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is a controversy within the school system, the superintendent of schools does not know where the staff stands?

Our questions 5) and 6) were, "Who made this policy on early childhood development? Who enforces it? And, Who is allowed to grandfather a teacher and under what circumstances are they allowed to do so? Niedzwiecki's response: "The State of Michigan through legislation, establishes laws on teacher certification. The Michigan Department of Education enforces these laws. North Central Association of Colleges and Schools establishes and enforces their standards. The State of Michigan through legislation may grandfather teachers if deemed appropriate in response to a change in the law."

Because there are evidently several of our K-2nd grade teachers who do not currently have the ZA endorsement, and it has been brought to our attention that the cost of obtaining this additional education could be high, we asked, "7) Is it a policy of Manchester Community Schools to pay for our educators to get additional schooling?" Niedzwiecki responded, "The Manchester Community Schools encourage teachers and all staff to continue their education through college courses, workshops, conferences, and continuing education programs. Pre-approved workshops and conferences are paid for by the district. Teachers qualifying under the terms of the Master Agreement receive a level of reimbursement for courses taken to maintain or improve the teacher's ability in his/her assigned area. The salary schedule for teachers reflect credit for advanced course work with the salary scale for a Masters +15 credit hours and Masters +30 credit hours." Thus, although this

question was not answered directly, it seems that pursuing a ZA endorsement would fall under the category of "courses taken to maintain or improve the teacher's ability in his/her assigned area."

We asked Lindy Buch to address the issue of kindergarten workbooks copyrighted 1971. Many of our correspondents have noted that the ABCs are still the same as they were 25 years ago. This is true. But Buch pointed out that the current thinking is reflected that children's developmental levels at this age are not ready for the structure inherent in workbooks of any kind. A position statement by the National Association for the Education of Young Children on Good Teaching Practices for Older pre-schoolers and kindergartners considers, "Workbooks, ditto sheets, flash cards, and other similarly structured abstract materials dominating the curriculum" to be an "inappropriate practice."

The Standards of Quality, under the heading of "Accountability" states (Standard B.1) that, "Quality early childhood education programs are accountable for their policies and practices. All children are to have equal access to the program...Screening, if needed, is used for planning instruction and special services, not for exclusion from the program or placement in extra year programs." Criterion B.1.1. states, "Early childhood education programs are ready for the children, rather than expecting the children to be ready for the program." The Quality indicators conclude, "Entrances into school are based upon chronological age; children should not be excluded from school or placed in extra year programs on the basis of special needs, delayed cognitive, gross or fine motor, home language, social and

emotional development assessment...Decisions on student progress are never defined by an arbitrary set of criteria." Dr. Buch added that, "Teachers today need to adapt to the children they have in the classroom, not make the children adapt to their way of teaching. It is a teacher's responsibility to get the children to learn how to learn."

Over the years parents have expressed their concern whether their children were ready for kindergarten. Some have chosen to send their "young fives" to the pre-kindergarten program at Pleasant Lake to further prepare them for the kindergarten program. Others enrolled their children at the recommendation

of the teachers when the child seemed to be unhappy after their first few weeks of kindergarten. For many children developmental kindergarten has been an excellent experience. Yet some of the children who have been prepared in this way have still struggled in kindergarten. Other children who have attended preschool programs or had excellent, nurturing home environments, have also had a difficult time.

It is unlikely that all of this information will sway many people to a different way of thinking. That is not its purpose. Rather, the Enterprise staff hopes that by informing the community about the issues and receiving a broad range of answers to the questions

we posed will help to better educate parents and community members about the issues facing all of us in today's educational environment. It is also our hope that this knowledge will help strengthen the communication between the schools and the families. The Standards of Quality encourage a collaboration between families, community, and the schools to "determine the nature, scope and direction of the early childhood program, and in the evaluation of program responsiveness..." to their needs. Please continue to address your concerns about our children's education to teachers, staff, administrators, and school board members.

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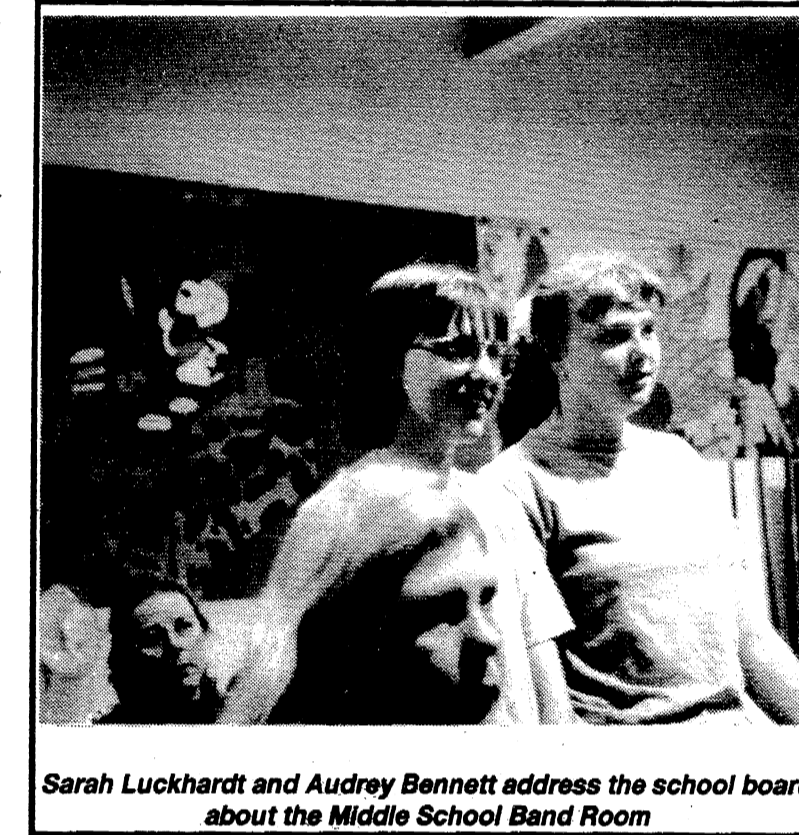
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School Board Hears the Public Speak

At Monday night's Board of Education meeting several executive decisions were made but the majority of the meeting's agenda revolved around public participation. An audience of about 40 students, parents, citizens, teachers and support staff members were in attendance to ask questions of the board as the new school year began.

The agenda flowed quickly at first and then led into the public participation forum of the meeting. First recognized was Becky Doyle, president of the Manchester Band Boosters. Her request was that the board consider some of the problems which had been brought to her attention regarding the Middle School band room. "During the seventh and eighth grade band period, this room holds 81 students and their instruments; both of which we consider very valuable. This room is hot and humid and the kids are barely able to fit in there; add to that the very warm days we have had and it is not a good atmosphere for making music."

She introduced two eighth grade band members, Audrey Bennett and Sarah Luckhardt. The girls presented the Board with a petition signed by 196 people, including 68 adults. The petition indicated that since it was their understanding that air conditioning had been okayed for the band room, but never



Sarah Luckhardt and Audrey Bennett address the school board about the Middle School Band Room

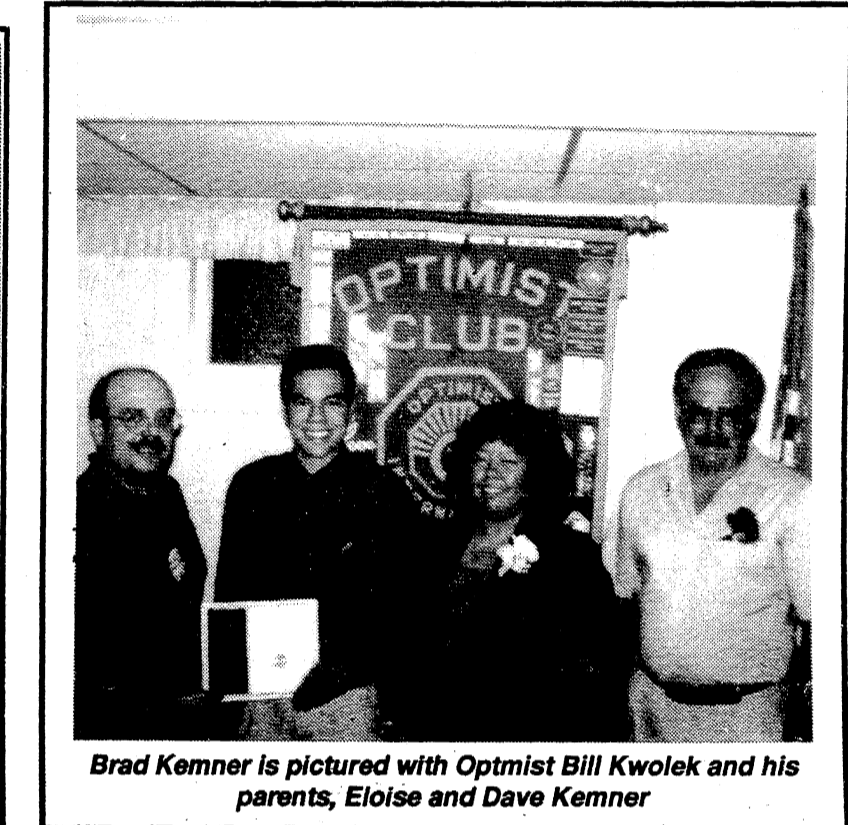
installed, that the signers would like to request that the board remedy the matter.

The girls received a round of applause for their participation. Board member Marilyn Knouase questioned director Jared Throneberry exactly how he fit 81 students in the room. Throneberry replied that there wasn't much elbow room, but they were managing. Sarah Luckhardt said that in the flute section they had to sit sideways to fit.

Members of the audience questioned why the air conditioning had never been installed if it had been planned. Niedzwiecki responded that it had not, in fact, been okayed by the board but that there had been a discussion of its feasibility. There was currently a recommendation for a classroom unit as it was his understanding that they could not tap any more classrooms into the existing unit, due to the capacity of the unit as well as architectural design.

Niedzwiecki would not commit to any improvements in the band room at this time but indicated that this would be taken under advisement. "We will be costing out different options." A question from the audience was directed to Mr. Tom George, Middle School Principal, as to what is being done currently to alleviate the problem. He indicated that there are four or five fans in the room.

Optimist Student of the Month



Brad Kemner is pictured with Optimist Bill Kwolek and his parents, Eloise and Dave Kemner

Brad Kemner, a senior at Manchester High School, has been named June's "Student of the Month" by the Manchester Optimist Club. Brad is the son of David and Eloise Kemner of Manchester.

Brad is very active in the community as well as in the school. He has been on the Honor Roll for three years, and is a member of the National Honor Society. A member of the Quiz Bowl for three years, he was also voted most valuable member of the Equations Team. Golf, Cross Country and Track are his athletic pursuits. Brad has also held many leading roles in the Drama Club presentations.

Outside of school, Brad's time includes Boy Scouts and the Emanuel UCC Youth Group. Brad's future plans are to attend college.

JV's Out-Jive The Jayhawks
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Doug Parr Supervisor
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Karen Weidmayer, Clerk
13360 E. Austin
428-8641

Planning Commission
2nd Monday 7:30
Township Board meeting
3rd Wednesday, 7:30

Freedom Township
Town Hall 428-7545
11508 Pleasant Lk. Rd.
Robert Little Supervisor
Julie Schaible, Clerk
13785 Pleasant Lk.
428-7241

Township meeting
2nd Tuesday 8:00
Planning Commission
meets on First Tuesday
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Manchester Township
Town Hall 428-7090
Ron Mann Supervisor
275 S. Macomb
Kathleen Hakes, Clerk
Township meeting
2nd Monday 8:00
Planning Commission
4th Tuesday

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Supervisor John Savage
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Duane Haselschwerdt, clerk
428-7733, 428-7591
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Township Meeting
1st Thursday 8:00
Planning Commission
2d or 3d Thursday

Manchester Board of Education
Paul Kluwe, President
Meetings
3d Monday 7:30
M.H.S. Media Center
Superintendent - Ron
Niedzwicki 428-9711
Village of Manchester
Larry Becktel, President
Jeff Wallace, Manager
428-7877
Village Council Meets
1st & 3d Monday, 7:00
Planning Commission
2nd Tuesday after the first
Monday, 7:00 PM

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Monday
1st Monday: Manchester Township Library Board meets 7:30 pm.
1st Monday: Manchester Masonic Lodge, business meeting 7:30
1st & 3rd Monday: Manchester Village Council, 7:00
2nd Monday: Bridgewater Township Planning Commission meets 7:30
2nd Monday: Manchester Knights of Columbus meets 8:00 PM. Ed Barnard, Grand Knight
2nd Monday: Manchester Township Board meets 8:00
2nd & 4th Mondays: Manchester Optimist Club
3rd Monday: School Board meets MHS Media Center 7:30
3rd Monday: United Way Board Meetings, 7:30 at First of America Bank

Tuesday
2nd Tuesday: Freedom Township board meets 8:00
2nd Tuesday after 1st Monday: Village Planning Commission

Wednesday
1st Wednesday: Raisin Valley Land Trust, at the Blacksmith Shop, 7:30 PM
1st Wednesday: Veterans of Foreign Wars, 7:30 pm

