

NEWS

SUMMARY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 18, 1991 Not Official Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by President Sahakian with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Sahakian, Gaughan, Gordon, Kluwe, VanBogelen, Gilbert, Turk

The minutes of the regular meeting of February 25, 1991 were approved as presented.

The financial report and bills payable were approved as presented with a cash balance as of February 28, 1991 in the amount of \$1,964,898.13.

Superintendent Niedzwiecki announced that Board members and their spouses have received an invitation from the high school to attend the upcoming play "It Happened at the Snack Bar" to be held March 22 and 23.

Individual students as well as President Sahakian presented each with a certificate. President Sahakian congratulated all students and stated that parents and guardians should be extremely proud of their children for achieving this goal.

At 8:05 p.m. a recess was called for a brief reception to be held for students and their families following the presentation of certificates.

The Board reconvened at 8:20 p.m. The Superintendent has been authorized to seek bids to purchase or lease a new portable classroom for Klager Elementary School.

Annually a representative to the Summer Recreation Program is appointed by the Board of Education. Pat Sahakian has been appointed for the 1991 program.

The Board has approved the admission of Kevin Rose to the Manchester Community School District as a tuition student.

New Business: Forty-four Manchester Community School students were recognized for their outstanding achievement on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program test.

Superintendent Niedzwiecki reviewed the course "Keyboarding/Introduction to Technology" with Board members. Revised graduation requirements call for students having at least 1/2 credit of computer technology.

RURAL LAND USE DISCUSSION,

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"dangers of extensive rural development," in terms of increased burden on the schools, deteriorating roads, and so on.

But the applause came when one fellow stated, "I don't want someone to tell me if I can sell my land."

When Mr. Fleer was asked if he or the committee had some initial ideas that they might state so the citizens could respond to those, Mr. Fleer said, "I'm not at the point of making a recommendation yet."

What's the Point

"I'm inclined to say we should back off the sliding scale/40-acre lot size," concluded Mr. Fleer. "Reason suggested the 40-acre lot size to preserve prime agricultural land, not as a growth tool. I don't see how you're going to stop people from the city from moving to the country."

"But if you do nothing and just let the plat act work, in 20 years, you'll not have a rural community," he continued.

"That's inevitable," chimed out someone.

"It is NOT inevitable," returned Mr. Fleer.

That was the difference between the Iron Creek Church meeting and this: here Mr. Fleer always offered the last word, agreeing, explaining, disagreeing, even refusing to discuss.

"I ain't heard nothin' here yet that's made any sense to me," commented one citizen as the meeting was drawing to a close.

Said another, "He don't know if he rode a horse or a mule."

Onward

The next meeting scheduled by the Planning Commission is for Monday, March 25, at 8:00 at the Township Hall. The subject will be "Commercial and Industrial Land Use Policy—designating suitable areas away from the Village, within the rural Township."

On Monday, April 1, the Planning Commission will return again to the question of "Rural Land Use."

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ogy. This course will be offered in grades 9 through 12. The course has been approved as presented and will be included in the high school curriculum.

Superintendent Niedzwiecki reviewed the list of proposed maintenance/capital improvement projects with Board members. Discussion took place as to the priority of the projects. The maintenance/capital improvement projects for the 1991-92 fiscal year were approved as presented.

Public Communication: Mike Gleason inquired as to what the specific requirements are for an out of district student to attend another school district as a tuition student.

Superintendent Niedzwiecki apprised Board members and the audience about the first grade open forum which was held on Monday, March 11, 1991.

The meeting was open to all parents of present kindergartners to introduce them to first grade programs and procedures plus gain their input on the future needs of their children as first graders.

Advocates Report: Mr. Leonard Hastings, Language Arts Chairperson, was present and detailed the progress of the language/arts programs beginning with the initial assessment in 1988-89.

Discussion Items: Superintendent Niedzwiecki updated Board members on the progress of the Facility Planning Committee stating that members are in the process of defining the options available for our schools' needs.

Mr. Russ LeBlanc, High School Principal, reviewed the Saturday Guided Study Program being offered to high school students. The program was implemented to serve the following needs:

1) students have the opportunity to serve a Saturday session in place of certain violations that normally require an out of school suspension; 2) students who fail to serve excessive tardy detentions will be assigned a Saturday session; and 3) students who skip a class will be assigned a Saturday session.

Discussion took place as to the most feasible way to involve students in a Board meeting to obtain their input. Several ideas were discussed and it was decided that an invitation would be extended to students to attend the April 15, 1991 regular board meeting.

A special Board meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, March 26, 1991 in order for Board members to act on the extension of Superintendent Niedzwiecki's contract and to discuss teacher negotiations.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

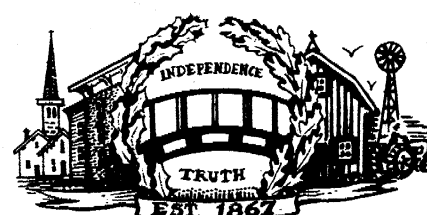
Advertisement for cars with headline 'CAN WE TALK?...SPRING!' and illustrations of birds.

Advertisement for Ford vehicles including 1991 Full Size Bronco, Green Light Special 1991 Tempo GL's, and 1991 F150 XLT 4x4.

Advertisement for Midwest Ford with headline 'MIDWEST HAS THE BEST PRICES ON FORD PROGRAM VEHICLES' and a list of cars with prices.

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COMMITTEE GIVES THUMBS UP FOR A NEW HIGH SCHOOL

—by Janet LaBeau Shurtliff

It's a big table when nearly thirty people are sitting around it. And at the last meeting of the committee appointed to consider what is needed in terms of buildings and remodeling for Manchester Community Schools, it took a while for Superintendent Ron Niedzwiecki to call on each in turn around that big table.

One by one they offered their opinion on which of the six options under consideration they favored.

And one by one you heard the same conclusion: Option Three. Not without reservation or concerns. But consistently: Option Three.

WHAT IS OPTION THREE? According to the School's handout, Option Three calls for:

Klager Elementary School to be used for developmental kindergarten through the second grade. They project that it will serve about 300 students. It will need remodeling, including adding a media center and rooms for support programs, art and music. Projected cost: \$1,700,000.

The current Middle School/Nellie Ackerson buildings would be remodeled to house 350 students in grades three through five. Cost estimate: \$1,622,000.

Middle schoolers in grades six through eight would move into the current high school with remodeling including adding a science classroom/lab, a computer classroom, art classroom, support classroom and expanded office space. Figured at \$1,225,000 to serve 350 students.

A new high school would be built for grades nine through twelve, projected at 500 students. On a new site, rather than land currently owned by the Schools, the cost projection is \$14,500,000.

Total projected cost of Option Three: \$19,047,000.

ABOUT THE COSTS Most if not all on the committee members expressed concern about the high cost estimates. Some suggested ways of reducing the costs, such as phasing in the project, or doing less remodeling.

Reluctance to accept the financial picture associated with Option Three came from both ends. According to Jim Tideman from Greiner Inc., the architectural consulting firm hired by the school:

"What we have done is estimate budgets, not come up with firm figures. There is room to adjust costs. That's my charge for the next meeting, to prepare options within options."

And according to some of the committee members, such as Freedom Township supervisor Bob Little:

"Having just gone through the Board of Review (and feelings are always high at this time of the year), this isn't going to fly. Too much money is going to the schools. And the state isn't helping."

SOME COMMENTS ON THE OTHER OPTIONS

Coming in second in number of references during the evening was Option One which only involved building additions, not a new building.

However, Option One would have 650 students in Klager in grades developmental kindergarten through grade five. Everyone who addressed this option without exception found the prospect of 650 elementary-school-age youngsters in one building far, far too many. Projected cost of Option One: \$13.1 million.

Another option mentioned favorably by a couple of teachers was Option Five. This calls for building a new high school and using the Middle School/Nellie Ackerson buildings for Community Education and Administration. This plan, however, again has 650 kids at Klager. And it's estimated cost is more than \$20 million.

Committee member Jim Davey, with a straight face, gave a "vote with prejudice to Option Four" because it "eliminates the Middle



REMINDED US OF THE SYMBOLS FOR BOTH SPRING AND THE EASTER SEASON, could there be a more precious representation of life than this little one in the arms of the Spring Bunny at Krauss Pharmacy last week-end?

On the Road to a Manchester Twp Master Plan BACK TO SQUARE ONE?

"I don't know why people in Manchester are so worried about development...the only way it'll come is if Ann Arbor backs into us." —author unknown.

The process of developing a new General Development Plan for Manchester Township has been patient and methodical.

But the most recent meeting on Monday, March 25, ended by raising questions fundamental to the whole discussion: is there a need to plan for change before there is pressure for change?

CONSIDERING THE QUESTION(S)

The agenda topic for the meeting was: "Commercial and Industrial Land Use Policy—designation of suitable areas away from the Village within the rural Township."

Present from the Township Planning Commission were Chairman Bob Kellum and Commissioners Ann Smith, Jack Crech, Lyle Widmayer, and Ed Barnard. The paid consultant, Brian Fleer, from the Washtenaw County Planning Commission staff was "out of

town" and therefore not in attendance.

Despite Commissioner Lyle Widmayer's attempts to bring the discussion to a sharp focus, it often ranged widely.

The discussion was organized into two parts: the first half of the meeting was about commercial development; the second about industrial development.

COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT

"Is there a need to zone any more property in the township for this purpose?" asked Commissioner

Widmayer. "I don't think we've had any problem with what we have now. But do we need more? Is there a need?"

One of the dozen folks attending the meeting maintained there was a need for more commercial zoning—especially on US-12 where his property is located.

"We don't want to open up 12—period!" stated Clarence Fielder, another citizen in attendance. "Put commercial development around the Village. You'll have two villages in the township if you open up 12!"

Commissioner Ann Smith also objected to the US-12 area in Manchester Township being com-

mercial because she stated it is too dangerous for traffic to be turning on and off here.

Discussion also considered the appropriateness of any development being where there is not access to sewer and water in the foreseeable future.

Chairman Kellum: "In an effort to sum things up: there is concern whether commercial development is appropriate without sewer and water. I'm not sure I agree with that. For instance, an entrepreneur with a furniture shop...why exclude him just because there is no sewer and water?"

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Quick Thinking Averts Disaster

Thanks to our DPW Department and Gary Widmayer, some local residents were spared having sewage backing up into their basements.

Gary informed us that the sewer trench bank collapsed and sheared the sanitary line which in turn was plugged with dirt. Since this is the gravity flow portion of the force main on Vernon Street, the sewage started to back up into the laterals.

DPW furnished a trash pump and transferred the grey water around the accident site and back into the sanitary system. The fire department had their truck on line to flush the lines.

If this had happened during the night, disaster! QUICK THINKING AND GOOD WORK, GUYS!

Every underground contractor's nightmare happened to A.P.E.C. Contracting from Kalamazoo

Wednesday afternoon. According to Barry McCool, of Environmental Science and Technology, APEC is under contract to place slotted drains in (1) Vernon Street, (2) perpendicular to Vernon between Torrey and Wolverine, and (3) in the loading dock area of the old Double A plant. These lines are designed to intercept trichloroethene which is a toxic chemical degreaser that leached into the ground from Double A.

The slotted pipe, bedded with pea stone, covered with a permeable blanket and more pea stone, picks up the ground water that contains the Trichloroethene. Federal standards say 10 parts per billion in drinking water is harmful to our health.

Barry McCool related that Vickers is paying the cost of the installation and long-term monitoring required to conform with DNR requirements.



Apparently the treatment plant, through aeration and biological activity, can render the trichloroethene nontoxic in 8 to 10 hours of treatment. Barry claims there is a clay layer that prohibits the contami-

nated groundwater from reaching our well water supply. Let's hope he is right and that the remedial solution takes care of the problem so that we Manchesterites are not another Love Canal.—EWG

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NEWS

Out & About



Gar has an addition to his family. Alene, my truly beautiful and brilliant daughter (I'm prejudiced) bought dad a puppy, named Spike.

Guess she figured that getting Spike for the old man he might not do something foolish. Like getting married for the third time. I told you she was smart.

But really "Spike" is smarter than either of us. He gets free room and board (like a wife), makes a mess wherever he feels like (like a woman), gets my attention by whining (wife), barks to get me to come (woman), and occasionally gives me a lick on the cheek (wife).

The real advantage Spike provides is no hot tongue or cold shoulder. He can't talk back, growls a lot though, and all around is just fun to have about.

If you have never noticed that when you carry around a little white puppy with a brown spot covering one eye and ear, all the pretty ladies show up to give the pup some TLC. For while there I thought I might have been reincarnated as Robert Redford.

No such luck, it was just the pup. Just spooftin' you gals, maybe...

Most folks probably don't know that I am the Building In-

spector for Bridgewater, Freedom and Manchester Townships. That way I get to see all the new homes being built. Nosey guy! There have been a lot of homes built during the last six years on the job. We cover 108 square miles in the three townships.

