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## Varsity & JV Lady Dutch Trounce Gabriel Richard



#15 Mary Barrett,  
#14 Brandy Aiken,  
#1 Erin Fox,  
#6 Carmen Kapa,  
#10 Sarah Gould,  
#12 Rebekah Butterfield

The Varsity Team:  
Seniors — Kelly Parr,  
Jennifer Mann, Carmen  
Kapa, Sarah Gould,  
Rebekah Butterfield;  
Juniors — Deon  
Bisard, Amy Gall, Mary  
Barrett;  
Sophomores — Erin  
Fox, Rachel Fleck, Ellen  
Supers, Brandy Aiken.  
The Coach: Paula  
Palmer; Assistant Coach  
Adrienne Wallace

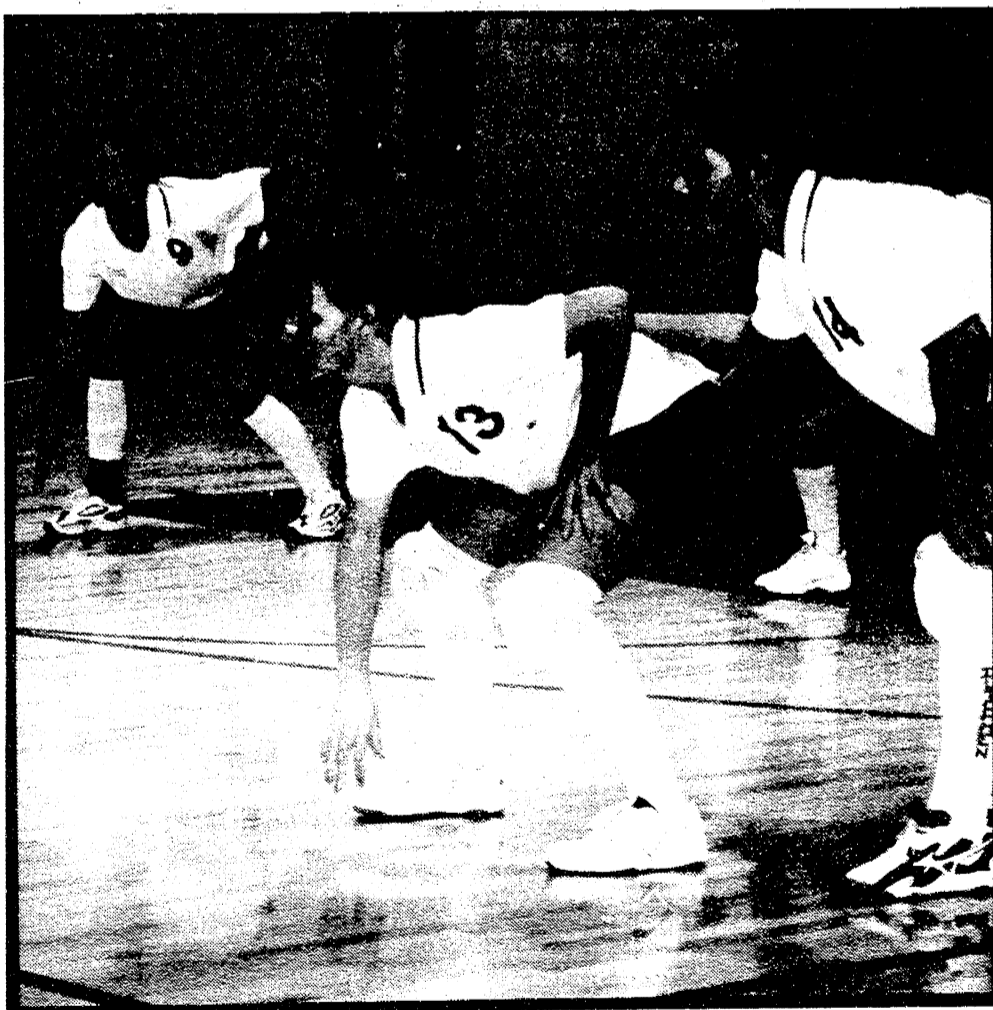
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### Volunteers of All Ages

On Saturday, January 10th, volunteers brought their staple guns and staples and installed insulation at the Community Fitness Center, including Danny Fleck and his dad Dan, and Jeff Knouase.

On Saturday, January 17th, drywall is scheduled to be hung in readiness for the final taping and finish work. Volunteers needed beginning at 8:00 a.m.

In particular, anyone skilled and experienced in hanging and taping drywall is urged to phone Wes Gall at the high school 428-7333 by January 17th.



Above: Junior Varsity: #9 Ginger Taylor, #13 Chrissy Abbott, #14 Amy Preston. See pages 12 and 13 for more *Chronicle Action* photos. —kk

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**Optimist Club Announces  
Winners of Essay Contest**

(Winning Essays printed pages 8 and 9.)

Noah Gordon of Manchester High School has won first place in the recently held Optimist Club Essay Contest.

Noah's winning entry, entitled "My Opinion of Freedom," has been submitted to the Optimist district competition for judging against other Optimist Club winners throughout Michigan. The winner of the district competition will be awarded an expense paid trip to the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania in July for a four-day conference on Freedom and Leadership, funded by the Optimist International Foundation and the Optimist International Foundation of Canada.

In addition, our local club will award any student from Manchester that wins at the district level a \$1,000 scholarship.

The first, second and third place International Essay contest winners will win scholarships in the amounts of \$5,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000 respectively.

Taking second place in the local

competition was Nolan Wescott, with third place being awarded to Annie Hinkley, both of Manchester High School.

Optimist International is one of the largest and most active service organizations with over 150,000 members in 4,200 Optimist Clubs in the United

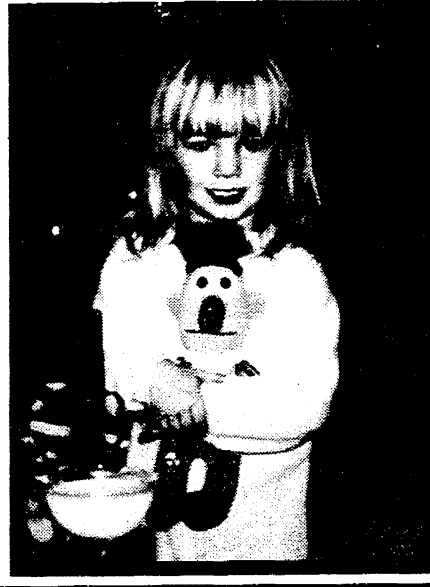
States, Canada and other nations. Carrying the motto "Friend of Youth," Optimist Clubs conduct service projects which reach five million young people each year.

— Connie Widmayer and James Achtenberg, Chairpersons, Essay Contest, Manchester Optimist Club



Above: Optimist Co-Chairman Connie Widmayer with two of the contest winners, Annie Hinkley and Noah Gordon

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**The New Year**

— by Karen Smith

It's a fresh start, a chance to begin again, a blank slate washed with hopes and dreams. Dreams of a better way, a way to drink in life and to celebrate its magic.

It's a time to remember, an opportunity to review, an occasion to analyze. Experience becomes luggage packed with insight for tomorrow.

It's the celebration of moments. Moments strung in the brilliant memory of the past, colored by the dawning newness of the future, and wrapped in the twinkling time of now.

**North Sharon News**

— by Triscia Stiles

The new year has already begun and I can barely recall the events of the previous one. I guess the old saying is true — "Time flies when you're having fun."

At North Sharon Christian School, the eyes of the seniors have turned toward graduation. Goals are being set, plans are being made, and hearts are being tested. I, being a senior myself, also feel the mixed emotions of leaving my childhood habits behind to venture, without experience, into an unforgiving world. In a more positive light, I cannot contain my anxiousness to succeed and become known, even if on a small scale.

Often, while pondering on graduation, a typical ceremonial speech comes to mind. Everyone has heard it - the one about turning the page in a new chapter of our lives. It is a fitting illustration, but I like to think of my upcoming adulthood as a whole new book. This is my greatest open opportunity to choose my path, my lifestyle, and my direction.

No, I'm not reading the next chapter in my book of life. In fact, I'm not reading at all. On the contrary, I am writing a whole new book.

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# How To Make '98 — — — GREAT! Volunteer. Join in. Get involved. Celebrate the COMMUNITY of Manchester!

## Senior Citizens News Report, Summary of 1997 and Opportunities

The annual report of the Council of Manchester Area Senior Citizens was submitted recently reflecting a busy and productive 1997.

They delivered meals with the senior citizen bus, brought meal patrons to Tuesday/Thursday noon dinners, and took shopping, educational, recreational and medical trips on a demand-response basis. They made more trips this year for medical runs, but would like to have community senior citizens more aware that this service is available.

Including carry-outs, 4343 meals were served, an average of 60 meals each of the 72 days they were available.

They were able to save money when Howard Poley, Jr. was at the school bus garage; he provided a lot of maintenance at no cost to the seniors. However, since he is no longer there, the seniors will be unable to receive this benefit. Virginia Schwab and Maynard Blossom were very generous in donating their driving time reducing labor costs significantly.

The senior bus service is the only system left in the county which is simple: pinpoint transportation. The others are getting larger and larger with more and more "coordination" expected — more red tape and complications arranging bus rides.

Senior Council president Dorothy Willingham reported the Food Committee consisted of Naomi Eisele, Helen Wahl, Howard Parr and Jan Barbour, as cook, noting that "Jan continues to provide excellent management and goes out of her way to make the best purchases possible."

**Volunteers from the various churches continue to serve meals but more are needed.** President Willingham sent a letter to area churches inviting them to participate.

There has been some participation in Food Gatherers, a successor organization to the old surplus food program, but because of the uncertainty of when they get here and what is available, it is somewhat difficult to get maximum use from the program.

The United Way support of our program with an allocation of \$5,000 continued which enables the Council to keep meal prices at \$2.50 for those who can afford to pay and to offer reduced or free meals to those needing them.

Seniors continue to lease the Center building for a nominal fee, sharing prorated insurance for the building. The Village plans to budget a new rafter roof in the near future. Also suggested was a possible lean-to on the north side to shelter the bus. It may be necessary to identify this as a project for payment by the seniors or a project to be done by volunteers.

The Council purchased a new copy machine to replace the old one that had seen lots of service. The bimonthly newsletter *Trumpeter* and menu and activity schedules are printed on this machine. The calendar committee consists of Marion Ahrens, Louise Breitenwischer, Hilmo Tervo, Rubena Boelter and Dorothy Willingham; Del Ludwick prints the *Trumpeter* and T.V. Ludwick continues to write the Senior News for the weekly Enterprise. Also purchased was a cellular phone for the senior bus.

### OTHER ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES

Members continue to make lap robes, bibs, pillows, caddies and favors for shut-ins and nursing home residents. Alma Arnett is most helpful with lap robes.

Seniors were hosted at the annual Christmas dinner at Klager School.

