

### It's "Nick Davis Day" declared by the Manchester Men's Club, along with their Annual Chili Cook-Off!

### U of M versus Wisconsin on the Big Screen Saturday, November 14th • American Legion Hall

How do you like your chili? Hot and sassy? Unpretentious but savory? Mysterious?

If your chili recipe is famous among family and friends, you ought to be signed up by now for the annual Manchester Men's Club Chili Cook-Off, scheduled for this Saturday, November 14th at the American Legion Hall on Duncan Street at Adrian Street. There are cash prizes!

If you are not signed up yet, registration forms might still be available at Manchester Pharmacy and Manchester Floors.

If you'd merely like to sample some tasty chili, this Saturday is also for you. But that's not all. There is also the University of Michigan versus the University of Wisconsin on the Big Screen. Wisconsin undefeated; U of M undefeated in conference play.

Doors are open to the public at 1:00. There is a modest \$1 cover charge and there will be other refreshments besides the chili.

For additional details, see the Manchester Men's Club ad on page five.

— Kathy Kueffner

Keith Reed continues to coach Nick Davis, running back for the University of Wisconsin Badgers. Keith must be offering some pretty good advice from his armchair — make that from his barber chair. Wisconsin is undefeated and Nick has been putting Manchester on the map with some impressive plays. During his one weekend off recently, Nick came home to visit with family and stopped downtown to talk with friends.

Among Nick's other fans are third graders in Mrs. Lowery's room at Klager Elementary. You can read the letters they wrote to Nick on pages four and five of this issue of The Manchester Chronicle.

— photo Kathy Kueffner

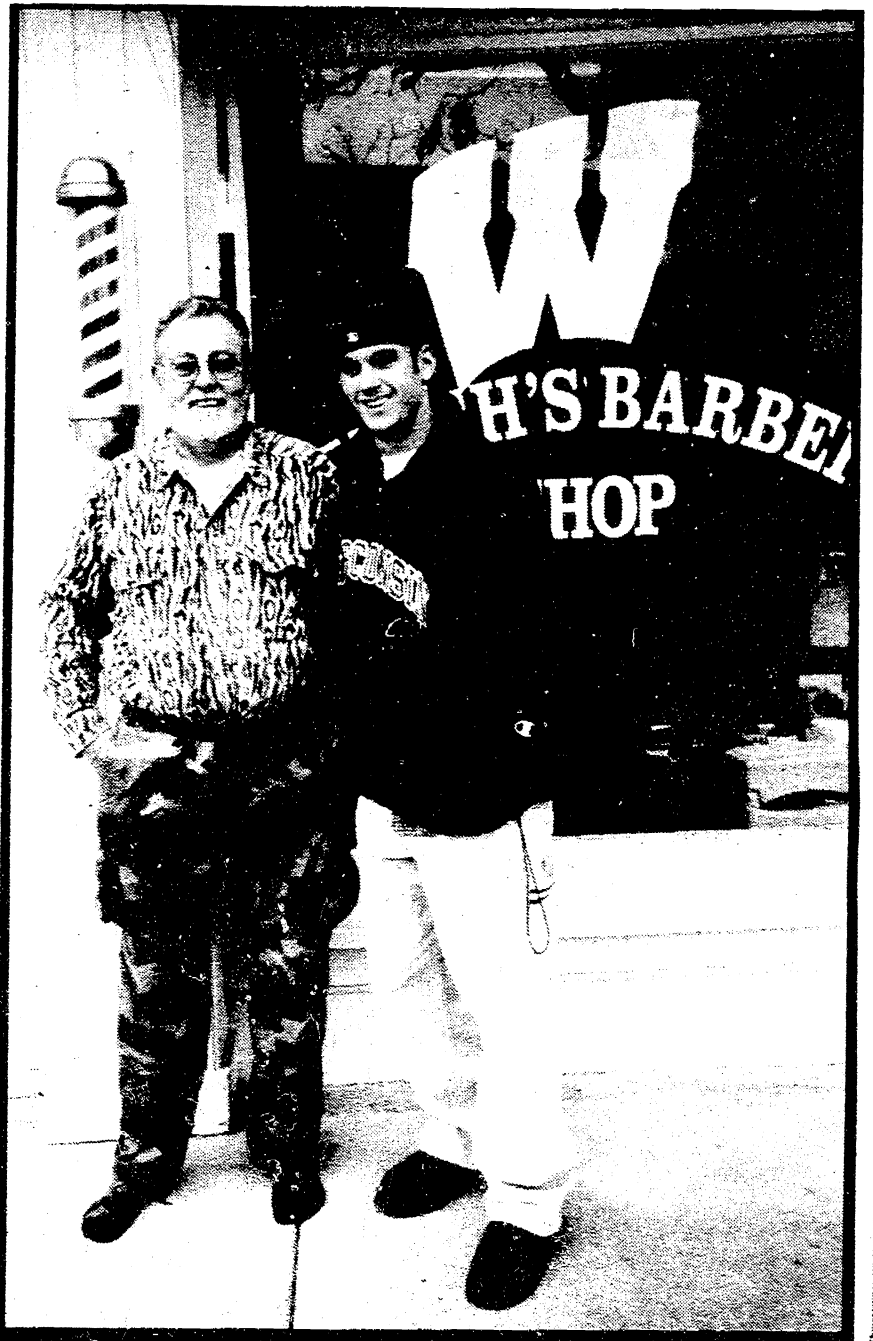
8th grade middle school band members Rosie Page, Amy Irvin, Beth Whitman and Annie Gehring practice for upcoming concerts. Band Boosters have begun their annual fundraiser and are taking orders for oranges and grapefruits. See details, page three.

— photo Kathy Kueffner

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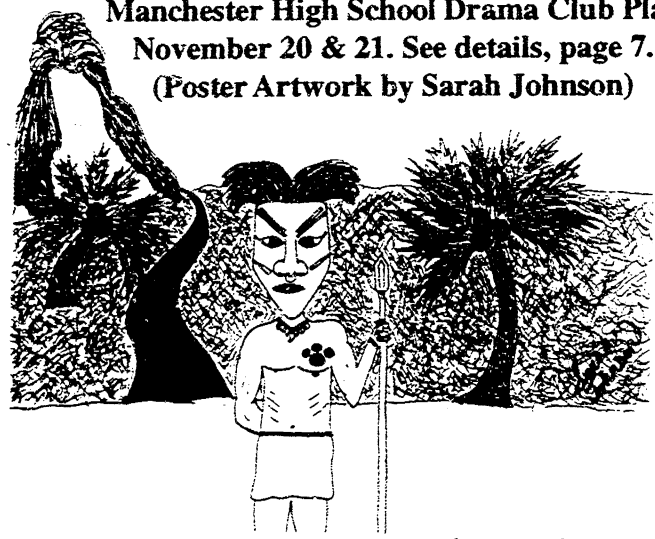
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### Manchester High School Drama Club Play

November 20 & 21. See details, page 7.

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## Happy Fabulous Fiftieth!

If clues are needed: She's a favorite downtown shopkeeper. She still has the same smile she had when this picture was taken (not to mention that same twinkle in her eyes.) For an additional clue, see the calendar on page twelve!

She has been heard to say the last few weeks that now that she is fifty, she is not going to ... *Apologize for memory lapses.*

Instead I'm going to invent names — and places and dates and events — and drop them with confidence, bewildering younger listeners and shaking their self-assurance.

... *Mistake silence for maturity.*

Those who don't talk have nothing to say.

... *Fight back tears.*

The universal soul needs the nourishment of tears, both happy and sad.

... *Call only when the rates are low.*

Off-peak conversations are an admirable idea if one can sustain the joy, excitement, love and appreciation that motivated the connection in the first place.

... *Put on a happy face.*

I'm practicing expressions of wry disbelief and righteous indignation.

... *Avoid mentioning the dead.*

Grief is not assuaged by oblivion; wounds are not exacerbated by remembrance. Our immortality may be only in vigorous memories; our healing surely is.

... *Search for past lives.*

I'm on good terms with my subconscious, and if I've lived before, I'm pretty sure I would have told myself about it.

... *Stifle the giggles.*

Maybe if we could keep the hilarity rolling, we would all live forever.

... *Grow up.*

May I be spontaneous, but not impulsive; tenacious, but not obsessive; caring, but not controlling; awed, but not naive.



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## Town Meeting

November 14th

8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Manchester High School

— Dianne Schwab

Using the combined effort of the Manchester Community School staff, and the Community Resource Center staff and volunteers, student focus group brainstorming sessions were organized October 28 at Manchester High School, Middle School, and Pleasant Lake Alternative Education. Facilitators for the groups were recruited from resources provided by Washtenaw County Community Partnership.

The theme for the brainstorming session was based on the following questions:

*What do you need from your home, school and community to be the best that you can be?*

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Mrs. Shaw's third graders pause during their music lesson with Mrs. Graff to show us the variety of instruments they use. A fundraiser that benefits the Klager band program and Band Boosters for the middle and high school began last week — the annual Citrus Fruit Sale. See ad below for more information on how to order.

The third graders are: Alia Armstrong, Kenny Bivins, Robert Burnell, Stephen Cardoza, Dustin Catalano, Lindsay Fielder, Jesse Flint, Jessie Gibbons, Justin Green. Brianne Haeussler, Emily Hassett, Nicole Helfrich, Krista Kornexl, Melissa Leonard, Chelsey Luckas, Blake Salyer, Zachary Sequin, Megan Simmons, Joshua Taylor, Paul Tooman, Jeffrey Varrichio, Danielle Winalis

— photo by Kathy Kueffner

## A Musical Moment at Klager



## Community Vision — Building Youth Assets is Focus of Manchester Town Meeting

— by Gini Patak

Manchester has its own Top Ten. They are the top ten reasons building our youth assets can make this a better place to live. You can help. In fact, you *need* to help focus the community on our youth and substance abuse prevention.

Here are the top 10 things we stand to gain from such a community effort:

1. A more aware community
2. Unified action to reduce substance abuse
3. A collaborative effort where we agree to work together over the long haul.
4. A renewed school and community focus on substance abuse as a new community priority
5. A view of the linkages between substance abuse and other problems associated with youth
6. A determination to seek answers to difficult problems
7. Promotion of the allocation of funding to the prevention effort
8. A strengthened Manchester Coalition for Drug Free Youth which will serve the community into the 21st century.