The new 1990 BOCA code book has many substantial changes that we inspectors have to enforce. The most significant change in our opinion is the new SMOKE ALARM requirements.

The 1987 code specified that a smoke alarm had to be located on the ceiling in the proximity of the bedrooms. That meant in the hallway outside the bedroom doors. A good share of the time, if you have children in the house, their bedroom door is closed. Smoldering fires in those bedrooms have killed children.

1990 code requires smoke alarms in all bedrooms to help prevent loss of life. The smoke alarms are interconnected and should have a power backup. There is absolutely no doubt in my mind this will help prevent loss of life.

I recommend for older homes that you retrofit your bedrooms with smoke alarms, particularly if you have children in the house.

Think about it - your child's life could be at stake.

Vandalism at the Cemetery

Mike Miner, the sexton of Oak Grove Cemetery, stopped by the other morning. He was outraged.

So were a few other people.

It seems that between Friday night and Saturday morning, some persons brought into the cemetery and vandalized the area.

"This is the second time in seven months," Mike let us know.

Sgt. Carl Werner said that it is a felony to deface a grave. And so those responsible for the damage to the grave stones and the building could face five-years-in-jail, a \$2500 fine, plus restitution and court costs, and a felony conviction on their record.

Sgt. Werner asks that anyone with information about this please contact the Manchester branch of the Washtenaw County Sheriff's office here in town.

Stop by. Or call 971-9036.

12-Month School Year?

At the conclusion of recent School Facilities Committee meeting, Mr. LeBlanc, principal of Manchester High School, passed out a survey that one of the students, Heather Hartmann, was using for research. It concerned the possibility of a 12-month school year.

If this is something you have an opinion on, perhaps you should let someone know. Mr. LeBlanc can probably get you a survey form.

Or you could just talk it over with the School Board member of your choice.

NEWSPAPER RECYCLING—A TALE OF TWO OPTIONS

PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

"We're inviting people to bring us their newspapers for recycling," said John and Lois Hochstetler. "We're recycling it for animal bedding."

The Hochstetlers have a farm on Pfaus Road and have for some time been purchasing shredded newspaper for animal bedding.

"Then we saw the article in the paper that they'd stopped taking newspaper for recycling in Manchester. Around the same time we saw an ad for a shredder." The rest will become history.

"We're out to help the community," said Lois Hochstetler.

"We'll use what we need," said John, "and sell the rest."

"Shredded newspaper is highly absorbent animal bedding," John continued. "The animals like it because its soft and cushiony. Then the microbes in the manure break down the newspaper and it can be plowed under in the fields."

John Hochstetler is a life-long Manchester-ite. He and Lois raise cattle, horses, pigs, and fallow deer on their farm. And they plan to add fish farming.

BRING YOUR NEWSPAPERS TO 12800 PFAUS ROAD (between Eismann and Ernst Roads, and between Bethel Church and Austin) ON SATURDAYS. They may be bundled, bagged or loose.

The Hochstetlers will be glad to take yesterday's newspapers off your hands—and start recycling them immediately!

OUR TAX DOLLARS AT WORK

Mike Gordon, Manchester Village Councilman, gave us the official word on the resumption of newspaper recycling at the Recycling Station at Walco. His press release stated:

"Residents of Manchester and the four surrounding Townships may once again bring their newspapers to the Manchester drop-off station for recycling."

"The new bin is located BE-

HIND Walco Foods where the glass and tin container will also be moved. This is a different collection system designed to cut our processing costs in half.

"We are asking residents to stack their papers in the 'roll-off' container. The entrance is facing S-East. WE WILL BE ACCEPTING NEWSPAPERS ONLY."

"They may be either bundled with twine or loose. You may include the glossy sections typically found in the Sunday editions, but we will not be accepting magazines, phone books, or any publication that has a glued binding."

The Official recycling effort for newspapers stopped a month or so ago because Recycle Ann Arbor, where the newspapers were taken, was charging too much for their service. They had always charged a handling fee which was offset by the market price for newspaper, but then the market price fell dramatically and the fee became prohibitive.

Mike said the new system involves having Laidlaw, the trash haulers for the Village, take the newspapers to a drop-off point in Ohio. The only cost will be for transporting.

FATAL ACCIDENT

The police report hadn't yet reached Sgt. Carl Werner's basket Tuesday morning when we asked him about the ambulances and helicopter heard Monday evening, March 25, at about 6:15 p.m.

But he knew the facts. It was a motorcycle crash. "A one-vehicle accident," he stated. "There was one fatality and a passenger is in the hospital."

The tragedy took place on W. Austin Road, in front of Atlas Feed Store.

Richard Baggett, age 34, of Norvell, driver of the vehicle, was killed in the accident.

His passenger was Susan Kay DuRussel who at press time was in University of Michigan Hospital, reported in "fair" condition. —JLS

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POSSIBLE BUYER FOR INDUSTRIAL PARK LAND

premature to discuss that now."

Village sewer and water lines run just to the edge of the property line but would have to be extended to serve any users. These costs would have to be borne by the owner of the property, unless a special arrangement was made with the Village to have them included in the purchase price.

In reference to a question on tax abatements or other incentives such as these which are sometimes

bordering M-52, the other bordering Parr/Sooten Road.

Beyond that is the third section, a 9.25 acre piece which borders Hogan Road on the south.

TRAFFIC CONCERNS

Mr. Limpert has stated that all access to that area should be off Parr Road, via Hogan Road and M-52, rather than additional curb cuts on M-52. He cited two reasons: 1) traffic safety. "Look at the problems with Busch's on US-12 in Clinton!" he said. And 2), it would allow other parts of the Township and Village property to be served.

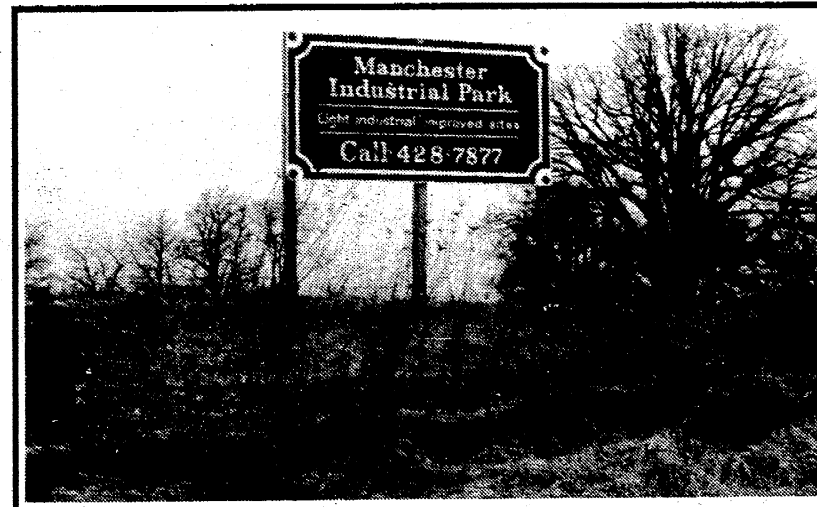
"Hogan Road is already a right-of-way," he added. "And the Township Planner is recommending that area south of Hogan be industrial."

When asked about Parr Road residents' complaints about traffic, he responded: the traffic would be coming from Hogan Road, not City Road. And, "Why create another problem [i.e., M-52 curb cuts] looking for an answer. This [Hogan Road] is a better solution."

WHAT NEXT

Village President Mary Kallewaard said the offer would be in the Council member's packets for study and on the agenda for the next Council meeting on Monday, April 1 for consideration.

—JLS



WHAT THE OFFER IS ABOUT

Don Limpert, whose D.E. Limpert Profit Sharing Trust made

the offer, stated that if the Village accepts his offer, he will buy the parcel and divide it as the demand requires. "It will be on the market in six months or less," stated Mr. Limpert, a Manchester businessman, owner of the Manchester Mill, and co-owner of the Manchester Enterprise.

He continued, "There will be some site restrictions. I'm not going to just sell it to anyone. It will be for small industrial users, but they will have to be environmentally acceptable."

When asked if he has anyone in mind, he responded, "Yes, but it is

brought up in such negotiations, Mr. Limpert replied "I'm not asking the Village for anything."

A BIT OF HISTORY

The stretch of land referred to as the "Industrial Park" actually consists of three sections.

The northern parcel, directly adjoining the Johnson Controls land, consists of 8.36 acres. This is the portion the Limpert company has made an offer to buy.

In the center is a 10-acre section which was not purchased in 1984. That has since been split into two privately held five-acre parcels, one

His father had Braun funeral homes in Adrian and Brooklyn.

"My brother will buy the business in Adrian, and I have Manchester and Brooklyn.

"I'm still going to live here. The manager of the Brooklyn home has been there for more than five years, and he will continue on. I will just commute to Brooklyn."

EMPTY BLDGS

"I received this note from Mary Kallewaard," said Dianne Schwab regarding the plant closing situation. She was speaking at the most recent Chamber of Commerce meeting on the "Quality of Life in Manchester." She read from the Kallewaard-note that:

Re Plastics: The Village/Mary Kallewaard has met with two potential buyers of the facility. There is also a third which is interested in leasing a portion of the building.

Re Vickers: The Village has been contacted by four potential buyers and linked them with Tri-Nova, the parent company for Vickers. There have also been two other contacts.

We asked Mary Kallewaard about this. She declined to give any details, stating, "In the devel-

opment business, companies generally ask that names not be released until something happens one way or the other."

REGARDING THE PLASTICS FACILITY she stated, "I had one direct contact here. The other one contacted a local resident who brought it to me. In both cases, I got some assistance from the Washtenaw County Development Council and Consumers Power Department of Economic Development.

"Nobody's made any decisions. We're competing against a couple of other sites...Both parties we're talking to are in manufacturing...When it gets to the point where one says, 'Yes. You're our first choice,' then we can go public with the details."

RE THE VICKERS FACILITY: "I contacted at the end of last year three manufacturers that I thought might be interested. I also contacted Tri Nova. After the closing became public, I was contacted by one other and put them in contact with Tri Nova. Two other manufacturing concerns have expressed some interest, but I haven't sat down and discussed anything with them, and as far as I know, they haven't talked to Tri Nova either." —JLS

FOLLOW-UP: What's Happening with the Historic District?

"An ordinance to develop a Historic District within the Village of Manchester" was passed by the Village Council in October 1989, a year and a half ago.

What's been done with the project since then, we asked Village President Mary Kallewaard.

STATUS QUO

"Sometime last summer I wanted to move ahead with it," she stated. "I gave Council members a sample of an information packet to send to all property owners on Exchange Place [the downtown area proposed to be the Historic District]," she continued. "Council supported the idea of doing that—but we didn't."

As described by Mary Kallewaard, the state law which provides for establishing an historic district directs that the Village must submit to the State Bureau of History information regarding the proposed district and documentation of the structures in the district.

This has not yet been done, but according to Mary Kallewaard, it will be done, "as soon as Bob Daverman [chairman of the Planning Commission] gets back from vacation to look over the packet—and Monty Okey who co-chaired [the Historic District Study Group]—to confirm that all the materials are there that should be there."

WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE

The ordinance passed by Council in 1989 does not designate what constitutes Manchester's Historic District, but rather outlines the procedures for defining it according to the State law. Sixty days later, a public hearing must be held.

"Another thing that needs to be done," continued Mary Kallewaard, "is to appoint members of the Historic District Commission—at least three and no more than seven."

There are eight distinct purposes for establishing an historic district stated in the ordinance, ranging from "to safeguard the Village's historic and cultural heritage as embodied and reflected in such landmarks and historic districts," to: "to stabilize and improve property values."

The ordinance, however, does not specify implementation of its provisions.

And in the year and a half since it passed...virtually no movement on the project has occurred.

We asked if anyone had yet volunteered, and Mary Kallewaard responded, "Yes, some of the people who were on the Study Committee."

BACKGROUND

In October 1985, Village Council appointed members to a Manchester Historic District Study Group (MHDSG). Monty Okey was the chairman. Bob Daverman the assistant chairman and secretary. Members included Sue Gleason, Sue Marshall, Harry Krauss, Liz Grossman, and Richard Spafard.

But it all started earlier than that. According to the MHDSG report, the Chamber of Commerce initiated study of the idea in the spring of 1985.

And Mary Kallewaard remembers discussion of it in the late 1970's when the Historical Society was in its formative years.

While there have been many passionate and persuasive voices in support of the District, it has certainly not been without disagreement.

Howard Parr, president of the Manchester Area Historical Society, wrote a "perspective" in an historical society newsletter several years ago in which he questioned and lamented the establishment of yet another level of bureaucracy. And his words reflected the thoughts of many others.

AND NOW...

But in the end, the Historic District Ordinance was passed.

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WHAT'S NEW...

