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Community Calendar

Scheduled Meetings

Bridgewater Twp.
Carol Peacock, Supervisor
517/456-7303
Karen Weidmayer, Clerk
13360 E. Austin
428-8641
Planning Commission
2d Monday 7:30
Township Board meeting
3d 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
2d Tuesday 8:00
Planning Commission
meets on First Tuesday
of all even numbered months

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT
428-9439 non-emergency

Sharon Township
Supervisor Gary Blades
5340 Hazel Rd., Grass Lake
428-9518
Teri Aiuto, clerk
428-7002,
17250 Bethel Church Road
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
Niedzwiecki 428-9711
Village of Manchester
Larry Bechtel, President
Jeff Wallace, Manager
428-7877
Village Council Meets
1st & 3d Monday, 7:00
Planning Commission
2d Tuesday after the first
Monday, 7:30 PM

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Monday

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

Tuesday

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

Commission, 7:30 PM
2d Tuesday: Manchester Area Senior Citizens, 9:30 am
2d Tuesday: 20th Century Club, 7:30 pm.
2d & 4th Tuesdays: Shakespeare Club, 2:00 & 4:00
3d Tuesday: Manchester Historical Society, 7:30 at Blacksmith Shop
4th Tuesday: La Leche League 10:00 am call 428-8831 for location and info.
4th Tuesday: Klager PTO 6:30 PM at the school. Call 428-8321 for info.
4th Tuesday: Manchester Township Planning Commission
Every Tuesday: Boot Stompers meet at American Legion 7-9 PM
Every Tuesday At Your Home: RECYCLE - put containers at curb by 7:30 AM

Wednesday

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

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

Thursday

1st Thursday: Sharon Township Board meets 8:00
1st Thursday: American Legion Post #117, meets 7:30
2d or 3d Thursday: Sharon Township Planning Commission
3d Thursday: Cub Scout Pack Meeting, 7:00 pm
4th Thursday: Community Resource Center Board, 7:30
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 & 3d Saturdays: Manchester Kiwanis meets. Call 428-7722 for information on meeting place and time.

Coming Events

The Community Calendar is a regular feature of the Enterprise. If your meetings or special events should be listed here, please call us at 428-8173.

Where Friends Meet

Banquet Hall in Clinton presents:

New Year's Eve Party

Tuesday December 31, 1996

Dinner, Comedy and Music.
Tickets: \$25.00 per person. BYOB.

TIMES

- Dinner, 6:30pm - 7:45pm
- 8:00pm Comedy Show

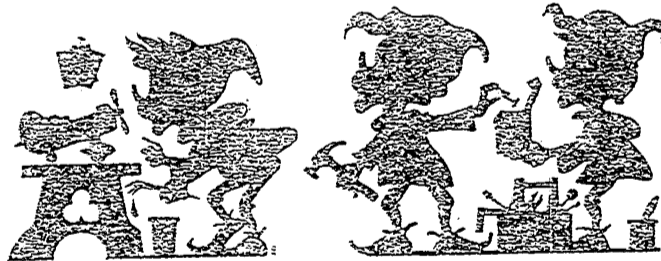


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Bill Barr & Chris Zito

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Hope it's filled with smiles all the way around. Many thanks for brightening our year.

Happy Holidays!
Dr. Currey & Staff

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feature has a format which lets callers with a touch-tone phone select which message they wish to hear. The messages are changed monthly. To contact Dial-A-Garden, call 971-1129. Enter one of the 3 digit codes listed below. Persons with a rotary phone should call 971-0079 and hold on the line for the operator.

December 1996

- 101 Buying a new houseplant
- 102 Growing cyclamen
- 103 Freesia
- 104 Caring for holiday plants
- 105 Why won't houseplants flower?
- 201 Pest control for houseplants
- 202 De-icing sidewalks
- 203 Live Christmas tree
- 204 Choosing a Christmas tree
- 205 Keep your Christmas tree fresh
- 301 Winter protection of trees and shrubs
- 302 African violets
- 303 Salt injuries on plants
- 304 Snow mold
- 305 Making a grape vine wreath
- 401 Recycle your Christmas tree
- 402 Indoor light gardening
- 403 Using wood ash
- 404 The MSU soil test
- 405 Plant and insect diagnostic service

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The Second Front Page

A Christmas Message

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

- by Rev. Vince Carroll

The Word of God was made human in order that we might be made divine. The Word displayed itself through a body, that we might receive knowledge of the invisible Father.

- Athanasius, 4th century

The ancient writers of the church were always convinced that the Word — the second person of the Trinity — was active throughout the Hebrew Scriptures. They saw the Word's presence in the plurals of Genesis 1. They assumed that the "angel of the Lord" who visited human beings on earth was an appearance of the Word. They equaled the divine Wisdom of the Song of Solomon with the Word as well!

Yet none of these signs of the presence of the Word could compare with the descent of the second person of the Trinity into the womb of the Virgin, and the birth of Jesus! This divine assumption of human flesh changed all the world's history. While the Word always was, the early writers properly spoke of the newness of God's work in Jesus. A profound gulf between the created world and the Creator had been overcome in the unity of the divine and human. God had assumed flesh. Because of that miracle a human being, could now also be called the "mother of God."

For the first time in human history the distorted dream of the Garden (that human beings

might actually be like God!) was fulfilled, but it was fulfilled in truth by God's own gracious descent into the world and not by human grasping, after the divine.

The result was a new possibility for the world's future, a world in which human beings might not only glimpse the divine, but actually share in it. From John's Gospel to Irenaeus to Athanasius and on, this assumption of the finite by

the infinite was a major way of speaking of the world's salvation, and often received more emphasis than the Easter themes of salvation from death.

The incarnation and birth of Jesus were seen as an equally valid way of talking about the world's salvation: God had descended into the flesh in order that the whole of humanity might be lifted up into the divine. Before the birth of Jesus it was always possible to talk

about the Word, the second person of the Trinity, but only after Christmas can we talk about Jesus, a human being, who is the Word, and who is at the right hand of God!

We who are his brothers and sisters by a birth in Baptism have good reason to celebrate his birth at Christmas. In him heaven and earth are indeed united; things divine and things human are made one.

A blessed Christmas to all!



HAPPY
HOLIDAYS

May the season deliver
daily cheer to your
doorstep!

Back Door
Party Store

PEACE AND JOY AT
CHRISTMASTIME

May the light and love of the season shine on you.
Merry Christmas to all!

Manchester
Tool & Die

Christmas Memories

Let the celebration begin, and may you
carry the magic of this Christmas
with you for many years to come!

Manchester Stamping

A CHRISTMAS WISH
FROM OUR HOME TO YOURS

May peace and
good fortune
visit your
home this
holiday season.

PREMIER
CONTRACTING INC.

Editorial / Opinion Page

Do You See What I See?

As I sit here in the **Enterprise** Office with all the clutter and jumble (mostly caused by myself), I see bright shining stars which always get brighter at this time of year. These stars are the people I work with.

"Each week you get only one strike, not three, to put the **Enterprise** out, and that strike comes every Tuesday fifty two times a year," a colleague said to me a short time ago. Every week we need to meet that deadline of getting the paper to press filled with news for you, our readers of the Manchester area. That happens because of my **Bright Shining Stars**.

I have many stars who shine through all the hustle and bustle this time of year, for which I am very Thankful. The stars at the **Enterprise** are Marsha, Andy, Julie, Gar, and the students who work with us. These stars shine all year through and I am a very blessed individual to be able to work with all of these people, for without them there would not be **The Manchester Enterprise** filled with the local coverage, stories, and editorials which keep us going.

Marsha Chartrand is the main writer, and yes folks she'll tell you that I create many of the stories and ideas BUT (and that is a very BIG but) Marsha is the one who puts them into words and makes the articles of interest to you Marsha is calm, quiet, confident and capable most of the time and especially when I'm not which is 90% of the time. Thanks to her the paper is interesting week after week. Without her the top half of the paper would be pretty boring.

Andy Supers is the newest addition to the **Enterprise**, and a delightful one at that. Andy is a Senior this year at M.H.S. and is on a work co-op program with us. He is the graphic person, doing up the ads and filling the bottom half of the paper. He is also compiling the information to get us new computers so we can feel like we are part of the new millennium that will soon be upon us. I realize the minute we will become tons smarter and be able to run them just great. Right, Andy? Andy has brought a new perspective with his ideas and opinions which I have found very refreshing, although challenging at times.

Julie Schaible is our office manager. That title seems so simple. It may be wherever you work, but certainly not here - at least as long as I'm around. Julie takes the brunt of all the unhappy individuals whom most likely I have upset by not doing their ad right, not getting their paper, or not being billed correctly. She

has this calming effect on me and tries to keep me in line. Her patience comes from Job, and her demeanor pulls us all together and calms us. She likes to hide back in her corner doing her work and yet I always know there is a warm shining star brightening that corner.

gar, well what can one say? As an employee put it - "either you love him or you hate him, and most people hate him only because they really don't know him." I am very thankful for gar. He has given me a chance - and a very big one at that - by owning the **Enterprise**. Many Tuesdays I wonder what the heck I have done by saying yes when asked if I would purchase the paper. gar is my North Star because of the belief he has in me.

Thanks to Emory the editorial page is lively and full. He has had the intestinal fortitude to raise many issues that people have hidden behind for years and has brought about some very positive changes to the community. Though it is tough sometimes to get an 'Out and About' if the golf course is open. To you, gar, I tip my hat and once again say Thank You.

The staffers are the students who come in on Tuesdays after school, patiently (?) waiting for the return of the paper so they can insert the flyers. Alyssa, Arianne, Ian, Stuart, Karl, John, Kelly, and Zachary. If you know us you probably see a pattern here. Yes these are our own shining stars from our families.

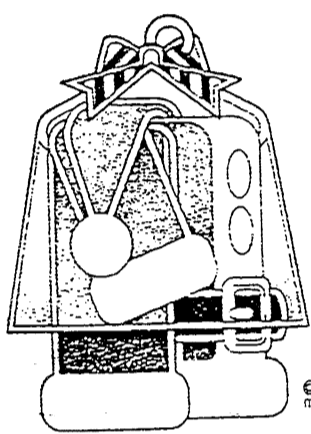
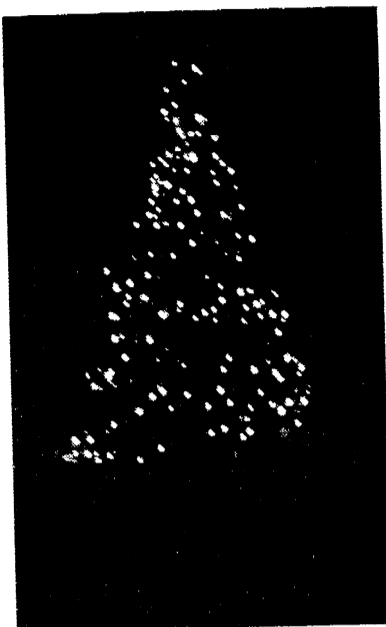
Some weeks the stars don't shine quite so brightly because of something that may have happened at school (or before they even left the house that morning) but for me they are all **Bright Shining Stars** on Tuesday afternoons! God Bless each of You!

I must not forget the other students who work for us. Lacey Curtis, Joanna Dettling, Mary Lobbestael, Pat Chapin, and Jeff Chapin at this particular time. Joanna actually works at Calamity Jane's but certainly puts her worth into the paper and answers the phones for us. Mary Lobbestael is the star that shines through at any given holiday or break from Western and tries to bring organization to our chaotic office during the holidays. Pat and Jeff Chapin are both sport reporters for us and have done another good job this year.

There have been many stars throughout the year for which I can be thankful. I can only hope you are just as blessed as I am this time of year and all throughout the coming year.

Merry Christmas to all, may all your STARS shine through this time of year!

Teresa M. Benedict



**WE'RE
PRESSED
FOR TIME...**

*To wish you a really
neat Christmas!
We appreciate your
patronage.*

**Village
Laundry**



*Peace
to All*

*May you and
yours celebrate
a season of joy
and love with
family and friends.*

**Jenter-Braun
Funeral Home**



- by gar

Christmas is the celebration of the Christ Child's Birth, or supposedly that is the occasion. Too often, we have made that into a commercial endeavor that precludes the success or failure of business interests.

That aside, the occasion of gift giving to children is a wonder to behold. I have found the innocence of a child receiving presents at Christmas a beautiful occasion. To see their happy faces upon opening presents, regardless of size or cost, imparts to the giver a great satisfaction. Unfortunately there are children who go without, for whatever reason, and that is truly unfortunate.

As adults, we must keep in focus that children of all ages must be provided some basic

needs. Education is by far one of the most important needs which we must continue to remember. Without an education, our children cannot continue to grow and expand to their full potential.

Communities around us are growing at a prodigious rate. Their facilities are being stretched and budgets are being expanded beyond all expectations. We here in Manchester, although isolated by geography and highway network, will soon be tried with similar problems when we are discovered. It is but a question of time.

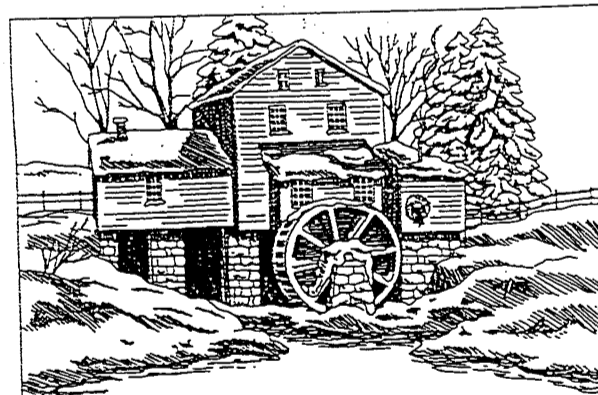
Will we be ready? Can we prepare ourselves to provide for our children of the future?



**Happy
Holidays**

*To all our cherished friends
and customers.
We truly appreciate
your business.*

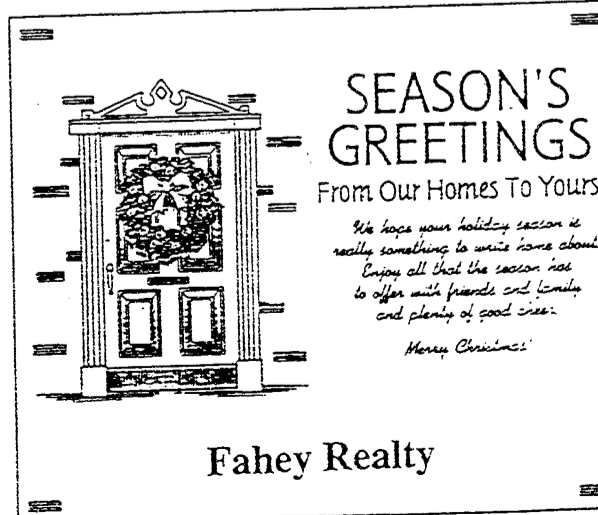
**Manchester
Antique Mall**



SEASON'S GREETINGS

An old-fashioned Christmas wish to all our friends.

Alber Orchard & Cider Mill



**SEASON'S
GREETINGS**

From Our Homes To Yours!

*We hope your holiday season is
really something to write home about!
Enjoy all that the season has
to offer with friends and family
and plenty of good cheer.*

Merry Christmas!