9. Discovery of ways to deal with pro-drug elements in our community.

10. \_\_\_\_\_ (You fill in the blank.)

This is a great top ten list. Join the Community Resource Center and other concerned community members at the November 14 Town Meeting. Inspiration and insight will be provided by keynote speaker Orville Dean, a former educator who is now a prevention specialist. He'll share the ideas and input of our own students which are being gathered during October through focus groups held at the middle and high schools. Later, participants will work in small groups to react to, discuss and brainstorm ideas and solutions for creating the kind of town we want our children to grow up in.

## Town Meeting (continued from page two)

Groups of about 25 students replied openly, honestly and sincerely.

Across the age levels, kids talked about trust, labeling, respect, compromise and relationships that provide an active listening environment. Teens expressed the need for support and recognition from the community.

Manchester's Town Meeting at Manchester High School on November 14 will provide the opportunity for parents, school staff, students, youth group leaders, governmental units, youth serving organizations and the community at large to take the first steps in responding to what the kids believe they need to be the best that they can be in a community that creates an environment that cares about youth.

A registration form is included below. Invest \$5 and a few hours. Your return will be:

- A presentation by Mr. Orville Dean concerning parents, school, community and faith sharing group role in youth development
- Feedback from student focus group brainstorming sessions.
- Continental breakfast and lunch.
- Take home materials
- The feeling of a community focusing on youth — the adults and leaders of tomorrow.

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## Annual Manchester Band Boosters Fundraiser

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November 2nd — 23rd

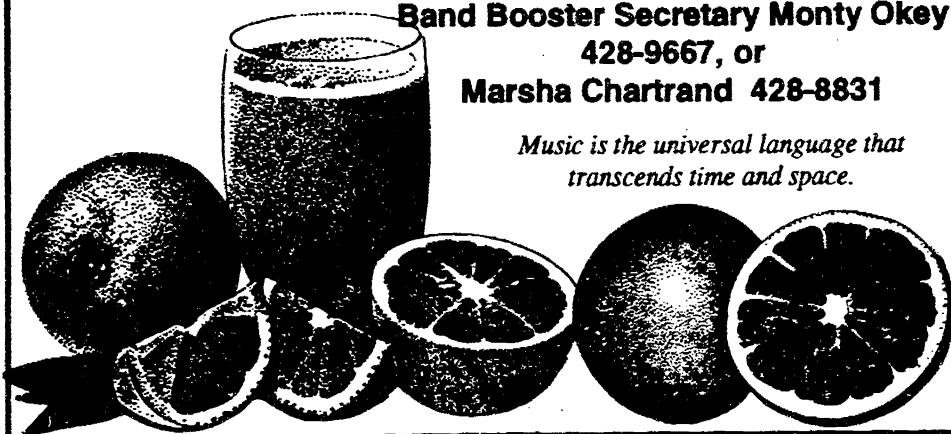
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Registration fee \$5 per person (Includes morning snack and lunch)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Send to: Community Resource Center, P.O. Box 433, Manchester, MI 48158-0433  
BY NOVEMBER 12th Phone: 428-7722

# "Nick Davis, you are awesome."

## Letters from third graders at Klager Elementary

— photo by Kathy Kueffner

From Mrs. Lowery:

Dear Nick,

We have been talking about things that happen in our community for Social Studies and I mentioned that you were putting Manchester on the map and doing something no other person from Manchester has ever done. So I brought in the tape of the U-W/Northwestern game to show my third grade class your great touchdown run. Some of the kids were cheering you on as they watched. They all thought they knew you so I suggested we write letters to congratulate you and send a little of Manchester your way.

Hope you enjoy the letters,

Sincerely,  
Mary Lowery Klager Elementary



Dear Nick,

Nick, you're the best touchdowner in the wide world. Nice catch last year. I wish I played football. What do you do when you aren't playing football?

Your friend, Ian Burkhart

Dear Nick,

Congratulations, Nick! You are my big fan! I love watching football and I eat popcorn while watching football, and baseball, too. My parents always scream when they watch the game. I'm used to it!!!

Your fan, Holly Winkle

Dear Nick,

Nick, you're quick and good. Good touchdown on Saturday. Can I have your autograph? I like your team the Badgers.

Your fan, Ross Jenkins

Dear Nick,

Congratulations on your touchdown. I saw a tape of you. That was an awesome play. How many touchdowns have you made?

Your friend, George Kelly

Dear Nick,

My brother was on your football team when you were back here in Manchester - Jake Ford. But the touchdown you made was awesome. Football rules!

Your friend, Rob Ford

Dear Nick,

I like watching you on TV a lot. My dad loves to watch you too on TV. My dad loves football. So do I. Can you send a picture of you because my dad wants to have a picture of you. Please.

Yours truly, Justine Owens

Dear Nick,

That was cool how you made that touchdown. And that was fast running and a good catch and congratulations, Nick! And did you know Steve Spurr was on your football team and Steve told me about you.

Sincerely, Ian Spurr

Dear Nick,

You know Mark Ball? I am his nephew. How do you get so good? Good job on the touchdown.

Your friend, Brian Dettling

Dear Nick,

Congratulations. That was an awesome touchdown. I am not so good at running because it makes my legs hurt. To see you running gave me lots of hope. Was it hard after 4th grade and is it hard now?

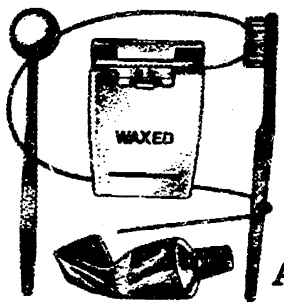
Your pen pal, Katherine Ann Harrison

Dear Nick,

I can't believe you ran that far and I like you and you are cool and that was a good touchdown on Saturday. You are fantastic at football. I have brown eyes and brown hair and I want to know if you could come to our school in Manchester.

Your fan, Elizabeth Ann

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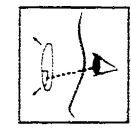
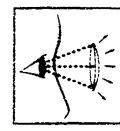


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# "Nick Davis, you are awesome."

Drawing by Holly Winkle

## Letters from third graders at Klager Elementary



**Saturday, November 21: Tailgate Caravan to U-M/U-W Game in Ann Arbor. Meet at American Legion Hall, Manchester, 8:15 AM to Pioneer High School Parking Lot. For more information, call Peg Chizmar at Village Gifts, 428-9640.**

Dear Nick,  
The Wisconsin Badgers must like having a player like you. Do you like your nickname, Nick, the Quick? Do you think Charles Woodson could run a 66-yard touchdown? I don't think so. Write back.  
Your friend, Marc Baron

Dear Nick,  
Cool touchdown. Do you like football? Is it fun? Is it cool at high school? I want to be on the team of Wisconsin.  
Your friend, Artur Ortiz

Dear Nick,  
You did a good job in the football game. I hope you have fun playing football at college.  
Your friend, Jose Rubio

Dear Nick,  
Good job on the touchdown. Are you having fun in college? Do you got any friends? If you don't got any, I'll be your friend. Do you know Mike Conway? If you do, I'm his brother. Can I have your autograph? I bet you can run faster than my brother can. Do you got any cats or dogs? Where do you play?  
Your fan, Scott Conway

Dear Nick,  
You are a fantastic football player! I saw your game on TV on Saturday. It was cool. It was probably the best football game I ever seen. Nick, you are a very good runner. I wish you played football in Manchester.  
Your fan, Julie Fielder

Dear Nick,  
You are my favorite football player. I want to be just like you when I grow up. I bet you miss your friends in Manchester.  
Your fan, Tyler King

Dear Nick,  
Congratulations on that awesome touchdown! I saw some of your game and you did good! How can you run so fast? Can I have your autograph?  
Your fan, Zack Albert

Dear Nick,  
Congratulations, Nick. I hope you win another touchdown. Are you doing well on your games? You're a very fantastic player.  
Your friend, Jenny Wootke

Dear Nick,  
How did it feel to make your touchdown? Awesome catch and great touchdown. I bet your team was proud of you. How was it to graduate from the high school?  
Yours truly, Stephanie Preston

Dear Nick,  
Football congratulations. You did fantastic when you sped through the field. You're great at football. I know you'll win the championship. Good catch.  
Your biggest fan, Matthew Girbach

Dear Nick,  
Way to go, Nick. You are the best. Way to catch the football. You are the coolest. Do you like the food at college?  
Your fan, Jason Alber

Dear Nick,  
Congratulations on that lucky touchdown day! Awesome running, man! I wish I could run fast. Good luck on your football days! It would be cool if you could come and visit us.  
Your friend, Amanda Kelly

Dear Nick,  
I saw your game. It was great. Good touchdown. My brother is a big fan of yours.  
Sincerely, Sophie Kastanis

Dear Nick,  
Congratulations Nick with our touchdown. Here at Klager school at Manchester we watched you play. How is college football doing? How did you get in football? You know you're a good football player. You must be friendly a lot.  
Sincerely, Kristie Litwin

Dear Nick,  
Nice touchdown for your team. I hope you make another touchdown. I like your nickname and I want you to know you are really quick. That's why your nickname is so cool.  
Your fan, Emily Noggle

Dear Nick,  
Cool touchdown. Nice run. I want to go to Wisconsin University and I want to be number 22.  
Your fan, Charles Covell

Dear Nick,  
You had one great touchdown. I think you are the greatest player in the world. I am your greatest friend and fan.  
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## The Manchester Beat

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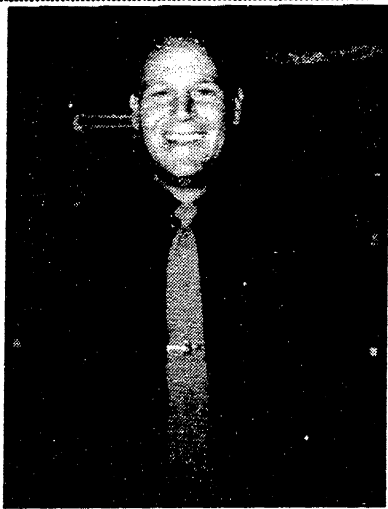
— Thomas Jefferson

Veterans Day is Wednesday, November 11. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all veterans for the



sacrifices they have made for our country. The Founding Fathers had the wisdom, vision, and the faith in the people, to provide us with a Constitution that guarantees the freedoms and opportunities we enjoy today. Our veterans have made sacrifices to make sure that our rights, our republic, and our way of life are preserved for future generations. Take time to thank a veteran.

