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Last week we spent two days in visiting among friends in Sharon and Grass Lake. To a person who is cooped up in a store or office from early in the morning until late at night, there is nothing more healthful and invigorating than a ride through the country, where every breath seems to impart new life and the change gives one an appetite which anxieties him, and increases his anxiety for the safety of certain necessary buttons.

The very timely rains of the past few days had laid the dust, and it was comfortable riding although the sun was scorching hot. If shade trees were more plentiful along the road it would add greatly to the pleasure of both man and beast. And here, let us say that Patrick McMahon informed us that he intended to set fruit trees along his fences, and wished us to urge the farmers to do likewise. We think his judgement is sound for he will not only secure ample shade, but the fruit likewise. Some farmers may say the boys and tramps will steal all the fruit. What if they do, better have them take that than for them to go into your orchards. By all means set out fruit trees.

When the shades of night began to fall, we stopped at the house of George E. Osburn, near the stone school house, where we were heartily welcomed by himself and family with whom we had a pleasant visit. Mr. Osburn has a farm of 80 acres of excellent land, nearly every foot of which is under cultivation and well stocked. He is making improvements such as laying stone and rail fences, repairing his barns, etc.. Fruit, apples in particular, is very scarce throughout Sharon, but the farmers will at least have enough for their own use.

The Clawson wheat appears to be the favorite in Sharon, and those who have had grists ground from it claim that it makes more superior flour and more of it than any other wheat they have ever raised.

We next visited our old townsman, Wm. Freeman, at his new home about 1½ miles southeast of Grass Lake village. We found our friend and his family in a very pleasant section of country; the land is slightly rolling, rich and productive. They have a large convenient house,

Hot Dog Roast Cancelled

Due to weather conditions, the Village Hot Dog Roast scheduled for this Friday at Wurster Park, has been cancelled. When a future date has been decided, details will appear in The Manchester Enterprise.

good orchard, etc., and are surrounded by well-to-do neighborly farmers and are happy. Although it is a very busy time with them, we felt assured that they were glad to entertain us and we can but say that we have never enjoyed ourself better than while under their hospitable roof.

We have never known the farmers to appear as happy and contented as they do now. They have abundant crops with good demand and fair prices for all their products; truly they are the favored ones.

There are a great many fine farms in Sharon and Grass Lake, and we are pleased to note that each succeeding year more of the substantial farmers are induced to come to Manchester to market their grain and produce, on account of the high prices paid.

New Outlet For Area Talent

The Manchester Art Guild opened a new gallery outlet last Saturday, February 11 with a punch and cookie reception. After about a year without a "home" it's good to see the group visible again to downtown Manchester.

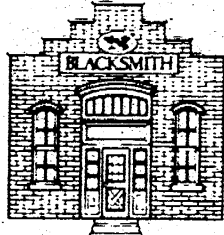
And visible they are. The Guild abandoned its gallery early last year, reluctantly, because its location off the theater lobby was difficult for some to reach and volunteer staffing became a problem. Now back anew, in cooperation with businessman Matt Donnellon, we have a refreshing look at the products of our local talent.

"Manchester Outlet", located at 146 East Main Street, is just the right size for the Guild to exhibit and sell their fine art and craft work. It is impressive to see their continual maintainance of high quality standards throughout the years. Interesting, for the casual visitor to the "Manchester Outlet", is the variety of work appearing on its walls and also displayed within the rustic charm of weathered crates.

Three Manchester watercolorists are showing currently in the Ann Arbor Women Painters exhibition. Two have several paintings in the outlet: Nancy Feldkamp and Ardella Swanberg. Joyce Sysol is the third; perhaps we'll see some of her work in the future. Scenes of local farms are common ground for the two, style is their departure. Nancy's landscapes are sensitive yet rustic. Ardella paints with a brighter palette and a flair influenced by the style of Spanish painters with which she became familiar while living in that country a number of years ago.

A fascinating study in "point of view" is illustrated in two farm landscapes by the two different

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Manchester Area Historical Society



David Jefferson, America's only artist and manufacturer of porcelain plates used for lampshades and window panes, will discuss his art (lithophane) and display some of his recent designs at the meeting of the Manchester Area Historical Society on Monday, February 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the Blacksmith Shop. Jefferson, at his Victorian octagon-shaped studio at Pleasant Lake, presently designs and processes miniature collectible lamps in addition to larger lampshades for chandeliers and table lamps.

Refreshments based on the February "Presidents' Birthday" month will be prepared and served by Mrs. John Sauter and Mrs. Franklin Reck. The public is invited.

