

Manchester High School Student Jessie Randall Meets Congressman Nick Smith



In March, Manchester High School student, Jessie Randall, earned an all-expense trip to Germany. Jessie was among fifty grand prize winners, one student from each state, of the 1998 Daimler-Benz Award of Excellence. She had to answer five essay questions, and be interviewed by two Manchester High School teachers, the athletic director John Eisely and principal Bob Smith. Jessie's German teacher is Susan Davis.

Part II

— by Jessie Randall

During my stay in Washington D.C., I was privileged enough to meet Michigan's Congressional Representative Nick Smith. He even left a meeting to meet me. I only talked with him for a few minutes but during that brief time he asked me questions about how I won the trip and what I was planning on doing after high school. He was excited to know that I hoped to attend Michigan State University which is the college he went to. Our short visit was a nice one and right before he had to leave, a professional photographer took a picture of us shaking hands. It was nice to see a Congressman interested in the lives of today's youth.

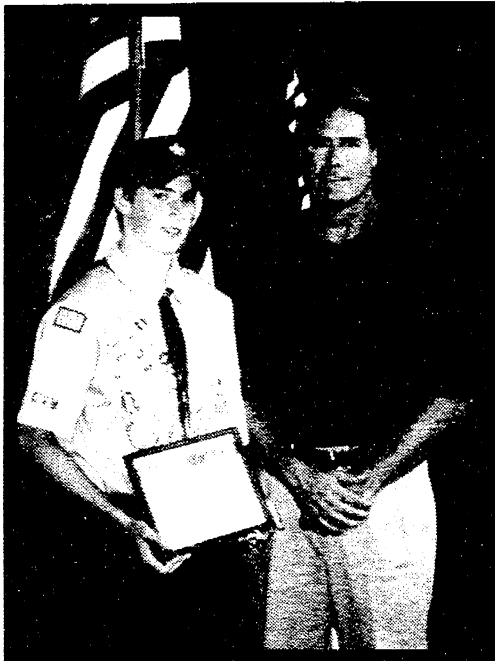
In a letter to Jessie, Congressman Smith said:

"It was a pleasure to meet you when you were in Washington last week. I hope the experience was informative and interesting for you. It's heartening to see young people concerned about the problems we face and interested in the decision-making process. Fortunately, we live in a society which inspires us to speak freely and to participate in the affairs of government.

My best wishes to you as you pursue your educational goals."

Sincerely,
Nick Smith
Member of Congress

Chris Maly Honored At Eagle Scout Ceremony



Chris Maly with his father Phil Maly.

—Photo courtesy of Pete Fuerstnau

A Court of Honor was recently held on the banks of the River Raisin, presenting Chris Maly with Scouting's highest award, the rank of Eagle Scout.

Chris joined Cub Scout Pack 421 as a Tiger Cub in first grade. Under the guidance of Den Leader Minnie Fuerstnau and other parents, he earned 17 Arrow Points, 20 Activity Pins, and the Arrow of Light which is the highest award in Cub Scouting.

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Jim Donnellon Accepts Mission In Brazil



Matthew James Donnellon (better known as Jim) is learning the Portuguese language at this very moment as he prepares for his September 2nd departure first to Provo, Utah, and then on to Brazil.

Not too long ago, Jim submitted an application to the president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (the Mormons) asking to become a missionary. He was accepted and has been assigned to a two-year position at the Belo Horizonte Mission, 400 miles north of Rio De Janeiro.

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Photo highlights of the summer festival



Above: Stu Evans Ford race team driver, Stewart Evans, took some good-natured kidding when he awarded the Sponsor's Choice trophy to Sandra Baker, owner of the 1959 Chevy El Camino. More festival photos on page 15.

Saline Community Fair

September 8-12

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2nd annual Fusilier Family Fun Maze opens Labor Day Weekend: See their ad page 9. Manchester Beautification Committee's Award Winning Gardens, center pages...& more!

On his mission, Jim is to dedicate every waking hour of the day to preparing himself spiritually and then going out (door to door if necessary, but member referrals preferred) delivering a special message about the Savior, Jesus Christ. During his mission, Jim may not date, listen to the radio, watch TV, or read newspapers. He is to read the scriptures, church magazines and other uplifting material, and listen to spiritual music, plus engage in service projects and assist anyone in need.

Living expenses, estimated at \$375 a month, are born by the individual. Jim's parents, Matt and Kathy Donnellon, say: "Your prayers and possibly a letter or two during the two years Jim will be gone will be a great support. Any financial support from anybody would be a bonus and a blessing. Thank you and God bless you."

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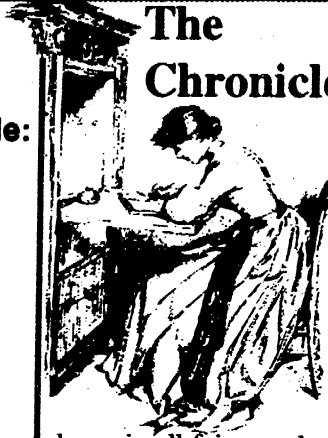
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First there was the ol' snaggle-toothed garfish (pictured in the dictionary with mean eyes and sharp teeth) with its weekly column.

Next it was a person who chooses to write her weekly column as a pig, the better to root for the bosses no matter what, or perhaps, in all fairness, because of its peculiar physique, not being able to lift its head much.

Most recently it's a shelled reptile who expounds officiously. It calls itself "Toby." It doesn't identify itself so people are left to guess that it's a cutesy play on the initials: ToBy. Which may explain the misinformation and ignorant remarks — "Toby" criticized an area planning commission for "failing to write a denial correctly." Everyone, except obviously "Toby," knows that a planning commission *only* has the authority to *recommend*: it's the township boards and village council who *make* the final decision *based* on a commission's recommendations, *and* legal counsel, *and* any other consultants deemed necessary.

The turtle couldn't know this because "Toby" never (ever) attends a government meeting or a public hearing yet flexes commentary muscle to wield and slice with the double-edged sword of power and opportunity.

The column about the planning commission failed to ignite the (hoped for?) exchange of indignations (that seem to sell) either because of the commissioners' silent contempt for the source, or never having addressed a letter to a turtle, or a silence of the lambs. (There was an unspoken rebuke, however, both profound and significant.)

CREDIT WHERE CREDIT'S DUE

A letter to the editor last month sounded fake, but had the ingredients of clever marketing: a name that could be perceived as stereotype religious righteousness, untraceable; and, an accessible sacrificial victim. Was it diabolical duplicity? Whatever, it worked. Letters of umbrage, cunningly deflected to the alleged holy woman writer, poured in. (Ca-ching, the turtle grinned.) Maybe this will be a game. We may see a letter from Giovanni Sammonelli with unsavory comments about local pizza; or? The game is only limited by an audience and the unchallenged authority of the town bully.

BOLD BUT BARMY

The end of summer vacation, and the beginning of the school year means it's the season for editorials attacking the school board and administration. This ongoing personal vendetta, started by the garfish who passes the sceptre to a reptile — hello — will propose some ludicrous, spiteful theories, question integrities and sling insults. Someone said: It comes from too many people in the same house reading the same comic books. POW. WHAM. These missives, or missiles, if they were proffered by intelligent, informed people of integrity themselves would be worthy of examination. Can we believe the editorials of people we can't trust? Will we waste our time reading the written words of people we can't respect?

One of Will Roger's famous quotes is "I only believe what I read in the paper." He meant it as a joke.

— Kathy Kueffner

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Au Revoir

Pull the shades; turn the key in the lock on the door. Look one last time at the tall Main Street windows with wide ledges that displayed Girl Scout projects along with the latest adventure books for children, best sellers, fiction, poetry, biographies.

Yesterday, there was an antique sideboard near the front door and tables with gift items: bookmarks, games, puzzles and music boxes.

Trail fingertips along empty tables, empty shelves. Listen to footsteps echo softly across the carpet.

Imagine you hear the gentle creak of the old-fashioned rocking chair in the corner where a mother sat reading to her child.

Where Santa presided the Saturday before Christmas.

Where area authors read from their writings to small but entranced audiences.

Gaze one last time upon the whimsical drawing of the comical elephant tumbling across the wall of the children's corner. Remember how excited the children were to see the smiling grey pachyderm in their special section of the room?

Recall impassioned readers of books solemnly browsing, and eager youngsters coming in to claim their prize won in an elementary school reading program.

Pick up the dinosaur bank that held donations for the township library.

Turn off the light.

But, forever, please, cherish fond memories and our good wishes. Know there were many grateful customers who will sincerely miss Chapters & Verses.

— kk

P.S. Wouldn't the only sad final irony be the bookstore closing and a beanie store opening?

The Book of Truth

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 by Manchester author Brenda K. Marshall (Mavis); and,
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Chris Maly Awarded Eagle Rank at Court of Honor

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Photo: Scouts and Scout Masters gather for a photo behind a traditional bonfire after Court of Honor ceremonies awarding Chris Maly the rank of Eagle Scout. The rank of Eagle is

Scouting's highest; only one to two percent advance to this level. The Eagle Scout must prove leadership skills both in his troop and within his 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.

