

The good old days

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This photo was taken 50 years ago when I was a Cub Scout. I'm at the left in the top row.

My father took our den group on a sleigh ride across the fields over our farm. The horses aren't in this picture, but you can see the bob sleigh runners. Kathy Doherty is holding the reins.

Some of the boys who I can remember were in the den and pictured here are Steven Parsons, James Hubbell, Hamilton "Chip" Doherty, Karl Kreutzer and Walter Spierdowis.

There are three boys here I don't remember. My dog Pepper is also on board whose profile is in front of me.

After this cold afternoon activity, I remember my mother had hot cocoa for us, which she



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served in our family room before a fire.

I recall that Mrs. Kreutzer was our Den Mother and attended our sleigh ride outing.

The horses who pulled us along on our ride were "Queenie" and "Josey," a black

and white pair of mares who were used on the farm at the time.

In the background is the huge 100-foot-long barn, which stood on the John DePeters farm across the road. It burned to the ground more than 30 years ago.