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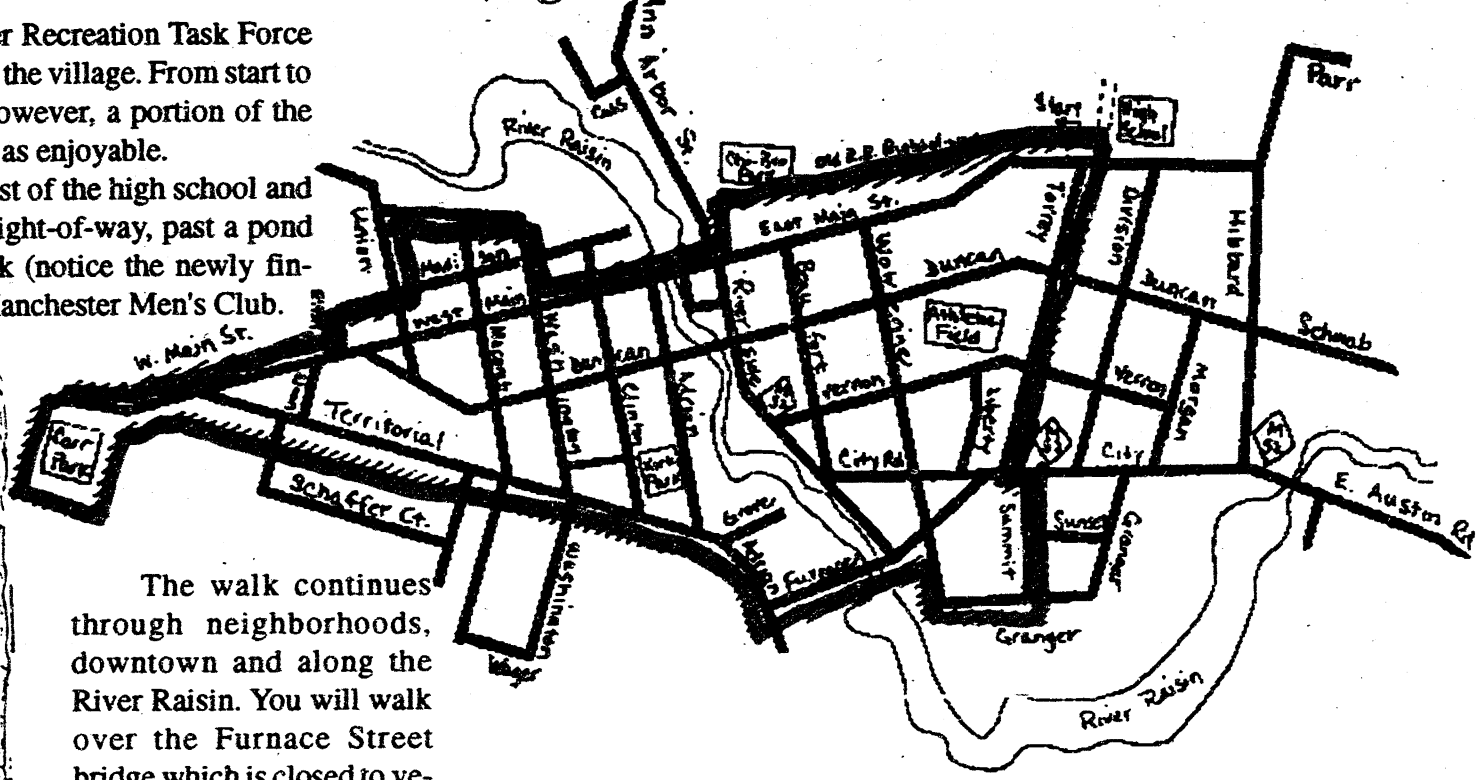
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Village of Manchester Fall Color Walking Tour

In 1987, the Manchester Recreation Task Force mapped out a walking tour of the village. From start to finish it is 3.8 miles long, however, a portion of the route at a time would be just as enjoyable.

The trail begins just west of the high school and goes along the old railroad right-of-way, past a pond and alongside Chi-Broil Park (notice the newly finished pavilion built by the Manchester Men's Club.



The walk continues through neighborhoods, downtown and along the River Raisin. You will walk over the Furnace Street bridge which is closed to vehicles but open to pedestrians. You will pass by lovely Victorian homes, historical markers and quaint shops. Look for mile markers and direction arrows that were painted in 1987 to see if any still exist.

What a great way to enjoy Manchester's fall colors!

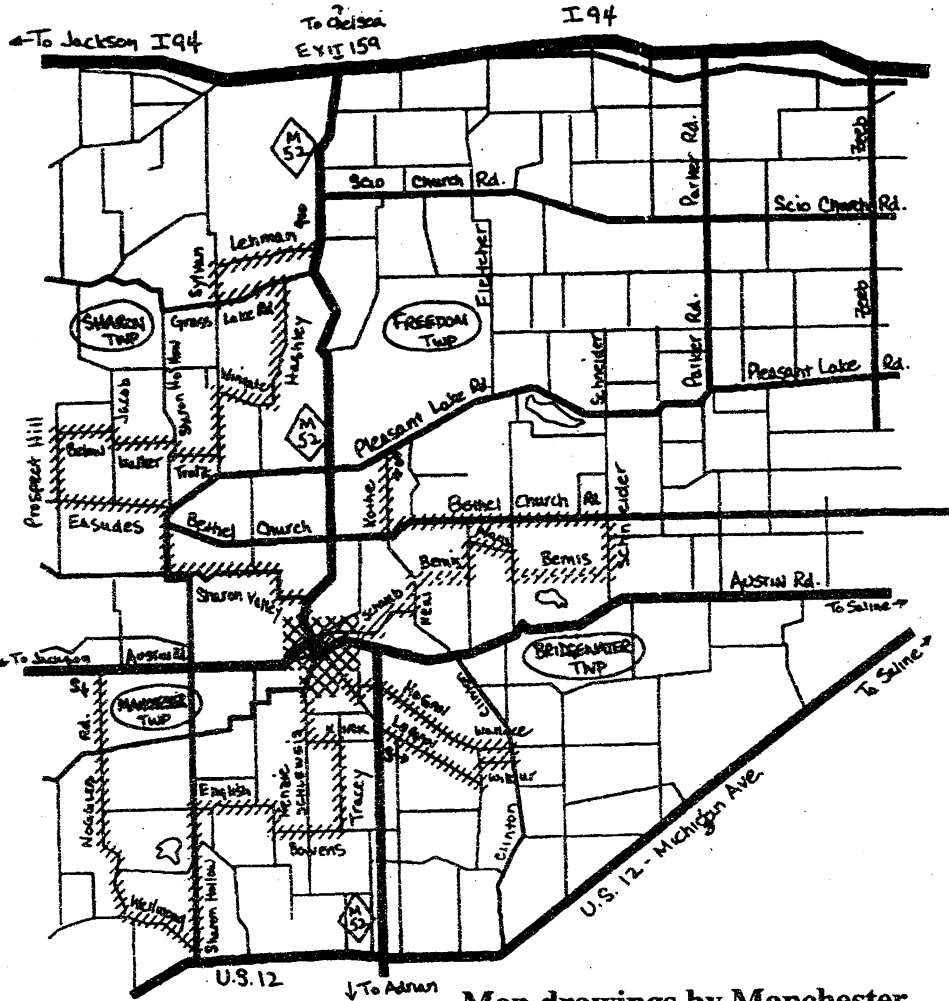
You may also want to discover the Manchester area and enjoy the fall colors by car (or bike.) Roads having hatch marks are suggested for viewing the fall colors and peaceful countryside. Keep in mind that the back roads are unpaved so you'll want to drive slowly enough to see the sights and be safe.

Located on the color tour are wonderful places to stop and visit, have a meal, or pick up some apples and cider.

The Aura Inn is located on Pleasant Lake Road east of M-52 and serves delicious meals in a casual atmosphere with a view of placid Pleasant Lake.

Alber Orchard on Bethel Church Road has traditional autumn treats: delicious apples and crisp sweet cider.

In Sharon Township, a visit to the historic Sharon Mills Winery is a must. You will find friendly hospitality in beautiful surroundings. The Winery is located on Sharon Hollow Road, just south of Bethel Church Road.



Map drawings by Manchester area artist, Bill Shurtliff



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Senior Supper Club

MANCHESTER AREA SENIORS are invited to the Chelsea Hospital's Senior Supper Club, Monday, October 9 at Manchester United Methodist Church.

The afternoon includes cards at 2:30, speaker Arlene Schmidt at 4:00 and one of Chef Jan Barbour's famous dinners at 5:00.

Cost is \$5. For reservations, call the Community Resource Center 428-7722, or 475-3935.

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"Take Care of Tomorrow, Today"
United Way Campaign
Kicks off with Winning Slogan



Gwen Whitaker, 1995 Manchester United Way slogan winner, "Take Care of Tomorrow, Today" is presented with a check for \$25 awarded by Manchester Tool & Die. Pictured left to right: Pat Fielder of Manchester Tool & Die; Dave Petsch, Manchester United Way Industry Chairman; Gwen Whitaker; Sharon Kleinschmidt, United Way Campaign Chairman; Ron Fielder, Manchester Tool & Die.

The Manchester United Way Campaign for 1995 will officially run from October 1 to October 31, 1995. "During this time," says Richard Kennedy, Chairman of the Business Division, "we hope to reach our projected goal of \$64,630."

Local agencies which benefit from the Manchester United Way include the Community Resource Center (\$3,000), Manchester Township Library (\$4,000), Family Service (\$3,630), Manchester Area Recreation (\$4,630), Senior Citizens Council (\$5,000), Cooperative Preschool (\$3,000), Samaritan Counseling Service (\$1,500), Boy Scouts (\$4,600), Manchester Little League (\$5,000).

CROP (originally, Church Rural Overseas Program) is coming to Manchester.

CROP is over 40 years old with a 20-year history in the state of Michigan. In fact, Holland, Michigan is number four on the CROP Walk Hall of Fame list for money raised.

Area churches are sponsoring this year's walk for hunger. Sunday, October 8 has been designated as "CROP Walk Day." All participants must register with a recruiter before or on the 8th of October. Your local parish has a list of recruiters or contact John Korican at Manchester High School.

All walkers must be sponsored and the participants will raise money from a sponsor(s) to be turned in before or immediately after the walk is completed. Participants 18 and younger must have a waiver signed by a parent or guardian sponsor (no wheels allowed on the walk accept wheel chairs.)

Last year, 288,173 walkers put their hearts and soles in motion to stop hunger, one step at a time, in 1,902 locally-sponsored CROP Walks.

There will be two routes for this year's walk. The first will be about 5K beginning at the high school: Main St. to Territorial-Macomb-Schleweis-Boetger-Logan-Adrian-Main St., ending at the high school.

The second route will also begin at the high school, continue down Main St. to the Mill and return to the high school*.

We hope that you will want to join other members of our community in this "walk" to stamp out hunger. You might discover in your willingness to help others that walking is a wonderful exercise.

For further information, call 428-8359, or contact your local pastor for information. See you at the CROP Walk!

*All residents along the CROP Walk route are encouraged to rein their dogs during the hours of 2-4:00 p.m., Sunday, October 8. Thank you.

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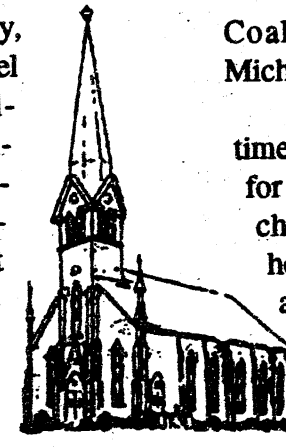
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Mission Festival at Emanuel Church
Sunday, October 8, 1995

On Sunday, October 8, Emanuel Church will celebrate their traditional Mission Festival with an emphasis on the plight of hungry people at home and abroad.

The speaker at the 10:30 a.m. service will be Ms. Nida Donar, executive director of the Hunger Action Coalition of Southeast Michigan based in Detroit.