Scoutmaster Dave Roberts served as Master of Ceremonies. Program participants were: Invocation -Ed Bamard, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus, Council 4354; Pledge of Allegiance and Scout Oath & Law-Damion Evans, William Cole, Mike Fuerstnau; Introduction-Skip Slocum; Voice of the Eagle-Bill Kwolek, Dave Sweeton, Chris Kemner, Brad Kemner; Guest Speaker-Dave Minick; Eagle Presentation-Ron Schook; Recitation-Phil Maly *High Flight*.

— photo Pete Fuerstnau

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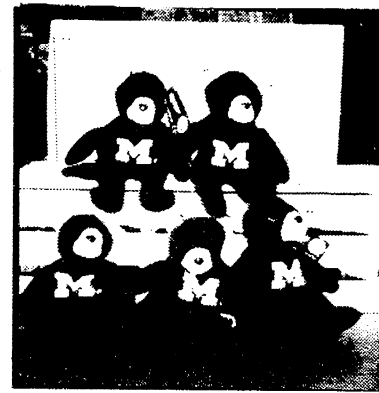
In 1994, Chris crossed over to Boy Scout Troop 426 under the leadership of Scoutmaster Dave Roberts.

Chris earned 13 of the required badges including Camping, Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the World, Communications, Emergency Preparedness, Environmental Science, First Aid, Personal Management, Safety, Sports, Swimming, and Family Life. He also earned 12 elective badges in Canoeing, Climbing, Energy, Fishing, Geology, Metalwork, Orienteering, Pioneering, Rifle Shooting, Sailing, Surveying, and Weather. His appointments include, Senior Patrol Leader and Patrol Leader. He also served as Troop Historian and Scribe.

Chris is also working on a World Conservation Award, the Ad Altarae Dei religious award, as well as his Eagle Palms.

His Eagle Service Project involved constructing 10 wooden and 10 tar paper bat houses, and installing them along the River Raisin. He made a presentation before Manchester Village Council explaining his project. Chris used wood salvaged from a service project at St. Mary's rectory, together with wood donated by Mr. Davis.

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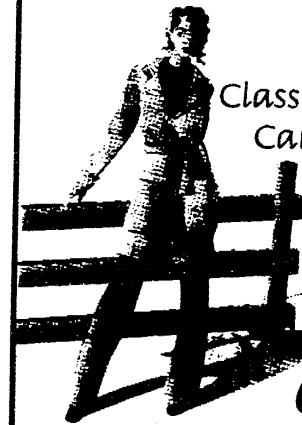
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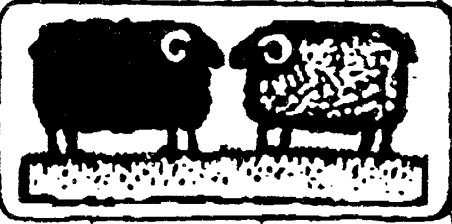
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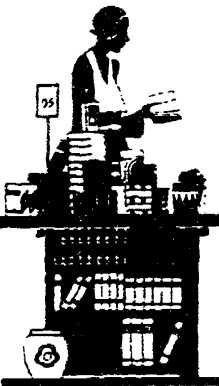
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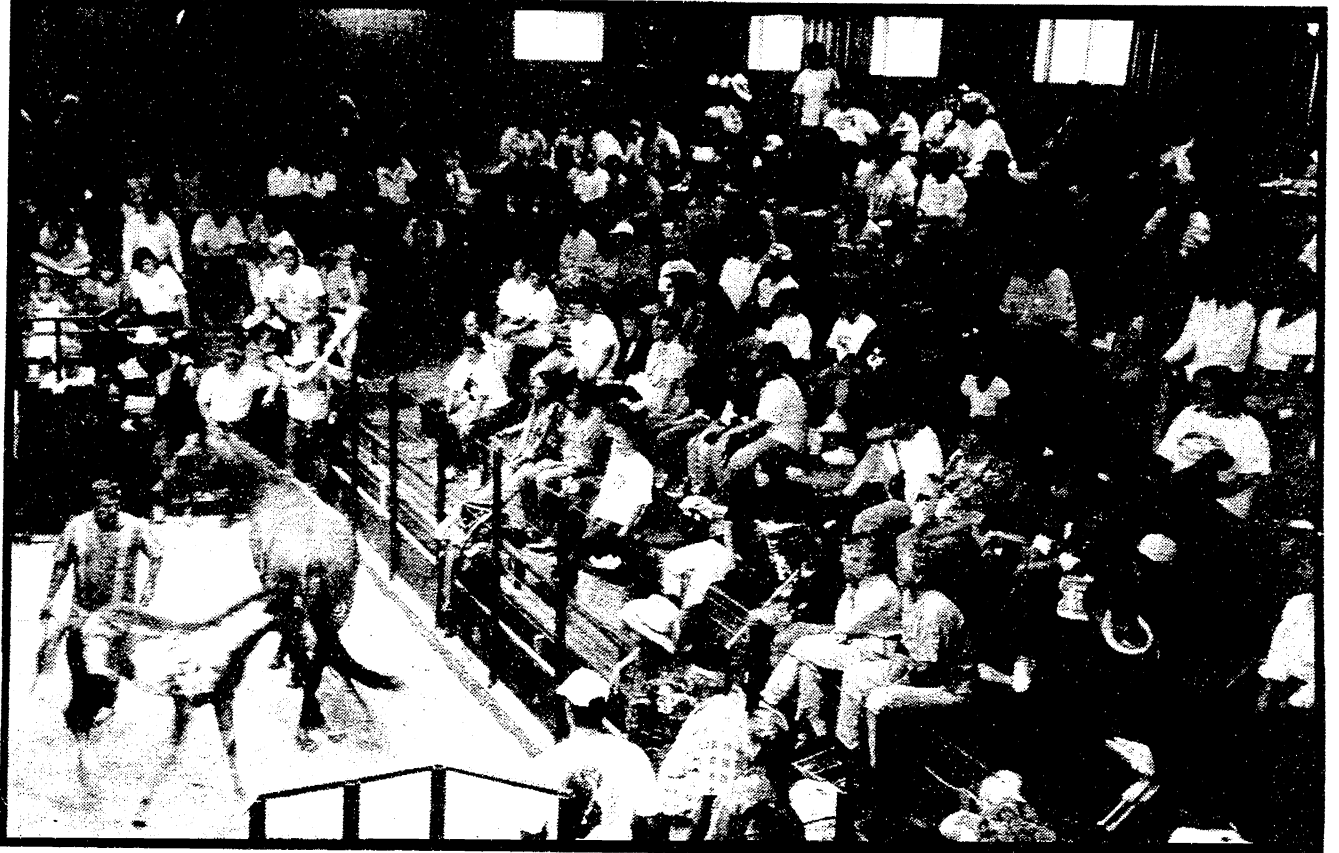


KIM'S KOUNTRY KITCHEN, OPEN SEVEN DAYS A WEEK FROM SIX IN THE MORNING UNTIL TWO O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON goes into overtime on the first Wednesday of each month. Kim Lee, proprietor of the Kitchen, keeps her restaurant open until some hour of the night accommodating staff, buyers, sellers, and just-lookers at the monthly horse auction held in the Michigan Livestock Exchange building next door.

Although the restaurant seats fifty, you may find a waiting line. Kim's "Grandma's home cookin'" has a reputation for tasty meals, delicious desserts, generous portions, and free refill on beverages — all without any fancy fanfare: just some darn good food.

On an average weekday, customers may include business men in blazers and ties, farmers in baseball John Deere caps and khaki overalls, office workers in tailored suits. The weekend clientele includes moms and dads with the kids, and families coming in all dressed up after Sunday services.

But those folks entering through the front door of Kim's Kountry Kitchen on the first Wednesday of the month often have on cowboy hats, sport belt buckles as big as one of Kim's pie plates, and boot-cut jeans.



Above: They're families looking for a pony for the kids, cowboys wanting the perfect roping horse, youngsters thinking about getting a horse to show in 4-H, middle-aged people who like to trail ride, English riders keeping their eyes open for a dressage or jumping prospect...and those folks who just like to be around horses and share stories (tall tales and true) with other people who like horses.

(There is also my best friend Rachel who had the winning bid on a handsome donkey named --- well, this will be another story.)

Left: If you're truly fortunate, you might find someone at the auction giving away free kittens.

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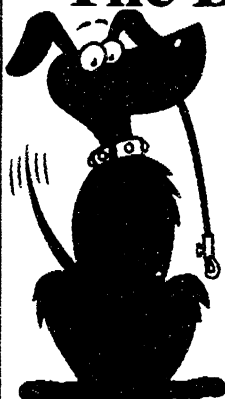
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Saline Community Fair September 8-12

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**Kick-off-Monday, September 7th
USA Demolition Derby 7:30 PM**

**THIS IS THE FAIR YOU CANNOT MISS —
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This is the big one that bids adieu to summer, capping weeks of leisure time fun in the sun with one grand week of family entertainment, interesting exhibits, wonderful furred and feathered livestock to see, carnival rides and midway games, tractor- and horse-pulling contests.

The 63rd annual Saline Community Fair kicks off with the popular USA Demolition Derby 7:30 Monday evening, September 7th.