School Board Agenda

The Manchester Community Schools Board of Education will meet for the regular meeting on February 20, 1984, 8:00 p.m. at the high school.

The agenda for the meeting will be:

- I Roll Call
- II Communications
- III Visitor Input
- IV Minutes of Previous Meetings
- V Financial Report
- VI Bills Payable
- VII Discussion Items
 - A. Klager Math Pilot Report
 - B. Financial Audit Bids
 - C. Daverman Assoc. Energy Engineers
- VIII New Business
 - A. Graduation Requirement Costs
- IX Old Business

Winter In Manchester

By Marie Schneider

There's been plenty of snow this winter making it easy for kids to give their sleds and skates a real workout. Skating in the park delights them and they are making the most of it when not in school. Herb Widmayer remembers when he was a little fellow the streets would be covered with snow and there was no salt on the roads.

Bob sleds, cutters, teams and sleighs were main ways of winter transportation in and around the village. He and his friends liked to grab hold of the farmers rigs as they were leaving town but they didn't hold on very long for they soon began to remember they'd have to back track and there might not be any sleighs coming this way. Could be quite a hike back.

Cutting ice in winter from the Raisin River and storing it for summer use was quite a business. John Bowler had an ice house on the north side of Furnace Street where he stored ice to be used at the meat market in the summer. Sloats had an ice house in back of their saloon next to the river. All of the meat markets had to store ice for summer use as did the saloons. Other saloon owners included Shorty and Pete Staib, Robert Mahrle, Wm. Lehr, Nick Singer and Fred Dietle. Storing ice in the winter was the sure way of having some in the summer.

Ice cream came from Ypsilanti on the morning train packed in ice and was delivered by Casper Burger and his team to Snowman's Drug Store and Pete Johnson's Ice Cream Parlor in later years. Burger also made deliveries to Marx & Marx Clothing, Schaible's Clothing, C.H. Seckinger Grocery and G.H. Breitenwischer's Men and Women's Clothing.

Widmayer remembers his father carried really good horse blankets. Another speciality were long fur coats and heavy winter caps. Some were called Scotch Caps made of wool with a peak in front and sporting a high top. Some of the lovely horse blankets found their way to the family bed for a while before being used by the horses.

Then there were the heavy wind-proof clothes sold by Wuerthner Brothers. There were socks made of heavy thick felt like a rubber boot that came up to just below the knee and then fit into a rubber boot. Probably one of the last people here to wear such an outfit was Charlie Jinks who lived north of town. He'd ride in bringing loads of hay that he sold at the hay house across the railroad from the freight house. There was a livestock yard between the hay house and the oil building. It operated every Saturday and over night the stock

would be in Buffalo. This was managed by Al Kuebler.

William Armspoker would contact farmers in advance so that there would not be too much or too little stock to go. Most of the farmers took the Toledo Blade. That paper had the latest livestock market so they'd know what the prices would be. Armspoker lived across the street from where Joe Schwab now lives.

There was a time when Manchester had 16 passenger trains and 4 freight trains a day. Roy Kern's father, Fred, worked on the railroads in the 1880's. He was a foreman on the railroad between Manchester and Bridgewater. He soon found that winter had its own way of making things tough. He and his men would shovel the snow away from the tracks by hand, board the handcar and go a little farther and proceed as before until the tracks between here and Bridgewater were opened. They would clear out the cuts where the snow would be piled high.

All this had to be done before the railroads' snow-plow could come through the area and make way for the trains. His father carried an oblong dinner pail to work. A cup on top set in the cover held the coffee. It was not uncommon to find the coffee frozen. It would have to be thawed at the car-house where they had a stove to get warm. Then, too, the sandwiches would be frozen and have to be thawed before eating. This was all in a day's work and it wasn't an eight-hour day. Roy's father received \$1.10 a day for 10 hours of work. Then from the car-house

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Optimist Club To Sponsor Oratorical Contest

The Manchester Optimist Club will sponsor an oratorical contest for boys and girls under the age of 16 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 12 in the Emanuel Church of Christ Hall on West Main Street.

Awards will be presented to the first place, second place, and runner-up winners in each division. First place winners will be eligible to participate in the regional contest in Flint on March 31. The state contest will be held in Clare in early May with the top prize in each division of a \$1000 scholarship.

The official topic of the contest is "My Responsibility, Involvement". Contestants must speak on the subject for not less than four minutes and not more than five minutes.