Ms. Donar is a long time advocate of programs for the relief of hunger for children and adults. A holder of both Bachelors and Masters degrees in Social Work from Wayne State University, Ms. Donar was for ten years a food litigation specialist for Michigan Legal Services, and has served for several years as managing director of the Southeast Michigan Coalition for Occupational Safety and Health.



In addition to her present position, she serves as co-chairperson of the National Campaign to End Childhood Hunger and is a member of the Michigan Department of Public WIC Advisory Board.

The Missions Committee of Emanuel extends an invitation to attend this Service to all who share an interest in alleviating one of our most urgent social problems.

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Days are getting shorter as the air a keener snap; Apples now are droppin' into Mother Nature's lap; The mist at dusk is risin' over valley, marsh an' fen An' it's just as plain as sunshine, winter's comin' on again.

The turkeys now are struttin' round the old farm house once more; They are done with all their nestin', and their hatchin' days are o'er;

Now the farmer's cuttin' fodder for the silo towerin' high; An' he's frettin' 'n' complainin' 'cause the corn's a bit too dry.

But the air is mighty peaceful an' the scene is good to see.

An' there's somethin' in October that stirs deep inside o' me; An' I just can't help believin' in a God above us when Everything is ripe for harvest an' the frost is back again.

— Thank you once again to Mrs. Florence M. Parker for sending us this October poem.

Manchester's Fall Bloodmobile

With fall officially here, it is time to think about the Fall bloodmobile. The date is Monday, October 16 from 1-7:00 p.m. at United Methodist church on Ann Arbor Hill.

All local churches, as well as Manchester's local industries, will have a designated person to do the recruiting of the blood donors. If you work locally, check around for a sign-up sheet or donor cards. If you don't find either, check with the personnel office.

Besides these means of recruiting, there will be small Red Cross file boxes with cards that can be filled out and left in the box, at Manchester Market, Kleinschmidt's Hardware, Great Lakes Bancorp, First of America, Comerica and the Baker's Dozen. If you are not contacted or work out of town, please take a minute to fill out one of the donors cards so we can schedule you to donate a pint of blood.

Please mark October 16th on your calendar to donate that very special gift of life for another person. See you there.

— Marja Warner

Bead Mile Failte

The years 1845 to 1849 are indelibly etched on the consciousness of Irish people world-wide. During those devastating years, a population of approximately eight million people was reduced by almost three million.

Over one million perished through hunger and disease, and almost two million left Ireland to seek a new life abroad. Ireland's Great Famine was the most appalling human disaster to visit any country in Western Europe in the 19th Century.

A Commemorate Mass will be held on Sunday, October 15, at St. Joseph Shrine in the Irish Hills, celebrant Fr. Eoin Murphy, Michigan State Board Chaplain; co-celebrants Fr. A. Johnston Russell, pastor St. Joseph Shrine, Fr. Tom Brennan, Chaplain, St. Patrick Division AOH, and Fr. Russell Kohler, Michigan State Board Deputy Chaplain.

The Mass will commemorate all who died as a result of the Potato Famine and to acknowledge the desire and determination of those who established themselves in the new world during that sad period of Irish history. Their faith and courage will be remembered at this special Mass.

St. Joseph Shrine is located on U.S. 12 in the Irish Hills. The main body of the Shrine was built in 1845 by the twenty early Irish settlers. Dedicated July 4, 1932, in memory of the undaunted faith of the Irish pioneers whose bodies rest in hallowed ground; and of Fr. Gabriel Richard, pioneer missionary, who in 1826 sponsored the building of the Chicago Pike which passes by the sacred premises.

For further information, please call (517) 263-5556.

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The Trip To Bountiful

By Horton Foote

This is the story of a tenacious old woman yearning to get back to her rural Texas birthplace, Bountiful, near the Gulf of Mexico. Trapped in a three-room Houston apartment with her henpecked son and daughter-in-law, she schemes to find a way out. Her son and his wife aren't willing to let her go because she is a bit forgetful...plus they need her pension check. But Bountiful is calling her...

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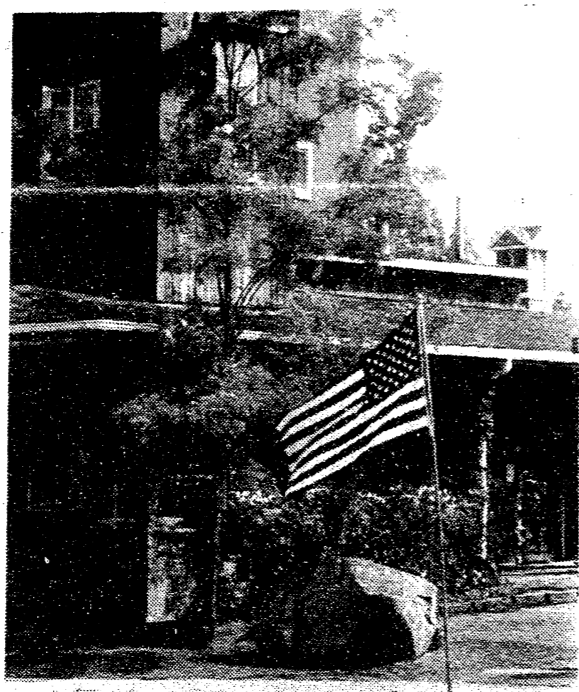
THE HISTORIC MANCHESTER MILL STANDS IN THE CENTER OF THE VILLAGE as it did in the beginning. It was built as a flour mill in 1832 and served the area, contributing to the growth of the community throughout its history.

Twice in its history, the Mill was destroyed by fire. On Sunday, May 1, 1853, "the sound of burning timber awakened the settlers. The wind fanned the flames to the opposite side of the street and 14 business houses and one dwelling were leveled before it was brought under control."

It was rebuilt in 1854 as the Farmers' Grist Mill, then sold twice more before being purchased in 1896 by Noah Holt. Holt was an inventor of milling machinery and put in some of his new type of rollers. The name was then changed to Southern Washenaw Mills.

The second huge fire destroyed the Mill in 1924. Shops across the river were threatened as flames leaped across. Plate glass windows were broken by the intense heat.

The Mill was rebuilt in 1924 as a feed mill and was sold in



photos by Kathy Kueffner

SITTING PEACEFULLY ON THE BANKS OF THE RIVER RAISIN, THE WATERS OF WHICH GENTLY SPLASH OVER A DAM AND SPILLWAY, IS THE HISTORIC SHARON MILLS WINERY.

Original brickwork and fieldstone foundations grace the exterior of this registered landmark. Noble oak floored-rooms, and cherrywood post-and-beam construction add warmth and an aura of romance to the interior.

Originally a grist mill which served area farmers in the 19th century, Henry Ford purchased the building in the 1920s as a production site to assemble cigar lighters for his Ford automobiles. Ford installed a generator to supply electricity to the building and that same generator still hums along today powered by the River Raisin. The building is self-sufficient with the turbine supplying all the light and heat needed.

The Ford Motor Co. owned the building until the 1950s when it was sold as a private home. In the 1960s, after being vacant for a few years, it was purchased by Lillian Martin, who along with her husband and sons, Craig and Michael Hawker and families, moved in. They used the building as living quarters and an antique shop.

In 1989, Michael and his wife Jean, and Craig and his wife Diane, decided the renovated mill would make a perfect place for a family-owned and operated winery. Lillian moved into the suite upstairs.

The family believes strongly in the quality of Michigan wines. They only sell wines from Traverse City's Old Mission Peninsula, which they say is similar to the superb wines of California's Napa Valley. All of the operations, including the daily turning of the bottles, is performed in the time-honored tradition — by hand.

The family is particularly proud of the champagne produced at the winery, fermented from Old Mission wines, made exclusively from grapes grown in northwest Michigan.

Many hundreds of bottles of sparkling wines (champagne), await maturity below ground. The wine cellar has an 18-inch thick brick and stone wall that keeps the room at a perfect 55 degrees year-round.

The oak-paneled room upstairs is the wine tasting room. Henry Ford's generator sits in an alcove surrounded by windows from which you can look down upon the River Raisin.

Whether you choose a wine or merely stop by for a visit some weekend, you are invited to partake of the history of Sharon Mills and enjoy the tranquility of this Manchester-area attraction. The winery, located at 5701 Sharon Hollow Road, is open Saturdays and Sundays from noon to five o'clock.

The beautiful mill and scenic grounds are available for weddings, luncheons, dinners and corporate functions.

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1940 to E. G. Mann. In the 1960s, one of the three water wheels installed in 1896 was still being used to generate power.

The Mill was honored by the Historical Society of Michigan in 1976 as the oldest operating business on the original site in the State.

In 1981 Don Limpert purchased the building and began the extensive remodeling that established the Mill as it is today in the center of the village of Manchester, an attractive tourist attraction with its collection of antique stores, flower and gift shops (and *The Chronicle* office.)

Don relates how he began restoring the Mill. "We removed the roof, which was in danger of collapsing, and had cranes come in and take the larger pieces of machinery and grain bins out that way."

He also tells us that he dug out the stone foundation wall below the east wing addition of the building. Stone by stone had to be painstakingly refitted to replace parts of the massive wall that were crumbling. Approximately 30 feet high, the impressive fieldstone wall can be seen in the lower level of the Mill today.

Don's current project at the Mill is restoring the room where the turbine (also restored to working condition) is located. "That project will keep me busy this winter," Don says.

The quaint charm of the building and its historical significance appeals to residents and visitors alike.

The merchants in the Mill extend a warm welcome to visit, to shop, to browse. Special events are being planned. As of this writing, merchants are planning to stay open Halloween night and invite trick-or-treaters to stop by. For those who wonder, yes, the Mill is haunted --- by ghosts of goodwill and good cheer!

There is always something new in the old Mill. □ kk

— some information from
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Making a needle rest: A first project penny rug

Most of the antique penny rug colors are soft or moody because they've faded over time. We can create new pieces that have a feeling of age by choosing subdued colors and actually antiquing the new or reclaimed materials with dye.

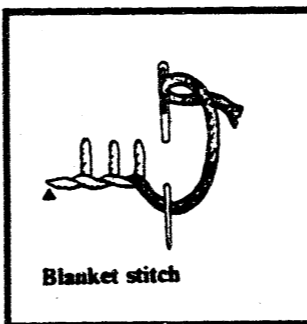
The art of wool applique can also be used in contemporary colors as well. The wonderful thing about wool applique or penny rugs is each one is unique — they are and were sewn as one of a kind creations. As you explore the possibilities allow yourself the freedom to add your own creative touch. The instruction that follows is a jumping off place.

As you use the pattern provided in this article, you can add our own unique touch. Enlarge or change the shape, change the border, add some elements, embroider a line of poetry or song.

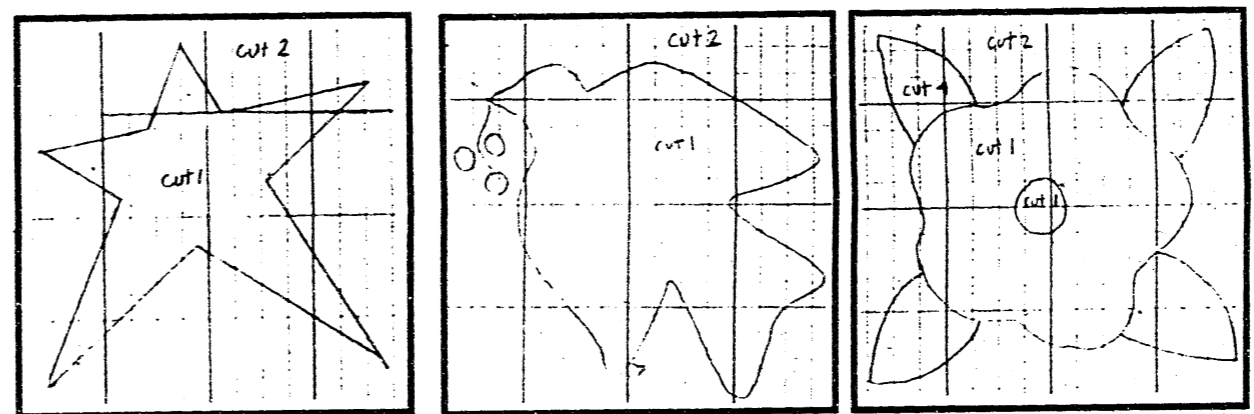
Wool applique is made from woven wool felt. This is wool fabric that has been felted. Coat weight wool works best. Look for solid colors such as navy, dark reds, black, creams or off-white, rust, mustard or gold, and lots of greens.