Fair gates open at 5:00 on Tuesday, September 8th with the horse pulling beginning in the horse arena immediately afterwards. Also scheduled on Monday is a local talent show at 5:30 and the heavyweight cement pull at 6:00. Rides open at 7:00 PM.

Gates open at noon on Wednesday, September 9th. Draft horse hitching classes are scheduled for 6:00 PM, with beef cattle, steer, lamb and sheep judging in the evening. The Figure 8 Derby starts at 7:30 PM.

Thursday, September 10th is Preschool/Children's Day. Admission for children under 7 is only \$3 and accompanying adults \$5. Fair gates open at 9:30 AM with special children's shows from 9:45 to 3:00 that provide a wide variety of fun and educational entertainment, such as barn tours and a Mommy Calling Contest; AND:

- Storyteller LaRon Williams
- Guy Lewis' musical Chautauqua Express
- Colors the Clown

- From the Dairy Barn, Eloise the Bovine Beauty
 - Balloon creations by Koko the Clown
 - An animal program from the Species Survival Center "with owls, snakes, sloths and other interesting beasts!"
- Pony showing begins at 1:00 and the Pedal Power Pull at 2:30. Thursday evening events include Haflinger Hitching, the Junior Livestock Auction and Semi-Truck Pull.

Friday, September 11th is Old Settler's Day with Senior Citizens admitted FREE from noon until 5:00 PM. Also, on Friday, physically and otherwise challenged individuals are admitted free from noon until 3:00 PM with special rides available. The Ladies' Day program is scheduled for 1:00 PM. Rides open at 3:00 PM. Evening entertainment includes at 7:00 PM, a tractor pull and performances by Rumbling Thunder Cloggers. From 8 until 10:30 PM, the entertainment is *West Texas Wind*.

Gates open at noon on Saturday, American Legion Day, September 12. The Downtown Saline Parade begins at 1:00 with bands, bicycles, horses, floats, tractors and more. This year's theme is "Saline Country Schools." Evening entertainment at the fairgrounds includes the Fly Ball Dog Demonstrations at 5 and 6:00 PM, USA Demolition Derby State Championship at 7:00, and Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic 7:30-9:30.

Check the Saline Fair ad below for a comprehensive listing of events and times.

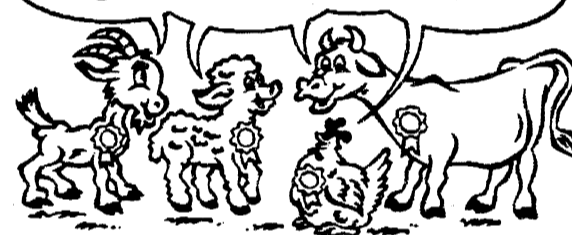
It's the one you do not want to miss: the Saline Community Fair!

Every day is special at the Saline Community Fair, but the special pre-school children's day is Thursday, September 10th with the — always special — appearance of Manchester's own Colors the Clown (above), among others, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Admission rate for children age 7 and under is only \$3; accompanying adults and guardians \$5. All events will proceed under covered areas in case of rain. Every hour on the hour volunteers provide barn tours along with a short program about farm life and farm animals. Miss Eloise, the Bovine Beauty, a marvelous puppet that puts Miss Piggy to shame, will talk about life on the farm while they wait for the barn tour. Meet Miss Eloise in the Dairy Barn and get a present from her fifteen minutes before the tour — 9:45, 10:45, etc.



Let's go to the Saline Community Fair!



1998 Saline Fair Program

MONDAY – EXHIBITS

Enter Block Building Exhibits Noon - 6:00 p.m.
USA Demolition Derby 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY – ENTRY DAY

All livestock entries on the grounds by 3 p.m.

Enter Block Building Exhibits 8:00 a.m. to noon
Rabbit Judging 9:00 a.m.
Poultry Judging 10:00 a.m.
Cement Slab Tractor Pull 11:00 a.m.
Block Building Exhibits Judging 1:00 p.m.
Gates Open 5:00 p.m.
Horse Pulling at Horse Arena 5:00 p.m.
Local Talent Show (Open Arena) 5:30 p.m.
Heavy Weight Cement Pull 6:00 p.m.
Block Building Opens 6:00 p.m.
Rides Open 7:00 p.m.
Swine Judging (Open Arena) 7:30 p.m.
Saline Twirlettes 7:30 p.m.
Miss Saline Pageant, Queen Contest, Open Arena 8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Gates Open Noon
Draft Horse/Halter Classes Judging 10:00 a.m.
Rides Open 3:00 p.m.
Draft Horse Hitching Classes 6:00 p.m.
Open Beef Cattle Judging - Open Arena 7:30 p.m.
Lamb Judging - Open Arena 7:00 p.m.
Open Sheep Judging (judging area to be announced) 7:00 p.m.
Figure Eight Derby 7:30 p.m.
Steer Judging - Open Arena 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY – PRE-SCHOOL/CHILDREN'S DAY

Gates Open 9:30 a.m.
Rides Open 10:00 a.m.
Pre-School Special Children 7 & under \$3.00
Accompanying Adult \$5.00 9:45 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Pony Show 1:00 p.m.
Dairy Judging and Livestock Judging - Open Arena 1:00 p.m.
Pedal Power Pull (at entrance to track) 2:30 p.m.
Haflinger Hitching - Horse Arena 6:00 p.m.
Junior Livestock Auction - Open Arena 7:00 p.m.
Farm Stock, Modified Four-Wheel Drive Pickup 7:00 p.m.
Semi Truck Pull approx. 9:00 p.m.

FRIDAY – OLD SETTLER'S DAY

Senior Citizens admitted FREE noon until 5:00 p.m.

Gates Open Noon
Llama Show 9:00 a.m.
Antique Tractor Pull 10:00 a.m.
Physically & Otherwise Challenged
Individuals Free ~ Noon - 3:00 p.m. (Special Rides Available)
Ladies' Day/Recognition of Senior Citizens 1:00 p.m.
Haflinger Halter 3:00 p.m.
Regular Rides Open ~ 3:00 p.m.
Tractor Pull - Modified Super Stocks and Pro Stock 7:00 p.m.
Rumbling Thunder Cloggers 7:00 p.m.
Entertainment - West Texas Wind 8-10:30 p.m.

SATURDAY – AMERICAN LEGION DAY

Gates Open Noon
Rides Open 1:00 p.m.
Children's Pet Float & Costume Show Judging - Union School Lawn 11:30 a.m.
Judging of Floats for Parade 12:00 noon
Parade (Downtown Saline) 1:00 p.m.
Pony Pulling (Michigan Championship Pull) 1:00 p.m.
Compact Tractor Pulling 1:00 p.m.
Fly Ball Dog Demonstration 5:00 & 6:00 p.m.
USA Demolition Derby State Championship 7:00 p.m.
Entertainment - Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Saline Rotary Steer Drawing 9:30 p.m.
Merchant Drawing 9:30 p.m.

ADMISSION PRICE: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday – \$6.00 - 2 yrs. old & up
Friday & Saturday – \$8.00

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Common Ground: The New Pastors of Sharon United Methodist Church

— by Mike Clinansmith



The scene is not unlike that of any other family in the initial stages of relocating. Around the living room and kitchen are scattered a variety of cardboard boxes, some open, but most closed, and household items waiting to be put away. Two small boys are playing on the kitchen floor oblivious to the scene around them. Mom, Margaret (Peggy) Garrigues-Cortelyou, is at the sink area involved in creating order out of chaos. Dad, Carter Garrigues-Cortelyou, is sitting at the kitchen table, grateful for the respite from his chores but a little anxious to get back to unpacking. Thus it is for the Reverends Garrigues-Cortelyou as they set up home at 346 Schaffer Court in Manchester, Michigan.

Sunday is only three days away and, on top of all other concerns, there are sermons to prepare and hymns to choose plus prayers to compose. For a moment they relax, willing to talk about the past and their hopes for the future.

Manchester is the Garrigues-Cortelyou's third Michigan home. Carter, who was born in Florida thirty-four years ago, looks the part of a stern and burly wrestler, but he will probably tell you he is an "old softie." He enjoys his hobbies of "Ferroequinology", fishing and travelling with his family. It is hard to catch them at home.

Peggy, who was born in Hellensburgh, Scotland, thirty-five years ago, has her hands full with seven-year-old Jeremiah and three-year-old Isaac, but she receives plenty of help from Carter. During the interview for this article, she was neither shy nor condescending. She made her presence felt.

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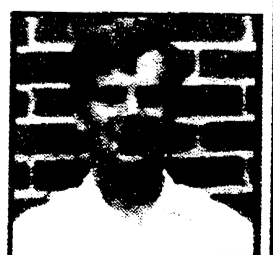
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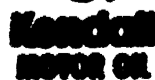
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The New Pastors of Sharon United Methodist Church — continued from page six

Carter grew up on the Finger Lakes area of New York State, where his parents took him when he was six months old. In the rolling hill country between Rochester and Syracuse, he grew up on a farm outside of Geneva, New York, until he was ready to go off to college.

Peggy, who travelled with her family to Germany before they settled in Elmhurst, Illinois, met Carter at a Wesley Foundation picnic in 1982 at the University of Michigan. By that time, her family had settled down and her father became mayor of Elmhurst.