Thursday
1st Thursday: Sharon Township Board meets 8:00
1st Thursday: American Legion Post #117, meets 7:30
2nd or 3rd Thursday: Sharon Township Planning Commission
3rd Thursday: Cub Scout Pack Meeting, 7:00 pm
4th Thursday: Community Resource Center Board, 7:30
Every Thursday: Community Band - 7:30 PM
Every Thursday: AWANA 6:30-8:30 for kids ages 4-6th grade at Community Bible Church

Friday
Every Friday: AA meetings 7:00 PM At Emanuel Church Kitchen. All are welcome; for more information call Church office 428-8359

Notices
1st & 3rd Saturdays: Manchester Kiwanis meets at Whistle Stop, 7:30 AM Breakfast; 8:00 AM Business meeting

2nd Wednesday: American Legion Auxiliary 7:30 PM
2nd Wednesday: Manchester Recreation Task Force, 7:30 at Blacksmith Shop
3rd Wednesday: Manchester Men's Club 7:30 PM
3rd Wednesday, WIC Program, 9:30-3:00 Senior Citizens Bldg.
3rd Wednesday: Bridgewater Township Board, 7:30 PM
4th Wednesday: Manchester Township Fire Department meeting, 7:30 PM

2nd Tuesday: Manchester Area Senior Citizens, 9:30 am
2nd Tuesday: 20th Century Club, 7:30 pm.
2nd & 4th Tuesdays: Shakespeare Club, 2:00 & 4:00
3rd Tuesday: Manchester Historical Society, 7:30 at Blacksmith Shop
4th Tuesday: La Leche League 10:00 am call 428-8831 for location and info.
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4th Tuesday: Manchester Township Planning Commission
Every Tuesday: Boot Stompers meet at Emanuel Church 7-9 PM
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The Second Front Page Sharon United Methodist Yard Sale

Bargains Galore and More



Sisters Mildred Huehl and Marian Voegeding survey the vast array of clothing offered at the Sharon U.M. Garage Sale with a customer

There are plenty of stories connected to the annual garage sale. "Every year one lady comes in early and buys a lot of items. She'll come back during our free time and load up her car for her daughter, who does mission work in Uruguay," relates Marian. And so the benefits of the sale spread a little further outside our local community.

The migrant families also come in the morning to purchase goods and return in the afternoon for more "freebies."

One of Marian's favorite sights - and she sees a lot of them during the hours she spends working at the sale - is youngsters finding special "dress up" clothes. She remembers one year finding a pair of bright red shoes for a little girl to play Dorothy - and a pair of bright fuchsia ones for her little sister.

At a sale like this one the kids have as much fun as the adults. Toys and clothes abound at the big sale and you notice young ones everywhere claiming their newest treasures and clamoring for just one more.

Many volunteer hours have been dedicated to this project for the church. Marian estimates that she herself spent at least 35 hours on the yard sale last week - in addition to her part time job and having a life at home. "It takes a lot of people to do this," she said. "I'm an organized person but I still couldn't do it without a lot of help."

Monday morning bright and early, some of the 40 or so volunteers from the church were busy packing up the last two pickup loads of left-overs to take to Associated Charities of Lenawee County. Every item was "recycled" to make the best use of the resources available.

When you think of the \$1,300 that Sharon United Methodist Church earned to donate to people in need, think of it in quarters. Marian made a point of saying that nearly everything there was sold for a quarter or 50¢. "We had a few \$1 or \$2 items, and just a couple things which were more expensive," which makes it all the more incredible that they were able to raise so much money. It is thanks to the generosity of the community, the dedication of the church and its workers, and the determination of all the bargain-seekers that this project is such a success.

See you there next year!
- Marsha Johnson Chartrand

Each year the Sharon United Methodist Church holds their Garage Sale, and it just gets bigger all the time. People come from miles around to "The Biggest Yard and Basement Sale You've Ever Seen." No one is quite sure how long they've been doing it, but it's been well over ten years. Starting out small, the sale has grown to the mammoth proportions we saw last Saturday, September 14.

Marian Voegeding, who has been chairman of the event for many years, estimates that this year they raised about \$1,300. All of the proceeds from the sale go to help people in need. "We have donated to Manchester Family Services, hurricane relief, the farmers in the Thumb area, and families in the church or community who have had a special need. It's all given away every year," she said. This outreach project of the church has grown over the years and is one way that the congregation tries to make a difference in their community and in the world.

In addition, many things are recycled into hands that can use them. "One man's junk is another man's treasure," and nowhere is that more evident than at Sharon United Methodist's annual Garage Sale. Despite the miserable weather on Saturday morning, the lines began early; long before the 9:00 AM opening. And Marian estimates that they had probably their biggest crowd ever this year, although they've never been rained on before. "Must be that having the tent was an attraction - they figured something must really have been happening here," she laughed. The items are sold at full price in the morning, half price after noon, and everything's free after 2:00 in the afternoon.

"We try to sell only the better quality things at the sale," explains Marian. "Some years we have had to get rid of a lot of things before we get started; sometimes they have been stored for too long and are musty or dirty. Sometimes the articles are torn or badly stained. We didn't get dumped on too much this year; we had a lot of nice things." She went on to relate that a lot of people call them up to see if they need more items to sell. This doesn't only involve the Sharon congregation but many others in the community, who donate goods to make this "the biggest you've ever seen." The table with women's sweaters alone was stacked at least two feet high and had boxes underneath with more sweaters, so they kept refilling that table with a seemingly endless supply.



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Editorial / Opinion Page

Niedzwiecki changes his answer

At the School Board meeting Monday night Mr. Niedzwiecki was asked again, Who is currently enrolled in early childhood development courses?

In last week's issue of the Enterprise, Niedzwiecki answered that question as follows. "I am aware that some teachers are taking additional college course work but since teachers are not required to

report that information I am unable to give you an accurate count nor identify the courses." Monday night his answer was, "I believe Carolyn Supers and Sherri Hankamp are enrolled in early childhood development courses, there may be more of which I'm not aware".

Since the issue of early childhood development has been quite controversial lately, this reporter felt that Mr. Niedzwiecki should have

done his research and had this information previous to the board meeting. If he didn't know who the names were, why didn't he find out? If he did know, why didn't he tell us. Then we the people could have had better answers to a very important issue to many of the families in Manchester.

This is a public school. We pay our taxes and we have a right to be informed.

- Teresa M. Benedict

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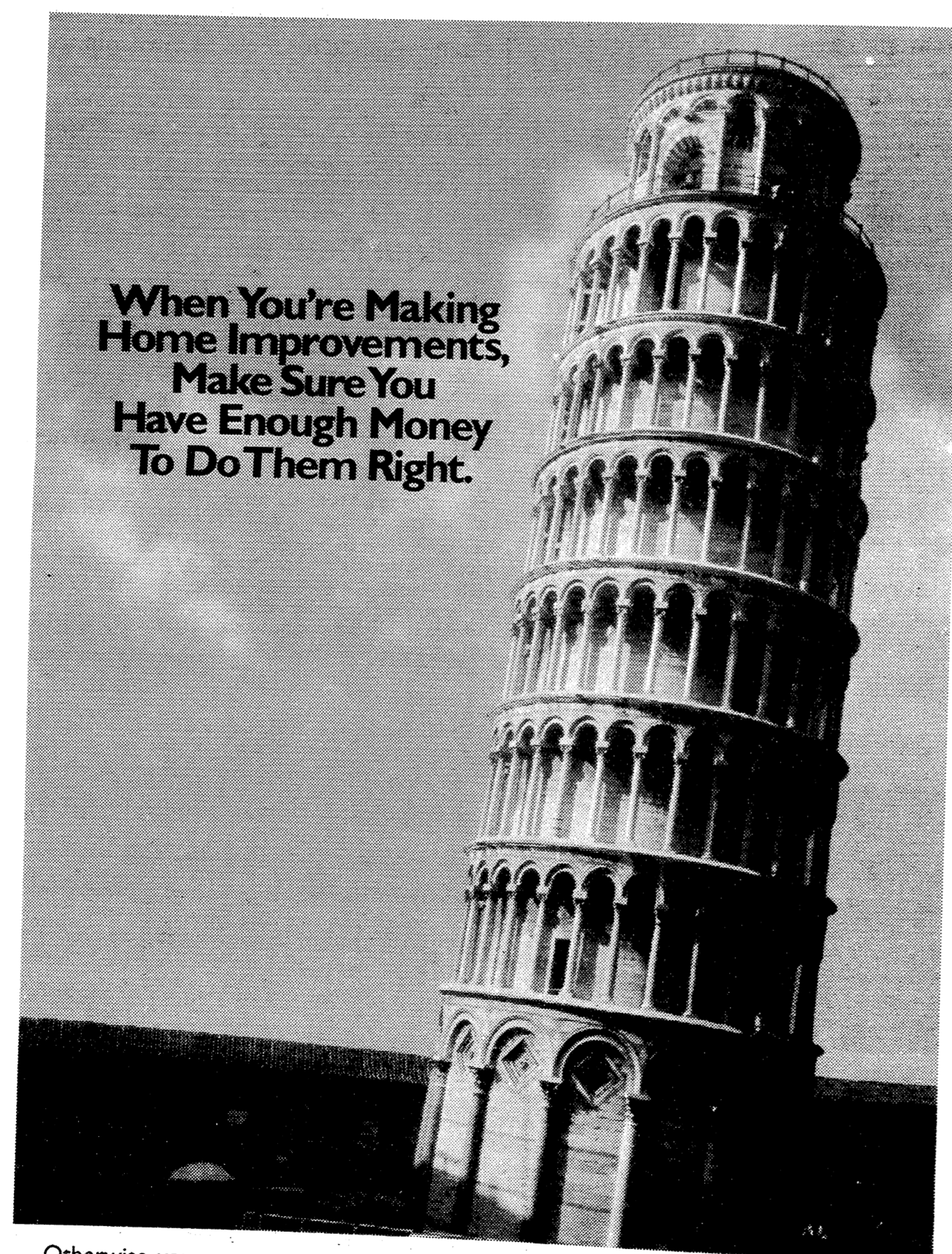


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Local Government

SHARON TOWNSHIP PROPOSED SYNOPSIS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

SEPTEMBER 5, 1996

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM by Supervisor John A. Savage. Other Board members present were Haselschwerdt, Blumenauer and Feldkamp. Dunny was absent. Planning Secretary Cole, Zoning Officer Wilson, Gary Blades, and Ruth Blumenauer were present.

The Clerk read the minutes of the last regular meeting held on 8/1/96. The minutes stated the Doug Jones land split had been approved by the Planning Commission. Planning secretary Cole stated this land split had not yet been approved on 8/1/96. It was approved with conditions by the Planning Commission on August 15, 1996. After this correction the minutes were approved.

Due to the absence of the treasurer there was no Treasurer's report.

There was discussion regarding property owners being responsible for all fires on property regardless of how started.

The trustees reported roads were in good condition in regard to dust control.

The toxic waste pick-up has been postponed from 10/5 to 10/19. A letter and newspaper notices will give details later. The old tire pick-up will be held at Wacker's on 9/27 and 9/28. Both will be free to township residents.

Zoning Officer Wilson reported zoning permits issued for 1 house and garage, 2 pole barns, 2 garages, and 1 deck. He stated there was a zoning complaint on Walker Road and a complaint regarding sand and gravel sign on Sharon Hollow Road.

Planning Secretary Cole stated the Jones land split was approved on 8/15/96. The Planning Commission also voted in favor of the north 6.77 acres to be rezoned from A-1 to R-2, low density residential. However, this rezoning has to be referred to the Washtenaw County Planning Commission for their recommendation for or against and finally to the Sharon Township Board for the final vote for or against. McLennan use permit will be heard on September 19.

There is one Variance Application pending for the Zoning Board of Appeals.

The Supervisor read a letter from Environmental Quality Control regarding dumping of waste water from preparation of chickens for food.

County Planning Commission will have a workshop on October 30. MTA district meeting will be in Livonia on September 30.

Outstanding bills were presented and all ordered paid.

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned by the Supervisor at 9:15 PM.

SUBMITTED BY: DUANER. HASELSCHWERDT, CLERK
APPROVED BY: JOHN A. SAVAGE, SUPERVISOR

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP FALL CLEAN-UP DAY

Saturday, September 28, 1996

9:00 AM. - 2:00 PM.

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Please Bring: Household Refuse, Discarded Furniture, Mattresses, Scrap Metal and Iron, Wood, Appliances*.

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APPROVED PROCEEDINGS MANCHESTER VILLAGE COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 3, 1996

The regular meeting of the Manchester Village Council was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at 7:00 PM by President Becketl. Council members present: Becketl, Ames, Brooks, Conaway, Mahony, Marshall, Vought. Also present: Clerk Tucker, Manager Wallace, Gary Wiedmayer-DPW, Sgt. Haensler-WCSD, Jim Dzegeneski, Kathy Kueffner.

The minutes of the August 19, 1996 regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Marshall, support by Conaway. Vote: Ayes-all.