Mildred Stoll replaced Nellie Uphaus as volunteer sending out birthday cards; Mary Smith replaced Florence Paul as volunteer sending out get well cards. Ted Tapping monitors Lifelines and installs or updates equipment. Nurse volunteers take blood pressure monthly at dinners and flu shots were available in November. There are weekly bingo games, and monthly

card parties at Freedom Township Hall with special volunteer efforts by Mildred Stoll, Rubena Boelter and Ginny and Paul Schwab. *Additional volunteers on this project would be a big help.*

### IN CONCLUSION

Dorothy Willingham answered the call for a new president to replace Rubena Boelter who had been in office for ten years. Her new management style and sincerity of efforts are appreciated. As Howard Parr notes: "It must take a lot of patience to hear so often, "This is how we have always done that!"

Volunteerism has brought to the seniors what they are today and remains the best method of planning and carrying out the aims of the organization.

— Editor: With appreciation to Howard Parr for this summary, kk

## Manchester Novelist's Writing Workshop for February

February 3rd is the date many senior citizens are looking forward to — it's the second Writing Workshop with Manchester novelist Brenda K. Marshall (author of *Mavis*). If you did not make the first workshop, don't worry you are still invited to each and every one offered through the year.

Brenda discusses how to get started writing, where to find ideas for stories and how to keep journals. The sessions are informal get-togethers sharing ideas, stories and experiences behind the stories.

At the first workshop in November, Brenda and the group discussed the whys — to remember, to pass on remembrances to our children, to communicate our thoughts, to tell a story. As Lenora Parr commented: "It's really the only permanent thing we can leave our children; it will out last that crystal vase or a fancy china plate."

Brenda suggested surrounding ourselves with comfort as we write, a comfortable easy chair, good lighting, a window view. Start with the blank pages of a pretty journal, or a spacious yellow legal-size writing tablet, sharp pencils — make writing a habit. Put ideas down on paper. Write an autobiography. Begin by looking at old photos or mementoes and think in terms of scenes. Jot down themes, set aside episodes for later stories. Use fiction to fill in historical fact: consider roads not taken.

With some wonderful suggestions and a lively exchange of ideas and experiences, you won't want to miss the next three workshops, this month's and the next two in May and August. In September, the workshops will culminate with a reading to which the public will be invited. Brenda will read from her novel in progress *The Book of Truth* and will be joined by interested workshop participants.

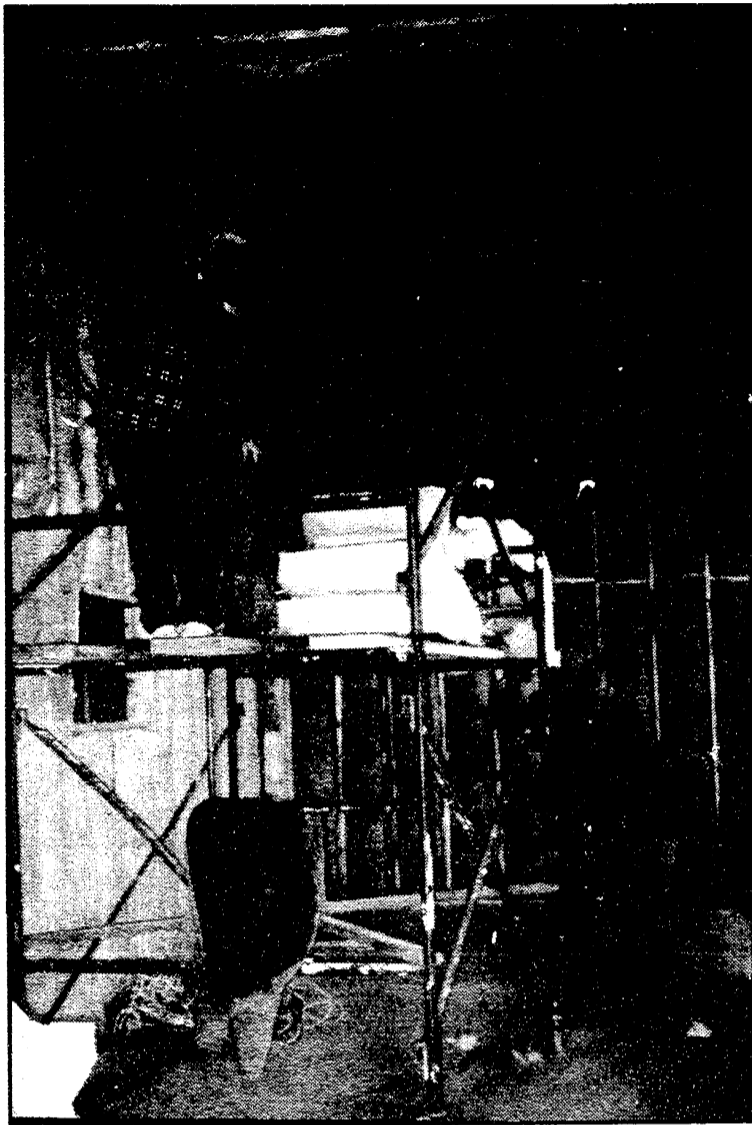
**So set aside Tuesday, February 3, 12:30-2:30 at Emanuel United Church of Christ, 324 W. Main.**

Workshops are cosponsored by the Community Resource Center and are offered with the support of Art-Serve Michigan and the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs. For more information, contact Dianne Schwab, Director of CRC (734) 428-7722, Dorothy Willingham, president of Senior Citizens Council (517) 456-7252, or Lenora or Howard Parr (734) 428-7233.

## AND MORE....

### MANCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL/COMMUNITY FITNESS CENTER

This 6000 square foot building is being constructed and paid for entirely from donations of time, money and labor from the community of Manchester



**Above: Volunteers Ed Barnard and Dave Kemner help with the insulation at the Fitness Center.**

— for the community of Manchester! The west side of the building will be used for the Wrestling and Track (warm-ups) teams and Adult Aerobics, Dance, etc; the east side of the building will be the weightlifting/cardiovascular area.

All students during the school day and during athletic practice time will be able to use the facility. **The community will be able to use it in the evening and on weekends during scheduled open hours.**

To date over \$100,000 has been raised with an additional \$70,000 needed. Tax-exempt donations (checks payable to Manchester Athletic Boosters/Fitness Center) may be sent to Manchester Community Schools, 710 E. Main St., Manchester, MI 48158. For more information, contact Coach Wes Gall, or Athletic Director John Easley at the high school, 428-7333.

### MANCHESTER BAND BOOSTERS

The Band Boosters have announced a new program, "Pride Patrons" to raise funds for equipment, uniforms and activities that will enhance music education and the Fine Arts program in Manchester schools. Student band members worked at U of M football games, had a successful pizza and cheesecake fundraiser this fall and have an Elephant Ear Wagon at various community events to raise funds.

Tax-deductible donations will help encourage musical talent and meet expenses for music related activities. For further information, contact Band Boosters Vice President Kathy McGuire at 428-1366.

### YOUTH BOOKS NEEDED

Klager Elementary and Ackerson Middle School would appreciate donations of used books for their libraries. In particular nonfiction books are welcome. Elementary, junior and youth books in good condition may be donated. Contact Klager Elementary at 428-8321 or the middle school at 428-7442.

### CAMPBELL SOUP LABELS

Ackerson Middle School students collect Campbell soup labels until March 1st. Labels may be dropped off at Manchester Market in the big Campbell Soup barrel located just past the checkout counters, or sent to Chris Honer at the middle school.

### STUDY TIME AT THE HIGH SCHOOL

Volunteers are needed before and after school. Phone 428-7872 or 428-0334 for more information.



# Tony's Entertainment Corner

— by Tony Farina

It's the new year, and should old acquaintance be forgot...what does that mean anyway? That isn't important really, what is important is the first installment of the 1998 Entertainment Corner.

Since we don't want old acquaintances forgotten, the ladies at Chapters and verses decided to unearth some great stuff from the past. Athos, Portos, Aramis, and D'Artagnan face their final adventure in *The Man in the Iron Mask*, Alexandre Dumas' final novel in the Musketeer saga. The book, was originally published as a final part of another novel, is now reprinted to take the reader to the real end of the world's greatest swashbucklers. If you haven't read the others, it won't matter, you know the stories, this is great.

Kevin Costner has brought another long futuristic movie to us, but David Brin brought a better version of it to us first. *The Postman* makes more sense in book form. Of course there is no Tom Petty, but that's OK. Check this one out.

Disney is about to re-release the classic *Peter Pan* on video. For those of you, like me, who love that movie, you like me, will love J.M. Barrie's book even better. The story is more in depth, the Lost Boys are a bit more realistic, and you really feel sorry for any woman who enters Peter's life. Twelve-year-old boys have never been depicted better.

Speaking of movies, after you've filled up on books, run over to **Video World** with your copy of *Peter Pan* for the kiddies and grab *Leave it to Beaver* and *Buddy* for them. I'll explain. Beaver isn't about a beaver at all, but a little kid named

Theodore and Buddy isn't about a little kid who every one thinks is their buddy, but a big monkey with Rene Russo. Hmmm. Well the kids should like them anyway.

If you like the Kevin Bacon Game at all, (I happen to be a savant at the thing, it's a curse not a gift) pick up *Picture Perfect* with Jennifer Aniston and the center of the movie universe in a romantic comedy that deals with relationships in the nineties. If you don't want romance but just want a comedy, see Martin Lawrence and Tim Robbins in *Nothing to Lose*. They will make you laugh so hard milk will come out of your nose even if you haven't had any to drink.

Intensity is what Sean Penn is all about, check him and Michael Douglas out in *The Game*. It's a game, it's only a game, tell yourself that while your holding your breath scared to death. And finally, if scary had to be a person, it would be Christopher Walken. He reprises his role as the archangel Gabriel in the Prophecy II. Scary, creepy, very upset angles on earth wrecking havoc. Good stuff.

Well, that's the corner, go shop, enjoy, read watch and be merry. This is Tony saying, take the second star to the right and go straight on till morning.

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# Alt Ed Update

— by Tony Farina

There are millions of types of education, there are private schools, home schools, public schools, and charter schools. Well, just out side of town, there is a different type of school. The Manchester Alternative Education program started back in September and has been growing strong ever since.

I had a chance to chat with the teacher, Kathy MacKercher, and ask her how it has been going and where the program is heading. "As a program we have a very successful group atmosphere. I've been seeing success as we've gone along. The program and the students have stabilized themselves.

"I've seen success in different aspects. Anything from students attendance rising to some getting the best grades of their lives."

For those readers who don't know about the program, I asked her about the highlights of the past semester.

The students began by throwing a thank you party for the school board and the community. "It isn't easy to do that for over a hundred people, but they pulled together and really made it fly." MacKercher said.

She has taken them to a ropes course in Ann Arbor to build on their team skills. "That went really well, it helped a lot." She tries to take them out of the classroom for some hands-on learning. Trips include going to the Detroit Institute of Art to see the Egyptian show, going to a GM plant, and helping out in the elementary school with their Halloween party.

