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The Broil, the Fair...

Left: Under umbrellas and in rain slickers, Rev. Thom Davenport of Manchester United Methodist Church and family aboard George Macomber's horse-drawn wagon on their way to our famous Chicken Broil. "Worth it. Well worth it!" cheerfully stated the Reverend.

— photo by Kathy Kueffner



Above: Jeffrey Adams, age 5, and his brother Cody, age 3, with their kittens Muffie and Gretchen at the Pet Contest during the Manchester Community Fair. — photo/kk

If you were in Manchester, in July, your picture — possibly — is somewhere in this issue of the Chronicle!



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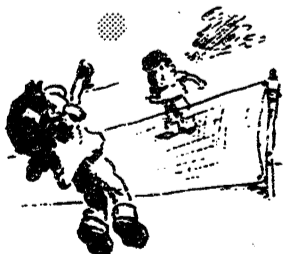
Above: **STACY GARRETT** updates the Whistle Stop Restaurant sidewalk sign during Summer Festival.



CYNTHIA SEWELL receives \$200 in prize money from Jim Achtenberg of Woodbrook—our hometown computer store—where she purchased the ticket for the Summer Festival Rubber Duck Race. Cynthia's yellow duck beat all the others over the dam, down the river and to the finish line.



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Computers Come to the Manchester Schools

— Jim Achtenberg

On April 13, 1995, the Manchester Community Schools sent a Request for Bid for computers. Items put out for bid included twenty-one Pentium Computer Systems and forty-six 80486DX2 Computer Systems. These would be allocated for a new High School drafting lab, Middle School classrooms, Elementary School classrooms, Central Offices, and a Music Lab. Sealed bids were due at Superintendent Ron Niedzwiecki's office by 3:00 p.m. on April 28, 1995.

As a potential supplier, I received the Request for Bid at Woodbrook. Knowing that some very large companies, such as Gateway, would also receive the

Request for Bid, I felt very honored that the school board would offer the chance to the small, local company. The first thing to do was to review the Request for Bid in detail to see how to respond. All systems requested looked to have common components. I knew that Woodbrook could sell and support the systems! Next step—determine cost and respond with a competitive bid.

Over the past few years, I have often purchased components and assembled the computers I sell right here in Manchester. All components come with a one-year warranty and were reliable if purchased from a reliable source. Being in the business since 1978, I have learned that inexpensive is not always the best way to go. Good components often cost slightly more than not-so-good components from the bargain basement sup-



John McGuire and Jim begin the unloading process.



Even young Connie Achtenberg pitches in to help her dad.

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Angie Meets the Mayor



Last month, it was the Governor Angie met. This month Manchester Chronicle reporter Angie Carlson is pictured above with the Mayor of Detroit, Dennis Archer. Also pictured, far left, Angie's step-dad Jim and, far right, Angie's step-sister Melissa.

So who wants to bet Angie will be talking to a President for the next issue?

pliers. The way to keep in business is to know your suppliers and how they operate.

For the past 6-12 months, the major suppliers have offered to build the systems for me, provided I purchase all components from them, and back the system with a three-year warranty. Also, when a system is purchased from a major supplier, it carries FCC certification. An order for 60-67 systems would be overwhelming to attempt to build. Also, the FCC certification would be important to the schools, and a three-year warranty was requested. Therefore, the decision was made to purchase the systems completely assembled from the distributor.

A company I have been dealing with for eight years is Infotel Distributing in Fletcher, Ohio. I decided that the Infotel Ultra line would offer a quality computer to the schools, together with a three-year warranty and FCC certification. A call was made to my Infotel sales rep to get a quote. After contacting his management, a very competitive quote was offered, and my real work began. A response to the Request for Bid was written, rewritten, verified and sent to the schools on the morning of April 28, 1995.

Curious and anxious to see how my bid stacked up against the others, I went to the bid opening at 3:00 later that day. I was very pleased that when Superintendent Niedzwiecki

and Board member Wayne Winzenz opened the bids, my bid for the Pentium systems of \$2645 compared to competitive bids of \$2845 to \$3955, and my bid for the 80486 systems of \$1845 compared to competitive bids ranging from \$1848 to \$2829.

Being the low bidder on both systems was exciting! I had to review my costs to make sure all was in order. After a thorough review, I knew that I had not made any errors and the chances of getting the contract were good. My next step was to attend the school board meeting on May 15, when I anticipated board action on the contract.

The entire board was pleased to deal with a local company, and Mr. Niedzwiecki was authorized to place the order with Woodbrook!

The remainder of May and most of June were spent waiting for the various people at the schools to determine the See Computers, page 19

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK Jim Mann (Mann Real Estate), Kim Cowen (Great Lakes Bancorp), and Napoleon Livestock for purchasing our lambs at the 1995 Manchester Community Fair. And a special thanks to Mr. Charles Schiel for his willingness to come to our home, set up his equipment and shear our lambs for us at a nominal fee. He then uses all the money he collects for shearing to purchase the frozen Club lambs so that the money continues to help support the Club.
 James and Michael Fuerstnau

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Magical, Enchanting



The Secret Garden August 3-6 & 9-13 at the Crowell

Based on the novel by Frances Hodgson Burnett, this classic story has enchanted children since its publication in 1911.

Orphaned in India by cholera, an 11-year-old girl, named Mary Lennox, is sent to live in Yorkshire with her only living relatives -- an embittered, reclusive hunchback, Archibald Craven, and his invalid son, Colin.

Uncle Archibald's estate includes a magic garden which Mary eventually discovers and enters. She thinks that because the plants appear lifeless, they, too, have died. Then, as the two unhappy children slowly cultivate the abandoned trees and roses releasing the magic that comes with new growth, they begin to flourish also -- unlocking many other secrets about themselves and others.

Flashbacks, dream sequences, a strolling chorus of ghosts, and some of the most beautiful music ever written for the Broadway stage dramatize *The Secret Garden's* compelling tale of regeneration, the healing power of love and the miracle of rebirth.

Crowell audiences will take delight in the sheer artistry of *The Secret Garden*. Vibrant and thought provoking to look at, melodic and poignant to hear, this is that rarest of entertainments. It is a story fascinating to children that unfolds in a manner both sophisticated and stimulating for adults. It is a musical treasure!

MUSICAL NUMBERS: *Opening Dream, There's a Girl, The House Upon the Hill, I Heard Someone Crying, A Fine White Horse, A Girl in the Valley, It's a Maze, Winter's on the Wing, Show Me the Key, A Bit of Earth, Storm I, Lily's Eyes, Storm II, Round-Shouldered Man, Final Storm, The Girl I Mean to Be, Race You to the Top of the Morning, Wick, Come to My Garden, Come Spirit Come Charm, Disappear, Hold On, Letter Song, Where in the World, How Could I Ever Know.*

The Crowell, 129 E. Maumee St., Adrian. Call for Tickets (517) 264-SHOW.

Editor's Note: We hope you had the pleasure (as my husband and I did) of watching the once upon a time story of four guys who loved to sing in *Forever Plaid*, the Crowell's July production...superb entertainment! Don't miss the Garden!

August: Last Chance for Summer Picnics - Here are two

Double A Reunion August 12
 The seventh annual reunion of former employees of Double A Products Co. will be held on Saturday, August 12 at Carr Park (rain or shine). Potluck lunch will be served at 1:00 p.m. Persons are asked to bring a dish of food to share, your own beverage and table service. All persons who at some time in their life received a Double A paycheck and husbands/wives of deceased employees and their families are urged to attend.

All workers and helpers of the 1995 Manchester Community Fair, and, anyone interested in helping with the 1996 Manchester Community Fair are invited to an Appreciation Picnic at Carr Park on Sunday, August 13 at 6:00 p.m. There will be hot dogs and fixin's. Bring a dish to pass, your own drinks and table service. Hope to see you there.
 — The Manchester Community Fair Board

The Final Three— Enjoying the Gazebo Concerts, while they last!

It's August—commonly referred to as "the dog days of summer."

These long, hot, humid days remind us that summer's many pleasures are drawing to an end. (Soon "dog days" will give way to "school days"!)

The Gazebo concert season is also drawing to a close. There are just three more Gazebo concerts to enjoy this season—on the first three Thursdays in August, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Gazebo on Main Street. When the Gazebo concert season ends, you can be sure summer is virtually over.

August 3—"Mulligan Stew" is an exciting trio with great stage presence whose tunes include everything from bluegrass to Celtic airs. Their concert on the Gazebo stage will offer a luxuriously wonderful opportunity to relax at the end of a hot summer day!

Mulligan Stew at the Gazebo Concert Thursday August 3rd



August 10—"The Wes Linenkugel Quartet" is a unique 4-piece group which features the hammered dulcimer. If you're not familiar with the sound of this beautiful instrument, be sure not to miss this night at the Gazebo. The music is enchanting.

August 10—"The Dexter Twirlers" will close the Gazebo concert season with square dancing and country music! This evening's performance will have you on your feet and clapping your hands—even if the weather is a bit warm!

Gazebo concerts are like many other Manchester activities—they are excellent, they are available, and they are freely given to the community. (However, donations to defray the concert costs are gratefully accepted.) No need to worry about "pearls before the swine" in Manchester; we know how to appreciate this gift!

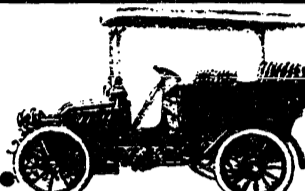
The Recreation Task Force (RTF) organizes and arranges for these summer Gazebo concerts. The RTF is a group of folks just like you who volunteer a little of their time to make fun and worthwhile things happen in our community. You would be more than welcome to join them. For more information, call the Community Resource Center at 428-7722.

In case of rain, the Gazebo concert will be held as scheduled—but moved to the rain location, across the street at the Emanuel Church Hall gym.

Enjoy these closing days of summer while you can. Enjoy the Gazebo concerts in August while they are here for us!

— Janet Shurtliff

T's to be in Town...



Model T's, that is. The Washtenaw Club call themselves the Nau-Ties and along with the Huron Valley Cranks they are hosting the 14th Annual Michigan Jamboree of T's. They will be touring some of the sites along the Ford Heritage Trail, including Manchester, on Friday, August 25.

Area spokesperson for the Nau-Ties, Anne Schnearle, said they will be in Manchester from around 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. on Friday, to visit our shops, have lunch, and tour the Blacksmith Shop, by invitation of the Manchester Area Historical Society.

Up to a hundred T's are expected, Anne told us, and that should be quite a sight.

"We are looking forward to traveling the scenic routes through the rural areas and small towns of southeastern Michigan," Anne said. "We will also be going to Chelsea, Dexter and of course we have to take a trip to Hell...Michigan!"

On Saturday, the Tecumseh Chamber of Commerce welcomes the Jamboree to their town and have planned tours.

We will look forward to seeing this group with their T—errific T's and welcome them to our town.

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MONET

"I would like to paint as the bird sings." Whenever Claude Monet talked or wrote about his art it was his role as an interpreter of nature and the natural world that he emphasized. His response to everything he saw about him, and its subsequent translation into paint, were amongst the most direct and heartfelt in the history of Western art; it was this joyful and spontaneous response to the visual world that the painter Paul Cezanne was referring to when he exclaimed 'Monet is only an eye, but my God, what an eye!'