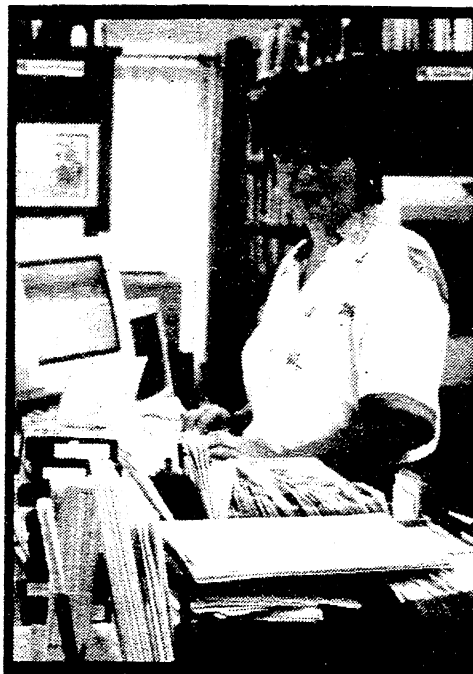
— Deputy Marcus Kirby



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## Manchester Township Library News

— by Ann Fowler

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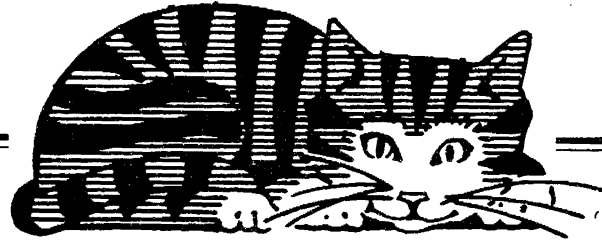
This century's finest English language novels have large representation in our Manchester Township Library. The list of one hundred appeared recently from the editorial board of the Modern Library. On the shelves of our library a patron will find at least fifty of the one hundred listed.

Our Classics Room houses number one *Ulysses*, as well as *The Great Gatsby*; *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man*, *Brave New World*, *Darkness at Noon*, *Sons and Lovers*, *The Grapes of Wrath*, *An American Tragedy*, *Native Son*, *Henderson the Rain King*, *Winesburg Ohio*, *Tender is the Night*, *Animal Farm*, *Sister Carrie*, *As I Lay Dying*, *The Sun Also Rises*, *On the Road*, *The Age of Innocence*, *Death Comes to the Archbishop*, *A Catcher in the Rye*, *Of Human Bondage*, *Main Street*, *The House of Mirth*, *A Farewell to Arms*, *Brideshead Revisited*, *Lord Jim* and *Tobacco Road*.

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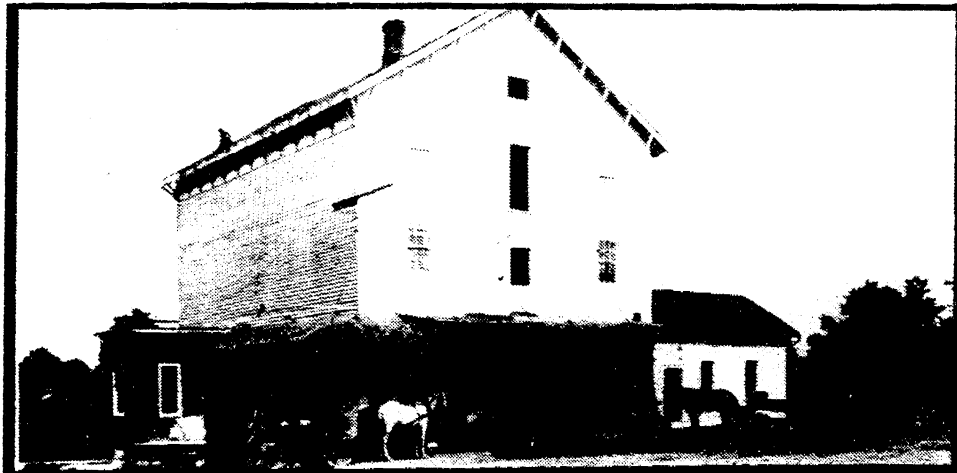
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"We've installed individual security systems in each apartment along with double-walled insulation for fire retardation and eliminating noise," adds Kim, "And there is covered parking."

The first building is ready for occupancy and others will be ready soon.

Also planned is a 3,000 square foot club house which will include a fitness center on the lower level and a social room with a fireplace and kitchen for use by residents entertaining groups of family and friends.

"One of our biggest concerns was keeping the atmosphere of the quiet village lifestyle along with upscale amenities. We hope people will come out and see that we've been able to do just that," Larry says as he points to the mature trees, rolling land and landscaping visible out the large windows."

### Kim and Larry Byrnes at River Ridge Apartments



As residents of the community of Manchester themselves, Larry and Kim can be proud that their River Ridge Apartments contributes to the overall ambiance of our lovely village. — kk

### Marti's Salon welcomes new stylist



Marti's Salon, 233 East Main Street, Manchester, recently welcomed Penny Wilson, as new hairstylist. Penny is single, lives in Napoleon and enjoys sports in her spare time, especially playing volleyball. She graduated from beauty college last year. Pictured above with Penny is customer Winnie Tager.

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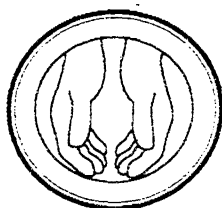
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The Personal Achievement Award is granted to those franchise owners who exceed their sales volume from the previous year by a minimum of 25%. Bondy was one of only twelve Kitchen Solvers franchises that received this award. Kitchen Solvers has 93 franchises throughout 27 states. Bondy experienced an impressive 29% increase in sales over his 1997 sales volume.

Kitchen Solvers is a national franchisor that specializes in kitchen cabinet refacing. Gary Bondy owns one of seven Kitchen Solvers franchises in Michigan. He began operating his franchise after successfully completing an extensive training program in May of 1993.

Bondy was also the recipient of the prestigious Kitchen Solvers' "President's Award" in 1996.

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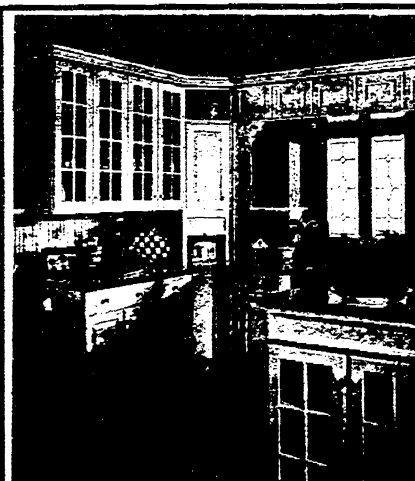
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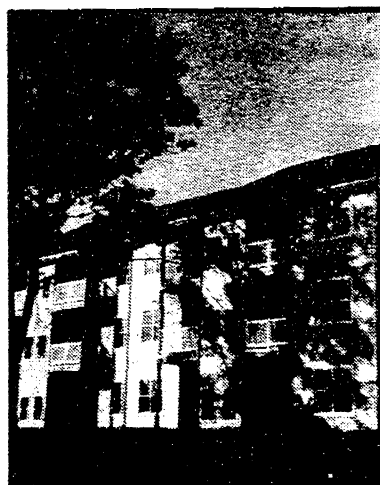
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The event is sponsored by the Manchester Merchants' Association, a division of the Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with area churches and various civic organizations.

For the first time during this annual event, there will be a parade beginning at the Gazebo at 10:00 a.m. led by the jolly ol' elf himself, Santa Claus. Santa will be in a horse-drawn carriage, courtesy of the Render farm, which will also give carriage rides to and from the churches to the downtown area throughout the day. If you are interested in participating in the parade, there is still time to call parade chairman Tracey Reed at the Black Sheep Tavern Restaurant, 428-7000.

Santa will travel from the Gazebo to the porch of the Mill where he will be located for pictures in his sleigh by Kiwanis High School Key Club members until about 11:45. He will then dash over to Klager Elementary School to have lunch with children from noon until 1:30. Cost is \$3 for five to twelve-year-olds. Ages four and under must be accompanied by an adult. Santa will return to the porch of the Mill from 2-3:00 for photos.

Over forty arts and crafts booths will be at Emanuel United Church of Christ gym and fellowship hall. Raffles, sponsored by area churches, will include Emanuel's annual quilt raffle.