For contest entry forms and more information, contact the contest chairman Ted Tapping at 428-8478.

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Board of Education,
Superintendent of Schools
Thompson indicated that it was
his hope that the Board of
Education would take action on
the fourth grade program at this
special meeting.

card of thanks

I wish to thank family and
friends who attended my 90th
birthday party at the Senior
Citizen's Meal, Thursday. Also
thanks to Nancy and Dawna.
Everett Stockwell

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU!

Monday, February 20, Hot Dog
On Bun, French Fries, Dill
Pickles, Crushed Pineapple and
Milk.

Tuesday, February 21, Beef
Ravioli, Buttered Green Peas,
Bread & Butter, Diced Pears and
Milk.

Wednesday, February 22,
Cheeseburger/Bun, Hash Brown
Potato Patty, Vegetable Sticks,
Chocolate Pudding and Milk.

Thursday, February 23, Hot
Turkey Sandwich With Gravy,
Buttered Corn, Cake and Milk.

Friday, February 24, Beef
Burrito With Chili, Tator Tots,
Tossed Salad With Dressing,
Fresh Fruit and Milk.

Masonic Officers Elected

At a recent annual meeting of
the Manchester Masonic Temple
Club the following officers were
elected, Earl R. Alber, President;
William D. Martin, Secretary and
Paul W. Eisele, Treasurer.

Manchester Men's Club Guest Night

The Manchester Men's Club will
hold their annual Guests Night on
Saturday, February 25, at the
Knights of Columbus Hall in
Manchester. All club members
and men of the community are
invited.

Happy Hour will begin at 6:00
p.m. with dinner at 7:00 p.m.
Deadline for tickets is February
19th. Cost per person will be
\$10.00.

For more information please
contact

Men In Service

Pvt. Jeffery L. Lance, son of
Roger L. and Alice A. Lance of
11285 Pleasant Lake Road,
Manchester, Michigan, has
graduated from the U.S.
Department of Defense fire
protection course at Chanute Air
Force Base, Ill.

During the course, students
were taught basic firefighting
techniques, rescue and first aid
procedures, and the operation and
maintenance of fire and rescue
equipment. They also earned
credits toward an associate
degree through the Community
College of the Air Force.

Lance is scheduled to serve
with the Army Aviation Station
at Fort Rucker, Ala.
He is a 1982 graduate of
Manchester High School.

Enter Now For The 1984 Beef Cook-Off

If you have a beef dish that you
are particularly proud of, now is
the time to enter it in the
Michigan Beef Cook-Off. You
could win an all expense paid trip
to Albuquerque, New Mexico to
compete for \$10,000 in national
prize money. The top five winners
receive gift boxed beef.

To enter, send a typed copy of
your best beef recipe (Using only
round, chuck, rump, fresh brisket,
plate, shank or ground beef) to
Bev Poet, 10389 Burnmeister,
Manchester, MI 48158. Include
your name, address, phone
number and a brief statement
about the origin of your recipe.

Be sure to enter your recipe
soon. Deadline for entry is April
30, 1984.

Fifteen finalists will compete at

the Michigan Beef Cook-Off on
June 2, 1984, at Michigan State
University. The first place winner
will represent Michigan at the
National Beef Cook-Off,
September 9-11, in Albuquerque,
N.M. Prizes at the national level
are: first place, \$5,000; second
place, \$2,500; third place, \$1,000;
five honorable mentions, \$300
each.

All recipes must contain a
minimum of one pound of beef and
not more than five, and each
serving must contain at least
three ounces of cooked beef. Meat
used must be exclusively beef.
Cooking time cannot exceed four
hours. The recipe must be
specific, with no use of brand
names, and must state the
number of servings and
approximate preparation time. All
entrees become the property of
the Michigan CattleWomen, Inc.

Contestants must be 18 years
or older, with non-professional
food status. Any person who has
owned one or more head of beef
or dairy cattle (or who lives in a
household where any person has
owned cattle) in the twelve
months preceding October 1,
1984, is ineligible. CattleWomen
or employees of state beef
councils or the National Live
Stock and Meat Board are also
ineligible.

Recipes are judged according to
taste, ease of preparation and
practicality, originality and
appearance.

The Michigan Beef Cook-Off is
sponsored by the Michigan
CattleWomen. The National Beef
Cook-Off is sponsored by the
American National CowBelles in
cooperation with the Beef
Industry Council of the Meat
Board.