Claude Monet was the primary inspiration of the Impressionist movement. Monet's obsession with color, atmosphere and light resulted in a dappled technique considered rebellious and challenging to traditional artistic values, now wholly accepted.

Freshness and vitality, Monet's response to nature and his perception of natural beauty, is evident in his work. Monet wanted to convey that sense of almost child-like wonder and was keenly aware of his own ability — his genius — which enabled him to do this. He once said to a friend that he wished he had been born blind and then had suddenly gained his sight so that he could have begun to paint without knowing what the objects were that he saw before him.

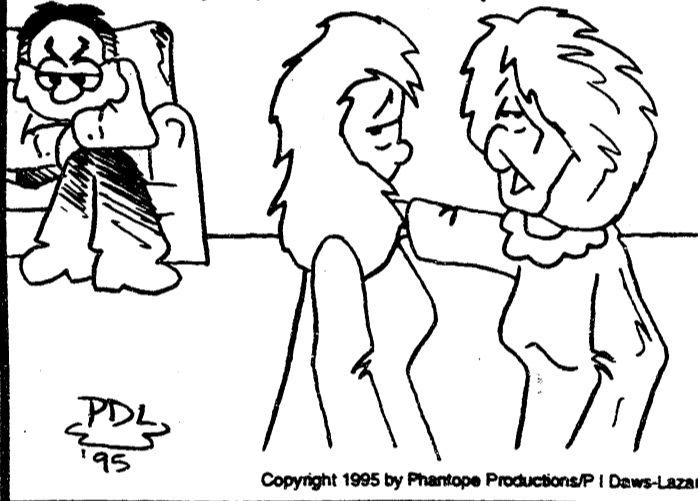
Born in Paris in 1840, Monet moved with his family to LeHavre on the coast when he was five. Later he felt that being brought up close to the sea — which was always to stimulate and excite him — was crucial to the development of his visual responses.

Monet's preoccupation with light, weather and atmosphere led him to experiment continually, often braving appalling weather conditions in his zeal to record these elements as faithfully as possible. In the winter months he once wrote to his family describing how his beard had grown icicles during a particularly grim session where he had himself fastened to the ice with a hot water bottle to keep his hand warm enough to paint.

"...the palette which I had kept a grip on had been knocked over, my face and my beard was covered in blue, yellow, etc..."

PHANTOPE by PDL

"YOU'LL HAVE TO EXCUSE MY HUSBAND, THE BANK PRESIDENT. I TOOK HIM TO SEE A MONET EXHIBIT AND HE THOUGHT I SAID MONEY EXHIBIT. HE'S BEEN A GROUCH EVER SINCE!"



PDL '95

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In 1884 from Bordighere he wrote "...I've caught this magical landscape and it's the enchantment of it that I'm so keen to render. Of course lots of people will protest that it's quite unreal and that I'm out of my mind, but that's just too bad...it is exactly the sparkle, this enchanted light that I am determined to render, and those who haven't seen this country, or have seen it wrongly, will protest ...everything is iridescent..."

And in 1885 from Etretat, "...despite a high wind blowing and a rough sea, or rather, because of it, I hoped for a fruitful session...I took no notice of the waves which came and fell a few feet away from me...absorbed as I

Snoopy poised to pose. Coincidence? We think not. Or as a famous philosopher (Snoopy again?) said, "There's no such thing as coincidence." Snoopy psychic? Maybe, since the Chronicle photographer took this picture before the story was planned. Snoopy-of-many-talents? Most certainly!

Snoopy, Woodstock and friends delight passersby in front of the Okey family residence on Ann Arbor Hill.

was, I didn't see a huge wave coming; it threw me against the cliff and I was tossed about in its wake along with all my materials...the palette which I had kept a grip on had been knocked over, my face and my beard was covered in blue, yellow, etc..."

"I have done no more than look at what the universe has shown me in order to bear witness to it through my brush. Your mistake is to want to reduce the world to your measure, whereas by enlarging your knowledge of things, you will find your knowledge of self is enlarged." (In a reported conversation with Georges Clemenceau at Giverny)

"...anyone who claims he's finished a painting is terribly arrogant. To finish something means complete, perfect..."

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Present day Chicago is anything but unsteady. It is a city of economic strength and vitality, a city with a rich cultural heritage that rivals the world's best in art, historical and science museums, a city of great entertainment and dining, a city where you can "shop til you drop."

It's also very expensive unless you learn to take advantage of the many bargains available to visitors. If you have a good travel agent who has a good knowledge of Chicago you can rely on her to help you find these travel bargains. If not, you can do your own detective work to find the bargains.

Pat and I love to go to Chicago between Christmas and New Year's to take full advantage of Chicago's "best deals." To help plan our trip we pick up a copy of the Sunday edition of the *Chicago Tribune* about two weeks before we plan to go. The *Arts* section is a great source for special hotel and dining specials and a complete calendar of cultural and entertainment events.

Chicago is a business city where thousands of businessmen cram the big downtown hotels during the week. On weekends and between Christmas and New Year's the best hotels offer bargain rates to fill up their rooms, offering up to 50% off room rates and special packages that might include some meals, kids free and other goodies. There are also special events packages that might include theater and exhibition tickets.

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Dear Travel Friends,

We are pleased to introduce our new Travel Page for the Manchester Chronicle. Pat and I have traveled extensively in the U.S. and abroad and we hope to share our past, present and future travel experiences with you in coming editions of the Chronicle.

Over the years we have discovered many ways to enjoy first rate travel at bargain prices. We have learned to take advantage of the vast amount of information offered by travel agencies, tour companies, tourist bureaus, airlines and other transportation and accommodations organizations. We hope you, our readers, will share your travel experiences and travel tips with us.

We will also be developing an exciting low cost group travel program to complement our travel features. The Monet Exhibit Trip is the first of this new program.

We look forward to personally meeting all of our travel friends and hope you will join us on this inaugural trip to Chicago for this exciting art venture.

Sincerely,
John & Patricia Danovich

During the holiday period all of the major department stores in the State Street and Michigan Avenue areas are having their after Christmas sales offering great bargains. (Shopping tip: If you make some very expensive purchases, consider having the store ship you goods to your home which will save you the expensive Chicago sales tax).

If your plans include a night at the theatre, check the **Hot Tix Booths (312-977-1755)** for discount tickets (up to half off) for tickets good that day. You can also order tickets in advance for any play or special event by calling **Ticketmaster (312) 559-1212**.

Dining in Chicago is one of the great pleasures of any visit and need not be expensive. Check the free *Where* and *Key* magazines available in major hotels to help you select your restaurant choices. Some of the more expensive restaurants might offer early bird specials (from 5-7 p.m.) or plan on having lunch where the serving might be smaller but you get to enjoy the great ambiance and service at about half the price. One of our favorite dining treats is to enjoy one of the afternoon high teas offered at some of the larger hotels. You can listen to pleasant music while you enjoy the finger sandwiches, scones and clotted cream, desserts and wide selection of hot teas.

For the latest information on Chicago area events and activities you can call toll-free **1-800 2-CONNECT**. If you are a AAA member they will give you an updated list of hotel packages and will call and make reservations at your hotel. Careful planning can ensure an exciting and reasonably priced vacation in Chicago.

Claude Monet 1840-1926



CHICAGO - Claude Monet, the master of light representation, was a giant among the Impressionist painters. He is probably the most revered and beloved artist of that era. The Art Institute of Chicago is now presenting the largest and most comprehensive exhibit of Monet's paintings, spanning a lifetime of artistic accomplishments.

These stunning works (over 150 of them); such as the famous water lily studies, the changing haystacks, the Houses of Parliament in London, have been gathered from museums and private collections around the world. The exhibit is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for fans of Monet to view the best examples from every period of his 65 year career in one place. Since this is not a traveling exhibit, the exhibition can only be seen in Chicago.

Many of the works are some of Monet's personal favorites. "The Stroll, Camille Monet and Her Son Jean" depicts perfectly the play of light and wind on the subjects, their clothing and their surroundings.

A little later in his career Monet did several series of paintings of the same subject at different seasons, different times of the day and different lighting. The Houses of Parliament, London series is a study in the way atmospheric conditions can change our perceptions of an object. The buildings almost seem incidental to the sky and water; first shrouded in the icy mist of an early morning fog and then almost aflame with the orange glow of the setting sun.

We recently had the pleasure of previewing this exhibit in Chicago and found it to be one of the best art exhibits ever. For lovers of Impressionist Art and especially Monet fans, it is a "must see."

The **Claude Monet: 1840-1926** exhibition runs through November 26, 1995 at the Art Institute of Chicago. Special Exhibition hours are: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday/10:30 a.m. - 4:40 p.m.; Tuesday/10:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.; Saturday/9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Sunday/11:00 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Special tickets are required for the exhibition and advance ticket reservations are recommended. To order tickets by phone, call **1-800/929-5800**. There is a \$2.50 per ticket charge for each phone order.

If you are interested in attending the Monet exhibition, join us on our special **Manchester Chronicle** day trip September 12. The cost is only \$49 per person and includes exhibition tickets, air-conditioned bus, refreshments and a chance to win some exciting prizes. Call **313/428-1633** to reserve your space.

John and I are very much looking forward to hosting this trip and meeting all of you art lovers out there.

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We continue the feature in *The Manchester Chronicle*, courtesy of Maan Bake of **Pyramid Office Supply**, of reviewing a famous opera each month. The opera is chosen based on the month it was first performed. Some of these operas can be rented through our Library lending system. Check with Manchester Township Library director Dorothy Davies or any of the helpful staff there.

Guillaume Tell (William Tell)

Tragic opera in four acts by Gioachino Rossini (1792-1868), to a libretto by Etienne de Jouy and Hippolyte Bis, based on Schiller's play of the same name. First performance: Paris, Opera, 3 August 1829.

The action takes place in Switzerland in the sixteenth century. Guillaume Tell (baritone), a skilled archer, helps a shepherd, Leuthold (bass), to safety while he is being pursued by the soldiers of the Austrian governor Gesler (bass), then oppressing the region. In retaliation, the soldiers torch the village and take as their hostage Melchthal (bass), one of the most influential villagers.

an apple placed on top of Jemmy's head. Guillaume hits the target, but turns out to have a second arrow he could have used: he proudly explains that this arrow had been intended for Gesler, if he had not hit the apple.



Gesler gives orders for Tell and Jemmy to be arrested, but the boy is saved by Mathilde, who has him entrusted to her care. Meanwhile, Jemmy gives the agreed signal for the revolt to begin.

A few days later, Arnold (tenor), Melchthal's son, meets Mathilde (soprano), an Austrian princess with whom he is in love. After they pledge their love, Mathilde urges Arnold to become one of Gesler's supporters because in this way he will gain fame and fortune. Then Guillaume brings Arnold news that his father, Melchthal, has been put to death, and Arnold vows to fight alongside the patriots.

Guillaume and Gesler are on a boat heading for the castle of Kusmac. A storm breaks, and Tell manages to steer the boat to the bank, leaps out and fires an arrow at Gesler, which kills him. Arnold and the conspirators arrive. The fortress of Altdorf has fallen, and Switzerland has been liberated.

