen and sister of the Anthony Engel were united in groom, Marianna Engel bridesmaids. served as Madeline McQuin, niece of the bride, was the flower girl.

> Best man was David Olsen, uncle of the groom. Groomsmen included Kevin Staehler, Jack Krell and Tim Huybers, friends of the groom.

After honeymooning in Jamaica, the couple will bride. Friends of the bride, reside in their home in Hartford.

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PEOPLE

Maple Dale residents offer great Christmas memories

By Judy Harlow STATESMAN CORRESPONDENT jharlow@kewaskumstatesman.com

Computers ... Spiderman costumes ... CDs, DVDs and iPods ... Elmo dolls ... Game Boys ... diamond bracelets and rings ... fancy new cars ... and on and on.

Christmas presents are certainly a lot more elaborate and expensive then they once were, but does that guarantee the holiday is any more meaningful than it was for those who grew up in the 1920s and 30s?

Hardly, said a group of seniors living at Maple Dale Manor, who recently shared their thoughts on favorite Christmas traditions, including some that came during tough economic times.

Betty Giese grew up on a farm west of Kewaskum, and one thing she remembers about her family's Christmas was, "We had a living room with sliding doors. They were always closed the week before Christmas" to hide the tree and gifts she and her three siblings were going to receive.

Once "I tried to peak, but I got caught," Giese said, recalling how she got scolded for doing so, and, "I never did it again."

At the top of the list of favorite foods in their home were the cookies her mother made before the holidays. "Ma made a lot of Christmas cookies," she said, and when asked which were her favorites, added, "All of 'em."

Concerning the family's Christmas tree, Giese said, "I remember lights ... We built a new house, and we had electricity."

Others recall how candles lit up their trees.

In Milwaukee, Mary Schiller said her family had. candles on their trees. "They were clipped on" to the branches, she said, indicating there was one year when a neighbor's house burned to the ground because a candle started the tree on fire.

Schiller and her two sisters all slept in one bed when they were growing up, "two at one end and one at the foot end," she said, and they were all excited on Christmas Eve.

"My parents celebrated Christmas and Christmas Eve quite a bit," she said.

foods, Schiller said, "My mother always baked special things ... They call it stollen now.

"We got little gifts," Schiller said. "The godparents also chipped in and got us nice gifts ... All three kids had the same godparents."

There wasn't extra money to buy parents gifts, according to Schiller, who said, "We weren't very wealthy, I'll tell

When she got older and had her own family, Schiller said going to midnight Mass was a tradition, and, "We visited different relatives we had fun with. They usually ended up at our house for a big feast."

Arnold Amerling grew up on a farm in the Town of Wayne, and one thing he remembers is "We were kids ... We knew where all the gifts were in the attic. On Christmas Eve, they would call us all down to see the tree and get our presents, but we already knew what we were getting."

Amerling said his mother's cookies were delicious. "I liked sweets," he said, noting, "I know I got a sleigh (sled) the last couple of years." There was a good hill on the family's property, and, "Even when we came to Kewaskum, we went down the hill."

Midnight Mass was an annual family tradition, according to Amerling, who said he even remembers his dad's first car, a 1930 Dodge.

"I got a doll for Christmas once or twice," LaVern Hron said. "My mother would wrap all the gifts," and they were given out on Christmas Eve.

Her fondest memory of Christmas was a special visitor who came on Christmas Eve. "When we were kids on. the farm (between Fillmore and Newburg), my uncle would dress up, and we thought he was Santa," she said.

Roy Esser lived first in Lomira and then in the Campbellsport area as a boy, and he said, "I remember Ma would fool us ... she would get us in the car to go to Midnight Mass, then go back and turn the Christmas tree lights on. When we would get home, we'd see the lights and think Santa was there."

"We had popcorn on the When it came to festive tree and those candy cherries

Santas ... my dad, he was a great guy for candy," Esser went on.

There were plenty of secrets around Christmas, Esser recalled, stating when his parents wanted to keep things from the kids, they would just talk in German.

One of Esser's favorite toys was a toy gun that shot corks.

When asked who trimmed the tree in her home, Helen Felix said, "I usually did it."

As a child, she recalls many of her gifts came from godmother, Helen Remmel. "I got all kind of stuff from her. I was named after her," Felix said, recalling how chicken and mashed potatoes headlined the dinner, which was topped off by a tasty chocolate cake.

When she was married, Felix said one traditional she and her husband continued was, "We usually went visiting the neighbors" Christmas Day.

When Margaret Gehl thought back on her family Christmas Days in Port Washington, she recalled how "We usually got candy and nuts for Christmas ... no presents, and we were satisfied."

Gehl came from a family of nine children and she is the only one left. The chiland candy cherries were traditionally attached to the branches.

"We also had regular ornaments," she said.

"I was always happy when Christmas came," Martha Sauer, who was raised near St. Killian, said. "My grandpa would give me little dolls. They were made out of porcelain ... I was the only granddaughter. Oh, I was happy with them. That was my happiest time."

Sauer also remembers her Christmas tree being lit by candles which were secured by individual holders. "The (holders) were made out of tin," she said. "For ornaments, we had candy canes."

The tree was trimmed on Christmas Eve, and Sauer remembers trying to watch from the dining room where her bed was located. She was told in no uncertain times she better get right back to bed.

In addition to the dolls she received, Sauer recalls how her dad would make wooden gifts. "My dad made us a rocking horse," she said.

Midnight Mass was a special event, and even though Sauer said her father was one of the first in the area to have a car, she remembers the

"We went through the yard and the woods, and then we would almost be there," she said.

Growing up in Tomah as one of 11 children, Dorothy Martin said there was plenty of activity at her home, especially around the holidays.

"We went to Christmas Mass at 5 a.m.," Martin said. We had to go to bed early (the night before). Then our parents would trim the tree and put out all the gifts."

"They (gifts) were mostly clothes and stuff we needed." she said, remembering how one year she and her siblings bought a statue of the Blessed Virgin for their mother, and they hid it under a mattress. "We never thought she would find it there," Martin said, indicating she did find it, "but she never said a word."

Goose was always served in her home on Christmas, and she praised her mother's cooking. "She was the best," Martin said. One thing she always made at Christmas was peanut squares ... and Kolachkeys," which were filled with prunes. "My sister still makes them."

Unlike Martin, Dolores

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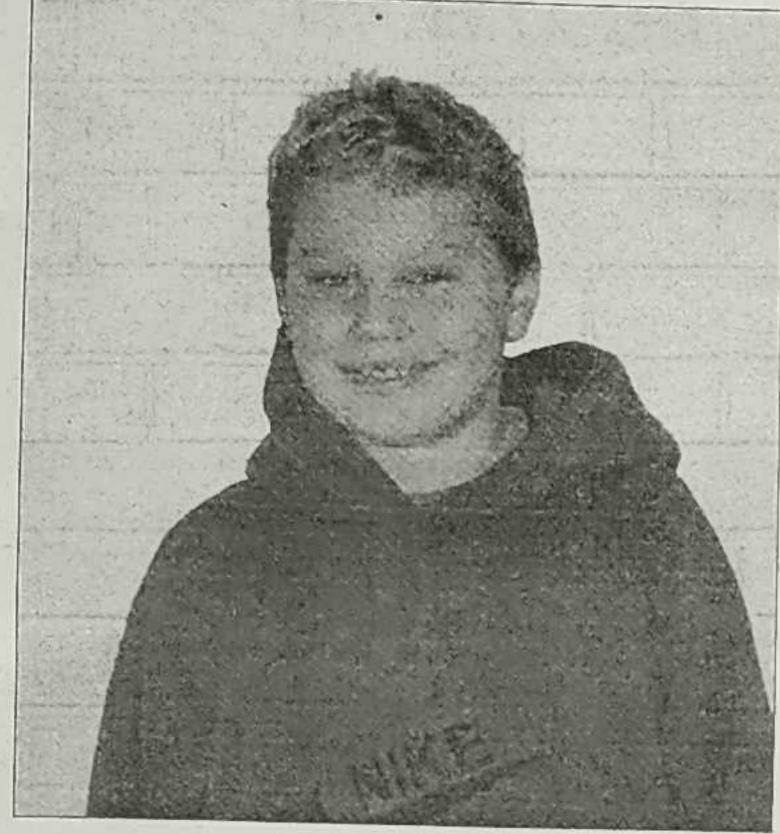






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KC punt, pass and kick winners



The Knights of Columbus, Bishop Salvator Schlaefer Council #11301, in conjunction with the Wisconsin State Council - Knights of Columbus would like to congratulate Haley Zangl and Cody Baierl who placed at the State Punt, Pass, and Kick competition. Haley took second place at state in the girls age 8 division. Cody placed

third in the boys age 8 divi-



Haley Zangl

sion. This year's state finals were held on October 23rd at Bream Park, Marshfield, WI.

In order to qualify for the state finals, Haley and Cody had to take first place at the local level of competition held on September 25th in Campbellsport. The two then advanced to the Diocesan level of competition held on October 2nd at Oconomowoc, WI. Again they took

first place, advancing them to the state finals competition.

The Knights of Columbus Council #11301 would like to congratulate Haley and Cody for representing the local KC Council and the community of Campbellsport so well at the competition. This is the first time Campbellsport's KC Council had two people place in the state finals. Hats off to a job well done!

Test drive your fitness back by popular demand

The Kettle Moraine YMCA will again be offering Test Drive Your Fitness, which is a four-week, program designed specifically for those who are new to exercise. It's a chance to test drive the latest in classes and programs designed to tone up your chassis, lose that spare tire, and meet some fellow travelers on the highway to health.

During the month of January we will be offering several 30-minute introductory fitness classes, such as aquatic exercise, pilates, weight management, kickboxing, yoga, women's self-defense and step aerobics. Participants who attend two or more classes will receive a prize. Classes will be offered at various times of the day throughout the month. You can try out any class at any time.

Test Drive Your Fitness is a great program to help you stick to those New Year's resolutions that involve weight loss and physical fitness. This program is free to members but registration is required. The cost for community participants is \$66. If you'd like to

sign up with a friend who is not a member, you can give them a gift certificate for this program! If a community participant decides to join the Y after the program, the fee can be applied to an annual membership. Classes begin January 3, 2005. Members were able to regisstarting Monday, December 13 and community participants may register starting Thursday, December 16 at the YMCA at 1111 W. Washington Street in West Bend.

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KMS choir concert Dec. 21

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The sixth-grade choir will begin the evening with "Over the River" and a medley of "Snow" songs. The seventh grade choir will perform the lively "We Need a Little Christmas" from the musical "Mame" and an interesting medley centering on the "Wondrous Star".

The eighth-graders will continue the festivities with a selection of carols and the heart-warming "Do You Hear What I Hear".

The KMS Swing Choir will conclude the concert with "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town". Several students will also sing solos and perform in ensembles. The concert will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the middle school gym and should be done in less than an hour. The concert is free!

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22 - PARKS HOLIDAY CHALLENGE Anyone can race. Sunburst Ski and Recreation Area. Inspection at 5:30, racing at 6:00 p.m. No snow make up date is Jan. 4, 2005. Registration; day of race between 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 per racer paid at registration. Format - Giant Slalom for all competitors. Best time of two runs. Classes: Six age groups - boys and girls. See you there!

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5 - The Friends of the Kewaskum Public Library will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 5 at 6:15 p.m. In the Kewaskum Public Library. All interested individuals are welcome to attend.

To be included in the Community Events, FREE OF CHARGE, please submit your event prior to our 3 pm Monday deadline, at our office at 355 Main Street, Kewaskum; e-mail - ckuehl@kewaskumstatesman.com or on the web www.kewaskumstatesman.com

KMS band concert December 20

It's December and time for the Kewaskum Middle School to show it's Holiday spirit. The KMS Bands will present their Christmas concert on Monday, December 20, in the KMS gym.

The concert will begin at 7:00 pm with the sixth grade band playing a few, lively, holiday favorites.

The seventh and eighth grade bands will follow with a mix of traditional and "pop" tunes from the last 600 years.

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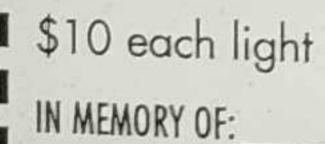
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show. They bring a Christ Festival. Lead singer Vince centered message using country and southern gospel and contemporary music. Their style is similar to the Oakridge Boys, Randy Travis, Statler Brothers and Gaither Vocal Bands. Two of the four member group opened for country legends Loretta Lynn, will be "Eternity" from Roy Clark, Box Car Willie and the Oakridge Boys. They also shared the same stage with Reba McIntire at the Hodag

Smith spent 10 years performing at Opryland at Nashville, TN.

Free admission and door prizes. Refreshments available. Lighthouse meets at Silverbrook School, 120 N. Silverbrook Drive, West Bend, enter and park in rear of

For more information, call 262-338-0205 or 262-677-2952.

God is Still Speaking campaign launched at New Horizon UCC

The United Church of Christ is launched its God is Still Speaking campaign during the first week of December 2004. During the month, the denomination purchased commercial time on both television and cable outlets across the nation to make people aware of its inclusive nature. A theme running through the campaign's message is, "No matter who you are, no matter where you are in life's journey, you are welcome here." The demonination expects that 65% of the pople living in the United States will see the commercial at least three to five times.

The God is Still Speaking campaign is brought on. because of a declining membership in recent years and the feeling that the United Church of Christ is unique in its inclusive beliefs. The denomination has for many years been a leader in the struggle for human rights.

In preparation for the God is Still Speaking campaign, the Southeast Association of the United Church of Christ has been near the top in the nation in promotion of this identity challenge. Fifty local

UCC churches have purchased outdoor banners which read, "God is Still Speaking. Do not place a period where God has placed a comma." The local church is identified along with the denomination.

Over 500 people have been trained statewide on how to greet guests who show up on Sunday mornings. In the Milwaukee metro area there are five billboards featuring a statement from the God is Still Speaking promotional materials. Spot time was also purchased on WUWM radio, commercial radio time is being explored for airing after the first of the year with other mediums being developed.

C-sport Alliance Church special Holiday services

Church, N1876 County Road V, will be offering special Holiday services.

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Christmas Memories

This Christmas memory was submitted by someone who wishes to remain anonymous.

Every year when I see the request for articles about special Christmas memories, I think about writing this down. Since I have never written a letter for the newspaper, of course I never do. This year, because of my line of work, I have seen so many families who have unexpectedly lost a loved one. Young children have lost parents, and parents have lost young children. I've decided to write my story this year in the hope that it might provide some comfort to these families this Christmas.

My dad was an over- theroad truck driver. He was away for many birthdays, anniversaries, Father's Days and many other holidays. He was always home on Christmas Eve. Sometimes he barely made it home to shower and change before our Christmas Eve program at church, but he was always there.

When my dad was 48 years old, he passed away in July from a sudden heart attack. was 27 years old and had a beautiful three-month-old baby boy. As the holidays neared, I dreaded how all of us would feel on Christmas Eve when my dad didn't make it home. I shopped, decorated, sent cards and put a smile on my face. It was my son's first Christmas and everything still needed to be done for his sake.

My mom bought me a beautiful Christmas angel to put on top of my tree that year. When I was decorating my tree, I took it out to make sure it lit up. It worked fine. I decorated the tree with lights, ornaments and the angel. When I went to plug the lights in, the angel didn't light up. I took it back down and tried everything I could think of to make it work. It didn't. I decided to leave it on the tree any way.

On Christmas Eve, we went to church and then to my mom's house, as always. It was a difficult night, but Mom did 'everything she could to make it feel like Christmas. That had to

be extremely hard for her, since it is her favorite holiday and she was missing my dad terribly. My one-year-old niece and my baby son had a wonderful Christmas Eve. They didn't know how much everyone was missing their grandpa.

It was late when we got home that night. We pulled into our driveway and noticed there were bright lights on in our house. My husband told me to stay in the car with our son. We were afraid that an intruder was in the house, since unfortunately that seems to happen on Christmas Eve. He went into the house and began to check all the rooms. I couldn't wait in the car, so went in the house shortly after him. I started looking around, when I realized the bright light was the angel on top of our tree.

The angel only worked that Christmas Eve. It didn't work the next day or any time after that. I'm sure some people think it was just coincidence, but I think my dad came home on Christmas Eve. I also think that the people that have lost their loved ones this year will somehow still be spending this Christmas with them.

Mapledale memories

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Kleinke never knew what it was like to have siblings around at Christmas.

"I was an only child," she said, indicating her home was in New Fane near the Milwaukee River and St. John's Lutheran Church. Kleinke learned to play the piano from her mother, and, "I got to play the organ for the church in New Fane."

Kleinke had another musical talent — singing. When she was in elementary school, her talent was noticed, and, "I sang my first Christmas solo in first grade ... it was a German song, Alle Jahre Wieder," which means Each Year Again, "That was quite a thrill for me."

One of the things Kleinke loved to do in the winter was ice skate on the river. "I always skated," she said. "My mother and dad would watch me skate through the window in their living room."

One Christmas, Kleinke got a beautiful doll, and her cousin from Adell threw it

about it to this day," she said, indicating the cousin wasn't one of her favorites after that.

Kleinke had eight children and most of them had LaVern Hron for a teacher. Also, she once worked at Meadow Creek Apartments as the food manager where Helen Felix and her late husband, Frank would come to eat. Now Hron, Helen Felix and the Kleinkes live in the same building, "And we're still

friends."

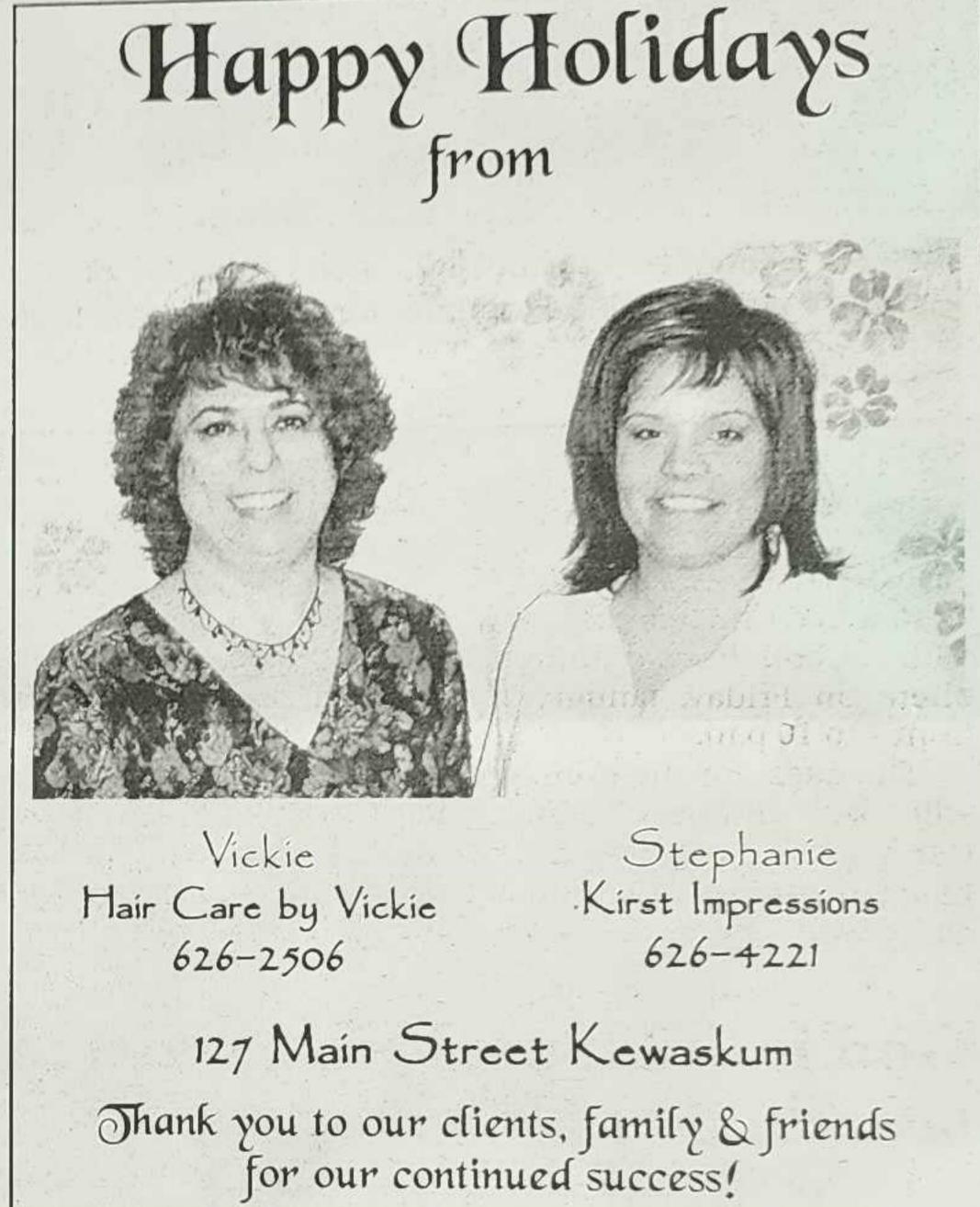
Whatever your stories, be sure to pass them on to your children and grandchildren. They are special treasures at Christmas.

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'A Traditional Christmas' at KES



Kewaskum Elementary School held their Christmas concert "A Traditional Christmas" on December 7, 2004. Shown above, the kindergartners, first and second graders joined together for 10 songs that featured many solos by the students.



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This fun-filled afternoon includes a gymnastics class/clinic and a supervised open workout. a mid-afternoon snack will be provided. No experience is necessary.

The fee for YMCA members is \$18 and \$28 for community participants, You can register for one or both days. Register at the Kettle Moraine YMCA, 1111 W. Washington St., West Bend.

For more information, please contact the YMCA at 262-334-3405.

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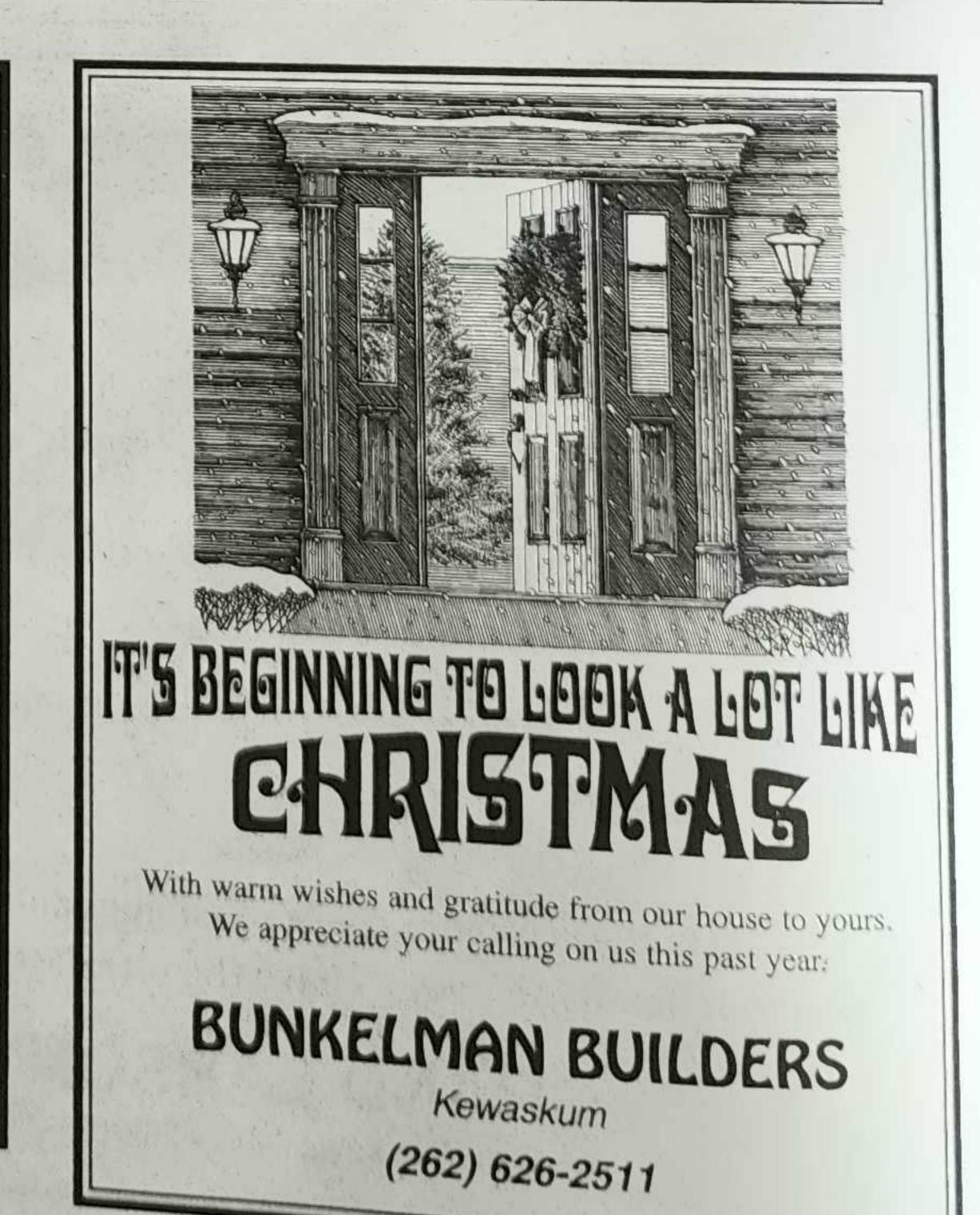
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SynergyHealth, Heartland Hospice team up to spread holiday joy at convent

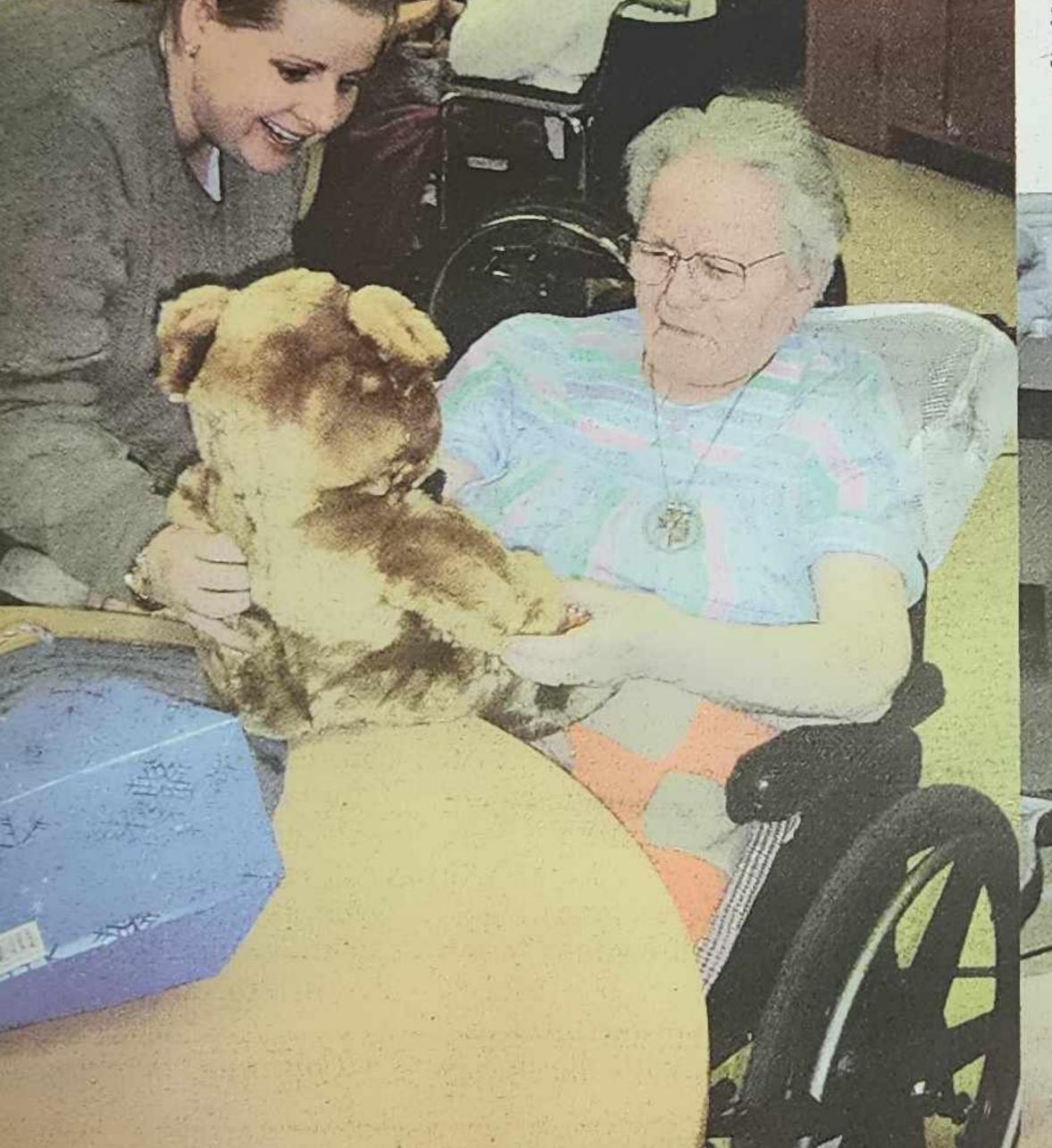
A group of Sisters in hospice care at St. Joseph's Convent in Campbellsport got a surprise visit on Saturday, December 11 from volunteers at SynergyHealth and Heartland Hospice. Those surprise visitors delivered gifts for the sisters from employees of SynergyHealth.

"St. Joseph's Hospital has partnered again this year with Heartland Hospice to provide more than 100 holiday gifts for patients who are in hospice care," said Janet Ford of SynergyHealth.

Heartland Hospice's volunteers visit patients during the holiday season, the gifts provide a special reason for the visit. Gifts include lap blankets, CD's, books and stuffed animals.



Sharing gifts from left to right are Muriel Lindholm, Heartland Hospice volunteer and Sr. Catherine Dietzler and Kathy Isabelle of Synergy Health and Sr. Cabrini



Elizabeth Tennessen-Alberg, Heartland Hospice's Volunteer Coordinator shares a gift with Sr. Riley.

Ford explains, "All the gifts were purchased by our administrative and clinical staff, and wrapped by volunteers from the hospital and our Partners organization."

Hospice is a special type of care that provides care and comfort for persons with a terminal illness, as well as support and encouragement for their families. Hospice care is available in a variety of settings -- hospital, home, and residential -- depending on the needs of the patient and family.