The gas pumps in town are returning to normal. Back Door is on line. Hop-In is about to be. Benedicts look like they're catching the gas pump fever. The school kids have a break beginning on Good Friday and lasting all through next week...Spring sports are about to begin...Income tax time is getting nearer and nearer...and Spring may have truly sprung in Manchester!



CLASS OF 1971
A meeting to plan the 20 year reunion will be held on April 7 at 2 p.m. at Haarer's Meeting Place. If you are interested, please join us or call Jean (Pfaus) Bust 475-9874 or 475-9126, or Shirley (Eyeler) Haeussler 429-7162.

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BUSINESS NEWS

BUZZ AND CATHY ARE BACK
As of April 1, Corky D's will reopen.
Buzz and Cathy Dean have taken a month off FROM the non-stop intensity of their homemade delicatessen specialties.
"We need some time," said Cathy. "You have to be able to get away for awhile."

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EDITORIAL

CONSIDERING OUR SCHOOLS—DISPASSIONATELY

One of the most difficult subjects to raise in the context of critical objectivity is the public schools, particularly criticism of the public schools—because to say anything not totally praising the schools is to open yourself up to accusations that you are not supportive of the kids, or that you are naive about the demands placed on the teachers and administrators, or even that you are apt to cause your community to have a "bad reputation" for not being supportive of the schools.

Hmmmm. Let's consider what we are discussing.

First: The schools are first and foremost charged with developing the future of our country through our kids. Their intellectual and workplace skills are generally considered to be learned at school. And it is from these skills that future generations will draw to make our country (and the world) a happy, healthy, prosperous place to live.

Second: The schools are the environment in which our children live for seven hours out of the day. And it is at school that they associate most with their peers, learning and practicing social behavior and values.

Third: By law, education of children is compulsory. And for most, local public schools represent the only means of complying with that law.

Fourth: The schools take by far the majority of our property tax dollar. For instance, Manchester Community Schools receive 73% of the taxes

collected on property in Manchester Township.

THE SCHOOLS HAVE THE LION'S SHARE OF THE TAXES, THE LION'S SHARE OF THE RESPONSIBILITY, AND THEREFORE MUST BEAR THE LION'S SHARE OF ACCOUNTABILITY.

We all have a special relationship to the teachers and administrators in our schools. Perhaps we have children now in the school. Or had kids in school years ago. At the very least we ourselves were once in school.

We know it is demanding and challenging. We know much good is being done. The strengths in our schools should be proclaimed from the rooftops.

But we know too that there are shortcomings. There are even failures.

In order to do our very best, most of us could periodically use some additional motivation—perhaps even a push. And having a watchful eye on what you're doing can be a productive inspiration, especially if one remembers that we all share the same goal: improving our schools. Few if any of us can truly say we couldn't do better.

Although we are sure the Manchester Community Schools are good and are striving to be better, we do not feel it is serving our kids, our conscientious school staff, or our community to refrain from comment on what is apt to arouse even thinking people to reach different conclusions. So much is at stake.

The Editor

GUEST EDITORIAL

Village Receives Offer for Industrial Park Land

—by Emory W. Garlick

If you have been wondering about your taxes lately and why they seem high, join the crowd. There is one reason, however, that has come to our attention.

On the 21st day of June, 1984, the Village of Manchester purchased two (2) parcels of property from Patricia R. Post, property commonly referred to as the Industrial Park, for the sum of \$47,500.

Those parcels are bound by Johnson Controls on the north, M-52 on the east, Hogan Road on the south and Sooten Road on the west. They are separated by a third parcel of land which the Village did not buy. That property has NOT produced one cent of tax revenue for seven years.

Parcel "A" contains 8.36 acres of land, Parcel "B" contains 9.25 acres of land, for a combined total of 17.61 acres. Average cost - \$2,697.33.

If the SEV were placed in 1984 at one-half of the sale price, the base for tax purposes would have been \$23,750. That would have increased in value each of the last seven years.

An offer has been submitted for Parcel "A" only, 8.36 acres, for \$48,000. That computes to \$5,741.63, more than double the purchase price in 1984 of \$2,697.33 per acre.

That offer was submitted by D.E. Limpert Profit Sharing Trust on March 21, 1991. The purchaser agrees to: (1) Develop and offer for sale to industrial users the de-

veloped land within 180 days. (2) Contingent that no special assessments now exist against the land. (3) Closing to be as soon as possible.

If the property is worth the offer price, that would compute to a total value of in excess of \$100,000 for both parcels. That land could be on the tax rolls, \$50,000 SEV, one-half of the sale value would have produced \$869.29 in Village taxes, \$2,734.34 in Township taxes, a total of \$3,603.63.

Conservatively that land would have produced one-half of that per year for 7 years, or \$12,500. Projecting the potential with buildings on the land and personal property in those buildings, it's not unreasonable to assume that the land, buildings and personal property could have produced 10 or 20 times that in real tax dollars.

In November of 1987, as Interim Village Manager, I submitted a design concept to Ms. Mary Kallewaard. She was then planning chairperson of the planning commission for development of an industrial park.

NO COMPLETED ACTION TO DATE! LET'S DO SOMETHING WITH THE LAND. LET'S PRODUCE SOME TAX DOLLARS. LET'S REDUCE THE LOAD ON THE RESIDENTIAL TAX PAYER.

I'm not saying the Village Council should accept this offer. What we should be saying, however, is get the land back on the tax rolls. Everyone would benefit.

April 1, 1991
Dear Editor Shurtliff:
I am writing to alert the Manchester Enterprise readers about a bill being sponsored in the Legislature.
Representative A.F. Day

is trying to perpetrate one of the most cruel and heinous acts ever foisted on the American people.
Rep. A.F. Day says that the American Flag, Old Glory, can only be flown over Federal and

State buildings. It cannot be flown, displayed, hung or be shown by anyone without the express approval of Rep. A.F. Day's committee.
Sincerely,
I.M. Lying

Investigative Report: A Child on the Wrong Bus

As Paul Harvey is wont to say, "And, now for the rest of the story." A parent, Mrs. Donald Hagerman, called me and related the following story. Her six-year-old got on the wrong bus. When he realized his mistake, he got off with a classmate thinking he could call home from that classmate's house. Unfortunately, the babysitter did not allow the lad to call home.

Not recognizing the way home from the friend's house but being able to deduce that his younger brother's babysitter lived nearby, he headed there. Very resourceful for a six-year-old.

His mother happened to come by at that time. She discovered her six-year-old along the highway about three miles from school.

Very upset? You bet! What if that lad's attention had been distracted and he darted across the

road? He could have been struck by a car, picked up by someone, or who knows what. We in the community would all have been grieving.

Ron Niedzwiecki and I have had 3 meetings about this incident. Initially Ron did not want to discuss this incident. We can understand, the newspaper is not the vehicle to talk about disciplining an employee. We do not need to know if there was disciplinary action involved. The parent needs to know what action was taken or be assured this won't be repeated.

The buses have two-way radios for communication when problems arise. Policies have been established but, as can be the case, things do slip through the cracks.

We in the community need to keep our eyes open and if something appears to be amiss with a student, get involved, help if you

can. We don't need an abduction or accident.

Ron Niedzwiecki, I know after three hours of meeting with you, that you do care about the students, staff and employees of the school system. Please show some outward emotion, get mad, pound the desk, kick the door, do whatever is necessary to demonstrate your inner emotion. Parents need to see this.

According to the figures released to me by Ron Mann, Manchester Township Supervisor, 73% of our taxes collected go to the local school district, and additionally 12.1% goes to the community college and intermediate school district. THAT'S 83.1% TO THE SCHOOLS. (In my case \$4,551.47 to the schools.) We the taxpayers want to know that you care and are correcting the slip-ups.

—EWG

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EDITORIAL CONT'D, OFFICIAL NOTICES, OTHER NEWS

CHALK TALK

—by Mike Gleason

First, I would like to thank those of you who commented to me about last month's Blab/Chalk Talk, issue one.

Your compliments, complaints, questions, and facial contortions were appreciated. I also thank, Janet, the editor, for her bewildering patience.

Forty-five students were recognized for excellent MEAP test achievements at the March 18th School Board meeting. Pictures were taken, and many of those pictures are now displayed in the school hallway. Fantastic.

Ten people stayed to hear the rest of the meeting...ten live ones.

The Administration will seek bids on a portable classroom for use at the fourth grade level. No information was given about the projected life span of the portable. What happened to the portable that was used ten years ago at Klager School and has disappeared?

A new course called "Introduction to Technologies" is being considered. One class, one year, one-half credit computer class, one-half credit "keyboarding" class, and it takes two teachers.

On the other hand, forming a school forensic team (debating team) was spoken of but not supported. The forensic team, they say, is too labor intensive unless it's done by a teacher with only a half work-load.

A request for enrollment of a non-resident student was approved. The page of the school policy booklet dealing with non-resident students was ripped off and given to me.

The policy page, which is a rip-off, states that any exceptions to the policy must be presented to the Board for final decision. Seems to me that the policy is not always followed.

Back up. The maintenance bus garage will not be finished by the mid-March completion time announced last month.

The administration answered a parent's question: **The new school bond...when?** Next June, roughly. Of the six possible plans, we could choose bondage on Option Three. They're talking six mills. Option zero?

The Board is planning to meet with students for feed-back about the school. At least one Board member wants to insure that student input cannot be identified so that students will 'open up.' An administration member wants a listing of students that will participate.

Considered: a security system for the library. Is this 'fine' idea 'overdue'? Library thieves could be in a 'bind.' Throw the book at them. Will we have to hire a 'page' to help 'recover' our losses?

And now, the coveted 'Plastic Apple Award': **A joint access road to school property and to a gravel pit is being considered.** Do we want gravel trucks passing just a stone's throw from a school? They say the pit's present owners are cooperative.

A meeting is planned for March 26th to review the superintendent's evaluation by the Board. It's contract extension time. It also may be the time for us to start looking at these evaluations.

There's an old saying about children being seen but not heard. Some school administrations may feel that same way about parents. Thank you, Manchester Enterprise, for giving 'blabby' some time on the soapbox.

Village Council Agenda April 1, 1991

- Call meeting to order.
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- Minutes of previous meeting.
- Approval of Agenda.
- Correspondence
- Public Participation.
- Treasurer's Report
- Accounts Payable
- Reports
 - Sheriff's Report
 - Planning Comm.
 - Solid Waste and Recycling
 - DPW Report
 - Ordinance Comm.
 - Parks Comm.
 - Village Hall Maint.
 - Finance Comm. - 1990/91 year-end budget adjustments
 - Clerk's Report
 - Other
- Old Business
 - List for CRC Volunteer Award nominations
 - Western Washtenaw County Recycling Authority Resolution
 - Enviroland Sludge Analysis Proposal
 - 991 Sidewalk Program - Part II Sidewalk Replacement Resolution
 - Street Tree Ordinance
 - Set Hearing DATE < Proposed Exchange Place Historic Dist.
 - Other
- New Business
 - Street Cleaning Policy
 - Offer to Purchase Vacant Land from Village
 - Manchester Plastics Request for Revision in Boundary of Industrial Development District
 - Other
- Adjourn

Freedom Township Proposed Synopsis

The meeting was called to order with all board members present. Minutes and Treasurer's report were approved with \$22,013.29 in the General Fund and \$4.10 in the Liquor Fund.

Various communications were read and discussed including fire runs, upcoming seminars and several newsletters. The Board heard an update on Manchester Township Library expenses given by Ann Fowler and dealt with two citizen complaints concerning property use and upkeep.

The Board approved hiring Jean Little as the Assessing Clerk and retaining Bob Little as the Administrative Assessor. Also approved was a resolution to join and form an authority with the ten surrounding communities to administer the grant monies awarded from the State for recycling projects and \$500 was allocated to seed the authority. The Board also passed a motion to extend the Manchester Township Fire Contract.

Under new business, the Board discussed library contributions and formed the fiscal 1991/92 budget to be presented to the voters at the Annual meeting to be held Saturday, March 30, at 1:00 p.m. at the Townhall.

Bills #3005 through #3029 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 p.m.

—Submitted by
Julie Schaible, Clerk
Approved by
Robert Little, Supervisor

Police Reports

The following police reports were made available by Sgt. Carl Werner as of March 25.

March 18: 7:15 p.m. M-52 at Grass Lake Rd., car-deer accident.

March 21: 2:45 p.m. Warrant arrest from another jurisdiction, transported to Juvenile House in Ann Arbor

OBITUARY

In Remembrance of...

Richard L. Baggett of Norvell, 34, passed away on March 25, 1991, in Manchester.

Richard was born in Detroit, Michigan, on September 11, 1956 to Neil and Paris (Mendis) Baggett. He owned-operated Clock-Tower Transportation in Chelsea.

Richard is survived by his parents and several aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents.