The wool should be a fairly tight weave. Keep in mind the shapes are stitched down without turning the edges under. The material you choose should retain a nice edge. After it has been felted it should not unravel as you cut it.

Use old wool from clothing, tightly woven blankets (not too thick - army/navy blankets work well), and new coat weight wool, preferably 100% wool. To felt the wool, simply wash in your washer at the warm cycle and then dry in the dryer. (Washing in hot water may leach out the dye.) Wool craft felt can be used but will not yield the same rich tactile feel as woven wool; the color of craft felt is flat, lifeless.



LEFT: This is known as blanket stitch when the stitches are further apart. It is widely used for the practical purposes of edging hems and buttonholes. It is also an important stitch for decorative embroidery, used to scallop edgings, all forms of couching laid work and cut work. It is worked from left to right.



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Early American Folk Art: Penny Rugs — by Margaret Shaw

Begin to collect wool. In an advanced project we will explore changing the color of our woolen materials.

Additional materials: small sharp embroidery scissors, thimble, DMC embroidery floss, (basically three colors: black #310, a neutral #613, and #612, (you can experiment with other colors, but these contrast nicely with most wool colors and won't fight with them), 3-4 embroidery needles.

The first piece will be a small practice piece to get the hang of cutting and stitching. It will also allow you the time

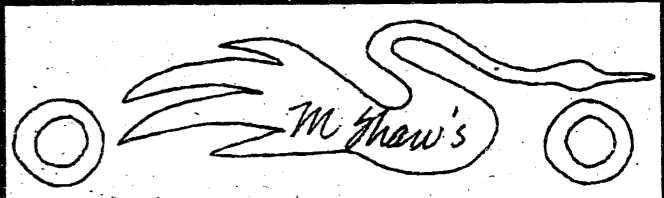
to collect wool for a larger piece: cut out 2 foundation pieces of felted wool 4 inches square. Choose one of the 3 patterns, cut from a contrasting piece of felted wool. Stitch on to the top using any of the 3 embroidery threads you like.

Split your floss in half. Use even deep stitches about 1-4 inches in length. Pay special attention to the corners of the applique.

Embellish with extra embroidery. Sew back on, using the same blanket stitch, leaving a spot open to stuff, stuff with stuffing and finish sewing.

Next month, we will explore making a holiday table rug. Collect your wool and experiment with the needle rest. Full size patterns are available at the *Manchester Chronicle* office, as well as a penny rug display. Come in to see it and pick up a winter '96 M. Shaw class schedule.

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The annual canoe race, teen dances, the dunk tank at our Community Fair, kids' roller skating parties... Who's responsible for all this?

The Manchester Area Recreation Task Force

In December of 1986, the last meeting of the Manchester Futuring sessions was held and work task forces were organized. One task force remains today: The Manchester Recreation Task Force.

On April 23, 1987, area youngsters were invited to a *Rec Rap*, treated to pizza and soft drinks, and asked what recreational activities they wanted. From that session came ideas and events, most of which are still going today, organized by Manchester Recreation Task Force (MRTF) volunteers.

The first teen dance was held in July in the basement of the Black Sheep Tavern with three more following through August in that location. Dances for sixth-eighth graders were held in September and October on the tennis courts and in the Emanuel Church Hall.

In the meantime the Recreation Task Force was working on a proposed hiking trail through the village and in August placed and painted mileage marks on rocks along the trail. The official dedication ceremony



for the trail was November 7, 1987 with a community walk followed by refreshments.

Roller skating parties for fifth and sixth graders began in December. On January 23, 1988, the first ski trip to Mt. Brighton attracted forty-one enthusiasts.

In June of that year, Marguerite Gillow collected names of interested musicians, and the Manchester Community Band began organizing.

Back to the Future was the theme of the first Manchester Day Camp for girls and boys from kindergarten through sixth grade at Carr Park. Thirty-eight girls and thirty-four boys registered with seventy-nine adults pitching in to help. (Ninety-two campers attended this year; there were twenty-seven adult and teen volunteers.) The Day Camp is co-sponsored by the Manchester Recreation Task Force and the Huron Valley Girl Scout Council.

In August 1988, the Task Force began the popular Manchester Community Fair Dunk Tank. The first annual Manchester Community Christmas Gazebo Sing was December 21, 1988. It was directed by Dick Kuntz with Mark Palms providing guitar music. The Manchester Men's Club provided a fire and hot chocolate.

Gazebo Concerts began in the summer of 1989, sponsored by the Task Force, and Rally 'Round Manchester was held in July with 34 people in 17 cars participating.

HISTORY OF THE CANOE RACE
In 1962 the Centennial committee started the Canoe and Boat Race with thirty-one entries. From 1968-1988, the Chamber of Commerce and the Optimist Club each dedicated several years of volunteer work to make the Canoe Race a success. In 1989, the Manchester Recreation Task Force assumed responsibility and recruited many new volunteers. Some of those volunteers and some new recruits sit around a table in early spring to begin planning for the May excursion down the River Raisin. In 1995, sixty-three canoeists paddled in the race.

HOW ARE WE DOING?
Volunteers are critical to the ongoing success of the MRTF, and new volunteers are needed. Current Board members are: Sue Gisting, Lucile Bruner, Mike Briggs and Bill Schwab.

"Most of the Board have been with the Task Force since its beginnings," says president Gisting. "We need new blood, new energy." Many of the activities listed below can and will continue if enough volunteers are enthusiastic about offering time and energy.

Anyone can express their interest by attending the next Manchester Recreation Task Force Meeting Wednesday, October 11, 7:30 at the Blacksmith Shop, or by mailing the form below to MRTF, P.O. Box 433, Manchester, MI 48158-0433.

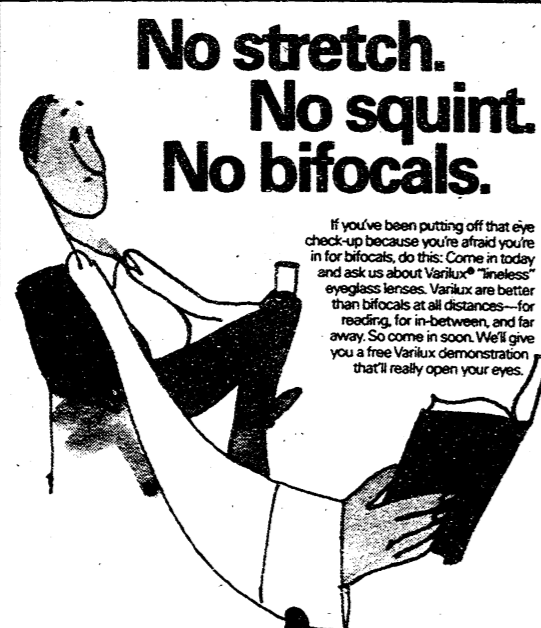
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CURRENT PROJECTS
 Fifth & sixth grade roller skating parties
 Seventh & eighth grade dances
 Summer teen dances
 Canoe Race
 Gazebo Concerts
 Dunk Tank at Manchester Fair
 Summer Day Camp for K-6 girls & boys
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OTHER PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION
 Ski trips
 Three-on-three basketball tournament
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Cross Country Returns to Manchester

— Coach Craig Vitale

Cross-Country has returned to Manchester after approximately twelve years. This time around there is a women's team, too. Apparently when coach Larry Steeb left for Whitmore Lake around 1981, so did the program. At that time, there was only a men's team.

With both a men's team and a women's team now, we are very excited about the prospect of building a program.

Cross-country is a unique sport because unlike track everybody runs the same event at the same time. A course is usually 3.1 miles or 5 kilometers (5K) long and is found on golf courses, state land, or parks. Courses always include hills, curves, and grass or dirt terrain. Some courses are more of the rolling field type, and some are more straight up and down. Every course is different and has its own unique qualities.

The Manchester High School cross-country team is currently searching for a place that we could build our own course on. We welcome any suggestions or possibilities offered.

The strategy for a cross-country team is to have as many people as possible

run faster than the other teams' runners. A varsity squad consists of seven runners. The first five runners count as the point makers. Ideally we would like to finish 1-2-3-4-5. That would add up to 15 points. The sixth and seventh person can still help by pushing back the other teams' scores.

For instance, if Manchester finished 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9 with our first five runners, our six and seventh runners could finish 10th and 11th and push back the other team's 5th runner to 12th. The score of this meet would be 25-32.

We are running four dual or double-dual meets this season. A dual meet means we are scored against one other team. A double-dual meet means we are running against two different teams, but the score is figured out against each individual team.

We will also run at six invitationals this year. At these meets, usually held on Saturdays, we run against 10-25 other teams at one time, boys and girls running separately.

We have been fortunate to have a good turnout for our Manchester team. We have eight girls running and nine boys. For our first year, we couldn't ask for a better turnout.

Members of our boys team include seniors Art Gleason (captain), and Severin Ritter; juniors Nick Weidmayer, Lin Harris, Jon Way, Brad Kemner; sophomore Adam Corwin; freshmen Eli Bragg and Traver Lucas.

The girls team consists of senior Jennie Sahakian (captain); juniors Pam Preston, Rebecca Koffman and Jessica Richards; sophomores Jill Weidmayer, Marie Haeussler; freshmen Dana Richards, Ahja Zang. There are also some middle school runners: Kevin Sahakian, Phillip Krall, Nick Gordon. All these kids have been working extremely hard and sometimes deserve credit for being to practice every day when they know what they are in for.



Front row, left to right: Kevin Sahakian, Pam Preston, Jenni Sahakian, Nic Gordon, Rebecca Koffman. Middle: Jill Weidmayer, Marie Haeussler, Jessica Richards, Ahja Zang, Dana Richards, coach Craig Vitale. Bottom: Philip Krall, Art Gleason, Severin Ritter, Brad Kemner, Eli Bragg, Traver Lucas, Lin Harris, Nic Weidmayer.

Photo courtesy of Liz Wallace

The coaches for both teams are Craig Vitale and John Leonard. Mr. Leonard comes from Napoleon where he has spent the last two years as an assistant track coach at Napoleon High School. He is a top-notch runner and brings extensive knowledge of training principles and running in general. His contributions to our program have proved to be immeasurable. We appreciate his talents.

We have participated in three invitationals at this time of the season and fared relatively well. A few of our runners have been able to bring medals and trophies home for their individual efforts in races. We ran our best times of the year at our second meet, the Springport Invitational. It's hard, however, to measure times at one course versus times on another because every course varies in difficulty and terrain.

Our first meet was the East Jackson Invitational. No team scores were kept and that was nice for us because we were able to get our feet wet and get a feeling for where we were headed.

Our third meet was at the Holly Invitational on the 16th of September. We ran pretty well with our boys team finishing seventh out of fourteen teams and

our girls finishing seventh out of a field of 11. We were very pleased with that finish — we are headed in the right direction.

The cross-country team will be doing a couple of fund raisers this fall. We ask for your support. It will take our program a few years to get fully developed and grow into a consistent force year in and year out. Please be patient with us and we'll keep striving for our goals of being better runners, becoming better people and having fun. Thank you,

Sincerely, Craig Vitale

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From the Ground Up — by BG

YES, I WAS CAUGHT BY THE EARLY FROST in September...good-bye to the tomatoes, pep-

pers, zinnias, and other tender plants that were not covered. Some old curtains went over the impatiens and petunia beds to save those for another month of color. Some containers were hauled into the garage to be saved for wintering in the house because they are "seed" plants for next summer's impatiens and fibrous begonias. The other flowers in the containers will be rearranged in new pots to provide color for the winter. Some of the flowers growing in the garden will be added to the mix — I found that snapdragons do well in the house.

The frost nipped the ends of the basil in the pot but with a little pruning it might revive enough to come into the house. The basil, thyme, oregano, chives and parsley will not survive the whole winter indoors but I will enjoy using the herbs for as long as they do last.