Fahey Realty

David Sweeton, Eagle Scout

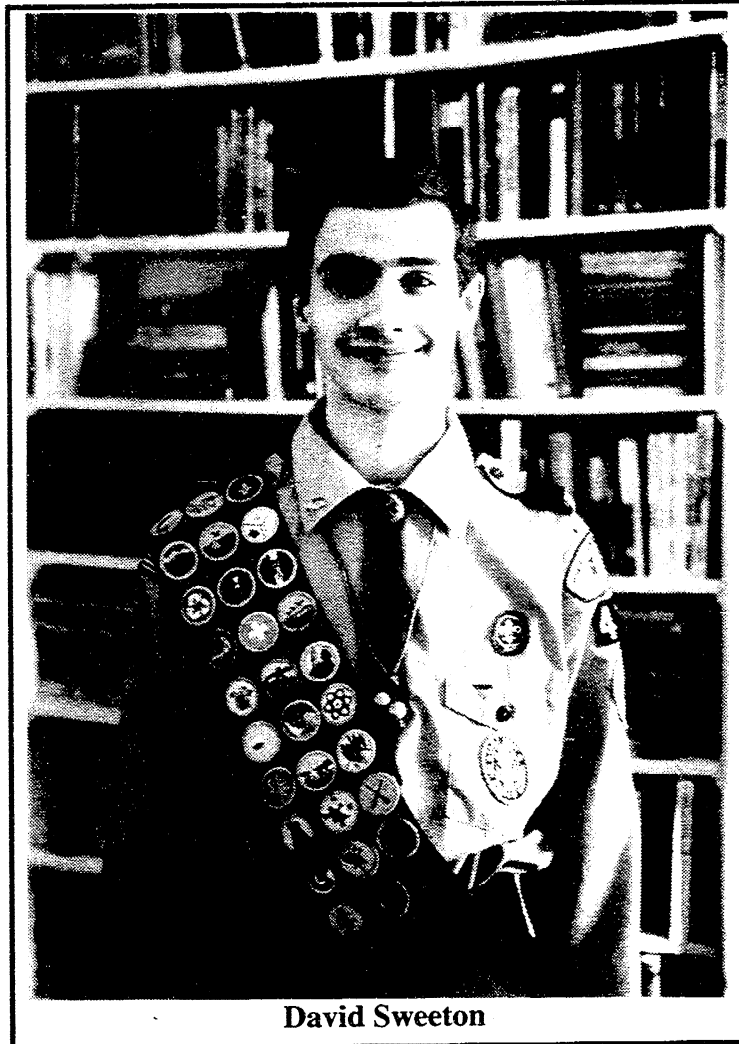
At a Court of Honor, on the evening of December 6th, at St. Mary's Parish Center, David Sweeton was recognized as an Eagle Scout. Manchester's long time scout leader, Dave Minick presented the medal and certificate.

Dave's mom Mary Lou and his sister Karly proudly stood by him throughout the ceremony. Ed Barnard, Grand Knight from Manchester's Knights of Columbus, the charter sponsors of Troop 426, was on hand to salute him; Dorothy Davies and Charlotte Major from the Manchester Township Library were present to congratulate and thank him for constructing the new parking spots behind the Library; and about 40 guests, scouts from his troop, Scoutmaster Dave Roberts, Assistants Skip Slocum and Paul DeConnik, Unit Commissioner John Hugel, and Eagle Advisor Bill Kwolek participated in presenting the award.

The Eagle is Scouting's highest achievement, only 1-2% nationwide advance to this level. The Eagle Scout must prove leadership skills both in his troop and community, successfully complete a service project, and earn 21 merit badges. The Eagle must also have good attendance, a complete understanding of scouting fundamentals, and embody the ideals and virtues set forth in the Scout Law.

David joined Troop 426 in April 1991. In little more than two years, he earned the rank of Life Scout, one step below Eagle. The twelve required badges which David earned include Camping, Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the World, Communications, Emergency Preparedness, Environmental Science, First Aid, Personal Management, Safety, Swimming, and Family Life. He also earned 17 elective badges in Atomic Energy, Canoeing, Chemistry, Computers, Energy, Fishing, Fish & Wildlife Management, Geology, Mammal Study, Nature, Orienteering, Pioneering, Rifle Shooting, Soil & Water Conservation, Space Exploration, Weather, and Wilderness Survival. The total number exceeds the requirement for earning the Bronze Palm, which Dave was also awarded during the Court of Honor.

His appointments include, Jr. Assistant Scoutmaster, Senior Patrol Leader and Assist. Senior Patrol Leader. He also served as Troop Librarian. David has also earned the World Conservation Award, the 100% Attendance Award, and two Quality Unit Awards. He has completed training courses in CPR, JASM, JLT, SPL, and Leadership. After the Eagle presentation, Dave was promoted to Assistant



David Sweeton

Scoutmaster through a special age exception granted by the Great Sauk Trail Council.

His Eagle Service Project provided a much needed parking area behind the Manchester Township Public Library. Construction involved surveying, considerable soil preparation, and integration with the barrier free ramp at the rear entrance. David obtained the necessary materials, equipment and manpower from both the public and private sectors.

Special thanks go to the Village and Township of Manchester, the Scouts and adult leaders of Troop 426, Jeff Schaffer for doing the excavating, and Pat DuRussel for providing the gravel.

David plans to pursue a career in computer programming. During the past three years, he has achieved proficiency in several computer languages, and is currently seeking employment in the area.

Our community appreciates and applauds your accomplishment, Dave; continue to accept the Eagle Challenge, practice the Scout Law, and keep the Scout Oath.

... AND TO ALL A GOOD NIGHT!
 May all your dreams come true this holiday season.
 We really appreciate your kind of support.

Manchester Machine

Peace at Christmastime

Hope the season brings beautiful moments, shared with beloved family members, the best of friends, and good neighbors like you!

Johnson Controls, Inc.

Here's hoping your holiday is trimmed with love, joy and other good things!

Prestige Travel

IT'S CHRISTMAS Everywhere!

There's peace and joy to share. Here, there, and everywhere. With lots of smiles and love. And blessings from up above!

Merry Christmas to our friends far and wide!

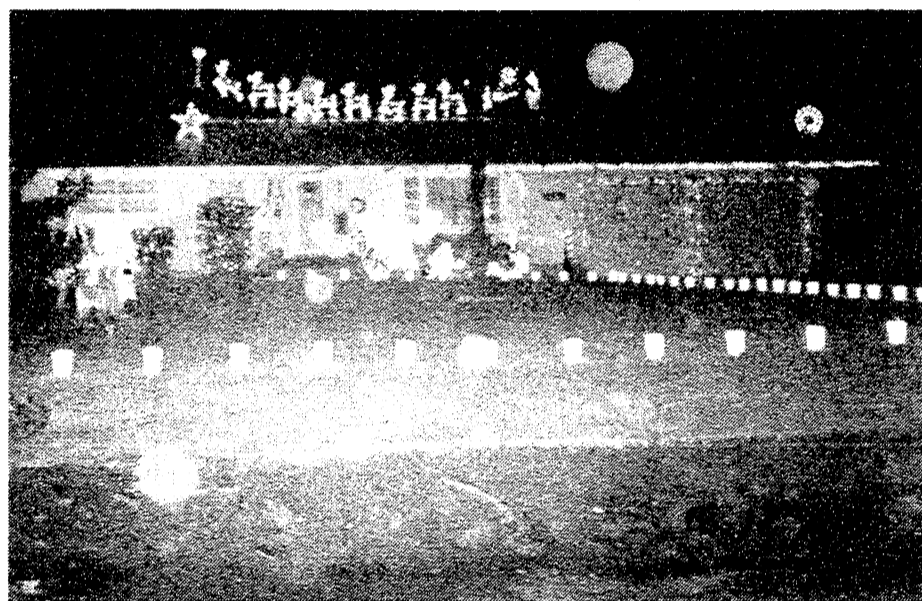
A & J Travel

At **CHRISTMAS...**
 May Your Field Of Dreams Be Ever Green...

To all our cherished friends, a very merry Christmas!

Tim's Lawn Care

Christmas



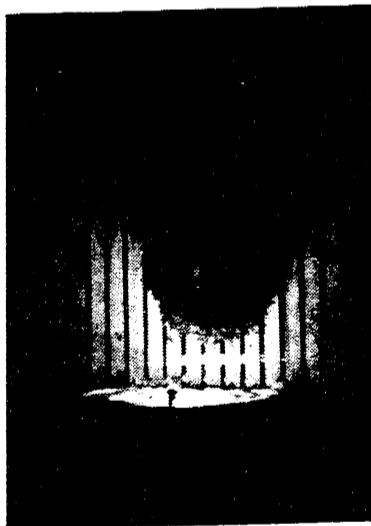
A Red Carpet Christmas



We'd like to take the floor to wish everyone a wall-to-wall wonderful season.

We're so glad you rolled in to see us!

Manchester Floors



Merry Christmas

Enjoy the beauty and wonder of it all.

Novus Windshield

Calamity Jane's



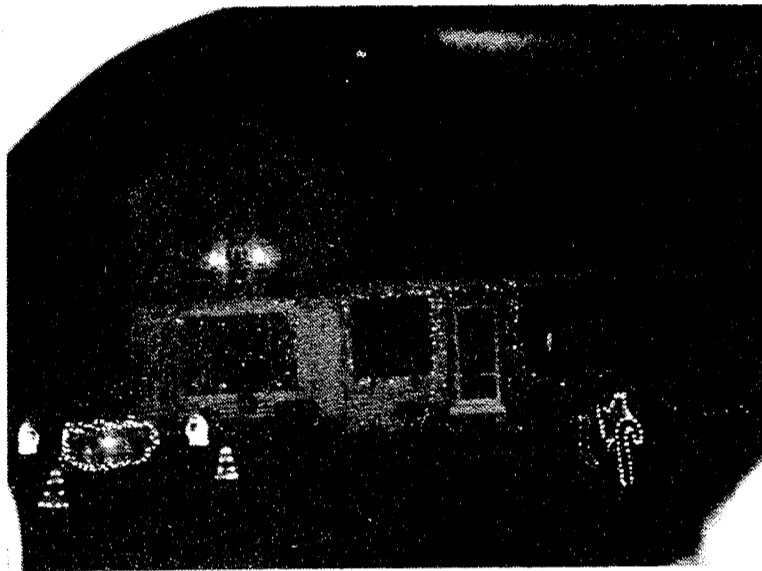
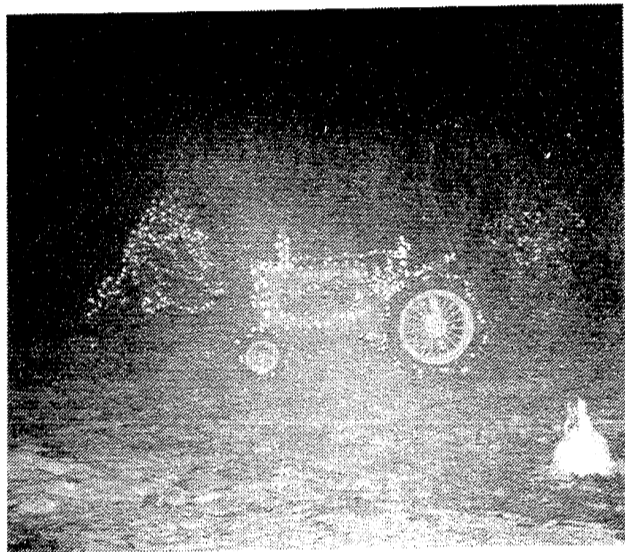
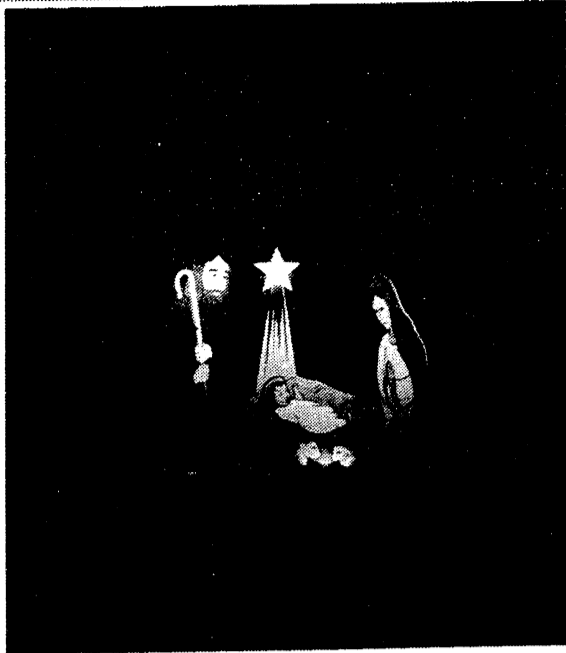
After Christmas Extravaganza!

30% - 50% off all Christmas Merchandise!*

Thursday, Dec. 26th 9 - 5
Friday, Dec. 27th 9 - 5

* Except P.T. Folks Santas

109 E. Main St. ★ Manchester ★ 428-1122



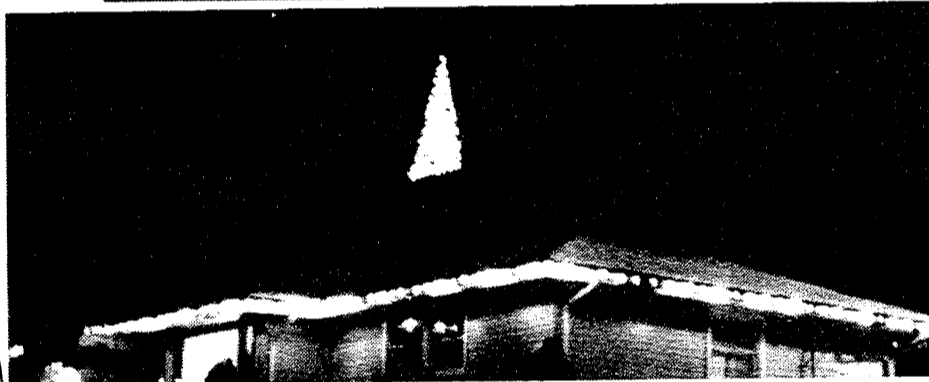



Oh, Glorious Season!

Deck the halls,
Pile on the cheer,
Christmastime...
Will soon be here!

We greatly
appreciate your
kind patronage,
and look forward
to serving you
in the coming
New Year.

Faist-
Morrow







SEASONS'S GREETINGS

We've enjoyed serving you
this past year — thanks for
your patronage.


Great Lakes
Bancorp



**138 E.
Main St.**



**428 - 6543
or
428 - Ollie**



Piling on the
Holiday Cheer

Santa is on his way,
Bringing the gifts of the season.
And we'd just like to say,
Your patronage is the reason,
We're wishing you all the best,
And Health, Happiness and all
the rest!

A Hearty Thanks and
Merry Christmas To All

Holiday Hours

Xmas Eve 11:00am - 8:30pm
Closed Dec. 25th
Thursday 4:00pm - 10:00pm

MANCHESTER Market

Prices good thru December 29, 1996 455 W. Main



**Spartan
Whole Boneless Ham**

\$1.99 lb.



**Nestle
Morsels**

10-12 oz.

3/\$5.00



**Tropicana
Orange
Juices**

64 oz.

2/\$4.00

Hours: Mon - Sat 8am to 9pm Sunday 9am to 7pm

People Military News

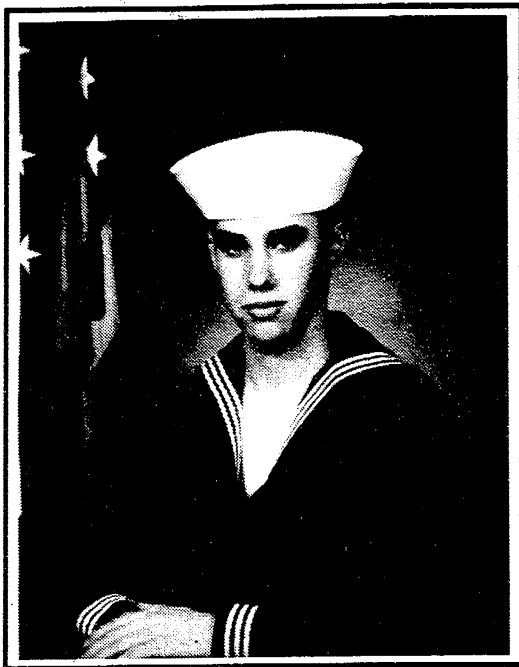
Van Bogelen appointed to Advisory Committee

At the regular meeting of the Washtenaw Intermediate School District (WISD) Board of Education held on November 26, 1996, the Board appointed **Ruth VanBogelen** to the Parent Advisory Committee, effective immediately and extending until June 30, 1998. She will be representing Manchester parents on this county-wide special education advisory board, as recommended by the Manchester Board of Education.

Adrian Symphony announces Young Musicians Competition Participants

The Adrian Symphony Orchestra is pleased to announce the participants in the third annual Young Musicians Competition, sponsored by Adrian State Bank. The competition is open to musicians through high school age from Lenawee, Monroe, and Hillsdale Counties, and Manchester. It offers the chance to compete for cash prizes and the opportunity to perform as a soloist with the Adrian Symphony at their concert, *For the Beauty of the Earth*, on February 16, 1997, conducted by David Katz.

The finalists were chosen from taped auditions and will perform in a public recital on January 11, 1997, after which the winner(s) will be announced. **Annie Hinkley**, a 15-year-old violinist from Manchester, is among the finalists



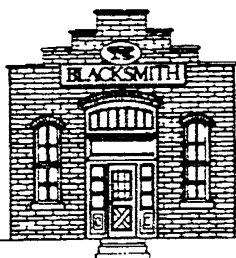
Graduates from Basic Training

Thomas Roger Leach, son of Roger and Sue Leach of Manchester, graduated from Basic Training at Great Lakes, Illinois Naval Recruit Base on December 13. After a brief visit home for the holidays, he goes on to Fort Leonardwood, Missouri, for additional training in the Sea Bees.