The score generates an extraordinary romantic atmosphere which was decidedly novel at the time and was undoubtedly the reason for the opera's failure. In addition, *Guillaume Tell* did not provide the audience with the typical ingredients of a Rossini opera which they had come to expect. The bel canto element and other features are here replaced by a new expressiveness, abounding in lyricism and dramatic pathos.

NEWS FROM THE MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP LIBRARY
— by Ann Fowler

A Review of Annual Reports

DIRECTORS REPORT: At its annual meeting in June, Dorothy Davies, director, reported to the Manchester Township Library Board on the many aspects of the Library's year.

About the collections: 1,292 items added, 686 items withdrawn (outdated, damaged, lost), and 38% of books added to serve juveniles, primarily to support school assignments.

Children's services included the preschool story times by John Crispin and more recently, Modesta Nava. The Summer Reading Program always successful, included a two-day program by the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum at the Township Hall and the final party with author Al Slose reading from and signing gift books (purchased with donations from friends and local businesses, refreshments, and prizes).

Donations of books, time, and money help the Library maintain its high quality: friends and families donated \$7,100 in gifts or memorials for books, programs, and other purposes. Interest from the Clifford Adler Memorial Fund purchased 15 books.

Volunteers continue to work as clericals, mow the lawn, shovel sidewalks, inventory the collection, man the Fair gates, and substitute for regular employees when needed. Many patrons donate books for the collection and the on-going book sale.

Looking to the future: This fall, because the Woodlands Cooperative is helping provide each member library with a replacement computer, our older computer will be available for public use. Major concerns now are finding space for the public work station and funds to provide CD ROM reference capabilities. When funded, the automated catalog and circulation system will save hours and improve efficiency. With expanding circulation and patron usage, staff size should be increased, space found for computers, etc. Because our historic building is now so crowded, the Board is now "considering contracting with a consulting firm to evaluate our current library and do a feasibility study for a building project."

LIBRARY BOARD REPORT: Patty Swaney, chairman of the Manchester Township Library Board, reports each year to the Manchester Township Board at its annual meeting. Among the statistics for the year, she noted that the 1,677 registered patrons checked out 29,335 items, and that an additional 369 patrons are registered over the previous year. Ms. Swaney pointed out that the Library is unusual in that not only does it serve the four townships, but also those who work here, including the migrant families.

The Library is staffed by a full-time director, two part-time adult staff members, and two part-time high school helpers. Open 46 hours each week, with the busiest hours during late afternoon when students come for help with research, the Library facilities are often crowded and patrons must wait for service.

For various reasons, mainly financial, the Library joined the Woodlands Cooperative when the Huron Valley Library Cooperative closed down in 1994. The Clinton Library, also a Woodlands member, has reciprocal borrowing with our Library. Two years ago, the Manchester District Library Planning Committee recom-

mended that the four townships combine to form an independent District Library with taxing authority. Both Manchester and Bridgewater Township Boards agreed to pursue the idea. However, neither the Sharon nor the Freedom Township Board wished to join, and the matter is in limbo.

"Ms Swaney said, "The Library is not just a collection of books: service is what makes a Library. The collection itself is of little use unless a skilled knowledgeable staff is available. Your Library is probably the best municipal bargain in the state. It is a place to go for recreation, culture and education without leaving town and without buying a ticket. Small town 'free' libraries are a uniquely American strength and heritage that must be maintained."

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Township Ordinances and Gravel

— E.A.R.S. (Esch Area Residents Speak)

We have pondered for a long time the significance of our township zoning ordinance. A copy of the official zoning ordinance for Freedom Township, drafted March 15, 1975 and amended December 31, 1990, can easily be obtained for a small fee from the township clerk.

Section 1.03 of this zoning ordinance states its purpose. Among these purposes include such points as:

- ◆ protecting the public health, safety and general welfare
- ◆ protecting the character of areas within the township and promoting the beneficial development of such areas
- ◆ regulating the intensity of land use
- ◆ lessening and avoiding congestion on public highways and streets
- ◆ promoting healthful surroundings
- ◆ protecting against noxious fumes, dust, noise, vibrations, and other nuisances in the interest of the public health, safety and general welfare
- ◆ conserving the taxable value of land

Since November of 1993 to the present, the stated concerns of E.A.R.S have been related to these very elements of the zoning ordinance. These concerns include;

- ◆ Permitting another gravel company to begin operating does not offer protection to the general welfare of township residents. We already have two very large pits in operation within our township boundaries.
- ◆ A gravel pit does not seem a beneficial development in residential areas
- ◆ Regulating the intensity of land use would imply limiting the number of gravel pits operating at any one time.
- ◆ Another gravel pit would increase rather than lessen congestion on highways and streets. E.A.R.S. has consistently been concerned about the impact of more gravel trains on Pleasant Lake Road and the ensuing impact on this road and the roads of surrounding townships.

A gravel pit does not seem consistent with promoting healthful surroundings. Area residents know from first-hand experience the noise, dust and nuisances created by an actively operating pit. We are not anxious to have yet another source of disruption in our lives. Being forced to be a neighbor to a gravel pit does not seem consistent with "conserving the taxable value of our land." The market value of our homes and adjacent property will decrease substantially, the equalized value will decrease and thus the taxable value of these properties will be reduced.

The zoning ordinance outlines the provisions which will assure protection to the residents of Freedom Township. These elements, among many regulations, state the number of homes that can be built on any given parcel of land, where light industry can oper-

ate, where and how junk is to be stored, what defines an abandoned property, how parking areas should be laid out, which signs may be permitted in which areas, where recreational vehicles may be stored, what permits must be obtained to add on to a home, requirements for commercial kennels, and so on. It is understood that all of these regulations are intended to protect the general welfare of the residents of Freedom Township.

Section 10.02, in describing the intent for use of rural-conservation districts, states that "the value to the public of certain areas of the Township is derived from the natural condition and features of these areas." Agricultural land is intended to be preserved to the greatest extent possible.

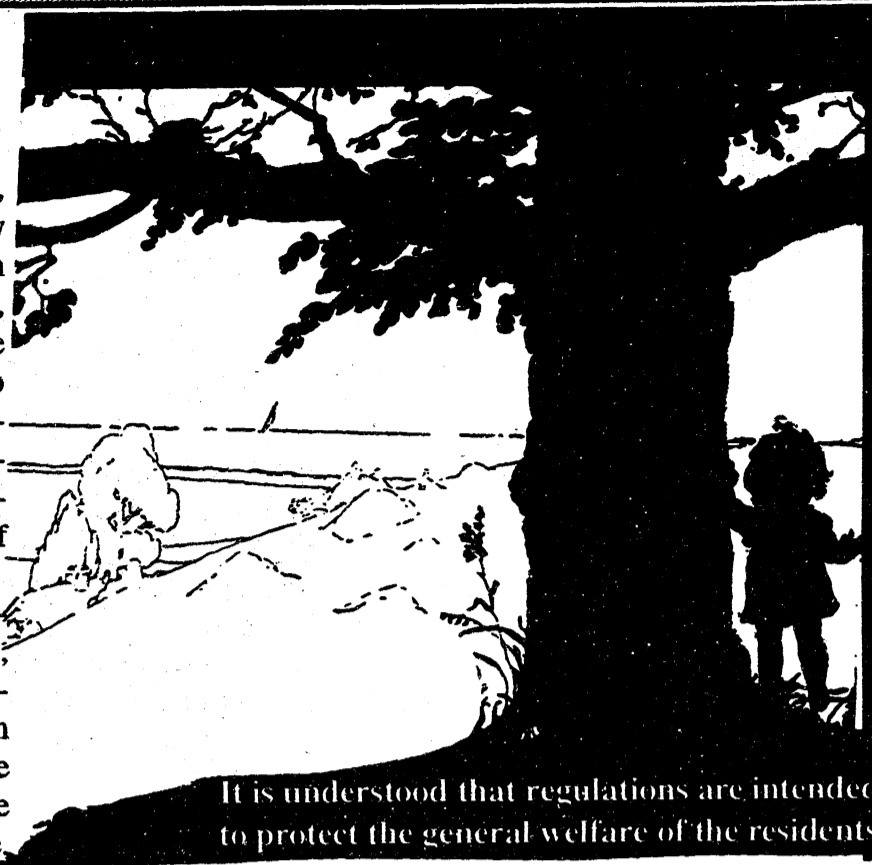
A rural residence district is intended to provide a suburban residential character. All of these elements speak to the quality of life.

And finally, the ordinance provides for conditional uses; those uses that would be detrimental to other uses permitted. Because of the number of companies purchasing land for the purpose of gravel extraction, the new extraction ordinance, effective as of June 18, 1995, was designed to provide for the utilization of these resources in a manner compatible with nearby residential areas, as well as protecting human health and the environment. The ordinance states that the purpose for these regulations is because mining operations can cause:

- unique impacts on and disruptions of the environment
- impacts on adjacent properties
- noise nuisances
- dust nuisances
- damage to the roads
- creation of conditions that are dangerous to township residents
- land to be left in an unsightly condition.

The new extraction ordinance states that all extraction operations must obtain a permit as described by the Freedom Township Zoning Ordinance and as required by the new extraction ordinance. It does not seem consistent to E.A.R.S. that a conditional use permit be considered under the old ordinance. The next extraction ordinance states that "no person who has been issued a permit pursuant to this ordinance shall engage

in activity contrary to the terms of the permit or contrary to the terms of this ordinance." (Section 5.03). To our way of thinking, there is no point in considering a conditional use permit until all the requirements of the new extraction ordinance have been met. There do not appear to be provisions for making exceptions. Among many requirements, the new ordinance stipulates information and



It is understood that regulations are intended to protect the general welfare of the residents.

data be provided by the applicant which relates to surrounding land use and compatibility. The following are just some of the requirements:

- an environmental impact statement
- a DNR permit
- a statement of compatibility with surrounding land use
- a demonstration of the effect of the operation on the watershed of the area
- a storm water control permit from the EPA

E.A.R.S has always been concerned about the value of the natural features in this township. It is the preservation of these features as well as the integrity of our lives with which we are deeply concerned. We need roads but we also need open space, peace, natural beauty, water and wildlife.

We see no reason for Freedom Township to continue to sanction a corridor of gravel pits from one end of the township to the other.

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From the Ground Up — by BG

August in Manchester

The ultimate trip for a gardener is the Chelsea Flower Show in England, held for a week in June. Imagine a tent covering three and a half acres filled with flowers, plants and vegetables. Around the outside are two rings of model gardens and other exhibits. One visit will give many years of dreams and memories.

August in Manchester is the month for maintaining the garden — some weeding, some watering, some planning, and a lot of pleasure. The large job for the month could be dividing and moving

giving one rhizome and a fan of leaves for each new plant. Now is the time to examine them for borers or rot. Discard the affected ones and the inner or older portion of the clump. If you want to use those with some root-rot, scrape away the affected part and pour some undiluted household bleach on the fresh 'wound'. Let dry until a scab forms and then plant.

DIG ALL RHIZOMES

Some iris spread at a alarming rate while others, the colors that you would like to increase, have a very gradual rate of growth. It is easy to recognize an overgrown patch of iris and easier to divide them. Use a shovel, or fork to dig all rhizomes and hose off the soil. It will do no harm for the roots to air-dry for a few days. The leaves can be cut back to reduce wilting.