The proceedings of the August 19, 1996 regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Ames, support by Mahony. Vote: Ayes-all.

The agenda was approved as amended on a motion by Conaway, support by Marshall. Vote: Ayes-all.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Motion by Brooks, support by Marshall to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented for August, 1996. Vote: Ayes-all.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE - Motion by Mahony, support by Brooks to pay the payables in the amount of \$45,181.00 as presented. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-all.

SHERIFF REPORT - Sgt. Haensler was present to go over the Sheriff Report for July, 1996. Motion by Mahony, support by Conaway to accept the Sheriff Report as presented for July, 1996. Vote: Ayes-all.

DPW CONTRACT FOR 1996/97 - Discussion was held on various parts of the proposed one year contract. Motion by Mahony, support by Ames to table the adoption of the one year DPW contract until the next Council meeting. Vote: Ayes-all.

VILLAGE TAP APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY OUTDOOR SERVICE - Council discussed the request from the Village Tap for outdoor service during the Oktoberfest scheduled for September 28th. Motion by Ames, support by Mahony to approve the application of Jeanette Stein for outdoor service on Saturday, September 28th, Oktoberfest. Vote: Ayes-all.

Motion by Becketl, support by Vought to adjourn at 9:15 PM. Vote: Ayes-all.

Karen Tucker
Village Clerk

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One Last Time...

SUMMER'S NOT OVER - Just one more campout!

Just when you think summer is over you hear of someone who tries to squeeze a little more out of it. Well, campers from Emanuel United Church of Christ did just that — they enjoyed a weekend of camping as their Senior Youth Group sponsored a Church Family Campout. This event is hosted each year by the youth in an effort to share with the congregation what they have learned through the past year at their various Christian events they have attended.

Although it rained Saturday morning everyone had a fantastic time. This year's campout was held at Apple Creek Campground in Grass Lake, September 6-8. The weekend consists of everyone packing up their tents, campers, vans or whatever they will be camping in to the campsite on Friday evening. The evening is spent setting up camp, getting 20+ youth organized and lots of good fellowship.

Saturday afternoon becomes one of the highlights of the weekend with the youth sharing and playing games they have planned in advance with the younger children of the congregation. This year's games consisted of a coin hunt, sack race, and much more as even the "older" kids joined in. At 6:00 PM hot dogs and hamburgers are cooked on the grill and everyone gathers for a potluck. Many people from Emanuel's congregation who do not camp gather at this time to share in this feast of everyone's good cooking. AND WHAT A FEAST WE HAVE!

Following the potluck the youth group begin the most important part of the whole weekend. They have put together many of the things they have learned throughout the year and present a worship service to the congregation. What an exciting but also moving experience this is for everyone. This year as each person relaxes in their lawn chairs or sitting on blankets the youth process through the gathering of people (51 this year) with crates, cloths, candles, a cross, offering plates, and communion ware as they present an altar to worship by. Each youth then takes a part of the worship service and presents this to the congregation, much like a worship service at church. A skit,

followed by a message that is written by one of the members of the youth group is brought forth. The congregation then partakes of communion in the dusk of the evening with a roaring campfire as our background setting.

Following the service more food (snacks) and fellowship are shared with each other. Finally in the wee small hours of the morning it is decided that we better get some sleep if we are going to pack up tents and get all these kids home in time to do their homework the next day.

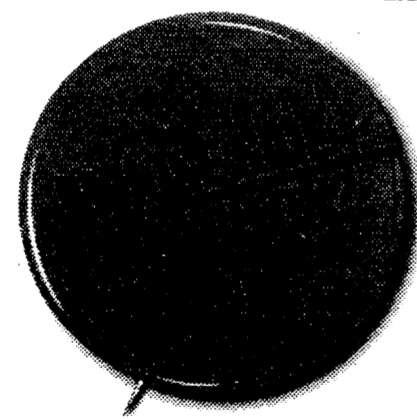
Another wonderful weekend is behind us. But the youth are already talking about where we will go and what we can do to make it all happen again next year.

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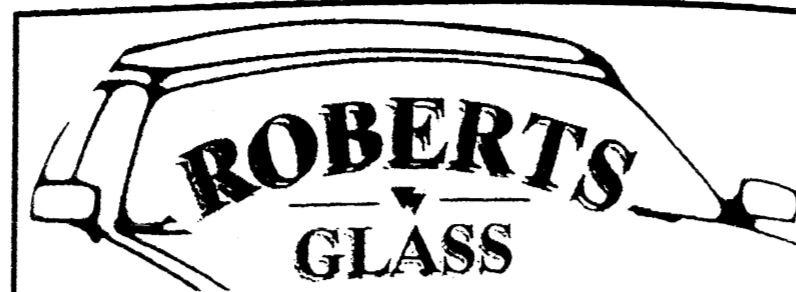


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Fall Colors

Common Questions asked about Michigan fall color

What is the best time to view Michigan's fall color?

The color show peaks in stages, beginning at the top of the state, where cooler temperatures arrive first, and, subsequently, moving downward. Peak color is generally found in the Upper Peninsula between mid-September and early October; in the Northern Lower Peninsula between late September and mid-October; in mid-Michigan from early to mid-October and in southern Lower Michigan from mid-to late October.



ENJOY A WATER FALL-Seeing fall color via water is one of the most relaxing and enjoyable ways to experience the season. From the dock of a sailing schooner and paddle wheeler, to a paddle-it-yourself canoe or kayak, leaf watchers can enjoy fall color on the water in every region of the state. Trips include narrated tours on some of the state's most radiant rivers and lakes. The annual show usually begins in the Upper Peninsula in mid-September, and normally peaks in the southern Lower Peninsula in mid to late October.

What makes the leaves change color?

Weather conditions in early September largely determine the success of the fall color display. If there are bright sunny days and cool nights, a good show can be expected. Daylight length is also significant. Shorter days cause leaves to stop producing chlorophyll and lose their green color. Also, rain helps growing conditions. An adequate amount of summer rainfall means tree leaves will be bigger and healthier when they turn to autumn shades. Although rain is desirable, continuous cloudy weather is not since that would stop the sugar production that creates the brilliant red leaves.

How many species of trees are there and what colors do they turn?

In Michigan's 18-million acres of forests, there are close to 150 different species of trees. Michigan's autumn foliage boasts a mixture of red, yellow, gold and orange hues. Some of the prettiest trees for color viewing are aspen, oak, maple, birch and sumac.

Are there any estimates on tourism during the fall color season?

AAA Michigan estimates that 2.7 million state residents will take a trip to view fall color this year. Half of the fall travelers will plan ahead while the other half will make decisions on a last-minute basis. The majority of travelers are planning a trip of three or less days. Eighty-three percent will head to a destination within the state. The fall color season accounts

for about 15% (\$1.05 billion) of Michigan's \$7 billion tourism industry.

What is the best way to view Michigan's fall color show?
There is no single best way to enjoy the fall color display. Michigan travelers can view the show by car, train, boat, hot air balloon and at festivals, golf courses and luxury resorts. AAA Michigan touring counselors at 38 statewide branch offices can help Auto Club members set up a personalized fall color tour.

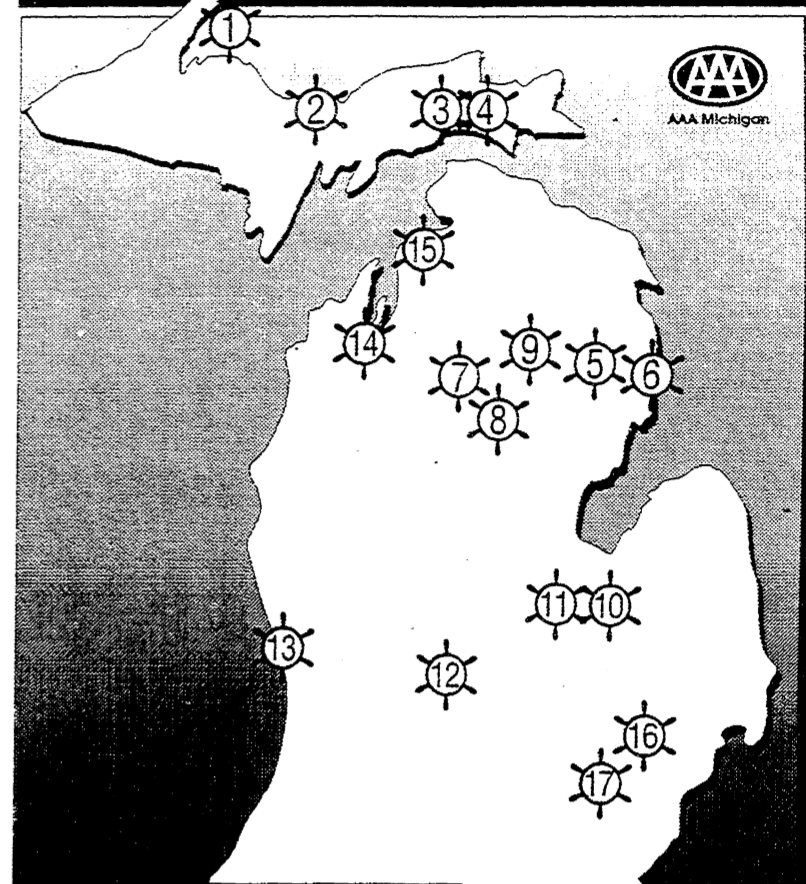
How can I find out the most current fall color conditions?
Listen to AAA Michigan's statewide fall color updates by calling the Michigan Travel Bureau's conditions line at (800) MI-4-FALL. The recorded line operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Conditions are updated each Wednesday.

Leaf-gazer's Guide To Colorful Trees

 Tree: Birch Color: Clear Yellow	 Tree: Aspen Color: Bright Yellow
 Tree: White Oak Color: Muted Red	 Tree: Sugar Maple Color: Orange/Red

Michigan boasts 18 million acres of forest and 150 different species of trees, making it a prime state for viewing fall color. This AAA Michigan guide provides a sampler of common leaf types for those who want to distinguish some of the state's vibrant trees.

FLOAT TO FALL COLOR

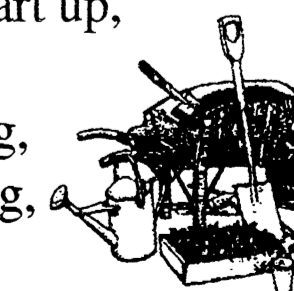


Enjoy the season's splendor on the water at these 17 popular destinations suggested by AAA Michigan. The color show progresses from north to south, and The Auto Club advises calling ahead to avoid disappointment. For reports updated by AAA Michigan each Wednesday from Sept. 4 through October, call the Michigan Travel Bureau at (800) MI-4-FALL.

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 3. Hulbert, Tom Sawyer Riverboat Cruise, thru Oct. 10. (800) 732-2331
 4. Soo Junction, Toonerville Trolley and Riverboat Ride, thru Oct. 6. (906) 876-2311
- EAST MICHIGAN**
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 7. Grayling, Canoe/Au Sable float boats. (800) 937-8837, (517) 348-5844, 348-8462
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13. Saugatuck, Star of Saugatuck, thru late Sept. (616) 857-4261
 14. Traverse City, Schooner Malabar, thru Sept. 28. (616) 941-2000
 15. Charlevoix, Schooner Appledore, late Sept.-mid Oct. (616) 547-0024
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VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH—Jon King, Pastor; 423 S. Macomb, 428-7506, Sunday School 10:00a.m.; Morning Worship 11:00a.m.; Evening Public Bible Class 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Praise and Prayer 7:00 p.m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH—Rev. Francis J. Murray, Pastor; Telephone 428-8811; Masses: Monday thru Wednesday, Friday 8:30 a.m., Thursday 7:00 p.m., Saturday 5:00 p.m., Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH—Rev. Erling Aaserud, Pastor Austin Road, Bridgewater; Telephone 429-7434; Sunday School 9:15 AM; Worship 10:30. Various mid-week & Bible study groups.

ST. THOMAS LUTHERAN CHURCH—Rev. John Kayser, pastor; 10001 W. Ellsworth Rd., (5 miles North and 6-1/2 East of Manchester); Telephone 663-7511; Schedule: Sunday School 9:30 AM; Worship 10:45

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH—Pastor David Hendricks; 3050 S Fletcher Road, Chelsea; Church Office 475-8064, Susan Willey, Secretary 428-7268. Sunday School 9:00AM; Worship 10:15 AM

UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES

MANCHESTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH—Rev. Thom Davenport, Pastor; 501 Ann Arbor St. Phones: Parsonage 428-8013, Church 428-8495. Worship 10:30 AM

SHARON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH—Rev. Peggy Paige, Pastor, Corner of M-52 and Pleasant Lake Roads; Church- 428-7714, Parsonage- 428-8430; Sunday School 9:30 AM, Worship 10:30 AM

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CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS (MORMONS)—Gary Spooner, Branch Pres; 1330 Freer Rd, Chelsea; 475-1778; Sacrament 9:30 am; Sun. School, 10:40; Relief Soc, Priesthood & Youth 11:40

NON-DENOMINATIONAL CHURCHES

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH—Pastor Jody Riethmiller; 8400 Sharon Hollow Rd., Telephone 428-8709; Worship Service 10:00 AM; Sunday School 11:30 AM; Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer, 7:30PM. All are welcome!