Visitation will be from 2:00 - 4:00 and from 7:00 until 9:00 Wednesday and Thursday, with funeral services being held on Friday, March 29, 1991 at 11:00 a.m. at the Jenter-Braun Funeral Home in Manchester. The Rev. Paul Kuntzman will officiate.

Interment will take place in Oak Grove Cemetery in Manchester.

Fire Runs

Following are the fire runs reported by Fire Chief Mike Scully as of March 25. R/R designates a "Rescue Run".

March 18: 6:55 a.m. R/R, Bridgewater Twp., ill feeling

March 19: 5:02 p.m. Fire in the Village, 1 acre, water-100 gal.

March 20: 2:51 p.m. Grass fire, Bridgewater Twp., 1 acre, water-75 gal.

March 21: 2:58 p.m. Grass fire, Manchester Twp., 1 acre, water-100 gal.

March 21: 1:58 p.m. Grass fire, Manchester Twp. 20 acres, water-1,475 gal.

March 21: 6:36 p.m. R/R trouble breathing

March 21: 7:06 p.m. R/R, Village, report of man in the river (found nothing)

March 22: 11:38 a.m. Grass fire, Manchester Twp., 1 acre, water-120 gal.

March 23: 12:14 p.m. Manchester Twp., Grass fire, 1 acre, water-100 gal.

All of us at
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the joys of this blessed
Easter Season

ANNUAL TOWNSHIP MEETING

The Annual Township Meeting Of The Electors

of the
Township of Freedom
County of Washtenaw
State of Michigan

Will Be Held At
Freedom Township Hall

11508 Pleasant Lake Road
Beginning At
1:00 P.M.

on Saturday

March 30, 1991

At such time in addition to other regular business and in accordance with the law, a budget covering proposed expenditures and estimated revenues of the Township shall be submitted for consideration. Copies of the budget are available at the office of the Township Clerk.

Julie Schaible
Clerk

ANNUAL TOWNSHIP MEETING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE NEXT ANNUAL TOWNSHIP MEETING OF THE ELECTORS OF THE

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Bridgewater

COUNTY OF WASHTENAW
STATE OF MICHIGAN
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Bridgewater
Township Hall

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SATURDAY
MARCH 30, 1991

At such time in addition to other regular business and in accordance with the law, a budget covering proposed expenditures and estimated revenues of the township shall be submitted for consideration.

ALSO HEARING ON REVENUE SHARING BUDGET.

Karen Weidmayer
Township Clerk

DESTINATION MANCHESTER ...by Vida Shurtliff



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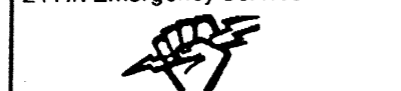
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SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

The annual school election for the purpose of electing School Board Members will be held on June 10, 1991.

Two four year terms ending June 30, 1995 are available on the Manchester Community Schools Board of Education. John Gaughan and Paul Kluwe are completing the last year of their term.

Nominating petitions for these Board of Education positions may be obtained from the Manchester Community Schools, Central Administration Office at 710 East Main Street between 8 and 4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

Completed petitions are due no later than Monday, April 8, 1991 at 4:00 p.m.

LIFE HEALTH

NAGGING BACKACHES

Few ailments can be as aggravating, not be mention painful, as a constant, nagging backache.

Backache may result from a fall, a sudden movement, an accident, a cold, or some completely unnoticed happening.

Whatever the contributing factor, the direct cause of the ache and pain is easily traced to a pinched or impinged nerve. Once the pressure or "pinch" is removed, the pain departs and that normal, healthy glow returns.

Home remedies, sedatives and similar treatments may bring temporary relief, but it remains for the chiropractor to tract--through scientific procedures--the cause of the persistent pain and--through gentle adjustments--remove the cause and bring quivck, long-lasting, effective relief.

The chiropractor, through training and experience, is thoroughly familiar with the spinal column and the nerves which carry vital nerve energy to all parts of the body. With skillful hands, the chiropractor aligns the spine, removes the irritating pressures and replaces exasoperating pain with glowing health and well-being. Another Health and Life Article from the Office of:

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Eye Care

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WHAT CAUSES CATARACTS?

A cataract is a clouding of the lens of the eye. The lens is positioned directly behind the pupil, and normally it is optically clear. Any disturbance to the lens will cause it to become cloudy, and we then call it a "cataract".

Usually, the clouding of the lens into a cataract is a slow process occurring as we age. Sometimes, however, we will see cataracts form in very young individuals. The great majority of these cases are of unknown cause. Occasionally there seems to be a hereditary factor in cataract formation. Recent evidence supports the theory that long-term exposure to the sun may hasten cataract formation, and it's possible that persons who spend much of their time outdoors may be more likely to get cataracts. Shielding the eyes from the sun or wearing glasses that block ultraviolet light may slow development of cataracts.

Long-term use of cortisone or other steroid drugs has been associated with cataracts. Trauma to the eye can cause cataract formation, either immediately or delayed. Cataracts are seen in some diseases of the eye such as iritis, and in extreme nearsightedness. They are more common in diabetics and in persons with atopic dermatitis. Many other rare diseases have been linked to cataract formation.

For most patients, the cause of their cataract will not be known for certain. If the lens clouds enough to seriously affect vision, modern cataract surgery, with lens replacement by intraocular lens implant, can restore excellent vision in the great majority of patients.

Cheryl Huey, M.D.

Ann Arbor Eye Care Liberty Medical Complex 3200 West Liberty Ann Arbor, MI 48103 662-2020

Easter Week Services at Area Churches

Clinton Assembly of God

Friday, March 29: Joining Community Good Friday Services Saturday, March 30: 1-3pm Super Saturday Easter party and Egg Hunt for all children ages 3-14. Games, Bible stories, crafts, refreshments and Easter Egg Hunt. Sunday, March 31: Sunrise Service at 7am followed by breakfast. Sunday School with classes for all ages at 9:30am. Morning Worship Service at 10:45.

Bethel United Church of Christ

March 28: Maundy Thursday 7:15 Worship and Communion and Tenebrae March 29: Good Friday 1:30 Manchester Area Churches Service at Bethel Saturday, March 30: 10:30am Jr. Youth Dye Easter Eggs Easter Sunday: 7:30am Early Service-Youth, 8:30 Easter Breakfast, 9:30 Children Easter Event, 10am Easter Worship Service with Holy Communion

Sharon United Methodist Church

March 28: Maundy Thursday Communion 8pm March 29: Community Good Friday Service at Bethel UCC Saturday, March 30: Easter Egg Hunt, toddlers through 4th grade Easter Sunday: 8am Breakfast and Devotions, 10 Church School, 11 Easter Worship

Zion Lutheran Church

March 28: Maundy Thursday Worship Services 1:30 and 7:30pm, 7-9 Community Prayer Time March 29: Good Friday Worship Services 1:30 and 7:30pm Easter Sunday, 7am Easter Sunrise Service and Easter Breakfast, 9am Special Sunday School Program, 10:15 Easter Worship

St. John's

March 28: Maundy Thursday Worship Service with Holy Communion 8pm March 29: Good Friday Worship Service 8pm Easter Sunday: 6:30am Sunrise Service, 7:30am Easter Breakfast, 9:15 Sunday School, 10:30am Worship with Holy Communion

Manchester United Methodist Church

March 28: Maundy Thursday meal & Communion Worship March 29: Good Friday Community Worship at Bethel Church Easter Sunday: 7am Easter Sunrise Worship, 7:45 Easter Breakfast, 10:30am Easter Worship

Emanuel United Church of Christ

March 28: Maundy Thursday Passover Meal, Communion, Tenebrae Service in Fellowship Hall 7pm March 29: Good Friday Community Worship at Bethel UCC 1:30pm Saturday, March 30: 9am-12 noon Easter Egg, Candy & Coffee Cake Sale at Sutton Insurance Agency

Easter Sunday: 8am Early Easter Communion Worship, 9am Easter Breakfast, 10:15 Easter Communion worship

Faith Community Church

Easter Sunday: 7:30-8:15am Sunrise Service, 8:30-9:30 Easter Breakfast, 10am Morning Service with special music and message

Victory Baptist Church Reaches a Milestone

A Church Recognition Council met at Victory Baptist Church Saturday afternoon, March 23, 1991. Twenty-five churches of "like faith" and eleven individuals who had ministered at Victory were invited.

The purpose of the meeting was for the Council to approve Victory as a Baptist Church according to the Doctrinal Biblical Beliefs, the Church Covenant with Scriptural references, and the constitutional by-laws of operation and policy.

Pastor Cooper and people had spent the last three months preparing for the event which was unanimously received by the Council. Pastor Cooper answered the questions asked by the Council. Mrs. Cooper read a brief history of the church. Mr. Edward Muntz, deacon, led in prayer. Rev. Maynard Belt of Grand Rapids, the State Representative of Michigan for the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches served as moderator. Rev. Stanley Lightfoot, Jr. of Livonia, served as clerk. The ladies served refreshments at the close.

Plans are now being made for Victory's 35th anniversary May 5, 1991. Application is being made to the National GARB Churches, Schaumburg, Illinois. Sunday evening three adults were baptized.

—submitted by Victory Baptist Church

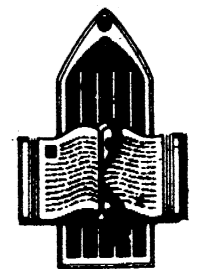
Special Easter Service at Clinton Assembly of God

The Easter morning worship service at Clinton Assembly of God begins at 10:45 during which the choir, under the direction of Kimberly Coury, will be presenting the Easter Musical "Victory Celebration!"

Arranged by Tom Fettke, this musical borrows from beloved, familiar gospel hymns and from some of the finest recent praise and worship music. Featured vocal solos are by Pastor Richard J. Coury and Linda Humston. This Musical will be presented during the evening worship service at 6:30 p.m. also.

Pastor Richard J. Coury invites the public to attend this special musical presentation celebration the victory of Easter at Clinton Assembly of God, 13300 Clinton-Manchester Road, Clinton. —Pastor Richard J. Coury

CHURCH DIRECTORY



EMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST - Rev. Paul Kuntzman, Senior Pastor, Rev. Nancy Doty, Associate Pastor; Sunday School 9:00 a.m.; Worship 10:15 a.m.; Coffee Hour & Fellowship 11:15 a.m.

MANCHESTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Rev. Pegg Ainslie, Pastor; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30 a.m. Office hours: Tue., Wed., Thurs. 8-11 a.m.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH - Rev. Francis J. Murray, Pastor; Masses: Monday thru Wednesday, Friday 8:30 a.m., Thursday 7:00 p.m., Saturday 5:00 p.m., Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH - Scott Engelman, Pastor; 8400 Sharon Hollow Rd. off W. Austin; Worship Service 10:00 a.m.; Sunday School 11:15 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Jr. and Sr. High Young People's Meeting 7:30 p.m.

VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH - Rev. R. Dean Cooper, Pastor; 423 South Macomb, 428-7506; Sunday School 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.; Evening Public Bible Class 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Praise & Prayer 7:00 p.m.

BETHEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST - Rev. Roman A. Reineck, Pastor; Schneider and Bethel Church Roads; Church Service 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

SHARON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Rev. Erik Alsgaard, Pastor; Corner of M-52 and Pleasant Lake Roads; Church School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - Rev. Dennis A. Falk, Pastor; Austin Road, Bridgewater; Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Worship 10:30.

NORTH SHARON BAPTIST CHURCH - Bill Winiger, Pastor; Clifford W. J. Whitenburg, Assistant Pastor; Sylvan and Washburn Roads; Sunday School 10:00 a.m.; Morning Church 11:00 a.m.; Evening Church 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.; Youth Meetings 7:00 p.m.

IRON CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH - Tom Butterfield, Pastor; English and Sharon Hollow Roads; Sunday School 10:00 a.m.; Morning Church 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening 7:00 p.m.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH - Rev. Mark A. Weirauch; 3050 S. Fletcher Road; Sunday School 9:00 a.m.; Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:15 a.m.

ST. THOMAS LUTHERAN CHURCH - Rev. John Riske, Pastor; 10001 W. Ellsworth Rd., (5 miles North and 6 1/2 East of Manchester); Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:45 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST - Rev. Ted Wimmier, Pastor; Rogers Corners, Waters and Fletcher Roads; Adult Bible Study Class 10:00; Worship and Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

CLINTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Rev. Richard Coury, Pastor; Chris Bouldrey, Youth Pastor; 13300 Clinton-Manchester Road, Clinton; Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Worship 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer, Bible Study, Youth 7:00 p.m.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR AREA CHURCHES through Wednesday, April 3

Table with columns for church names and their weekly service times. Includes Faith Community Church, Zion Lutheran Church, Emanuel United Church of Christ, St. John's, Sharon United Methodist Church, Bethel United Church of Christ, Faith Community Church, and Manchester United Methodist Church.