Was it "love at first sight?" To tell the truth, I didn't ask. There was sufficient interest though to flourish and result in their marriage in 1985. That occurred at the Ann Arbor First United Methodist church.

Carter graduated from the University of Michigan with a Bachelor's Degree in General Studies in 1986 and followed Peggy to the University of New Hampshire in Manchester where she had gone after completing her Bachelor of Arts in Social Change. From there, they both enrolled at Washington Theological Seminary.

Carter attributes his interest in the ministry to three factors. First, during high school he had close relationships with several clergy in his hometown area. Second, he was always "science-oriented" and interested in all subjects. Finally, both Peggy and Carter decided on this course of action together.

Living in Falls Church, Virginia, both reflected that they enjoyed the diversity of people and the stimulating life in the metropolitan Washington, D.C. area.

Although they admit that they were not the first couple to enroll in the seminary together, Carter and Peggy were the first to complete the curriculum together and be ordained deacons and elders simultaneously.

On graduation night, Carter and Peggy enjoyed themselves at a party and almost forgot about the telephone call that would notify them of their first assignment. Finally it came, and they were told that they would take up pastoral duties in the Fenton and Howell, Michigan areas. Only then, Carter relates, did they pack up their household goods, rent space for storage, and take off on their vacation. With \$1,000 in the pockets, they took a six-week camping vacation in the San Juan Islands of Washington state.

The Garrigues-Cortelyou's second posting was to Rose City, Michigan, where Carter had the unique distinction of being the only "resident pastor." It was there that I recognized the potential of pastoring," he proclaims. He realized that he was dealing with a community that was discrete and geographically identifiable (one square mile), a community where "the pastor is a visible asset to the community."

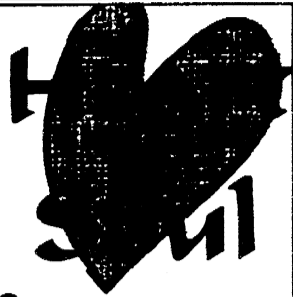
Of Manchester, Peggy says she is "thrilled" to be in such a unique community and began ticking off the many community features she has enjoyed so far.

"We even were treated to a band concert," Carter chimes in, referring to the Thursday evening concerts at the Gazebo that happened as they were moving in.

For his part, Carter is likewise thrilled to be working with the congregation of departing Reverend Peggy Paige with whom he has worked through the United Methodist Conference. Now, both have reached the point that they wish to "put down roots" and "get to know folks. Both said they were not worried about being remembered for any great accomplishment. "God is going to do what God is going to do," Carter states stoically. "God's spirit is leading."

Echoing a recent statement of son Jeremiah, Carter says he hopes that they will be able to stay "for twelve years."

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Manchester Beautification Garden Award: 124 S. Macomb Street

Clarence and Betty Fielder

A majestic 100-year-old oak stands sentry to Clarence and Betty Fielder's corner home at Macomb and Duncan. It benevolently shades the side yard where the retired former Manchester Township supervisor enjoys a quiet summer afternoon, relaxing in a lawn chair, and his wife enjoys fussing with the flowers.

They both enjoy the gardens. Clarence admits that Betty does the planting of the annuals in late spring, yanks out any offending weeds that dare an appearance, and deadheads the spent blooms to make room for the new. "They wouldn't

look as nice as they do without Clarence's help with the watering," Betty inserts, "especially during those weeks we didn't have any rain."

The Fielders have flowers not only around their home but have also extended the gardens to include their property across the street. In the middle of a large bed of annuals, the outer edge lined with fieldstones topped by sweet white alyssum, stands a beautiful statue of the Virgin Mary.

"I had George Wacker make that for me about fifteen years ago," Clarence recalls. (The G. E. Wacker Ornamental Shop on M-52 and Pleasant Lake Road offers the Manchester area a diverse selection of garden statuary, urns and picnic furniture.) Clarence says he refreshes the paint on the Virgin statue each year or so, and after a good-natured disagreement conceded that it was Betty who repainted it this year.

Tall rose of Sharon bushes, full of lavender and white blossoms, make a colorful hedge along the road. Betty pointed out that one of the

bushes interestingly displayed lavender flowers on one side and white on the other.

The flower boxes in the vicinity are heavy steel tubs. "They were made in the old Ford factory before it shut down," relates Clarence. Weathered to a verdant finish, the boxes hold coleus, snapdragons, nasturtiums, three or four kinds of vines, geraniums, pansies and impatiens. "The creeping phlox was just glorious this spring," Betty says. Another bush farther along displays fuzzy pink flowers in early summer. "It was my mother's," says Betty, "I've forgotten the name of it." A few garden accents are

tucked in this area: the "Gardening Angel" sign, and a pheasant "from a craft fair...I couldn't resist," adds Betty.

Tubs and barrels of flowers are set about the yard and the circle bed in the front yard catches a passer-by's eye every time with its blaze of color, sunflower birdbath and sunflower windcatcher.

The color is not just confined to the outside. Inside, baskets of geraniums are hung in the screened-in porch. And Betty points out the wall pouch that Clarence himself planted. They all look like they just arrived from the greenhouse. What's your secret, I asked, they look so green and the blossoms are so big and vibrant?

"I hang them on the clothesline when it rains. Rainwater seems to be good for them," Betty says offhandedly.

We completed our walk around the gardens at the crooked crab apple tree on the south side of the house. Next to the tree is one of Clarence's gifts he received a few days previous on his birthday: a bird feeder (photo left). It confounded a squirrel the better part of a few hours, Betty and Clarence related. The squirrel could see the feed behind the glass panels and was determined to get at it. "We haven't seen him lately, he must have given up," Clarence muses.

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Manchester Beautification Garden Award: 423 S. Macomb Street

When I phoned Pastor Jon King of Victory Baptist Church to make an appointment for the photo and story, he said his wife Gail probably had a hundred different flowers and knew all their names.

My first thought was: May the pastor of a church exaggerate?

He didn't. The Kings probably do have a hundred different varieties of flowers and Gail can identify each one.

Our tour began in the front yard. Marigolds and petunias provide a cheery welcome along the walkway to the front door. Lush begonias and impatiens competed for attention at the front porch as cheeky chickadees ignored our presence and flitted to and from the six bird feeding stations in front of the Kings' front bay window.

"Our dining room table is next to that window so we can watch the birds feeding just about any time of the day," Gail says fondly.

I remarked about the one unusual looking feeder that appeared to be a tree branch. "That is a recycled Christmas tree," Jon informs me. Jon cuts the trunk to size, leaving ends of the branches for perches, then drills holes about an inch or so deep. He stuffs the holes full of peanut butter, "they prefer crunchy-style." Woodpeckers, blue jays and cardinals are also frequent visitors.

Included in the front yard beds are biannual foxglove, those delicate bell-shaped flowers in soft pastels, white Nancies and turtleheads.

Gail said she gardens out of a book, reading about different varieties of flowers, what kind of soil they need, whether they require full sun or shade, then goes from there, experimenting.

On the south side of the house, morning glories climb a rustic trellis designed by Gail, with Jon's help in the actual construction. Again, unusual and adding a countrified charm like the peanut butter bird feeders.

"These were branches that came down after one of our storms," Gail relates. "I tried out different patterns by first laying them on the lawn." Choosing matching lengths and limbs similar in circumference, she arranged them in a fan shape, used small nails to hold the

branches in place, then secured the joints with wrapped twine. "They were heavier then they looked, it took both Jon and I to get them in place."

They made three trellises, each one more ambitious than the previous.

The southern flower beds feature moonbeam and early sunrise coreopsis, brown-eyed susans, gay feathers, gladiolas, asters, day lilies, blue and purple geraniums and "my favorite," says Gail, the Peace rose that peeks into the window above it.

Our tour continues around to the back of the house with only the back porch steps interrupting the constant flow of plants with teasing buds, and flowers in full bloom — Jupiter's beard, daisies, a mass of sedum ready to show off their color very shortly, candy tufts and snapdragons. Next to the back porch steps are roses. "This is a new variety of hardy ground-cover rose," Gail says. What began as one small planting at the beginning of the season filled in the whole area.

"This," Jon says extending his arms to indicate the area between the house and the barn, "was a parking lot. We took out about four inches of gravel before we could put the lawn in." When they dug alongside the barn they found more gravel and chunks of cement. Removing all that and then putting in top soil and mulch to create the flower beds was "quite a project."

The backyard is home to additional

varieties of flowers: perennial foxglove, bleeding heart, Jacob's ladder, violets and coralbells, a climbing rose, stargazer lilies, hollyhock, cone flowers, soapwort and forget-me-nots. Two unfamiliar names (at least to me) were the "speedwell blue" and the "obedient." Gail put in a milkweed plant that is suppose to attract butterflies. "It's on probation," she says, "it still looks too much like a weed."

"A family of bluebirds nested in the birdhouse this spring," Jon pointed out at the corner of the barn, and robins nested in the nearby magnolia bush.