IRON CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH—Tom Butterfield, Pastor; English and Sharon Hollow Roads; Sunday School 10:00 AM; Morning Church 11:00 AM; Sunday Evening 7:00 PM

CLINTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD—Rev. Richard Coury; 13300 Clinton-Manchester Road; Phone 517-456-7510; Sunday School 9:30AM; Worship 10:45; Sunday Eve 6:30; Weds Prayer, Bible Study, Youth 7: PM

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BETHEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST—Rev. Richard E. Hardy, minister, 10425 Bethel Church Road at Schneider Rd.; Phones: Parsonage & Church 429-7155/428-8000; Church Service 9:30AM

EMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST—Rev. Dr. Vincent Carroll, Pastor, Phone: 428-8359; Worship 9:30 AM; Fellowship 10:30 AM

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST—Rev. Dr. Nancy M. Doty, Pastor; 12376 Waters Road, Waters and Fletcher Roads, Rogers Corners; Worship and Sunday School 9:30AM

UNITY CHURCH

UNITY CHURCH OF JACKSON—3385 Miles Road, Ackerson Lake, Jackson, MI, 517-764-6900; 11:00 a.m. Sunday Services and Sunday School.

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH

Thursday, September 19: AWANA begins 6:30-8:30 PM
Sunday, September 22: Worship Service 10:00 AM; Sunday School 11:30 AM.

MANCHESTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Wednesday, September 18: 10:00 a.m. UMW
Thursday, September 19: 12:00 noon Senior meals; 7:00 p.m. Ad Council; 8:00 p.m. Bell Choir

Friday, September 20: 9:00 a.m. Willo Circle making mince-meat

Sunday, September 22: 10:30 a.m. Worship at Carr Park; 11:30 a.m. All-Church Picnic Carr Park; 12:30 p.m. Church Family Olympics @ Carr Park

Tuesday, September 24: 12:00 noon Senior Meal

BETHEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Thursday, September 19: 6:15 PM Children's Choir; 7:00 PM Youth Choir Plus

Saturday, September 21: 11:30 AM Women's Fellowship Style Show & Luncheon

Sunday, September 22: 9:30 AM Worship Service, SS 3 & 4 & Kindergarten; 10:30 AM SS 1-8th grades; 1:00 PM Golf Tournament

Monday, September 23: 7:45 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal

EMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Wednesday, September 18: 9:00AM Emanuel Quilters; 6:15PM Girl Scouts; 6:30PM Bell Choir; 7:00PM PASS meeting; 7:00PM Vision/Mission Workshop; 7:30PM Adult Choir

Thursday, September 19: 12 Noon School meeting; 6:30PM Worship; 7:00PM Bible Study; 7:30PM Village Piecemakers; 8:00PM New Member Class

Friday, September 20: 7:00PM AA

Sunday, September 22: 9:15 AM Sunday School; 10:30AM Worship Service with Sunday School Teacher installation; 11:30AM Fellowship Time; 11:30AM Meeting with confirmands and parents; 6:00PM Emanuel Fellowship

EMANUEL CHURCH (CONTINUED)

Group
Monday, September 23: 3:30PM Children's Choir; 6:30PM Optimists

Tuesday, September 24: 9:00AM School meeting; 7:00PM Boy Scouts; 7:00PM Stewardship meeting

Wednesday, September 25: 9:00AM Emanuel Quilters; 6:15PM Girl Scouts; 6:30PM Bell Choir; 7:00PM PASS meeting; 7:30PM Adult Choir

SHARON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Wednesday, September 18: 8:15 PM Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday, September 19: 7:30 PM Dorcas fellowship will meet at the home of Mrs. Mildred Huehl

Sunday, September 22: Harvest Festival Sunday; worship followed by Soup & Salad Lunch

Wednesday, September 25: 10 AM Martha Circle; 8:15 -PM Chancel Choir practice

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Wednesday, September 18: Agape Group, 7-8:30 PM in church basement

Thursday, September 19: St. Mary Altar Society, 7:45 PM

Saturday, September 21: Spanish Mass, 6:30 PM

Sunday, September 22: Rel Ed., Preschool/Kind., 10:30 AM; Adult Choir, 9:30 & 11:30 AM

Monday, September 23: Parents Meeting -1st Penance @ 7:00 PM, church basement

Tuesday, September 24: Rel. Ed., Grades 1-4, 3:15-4:15 PM at Klager; Rel Ed., Grades 5 & 6, 3:30-4:30 PM at Parish Center; Faith Inquiry, 7:30PM

Wednesday, September 25: Chicken & Biscuit Luncheon, 11 AM to 1 PM; Agape Group, 7-8:30 PM in church basement

ST. THOMAS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, September 22: Sunday School, 9:30 AM; Worship Service 10:45 AM

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN, BRIDGEWATER

Sunday, September 22: 9:15 Sunday School, 10:30 AM Worship

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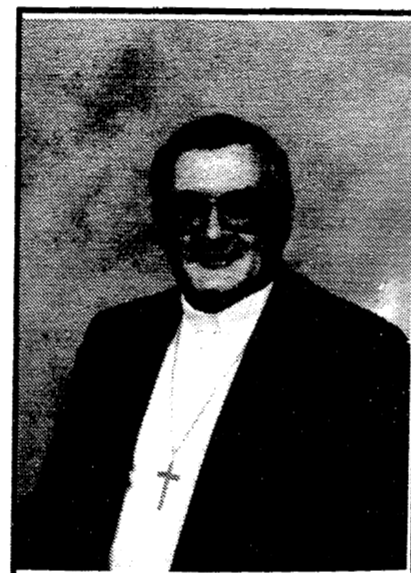
Wednesday, September 18: 11:30 PM Rev. Dennis Anderson, Pres. Trinity Seminary Luncheon here

Sunday, September 22: 9:00 AM Sunday School for all ages 3 yrs - adult; 10:15 Worship; coffee hour; Junior Youth League Bowling; 7:00 PM Early communion Class

Monday, September 23: Deadline for October Newsletter

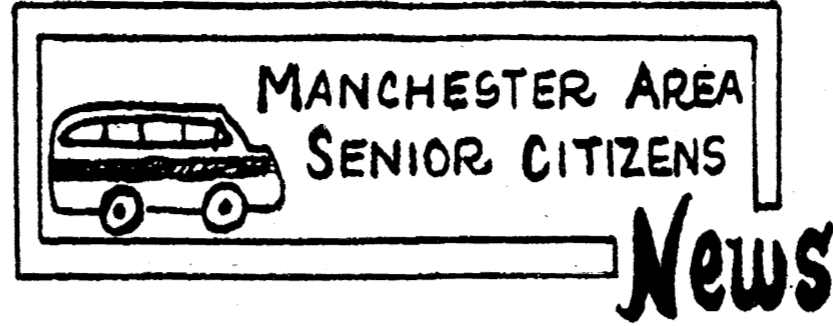
Tuesday, September 24: 9:00 AM Chelsea Ministerial fellowship; 7:30 PM Senior Choir

St. John's Bridgewater Welcomes New Pastor



St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Bridgewater, invites the community to join them in the Installation of their new Pastor, Erling D. Aaserud, on Sunday, September 22, 1996, at 2:00 PM. Pastor Aaserud and his wife, Marlene, came to St. John's in August after serving St. James Lutheran Church in Holland, Indiana which is a rural community in southern Indiana near Evansville.

We look forward to our ministry with Pastor Aaserud and invite you to join with us in welcoming him to the community. There will be a fellowship hour following the installation service in the church basement.



by T.V. Ludwick

Every now and then we all make mistakes. I think this is the second one we've made all year when we had Emogene Puckett's picture in the paper listed as Marjorie Wahr as birthday seniors. Happy birthday to both of you nice gals and we are sorry for the mix-up.

We aren't going to make so many boo-boos now that we have started our yoga class each Thursday. Memory and a whole lot of other things wrong are about to get much better... since our circulation and lung capacity will improve each week. We can hardly wait for wonderful changes in our carriage which will affect our outlook (boy, do I need that!).

And not only all that, it's fun! Who would have thought that playing 'This little piggie' with our toes could be so time consuming and make you feel so good. Our instructor assures us that at the end of the course we will be standing taller, too, if our noses don't get us into trouble. Come join us for the fun.

Thursday, September 19: Join us at the Center for yoga class at 9:30 until 11:30. We have a dozen hardy souls signed up. This is mild exercise mixed with a lot of laughter. Up on Ann Arbor Hill at the United Methodist Church Hoffer Hall, seniors will be served Chinese by Jan and crew at 12 noon.

You are invited to attend by first calling in your reservation to Sandy Smith at

428-8495 between the hours of 9 and 10 AM each day. Then come for your meal on Tuesdays and Thursdays (numbers are growing). A charge of \$2.50 per meal is quite a bargain these days for such a good lunch. Come to the Center for bingo at 12:30.

Monday, September 23: Shopping at Oak Valley and Meijer's is planned today and senior bus will leave the Center at 9:30. Call Erma Alber at 428-8707 to go along.

Tuesday, September 24: One of our local volunteer nurses will be on hand to take your blood pressure beginning at 11 AM. Jan, Grandma Gillow and Matt will be busy serving veal Italian to us and it is good. At 12:30, there will be a presentation by Melissa Taylor which will be of interest to all seniors.

Thursday, September 26: Yoga Class is being taught by Donna Pointer and presented by Washtenaw Community College. We appreciate this service to us from 9:30-11:30 each Thursday. Baked stuffed fish is on the menu for today. Bingo at the Center will be enjoyed.

At 6 PM, there will be pickup by bus for the monthly senior sponsored public card party at Freedom Township Hall at Pleasant Lake. The party begins at 7:30, come and have fun. Calendar says there will be a total eclipse of the moon on this date, but it doesn't say what time...

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Tree Board Prepares for Fall Planting

Our Manchester village Tree Board is gearing up for some Fall activity! Focusing along M-52, some ten to twenty trees are expected to be planted this fall, and a similar project is in the planning for next Spring.

The zone along M-52, including Ann Arbor Rd. on the north, Riverside, and then City Rd. on the south, is for many the public face of Manchester. Often, it is this busy drive where first impressions are made. Thus the Tree Board hopes that planting and beautification along this most visible corridor will show favorable consequences far beyond the additional (though appreciated!) habitat for birds and squirrels that the new trees will provide.

Interestingly enough, statistically, this area is also in the greatest need of attention. Back a couple three years, Sybil Kolon, who worked to originally found Manchester's Tree Board, compiled an extensive computer inventory of trees in Manchester. This inventory

includes vacant planting sites as well as healthy trees. A preponderance of the open sites are found along M-52, though other areas also seem to be in need. In fact, bare spots can be found throughout the village.

Follow-Up Care Important to Tree Planting Success

One of the big problems that directly influences the success or failure of any tree planting project is that of follow-up care. Watering and mulching are crucial to the survival of the young trees. Until their roots become good and settled, a newly transplanted tree is very vulnerable. The first year or so seems to be the most crucial. This is one reason why planting in the Fall can work so well — the roots have time to adjust for a few months through the Winter's generally moist soil.

Another fairly avoidable risk to small trees is that of damage to their trunks. "Weed whips" are notorious. Mice, rabbits and deer can

wreak havoc also; these animals tend to find tender young bark very delicious and will happily girdle a tree without thinking twice. Damage from both causes, human and non-human can be prevented with simple flexible guards around the base of the trunk. The trees that will be planted this Fall and next Spring will be provided with these guards.

Note too, piling mulch up onto a tree's trunk can also cause damage. This practice can cause the trunks to rot in addition to providing rodents a nice place in which to burrow.

Community Involvement is Key

What's this all mean? The Tree Board is going to need your help in making this project a success!

Toward the end of this month, the Tree Board will be marking the sites for planting with bright green stakes. If, for one reason or another, the sites are determined to be problematic, alternative sites will be se-

lected. October will be tree planting time. Right now, the Tree Board only has three members, so anyone who would like to volunteer to help plant trees would be most welcome and appreciated!

Residents living at or near the planting sites will be notified and are especially encouraged to help tend to the trees after the planting. Unless we have a very dry Fall, not much attention will be necessary until next Spring/Summer, when again, the key will be to prevent the roots from becoming too dry. The green stakes will of course be the first indication that something is about to happen, but more formal notifications and hints to follow-up care will be distributed.

Volunteers and those with comments, questions or suggestions should contact Mark Ames at 428-1111. Let's all help keep Manchester the beautiful and magical place that it truly is! The Tree Board's efforts truly deserve our support and will benefit us all.

Tree Board Seeks Volunteers

Manchester's Tree Board has a number of other irons in the fire besides this Fall's planting project, and we could sure use some additional help. Currently, three members comprise the Tree Board, but by ordinance we need to have five. Mark Ames is the present chairman, Jane Cooper and Dave Chartrand are keeping things going as well. Bob Vought represents Council at our meetings. We are looking for two more residents, with a little spare time, especially those who won't mind getting their fingers dirty occasionally, to volunteer and give a little something back to our community — and hopefully to have some fun in the process! If you are interested, please contact one of us (we're in the book), and consider joining us at our next meeting in October.