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Women's Financial Information Program

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Many institutions are providing support to organize and implement this program. Two of them familiar to the Manchester area are Chelsea Hospital Senior Service and Washtenaw County Council on Aging.

Open to women 18 and older,

the Women's Financial Planning Information Program (WRIF) will include sessions on goal setting, identifying expenditures, building financial security from the ground up, and creating a personal budget. Utilizing a workshop format, the program will teach participants how to conduct financial inventories; how to design personal cash flow systems; how to make decisions about credit and loan institutions, insurance programs, investments, real estate and savings; how to plan for retirement; and other relevant topics.

The fee for the eight week seminar is \$25.00 and scholarships based on financial need may be available. Persons attending will receive a money management workbook and other materials. For registration information, call Child & Family Service 313-483-1418, extension 33.

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Food and Spirits

Don and Emory

If you are interested in a change of pace, something different with a touch of pre-1960, you will enjoy the BRIDGEWATER BANK TAVERN. This establishment is a traditional tavern in that it serves the local community and the traveler.

The Tavern is located in the old Bridgewater Savings Bank building constructed in 1919. The Bank was formed August 15, 1919 and started operations May 6, 1920. The close of the first year saw assets of \$127,776.60, and ten years later the Bank reached its zenith at \$336,258.98.

By 1932, during the depression, assets fell by 43% and the Bank closed due to insolvency from January 1 to March 11, 1932. The year 1933 marked the Federal declared bank holiday act and Bridgewater Bank was closed from February 11 to March 15. On June 26, 1944, the Bridgewater Savings Bank was voluntarily liquidated.

During the early 50s, the building was used for storage. About the same time the owner of a tavern located up the street purchased the building. The oak bar currently being used was moved from the previous building and dates from 1880 to 1890.

The license to sell alcoholic beverages at the previous tavern site was issued May 1, 1934 and it hangs on the south wall.

In February of 1986, the tavern was closed. It reopened March 1, 1987 after extensive renovations. Gary and Bonnie Mitchell along with Ron and Joanne Finkbeiner accomplished an amazing feat of reconstruction. Skylights

were added, a new kitchen installed, the bar refinished and the building proper was upgraded. A front deck with handicap ramp has been added. Excellent workmanship throughout.

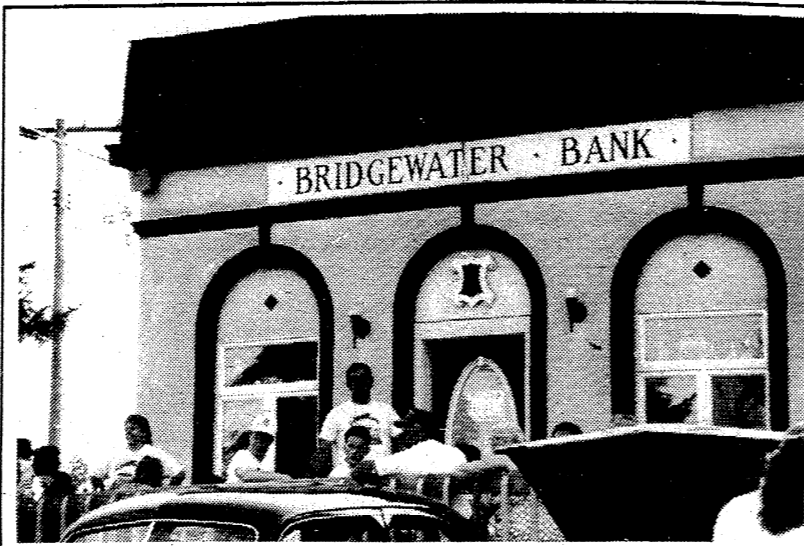
Don and I stopped on Friday night and watched real people from 6 months to 60-plus enjoying themselves. A young couple with a baby in a carrier, other people standing and chatting with seated friends, two couples with five kids seated at a large round

are prepared well.

Bonnie's touches are evident with flowers at each table and around the building in the summer time. During the winter, euchre tournaments are held every Thursday. The first Monday of the month, mixed couples have euchre outings.

Tuesday nights are Old Car outing nights with nice old cars and super fine people.

The Bridgewater Bank Tavern is the social center of the area and the clientele seem to really enjoy themselves.



table, four tables joined and fifteen children and adults enjoying themselves. It was truly wonderful to hear the various groups in conversation and the accompanying laughter and joshing was delightful.

The menu is strictly short order and very reasonable. The real treat is the specials that are available. Wednesday night-smelt, slaw, french fries and roll; Friday night—all the cod you can eat with slaw, fries, roll and butter; Saturday lunch special-boiled dinner with corned beef, onions, potatoes, carrots and roll; Saturday night special-all you can eat sauerkraut, kniffles with pork, mashed potatoes, roll and butter. Specials run from \$4.75 to \$5.75 and they

Old time photos hang on the walls along with shamrocks with individuals names affixed thereto. Beer mugs and steins are above the mirror behind the bar. The old bank vault is used for cool storage.

Gary and Bonnie's efforts show everywhere and we enjoyed the outing.

—Don and Emory

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It Happens to the Best of Us... Spring Fever!



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As the weather turns nicer, the days become more interesting. From the top left: 1) The little ones head back to Krauss Pharmacy for a re-take of their Easter Bunny pictures. There's not a report of even one child regarding this turn-of-events as anything but great! 2) The K. of C. was out last week, handing out Tootsie Rolls for donations for the mentally retarded. Here Bill Swaney treats Ted, William and Andrew Roberts in exchange for their generosity. 3) Spring sunlight brings alive the countryside. Including this beautiful barn on Eisman Road. 4) The corner of M-52 and Main Street was busy last Saturday when a Craft Show set up where the Iron Horse moved out, in Dr. Stan Gilbert's building. Patty Vendeventer and Nancy Peterson demonstrate their wares. 5) Practice makes perfect. And it's not too early in the season to start. Nicky Puscus goes out for a fly ball. 6) When we're counting our blessing, just look around. What a beautiful countryside we are blessed with. English Road is the subject here.

SCHOOLS

High School Play Is Great Success

Around the Clock...

—by Sarah Butterfield

It was March 23, Saturday night at a few minutes until 8:00 p.m. The weather was cold and it was slightly raining as we stood outside in a line to move into the slowly crowding auditorium where Manchester's youth were going to present "It Happened at the Snack Bar," a 50'-based play, for the last time.

It was a fairly large crowd of mostly grandparents, parents and their younger children.

As we all waited in anticipation, the actors could be seen peeking through the curtains at the anxious viewers. First one set of lights went off, then in about 5 minutes the rest were turned off. The people in the audience started to quiet down, then the curtains opened and the play started with a song describing the "Snack Bar."

The plot of this play had a lot to do with acceptance. The acceptance of freshman beginning high school, and the acceptance from those of the opposite sex. It had classic examples of peers trying to impress one another, whether it be with a car, girlfriend, boyfriend or by bragging about family members.

A perfect example of this was seen when the character Cyndi, played by Julie Hamilton, tried to impress her friends by talking about her mother and sang a song entitled "She's just like Doris Day."

This play covered different parts of an entire school year and showed how strangers became friends. It was well received by the audience with an abundance of laughter and

applause, especially when references to Elvis, hoola-hoops, or "Commies" were made.

When it was all over, and the applause had died down, you could see pride in the faces of many parents whose teens were part of this play and these students and teachers involved gave each other hugs of relief that all they had worked for had turned out so well.



THE MANCHESTER PLAYERS, AT THE SNACKBAR, are (from left to right): Becky Stewart, Angie Yuetter, Martha Marks, Dawn Schaffer, Julie Hamilton, Adam Erskine, Tony Panches, Wendy Hauessier, Olivia Delongchamp, Jamie Winzenz, Melanie White, and Dennis Gehring.

Presenting the Oratorical Contest Winners—



Optimist's Oratorical Contest

Marcus McNamara and Jenny Nobsch were judged first place winners in the Manchester Optimist Club's annual oratorical contest held Monday night.

In the girls' division, Jennie Sahakian placed second. Third place winner was Erin Binder.

Steve Devries was the second place winner in the boys' division. Third place was awarded to Doug Meeks.

Eleven students participated in this year's contest. Other contestants were: Joe Tobias, Katrina Bihlmeyer, Sarah Jo Feldkamp, Nicole Gero and Kathy Nobsch.

Each of the participants received a certificate and the six winners

were presented with a medallion for their achievement.

Optimist International sponsors oratorical contests at this time of year in communities throughout the United States and Canada. The two first place winners from Manchester, Marcus McNamara and Jenny Nobsch will compete in a regional contest. The state winners each receive a scholarship to a college of their choice.

The Optimist would like to give a special thanks to Mrs. Dacia Daniels, eighth grade English teacher, for helping to promote the contest in the schools and for assisting the students to prepare for the contest.

SCIENCE WONDERLAND

Visitors to the American Legion Hall on Thursday, March 14, entered a science wonderland.

The room was filled with projects on broad variety of topics ranging from weather forecasting and sharks, through the effects of water absorbency on towels to America's Wetlands, oil spills and osmosis.

These projects were the culmination of several weeks of hard work by the fifth through eighth graders at Nellie Ackerson Middle School (as well as by their parents and teachers.)

Each project fit into one of four categories: biological or physical experiments or biological or physical models/collections/displays/surveys.

Following set up on Sunday and Monday, March 11 and 12, all projects went through Phase 1 judging by Middle School teachers on Monday afternoon. The semi-finalists selected by this process returned to the Legion Hall after school on Wednesday, March 13 to be interviewed about their projects by a two-person judging team. The two scores received were averaged and rank ordered to determine the first, second, and third place for each category in each grade.

Although there were a limited number of first through third place ribbons awarded, all of the participants were truly winners. The fine projects exhibited clearly showed the hard work and learning that took place.

The names and categories of the first through third place winners are:

5th Grade:

- Biological Models/Collections/Displays/Surveys**
 - 1st Place: Meghan Greenwald, Trevor Wilson
 - 2nd Place: Rebekah Jackowski, Nicole Jensen/Katie Busch, Eric Flint
 - 3rd Place: Hannah Goodrich
- Physical Experiments**
 - 1st Place: Jodi Feldkamp
 - 2nd Place: Jerrud Parr
 - 3rd Place: Lindsay Jacob
- Biological Experiments**
 - 1st Place: Pat Chapin
 - 2nd Place: Greta Hakken
 - 3rd Place: Tim Hough

Physical Models/Collections/Displays/Surveys

- 1st Place: Matt Laskowski
- 2nd Place: Justin Turk
- 3rd Place: Chris Kemner, Mike Dicks, Noah Gordon

6th Grade

Biological Models/Collections/Displays/Surveys

- 1st Place: Jon Way
- 2nd Place: David Sweeton
- 3rd Place: Ryan Roberts

Physical Models/Collections/Displays/Surveys

- 1st Place: David Staten
- 2nd Place: Brad Kemner
- 3rd Place: Aaron Millheim

Biological Experiments

- 1st Place: Karen Goodell
- 2nd Place: Stacey Burmeister
- 3rd Place: Ceara Brown

Physical Experiments

- 1st Place: Andrew Supers
- 2nd Place: Michelle Schaible
- 3rd Place: Ryan Fielder

7th Grade

Biological Models/Collections/Displays/Surveys

- 1st Place: Justin Porter
- 2nd Place: Brian Ash
- 3rd Place: Erin Binder

Physical Models/Collections/Displays/Surveys

- 1st Place: Dan Kwolek
- 2nd Place: Jessica Smith
- 3rd Place: Joe Hollosy

Biological Experiments

- 1st Place: Leah Bragg
- 2nd Place: Karl Kornow
- 3rd Place: Erika Panches

8th Grade

Biological Models/Collections/Displays

- 1st Place: Jenny Nobsch
- 2nd Place: Beth Hamilton
- 3rd Place: Michelle Davis

Physical Models/Collections/Displays/Surveys

- 1st Place: Karin Messing
- 2nd Place: Troy Niehaus
- 3rd Place: Shan Lee

Biological Experiments

- 1st Place: Andrea Clark
- 2nd Place: Sarah Feldkamp
- 3rd Place: Mary Lobbestael

Physical Experiments

- 1st Place: Justin Ebersole
- 2nd Place: Vida Shurtliff
- 3rd Place: Sharon Goodell

The annual Middle School Science Fair cold not happen if it weren't for the time, energy and enthusiasm of our volunteer judges.

Many of these enthusiastic people have been helping us for years, while newcomers have indicated their interest in judging again.