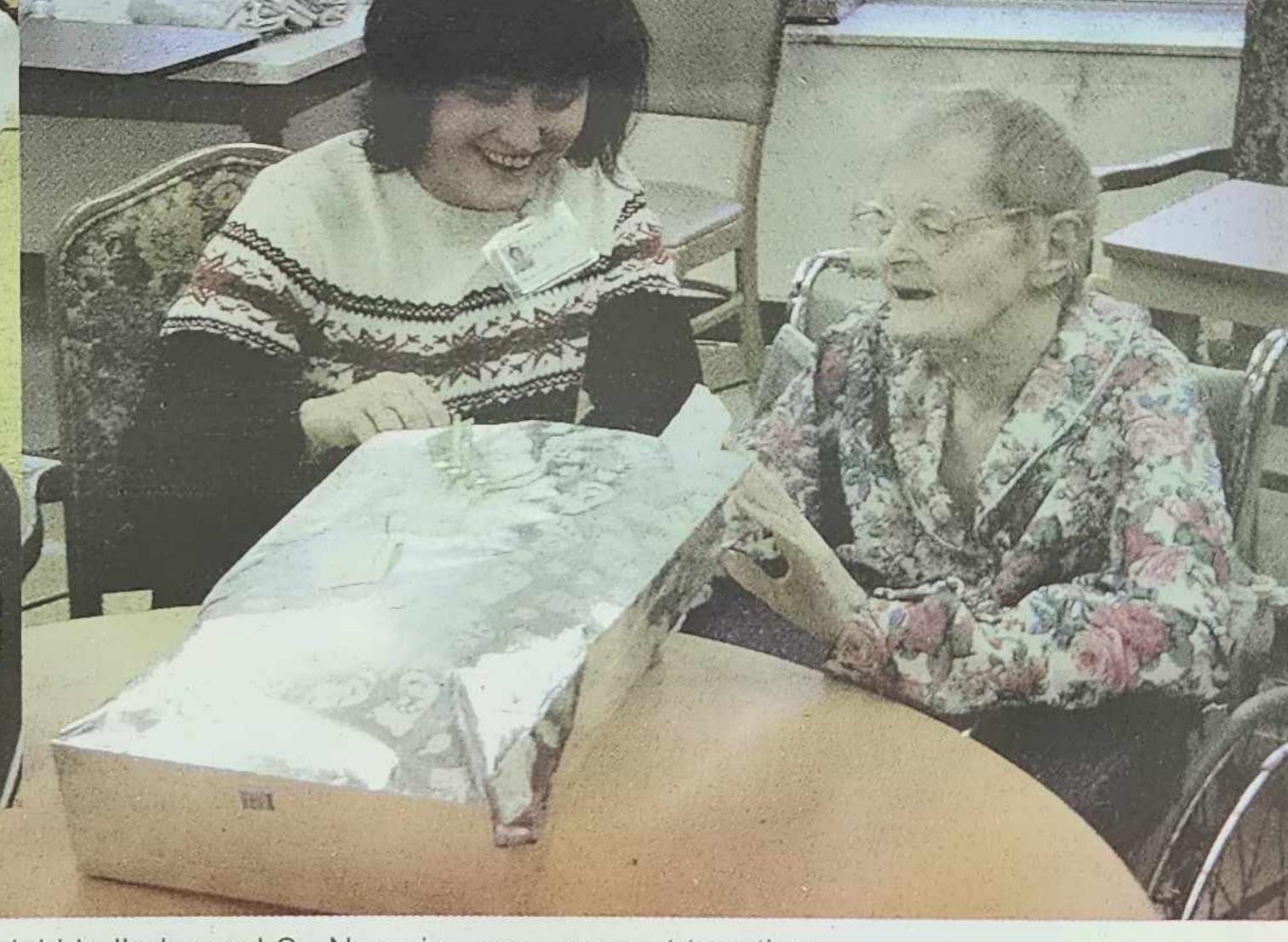
There is a growing need for all types of hospice care in Washington County. A residential hospice facility provides care in a home-like setting and helps families to, remain involved in the care of

their loved ones with the fulltime support of professional staff.

SynergyHealth Foundation is in the process of building a residential hospice. "The Kathy Hospice" will be built on the new hospital campus at Hwy 45 and Pleasant Valley Road. Groundbreaking is expected in the spring of 2005 and is hoped to open in fall of 2005.

The Kathy Hospice will be a non-profit facility owned by the SynergyHealth Foundation and will be the first residential hospice in Washington County.

More information on The Kathy Hospice can be found at www.kathyhospice.com.



Muriel Lindholm and Sr. Naomi open a present together.

Statesman Photos: Andrew Kuehl



OBITUARIES

DAVID JOSHUA SABISH

David Joshua Sabish, 4, of Kewaskum died Thursday Dec. 9, 2004 at St. Joseph's Hospital in West Bend.

He was born in West Bend on May 2, 2000.

He attended 4 year old kindergarten at Kewaskum Grade School and was a member of St. Lucas Ev. Church Lutheran Kewaskum.

Survivors include his parand Dan Ann ents Baumhardt Sabish, his dad Dan Sabish, Jr., his brother Eric Sabish and Eric's daughter Elizabeth, his sister Jamie Sabish, all of Kewaskum, his Godmother Dawn Baumhardt, his grandmoth-Marie Sabish of Campbellsport and Marion Baumhardt of West Bend, aunts, uncles, cousins, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather Christ Sabish and his maternal grandparents Don and Sylvia Baumhardt.

Funeral services were held on Monday Dec. 13 at 1:30 p.m. at St. Lucas Ev. Church Lutheran Kewaskum. Edwin Rev. Fredrich officiated and burial followed in Lutheran Memorial Park in Kewaskum.

Visitation was Sunday from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Twohig Funeral Home in Campbellsport and on Monday from 12:30 p.m. until time of services at the church.

IRENE T. SCHAEFER

Irene T. Schaefer (nee Horn), 94, of West Bend died Thursday, Dec. 9, 2004 at the Samaritan Health Center in West Bend.

She was born on Nov. 2, 1910 in Jackson to the late William and Selma (nee Graff) Horn and married Leslie C. Schaefer on March 2, 1930 at Peace U.C.C. Church in Kewaskum. Leslie preceded her in death in 1992.

They settled in West Bend following their marriage. She worked at various factories and at a grocery store in the bakery department.

Irene was also involved at the Washington County Senior Center in West Bend,

Survivors include three grandchildren, William (Belinda) Schaefer of Perrysburg, Ohio, Michael Schaefer of Green Bay and Mark (Lori) Schaefer of Appleton, and six greatgrandchildren, Kyle, Abbey, Lacy, Michelle, Samuel and Benjamin. She is further survived by a sister Audrey Mueller of Niagara, Wis.; her daughter-in-law Carol Schaefer of West Bend; nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends

Irene was preceded in death by her son Loyal Schaefer.

Funeral services were held

Saturday, Dec. 11, at 11 a.m. at the Schmidt Funeral Home in West Bend with Rev. David Schoob officiating.

Burial followed in Peace Cemetery U.C.C. Kewaskum. Visitation was on Saturday, at the funeral home from 10 a.m. until 10:45 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to Trinity Lutheran Church or the Samaritan Health Center are appreciat-

MARY R. SCHULTZ

Mary R. Schultz, 43, of died Campbellsport Saturday, Dec. 11, 2004 at St. Agnes Hospital in Fond du

She was born in West Bend on May 18, 1961, the daughter of Harold and Arlene (Gengler) Schultz.

Mary worked for West Bend Mutual Insurance for 18 years and at the Idlewile Restaurant in St. Cloud.

She was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Campbellsport; an active member of the Kettle Moraine Softball Association, coaching for many years; an active member of the Wings over Wisconsin, serving as vice president of the Wingettes, and taught in the program at St. Matthew's.

Survivors include her daughter, Erin Schultz of Fond du Lac; her parents, Harold and Arlene of Waucousta; her very special friend, Jay Dallmann and his daughter, Jessica, of Campbellsport; her sister, Maxine (Mark) Hahn of Campbellsport; her brothers, Mike (Sandi) Schultz of Campbellsport, and her twin, Mark Schultz of Campbellsport; her nephews, Joe and Peter Schultz; other relatives and many friends.

Preceding her in death was a son, Michael Andrew.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Thursday, Dec. 16 at 11 a.m. at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Campbellsport.

Rev. Neil Zinthefer officiated and burial followed in Ledgeview Memorial Park in Fond du Lac.

Visitation at the Twohig Funeral Home, Campbellsport, was Wednesday from 4 to 8 p.m. and on Thursday from 10 a.m. until time of service at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are appreciated in Mary's name.

FERN L. HEMBEL

Fern L. Hembel, nee Resch, 90, of West Bend, died on Saturday, Dec. 11, 2004 at Cedar Bay East.

She was born on Jan. 23, 1914 in Wisconsin Rapids to the late Christian and Julia (nee Hess) Resch, and in 1915 her family settled on a farm in the town of Wayne.

She moved to West Bend in 1928 and attended West Bend High School before working at Amity Leather Products Co.

On Nov. 14, 1936 she married George Hembel at Zion Lutheran Church in the town of Wayne.

She was a homemaker and raised two sons, Kenneth and Alan.

Fern was active in the Republican Party at the local, state and national levels. She served as the 5th District supervisor on the Washington County board for over 31 years and served on numerous committees on the county board.

She was honored to have been the first woman ever elected to a position on that board.

Survivors include two sons, Kenneth (Florence) of Slidell, La. and Alan (Carol Gannon-Hembel) Middleton; two grandchildren, Bryan and Sara Hembel; a brother, Leo Resch; and other relatives and friends.

Preceding her in death were her husband, George in 1989; a son, Lloyd in 1952; a daughter-in-law, Carmen in 1985; two granddaughters, Christine Julia in 1975 and Jennie Carmen in 1979, and her sister, Grace Resch in 2000.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, Dec. 14, at 1 p.m. at St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church in West Bend.

Rev. George Mumm officiated, and burial followed in Washington County Memorial Park, West Bend.

Visitation at the church only was on Tuesday from 11 a.m. until 12:45 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to St. John's Guild are appreciated.

The Schmidt Funeral Home, West Bend, served the family.

LEO 'WHITEY' OTTEN

Leo "Whitey' Otten left this world with his family at his side on December 6, 2004 to be with our Lord after a struggle long Alzheimer's Disease.

He will be deeply missed by his wife of 45 years, Betty (nee McNamara) Otten; his Anthony (friend sons, Christy) Otten, Jeffrey (Rita) Otten, and James (Julie Ann) Otten; his daughter, Julianne (Joe) Daly; and his grandchildren, Jacob, Jeni, and Samuel Otten, Erica Otten, P.J. Allyson, Melanie, Kendra, Sophia and their new baby brother, Leo James Otten, born on December 7, 2004, and Lauren, Marykate and Claire Daly, whom all dearly loved their "Pappa."

Leo is further survived by his brothers, Eugene (Susan) Otten, Hugh Otten and Sylvester (Janet) Otten; his sister, Rose Ann (Charles) Hunt; his brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Patrick and Sylvia McNamara, Glen and Alice Taylor, and Dale King; many nieces, nephews and friends.

Preceding him in death were a son, Timothy; two sisters, Mary King and Lucille Daniels; four brothers-in-law, Gordon and John McNamara, Eugene Stachfield, and George Daniels, and his sister-in-law. Lucille Stanchfield.

Leo's enjoyments throughout life were fishing, of all, spending time with his family, especially his cherished grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held in honor of Leo on Friday, December 10, at 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Church, West Bend.

Father Robert Bales officiated and interment took place in old St. Mary's Cemetery following the Mass.

Visitation with the family

was at the Phillip Funeral West Bend, Home, Thursday from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m., with a prayer vigil at 7:30 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are appreciated to the

family.

GEORGE W. DANIELS

George W. Daniels, 91, of Lomira, formerly of West Bend, died Sunday, Dec. 12, 2004, at St. Agnes Hospital in Fond du Lac.

He was born on March 21, 1913, in Fond du Lac, to the late Math and Mary Thill

On June 26, 1946, he married Eleanor A. Schraven at John's Church Woodhull, Wis.

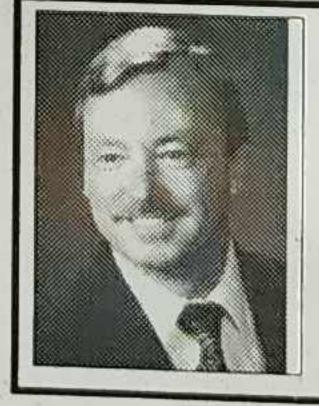
George served in the United States Navy in the Pacific Theater during World War II.

Following his discharge, the couple settled Woodhull where George operated a welding and repair shop. In 1951, they moved to West Bend, where he was employed as a welder at West Bend Equipment Company until he retired in 1978.

He was a member of the Bintzler-Waehler American Legion Post 347 in Lomira and a lifetime member of United Steelworkers Local 4814.

Survivors include Eleanor of Lomira, his wife of 58 years; two children, Agnes hunting, gardening and most (Mark) Gruenberger of Campbellsport and James (Cynthia) of Amston, Conn.; five grandchildren, Charles (Marie) Gruenberger, Ann Marie (Mike) Buck, Christine (James) Moldenhauer, Thomas Gruenberger and Jennifer Daniels; four greatgrandchildren, Sarah Gruenberger and Allison, Nicholas and Elizabeth Buck; two sisters, Lucinda Lecher of

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Kewaskum and Sr. Agnes OSF, paniels, Campbellsport; three sistersin-law, Elvira Daniels of Mayville, Dorothy Daniels of Fond du Lac and Joyce (Darwin) Hoch of Ripon; a brother-in-law, Leo Ballwanz of Fond du Lac; nieces; nephews; and other relatives and friends.

George was preceded in death by two brothers, Edwin and Alex.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, 2004, at Holy Angels Catholic Church in West Bend. Burial will be Friday, Dec. 17, at Holy Angels Cemetery.

Visitation was from 1 p.m. until 2:45 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, 2004, at the church only.

Schmidt Funeral Home of West Bend is serving the family.

IN MEMORY

In loving memory of our beloved husband, father, grandfather and great-grand-LEROY father, SCHLADWEILER, who nassed away one year ago, Dec. 20, 2003:

Little we knew when we awoke

The sorrow the day would bring.

The call was sudden, the shock severe.

To part with one we loved so dear.

You bid no one a last farewell

Nor even said goodbye. You were gone before we knew

And only God knows why. It only takes a little space To write how much we miss

But it will take the rest of our lives

To forget the day we lost you.

Dearly missed by your wife, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

ST. JUDE'S NOVENA

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Thank you, St. Jude.

IN MEMORY

In loving memory of ROGER KUEHL, who passed away 12 years ago, Dec. 17,

Pat

Those we love go out of sight,

But never out of mind. They are cherished in the hearts,

Of those they left behind. How sweet the memory's still.

Death has left a lonliness, The world could never fill.

We've missed the devilish

grin that never left your face and seemed to light up an

entire room... We've missed the way you had of brightening up everyone's lives...

We've missed you... Your children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren

NOVENA TO ST. JUDE

O holy St. Jude Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near kinsman of Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need. To you I have recourse from the depth of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance.

Help me in my present urgent petition, in return, I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked. Say three Our Fathers, three Hail Marys and three Glorias. St. Jude pray for us, and all who invoke your name.

Publication must be promised. This Novena must be said for 9 consecutive days. It has never been known to fail.

B.K.

PRAYER OF THE **BLESSED VIRGIN**

(Never known to fail). Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven. Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh Star of Sea, help me and show me here you are my Mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (Make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. Holy Mary, I place this prayer for your hands (say three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you.

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Gerhartz

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Gerhartz' paintings and sculptures have brought him recognition in locations from Michigan to Mississippi. His landscapes, portraits and still life's are in galleries throughout Wisconsin, Indiana, Minnesota, and Ohio. Steve studied in Connecticut and is at the instructor acclaimed Turning Leaf Studios in Louisiana. Part of Steve's craft lies in custom making each frame for his paintings to enhance the beauty of the collective piece. Some of Steve's paintings can be viewed at www.stevegerhartz.com and the private collection of West Bend Mutual. His ability as a sculptor can be enjoyed locally during a visit to the old courthouse across from the West Bend Library.

RegalWare Vice President and Kewaskum native Joe Swanson has been admiring the Gerhartz family's abilities for years. "It's a treat to enjoy what these guys can do, and I'm proud to be from the same hometown. It's fun because they are successful at their trade yet I encounter them and their work fairly frequently around the area," said Swanson. "Recently, I hosted a table offering A Threshold to Christmas CD's to KEYS concert patrons, moments later I listened to Gary sing with gusto at the concert. A few days earlier I was driving through Kewaskum and as I passed the Milwaukee River I saw Dan sitting by the bridge painting the fog that surrounded the river. And during a recent trip to downtown West Bend I reflected on the valor of soldiers as I admired Steve's veterans memorial

sculpture," said Swanson. "Everyone at Threshold is honored that Gary is part of the holiday CD recording. And it's so appropriate he is involved. Gary's entire family seems to embrace the arts and believe in teaching children and adult's about music and visual art. Part of the mission of the holiday CD project is to elevate arts awareness in the community by recording and presenting local musicians and singers," stated Swanson.

"By creating a CD, that is as accessible as a holiday stocking stuffer or small employee gift, we bring talented area people, trained at area schools and organizations into local homes for people to enjoy. Hopefully, with the end result being the Threshold obtaining support by supporting area people," said Swanson, also President of the Threshold Board of Directors.

Longtime Washington county and Kewaskum resident, Joel Fehlhaber, shared similar sentiments about the Gerhartz family and the CD project. "I absolutely love viewing and studying Dan

and Steve's paintings. They paint with such depth and beauty. I get drawn in and sense a spiritual influence in their works. The boy's dad, Gary, was my grade school and high school choral director. He even taught my children music," reminisced Fehlhaber. "This morning l was at the Filling Station Café in West Bend and it was neat listening to Gary on the Threshold holiday CD, especially cause I know him. I feel connected to him through that CD ... it's just great," concluded Fehlhaber.

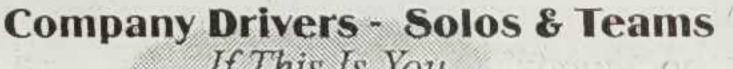
Threshold The musical talents for the second year in a row to record and produce the 2004 holiday CD, A Threshold Christmas. The CD project serves as a fundraiser for programs that serve local people with disabilities and to entertain fellow area residents.

A Threshold To Christmas, editions 2003 and 2004, are available at the Chamber of Commerce, area banks, beauty salons, coffee shops, grocery, jewelry, liquor and music stores, restaurants, service clubs, athletic centers, and service retailers or can be acquired at the Threshold. Call 262-338-1188 for more information on this year's CD or to get involved

with the upcoming 2005 Holiday CD.

The Threshold Incorporated is a not-for-profit community rehabilitation organization serving both children and adults with special needs. Services offered include Early Intervention serving children age's birth to three, Adult Day Services, Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment. For further information contact Thomas Bergerud, Executive Director, 262-338-1188 or 600 Rolfs Avenue, West Bend, WI 53090 www.thresholdinc.org

Agassi Andre The Incorporated combined Charitable Foundation was created to provide recreational and educational opportunities for-at risk boys and girls. The Foundation strives to assist those underprivileged, abused and abandoned children who may be deprived of basic options in life. The Foundation funds a combination of emotional, physical and academic programs designed to enhance a child's character, self-esteem and career possibilities. For further information contact Executive Director Julie Pippenger at 702 227-5700 or 3960 Howard Hughes Pkwy. Suite 750, Las Vegas, Nevada 89109 www.agassifoundation.org. fax: (702) 866-2929.



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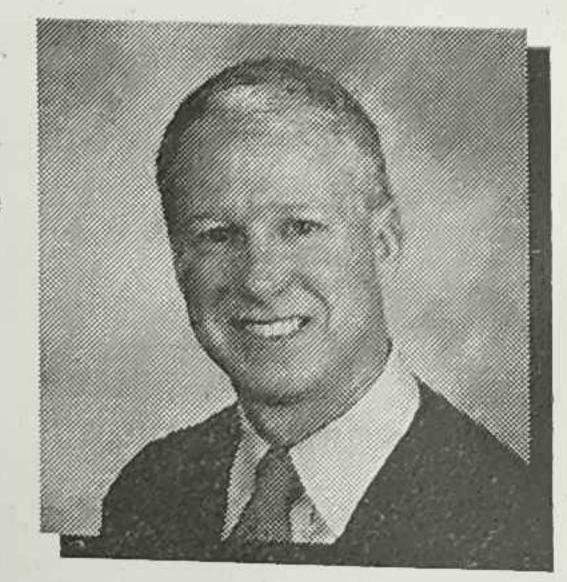
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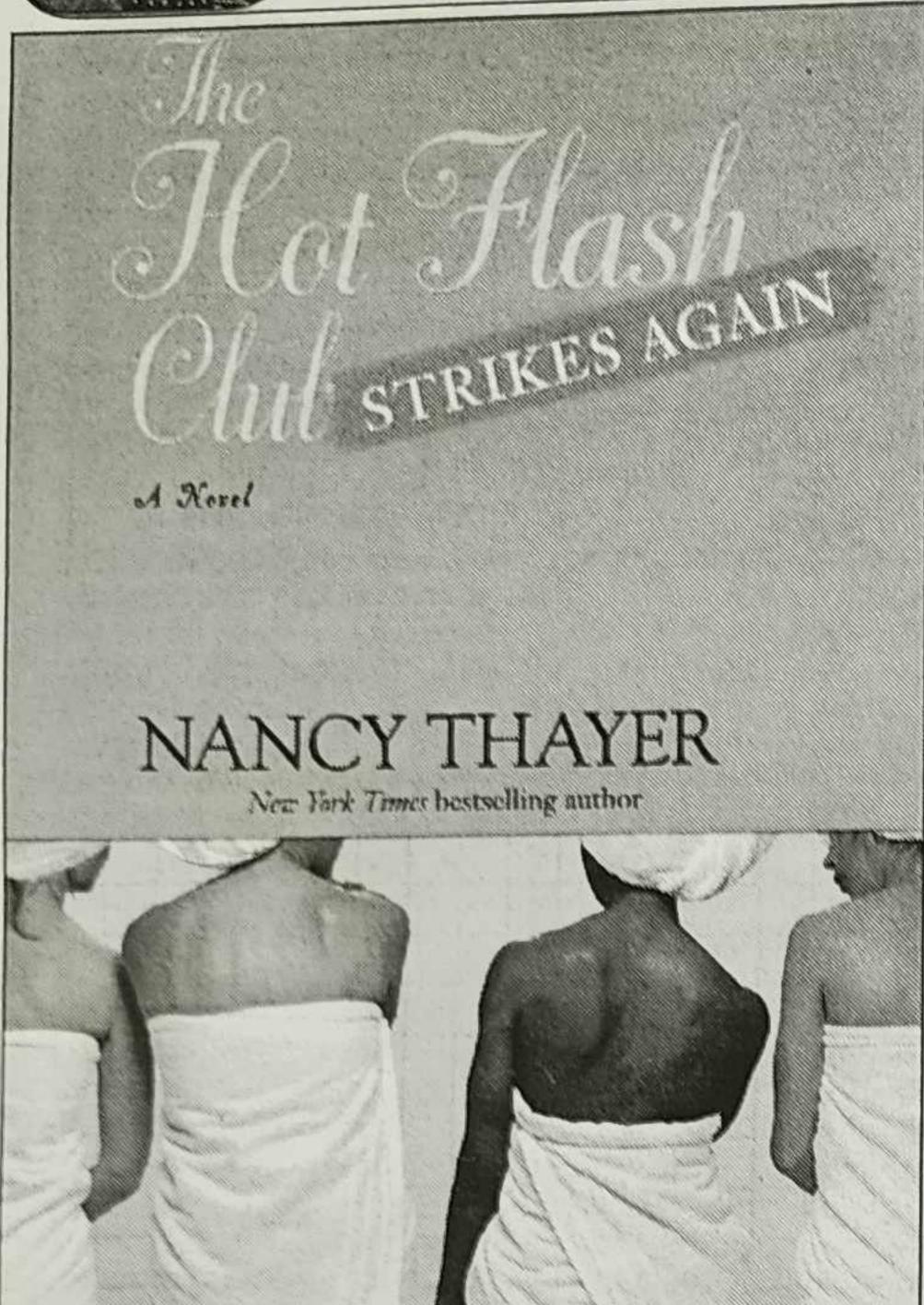
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The Bookworm Sez By Terri Schlichenmeyer The Hot Flash Club Strikes Again By: Nancy Thayer



Did you hear the one about the mother-in-law who? Never mind.

They say that we can choose our friends, but we can't choose our relatives, a rule which must extend to inlaws. When you fall in love and marry someone, relatives come with the deal, like it or not. In the novel, "The Hot Flash Club Strikes Again" by Nancy Thayer (c.2005, Ballantine), four women learn that getting along with their in-laws is necessary, but also might allow for surprising benefits.

Two years ago, Polly was widowed when her husband, Tucker, had a heart attack. Polly was a single mom when she married Tucker, and Claudia, Tucker's aloof and oh-so-proper mother, never thought Polly was "good enough". Now Claudia's dying, and she's asked Polly to take care of her. Polly desperately wants to connect with Claudia before she dies, but Claudia remains distant and tormal.

Shy Beth loves Sonny very much. Sonny's family is another matter. Everyone is athletic and competitive, and Beth, at barely 100 pounds, is intimidated by them. What's worse, Sonny's ex-girlfriend is still a part of the family, and she's involved in all their activities. How can Beth compete? When Julia fell in love with Tim, she knew that his wife had died and left him with a young daughter, but she never bargained that Tim's motherin-law would be so mean. True, Agnes had lost a daughter. True, she adores Belinda. But could Agnes' hostility be why Belinda refuses to talk?

Thirty-something Carolyn

is the heir-apparent to Sperry Paper Company, a business that's passed through maternal lineage. Carolyn's pregnant, and she couldn't be happier – that is, until her father comes home with a bride who's practically a child. This marriage doesn't seem quite right, but Carolyn's not supposed to worry about it. Her blood pressure is high, and she's supposed to be relaxing. Her baby's life is depending

These women come to The Haven, looking for mental and spiritual help. Faye, Marilyn, Alice, and Shirley - Hot Flash Club members and owners of the spa - decide that what Carolyn, Beth, Julia, and Polly need is a bit of bonding themselves. amongst Bonding, which turns into the support each woman needs to deal with her in-law problems, once and for all.

"The Hot Flash Club Strikes Again" is one of the most unusual books I've read in a long time. I liked the characters. I liked the way the book was focused on the four women with the in-law problems, as opposed to the HFC members (which I thought were a little boring, compared to their clients). I liked everything about this book. What surprised me is the frankness that author Nancy Thayer allows these women. Blunt talk about sex, incontinence, and menopause was something for which I wasn't prepared. It's not off-putting, just startling to read about in a novel.

If you've got a forwardthinking female friend or relative, give her this book. It's also a good one to choose for yourself.

PERSPECTIVES

Jobs, Taxes and Health Care top agenda items in Assembly

BY: ASSEMBLY SPEAKER JOHN GARD

was elected When I Assembly Speaker two years ago, I said that we were going to make creating jobs and making Wisconsin's economy more competitive Job #1 for the legislature. We had an extremely successful session. We passed tax reforms, regulatory reforms and venture capital legislation that resulted in Wisconsin's economy growing faster than any other state in the Midwest. is down. Unemployment Manufacturing jobs are up. Revenues are up. We are on the leading edge of a robust economic recovery.

In the upcoming session, our challenge will be to build on those successes, capture the momentum of our growing economy, and use that make momentum Wisconsin even stronger and our economy even more competitive.

Already, legislative leaders have begun work on a comprehensive package of initiatives in tax relief, regulatory reform, health care cost containment, and workforce training that we will take up in the first months of the new year. Each of these areas is critical to economic health and competitiveness for the long term.

Freezing property taxes and putting limits in place that ensure that your tax bill cannot grow faster than your paycheck will help us convince new jobs to locate here and convince our best and brightest workers to stay

Reforms that make quality health care more affordable and accessible in Wisconsin will ensure that gains made for our workers by lowering taxes are not eaten up in rising health costs.

And giving our universities and technical colleges the tools they need to respond to the rapidlychanging, high-tech marketplace of today will help us attract new jobs and develop-

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Last session was one of the most productive and cooperative in recent legislative history. Hundreds of important pieces of legislation were taken up, and 85% of the bills we passed received bi-partisan majorities of 80 or more votes in the 99-member state Assembly.

forward to the upcoming legislative session. Building on our success of last session, I am confident that we can work together successfully to move Wisconsin forward and make our state the best place in the nation to live, work and raise a family.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor,

Has the Catholic Church declined in holiness, and become more worldly in the past 40-50 years? Has the average priest become a "master of ceremony" during Holy Mass? Is he more aware of the presence of the "crowd" than he is of the presence of God? Is the telling of jokes, and the "social" atmosphere more important than reverence during Mass? Has the Church learned to "tolerate" the immoral spiritual state of many of her members?

Is the Lord's Day no longer considered to be holy? Is missing Sunday Mass no longer a sin? Do today's priests still know, and recognize what sin is? Has the Church learned to accept hypocrisy and spiritual lukewarmness as a way of life for the average Catholic? Priests are given the honorary title of "father," but do they act the part of a good father, and correct and admonish their "children" when necessary? Or is being popular more important?

Fewer and fewer are the Catholics who sincerely practice their faith. More and more are the lukewarm bishops and priests who rob Church members of any type of real spirituality. More and more has the Church become a safe haven for "a den of thieves."

Vincent Bemowski

Dear Editor,

Heartfelt thanks to the over 30 handcrafters whose generous talents are warming cold hands and the spirits of hundreds of our neighbors

this Holiday Season!

These dedicated volunall from teers Washington County have created hundreds and hundreds of hand knitted and crocheted mittens, scarves, slippers, laprobes, headbands, hats and afghans all year long! Hundreds of people are benefiting from their handiwork and their spirit of car-

At this time of year, we'd like to thank these wonderful volunteers and let them know that their bounty has been given to families through I am optimistic as I look these area non-profits: Cedar Community, Lutheran Social Services, The Youth & Family Project, NOVA Services, The Washington Threshold, County Department of Social Services Foster Care Program and Toys for County Kids!

Let us share with you what one recipient has written about this kindness ...

Dear Volunteers,

The saying is, if you make someone happy, you will also be happy. How true! You've made a lot of folks happy with your beautiful throws. I was a volunteer for over 27 years on Cedar Lake campus, now living at Cedar Bay East. I was so pleased with your lovely lap robe, which I never had and want to thank you. I will treasure it and take good care of it. Thank you, and thank the volunteer for the beautiful workmanship. May the Lord bless volunteers for caring and sharing Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all volunteers for making others happy.

> From Cedar Bay East a resident of Cedar Community

We are sure that the hundreds of Washington County residents who are benefiting from this outpouring of caring, share these sentiments of gratitude. Everyone at the Volunteer Center Washington County delighted that so many have been helped in the past four years. Yarn donations are accepted year-round for the use of these volunteers.

Sending this quiet corps of volunteers the sincere appreciation of all!

> Betsy Wilcox Executive Director Volunteer Center of Washington County



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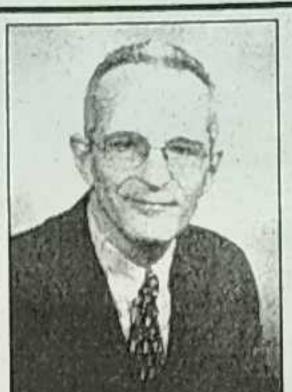


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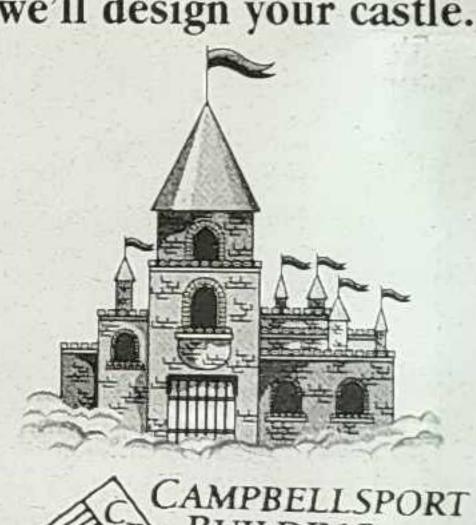
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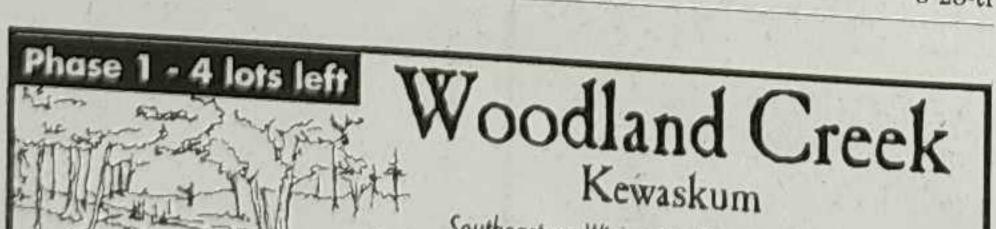


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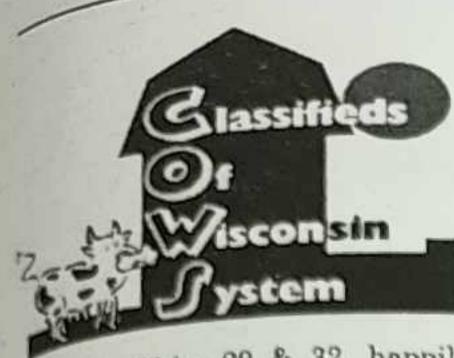
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The agendas for the meeting are prepared as of Wednesday noon preceding the meeting and are available at the office of the clerk at the Municipal Building on Thursday preceding the meeting.