Thanks to Former Members

The Tree Board would like to express their thanks to Bill Kwolek and Tom Kallewaard for their public service during the past years. Bill's commitment in continuing the work of the Board during his tenure as chairman can be appreciated by all who travel our beautiful streets. Tom was instrumental in the founding of the Widmayer Tree Fund which will provide the village a permanent benefit in the form of new trees to enhance the beauty of Manchester and carry on the legacy of Herbert A. Widmayer. Thanks to you both.

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Manchester's MEAP Scores Stand Up Well

Districts	Mathematics			Science			Reading			Writing			Communication Arts
	% Proficient (Endorsed)	% Novice	% Not Yet Novice	% Proficient (Endorsed)	% Novice	% Not Yet Novice	% Proficient	% Novice	% Not Yet Novice	% Proficient	% Novice	% Not Yet Novice	% Endorsed (Proficient in reading & writing)
Ann Arbor	67.6	25.2	7.2	56.6	36.3	7.1	64.0	32.2	3.8	66.5	29.1	4.4	50.3
Chelsea	59.8	33.2	7.1	46.2	45.7	8.2	53.8	39.1	7.1	54.1	40.4	5.5	35.3
Dexter	58.6	33.6	7.9	44.7	46.7	8.6	51.4	44.6	4.1	61.5	37.8	0.7	42.6
Lincoln	29.6	54.9	15.4	24.1	59.9	16.0	32.9	60.9	6.2	9.9	67.1	23.0	7.5
Manchester	62.3	33.8	3.9	51.9	41.6	6.5	53.8	43.6	2.6	39.7	51.3	9.0	30.8
Milan	35.8	44.7	19.5	27.0	54.9	18.0	36.6	55.3	8.1	30.1	55.3	14.6	17.1
Saline	73.6	23.3	3.0	57.3	39.0	3.7	61.0	36.9	2.0	55.7	42.2	2.0	42.4
Whitmore Lake	36.2	44.8	19.0	33.3	49.1	17.5	33.3	56.1	10.5	26.3	66.7	7.0	17.5
Willow Run	16.8	46.2	37.0	8.6	44.8	46.6	15.8	67.5	16.7	5.9	71.2	22.9	3.5
Ypsilanti	39.9	33.9	26.2	24.9	49.2	26.0	38.0	48.8	13.3	34.1	43.9	22.0	21.7
State of Michigan	47.7	38.0	14.3	32.0	52.2	15.8	40.2	51.3	8.5	34.4	53.1	12.5	Not yet available

Friday, September 13 may not have seemed an auspicious day to release scores which measure the progress of Manchester Community Schools in respect to Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) and High School Proficiency tests. However, Friday the 13th did not appear to denote bad luck for Manchester. In fact, Manchester's scores stood up well against those of the rest of the county's school districts.

"We're playing with the big boys," said Principal Bob Smith of Manchester High School. He was obviously pleased by the results provided to him and by Friday morning he had already done some "number crunching" to further discover what the test results meant to Manchester students and to the district as a whole.

Last year, High School Proficiency tests were administered to students in their junior year for the first time. This year's seniors now have a measure of their progress and an indication of whether they will have a state endorsed diploma in June of 1997.

Parents will receive individualized scores for their students this week as the high school begins to release them by mail.

Students were categorized in one of three ways: Proficient (these students will receive an "endorsed" diploma); Novice; or Not Yet Novice. Obviously the number of students classified as "Proficient" is the important number; however, the percentage of "Not Yet Novice" students also provide important insight into our program as do the students who are considered "Novices."

In Mathematics, 62.3% of Manchester's Class of 1997 achieved the "proficiency" status. While it may sound discouraging to consider that over 1/3 of the class will not receive an endorsed diploma, Smith was able to put these figures in

perspective. First of all, 33.8% of the students were considered at the "novice" level. The levels cut off sharply at a score of 400. If your score was 400, you're proficient. If you've scored 399, you're just a novice. A scoring difference of one point could theoretically make a considerable difference. Smith discovered during his "number crunching" that most of the students who scored within the novice level were at 380 or above. Only 3.9% were considered "not yet novice."

Compare these scores with those of the Ann Arbor Public Schools. A total of 67.6% of their high school juniors scored 400 or above to receive a proficiency rating. Not a very big leap from the scores achieved in Manchester. Only 25.2% of the Ann Arbor students scored within the novice range, much less than the percentage of Manchester students. And 7.2% of the students were considered "not yet novices." And compared with the state averages, Smith showed that only 47.7% scored in the proficient level; 38% scored at the novice level, and 14.3% are not yet novices. "County wide, we're about in the middle of the pack. Compared to the state averages, we're doing very well," Smith affirmed.

Science scores were lower but Manchester still had an excellent showing on a county-wide average as well as compared to the state. 51.9% proficient; 41.6% novice; and 6.5% not yet novice. Once again, many of the "novice" scores were in the very highest ranges close to the proficiency level. In reading, Manchester students achieved 53.8% proficiency; 43.6% novice; and 2.6% not yet novice. In this test, too, the students had many scores in the 390 and above range — as many as 30% of the stu-

dents scored over 380.

The fourth area in which the students were tested was Writing. Here Manchester students showed weaker results than in the other three subjects. Only 39.7% of the students received a proficient rating. 51.3% were considered novices and 9.0% were not yet novice. However, many of the other school districts had even lower composite scores than Manchester Community Schools.

"The High School Proficiency tests are much different from the old MEAP tests," explained Smith. "This test is looking for higher levels of thinking than former versions sought." A quick look at the sample questions provided by the Washtenaw Intermediate School District shows exactly what he means. The math questions don't just ask for you to fill in the numbers. They give you a problem and ask which algebraic equation might help to solve it. This reporter wasn't able to come up with the answer off the top of her head. "These tests literally are asking that the students demonstrate proficiency in the areas tested."

Since this is the first year for state endorsed diplomas, Smith indicates that he's "not sure just what this means." Having just moved from Georgia he wasn't in on last year's big debate over the high school proficiency tests, but he has been busy doing his homework since his arrival in Michigan this summer. "How much difference will this endorsement make to employers? To universities? We just don't know yet. However, we are obviously pleased by the indication that we are in the upper tier of districts within Washtenaw County as far as our test scores go. We are certainly pleased that our students score above the state averages in every single category. But we're not complacent or satisfied...we'd like to be way above the averages."

"Twenty years from now

will it mean anything that these students have an endorsement on their high school diplomas? Only time will tell. The results will mean a lot more next year than this year. These students are really the 'guinea pigs' for the state endorsement." Smith added that the 1997 graduates will still be able to get the state endorsement by taking re-tests at the end of this month. In February, this year's juniors, the Class of 1998 will have their own opportunity to demonstrate their proficiency in the above areas. Next year's results will give a broader picture of how well Manchester is doing.

"We are happy with the results," Smith said. "They are an indication that the curriculum is doing a good job, and is aligned with state expectations." When asked whether he was concerned about allegations that the curriculum is


simply teaching to the standardized tests, Smith replied, "In Georgia I served as an evaluator for state tests. Before I started grading these tests, I might have been more concerned. But I don't have a real problem with it any more."

"Is it such a bad thing to have these high expectations of our students at this level? If everyone has to play the game, why not play it right?"

Spoken like a winning coach. The call is out for a mandated core curriculum in the state of Michigan and it is hoped that this will enable all students to succeed and graduate with a proficiency degree on their high school diploma. Manchester is well-positioned to take that leap. With good administrative leadership our students will succeed in the wide world out there.

-Marsha Johnson Chartrand

5th & 8th Grade MEAP results reported next week



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Middle School to hold Open House

Tuesday, September 24 is the date scheduled for the Nellie Ackerson Middle School Open House. Parents are invited to come and meet their children's teachers at a traditional Open House from 7:30 to 9:00 PM.

All community members are welcomed to visit the school from 6:30-7:30 PM, whether they have a student attending Middle School or not. View the new addition, technology and computer labs, according to Tom George, principal. "And, of course, anyone is welcome to visit and tour the Middle School at any time by calling me for an appointment at 428-7442," added George.

School Manchester Community Schools Board of Education

Manchester Community Schools' Board of Education meetings are scheduled to be held in the High School Media Center on the third Monday of each month. Meetings will begin at 7:45 PM. Special meetings are also held throughout the year to discuss issues that arise.

Board members for the 1996-97 school year are:

- President:** Paul Kluwe 428-2000;
- Vice President:** Joseph Turk, 428-9260;
- Treasurer:** Wayne Winzenz, 428-7125;
- Secretary:** Bruce Abbott, 428-8805;
- Trustees:** Marilyn Knouase, 428-0334; John Ochs, 769-6031; Patricia Sahakian, 428-7029.

If you have any concerns about our schools, contact any of these members of your school board to discuss your ideas.

Attention Parents/Guardians

During one of my visits to the Manchester High School I had the opportunity to be part of a discussion that centered around the Fourth Friday Count of students enrolled in the Manchester Community Schools for the 1996-97 school year.

The fourth Friday Count is September 27, 1996.

As a parent of five children who graduated from Manchester Community Schools, somewhere along the way I became aware of the Fourth Friday Count. I never really understood that the number of children in school, that day, determines the amount of funding the

Manchester Community School receives, from the state of Michigan, for education of our children. In 1996-97 the amount is \$5,713.99. Ten children absent is \$57,139.90.

Many people will ask if there are absences that can be excused. The answer is "YES," but they must be documented with the administrative staff within ten days of the absence. Some excuses that may not be accepted are "my daughter didn't feel like going to school today," dental and doctor appointments that could have been scheduled another day, students missing the bus and families taking a long

weekend vacation.

Many pages of documentation for the Fourth Friday Count are required from each school district. The administrative staff of our schools are responsible to prepare an accurate report that will be accepted by the State of Michigan. All that information is audited for accuracy.

As a community of parents and guardians let us do everything we can to promote everyday, regular attendance of our children in the Manchester Community Schools, but especially September 27th.

Dianne Schwab, Director - Community Resource Center

Manchester Yearbooks are Here!

Yearbooks purchased by '96 graduates may be picked up in Mrs. Weiland's room at Manchester High School between 8:00-8:30 AM or 3:15-3:45 PM Monday through Friday.

Any person other than the graduate or graduate's family member must have a receipt to collect the book.

Who are these people, anyway?



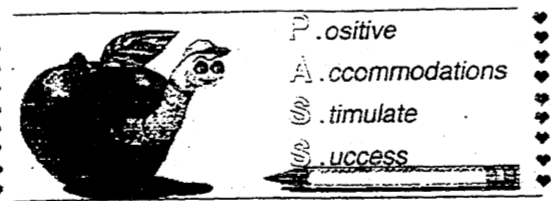
The German exchange students are: teacher, Heide Marie Kraft (on her fourth exchange trip); Anna Voelkel, Mareen Uhl, Ann-Katrin Reisch, Anja Teschen, Anke Walther, Nicolas Schütz, Bastian Meinhard, Magnus Busch, Markus Becker, and Elisa Hirschberger.

The Germans are here. The Germans are here!

If you were wondering who was playing soccer on Sunday at the Gazebo, it was the German exchange students with their host students from Manchester. These ten students and one teacher have come here for three weeks from Berlin, Germany. They will be going to school with their hosts and experiencing the "American way of life."

My student, Bastian Meinhard, and I are quickly becoming friends and having a lot of fun. If you have a club or organization which would like to hear from these students please contact either Jennifer or Heather DuRussel.

If you see one of the ten students in town, say Guten Tag! or just say hi. They speak English very well. Further stories on their stay here in America will be in next week's paper. Until then, Auf Wiedersehen. -Heather DuRussel



P.A.S.S. MEETING

TOPIC: PARENT HANDBOOK INFORMATION

(from Washtenaw Intermediate School District)

Monday Sept. 30 at 7:30 PM
Manchester High School Library

- Who should come?
Parents and Teachers of students:
- in Speech/Language program
 - with a learning disability
 - with attention deficit disorder
 - with autism
 - with emotional problems
 - with physical problems
 - with poor school performance

Refreshments will be served.

Keeping in Step with the Cross Country Team Springport Invitational

On Thursday, September 12th, the men's and women's cross country teams traveled to Springport to participate in the Springport Invitational. With storms threatening, the men and women harriers ran exceptionally well. Every single team member ran their best time this year, and many set personal bests for all time. It was a solid performance by the Flying Dutch.

The men's team was led by senior Nick Weidmayer as he cruised to a 21st place finish. Joining him in earning a medal was sophomore Eli Bragg with his 25th place finish. Not far back, the pack of Lin Harris, Kyle Harris, Jeremy Smith and Kevin Sahakian brought in a top 6 split of 1 minute 20 seconds. Rounding out the top seven was Aaron Wallace with an outstanding race. Phill Krall was able to knock over 5 minutes off his personal best to also have an excellent day. The boys ran their way to a 6th place finish out of 11 teams, a big improvement from last year's 10th place finish out of 10 teams.