Navy Good Conduct Medal Received

Navy Petty Officer First Class **Gary L. Daniels**, a 1980 graduate of Manchester High School, recently received the Navy Good Conduct Medal. The Good Conduct Medal recognizes the service member's honest and faithful service during a three-year period. To earn it, Daniels achieved and maintained a satisfactory level of performance and an unblemished conduct record for the entire period. Daniels is currently assigned aboard the guided missile frigate USS *Aubrey Fitch*, home ported in Mayport, FL.

Manchester Area Historical Society



The Manchester Area Historical Society wishes to Thank All those who helped make the 1996 Christmas Eve Luminaria another beautiful event in the community.

Special Thanks to Chairman Forest Walz, Emily and Betty Cummings and the other members of the team for their efforts during the pre-Christmas season.

Sincerely, The Board of Directors
This ad donated by Friends of the Historical Society

College News

EMU Honors 1653 Graduates during Commencement December 15

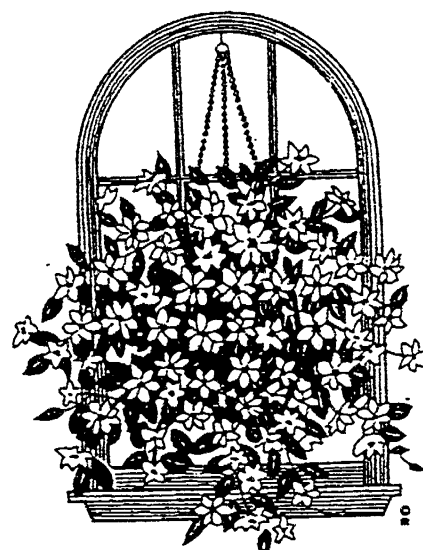
Eastern Michigan University hosted winter commencement exercises for 1,653 students on Sunday, December 15, in EMU's Bowen Field House. Among them were eight Manchester residents: **Heidi Marie Beasley**, Bachelor of Science; **Kerra E. Blakely**, Bachelor of Science, cum laude; **Jodi Lynn Burke**, Bachelor of Business Administration; **Damion John Creffield**, Bachelor of Science; **Claudia Ann Day**, Bachelor of Science; **Joanne Cynthia Kemner**, Bachelor of Business Administration; **Peggy L. Snow**, Bachelor of Science; and **Melanie S. White**, Bachelor of Science.

Washtenaw Community College Announces December Honors Recipients

Washtenaw Community College part-time students who have achieved academic excellence were recently announced. These students have earned a grade point average of 3.7 or better and have accumulated at least 15 credit hours while attending WCC part-time. The following Manchester students were honored at the WCC Winter Honors Convocation on December 12: **Gail A. Ganger**; **Cathy Peasley**; **Amber E. Smith**; **Karen S. Smith**; **Tammy R. Steele**.

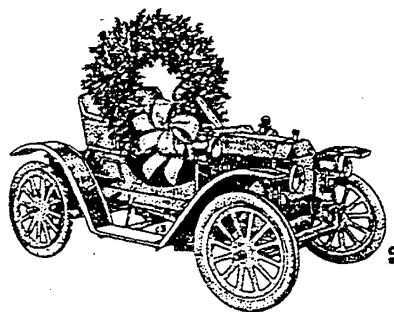
WCC Announces December 1996 Graduates

Washtenaw Community College associate degree candidates for December 1996 degrees and/or certificates were recently announced. The candidates from Manchester are: **Alicia Mae McCarroll**, **Linda Leigh Quarterman**, **Elisabeth Reed**, **Michael D. Shuey**, **Kathleen S. Staggs**, and **Jennifer Marie Sweeney**.



A Bouquet Of
BEST WISHES
For Love and Peace at Christmas!
And a heartfelt "Thank You!" for your valued friendship.

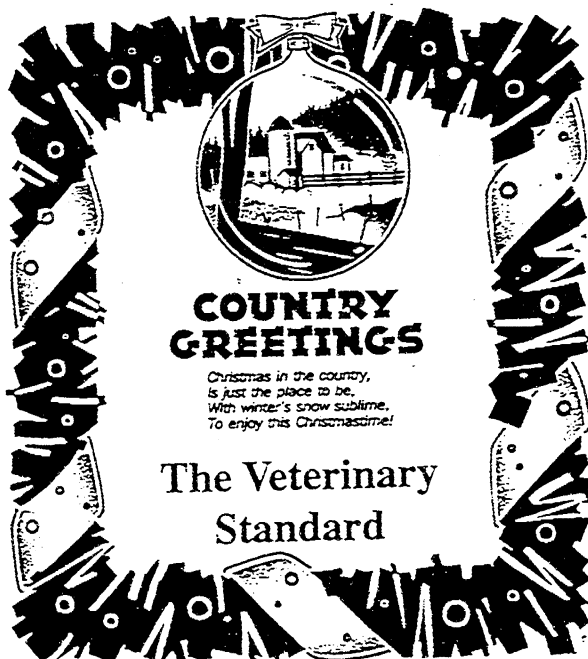
The
Flower Garden



Shift Into Holiday Gear!

Everyone here is all revved up to wish you a high-powered holiday celebration, where everything runs smoothly!

Manchester Collision



COUNTRY GREETINGS

Christmas in the country,
is just the place to be.
With winter's snow sublime,
To enjoy this Christmastime!

The Veterinary
Standard



Season Greetings

Manchester Car Wash

Keep your vehicle washed

Merry Xmas and
Happy New Year!

Announcements

Masonic News



John Church, the newly installed Worshipful Master for 1997, with Millard Uphaus who received a 60 year pin, for his membership in Manchester Lodge #148 F&AM. Brother Millard was Master in 1941 and served as Secretary of the Lodge for many years. He is a pharmacist and retired local businessman.

Little Elves Sing Out



To a packed auditorium filled with loving parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and brothers and sisters, the Manchester Co-op Preschool made its holiday singing debut. Under the guidance of teacher Linda Ebersole and with the professional accompaniment of Luke Schaible, the little ones sang the songs they had been practicing diligently. The gestures of elves tappa-tappa-tap-

ping and of red race cars zooming added an extra element of fun for the children.

After the sing-a-long a special visitor arrived, much to the delight of the children. Santa Claus himself paid a visit and then took the time to greet and sit with the children who wished to speak with him. Parents and other family members enjoyed fruit punch and a dazzling array of home-baked cookies. The

children, dressed up in their holiday finery, made for some terrific "Kodak moments."

The Manchester Co-op Preschool is a non-profit school, owned and operated by Manchester families. There are openings for 3 and 4 year olds for the second semester. For more information, call the Preschool at 428-1684.



4-H Presents Award to The Enterprise!



Jodi Feldkamp of the Jolly Farmerettes and Farmers 4-H Club of Manchester, presents a Meritorious Service Award, "In Recognition of Your Support of 4-H as an Investment in America's Youth," to Marsha Chartrand and Teresa Benedict of The Manchester Enterprise.

STATE OF MICHIGAN - PROBATE COURT - COUNTY OF WASHTENAW

CLAIMS NOTICE - INDEPENDENT PROBATE File No. 96-110398-IE. Estate of DORIS L. SMITH deceased. 378-05-7706. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following: The decedent, whose last known address was 564 W. Middle Street, Chelsea, MI 48118, died December 4, 1996. An instrument dated October 22, 1991 has been admitted as the will of the deceased.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representatives, BEATRICE A. HAEUSSLER, and DONA TRASKOS, of 7651 Austin Road, Saline, Michigan 48176, and 4455 Lima Center Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48103, respectively, or to both the independent personal representatives and the Washtenaw County Probate Court, Ann Arbor, MI, 48107 within four months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

KEUSCH & FLINTOFT, P.C.: Attorneys for the Personal Representative by John P. Keusch, P-15927 119 South Main, PO Box 187, Chelsea, MI 48118 313-475-8671.

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Chelsea

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475-2260



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With Joy

May your cup be filled with enough good cheer to last the season, and throughout the year.

We know our cup runneth over with happiness when we think of all the great folk we've had the privilege to know and serve. Thank you, everyone!

Baker's Dozen

Wishing You A Novel Noel

Literally speaking, we hope it's the greatest! Merry Christmas and many thanks for your kind patronage.

Chapters & Verses



Christmas IS LOOKING GOOD!

Everything's set for a beautiful season, and we're proud to be part of the reason. We've been awaiting the chance for quite awhile, to tell you how much we like your style!



With Best Wishes To Our Many Good Friends

Marti's Beauty Salon

School

SADD Draws Winners of Quilt

Perhaps you saw the beautiful display of the Students Against Drunk Driving at the Christmas in the Village last month. Well, if you didn't, it was a lovely blanket made by the SADD groups for a prize for donations. The chapter pulled together and made the quilt entirely on their own.

Since Christmas in the Village, SADD members have been receiving donations for their projects this year which include: Birthday Kits for all High School 16 year olds at MHS, educational materials related to drugs and alcohol, assembly speakers, leadership conferences, the luminaries at the December 20 basketball game, and ribbons to tie on for the holiday season!

Students Against Drunk Driving obtained a large pool of names to draw for the quilt donations, and the winner is: **Pat Nolan!** The Group also drew another name for a SADD sweatshirt, and the winner is: **Kathy Smith!**

Students who helped make the coverlet are as follows: Chris Kemner, Terry Coleman, Melissa Hoeft, Katie Tolen, Kelly Acree, Jennette Branch, Jen Clark, Lindsay Jacob, Michelle Barker, Cheryl Pfaus, Brad Kemner, Megan Kennedy, Emily Parr, Jane Kallewaard, and Alexis Panches.

Congratulations, both to the winners and to the SADD, for coming together for a good cause.

Lacea Curtiss

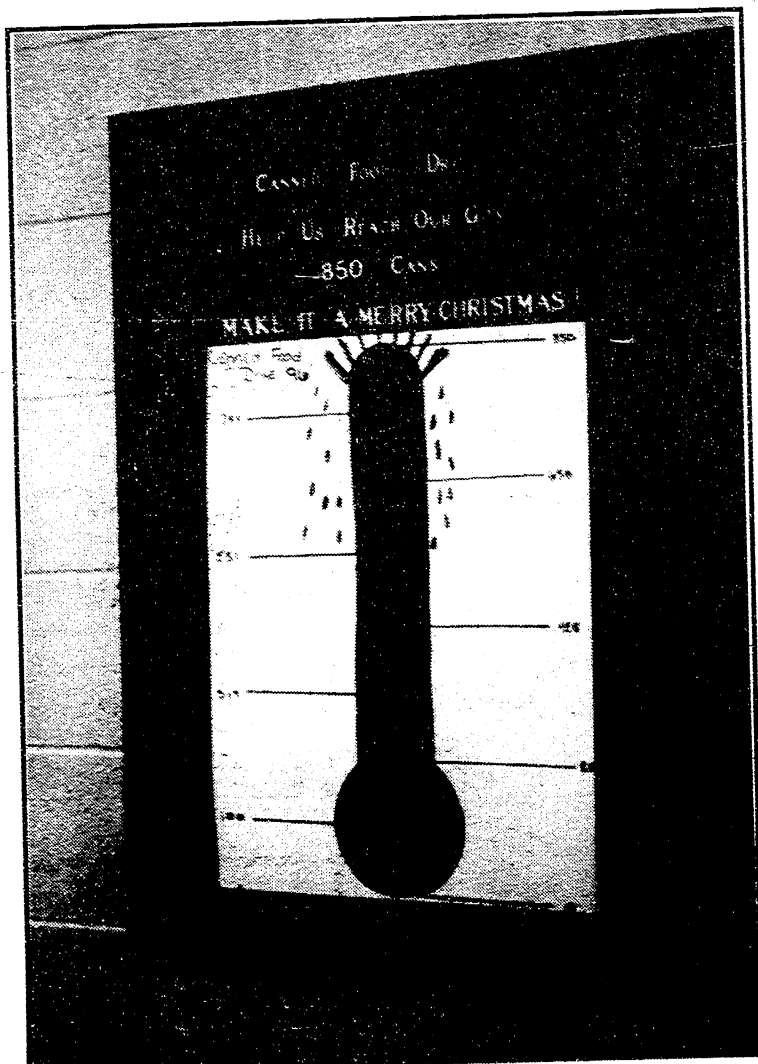
Merry Christmas From MHS

Students at Manchester High School have indeed discovered the true meaning of Christmas: spirit, compassion, and caring.

They have come together to make one classmate's wish come true. In a mere six hour school day, the students collected over \$350 for a very special Christmas present, a Manchester Varsity Jacket. The present was to be given to their hospitalized classmate, Ryan Weir.

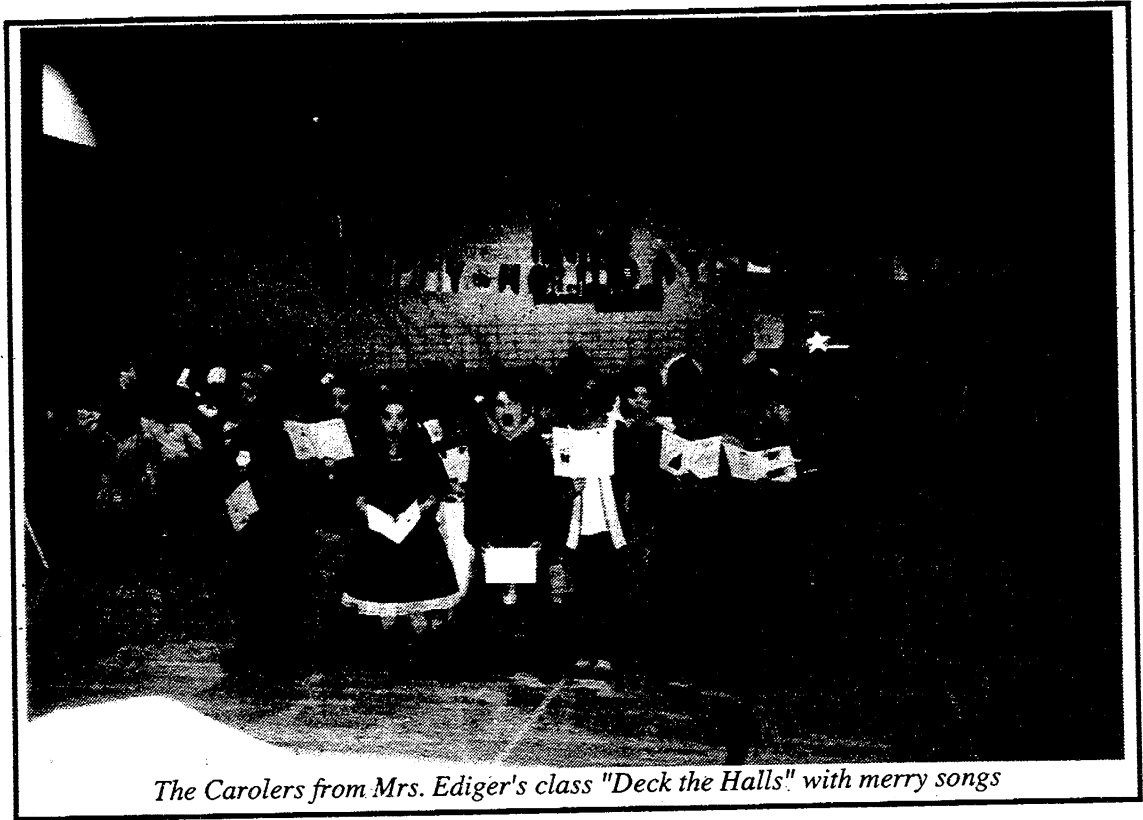
Matt Laskowski, Ryan's classmate at M.H.S., initiated a collection for Ryan's jacket on Friday morning. Just a short time later, staff and students alike were donating for Ryan's Christmas wish. Nancy Bihlmeyer, of Sew-Write has been chosen to do the sewing and embroidering on Ryan's brand new jacket. Ryan's track and Cross Country letters, and '98, will be added to the jacket.

Merry Christmas, Ryan, and we hope you enjoy your new jacket! It's hoped that Ryan will be home for Christmas.



The thermometer exploded at the High School! Their goal of 860 cans of food was exceeded by 60% as the school collected 1375 cans and boxes of food for the Manchester Family Services. Eighty percent of the food was collected from Mrs. Clark's and Mrs. Heinrich's classes. Great Job, High School Students!!