The fall months mean planting bulbs — those little promises of springtime. Sometimes, there is a large assortment of bulbs to be put into the ground and not much time because winter is on its way.

Plant the daffodil bulbs first because they need the longer time in the ground. Tulips can be successfully planted in November in this area. If you have inexperienced helpers, make sure that they realize that the pointed end should be up — tulips have been planted upside down with confusing results.

It might help to know about the classifications of tulips when deciding which kinds to plant and where. (There are over 4,000 registered varieties.) Put the earlier, smaller bulbs in locations where you are likely to see the flowers up close in March and early April. Save the larger and showier flowers for the more distant beds.

The earliest kind of tulip to bloom next spring will be the botanicals, those with Latin names: greigii, clusiana, tarda, etc. Tulip fosteriana belongs here although the tulip has become so popular that it and its kin are known as "Red Emperor", "Yellow Emperor," etc.

The next tulips to bloom will be the Single Early; a named-variety would be "Keizerskroon." Then comes the Double Early tulips; an example would be "Aba." The Triumph, the most popular kind, such as "Negrita" and the Darwin Hybrid tulip, "Apeldoorn" will bloom next.

The Lily-Flowered tulips will come next, then the Viridiflora, the single Late — "Mrs. John T. Scheepers" is the most famous; the Fringed, the Peony type such as "Angelique" and finally, the Parrot tulip.

This is a general blooming order, it could change because of location and weather conditions. By planting an assortment of tulips, you can have flowers from March to June.

Experiment by planting some new, different minor bulbs each year. Crocus, muscari (grape hyacinth) and chionodoxa (glory of the snow) are very nice but try some anemone, scilla or puschkinia libanotica. These bulbs are very inexpensive and can be exciting to try. If they are happy with the conditions, you will be rewarded with an increase of flowers each year.

Try forcing some hyacinth bulbs for some early indoor flowers. Plant the bulbs in soil or some other growing medium in a clay pot, soak thoroughly, seal in a freezer bag, and store in a corner of the refrigerator.

After ten or eleven weeks, remove the pot to a cool location for a few days. Gradually increase the intensity of the light until the flowers appear; this might take four weeks. Last year, I potted some hyacinths on the eight of October and had the lovely fragrant flowers in February. It was the first sign of spring when that was sorely needed.

Right: Apples are sorted by size and variety into large crates at Alber Orchard. Below right: two Freedom Township youngsters, Lorelei and brother Marc Baron express the fun they're having!

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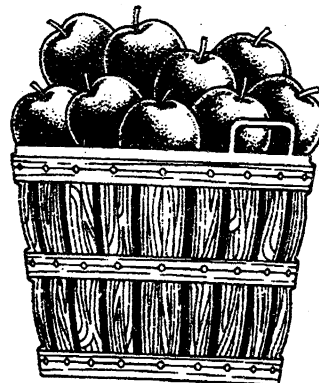
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by Leigh

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1 package Bread Stuffing Mix
Add to stuffing and mix well
1/2 C. chopped Onion
2 C. chopped Apples
1/8 tsp. each of Mace, Sage, Cloves and Nutmeg
Spread on rack of Spareribs
Top stuffing mix with second rack of ribs.
Tie securely together with white string.
Place in roasting pan with 1/2 C. hot water or Apple Cider and cover.
Roast at 350 degrees for 3 hours or until done and meat is tender (baste occasionally).
Makes 6-8 generous servings.

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Top each with
1 slice Cooked Ham
Core, do not peel
3-4 firm Apples
Slice apples crosswise in 1/8 inch thick slices (need 18 slices)
Place three slices on each sandwich.
Lay on top of apple slices
2 slices of processed American Cheese (each slice weighs 1 oz.)
Broil under medium heat until cheese melts and browns slightly.
Serve at once.

APPLE-CHEESE SANDWICH SPREAD

(2-1/2 cups)
Stir over low heat in saucepan
1 Tbs. Butter
1/2 C. slivered, roasted Almonds
saute until almonds are golden brown; drain on absorbent paper.
In a bowl, combine together
1 C. coarsely chopped Apple
1 C. grated sharp Cheddar Cheese
1/2 C. Raisins
Add almonds and enough Mayonnaise to hold ingredients together.
Use as a filling for canned Brown Bread sandwiches or as a spread for crackers..

APPLE-PECAN SYRUP

(about 2 cups)
for pancakes, waffles or French toast
Melt in saucepan
3 Tbs. Butter
Brown lightly
1/4 C. chopped Pecans
Remove nuts
Add
1 C. Maple Syrup
1/2 tsp. Cinnamon
Dash of salt
2 C. Apples, peeled and thinly sliced
Cover and simmer slowly 10 minutes.
Remove cover and simmer 3 minutes longer.
Add nuts and pour into pitcher for passing.

GLAZED APPLE SLICES AND CARROTS

(4-6 servings)
Saute together
1/4 C. Butter
1 large Onion, peeled and sliced
Peel, halve lengthwise and crosswise
6 medium Carrots
Add to onions along with
2-1/2 C. Apple Slices (peel fruit)
1/4 C. Sugar
Pinch of Nutmeg
Cover, cook slowly about 1/2 hour, or until carrots are tender, adding a small amount of water if necessary.
Turn several times during cooking.
Serve with pork chops, roast pork or baked ham

APPLE-CROWNED PORK CHOPS

Brown both sides (no added fat necessary)
6 Pork Chops
Transfer to baking dish.
Cover with boiling water and allow to stand until plumped
1/2 C. Golden Raisins
Drain, set aside.
Cover chops with
1 or 2 medium Red Onions, peeled and sliced thin
3 tart Red Apples, cored and cut in sixths (do not peel)
Scatter raisins around chops
Combine and sprinkle over all
1-1/2 Tbs. Brown Sugar
1 tsp. Salt
Few grains Pepper
1/4 tsp. Nutmeg
1/2 tsp. Basil
1/8 tsp. Cloves
Pour over all in a covered baking dish
1 C. Water
Bake at 350 degrees for 1-1/2 hours. Remove cover during last 1/2 hour of baking time.
Check for tenderness.
Arrange chops and topping on serving platter.
Stir well into pan juices
2 Tbs. Red Currant Jelly
Pour over meat on platter and serve when ready.

APPLESAUCE COOKIES

wait till you smell them baking!
Mix all together
2-1/2 C. All-purpose Flour
3/4 C. Crisco
1 C. packed Brown Sugar
1 Egg slightly beaten
1 C. Applesauce
1/2 tsp. Soda
1/2 tsp. Allspice
1/4 tsp. Cloves
3/4 tsp. Cinnamon
1/2 tsp. Salt
1/2 C. Nuts, chopped
1 C. Raisins
Drop on lightly greased cookie sheet by teaspoon.
Bake at 400 degrees for 10-12 minutes.
Remove from sheet when cool.

APPLE-NUT GLAZE

Using a small saucepan, combine and bring to a boil
1 C. Applesauce
1/4 C. Brown Sugar, packed
1 Tbs. Vinegar
1/4 C. Sherry
1/2 C. finely chopped Walnuts or Pecans
Simmer 3-4 minutes.
Spoon over ham during last 30 minutes of baking.

APPLE-CHEESE SANDWICH SPREAD

(2-1/2 cups)
Stir over low heat in saucepan
1 Tbs. Butter
1/2 C. slivered, roasted Almonds
saute until almonds are golden brown; drain on absorbent paper.
In a bowl, combine together
1 C. coarsely chopped Apple
1 C. grated sharp Cheddar Cheese
1/2 C. Raisins
Add almonds and enough Mayonnaise to hold ingredients together.
Use as a filling for canned Brown Bread sandwiches or as a spread for crackers..

APPLESAUCE PANCAKES

(approximately 10 pancakes)
Sift together
1 C. sifted All-purpose Flour
1/2 tsp. Salt
1-1/2 tsp. Baking Powder
Blend in
1 C. Applesauce
1/2 tsp. grated Lemon Rind
1/2 tsp. Cinnamon
1 Tbs. Sugar
1 tsp. Vanilla
Beat slightly
2 Egg Yolks
Add to the applesauce-flour mixture along with
1-1/2 Tbs. melted Butter, cooled
Beat until soft-stiff peaks are formed
2 Egg Whites
Fold into the batter.
Use 1/4 C. of batter for each pancake and cook on a lightly greased hot griddle.
Serve hot with syrup, jelly, or sprinkle with cinnamon-sugar.

SPICED APPLE RINGS

(4-6 servings)
Core and slice in 1/2 inch rings
4 medium firm unpeeled cooking Apples
In skillet bring just to boiling
1/2 C. Honey
1/4 tsp. Cinnamon
2 Tbs. Vinegar
1/4 tsp. Salt
Add apples; cook, turning often, until translucent-10-12 minutes.
Drain and serve. Makes 16 to 18 slices.
Good accompaniment for roast pork or lamb.

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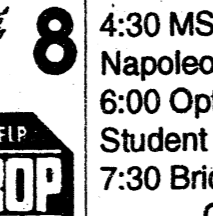

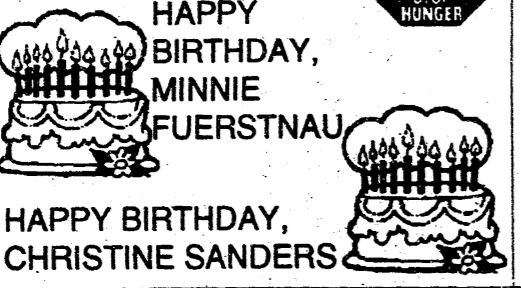
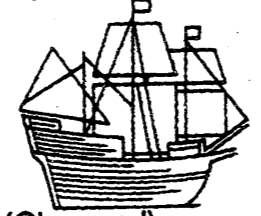
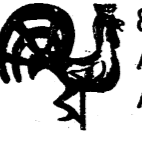
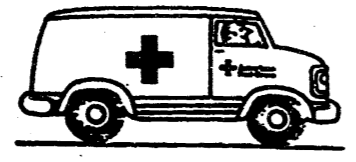