HIT or MISS by farley

I met a chap not so long ago
who produces TV commercials for
a living and we told him that we
didn't think that the TV
commercials of today were fun
anymore. They, at least, had
happy endings but not so
nowadays. For instance we had
the mousy guy, said our friend,
who became the handsome
debonaire chap after using just a
dab of a certain hair cream and
the crusading knight who changed
an entire town for the better
simply by riding in on his white
horse and showing the natives
what cleanser to use, and the
dashing English naval commander
whose sparkling tonic water did
more for society than penicillin,
or the hair goop that the use of
takes thirty two years off your life
or the results so easily achieved by
the lady plumber and the many
other nostrums that made life so
much more liveable, but now that
is changed. The commercials have
gotten worse, he told me.

The happy songs from those
who were wishing they were a
certain kind of weiner is gone. So
is the beautiful woman who, in a
cigar ad invited you to "pick me
up and smoke me sometime" and
where is the little bird that flew
into the kitchen with the right
brand of soap under his wing.
They've been replaced by a
miserable people said my friend,
who haven't cracked a smile for
ever so long.

I suspect that the trend for

commercials without happy
endings started with Charlie the
Tuna-the increasingly sad chap
who looked sadder and sadder
after every attempt, always
unsuccessful, to be canned by the
right company.

From this humble beginning
misery now seems to be the style
of the commercials. For instance
there is the tale of the young
couple who are decorating their
new home and giggling while they
worked, and then the husband
fades away and the announcer
with the Digger Odell voice says
"Jane and John spent years
planning their new home but Jane
didn't plan on having to pay the
mortgage without John.

And then the picture fades out
and Jane fresh from the make-up
department fades in with bags
under her eyes--stands helplessly
in the same house clutching the
family album while workmen
carry out the last of the
repossessed furniture.

Then next we see automobiles
careening down the road towards
a loaded school bus, out of control
because these cars are not
equipped with the right tires and
which charming scene is followed
by a woman tormented by her
conscience while trying to decide
whether or not she has used the
proper fabric softener and then
Lee Iococca being tormented by
the question of how many
Chryslers he will sell in '84.

Please all you who dream up

PUBLIC NOTICE

At Bridgewater Townships next regular meeting, 8:00
p.m., February 20, 1984, Sheriff Minick and his dispatch
co-ordinator will be present to explain dispatch procedures
for fire, ambulance and other emergencies.

DOUGLAS PARR, SUPERVISOR

Dave Petsch For Village Mayor

Village Primary Monday, February 20



Dave Petsch has been a resident of the community of Manchester for 27 years. He is a 1963 graduate of Manchester High School and has attended Jackson Community College. Dave has developed many management and supervisory skills which would enable him to serve this community effectively. Special management classes completed by Dave include?

Managing Through Communication
Work Measurement
Supervisory Loss Control
(sponsored by the Michigan Department of Labor)
Supervisory Training
(sponsored by the Jackson Area Manufacturers' Association)

Presently Dave Petsch resides at 412 West Main Street with his two children. Carrie, his daughter, is a 1983 graduate currently enrolled at Eastern Michigan University. His son, Jeff, is a sophomore at Manchester High School.

Dave Petsch has been active in the Manchester community for many years. His serving the public became prominent in 1978 and 1979 when he was elected president of the Manchester Jaycees. Dave remained president for that term and received the Jaycees of the Year Award. The Manchester Men's Club is another organization Dave contributes to. He served as a director of that club for two years. Dave served for three years as a trustee on the Village Council from 1980 through 1983. He has been the president of the Manchester Men's Bowling League for the past two years as well.

Dave has been an employee of Hoover Universal for the past nine years, currently in Production Control.

Dave Petsch would like to continue serving the Manchester Community by being elected your mayor. He supports:

1. Sidewalk improvements.
2. Upgrading water and sewer systems.
3. Development of a light industrial park.
4. Tax abatement for new businesses.
5. Stabilizing property taxes.
6. Senior citizen and youth programs.

Dave will be an active voice working to fulfill these objectives. Dave Petsch wants to contribute to the entire community. He wants to provide Manchester with the image of being a pleasant place in which to live and raise children. Let's all get together and vote for Dave Petsch on February 20th.

Paid by the Committee to elect Dave Petsch for Mayor

February 27th Set For Reproductive Program Meeting

The Manchester Board of Education has scheduled, Monday, February 27 as a date to review and consider the fourth grade Reproductive Health Program which has been presented by the school administration.

The meeting will be held at Klager Elementary School. During this time all interested persons will be offered the opportunity to review materials, make comments, and ask any related questions.