First And Second Graders Present Holiday Program



The Carolers from Mrs. Ediger's class "Deck the Halls" with merry songs

"Happy Holidays Around The World" was the theme of the first and second grade Klager Kids' program last Wednesday evening.

The gym at the High School was packed full of students, parents, grandparents and friends as these students sang and danced their hearts out and demonstrated holiday traditions from many different cultures.

From the Chanukkah Dance to the Piñata Dance to the German Dance; American Christmas carolers to Swedish Saint Lucia parades, and an African Kwanzaa celebration, each class

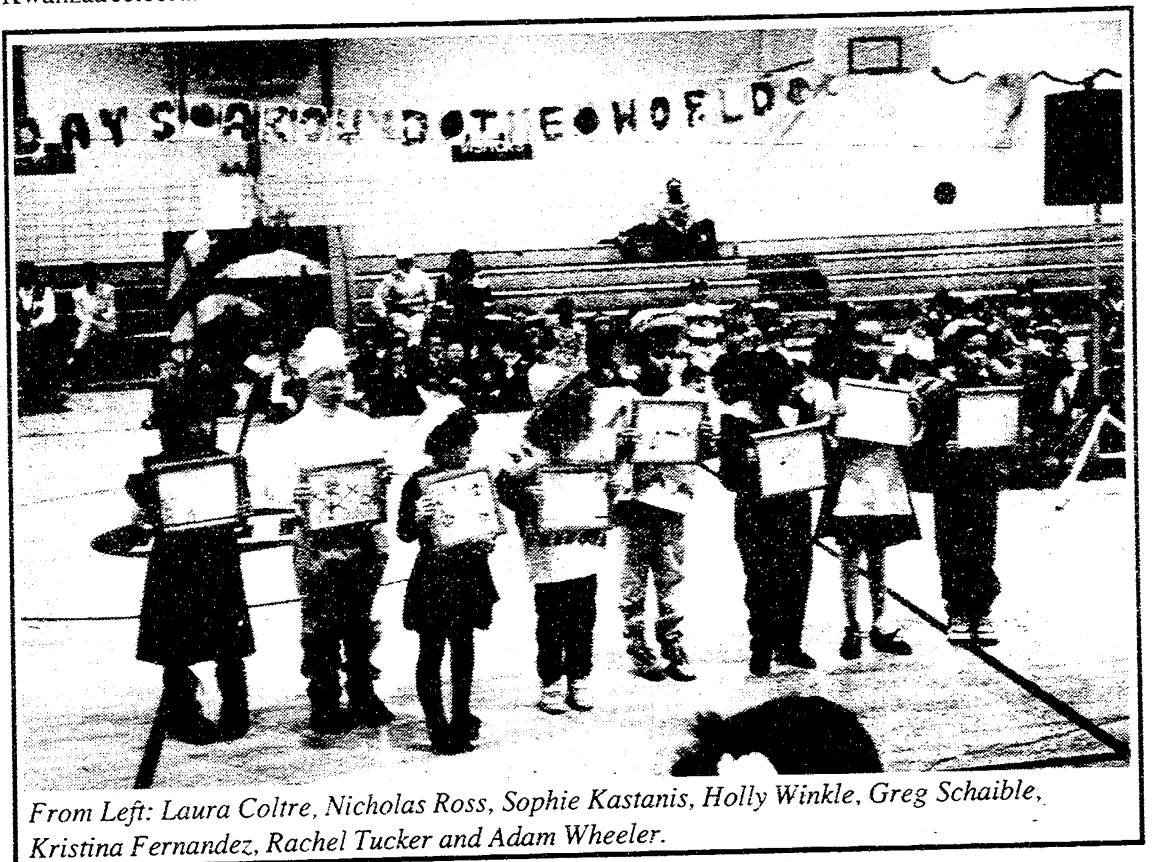
of first and second graders presented a different perspective on holiday celebrations around the world with enthusiasm and energy!

Program covers were designed on the computers and one student's design was chosen to represent each classroom. Those students were: Laura Coltre, Nicholas Ross, Sophie Kastanis, Holly Winkle, Greg Schaible, Kristina Fernandez, Rachel Tucker, and Adam Wheeler. Each student received a framed print of their original drawing as a surprise. Their delighted beams (and their attention to

Mrs. Henry's directions!) provided a charming end to the evening's entertainment.

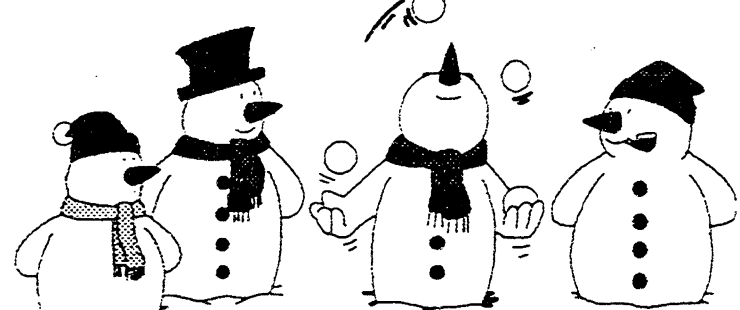
Thanks to Mrs. Sandi Graff, Mrs. Kay Miller, and Mrs. Sandee Sheats for their organization of this event, the first and second grade teachers for their dedication in helping their kids prepare for this special evening, and to the parents and staff members who volunteered their time to help. Most of all, thanks to the Klager Kids for reminding us of the real reason for the season.

--MJC



From Left: Laura Coltre, Nicholas Ross, Sophie Kastanis, Holly Winkle, Greg Schaible, Kristina Fernandez, Rachel Tucker and Adam Wheeler.

Have A Wonderful



Winter Break!

Manchester Girls Youth Basketball

The Manchester Community Recreational Basketball Youth League has just completed another successful season. The first five weeks of this twelve week season were spent on the fundamentals of basketball: passing, dribbling, shooting, rebounding and setting picks. The next seven weeks the girls played ten games with a double elimination tournament at the end of the season.

The young ladies were coached by some Varsity and J.V. Girls Basketball players: Jennette Branch, Lindsay Hosmer, Amy Gall, Cortney Whitaker, Emily Parr, and Amber Hoeft. Thank you ladies! Thanks to all the young ladies who participated this year. Also special thanks to Mr. Neil Billetdeaux and Mr. Ray Meyer for their help and support, as well as the parents and friends.

- Coach Ken Branch

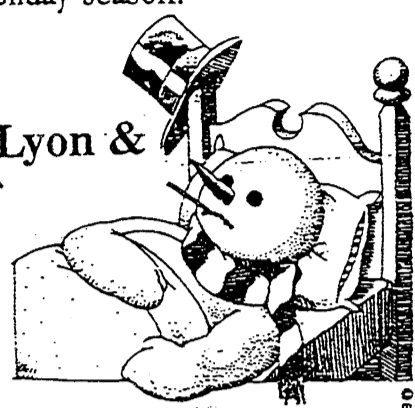
Team members:

- Carolyn Billetdeaux
- Korry Chavey
- Cori Chrestensen
- Darci Chrestensen
- Lianne Collier
- Dashia DeLawter
- Megan Eisenhauer
- Lindsay Ellison
- Amy Ervin
- Katelyn Gall
- Christine Fairbanks
- Rosalyn Harvey
- Brianne King
- Abby LaRock
- Samantha Mayhan
- Lianne Maly
- Katie Meranuck
- Jenny Meyer
- Kate Meyer
- Shantelle Neff
- Katelyn Nye
- Elizabeth Okey
- Natalie Palms
- Heather Popkey
- Abbey Preuninger
- Chelsea Render
- Kimberly Roberts
- Fallynne Schlosser
- Jennifer Schulz
- Caitlin Sewell
- Michelle Slocum
- Courtney Smith
- Gretchen Stein
- Julia Steinaway
- Bailey Sucha
- Sara Tervo
- Brandi Walter

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Wishing you and yours a healthy and happy holiday season!

Dr. Charles Lyon & Staff



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MICHAEL PG
DAILY 11:40, 4:00, 8:00, 10:00

BEAVIS & BUTT-HEAD PG-13
DAILY 11:30, 1:30, 3:30, 5:10, 7:00, 10:20

JERRY MAGUIRE R
DAILY 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:40

MARS ATTACKS PG13
DAILY 11:40, 1:40, 6:10, 8:30

THE PREACHERS WIFE PG
DAILY 11:50, 2:20, 4:45, 7:20, 9:55

101 DALMATIANS G
DAILY 11:45, 2:15, 4:50, 7:30, 9:50

ONE FINE DAY PG
DAILY 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:30, 9:40

HOLIDAY GIFTBOOKS AVAILABLE



Joy to the World

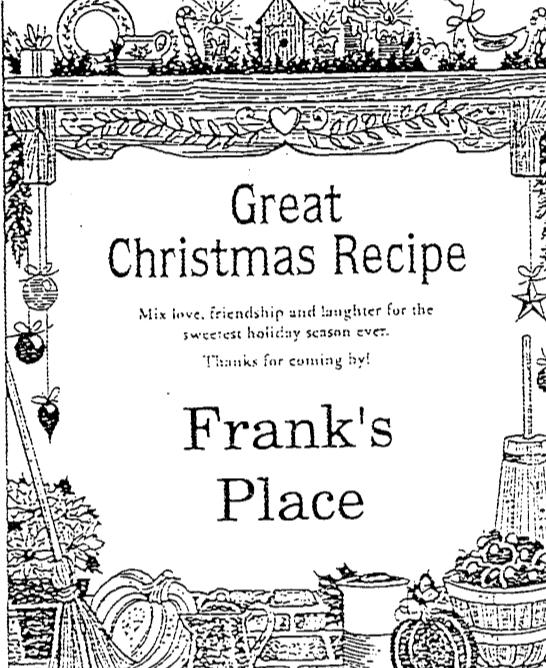

Wishing you every happiness this holiday season and beyond.
Thanks for coming round to see us this past year.

Hop-In Subway

Great Christmas Recipe

Mix love, friendship and laughter for the sweetest holiday season ever.
Thanks for coming by!

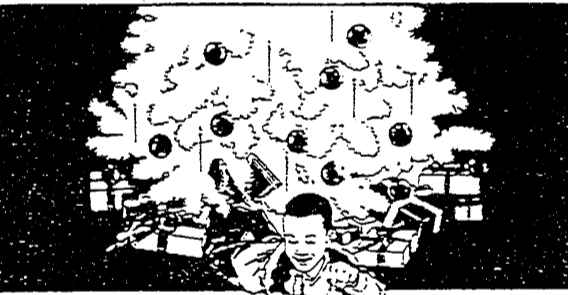
Frank's Place

From Our Family To Yours

Our sincere best wishes for a sparkling holiday season.
Thank you for giving us an extra reason to celebrate!

Dr. Evelyn Eccles & Staff



FIELDS OF CHRISTMAS

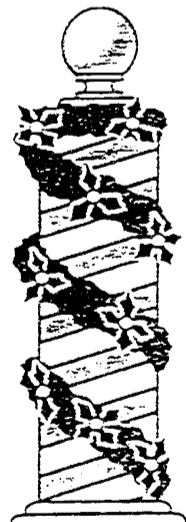
Hope the season brings a bumper crop of dreams come true!

S-K Sales

Hoping Your **CHRISTMAS** Is **"SHEAR" PERFECTION!**

Best wishes and heartfelt thanks to our many fine customers.

Keith's Barber Shop



ATTENTION
Class of 1977

Reunion Meeting
Date **1/12/97**

Please Call **429-0488** with Questions

Rejoice In The Splendor Of His Many Creations

From the tiniest field mouse to the mightiest whale, every single living creature is a reflection of God's love and reminds us to give our thanks for the many fine gifts He has put on this earth.
Merry Christmas!

Pilot Metal Products



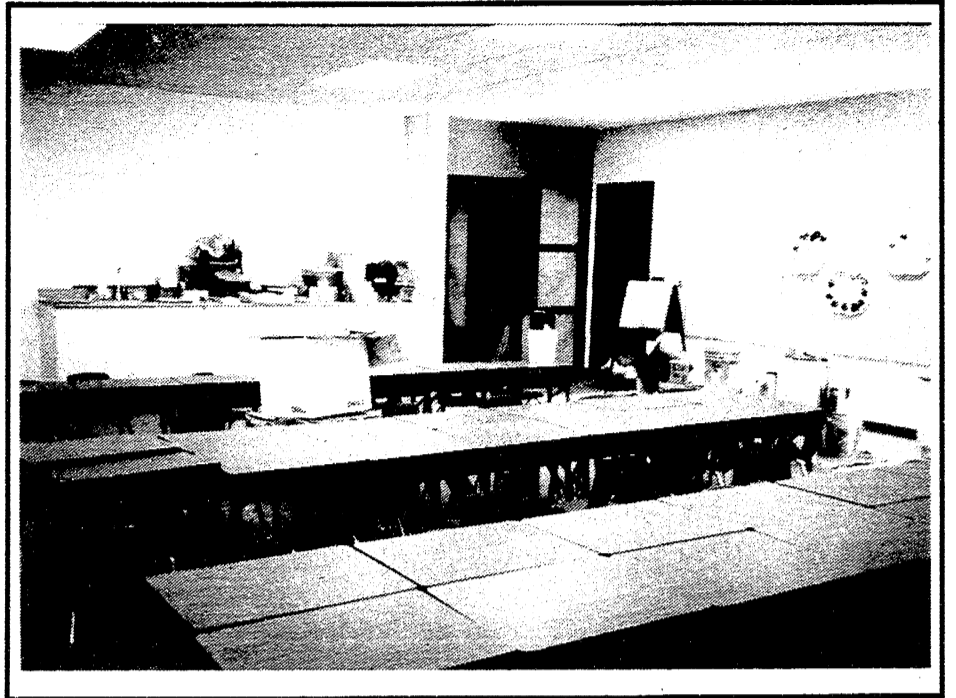
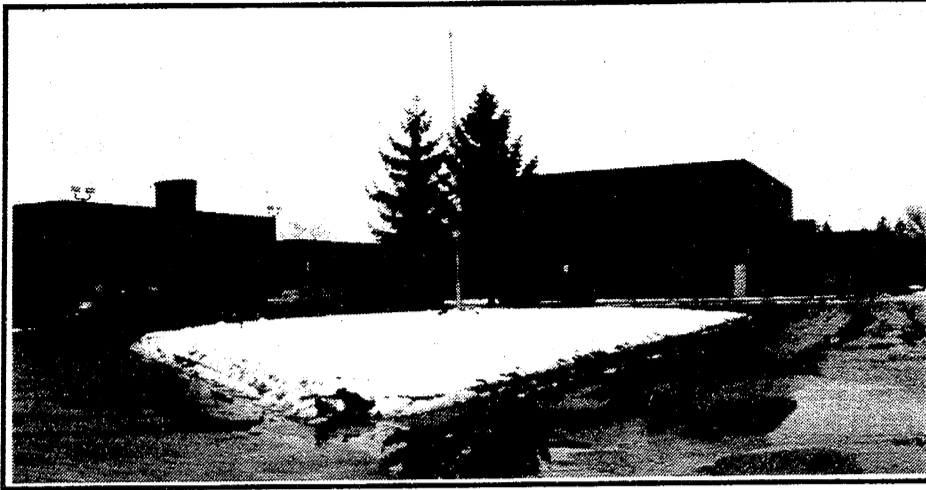
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Merry Christmas To Klager...From the Community



The Twelve Days of Christmas

While sitting in a waiting room this past week I over heard an elderly lady say, "Whatever happened to the twelve days of Christmas? Now everything is shoved into one day, then we have a big let down the day after Christmas." Later on that afternoon a customer came into the store and asked for the Twelve Days of Christmas book. I sent them down the street to Chapters and Verses and got to thinking myself about the twelve days of Christmas.

I could not come up with the history behind the story, so I decided to share with you a new version that maybe will help you or your loved ones get through the holiday let downs.