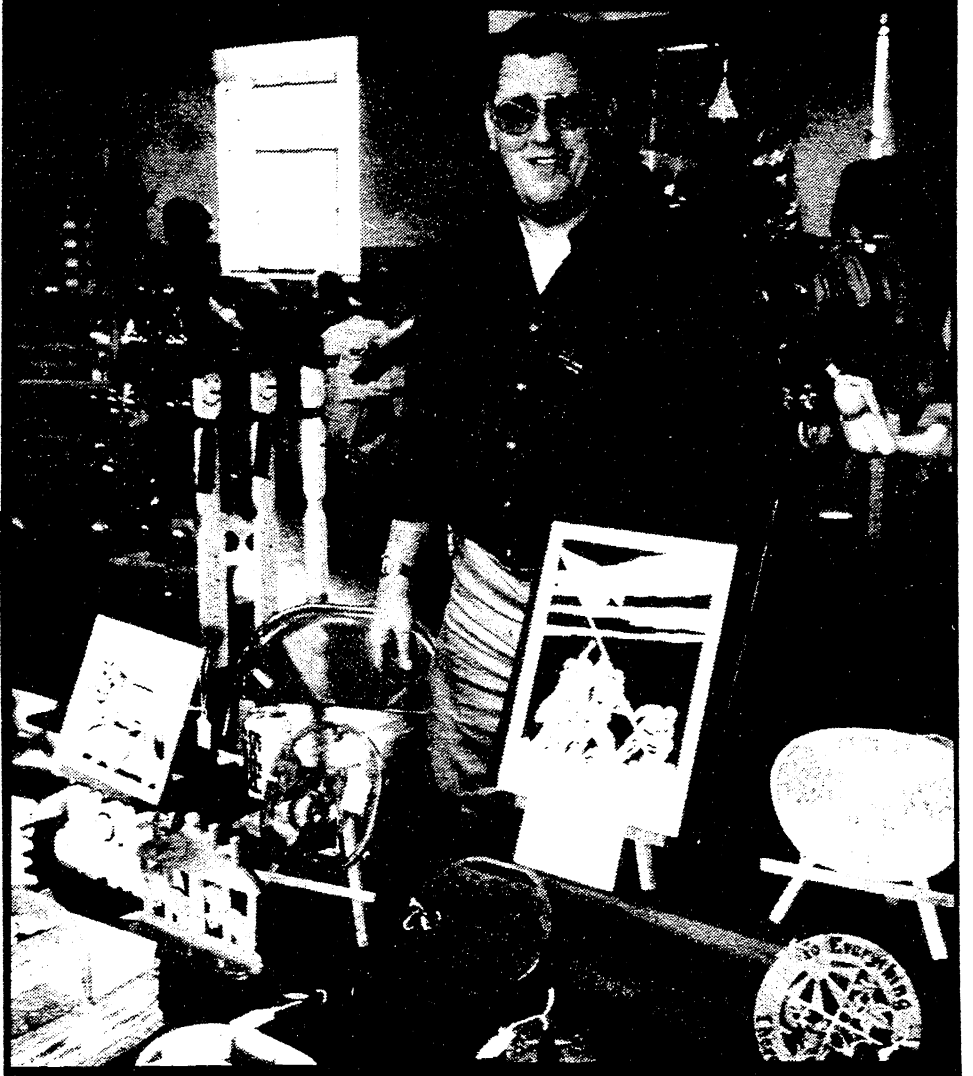
Also, again this year, will be the popular caricature artist Walt Griggs who will draw portraits for only five dollars.

A cookie walk will be held at Manchester United Methodist Church on Ann Arbor Hill along with the very popular holiday goodies bake sale. Also at the Methodist church, lunch will be served.

Area merchants will hold holiday open houses and area restaurants will serve special meals.

Throughout the village there are Christmas in the Village pamphlets which highlight all the stops you don't want to miss as you stroll our Victorian village.

## Chuck Cornell among artisans at Emanuel's Christmas in the Village Bazaar



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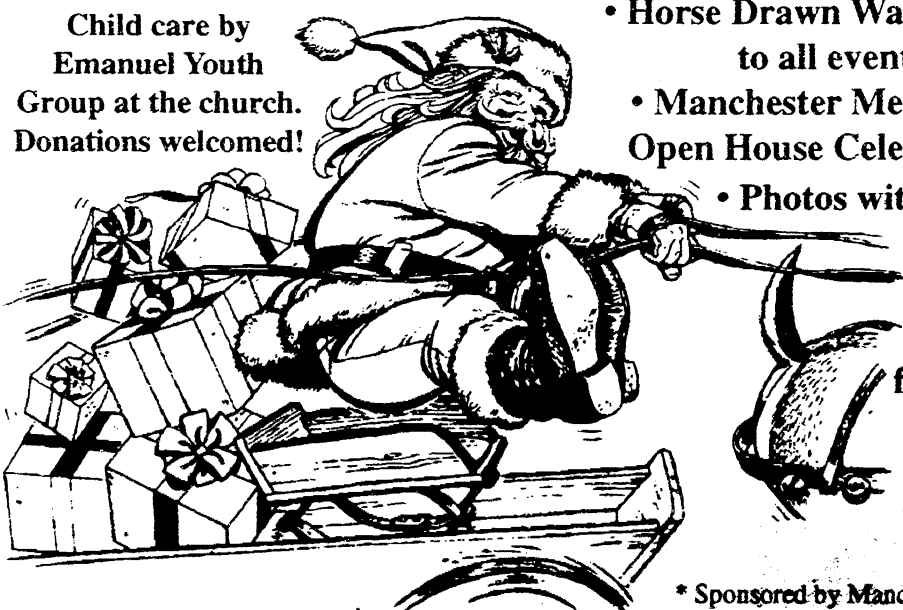
Santa's on his way to Manchester's seventh annual

## Christmas in the Village

Saturday, November 21st 9am-6pm

- 10am Children's Parade with Santa from the Gazebo, down Main Street and to the Mill
- All-Churches Bazaar & Crafts at Emanuel United Church of Christ
- All Churches Bake Sale at Manchester United Methodist Church
- 12-1:30 Kiwanis Key Club Lunch with Santa at Klager School
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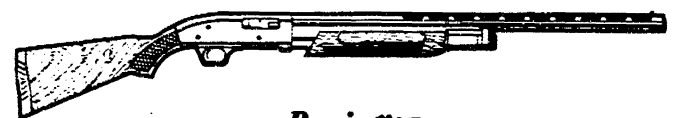
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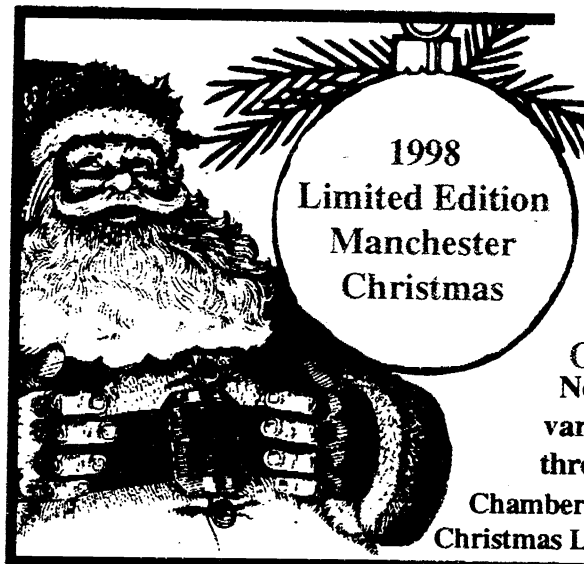
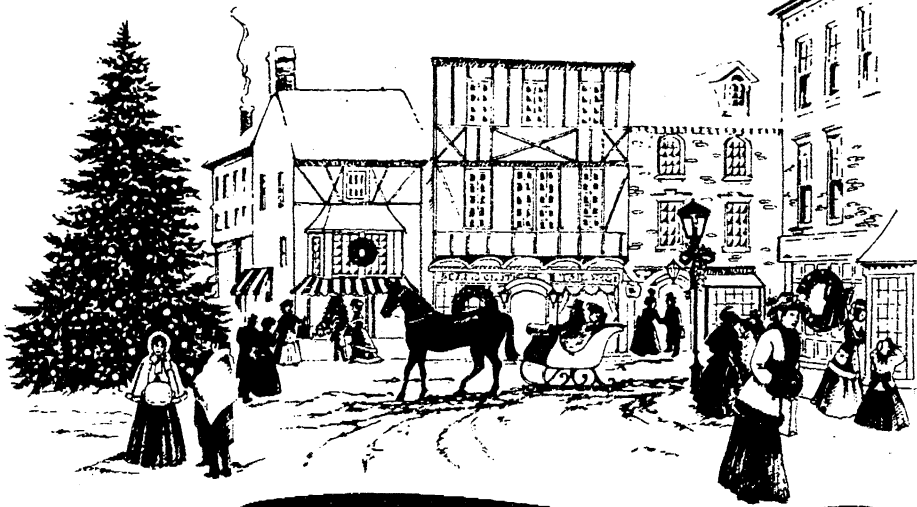
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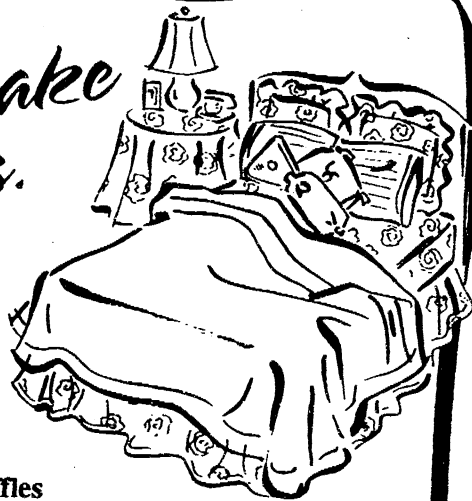
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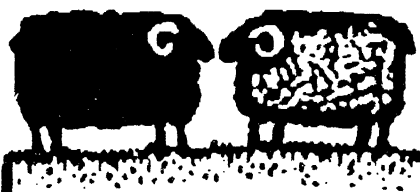
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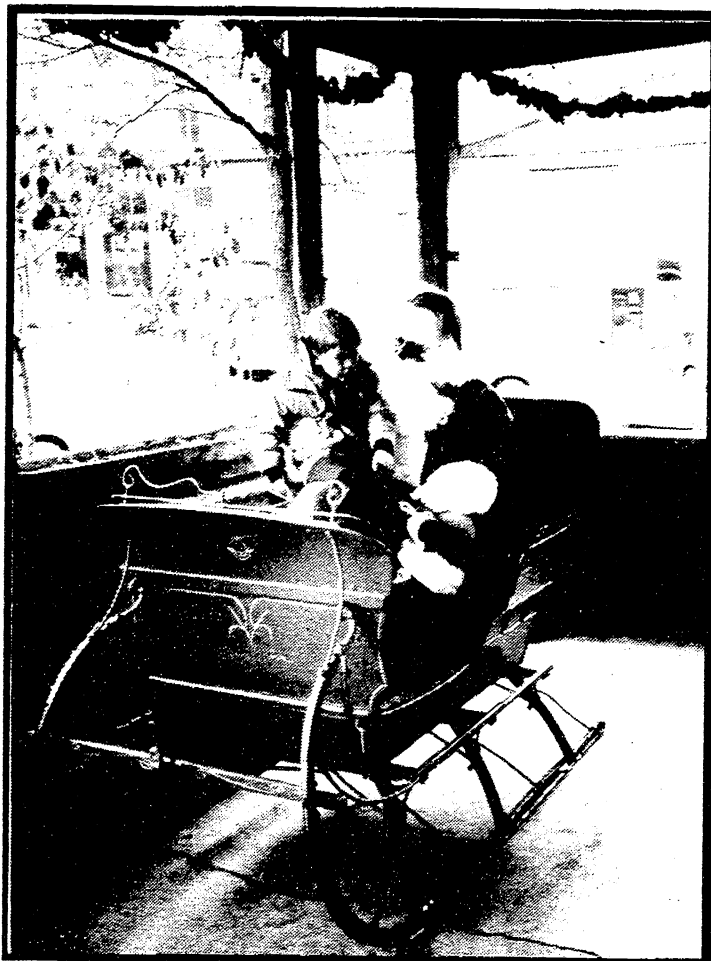
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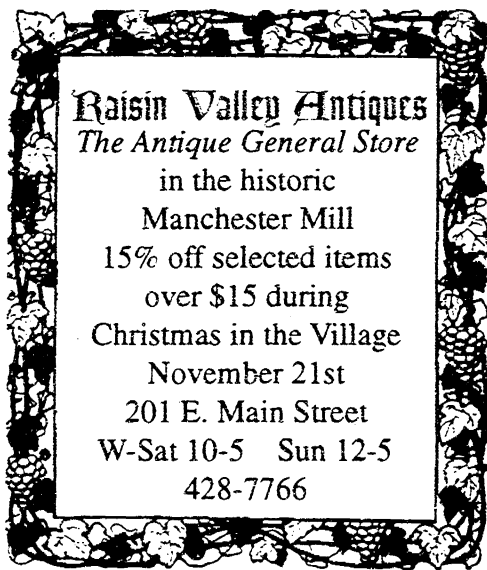
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The next meeting of the Manchester Historical Society will be November 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the Blacksmith Shop on East Main Street.