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Births Announced

Terry and Rebecca Ebersole of Manchester are proud to announce the birth of their son, Jeffrey Scott born January 28, 1984. He weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Paul of Manchester and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ebersole, also of Manchester.

Born to Ken and Peg Parr of 14202 Logan Road, Manchester, a girl, on February 7, 1984. Amanda Jane Parr was born at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital and weighed 9 pounds 15 ounces. She has a 4 year old brother Jerrud Alan. Grandparents are Floyd and Florence Parr, Shirley Gilmore, and Dick and Betty Gilmore.

Robert and Beth Padley of Manchester are announcing the birth of their daughter, Annette Michelle. She was born February 9, 1984 at Herrick Memorial Hospital in Tecumseh, weighing 7 pounds 11 ounces and 21 inches in length. She has one sister Carina Marie 1 year old.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Padley and Mr. and Mrs. William Merriman, all of Manchester.

Lung Patients

fever has left you with no appetite. Now more than ever it's important to eat the right foods.

One final word of "wisdom" - be sure to get enough sleep. Being tired all of the time just opens the door for those various assorted winter time ailments.

Keep these tips in mind and you too can survive the winter. For more information on lung disease, call your American Lung Association of Michigan toll free at 1-800-292-5979.



KING'S DAUGHTERS

The King's Daughters will meet at the Manchester United Methodist Church at 1 p.m. on Thursday, February 23. Hostesses will be Grace Stockwell and Ethel Brown.

MANCHESTER BAND BOOSTERS

The Manchester Band Boosters will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Band room on Wednesday, February 22, 1984. All people interested in attending are welcome.

Senior Citizens Meals And News

The menu on Tuesday, February 21 for Senior Meals at noon at Emanuel United Church of Christ dining room is: Swiss Steak, Fruit, Roll and Butter, Dessert, Coffee, Tea and Milk.

On Thursday, February 23, they are serving: Macaroni & Cheese with Ham, Vegetable, Roll and Butter, Dessert, Coffee, Tea

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and Milk. Programming on Tuesday includes two events in the morning—besides blood pressures being taken, Reverend Bob Macfarlane will present the clergy's topic for the month. Following lunch there will be cards for all, whether one has attended that favorite lunch or not.

Thursday's programs include the regular Exercise Class at 11:00 and a trip to Germany with the Timmermans at 12:45.

Saturday night out for FUN is the big party of the week and month. Pack your Supper-in-a-Sack and be at the Old Mill by 6:00 p.m. If you need a ride to get you there, contact Lillian Uphaus, 428-7461 by Friday night (17th). Music, singing, an old fashioned reading, a Mock Wedding and door prizes plus the fun of being together will combine for your entertainment until closing time at 10:00. The coffee, cake and punch will be furnished by the committee. Admission - age fifty or over plus 50¢!

Cheese, Butter And Dried Milk Distribution

Federal surplus cheese, butter and dried milk will be available at Manchester Methodist Church, 501 Ann Arbor Street, (M 52), Manchester on Friday, February 24, from 10:00 to 12:00 a.m. This food is distributed to the Manchester area by Manchester Family Service for the CSA.

Income levels for eligible families include the total yearly income of all members declared in the household, that is: \$6,075 or less for a single person, \$8,175 for a family of two, \$10,275 for a family of three, and \$2,100 added for each additional member of the household in larger families.

New applicants should bring two items of identification, such as Food Stamp, ADC, GA, Medicaid, SSI, or unemployment card, etc. Also proof of number in the family and the present address. Senior Citizens should bring their letter from the Social Security Administration. (If you do not have one, call 994-3310 and

they will send you a copy which you also need if applying for Home Heating Assistance from Michigan State. Be sure and have your Medicare number handy as it will be needed to obtain the information over the phone.)

NOTICE!!

On Sunday, February 19, the Manchester Sportsman Club will have a Muzzle Loader Shoot for all those interested at 11:00 a.m. There will be a potluck dinner for all members at 1:00 p.m. BYOB. Also cards and fun for all.

WIDMAYER FORD
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NOTICE
Due to the Primary Election, the Regular Manchester Village Council Meeting, February 20th, will be held February 21, 1984 at 7:00 p.m.
Helen J. Kensler
Village Clerk

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Engagement Announced



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Fitzgerald are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Laurie Ann to Joseph W. Keister of Saline, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne H. Keister of Wayne.

A July 7, 1984 wedding is planned.