- On the First day of Christmas I gave to my Loved Ones;
Five minutes of my Undivided Attention!
- On the Second day of Christmas I gave to my Loved Ones;
Honest, Sincere Appreciation.
- On the Third day of Christmas I gave to my Loved Ones;
No Criticism or Complaint.
- On the Fourth day of Christmas I gave to my Loved Ones;
Ten minutes of my Listening Ear.
- On the Fifth day of Christmas I gave to my Loved Ones;
A special Smile.
- On the Sixth day of Christmas I gave to my Loved Ones;
The feeling of Importance.
- On the Seventh day of Christmas I gave to my Loved Ones;
No Argument!
- On the Eighth day of Christmas I gave to my Loved Ones;
A huge Hug.
- On the Ninth day of Christmas I gave to my Loved Ones;
Fifteen minutes of Play Time together.
- On the Tenth day of Christmas I gave to my Loved Ones;
The respect of their Opinion.
- On the Eleventh day of Christmas I gave to my Loved Ones;
A discussion of Their Interests.
- On the Twelfth day of Christmas I gave to my Loved Ones;
Twelve Reasons Why I Love Them!

I will cut this out and hang it on that ever-opening refrigerator door. In two weeks I'll let you know how I did.

May peace, joy, health and happiness surround you during this magnificent season and throughout the coming year.

- Teresa M. Benedict

Klager School's new addition was completed just in time for Christmas Break. Many classrooms, including the classes from the portables, were moved on Friday, December 20th. Kindergarten classrooms will meet at Klager on Monday, January 6th. What a great Christmas gift to have all our elementary students under one roof! Congratulations, Manchester!

**Ho...Ho...Hoping
Your Holiday
Delivers Loads
Of Good
Cheer!**

From all of us who write the stories, edit the pages, run the presses and carry it to your doorstep daily...to you, who make it all worthwhile...our sincere best wishes and heartfelt thanks. May all your news be good news this holiday season.

**THE MANCHESTER
ENTERPRISE**

**GLAD
TIDINGS**

We wish you bundles of joy this Yuletide.

Pleasant Lake Hardware

**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**

From Our House To Yours

Home is where the heart is, and we love being a part of this great community. Thanks for making us feel right at home.

Sula Jeffers

**CHRISTMAS IS
LOOKING GOOD!**

Many thanks for seeing us!
*Manchester Eye Care
Center*

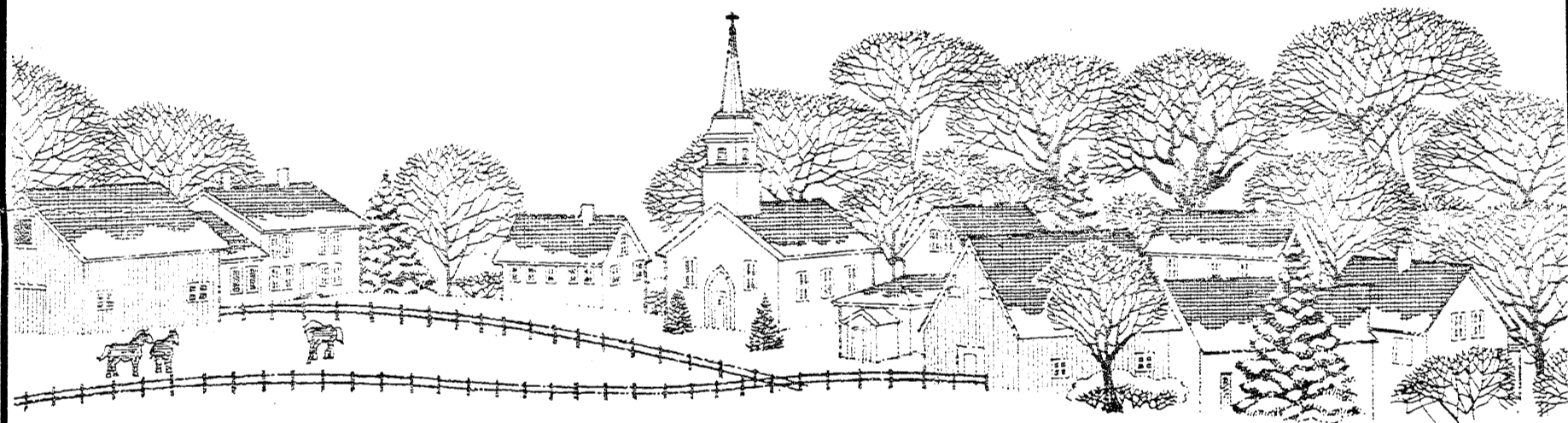
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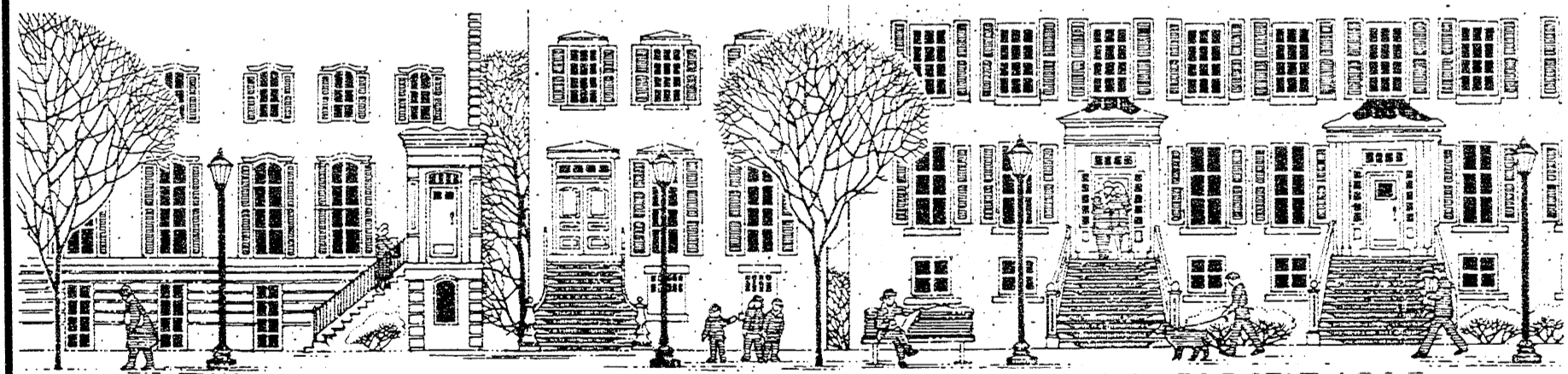
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IT'S CHRISTMASTIME,



HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE



*Wherever you're celebrating, in the country or in the city,
over the river and through the woods,
may you and yours share a season of magic and memories.*

Happy Holidays and thanks to our
readers and advertisers all year through

THE ENTERPRISE STAFF

Christmas

Is it my imagination or are Christmases getting closer together each year? Some might make unpleasant references to my advancing years but it sure seems to me like we just did this a little while ago.

Remember how as a child, it seemed like Christmas would never come? The anticipation was almost unbearable. All this preparation - why couldn't we just cut to the chase, let Santa come, and get all the rest of this stuff over with?

And yet, as adults, here we are - making all the preparations. Endless shopping. Endless baking. Endless activities to attend. We start a little earlier every year but we don't seem to catch up any sooner.

We've come to realize that waiting and watching are an integral part of the Christmas season. We're reminded that Advent is a season of preparation, not a non-stop holiday of its own.

There is so much busyness during the holidays. It is easy to get swept up in the rush and the shopping and the baking and the parties to attend, and somehow miss the most important part of Christmas.

Christmas will happen whether or not we have attended every activity, run every errand, and purchased

every gift. That is, if we let it happen. For the essence of Christmas does not necessarily happen on December 25th.

Just as everyone else, I tend to get caught up in the hustle and bustle of Christmas preparations. I fret over the baking not done; the shopping not completed; the activities I'll be unable to attend because we're "overbooked." Then I fret a little more as I review the lists one more time and see all the places I've fallen short.

But Christmas arrives, just about on schedule. It is found in the quiet of a holy night, and the anticipation of pleasant surprises. I relax and realize that nothing more can be done, and still it will happen. So I wait, and I watch.

On Christmas Eve we begin our preparations for church services. We enjoy a treat of cookies and ice cream. We read "The Night Before Christmas," even though most of the kids profess to be too big to listen. Then the luminaria get lit, the van gets loaded and we're off to church for a service of lessons and carols. Once again, we wait, and we watch.

While we're there, something magical happens. Christmas arrives. I can't explain exactly how; except to say that if you've experienced Christmas' arrival for yourself, you will know what I



mean. Maybe it's the glow of the candles; perhaps it's hearing the words spoken and sung. It's nothing more than a feeling inside, but nothing less than a miracle in today's world. And then I see that all the preparations have been worth it.

In today's world it is considered hokey to admit to things like "finding Christmas." But I would venture to guess that most of us do it anyway. Each in our own way, finds Christmas. Perhaps for some it is in the giving of gifts, or the maze of

holiday activities. But finding joy in the simple things is the essence of Christmas. Remember, it's all about a little baby born in a stall. How much simpler can you get?

- Marsha Johnson Chartrand



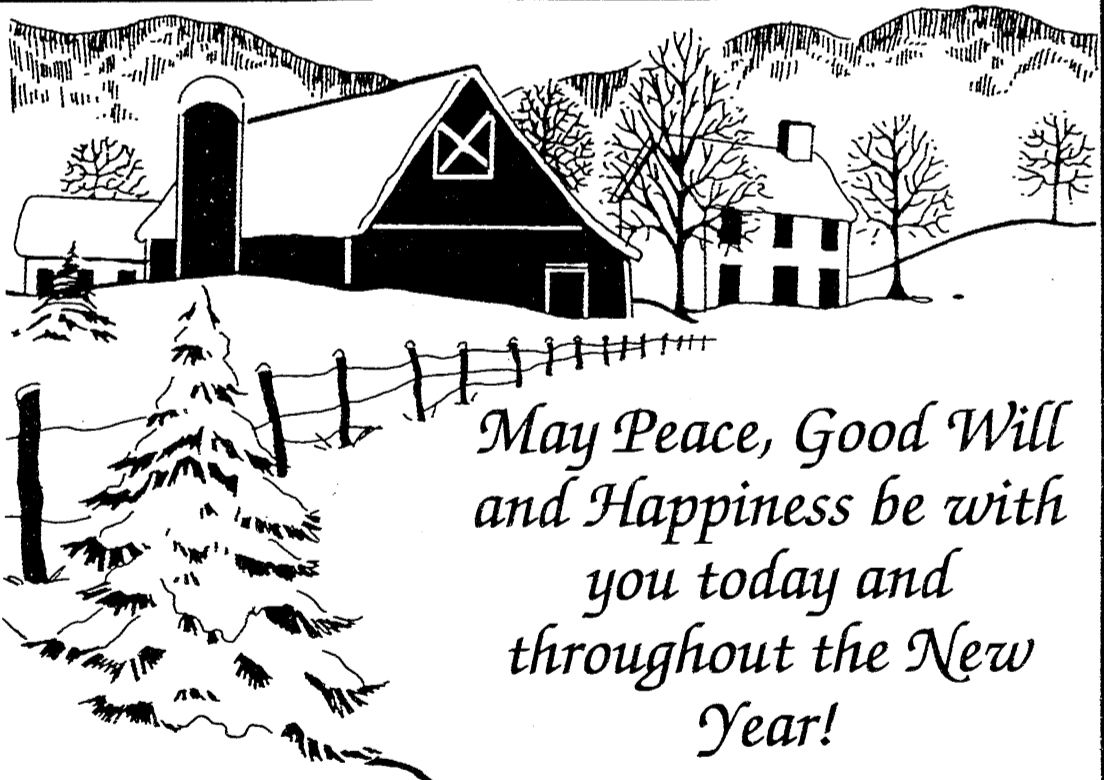
May Your Days Be Filled With Light & Laughter

Wishing You Joy At Christmas And After!

Thank you for brightening our year with your kind patronage. We look forward to serving you through the holidays and beyond.

Happy holidays to all of our friends across the region.

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May Peace, Good Will and Happiness be with you today and throughout the New Year!

Greg & Kathleen Marvin

MIDWEST FORD

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Klager Kids' Christmas Christmas Haiku

by Mrs. Karen Ellsworth's Fourth Grade Class

Bells

by Emily Little.
Ding, dong, ding, dong,
ding
Do you hear the bells of
paradise
Do you hear them, too?

Santa

by Andrew Way
I saw Santa Claus
He is very jolly now
He has a good soul.

Christmas

by Dan Randall
Do you like Christmas?
It is Jesus Christ's birth-
day
I like Christmas.

Snow Angels

by Tom Breilein
Let's make snow angels
Sparkling in the dark night
Oh, what a good sight!

Christmas

by Shantelle Neff
Christmas is coming
We put up the tree with
lights
And decorations.

Snow

by Megan Kanta
Snow is falling hard
Snow flakes everywhere
Snow is falling hard.

Wake Up

by Ryan Broten
Wake up early now
Do not wake up your par-
ents
Now eat and get dressed.

Santa

by Shelley Schulze
Santa comes tonight
Santa goes Ho, Ho, Ho,
Ho
Thank you for the gifts!

Jesus

by Jimmy Murray
Jesus, Jesus, God
Jesus must be our savior
Jesus, I love you.

Santa

by Andrew Little
Work, work, working
elves
The elves are working
harder
And don't count me out.

Bells

by Jessica Hochstetler
Bells are in the house
Bells are ringing loud and
clear
Bells are very loud.

Lights

by Luke Weber
Christmas lights are fun
Christmas lights go on
your tree
I love ya Christmas!

Christmas Eve

by Joel Blades
I love Christmas Eve
Santa eats my cookies
whole
I get presents, too.

Christmas Gifts

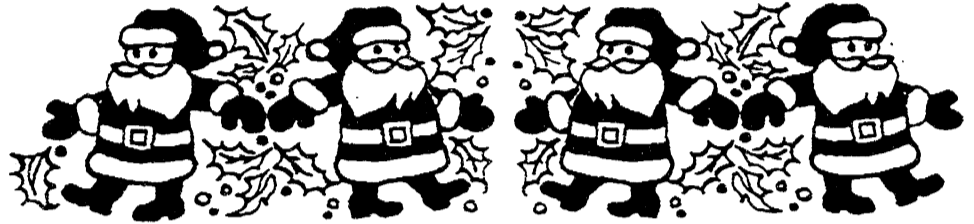

by Brennan Crispin
It is Christmas Eve
Tomorrow we will have
fun
I will wrap the gifts.

Santa

by Lindsay Ellison
Santa comes at night
He sneaks down the
chimney ouch!
How does he do it?

Christmas Lights

by Carolyn Billedeaux
Christmas lights shining
Green and red are both
pretty
Christmas time is fun.

Movieland
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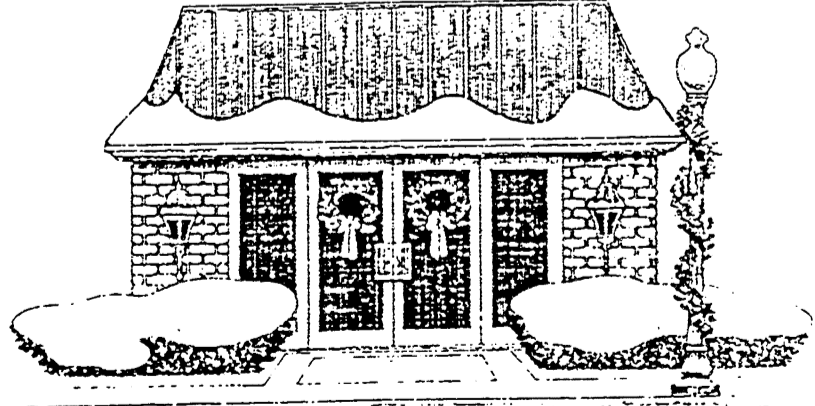
REELS OF GOOD WISHES
Hope your holiday is filled with laughter, action, adventure, and lots of happy endings. Thanks for stopping by to see us this past year.

New Years Special
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Happy Holidays
From Every Department



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Local Government

Freedom Township Zoning Ordinance Amendment

Section 11.15- Acreage Parcel Division

A. Purpose: The purpose of this section is to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the Township by regulating and controlling the division of acreage parcels within Freedom Township; by establishing a formal procedure for governing property divisions and enhancing land records; by ensuring compliance with the Freedom Township Zoning Ordinance, including but not limited to lot dimension requirements; by ensuring compliance with the Michigan Subdivision Control Act; and by establishing a mechanism for monitoring the creation of new property divisions.

B. Scope: This Section shall apply only to the division of acreage parcels as defined herein.

C. Definitions: The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation and enforcement of this Section of the Ordinance, unless otherwise specifically stated,

Acreage Parcel: Any parcel of land in the Township which is not a lot or lots forming part of a subdivision regulated by the Michigan Subdivision Control Act, P.A. 288 of 1967 as amended, and which is not a site condominium or Planned Unit Development under the Freedom Township Zoning Ordinance.