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The Plan Commission and Town Board will hold their regular monthly meeting on Monday, December 20, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, 9019 Kettle Moraine Dr. A complete agenda will be posted at the Town Hall, St. Francis Bank and at posting boards at Badger Rd and Prospect Dr, and at VanVechtin Highland Dr Cemetery on Thursday preceding the meeting, pending the approval of Town Chairperson, Michael Lettow.

Sandra Stern, Clerk

KEWASKUM MUNICIPAL BUILDING HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The Village Offices will be closed the following days for the Christmas and New Years Holidays:

December 24, 2004 and December 27, 2004

December 31, 2004 and January 3, 2005

The final day to pay any or all of your property tax in person by the end of 2004 is Thursday, December 30, 2004 by 4:30 PM. Any mailed payments with a postmark of December 31, 2004 will be receipted in 2004. There is a locked drop box in front of the Municipal Building for after hour payments.

Regular office hours will resume January 4, 2005. Garbage and recycling will be Wednesday, Dec. 22nd and Wednesday, Jan. 5st.

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Outdoor Adventures

By: Mark Walters

The Best of Times

Hello Friends,

By now, in most deer camps throughout Wisconsin, the mice are the sole residents of the camps, and most of the November hunters are home taking part in the 30 days of Christmas.

I hope this week's column will rekindle some fond memories for the 640,000 hunters that took part in this year's Wisconsin nine-day deer gun season.

Tuesday, November 23 High 35, Low 22

The Cibulka boys filtered into the Red Brush Gang one by one in the mid 1980s. I went to school with Todd, Doug, and Stuart. Their dad, Tony, is 67 years old. I believe Tony is the oldest member of our gang.

Stuart doesn't hunt deer anymore, but he took the week off from his job as an engineer at Ford Motor Company to take part in the drives, hang out at camp, and see all four Cibulka men hunt together for the first time since 1984.

So far, the Bed Brush Gang hasn't exactly been setting the world on fire with big bucks on the pole. I set a new camp record for smallest one-and-a-half year old buck ever shot. The buck had a spiker with only one inch horns, short of a legal spike. Todd shot another spiker, and we tagged a couple of doe.

A situation that started at this camp two years ago, and now has apparently become a trend, is that we are seeing bucks in the six to ten point range and missing them on the run. Sunday afternoon, all of our hunting is done on drives, and all of our shooting is at running deer. Apparently all of us old timers are getting too old, and the kids are too young to hit a buck on the run.

We have a minimum of 12 kids to bring through the ranks, and currently we have four in training. There will probably be a time when our group will be good enough to take on all of the Iraqi insurgents, but it's not going to be this year.

Today, Doug put the meat on the pole when he filled his dad's tag with none other than a single horned spike buck and his own tag with a good sized doe. We are all carnivores in this gang and mighty pleased to see each person bring home fresh red meat.

Saturday, November 27 High 36, Low 30

Remember that wet snow that fell on the second Saturday of gun deer season? The Red Brush Gang managed to complete one rather lengthy drive during that snowfall. Unfortunately, I was poorly dressed, became completely soaked, and froze my entire body.

My brother-in-law Dick Schuster sat in a tree for a good two hours during that drive and was looking like he needed to be fitted for a coffin after the drive was done. A couple of deer were moved. One deer was a good sized fork horn that Todd sent to heaven, and another was a large doe that the Wildman had a close encounter with. But, unfortunately, the Wildman forgot to load his gun. Don't worry Wildman, I made the same mistake last year. Good thing he wasn't fighting the Iraqi insurgents.

On this last night at deer camp, we had a great celebration as we always do, but everyone of us was sad. We were aware that the best week of the year (actually 11 days) was coming to an end. With an hour of daylight left on the last day, we said goodbye to Jeff Moll and his boys, Ryan and Ross, who had a four-hour drive home to Niagara.

The rest of us hunted until dark trying to get 12-year-old Trent Schuster his first deer. Trent had his chance, but once again, the running deer beat the Red Brush Gang.

Riley Schuster and Ryan Moll are both in high school and worked summer jobs in construction so they could save money for the new deer rifles they proudly brought to camp.

Todd Cibulka takes the cake for having a "go for it attitude this year." Todd managed his vacation time and worked out his Honey Do List to spend eight days in camp. When we were shaking hands and saying our annual farewell, Todd told us that after his 90 mile drive home, he had to feed cattle and pick corn because he had a semi coming in later that night. Of course he also had to be at his regular job the next morning.

About all I can say is this, there is roughly only 337 days left before next year's opener. Thirty-three years at camp,

I hope many more years to come!

Sunset

Safe and responsible riding urged

Snowmobiling underway in some parts of state

MADISON – With recent snowfall allowing snowmobile trails to open in some parts of northern Wisconsin, state recreation safety officials are reminding snowmobilers to make sure trails are officially open before they go, and to drive safely, responsibly and respectfully.

"We're stressing to snow-mobilers to drive courteously and responsibly," says Bill Engfer, Recreation Education and Enforcement Section Chief for the Department of Natural Resources. "We want them to return home safely and we want to be able to continue offering such great trail riding in Wisconsin."

Wisconsin, with more than 22,000 miles of trails open to the public and more than 225,000 registered sleds, is now regarded as one of the top three snowmobiling states in the country. More than 90 percent of the trails are on private land and are managed through agreements between private landowners and county governments.

Most landowner agreements state that trails can open Dec. 1, but the actual opening dates are dictated by snow and weather conditions, as well as the time it takes volunteers from snowmobile clubs across the state to prepare and groom trails, Engfer says. County officials announce when trails are officially open in their areas.

"Riding before the trails are officially opened jeopardizes the relationships with the private landowners and threatens the future of snow-mobiling," Engfer says.

Once trails are officially opened, snowmobilers need to respect landowners by slowing down, being courteous about crossing over driveways, and making sure they are not riding sleds that have had their exhausts modified to louder than their factory-installed exhaust systems.

Such modifications may make the machines noisier, and in past years, the sound has spurred some landowners to cancel easements allowing the trail to cross their lands. Current Wisconsin law only says that consumer snowmobiles may not make an excessive and unusual noise, Engfer says. However, the state Natural Resources Board approved a measure asking lawmakers to change the law to prohibit noise beyond 86 decibels.

Safety tips for snowmobiling
Snowmobilers taking
advantage of early season
sledding need to be aware of

the special safety concerns at this time of year. Less snow has accumulated early in the season on trails, and that means that more rocks, logs, tree stumps and other hazards will be exposed compared to later in the season when they are covered by compacted snow.

One of the most dangerous places to ride in the early season - and at any time during the snowmobiling season - is on frozen bodies of water. Several consecutive days of sub-freezing constant, weather is required to form thick ice, Engfer says. And even then, ice thickness can vary across a body of water. Other factors, like snow cover on ice and freezing and thawing cycles will also contribute to the formation - or lack thereof - of ice. Reports from some parts of northern Wisconsin was that ice was only 2 to 3 inches thick before heavy snowfall.

"I'll never tell anyone it's safe to ride on ice, especially on a river or near a dam," Engfer said. "Due to the current, conditions can change quickly. You might see 8 inches of ice in one area, and just a few feet away there might be an inch or less."

Snowmobilers can check with local sports stores or local authorities to learn about ice conditions in the area where they want to go sledding, Engfer says. "Once they're on ice, they need to make sure they stay alert and don't ride near weak ice or into open water."

Engfer provides these other tips for helping snowmobilers protect the future of the sport and as well as their own health and that of the people they ride with. Last winter, 25 people were killed in snowmobile incidents in Wisconsin.

* Consider taking a snowmobile safety course. People born on or after Jan. 1, 1985 are required to have a snowmobile safety certificate. Snowmobile safety classes taught by volunteer instructors and upcoming safety classes" are listed on DNR Web site.

* Slow down. Never ride faster than what the conditions allow, especially at night when hazardous objects are harder to see.

* Do not drink alcohol before and during your ride. Alcohol was involved in almost 70 percent of the fatal accidents in 2003-2004.

* Check trail conditions and openings through a number of resources such as county foresters, park and recreation officials, local snowmobile clubs, and local chambers of commerce or tourism offices. Decide whether you want to go based on the conditions, and adjust your driving to the conditions.

Drive defensively.

* When snowmobiling with others, ride with plenty of space between the snowmobiler ahead of you in case they stop suddenly.

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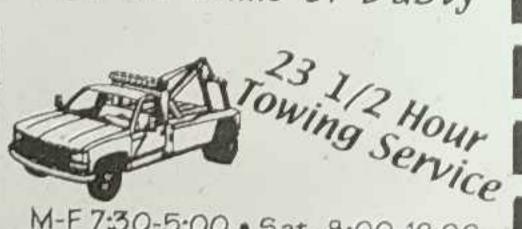
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SPORTS

LR Trophy and Sportswear Dartball Team



Shown above is the LR Trophy and Sportswear Dartball Team at last year's tournament held in Racine March 27-28, 2004. The team will be defending their titile on April 2-3, 2005 at the tournament being held at the Washington County Hockey rink in West Bend. Team members include, front row, left to right: Laurie Yahr, Mary Boegel, Lori Roecker and Jackie Burtard. Back row: Ben Scheberl, Laurie Scheberl, Shelly Billings, Marlene Duthie, Sheila Boeder, Norma Muench, Diane Schneider and Lu Walsh.

Season to close if harvest cap reached on opening day

Emergency rule to allow one day Lake Winnebago Sturgeon season

MADISON - Natural Resources Board members on Wednesday, December 8, approved an emergency rule that authorizes state fisheries officials to close the 2005 lake sturgeon spearing season on Lake Winnebago after one day if spearers reach the harvest cap for juvenile females, adult females, or males.

The 2004 spearing season on the Winnebago system Upriver Lakes, a separate season on lakes Butte des Mort, Winneconne and Poygan, is already due to close after one day.

Board members also instructed Department of Natural Resources fisheries officials to work with a local advisory group and other interested parties to devise a better, long-term solution to protect populations of the slow growing, late maturing fish while allowing a longer season.

"Board members told us this is only a stop-gap measure and that we need to work with the Lake Winnebago Citizens Advisory Committee and others to look at other long-term options to limit the harvest and extend the season, including looking at refuges and a lottery," says Mike Staggs, DNR fisheries management and habitat protection director.

The statutory season structure allows the season to run 16 consecutive days or until spearers reach 80% of any one of the harvest caps set for juvenile females, adult females or males. Upon reaching that trigger, the season would close at the end of spearing hours the next day.

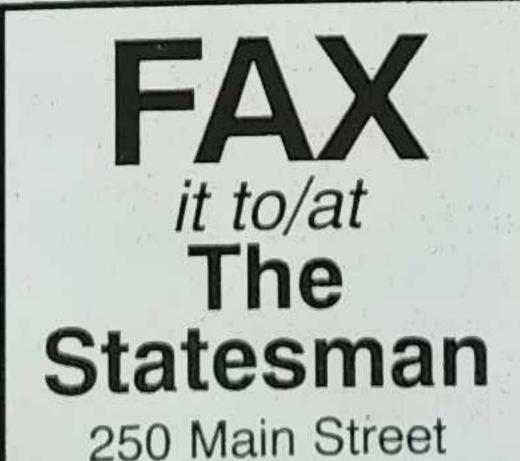
In 2004, spearers harvested a record 1, 303 lake sturgeon on opening day of the Lake Winnebago spearing season, with the 509 adult females speared surpassing the total allowable harvest for adult females of 425. But because of the season rules, spearing continued for a second day before closing, allowing an additional 175 adult females to be harvested. All told, 259 more adult females were speared than the total harvest cap.

Overharvest of adult females is a concern because they're the backbone of the lake sturgeon population and because they don't spawn until they are 20 to 25 years old, and then only every three to five years, says Ron Bruch, DNR senior sturgeon biologist and Oshkosh-based fisheries supervisor.

The change is the latest regulatory effort that sturgeon biologists and the citizens' group that advises DNR on Lake Winnebago lake stur-

geon management have sought to try to reduce harvest pressure on adult females. Improved water clarity and a growing number of spearers has increased the harvest of adult females, which spearers tend to target because they're generally larger than males, Bruch says.

Under the emergency rule passed by the board, the 2005 Lake Winnebago lake sturgeon spearing season will open February 12 at 6:30 a.m. and run until the harvest cap is reached or a maximum of 16 consecutive days, with the possibility of the season closing after one day if one of the harvest caps is reached. The spearing season on the Upriver Lakes will be a oneday season only on those waters and will open at 6:30 a.m. February 12 and close at 12:30 p.m. that same day.



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KHS Holiday Hoops Extravaganza

The Kewaskum High School Athletic Department is hosting their Holiday Hoops Extravaganza December 28-29, 2004. All games are played at Kewaskum High School. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

Concessions will be available on site. Kewaskum will provide warm-up basketballs. Please provide your own towels, padlocks, etc.

First team alphabetically will be the home team and wear light uniforms.

December 28 Games in fieldhouse
Game 1 - 12 p.m. - St.

Francis vs. Xavier (girls).

Game 2 - 2:15 p.m. - WLA
vs. Xavier (boys).

Game 3 - 4:30 p.m. -Kewaunee vs. Kewaskum (girls)

Game 4 - 6:45 - Living Word vs. Kewaskum (boys).

Games in Rose Hall
Game 1 - 12 p.m. - WLA vs.

Xavier (boys)

Game 2 - 2:15 p.m. - St.

Francis vs. Xavier (girls)

Game 3 - 4:30 p.m. - Living Word vs. Kewaskum (boys)
Game 4 - 6:45 - Kewaunee vs. Kewaskum (girls).

December 29 -

CONSOLATIONS
Game 5 - 12 p.m. - Varsity girls
consolation - JV boys game
based on varsity consolation
pairings.

Game 6 - 2:15 p.m. - Varsity boys consolation - JV girls based on varsity consolation pairings.

CHAMPIONSHIP

Game 7 - 4:30 p.m. - Varsity girls championship - JV boys games based on varsity championship pairings.

Game 8 - 6:45 - Varsity boys championship - JV girls game based on varsity championship pairings.

Rookies and Winners basketball offered at YMCA

Registration for basketball for kids in grades K5-6 is going on right now at the Kettle Moraine YMCA. The winter basketball season is January 22 - March 12. The registration deadline in January 8.

The Rookies program is offered in West Bend and Jackson for kids in K5-2 grade. In this program kids learn the fundamentals of basketball through age appropriate

activities and games. All games are played on Saturday.

Winners basketball is for kids in 3-6 grades. Participants will practice once during the week and play games on Saturday. This program is also offered in West Bend and Jackson.

For more information on any program please contact the Kettle Moraine YMCA at 262-334-3405.



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Plymouth's height is too much for Lady Indians

By Judy Harlow
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How important is height in prep girls basketball?

The Kewaskum High Lady Indians know the answer to that question after running into a tall and talented Plymouth team in an Eastern Wisconsin Conference game won by the hosts 65-35.

"There wasn't much we could do. They were so big," KHS Coach Jeff Gosse said about the Dec. 10th contest that sent Kewaskum's EW record to 0-3, and the team's overall mark to 0-4.

The Panther who did the most damage was Kellie Colson, who lit up the Plymouth gym to the tune of 19 points, including 12 in the first quarter.

Colson is the Panthers' 6foot-2 center, and Gosse said, "There wasn't much Paige (Thelen) could do really. She was giving up five to six inches" against her.

Colson propelled the hosts to a 20-4, first-quarter lead, and the Indians were in a catch-up position the rest of the way. The Indians did score 12 points in each of the final two quarters to make their final total respectable.

Colson wasn't much of a factor on the Plymouth team a year ago, but Gosse said she put on some muscle and really developed her game over the summer.

Kewaskum has now played all three of the teams picked to contend for the EW crown, and there is no doubt in Gosse's mind which one is the best.

Plymouth. "By far, by far. You could just tell. These girls put a lot of time in the gym together," he said.

Gosse said the Panthers had another girl who is 6-1, and, "We had all we could do to keep those two off the

boards. They caused some matchup problems for us."

When the Indians tried to double up on the big girls, there were others who got in the scoring act. "We tried playing a zone, but then they were hitting their threes," Gosse went on. Lorie Hogue had a pair of long bombs, and Kassie Benike added two, and those two ended up with 10 and eight points, respectively.

Kewaskum was led by Bry Timblin and Katie Kurer, who combined for 18 out of the team's 35 points.

"Bry scored a couple times when they turned the ball over," Gosse said, adding, "Kurer played very well on the offensive end. She went

Senior Lindsay Keller is normally one of the Indians' top scorers but she was held to just two by the Panthers, and Gosse said it was a case of her trying to battle the taller girls on the boards.

"Lindsey was in foul trouble most of the first half. That hurt us," he said. Another problem for the Indians was free throw shooting. They were successful on just seven of 20 tries.

Kewaskum hosted Random Lake in a non-conference on Tuesday, and it hosts Sheboygan Falls tonight (Thursday).

"We scrimmaged them early in the year," Gosse said about the Rams. "Both teams are about the same."

Plymouth: 20-16-15-14-65 Kewaskum: 4-7-12-12 - 35 Kewaskum: Droese 1, Dehler 2, Timblin 10, Kurer 8,

Dehler 2, Timblin 10, Kurer 8, Thelen 5, Keller 2, Breese 5, Grager 2. 3-point goals — none. FTs — 7-20. Fouls — 18. Fouled out — Kwaterski.

Plymouth: Hogue 10, Vollbrecht 2, Lisowe 6, West 2, Hellestad 3, Evans 2, Kal. Benike 4, Kas. Benike 8, Taylor 5, Krueger 5, Colson 19. 3-point goals — Hogue 2, Kas. Benike 2. FTs — 17x26. Fouled out — Krueger.

KHS girls show a lot of heart

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The game was there for the taking, but the Kewaskum High girls basketball team fell one point short of possible victory against Manitowoc Roncalli last Tuesday night.

Roaring back from a 15-5 half-time deficit, the Lady Indians scored 18 points in the final quarter but lost 34-33 after Katie Kurer hit a last-second, two-point basket when they needed three points to send the game into overtime.

The loss puts Kewaskum's record in the Eastern Wisconsin Conference at 0-2. The Indians are 0-4 overall, but they are definitely improving.

Coach Jeff Gosse said there was no question Kurer was inside the 3-point line. "She thought she could draw a foul," Gosse said about the final play.

There wasn't much Gosse could say about the first half, except, "They (Jets) played great defense in the first half. Give credit to them ... They got in our faces on the ball side," and had good help in other spots. "We weren't used to seeing that kind of intensity"

KHS had just one basket in the first half. It was scored by Kurer, who wound up as the Indians' leading scorer with nine points.

Despite the low production, the Indians did not give up, and their second-half strategy seemed to be more successful.

"We looked for the first available shot as soon as we broke their press," Gosse said, adding the pick and roll worked for a while, but then, "They countered by trapping it."

With 3:41 left in the game, Roncalli was up 29-22, and it was 31-23 with 2:02 on the clock before Bry Timblin hit a short jumper to cut the margin to 31-25.

The two teams traded single free throws, one by Emily Fleck-Mitchell and one by Timblin, putting the score at 32-26 with under a minute to go.

Kewaskum got the ball back after a traveling call, but then Timblin returned the favor. No harm done as Lindsey Keller came up with a steal and passed to Sam Droese, who scored on a lay-up.

Nicole Malek missed a pair of free throws for the Jets, and a few seconds later, Keller rebounded a miss by Rachel Breese, scored and was fouled. Keller converted the 3-point play, and now the score was 32-31, with :18 remaining.

It looked like the Indians had forced Roncalli into a 5-second call, but the official said one of the Jets called time out first. The Indians had to foul and did so, putting Malek at the line. This time she made two free throws, and then Kurer came back with her basket but time ran out.

"Katie did a real nice job going to the basket and shooting," Gosse said. "We played well."

Reserve Taylor Long was also lauded for her efforts. "Taylor gave us some very valuable minutes, giving Paige (Thelen) and Lindsey (Keller) breathers," Gosse said.

Timblin and Keller chipped in with seven and six points, respectively.

For the Jets, it was Mitchell with 10, and Chelsea Stangel with eight.

About the only criticism Gosse had of the effort was less than stellar rebounding, and, "Our guards have to come down and get loose balls."

Roncalli 8-7-7-12 - 34
Kewaskum 2-3-10-18- 33
Kewaskum: Droese 2,
Dehler 1, Timblin 7, Kurer 9,
Thelen 2, Long 2, Keller 6,
Breese 4; Totals 3-point goals
— Kurer. FTs — 10x20. Fols —
18. Fouled out — Breese.

Roncalli — Malek 2, Mitchell 10, Beyer 3, Walston 2, Fu long 4, Keil 3, Haug 2, Stangel 8. Totals 3-point goals — none. FTs — 10x23. Fouls — 18. Fouled out — none.

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Sabel, Shileny and Thull all win JV titles

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The wrestlers from the host Kewaskum High team stood up pretty well in the competition at the annual JV tournament held Saturday in the new gymnasium.

"We had three of 'em," veteran JV coach Kevin Chambers said, concerning the number of Indian champions. Included among those who went 3-0 at their respective weight classes were Jake Sabel at 140 pounds, Dan Shileny at 152 and Jeff Thull at 215. All are juniors, and this is Thull's first year out for wrestling, and these were his first matches.

"They all had two pins," Chambers went on. "It was a good start."

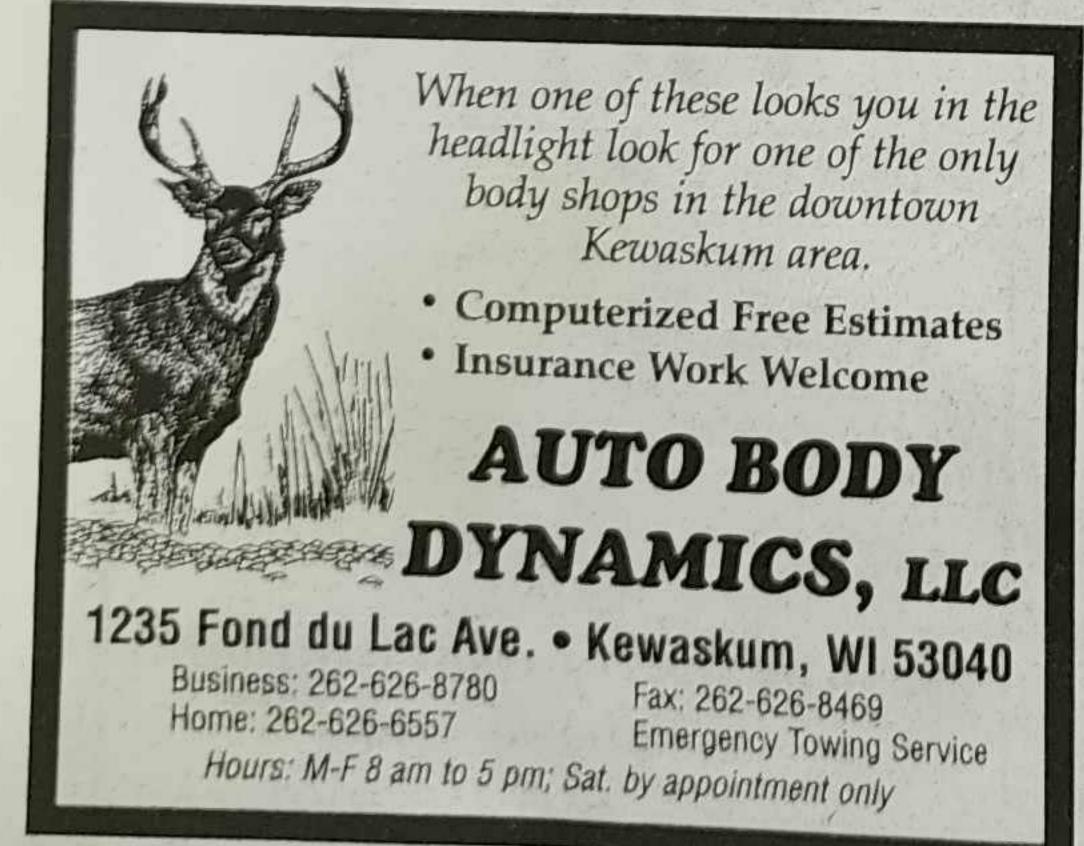
Unofficially, this is the 26th year Kewaskum has hosted a JV tourney. "We've been doing it since Fran (Charland, a former coach) was here," but the format has changed from having eight in a weight class and wrestling down to quarterfinals, semifinals and finals.

"We thrown 'em in fourman groups and let them roll around," Chambers said about the newer round robin format. "I think we had seven teams in the meet."

Five other Indians finished with 2-1 records. Newcomer Kevin Schaeffer (140 pounds) and Tony Kudek (145) both won two of their matches, according to Chambers, who said Matt Rewald took a second place at 215 and Ben Boettcher was the runner-up at 189.

Chambers was also happy with the efforts of 189-pound Blaise Lopez, who transferred from Kettle Moraine Lutheran High to Kewaskum this past summer. "This is his first year of wrestling," Chambers said, reporting Lopez managed two wins on the day.

The Kewaskum High varsity, currently 6-1 in dual meets, and the JVs were at West Bend West on Tuesday, and tonight (Thursday), they host Kiel in an Eastern Wisconsin Conference match.



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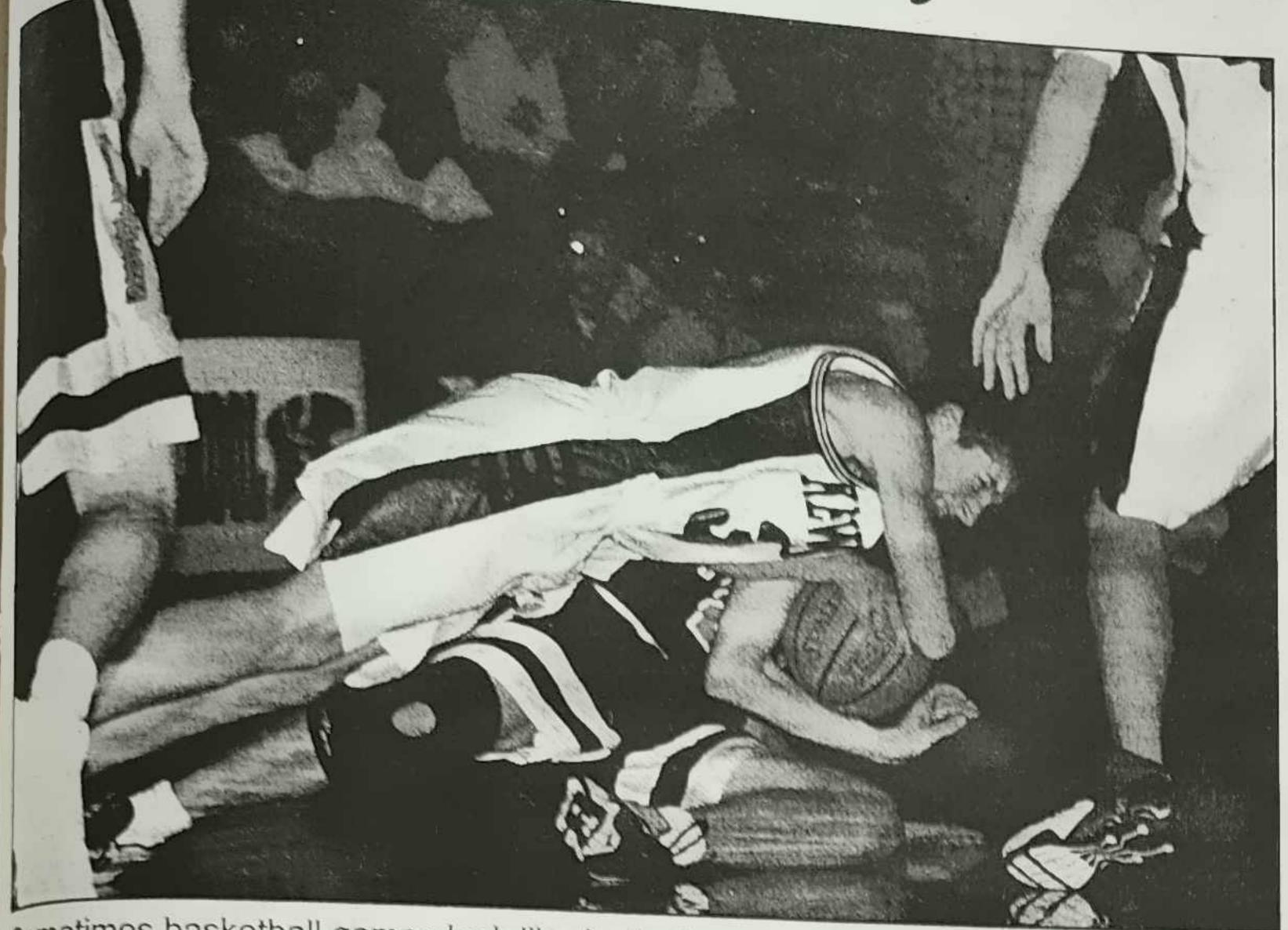
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SPORTS

Dellger powers Plymouth past the Indians



sometimes basketball games look like football, and that certainly was the case at times last Thursday when the Kewaskum High team hosted Plymouth. Mitch Paulus (top) of Kewaskum dives for a loose ball against Ryan Feick of Plymouth in what appeared to he a tussle for a pass.

Statesman photos by Judy Harlow

BY JUDY HARLOW STATESMAN CORRESPONDENT harlow@kewaskumstatesman.com

Without senior guard Casey Dellger, Plymouth would have a pretty average boys' varsity basketball team. With him, the Panthers look to be a top contender in Eastern Wisconsin Conference this season.

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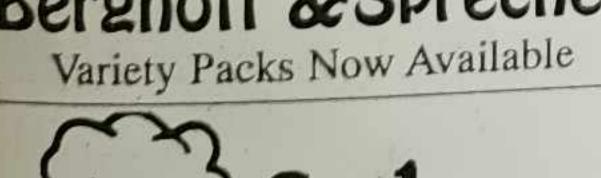
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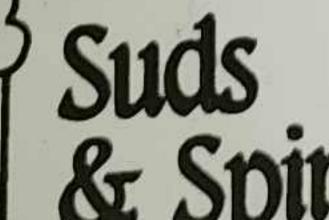
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Dellger powers Plymouth past the Indians



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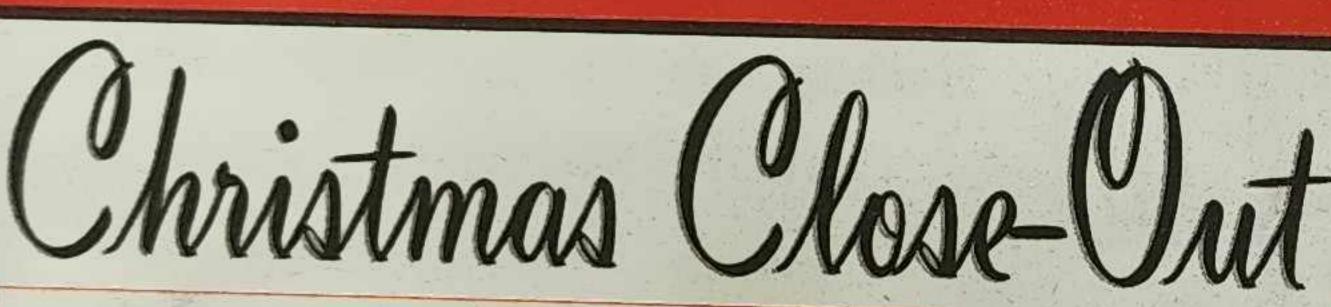
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Peace United Church of Christ

343 First Street, 626-4011 Kewaskum Rev. J. Eric Kirkegaard

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Christmas Day - Worship Service at 9:30 a.m.

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St. Lucas Ev. Lutheran Church

1417 Parkview Dr., 626-2680 Kewaskum Rev. Edwin Fredrich Rev. Timothy Henning

Christmas Eve - Children's services: 4:00, 5:30 and 7:00 p.m. Candlelight service: 10 p.m.

Christmas Day - Festival worship, 9 a.m.

New Year's Eve Communion worship, 6 p.m.