The gratitude of students and staff at Nellie Ackerson Middle School is extended to: John Althouse, Nancy Althouse, John Anderson, Sallie Anderson, Bruce Bates, Martin Braun, Wendy Chapin, Al Currey, Mark Dominick, Carol Dorer, Dan Fleck, Don Fowler, Mike Gordon, Tom Huard, Elvin Johnson, Paul Kuntzman, Bill Kwolek, Bob Laskowski, David Lowery, Charlotte Major, Karin McGuire, Patrick McQuillan, Mary Beth O'Rourke, Greg Reed, John Sahakian, Brad Taylor, Melinda Trout, Ruth VanBogelen, Helen Wharam, Susan Wiley, Jane Worthington-Howlett.

SCHOOLS

Ebersole Finalist in Science Fair

—Marcy Alsgaard



Manchester has yet another thing to be proud about! The 33rd annual Southeastern Michigan Science Fair announced that the seventh place finalist in the Junior Experiments division was Justin Ebersole, an eighth grader from Manchester.

In case you are not familiar with this event, the competition is stiff since students from places such as Ann Arbor, Farmington, Saline and Ypsilanti participate in the science fair.

Thanks to Dr. Fusilier of W.Q.I. Laboratory, Justin was able to conduct his research using Dr. Fusilier's laboratory equipment and expertise. Justin's experiment involved four years of data and analysis concerning such things as the conductivity of water samples relative to their Ph values and concluding with an inquiry into the high saline content of ditch water.

He placed special focus on the ultimate environmental damage that may result from the runoff of salted slush into ditches, rivers and lakes.

In addition to his seventh place title and \$25 cash prize, Justin received a certificate of recognition from the Air and Waste Management Association due to his focus on environmental issues.

Eight Grader Justin Ebersole demonstrates, explains, and even scrutinizes his science project which won seventh place in the Junior Division of the Southeastern Michigan Science Fair

Attention: Middle School Science Fair Participants!

Does your Science Fair project explain or promote a healthy environment?

If so, the Manchester Area Resource Conservation Coalition (MARCC) would like to invite you to show your project one more time at the Ecology Day event April 20.

If you would like to participate, please contact Deb Havens at 428-8586.

—Deb Havens

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Schools' Tornado Procedures

With the arrival of spring an unpredictable weather conditions approaching, the Manchester Community Schools' Board of Education has adopted the following tornado policy in order to provide the maximum safety for children in our district.

TORNADO WATCH

Definition

The U.S. Weather Bureau issues a tornado watch for areas where tornadoes may occur during the next several hours. The size of an average tornado watch is approximately 100 miles wide and 300 miles long.

Procedure

1. If the tornado watch is broadcast while enroute to school or during school hours, children will remain in school and be dismissed at their regular time.
2. In the event of a tornado watch, all extracurricular activities, meetings and adult community education classes scheduled within the time range of the watch will be cancelled.
3. If a watch is announced during one of the above activities, the activity will be cancelled as soon as possible and students sent home.
3. Parents may personally pick up their children during a tornado warning. PARENTS MUST CHECK WITH THE SCHOOL OFFICE BEFORE TAKING THE CHILD.
4. Neighbors will not be permitted to pick up other children unless a written statement giving permission to release the child to a neighbor has been filed with the school office.
5. If a tornado warning is issued during an extracurricular activity, all students will be taken to the nearest appropriate shelter and retained until the warning has ended or released to the care of their parents or legal guardian.

TORNADO WARNINGS

Definition

A tornado warning means that a tornado has actually been sighted in the area or its presence has been detected by radar. The tornado warning will indicate the location where the tornado was sighted, the area through which it is expected to move, and the time period during which the tornado will move through the area warned.

Procedure

1. The children will NOT be dismissed from school. Appropriate safety measures will be taken.
2. If a tornado warning is in effect at the normal end of the school day, children will NOT be dismissed, but will remain at their emergency station.

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PEOPLE and OCCASIONS

Ecology Day: April 20

MARCC Your Calendars!

Where can you go to find out how clean the water is in your lake or stream? How about quick and easy information on testing for radon in your home? Or how to take care of your lawn organically?

The Manchester Area Resource Conservation Coalition (MARCC) will help you get those answers and more conveniently, and for a great price - absolutely free!

April 20, from noon to 4:00 p.m., MARCC is sponsoring Ecology Day at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 106 Madison St., in Manchester. Business, organizations and government leaders have been invited to present products and information which promote a safe healthy environment.

But the day should be fun, too! The Mommas and the Puppets will present an original puppet show with an environmental message for kids. Brownie Troop #728 from Manchester will help kids recycle new paper out of old in

a fun paper-making project. 7th grader Liviya Wilson from Slauson Middle School in Ann Arbor will demonstrate classroom recycling techniques she developed. Miss-Cellaneous, a sort of recycled robot, is also scheduled to attend.

In addition, State House Representative Margaret O'Connor will preside over a question and answer period on legislation regulating less-than-conscientious landfill operators. A representative from Lana Pollack's office will be on hand to answer questions about the Polluter Pay Law.

And that's only part of the wide variety of things to see, do and learn. Watch for more details in the Enterprise and plan to visit the Ecology Day celebration of a healthy planet! If you have any questions, or would like to participate, please contact Deb Havens at 428-8586.

—Deb Havens

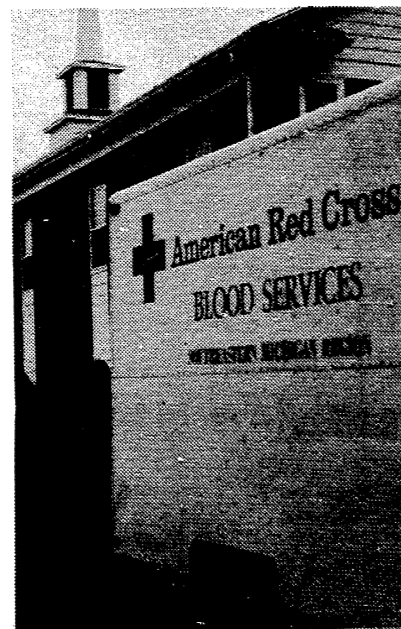
Successful Spring Bloodmobile

You came through again, Manchester - THANK YOU!

The Spring Bloodmobile held at the Manchester United Methodist Church on Monday, March 18, was supported by 108 women and men of our community. 102 were able to donate a pint of blood each, while 6 were deferred.

We would like to acknowledge the following gallon donors and each received a pin recognizing their total contributions: Gary Stautz received a 5-gallon pin, and 4-gallon pins went to Roger Handy and Donald Pitock. Jeffrey Cervence, Herbert Roehm and Harold Waldow each received a 3-gallon pin, and Eric Beuerle and William Swaney received 2-gallon pins.

We want to welcome to the blood donor family Garold Kaiser and Sharon Miller. This was their first time to donate. We hope this is the beginning



of many more donations.

As with any other community activity, the bloodmobile needs lots of people to make it run smoothly. Assisting the nurses and staff from the Southeastern Michigan Red Cross Blood Center were Jean Little, chairwoman of the day; Vada Ridge, pre-screener; Helen Flint and Gladys Uphaus, pack table; Pat Post and Jane Korth, registration; and Shirley Reinhardt, canteen chairwoman, assisted by Ethel Wheeler, Nellie Uphouse and Marie Gilbert. Ruth Oats was keeping track of how many pints each donor has given. This group of hard-working ladies belong to the Manchester United Methodist Women. Good job done by all!

The next Bloodmobile in Manchester will be on July 15, 1991. MARK YOUR CALENDARS.

—Marja Warner

Pssst...

Wanna know a way to whisper a story so everyone knows about it?

Just mention in the newspaper office something like, "Al Curry bowled a 300 game last Thursday!"

Shout it from the housetops! Congratulations, AL!!!!

(Oh, and thanks, Dave Kemmer, for the tip...)

Senior Citizens News

—T. V. Ludwick

This is going to be a busy week with all that needs to be done before the Easter bunny arrives. There is still time to marvel at all the green grass out there and did you hear the thunder and lightning the other night which is responsible? I told Rubena no and she slept through it, too. It must be these colds and mini-flu that won't quit - several, like me, have gotten this malady twice and are sick of being sick. Jan is still very much on her feet cooking up those delightful senior meals and will surprise us with an Easter dinner on Thursday, March 28 at noon. Call her in the kitchen at 428-7630 before 10:30 a.m. for your reservation. The bingo players will adjourn to the Center for fun after the meal.

Thursday, April 4: NO MEAL. Emanuel is having their annual sauerkraut supper beginning at 5:00 p.m. and the senior bus is available for transportation. Call Erma.

Our ladies have been enjoying the pool in Tecumseh on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. We will not list this just on Wednesdays, but you may call Virginia Fielder at 428-8716 to get information on times and rides.

Mark your calendar for Health-O-Rama from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 13. The bus will leave at 8:00 a.m. for Chelsea.

Monday, April 1: The senior bus leaves the Center at 9:30 on a shopping trip to Briarwood. Besides the after-Easter sales, there might be a chance to play an April fool joke on a friend (never the bus driver).

Tuesday, April 2: Guess what? Jan's on vacation along with all the kids, so there won't be a senior meal this day. You probably need to make egg salad sandwiches anyway from the leftovers

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Walnut dresser, bow front oak dresser, 1940's walnut dining table w/turned legs, pine hutch, single spool bed, crystal candlesticks, ornate mahogany vanity w/bevel mirror, 6 oak dining chairs - plank bottom, handpainted Nippon plate, green opalescent sugar, 4 poster bed, handpainted dishes, older sewing machine, 4 drawer chest, cane bottom rocker, bevel hall mirror, wicker plant stand, pictures & frames, piano bench, 2 couches, window air conditioner-like new, mahogany vanity, oak chiffarobe, treadle sewing machine, mahogany dresser, oak drop front desk, old books, advertising cast iron match holder, Admiral 15' chest freezer, 2 antique commodes.

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PEOPLE and OCCASIONS

COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

Volunteer Recognition

—Dianne Schwab

The Community Resource Center annually recognizes volunteers for their community service. The Benefit Banquet, which will be held at the Chelsea Hospital May 1st, provides the opportunity to say, "Hats off to you," the volunteers in Manchester.

Each community organization has received a letter that encourages them to take the opportunity to nominate a person for community service.

Park improvements, cultural events, Manchester Chicken Broil, Community Fair, Street Fair, Canoe Race and Day Camp are possible because of volunteers. Grant writing, bus tours, Earth Day cleanup, transportation services are a few of the jobs well done by volunteers and no dollar value attached to them.

The opportunity to nominate and sponsor a person for community service is available to any individual in the community.

For further information, call the CRC at 428-7722 or drop in and pick up a form at 122 W.Main St. The deadline is April 9.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Manchester Area Historical Society

The Manchester Area Historical Society held its monthly meeting on March 19 at the Blacksmith Shop.

Nancy Feldkamp presented a very interesting program on barns. She showed slides of barns she painted and gave us the location and some of the history of them. She and Reno traveled all over Michigan finding unusual barns with a variety of architectural styles.

We also saw a videotape entitled "Barn Again." It showed different farming and ranching operations around the country, gave historical information, showed different architectural styles and told about restoration efforts.

Refreshments were provided by Ann Pat Wolfe.

—Betty Cummings

LIBRARY

Manchester Township Library

On a beautiful spring day what could be better than working in flower beds or preparing the ground for a vegetable garden? Perhaps it would be to sit in the sun and read a new book from your Manchester Township Library.

We offer these recent additions to the collection:

Love & Desire & Hate by Joan Collins, Heartbeat by Danielle Steele, Forgiving by LaVyrle Spencer, Father Melancholy's Daughter by Gail Godwin, The Ambassador Bridge by Philip Mason, Powershift: Knowledge, Wealth and Violence at the End of the 21st Century by Alvin Toffler, The Prize: The Epic Quest for Oil, Money and Power by Daniel Yergin, Saddam Hussein and the Crisis in the Gulf by Judith Miller, Traveler's Guide to Major U.S. Airports by Richard Barbare, The New Russians by Hendrik Smith, Suddenly by George Will.

BIRTH

Travis Lee Benedict John and Cindy (Jackson) Benedict proudly announce the birth of their son, Travis Lee, on March 12, 1991. Travis was 8 pounds and 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Helen and the late Spike Benedict, and Wanda and Bill Jax of Manchester.

Travis has an older brother Marcus who is 3 and an older sister Kristen who is almost 2.

MEN'S CLUB

Easter Egg Hunt

The annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Manchester Men's Club will be Saturday, March 30 and will begin promptly at 1:00 p.m. at Carr Park.

Preschoolers to 4th graders are invited to attend. There will be separate areas for age groups.

There will be over 1,000 colored eggs plus prize eggs.

SHAKESPEARE READING CLUB

Shakespeare Reading Club

The club met at the home of Wilma Bucholtz on March 19. Our topic was "Women of the Bible." They were presented to us in a monologue fashion. Those taking part were Wilma Bucholtz, Patty Swaney, Jane Korth, Annette van der Schalie, and Lenora Parr. The women of the bible were Esther, the inn keeper's wife, the wife of Zacchaeus, Peter's wife Mara and Pilate's wife Claudia. The five members did a wonderful job and we all liked it very much.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 2 at 2:00 p.m. at the home of Gail Curtis. Her topic will be "Journal of a Victorian Maiden Great-Aunt." We are looking forward to hear her tell about her great aunt. We will have an opportunity to see her new house she had built recently. See you there.