Next to the picturesque antique barn (photo far left), the largest of Gail and Jon's trellises was a backdrop to splashy Oriental poppies and some of the two hundred and fifty spring bulbs that popped up beginning in March: tulips, grape hyacinths, crocus and daffodils. We agreed that the character of the old barn, the flowers, the trellis, and the bluebird house, could well and prettily be captured in a watercolor painting someday.

Now if I can just talk my husband into helping me wire branch trellises together...! —kk

Pastor Jon and Gail King



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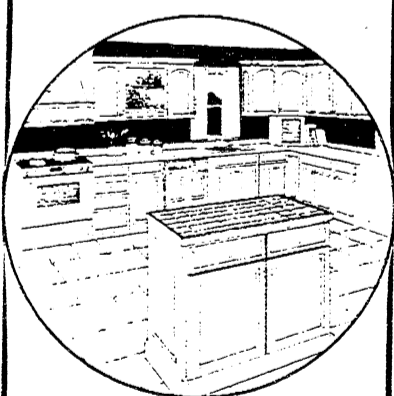
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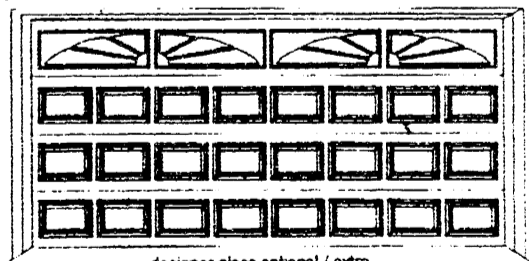
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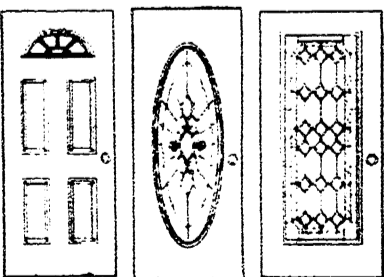
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The next meeting of the Manchester Coalition for Drug Free Youth will be Wednesday evening, September 16, 7:30 at St. Mary Parish Center on Madison Street.

The coalition, a committee of the Community Resource Center, is a small group of people representing the school, law enforcement and parents. Their focus is based on the need to provide a caring, supportive and safe environment for our youth.

The meetings are open to anyone interested in the topic of youth development. The most obvious missing group is youth representatives who can best express what their needs and concerns are.

During their July 15 meeting, the Coalition set a tentative date of November 13-14 to host a Town Meeting. The purpose of the event will be to identify issues for action as they relate to the use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs by underage youth.

The two day event will include youth discussions at the Middle School and High School on Friday. The Saturday morning program, open to the general public, will start with a keynote speaker followed by focus groups for discussion of issues.

Many volunteers from the entire community of Manchester are needed to make the event a success. Youth will be involved at all states of planning for the event.

For further information about the work of the Coalition, call Karen Smith, 428-8908, or the Community Resource Center, 428-7722.

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Local young farmers compete in state softball tournament



Washtenaw County Farm Bureau members competed in the 1998 Young Farmer Softball Tournament: Colette McClinton, Kathy Tower, **Jeffrey Horning, Gary Bross, Jeff Bristle,** Keith Weidmayer, Teresa Hertier, **Lisa Ostrander, Garry Ostrander,** Neil Koch. The statewide competition attracted 15 teams and about 225 players, ages 18-35 for the double-elimination tournament.

Girl Scout Troop 388 would like to thank all who purchased refreshments at this year's Gazebo Concerts and helped to make our fundraiser a success! Special thanks to the Gazebo Concert Committee for offering us the opportunity to sell, to Carolin Gregerson for making all the goodies, and to Manchester Market who worked with us on obtaining the pop.

Read & Win

The first "Read and Win" program sponsored by the Manchester Community Fair, in cooperation with the Manchester Township Library, appears to have been both popular and successful. Despite some minor difficulties due to being the first joint venture it seems that children and parents alike were pleased with the program.

Read and Win is offered through the International Association of Fairs and Expositions and the National Independent Concessionaires Association. Its purpose was to encourage school children in grades one through eight to read during the summer.

And read they did! A total of seventy-nine Manchester area children — including younger "listeners" — were awarded coupons for french fries, freezer pops, snow cones, drink bottles and ride-all-day carnival tickets. Kids were excited and parents were pleased as they arrived at the Fair to redeem their coupons.

Positive feedback was much appreciated and the program will be offered again next summer.

Congratulations to the ride-all-day winners: Brent and Rebecca Long, Elizabeth Curby, Logan and Taylor Harper, Julie Fielder, Madeline and Will Rickert, Kimberly Tickner and Ian Chartrand.

Thank you to Manchester Kiwanis, Fiske's Fries, Crown Amusements and the Manchester Community Fair Snack Shack for all donated prizes.

This year's Fair and reading program themes were the same: Home Is Where the Heart Is. And home is where a love of reading is.

The Manchester Community Library will conclude its summer reading program in August. Keep on reading, and see you next summer at the Fair!

— Minnie Fuerstnau

MOVIE NEWS

— by Toni Gross, Video World

Time to start cooling off with some hot movies! Kicking off September is the biggest hit of all — the *Titanic*. I guess everyone knows the story line of this great classic, but with DeCaprio and Winslett starring together, the screen is dazzling! *Titanic* movie is available to rent or buy at Video World beginning September 1st.

Another great movie, in this month of great movies, is *City of Angels*. It's about a doctor (Meg Ryan) and an angel (Nicholas Cage). Would one angel risk a life of eternity for the love of a mortal woman? Love is a mystery and in this tear-jerker, the true meaning of love is known.

On to some suspense — *Hush*. The psycho mother-in-law (Jessica Lange) shows a side of herself we have never seen. She's great in this movie about a son with a very jealous mother (Lange). When the son marries and decides to start a family with his true love (Gwen Paltrow), all h--- breaks loose. Will the mind games the mother plays to keep her son all to herself work? Rent this one and see!

Mercury Rising stars Bruce Willis playing an FBI agent who is trying to protect an autistic boy who discovered a secret code in a puzzle book. When the head of the bad guys (Alex Baldwin) finds out, he goes out to destroy the little boy's family --- and anyone else in his path. This movie is full of action and suspense. Don't miss it!

Don't forget *Lady and the Tramp* is also coming back this month. Stop by Video World and see the many, many other great titles for September. (These are just the tip of the iceberg!)

VOLLEYBALL ALERT

Only one more week to sign up for the 9th annual Kiwanis of Manchester Volleyball Tournament. Applications must be returned by September 9 to play in the September 13th competitive or novice tournaments. A team consists of a minimum of five players, any age or gender. The cost to participants in the tournament is \$50 per team. Proceeds from the event support Mott's Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor and other Manchester community service projects. Call 428-7722 for a registration form or further information.

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Farewell to Long-Time Board Members, Budget Approval at June School Board Meeting

Recognizing the commitment required of school board trustees, Superintendent Ron Niedzwiecki presented outgoing board members, Joe Turk and Patricia Sahakian, with awards for their years of distinguished service. Both Turk, and Sahakian, who has completed three terms, stepped down at the end of the school year. The board thanked them for their dedication and years of service. Incoming board members, Ronald Ellison and Brad Roberts, were also in attendance. As the top vote-getters in the June 8 election, they will officially take their seats on the Manchester Board of Education in July.

1998-99 BUDGET ADOPTED.

As one of the last official actions of this school year, the board approved an operating budget of \$8.8 million. This represents a state grant of \$5,869 per student and includes funds from other sources as well. Good news for the community, the budget includes money to fill much-needed teaching positions.

Next year will see the addition of a part-time special education teacher consultant for the high school; a part-time secondary level music teacher who will be shared by the high school and middle school bands; and an additional teacher for the alternative education program. Also funded are a computer technician, two part-time clerical positions and classroom paraprofessionals.

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

The board learned that 30,000 school districts have applied for funding from the Universal Service Fund. This fund was created as part of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and provides funding to help school districts cover the costs of getting and staying connected to the Internet. Funding is distributed based on need with an eye to making sure the neediest school

districts continue to have the money they need to maintain a stable program. It appears that Manchester can expect the fund to cover about 40% of the district's communication costs over the five-year life of the program.

The school district is working with Data Serve, a data communications consulting firm, to plan and implement a network that will connect all three schools to each other and to the Internet. Data Serve is recommending that the school district install their own fiber optic network to connect the district buildings. The cost of the private network installation will be more than offset over the long run by reduced communications costs. These cost savings will be realized when the Universal Service Funding support ends and the district is required to assume the full cost of communications.

Technology Plan Approved, Revised High School Attendance Policy Adopted at July School Board Meeting

The school board adopted plans to start work on infrastructure that will eventually link all three Manchester schools to each other and to the Internet. They also heard preliminary town hall meeting plans from the Manchester Coalition for Drug Free Youth, and final approval was given to an amended version of the controversial high school attendance policy that was introduced during the last school year.

TECHNOLOGY IN THE CLASSROOM

The action taken at the July meeting enables the school district to start work on the infrastructure that will support a school-to-school network as well as giving each of the schools access to the World Wide Web. The infrastructure consists of fiber optic cable and electrical upgrades to the three school buildings.

The price tag for the work, which will be largely invisible, will be around \$330,500.