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

331 Main St., Kewaskum 626-2860 Father Russell Stommel

Christmas Eve - 5 p.m.. Christmas Day - 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

New Year's Day- 5 p.m.

Kewaskum Living Waters Church

100 Clinton St. Kewaskum 626-8337 Pastor Joseph Brath

December 19- Christmas Pageant: 10:00 a.m. Christmas Eve- 6:00 p.m..

St. Bridget's Chapel 9003 Townline Rd., Wayne

Christmas Eve - Mass at Midnight.

St. Matthias Chapel

N1044 CTH. S Campbellsport

Christmas Eve - Mass at 6 p.m.

St. Michael's Catholic Church

8877 Forestview Rd. 334-5270 St Michaels Father Robert Artmannn

Christmas Eve - 5:30 and

10:00 p.m. Christmas Day - 10:00 a.m.

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St. John Lutheran Church

N665 Highway S New Fane 626-2309 Rev. Mark Eckert

Christmas Eve: Children's program- 6:00 p.m., candlelight service- 9:00 p.m.

Christmas Day - Worship service - 9:00 a.m. with Communion.

Dec. 26, 9 a.m. service with Communion.

New Year's Eve: 7:00 p.m. with Communion.

New Horizon United Church of Christ

1332 Bolton Dr. Boltonville 692-6444 Rev. Robert Seater, Interim Minister

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St. Kilian Catholic Church

N189 Hwy W, Campbellsport 920-533-4441 Father Neal Zinthefer Father Victor A. Kemmer

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Salem United Church of Christ

8925 Hwy. W, (Wayne) Campbellsport 626-4000 Rev. David D. Wernecke

Christmas Eve - service at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 26, 9 a.m. worship service.

Campbellsport Alliance Church

N1876 County Rd. V Campbellsport 533-4516 Rev. Doug Birr

Christmas Eve - 6:30 p.m. "Away in a Manger."

First Baptist Church of Campbellsport

326 E. Main St Campbellsport 920-533-8826 Pastor David Nothem

December 19 - Sunday School 9:30 a.m.. Christmas Program 10:30 a.m.

United Christian Church

228 Forest, Campbellsport 920-533-4296 Pastor Steven Hilyard

December 19 - Children's service at 9:30 a.m.

Christmas Eve- 6 p.m. with Communion. Sunday, Dec. 26 - 9:30

Trinity Lutheran

Church

a.m. with Communion.

W494 Elm Dundee 920-533-4138 Pastor Richard Schliewe

Christmas Eve- Sunday school children at 4:00 p.m..

song service at 6:30 p.m.. Christmas Day- 9:30 a.m., New Year's Eve- Communion worship 6:30 p.m.

Immanuel Lutheran Church WI. Synod

350 S. Helena Street Campbellsport 533-4385 Rev. Paul A. Cerny

Christmas Eve - Service at 7:00 p.m. Christmas Day -Service at 9 a.m.

New Year's Eve - Service at 7 p.m.

Catholic Church

303 E. Main St., Eden 920-477-3201 Father Kevin Wester

Christmas Eve- Eden gym at 4:00 p.m. Armstrong Eden gym at 10:00 p.m. .

St. Paul's Community United Church of Christ

Off CTH H on Memorial Dr 692-9736 Waubeka Celebrant David P. Jerger

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St. Martin's Community United Church of Christ

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Holy Angels Catholic Church

138 N. 8th Avenue West Bend 334-3038 Father Jerry Brittain

Christmas Eve - 3:00 and 4:30 p.m. (Children), 7:00 p.m. Christmas Day - Mass at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve - Mass at 4 p.m.

New Year's Day - Mass at 9:30 a.m.

St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Parish

406 Jefferson, West Bend 338-5600 Rich Harter, Parish Director

Christmas Eve - 4:30 and 10 p.m. Christmas Day - 8 and 10 a.m.

Shepherd of the Hills St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church

1025 S. 7th Avenue 338-2366 West Bend Rev. Jeffrey Haines & Rev. Rafael Rodriguez

Christmas Eve - Mass at 4:00, 6:00 and 11:00 p.m. Christmas Day - Mass at

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. New Year's Eve - Mass at

4:30 p.m. New Year's Day - Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Bible Baptist Church

3500 Beaver Dam Road West Bend 334-9693 Pastor Jack Kaetterhenry

December 19- Fellowship at 9:30 a.m., Christmas service at 10:30 a.m., Christmas program at 6:00 p.m.

Calvary Assembly of God

1110 E. Decorah Rd., West Bend 338-1171 Rev. John J. Garcia

Christmas Eve- Candlelight service with Communion 6 p.m.

St. Martin's United Church of Christ

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During the hustle and bustle of this holiday season, remember... Jesus is the reason for the season.

What to buy? This is the question

By RONDA ADDY

Gift buying can be such a hassle sometimes. What to get someone depends on their hobbies, likes and dislikes, and an important thing called your budget. Thanks to the Internet, gift buying has gotten somewhat easier. Here are some gift ideas that can be found by cruising the Web.

For those who like a challenge, there's the world's largest crossword puzzle. You can buy a 7'x7' crossword puzzle that has 28,000 clues with over 91,000 squares. It comes with a 100-page clues book with hints. The puzzle grid and the 4'x4' answer grid come complete with a storage box. The puzzle is available on a variety of Web sites.

Having had two probes land on it and talk of a manned mission to it, the planet Mars is one hot topic. In 1980, a company called the Lunar Embassy was born. The focus of numerous TV and print articles, the Lunar Embassy is recognized for its legal right to sell property on extraterrestrial bodies. You can buy an acre of Mars for \$19.99, which gets you a Martian Constitution Bill of Rights, a Martian deed, a site map showing the location of your property and a short story that includes a copy of the declaration of ownership printed on 11"x14" simulated parchment paper that has been filed with the United Nations along with the United States and Russian governments to show a legal claim of ownership. The offer also comes with a 30-day money-back guarantee. For more information, visit www.lunarembassy.com.

This next gift probably costs more than most people want to spend, but that doesn't make it any less cool. For only \$1,200, you can buy a Lord of the Rings pewter shot glass chess set. In this version of chess, each time you capture a piece, you have to drink whatever is in the glass. Available from Royal Selangor, the pewter shot glasses, also sold separately, depict different characters from the Lord of the Rings. The individual pieces are: Gandalf, the white bishop; Orc, the black pawn;

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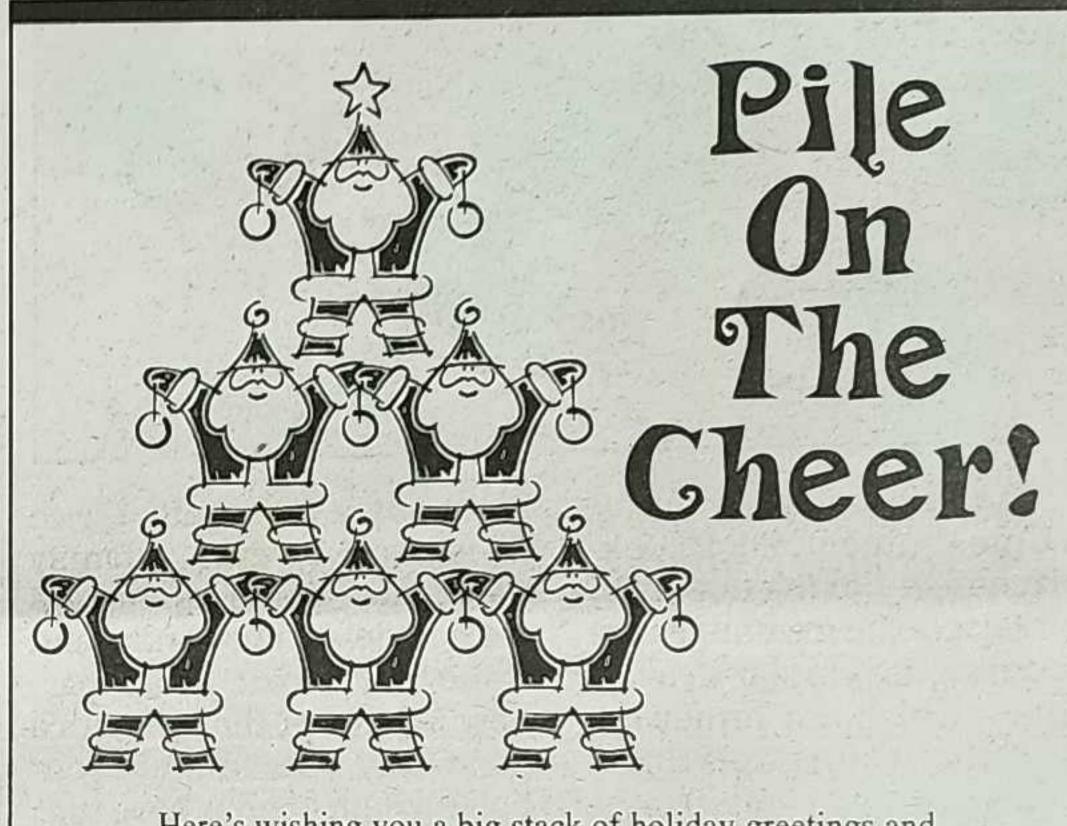
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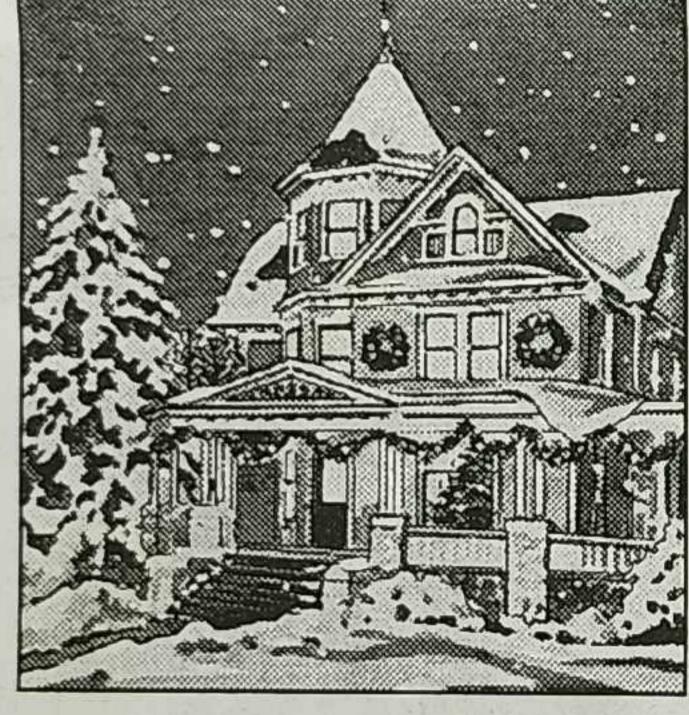
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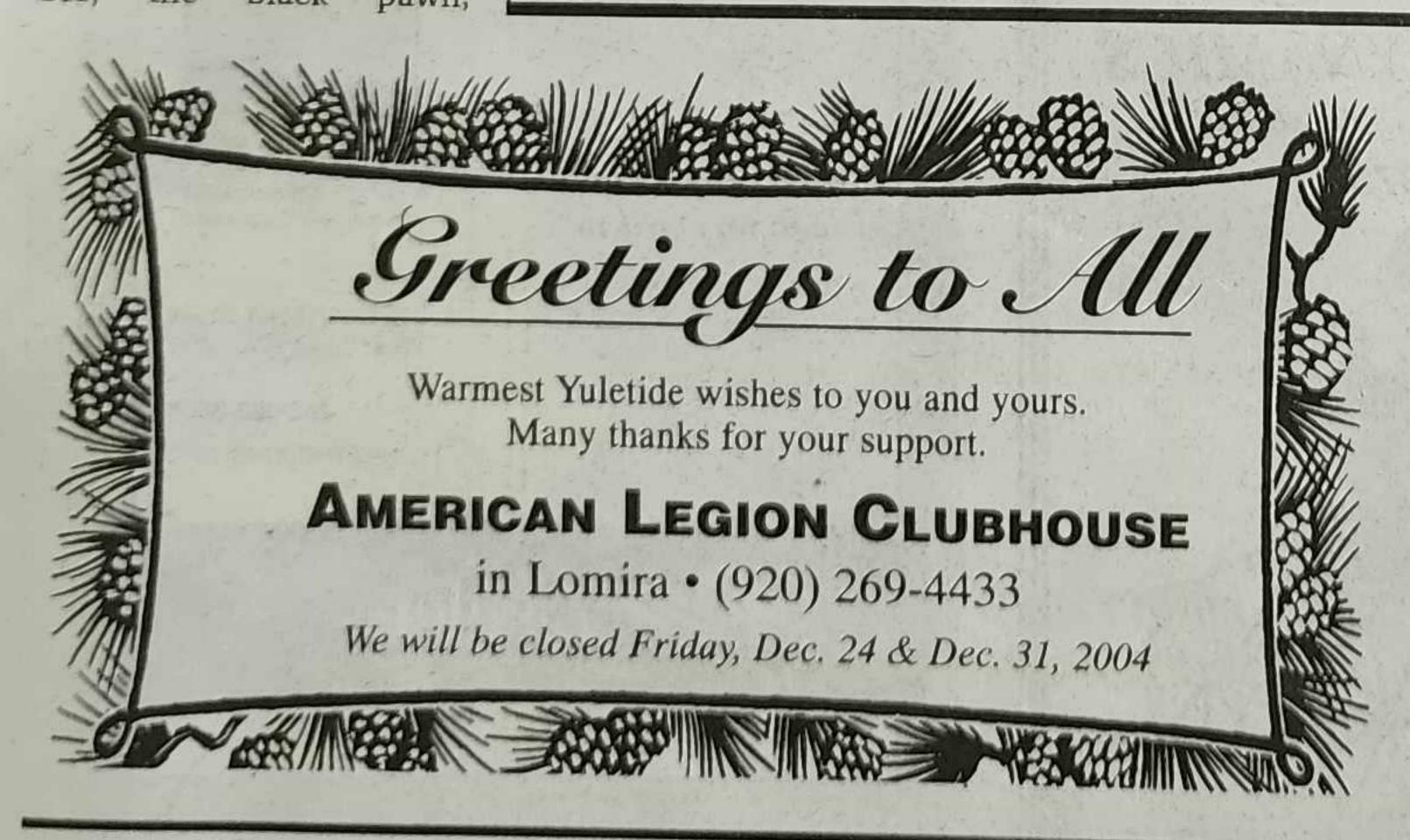
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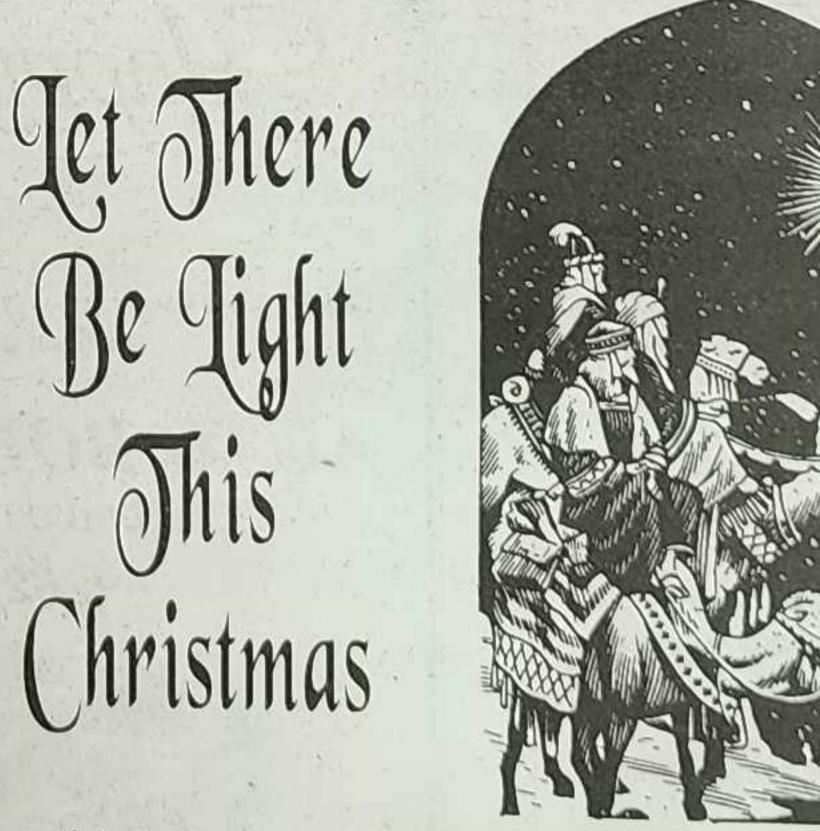


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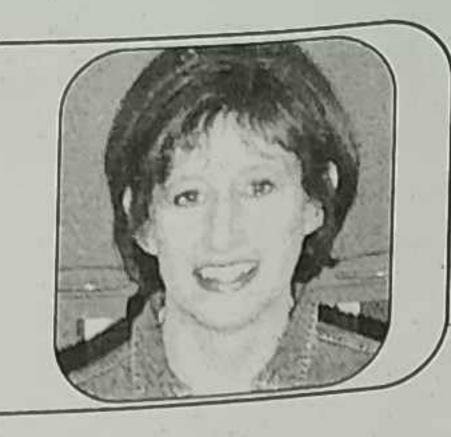
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Food for Thought

By Amy Swanson aswanson@kewaskumstatesman.com



Cookie Exchange Etiquette



Ladies, start your ovens; it's time for the holiday cookie exchange-baking bonanza! Holiday cookie exchanges are becoming as popular as icicle some are cookie swap parlights - which are somewhat overdone. It's an opportunity to socialize, eat, have some holiday cheer and best yet, walk away with dozens of tasty homemade cookies. Santa Claus isn't the only one who deserves a good plate of homemade cookies!

Cookie exchanges can be elaborate or just plain and simple. It can be a ladies

night out, a get together with co-workers or even a family tradition. Some exchanges are cookie-eating parties and ties. Whatever the style, it's a great way to show off your baking flair - if you have one. Or, for those who don't, cookie exchanges allow you to have a great variety of homemade cookies that you could never make on your own.

Here's how it works. Each guest bakes and bags onehalf dozen cookies for each person participating in the

exchange. For those of you with weak math skills, that means if 12 people are participating in the exchange, you will bake six-dozen cookies total, or 12 bags of six cook-

There are also several unwritten rules of cookie exchanges. All cookies must be homemade and baked real ingredients. Dipping Ritz Crackers, in melted chocolate will get you kicked out of any cookie exchange - trust me. Slice and bake cookies don't again, trust me. The hostess of the party will spend a lot time decorating her house and making a great spread of food, so she most certainly deserves REAL quality-made cookies.

Because this is Christmas cookie exchange, chocolate chip cookies are also really frowned upon. Christmas happens once a year and if you can't figure out how to shove Hershey Kisses onto a peanut butter cookie, or cut out a few snowmen - then you shouldn't be involved in the exchange anyway. Also, let the hostess know what type of cookies you are making before the exchange so there aren't duplicates. It's sure to happen that one person makes a much better type of the same cookie that someone else brought. The cookie # exchange is supposed to be fun, not a talent contest.

It's best to bake your cookies three-days before the exchange. After your cookies have cooled, stack them in groups of six, cover them

with wax paper and let them sit overnight. Do not put fresh-baked cookies in an airtight container, because the moisture will cause the cookies to be soft and crumbly. It is encouraged to wrap the cookies you bring to the swap in something decorative, with the recipe attached. Make Martha Stewart proud while she's in prison, put bows on your Zip lock Baggies, or use holiday gift bags. Presentation is everything! If you make gingerbread men, make sure you leave air holes for the little guys to breathe.

Also, don't forget to bring an empty container with you to bring home all of the homemade treasures. It might be worth it to bring two, so that you can hide your favorites from your fam-

ily - they will never even know you had them!

When you get home store the cookies in the garage, so they don't take up space in your refrigerator. When you crave a cookie bring the cookies inside and let them sit for 15 minutes to warm up. Pour yourself a cup of hot cocoa, turn on the lights on the Christmas tree. relax by the fire and listen to Christmas music on the radio.... Then pick up all of the wrapping paper and toys that your kids left all over the house...scrub off the drawing your daughter drew with her new crayons on the wall...assure your screaming child that Santa sometimes forgets batteries....and have yourself a merry little Christmas!





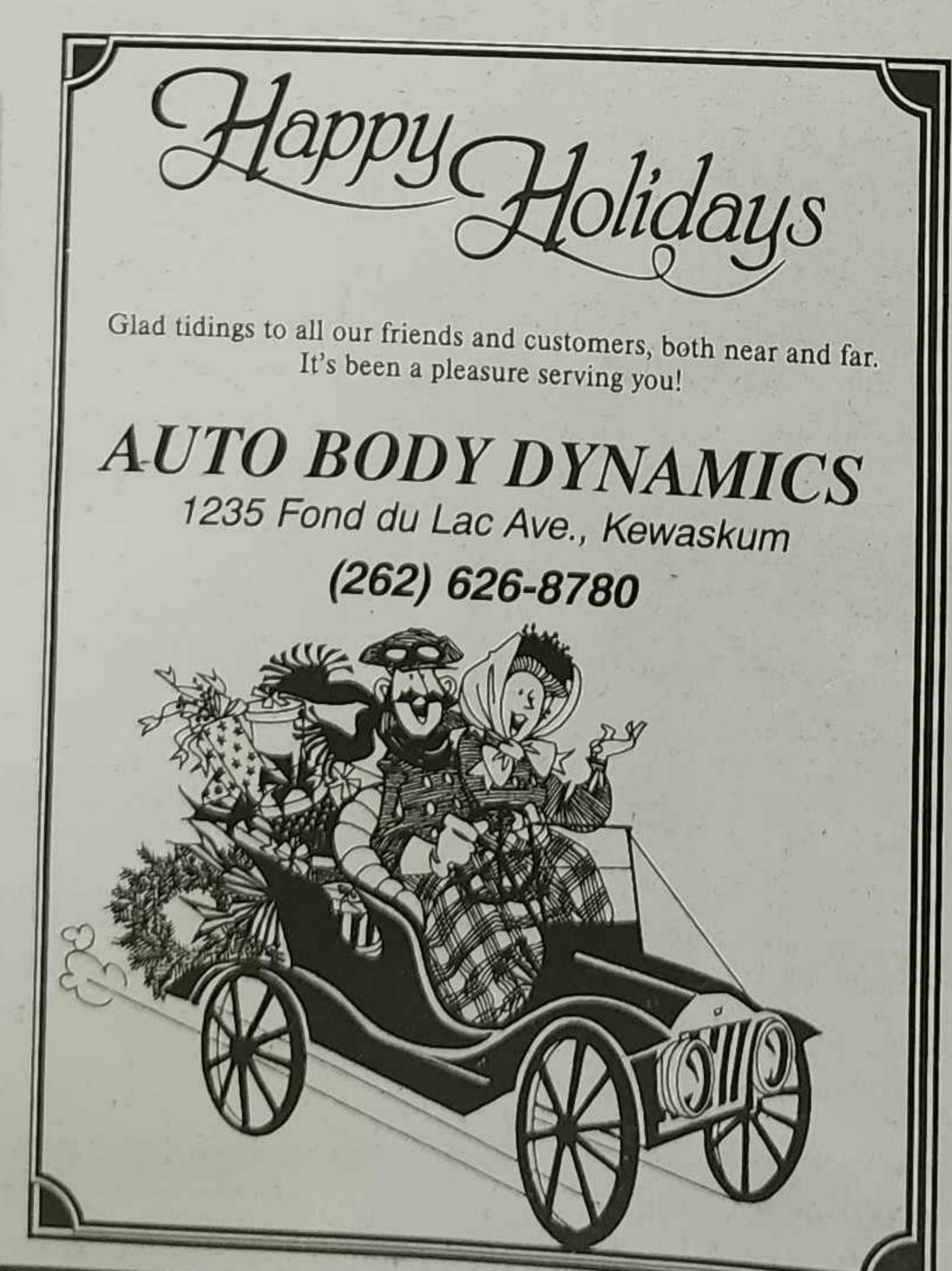
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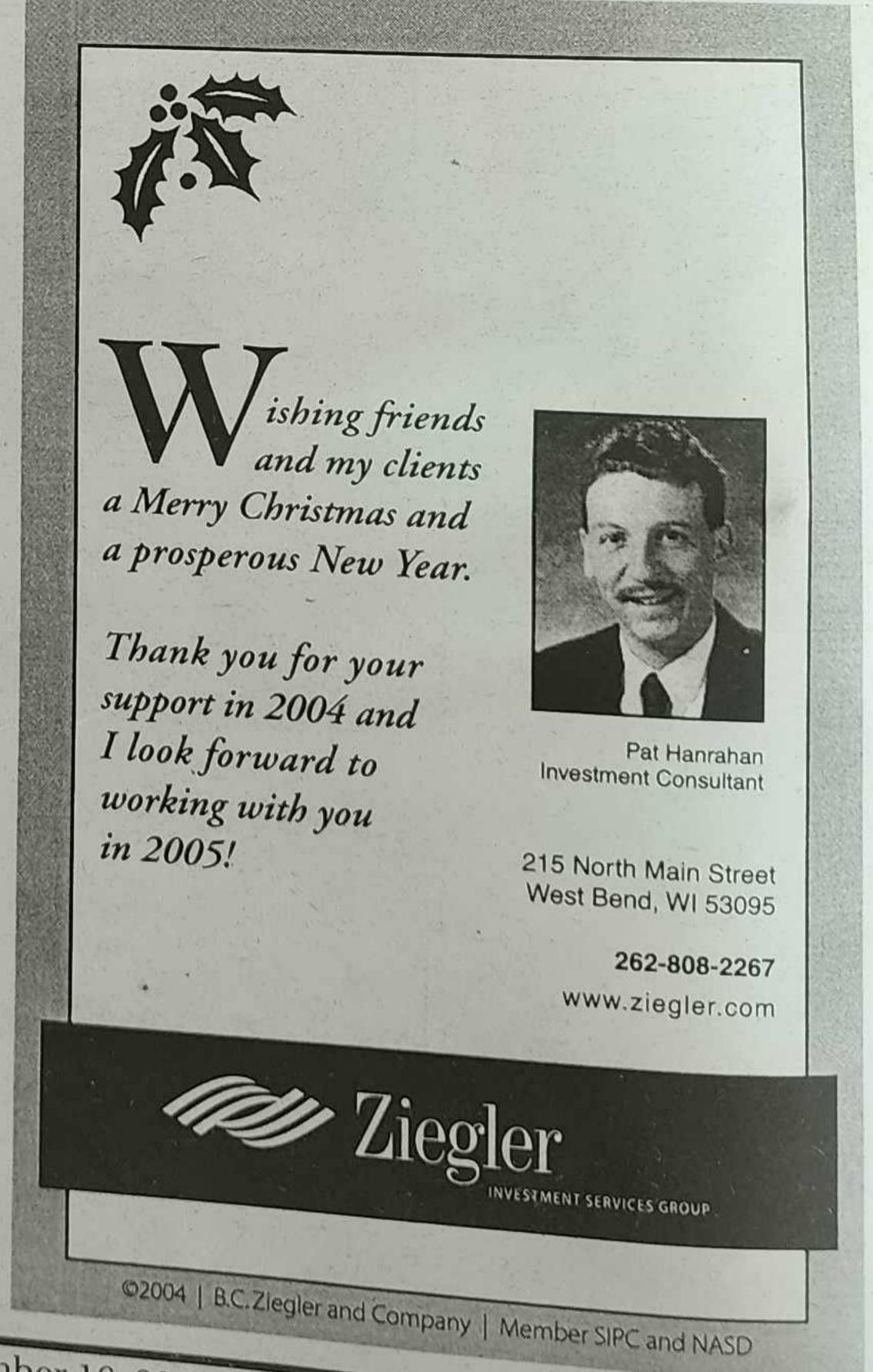
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My favorite Christmas Memory...

By Jerry Metz

When I was four, five or six years old, I remember my older brother Ken, my younger brother Mike and I sledding on Grandma and Grandpa Metz's steep hill in the cow pasture, especially while the adults, grandma and grandpa Metz, aunts Clara, and Eileen and my parents, Mathias and Louise, prepared a huge dinner. We sledded until the sun started to set and dad came and told us that we had to come in. I'm 57 now, but those memories will go on with me to my grave.

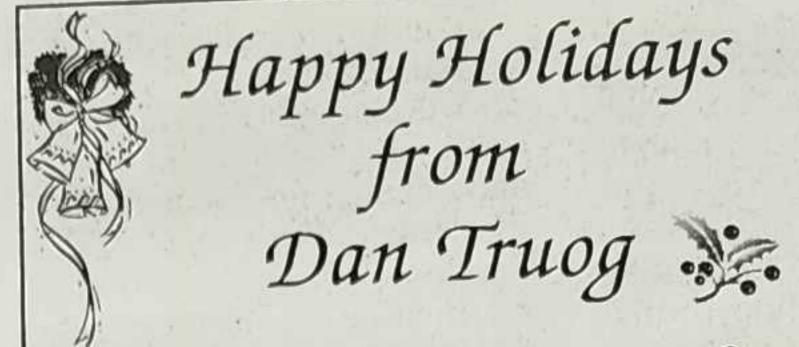
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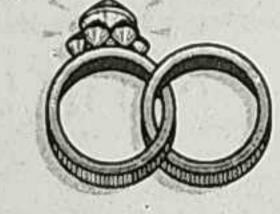
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Wacky, silly or goofy

By Ronda Addy

There is no law that says gifts must be practical. Don't you think that it would be fun every once in a while to give a wacky gift and watch the expression on the face of the unsuspecting receiver? But what kind of wacky gifts can you give? Try these on for size.

They got their start in Germany and were called Nodders. During the 1960s, they were popular for a while, but like most things, they faded. Then, in 1999, the San Francisco Giants gave them away as a marketing promotion at one of their games and they have been popular ever since. What are they? They are bobbleheads. Today's bobbleheads are a far cry from those generic, pudgy figures of the past that all looked alike. Today's bobbleheads actually have the scars, tattoos and hairstyles of the people they embody. You can get bobbleheaded sports figures, movie stars, singers, politicians, movie characters, comic book heroes, animals and advertising icons. Some of the bobbleheads available are: Sugar Dudley Do-Right, Bear, Bazooka Joe, Tony the Tiger, Gorton Fisherman, Wonder Woman, Marcia Brady, Maxwell Smart, The Terminator, Kobe Bryant, Shaquille O'Neal, Allen Iverson, Tiny Tim, a Jack Russell Terrier, a Rottweiler, a Chihuahua, Jackie Kennedy, Hillary Clinton, Rudy Giuliani and George W. Bush.

Too much stress at the office? Try the Executive Shooting Gallery. This batteryoperated, carnival-style shooting gallery is perfect for desktop play. While users shoot at nine still targets or two moving targets with the magnetic gun, the gallery plays classic carnival music and has a built-in

score keeper. It also comes with a space-saving fold-away stand.

Need to let off a little steam? Try the Executive Punching This Bag. polyurethane punching bag is mounted on a spring base for gym-style return action. Requiring a minimal amount of assembly, it comes with suction cups that can secure it to a desk or cabinet without damaging the finish. The pump and needle valve are included.

How about an Office Voodoo Doll? The voodoo doll kit includes a 64-page spell book, a doll with a businessman on one side and a businesswoman on the other, white pins for good spells and black pins for bad spells. The 9" tall doll can be stored in a box that looks like an office building. Businessman spells include: a paper cut, respect, extra vacation, a pay cut, a key to the executive washroom and a bad golf game. spells Businesswoman include: no time off, a company car, a company credit card, stress, a hot assistant and a stinky raise. For those who just want something more general, there is the Voodoo Doll. This 9" tall doll comes with five white pins for good luck and five black pins for bad luck. You can have someone win a race, get zits or a flat tire, find gold or lose their mind.

Got a sports lover on your list? Why not buy them the Caddyshack Gopher in Golf Bag? The gopher measures 12" high and 10" wide. Press his button and watch him swing his head from side to side while the golf clubs spin around, all to the tune of "I'm Alright." There is even a place for businesscards and pens.