That day, the students did more than just help elementary schools, they arrived first at an accident and took control of the situation. Just another amazing act of team work this group has shown.

They also had the Chamber of Commerce in to talk. The Chamber will come back in a few weeks for several reasons. The first is the Chamber's outreach to help build the community. The other, really a derivative of the first, is for Kathy to talk to them about their school to work program.

The program works differently than most think. "It isn't co-op. The students work eight hours on the sight coupled with one in class hour preparing for interviews and building other skills."

The main point of this program is to help the students understand and build a career. Basically, the students will spend time learning as much as possible. Kathy requests any business interested in helping teenagers learn skills or teaching them how to run a businesses to contact her. The program starts the week of the 19th, so anyone interested should call the school.

The other new addition this semester that will involve the community will begin on the 20th and happen every Tuesday of the semester from 5-6:30 in the evening. This program needs volunteers willing to assist with the individual instruction of the students. Anyone who has skills in math, science, social studies, or English and is interested in helping out please call the school Monday-Friday 8-4 except Tuesdays call between 10-6:30. The number there is 428-8196. If you can't call during those times please leave a message for Kathy at the high school office, 428-7333.

This program is to help the students understand the different aspects of each subject from someone who has the knowledge and the understanding to help. The rewards of this program go beyond just the students; you as an instructor, will be rewarded when you see the student learn what you have to teach. Take it from a teacher, it is quite a feeling.

If you want to volunteer, have a business interested in the school to work program, or just want to know more about the school, give Kathy MacKercher a call at the school, she'll be glad to help you.

The strength of the school is still growing and will continue to with the help of the community. If you have the time or the means, please volunteer, the student's will appreciate it and you'll be glad you could be involved in such a wonderful program.

**RAYMOND P. HOWE, D.D.S., M.S.**

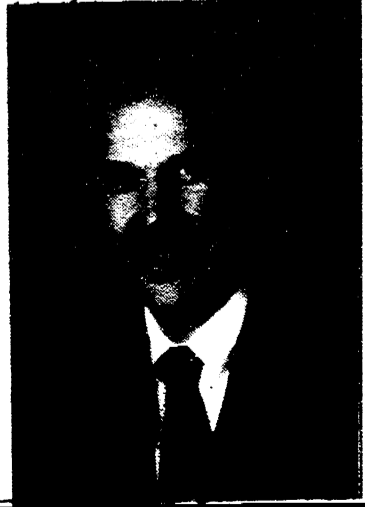
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## Manchester Beautification Committee

Committee members: Pat Sahakian, Josie Santiago, Brad Smith, Sue Gisting, Amy Griffin, Kathy Kueffner. Everyone welcome to join. Meetings at 9am at the Whistle Stop Restaurant, second Wednesday of the month.

From Main Street, down Austin Road east and west, through the village and out to Pleasant Lake, Bridgewater Township, and down Sharon Valley...the Manchester Beautification Committee viewed and studied homes nominated for the first annual Holiday Decorations Award. Three of many would be selected to display a sign in the front yard and receive a custom made holiday wreath, designed and created by Beautification member Amy Griffin, plus an official award certificate from the Chamber of Commerce.

As anyone can well imagine, the choice was difficult and being nominated was a factor. (So next year remember: it is permissible to nominate your own home.)

Businesses that were nominated (for instance the extravagant light display at Collins & Aikman - formerly Manchester Plastics - and the elegantly pretty windows at Marti's Salon) were eliminated from the competition because in all fairness it was thought businesses should be a separate category - which there will be next year!

Finally, the decisions were made. Congratulations to:

**Robert and Sandy Mottice, 20830 Pleasant Lake Road.** Their 19th century historical farm house included candles in every window and evergreen roping draped in graceful swags all along their front picket fence.

**Judi Wahl, 227 Ann Arbor Hill.** Judi, whose son Adam was home for the holidays from the Marines, put Christmas wreaths with red ribbons in every window, and filled shrubs with miniature white lights.

**Bill and Darlene Alber, 803 E. Main St.** The committee judges received a hug from Darlene after being presented the award on behalf of husband Bill and son Bill Jr. who put up outdoor decorations every year. Darlene told the judges it was a family tradition for her husband and son to share the project each Christmas season. Son Bill designs the display first on blueprints as they sit at the kitchen table. Then he and his father hang the lights and place the reindeer to create a precise, colorful and festive effect. The evening the judges presented the award Bill Sr. was out Christmas shopping with his daughters - another family traditional holiday event. *(Editor's Note: The Chronicle photographer has been put on notice. She didn't get a photo to do justice to the Alber award winning display.*

The Beautification Committee would like to thank the community of Manchester for participating, with special thanks to Versatile Graphics for the signs and Mary Pillow of M-Design for certificates. Also, thanks for the support and encouragement of the Chamber of Commerce for the Christmas lights by Holiday Lighting/Tom Kladzyk (donations still being accepted to offset the cost - contact Jim Achtenberg at Woodbrook Computers 428-7011) and merchants for decorating the light posts.

### GO BLUE

#### Getting rid of the blue barrels — Main Street Trash Containers Update

Specifications for the new downtown trash containers have been forwarded to Village Council for their considered approval.

The first pledges for the Adopt a Trash Container program have been received: Kiwanis of Manchester (\$500), the Manchester 125th Anniversary Committee of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce (\$500), Dr. Asuncion Luz, a pediatric allergist from Adrian "Friend of Manchester" (\$500), Dick Kuntz (\$100). This is the program: "Adopt" a container for \$500, or contribute toward the purchase of a container, any amount, and your name/business name will be included on a



plaque. For further information, contact Josie at A & J Travel 428-8307.

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## Welcome to Manchester



Scott and Juliette Crawford have purchased Manchester Floors from Ron and Jan Burrows. The thought of selling crossed Ron's mind because of his back problems. Acquainted with Scott who has been in the retail and wholesale floor covering business for ten years and talking with him over the last year and a half, "Well," said Ron, "it just all came together and made sense. Jan and I feel comfortable handing over the reputation we've established here in Manchester to reputable people. It will be more of a gentle transition rather than just a sale." In their short time in Manchester, Jan and Ron have become known as dear friends and devoted business owners and our best wishes are with them. We also thank them for recommending Scott and Juliette to carry on their tradition.

## Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce News

The Manchester Area Schools' Alternative Education Program will be the host for our general membership meeting on Wednesday, January 21 at 9:00 a.m. (See related story by Tony Farina, page 4.)

Kathy MacKercher, the Alternative Education teacher, will discuss the school's goals and what they are trying to accomplish. This will be followed by a presentation from some of the students who will explain what they hope to achieve, their hopes for the future, and the career choices they would like to make.

This meeting will give area businesses a chance to personally meet some of these students and see if they could fit into the future of their business.

These students previously made a presentation with the Optimist Club and it was a very interesting and exciting event. This is a meeting that will help define some of the goals for the Chamber for 1998, the Alternative Education Program and the future of the community of Manchester.

The meeting will be held at the Pleasant Lake School, 11700 Pleasant Lake Road. No reservations are required.

— MACC

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# Manchester Township Library News

— by Ann Fowler



## Automation — A History

(AUTOMATION: The operation of a process by mechanical or electronic devices that take the place of human observation, effort and decision.)

Soon each patron of the Manchester Township Library will receive a new plastic library card with an individual bar code. Sounds simple; but, the road to automation is long, tiring, costly in time and effort as well as money, and frustrating in many ways.

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1994

Jim Seidl, Director of the Woodlands Library Cooperative, suggested to Manchester Township Library Director Dorothy Davies, and the directors of the Clinton and Milan libraries, that they jointly apply for a grant from the Federal Library Services and Construction Act (LSCA) to automate the three member libraries. (Most of the Woodlands' members are already automated.)

Staff members Carol Johnson and Frances Kennedy started typing onto computer disks the information from catalog cards about every book, every video, every audio cassette and CD owned by the Library — at least 15,000 items — with title, author, publisher and publication date. The information was added to the Woodlands Library Cooperative's collection so that member libraries may borrow from us as we borrow from them. Carol and Frances continued this in addition to their regular assignments and completed 80% of the task.

The proposal was completed and mailed.

1995

Grant denied, but not unusual for a first try, according to Seidl.

1996

Second grant application mailed in October. Directors of the three libraries attended workshops on grant writing and consulted with the grant review committee of the Library of Michigan. Each director was responsible for specific areas of the grant with much reviewing, rewriting and research at all libraries.

1997

In April the grant for \$49,915 from LSCA was approved for the three libraries to be used for public access cataloging and circulation systems.

In June, the three library directors decided to sign contracts with the Brodar Company for automation. Seidl pointed out that the grant is just the beginning. In addition to the computers and other items covered by the \$49,915, the libraries must fund new plastic cards, electrical connections, telephone lines, annual upgrading of the collection, phone expenses, and furniture for the new items to complete the system.

1998

In January, Manchester Library Board Chairman Charlotte Major reported that because of work donated by electricians Lyle Jacob and Bob Smith, and funds from Johnson Controls, the additional wiring is being provided without cost to the Library; the Boutell family requested that some of the Mary Boutell Memorial Fund be used to purchase furniture for the computers; volunteers will bar code each of the Library's holdings — at no cost; and, gifts from Stu Evans Ford (\$5,500), Emanuel United Church of Christ (\$3,000) and the Mary Boutell Memorial Fund (\$1,800) will cover some of the additional expense.

The annual costs of phone lines, phone calls for internet use, additional utility expenses, and upgrading must be covered by the annual budget or dedicated contributions.

January 19 through February 1 — The Manchester Township Library will be closed so that the new system can be finalized.

February 2 — The obsolete card catalog will be replaced by computers. Patrons will be issued plastic cards and soon will learn how to access books by computer.

## Friends of the Library Meet with Supervisors and Supporters, Discuss Funding Options

*Friends of the Library* president Patty Swaney called a meeting of township supervisors and the public to discuss more favorable and stable means of funding the library. Presently the library is funded mainly by Manchester Township — \$30,000 plus approximately \$5,000 for payroll services. The Village of Manchester contributed \$2,000; Sharon Township contributed \$4,600; Freedom \$3,500 and Bridgewater \$1,824 to fiscal year 1997/98. At the beginning of each fiscal year, library board members request contributions from each township. The number of patrons from each township have in the past been estimated; however, with the new automation system (see Ann Fowler's story this page) computerized records will more easily and accurately reflect demographic usage.

In 1993, a library study committee was formed to investigate the pros and cons of establishing a district library which would levy a millage for library expenses and maintenance. This option was explored once again at the meeting. Jim Seidl of Woodlands Cooperative (to which our township library belongs) spoke and answered questions generally about funding options and specifically about district libraries. The "district" could encompass all of the four townships, part of the four townships (Sharon, Freedom and Bridgewater share boundaries with Chelsea, Saline or Clinton), the Manchester School District, or part of all of the above. Voters would pass the millage, or not. A district library has the authority of a taxing organization to levy up to an initial two mills with an ultimate limit of 4 mills. (Manchester Township is presently levied one-third mill.) The millage would only fund expenses and maintenance; there would have to be a separate millage for a new, or adequate, library facility. So in essence there would not be a noticeable change at the library. It holds 14,000 volumes period. With the addition of each new book, an old book is discarded.