After the usual business meeting, Patty Swaney and Ann Fowler will present a program on the Manchester Township Library. Patty will discuss the history and uniqueness of the library as well as discuss various projects the library has undertaken. Ann is the expert on the Historical Room on the second floor of the library and will talk about what is in this collection and how we can best utilize its contents.

As usual, refreshments will be served after the meeting. The public is invited to all Historical society meetings. We hope you'll come join us.

— Sharon Curtis

## Middle School teacher, Terri Monkiewicz, awarded Counselor of the Year Award

Middle School teacher and counselor Terri Monkiewicz, known fondly as Mrs. Monk to her students, was awarded Counselor of the Year of Washtenaw County by the Michigan Counseling Association. She serves as president of the Washtenaw County Chapter.

Terri has been at the Middle School since 1985 and was one of the initiators of "Quest," a program which teaches life skills. She also serves as Student Council advisor and leads the "Rake and Run" activity where students rake leaves for senior citizens.

Terri is pictured right at Storer Camp in Napoleon, another project in which she is totally involved. Seventh graders spend a week-end each year at the camp learning to work together and sharing experiences and fun.

Terri is possessed of boundless energy and enthusiasm and is devoted to her students who return her attention with respect, affection and appreciation. As one student put it, "Everybody loves Mrs. Monk!"

— Congratulations; Terri: Your award was well-deserved. —kk



Rhonda Ash-Kiwanis Club of Manchester, Ted Tapping-Optimist Club, Pat Valiencourt-Kiwanis, Ed Barnard-Knights of Columbus, Sue and Ron Fielder-Manchester Village Council, Sharon Haeussler-Manchester Area Girl Scouts, Cindy Smity-Manchester Recreation Task Force, Linda and Loring Ebersole-Manchester Historical Society



## CRC's 11th Annual Benefit Banquet

— by Karen Smith

Those who attended the annual Benefit Banquet for the Community Resource Center, on October 28th at Chelsea Community Hospital, enjoyed an extraordinary event. It was an evening filled with delectable food, delicious companionship and a delightful message.

Dr. Eddie Erlandson, director of the Wellness Program of the Michigan Heart and Vascular Institute, began his presen-

tation of "Healthy Living for a Lifetime" with a deep breathing and stretching exercise. He followed with a story about his life as a doctor and as a human being. He described his experience of learning to survive stress in his life.

"Stress is life," he said. "To be alive is to experience it."

He stated that one's reaction to stress is the key to wellness. He encouraged focus, paying attention to the present by noticing each moment of one's life. He talked about the body, mind and spirit connection and the importance of connectedness in our lives. To give of oneself. To be involved. To give for the sake of giving.

"Altruism creates healthy living," he said. "Those who volunteer live longer, healthier lives."

Dr. Erlandson finished with his favorite poem called "The Invitation." It was an invitation for everyone in attendance to taste the moment and to participate in life. The evening ended with a presentation of the Claire Reck Outstanding Volunteer Award. It was awarded to Ted Tapping for his 25 years of volunteer service in the Manchester community.

Now that's connectedness!

## Claire Reck Outstanding Volunteer Award Winner --- Ted Tapping

The Manchester Optimist Club nominated Ted Tapping for the Outstanding Volunteer Award. Ted has been Optimist treasurer for 25 years. He has served in many community positions as a volunteer, the Salvation Army, American Red Cross, Manchester Chicken Broil, Lifeline installation, and many more. Photo: Left John Savage, member of the Optimists, presents Mr. Tapping with his award.



## Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce Business Start-up Series

The Manchester Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce a series of meetings to help aspiring business owners start and grow new businesses in the Manchester area. Over the next several

months, the Chamber of Commerce's monthly meetings will consist of informational presentations on business services provided through the Manchester Chamber of Commerce and other area organizations.

The Manchester Chamber's most important purpose is to support and assist the business owners in our area. We feel that the information presented at these meetings will be a great asset to our local business owners. These presentations are intended to provide information for new business owners and people interested in starting a new business.

One of the largest business expenses facing new businesses is the cost of health care. Business owners need to be prepared with information in order to provide better benefits for employees and their families. The Manchester Chamber of Commerce functions as a sponsoring entity for two popular plans: Blue Cross and Blue Shield, and Care Choices HMO. By joining the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, your business will receive a discount with either of these two plans. At our November meeting, local insur-

ance broker and health care consultant Bob Gould will highlight these two group insurance providers. Mr. Gould, president of Small Business Benefits, will review both health care options as well as group long term care insurance and Section 125 "Cafeteria Plans". If you are looking ahead to purchasing your own individual or group insurance or replacing an existing policy, you will get valuable information at this meeting.

The November Chamber meeting is Wednesday, November 18 at 7:30 PM. It will be held at the media center in Manchester High School, 710 E. Main Street. The program is free.

The January meeting will provide a roundtable forum with local professionals sharing their expertise on subjects relating to starting and running a business. The panelists will be local accountants, attorneys and other professionals. Future meetings will include information on marketing, advertising, and the growth of your business.

Whether or not you are a current Chamber member, we encourage you to attend. Chamber officers will be present with information about joining your local Manchester Chamber of Commerce.

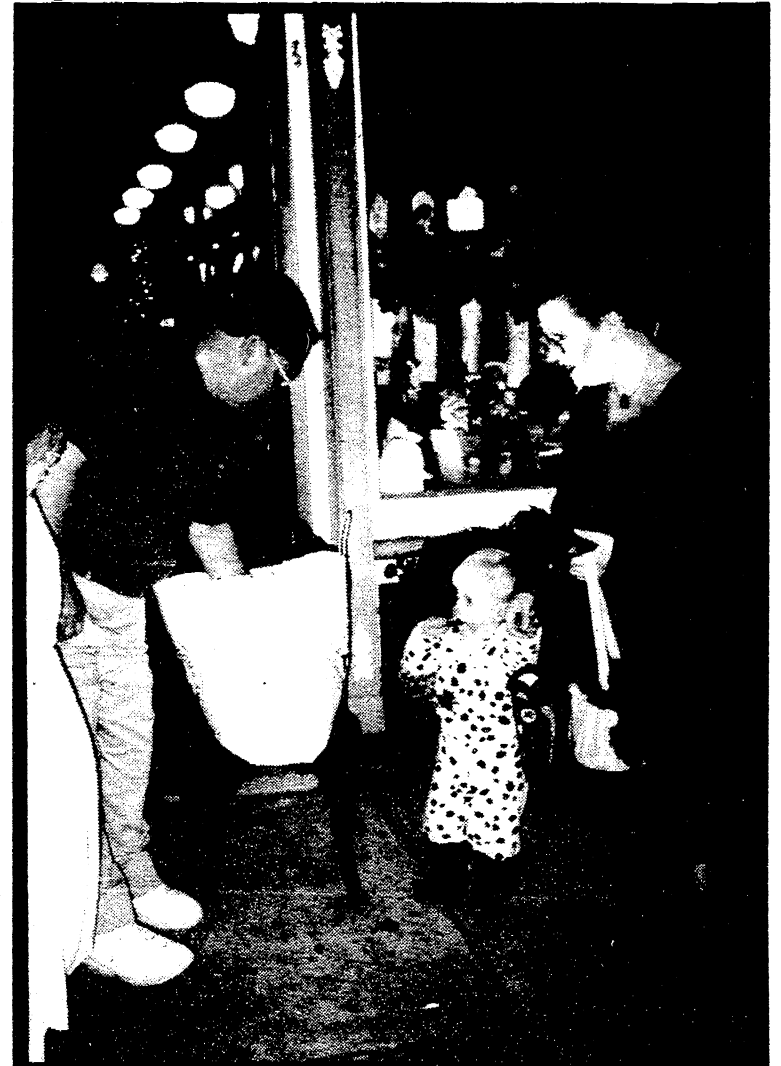
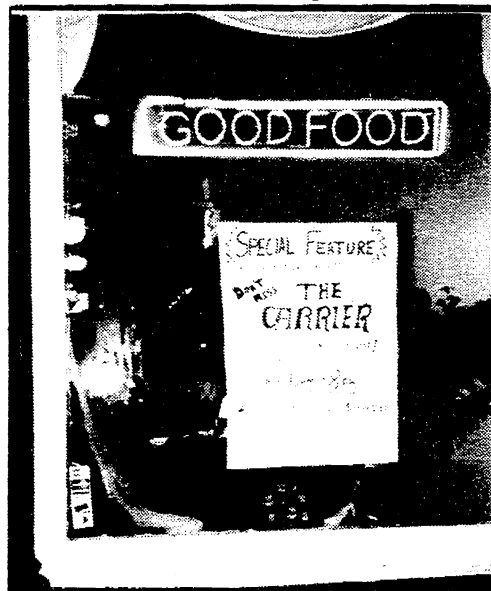
— Bill Wagner, president MACC

# Manchester merchants welcome monsters\* during Halloween Trick-or-Treating in the Village (\*and lions and tigers and bears, oh-oh)



Right: Peg Chizmar's husband Bill handed out candy from Village Gifts. Left: Kathy Tobias's husband Tom distributed treats from the Black Sheep.