Assessor: The person hired to do the Township assessing, and in charge of the assessing department, and shall not refer to the Township Supervisor, even though the Township Supervisor may be by statute charged with the responsibility for Township assessments.

Board of Appeals: The Township Zoning Board of Appeals.

Divide or Division: To separate any parcel of land into parts or parcels by virtue of change of ownership, separation on the tax rolls, or by any other means. The word division means a parcel that has been so divided.

Owner: Any person who holds legal title, and/or equitable title evidenced by a duly executed land contract signed by the owners of legal title. If more than one person holds legal and/or equitable title, all of said persons shall be deemed the owner. Wherever the word "owner" appears herein, all persons holding any legal or equitable interest shall be deemed referred to, and in the event signatures are required, all of such persons shall be deemed as being required to sign. Owner shall include ownership interests which are not recorded with the County Clerk/Register of Deeds as well as interests which are recorded.

Registered Land Surveyor or Civil Engineer: Registered Land Surveyor or Civil Engineer. A person licensed by the State of Michigan as a registered land surveyor or civil engineer at the time of his or her performance of any of the services required pursuant to this Ordinance.

Zoning Inspector: The person hired by the Township Board of Trustees to administer and enforce the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance and assigned various duties pursuant to this Ordinance or other Township Ordinances.

D. Approval for Property Division Required

1. Every division of an acreage parcel located in Freedom Town-

ship may be approved by the Planning Commission upon recommendation by the Zoning Inspector. No acreage parcel division shall be considered a valid division of such property under the terms of the Freedom Township Zoning Ordinance unless this approval has been obtained.

2. Any acreage parcel division which has not been first approved by the Planning Commission shall not be considered a valid division of such property under the terms of the Freedom Township Zoning Ordinance and shall not be placed on the Township tax rolls as a separate and individual parcel of property.

3. The Township shall not issue building permits for any acreage parcel divided in violation of this Section of the Zoning Ordinance.

E. Administration and Review

1. Application

a. Required Application and Fee. Application for the division of an acreage parcel located in Freedom Township shall be made by filing with the Township Clerk a fully completed application form furnished by the Township for such purpose and the required fee.

b. Contents of Application. The application shall contain at least the following information

1) **Owners.** The name of all owners of the acreage parcel or parcels and their signatures;

2) **Legal Description and Survey of Existing Parcel.** A general description of the proposed parcel including all acreage contained within the parcel division;

3) **Tax Bill.** A copy of the most recent tax bill pertaining to the parcel;

4) **Restrictions.** A copy of all existing and/or proposed restrictions or covenants which apply to the land.

5) **Communications.** The person to whom all written or oral communications concerning the division are to be directed, with the specific designation of the person acting as the agent for all the owners,

6) **Statement - Building Permit.** A statement by the owner as to whether a building permit has been obtained or applied for regarding the parcel.

7) **Statement - Denial.** A statement by the owner as to whether an application for division of the parcel has been denied by the Township within 365 days of the date of the filing of the current application.

c. Signature on Application. All owners whether they own the land before or after such division, shall sign the required application form. Where a division will result in the combining of the remaining land, the owners of the land to be combined also shall sign the application form;

F. Standards for Approval

1. Zoning Compliance. No application for the division of acreage parcels shall be approved unless the minimum requirements of this Section are met with regard to each resulting lot.

2. Access. No parcel shall be created unless accessibility is provided by either a public or a private road meeting the requirements of the Freedom Township Private

Road Ordinance and constructed on a permanent, unobstructed easement. All private roads shall be constructed in accordance with the Township Private Road Ordinance. A shared driveway serving two parcels may be allowed if constructed on a permanent, unobstructed easement in accordance with the Township Private Road Ordinance. Parcels may be created on a private road prior to road construction, provided, however, that a Private Road Permit has been issued in accordance with the Township Private Road Ordinance.

3. Parcel Layout. The size, shape and orientation of the parcel divisions shall be appropriate for the type of development and land use planned as well as the applicable zoning district in which the parcel is located. The development, divisions and for access to remaining or abutting properties shall be taken into consideration by the Township when reviewing a proposed parcel division.

4. Utility Easements. No application for the division of acreage parcels shall be approved without adequate provisions made for utility easements. Where such utility easements are needed, written evidence of their existence or availability shall be submitted prior to approval.

5. Compliance With Subdivision Control Act. In no event shall approval be granted where the divisions are contrary to, or in violation of the Michigan Subdivision Control Act, P.A. 288 of 1967.

6. Legal Description of Planned Parcel. A legal description and survey prepared by a registered land surveyor or civil engineer of the parcel which will remain after the planned division including but not limited to the following information:

- North arrow, date and scale;
- Existing and proposed lot lines and dimensions;
- Existing utilities and County drainage courses within fifty (50) feet of the lot(s) to be split;
- Location and dimensions of existing and proposed easements, lot numbers, roadways and lot icons;
- Existing structures on the proposed lot(s).

G. Final Approval

Prior to the entry of any approved divisions on the Township records, the assignment of a tax identification number by the Township Assessor and the issuance of a proposed building permit, the applicant shall have submitted to the Township Zoning Inspector all of the documents required according to Section 60.23(E) of this Section. The Zoning Inspector shall review the documents and advise the Planning Commission as to the completeness of the documents. Upon receipt of the Zoning Inspectors recommendation, the Planning Commission may approve a proposed division of an acreage parcel located in the Township if all of the following requirements are met:

- An application is made and is complete.
- All requirements of this Section are met.
- The division does not violate this Section.
- The division does not violate the Freedom Township Zoning Ordinance.

5. The resulting lots or tracts front upon a public road or an approved private road pursuant to the Freedom Township Private Road Ordinance.

6. The resulting lots or tracts do not violate the Michigan Subdivision Control Act, P.A. 288 of 1967.

H. Planning Commission's Decision

The Planning Commission may approve, approve with conditions, or deny an application for a proposed division within sixty (60) days. The Planning Commission's decision, the basis for the decision, and any conditions imposed, shall be described in a written statement, which shall be made a part of the records maintained by the Planning Commission and Zoning Inspector.

I. Conditions for Approval

In granting an application for a proposed division, the Planning Commission shall impose any conditions deemed necessary to achieve the objectives and standards of this Section and the entire Ordinance, the standards of the Township Rural Zoning Act, and the public health, safety, and welfare of Freedom Township. Failure to comply with any such conditions shall be considered a violation of this Ordinance.

J. Re-Application

Re-application. No application for a proposed division that has been denied wholly or in part by the Planning Commission shall be resubmitted for a period of 365 days from the date of denial, except on grounds of new evidence or proof

of changed conditions found by the Zoning Inspector.

K. Appeal

In the event an interested person is aggrieved by the decision of the Planning Commission based upon the review conducted pursuant to Section H of this Section, an appeal may be filed by the owner with the Zoning Board of Appeals pursuant to this Ordinance. All appeals must be filed within sixty (60) days of the date of a decision by the Planning Commission as further set forth in Article 24 of the Zoning Ordinance.

L. Fees

The fee required to be paid to the Township upon submission of an application shall be established by the Township Board of Trustees.

M. Exclusivity

No acreage parcel may be divided in the Township except in accordance with the terms of this Section.

N. No Effect on Bulk Regulations

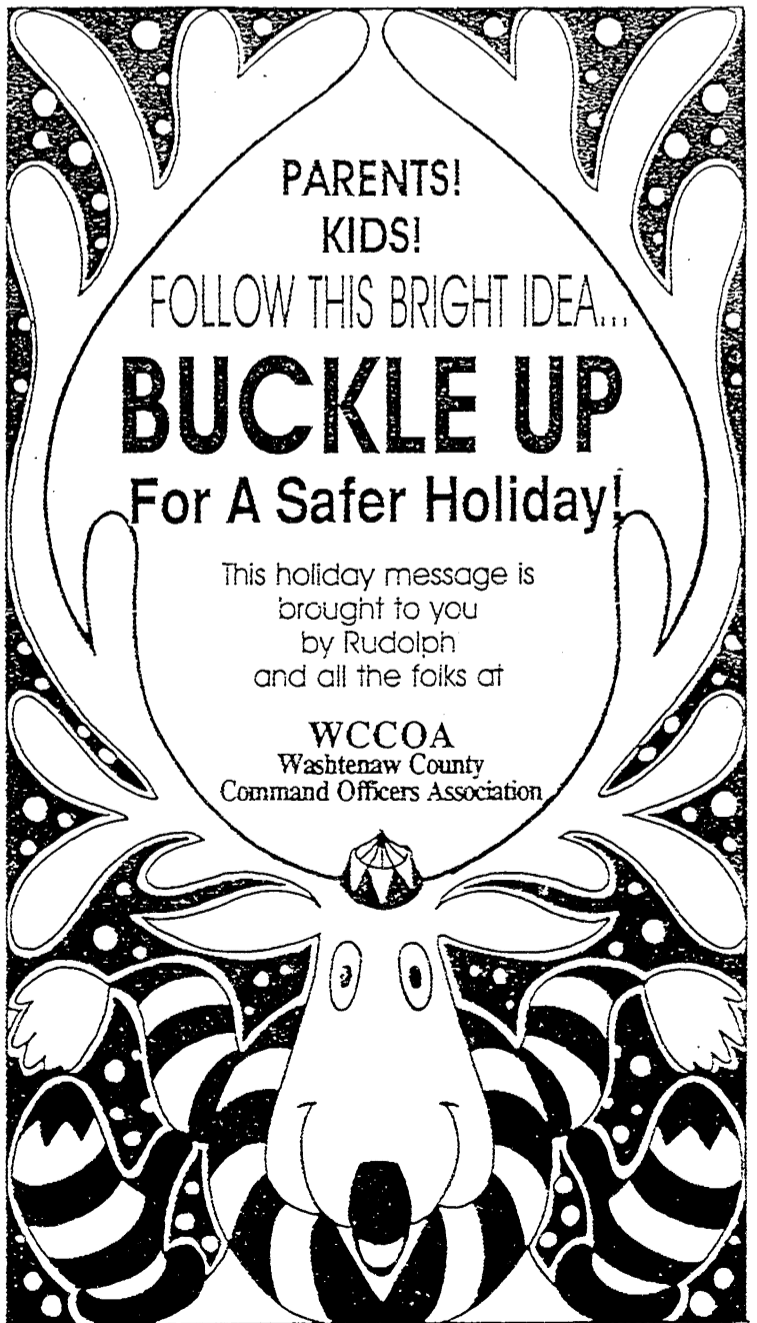
Nothing in this Section shall alter or reduce the bulk regulation requirements contained in Article 10.0 of the Freedom Township Zoning Ordinance.

Date Passed: December 10, 1996

Attested by order of the Township of Freedom

Julie Schaible, Township Clerk
Robert Little, Township Supervisor

Effective upon publication.
Publication Date: December 26, 1996



Local Government

SHARON TOWNSHIP PROPOSED DSYNOPSIS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

DECEMBER 5, 1996

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by newly elected Supervisor, Gary Blades. All other Board members were present. Zoning Officer Wilson, Planning Chairman Kappler, Planning Secretary Cole, and eight (8) other guests were in attendance.

The Clerk read the minutes of the last regular meeting held on November 7, 1996. There was one amendment, which was approved.

Treasurer Dunny read the Treasurer's report for November. The report was approved.

Reports were given by Trustee Feldkamp, Zoning Administrator Wilson, ZBA Secretary Aiuto and Planning Commission Chairman Kappler.

Robert Ward, a member of the township planning commission and a professor of rural planning and preservation along with three of his students from Eastern Michigan University, presented the Board with their results from the survey of 126 township residents.

Supervisor Blades scheduled a Special Meeting on December 10, 1996 at 8:00 P.M. at the Townhall to attain more Board and Public input on the data presented by Mr. Ward and his students.

Supervisor Blades sug-

gested that the newly elected Board should set new goals and objectives.

The clerk distributed copies of a letter written by Duane Haselschwerdt, (retired clerk) suggesting that the cemetery fees be increased.

Board discussed reappointing Jim Mann, David Hoeft and Ken Niehaus to the Board of Review due to their terms expiring 1/1/97. Motion made, supported and carried that all be reappointed.

Board elected Teri Aiuto to be the Board representative for the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Supervisor Blades stated that he would resign from the Planning Commission and that Trustee Feldkamp would be the Board representative to the Planning Commission.

All outstanding bills were presented and ordered paid.

Clerk Aiuto inquired about purchasing a computer. Motion made, supported and approved for a computer purchase of up to \$3,000.00.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the Supervisor at 11:20 P.M.

SUBMITTED BY: TERI L. AIUTO, CLERK

APPROVED BY: GARY BLADES, SUPERVISOR

AGENDA MANCHESTER VILLAGE COUNCIL

Monday, January 6, 1997

7:00 p.m.

1. Call meeting to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
3. Minutes of the previous meeting
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Correspondence
6. Public Participation
JIM SPRAGUE/BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
7. Treasurer's Report
8. Accounts Payable
9. Council Committee Reports
10. Old Business
 - a. Water Filter Update
 - b. WCSD-Letter of Agreement
 - c. Other
11. New Business
 - a. 1997 Election - Nominating Petitions
 - b. Other
12. Adjourn

NOTICE

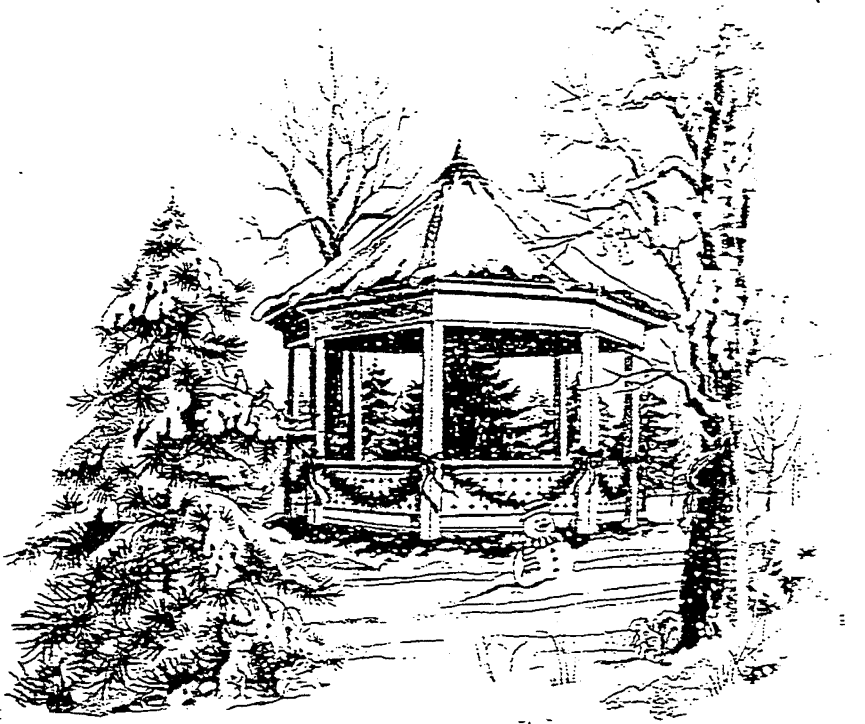
The Village Office will be closed for the Holiday Season on the following days:

Tuesday, December 31
Wednesday, January 1

FUND RAISING

**Manchester
Sportsman Club**
8501 Grossman Rd.
Friday 6:45 p.m.

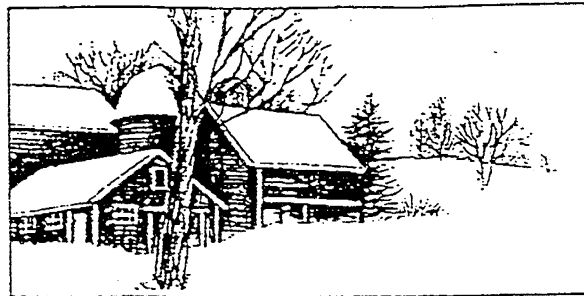
**Manchester
American Legion**
203 South Adrian
Saturday, 7:00 p.m.



Christmas is just Around the Corner

*All over town, people are enjoying the beauty of the season with their near and dear ones.
We'd like to send our best wishes
for wonderful holidays to our friends everywhere!*

from All of Us
at the
Manchester Village Offices



Country Holiday Greetings

We wish all our neighbors a beautiful season.

**Neil Horning
Palmer Ford**




Quietude Greetings

Christmas just wouldn't be Christmas without good friends to share it with. Thank you for being ours.