Even as he approved plans to go forward with or without the contribution of Universal Service Fund money, hoped to be around 40%, board president Wayne Winzenz expressed concern at the cost of the project and the community's perception of such an investment given the lack of visible results for as long as three years.

Trustee John Ochs acknowledged the concern, but brought the issue into focus. "We're at the point where we have to decide whether to bring electricity to the school or build a shiny new backboard. Everybody will see the backboard, but we need electricity to be part of the rest of the world."

AMENDED HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE POLICY APPROVED

The controversial high school attendance policy has been amended to include better parent/guardian notification procedures and more clearly defined appeal procedures, but doesn't eliminate the severe penalties associated with 12 days of absence. The policy still says that any student who accumulates more than 12 absences in any class during one semester will lose credit for that class.

It doesn't matter whether the absence is excused or not, 12 days is the limit. Appeals will be granted and those with legitimate excuses may fare better than those without, but the message was clear: Attend class or fail.

OTHER NEWS

Parent Polly Deacons asked for the board's help in getting gymnastics on the roster of sports offered to Manchester's student athletes. For the request to be fulfilled, Manchester will have to cooperate with another school district that currently offers a gymnastics program. Cooperative sports programs are allowed for some sports like gymnastics, hockey, tennis and swimming to allow school districts to share the high costs of specialized equipment.

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THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MANCHESTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:35 PM BY PRESIDENT WINZENZ WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Members present: Abbott, Ochs, Roberts, Winzenz;

Absent: Knouase, Ellison, Evans

Motion by Abbott, support by Ochs that the minutes of the regular meeting of July 20, 1998 be approved and the treasurer's report with a cash balance in the amount of \$913,439.71; total bills payable of \$494,631.62 be approved as presented. Vote: All Yes.

Correspondence included sympathy card to Kathryn MacKercher upon the death of her grandmother and a letter from the Michigan Department of Education, copy of the Klager Elementary School Parent Handbook.

Visitor Input included:

> Jim Roberts, Athletic Boosters president, requested authorization from the board to install dugouts at the new baseball diamonds; questioned the procedures for reinstating the ninth grade boys basketball program; and, asked when the spring sports report would be available.

> Polly Deacons thanked the Board for their efforts and requested that they begin looking into obtaining a cooperative agreement which would allow her daughter Heather to participate in gymnastics as a varsity sport.

> Cindy Smith asked how coaching candidates are selected between staff and non-staff applicants. She also emphasized the need for qualified coaches at all levels.

> Linda Brannock requested information on alternative ways to obtain a Manchester High School diploma.

> Brad Roberts asked for a clarification on the definition of excused vs unexcused absences as described in the new attendance policy.

President Winzenz reviewed the MASA candidates for the 1998 Board of Directors. Motion by Ochs, support by Abbott to vote for Mary Jason as the Group II representative. Vote: All Yes.

Motion by Roberts, support by Ochs to vote for Daniel C. Bentschneider, Kathleen M. Chorbagan, and Alberta B. Martin for the three at-large terms. Vote: All yes.

Motion by Roberts, support by Abbott that the resignations of Leona Webb and Michelle Wilkins from employment with the Manchester Community Schools, effective immediately be accepted as presented. Vote: All Yes.

Motion by Ochs, support by Abbott that Brian Chinavare be employed as a media specialist for the 1998-99 school year with first year probationary status at the second step of the MA scale. Vote: All Yes.

Motion by Abbott, support by Roberts that Mark Ball be employed as the eighth grade girls basketball coach for the 1998-99 sport season. Vote: All Yes.

Motion by Abbott, support by Ochs that the base salary for Gwen Shrock be adjusted to \$42,400 for the 1998-99 fiscal year effective August 17, 1998. Roll Call Vote: Yes—Abbott, Ochs, Roberts, Winzenz; No—None.

Superintendent Niedzwiecki presented the report of bids for the purchase of \$1,100,000 State Aid Notes from Michigan National Bank at an interest rate of 4.01%.

Motion by Abbott, support by Roberts that the alternate bid from Angers Equipment of \$43,206 for new lockers at the high school be accepted as presented. Roll Call Vote: Yes—Abbott, Ochs, Roberts, Winzenz; No—None.

Motion by Abbott, support by Ochs that the adjusted base bid of \$29,162 from Belden Asphalt Company, Inc. for improvement to parking lots be accepted as presented and the Superintendent be authorized to enter into an agreement with Belden Asphalt Company, Inc. Roll Call Vote: Yes—Abbott, Ochs, Roberts, Winzenz; No—None.

Vickie Bolan, Community Education Coordinator, presented the first reading of Board Policy 3515.1—Use of School Facilities, Buildings, and Playfields.

Motion by Ochs, support by Abbott that Jason Patterson be granted a waiver of membership to attend Stockbridge Schools for the 1998-99 school year. Vote: All Yes.

Motion by Abbott, support by Winzenz that the board authorize maximum expenditure of \$14,000 for equipment for the Fitness Center pending a review of the finance committee and fund raising group. Vote: All Yes.

The Board adjourned at 9:02 PM.

The story goes something like this. The insurance adjuster comes out to the house to inspect the damage to the Jeep. He looks it over, lifts his hat, scratches his forehead and says, "What happened here? Looks like it's been run over by a herd of wild horses, ha, ha."

That's when Dave Novess says, "Actually, that's exactly what happened!"

It did. Novess, on his way to work Saturday night, August 8, slowed his Jeep down along Pleasant Lake Road as he was approaching Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. Headlights and flashing police bars alerted him to some trouble up ahead. As he slowly inched forward, he was astounded to see a herd of horses gallop up to then clamber over the Jeep. Some of them collided with the fenders, sharp hooves broke the windshield.

"I felt like I was a stunt man in a wild western, I just covered my head with my arms and tried to duck down. I could feel glass shattering over my head and shoulders."

The horses, as you may have read in *The Ann Arbor News*, were set free from a rodeo being held at the Farm Council Grounds.

Considering the extensive damage sustained by the Jeep, we're glad Dave escaped serious injury and was able to share the story with us. —photo/kk



Television in a Manchester High School Classroom?

Yes. This fall Washtenaw Community College will be offering two Interactive Television (ITV) courses that will be transmitted to Manchester High School. These classes are available to students and adults in the community. Classes begin September 8.

Mass Communications, taught by Robert Kirkland, and *Introductory Science*, taught by Judith Fish, are going to be offered at the main campus of WCC and at Manchester High School.

The ITV classroom has three main components: the video and audio equipment — cameras, microphones and monitors, the codec — codes and decodes the signal for transmission, and the high capacity telephone lines that transport the signal to the remote location.