Among the concerns at the meeting were the duplication of public and school library services. Seidl said there were inherent different philosophies: school books were available to support curriculums; public libraries were much more inclusive. "Basically," said Seidl, "it would be an administrative nightmare trying to combine the two."

Once again, as it had been at the first Friends open meeting the issue of the director's salary was raised. Director Dorothy Davies' salary has been increased by the library board thirty percent in at least each of the last three fiscal year budgets. Some audience members thought the dollars were in line with other professional salaries; however, others thought it was something to consider more carefully when establishing the library's budget.

It was decided a survey will be sent to everyone with a Manchester address and representatives volunteered from each of the townships to design the survey: Richard Spring-Manchester, Paula Hartman-Sharon, Jim Fish-Bridgewater, Pat Padala-Freedom. Although the survey will be returned anonymously, they will be color coded according to townships. The Friends group will solicit donations to pay for postage to mail the survey to 3,100 addresses.

The millage can be placed on the ballot by each township supervisor; or it can be placed by petition with fifty voter signatures. The surveys will be sent out soon enough to be returned and analyzed by the next meeting scheduled for March 11.

## Library Board Updates Budget After Generous Donations

**Board Members: Charlotte Major, president, Laura Sutton, vice-president, Ruth VanBogelen, recording secretary, Gary Seguin, treasurer, trustees John Crispin and Linda Conzelmann**

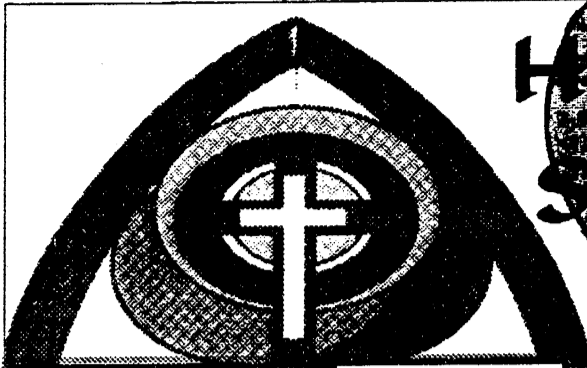
At the monthly meeting of the Manchester Township Library board, the fiscal year 1997/98 budget was revised to reflect recent contributions so that line item Income Donations went from zero to \$21,000. Under Expenses, salaries went up \$100 (a gentleman requested his donation in that amount be put toward a student page's wage.) The amount set aside for purchase of new books went from just over \$300 to \$6,000. Money budgeted for Equipment rose from \$200 to \$3,700, and for the first time there is money that can be set aside for investment - \$3,100.

Linda Conzelmann announced her resignation because her family is moving. She was presented with a certificate of appreciation for her dedication and help. -kk

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and on the seventh day God ended his

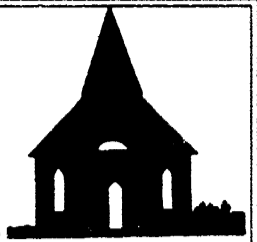
Every plant of the field before it was in the earth and every herb of the field before it grew; there was not a man to till the ground. Genesis 2:2-5

work. And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.



The Chronicle Church Page

Manchester Area Churches



**BETHEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Rev. Richard Hardy  
10425 Bethel Church Rd,  
corner of Schneider, Freedom Twp;  
428-8000/429-7155 - Service 9:30 AM.

**CLINTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD**

Rev. Richard Coury  
13300 Clinton-Manchester Rd  
517-456-7510 - Sunday School 9:30 AM;  
Worship 10:45; Sun. Eve 6:30; Wed.  
Prayer, Bible Study Youth 7:00 PM.

**COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH**

Pastor Jody Riethmiller -  
8400 Sharon Hollow Rd., Manchester Twp.;  
428-8709 - Worship: 10:00AM;  
Sunday School: 11:30 AM;  
Wed. Bible Study & Prayer 7:30PM

**EMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Rev. Vincent Carroll  
324 West Main Street, Village; 428-8359 -  
Sunday School: 9:00 AM; Worship:10:30 AM;  
Coffee and Fellowship: 11:30 AM.

**IRON CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Tom Butterfield, Pastor  
Corner of Sharon Hollow & English Roads,  
Manchester Twp. Sunday School: 10:00 AM;  
Morning Church 11:00 AM; Sunday Evening  
7:00 PM.

**MANCHESTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Rev. Thom Davenport, Pastor  
501 Ann Arbor St., Village; 428-8013  
(Parsonage); 428-8495 (Church)  
Worship 10:30 AM.

**NORTH SHARON BAPTIST CHURCH**

Bobby D. Toler, Pastor; Robert Burton,  
Assistant Pastor, Tim Butterfield, Associate  
Pastor; - Corner of Sylvan and Washburn  
Roads, Sharon Twp; 428-7222 - Sunday  
School: 10:00 AM; Morning Church: 11:00  
PM; Evening Church 7:00 PM; Wednesday  
Bible Study and Youth Meeting: 7:00 PM.

**ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Rev. Erling Aaserud, Pastor  
8805 Austin Road, Bridgewater  
429-7434 - Sunday School: 9:15 AM;  
Sunday Worship 10:30 AM.

**ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Rev. Nancy Doty, Pastor  
12376 Waters Road, corner of Fletcher,  
Freedom Twp./Rogers Corners  
Worship and Sunday School: 9:30 AM.

**ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Rev. Charles Irvin, Pastor  
210 West Main Street, corner of Macomb;  
428-8811 Masses: Monday-Wednesday &  
Friday 8:30 AM; Thursday 7:00 PM;  
Saturday 5:00 PM; Sunday 8:30 & 10:30  
AM. Sacrament of Penance: Saturday  
4:00 to 4:45 PM.

**ST. THOMAS LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Rev. John Kayser, Pastor  
10001 W. Ellsworth Road, Freedom Twp;  
663-7511 - Sunday School: 9:30 AM  
Worship 10:45 AM.

**SHARON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Rev. Peggy Paige, Pastor  
Corner of M-52 and Pleasant Lake,  
Sharon Twp.; 428-7714 (Church); 428-  
8430 (Parsonage) - Sunday School: 10:00  
AM; Worship 11:00 AM.

**VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH**

Pastor Jon King  
423 S. Macomb Street, Village - 428-7506  
- Sunday School: 9:45 AM; Morning  
Worship: 11:00 AM; Evening Worship:  
6:00 PM; Wednesday Bible Study and  
Prayer: 7:00 PM.

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St. Mary Catholic Church**

It was not the will of God that Beverly Schook had to contract cancer and die of it when she was so young. It was not the will of God that her radiant smile, gentle manner, and voice filled with nothing but kindness be taken from us, especially from Ron, her husband, and Andrew her son.

It was not the will of God that we be created by Him only to live a life of suffering and then, at the end, die. Why, then, did Beverly, so good, so young, with so much more to do in her young life...why did she have to suffer cancer and die?

"An enemy hath done this," Jesus declared. When asked why a certain man was born blind, that was Jesus' answer. It is always His answer when we ask Him why there is suffering, why little babies must die, why the world is filled with pain and loss. His answer was then, as is His answer now when we challenge Him with Beverly's death: "An enemy hath done this." (Matthew 13:28)

God made us to love Him face to face. God made us to complete His work in bringing all of creation to its fulfillment. And, as a result of human rebellion against His love, God has given us the task of working with his Christ to bring back all of creation, filled now with sin, suffering and death, back to Him so that His original plan and purpose could be made complete, and so that we might be brought to completion.

This, Beverly knew, and this was the task Beverly was about. She knew what she was asking whenever she prayed "...thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

A woman of profound faith and enormous strength, she was ever ready to face down all that is evil in us, and to widen the boundaries of goodness, kindness, love, compassion, mercy, truth and forgiveness.

And so, Beverly, from wherever you are in heaven, be near us, be close to us, be with us as we try to follow after you in your example and in the life of Christ which you shared so generously with each and every one of us.

**Church News In Brief**

**Emanuel United Church of Christ**

Sunday, January 11 — Sunday School resumes at 9am; 10:30 Communion Worship; 11:30 Fellowship; 11:45 Confirmation  
Wednesday, January 14: 4:30pm Swiss Steak Dinner  
Mondays: 1st & 3rd - 6:30pm Daisies; 2nd & 4th - 6:30pm Optimists  
Tuesdays: 1st & 3rd - 6:30 Cub Scouts; every - 7pm Boy Scouts and Country Dance  
Wednesdays: Every - 1pm Emanuel Quilters, 6:30 Bell choir, 7:30 Adult choir; 2nd & 4th - 6pm Cub Scouts, 6:30 Webelos  
Thursdays: 1st & 3rd - 6:30 Brownies; Every - 7pm Bible Study  
Fridays: Every - 7pm AA

**St. Mary Catholic Church**

Every Sunday: 9:30 & 11:30am Adult choir, 10:30 Pre/K RelEd  
Sunday, January 18 — 8:30am-Noon, Boy Scout Breakfast at the Parish Center; 6:30pm Teen group meetings  
Sunday, January 25 — 11:45am Teen Thomas Group with Mr. Kwolek at Church Hall  
Every Tuesday — 3:15-4:15pm RelEd 5th & 6th grades at Parish Center; 3:30-4:30 Grades 1-4 at Klager; 7-8pm 7th & 8th RelEd at Parish Center  
Every Thursday — 5-6:30pm Cub Scouts in Church Hall; 7pm Teen Agape Group at Parish Center  
Every Friday — 3:15-4:45 Children's Choir  
Tuesday, January 20 — 9pm Teens leave for ProLife Rally in Washington DC  
Tuesday, January 27 — Faith Inquiry 7:30pm  
Wednesday, January 21 — Befrienders meeting

These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created.

The Week of Christian Unity begins Sunday, January 18. There are no ecumenical prayer services this year in Manchester to observe this week as there have been in the past. But this article may serve that purpose. The article will be used in the St. Mary bulletin this Sunday also.

## The Week of Prayer for Church Unity

— By Fr. Charlie

Christ came to gather God's children into one family of faith. The division of the One Church founded by Christ into a host of churches cannot bring anything but sadness to us. We have not kept faith with Him; we have not remained true to His prayer: "May they all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I am in you..."

We should note in particular, however, the growing cooperation taking place in institutions of education and theological research. The contribution that these efforts are making to solve the open problems between Christians — in the historical, theological, disciplinary and spiritual fields — is certainly important with regard to overcoming the misunderstandings of the past and assist us in our common search for the truth. This collaboration is not simply a scholarly method. In it we already experience a type of communion of intention in our hearts. And that communion is holy.