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
<p>Happy October Birthdays to Senior Citizens: Julia Demitri (1), Birdie Buss (5), Bob Berry (5), Herman Boelter (6), Shirley Reinhart (7), Fern Strang (10), Mary Smith (10), Esther Bihlmeyer (11), Len Bruner (12), Joe Geer (15), Margaret Gillow (16), Naomi Musser (22), Earl Alber (23), Marion Hanley (23), Louise Mann (25), Paul Schwab (25), Florence Parr (29), Jeannette Micallef (29), Ruth Goodell (31)</p> 	<p>3:30 VISA mtg at high school 4:00 HS Golf vs Clinton away 4:30 MS Girls Basketball vs Hanover-Horton at home 5:30 Girls Basketball vs Adrian Madison away 7:00 Village Council 7:30 Masonic Lodge business mtg 8:00 Special mtg at Bridgewater Twp Hall of Planning Comm</p> 	<p>Village Curbside Recycling 12 Sr Meal-Emanuel (Veal Italian) 4:15 HS Golf vs Mich Center away 4:30 Dutch Cross-Country at Hanover-Horton 7:00 Little League Election of Officers at Carr Park 7:00 Band Boosters-HS band room 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Kiwanis at Emanuel 7:00 Volleyball at Aura Inn 7:30 Public Hearing at Freedom Twp Hall</p>
<p>9am HS Equestrian Team 2-4pm CROP Walk (See page 3)</p>  <p>HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MINNIE FUERSTNAU HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CHRISTINE SANDERS</p> 	<p>4:30 MS Girls Basketball vs Napoleon-away 6:00 Optimists at Emanuel: Program-Student of the Month 7:30 Bridgewater Twp Planning Comm 8:00 Manchester Twp Board 8:00 Fair Board 8:00 Knights of Columbus</p>  <p>COLUMBUS DAY (Observed)</p>	<p>Village Curbside Recycling 9:30 Senior Citizens Council 12 Noon Senior Meal (Ham Loaf) 4:30 Dutch Cross-Country at Addison 5:30 Girls Basketball vs E Jackson away 7:00 Kiwanis at Emanuel 7:30 Village Planning Commission 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Volleyball at Aura Inn 7:30 20th Century Club 8:00 Freedom Twp Board-Public Hearing</p>
<p>2:00 Mass in Commemoration of the Famine in Ireland. Celebrant Fr. Eoin Murphy at St. Joseph Shrine in the Irish Hills located on U.S. 12. (See page 3)</p>  <p>8am-4pm Ann Arbor Antiques Market, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd.</p> <p>4:00 Volleyball at Aura Inn.</p> <p>MOTHERS-IN-LAW DAY See <i>Flora in the Mill</i> for specials on roses --- and more. (Pg. 4)</p>	<p>1-7:00 p.m. Bloodmobile, United Methodist Church (See pg. 2) 4:30 MS Girls Basketball vs Columbia- home 7:00 Village Council meeting 7:30 School Board meeting at high school</p> 	<p>Village Curbside Recycling 12 Noon Senior Meal (Chinese) 5:30 Girls Basketball vs Hanover-Horton-away 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Kiwanis at Emanuel 7:00 Volleyball at Aura Inn 7:30 Historical Society - Blacksmith Shop Program "Show & Tell" Antiques. Public invited</p> 
<p>4:00 Volleyball at Aura Inn.</p> <p>the 10th month, named for the Latin word for eight as it was originally the eighth month of the Roman year before the introduction of July and August.</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time ends</p>	<p>4:30 MS Girls Basketball vs Vandercook Lake - home 6:00 Optimists at Emanuel: Program-Firefighter & EMT Appreciation 7:00 Fireside Crafters meet at the Blacksmith Shop, 324 E. Main St. Everyone welcome.</p>	<p>Village Curbside Recycling 11:00 Senior Blood Pressure check; 12 Noon Senior Meal (Turkey); 12:30 Senior Program 4:30 MS Football vs Chelsea away 5:30 Pickup for Sr Citizens travel 5:30 Girls B'ball vs Napoleon away 8:00 Manchester Twp Planning Commission 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Kiwanis at Emanuel 7:00 Volleyball at Aura Inn</p>
<p>October, the 10th month, named for the Latin word for eight as it was originally the eighth month of the Roman year before the introduction of July and August.</p> 	<p>TRICK - OR - TREATING in the Village 5-7:00 p.m. Key Club costuming judging at the Gazebo 7:15 p.m.</p> 	<p>12 Noon Senior Meal at Emanuel (Chef's Choice) 5:30 Girls Basketball vs Vandercook Lake away</p>

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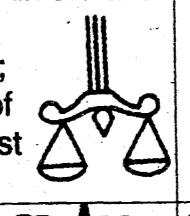


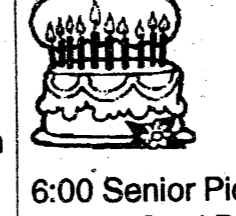

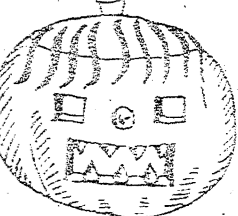



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WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>4:30 MS Football vs Napoleon at home 4:30 MS Girls Basketball vs Grass Lake away 7:30 Veterans of Foreign Wars, Legion Home, 203 Adrian St. 7:30 Men's Club Board meeting 7:30 Raisin Valley Land Trust meeting, Blacksmith Shop</p>	<p>12 Noon Senior Birthday Meal (Roast Pork) 12:30 Bingo 5:30 Girls Basketball vs Vandercook Lake at home 7:00 JV Football vs Mich Center at home 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</p>	<p>7:30 Varsity Football vs Michigan Center-away</p> <p>Zodiac Sign: Libra-the Scales (September 23-October 22) Ruling planet-Venus; Lucky Day is Friday; Best color-blue; Element-Air. Librans are well-balanced, discriminating, self-reliant; they have a good sense of humor and are at their best in social situations.</p> 	<p>9:00 a.m. Dutch Cross-Country Hudson Invitational at Hudson High 10am-4pm Chelsea Country Craft & Folk Art Show. See page 3</p>  <p>The Trip to Bountiful Oct. 6-8 & 13-15. Call (517) 264 SHOW for info. (See page 3)</p>
<p>4:30 MS Football vs E Jackson at home 4:30 MS Girls Basketball vs VandercookLake away 1-4p.m. Manchester Area Home Schoolers meet. Phone Tina Zimmerman 428-0576 for info 7:30 American Legion Auxiliary 7:30 Manchester Recreation Task Force at Blacksmith Shop</p>	<p>12 Noon Sr Meal at Emanuel (Beef Stew w/Biscuits) 12:30 Bingo 5:30 Girls BB vs Addison at home 7:00 JV Football vs Hanover-home 7:30 Purple Heart mtg -- locations vary, phone 428-7052 for information 7:30 Manchester Community Band</p>  <p>COLUMBUS DAY (traditional)</p>	<p>HAPPY BIRTHDAY LEE FIDGE</p>  <p>6:00 Senior Pickup for Saline Card Party 7:30 Varsity Football vs Hanover-Horton away 7-10:00 p.m. Village Piecemakers at Emanuel Church. All welcome!</p>	<p>9:00 a.m. Dutch Cross Country Gabriel Richard Invitational at Buhr Park, AA</p> <p>Dress Your Pet Contest at Chelsea Pets & Plants. See pg 3.</p>  <p>The Trip to Bountiful Oct. 13-15. Call (517) 264 SHOW for info. (See page 3)</p> <p>8am-4pm Ann Arbor Antiques Market, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd.</p>
<p>4:30 MS Girls Basketball vs Grass Lake at home 4:30 MS Football vs Northwest-away 7:00 Manchester Men's Club 7:30 CRC Board 8:00 Bridgewater Twp Board</p>	<p>12 Noon Senior Meal (Macaroni/Cheese) 12:30 Bingo 4:00 Dutch Cross-Country Conf. Meet at Sharp Park, Jackson 5:30 Girls Basketball vs Michigan Center-home 7:00 JV Football vs Vandercook Lake away 7:00 Cub Scout Pack meeting 8:00 Sharon Twp. Planning Comm/ Public Hearing 7:30 Manchester Community Band</p>	<p>6:00 Pickup for Saline Senior Citizens Card Party 7:30 Varsity Football vs Grass Lake at home</p>	<p>SWEETEST DAY See <i>Flora in the Mill</i> for specials on roses --- and more. (pg. 4)</p>  <p>11am-3pm Pumpkin Carving contest in Chi-Bro Park</p>
<p>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</p>	<p>12 Noon Senior Meal at Emanuel (Pork Chops) 12:30 Bingo 5:30 Girls Basketball vs Grass Lake home 6:00 Pickup for Sr Citizens Card Party at 7:30 Freedom Twp Hall 7:00 Town Meeting re Health Plan, St. Mary Parish Hall (See pg 12) 7:00 JV Football vs Morenci at home</p>	<p>Fun House for ages 2-8 in the Fellowship Hall 8-9:30pm</p>  <p>House of Fear in gym 8-10pm</p> <p>TBA Dutch Cross Country Regional</p>	<p>Halloween Party w/Karaoke at Aura Inn</p>
<p>Zodiac Sign: Scorpio-the Scorpion (October 23-November 22) Ruled by the planet Mars; Lucky day is Tuesday; Best color-red; Element-Water. Scorpions are self-controlled, courageous, ambitious, polite, practical. They love praise.</p> 	<p>Don't wait 'til the cows come home - sign up for a subscription to <i>The Chronicle</i> TODAY! Handy order form, page 18</p> 	<p>5:30 Girls Basketball vs E Jackson at home</p>	<p>NOVEMBER 4</p>

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Christmas in the Village

Summer vacations and events are history, leaves are beginning to turn beautiful colors and the last garden vegetables are being harvested before the frost settles on the pumpkin. The Community Resource Center and the Manchester High School Student Council are making plans for the 1995 Christmas in the Village. The event will be held at Manchester High School, Saturday, November 18, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The event has taken a different twist for 1995. The juried craft show will be held in one area of the school and other organizations of the school and community are invited to sponsor other fund-raising projects. Main Street merchants will greet you with generous hospitality as they invite shoppers to enjoy the smell and taste of cider and cookies. To inquire about available booth space, call the Community Resource Center, 428-7722. Dianne Schwab, CRC Director

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Dear Friends,
Since last fall, I have been participating with a group of people concerned with health needs of our Washtenaw County population. That group has come up with the design of a program called the Washtenaw County Health Improvement Plan (HIP). We are in the phase of the program which need input from people in the Manchester area. A Town Meeting is the forum that will give people of the Manchester area the opportunity to express their concerns for health needs locally. The public is invited to the Town Meeting October 26, 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary Parish Center, 106 E. Madison. Many people are concerned when efforts are put into projects that there will be no follow-up. I can assure you that you will get feedback and for those interested, there will be an opportunity for people to participate in the ongoing program. Please help us plan for the evening by contacting the Community Resource Center, 428-7722, by October 20. — Dianne Schwab, CRC Director

Parenting in the 90s

The Community Resource Center has scheduled two "Reducing the Risks: Effective Parenting for the 90s" workshops in October at Emanuel United Church of Christ. The first workshop will begin October 11, 7-9:00 p.m. and an afternoon class on October 16, 1-3:00 p.m. What is the focus of the workshops? The series is intended to be a practical, interactive, hands-on program, yet solid in content. A variety of sources have been used to develop the content of this workshop series with the major portion of the material drawn from the work of H. Stephen Glenn. Dr. Glenn is a noted family psychologist and a family life and prevention specialist. Participants receive a workbook that offers readings and resources used in the workshop and at home. The goal of the workshops is to teach the basics of what parents need to know to effectively parent for prevention and give them a support network for acting on this knowledge. Cost of the five week series workshop is \$15 per person, second family member \$10. To express your interest as a participant in parenting workshops, please contact the Community Resource Center, 428-7722. — Dianne Schwab, CRC Director

Criminal Justice Careers Focus 5: Corrections Officer

A Day in the Life of a Michigan Corrections Officer — by Stuart Henry

Working inside a prison as a corrections officer can be very dangerous. Prisons can be very boring and yet sometimes can be filled with more action than anyone ever wanted. The corrections officer fills many different duties, everything from big brother to the cop on the beat; he or she may assume the role of prosecutor, defense attorney, judge and jury when disciplining a prisoner.

The corrections officer operates computerized cell locking systems, prevents escapes, and transports injured or ill prisoners to hospitals. Perhaps the best way to illustrate the corrections officer's duties is to describe a typical day. Your day will normally begin with a very short chat with the officers you are relieving at the end of their shift. They will tell you who has certain restrictions or who may become a problem throughout the day. They will also inform you of any changes in your normal operations, which are frequent in corrections.

You will then probably start your shift by taking a count to see who is inside your cell block, and to determine where those who are not there have gone. This is a safeguard, not only for you, but for the people who pay your salary — the general public who are always threatened and often harmed when a prisoner escapes. You begin to fill out some of the daily reports and call in your count to an officer who is responsible for the daily control of all activities within the prison. Daily activities begin.

After meals are completed prisoners are normally locked in their cells and another count is taken. Once all prisoners

are accounted for they are released a second time for work and school assignments or for recreational activities. Prisoner work assignments are normally those associated with the service industries (janitorial and food preparation); although there are some factory assignments inside prisons, these are often very scarce jobs for which prisoners compete. Various counts and checks are made throughout the day to ensure that the prison operates normally, i.e. without disruptions and incidents.

It is the norm that the daily duties are well-organized. However, there are those infrequent instances where any amount of planning could not have averted an incident. Escapes, stabbings, assaults on staff, fights between prisoners, and rapes do occur within a prison. These incidents, even though much more infrequent than their presentation in the media would indicate, are part of the reality of prison life. It is your duty to recognize these in the early stages and react as quickly as you possibly can to avoid any harm to yourself, your fellow staff members, and any prisoner who may fall victim to one of these violent acts.

Your work day will normally be filled with much less severe confrontation than those I have mentioned. It will be common for you to run into a prisoner who does not want to be locked into his cell or the prisoner who does not want to be transferred to a new prison. It is here that your academy skills will come into play. You will defuse situations easier as your time inside the prison increases. The more situations you are

involved in, the greater your knowledge of what works to calm a prisoner and what does not.