Looking for something for the angler on your list? How about a Fishing Lure Mailbox? The mailbox is made of highimpact poly resin and has a metallic finish that will withstand extreme weather conditions and damage caused by the sun. The hooks are bendable plastic. The mailbox will fit on a standard 2"x4" or 4"x4" post (not included) and can be attached with tamperproof mounting screws.

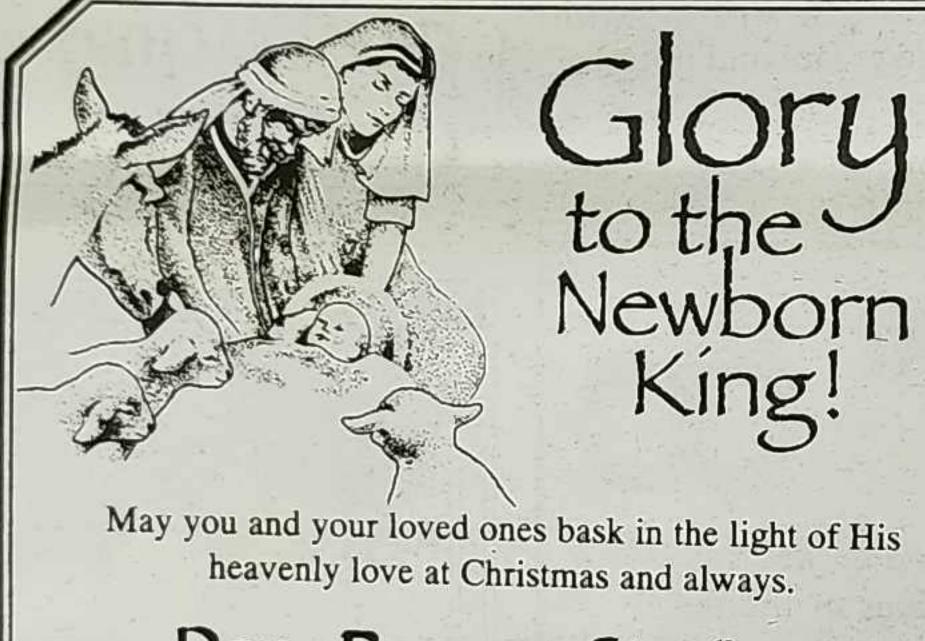
Got some people on your list who march to the beat of a different drummer? The Mixed Up Clock is for them. This clock has all the numbers in the wrong position. For example, at 2:00 the clock reads 9:00 and at 9:00 the clock reads 6:00. Knowing what time it is a real challenge. The clock is 9" wide and runs on one battery (not included).

While wacky gifts are not for everybody, there is hopefully someone on your gift list that would appreciate something slightly different. Have fun shopping!

Christmas Memories - 1958

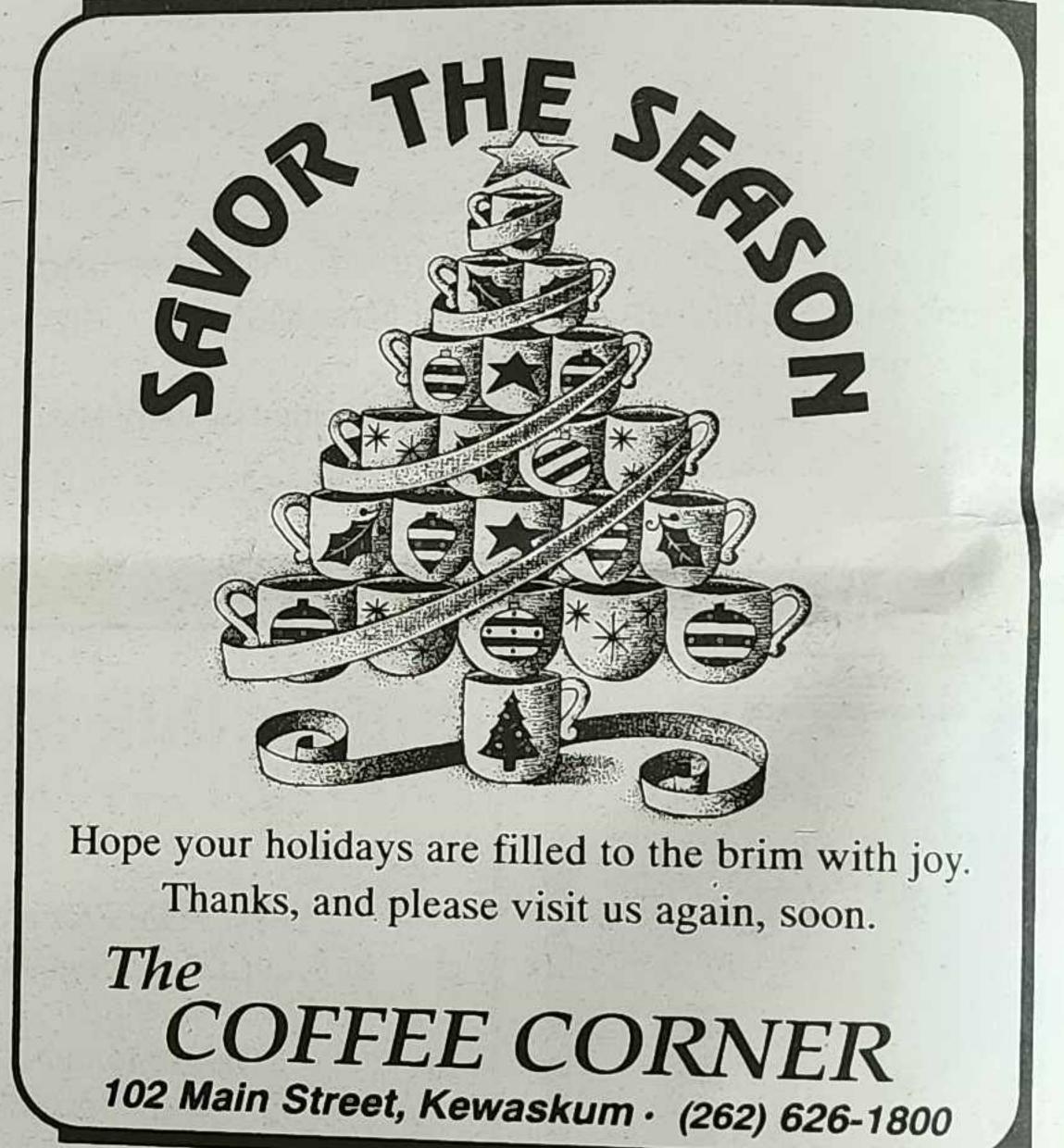
Shown above at Christmas in 1958 are, left to right Chris (Thull) Dehler, Carol (Zacho) Gaffke, Willie Zacho, and Jim Thull.

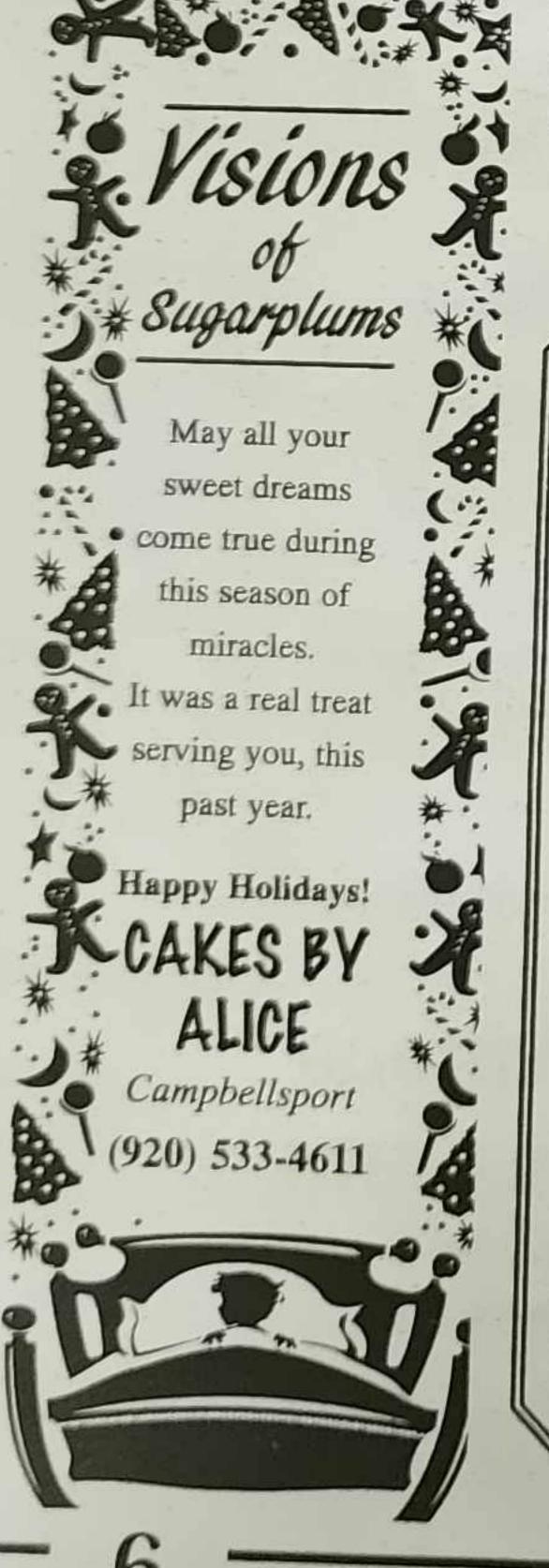
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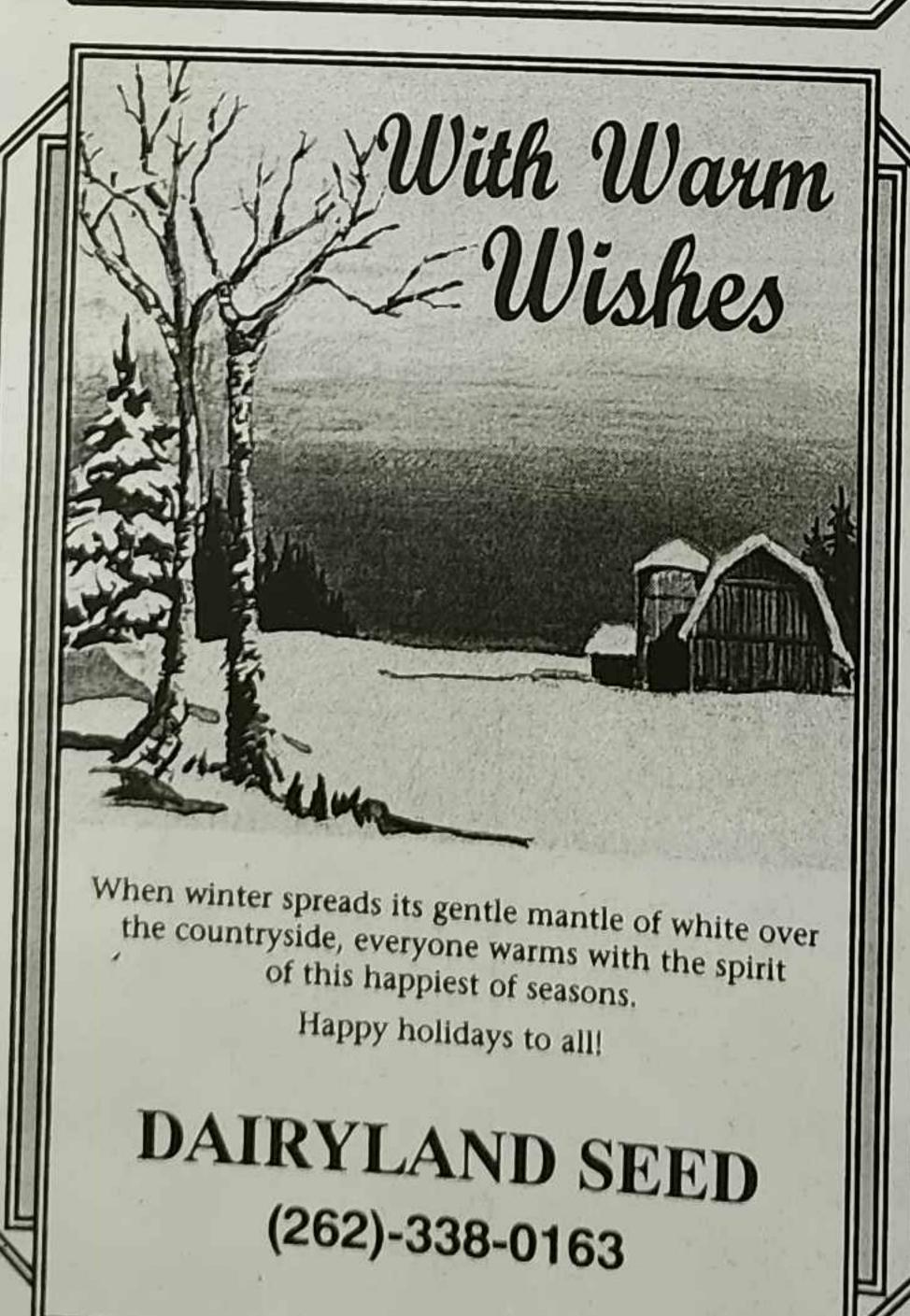


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Stuffing pioneer inspired world's best stuffing cookbook

(ARA) - Jazzing up your holiday meal may be as simple as following some brilliant oldfashioned advice.

Earn your guests' attention and affection by innovatively serving your holiday stuffing as individual loaves, balls or muffins. You will draw raves with choices such as stuffing balls packed with the flavor of grapefruit and walnuts and topped with a fresh grapefruitapple cider-mint sauce, singleserving stuffing loaves lovingly filled with chopped dried figs and oranges and magnificent stuffing muffins that combine brown rice, chopped green onion, celery and cashews.

These sumptuous selections are from the exclusive archives of the late Sophie Cubbison, a 1912 university home economics graduate who was one of the country's first whole-wheat bread bakers and, in 1926, the inventor of Melba-toasted packaged stuffing mix. For the first time, the treasure-trove of 60 years of recipes developed for Mrs. Cubbison's Foods, Inc., still the country's leading traditional stuffing maker, appear in a book: "Mrs. Cubbison's Best Stuffing Cookbook."

"Sophie Cubbison was a good friend and wonderful

mentor to me," says Leo president of Pearlstein, Western Research Kitchens, one of the nation's oldest food promotions companies, who authored "Mrs. Cubbison's Best Stuffing Cookbook" nationally syndicated food writer and cookbook author Lisa Messinger. "It was an honor for me to collaborate with a culinary pioneer like Sophie to develop these recipes that are a virtual mirror of our country's rich culinary history."

In addition to traditional casseroles and recipes for "Mrs. stuffed turkeys, Cubbison's Stuffing Best Cookbook," which includes more than 100 recipes, is packed with stuffing recipes for meat, fish, holidays, and regional and international specialties. There is also a chapter filled with recipes for the stuffing loaves, balls and muffins that Sophie Cubbison loved to serve to friends and family. She also presented these recipes around the country as one of the first food company presidents who personally demonstrated recipes.

"Like Sophie did, why not surprise your holiday guests with stuffing loaves, balls or muffins?" Pearlstein suggests. "When made from packaged

stuffing mix, they are exceptionally easy, while at the same time featuring fantastic flavor and making an absolutely lovely and highly memorable presentation."

Grapefruit-Walnut Stuffing Balls with Citrus-Cider-Mint Sauce

- 1 (6-ounce) bag packaged combread stuffing mix
- 1 cup grapefruit segments 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh mint 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup melted butter or margarine

3/4 cup grapefruit juice

Sauce:

- 2 grapefruits, sectioned and chopped bite-sized, with juice reserved
- 1/2 cup apple cider
- 1 1/2 tablespoons honey
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch 1/2 teaspoon dried crushed mint leaves
- 2 1/2 tablespoons chopped fresh mint for garnish
- 2 1/2 tablespoons grapefruit zest for garnish

Yield: 6 to 8 servings

1. Preheat the oven to 325 degrees. Spray a baking sheet with nonstick cooking spray and set aside.

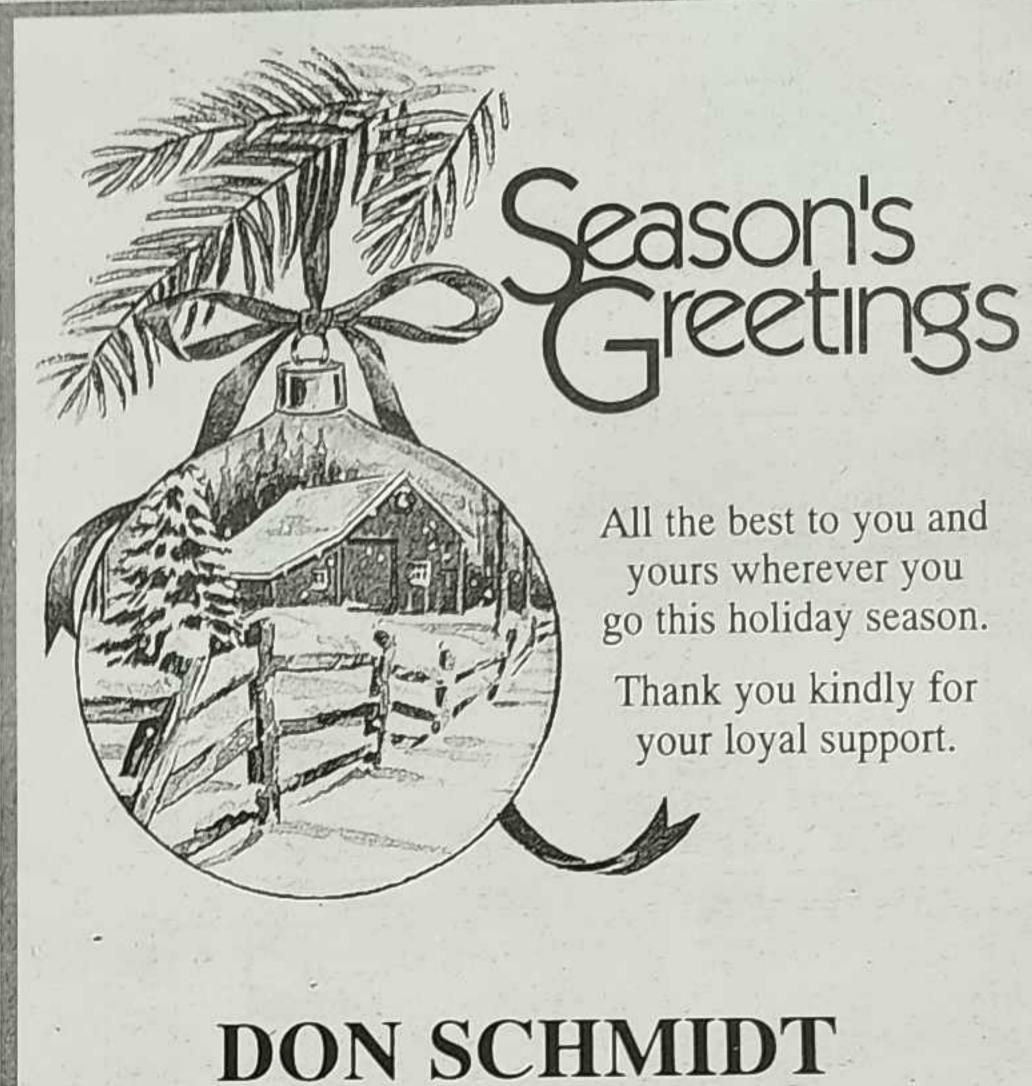
2. Combine the stuffing mix, grapefruit segments, walnuts, mint, and brown sugar in a large bowl. Stir in first the melted butter and then the grapefruit juice, tossing lightly but thoroughly after each addition.

3. Shape the stuffing mixture into 6 to 8 balls and arrange on the prepared baking sheet. Bake covered for 35 minutes, or until firm to the touch and thoroughly heated.

4. Combine the grapefruit juice, cider, honey, and cornstarch in a small saucepan. Place the saucepan over medium heat to slowly bring to a boil. Boil for 4 minutes, stirring constantly as the mixture thickens. Stir in the reserved grapefruit sections and the mint.

5. Serve the sauce warm over the stuffing balls, garnishing with the chopped mint and grapefruit zest.





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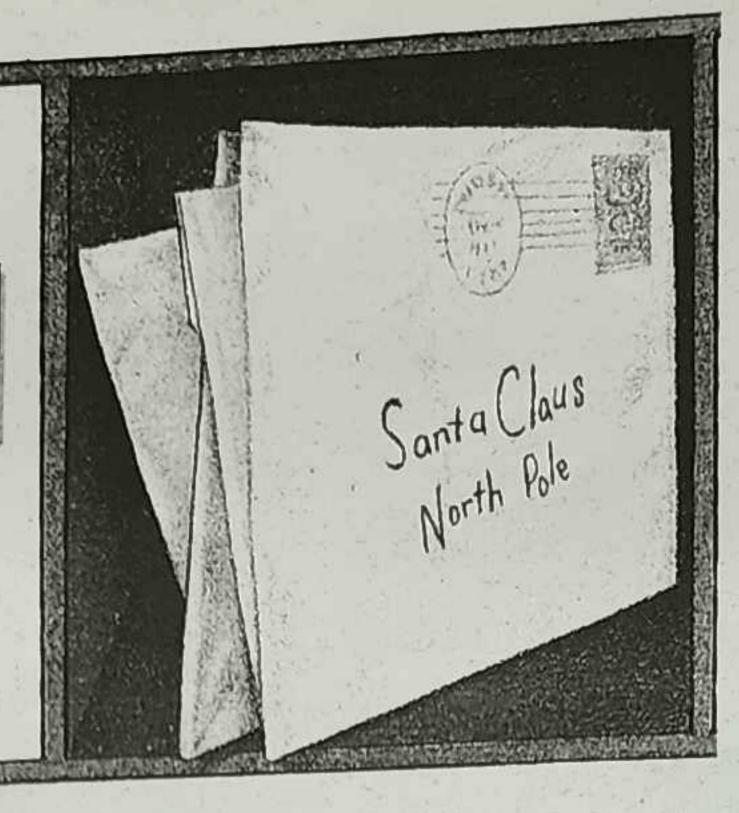
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Read Santa's mail and find out!



Dear Santa My name is Tanner G. I have been a good bow and I would like a big fire truck and a computer for Christmas.

Love, Janner

Dear Santa - My name is Nikki T. I would like a Dora Talking House, a guitar and a trumpet.

Love, Love, I would like a Dora Talking House, a guitar and a trumpet.

Dear Santa

My name is Erik H. I have been a good boy this year. I would like an off road truck, a combine and my baby brother would like a deer.

Love, Erik

Dear Santa -

My name is Kellie E. I would like a Barbile and a Barbile thouse.

Loue, Kellie Dear Santa

My name is Eric B. I would like a reindeer, a tow truck and a bulldozer. Santa I have also been a good boy this year.

Love, Eric

Dear Santa -

My name is Skylar S. I would like a remote control race truck and a tractor.

Love, Skylar

Dear Santa -

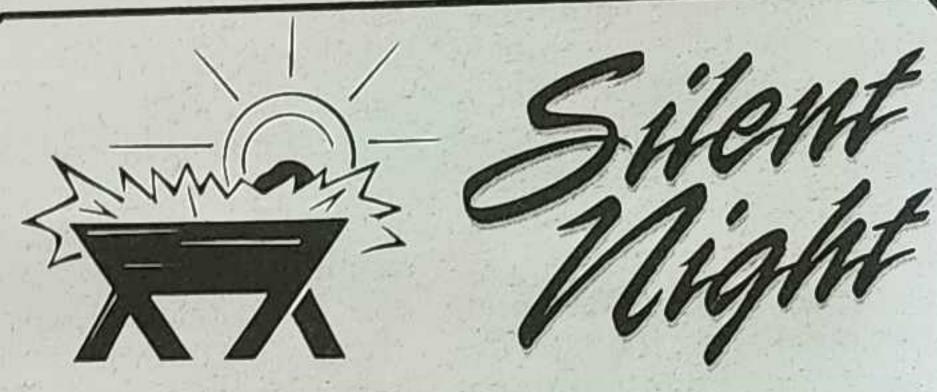
My name is Rachel K. i would like new tows for my monmy and daddy and me. I would like a tow car, a truck, stuffed animals, and a horsie. I have been a really good girl this year. Thank you!

Love

Dear Santa -

My name is Ben M. I was a good boy this year. I would like a truck like Daddy's, a motorcycle and lots of toys. Please bring my sister Emma a toy car and a pretty necklace. Thank you!

Ben



May the message of hope and peace He brought us on that first Holy night spread throughout humanity.

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Dear Santa -My name is Paige H. I was a good girl all year long. I would like you to bring a big truck, a zebra, a new dress and a tou snowyan. Thank you! Love,

Dear Santa -My have is Zach E. I would like the G.I. Too DVD and a ball. Love,

Dear Santa -

My name is Brandon S. For Christmas I would like you to bring ye a seyitruck and truck like Mus daddus's. I was a really good boy this year. Thank

Love, Brandon

Dear Santa naye Christopher E. I was a good boy this year. I would like you to bring ye a daddy long-legs that youes, a tiger with legs that youe. I would also like a rhinoceros, a panda bear, a giraffe and a zabra that all youe. Thank Love,

Christopher

My name is David B. I

Love,

David

Love,

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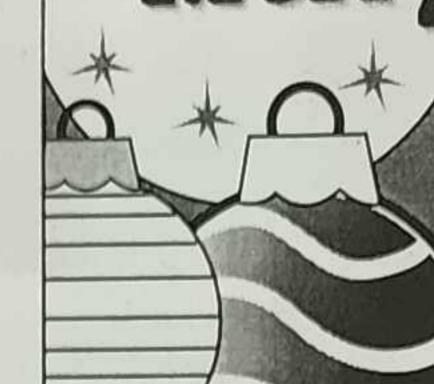
Dear Santa -

Dear Santa -My name is Evan D. I would like you to bring me a jeep, and a tow truck for Christmas. I want a race car, too. I was a good boy this year. I would also like a big bulldozer and a little bulldozer. Thank youl Love, Evan

Dear Santa -My have is Madeline A I was a good girl this year. I would like you to bring we a tour doggie, a new dress, and dress-up clothes for Christmas. Please bring MOMMY, and daddy presents too.

> Love, Madeline

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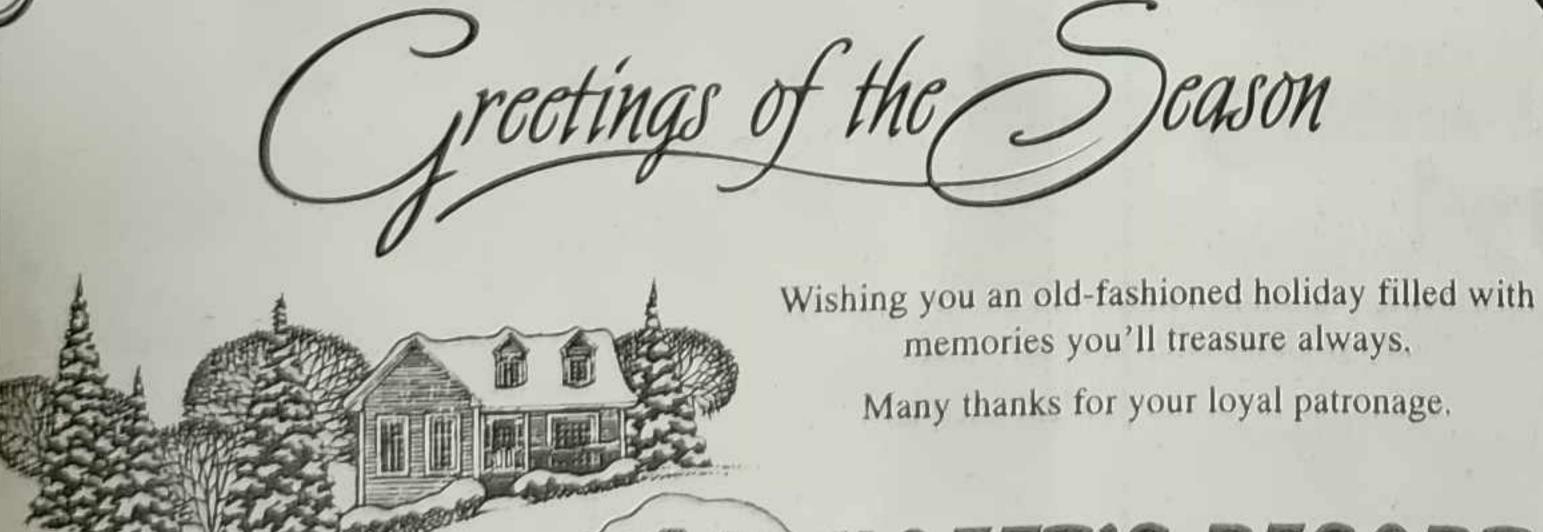


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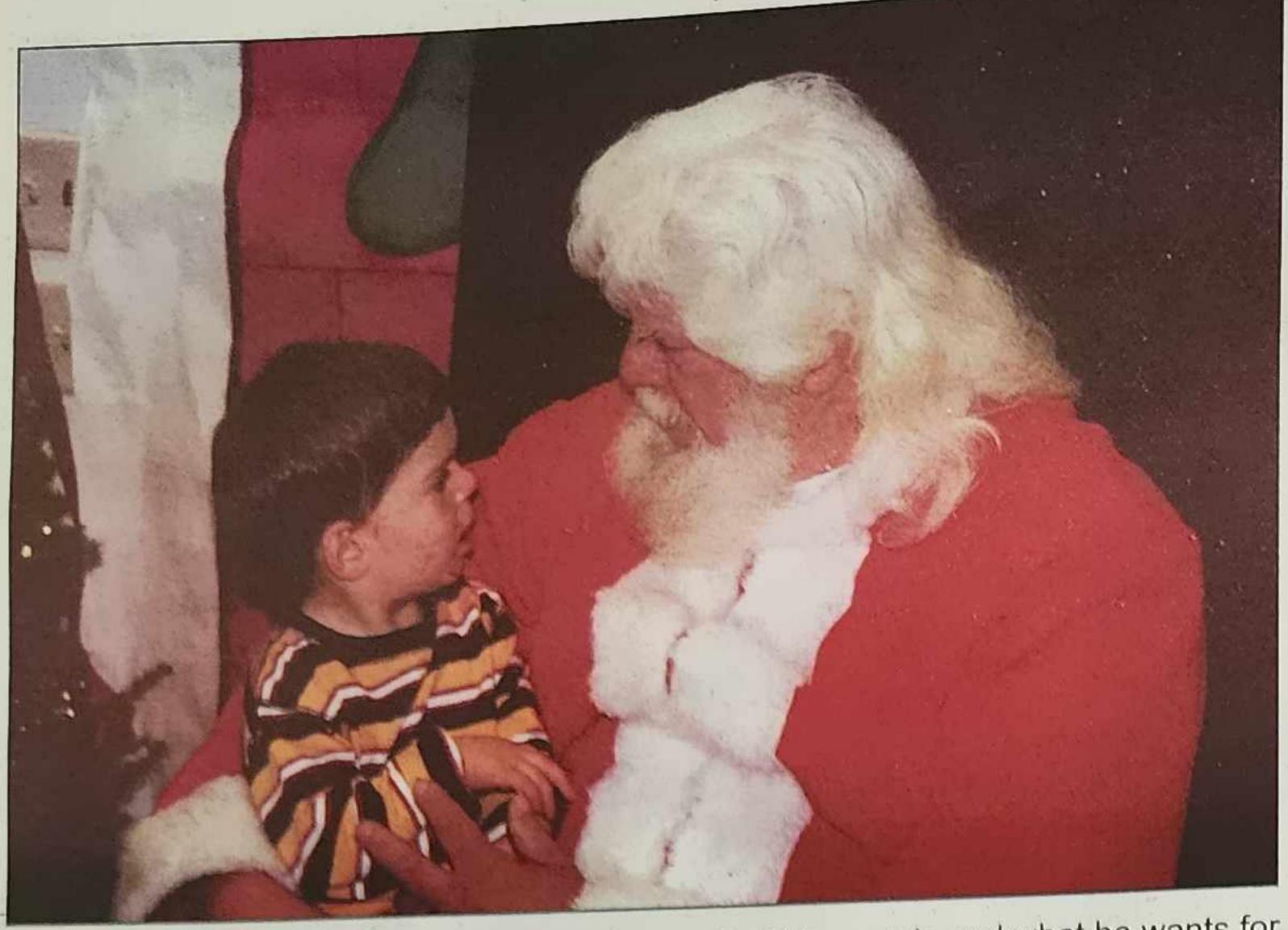
A PICTURE PERFECT CHRISTMAS

We hope your holiday season develops beautifully. Thanks so much for making our year a snap!