Laurie is a graduate of Manchester High School and presently a Junior at Oakland University. Joseph is a graduate of Wayne Memorial High School, and Eastern Michigan University. He is presently employed at Hydra-matic of Ypsilanti.

Winter in Manchester

his father walked home. At the time they lived up Ann Arbor Hill in the area of Mary Smith's house on Lafayette Street.

Charles Gauss remembers

winters of years ago. Many times the farmers would try to get in a month's supply of groceries (staples) so they would not have to come into town if the weather was bad and the snow too deep. If someone was very sick the farmers would ban together and break the road open for him. He remembers how they'd walk over the fences and the snow would be so hard they wouldn't break through.

Gauss worked 44 years for the Washtenaw County Road Commission until he retired. Farmers would work out some of their taxes by keeping open the roads near them. This was very beneficial both to the farmers and the road commission.

There was always some chores to do around the farm after school. Winter or summer. His father saw that each of the children helped. Gauss believes that there was much to be said of the country schools. The teachers worked closely with the children and, because everyone was in the same room, kids learned by listening to older pupils discussing problems and answering questions the teacher asked them.

His father read from the Bible and he feels that this early training has stayed with him through the years. Some of those lessons from years ago are just as true today. But it wasn't all work, study and Bible reading. Not by a long shot. He used to catch on to bob-sled, go and visit the neighbors on a winter evening

and the kids would play games while their parents played cards. Winter was fun for Charles Gauss in Manchester.

Soil Conservation District Annual Meeting Held

The 35th Annual Meeting of the Washtenaw County Soil Conservation District was held Tuesday, February 7, 1984, at the Pittsfield Union Grange Hall, Ann Arbor. There were eighty-seven persons in attendance.

The program for the meeting included reports on 1983 activities and highlights of the Soil Conservation District, USDA Soil Conservation Service, and USDA Rural Clean Water Program, Saline Valley Project.

An election of two District Directors were also held. There were 63 ballots cast, with Charles Koenn, Sylvan Township and Leonard Burmeister, Freedom Township, re-elected to their second three-year term as Directors.

Featured speaker for the program was Dr. Paul E. Kindinger, Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture. Dr. Kindinger provided some very interesting and inspirational comments.

The following awards were presented: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Esch of Ann Arbor were recognized as the winners of the 1983 Big Tree Contest; Charles Child, Outdoor Editor of The Ann

Arbor News received the 1983 Communications Award; Nick Heller, retiring District Equipment Manager received a Distinguished Service Award for his work as Equipment Manager; and Julius Pigott, Soil Conservation Service was presented with a Distinguished Service Certificate for his service to the District (Pigott is transferring to the Jackson County Soil Conservation Service Office).

In addition, two special award presentations were made. The coveted "Walter Wolfgang Memorial" Outstanding Conservation Farmer of the Year Award, for 1983 was presented to Dexter farmer, William Nixon. Mr. Nixon has actively used various conservation practices for many years in his farming operation.

The Soil Conservation District was also presented with an award plaque and \$500 prize for being selected as the First Place National Winner in the 1983 District Newsletter Contest, sponsored by the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) and the Farm and Industrial Equipment Institute. The award was presented to District Administrative Assistant Dennis Rice, and District Aide Cindy Fischer, by District Director Leonard Burmeister who accepted the plaque at the NACD National Convention in Denver.

The Annual Meeting closed with a drawing for 14 door prizes donated by area business. The prizes ranged from bowling certificates, to flashlights to flowering plants to a shower massage.

professionally. The program has been experienced by more than 150,000 people in 18 countries and is based on 20 years of research. It has been offered in more than 100 colleges and universities and is billed as the "fastest growing personal and professional development program in the world". The learning experience is designed to help people develop effectiveness in communication skills, daily problem solving, time management, leadership skills and personal career planning.

Special free preview meetings will be held on February 23 and March 1, 1984 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Saline Community Hospital Wellness Center located at N. Ann Arbor and McKay Streets. The ten-week program will be held on Tuesday evenings, March 20 through May 22, 1984.

To obtain further information regarding the program or to register for a free preview session, please call the Hospital at 429-5435, ext. 331.

Turner Learning Programs

Turner Geriatric Clinic is sponsoring a series of ten classes conducted by the Detroit Society for the Blind to teach skills which promote independent living for legally blind and low visioned older adults.

The new class, limited to 15 people, will be held without charge on Wednesdays from February through May.

Topics of instruction include communication skills, activities of daily living, sewing, handling of coins and currency, continuing use of handwriting, low vision aides, homemaking skills, introduction of elementary braille, and how to get around safely.