You will also have to account for tools, chemicals, solvents, and firearms during your daily duty. You will search prisoners and prisoners' rooms in attempts to find prison-made weapons or other

contraband. You will write reports and make log entries, describing your routine and unusual duties throughout the day.

To be a corrections officer you must be flexible and be able to shake off your work duties at the end of the shift. If not, you will find that the job will eat you alive. Prisoners will get away with rule infractions, just as criminals in the street get away with some crimes. All you can hope for is that you catch the major ones and do not allow a majority of minor rule infractions get past your authority.

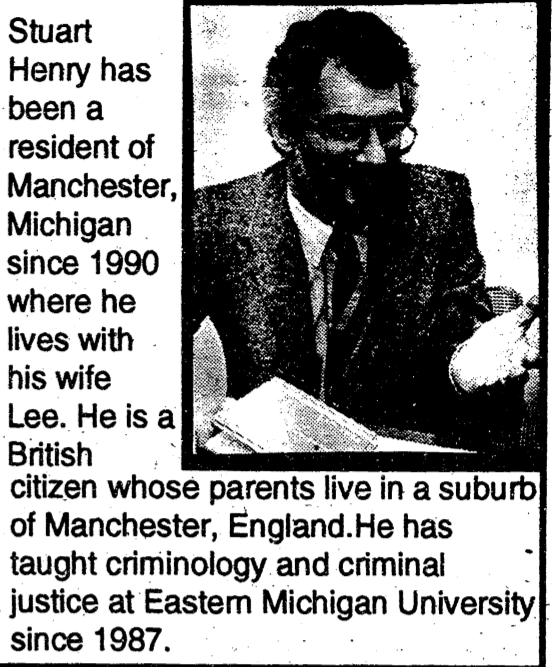
You must also be willing to learn new cultures, some of them foreign. You will come into contact with people who do not read or write, people who do not know their fathers, people who have killed their fathers, and people who have committed crimes and acts so heinous

to carry out the laws of the people of your state, not your own personal agenda or beliefs.

Excerpted from: D.J. Culkar, "The Reluctant Profession: Being and Becoming a Corrections Officer", in Stuart Henry's, *Inside Jobs: A Guide to Criminal Justice Careers for College Graduates*, Salem, WI: Sheffield Publishing, 1994, pp. 103-109.

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that they do not deserve to live. This is where you use the tools from your education and corrections academy. You have a job to do and that job is not to be the punisher for society, but the keeper of the punished for society. It is your job



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— by Ann Fowler

October Means Halloween

The older readers will enjoy *The Blue-Nosed Witch*, Embry; *Ghosts and Goblins*, Harper; *Doris and the Halloween Plot*, Coomb; and many others in the "J" (Junior) section of our Library.

October's important day for many children is the 31st — Halloween! Many families visit the library for assistance in celebrating the holiday. Director Dorothy Davies has assembled a special collection.

COSTUMES
Our library collection includes *Easy Halloween Costumes for Children*, Abala; *Making Costumes for Parties*, Gilbreath; *The Little Witches Black Magic Book of Disguises*, Glovach; *Easy Costumes You Don't Have to Sew*, Chernoff; and many more books with costume ideas.

PARTIES AND TREATS
The Great Halloween Book, Walker; *How to Haunt a House for Halloween*, Freidhoffer; *Children's Parties*, Hollest, are among books available to assist in planning Halloween parties. An interesting background, the record, *Chilling, Thrilling Sound of the Haunted House* is very popular.

TRICK OR TREAT
"Trick or treat" has two meanings. Some people say that to earn a treat, the young people should perform - do magic tricks, sing a song, recite a poem, etc. Others believe that if a homeowner refuses to give a treat, a trick (such as soaping windows) will be played on the house. In any case, our Library has collections of poems, riddles, and magic tricks as well as many cookbooks and party planners with recipes for treats.

HALLOWEEN STORIES
The "E" (for Easy) shelves contain many Halloween stories, including *Halloween*, Kessel; *Jenny's Moonlight Adventure*, Averill; and *Grinkles: A Keen Halloween Story*, Collins.

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**Don Giovanni, Ossia Il Dissoluto Punito
(Don Juan, or The Libertine Punished)**

Drama giocoso in two acts by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791), to a libretto by Lorenzo Da Ponte. First performance: Prague, National Theater, 20 October 1787.



The action takes place in Seville. Don Giovanni (baritone), a dissolute knight, has gained entry, wearing a mask, to the house of the Commendatore (bass) in order to seduce the man's daughter, Donna Anna. The father comes running when he hears his daughter's cries, only to be killed in a brief duel with the Don.

Later Don Giovanni has a chance meeting with Donna Elvira (soprano), whom he had seduced and then deserted some time before. To get rid of her, the Don leaves to his servant Leporello the task of revealing to Elvira the true nature of his cynical and dissolute character.

Meanwhile, Don Giovanni falls for a young country woman, Zerlina (soprano). Zerlina is flattered by the knight's attentions and is about to give in to him when Donna Elvira intervenes. This does not stop Zerlina and her fiance Masetto (bass) from taking part in a celebration organized by Don Giovanni.

Three masked figures enter the ballroom: they are Donna Elvira, Donna Anna (who has identified Don Giovanni as her father's killer by the sound of his voice) and her fiance, Don Ottavio (tenor). While the dancing is in progress, Don Giovanni draws Zerlina aside, and she calls for help. The masked trio reveal their identities, confront Don Giovanni with all his misdeeds, and predict that he will soon be punished.

Later still, Don Giovanni, dressed in Leporello's clothes, tries to seduce Donna Elvira's maid. Masetto, who is looking for the Don in order to have revenge on him, catches him in the act but fails to recognize him in Leporello's clothes. Don Giovanni gets rid of the countrymen who have turned up to give Masetto their support, and then beats up the unfortunate Masetto before escaping.

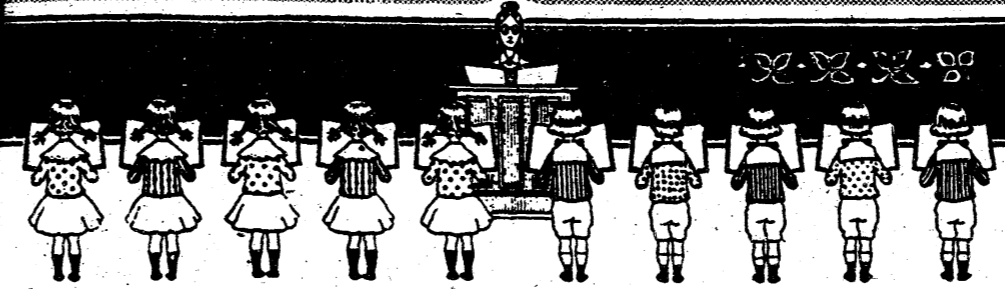
The Don takes refuge in the cemetery where the Commendatore is buried. Here he meets Leporello and, as he is regaling with his latest amorous exploits, he hears a menacing voice coming from the statue of the Commendatore. When Don Giovanni realizes that it is the statue itself that has spoken to him, the fearless reprobate gets Leporello to invite the Commendatore to dinner.

Not long after, during the meal, Donna Elvira rushes into the room in a last attempt to make Don Giovanni repent, but she is greeted with scorn and derision, and she leaves. At the door she runs into the statue of the Commendatore, who has accepted Don Giovanni's invitation to dinner.

The statue invites the Don to repay the visit and offers him his hand. As he takes it, Don Giovanni feels himself turn to ice and, as the statue disappears, an abyss opens and the Don is swallowed up.

Legend has it that Mozart wrote the overture the day before the first performance. The score challenges the structure of a particular operatic genre: *Don Giovanni* cannot be described as an opera buffa, a perfect blend of comic elements with others that are genuinely tragic and are conveyed by dark and realistic music. The complexity of the opera lies in precisely this combination of contrasting ingredients, and it is rightly regarded as one of the great operatic masterpieces.

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NEW PRELIMINARY FLOOR PLANS
for the expansion of Klager Elementary School were presented by TMP Associates architect, Eric Geiser.

The new plans accommodate the need to move the bulk of the expansion to the south side of the existing building. Geiser explained that the soil on this side of the building was stable enough to support the new structure and that all new classrooms would now have immediate access to the outdoors. He assured the school board that the revision of the plan should not cause an increase in building cost, nor should it delay completion of the new addition.

Site work, that is the preparation of the ground and foundation for the new structure, is scheduled to begin on March 25, 1996. Nearly all work will be complete by January 1997. The only area to be completed after that date will be the new media center. This area will need to function as the building cafeteria until the rest of the renovations and additions have been completed.

CHEERLEADERS INVITED TO RETURN TO CITRUS BOWL

Manchester High School Varsity cheerleaders have been invited to return to perform at the Citrus bowl in Florida. Coach Colleen Curley asked the board to support the trip as a school sanctioned event and explained that the girls would be raising funds to offset the cost of the trip.

Trustee, Pat Sahakian who serves as the school board's representative on the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, asked that the group not randomly solicit funds from local businesses. Curley assured the board that this would not happen, and explained that fund raisers would take place during athletic events. She added that the group had already accepted a generous offer of reduced airfare.

The board agreed to make the trip a school sanctioned event and congratulated the team on receiving the invitation.

BOARD MEMBER EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT POLICY ADOPTED

Policy 8500, which sets strict guidelines under which Manchester school board members can obtain reimbursement for expenses incurred while fulfilling their roles, was read for the second time at the September meeting and passed unanimously.

The policy was introduced in response to a state mandate which required all Michigan local school boards to put such a policy in place. While board member expenses had not been a problem for the Manchester district, other Michigan school districts have been expected to pay expensive hotel, travel and

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**September Board Meeting
Topics Include Revised Plans
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— Gini Patak

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR 1995-'96 TO BE DISCUSSED IN OCTOBER
Planning for the coming school year will be a primary topic on the board's October agenda. During the coming weeks, board members will review the goals that were set for the 1994-'95 school year and have invited community members to attend the next regular meeting to provide input on plans for the next year.

The next regular meeting of the Manchester Board of Education is at 7:30 PM on October 16, 1995. Meetings are held in the MHS media center. For more information, call the board offices at 428-9711.

Gini Patak is a free-lance writer and desktop publisher who specializes in business to business communications. She has a long-standing interest in education-related issues.

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A Monthly Chronicle of Life

You Are Always Invited to send us your photos and captions so they may be included in *A Monthly Chronicle*.

For over a decade, the Manchester Optimist Club and Chamber of Commerce throw a picnic lunch for everyone working in the school system. Back on August 25th, our bus drivers, teachers, custodians, assistants, principals, staff and a school board member took their lunch break at Carr Park.

Dawna Stockwell prepared sloppy joes, coleslaw, baked beans and a variety of condiments for close to 100 people.

The afternoon was perfect with blue skies and a balmy breeze. Len and

Lucy Bruner made a colorful "Welcome Back" banner and the Optimist volunteers helped Dawna with the set-up.

Club president Jeff Wallace thanked everyone for their dedication and service to our children. Supt. Ron Niedzwiecki added words of encouragement, and trustee Pat Sahakian thanked the Optimists and Chamber for the lunch

Annual School Appreciation Picnic



Above: Left, Manchester School District Superintendent Ron Niedzwiecki and, right, Optimist president Jeff Wallace.

Photo courtesy of Optimist Club

and offered a warm welcome to the new employees. This year, there was a bumper crop of new faces.

It was delightful to dine with such a lively crew. Plenty of jokes and stories, memories and introductions. The picnic lasted about an hour and in the best Manchester tradition, everyone helped with the cleanup. — Bill Kwolek

P.A.S.S., a parent support group invited school staff to their meeting of September 13. Supt. Niedzwiecki attended as did Bill Kindt.