—Bonita Daisher

NEW PREZ!

Has he traded in his brush and pen for a gavel? Bill Shurdliff, Manchester Village resident and artist noted for his pen and ink drawings of the University of Michigan, last Sunday was elected president of the Ann Arbor Artists Coop. The organization was founded three years ago to support local artists and to make available to the community a "roving gallery" which exhibits various artists' works at different businesses and restaurants in the Ann Arbor area.

The Artists Coop also offers "affordable" classes in various media and for all age groups. The Ann Arbor Artists Coop has a wide variety of working artists as members, including such prominent names as the potter J.T. Abernathy, as well as students just beginning in the "real world."

Besides his University of Michigan drawings, Mr. Shurdliff's work is well known in Manchester from the Manchester Area Historical Society's yearly calendar which features his drawings of scenes from our community. —JLS □

Wedding

Wilkinson-Moore

Dawn Marie Wilkinson of Ypsilanti became the bride of David Earl Moore of Manchester on March 16, 1991 at Bethel United church of Christ. The Rev. Roman A. Reineck officiated.

Dawn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Simpson of Dundee. David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moore of Manchester.

The maid of honor was Miss Rebecca Wallace, friend of the bride of Tipton. Best man was Mr. Keith Moore, brother of the groom, of Los Angeles, California. Ushers were Mr. Brian Pieske of Manchester and Mr. Brian Hughes of Temperance.

A reception was held at Colonial Lanes in Ann Arbor. Cake cutters were Mrs. Vonda



Hughes of Temperance, Miss Catherine Moore of Ann Arbor, Mrs. Joseph Roberts of Tecumseh and Mrs. Stacy Wilkin of Dundee. The couple resides in Ypsilanti.

Health and Safety Expo

—Dianne Schwab

The Community Resource Center is sponsoring a Health and Safety Expo, April 13, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 106 E. Madison St.

The theme for the day includes educational and fun activities appropriate for all ages.

The purpose for the Expo is to increase awareness of resources available to Manchester Area residents.

Manchester Area health professionals, day care providers and organizations concerned with care of older adults will share information and offer participation opportunities for all who attend the Expo.

With long-awaited seasons of

spring and summer approaching, all of us need to be prepared to use safety measures when we take part in recreational activities.

The Expo will include demonstrations for safety in boating and diving, precautions when riding a bike and skate board; and, oh yes, we cannot forget the hunters even if we don't want to think ahead that far.

Would you like to know more about nutritious foods, the dangers concerning abuse of drugs and alcohol? Are you concerned about your blood sugar level or blood pressure?

Put April 13 on your calendars. Plan to take advantage of all the information that local and county resources provide for the health and safety of its citizens.

Clarklake Golf Club 5535 Wesch Road Brooklyn Senior Citizens Special Monday - Friday Sunrise until Noon 18 holes of golf & cart \$10

Chelsea Community Hospital Fitness Center Classes M/W 4:45 - 5:45 p.m. 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. T/TH 11:40 - 12:20 p.m. 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Sat. 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Satellite Classes T/Th 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Dance Arts Academy Chelsea M/W 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Manchester Fitness Klager School Sat. 8:45 - 9:45 p.m. Manchester Fitness 232 E. Main M/W 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Grass Lake Fitness George Long School M/W 7:15 - 8:15 p.m. Stockbridge Fitness Middle School Fee for eight week session April 8 - June 3 2x week \$48/3x week \$66/4x week \$80

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I want to thank each and everyone who so thoughtfully remembered me while I was in the hospital and after coming home. Thank you very much again and God bless you all. Rose Albertson

We would like to thank the Manchester Fire Department for their fast response with the rescue unit and for calling the ambulance in our time of need. We would also thank the nurses and doctors in the emergency unit at Chelsea Hospital for their services, Drs. Johnson and Eccles for their concern and care of Bertha, Fathers Murray and Dupuis for their help in our time of need, all our friends and neighbors for their generous support and to the Altar Society for preparing the luncheon after Mass. Your generosity and help will always be remembered. Gregory Seckinger John and Joan Jannelli Lisa Jannelli Robert and Linda Coon

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SPORTS

Benefit Hockey Game

The Detroit Red Wing Oldtimers will face the Washtenaw County Police in a Benefit Hockey Game March 30, 8:00 p.m. at the Vets Arena, Jackson and Maple Roads, Ann Arbor.

Proceeds from the hockey game will go to the family of Officer Steven Reuther of the Milan Police Department who was killed in the line of duty February 4, 1991.

Tickets are available at the Milan Police Department, 35 Neckel Ct., Milan, MI. (Phone 313-439-1551). Adults \$5, children under 12 free. Make checks payable to: Steve Reuther Memorial Fund.

The coach of the Washtenaw County Police team is Retired Milan Police Chief Bill Zsenyuk. Among the Red Wing players will be Gary Bergman, Larry Johnston, Dave DeBol and Alex DelVecchio.

For further information, please contact Maureen Heslip 428-9146, Jennifer DuRussel 428-7459 or Bill Zsenyuk 428-7824. -Maureen Heslip



Special Winter Sports Awards

In the area of boys' basketball, Dutchman senior Stefan Knul was recently awarded two honors. First of all, Ann Arbor News' special writer, Doug Hill, chose Stefan as one of the four best defenders in regional roundball. On Thursday, Stefan was named by the Associated Press to be one of the ten players on the Class C All-State team.

In girls' volleyball, we had two members of our Lady Dutch varsity squad selected to an all-area roster. Senior spiker Amy Scherdt made the second team, while senior co-captain setter Michelle LaRue qualified for honorable mention.

Senior Christ Wiethoff wrestled at the weight of 119. He was a tough little competitor who went to the state playoffs and came in fifth. Andy Poppink played basketball for Tecumseh High School, but his father, the late Cal Poppink, taught in Manchester for three years and coached the 1968/69 league-winning basketball squad. Andy was named to the Class B All-State team by the Associated Press. He was also nominated for two categories of the areas best players: best shooter and best scorer.

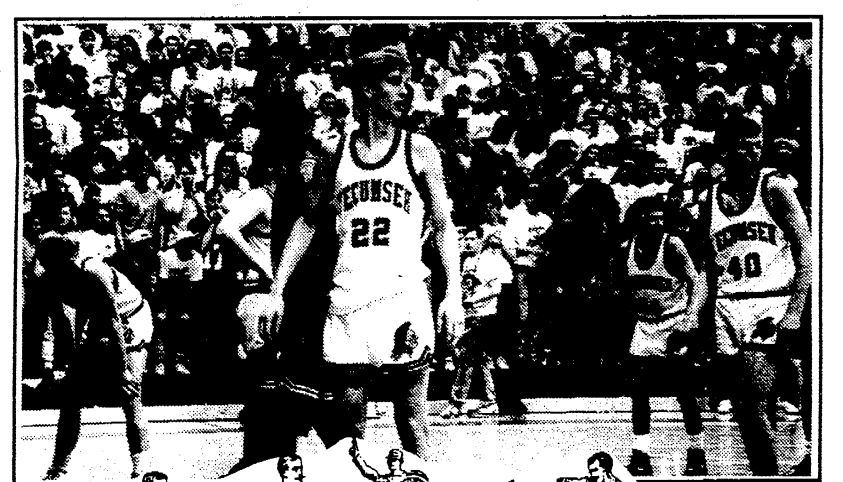
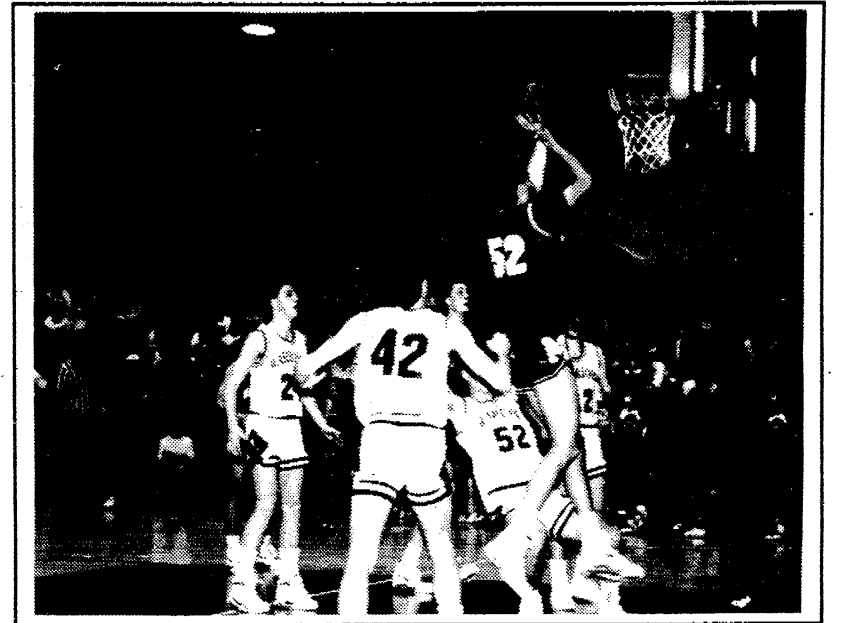
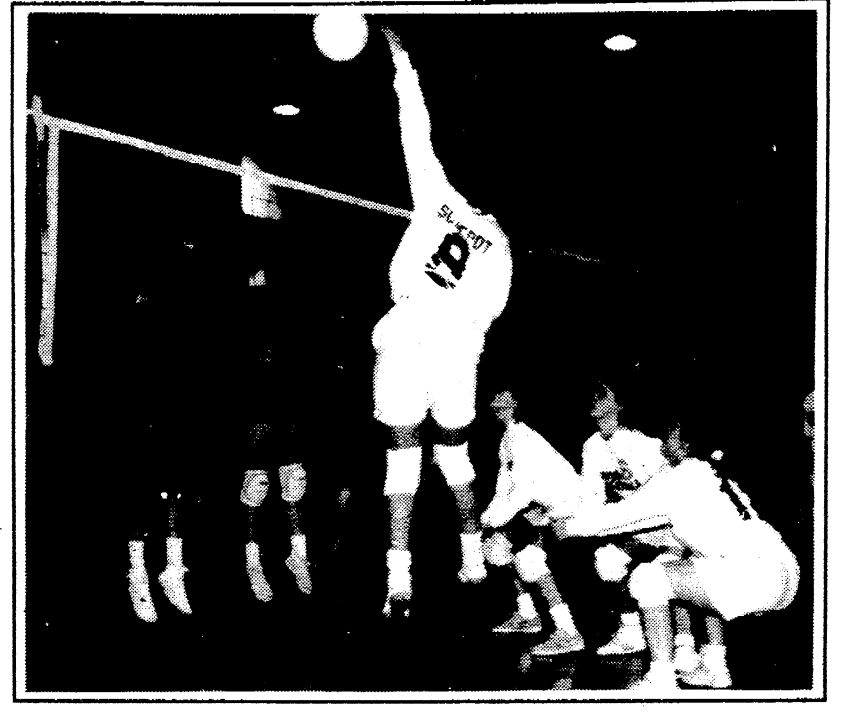
From top left, clockwise: Wrestling stand-out Chris Wiethoff; Amy Scherdt, volleyball spiker; Stefan Knul, headed for greatness; Michelle LaRue, volleyball stand-out; and Andy Poppink from Tecumseh, whose late father Cal was a Manchester teacher and coach in the 60s.

Table listing names and numbers for the Manchester Town Club. Includes Cooks, Thompsons, Walz Constr, Tidy Toms, PMS, Gemini, Waynes, Wampler, Klinks, 200's, 500's, Jo Batchelder, Mary Lindsay, Terri Scherdt, Jone Waters, HIGH IND GAME, Barb Brauns, Pat Hanselman, Terri Scherdt, HIGH IND SERIES, Terri Scherdt, Donna Dault, Pat Hanselman, HIGH TEAM GAME ACT, Gemini, HIGH TEAM SERIES, Gemini, HIGH TEAM HDPC, Waynes Windshield, HIGH TEAM SERIES, Cooks.

Emanuel Church Annual Easter Egg, Candy and Coffee Cake Sale Saturday, March 30, 1991 9 am to 12 noon Sutton Insurance Agency Manchester

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School." He then seriously gave his vote to Option Three, "with some degree of enthusiasm."

THE PLEASANT LAKE OPTION

"In the back of my mind is a place called Pleasant Lake," continued Jim Davey. "That's going to be a problem: wasted facilities. Be prepared for some kind of friction about Pleasant Lake."