Below: The Black Sheep also had special showings of the made-in-Manchester movie *The Carrier*, and offered Ghoulish on their menu for the evening.



Above: Kiwanian Lou England keeps track of youngsters including Hershey Kiss Alexis Gross.

Below: Twins Taylor and Austin Gross. The Hershey Kiss costumes were made by their grandmother



Left: Overall winner at the costume judging, sponsored by Kiwanis and the Manchester High School Key Club, lion tamer Austin Deacons and his wild animal sisters, Katie and Jessica.

Below: Halloween night waitress at the Black Sheep — Andrea Hughes, Jenny Robinson, Sara Page.

Below Center: A dalmation, Moe (Monica) Stevenson stands nervously next to Cruella DeVil (April Jones)



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 Frau Susan Davis. Part III continues Jessie's account of her trip.

### Part III: Berlin

I remember my first thought as we stepped off the plane in Frankfurt, "This really doesn't look much different from America." It wasn't until we arrived in Berlin a few hours later that I realized just how different Germany is from America.

The first thing we did once in Berlin was get settled in our hotel. We quickly realized how different the food is. Our lunch consisted of two slices of cucumber covered in an unknown sauce, a few tortilla chips, a small slice of salmon, and a variety of breads. I don't think anyone ate much for lunch that day.

After we were all settled, we took a tour of the city on a double-decker bus. For most of us, it was our first time riding on one of these and everyone was excited. I was amazed by all the reconstruction and graffiti. All of us had our cameras ready and aimed so we didn't miss a thing.

I think that first day I saw about two or three American cars. I didn't think I have ever seen so many Mercedes-Benz, or BMWs in my entire life as I did in Berlin. Along with all the nice cars, I saw many people riding bikes. I later discovered that bike riding is one of the main forms of transportation in Germany.

That first day I saw a lot but my next few days in Berlin proved to be even better. We visited Check Point

### Friends of the Manchester Township Library Book Discussion Next Discussion, December 3rd

If an abused, silent three-year-old child is literally dumped into your arms one night by a frightened stepmother, would your reactions be the same as the main character in *The Bean Tree*? Many of the participants in last month's book discussion group felt that it was unlikely, although some felt otherwise. They agreed that it was these extraordinary situations, the unique use of language and the development of characters that made the book such a page turner. Some in the group were interested in following the characters by reading the author, Barbara Kingsolver's, follow-up to *The Bean Tree* entitled *Pigs in Heaven*.

The choice for next month's book discussion was made by someone who is reading the book right now and can't put it down. It is the recent cult classic by Rebecca Wells, *Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood*. The Ya-Yas are the wild circle of small town Louisiana girls who swirl around the narrator Siddalee's mama, Vivi, whose colorful voice is "part Scarlett, part Katharine Hepburn, part Tallulah." When Sidda is faced with a crisis and is given the opportunity to explore the history of these devoted pals through her mother's secret scrapbook, her journey is sprinkled with her own memories of her irrepressible and irresistible mother. The Ya-Yas broke the no-booze rule at the cotillion, skinny-dipped their way through the town water tower to jail, disrupted the Shirley Temple look alike contest, and bonded for life because, "It's so much fun being a bad girl!"

The Manchester Township Library inter-loans the chosen book so that many copies are available to its patrons at the same time. This particular book is a current best seller and it may be hard to get many copies. Readers are asked to return the book as soon as possible. The Friends of the Manchester Township Library, which has coordinated the book discussions, would like them to continue as long as there is interest. You are warmly invited to join in the reading group even if you haven't quite finished the book.

The discussion for the *Ya-Yas* will be Thursday, December 3 at 7:00 PM in the Emanuel Church dining room. Bring our suggestions for a nonfiction book for an upcoming discussion.



Charlie, a museum dedicated to World War II, parts of the Berlin Wall, had our pictures taken in front of the Bradenberg Gate and the Airlift Memorial (Luftbruckenkenmal) with lettered shirts that spelled out Daimler-Benz Award of Excellence Study Tour of Germany 98, visited Potsdamer Platz, had fun at a German club, ate an "American" meal at the Berlin Hard

Rock Cafe, and attended a Youth Orchestra Concert among other activities.

Needless to say, I had an incredible time in Berlin and was disappointed to leave.

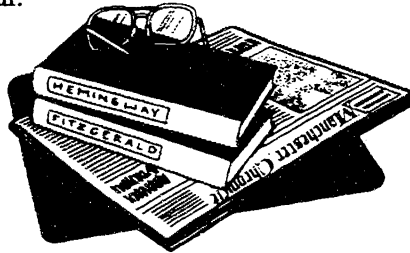
I didn't know how the trip could possibly get any better. What I didn't know was that I still had a lot to discover about Germany and only two weeks left to do it. (Photo above: Jessie is the "T" in "Tour")



### Friends of Manchester Township Library Fundraiser

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# Public Participation, Audit Review and Technology Top Issues for October School Board Meeting

— by Gini Patak

The board once again heard from former candidate, Richard Spring, about the policy on visitor input, now called "public participation" at regular school board meetings. The annual audit review revealed another year of relative fiscal health for the district and scaled back technology plans were presented.

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION POLICY

Early on, former candidate for school board Richard Spring, voiced suspicion that his comments were omitted from the September board minutes because he had failed to comply with a policy requiring people who wish to speak at meetings to submit a written request in advance of the meeting. The board, who had just this month put in place a sound system that allowed audience members to better hear the proceedings, assured him the omission was a clerical error rather than a deliberate act.

The issue came up again later in the meeting when the board proposed a change to its bylaws which would remove sections dealing with public participation from the general standing rules and make them a separate policy. Spring, who had not submitted a request to speak, again interjected his objections to the entire policy. He suggested that the board, by implementing this policy, may be failing to comply with the requirements of the Open Meetings Act. This concern resulted from the paragraph that sets limits on the type of criticism or complaint that can be made about individual employees of the district.

Board members Ron Ellison and John Ochs had difficulty understanding where the problem was. They pointed out that he was being allowed to speak at this meeting and had, to their knowledge, never been limited in any way despite his staunch refusal to comply with the formal procedures.

Superintendent Ron Niedzwiecki and board president Wayne Winzenz expressed willingness to keep lines of communication open while getting the work of the board done in a public forum. It is their belief that the proposed policy will strengthen the board's ability to meet this goal.

Said Winzenz, "The guidelines (of the proposed policy) allow six people to speak during the 30-minute public participation time. If there are more people, we've never turned people away."

Niedzwiecki explained that while the Open Meetings Act doesn't speak specifically to public criticism of employees, district contracts do. "Employees have the right to have complaints addressed by the board in closed session," he said. He stressed the importance of working with building and school administrators when there's such a problem. That way both the community and the school district can work toward the best possible resolution.

## TECHNOLOGY REVISITED

It now appears that in the best tradition of Washington politics, the promise of the Universal Service Fund was vastly overstated, leaving Manchester and more than half of the school districts who applied for funding with grand plans and no funds to implement them. Fortunately, Manchester's plan was a solid and conservative one from the beginning. With the help of technology consultants, DataServ, the plan has been scaled down without losing too much functionality.

Under the new plan, classrooms within district schools will be linked, but the buildings themselves will be connected to each other and the Internet by high-speed telephone lines rather than a private fiber optic network. The in-school linking allows use of centralized "servers" that will provide access to educational software. The board agreed that while the redone plan was a step down from the state of the art system originally conceived, the basic premise remained intact and that was the top priority.

## OTHER BUSINESS

Virginia Beach is the destination for this year's band trip. About 60 band members will make the four-day trip which is scheduled for April 22, 1999. There'll be lots of opportunities for fun and learning as well as participation in the Dixie Classic, an adjudicated music festival.

The annual audit was completed last month and once again the district's financial health was confirmed, although the review showed that more and more creativity is required to keep things that way in the face of continually shifting state funding plans. Board president Winzenz proudly noted that the percentage of operating funds spent on instruction was up again, this time to 57%. Measured against many state districts where instruction accounts for less than half of operating expense, this is an outstanding result.

## NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Manchester Board of Education is at 7:30 PM on Monday, November 16, 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 - October 17, 1998

### Not Official Minutes

The regular meeting of the Manchester Community Schools' Board of Education was called to order at 7:31 P.M. by President Winzenz.

Members present: Evans, Ochs, Winzenz, Ellison, Roberts; Absent: Knouase, Abbott

The minutes of the regular meeting of September 21, 1998 were approved. The September treasurer's report was approved with a cash balance in the amount of \$753,961.69; total bills payable of \$717,802.63.

Correspondence included a memo from the Superintendent to the Board of Education regarding the bus stop at 16155 Buss Road.

### Visitor Input:

> Jim Roberts, Athletic Booster president thanked the Board for their support of the golf outing. He also inquired about the status of the 9th grade boys basketball schedule. Superintendent Niedzwiecki stated that Mr. Easley had scheduled some conference games and is still working on the schedule.

> Richard Spring asked why his comments from the September meeting regarding his concerns over the manner in which Visitor Input is handled were not included in the minutes. Cynthia

Sewell stated that this was an oversight.

> Emory Garlick thanked the Board for the new sound enhancement system that was in place. He also noted that the ten minute recess during the September meeting was omitted from the minutes.

The Board sanctioned the Manchester High School band trip to Virginia Beach as a school sponsored activity.