THE FRACTURE LINE

It is easy to see the 'fracture' line for

the garden iris. Even this can be done at a leisurely pace while enjoying your garden.

AS A DUCK

Think of each new plant as a 'duck' with the leaves as a neck. Plant them as a duck rides the water, half in and half out. With lighter soil, the plant will be a little deeper in order for the roots to maintain stability.

In heavier soil, the plant will need a smaller quantity of dirt on the roots. The new plant will spread in the direction of the 'neck' or fan of leaves. If the fans are facing one another, the clump will be overgrown and need separating again in a short time. If planted in a circle with the fans facing outward, the clump will soon have a hollow center. Don't face the 'necks' toward a neighboring plant or the edge of the bed.

LIGHTEN UP

After planting, water them well and protect from the sun until well established. The mature iris plants will do nicely in a dry location. They do well with six hours of sunlight but more is better. Since the exposed parts of the rhizomes enjoy the sunshine, don't use a heavy mulch. The iris bed should be kept litter-free to reduce the chances of rot and borers. Of course, small clumps of iris can be moved at anytime like any other plant. Take enough soil to prevent exposing the roots and give plenty of water, sun and wind protection, and tender, loving care.

Midsummer is a good time to give the garden a pick-me-up by using a water-soluble fertilizer such as Rapid-Gro. Using a watering can or an inexpensive hose-sprayer will make it easier for you.

Be alert for traces of the gypsy moth caterpillars that have stripped foliage from trees in the East for years. A few have been found in Washtenaw county. Although the nasty little caterpillar will do its munching on oak, aspen and other trees in April, May, and June, we can find evidence of the gypsy moth during the year.

WHAT'S HAIRY, BROWN WITH RED AND BLUE DOTS AND HAS A LARGE APPETITE?

After the larvae stage which is the brown hairy caterpillar with red and blue dots and the large appetite, comes the cocoon stage in the midsummer. These brown hardened cocoons can be found in crevices and crannies for about two weeks in late summer until the moths come out to reproduce and lay eggs for next year.

WHITE FEMALES CANNOT FLY

The white female moths cannot fly so the egg masses will be found on tree trunks, fences, outside furniture, trailers, wood piles, etc. The egg masses are tan, fuzzy, about the size of a half dollar. This is an excellent time to scrape and burn them to prevent hundreds of hungry caterpillars from devouring trees next spring.

This year's All-America selection, the Purple Wave petunia, was introduced as one that wouldn't stop blooming or spreading. I decided to try two plants. One plant now measures two feet by three feet of purple flowers, the other is more than two feet square. They have submerged small weeds and have started to snake among the iris. Quite a success story.

Have a good August. Relax, enjoy your garden, especially the fresh tomatoes and corn.

Bees are in the blossoms,
Birds are on the wing,
Roses climb, and
summer time
is kissing everything.

Little pansy faces
Wink and smile at me,
And far and near there's not a tear
That human eye can see.

There's beauty in the garden,
There's beauty in the sky.
The stately phlox and hollyhock
Have put their sorrows by.

The gentle breath of summer
Has blown the cares away;
All nature sings, for morning brings
Another lovely day.

Yet some are blind to beauty
And some are deaf to song;
The troubled brow is heard to wail
That all the world is wrong.

And some display their sorrow
And some bewail their woe
And some men sigh that love must die

And summer time must go.
Yet some there are who blossom
Like roses in the sun,
Who dare to climb in summer time
When all their care is done.

They hide 'neath smiles of beauty
The sorrows they have borne.
They seem content that God hath sent
Another lovely morn.

— from Mrs. Florence Parker,
Manchester

Love Notes on the Highway

WHEN MEMBERS OF KIWANIS CLUB of Manchester come together to clean up trash for our Adopt-a-Highway project, we enjoy each other's company as we accomplish our work and we always know we have fun telling stories afterward. So it was Saturday, July 22.

Road cleanup for the Kiwanis Club spans a 2-1/2 mile area from First of America Bank to Sharon United Methodist Church parking lot.

During this time of the year the colorful chicory and stinky wild carrots provide a challenge for the tasting and smelling senses. In the midst of that growth we find money, 20-30 cigarette packages, straws, cans, bottles, boxes, plastic paint clothes, love notes and a variety of other things.

We also discover why people really benefit from fast food restaurants. Not only do we have our food prepared, the dishes do not have to be washed. They can be thrown along the highway.

It is true that many paper products recycle and disappear into the ground after a period of time. However, until that happens the roadway looks messy. For example, love notes supposed to be private, thrown along the highway become public especially when most of the pieces are found and the puzzle is put together as we have a cold drink on a hot day after road clean up is completed.

Ten bags of trash in 2-1/2 miles. Already the next morning, Sunday, on the way to church we could have picked up more papers, napkins and cups that were neatly placed near an Adopt-a-Highway filled bag. — Dianne Schwab

Thyme in the Kitchen

by Leigh



HONEY: Bear's favorite food ... Winnie-the-Pooh
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Italian Honey and Almond Clusters

(20 pieces)

Crunchy meadow-sweet little goodies!

On a 15x10x1-inch baking pan, spread a single layer of 8 oz Slivered Almonds

Toast in 300° oven until almonds are a golden brown, or about 30 minutes, stirring occasionally.

In a medium-size heavy skillet heat until bubbling 1/4 C Honey

Add hot almonds with a wooden spoon, toss until almonds begin to stick together.

Drop almonds by spoonfuls on a dampened wooden board, making 20 mounds. With moistened hands, quickly shape each mound into a cluster using just fingertips. Sprinkle with colored sugar crystals. Cool on board, then with a spatula transfer into an air-tight container to store.

Honey-Orange Dessert

(6-8 servings)
In medium saucepan, combine and bring to boil then reduce heat and simmer 15 minutes.

- 1 C. Dry Red Wine
- 1 C. Water
- 3/4 C. Honey
- 4 Whole Cloves
- 1 (4-inch) Cinnamon Stick
- 6 Lemon Slices (unpeeled)
- 2 tsp. grated Orange Peel

Then add 1 tsp. Vanilla

Pour hot wine syrup over prepared thinly sliced 6 Naval Oranges (peeled and all white membrane removed)

Cover and refrigerate 4 hours or until thoroughly chilled. Remove cloves, stick cinnamon, and lemon slices before serving in dessert dishes.

Seedy Honey Salad Dressing

(makes 1 quart)
Delicious over mixed greens
In blender or food processor, place all and process for 1 minute or until thoroughly blended

- 2 C. Honey
- 2 C. Salad Oil
- 1 C. Cider or Flavored Vinegar (herb or fruit flavored)
- 1-1/2 tsp. Dry Mustard
- 1/4 tsp. Onion Powder
- 2 Tbs. Seeds (Poppy, Sesame, or Celery seeds)

For red dressing, add 1-1/2 tsp. Paprika with Celery seeds.

Keeps well. Store covered in refrigerator. Shake well before serving.

Honey Citrus Dressing

(makes 1 quart)
Combine all and blend well.

- 1 C. Honey
- 2 C. Salad Oil
- 3/4 C. Cider Vinegar
- 1/2 C. Catsup
- 2 Tbs. of each: Parsley, prepared Horseradish, and Celery Seed
- 2 tsp. Salt
- 1 clove Garlic, finely minced

Keep refrigerated. Shake well before serving. Use for fruit salads, especially citrus salads as sliced oranges, grapefruit and tangerine sections.

Bavarian Honey Butter

(2 cups)

Great for waffles, pancakes, biscuits, and muffins!

- 1/2 C. soft Butter
- 1/2 C. Honey
- Slowly add, while beating constantly until mixture is fluffy
- 1/2 C. Whipping Cream

Add 1 tsp. Vanilla
Spoon into container and cover. Keep refrigerated until serving.

Saucy Sweet-Sour Spareribs

(4 servings)

Easy — and great flavor!
In shallow baking pan, place 2-3 lbs. meaty Spareribs

- Top with 2 Onions sliced thinly
- Combine well and pour over ribs
- 1 Clove Garlic, crushed
- 1/3 C. Vinegar
- 1/3 C. Catsup
- 1/2 Tbs. Mustard
- 1 tsp. Worcestershire Sauce
- 6 drops Tabasco Sauce
- 1/4 C. Honey
- 1/4 C. Soy Sauce

Basting frequently, bake at 325° for 1-1/2 hours, or until done

Hot & Honey-Sweet Cranberry Sauce

(3-1/2 cups)
A sauce or a glaze for poultry or pork

- Combine in saucepan and cook over low heat until warm
- 1 Can (16 oz.) Whole Cranberry Sauce
- 1/2 C. Port Wine
- 1/4 C. Honey
- 2 tsp. Lemon Juice

Serve in sauce boat to be spooned over meat servings. If used to glaze meat during cooking, do so during the last 30 minutes of roasting. Drain off fat before brushing with sauce.

Honey Cheese Dip

(1 cup)

Blend together well

- 1 pkg. (8 oz.) Cream Cheese, softened
- 1/4 C. Cream or Milk
- 2 Tbs. Honey
- 1-1/2 tsp. Vanilla
- 1/8 tsp. Nutmeg
- 1/8 tsp. Cinnamon
- 2 Tbs. fresh Lemon Juice

Chill well in a small bowl. When ready to serve, top with 1/4 C. chopped toasted Almonds

Place on plate and surround with assorted fruits such as banana slices, melon cubes or balls, grapes, strawberries, and peach or nectarine slices.