The first session will be on Wednesday, February 22, 1984, from 1 p.m. till 3 p.m. at Turner Clinic, 1010 Wall St., Ann Arbor, Michigan. Please call 764-2556 for information. No new students will be admitted after the second session.

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Roadside mowing, by township, on all local and primary county roads throughout the county.
Detailed proposals and other information may be obtained at the office of the Washtenaw County Road Commission. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or any part of same; to waive irregularities and/or informalities and to make the award in part or entirety as may appear to be in the best interest of the County of Washtenaw.
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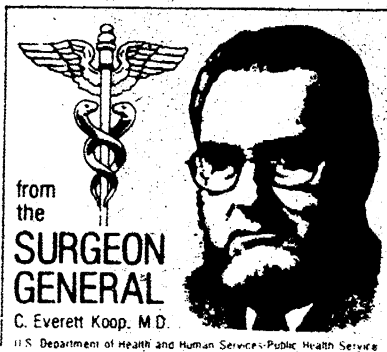
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New Hospital Program

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DRINKING AND PREGNANCY

The week of January 15, 1984, was designated by the Congress and proclaimed by the President as "Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Awareness Week." And with good reason: fetal alcohol syndrome (FAS) ranks only behind Down's syndrome and spina bifida as the most common cause of birth defects with associated mental retardation in newborn babies. If you are pregnant or are thinking about having a baby, FAS is a health problem that you should know something about.

Almost everyone is aware that alcohol abuse over a period of time can contribute to a number of serious disorders in adults, including muscle and heart disease, malnutrition, digestive problems and liver cirrhosis. It should not surprise us to learn, therefore, that alcohol, when abused during pregnancy, can also damage the far more delicate system of the unborn baby.

For a number of years, now, researchers have been studying infants born to women who drank heavily during their pregnancies. What they have found in a significant number of these infants is a disturbing pattern of physical, mental and behavioral abnormalities - fetal alcohol syndrome. Babies with FAS were

shorter and lighter in weight than normal babies, and they didn't "catch up" later, even when given special postnatal care.

Babies with FAS also had abnormally small heads, several facial irregularities, joint and limb abnormalities, heart defects and poor coordination. Most were mentally retarded, as well, and exhibited a number of behavioral problems, such as hyperactivity, extreme nervousness and poor attention spans.

Not every symptom of FAS was seen in every baby, of course; symptoms varied from child to child. But even one symptom of fetal alcohol syndrome is an unnecessary tragedy. The point to be made, and remembered, is that alcohol can have devastating effects on the unborn baby. So, how should you approach the question of drinking during pregnancy? What should you think about it and what, if anything, should you do?

Research is just now beginning to show the amount of alcohol that may harm the developing baby. While there are, as of yet, no hard and fast rules, we do know that even moderate amounts of alcohol pose a risk to the unborn baby. Women who consume two normal-size drinks a day, for example, increase their chances of miscarriage and of having a baby that is smaller than babies born to women who drink infrequently or not at all. Women who drink heavily during pregnancy - six or more drinks a day - clearly risk giving birth to a child with fetal alcohol syndrome.

There is much that we still do not know about fetal alcohol syndrome. We are not sure, for instance, at what time during pregnancy the fetus is most susceptible to the damaging

effects of alcohol. Nor do we know to what extent the effects of drinking may be compounded by such other factors as smoking and poor nutrition. Until all the facts are in, however, the best advice I can offer women who are pregnant or who want to become pregnant is to refrain, completely, from drinking alcoholic beverages. If we do not yet have all the answers, at least two facets of the drinking - and - pregnancy problem are beyond dispute: first, the more the mother drinks, the greater are the risks she takes with the health of her unborn baby; second, there is NO possibility of fetal damage from alcohol when the mother doesn't drink at all.

The safest and wisest choice, I'm sure you will agree, is to avoid alcohol during this most important time of both your life and your baby's.

Boating Courses

Boating courses in Boating Skills and Seamanship will be presented by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary on February 29, from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Tecumseh American Legion.

For additional information call 517-423-2218 or 313-428-8538.

Cancer Information Service Recruiting Volunteers

The Cancer Information Service, housed at the Michigan Cancer Foundation (MCF), is recruiting volunteers to become Information Specialists for the toll-free telephone information and referral system. The training schedule will entail 8 sessions of 4 hours each, Tuesdays and

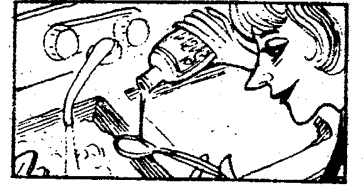
Thursdays, beginning March 20, 1984, and continuing through April 12, 1984. Upon successful completion of the course, volunteers will be asked to commit to a minimum of 4 hours per week as Information Specialists.