School Board Trustee Ann Marie Gordon addressed that issue

later in the evening. "We have heard from people in the Pleasant Lake area. It has been said to us: don't open this as an elementary school. Keep it in town."

Bridgewater Twp. Supervisor Doug Parr continued, "That building is being utilized—in the voc tech area."

SOLICITING VOTER SUPPORT

"It's going to take a good selling job, but it can be done," said Committee member Wendall Reinhart.

"The worry about cost is not as important as the worry about value,"

said Manchester Township Supervisor Ron Mann. "We don't want to see a stripped down model. I don't know if it will pass right away, the first time around. But if the community is informed, it will come around—like it always has."

And according to Supt. Ron Niedzwiecki, "Yes, it's going to be difficult to convince the taxpayer to put that kind of money into education. I favor Option Three — with phasing, adjusting, making costs more palatable. I have confidence in this community that we can sell the project. The process is as important as the proposal."

MANCHESTER TWP PLANNING, con't from p. 1

Dick Fahey, an audience member, Manchester resident and real estate agent, added, "Any spot zoning, even in the country, has a negative effect on surrounding property values."

Chairman Kellum concluded, "We seem comfortable with commercial development in areas adjacent to the Village, but less and less comfortable the further away we go."

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

This portion of the meeting was similar to the first.

There was a consensus that designating areas directly adjacent to the Village as industrial was appropriate. Particularly the land on M-52 just south of the Village's "industrial park" area.

But beyond that, there was little inclination to designate more.

At one point a citizen asked, "Doesn't the landowner have any say?"

Chairman Kellum state, "We're talking about planning, not zoning. Nothing will change if you don't want it to."

But Clarence Fielder added, "People in the business understand (the planning)—they pick that up real fast."

Commissioner Creech concluded, "We should review these (industrial areas) in conjunction with the Village."

"A TENDER SUBJECT"

"I realize it's a tender subject," began Clarence Fielder cautiously as the meeting was drawing to a close, "but something should be worked out with Manchester Stamping so they can expand."

Those present shared their thoughts that the problem with Stamping's venture into expansion and rezoning last year was that it asked for too much: too much land and too much trust in wanting a general industrial classification instead of limited industrial on all 28 acres of land.

"The public had a referendum and voted it down," recalled Lyle Widmayer. "Now public input is needed."

Clarence Fielder continued, "We should have Ron Mann (Manchester Township Supervisor) and the chairman of this commission meet with Mr. Hamilton. I think it ought to be tried. Eventually Mr. Hamilton's got to do something."

Considering when and to what degree the "numbers" of people would come to Manchester prompted Clarence Fielder to suggest, "When the people get here, they'll pressure the change. It'll come. Maybe not in my lifetime, but it will come! The requests right now are so small that maybe we are putting the cart before the horse. But when the pressure comes..."

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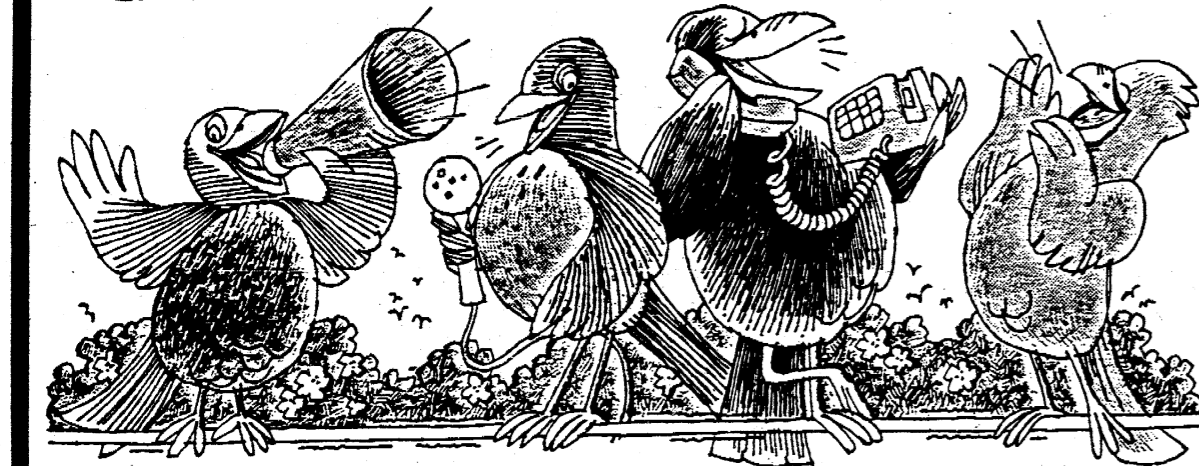
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

- Wednesday, March 27: Parent-Teacher Conferences for Manchester Schools, Freedom Township Annual Meeting, Bridgewater Township Annual Meeting, Manchester Village Council Meeting, Manchester Twp. Planning Commission meeting, Sharon Twp. Zoning Board of Appeals.
Thursday, March 28: No School for all grades in Manchester, Manchester Twp. Planning Commission meeting, Sharon Twp. Zoning Board of Appeals.
Friday, March 29: Tree Seedling Sale, Gardenias, Growing Root Crops, Growing Leafy Crops.
Saturday, March 30: Easter Egg Hunt at Carr Park, Easter Egg Candy and Coffee Cake Sale.

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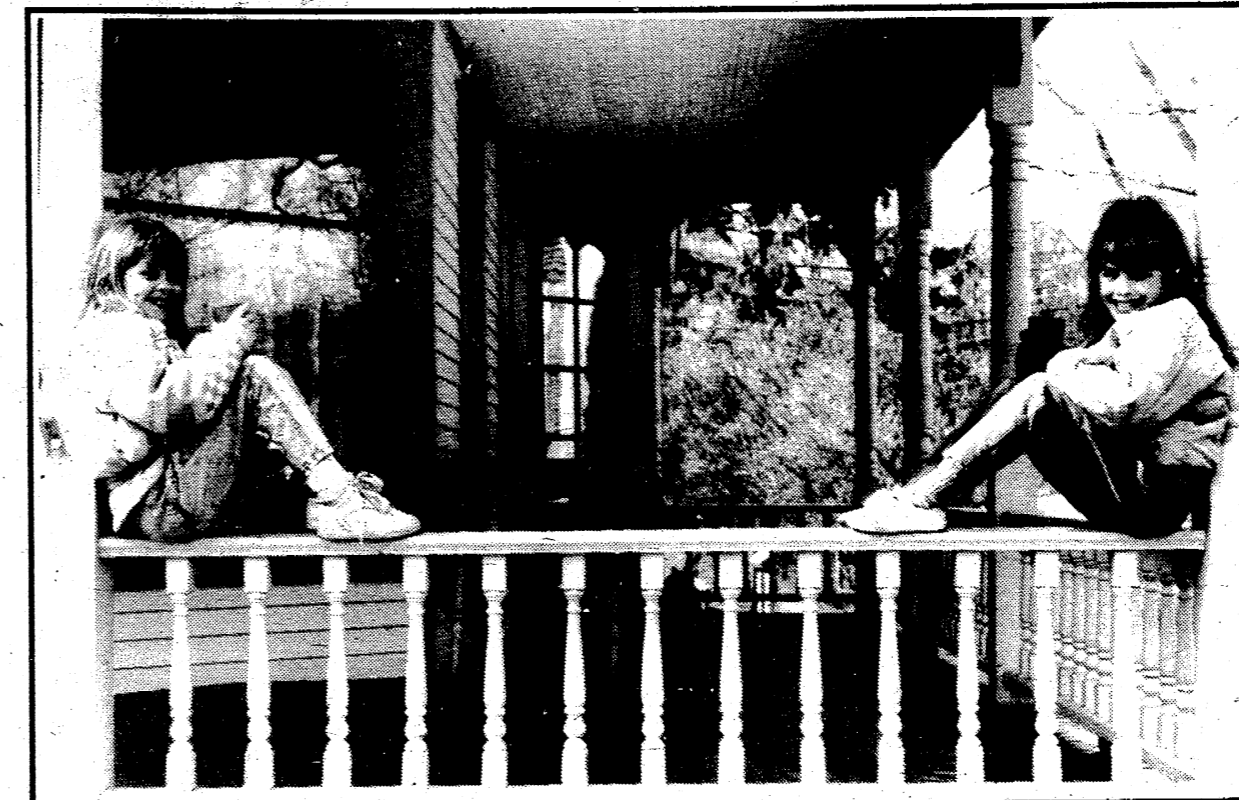
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VILLAGE COUNCIL CONSIDERS "WHAT IS THE VALUE OF LAND"

In Their Own Backyard

While the community is still smarting from tax assessment increases, based theoretically on the potential sale price of each citizen's property, the Manchester Village Council received its first actual offer to buy the vacant industrial land it owns on M-52, thus establishing a market value for it.

At the Council meeting, Trustees reviewed the first actual offer they have received for the land in seven years, an offer from "D.E. Limpert Profit Sharing Trust" to purchase somewhat less than half of the land (8.36 acres) for \$48,000, more than the initial purchase price for the entire acreage.

Don Limpert was present to answer questions from the Council about the proposal. Council voted to refer the matter to a committee consisting of Mary Kallewaard and Councilman Chris Brooks to "meet with Don [Limpert] and report back to the Council at the next meeting."

But not before they reviewed the status quo and discussed the possibilities. Which Hat? Councilman Bill Kwolek stated, "Investors often sit on land for 20 years. I consider myself an investor, as trustee, of this land for the Village. Patience pays off."

Don Limpert responded, "But you're not in the land speculation business." Council member Kwolek then referred to another handout from Mary Kallewaard, one which contained that portion of a state law she described as the "intent of enabling legislation." It states: "It is determined that there

exists in this state the continuing need for programs to alleviate and prevent conditions of unemployment, to assist and retain local industries, including employee-owned corporations, to meet growing competition for new industries and to strengthen and revitalize the economy in general."

"According to this," stated Councilman Kwolek, "this is not land speculation." Establishing the Cost Mary Kallewaard handed out two pieces of paper to assist Council in its deliberations on the value of the land and on whether the Limpert offer was sufficiently large.

First, the list of expenditures for the "Industrial Park." The bottom line was \$140,759. This figure represents expenses ranging from 1983 when \$2,500 was spent for "preliminary engineering study and maps" to 1988 when \$71,959 was spent for engineering and construction to extend Village sewer and water to the boundary line of the property. [Like all property owners, the eventual purchaser of the property will have the financial responsibility for extending the water and sewer lines onto his property to his building.]

Not included in this total of \$140,759 is the amount of interest that was paid on the purchase price of \$47,500 or the \$5000 the Village agreed to pay the Washtenaw Development Council when the property sells, — continued on page 16

Manchester Plastics Planning Possible Re-Opening

Requesting Tax Abatement

"We have to make the ultimate decision by April 15th," said Norm Krol from Manchester Plastics.

This local business, which announced last Fall that it would be closing its Manchester industrial facility on March 1, presented to the Manchester Village Council Monday night a letter which requested that:

"... the Industrial Development District which was established in 1980 be revised to extend the western boundary to include the latest plant expansion. As discussed in our recent meeting, Manchester Plastics is considering some additional business which may result in re-opening the plant. It is our intent to submit a request for tax abatement on the new equipment that would be required for the program being considered."

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This question referenced the letter's statement that the tax abatement would be requested on "new equipment."

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Mr. David Ross from Manchester Plastics stated "soundproofing" would be in effect, but Mr. Peter Ballantyne also of Manchester Plastics added, "Clearly it is an industrial facility. There is going to be some noise."

This question referenced the frequent complaints to Council from neighbors near and far about loud noise from the operation.

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Mr. Krol explained that LaRizzo Industries which is the parent company for Manchester Plastics is reorganizing.

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to be rebuilt. Once we get some volume, its not just 40-50 jobs, but what we'll be doing for the state of Michigan."

He also said, "We need to talk about several things, tax abatements, to swing the program to Michigan."

One of the other three men from Manchester Plastics who attended the meeting held up a prototype of a door panel.

Mr. Krol stated, "By March of 1992 we should be producing for 200 vehicles per day. By the end of '92 for 600 vehicles per day."

He said he anticipates 45-50 employees in March of 1992, increasing to 120-130 by December of 1992.

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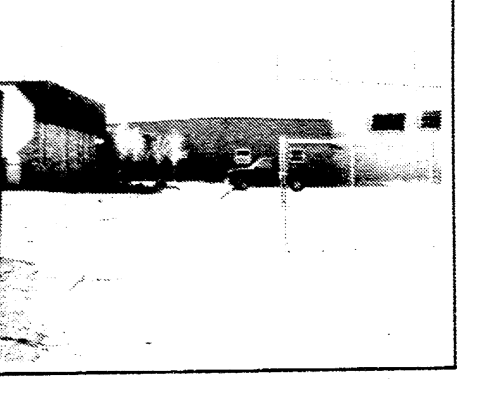
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