Honey Crunch Apples

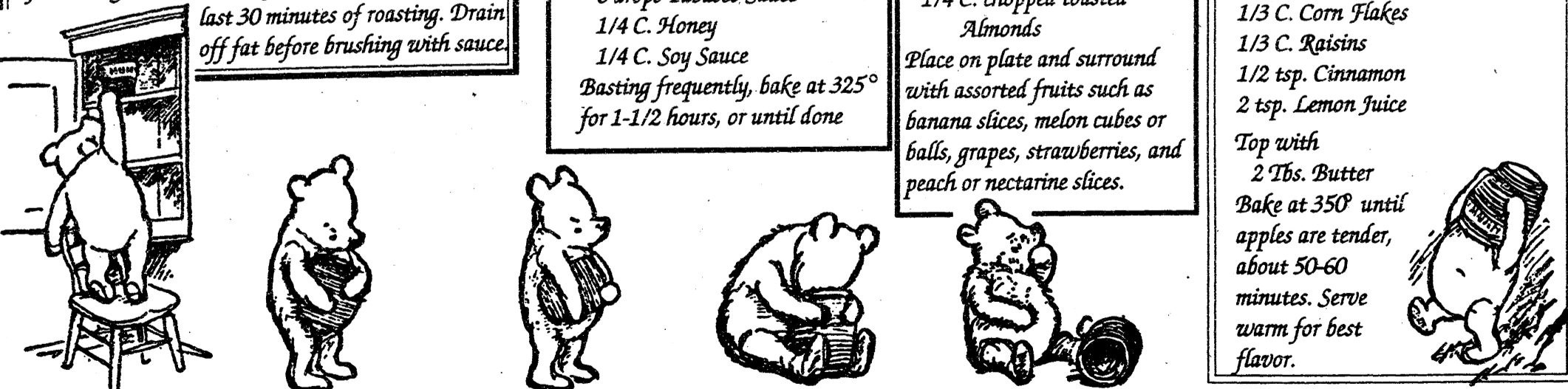
(4 servings)

Wash and core, cutting four slits in top edges
4 large Apples

- Arrange in baking dish with 1/3 C. Water
- Mix together and fill apple cavities with
- 1/3 C. Honey
- 1/3 C. Corn Flakes
- 1/3 C. Raisins
- 1/2 tsp. Cinnamon
- 2 tsp. Lemon Juice

Top with 2 Tbs. Butter

Bake at 350° until apples are tender, about 50-60 minutes. Serve warm for best flavor.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
JULY 30  Zodiac Sign: Leo-the Lion (July 23-August 22) Ruled by the Sun; Lucky day is Sunday; Best color-orange; Element-Fire. Leos are zealous, faithful, courteous, brave, sympathetic, honest and enthusiastic.	JULY 31 Happy August Birthdays to Senior Citizens: Frances Predmalo (6), Mike Miner (11), Geri Mulrenin (12), Russell Jenter (13), Beatrice Clark (16), Margaret Drews (19), Evelyn Seeger (20), Emogene Puckett (22), Elvin Meyer (23), Mildred Stoll (26), Virginia Motluek (28), Rubena Boelter (28), Ella Kern (28).	AUGUST 1 Village Curbside Recycling 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Kiwanis at Emanuel 7:00 Volleyball at Aura Inn Freedom Twp Planning Comm mtg
6 4:00 Volleyball at Aura Inn	7 7:00 Village Council meeting 7:30 Twp. Library Board 7:30 Masonic Lodge business meeting	8 7:00 Kiwanis at Emanuel 7:30 Village Planning Commission 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Volleyball at Aura Inn
13 6:00 p.m. Manchester Community Fair Appreciation Picnic (See page 3) 4:00 Volleyball at Aura Inn	14 8:00 Freedom Twp Board 8:00 Manchester Twp Board 8:00 Fair Board	15 Village Curbside Recycling 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Kiwanis at Emanuel 7:00 Volleyball at Aura Inn
20  6am-4pm Ann Arbor Antiques Market, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. 4:00 Volleyball at Aura Inn	21 7:00 Village Council meeting 7:45 School Board meeting at high school	22 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Kiwanis at Emanuel 7:00 Volleyball at Aura Inn
27 1:00 World Series Softball Game at Aura Inn - vs Village Tap	28 7:00 Fireside Crafters meet at the Blacksmith Shop, 324 E. Main St. Everyone welcome. 	29

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
AUGUST 2 7:30 Veterans of Foreign Wars, Legion Home, 203 Adrian St. 7:30 Men's Club Board meeting 7:30 Rasin Valley Land Trust meeting, Blacksmith Shop 5:00 Manchester United Methodist Church Ice Cream Social (Senior pick up begins at 3:30)	AUGUST 3 7:30 American Legion Post #117 8:00 Sharon Twp. Board 7:30 Manchester Community Band meets every Thursday in the high school band room  7:30 GAZEBO CONCERT Mulligan Stew	AUGUST 4  The Secret Garden August 3-6 & 9-13 Call for Tickets (517) 264-SHOW (See page 3)	AUGUST 5
9 1-4p.m. Manchester Area Home Schoolers meet. Phone Tina Zimmerman 428-0576 for info 7:30 American Legion Auxiliary	10 12 Senior Potluck at the Park 7:30 Purple Heart meeting - locations vary, phone 428-7052 for information 7:30 Manchester Community Band  7:30 GAZEBO CONCERT Dulcimer music with Wes Linenkugel	11 7-10:00 p.m. Village Piecemakers at Emanuel Church. All welcome!	12 TEEN DANCE 9-12 midnight sponsored by Manchester Recreation Task Force Double A Reunion Carr Park (rain or shine) Potluck Lunch at 1:00
16 8:00 a.m. Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce meeting tour of Horing Farms. (See notice page 3.) 7:00 Manchester Men's Club	17 7:00 Cub Scout Pack meeting 8:00 Sharon Twp. Planning Comm 7:30 Manchester Community Band  7:30 LAST GAZEBO CONCERT Dexter Twirlers Western Square Dance Music	18 6:00 p.m. Senior Pick up for Saline Senior Citizens Card Party	19 
23 1-4 p.m. M'r Area Home Schoolers meet. Phone Tina Zimmerman at 428-0576 for info. 7:00 Sportsman Club 7:00 Manchester Fire Dept  Zodiac Sign: Virgo-the Virgin (August 23-September 22) Ruled by the planet Mercury; Lucky day is Wednesday; Best color-blue; Element-Earth. Virgos are proud, generous, affectionate, clever and successful in business.	24 6:00 Pick up for Senior Citizens Card Party at FreedomTown Hall (at 7:30) 7:30 CRC Board meeting	25 Michigan Jamboree of Ts coming to Manchester. (See page 3)	26 Karaoke at Aura Inn 
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September Events Announced

—Dianne Schwab

Manchester Golf Open

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uled for Sunday, September 17 at Greenbrier Golf Course, 14820
Wellwood Rd., Brooklyn. Cost of the fund-raising event is \$50 which
includes 18 holes of golf, electric cart, door prizes and a steak dinner.
\$12 will cover the cost of dinner for non-golfers, spouses and friends.
Team drawing will be at 7:30 with a planned shotgun start at 8:15.

Attention Golfers: Midwest Ford and the Community Resource Center are sponsor-
ing a hole-in-one contest on a designated par 3 hole for \$15,000 toward a new automobile
at Midwest Ford. Should someone make a hole-in-one on any other par 3 hole, they will
win one of the auxiliary prizes such as a set of Wilson Staff midsize irons, 19" Magnavox
color television, or a five-day Grand Bahamas cruise vacation.

Prizes for the top three teams and at least one man and one woman's prize for each
hole are part of the package. Prizes are donated by merchants in the Manchester area.
Putting contest winner will receive a \$50 cash prize.
Tickets will be available by August 15.

**Kiwanis Volleyball Tournament
September 10, 1995**

Kiwanis Club of Manchester is sponsoring their 6th annual
volleyball tournament Sunday, September 10, 12:00 noon at Carr
Park.

The cost will be \$40 for a 5-6 person team. Teenage youth of the area are encour-
aged to participate. Team members can be all men/women, or a combination of both.

Proceeds will benefit Kiwanis Michigan Foundation for hospitals in Michigan, spec-
ifically Motts Children's Hospital for our local area. Our community will also benefit
through Kiwanis Club service projects for children.

Industry, business, and individual team sponsorships are encouraged.

The event will consist of two double-elimination tournaments (novice and compe-
tition) with two traveling trophies

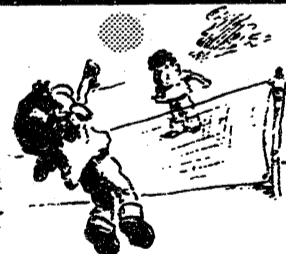
In 1994, nine competitive teams and seven novice teams participated.

The first tournament organization meeting will be August 7, 7:30 p.m. at the Com-
munity Resource Center, 122 W. Main St. Registration forms and rules will be available.

Final date to turn in applications will be Wednesday, September 6. No team will be
registered the day of the tournament, unless a registered team forfeits by captain meeting
time at 11:30.

All team captains will meet again on Monday, August 28 to finalize the myriad of
details. Registration forms and fees can be mailed to Kiwanis, P.O. Box 433, Manchester
or returned at the final meeting.

Questions concerning the tournament will be answered August 7. Other informa-
tion is available by calling the Community Resource Center, 428-7722 or Bill Schwab
428-8976



**Fixing up the floats
Class of 1996**



Members of the Class of 1996 work on their float for the Fair Parade. Their
theme was "Relaxing in the Country" and included rows of tissue
sunflowers. Left to right: Suzanne Lowery, Sarah Ahrens, Ceara Brown,
Lizzy Steele, Jessica Porter and Jenny Messing.

Class of 1999



A big group turned out to work on the Class of 1999 float. Writing
second place, their float included scarecrows, black crows, and lots
of straw. They sent along this note to the Chronicle:

The Class of 1999 would like to thank the following for helping to
make the construction of our float possible: Heidi Hoffer Ranch, The Vil-
lage Laundry, DAVIS EXCAVATING, the Manchester Chronicle, and all the helpful
parents for so much time and effort.

—Mija Zang, president of the Class of 1999

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Photos and Facts from the Fair

"A Country Affair" the theme of this year's
Manchester Community Fair, began with the parade
and continued through the week to provide entertain-
ment, contests, exhibits and fun.

Winners in various categories were:

Champion Homemaker: Hilma Tervo

Junior Champion Homemaker:

Marie Haeussler

**Float Contest: 1st-Class of 1998, 2nd-Class of
1999 (see photo previous page), 3rd-Boy Scout
Troup Pack #421**

**Decorated Bikes: 5 & 6 years old-Laren Auito,
Jessey Gereger, Tarah Sky, Kate Waters,
Lynsey Willey; 7 & 8 year olds-Ashley
Balyeat, Katey Green, Shane Richert,
Michael Snyder**

**Prizes were donated by Manchester Tool & Die
Merchant Tent Contest Winners**

**Commercial Exhibit: 1st-Hillside Christmas
Tree Farm, 2nd-Discovery Toys.**

**Organizational Exhibit: 1st-Manchester
Preschool, 2nd-Manchester Girl Scouts.**

**The '300 Club' winners were: John Cousino,
Maretta Rafferty, Frances Cleland, Jim
Roberts, Elsie O'Dell, Jim Valk, Brenda
Hoelzer, Jerry Bristle, Clay Haupt, Sharon
Crawford, Corky Jones, Jody Davis**

Big Bird in a Bathtub



Manchester Co-Op Preschool kids
were plopped into a bathtub along with
Big Bird for their ride through town.