The Board approved the following recommendation regarding the technology network:

1. To accept the Superintendent's and Technology Committee's recommendation to redesign the technology infrastructure and network system proposal originally presented to the Board at its July 20, 1998 regular board meeting; and,

2. To authorize the Superintendent to solicit bids for the revised technology infrastructure and network system in accordance with the School Code and Board Policy requirements, negotiate the terms and conditions of the agreements with the winning bidders, and notify the previous vendors for the project of the redesign and opportunity to bid.

The following coaching appointments were approved: 8th Grade Girls Volleyball - Sarah Riske; 8th Grade Boys Basketball - Adam Benschoter; 9th Grade Boys Basketball - Steve McCalla.

The Board authorized the superintendent to seek bids for the purchase of one new school bus, which would consider a "stock" bus, and to finance the purchase.

The Board also authorized the superintendent to seek sealed bids and sell to the highest bidder one 1988 International school bus with lift and the 1988 seven-passenger Ford Aerostar van.

It was moved and supported that D & N Bank of Manchester be approved as a depository for school district funds.

Dianne Schwab and Karen Smith presented an update to the Board on the Asset Building town hall meeting scheduled for November 14 at Manchester High School. They also showed a short video on building assets.

Superintendent Niedzwiecki updated the board on current maintenance projects including the athletic track, high school air conditioning, and high school hall lockers.

The results from the September 23 student count was presented. Unofficially the district has an enrollment of 1,250 students.

The Executive Committee of the Board suggested hosting a town meeting to gather community input on the facility needs of the district. A January date will be announced at the November meeting.

Brad Roberts requested a financial statement from the Fitness Center.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

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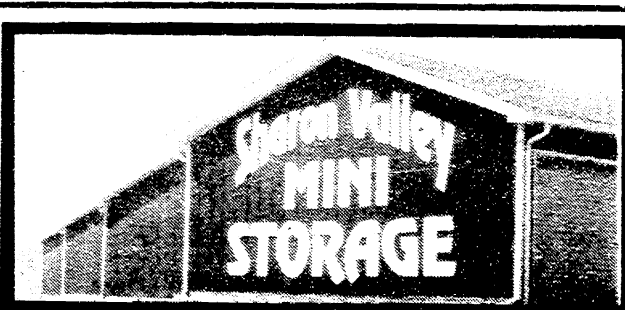
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## Alternative Ed Students Meet the Challenge

— by Justun Brady

At the end of October, the Manchester Alternative School students took a day off to participate in the Challenge Program run by the University of Michigan Recreation Department. Accompanying the students were teachers Liz Reumann and Adam Benschoter and counsellors Sandra Dunn, Bill Kindt.

The Challenge courses were set up in the woods, but before we could begin the course we had to spend some time in the yard area participating in several ac-

tivities that started with consuming mass amounts of cookies and juice and meeting our Challenge leaders, Julie, Marc and Lance.

We were then instructed to get into a line and run across the yard while screaming constantly until we "ran out of breath or were blue in the face, whichever comes first," Marc explained. Julie demonstrated — screaming so loud and long it was scary. We followed the instructions.

After we collapsed, Marc told us a story about a giant, mutated squirrel called "The Tusker Monster." At the end of the story he began hitting our teacher, Liz, with a red foam object he called the "tusks" of The Tusker Monster while explaining this next activity. The game would start with one person chasing the others and smacking them with the tusks. As a person was hit, he became a part of The Monster, forming a line of people. People on each end of the line would then try to hit a person not yet attached to The Monster. The line of people would have to follow the person with the tusk until all the victims were struck and had become part of the line.

After that, Marc led us to a sandy area with a volleyball net in the center. We were given two blankets and a rubber chicken (about this time I was getting concerned about the mental health of Marc as a leader.) We divided into two groups, one on each side of the net, and proceeded to toss the rubber chicken, using the blanket, across to the team on the other side to catch and toss back. We had to keep track of how many times we could do this in succession.

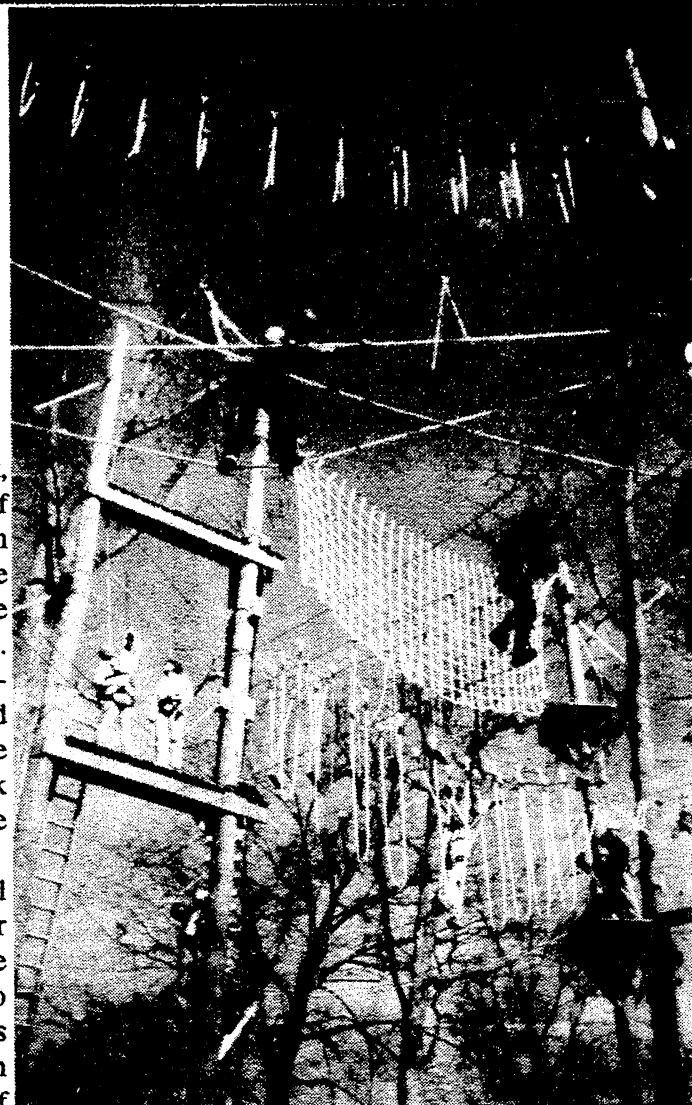
Marc and Lance led us to the next challenge in the woods. Marc explained that we were on a deserted island. A stick in front of us marked the shore while the ground beyond the

stick was water full of alligators and sharks. The object of this game was to get to the jet skis (really bike tires) on the other side using a rope that hung above the imaginary water. Of course, it hung just out of reach. Brent and I tied our jackets together and swung it at the rope. After we were able to grab the rope and get across, we helped others do the same.

By then it was time for a break and we headed back to the building where we had started. The room where we had our lunches had a tall ceiling and lots of windows. In the kitchen area we crowded around to get our food from the refrigerator. I paused to stare at the ceiling. Mr. Kindt joined me for a moment. I said, "They have a nice ceiling." He said, "Yeah, that is nice."

Our lunch time ended and we headed back outside. Marc and Julie said it was time to go down to the High Challenge Course. We followed them back into the woods to an area with a bunch of poles and high platforms on top of them. Two cables connected each pole and in between the poles and platforms were obstacles: it was an obstacle course forty feet in the air!

After getting our harnesses and helmets on, we rehearsed making transfers from cable to cable. We had to make sure that all transfers were supervised and that the rope that connected us to our cables was secure or we could have fallen. (That would have looked interesting but that's not what we were there to



do.) We then climbed a ladder one by one while two people below made sure the rope that the climber was on was connected and was always tight as they climbed up to the first platform. From there, we unhooked from the safety rope and hooked on to a cable that led us across and around obstacles to the next platform. You really had to concentrate because if you didn't you'd fall (which really just meant you'd hang from your cable until you got going again). No one fell or even stumbled because most were far too scared to take their focus off what they were doing: there was a whole lot of shaking.

Everyone needed to be able to trust and encourage each other or else most of us wouldn't have been confident enough to do what we did way up there. Through all the insane games we played in the beginning, we learned to support each other and work together, and even though that sounds corny it's better than falling. So I guess scaring a bunch of kids with the possibility of death makes them cooperate quite well.

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**THE MANCHESTER AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY HELD ITS REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING AT THE BLACKSMITH SHOP ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20.** A program on Oak Grove Cemetery was presented by Marilyn LaRock, a member of the board of directors, and Mike Miner, sexton. The association board is working on getting the cemetery designated as an historic site. The association is a nonprofit organization and contributions are tax deductible. Donations paid for the new driveways (\$8,000) and donations are needed for a new well (\$3,500) and other improvements.

Only the interest on perpetual care funds can be spent. A more aggressive investment policy was implemented to earn more money.

In the early days, many people did not pay for perpetual care. They took care of the graves themselves. As a result, about one-third of the cemetery has no perpetual care funds. Those who paid for it are subsidizing those who did not.

Oak Grove Cemetery was started in the 1850s. The date on the vault building is 1880. The first cemetery was on North Washington Street. Some of the graves were moved to Oak Grove, but the records were not turned over. The oldest stone is for James H. Fargo who died in 1840 at the age of 37 years. Prominent settlers, such as the Watkins family, are buried there.

A picture was taken of the surviving Civil War veterans when the Soldier's Monument was dedicated. All but two of the soldiers in the photo are buried in Oak Grove.

In the 26 years that Mike has taken care of the cemetery, he has noticed that fewer people come to visit and they are not as reverent as they used to be. There are 300-350 grave sites left which, it is estimated, will be filled within 25 years.

Nothing scary has ever happened to Mike at the cemetery, but he related something funny that happened. A gentleman was walking to town one day as Mike was coming up out of the well pit near the road. The man, known to imbibe on occasion, thought he was seeing someone coming up out of a grave. After exclaiming, "They're coming up out of the ground," he crossed the road and continued hurriedly on his way.