Unfortunately doctrinal differences remain, ones that are not merely "distinctions." They are distinctions leading to major differences in how we worship and live as a church. Sadly, in addition to doctrinal difficulties, there are among some Christians still some hard feelings, along with feelings of reluctance and distrust which at times break out into some less than noble judgments.

This means that we must be more intense in our efforts in the area of spiritual ecumenism. We need conversion of hearts, renewal of how we thinking about each other, along with personal and shared prayer, all in addition to theological dialogue. These efforts must increase as we approach the Great Jubilee Year of 2,000 A.D., an exceptional occasion for all Christians to join together in bringing the good news of Christ's reconciliation and love to the generations of the new millennium.

With all those who are praying this week for Christian unity, we too offer our prayers as we ask the Lord for the gift of His reconciliation. You may want to cut out this prayer and put it in your prayer book or in a place in your home where you will see it daily, and pray.

*"O, God, holy and eternal Trinity, we pray for your church in the world. Sanctify its life; renew its worship; empower its witness; heal its divisions; make visible its unity."*

*Lead us, with all our brothers and sisters, towards communion in faith, life and witness, so that, united in one body by the one Spirit, we may together witness to the perfect unity of your love. Amen."*

### Little Cares

The little cares that fretted me,  
I lost them yesterday  
Among the fields above the sea,  
Among the winds that play

Among the lowing of the herds  
The rustling of the trees,  
Among the singing of the birds,  
The humming of the bees.

The foolish fears of what might pass  
I cast them all away  
Among the clover-scented grass,  
Among the new-mown hay.

Among the hushing of the corn  
Where drowsy poppies nod  
Where ill thoughts die and good are born  
Out in the fields of God.

—Sent to us by Mrs. Florence Parker  
Bridgewater Township

# Optimist Club 1998 Essay Winners

## 1ST PLACE — NOAH GORDON

As Americans, we have and receive many freedoms that other countries can only dream about. We are granted these freedoms through the United States Constitution. Yet, with freedom comes responsibility.

The 1st Amendment gives citizens the freedom of religion, speech, and the press. America is probably the most informed nation of people. Through the press we learn about the weather, sports, local events and national happenings.

The "power of the press" becomes evident when directed towards government. Press coverage during an election year can be very beneficial if covered responsibly. Although the press enables knowledge, it can also be misused by enabling rumors, innuendoes and half truths. Every wart and flaw is dragged out, examined and the results pounced upon by the opposing parties. It is true that the American citizen needs to know if their candidate has any character flaws, but, as Jesus says in the Bible, "He among you without sin, throw the first stone."

Irresponsible reporting of inaccurate stories can be inflammatory, potentially tainting the minds of voters and changing election outcomes. Responsible journalists investigate and document facts before printing them. In this way the voting public can make an informed choice, and freedom of the press triumphs.

Another possible abuse of the free press occurs in television. With their quest to be first with "breaking news," television newscasters trample each other and our freedom with their unquenchable desire to get all the gruesome details. Helicopters, long-range lenses, paid spies and technological advances all push our freedom to know to the limits.

Consider the home television viewer, peacefully watching their daily talk show. Suddenly viewing is interrupted with breaking news about a plane crash in the Florida Everglades. In their haste to be first, news reporters begin to come up with their own theories of how and why the plane crashed, are there survivors, and who is to blame, all without any factual information. The startled viewer at home may begin to worry "is my wife, brother, or son on that flight?" This leads to unnecessary problems and anxieties.

Another reaction may be one of simple frustration because their program is interrupted by something that they just aren't interested in. I can understand a brief news flash, but it seems television stations aren't satisfied with that. They have to take a thirty second bit and beat the viewer over the head with it for hours on end. Reporters appear ridiculous as they interview everyone short of the alligators! Every possible slant is taken and what does it really achieve?

Our founding fathers were very wise when they assured us of the right to free speech. It is a great freedom, when used responsibly. Without responsibility, there is the potential for abuse and infringement on the rights of others, ultimately leading to our freedom being restricted or, worse yet, rescinded. For freedom of the press to work, journalists need to be responsible and we need to be responsible and intelligent consumers.

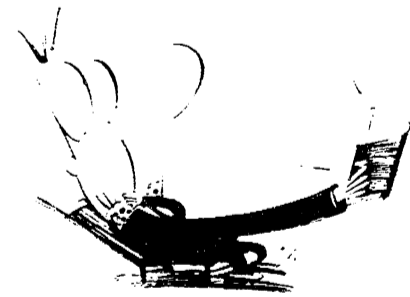


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# "My Opinion of Freedom"

**2ND PLACE — NOLAN WESTCOTT**

Freedom to me is a myth. I say that it is a myth because it does not truly exist. We are always bound by something, if not by some outside forces, then by our existence alone. Freedom is a paradox. To set ourselves free we must become enslaved in some way. Freedom can be found in wealth, but not until one endures the captivity of the source of money (employer, benefactor, etc.). Freedom can be found by playing music, but the musician is bound the extent of his musical ability and the practice it takes to master the instrument. It is foolish, however, to disillusion ourselves with this paradox. We just need to be aware of its truth and apply it to our lives as we wish. That is how freedom exists; in realization.

We, as Americans, have more potential to be free than people in any other place in the whole world. That is why this country, America, is so great. We democratically choose the people that will lead us. We are in control of our own destiny. We can choose to live or die, to take or leave, to love or hate, and to make ourselves better or worse.

However, this fantastic presence of potential energy to be free is useless until it is released, until one has the courage to take hold of its powers and make a choice. If someone in this country wants to be rich, they have the freedom to make themselves rich. If someone wants great power, they have the freedom to obtain it, but it takes courage, desire, discipline, work and knowledge. Education is the key to freedom, the tool to make the myth come alive.

Once freedom is obtained it may not be such a pleasant thing. Independence may leave us stranded in the cold. When we are not cap-

tive we are vulnerable to any attack, with nothing to guide us and no comfort zone. Jim Morrison illustrates this idea in a song called "Universal Mind." The words are: *I was doing time in the universal mind I was doing fine I was turning keys I was setting people free I was doing all right Then you came along with your suitcase and a song Turned my head around Now I'm so alone, just looking for a home In every face I see I'm the freedom man That's how lucky I am I'm the freedom man*

This song shows that when you are liberated you will only be searching for another place to call home and to become bound to. It works in a cycle.

Our culture is based on the myth of freedom. That is the beauty of this country. We can make our own choices. So many of us are free, but how many of us realize it?

**3RD PLACE — ANNIE HINCKLEY**

I sit in a room and stare all around. My curiosity is so high I could chase down the nearest jaguar. I'm at the age of two where everything is a wonder. Everything is a wonder including those awful tasting peas. So I throw a fit and wonder the next day why I'm being fed peas again. These are some of my non-freedoms at this age. My choices are minimal or slim to none. I'm still not sure what is right and what is wrong, even though I try to act like it!

I am now four and preschool has taught me how to tie my laces. Yes, it's all part of becoming a big kid. I can create anything, even if I think it looks bad, it will please the teacher because I tried. My imagination will lead me places only I have the power to explore. My creativity and imagination give me the satisfaction of freedom.

At thirteen, the attitude is beginning to take place. Having an attitude is all part of becoming independent. Thirteen is the age where parents become boring and suddenly I have a schedule all of my own. This is also the age when I start thinking about what I would like to get out of my life. These are decisions that give me more independence away from the reliance of a parent.

I am now fifteen and in my second year of high school. Going to high school means that I am very close to reaching full freedom. I am getting an idea of what I would like to become but I'm still a long ways from anything final. Another freedom is that I now have a permit and I'm able to drive. My only setback is waiting one year to take the test and drive alone. I think age sixteen is the age where the biggest and most exciting freedom of all comes in, which is to drive.

At age twenty-one, I can legally drive, drink, and vote. After twenty-one, I'm not really sure what I've got to look forward to, meaning that I've reached the peak of my mountain of freedom at age twenty-one.

From then on, my freedom goes on a roller-coaster. For instance, I get married which means more responsibility and less freedom. I have a baby which means I have much more responsibility and much less freedom. My child goes to school which means I receive the same amount of responsibilities but more freedom.

Right now, everywhere, there are children deprived of something. Too bad they don't understand why. They probably don't even know that they could have a better life somewhere else. Everywhere people wish that they could have lived in a time where their country was free. Freedom is a precious gift for one to have, please treat it well.

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| <b>BELETED, BUT 11 NOT TOO LATE, TO WISH HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO FR. CHARLES IRVIN, JAN 6TH</b><br> | 6:30 Optimist Club<br>8 M'r Twp Board<br>8 Fair Board<br>8 Bridg'r Twp Plan Cm<br>8 Knights of Columbus<br><b>Happy Birthday, Karen Smith</b><br> | Vilg Curbside Recyc<br>9:30am Sr Citizen yoga<br>Noon Sr Dinner<br>8 Village Plan Comm<br>8 Freedom Twp Board  | 9am Beautification<br>Comm. at Wh' Stop<br>4:30 MS Basketball v Hanover at home<br>7:30 Amer. Legion Aux<br>7:30 Rec Task Force<br>4:30 Emanuel UCC<br>Swiss Steak Dinner | <b>15</b><br><b>HAPPY BIRTHDAY, BETH WALKER</b><br> | 6 Varsity/JV Basketball v Michigan Center at home<br><b>Happy January Birthdays to Sr Citizens:</b> Millard Uphaus (2), Ada Arnold (3), Nancy Arnett & Wilma Bucholtz (7), Billie Mann (11), Jean Little (12), Marie Galinis (15), Jan Barbour & Del Ludwick (16), Doris Evilsizer & Nellie Uphuas (19), Naomi Eisele (24), Gene Moore (26), Jan Fox (29), Fred Heinrich & Donald Drews (31). | 9am Village Piecemakers at Emanuel<br>RVLT Ski (See below)<br><b>HAPPY 80TH BIRTHDAY, ELEANOR BALL</b><br> |
| <b>Last Day for Nominating Petitions for Village elective office: Monday, January 19th</b><br><b>18</b>  | 7 Village Council<br>7:30 <b>PUBLIC HEARING</b> re Industrial Facilities Exemption Application of Collins & Aikman Plastics, Inc.<br>7:30 School Board<br>7:30 United Way  | Vilg Curbside Recy<br>9:30 Sr Citizen yoga<br>11:15 Sr Clergy<br>Noon Sr Dinner<br>7:30 Historical Society<br><b>Happy Birthday, Maggie Tapping aka Sister Mary Margarita</b><br> | 8:30am Merchants at Black Sheep<br>9am Gen/Chamber mtg at Alt Ed (pg 9)<br>4:30 MS Basketball v Napoleon at home<br>7:30 Men's Club<br>7:30 B'water Twp Brd               | 9am Chamber Board<br>Noon Sr Dinner<br>12:30 Sr Citizen bingo<br>7 Middle School   | 7:30 Kiwanis at Black Sheep   |   |
| <b>25</b>  | 6:30 Optimist<br><b>Shelby Trolz becomes a teenager today! Happy 13th Birthday, Shelby!</b><br>   | Vilg Curbside Rec<br>9:30 Sr Citizen yoga<br>11 Sr Citizen blood pressure check<br>Noon Sr Dinner<br>6 Varsity/JV Basketball v Chelsea at home<br>8pm Manchester Twp Planning Comm   | Every Wed.<br>7:30-9pm<br>Manchester Community Band in high school band room - open to all levels of proficiency  | 12:30 Sr Citizen bingo<br>6:30 Varsity/JV Volleyball v Addison at home   | 6 Varsity/JV Basketball v Grass Lake at home  | <b>31</b>   |
| <b>FEBRUARY 1</b>  | 7:00 Village Council<br>7:30 Library Board<br>7:30 Masonic bus mtg   | Vilg Curbside Recyc<br>9:30 Sr citizen yoga<br>Noon Senior Dinner<br>12:30-2:30 Writing Workshop (pg 3)<br>5:30 Sr Travel "Hawaii"<br>7 Band Boosters<br>7:30 Freedom Twp Planning Comm  | 8:30 Merchants Assoc at Black Sheep<br>7 Athletic Boosters - high school<br>7:30 VFW<br>7:30 Raisin Valley Land Trust at the Blacksmith Shop                              | Noon Sr Birthday Dinner<br>12 Sr Citizen bingo<br>7:30 Purple Heart<br>8 Sharon Twp Board  |   | 7:30 Kiwanis at Black Sheep   |
| <b>8</b>   | <b>9</b>   | <b>10</b>  | <b>11</b>   | 9:30 Sr Council mtg<br>7:30 SWWCOG   | 6pm Sr Citizen pick up for Saline Card Party  | <b>VALENTINE'S 14 DAY</b>   |