No easy task

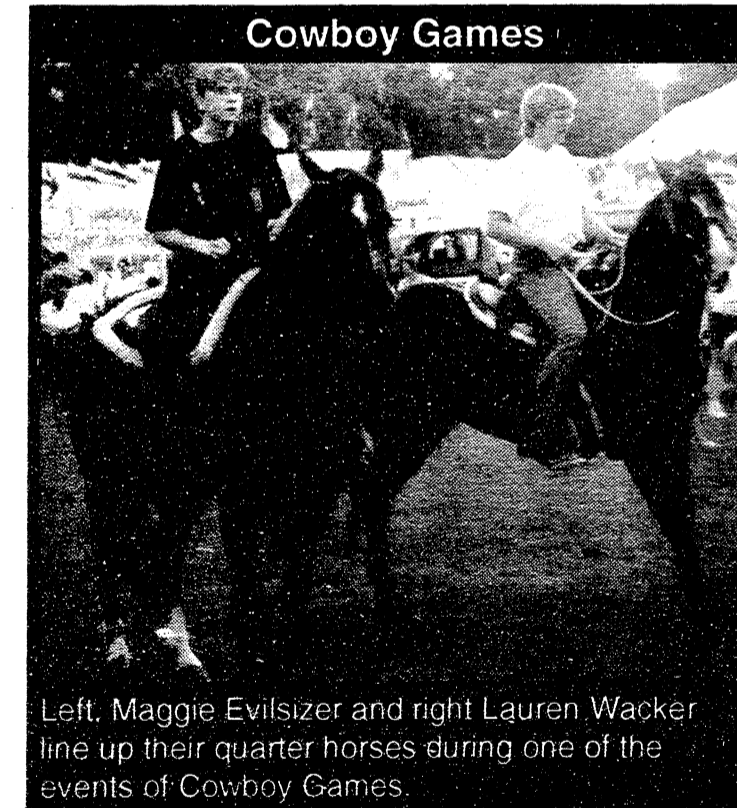


Above one of the crew from Stein Electric of
Manchester "carries" a 30-foot wood pole over to
the site at the pavilion where it was installed the
week before the Fair.
Besides the 30-footer, also installed were fifteen
400-watt high pressure sodium lights and six 1,000-
watt high pressure sodium lights. At a cost of
approximately \$10,000 to the Fair, this additional
lighting will benefit those who use the Alumni
Memorial Field all year around. — photo by kk



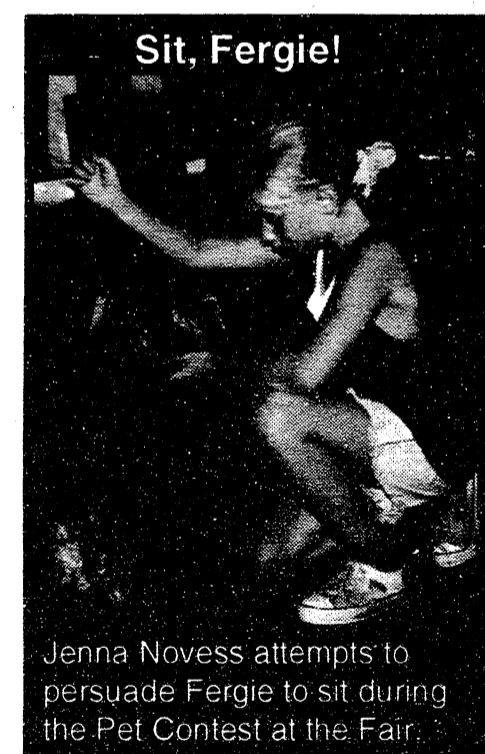
Class of 1996 Jeep float. Zach Maghas at
the wheel. Trevor Schleicher immediately
behind.

Cowboy Games



Left, Maggie Evilsizer and right Lauren Wacker
line up their quarter horses during one of the
events of Cowboy Games.

Sit, Fergie!



Jenna Novess attempts to
persuade Fergie to sit during
the Pet Contest at the Fair.



Stacy and Jenny Kemther with their pet rabbits in the pet
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Board Officers Elected, Building Plans Progress in July School Board Actions

— Gini Patak

The fireworks weren't confined to Carr Park this July. They spilled over to the school board's organizational meeting held July 5. In a heated session, marked by accusations of misconduct, the Manchester school board elected officers for the 1995-'96 school year.

The sparks began to fly when Wayne Winzenz declined the nomination for president. The motion to nominate Winzenz was made by Bruce Abbott and supported by Pat Sahakian. Immediately following Winzenz' refusal, John Ochs nominated incumbent president, Paul Kluwe, for the post. Ochs' motion was supported by John Hochstetler.

When this motion was opened for discussion, Sahakian expressed her desire to see a change in leadership because of difficulties experienced during the past school year.

"I am concerned that there is a rift in the board, and about the public's perception of the board, and that nothing is being done about this," she said. Indicating that she wanted to go on record as opposing the continuation of the current leadership (Kluwe), Sahakian added, "We need to keep the big picture in sight—education and the children—not politics."

Sahakian then moved to nominate Bruce Abbott for the post of president. Abbott supported this motion and accepted the nomination.

In stating the reasons why he wanted the presidency, he expressed concern over the morale of school employ-

ees who may feel that they have been abandoned by the school board. "How can they think about whether Johnny can read or write when they perceive a hatchet hanging over their heads?" he asked. He then proposed to focus on correcting this problem if elected.

Hochstetler disagreed with Abbott's assessment of the situation, pointing to Superintendent Niedzwiecki's complimentary statements about Kluwe's support during the recent millage election and accused Sahakian of poking fun at board members when she attended teachers' meetings.

At this point Niedzwiecki reminded board members of the need to focus on nominations.

Winzenz explained that he shares many of the concerns mentioned by Sahakian, Abbott and Hochstetler, but wanted to focus on the work that needed to be done.

Turk also expressed displeasure with things that took place during the last school year, stating that he felt it was important for board members to respect one another. "I don't always agree (with decisions), but I do respect others' opinions. I really feel cheated by the anonymous comments in the newspaper. This needs to change this year," he said.

Ochs concluded the discussion by stating that he now, after three years, felt part of the board. "No one has been treated worse than me during the last three years. By day I work on a commit-

tee that manages the largest truck company in the world (Ochs' employer—Ford Motor Company); I became a board member just a few months ago when someone asked my opinion. I've been quiet and a good boy and I can count on one hand the number of phone calls I've received," he said.

Nominations were closed at this point and the election was held. Kluwe was returned to the office of president for the coming year by a vote of five to two. Kluwe supported his return to office as did Hochstetler, Ochs, Winzenz and Turk. Sahakian and Abbott opposed Kluwe's re-election.

Kluwe's first official action was to conduct elections to fill the remaining officer positions. The post of vice president will be filled by Joe Turk, secretary will be filled by John Hochstetler, and Wayne Winzenz will continue as treasurer.

Following the election Turk and Winzenz expressed hope that the coming year would show improvement. Ochs reiterated an offer he had made earlier to host a private meeting to train board members on how to communicate effectively.

Building Plans

In other action, the facility subcommittee recommended that O'Neal Construction of Ann Arbor be hired as construction manager for the upcoming building project. The recommendation was approved unanimously.

TMP Associates architect, Eric Geiser, updated the board on progress with the building plans. Concern was expressed about fire exit plans at Luther Klager Elementary School. Geiser explained that the plan complied with all current codes and that adequate outside access was indeed available from all classrooms. He assured attendees that future drawings would more clearly illustrate his opinion. He added that the administration, board and TMP's shared goal had been to maximize the value of tax dollars spent on the project. In line with this goal, the current plans make the lower level usable for future expansion should that be necessary and avoid the expense of bringing in fill dirt to change the elevation of the building site.

Niedzwiecki added that the state limits school districts' ability to build classrooms that cannot be put into immediate use. The plan offered by TMP encloses space that, for now, will be considered unfinished basement. Since enclosing the space is the most expensive part of this type of project, adding classrooms in this area will be much less costly when the time comes thanks to the planning being done now.

More detailed plans and elevations of the construction plans were presented at the board's regular meeting held July 17.

Executive and Finance Committees Appointed, Meetings Scheduled

Following the presentation by TMP, Kluwe appointed Turk, Ochs and Kluwe to the executive committee. The commit-

See Schools page 20

Getting cash the old fashioned way — earning it!

Where local teens are working this summer, by Angie Carlson

— photos by Kathy Kueffner



NICKEY BARNHIZER, a junior at Manchester High School, works hard keeping track of books at the library. Nickey loves Mickey --- Mouse, that is. She has a great collection of Mickey Mouse paraphernalia.

BRANDI BRADLEY has been enjoying her part-time job at April Victoria, becoming quite an expert on the fine products sold there, including handmade soaps and toiletries, teas and cocoa. Brandi plans to attend Eastern Michigan University and major in Business and Foreign Communications.



JENNY FLECK, (right) and TERRI BECKETL are working part-time at Kleinschmidt Hardware, assisting customers and ringing up sales at the front counter. Jenny and Terri are seniors at Manchester High School.



Left: Time to make the doughnuts? MAGGIE GISTINGER, a senior at Manchester High School, brings in a fresh tray of pastries at the Baker's Dozen.

Below, JOY PAGE, a recent graduate, practices her accounting skills. Joy will be attending Washtenaw Community College in the fall.



Above left to right: DAVE LUCKHARDT, ADAM JEFFRIES, LUKE HUGEL and KARIN MESSING pose for the camera in front of the restaurant where they work - Haarer's. Dave, Adam and Luke will be back at Manchester High this fall; Karin will be attending Albion College.



Above, JEFF STEELE, a 1995 graduate of Manchester High School has various duties at the Back Door Party Store - including mowing the lawn



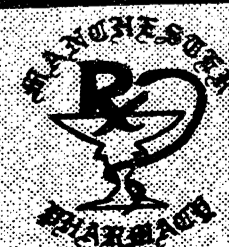
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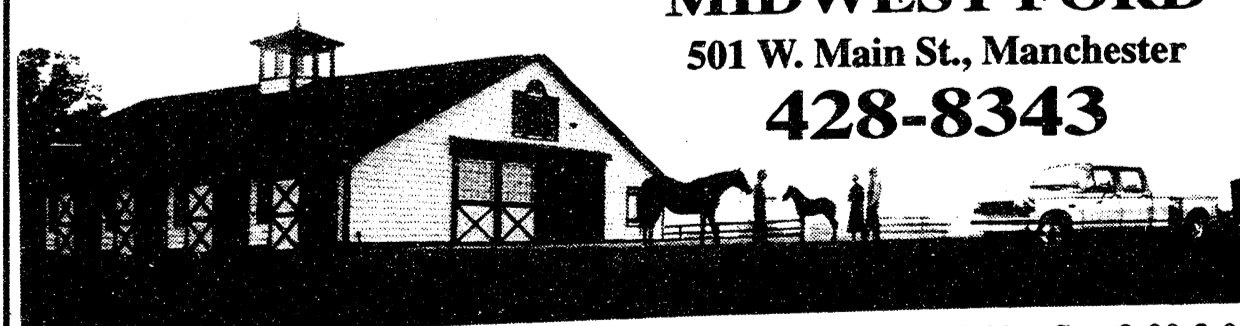
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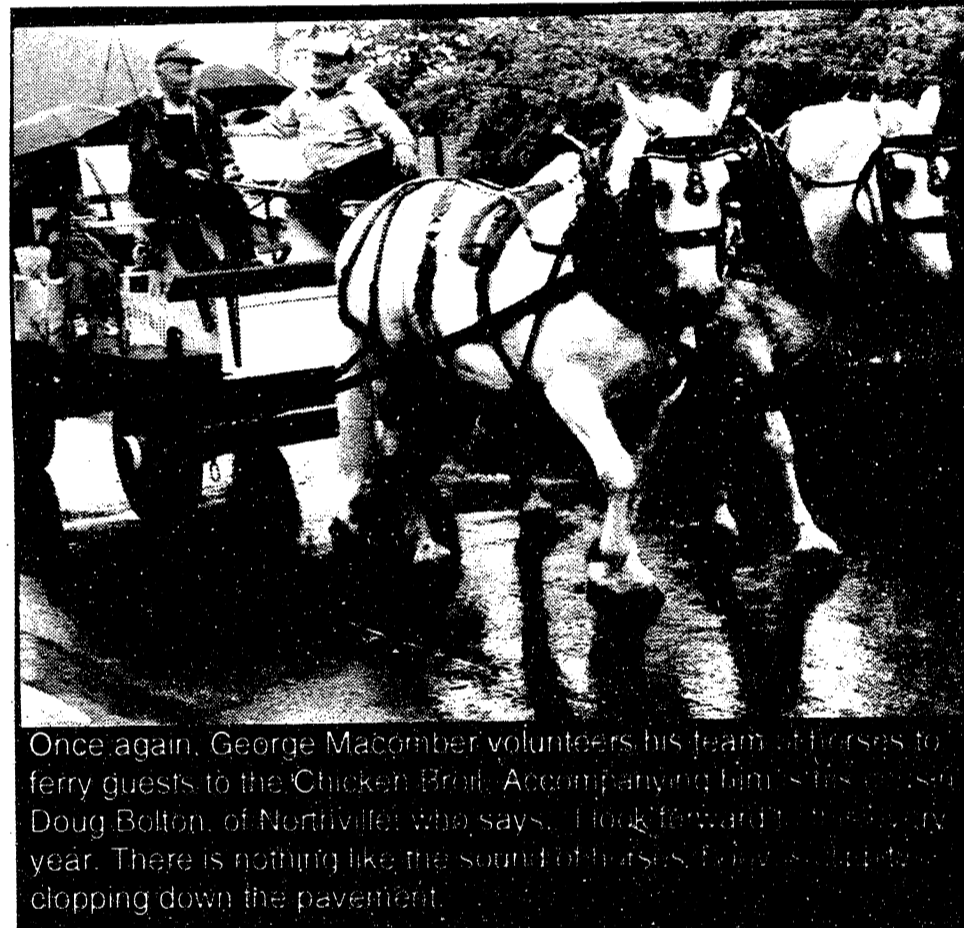
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The Broil