**Manchester
Plastics**

A SEASON OF PEACE




Wishing a joyous season to all.

**Dr. Watson and
Staff**

WISHING YOU

**A TREE MENDOUS
Holiday Season**



With great big thanks from all of us.

Schebor Greenhouse

Church Page

BAPTIST CHURCHES

NORTH SHARON BAPTIST CHURCH—Bobby D. Toler, Pastor, Tim Butterfield, Associate Pastor, Sylvan & Washburn Rds- 428-7222; SS 10:am; Morning Church 11:am; Eve. Church 7:pm; Weds. Bible Study & Youth Mtg 7:pm

VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH—Jon King, Pastor; 423 S. Macomb, 428-7506, Sunday School 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.; Evening Public Bible Class 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Praise 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.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

ST. BARNABAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH - Rev. Jerrold F. Beaumont, OSP, MTh, DD; 20500 Old US-12; Chelsea; Telephone (313) 475-8818; Worship Sundays at 10:00 AM

LUTHERAN CHURCHES

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH (Lutheran Church Missouri Synod) Rev. Dale Grimm, Pastor - 1515 South Main Street (M-52), Chelsea. Telephone 475-1404; Heritage Service 8:15, Contemporary Worship 10:30 AM Sundays

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., (5miles 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 Wiley, 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 10:00 AM, Worship 11:00 AM

MORMON CHURCH

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

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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; Sunday School 9:15 AM, Worship 10:30 AM, Fellowship 11:30 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

Tuesday, December 24:
7:30 PM Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, December 29:
Worship Service 10:00 AM;
Sunday School 11:30 AM.

MANCHESTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Tuesday, December 24:
7:30 p.m. FAMILY CANDLELIGHT WORSHIP; 11:00 PM TRADITIONAL CANDLELIGHT WORSHIP

Wednesday, December 25: MERRY CHRISTMAS!

EMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Tuesday, December 24:
4:45 - 5PM & 10:45 - 11:00PM Live Nativity; 5:00 & 11:00 PM Candlelight Services

Wednesday, December 25: 10:30AM Christmas Eucharist Service; 4:00 PM Christmas Dinner

Thursday, December 26: No Worship or Bible Study

Friday, December 27: 7:00 PM AA

Sunday, December 29: No Sunday School or Confirmation Class; 10:30 AM Worship Service

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Tuesday, December 24:
Christmas Eve Mass, 5:00 PM. & 10:00 PM.

Wednesday, December 25: Christmas Day Mass, 10:00 AM; Office Closed

Thursday, December 26: No Mass; Office closed

Friday, December 27: No Mass

Tuesday, December 31: Mass, 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 1: Mass, 10:00 a.m.; Office closed

SHARON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Tuesday, December 24:
8 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight service

Sunday, December 29:
Worship Service, 11 AM

BETHEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Tuesday, December 24:
5:30 PM Christmas Eve family service; 8:00 PM Christmas Eve Carol/Candlelight service

Sunday December 29:
9:30 AM Worship, no Sunday School

ST. THOMAS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Tuesday, December 24:
Christmas Eve Children's Service, 7:30 PM

Wednesday, December 25: Worship 10:00 AM

Sunday, December 29:
Sunday School, 9:30 AM; Worship Service 10:45 AM

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN, BRIDGEWATER

Tuesday, December 24:
SS Program, 7:30 PM; Candlelight Service, 11:30 PM

Saturday, December 28:
Mary Martha Circle goes to Saline Home to play Bingo, 2 PM

Sunday, December 29:
Sunday School, 9:15 AM; Worship, 10:30 AM

Tuesday, December 31:
New Year's Eve Service, 8 PM

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Tuesday, December 24:
3:00 PM Special Communion; 7:30 PM Candlelight Service with Holy Communion; 11:15 PM Candlelight Service with Holy Communion

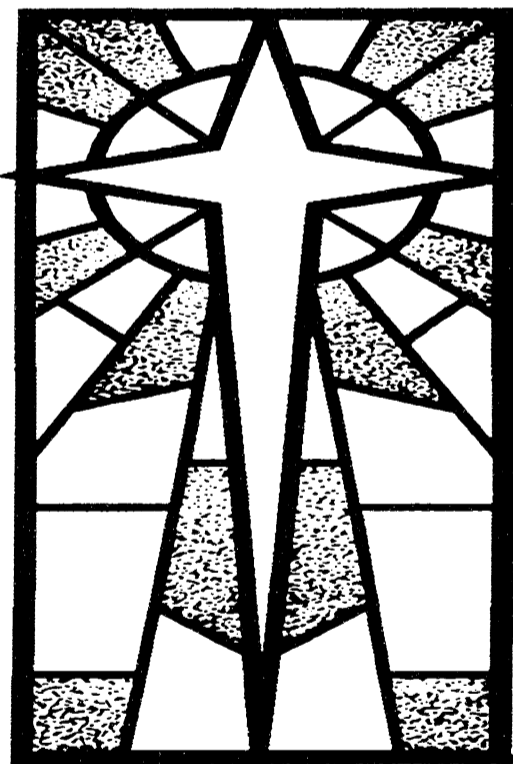
Friday, December 27:
Deadline for January Newsletter; Zion Youth attend THE GATHERING in Lansing through Monday

Sunday, December 29:
10:15 AM Worship - Carols & Readings; service of the Word

ST JOHN'S UCC, ROGERS CORNERS

Tuesday, December 24:
7:30 PM Christmas Eve Service of Candlelight & carols

Sunday, December 29:
9:30 AM Worship Service



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CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT SHARON UNITED METHODIST

One of the most special times of worship during the year is Christmas Eve—the singing of carols, the special music, and hearing once again the message of God sending His Son. The Christmas eve candlelight service is at 8:00 PM with pre-service music beginning at 7:40. At the close of the service each person present will light a candle of commitment.

Everyone is welcome.

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH - 1996 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Celebration of Liturgy:

Christmas Eve: Tuesday, December 24: Children's Choir program at 4:30 PM; Mass at 5:00 PM; Adult Choir Program at 9:30 PM; Mass at 10:00 PM
Christmas Day: Wednesday, December 25: Mass at 10:00 AM (Congregational Hymns)

New Years:

Eve: Tuesday, December 31, 1996 at 5:00 PM
Day: Wednesday, January 1, 1997 at 10:00 AM

OBITUARIES

Irene K. Britten, 73 of Manchester passed away on December 17, 1996. Irene was born in Ann Arbor, on July 17, 1923 the daughter of Henry & Jennie (Weidman) Ahling. On January 30, 1942, she was married to Richard Britten and he survives.

Irene was a year round volunteer for the Manchester Community Fair and was the past owner/operator of the Britten Body Shop in Manchester.

She is survived by her daughters: Carol Britten and Renee (Jim) Thelen, all of Manchester; a sister, Doris Hartman of Grass Lake; and sisters-in-law Velma (Art) Sturevant and Ruth Osborn.

The Britten family received callers at the Jenter-Braun Funeral Home Thursday from 2-4 and 7-9 PM. Funeral services were on Friday, December 20, 1996 at 1:30 PM with Rev. Dr. Nancy Doty officiating. Interment was in Norvell Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to: Individualized Home Nursing Care.

Edna W. Pfaus, 84, of Manchester passed away suddenly on December 18, 1996. Edna was born in Indianapolis, Indiana on August 8, 1912; the daughter of William & Sophia (Maschmeyer) Otting. On July 19, 1945 she was married to Clarence Pfaus and he preceded her in death on June 17, 1965.

Edna was a member of Bethel United Church of Christ as well as the Womens Fellowship and Bethel Senior Citizens.

Edna is survived by: a son: William (Sharman) Pfaus of Manchester; daughters Shirley (Tom) Goodman of Chelsea, Roselyn (Joe) Parsons of Douglas, GA, and Jean (David) Bust of Chelsea; five Granddaughters; and a sister, Mildred Moore of Indianapolis, IN. She was also preceded in death by: an infant son, four Brothers and four Sisters.

The Pfaus family received callers at the Jenter-Braun Funeral Home on Thursday from 7-9 PM and on Friday from 4-9 PM. Funeral services were held on Saturday, December 21, 1996 at 11 AM from Bethel United Church of Christ with Rev. Richard E. Hardy and Rev. Gary Kwiatek officiating; Interment was in Bethel Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Bethel United Church of Christ.

Behold!
A Child Is Born
 Merry Christmas to all.
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Peace on Earth
 May you and your loved ones have a safe and joyous Holiday Season, a healthy and prosperous New Year.
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Have a Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year.
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Christmas

Some Rich and Colorful Christmas Traditions

Father Christmas. Santa Claus. Saint Nicholas. The holly and the ivy. Turkey and all the trimmings. Yule logs and nogs. Caroling, caroling. Greeting cards and holiday seals. Gift giving. You can hardly think of Christmas without instantly conjuring up these and other holiday traditions and symbols. Today they are all an integral and colorful part of our holiday festivities.

Many modern Christmas traditions have roots in ancient civilizations. Some are more recent developments. A brief look at their origins helps one and all appreciate their rich significance.

*** December 25** In the early Christian Church, there was no fixed date for observing the birth of Jesus. Some Christians observed it in mid-December, others on January 1 or January 6, and others in May. December 25 probably became the date "of choice" to counter the Ro-

man commemoration on that day of the winter solstice, when the days begin to get lighter.

*** Decking the Halls** In another Roman festival, December 17, 18, and 19 were set aside - to honor Saturn, the god of seed corn. Temples were decked with greenery and flowers, no public business could be transacted, schools were closed, no criminal could be punished, and no war could be declared. The three days of "Saturnalia" were an occasion of merriment, feasting, and the exchange of gifts.

*** The Yule Log, The Twelve Days of Christmas**

As Christianity spread into northern Europe, it encountered other festivals in honor of the sun and adopted, adapted, and incorporated many of these practices. The colorful Yule feast of the Norsemen lasted twelve days and included the burning of log fires and decorating

shrines and other sacred places with such greenery as holly, ivy, and bay.

*** Mistletoe** In another mid-December sun festival ritual, the Druid priests of ancient France, Britain, and Ireland decorated their temples with mistletoe, the fruit of the oak tree that they considered sacred.

*** The Fir Tree** St. Boniface is credited with persuading German tribes to adopt the fir tree as a symbol of Christ, replacing the oak tree, sacred to Odin, the god of war. Martin Luther is said to have originated the lighting of the Christmas tree. German immigrants brought the custom to America.

*** Cribs, Carols, & Plays**

While many modern Christmas traditions have their roots in ancient non-Christian customs, specifically Christian practices were developing to recall the birth and early life of Christ. In the middle ages, when much of a community's history was passed from generation to

passing on this important history lesson. St Francis of Assisi is said to have introduced the crib, another unique visual aid in telling and celebrating the story of the birth of Christ.


*** Father Christmas, Santa Claus, & Elves** What is Christmas without Santa Claus? Actually, Santa Claus is a colorful American character who evolved in New York from the Saint Nicholas of the Dutch immigrants of that region. The jolly, rotund Santa appears to have his roots in — and is often confused with — the English Father Christmas. Father Christmas was not a particularly jolly figure at all, but a personification of the season in England who had no special connection with children and the tradition of gift giving. That was the role of Santa Claus. Christmas elves, Santa's helpers, probably originated in the pre-Christian Scandinavian "tomtenissar," goblins dressed in red with beards and pointed ears. In many

*** Cards & Seals**

The Christmas card dates to England in the 1840's when "penny postage" made it possible to send holiday greetings cheaply to distant friends and relatives. Today, the sending of Christmas cards has become such an important holiday tradition that in recent years the United States Postal Service has delayed raising postage rates until after January 1! Of course, millions and millions of those Christmas cards arrive in envelopes decorated with traditional seals that raise money to fight lung disease. The first seals in this country appeared in 1907 to raise funds that were urgently needed to keep open a fresh-air hospital treating tuberculosis patients in Delaware. The idea was borrowed from Denmark, where they were introduced in 1904 to raise funds to fight TB, which at the turn of the century was one of the most feared diseases in the world.

Bright Wishes From All Of Us

The holidays bring many reasons to smile, both large and small, but our great patients are the best reason of all!




Have a sparkling season!

Dr. Bates, D.D.S.

A Shining Christmas Wish

May the light of the season enter your heart and bestow the gift of love upon you. Merry Christmas to all our friends, past, present and future!



Stein Electric

Klager Kids' Christmas Christmas Stories

from Mrs. Jane Raus' Fourth Grade Class

Christmas Means to Me

by Kelly Schaible

I like Christmas because it is a family gathering. You might think Christmas is a time to get, but it's really fun to give because of the shopping part. I also like Christmas because it's a time of giving and getting. I like the giving part. Christmas is cool because I get to see my family and have a great dinner and it is also close to my cousin's birthday and my brother's birthday. I like Christmas smells like my Grandma's cookies and the smell of the tree and candy and food and potpourri. I love Christmas.

Christmas is Special Because...

by Carley Kratz

Christmas is special. It's a time for fun with your family. It's a time for presents and snow and lights all a glow. Christmas is a very special time of the year. You always remember Christmas because of the smells of pine, and cookies are my favorite ones. The special ornaments that hang on the tree and stockings all remind me of Christmas. And, without the snow, Christmas wouldn't be Christmas in Michigan anyway. Christmas is fun when you wake up Christmas Day and you find presents under the tree. It's exciting getting the house ready for Santa's visit. I just wonder how he eats all the milk and cookies though!

My Best Christmas

by Derek Ricamore

My best Christmas was the time when we were living in Royal Oak. I remember it like it was yesterday. On Christmas Eve, my sister and I kept looking out the window to see Santa. We fell asleep before we could see him. But he came and we found a note saying "Thanks for the cookies; I really liked them. My reindeer loved the carrots." "The milk was good for me," said Mrs. Claus. "See you next year," and before that I was not sure if he was real or not, but I believe now.

What Christmas Means to Me

by Charlie Sears

Christmas means that Jesus was born in Bethlehem. It means that it's time for giving and receiving. Some people think that Christmas means you get presents and that's it, but the real reason we get presents is because the shepherds brought Jesus gifts. Christmas means stockings go up on the fire place. Christmas trees go up. Stores are loaded with shoppers, angels fly around everyone, kisses go everywhere on people. Christmas means very poor people are rich...rich in love and rich people get richer, but not in money, but in love.

Merry Christmas

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TO YOURS

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May all of our "deer" friends enjoy a season overflowing with the milk of human kindness and a new year as sweet as honey.
Thanks for shopping with us!

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**GEARING
UP FOR
CHRISTMAS**

The Christmas season is here, and we hope yours runs smoothly from the front end to the back.

We'd like to wish everyone a great Christmas with miles of smiles!

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Christmas

Fröhliche Weihnachten!

Joyeux Noël!

Feliz Navidad!

As there are many languages to express tidings of joy for the holidays, there are also as many special customs which are followed throughout the world. Whether by boats, letters, or word of mouth, these traditions have made their way across the oceans and create the culturally diverse traditions we observe in the United States.

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Christmas Means to Me

by Kelly Schaible

I like Christmas because it is a family gathering. You might think Christmas is a time to get, but it's really fun to give because of the shopping part. I also like Christmas because it's a time of giving and getting. I like the giving part. Christmas is cool because I get to see my family and have a great dinner and it is also close to my cousin's birthday and my brother's birthday. I like Christmas smells like my Grandma's cookies and the smell of the tree and candy and food and potpourri. I love Christmas.

Christmas is Special Because...

by Carley Kratz

Christmas is special. It's a time for fun with your family. It's a time for presents and snow and lights all a glow. Christmas is a very special time of the year. You always remember Christmas because of the smells of pine, and cookies are my favorite ones. The special ornaments that hang on the tree and stockings all remind me of Christmas. And, without the snow, Christmas wouldn't be Christmas in Michigan anyway. Christmas is fun when you wake up Christmas Day and you find presents under the tree. It's exciting getting the house ready for Santa's visit. I just wonder how he eats all the milk and cookies though!

My Best Christmas

by Derek Ricamore

My best Christmas was the time when we were living in Royal Oak. I remember it like it was yesterday. On Christmas Eve, my sister and I kept looking out the window to see Santa. We fell asleep before we could see him. But he came and we found a note saying "Thanks for the cookies; I really liked them. My reindeer loved the carrots." "The milk was good for me," said Mrs. Claus. "See you next year," and before that I was not sure if he was real or not, but I believe now.