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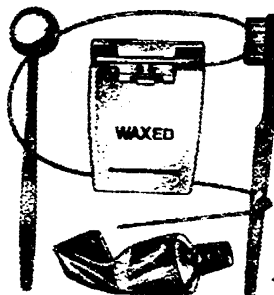
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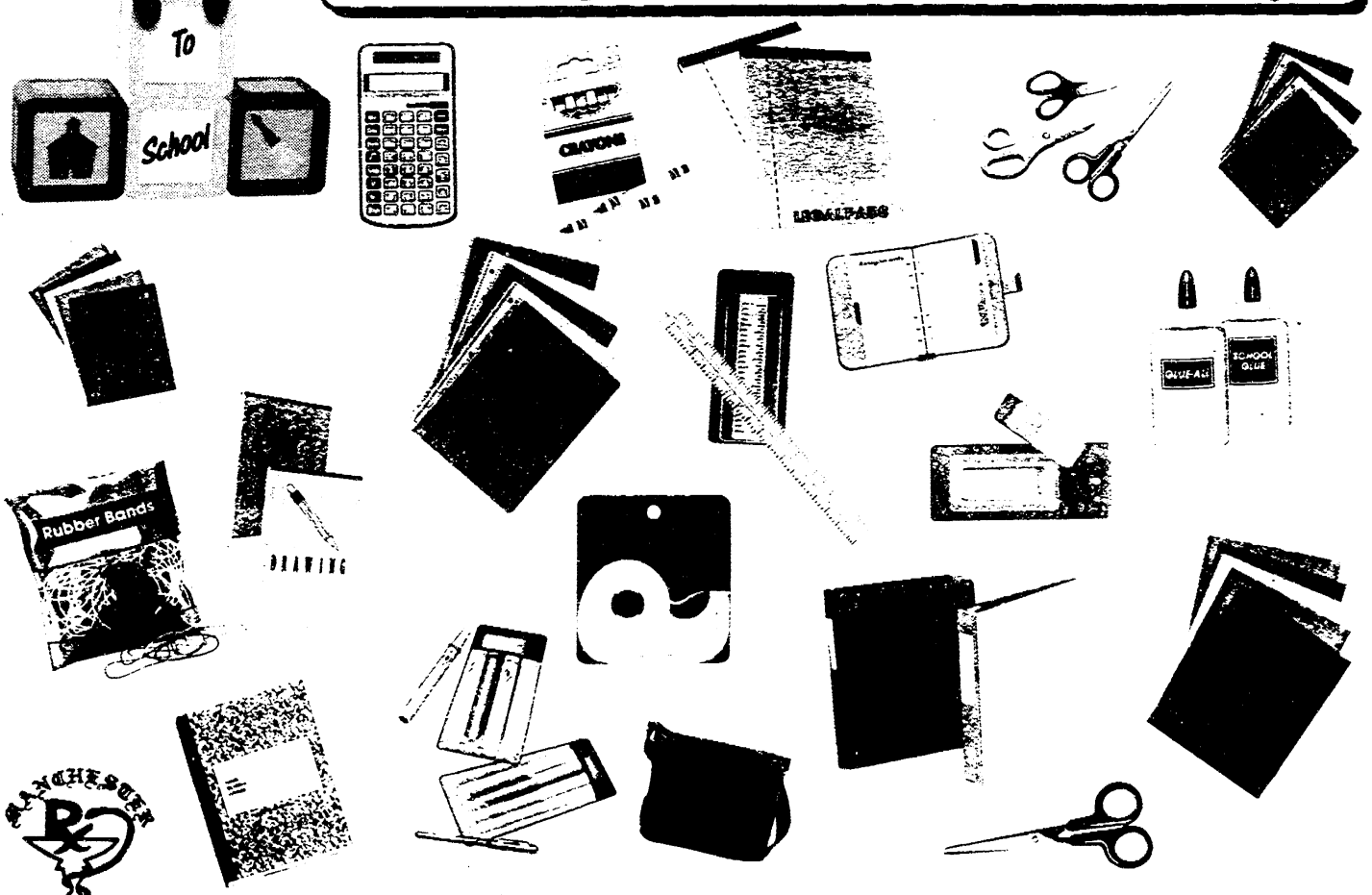
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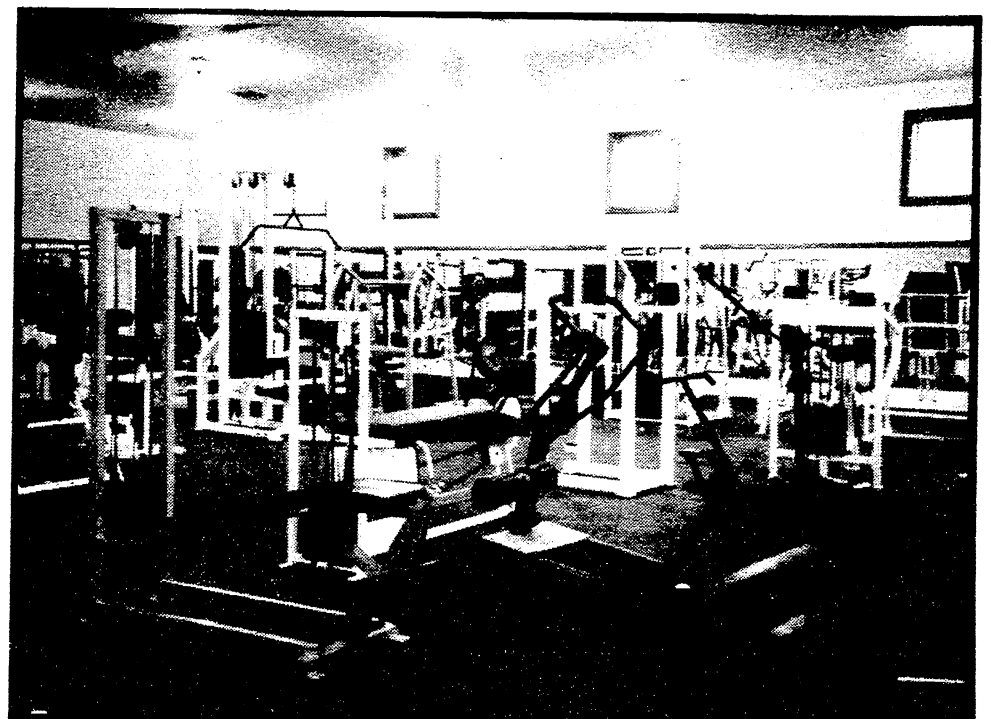
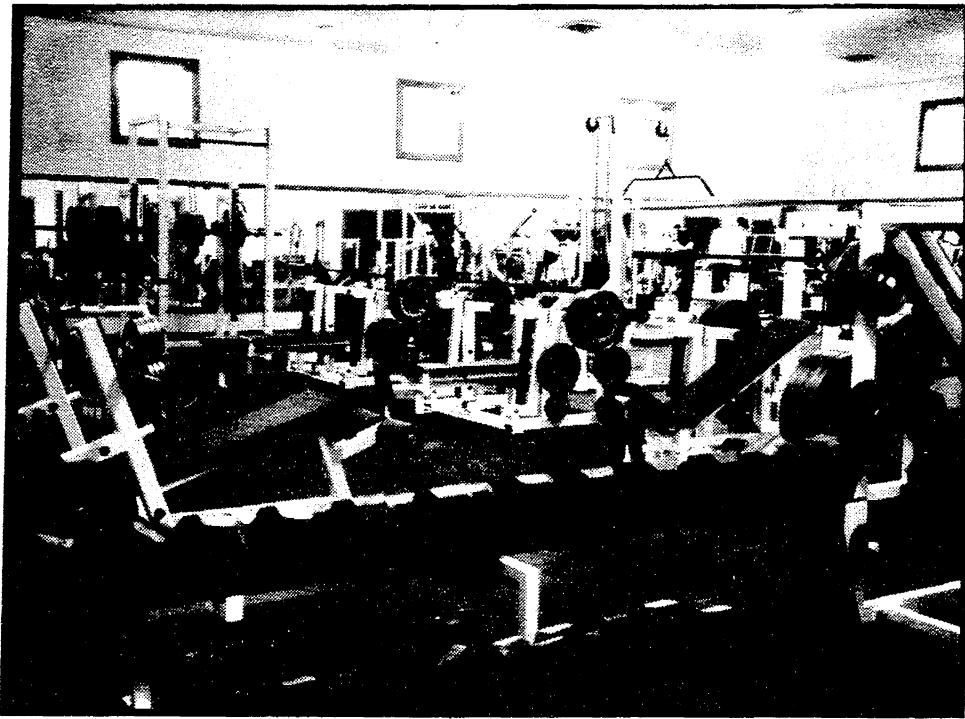


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High School Equestrian Team Announces Competition Dates

Manchester High School Equestrian Team coaches, Len and Karen Ellsworth, have received notice of 1998 competition dates: Saturday and Sunday, September 19 and 20, and Sunday, September 27. Meets are held at the Wayne County Fairgrounds, located off I-94 in Belleville, and begin at 8:30 a.m.

"It will be interesting as well as challenging this year," notes Karen. "This is the first time we've had to compete two days in a row. But it should be a lot of fun. We'll be camping at the fairgrounds on Saturday (the 19th) night."

Once again, Manchester will be competing as an "A" team, having more than 10 members. "We have 14 members this year," Karen related. "It's a young team. We had six seniors graduate last year."

Team members are: Seniors — Laura Kanta, Alicia Novess, Laura Haeussler, Angie Makielski; Juniors — Lisa Burmeister, Ginger Taylor, Marley Powers; Sophomores — Erin Makielski, Taryn Meyer; Freshmen — Laura Braddock, Becky Curtis, Sarah Johnson, Amanda Parr, Megan Patak.

Assistant coaches are Leslie Buckner (Western), Arlene Haeussler (Jumping and English), and Cathy Makielski (Saddle Seat.)

GO DUTCH!

We've acknowledged and hopefully extend our appreciation to them with our support, at least of the ideal behind the mission, in the pages of the Chronicle, but never often enough.

The "good of the community" is philosophical and abstract. Not every worthwhile endeavor benefits every community member. But who can argue with the intent? And who would begrudge the results?

Pictured above, two partial views of one room in the new community fitness center built entirely by volunteers with donations from generous benefactors who saw the big picture vision of one man: Wes Gall.

Pardon me for gushing, but I love people who are motivated by a concern for others rather than themselves. In this case, Manchester can be proud of a physical education teacher and coach who is devoted to the physical and mental well-being of teenagers specifically, but also youngsters in general. Who by example and reputation inspired others to pitch in tirelessly to build this facility for the good of our teenagers — all of them, not just the athletes, and parenthetically a lot of others, from youngsters in gymnastics to senior citizens to people benefiting from cardiovascular equipment. Who in quiet dignity, perseveres with patience and does not dally in the shallow wake of whiners or mean-spirited detractors.

Manchester is justifiably proud of this brick and mortar building, the man who envisioned it, the volunteers who built it, the people who support it. The long process, involving personal sacrifice, intensive labor, and unselfish dedication sets a standard for other groups with other worthy objectives.