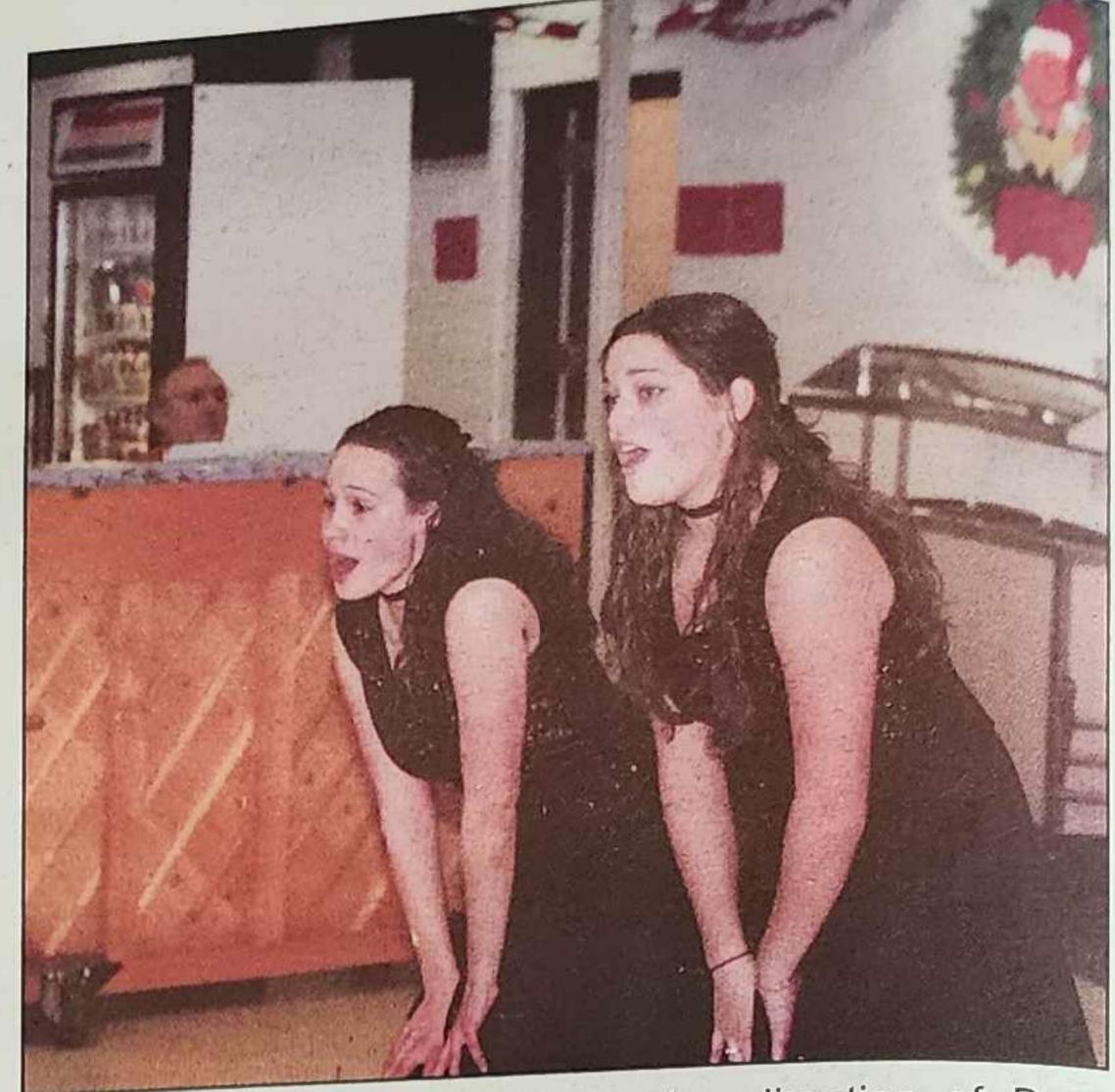


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Trent Schladweiler, 3, of Kewaskum, tells Santa all of his secrets and what he wants for Christmas too at the Breakfast with Santa held at Kewaskum High School on December 4, 2004. The event, sponsored by the KHS Future Homemakers of America Club served 270 people. Carol Martin, who is in charge of the event, stated that this was her 27th year and attendance continues to increase yearly.



The KHS Swing Choir, under the direction of Dave Bertelsen, entertained the crowd. Above Lindsay Krautkramer, left, and Elisa Schoofs performed Santa Baby.

Statesman photos: Andrew Kuehl

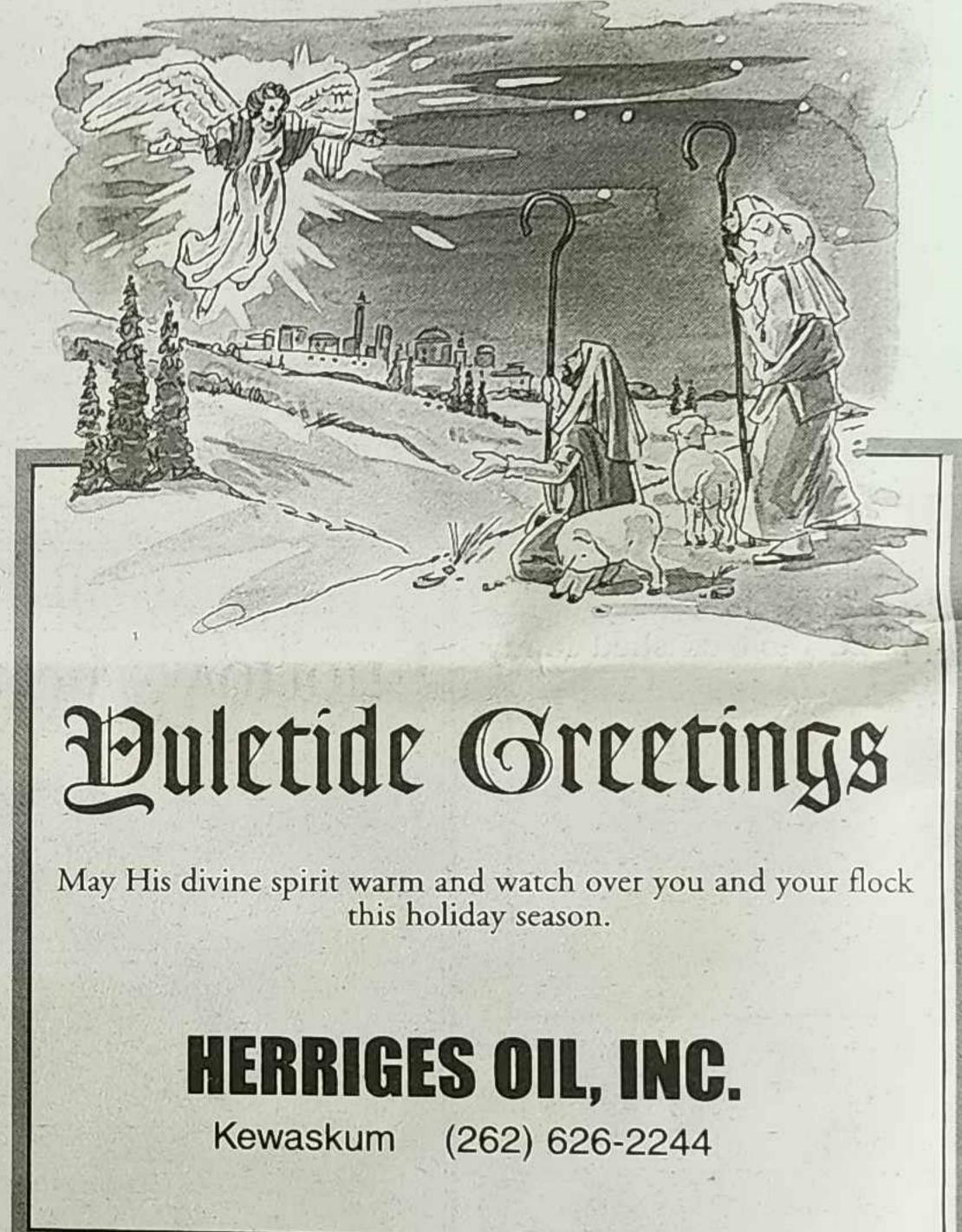


Happy Holidays and many thanks.



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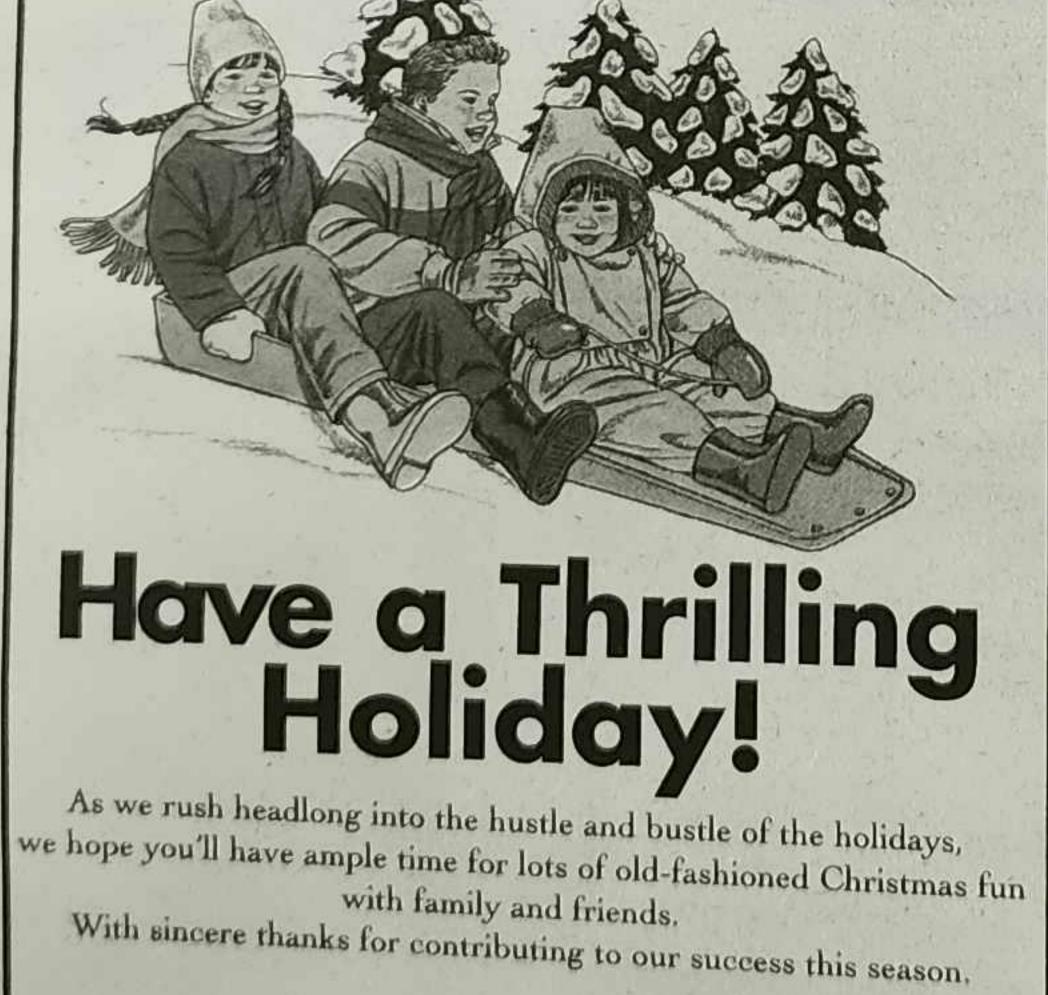
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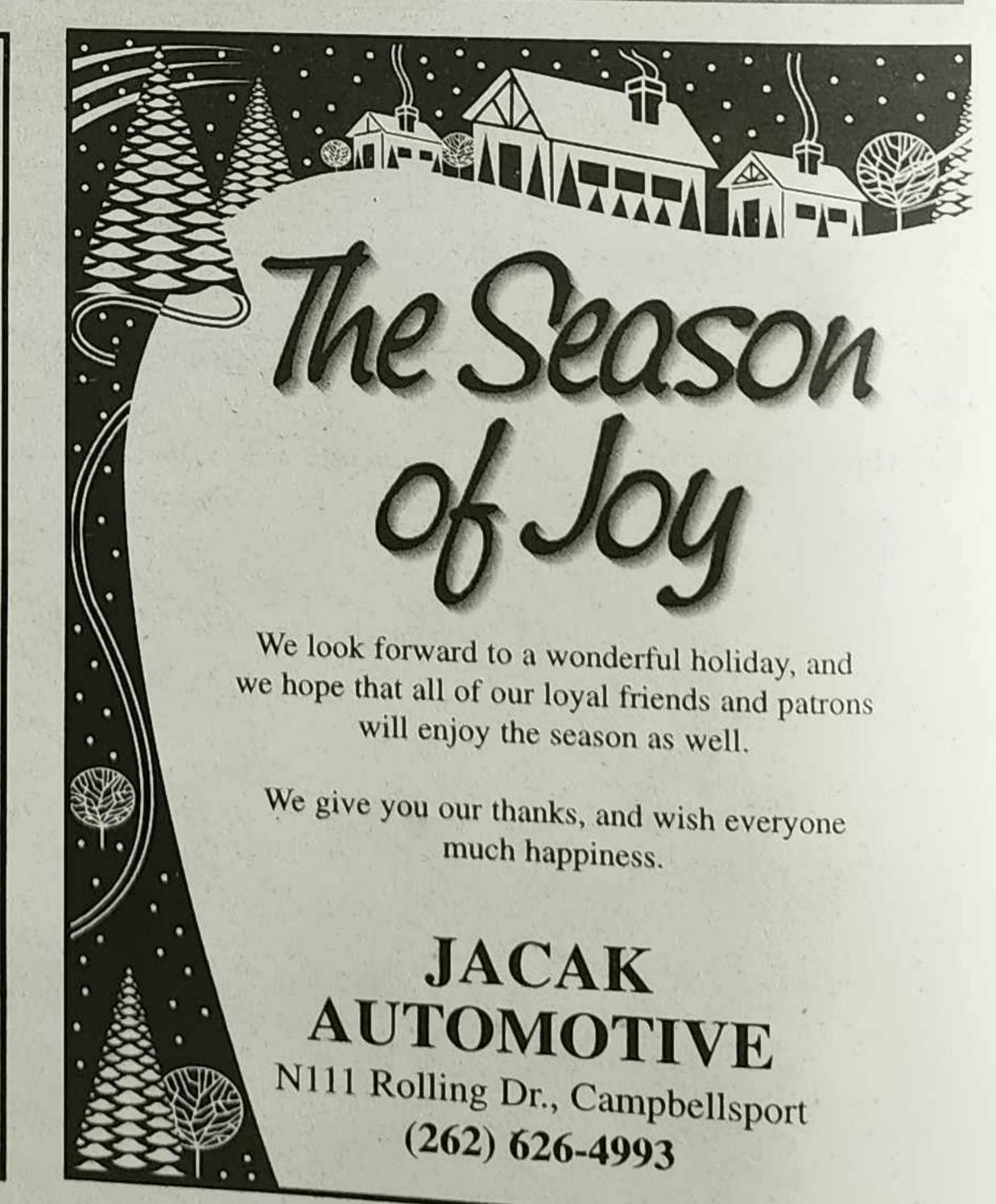


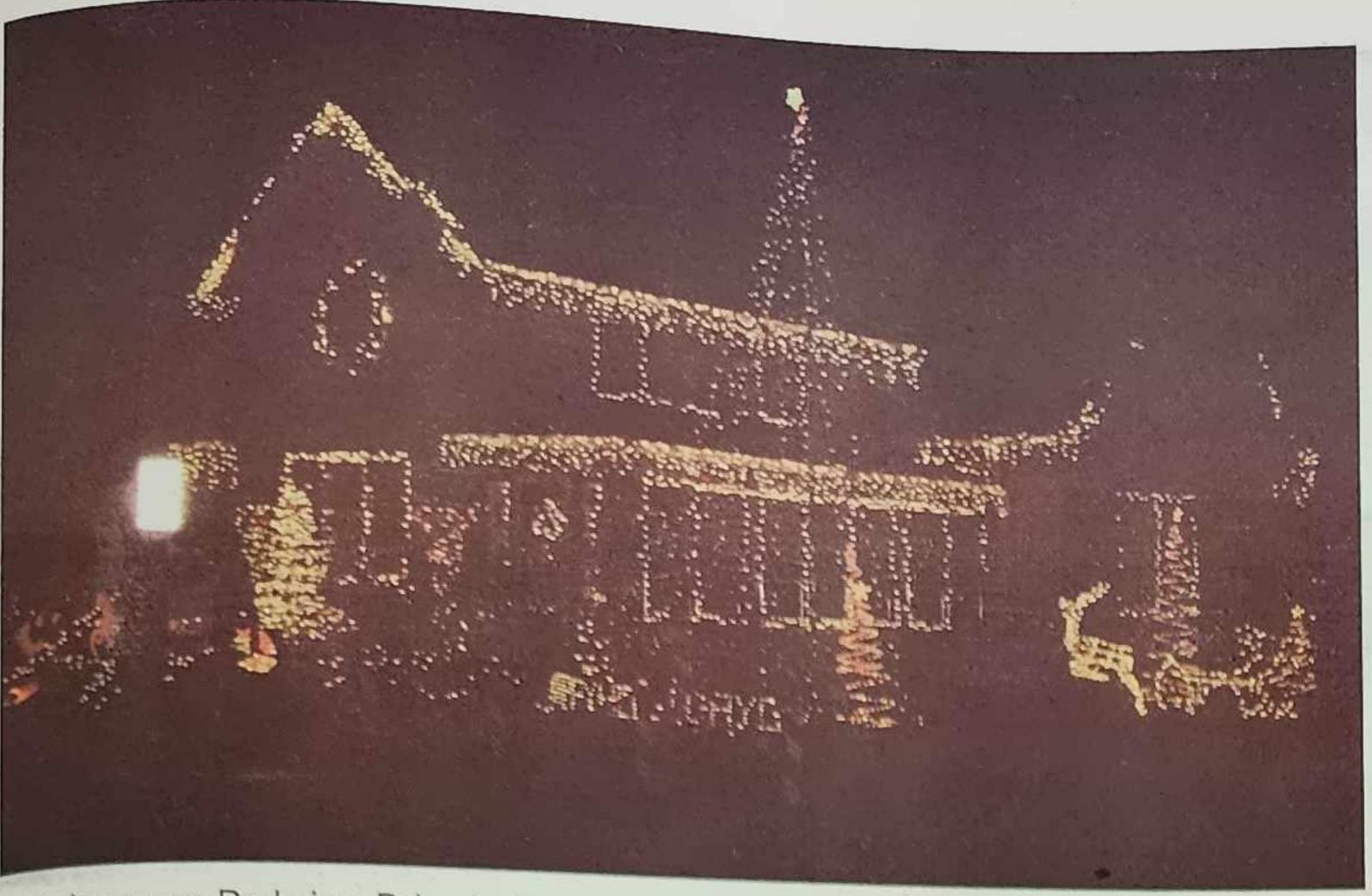
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This home on Parkview Drive in Kewaskum is by far one of the Village's most decorated homes. The home features thousands of lights and many special features including a flying pig!

Candy Cane Cookies

Makes 20-24 cookies

COOKIES: 1 cup unsalted butter 1/2 cup powdered sugar 1/4 tsp. salt 1 tsp. almond flavoring

ICING:

1 cup chopped almonds 2 cups all-purpose flour

2 cups powdered sugar 2 to 3 Tbsp. milk Approx. 4 to 6 crushed candy canes

Warm holiday greetings to you, our special friend and customer. Thank you for making this year so enjoyable for us.

Have a wonderful holiday with those near and dear to you.

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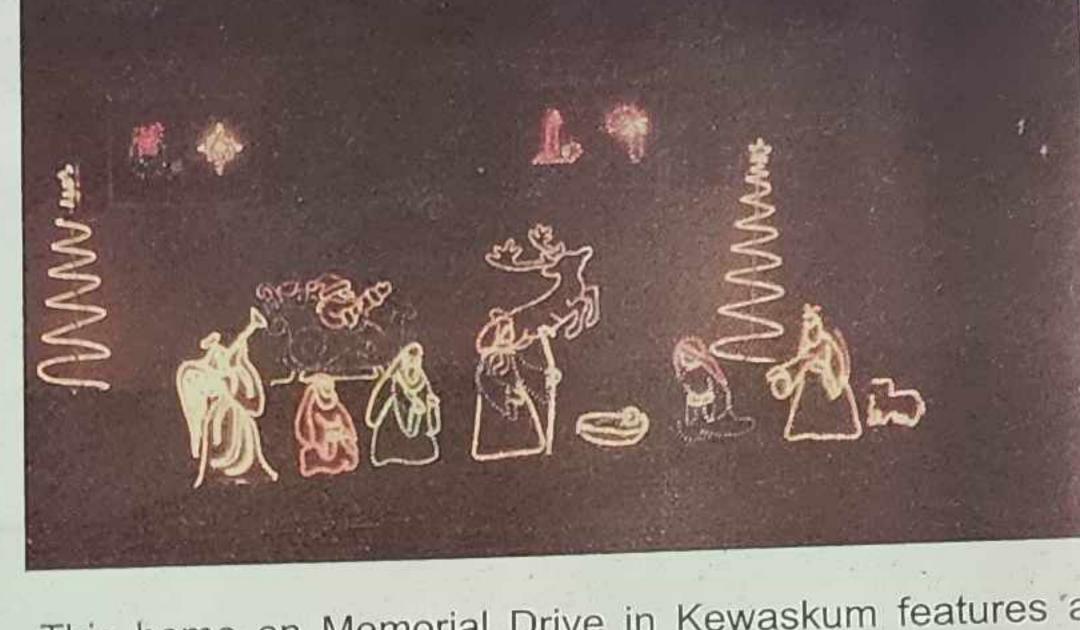
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1) Preheat oven to 350°F. Combine butter, sugar, salt and flavoring into large electric mixer bowl and beat until fluffy. Stir in almonds and flour until well blended.

2) Roll a heaping tablespoon of dough into a rope and form into a candy cane shape. Place on well-butered or parchement-lined baking sheet and repeat using all of the dough to make 20 to 24 cookies. Bake until slightly browned, 15 to 17 minutes. Cool on pan until slightly firm, then carefully remove to a wire rack and cool completely.

3) For icing, stir powdered sugar and milk together. Add food coloring, if desired. Drizzle on cookies and sprinkle with crushed candy

canes.



This home on Memorial Drive in Kewaskum features a simple but beautiful lighted nativity scene in the front yard.



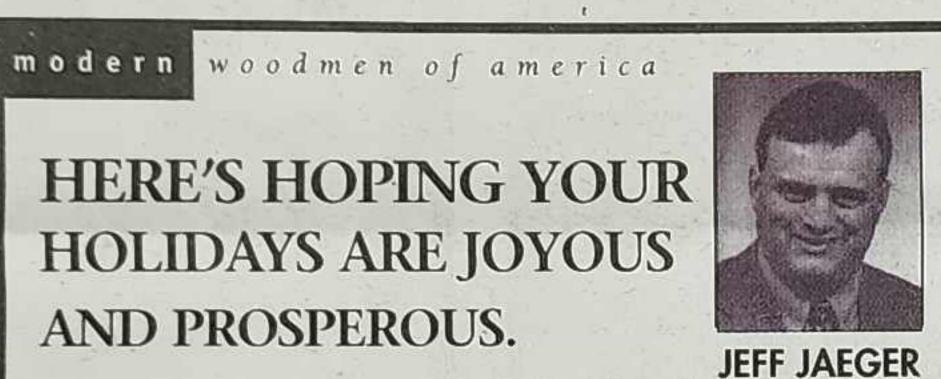
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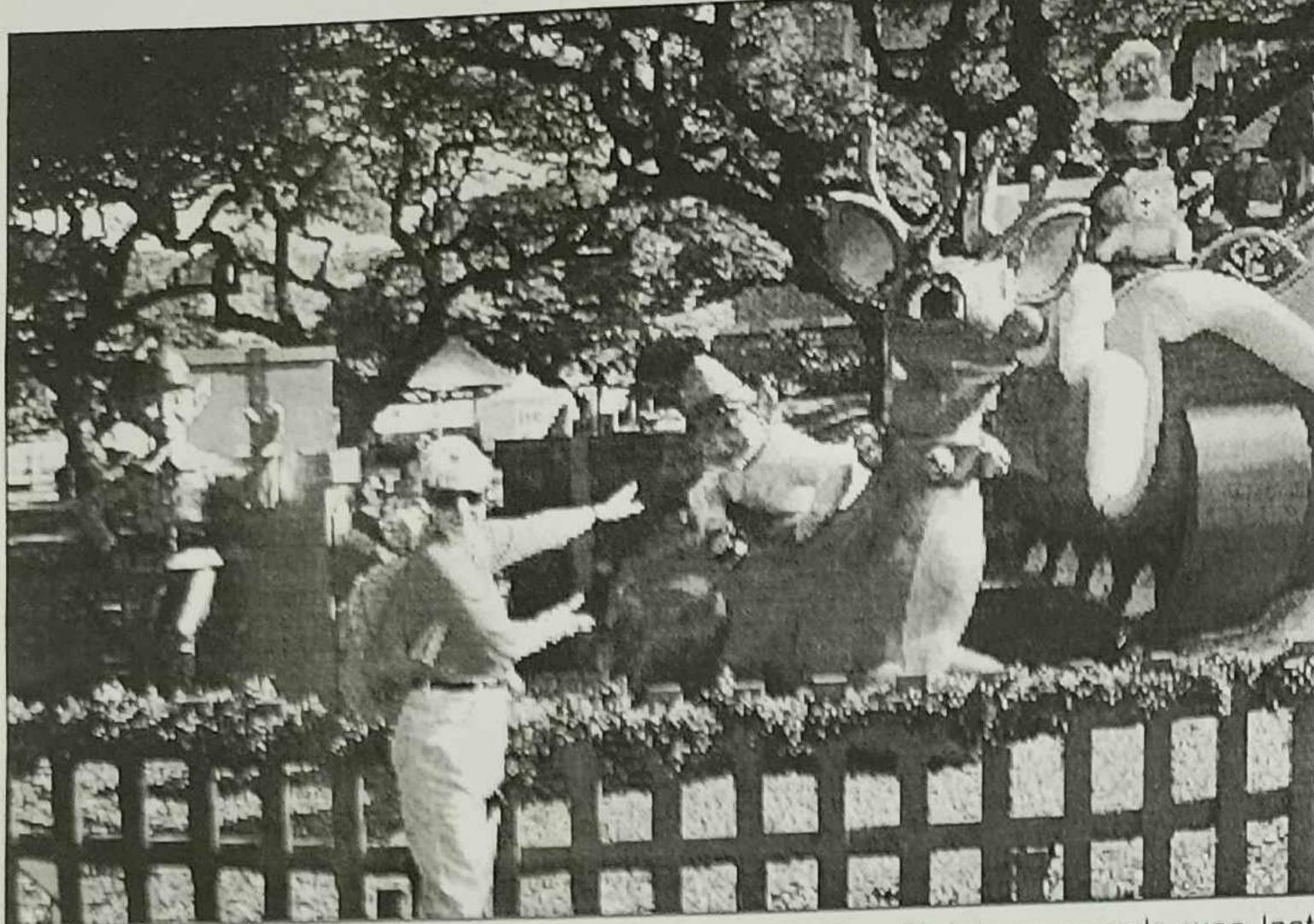
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First grade Christmas



It's beginning to look at lot like Christmas in Hawaii! Our Christmas parade was last night. These characters decided they liked it here a lot more than the North Pole.

The following story and photo above were submitted by Dale Matthies who currently resides in Honolulu, Hawaii. He originally wrote the story to be read to kids in Hawaii, but the events take place in the Kewaskum area. He attended a one-room school called the Gage School that was located on Cty. G and Old Bridge Road. He attended first grade there in 1956-57. During the summer of 1957 it was hit by lightning and the school board decided not to repair it. His other classmates

included Donna Petermann, Carol Theimer and Terry Heberer and they were taught by Mrs. Tessar. The church his family attended at the time was the Lutheran Church in Dundee. The farm where he lived was owned by his grandfather, Paul Giese.

When I was a boy, no bigger than you, I lived in a land called Wisconsin. That's a

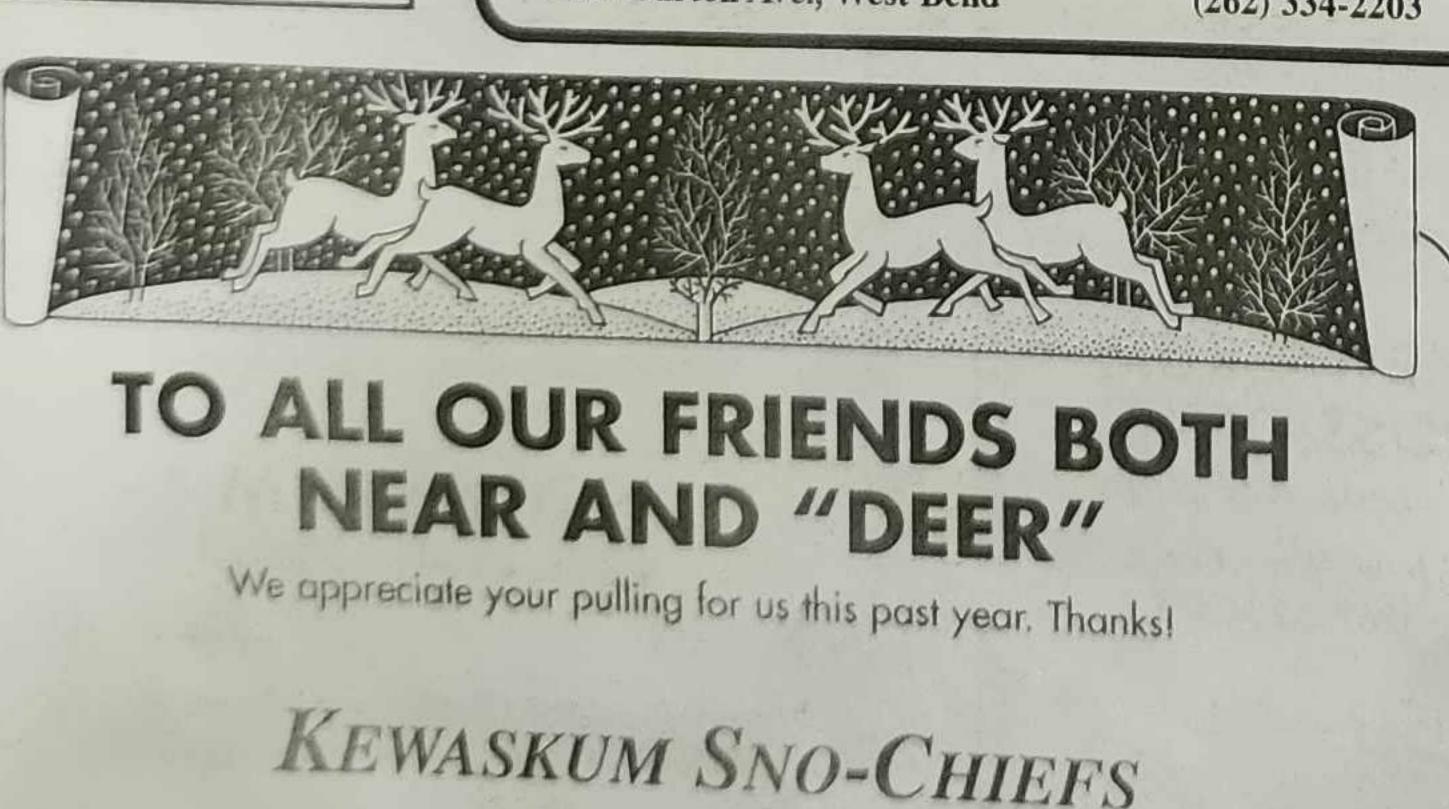
Submitted by Dale Matthies place where everyone had two different sets of clothes. One set was pretty much like yours. The other, was for the cold time of year when I went to school. Those clothes were itchy and heavy. The shirts had long sleeves and my jacket had lots of thick padding and a hood. I also had to wear boots that went almost up to my knees. Mom made me

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wear those clothes so I would stay warm. There was no rain during the cold time of the year. That's because the rain drops would turn to white snow flakes that fell gently to the ground. When the snow was falling, I would want to go out and play. The snow would gather on the ground instead of melting away like rain. It was great fun to roll around in it.