Potential trainees do not need prior knowledge of cancer, although it is helpful. Throughout the training, the volunteers will acquire a number of useful skills: "They will learn cancer medical knowledge, research trends, interpersonal communication skills, as well as referral techniques for community resources and services," Jane Hoey, coordinator of the program, explains.

The Cancer Information Service (CIS) is part of a national network of cancer information centers

funded by the National Cancer Institute (NCI). The phone lines, accessible to all Michigan residents, are open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on weekdays. The volunteers provide accurate cancer information and assistance to the lay public and health professionals.

Persons interested in becoming part of the volunteer effort should call Volunteer Services at the Michigan Cancer Foundation at (313) 294-3655.



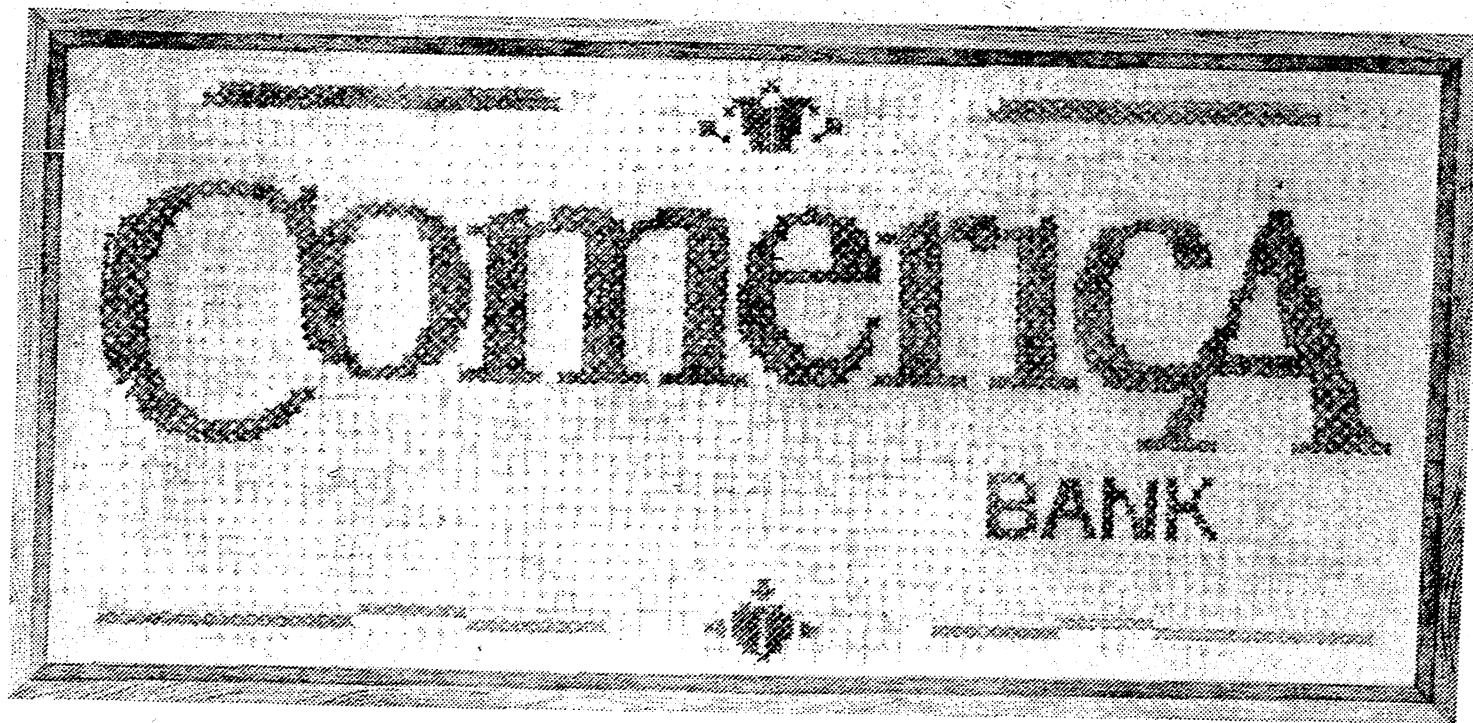
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