The women's team also had a good day on the rolling course around the Springport Schools. Sophomore Ahja Zang ran another solid race on her way to a 13th place finish and a medal. Freshman Rachel Fleck ran the best race of her early career on her way to a respectable 39th place finish. Rounding out the girls team were Dana Richards, Marie Haeussler and Jessica Richards, all of whom ran solid races. They are off on the right foot.

Holly Invitational

It was freezing, raining and the wind was howling at the Springfield Oaks County Park in Davisburg, Saturday for the Holly Invitational. The men's and women's cross country teams braved the elements in an early test against a number of the teams we will be competing against at our regional in October. There were more than 100 teams at this, the biggest invitational in the state. There were 16 races in all, and some of the best teams in the state were showcased in the various divisions. The Flying Dutch held their own and gave a glimpse of what might be down the road.

The men's team was again led by Nick Weidmayer as he picked up a trophy for his 16th place finish. Eli Bragg also brought home some hardware for his 33rd place effort. The men again bunched up and ran in a pack on their way to nice A placing. Lin and Kyle Harris, Brad Kemner, Jeremy Smith and Kevin Sahakian ran together and passed their opponents with consistent, constant pacing. Their efforts led the men to a 6th place finish out of 19 teams in a race with 113 contestants. Aaron Wallace and Phill Krall let the running world know that the future looks bright for Manchester cross-country with outstanding races. Aaron Wallace ran particularly well with his best outing of the young season.

Senior Jessica Richards set a strong example with her finest race of the year to lift the women's team to a 9th place finish in a field of 20. In a huge race of 97 girls, Ahja Zang ran herself to a trophy for her 16th place finish, also coming on to finish strong were Freshmen Rachel Fleck, Sophomore Dana Richards, and Junior Marie Haeussler. Their efforts through the mosh pit of a course they had to run on were extraordinary.

The boys and girls of the Middle School were also in action at Holly this weekend. It was the first competition of the season for our young runners. They blazed the path during two of the earliest races of the day. In the middle school girls race, Natalie Weidmayer finished 6th and earned her first medal as a competitive runner. Heidi Ernst also ran a smart, paced race and took it to the rest of the field. For the boys, James Montgomery led the way and garnered a medal for his 23rd place finish. Also getting off on the right foot were out 7th grade crew of Jacob Miller, Billy Kuebler, Nathan Bragg, and Mike Walter. There were over 80 middle school boys in the race and our guys did an outstanding job.

The next week will hold races for the High School and Middle School runners. On Tuesday, the High School teams will take on Class D Powerhouse Grass Lake and Michigan Center at the Lakeland Hills Golf Course in Michigan Center. The girls race will go off at 4:30 with the boys to follow. Friday the Middle Schoolers go back to work with their race at Ella Sharp Park in Jackson. They will set the stage for the Jackson Invitational at the same place on Saturday. The women will race at 1pm and the men at 1:30 pm hope to see you there. **Go Dutch!** by Craig Vitale

Riding with the Equestrian Team

The Manchester High Equestrian Team participated in our first meet of the season on Sunday, September 15 at the Wayne County Fairgrounds.

The team has 14 members. We accumulated 117 points and took 1st place in our division for class "A" teams.

The team will ride two more meets, September 22 and October 6. We compete in showmanship, hunt seat, saddle seat, and western equitation, jumping, trail, riding patterns and games.

If you enjoy watching all forms of equestrian competition, we invite you to come, watch and cheer us on to victory, at the Wayne County Fairgrounds, Belleville.

Submitted by Diana Parr

A Burger for your Buck!

Friday night brings the first home varsity football game and along with it the cheerleaders are turning on the grills and serving up hamburgers for you to enjoy before the game. They are raising funds to help offset the cost of their new uniforms they acquired this season along with the athletic boosters.

You can get a Burger for just \$1.00 or get a Burger, cole slaw, chips, and a beverage for \$3.00 from 5 PM to 7:15 PM at the Methodist Church.

You don't have to do anything at home; just change into your maroon and gold. And then, come to the game early enjoy a good all American burger and the pregame show by our M.H.S. marching band under the new direction of Jared Throneberry.

Be sure to support all our students whenever you can.



J.V.'s Clip the Jayhawks Wings

Crisp fall weather arrived along with the Vandercook Jayhawks.

On Thursday September 12 Manchester J.V. hosted the Vandercook team. Although the game was filled with mistakes and penalties on both sides, Manchester would come out the winner.

Manchester took the kick off and Jeremiah Tobias would make some significant return yardage, but then the Dutch fumbled on their 30 yard line and Vandercook Lake took over. The Jayhawks immediately ran into the Dutch Defense and had to punt away. A clipping penalty on Vandercook brought the ball back and the next punt was only about 20 yards deep and Mark Hollosy ran it in to the 5 yard line. Jeremiah Tobias would make the 2 yard run in for Manchester's first touchdown. The 2 point conversion was no good and the score stood at Manchester 6 Vandercook 0.

Vandercook was making their way to a score when Dutchman Mike Heskett recovered a fumble. At the end of the first quarter Manchester still led 6-0.

The second quarter was filled with penalties, but Vandercook Lake would finally score. They lined up to kick the extra point, but passed for 2 points. The attempt failed and the score stood at 6-6, and that would end the first half.

The "Dangerous Dutch Defense" this week included game saving tackles by Pete Dettling, Derrick Hanewald, Mike Heskett, Levi Earhart and Lee Kothe.

Derrick Hanewald would recover a Vandercook fumble to start the third quarter. Levi Earhart's pass

to Bill Alber would bring the Dutch to within inches of the goal line. Derrick Hanewald ran in the ball for the Manchester touchdown. The 2 point conversion was not good and Manchester now was leading Vandercook by a score of 12-6.

A touchdown run by Levi Earhart was called back by a Dutch clipping penalty and Vandercook would take over. Zach Morris recovered a Jayhawk fumble before they could score and that would end the third quarter.

Derrick Hanewald would start the fourth quarter by running in a Dutch touchdown. The 2 point conversion would fail. The score was Manchester 18 and Vandercook Lake 6.

Vandercook did not give up though and they had one more successful drive. This time the 2 point conversion was good and the score was Manchester 18 and Vandercook 14.

At this time some of the Manchester spectators began to leave figuring the game was "in the bag". But if you left before the end of the game you missed the most exciting 50 seconds of football that I have seen in a long time.

Vandercook had several chances to score in those last seconds. The Dutchmen always came through with the clutch play. Whether it was sacking the quarterback behind the line of scrimmage or breaking up a pass intended to score, the Dutch kept Vandercook Lake from scoring. The final of the game was Manchester 18 and Vandercook Lake 14.

This Thursday, September 19 the J.V. Dutch will travel to East Jackson. **Good Luck!**

by Lois Hochstetler

Varsity Loses a Heartbreaker

Since ancient times the number 13 has been regarded as a symbol of death, destruction and misfortune. Manchester has beaten Vandercook Lake for the past 13 years and then they met on the battlefield on Friday the 13th.

I don't believe in the 13th curse. I believe that Manchester is the top team and every other team gets worked up to beat us.

Vandercook would score first but it was called back by a clipping penalty. Manchester's Steve Riske would pass to Mike Meranuck for the first 6 points of the game. The extra point kick would fail.

Vandercook came right back and scored to start out the second quarter. Their kicked extra point was good.

Manchester came right back. Just before the half Micah Jefferson would run in from the 2 yard line, but the extra point attempt would fail. At the half Manchester led 12 to 7.

In the second half Vandercook's defense dominated the game and capitalized on any Dutch mistake.

The final score would be Vandercook Lake 27 and Manchester 12. This Friday the Dutch will host East Jackson. Come support the team on their first home game!

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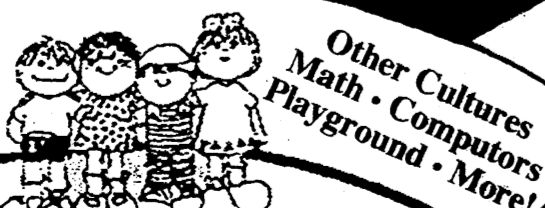
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Grandparents are Ardis and Chuck Brattin.

A Perfect Bowl?

It takes twelve perfect hits in ten frames of bowling to get the perfect score in bowling. On Thursday September 5, Chris Strong, a local resident, did just that. Chris is very serious about his bowling, he is a carpenter by trade, although he bowls as often as he can in both leagues and tournaments. Chris works part time at Airport Bowl in Tecumseh to keep up on his game and to be able to bowl more often, maintaining a 200 average.

He got his first 300 game on the first night of the Fall league on lanes one and two. According to Al Currey, "those are very tough lanes and under tough conditions in the first week of the league".

As you bowl each frame, the tension does not get less but builds as you throw one perfect ball after another - your palms start to sweat and your knees start to shake - which of course are two of the most important body parts you need in this game. Chris did not buckle under the pressure and continued rolling his ball and getting strikes for twelve frames.

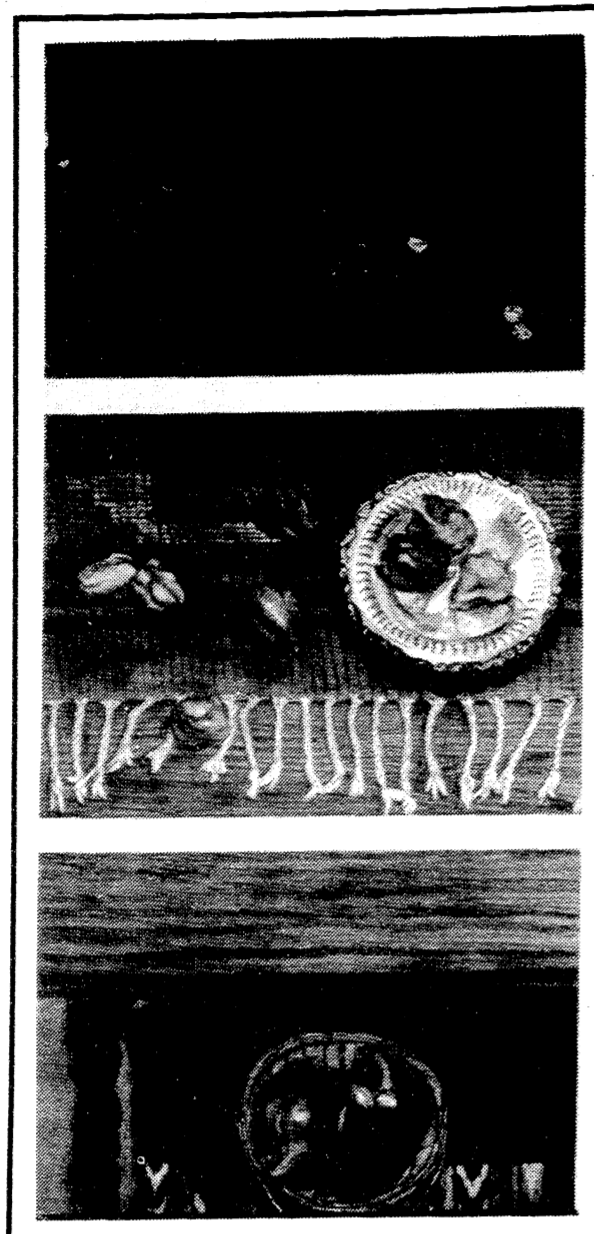
Chris received \$300 from Tony and Jan Solitro, owners of Airport Bowl, for his 300 game.

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OUR TOWN 1996 is beginning its second decade with a whole new look. The eleventh annual art exhibition and sale will be held at the Community House, 380 South Bates Street in Downtown Birmingham, from October 24-27, 1996. The new logo, a Matisse-like design, gives a hint of the exciting new OUR TOWN show and related events.

Local artist, Nancy A. Michaelson, has had her watercolor, "Peppers and Pennies" accepted by the OUR TOWN jurors. Michaelson says, "Peppers and Pennies" is a hopefully prolonged felt statement of space, time, color and organized rhythm...Space and time as one peers from top to bottom or vice versa, color as one experiences the complex use of complements to achieve depth and beauty, and rhythm as you feel the repeated shapes, the contrasting textures and the flow."

Michaelson is among the 223 Michigan artists who was selected to participate in the show.

The OUR TOWN art exhibition and sale is FREE and open to the public during the following hours: Thursday, October 24, from 10 AM to 10 PM; Friday, October 25 from 10 AM to 5 PM; Saturday, October 26 from 10 AM to 5 PM; and Sunday, October 27, from 10 AM to 3 PM.



Connie, What were You Thinking???
Happy 25th Anniversary

Wedding Bells



Schook - Vlcek

Annette Lynn Schook and Steven Bruce Vlcek were married June 8 at the Manchester United Methodist Church. Rev. Thomas Davenport presided. Parents of the bride are Jim and Kay Schook of Manchester; parents of the groom are Faith Vlcek of Ypsilanti and Ed Vlcek of Chelsea.