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## Dutch Sports Schedule

### Varsity/JV Basketball-6:00PM

Varsity Coach Matt Seidl  
JV Coach Bryan Bamard  
**Tuesday, January 13 v Addison (H)**  
**Friday, January 16 v Michigan Center (H)**  
Tuesday, January 20 v Hanover-Horton (A)  
Friday, January 23 v Napoleon (A)  
**Tuesday, January 27 v Chelsea (H)**  
**Friday, January 30 v Grass Lake (H)**  
Tuesday, February 3 v Vandercook (A)  
**Friday, February 6 v E. Jackson (H)**

### Varsity/JV Volleyball-6:30PM

Varsity Coach Paula Palmer  
JV Coach Dan Roughton  
**Monday, January 12 v Gabriel Richard (H)**  
Thursday, January 15 v Michigan Center (A)  
JV 10AM Saturday, January 17 v Hanover-Horton (A)  
Thursday, January 22 v Grass Lake (A)  
JV 8:30AM Saturday, January 24 Dexter Freshman  
Tour (A)  
8AM Saturday, January 24 Clinton Varsity Inv (A)  
**Thursday, January 29 v Addison (H)**  
JV 8AM Saturday, January 31 Clinton JV Inv (A)  
**Thursday, February 5 v Vandercook (H)**

### Varsity/JV Wrestling

Coach Steve Vicek  
**Varsity 6:30 Wednesday, January 14 v E Jackson (H)**  
Varsity 8:00 Saturday, January 17 v Clinton (A)  
**JV 6:00 Monday, January 19 Manchester Schrimmage (H)**  
Varsity 6:30 Wednesday, January 21 v Grass Lake (A)  
Varsity 10:00 Saturday, January 24 Leslie Inv (A)  
JV 6:00 Monday, January 26 Addison Scrimmage (A)  
Varsity 6:30 Wednesday, January 28 v Napoleon (A)  
Varsity 10:00 Saturday, January 31 v Chelsea (A)  
JV 6:00 Monday, February 2 v Michigan Center (A)

### Middle School Basketball-4:30PM

7th Grade Coach Curt Fielder  
8th Grade Coach Jim Krzyzaniak  
**Wednesday, January 14 v Hanover-Horton (H)**  
**Monday, January 19 v Addison (A)**  
**Wednesday, January 21 v Napoleon (H)**

## Outstanding Volunteer Award

**Richard Kuntz** has served as treasurer of the Community Resource Center Board for ten years. He was presented with an Outstanding Volunteer Service Award at the CRC Benefit Banquet. In addition to "money matters" for the CRC, Dick has served as chairman for the annual Manchester Golf Open.

Dick and his wife Judy (and her computer) have been involved with other CRC fund raising, especially the Benefit Banquet. Board president Sue Gisting presented Dick with an honorary membership to the Community Resource Center Board of Directors. Also pictured, CRC Board member Dave Little.



**Mark VanBogelen**, employed by Anderson Associates Realtors, has accepted the volunteer position as treasurer of the Community Resource Center Board of Directors.

Mark's community involvement includes vice president of Washtenaw Intermediate School District Board of Education, past treasurer of Manchester Schools Board of Education, past president of Manchester Optimists, past president Manchester Chamber of Commerce, past treasurer of Manchester United Way, and past treasurer of Ypsilanti Area Jaycees.

## CRC Service Award

Manchester's Community Resource Center received a Community Service Award on Friday, December 12, 1997 at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Ann Arbor.

The Washtenaw County Service Providers Group and Washtenaw County American Red Cross presented a certificate as a Thank You —

"to the Community Resource Center of Manchester for its efforts in eliminating human suffering and meeting the complex needs of our community."

The Service Providers Group, coordinated by the American Red Cross, provides the opportunity for county nonprofit organizations to share information concerning resources available to the low income population.



Dianne at the Community Resource Center, 428-7722. Volunteer to serve with a group of individuals working together to improve the health of people in the Manchester area.

### Manchester Coalition for Health

The Manchester Coalition for Health is a Manchester based group working to —

- Identify the health-related priorities for this local area
- Plan positive health awareness activities for residents
- Encourage collaborative efforts to improve the health status of the community
- Capture new resources for implementing programs
- Evaluate progress on meeting health goals for Manchester

Three areas of major concern are —

- Prevention and early detection — communicable and chronic diseases
- Elder care
- Teen risk behavior — tobacco, alcohol, other drugs, sexual activity related to disease transmission and pregnancy

Areas of particular interest to the coalition include immunizations, hand washing, osteoporosis, exercise, education

Five objectives have been developed to begin to address the needs identified by the Coalition

1. Establish a walking club with a minimum of 20 people walking at least 30 minutes, three to four times a week.
2. Establish base line data of at least 20 adults participating in resistance exercise
3. Immunizations:  
School-age children — Increase the number of school age children who are fully immunized  
Adults — Increase the number of adults who are appropriately immunized, i.e. pneumonia vaccine, flu shots and tetanus booster
4. Education — Increase health awareness and awareness of the Manchester Health Coalition
5. Membership — Increase active membership in the Manchester Coalition for Health.

The next meeting of the Manchester Coalition for Health is Tuesday morning, January 20 at 7:30 a.m. at St. Mary Parish Center. For more information, phone

## March is Parenting Awareness Month

The purpose of Parenting Awareness Month is to draw attention to the critical importance of effective parenting for creating children who grow up to be happy, healthy, independent adults. Stewart Mandell worked with his local parent network, Birmingham-Bloomfield Families in Action, to get bipartisan state legislature declaration of March 1993 as the first Parenting Awareness Month in Michigan.

In recent years the campaign has grown to include events in hundreds of Michigan communities. Coalitions exist for community-wide planning of events and a yearly poster contest is conducted. Parenting Awareness Month is a volunteer effort and an example of government, community and corporate cooperation on behalf of healthy children and the adults who raise them.

In Manchester, Parenting Awareness Month events will be accomplished with the collaborative efforts of the Community Resource Center, Manchester Community Schools staff, and the Community Education Department.

Some events involving school staff and students are already in the planning state. Organizations, churches, the business community and individuals are invited to share program ideas or sponsor an event.

Volunteers are needed for assistance with program development, publicity, poster making and many other jobs. Please contact the Community Resource Center, 428-7722, to volunteer as a resource person for Parenting Awareness Month events.

—Dianne Schwab

# Pet Sense

— by Donna Acton

Donna is a Licensed Veterinary Technician and coordinator for the Pet Therapy program that visits nursing homes and hospitals with dogs. She teaches Dog Obedience classes and the Veterinary Assistant program through Jackson Community College. Donna also does private consultations with dog owners with pet behavior problems and gives "How Not To Get Bit" dog talks to elementary school children.

## Dear Pet Sense:

I can't get Barney housebroken. He's mostly Beagle and about six months old. Every day he has at least three BMs in the house, but never wets on the floor. How can I teach him to have his BMs outside too? I'm on a limited budget so I feed him unbranded food, but he really loves it.

— Tired of Clean Up Duty

## Dear Tired:

What you have to understand about unbranded food is that although they advertise the same high protein on the side panel of the bag, it is not the type of protein your dog can digest. It is plant protein; in other words, sawdust. That doesn't hurt your dog, that same plant protein is found in many diet breads for humans. It adds LOTS of extra fiber to your dog's diet, which will result in him having LOTS of BMs, sometimes up to ten or twelve a day. Nobody can housebreak a dog having that many BMs. Since Barney isn't getting the nutrients he needs in the unbranded foods, he eats even more, making you think he loves it. It would be best to feed a name brand of food from the grocery store or one of the premium brands from a pet store. In the long run you'll feed him less, save money, finally housebreak Barney, and you'll be out of the clean up detail.

## Dear Pet Sense,

My cat Ebony hates riding in the car. I adopted her when she was two years old. She cries and crawls up into the back window. There is terror in her little eyes when she looks out the window as I'm driving. After that she scoots under my seat, then under feet. I am afraid I'll step on her when using the brake pedal. Why can't Ebony just enjoy the scenery when we take a ride?

—Sunday Driver

## Dear Driver,

Ebony probably wasn't exposed to many road trips as a kitten and is now having difficulty dealing with the world rushing past her at 55 miles an hour. That's okay, she doesn't have to. All she needs is a cat carrier. Cats feel more secure in a small dark place. That's why they enjoy getting into a brown paper bag from the grocery store left on the kitchen floor. From what you describe, Ebony and you should get another activity to spend time together like her sitting on your lap while you read a book. Next time, take a human friend who won't interfere with the brake pedal on your Sunday outings. It will be much safer.

Do you have questions about your dog or cat that you would like answered in this column? Please send them to "Pet Sense," Cascades Humane Society, 626 N. Mechanic St., Jackson, MI 49201.