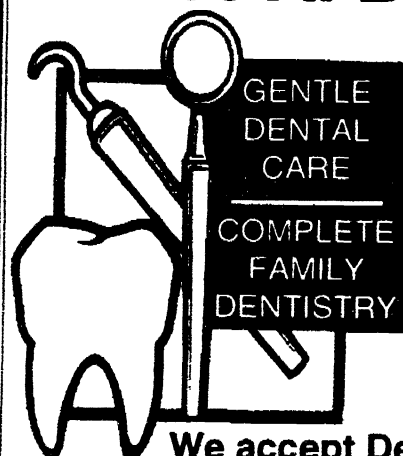
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haul in their places,
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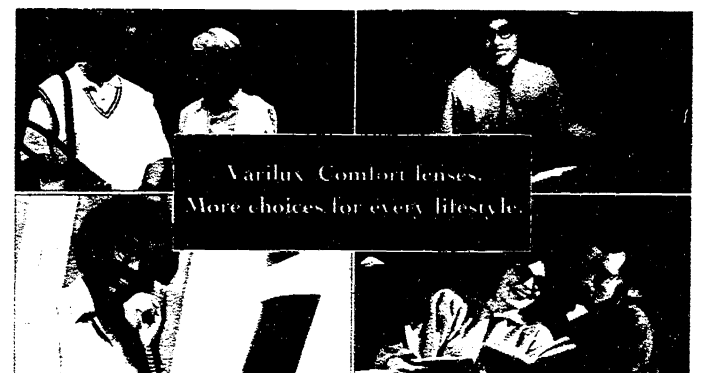
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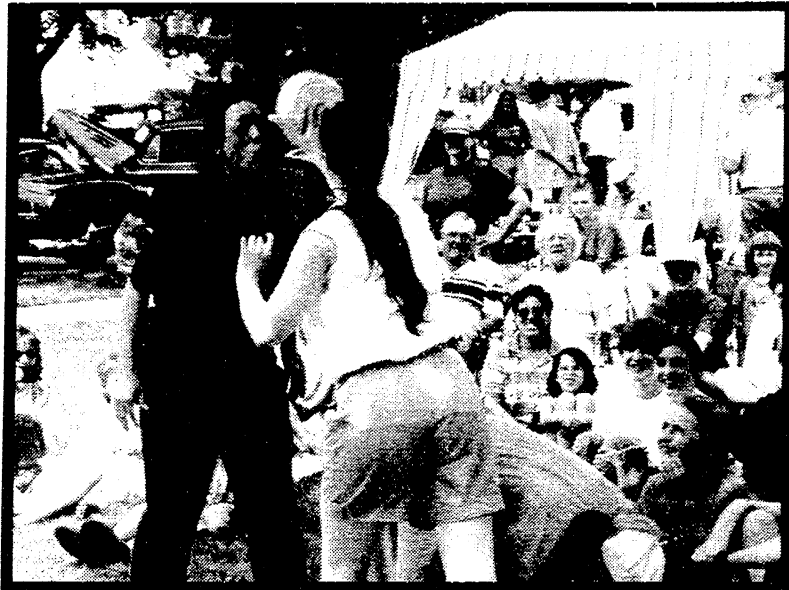
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Photo highlights of the Manchester Summer Festival

"The Planet of Perfectly Awful People"



Left: Queen Groucho (Diane DuRussel) prepares a pucker prior to receiving a pie in the face delivered by Abby Anderson (Alyssa Chartrand)

Right: Lady Grumble on the left (Betty Cummings) and Sir Groan (Peter Schulte) point their ray guns at prisoner Zebulon Zook (Owen Whitman).

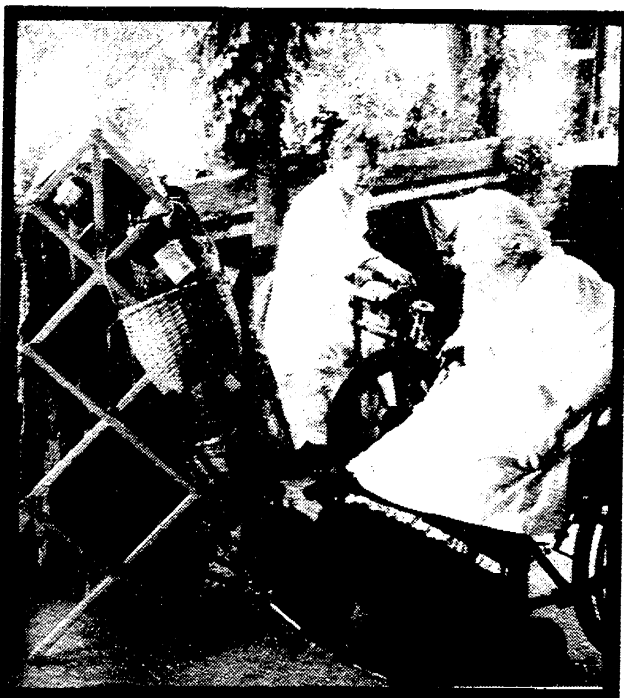


Above left: Keith and Diane Clark with their classic Corvette at the Kool Kruiser car show.

Left: As always, Colors the Clown was a big hit with the children, including Adam Burch, who looks a little worried about the balloon.

Below left: Heritage Spinners demonstrated their craft on the porch of the Mill

Above: Chris Holbrook, Stu Evans race team driver (second from right) and crew. The race team's other driver, Stewart Evans, was handing out trophies at the car show. (See front page.) Chris holds two world records for the Stu Evans team; Stewart earned "Rookie of the Year" in 1995. They build their racing Ford Probes at Stu Evans Motorsports located in Livonia.



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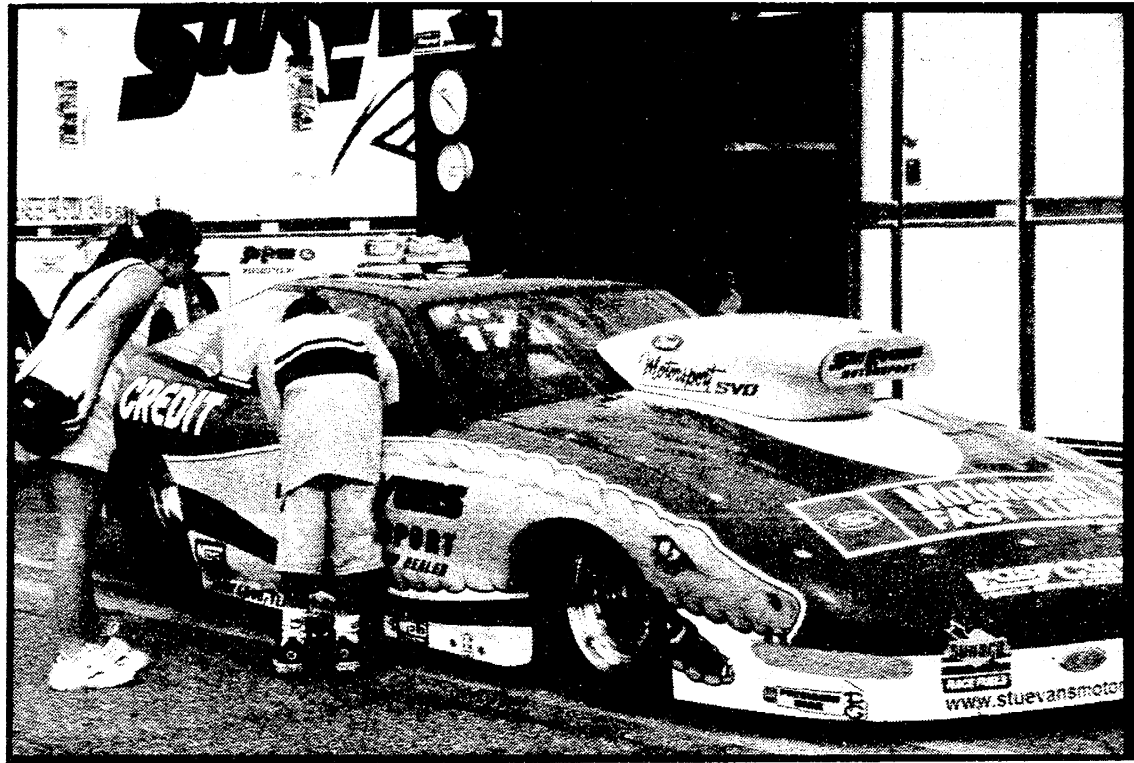
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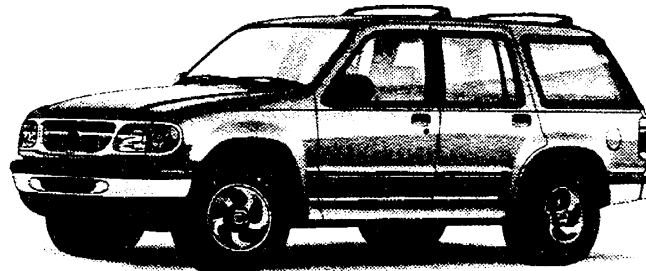
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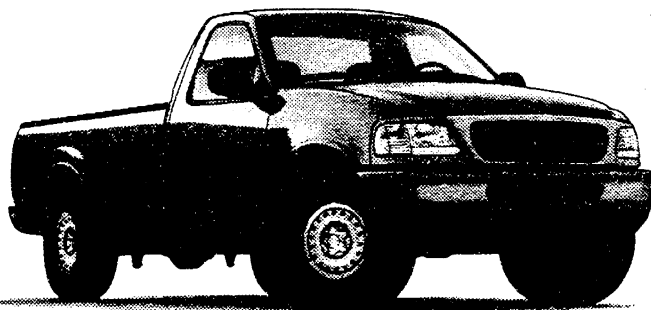


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