What Christmas Means to Me

by Charlie Sears

Christmas means that Jesus was born in Bethlehem. It means that it's time for giving and receiving. Some people think that Christmas means you get presents and that's it, but the real reason we get presents it because the shepherds brought Jesus gifts. Christmas means stockings go up on the fire place. Christmas trees go up. Stores are loaded with shoppers, angels fly around everyone, kisses go everywhere on people. Christmas means very poor people are rich...rich in love and rich people get richer, but not in money, but in love.

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Be "First A Friend" this holiday season, says AAA Michigan

Cyberspace is all the rage this year, so why not give your holiday party a cyberkick by including "Mocha Megabyte" among the beverage choices? Or maybe your guests would prefer an "On-Lime Mango Margarita Byte" or a "Kahlua Keyboard (.COM Cooler)."

Recipes for these and other cyberspace-themed holiday drinks can be found in AAA Michigan's "Great Pretenders Party Guide," a booklet of alcohol-free drink recipes available free at all Auto Club branch offices.

"The purpose of the party guide is to help reduce alcohol-related highway deaths and injuries, especially during the holiday season when these numbers tend to rise," said Jerry Basch, AAA Michigan Community Safety Services manager.

"Last year's Christmas and New Year's holiday period claimed 30 lives in 28 traffic crashes statewide. Seven of those victims lost their lives in alcohol-related crashes."

The theme of the Auto Club's 16th annual "Great Pretenders Party Guide" is "Holiday Cheer in Cyberspace." It features 15 recipes by Michigan residents who were selected as finalists in three regional "Zero-Proof Mix-Off" contests held in October. Finalist drinks were selected based on taste, appearance and adherence to the contest theme.

Recipes from residents statewide include "On-Lime Mango Margarita Byte" by Betsy Tjapkes, first place winner of the Traverse City regional contest; "Mocha Megabyte" by Dion Frischer, first place winner of the Birmingham regional contest; and

"Kahlua Keyboard (.COM Cooler)" by Jan Smith, first place winner of the Grand Rapids regional contest.

The booklet, distributed through many traffic safety organizations, also contains favorite alcohol-free drinks from members of the Michigan media. They include Micheline Maynard, Detroit Bureau Chief, USA TODAY; Chuck Stokes, Editorial/Public Affairs Director, WXYZ-TV, Channel 7, Detroit; Dennis Tanner, News Editor, Booth Newspapers, Lansing; Cliff Russell, Talk Show Host/Program Director WCHB-AM, Detroit/ Professor of Communication, Wayne State University; Chris Holman, Talk Show Host, WJIM-AM, Lansing; and

Suzanne Geha, News Anchor, WOOD-TV, Channel 8, Grand Rapids:

Among the party tips listed in the booklet:

- Don't force alcoholic drinks on guests.

- Serve protein-rich, starchy foods throughout the evening to help retard alcohol absorption.

- Encourage car pooling among guests. Give a small gift to all designated drivers.

The guide and contests are part of AAA Michigan's "First a Friend, then a Host" holiday alcohol-awareness campaign.

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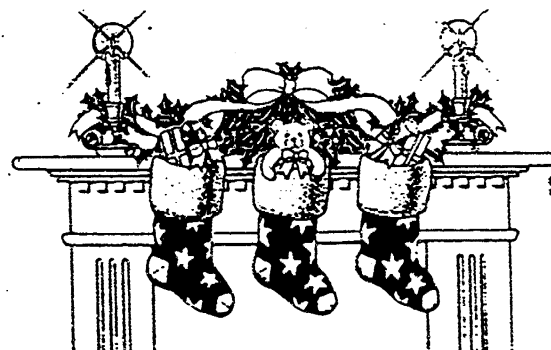
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May happiness and good fortune visit your home at Christmastime.

Thank you for visiting us this past year.

Larry Becketl



Christmas

A Christmas Story

by Captain Pink

Spending Christmas with the family doesn't sound too appealing to the average teen. They would rather be spending their Christmas break with their friends, but instead they get stuck sitting in the back seat of their parent's car.

Your butt is sore from sitting for hours, you can no longer feel your feet because of lack of circulation. Your sister or little brother won't stop bugging you. There are fights, yelling, and threats from mom. If it is so much of "a hassle" as dad would call it, why do we go visit grandma every year? Is spending Christmas with the family really that important? This is the time of year when you should be thankful for what you have and realize what you take for granted. You don't think it's that important, but it is.

Pink found how much Christmas meant to him two years ago. That is when I couldn't be with my family, I was locked in a hospital for drug abuse. You really don't know what you have until you've lost it, then it really starts to hurt.

I remember how crummy I felt on Christmas Eve, standing around with the other patients pretending to be happy and merry. The next day I woke up in a cold hospital room.

There was no tree, no presents, nothing. I asked the nurse if my parents were going to be there soon. She said, "I'm sorry, they don't seem to be on my list here."

I walked back to my room, very depressed and feeling alone. I could only think about what everyone on the outside was doing. They were more than likely opening their presents, and eating Christmas candy in front of the TV. I really missed it.

About 3:00 my family showed up. I ran to meet them and got a pass to let me spend time with them, but I had to stay on hospital grounds. We took a walk and ended up in the parking structure. My parents said they had something to show me; I followed them to the van and my dad opened the back.

There in the back of my parents' van was a small Christmas tree, decorated and everything. There were even presents around it. For the next few hours, we sat in the car talking, and laughing while I opened up my presents. That Christmas I found out what was important, what was really important to me.

Take some time this season and thank the important ones in your life.

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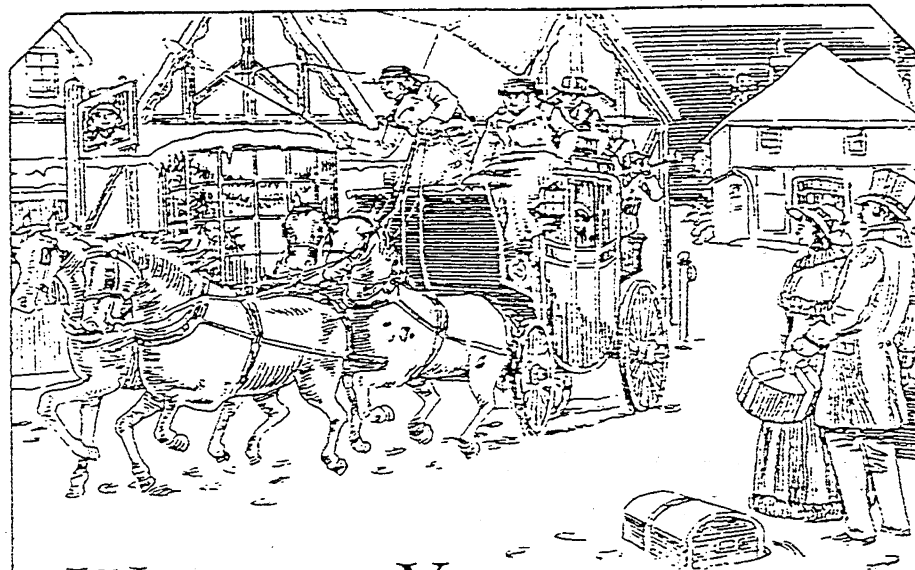
Greetings!

May the spirit of Christmas be always at your door, just as you are always welcome at ours.

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Christmas

Yes, Virginia, There's Family Fun After the Holidays

The presents have been opened, played with, maybe even discarded in favor of old standbys. There's a little bit of post-holiday letdown and a lot of "I'm bored" and "there's nothing to do."

What can you do to entertain your kids over the long holiday break? The answer is plenty, in Washtenaw County and beyond.

If the weather cooperates, you and your family can engage in a variety of outdoors activities. Ice skating, sledding, and cross-country skiing opportunities are available. You can toboggan at Rolling Hills County Park or downhill ski as close as Mt. Brighton. Ice fishing is a popular activity on the many lakes of the Huron River watershed. Is snowmobiling more to your liking? No need to trailer your machine up north. The Island Lake (Brighton area) and Pinckney Recreation Areas offer trails within easy driving distance.

Have your kids ever been on a sleigh ride? Kensington Metropark offers sleigh rides when there's snow on the ground and hayrides when

there isn't, through its scenic acreage every Saturday and Sunday of the winter season.

For the really ambitious, there's winter hiking. One possibility: the Lakeland Trail State Park. This 'rails-to-trails' park starts in Pinckney at the old train station, runs through Gregory, and ends in Stockbridge more than 13 miles away.

If your idea of fun on a winter day is to stay warm indoors, there's still lots that you and your kids can do.

You don't even have to get out of your car to enjoy the beauty and magic of the Domino's Farms' Christmas Light Display or the Ypsilanti Festival of Lights held in Riverside Park. Both displays are lit through New Year's Eve.

Another quiet-time, sit-down activity is going to a play. "The Silent Princess," a magical, musical retelling of a classic Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale, is being staged at the Performance Network in downtown Ann Arbor on December 26-29.

How about a museum trip? The

Plymouth Historical Museum is hosting a special holiday exhibit through January 30 entitled "Visions of Christmas" which features collections of Santa Claus and angel figurines. And a new exhibit at the U-M Exhibit Museum of Natural History deserves your attention. A reproduction of mastodon footprints recently discovered off US-12 near Saline stretches the entire length of the main hall. While you're there, you could also take in the winter shows at the planetarium.

Looking for something more hands-on? Visit the new Feat of Clay shop on South Ashley just around the corner from the Ann Arbor Art Center. You can pick out and paint your own piece of pottery (and leave it for firing) Thursdays through Sundays. Art Ventures, the children's walk-in studio at the Art Center, will also be open during the holidays; art projects for the month of December will focus on Woodabe, the Art of Niger.

Want more exercise? A trio of Livingston County businesses will keep you and your kids moving. The

Zap Zone near Howell is an indoor laser tag facility that'll get your heart going; food and video games complete the experience. Golf-O-Rama in Brighton contains eight famous golf courses (simulated, of course) and an 18-hole adventure gold course all under one roof. And Brighton's Rollerama, an indoor roller skating rink, is the place to go when your kids are ready to try out their new inline skates.


If toe-tapping and dancing are more to your liking, take the family to the New Year Jubilee, centered in Ypsilanti's Depot Town on December 31. Magic acts, jugglers, and storytellers combine with musical acts of every kind to entertain you in nine different venues. One badge gets you into all events. It's an evening of alcohol- and drug-free entertainment you won't want to miss, culminating in a celebration of the changing of the year at the Festival of Lights in Riverside Park.

"I'm bored?" "There's nothing to do?" As you can see, there's plenty to do in our area during the holidays; just pile your kids in the car and go!

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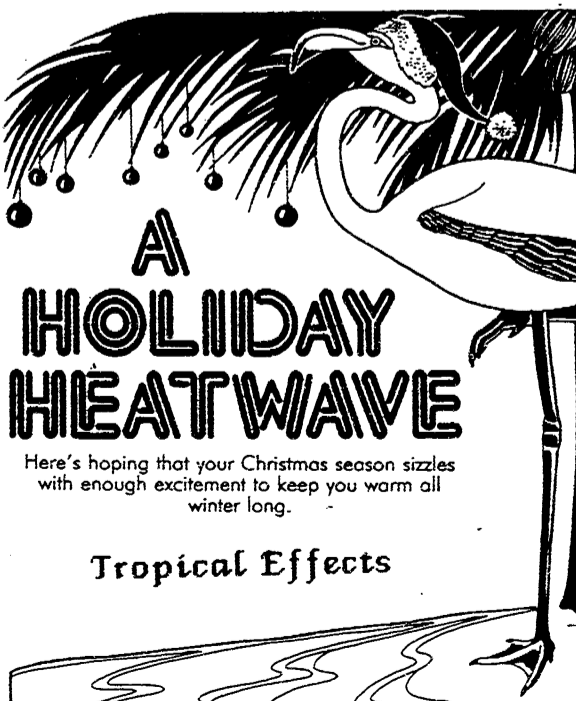
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Christmas

The Christmas Tree Story

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But the Christmas tree hasn't always been exactly the way we know it.

The Beginning of the Tradition

The tradition of cutting an evergreen tree (once the symbol of eternal life) and bringing it inside the home at Christmas began several hundred years ago in medieval Germany. In those days a "Paradise Tree" was put up on December 24, the feast day of Adam and Eve. Instead of lights, ornaments and tinsel, though, the tree was decorated only with communion wafers.

Soon however, the feast of Adam and Eve and the observance of Christ's birth on December 25 were combined into one holiday - Christmas. The Paradise Tree became a Christmas Tree.

Shortly after, people started decorating their Christmas trees with cookies and, occasionally, candles. It was now approximately 1500 A.D.

The Tradition Spreads

By 1600 A.D., the practice of decorating evergreen trees at Christmas time had become widespread throughout Germany, and within another century was deep rooted in the German culture.

Then in the mid-1800s, the

Christmas tree was introduced into England with the help of Queen Victoria's German husband, Albert. In no time, putting up Christmas trees became a British tradition.

The "Victorian" Christmas tree was decorated with nativity figurines, candles, ribbons, candies, paper chains and small cakes.

The Christmas Tree in America

But the Christmas tree had already been brought over to America in the 1600s by settlers, and was a tradition here even before it was in England!

Early Americans developed a preference for certain kinds of plentiful native evergreens. That's why we generally use the balsam, fir, or pine tree.

Today, a Christmas tree standing tall and sturdy, decorated with loving care, is a thrilling sight to children and adults alike. It brings sights and fragrances into the home that are experienced only at this time of year.

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From the beginning of the tradition of the Christmas tree, it was customary to decorate the tree with symbols of the newborn Christ. Candles represented the Light of the World, the star recalled that first Christmas night, and the shepherd's crook symbolized the humble shepherds in the fields near Bethlehem who were first to receive the news, "Unto you is born a Savior."

Christmas tree decorations in Europe, from which our tradition comes, were customarily made of food, principally cookies and candy. This symbolically expresses thanks for "our daily bread" as well as providing a Christmas treat for the children. Thus, the shepherd's crook became the candy cane.

As time went on, many ornaments took on a more permanent nature but the Candy Cane retains the original use and meaning of Christmas Tree ornaments.

Candy Canes on the Christmas Tree symbolize the Shepherds in the fields on that first Christmas night, shepherds who heard the angel chorus and came to worship at the crib of the newborn King. They are also a sign of our thanks to God for the food he has given us all during the year, and not least of all, they are an inexpensive and delightful Christmas treat for the family.

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We're proud to be part of this fine community and are thankful for the many good neighbors we've come to know.

From all of us, to all of you we send our very best wishes this Holiday Season.

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*'Tis the time of year,
 To get in high gear,
 To spend with those dear,
 To be of good cheer,
 And express our appreciation,
 Before starting the celebration!*

Many Thanks and Merry Christmas
from our family to yours

Manchester Men's Club

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Hope your holiday contains a large dose of fun and an extra measure of good cheer. It's been a real pleasure serving you this past year.



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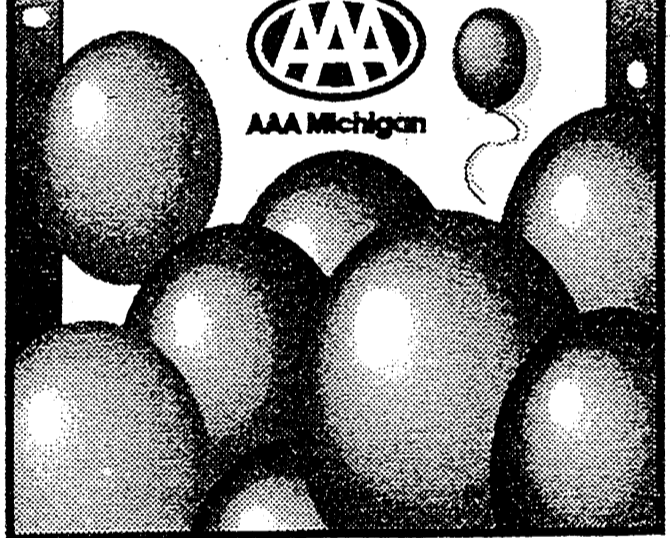
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During this holiday season... be a responsible party host. See that your guests have a good time and arrive home safely.

**"First A Friend,
Then A Host"**



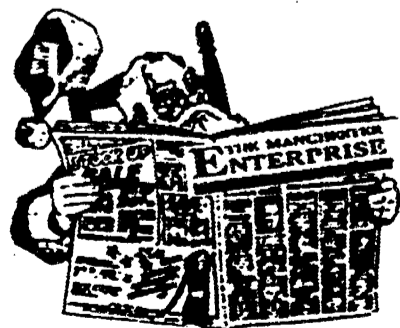
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