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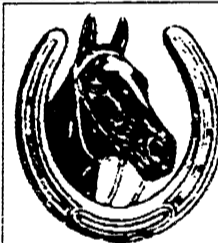
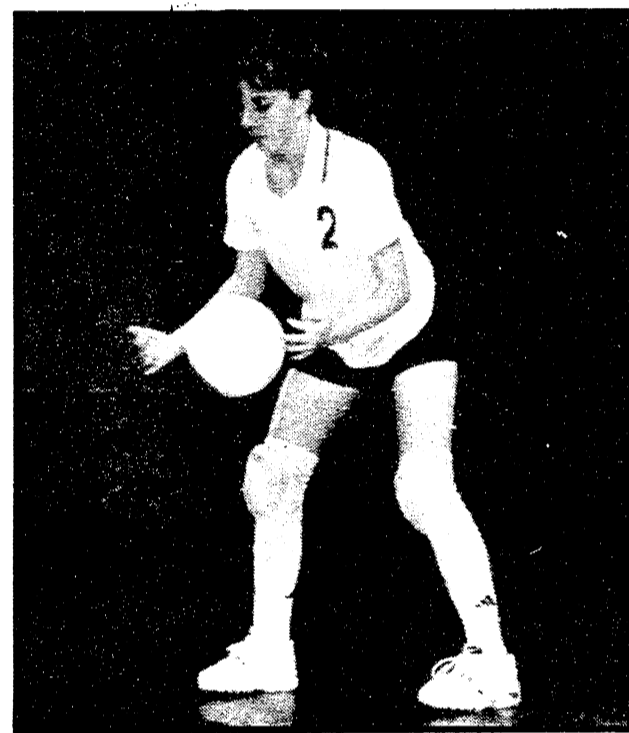
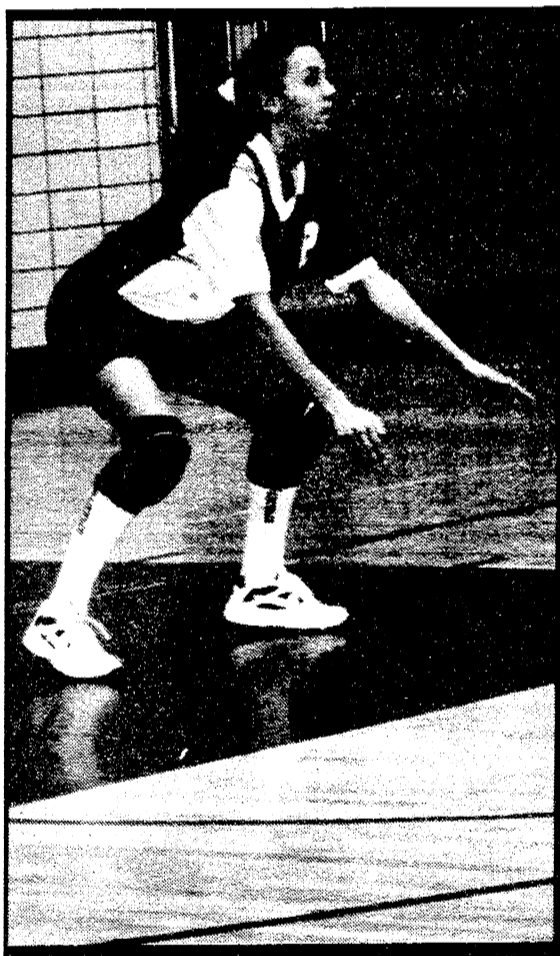


I have to believe family and fans should take partial credit for the third game victory of the Lady Dutch volleyball team over Gabriel Richard Monday night. After winning the first game and losing the second, the third game progressed from tie scores to point by point gains by both sides until the scoreboard read 13-13.

With the Lady Dutch serving, the last two points were realized as the crowd cheered, chanted, stomped the bleacher floorboards, and encouraged them on to victory.

While it was a heart-stopper during those final minutes, coach Paula Palmer told me afterwards: "That's the way we planned it...gives the fans some excitement."

Right: JV Jackie Palms  
Below: Varsity Rachel Fleck



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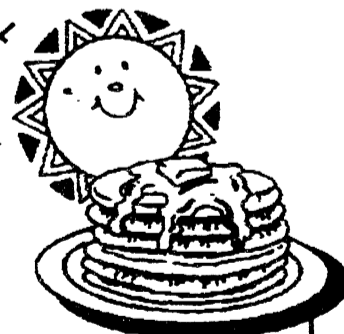
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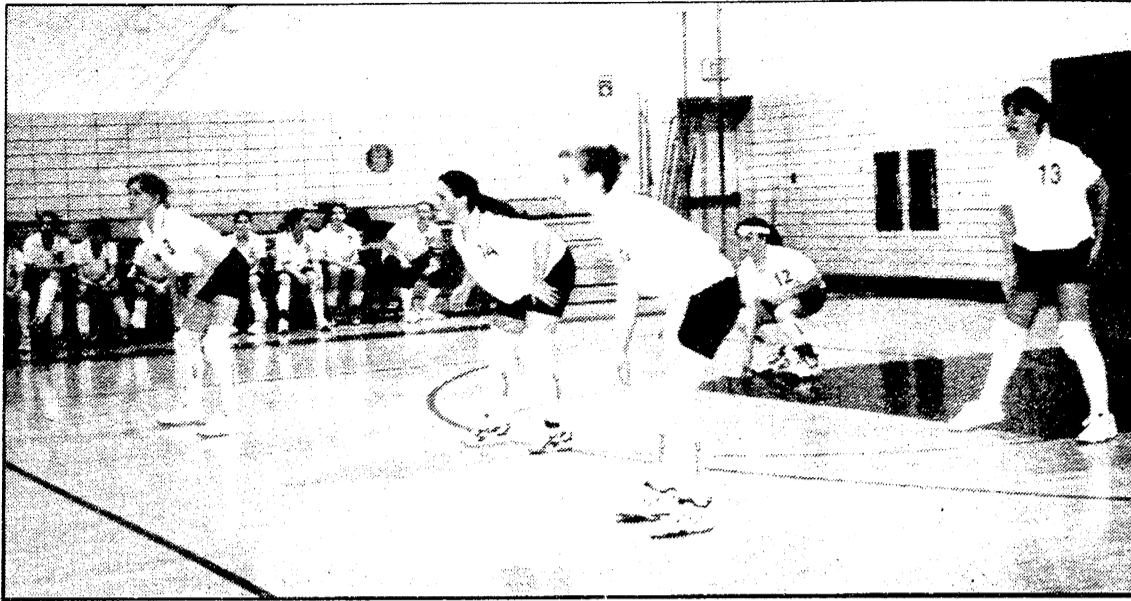


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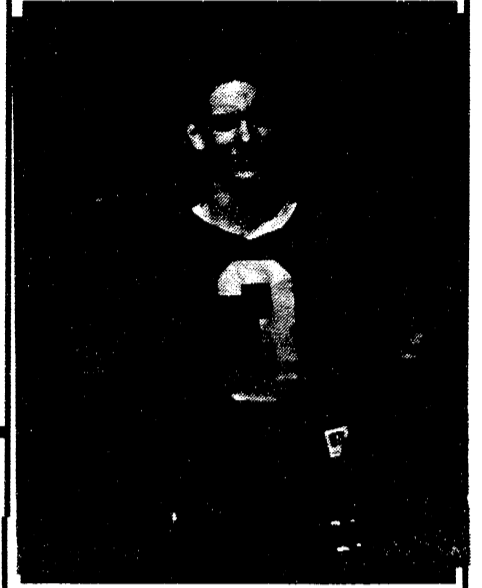
**JV Lady Dutch Win Over Gabriel Richard 15-8, 15-11**



#3 Kari Binder, #14 Amy Preston, #13 Chrissy Abbott, #12 Stephanie Schleicher

The JV Team:  
 Sophomores — Kari Binder, Beth Sodd, Ginger Taylor, Danielle Croghan, Chrissy Abbott;  
 Freshmen — Kristen Taddonio, Jackie Palms, Shannon Green, Kaylin Davis, Nicole Leverett, Heidi Ernst, Audrey Bennett, Stephanie Schleicher, Amy Preston, Cassie Clark.  
 The Coach: Dan Roughton

**Congratulations to Nick Davis — First Ever Manchester athlete to be named to the Michigan High School All Star Team which will play East v West in August.**



**Blades Looks for "Service and Leadership" in Sharon**

— by M.S. Clinansmith

"There is one thing that I just cannot understand," confesses Sharon Township Supervisor Gary Blades. "That is when a resident calls in and apologizes for disturbing me. If I did not want to be disturbed, I would not have run for office."

To Blades, people's expectations regarding government are too low. They should expect more and demand more.

"Let me clarify that," he quickly interjects. Blades says he is opposed to government solving all the people's problems, but...

Using the Board of Review as an example, he says that the residents of Sharon Township should not feel they are "on the spot," but should be encouraged ("built up" as he calls it) to question their tax assessment and check the tax records.

"These records are not sacred. We have found mistakes," he admits, "and we are willing to correct them, but if no one questions them, how do we know they are wrong?"

Just on the tax rolls alone, Blades states that the township has changed thirty percent of the assessment, and "It's an ongoing effort."

"I want to make things right." This includes making personal inspection tours to get input from property owners, reviewing the tax assessment by the same personal inspection and, (Are you sitting down?), changing the tax assessment to reflect reality.

Blades is not the only one to undertake this effort. A township tax assessor is at the Sharon Township office every Friday morning to review complaints and take residents' questions.

"But, you know what? Few people have taken advantage of this!" Blades frowns, then smiles.

Concern over resident tax questions is just one of the "Three Jobs" Blades sees as his responsibility. Zoning and board leadership are the other two.

"We are all part of the Manchester community. If there is a rezoning problem, we all should be concerned, because we all benefit or suffer the longer it remains unanswered."

Blades is especially concerned about the M-52 Corridor north of Manchester. Decrying the "strip malls" of several nearby communities, he suggests that the well-being of Manchester and the surrounding communities should be Priority Number One. "That's why I joined SWWCOG (Southwest Washtenaw Council of Governments)." SWWCOG is composed of the Townships of Sharon, Freedom, Bridgewater and Manchester plus the Village of Manchester.

"Our problems are too complex — and sometimes too expensive — for one or two local governmental units to solve. We must work together."

Here Blades' opinions seem to reflect both hope and a cynicism. "We're going to have to ask the necessary questions, probe the possible solutions, and make the hard decisions."

Controlled development is Blades' goal as Sharon Township Supervisor. "All we have to do is take charge. Too often the townships and the local units of government have been bowled over by high-priced lawyers and commercial concerns that expect us to bend to their wishes." He cites the recent communications tower requests of AirTouch Cellular. "They sent us a letter and a check and expected us to bend to their will. We refused by making the changes necessary. Now, they have withdrawn their request and are going to use a nearby tower. All parties gained. We made it happen! Sometimes you lose a few, but more often you win a lot."

1998 is a year of continuing challenges, according to Blades. Blades calls the state land split law a "nightmare," but has resolved that the best way to help achieve the township's goals is to create procedures for its implementation. For that reason, he has scheduled a joint planning commission/board of trustees meeting for January 29, 1998 at the Sharon Township Hall at 8:00 PM. All township residents are asked to attend and voice their opinions openly to help direct the township's decision-making process.