Honor attendants were Stacey Wilde of Manchester and Van Talcott of Manchester. The bridesmaids were Michelle Schook, sister of the bride, of Manchester; Kris Smith of Brooklyn; Beth Malcom of New Hudson, sister of the groom; and Melissa Schook, of Manchester, sister in law of the bride. The groomsmen were Brian Waters of Brooklyn; Brent Woods of Manchester; Bill Broucek of Plymouth; and Jason Van Deven of Manchester. Ushers were Jim and Karl Schook, brothers of the bride, both of Manchester.

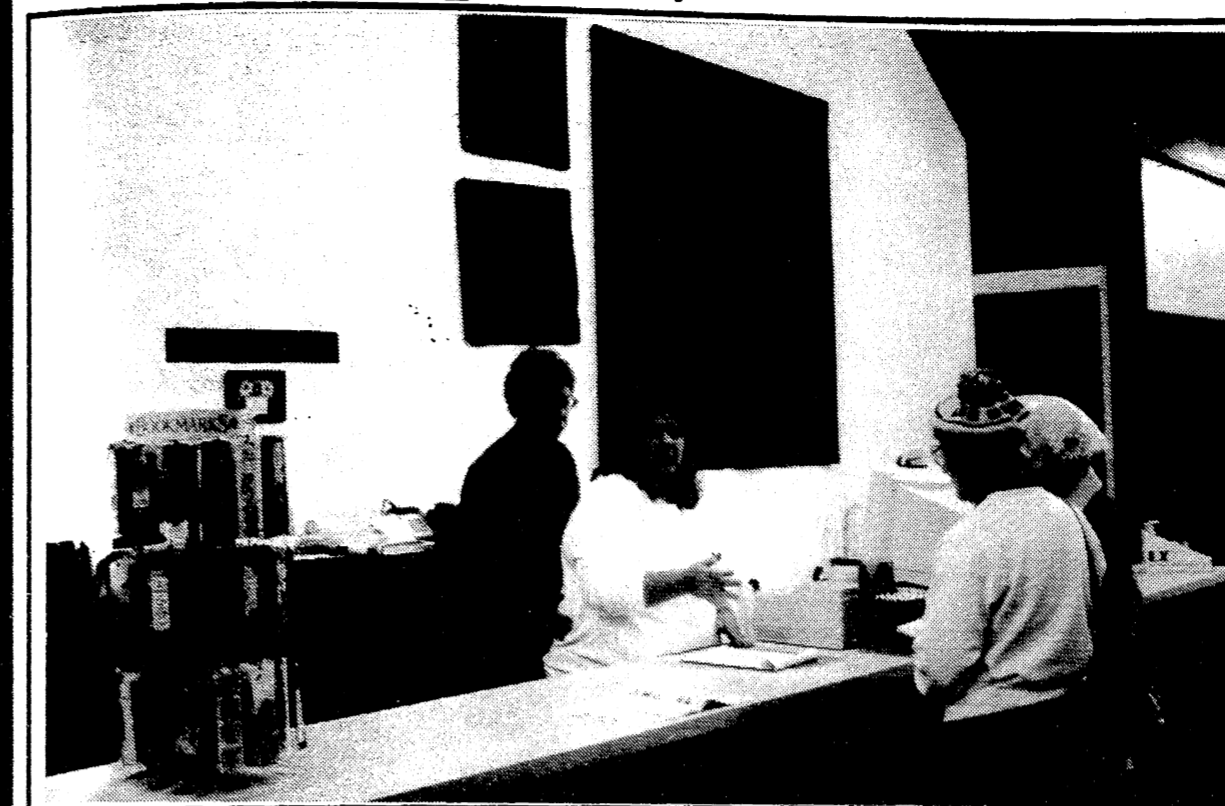
After a reception held at the Manchester Sportsman Club, the couple left for a honeymoon in Harbor Springs. They reside in Manchester.

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Around Town

Dr. Julie Marvin-Manders Makes A Move



Dr. Manders, the optometrist here in Manchester has purchased the house at 110 Riverside, near the corner of Main and M-52. It will become the new office of Manchester Eye Care Center and Dr. Manders. The old Kern house is zoned commercial and has been unoccupied for quite some time.

Dr. Manders is very excited to have a place of her own for her patients. "We are almost done with the construction work and are now down to the painting and decorating. We will be open for business in our new location on September 30."

Parking should not be a problem since the Manchester Eye Care Center is open during the day and can utilize the parking in front of her building on Riverside which gets used more in the evening by the other businesses located close to the corner. There will also be parking available for her patients behind her building.

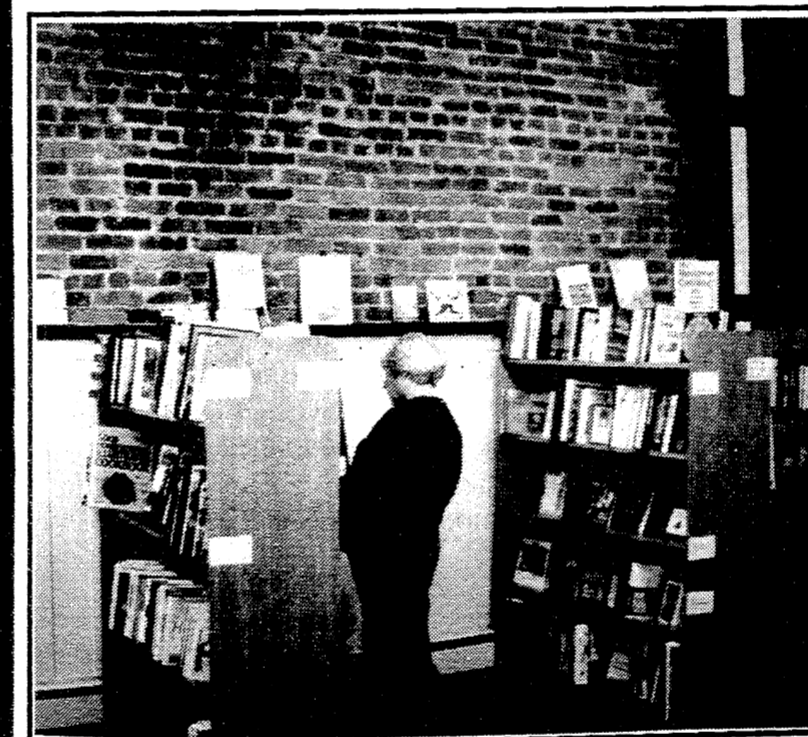
Dr. Marvin-Manders will keep the same office hours for now. It's great to see your dream come true, Dr. Manders. Keep up the great visions of Manchester.

-TMB

Chapters & Verses

Chapters & Verses celebrated their grand opening this past weekend with special discounts and activities for the entire family. Drawings and prizes added to the excitement of the day. Dreary weather didn't dampen any spirits; everyone who came to browse or be entertained enjoyed the day. Another attraction at Chapters & Verses is the variety of water colors depicting Manchester scenes by Nancy Feldkamp decorating the walls.

Siobhan and Edna announce that they now have sheet music in stock. Watch the Enterprise for information on Story Hours and other exciting events this fall at Chapters & Verses

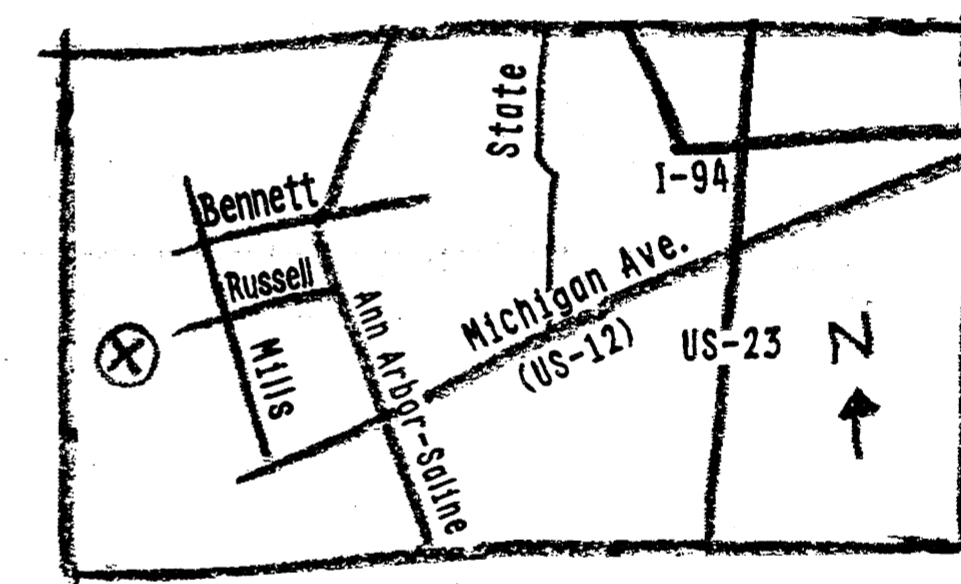


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Organizations



American Legion Auxiliary Unit #117 News

The American Legion Auxiliary met at the Legion Home on September 11, 1996 with 21 members and one guest present. The meeting was called to order by President Geneva Walkow. Roll Call was taken by the Secretary and the minutes of the June 12, 1996 meeting were read, corrected and approved.

T.V. Ludwick reported an outdoor flag has been supplied to Klager school. Unit #117's '96 rep to Girls State, Elizabeth Steele, gave an interesting presentation of her stay at Mt. Pleasant. Good job Elizabeth. Vivian Middlemiss reported many slippers for V.A. Hospital are ready for assembly. Vivian asked for help in attaching rubber soles to slippers.

Our Unit/Post has the dubious honor of hosting the 2nd District Meeting here in Manchester - for the first time in nearly 20 years - or Sunday, October 20, 1996. Details are being worked out for finalization at October meeting. Please keep this date in mind that we may represent our Unit/Post well as hosts of this meeting.

President Walkow advised of hot dog roast prior to home football game on Friday, September 20. Bring a dish to pass and enjoy....

King's Volunteers

The King's Volunteers next meeting will be held at Sharon United Methodist Church located at the corner of M-52 and Pleasant Lake Road. We will meet on September 26 at 1 PM with Olive Feldkamp as hostess assisted by Marie Pratt. There will be a reading of devotions and a business meeting, followed by our work session.

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Announcements

Birth and Parenting Expo Announced

The Fourth Annual Southeastern Michigan Birth and Parenting Expo will be held on October 5, 1996 from 10 AM - 4 PM. The location is at Washtenaw Community College's Morris Lawrence Building Lobby. Admission is free to all.

Exhibitors will include information on all aspects and options of birth and parenting; hospitals, birth centers, midwives, childbirth education, breastfeeding consultants, masseurs, herbs and homeopathy, health care, educational options, toys, and books

There will also be six Special Interest Presentations including: Ask the Experts panels, Arlene Corriveau on "What's your Learning Style?", Deborah and Edmond Bailey on "Braving Boundaries with Teens" Marilyn Jeffs on "The Dynamic Lives of Toddlers," and "Birth and Early Breastfeeding Issues"

For more information call Sharon (517)467-4392, Gloria (313)697-2924, or Ann (313)996-2599.

The Birth and Parenting Expo is sponsored by Parenting Connections, P.O. Box 3443, Ann Arbor, MI 48106-3443, a State Non-profit organization.

HURON VALLEY CONSULTATION CENTER TO OFFER FREE SCREENINGS

FOR DEPRESSION DURING NATIONAL DEPRESSION SCREENING DAY, OCTOBER 10

Mental Health professionals from Huron Valley Consultation Center will offer local residents the opportunity to learn about the signs and symptoms of depression and to participate in a free screening as part of National Depression Screening Day, Thursday October 10, 1996. The free program will be held at 11:00 AM and 4:00 PM, at the clinic's east side office, 2750 Carpenter Road, Suite 1, Ann Arbor.

National Depression Screening Day, an annual program, was developed by Harvard psychiatrist, Dr. Douglas Jacobs. Last year, more than 80,000 people attended screenings at 2,400 sites nationwide. National Depression Screening Day inaugurated the concept of screening for a mental illness when it began six years ago. Participants in the Huron Valley consultation Center Depression Screening will hear a brief talk on the causes, symptoms, and treatments of depression fol-

lowed by a short video. Individuals will complete an anonymous written screening test for depression and have the opportunity to discuss the results with a mental health professional.

According to figures from the National Institute of Mental Health, depression strikes more than 17 million Americans each year. Fewer than half of them, however, actually seek treatment even though treatment can help 80 percent of those affected. Common symptoms of depression include feelings of hopelessness, worthlessness, restlessness and irritability, changes in sleep and appetite, loss of energy, and thoughts of death or suicide.

"It is our hope that the screenings we are offering will not only provide people with information about depression, but will also assist those affected by depression to seek help," said Steve Press, MSW, BCD, Clinical Manager of Huron Valley Consultation Center.

After A Parent Dies: A Group for Adults

The loss of a parent is the most common form of bereavement in the United States. Yet our society does not define a parent's death as a major disruptive loss, even though each year almost 12 million Americans lose a parent. Middle aged and older adults may be surprised or distressed by how deeply affected they are by their parent's death.