P.A.S.S. stands for Positive Accommodations Stimulate Success. The group is working to promote a team approach in schools by helping to build partnerships among teachers, parents and students. The group helps parents, teachers and administration staff to understand more about learning disabilities, including ADD, Attention

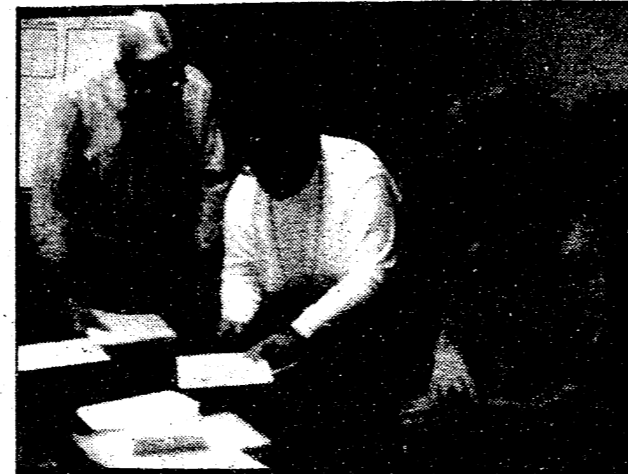
Deficit Disorder. They meet each Wednesday, at 7:00 in the Klager gym. Phone 428-0738 for information (leave a message.)

Pictured right: Some of Mary Ridenour's dolls for sale in her "Mommy I Need That" Shoppe now open in the lower level of the Mill.



Sharon House Bed and Breakfast Okayed

Manchester's first Bed and Breakfast was given final approval at the Manchester Township Planning Commission meeting on September 26. Right: Owners CARL and SHARON CURTIS sign the Conditional Use permit for Sharon House Bed and Breakfast of Manchester, located on Sharon Hollow Road just south of West Austin Road. Also pictured, Bob Kellum, planning commission chairman.



Sharon House, an historic Victorian home which Carl and Sharon have furnished with beautiful antiques, will offer its guests overnight lodging in a congenial home setting. The first room will be available this fall with up to four guest rooms ready as finishing touches are completed.

Carl and Sharon hosted last year's Historical Society Christmas party in their lovely home. — photo by Kathy Kueffner

Right: Jeannette Branch, representing Manchester High School Key Club requested permission for the annual children's Halloween costume judging contest at the Gazebo to be held in conjunction with trick-or-treating in the village. Council determined trick-or-treating would be October 31st from 5-7:00 in the evening and permission was granted to the Key Club for their contest to begin shortly after 7:00. Also pictured, Sgt. Jerry Haensler.



Sheriff's Report: Sgt. Haensler said his department is aware of some gang activity in town, with four members identified. Curfew continues to be enforced with tickets issued to youths under age 17 on weekdays after 10:30 p.m. and weekends after 12 midnight.) There was a fight at the high school on the 12th and Deputy Kevin Deacons became acting principal for a couple of hours in the absence of interim principal John Korican.



Village council members deliberate a request for a variance.

Council president Becktel noted that twenty-three percent of all traffic violations for the year were issued on MIS race weekends in August.

Zoning Board of Appeals: Manchester Hotel owner Tom Ellis requested a variance reducing required parking spaces. The village planning commission recommended allowing eight spaces, each 9x18 instead of 10x20. Council members were concerned about measurements on site plan drawings not being specific enough.

"We're at the mercy of those who make the recommendations," said Jeff Shafer.

Following the motion and support, Vooght and Brooks voted yes, Shafer, Becktel, Marshall and Taepke voted no. Council requested Ellis to include more specific information at the next hearing.

Manchester Men's Club treasurer Bob Rhees says, "They're done!" The pavilions at Chi-Bro and Kirk Parks received their final coat of varnish, and a drinking fountain was installed at the Chi-Bro location, completing yet two more Men's Club ongoing community projects. "Our next fund-raiser will be the Second Annual Chili Cookoff," Bob told me. Watch for posters around town announcing date and place.



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I took the photo but it was Rita Burkhardt who went up to these people and asked them what they were doing. "Making a movie," they said. No, not *Carrier II*, but something they think will be called *Happy Hour*. And, supposedly, the gentleman in the hat is not Shaky Jake of Ann Arbor.

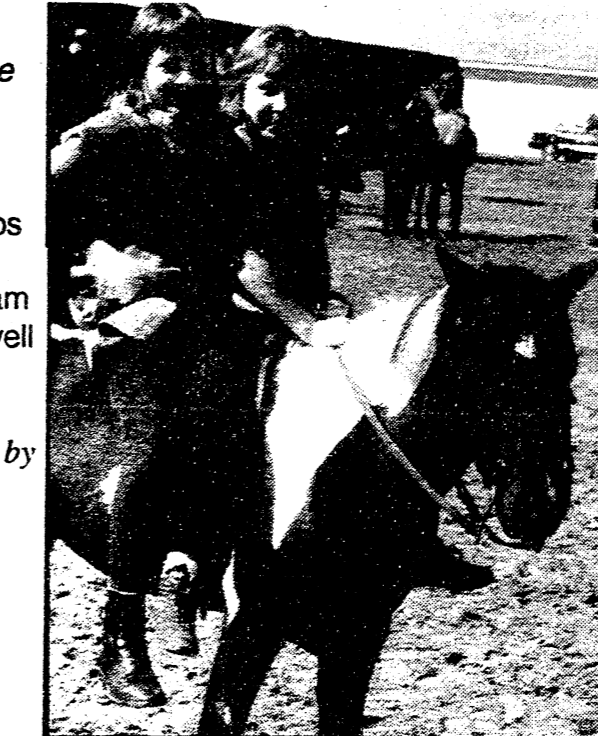
GOOD LUCK, MANCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL EQUESTRIAN TEAM

Right: Manchester High School sophomore Sarah Patak takes "Harley Davidson" over a jump at equestrian competition in Belleville.



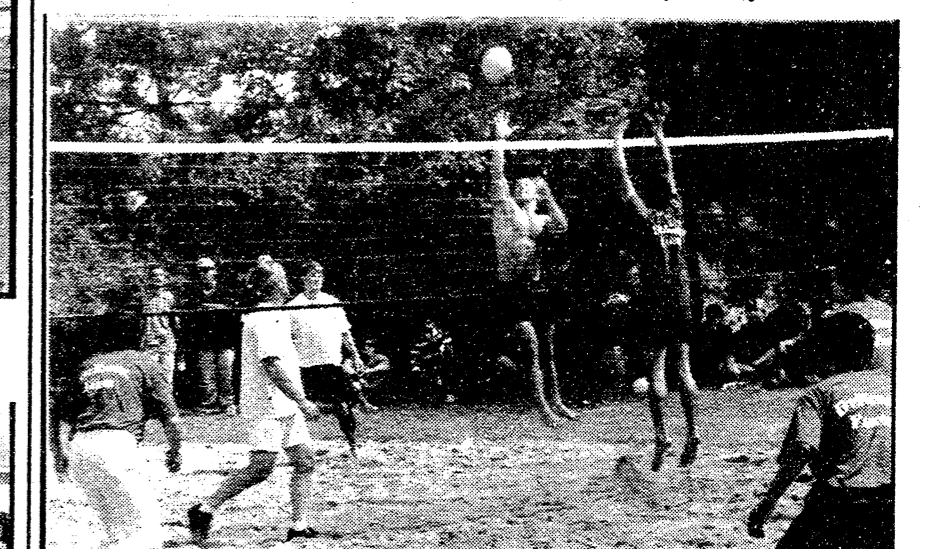
Below right: Future equestrian team members on a pony named "Dynamite", in the front Ashley Sheats, and behind her is Megan Kanta. Next month *The Chronicle* will have the team photo and individual photos of MHS Equestrian Team members, as well as competition results.

— Photos by Kathy Kueffner



Volleyball Action

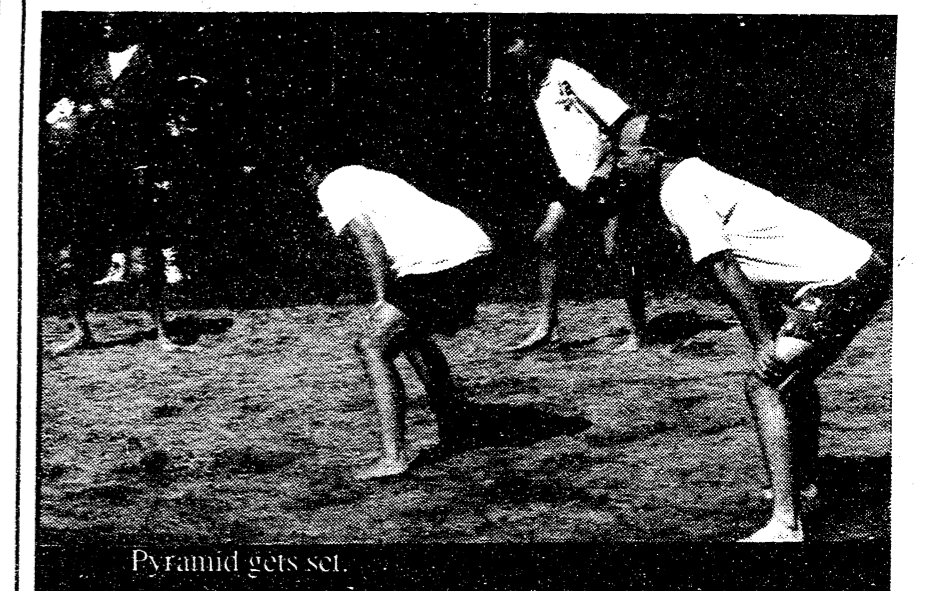
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NO FEAR Above: Rita Burkhardt polishes the window, overlooking the River Raisin, at her new shop, *Burk's Antiques*, in the lower level of the Mill. Rita says, "Come see the best view in town out my shop window."

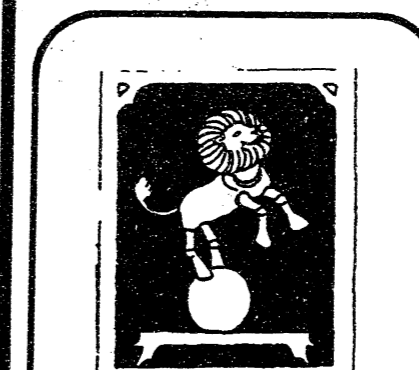


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Greetings Good Friends,
The last month has been a very busy one with some guests, along with Mom and me on a quest to explore this area.

We finally went to the ERTL Replica Toy Company (where my brother-in-law Peter worked until retirement) and toured their factory. This day we again visited the "Field of Dreams" movie site — I guess the haunting movie saying "If you build it, they will come" is mysteriously true. I sit on the third base line watching a four-year old receive pitches from his father; he swings and misses. Dad pitches gain; whack a liner at me. I wonder is this now or...

My neighbor who has a speed boat called to ask me if I'd like to go for a ride. Of course! Off we went to the mighty Mississippi river as thoughts ran through my mind about my last speed boat thrill when we hit a wave and I almost became a permanent resident IN Lake Minnetonka, Minnesota. Everything went smoothly and I had an incredible afternoon.

We also saw "Live, the Lippizaner Stallions" performance. They are a rare white breed of horses so strong they jump up on two legs then all four legs kick in the air. Amazing!

Until next month, Jon & Mae



Mom and I at Pike's Peak Park, Iowa. The Mississippi river is way down below.

In Manchester Township

— by Sybil Kolon

I've lived in the Raisin Valley for nearly twenty years, but my roots here go back to before I was born. My grandparents retired to the Irish Hills in southwest Manchester Township in 1948.

It was the old Sutton place with Iron Creek wrapped around it. They raised sheep on these sandy hills for over one hundred years. My grandfather farmed it for fifteen. It's been going back to woods now for thirty years.

My first memories of the area are from the late fifties. To me it was a wilderness. I would wander the woods with my dog, sometimes getting lost for a while, but always finding my way back. It was a far cry from the true wilderness found here by European settlers in the 1820's. Imagine what it was like then, when the River Raisin was the first transportation corridor, and made settlement possible.

To put it in perspective, think back nearly fifty years, when my grandfather, who was still involved with his electrical contracting business in Detroit, paid to have a phone line put in from US-12 to his house, three-and-a-half miles away. The understanding was that he would be reimbursed much of the expense when other houses were connected.

One day a linesman climbed the pole, preparing to connect neighbors to the network. My grandfather, in his heavy Polish accent, insisted on an agreement first. Over the next several months he chased away other linesmen with his shotgun in hand. Eventually a deal was made.