So it rained a little -- a little, over a long time, this third Thursday in July. The smiling faces attested to the spirit of The Broil, however, and enough people deliberately chose the horse-drawn wagon rides to the Broil site as part of the whole tradition. Passengers kept four teamsters going in the rain. More than 11,320 dinners were sold - fewer than the over 14,000 that would have been served on a sunny day. But, as Dave Little, publicity chairman for the Broil was quoted in The Ann Arbor News: "This is a wonderful event, bringing the community together for a good



cause." And that's it - the spirit of the event, the hard but willing labor of love of over 500 volunteers for the good of their community. The Famous Annual Manchester Chicken Broil the Third Thursday in July - something to be proud of rain or shine! □ kk

Once again, George Macomber volunteers his team of horses to ferry guests to the Chicken Broil. Accompanying him is his cousin Doug Bolton, of Northville, who says, "I look forward to this every year. There is nothing like the sound of horses' hooves clapping down the pavement."

The Summer Fest

Pictured right: People on the banks of the river, and boys in the river, anxiously waiting for the rubber ducks to fall over the dam

The opinions are in, the votes tabulated: Friday was not so good, (except for the Friday night dance) but Saturday was fine.

"We hope to return this Festival to a one-day quality occasion," said several participants. "But it's good that we tried a two-day event so at least now we know."

Shoppers were scarce on Friday and we noticed those who were on the "rides" were from the entourage the "ride" owners brought with them--their children, their friends. (The Chronicle photographer waited through two days to capture photos of Manchester kids; luckily the "rides" were conveniently located alongside the Mill so we waited although a long time, in comfort on the shaded porch.)



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and Times in Manchester, MI

Summer Fest continued

The biggest attraction had to be the Saturday Midwest Ford/Kool Cruisers car show, with over 120 custom and classic cars lining Main St. and a large, appreciative crowd ohh-ing and ah-h-ing as they strolled from beautiful piece of machinery to the next. (See photos and Kapt. Krazy's column, page 20.)

What were some of the other highlights?

Elsie O'Dell, who was in the audience listening for the results of the Rubber Duck Race winners when it was announced Mike won second prize. She said Mike (what a guy!) shared the proceeds.

The grab bags at Manchester Pharmacy. One dollar bought a lot.

Anita Hosmer was thrilled that the beehive she had been coveting was on sale at the Eighteenth Century Shoppe.

The music, "in particular the Raisin Pickers," said E. Price from Rochester.

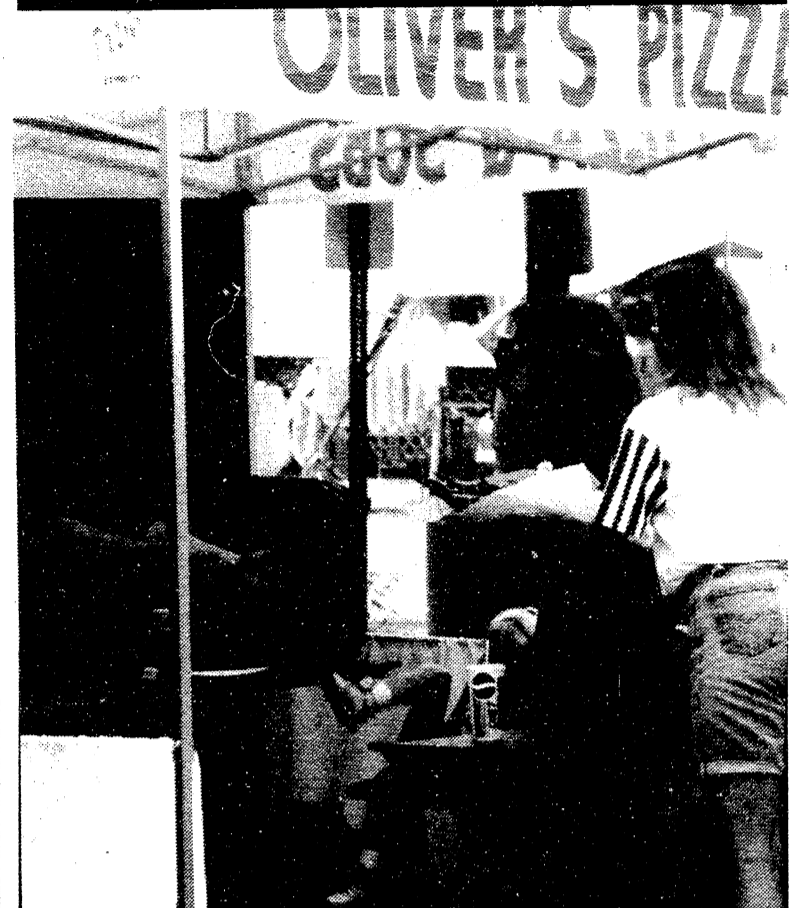
The flowers from Flora in the Mill. Carnations were handed out free to visitors adding to the atmosphere of hospitality and friendliness for which Manchester is renowned.



Luke Hollosy (who wanted me to make sure I mention he is Barb and John's son) dons gladiator gear, ready to do battle with a determined Omar Collins, pictured below.



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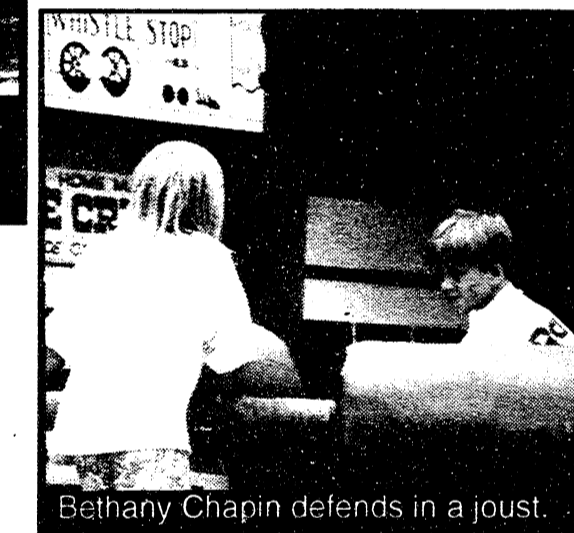
Chris Moyle surprised his wife Tracy during Summer Festival with a fresh bouquet of flowers delivered by Lori of Flora in the Mill. The flowers were in appreciation of the long, hot hours Tracy had put in helping at the pizza booth. What a guy, that Chris!



Very popular were the \$1 Manchester Pharmacy gift bags. Filled with items worth way more than a buck, bargain hunters were thrilled.



Left: Sabrina Roberson and Tara Withrow helped their moms Lori and Tenda at Flora in the Mill prepare 400 carnations to give away during Festival.



Bethany Chapin defends in a joust.



One of the best vantage points to watch the duck race was behind the Mill.



Another gladiator, Melissa Hoelt, suits up.

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Hanging Out with a Champion (Or what wrestlers do for fun)

An "average Joe from Hazel Park" is what he calls himself.

To many of us he is a hero, to some an idol to emulate.

He is a man who would drape his Olympic gold medal around the neck of a child for a picture. He sets an example for kids of any age to follow. His lesson: set a goal, decide what is required for you to do to achieve that goal, visualize that goal daily, and set out upon your journey to achieve it with the belief in your heart and mind that you have the power within you to do so. His name is Steve Fraser, 1984 Olympic Gold Medal Champion in Greco-Roman Wrestling.

Steve Fraser, along with his staff at Michigan Wrestling Camps, sets in motion within the kids attending the camp the belief that they can do whatever it is in their minds to do. They then back

it up by teaching them the moves and strategies to become better wrestlers.

Eight members of the Manchester Freestyle Wrestling Club attended Steve Fraser's Michigan Wrestling Camps in July. The "KIDZ Camp" is three days of fun and learning, not only new moves and mastering old ones, but also finding an awareness that you can have fun and learn at the same time.

DAN FLECK, JOSHUA KNAOUSE, NOAH KUHN, and RYAN SMOLINSKI all worked with Dave Dean, a Michigan State University Wrestling coach and an active wrestler currently ranked fourth in the nation, and Stephen Goss, 1984 Olympic team alternate, and returning instructor Vernon Hill.

JUSTIN KNAOUSE and WILL SLOCUM spent six days in the company of Jose Vasquez, Eastern Michigan wrestler; and Ramico Blackman, and Shawn Geris, also EMU wrestlers, in the "Classic Technique Camp" learning some finer points to be used on the mat in the upcoming season. They also focused on how to harness energy and make it work for them.