A four week program is being offered by Individualized Hospice for men and women who have experienced the loss of a parent. Each week information about the grieving process will be presented followed by discussion. Topics will include understanding the nature of grief, how grief affects us as individuals, dealing with difficult feelings, the impact of the loss on other family members, finding time to grieve and ways to help oneself through grief.

The group will meet on four successive Mondays beginning on October 7th, from 6:30 - 8:30 PM. Meetings will be held at the office of Individualized Home Nursing Care, 3003 Washtenaw, Ann Arbor. Registration is required by October 1, 1996. For further information or to register, contact Nancy Doty, Coordinator of Bereavement Services; 971-0444.

RIDE-A-THON TO BENEFIT HANDICAPPED RIDING

Attention horse lovers, trail riders, equestrian and hunt club members, and drivers of horse drawn vehicles. Now is the time to register for the Fifth Annual Therapeutic Riding Ride-A-Thon and Fun Day. Plan now to spend a wonderful day trail riding and driving through scenic Chrysler Proving Grounds while supporting Therapeutic Riding's major fund raiser.

Chrysler Proving Grounds, south of Chelsea, MI, will again be the site of Therapeutic Riding's Ride-A-Thon. The Sunday, October 13th event is designed to raise funds for Washtenaw County's therapeutic and recreational horseback riding program for children and young adults who are physically or mentally challenged. The general public is invited to bring their horses to ride horseback or drive their horse-drawn vehicles from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the Proving Grounds. Horse-drawn wagon rides provided by Hylite Farms of Manchester will also be available for young children and non-riders. Riders can also participate in horse-related games along the trails.

Individual participants are asked to raise a minimum of \$30 in sponsorships; family groups

must raise \$50. All riders and drivers will receive grooming bins stocked with horse treats and a free lunch. Participants who raise the most in sponsorships will win prizes.

In the last three years over 340 riders have raised more than \$30,000 for Therapeutic Riding, Inc., which provides therapeutic and recreational horseback riding for over 140 individuals each year in 3 sessions of classes. Therapeutic Riding maintains the program's horses, pays trained instructors and therapists, and provides student scholarships from an annual budget of \$42,000.

Therapeutic Riding is extremely grateful to the Chrysler Proving Grounds staff who prepare and monitor the trails and to the entire Chrysler team for their commitment to handicapped riding. We also appreciate the support of the SE Ann Arbor Kiwanis, Pittsfield Township Optimists, Professional Volunteer Corps, Pi Kappa Alpha, 4-H Ambassadors, Enchanted Equestrians, and the Washtenaw County Buffalo Soldiers who will provide support and volunteers for the 1996 Ride-A-Thon.

How Long Will This Road be Closed?

At press time last Tuesday (September 10th) the Enterprise was not informed of the closing of Pleasant Lake Road. Barrett Gravel Company did call after press time to advise us of this inconvenience but the Washtenaw County Road Commission did not inform us of this development until later in the week.

Pleasant Lake Road between Fletcher and Reno Road will be closed for the next 30 days. The stretch of road between Fletcher and Reno has some hills that present a safety hazard for cars stopped at the Fletcher Road stop sign.

The road repair will flatten out those hills and widen the road. This will make a center turn lane which will access the gas company and Fletcher Road.

Construction started on September 11 and detour signs are up. To get around the closed road take Fletcher Road north to Scio Church Road then east to Parker.

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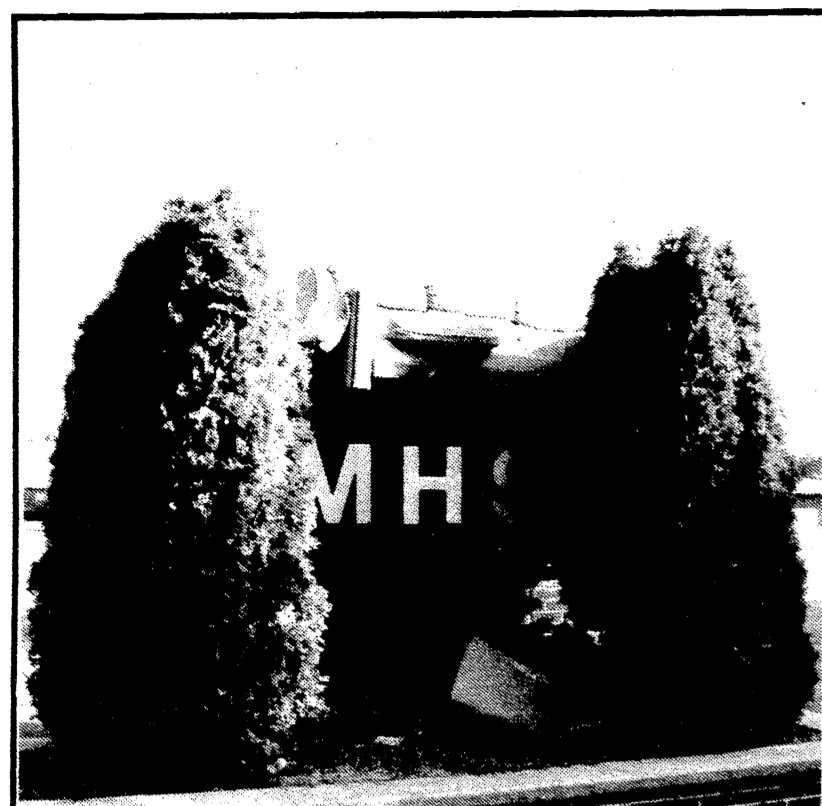
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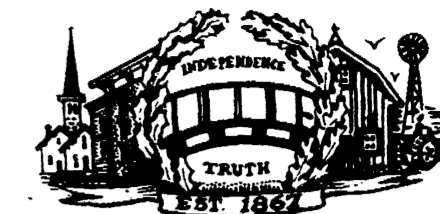
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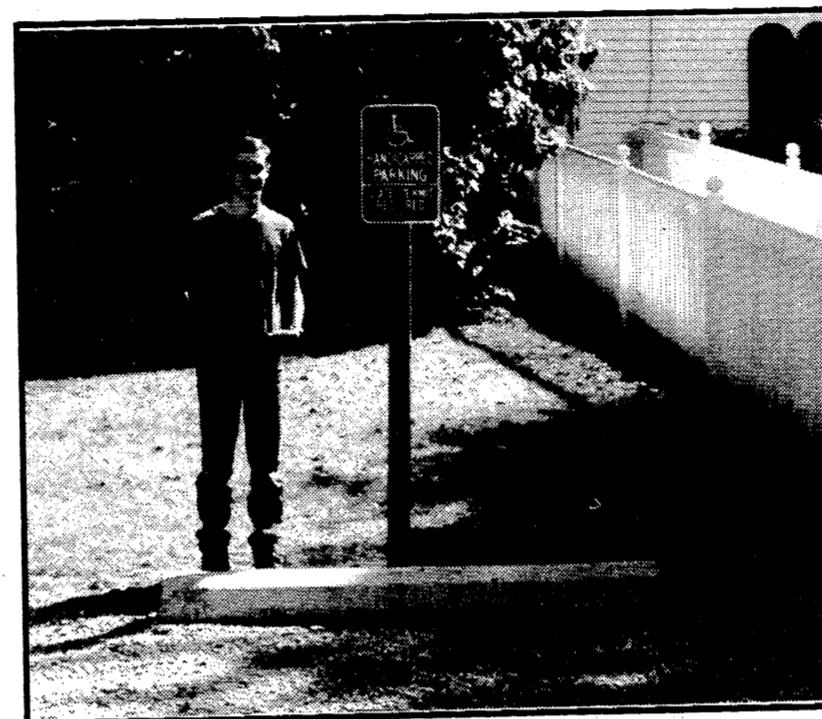


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Eagle Scout Project Completed



As a part of my Eagle Scout rank I completed a service project for the Manchester Township Library on Saturday, September 14. This project consisted of putting three new parking spaces in the back of the library. There is one handicapped space and two staff spaces. The project began with excavating the top soil and filling it in with gravel. The spaces were finished off with concrete bumper blocks and parking signs.

I would like to thank all of the people who contributed to this project. Thanks go to the library board for their support and patience, to Jeff Schaffer for his help and expertise in excavating, to Pat DuRussel for donating and hauling all of the needed gravel, to Jay Davis of

Davis Excavating for letting me borrow a compactor, to Erik Minick for the concrete bumper blocks, to Phil Maly for his help with the surveying and engineering, to Dave Minick for his help and support from the very beginning, and to all of the others who helped with the actual construction: Dave Roberts, Ron Schook, Willy Slocum, Chris Kemner, Ted Roberts, and Ed Barnard.

Before I started this project I went to a number of the corporations in Manchester, seeking donations to help with this Eagle Scout project. I want to thank Manchester Plastics, the only corporation who responded favorably. I hope that their support and community involvement will provide an example for the other corporations and businesses in Manchester.

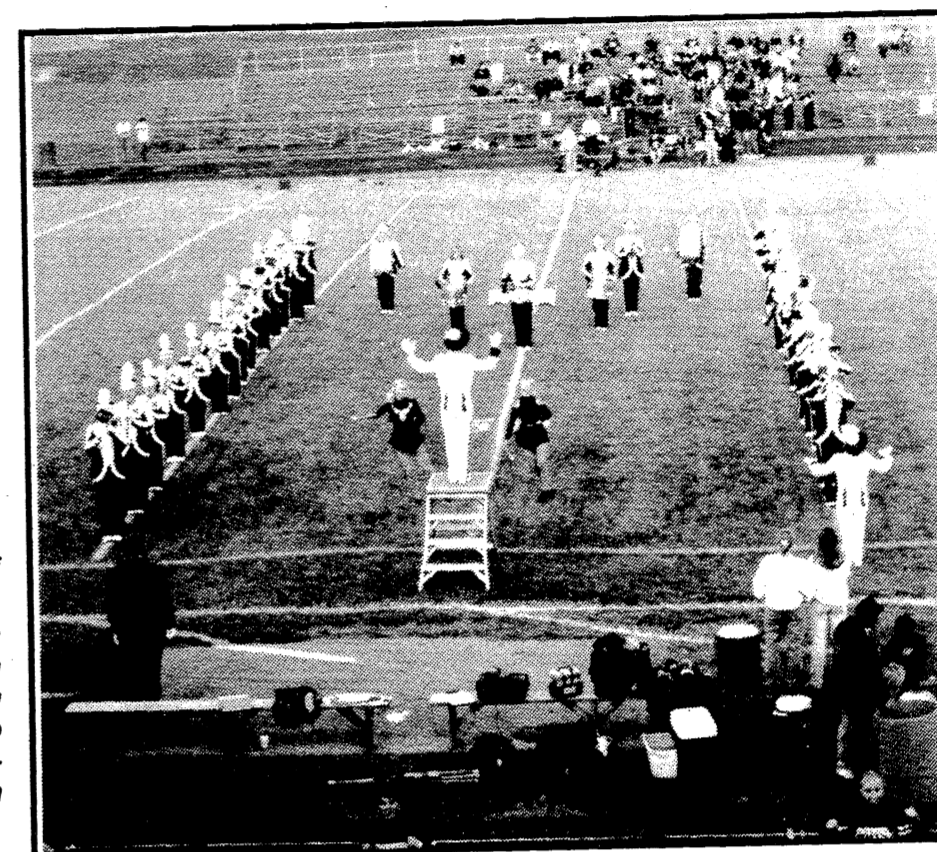
- David Sweeton

"Band, Take the Field"

The Manchester High School Marching Band, 54 members strong this fall, presented pre-game and halftime shows for last Friday's home opener.

They looked terrific and sounded great! Under the new direction of Mr. Jared Throneberry, and with senior majors Will Roberts and Andrea Hughes, the band begins another season of success.

Majorettes Sarah Patak and Laura Kanta, and the Flag Corps add extra flair to the band's performance. Catch them again this Friday!



Manchester Voices Echo in The Halls of Congress

Local resident George Patak was invited to speak before the Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice (part of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight) at a hearing held in Lansing September 3. Two panels of four members each testified at these hearings., entitled "Report from the Front Line: Michigan's War on Drugs."

Patak is a police officer in Ann Arbor and a D.A.R.E. instructor in the Ann Arbor Public Schools. More importantly, he is the father of two daughters and an active member of our

community. Manchester can be proud to be represented by his voice in Washington D.C.

Testimony to the US House of Representatives Good morning, my name is George Patak and I am a police officer with the city of Ann Arbor. Since 1991, I have worked with Ann Arbor students in the DARE program, which focuses on giving kids the skills they need to avoid alcohol, tobacco and drugs. I have also been part of a committee charged with developing the city's anti-gang strategy and this fall, I'll begin working with Ann Arbor middle school stu-

dents to deliver the GREAT program, a set of lessons designed to help kids resolve conflicts, accept responsibility and avoid gang involvement.

Thank you for inviting me to speak with you today. Over the next few minutes, I'm going to share some statistics on substance abuse and youth violence and I'm going to tell you why changing those numbers matters so much to me. And, I'm going to ask for your help.

Here are some of the facts. Nationally, drug use among

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Seventh Graders Chad Roberts and Clint Granier work in the Technology Lab at Middle School. Story, second front page.

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