My first school was very different than the one you go to. From the outside it looked like a small house and when I went in, it only had one room. I lived one mile away from my school and on most days I walked alone. You see, this school and my house were not in a town. They were in the country side and they were surrounded by farm fields and woods. And since

there were no sidewalks, I walked along the road. Even though I was small, my parents thought it was safe for me to walk. There were only a few cars that traveled on the road, and when I heard one coming, I'd stand to the side until it passed.

I loved my first grade teacher. Her name was Mrs. Tessar and she was very kind to me. She would help me when the big kids wanted to give me trouble. Do you remember when I said my first school was very different than yours? What I meant is that we had kids in the room who were in first grade like me, but we also had kids that were in higher grades. There were only a few children living near our school, so we all

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May your friends be as warm

As a hearthside song;

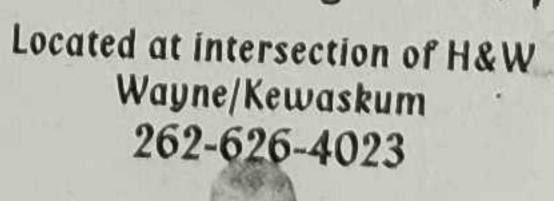
May good cheer abound,

Like a wreath all around:

And may your faith be your guide at Christmastide.

"We hope you and your family have the best of holidays, and many thanks for your valued business"

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first Grade Christmas

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shared the same room and the same teacher.

Mrs. Tessar thought all the kids should make a Christmas present for our parents. Her idea was to take a white birch bark log and cut it into pieces, each about one foot long. In the middle of each piece of log, one of the big kids drilled a hole just the right size to insert a tall red candle. The little kids helped the teacher put fragrant evergreen boughs around each candle. Mrs. Tessar told us each part of the gift had a special meaning. The white log reminded us of snow. The evergreen reminded us that warm weather would soon return. In Wisconsin, that's when everything turns from winter's barren brown to summer's leafy green. The light of the red candle is symbolic for the love in our hearts that we share with our family. didn't really understand what she meant at the time, but now I know what it means.

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That same Christmas I was in a pageant at our church. I had to memorize a few lines from the Christmas story and recite them in front of the congregation on Christmas Eve. I was nervous because I thought I might forget what to say. Mom helped me practice the lines and said there would be a reward. After the pageant, as I marched out of church with my class, I would be given a big brown bag full of peanuts and candy. So I learned my lines very well. I wanted the reward.

Christmas Eve finally arrived. I was excited. I had remembered getting lots of presents from Santa Clause last year. We turned off the house lights and got into the car to go to church. I recited my lines perfectly and smiled when they handed me my

bag of candy. Mom said I had to share it with my little sister. I didn't think that was fair.

As Dad drove our car back home, I was in the back seat watching the light of the full moon reflecting off the silvery white snow covered fields. In the front seat, Mom asked Dad, "Do you think Santa came while we were away?" I don't remember what he said, but I sure couldn't wait to get home. We pulled into the drive; Dad unlocked the house door and turned on the lights. I didn't bother taking off my boots or coat, I ran straight for the tree in the living room. I stopped short. There, right in front of me, was a huge stuffed teddy bear guarding the presents under the tree. He was black and white and at least as tall as me. I was frozen in my tracks, even though the room was toasty warm. Dad said, "It's alright, he won't hurt you." I still hesitated. Then, confidence overcame me and I ran up and gave the bear a big hug. Dad was right; Mr. Bear was warm and snuggly. I

took him to bed with me that night.

Christmas is a time of year when we give each other presents as a way of showing our love for them. They don't have to be as big as the huge teddy Santa left for me. And now, all these years later, I don't remember what happened to Mr. Bear. As I grew older, I probably felt I was too big to have a teddy. That happens. We outgrow toys. But my Mom still has the candle holder I made for her in first grade. She brings it out each holiday season to remind her of the love we share for each other.



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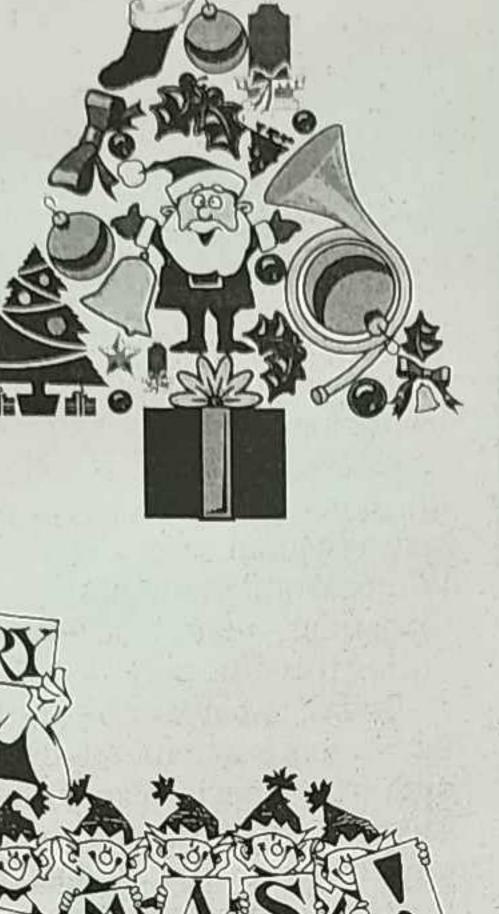
to you for stopping here! Merry Christmas!

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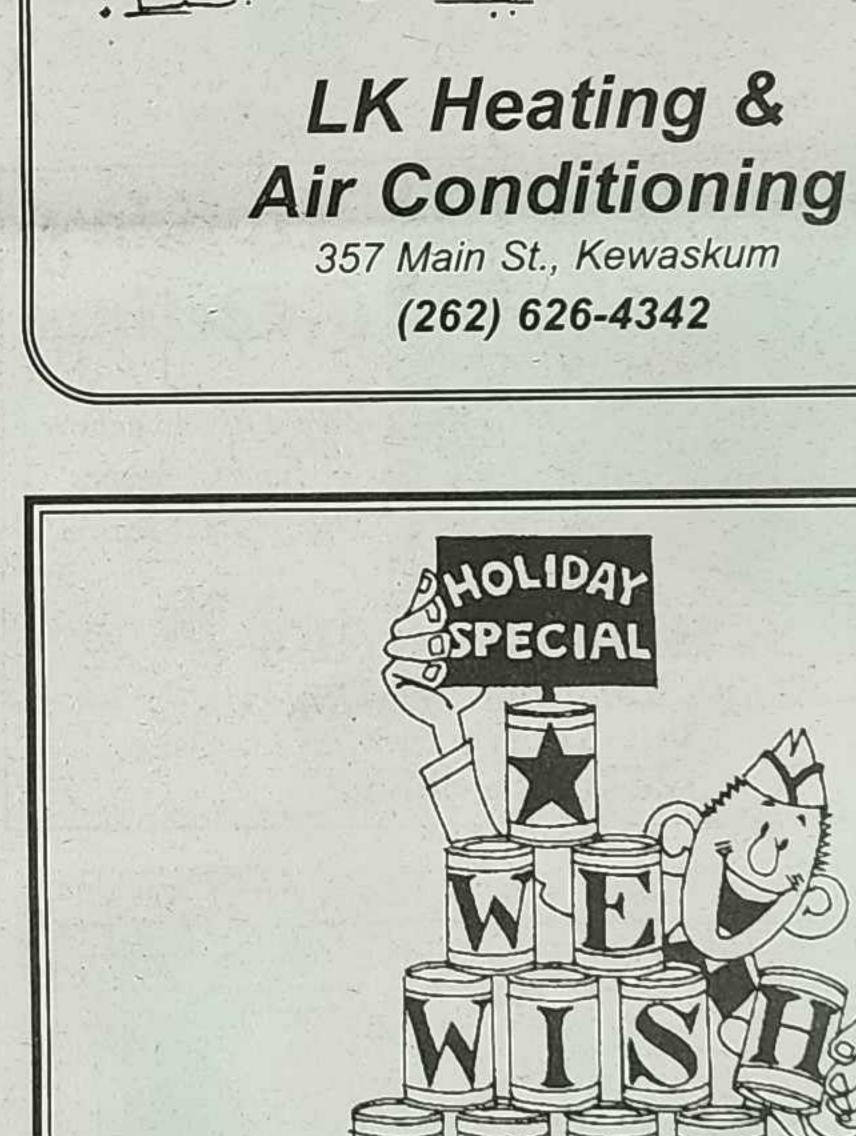
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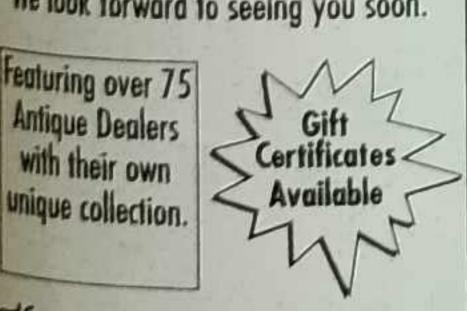
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My grandma, Angeline Zacho, left, and her sister Cresence Thull by their family Christmas tree in 1940. This is grandma's first Christmas in Heaven and she will be missed dearly.

Submitted by Kim Dudarenke

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Holiday carols built on long, colorful history

The word carol has not always been associated with the festive and reverent songs we think of today. Originally, the word carol meant dance and dates to the Fourth Century when festivals held around December 25 included dancing, singing, drinking and general merrymaking.

In 1223, Friar Francis of Assisi held a special midnight service commemorating the Christmas story that included the singing of solemn songs of praise. With Saint Francis's influence, the word carol was applied to folk songs used in biblical plays by the year 1300. By the 1400s, carols had grown in popularity and were sung apart from plays, especially at Christmastime.

The singing of carols ended abruptly in 1647, when Puritan Parliament made celebrating Christmas illegal. For the next 200 years, carols were kept alive by word of mouth, passed down through generations as family traditions.

The 1940s, '50s and '60s ushered in a new era of holiday music with the introduction of technology that allowed carols to be recorded and played in the home. Many contemporary seasonal songs such as Winter Wonderland and White Christmas were introduced during this time period.

Today, to carol or be visited by carolers is a tremendous gift and truly special experience. This holiday season it is a good idea to keep lots of yuletide treats on hand (eggnog wassail and candy cane cookies are perfect), because superstition says you must never allow carolers to leave your home without offering them food or drink

In addition to enjoying holiday food, knowing more about the origin and history of the familiar songs will give you a special appreciation of this cherished tradition of caroling.

Q: This holiday carol is the result of a poem set to music on Christmas Eve in 1818.

A: Silent Night, source: www.cyberhymnal.org

Q: This holiday favorite was written for Bing Crosby to sing

A: White Christmas, source: www.kcmetro.cc. mo.us

Q: Which classic carol was composed by an editor and critic for The New York Tribune?

A: It Came Upon A Midnight Clear

Q: This famous carol was originally written for a Thanksgiving program, but it was so well received, it was played again at Christmas.

A: Jingle Bells



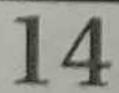


"And she brought forth her firstborn son...'

May your holiday nurture a feeling of joy that lasts throughout the year, and may it be filled with loving friends and all that you hold dear.

Heartfelt best wishes from our family to yours. We appreciate your loyal support.

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Christmas tree decorating contest winners







shown above, left to right, are the first through third place trees, The Kewaskum 4-H'ers in front of the Kewaskum Post Office, the Wayne Crusader 4-H in front of Woody's Steakhouse and Kewaskum Elementary School's in front of Coffee Corner.



The fourth place tree by Holy Trinity School in front of Hollywood's Portrait Studio.

Kewaskum Area Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce their annual Christmas tree decorat-



ing contest winners for 2004.

The winners include: first place - \$50 - the Kewaskum 4-H'ers with their tree located in front of the Kewaskum Post Office; second place - \$40 - to the Wayne Crusaders 4-H Club with their tree located at Woody's Steakhouse and third place - \$30 went to Kewaskum Elementary School for their tree located at Coffee Corner.

Fifteen artificial trees located in the cement flower pots throughout the village main streets were decorated by youth groups and schools in our area. They followed instructions for design and fabrication under the Christmas Parade Theme "Candy Cane Carnival." The ideas they presented were outstanding and greatly appreciated to set the holiday spirit for Kewaskum.

The rest of the groups decorating trees and in order, fourth through 15th prize are as follows: Holy Trinity

Hollywood's Portrait Studio; Farmington Elementary School at Hair on Main; Wayne Elementary School at West Bend Savings Bank; Kewaskum Middle School at St. Francis Bank; St. Lucas Lutheran School at PJ Magoos; Girl Scout Brownie Troop at Schneider Financial; Tuttle Creek Learning Center at Tuttle Creek; Little Folks Schoolhouse at Hilltop Laundry; Boy Scouts at the wayside events sign; Girl Scouts at Jaeger Sewing Center; Cub Scouts at Silbernagel and Financial and Jasen Elementary Farmington School at Kohn's Citgo.

The Chamber wishes to extend a sincere thank you to the chamber member judges: Sue of Kewaskum/West Bend Clinic, Lyn of King Pin Lanes and Shelly of Tuttle Creek Learning Center. Thank you to ALL who participated in dressing up our community for the Holidays.



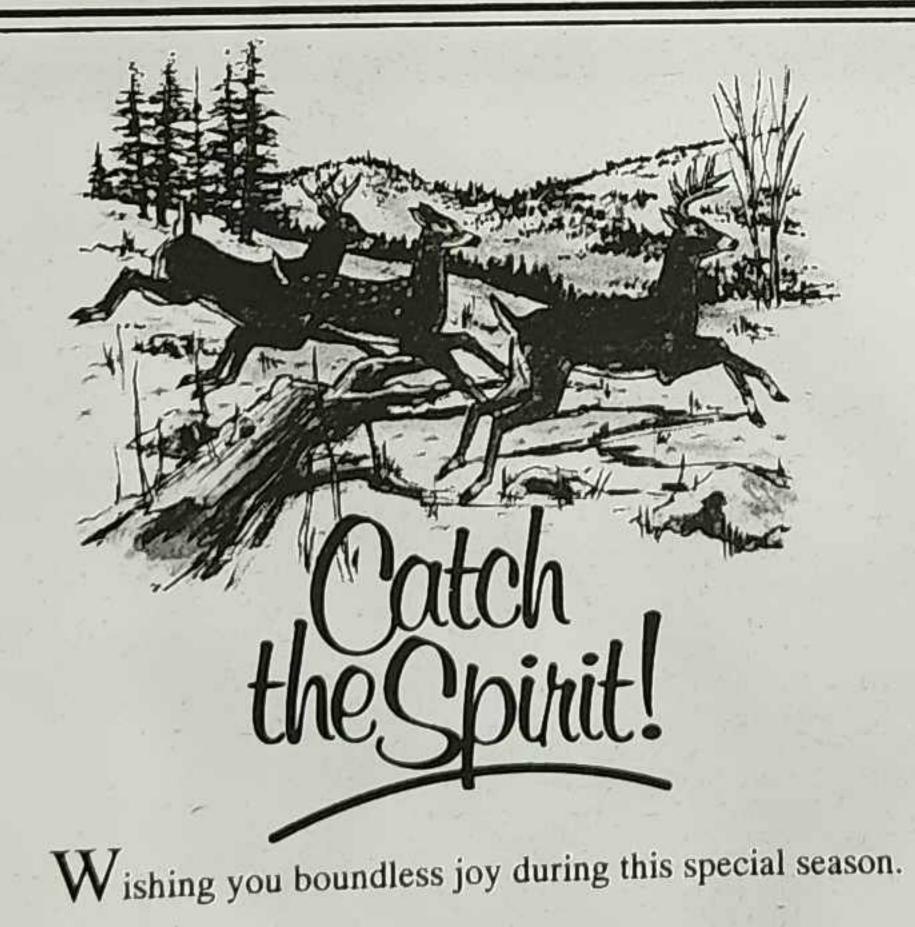
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A short history of Mr. Claus

St. Nicholas; Sinterklass; Christkind; Kriss Kringle; Father Christmas. The names have varied down through the centuries, each one peculiar to the culture which gave birth to its legend. Yet one

common thread remains - The idea of an allknowing, charitable gift giver who makes his appearance 5 on or around Christmastime, rewarding good little children with pres-We ents. know him as

Santa Claus, and his mythic origins can be traced back to the fourth century and a town on the northern shore of the Mediterranean Sea called Myra.

It was in Myra that the legend grew of a young man named Nicholas. A charitable and religious boy, he was said to perform miracles that saved ships from violent storms and provided food for his starving people. Of particular note were his gifts of fold to three unmarried girls

poverty-stricken whose father could not afford the dowries that would enable them to marry. It was here that one Christmas tradition was born as one of the bags of gold thrown into the girls' house by Nicholas came to fest in a hanging stocking. Nicholas' reputation as a patron of unmarried girls was eclipsed only by his

patronage of children when, as Bishop of Myra, he was said to bring three boys back to life after the lads were killed by an evil innkeeper. These two stories did much enhance legend Nicholas who was

made a saint by the Catholic Church after his death in 343 A.D.

St. Nicholas was given the feast day of December 6 and throughout Europe the custom of a figure dressed in red and white vestments who visited small children was born. It was St. Nicholas who rewarded good children; a monster-like companion known by various names punished kids who were not so good.

It was the Dutch who

brought St. Nicholas to America in the 17th century under the name Sint Nicholaas or Sinterklaas. They named their first church after him in the city they called New Amsterdam (later, New York City). Soon after, the English gained control of the city and while they accepted the legend of St. Nicholas, they saw fit to translate his Dutch name of SInterklaas to something a little more Anglican - Santa Claus.

The German settlers who came to America and their Swiss counterparts had their own ideas of a kindly giftgiver. Having rejected St. Nicholas after the Protestant reformation, they created a childlike figure known as the Christkind or Christ child. Children would leave nuts and cookies for this gift giver who would eventually take on the more familiar name of Kriss Kringle. As various cultures came into contact with one another throughout the 1700's, Kriss Kringle took on so many of Santa Claus' characteristics, it was difficult to tell the difference between the two.

The image we have of Santa Claus today can be traced to two sources, Dr. Clement Clarke Moore and Thomas Nast. It was Moore who, on the night of December 23, 1822, read to his children a poem he had written entitled "A Visit from St. Nicholas." Published by a local newspaper shortly thereafter, Moore's prose created a sensation. Here was the legend of St. Nicholas brought to life with sleighs and reindeer, stockings and chimneys, bags of toys, and most of all, a jolly old elf, bearded white and dressed in fur. Moore had taken a figure bound by religious history and native custom and added heaping helpings of fantasy and wonder. Santa Claus would never be the same again.

Thomas Nast drew on Moore's interpretation and forever defined Santa Claus in illustration. A political cartoonist during the Civil War, Nast wanted to create a happier world than the real one he was depicting. His first drawing of Santa however, compromise. Captioned "Santa in Camp,"

it showed Santa dressed in stars and stripes giving toys to the troops. In subsequent drawing, Nast would refine his Santa, making the eyes more expressive, the belly rounder, the beard fuller, Nast gave birth to a more genteel, grandfatherly Santa with an ever-present pipe and jolly smile, a friend to children everywhere. If he had never drawn Santa Claus, Thomas Nast would have gone down in history as a great political cartoonist. Instead, his concept of Santa Claus, a concept that holds true today, stand as his greatest achievement.

Nast's Santa Claus would be interpreted by many artists well into the 20th century. The definite enhancement came at the hand of artist Haddon Sundblom who, through the use of color and shading techniques, produced an even warmer and more expressive Santa. Yet by 1889, the classic image we hold today of Santa Claus had been defined. Variations continue to be made but the Santa Claus born of ancient legend and brought to life through the works of Moore and Nast is the image that endures.

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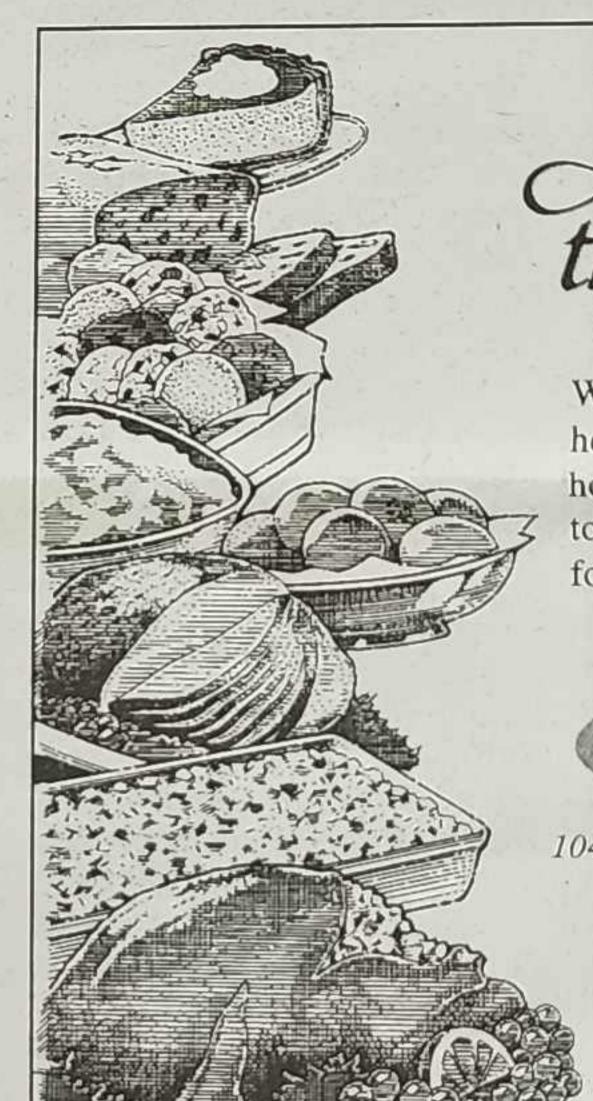
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and love that is Christmas, and remember the true spirit of this holy time.

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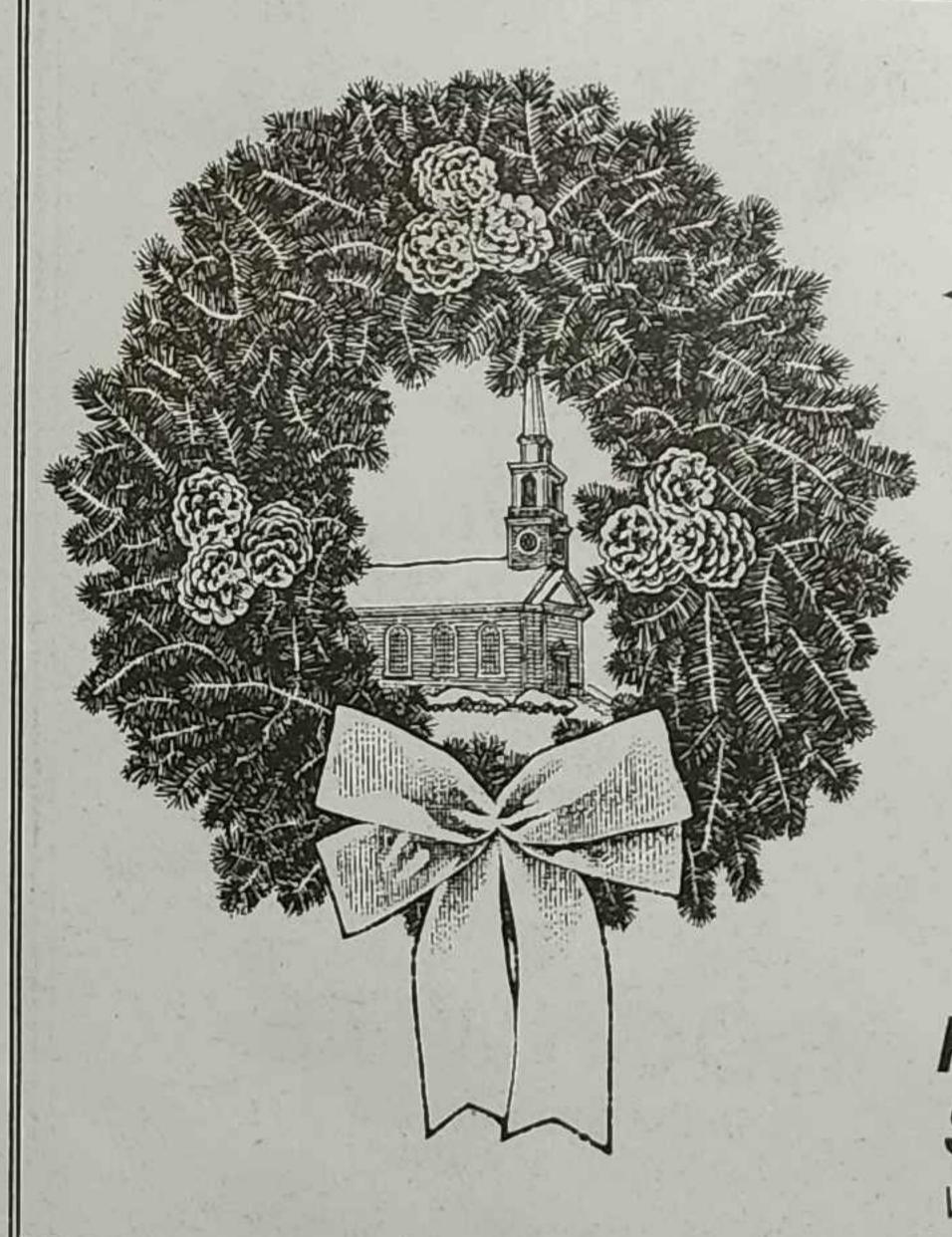
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BY RONDA ADDY

It was 1934, the height of the Great Depression, when Charles B. Darrow of Germantown, PA, walked into the offices of Parker Brothers with a game that he had designed. They rejected it because of its 52 design errors, but that didn't get parrow down. He saw the promise in the game and decided to produce it on his own. Darrow managed to sell 5,000 handmade sets of the game to a Philadelphia department store. It was an immediate hit. Unable to meet the demand on his own, parrow went back to Parker Brothers, who saw the error of their ways, and thus a legend was born. During 1935, its first year in production, Monopoly became the best selling game in America.

Today Monopoly is sold in 80 countries and is available in 26 languages. Over 200 million games have been sold worldwide. Since 1935, over five billion green houses have been built. The tokens, the four gameboard corners and the Railroad, Community Chest, Chance, Boardwalk and Title Deed designs are all legally protected as trade-

marks. With over 70 special versions of Monopoly available, there is bound to be one out there that will appeal to anyone on your gift list. Here's just a sample of what's available:

• The Monopoly Astronomy Edition allows players to buy, sell and trade Halley's Comet, Saturn, the Pleiades, the Milky Way galaxy and the Orion Nebula. Instead of houses and hotels, players put scope sheds and observatories on their property. Tokens include the Meade telescope, a radio telescope, the Hubble space telescope, a lawn chair, an observation dome and Meade binoculars. Also included are tips on how to get started in astronomy and facts about the objects that are featured on the board.

 Elvis' 25th Anniversary Collector's Edition allows players to buy Graceland and land on GI Blues and the 1968 Comeback Special. Tokens include Elvis' guitar and sunglasses.

 Ford Mustang 40th Anniversary Collector's Edition allows players to buy, sell and trade models from the history of Ford, including

the 1962 Roadster Concept car, the 2004 40th Anniversary Cobra and the 1965 Mustang GT. Tokens include the 1964 Convertible and the Mustang Pony.

Corvette 50th Anniversary Collector's Edition allows players to buy silver garages and black dealerships. Instead Community Chest Chance cards, players choose from 1953 and 2003 emblem cards. The pewter tokens include a 1953 convertible, a 1963 split window, a 1968 L88, a spinner wheel, a 1958 front clip and the bow tie emblem.

 Garfield Monopoly allows players to buy, sell and trade Pookie, Grandma's rocker and Garfield's mirror. In place of Community Chest and Chance cards, there are refrigerator and potluck cards. The board has 32 bakeries and 12 Italian restaurants to buy. Tokens include

Garfield's food dish, a hamburger, Jon, Odie, Garfield's bed and Garfield with Pookie. Also included is an exclusive comic strip.

 Looney Tunes Collector's Edition allows players to buy, sell and trade Tweety's bird cage, Yosemite Sam's Wild West, Elmer Fudd's hunting grounds, Foghorn Leghorn's farm and Bugs Bunny's rabbit hole. The pewter tokens

include an anvil, dynamite, an Acme crate, Daffy Duck's director's chair, Marvin the Martian's ray gun and Bugs Bunny's mailbox.

 I Love Lucy Collector's Edition has photographs from the TV show and allows players to buy episodes from the show. Players advance around the board, using pink dice and a pewter token of a bottle of Vitameatavegamin.

 Justice League of America Collector's Edition allows players to buy, sell and trade the powers of Wonder Woman, Superman, Batman and The Flash, to name a few. The Metropolis Bank supplies the money and there are Chance and custom Community Chest cards. The include tokens pewter Aquaman, Wonder Woman, Batman, The Flash, Green Lantern, Martian Manhunter, Green Arrow and Superman.

• The Lord of the Rings Monopoly Game allows players to buy territory in Middleearth, gather powers, build fortresses and acquire relics. Players may choose from the classic version or a special optional play by using the power of the one ring. In place of the Community Chest and Chance cards, there are people and events cards. Instead of money, there are seven denominations of power, and instead of hotels and houses, players buy strongholds and fortresses. A gold-tone pewter ring as well as a die with the Eye of Sauron is also included. The include tokens pewter Gimli, Frodo, Aragorn, and Legolas Galadriel, Gandalf.

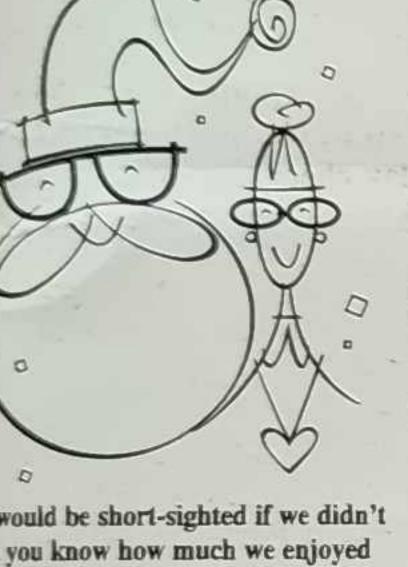
There are many more special editions available and coming soon is a Harry Potter Edition and a Mickey Mouse 75th Anniversary Edition. All in all, not a bad legacy for a game that nobody wanted. Here's a parting bit of trivia: The longest Monopoly game in history lasted 70 straight days.