What about voicing opinions at other times? It is well-known that it is hard to reach the township officers at the township hall. Blades nods his head in agreement, but offers a solution. "We (SWWCOG) have talked about hiring a person to man a central office for all the townships and the Village just to take messages. This becomes more imperative as new state mandates are passed down to us. We must begin to share the load and act in a collective manner."

Bring people and government together — that is Gary Blades' program. "They (the residents and people of Sharon Township) must get what they want. We have to improve communication. That does not mean that anything that is asked for is granted. Rather, we have to develop a sense of 'community', supporting Manchester as our core and acting jointly on a township level. Better procedures are the key. People must feel that they have been given fair treatment. They may not agree with the result, but they must feel that they have been treated with respect and fairness. Even I, when I am not treated fairly, am offended."

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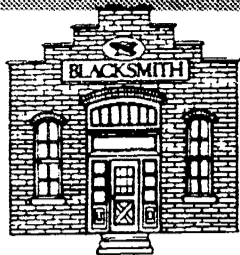
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## Ten Years of Technology in Five Years or Less December School News

After the December meeting of the Manchester Board of Education, it should be clear to everyone that technology is indeed evolving at the speed of light. At the meeting the board heard proposed revisions to the technology plan that would allow our school district to take advantage of telecommunications funding available through the federal government — if we can pace our technology plan for completion during the next three to five years.

While it's a tall order, the process is manageable according to John McGuire, the district's technology program leader. McGuire, assisted by Carrie Funk, presented the revised plan to the board for review and preliminary agreement. This agreement was needed to allow the district to apply to the Universal Service Fund for assistance.

The Universal Service Fund was created as part of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 which called for the FCC to develop a plan to connect every classroom and library in the U.S. to the Internet. The plan calls for discounts of 20% to 90% on the purchase of telecommunications services and connections.

Telecommunications companies are required to pay a small percentage of their overall revenues into a pool to fund the plan.

On May 7, 1997, the FCC announced a program which would make available more than \$2 billion per year to subsidize discounts for schools and libraries. The size of the discount is based on need. Under the current terms, Manchester would qualify for discounts in the range of 40%. The fund doesn't cover hardware, software or salaries. It does provide assistance with Internet hookups and ongoing service charges for most types of voice, data and video connections.

In order to take advantage of the opportunity, the district has to file a pre-

liminary application by December 19 and has to have a plan to make the infrastructure available to support the request. That means mapping plans to put the hardware, software and personnel in place in time to use whatever money we may be granted. That's where telescoping the district's basic 10-year plan down to five years comes into play.

The board was somewhat reluctant to go forward if doing so might mean blanket approval to spend the almost \$1 million called for in the comprehensive technology plan presented by McGuire and Funk. They agreed after receiving assurances that December 19 was a preliminary application date and would simply assure Manchester the opportunity to participate in the process when funding becomes available and if we can build the infrastructure.

Now that agreement has been reached, the board plans to begin the search for funds that will allow Manchester to take full advantage of the available opportunities. The search will look at grant and award opportunities as well as local funding opportunities such as partnerships and bonding.

### TOWN MEETING UPDATE

Among the handouts distributed at the meeting was a memorandum that listed the topics of interest at the November Town Meeting. It was a simple list that showed the topics and the "votes" received for each one. It was proposed that the board revamp some of the current standing committees to better meet the needs indicated by this list. This process, which is the first step toward action, will start immediately.

In looking over the list, board president Wayne Winenz commented on how much support there seemed to be for facility improvement. In addressing the apparent wish for a new high school, he explained that current five-year enrollment projections don't support our need.

— by Gini Patak

Right now, according to state guidelines, the district could support the need for only four additional classrooms over the next five years. Meeting the state guidelines is critical to the bond rating assigned to the project. Only projects with state support receive top ratings. The higher the rating, the lower the interest rate for the project.

### FALL SPORTS REPORT

Athletic director John Eisley presented the Fall Sports Report. During the fall season, 18 additional students participated in varsity sports. The majority of this increase was due to the addition of the Equestrian team to the varsity roster. Participation at the middle school dropped slightly over the previous year. Eisley also reported that of the 135 MHS students who took part, 81 maintained "scholar athlete" status throughout the season. Scholar athletes are those students who maintain a grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or above. He noted that the cumulative GPA of the combined high school team is 3.2.

### OTHER NEWS

The board heard from a parent concerned about rumors of a school bus accident that had occurred the week of December 8. He had heard reports that the accident was serious enough to require emergency medical aid for students on the bus and was confused when he tried to follow up on the story through the local news media who didn't have any information on the issue. Superintendent Ron Niedzwiecki acknowledged that there had been a minor accident that week but said no one was injured. He added that parents of the students involved had been properly notified but that the district had not notified any news media. He and several board members encouraged parents to come to the source, i.e. the school administration, when they have these types of concerns. Doing so ensures that facts are straight and that rumors don't get out of control — always a concern in a community the size of Manchester.

### JANUARY MEETING

The January meeting of the Manchester Board of Education will be held at 7:30 P.M. on Monday, January 19, 1998. Meetings are held in the MHS media center. For more information, call the board offices at 428-9711.

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## Summary of Board of Education Minutes - December 15, 1997 Not Official Minutes

The regular meeting of the Manchester Community Schools' Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Winzenz.

Members present: Knouase, Evans, Ochs, Winzenz, Abbott, Turk, Sahakian (arrived 7:35 p.m.)

The minutes of the regular meeting of November 17, 1997 and the special and closed meetings of December 8, 1997, were approved as presented. The November treasurer's report was approved with a cash balance in the amount of \$972,134.59; total bills payable of \$551,082.21.

Correspondence included: Thank you notes from Gerald and Mary Shaw and Deb, Rick, and Amanda Boham; article from *Ann Arbor News* honoring Helen Nickerson and her work with the migrant population.

### Visitor Input:

- Emory Garlick asked if the district knew the final amount of the Durant award and if there were any strings attached to it. Superintendent Niedzwiecki stated that we still do not have a confirmation on the final amount and that the monies would be dispersed similar to bond monies.

- John Hochstetler asked how parents are notified about sports recognition night. Mr. Eisley indicated that those dates are announced at the parent night and coaches verbally inform athletes prior to the recognition night. Superintendent Niedzwiecki indicated that this procedure would be reviewed.

- Jim Sewell asked if there is any ongoing discussion regarding new facilities for the high school. President Winzenz indicated that projections are being analyzed and community growth is being looked at.

- Richard Spring asked if there was a bus accident in the district last week. Superintendent Niedzwiecki said that

there had been a minor accident Friday, December 12th around noon. There were no injuries and only minimal damage to the bus.

- Ed Townsend questioned why buses were sent out to pick up afternoon kindergarten students Wednesday, December 10th. Superintendent Niedzwiecki informed him that the roads are continually monitored and evaluated during adverse conditions and it was felt that they were safe. Afternoon routes were altered per driver recommendations.

Superintendent Niedzwiecki notified the Board that his contract should be reviewed by April 1, 1998 to determine the extension of the three year contract.

Mr. John McGuire and Mrs. Carrie Funk were present to update the Board on the newly revised technology plan for the district. The plan was revised to meet the guidelines set by the WISD and the State of Michigan in order to be approved for participation in the Universal Services fund. The Board approved the revised technology plan as presented.

The recommendation that the Board of Education adopt the resolution authorizing membership in the Michigan School Energy Cooperative and participation in its cooperative energy purchasing programs was tabled pending further information.

Jeremy, Glen and April Lukas were granted admission to the Manchester Community Schools as tuition students for the remainder of the 1997-98 school year.

John Eisley presented the 1997-98 Fall Athletic Report.

The Board reviewed the summary of the Town Meeting held last month. The Executive Committee of the board will develop committees and assign members to those committees to review the issues raised at the meeting. Staff, community members and Board members will be asked to serve on the various committees and report to the Board at a later date.

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

## School Board Role Honored in January

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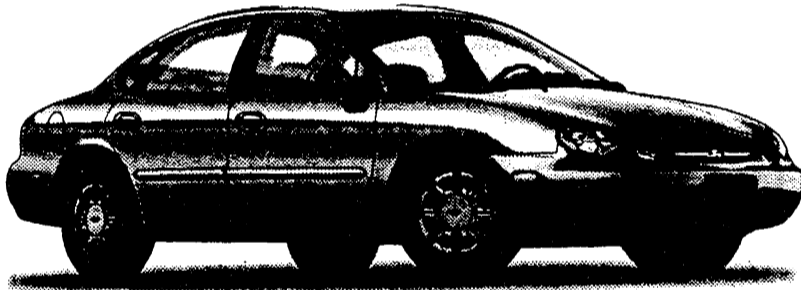


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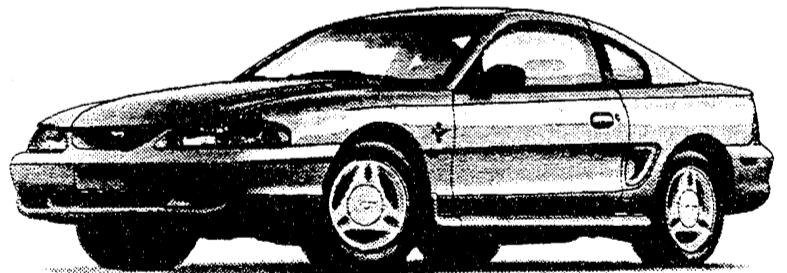
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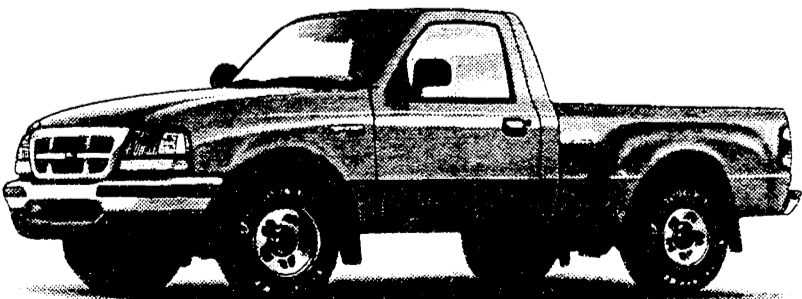
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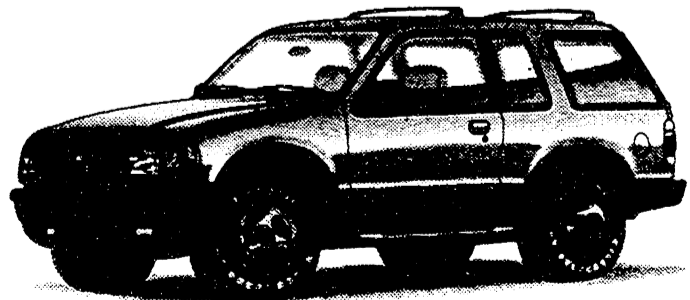
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