The process of settlement is never really complete. My grandfather was a pioneer of his day. We are each pioneers in some way. We leave our mark on the community and the land. We affect the future. We are making history right now.

There are thousands of such stories. If we don't tell the stories, old and new, part of history is lost, along with an appreciation of the value of what we have inherited.

Imagine the native peoples who lived on this land for thousands of years before "we" showed up. Imagine the stories behind the building of the first roads, one hundred and fifty years ago. Imagine living without electricity, much less telephone service, during those long winters.

The toil and innovation of predecessors made possible the industrial and technological advances on which we now rely. We have inherited an altered landscape, and we continue to alter it. That is the way it has always been. It's called progress.

Did our forefathers and mothers ever imagine how far away from the land progress would take us, to the point where the only contact with nature is the drive to and from our rural homes? Even that is in jeopardy as development continues to convert forests, wetlands and fields into houses, lawns and swimming pools.

Some day progress may not be measured by numbers of buildings and miles of roads, but by how many acres of natural land and how many old farmsteads we have saved to ensure that we don't forget our connection to the land and to history.

Our survival depends on it.

Sybil writes for the Raisin Valley Land Trust which meets the first Wednesday of the Month at the Blacksmith Shop. Their next meeting is October 4th.

The Raisin Valley Land Trust is dedicated to preserving natural areas (wetlands, open water, wildlife habitat) historical structures, active farmland and scenic roads that contribute to and enhance the rural nature of communities in and around the River Raisin Watershed; and to promote public awareness of these natural and historical features.

The Raisin Valley Land Trust is hosting a Fall Walk in Heritage Park in Adrian on Saturday, October 14 at noon. Bring a lunch and join members and friends. Call Sybil at (313) 428-8108 for more details or information.



What they said about the trip to the Monet Exhibit at the Chicago Institute of Arts with the Manchester Chronicle Travel Club:

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Pictured: The impressive entrance to the Chicago Institute of Arts.
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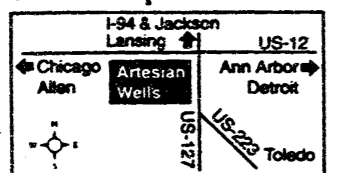
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TRAVEL with John & Patricia Danovich

STRATFORD... A City Of Varied Pleasures

STRATFORD, ONTARIO has become world famous for its Stratford Festival (see accompanying article) but it is also a wonderful place to visit, a small town jewel set in the pristine Canadian countryside. It is a community of friendly people who have opened up their homes and their hearts to the thousands of foreign and Canadian visitors who return each year to experience outstanding theatre, shopping and dining.

Pat and I departed on a beautiful Thursday morning, traveling to Stratford to preview three plays and scout out lodgings, dining, sightseeing and shopping possibilities for a future trip for the Travel Club.

Upon arriving in Stratford our first stop was the Visitors Information Centre on York Street and Erie. The friendly hostess provided us with a free parking pass which enabled us to park free at any one of the city's metered parking places. She also assisted us in finding lodging for our stay. We chose the Victorian Inn which was within walking distance of the *Gallery Stratford* and the *Stratford Festival* grounds. She also made reservations for a few of the restaurants we wanted to visit. We got a copy of the *Stratford Festival Visitors' Guide* (invaluable) and many brochures of events and attractions to help plan our visit.

After that long drive, we decided to take a walk along the nearby, beautiful Avon River (Lake Victoria) where we paused to take pictures of the graceful swans floating near the shore.

The walkway along the river led to the Festival Theatre where we picked up our tickets for the afternoon and evening performances. The Festival grounds were awash in beautiful flower gardens and colorful pennants flying atop the Festival Theatre.



We walked back to the downtown area and spent a few hours shopping the delightful shops along Ontario St., and then proceeded to the Queen's Inn to check out the rooms in this beautifully restored hotel. After the inspection we decided to have dinner at *Restaurant Soltar*, the Inn's restaurant which featured a Santa Fe menu and atmosphere.

That evening we attended an outstanding performance of the Restoration comedy, *The Country Wife*. After the performance we capped the evening with dessert at the lovely *Church Restaurant*. This excellent restaurant offers Prix Fixe dinners in a beautifully restored church building.

Friday morning we ventured to the little hamlet of Shakespeare, which is located about 7 miles east of Stratford to do some antiques in the many quaint antique shops located in the center of this small community. We ended our shopping with a late morning tea at *Harry Ten Shilling*, a wonderful tea and gift shop located in the historic "Union Hotel", circa 1850. Pat and I split a wonderful ham and cheese quiche and a Devon Cream Tea - warm scones served with Greaves pure jam, thick Devon Cream and Boston Harbor tea.

That afternoon we enjoyed the matinee performance of Shakespeare's *Merry Wives of Windsor*. After a short rest at our hotel we returned to downtown Stratford where we inspected the *Bentley's Inn*, a small hotel with 13 beautiful suites, decorated with period furnishings, original drawings, paintings and Festival costume sketches. We had fish & chips at *Bentley's Bar & Restaurant* and proceeded to the Avon Theatre where we thoroughly enjoyed Gilbert & Sullivan's *The Gondoliers*.

Saturday morning we returned to the shopping center of town and enjoyed a bountiful breakfast at the *Garden Grove* on Market Place. An hour more of shopping and we were on our way home. We look forward to a return visit.

Note: Stratford will hold its 4th annual *Christmas at Stratford Festival* December 1-3, 1995. It's a delightful weekend of feasting, dancing, and concerts with a B & B Christmas House Tour. Call 1-800-561 SWAN for information.

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It somehow seems inevitable that a town named after the English poet's birthplace (with the Avon River flowing through it, no less) would someday be the home of the Stratford Shakespearean Festival, even though it is located amid the prosperous farmlands of Southwestern Ontario. Although the focus of the Festival is still the classical works of Shakespeare, it now includes many other famous plays and even Broadway musicals and Gilbert and Sullivan productions.

The Festival Theatre itself is set above the banks of the Avon River with a view of the beautifully kept parks and picnic areas. It consists of a thrust stage surrounded by a steeply sloped amphitheatre patterned after the classical Greek theatre at Epidaurus. The acoustics are wonderful and no spectator is more than 65 feet from the stage.

Fall, with its coat of many colors, is a great time to visit Stratford. Although the Festival is not showing its full complement of plays, the roster includes many exciting theatre events through the end of October. Included are *Amadeus*, *The Boyfriend*, *Macbeth*, *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, *The Gondoliers*, and *The Country Wife*.

John and I saw Shakespeare's *The Merry Wives of Windsor* and William Wycherley's *The Country Wife*. Both are comedies on the themes of jealousy, possessiveness, infidelities and deceptions-rollicking farces on the pitfalls and virtues of married life. The third play we saw was (my favorite) *The Gondoliers* by Gilbert and Sullivan. Though we were familiar with some of the songs from their operettas, we had never actually seen a Gilbert and Sullivan production. I found it to be a delightful evening of music, theatre, dance and even current political commentary (with a slightly Canadian slant).

It is best to book theatre tickets and accommodations as early as possible. Now that summer vacation is over, it is not so critical to reserve ahead though.

Stratford boasts a variety of accommodations, from motels and hotels with complete facilities, including swimming pools, to bed and breakfasts and even rooms in private homes which people rent out for the theatre season. The first time we went to Stratford we stayed in a guest home on a quiet side street. We were given a clean and pleasant third floor room with a shared bath. We never did see the person we shared with. It is a very economical way to go.

The Stratford Festival office makes all of this easy for you. With one phone call they will arrange theatre tickets and the accommodations of your choice. Just call 1-800-567-1600. Office hours are Mon.-Sat., 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. or Sun., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Box office service is available after hours by leaving a message on their voice mail system.

Tuesdays at the Festival Theatre you may purchase two tickets for the price of one. If you qualify, there are also student and senior (65 plus) tickets available for certain performances at deep discounts.

Now that the heat and crowds of summer are gone, it is the perfect time to visit the Stratford Festival. For quality theatre offering the best in intellectual stimulation and entertainment, it is hard to beat.

TRAVEL BITS.....

The Manchester Travel Club invites you to spend a romantic evening with us on Saturday, May 25, 1996 to experience one of the most popular events on American Theatre history. We have reserved 45 of the best seats in the house for the critically acclaimed *Phantom of the Opera* at the beautiful Wharton Center for the Performing Arts in East Lansing. This is the same company that has played major cities like Chicago, Philadelphia and Detroit. The cost is \$119 per person and includes reserved, main floor, center section seating, round trip non-smoking bus and a buffet dinner at one of East Lansing's most popular restaurants. Please call (313) 428-1633 to reserve your spot.



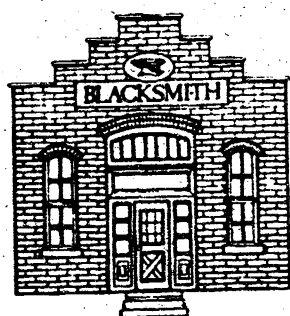
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Putting Contest finalists (left) Ron Vandeven and Mike Wurster. Mike took home the prize.

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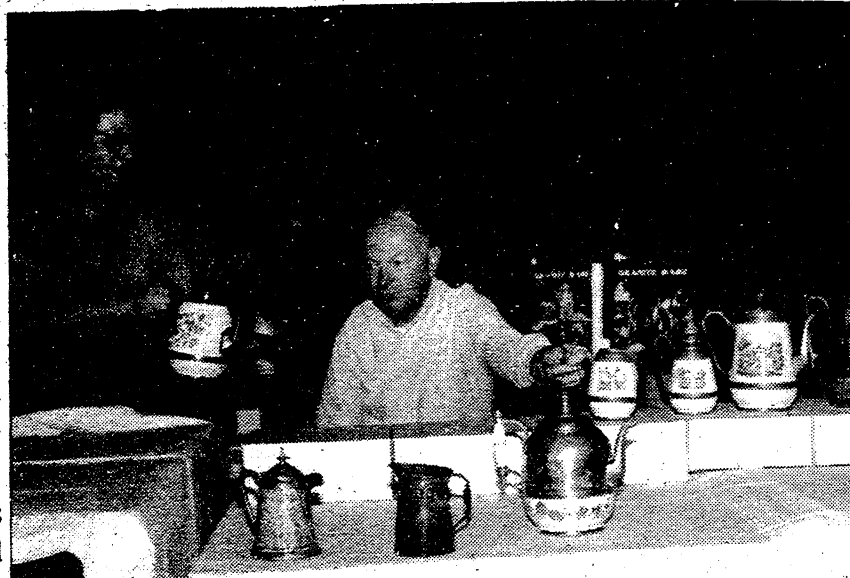
THE MANCHESTER AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY met at the Blacksmith Shop on Tuesday, September 19, 1995.

Loring and Linda Ebersole presented a program on graniteware. They brought a variety of coffee and teapots dating between 1878 and 1899.

Early graniteware was grey. Chemists in England developed a formula for "Britannia", or white metal. They brought it with them when they came to the United States. This metal resembles pewter, but is much harder and does not dent as easily. Sometimes it is nickel- or silver-plated and is shiny.

Pearl white agateware was developed next. Creamers, sugars, and syrup pitchers were also made of this material. It is heavy. Most pieces have scenes, flowers, or birds on the sides. A process called "decalcomania" was used to put them on the pots.

Tinted agateware was next with fancier designs and more colors. Many of the pots had fancy handles, spouts, and lids. One series featured spouts shaped like the torch of the Statue of Liberty.



Linda and Loring Ebersole gave a fascinating program about graniteware, relating the history and showing examples — from the mottled or splatter patterns to the elegant pearl agate to fancier designs and colorful tinted ware. Much of the information about graniteware came from Loring's mother who did extensive research for over 10 years. — photo by Kathy Kueffner

Pots came in a variety of shapes and sizes from tall, straight-sided pots to small, squatty ones. Some were oval shaped.

These pots were popular for about forty years, between pewter and sterling silver or silver plating. These pots should never be placed directly on a stove.

The next meeting of the Manchester Area Historical Society will be held on Tuesday, October 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the Blacksmith Shop. The program will be a show and tell. The public is invited. Please bring an item and tell us about it.

— Betty Cummings, Secretary MAHS

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