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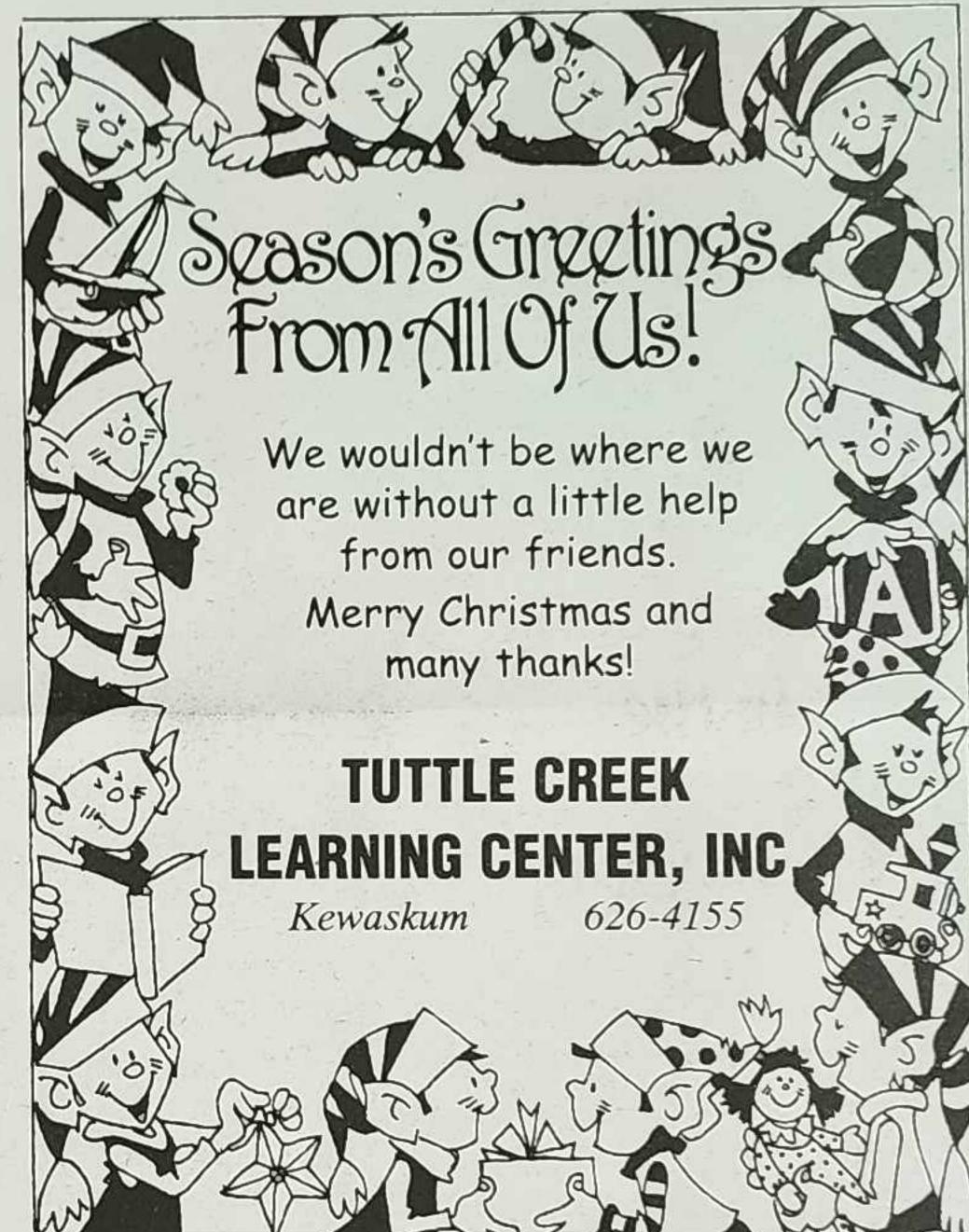


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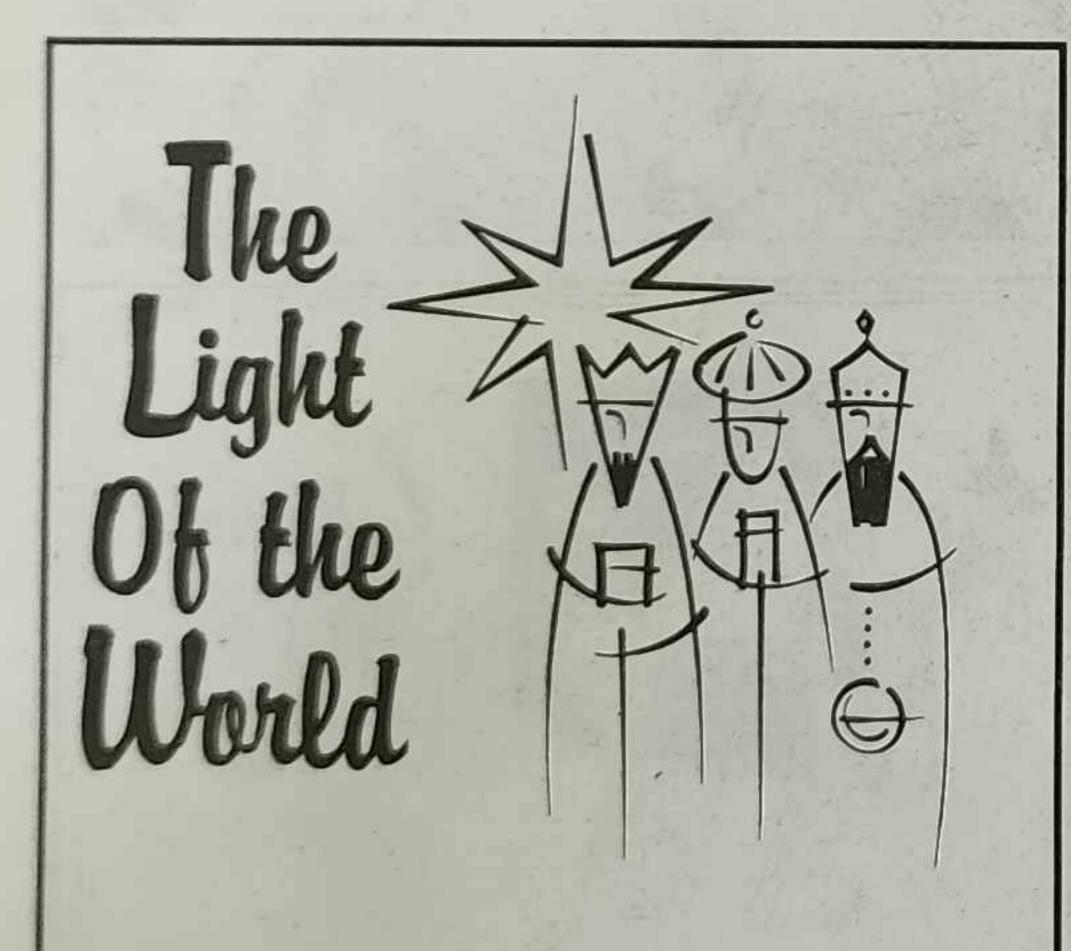




KHS Swing Choir member Marissa Dehler dances with Brittany Williams and Joey Lofton at the Breakfast with Santa. During one of the Swing Choir's songs they invited children in attendance to come up and dance with them.

Statesman photo: Andrew Kuehl

Happy Holidays



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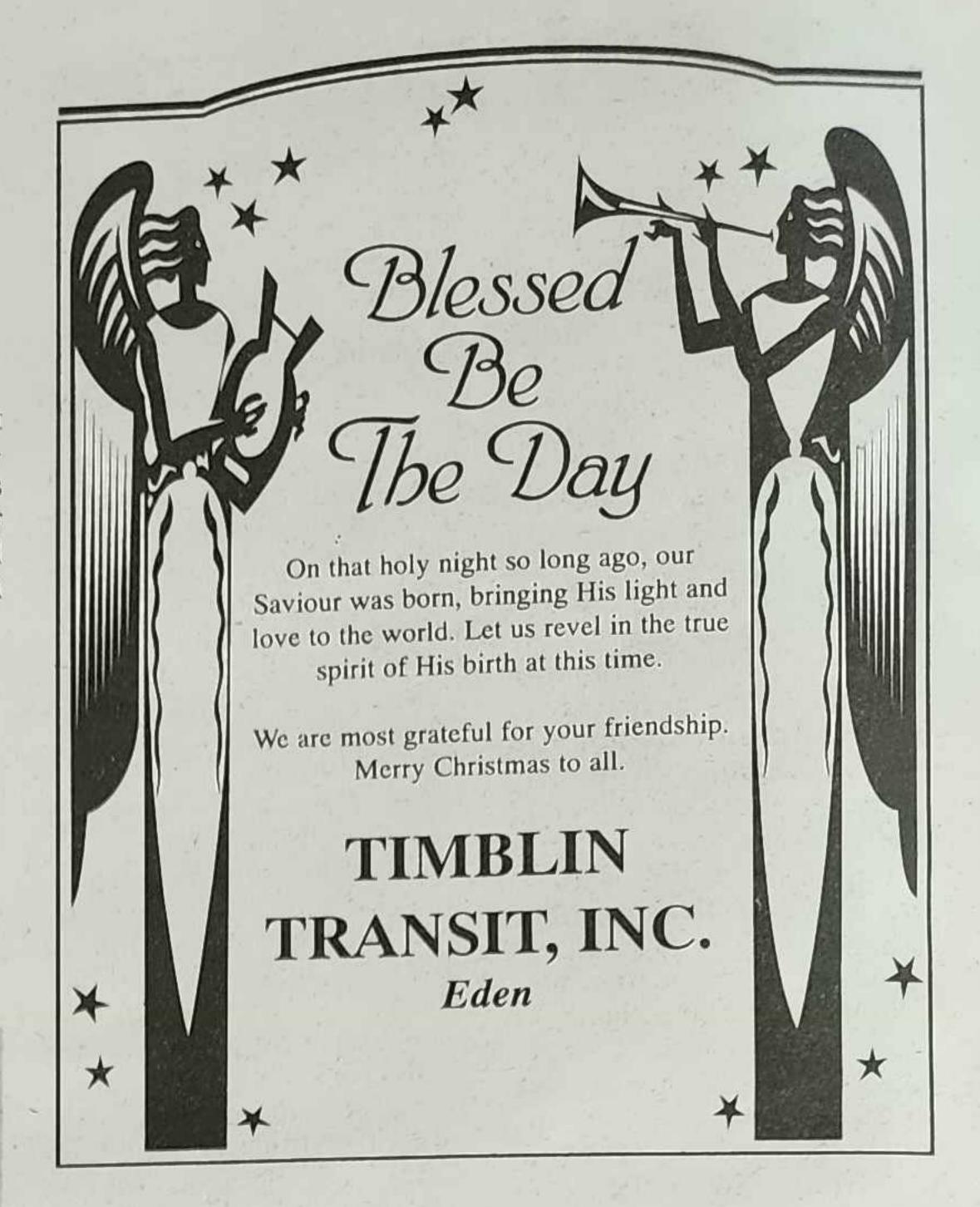
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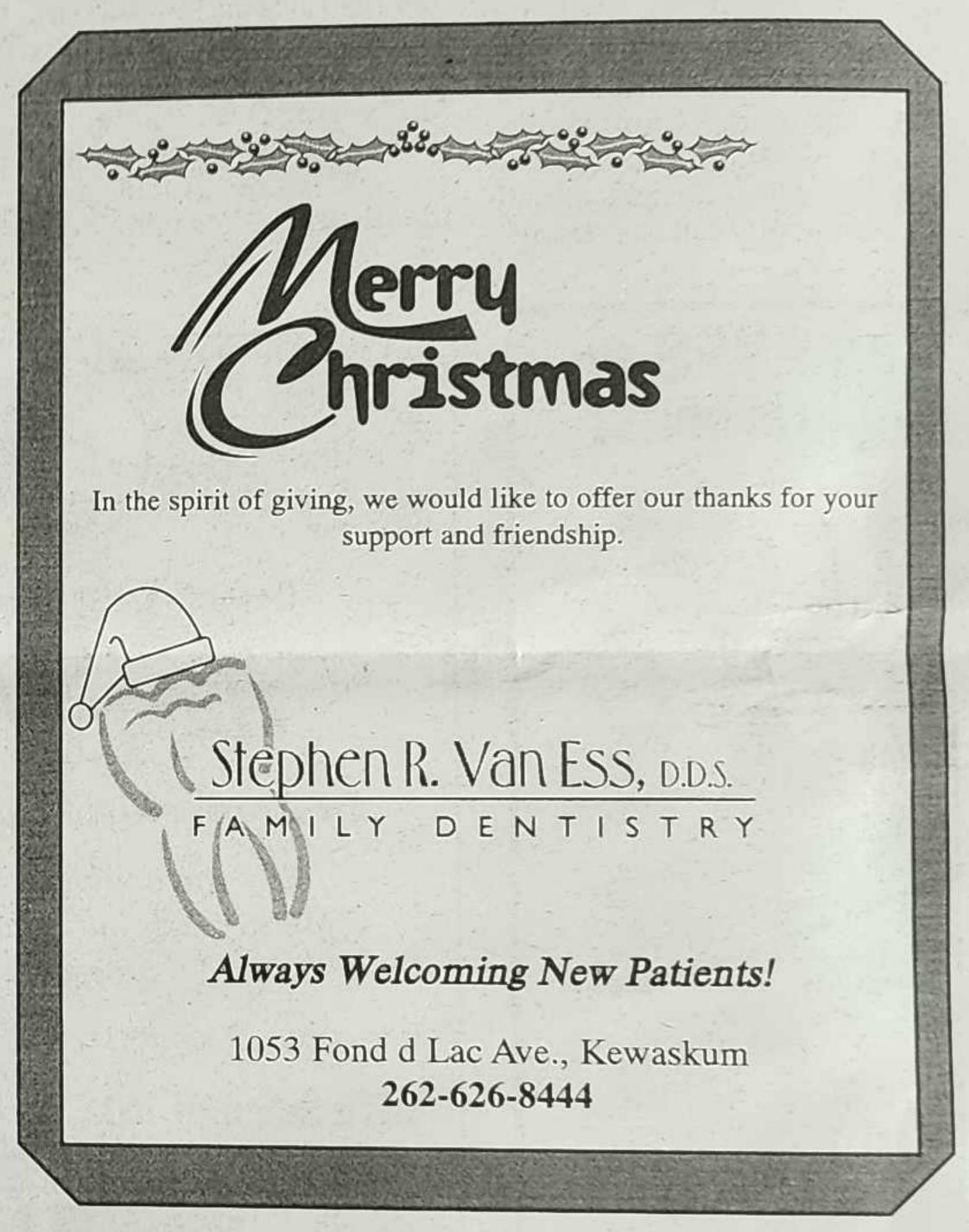
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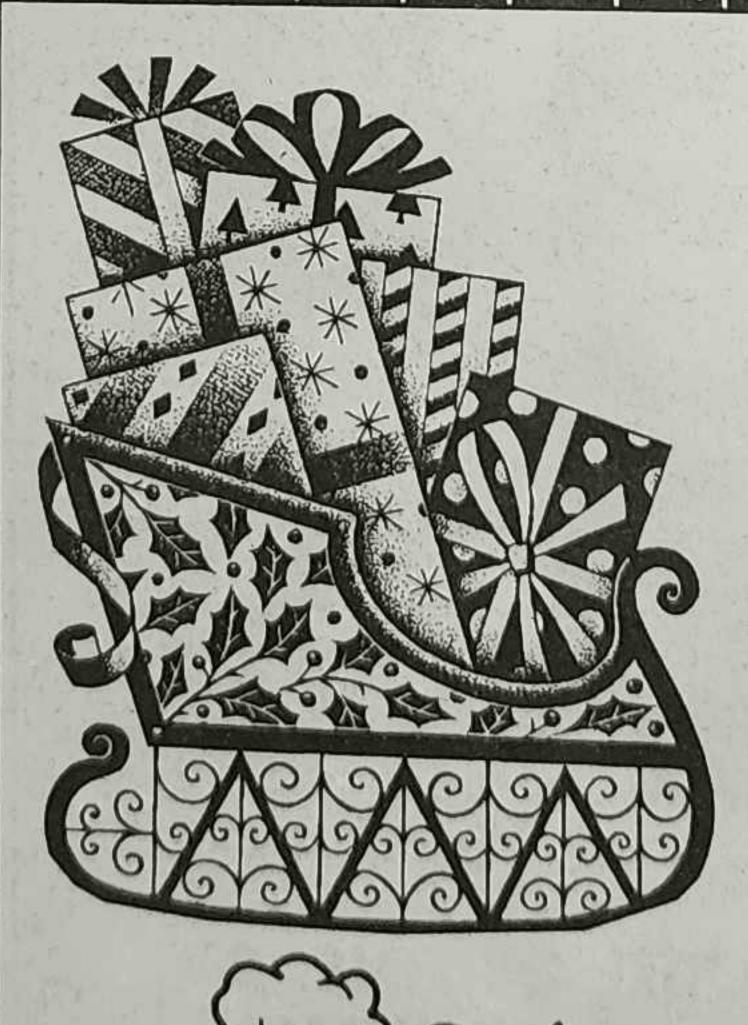
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Movie/TV

In the 1964 classic Red Nosed what was the name Reinder, what was the name of the elf that wanted to be a

dentist?

What was Rudolph's

Ather's name?

3. What was the name of the coach of the Reindeer

4. What is the name of the libbit in the magic hat in fabbit in the Snowman?

5. What was the little girl Frosty the Snowman's

6. In Frosty the Snowman, what was the name of the magician with the "Magic Hat?"

7. How much did Lucy charge for a psyciatric session in the classic Christmas IV special "A Charlie Brown Christmas?"

8. What was "the most likely" reason that the Grinch hated Christmas?

9. Who narrated the original 1966 TV show "How the Grinch Stole Christmas?"

10. In the Christmas classic, "It's a Wonderful Life," what happened every time a bell rang?

11. What did Ralphie want for Christmas in the movie "A Christmas Story?"

Music

1. How many times does santa check his list?

2. The Grinch is as cuddly 252 ____?

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3. It would of been a laugh to see Mommy doing what last night?

4. One foggy Christmas Eve, Santa came to say what?
5. Good tidings to you,

and all of your what?
6. Who was seated next to me a day or two ago in the song Jingle Bells?

7. Why do I want my two front teeth for Christmas?

8. What did Frosty the Snowman do when they placed the magic hat on his head?

9. What does Alvin what for Christmas in The Chipmunk Song?

10. On the 11th day of Christmas what did my true love send to me?

11. I'm dreaming of a White Christmas with what?

12. What do Janice and Jen want for Christmas in the song It's Beginning To Look a Lot Like Christmas?

Answers: Movied/TV

1. Hermie

2. Donner

3. Comet

4. Hocus Pocus 5. Karen

5. Karen6. Professor Hinkle

7. 5¢
8. His heart was two sizes too small.

9. Boris Karloff

10. An angel gets his wings.

11. An official Red Ryder Carbon Action 200 Shot Rangle Model Air Rifle. Music

1. Twice

2. cactus

3. kissing Santa Claus

4. Rudolph with your nose so bright, won't you guide my sleigh tonight?

5. kin

6. Miss Fanny Bright

7. So I could wish you all a Merry Christmas.

8. He began to dance around.

9. A hula hoop.

10. 11 pipers piping

11. Every Christmas Card I write.

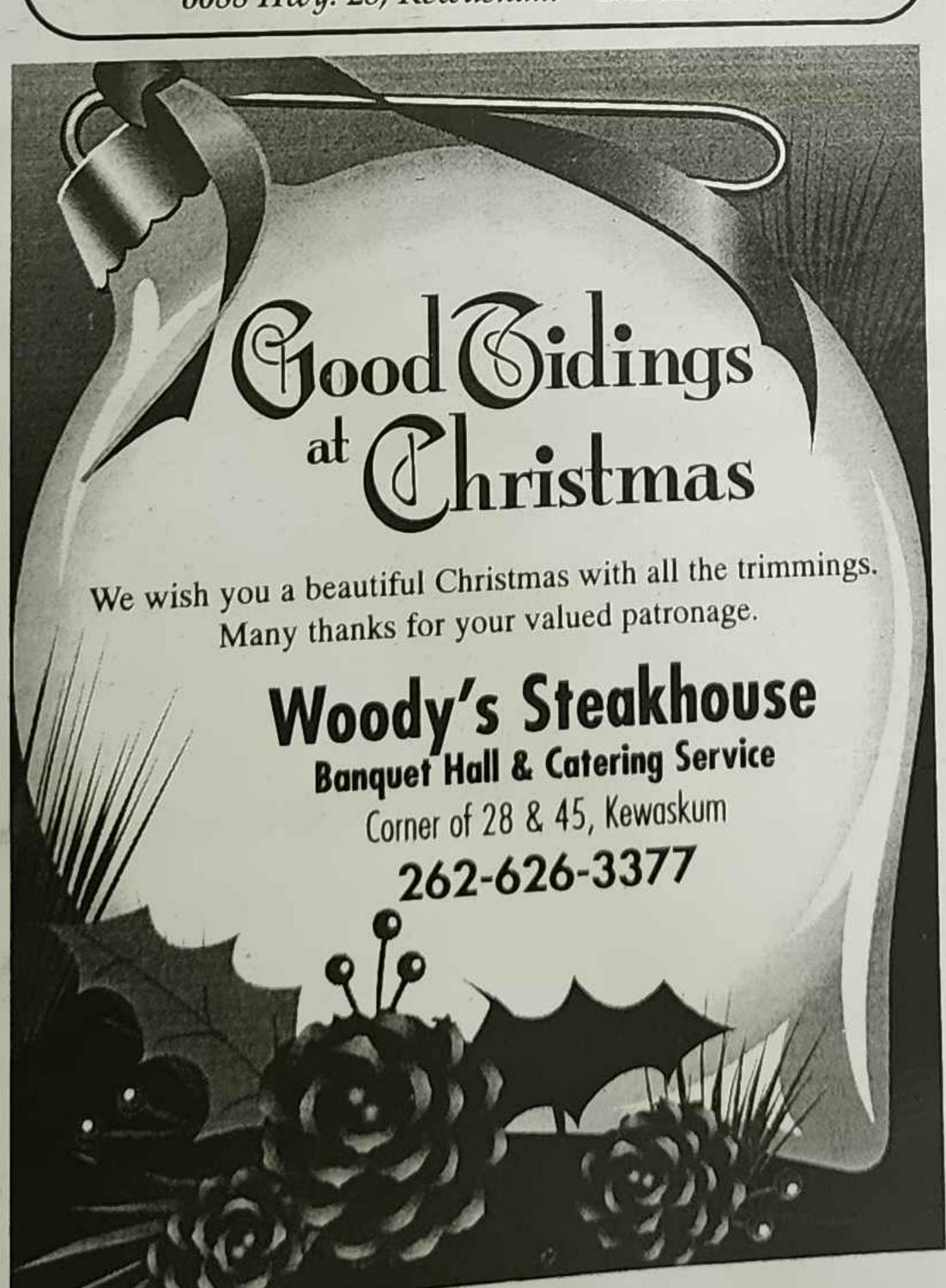
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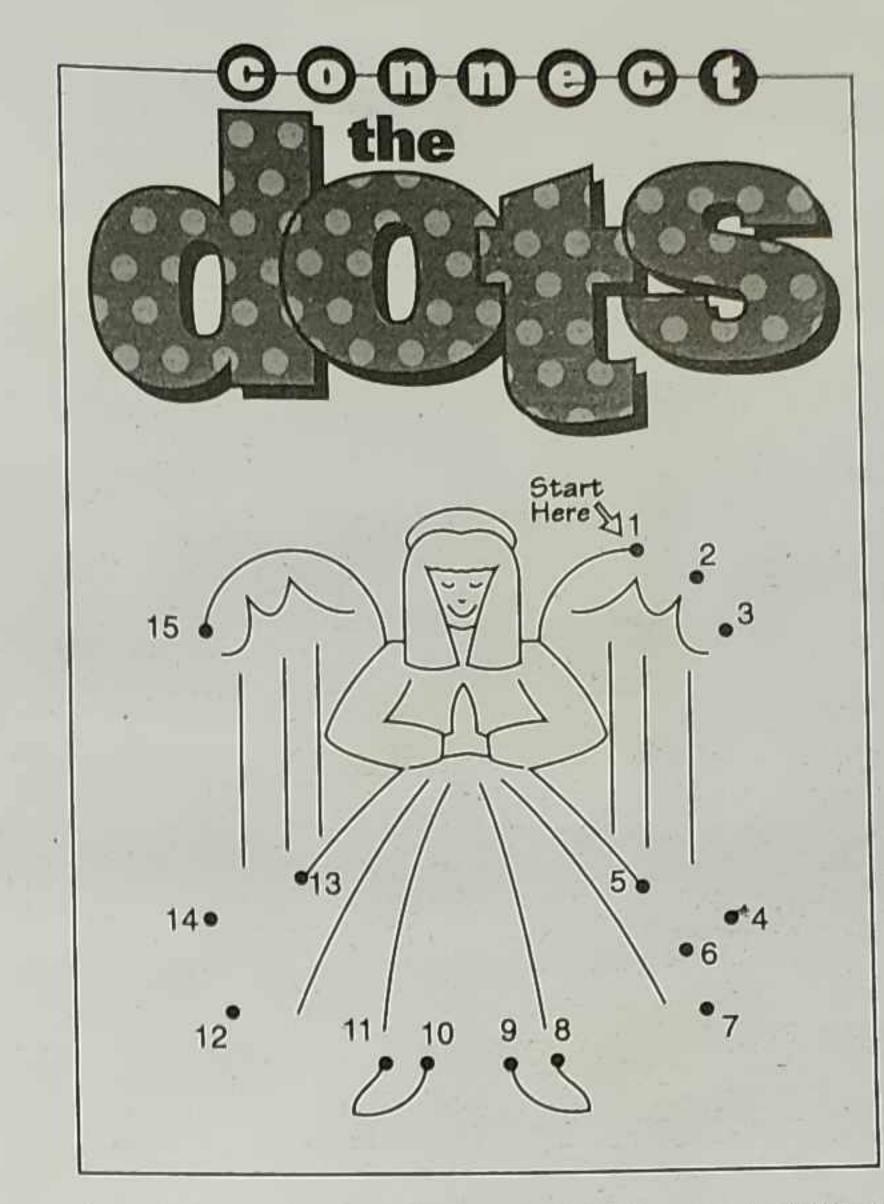


As we throw another Yule log on the fire, our hearts are warmed by thoughts of the many kind people we've had the pleasure to serve throughout the year, and we hope that your homes are warmed by the blessings of love and friendship this Christmas.

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A Marine's Night Before

Christmas'

Twas the night before Christmas, He lived all alone In a one bedroom house, Made of plaster and stone.

I had come down the chimney, With presents to give And to see just who In this home did live.

I looked all about. A strange sight I did see, No tinsel, no presents, Not even a tree.

No stocking on the mantle Just boots filled with sand, On the wall hung pictures Of far distant lands.

With medals and badges, Awards of all kinds, A sober thought Came through my mind.

For this house was different It was dark and dreary, I found the home of a soldier Once I could see clearly.

The soldier lay sleeping, Silent... alone Curled up on the floor In this one bedroom home.

The face was so gentle, The room in disorder, Not how I pictured A United States soldier.

Was this the hero Of whom I'd just read? Curled up on a poncho, The floor for a bed?

That I saw this night, Owed their lives to these soldiers Who were willing to fight.

I realized the families

Soon round the world, The children would play, And grownups would celebrate A bright Christmas Day.

They all enjoyed freedom, Each month of the year, Because of the soldiers, Like the one lying here.

I couldn't help but wonder How many lay alone, On a cold Christmas Eve, In a land far from home.

The very thought brought A tear to my eye, dropped to my knees And started to cry.

The soldier awakened I heard a rough voice, "Santa don't cry, This life is my choice;

I fought for freedom, don't ask for more, My life is my God, My Country... my Corps."

The soldier rolled over And drifted to sleep, I couldn't control it, I continued to weep.

I kept watch for hours, So silent and still, And we both shivered From the cold night's chill.

I didn't want to leave On that cold, dark night, This guardian of honor So willing to fight.

Then the soldier rolled over,

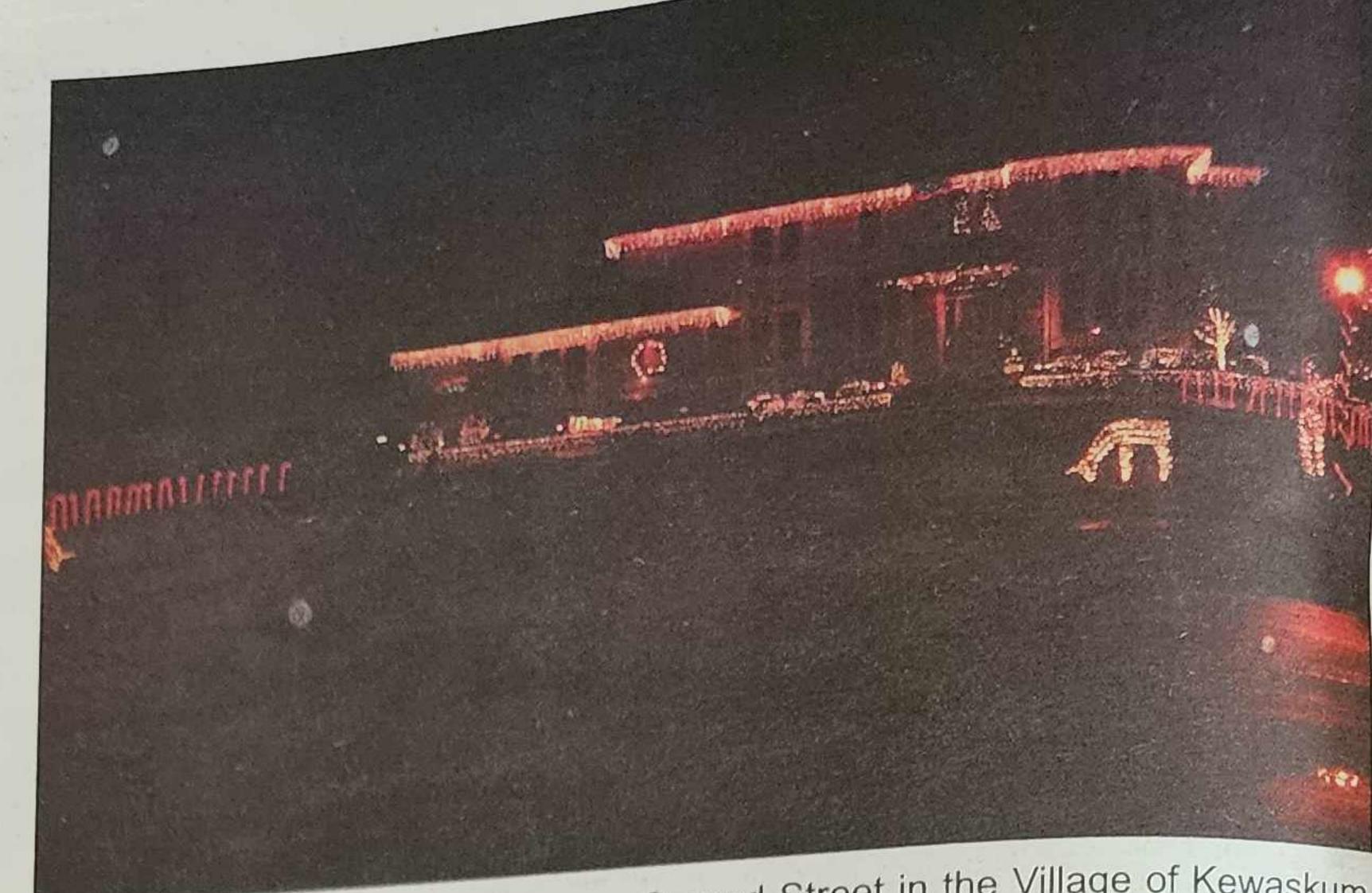
With a voice, soft and pure,

Whispered, "Carry on Santa, It's Christmas Day and

all is secure."

One look at my watch And I knew he was right "Merry Christmas my friend, And to all, a good night!"

Let us not forget those who are giving us so much and asking for nothing in return, Happy Holidays!



This beautifully decorated house on Conrad Street in the Village of Kewaskum is with around 100 red Candy Cane lights and numerous white lights.





We hope that your Christmas season is the most joyful and picturesque yet.

With gratitude for your friendship and a pleasure serving you.

> Happy Holidays from all of us.

Village of Kewaskum



As we count our blessings this Christmas season, let us not forget that Silent Night long ago, when the Christ Child was born. His message of life eternal is the true gift of the season. Tet us pray that the spirit of the nativity lives with us, now and always.

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