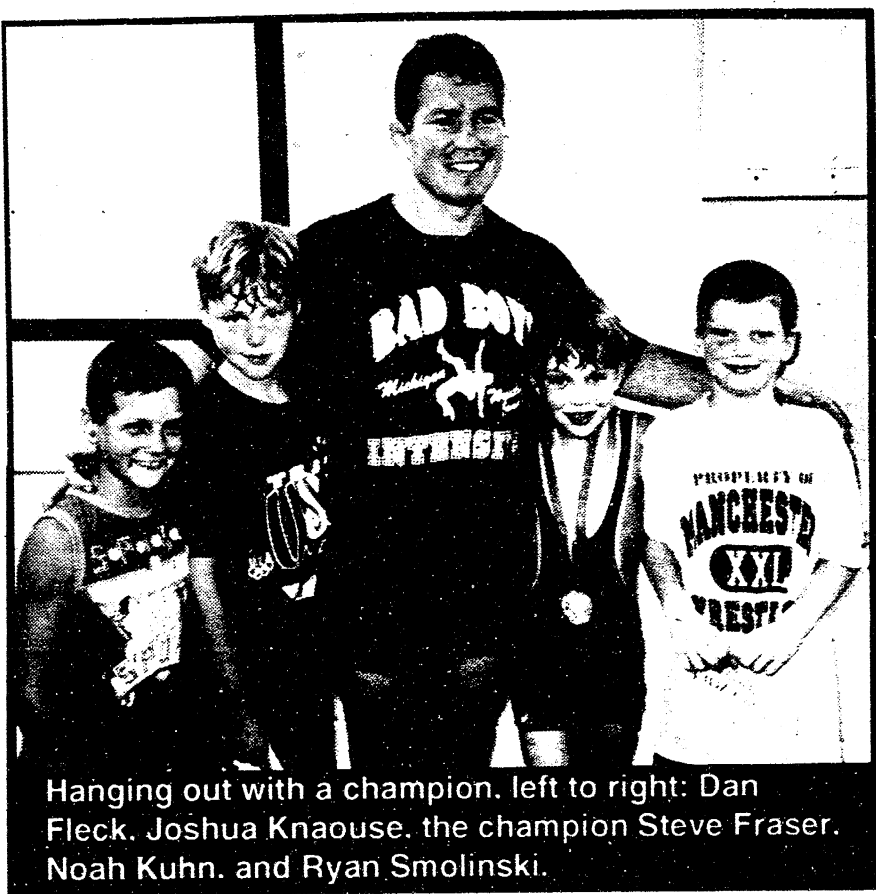
Resident Bad Boys, ED CRUZ and JEREMIAH TOBIAS spent eight intensive days in the "Bad Boys Camp" They ran 15 miles on one day, wrestled, ran drills, wrestled, and wrestled some more. They truly learned what it means to say, "I survived the Bad Boys Camp." They were coached by Steve Fraser, who coached every camp, and the above mentioned Conference Champions and All-Americans. A very impressive staff!

At the end of camp, we watched the tape of the 1984 Olympics. You could hear that crowd chant, "Fraser, Fraser, Fraser." You could

hear in their voices their belief in and hopes for this young man to do what no American had ever done before — Win the Gold in Greco-Roman Wrestling. It came down to the last 30 seconds of a six-minute match and he did it!!!

Set a goal and let nothing undermine your belief in yourself that you can achieve it. If you believe in it, it will come!

— Mary Smolinski and Kendra Kuhn



Hanging out with a champion. left to right: Dan Fleck. Joshua Knaouse. the champion Steve Fraser. Noah Kuhn. and Ryan Smolinski.



The Manchester Freestyle Wrestling Club would once again like to thank Mr. George Macomber for allowing us to ride in his wagon for the Fair Parade. The wrestlers enjoyed being in the parade, especially in such grand style!



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Team Members: Michelle Slocum, Christine Fairbanks, Melissa Luckhardt, Kristen Guenter, Abby Preuninger, Abby LaRock.

Tigers- Barb Stein. Team Members: Gretchen Stein, Kelsy Stein, Sara Tervo, Sarah Johnson, Katie Maisano, Dara Jose.

White Sox-Erin Binder, Geoff Brooks. Team Members: Allynne Schlosser, Becky Curtis, Brianne King, Samantha Mahan, Brandi Walter, Katelyn Gall



Rebecca Alber scores at home.



Michelle Slocum pitches.



Gretchen Stein heads for first base.



Becky Curtis gets ready to catch a fly ball.



Briana Clark prepares for a grounder.

Abby LaRock sends one out into left field.

— Story by Briana Clark
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ing" sign, since we were obviously from out-of-town and the street was not busy. Orders for all three schools were placed on July 1. I contacted Infotel, and my order for 61 computers was placed on Monday, July 3. If Infotel was to ship the systems to Manchester, the shipping charges would be over \$1800. A one-way rental of a 20' Ryder truck would be \$108. So, when the systems were ready two weeks later, Connie, myself, and my daughter Connie all drove down to Fletcher, Ohio.

As it turned out, Fletcher is just a small town about the size of Manchester. The nearest Ryder dealer is in Piqua, a town just north of Dayton on I-75. Barney and Ron, the dealers in Piqua, were very friendly, commenting that the computer system installed by Ryder for them to use was to take "only one day of training". After about 30 minutes, I was off in the 20' truck, while Connie drove the Suburban 10 miles east, through Fletcher (two traffic lights and 1/2 mile of 30 MPH speed limit), and on to Infotel just two miles outside of town. The Infotel building is a large, brown pole barn similar to Pinnacle Engineering on MS2, but about 20 times the size. There were four UPS trailers being loaded, with two more UPS trailers in the parking lot. They build and ship over 200 complete desktop systems per day, about 200 laptops, and many, many orders for printers, monitors, cables, etc.

We found the receptionist, met our sales rep, and had a tour of the facility. When it was time to load, we were told to back the truck up to Dock 2. There were six pallets filled with computers and monitors for the Manchester Schools!

We had planned on a picnic lunch. On the way back, we saw a police officer in Fletcher, and inquired as to where there might be a park. She escorted us to the town park, and said not to worry about parking on the street under the "No Park-

ing" sign, since we were obviously from out-of-town and the street was not busy.

About the only exciting part of the trip home was a traffic delay just south of Findlay. A large tractor-trailer truck had overturned in the right lane. We were sure glad we were not involved, especially with the load of computers.

After a quick dinner, we called John McGuire, who offered to open the middle school when we returned from Ohio. On the way to the middle school, we drove past Alumni Memorial Field, where David Little was supervising the setup for the Chicken Broil. David, thinking the Ryder truck contained Chicken Broil supplies, instructed us to go to the large gate to get into the field. Ignoring his directions, we continued on to meet John at the middle school. Not only did John open the school, he also spent about an hour to help unload the computers that went to the middle school.

Knowing that the school board was meeting that night, we then decided to head for the high school to see if we could unload some systems there. John McGuire came along with us, again to help unload. Our timing was perfect—the school board meeting had just ended. After we had a drink of lemonade from Cynthia Sewell, Mr. Niedzwiecki and Mr. Winzanz helped unload the 22 systems for the high school. Where else but Manchester would you find the Superintendent of Schools helping to unload a truck at 9:00 PM after 12 hours of work?*

Tuesday morning was the final stop, Klager Elementary School. Once again, the school staff was very helpful in unloading 24 computers. The truck was returned to Jack's Hardware in Saline and the mission was accomplished.

*You can also find the Supt. of Manchester Schools carrying a cooler from table to table in the rain helping to sell ice cream bars for the girls' softball fund-raiser at the Chicken Broil! ed.)

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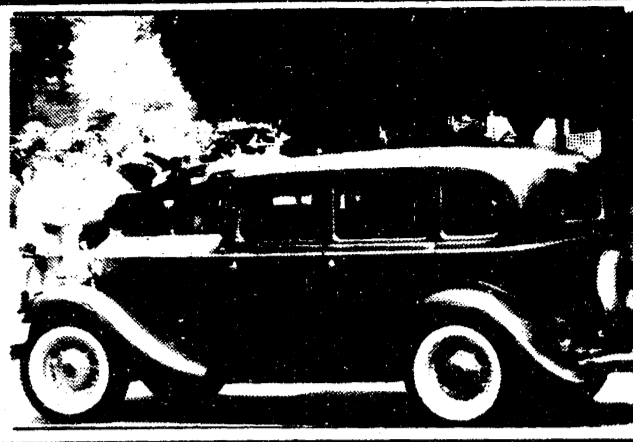
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Above & right: Photos from the Midwest Ford/Kool Cruisers Car Show, July 22.



Postcards from Iowa



Sorry I missed you last month. I'm embarking on an exciting journey as I signed up for a 2-year college writing course. It started June 4 and I find my study/work ethics have become somewhat rusty; but I've always wanted to write and write well. Beware! Jon, the Novelist.
I'm still very involved in photoing sports -- yesterday Little League baseball and last Tuesday Soccer.
The music gazebo concerts here

are in the Arboretum about 1/2 mile by car away (me, through backyards, much closer) every Sunday. Two of the last three were very popular local groups: Dubuque Brass and Paul Hemmer's Swing Band. Nearly 2,000 people came in to sit, listen, sing, dance, eat and just be merry!

Tuesday a friend and I went for a trek on the Heritage Trail, (photo above) a former train run now a walk, jog, bike or wheelchair path. We went 5.2 miles. Take care, Jon, Mae, Boyd, Euripides

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tee agreed to meet the first Monday of each month at 7:30 PM.

Kluwe appointed Winzenz, Hochstetler and Abbott to the finance committee. This committee will meet the second Monday of each month at 7:30 PM.

By unanimous vote, the board agreed to hold regular board meetings on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 PM. The time is a change from previous years, when meetings started at 7:45 PM.

Swanson Resigns

David Swanson, Director of Student Services/Athletics resigned. In accepting his resignation at the July 17 meeting, the board wished him well in his new position as middle school principal with Lake City Area Schools in Lake City, Michigan.

High School Cross

Country Teams Added to the Athletic Roster

The board agreed in a unanimous action to implement cross country track as a school sanctioned sport during the coming year. The school will sponsor teams for girls and boys. The Athletic Boosters have agreed to help support the teams.

The next regular meeting of the Manchester Board of Education will take place in the high school media center at 7:30 PM on August 21, 1995. For more information, call the board office at 428-9711.

Kruisin' with Kapt. Crazy
—by Ken Moull

Ken Moull is a salesman at Midwest Ford in Manchester. Ken is known in the Classic/Custom/Street Rod world as "Kapt. Crazy." Custom cars and street rods are becoming more and more popular; the shows are a big attraction at festivals and special events. With his *Kruisin'* column here in the *Chronicle*, the Kapt. shares the fun experiences he enjoys in the wonderful world of cruising. Welcome!

Hi, Folks,
Well, the Midwest Ford/Kool Cruisers 6th annual show is history. I hope you all enjoyed it.

I talked to several people and they all loved it! We had another record year — 120 cars!

There were six cars here from Holland, Michigan. The sponsor's award went to the '51 Chevy from Holland with the fantastic paint job. I'm sure if you were at the show you remember the car — purple with blue pearl.

The Jackson Street Cruisers won Club Participation with 13 cars. Among the winners from Manchester were Enoch Fellenburger and Jay Davis. Everybody had a good time and we are all looking forward to next year.

Also this month, we attended the KKOA Street Custom Spectacular in Mason, Michigan. This car show moves every year. There were 2,280 cars from coast to coast and Canada. We had 86 cars from Midwest Kustom, which is the club that I write for. We even had a couple of cars driven all the way from California!!

There was also a live concert featuring the Box Tops and the Platters. The neat thing was meeting some of the builders of the car featured in the magazines of the 50's and 60's.

Bill Hines was there, and Gene Winfield, and Yosemite Sam and others. They had a tribute to Von Dutch, the famous painter. It is fun being around legends and meeting people from all over. We spent two nights sitting in the motel parking lot talking to folks from Canada, Indiana, Michigan, and Illinois.

Before I forget, I want to thank Ron Mann for his help at our show and also Jeff Wallace.

Well, I guess that's enough for now.

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