— Betty Cummings, Secretary  
Manchester Area Historical Society



## A History of Manchester Township Cemeteries

—from a book in the Manchester Township Library, author unknown\*

The first cemetery to be needed was that at Reynolds' Corners, just north of the Chicago turnpike (US-12). A "grave-yard" location was needed when Issac S. C. Smith died suddenly of a congestive chill. Ichabod Nelson volunteered to give two acres of land provided the neighbors would fence it. Issac Smith lies in an unmarked grave in the extreme northwest corner of the cemetery. His daughter-in-law, Abby Baldwin Smith, lies in the same lot; her parents erected a headstone at her grave. Ichabod Nelson died January 19, 1837 at age 44, and for years his grave had no marker, but in the writer's recollection a monument was erected later to his memory either by the town-

ship or by subscription. When the sexton, Marvin Cooley's dwelling burned in 1889, all records and dates were burned so where no markers had been set, all traces of graves were lost.

Many of Manchester's pioneers rest there in unmarked graves. Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Beckley are two of these. He died the day of the great fire in Manchester, in May 1853, and she died three years later, according to a receipt given by the Clinton undertaker, Darius S. John, to Richard Hall, which bears the date November 10, 1856.

The oldest person buried there having a headstone is Wilbur Wheaton. Dates are 1767-1867.

Resting beneath recumbent marbles, are the writer's\* great-grandparents, John English, born in Ireland, November 15, 1777, who died October 1846, and Sarah Tinkler, his wife, born in Ireland and died July 24, 1853, age 67 years.

There is buried Zina P. Smith of Company B, Ninth Michigan Cavalry, who died at Camp Nelson, Kentucky, August 11, 1863, age 21 years. His father, Frederick Smith, a blacksmith at the Corners, went for his son's body so that he might be buried near his old home.

The old cemetery in the north bend of the River Raisin [Ed: in the general area behind St. Mary Parish Hall and Washington Street] in the northwest quarter of Section Two and within the village limits was laid out too small to meet its needs adequately. Many removals took place after establishing Oak Grove Cemetery.

On the James Soule farm, long known as the Morgan farm, on Section Twelve, was an old burying ground where Soulesville dead were laid away. The ground, when it was no longer used as a cemetery, reverted to the original owner. Removals took place until only a single headstone was left of Mrs. William Blaidsell who died in 1850 at age 20. A subsequent owner of the farm, Robert G. Sorter, was adamant about the grave being moved and the matter was put before the township board. Removal was made on Saturday, September 27, 1924. The sexton of Oak Grove, Thomas J. Thorn, reported the coffin was intact even after so many years had elapsed.

Oak Grove Cemetery is situated on the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section Ten. The plot of ground, a part of the Gilbert farm, was laid out in 1856. The first sexton was Simeon Spencer. Removals were made from the old cemetery and from private cemeteries. There had been burials made on the Jeremiah Loucks farm and that of Samuel Martin and the first wife of Thomas L. Spafard was buried first on the homestead. The first burial made in Oak Grove was

that of Rebecca Ingraham, daughter of Thomas S. Ingraham, who died July 24, 1856, age 18 years. The second one was Wilder P. Rix, who died September 1, 1856, age 7 years. The third was Francis Featherston of Worsop England, who died November 16, 1856, age 32 years. He died of a cold contracted by exposure to a draft following an ague fit.

One of the early deaths in the town was that of Eleazer Root who died in 1837 at age 73. He was born in 1764 and enlisted in 1779 at the age of 15, and served one year in the Revolutionary War. So far as is known he is the only one buried in the township who served in that war.

When the plat of the cemetery was made, all north of the north drive was marked "Potter's Field. Later lots were sold there.

One burial is that of Dr. B. F. Peterson who, while on a visit, was taken ill of Asiatic cholera, died June 26, 1854, and was buried at night.

The one who came the farthest to find a final resting place was Anne, age three months, daughter of Lt. and Mrs. Rolland Webster Case, who died in the Philippines.

There is one soldier, at least, in the War of 1812, Thomas L. Spafard who died October 9, 1888; and, one man enlisted in the Mexican War, Charles W. Sanford, 1825-1909. Several Spanish American War soldiers are resting in Oak Grove. Homer O. Palmer died at Chickamauga of typhoid fever August 15, 1898 and his body was brought to Manchester by his father and conveyed to his home under escort of a delegation of Free Masons. The funeral was held in Emanuel Church on August 17, 1898.

Two young men made the supreme sacrifice in World War I. William J. Ehnis, age 24, died of pleura-pneumonia on January 31, 1919 in France. His remains were brought back in 1921 and funeral services were held in Emanuel Church conducted by Pastor A. Schoen.

Emil Jacob entered the U. S. Service at Camp Custer, November 2, 1917 and left for France in March, 1918. He was killed in the Battle of the Argonne on October 9, 1918. His remains were brought back in 1921. The funeral procession reached from Emanuel Church to the gate of the cemetery. He was laid to rest with military honors.

In the Catholic Cemetery just west of Oak Grove rests Luke Guiman who was born in Ireland, March 10, 1813 and his wife Mary who was born in Clara Kings County, Ireland, and died February 24, 1880. Luke Guiman composed his own epitaph: "As true a man as ever crost the sea and as good a Catholic take him any way, so all good Christians as you pass by, I hope that all pray for my wife and I."

— "No one died there, for the histories of families were spoken, their characteristics recalled, their failures and weaknesses passed over lightly, and so the dead live on..." —

ED: Over the last couple of years, volunteers from the Manchester Area Historical Society have mapped and catalogued grave sites at Reynolds' Corners Cemetery for permanent record at Manchester Township Hall.

We wish to thank Steve Alber of Alber Excavating for donation and delivery of top soil to Oak Grove Cemetery for lining our new drives.

We also wish to thank Mr. Mike Whelen of Manchester Woods for his most generous offer of donation of top soil. With the generosity of citizens such as these, we hope to have our Oak Grove looking great for next summer.

— Oak Grove Cemetery Association

The Brooklyn Hotel will be closed Thanksgiving Day so that we and our staff may enjoy the holiday with our families. Happy Thanksgiving from John and Michele

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**COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH**  
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## Memorial Garden Dedicated Next to River Raisin



Manchester Knights of Columbus, Fr. Charles Irwin, and St. Mary Catholic Church parishioners gathered next to the Raisin River, Sunday, October 25, for dedication ceremonies of a new mourning and contemplation park, "Memorial for the Unborn."

A memorial stone, designed by Bill Kwolek reads:

*Lord, you lead me beside restful waters and you alone restore my soul. I embrace in my heart my unborn child until we can touch again in eternity.*

The park was landscaped and developed by Nick Aiuto. Robert Scharpenberg and son, Allen, put in footings and set the stone memorial from Braun Funeral Home. Funds were gratefully received from Betty Cummings and the St. Mary Altar Society. Curtis Farm donated the plants.

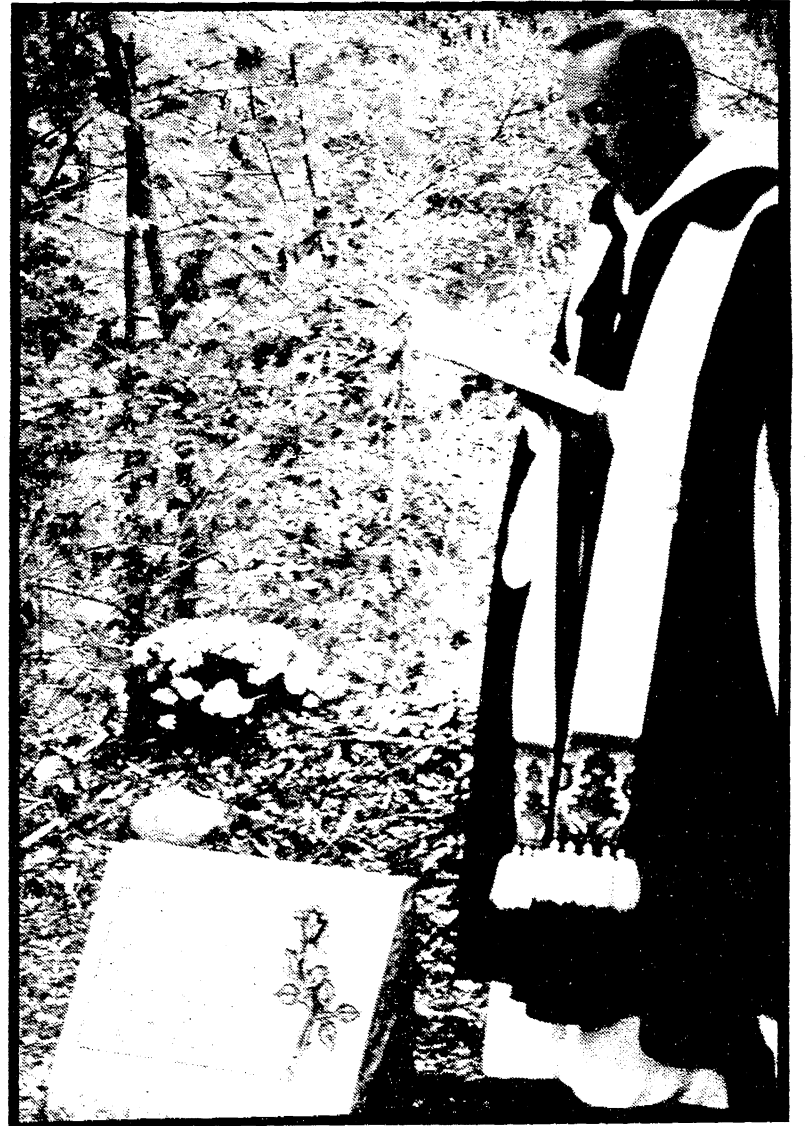
The park is open to those who grieve over a lost child.

"... 'Tis an angel band they call them,  
And you both should happy be,  
You're the parents of an angel, 'Cause  
your baby's there you see.

...With a faith that never falters, Clasp-  
ing each the other's hand,

Pledge yourselves to meet your baby,  
In that better happy land."

— Father L. J. Flynn

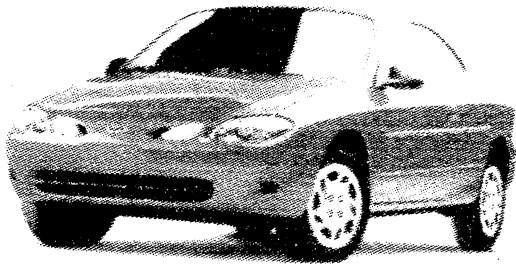


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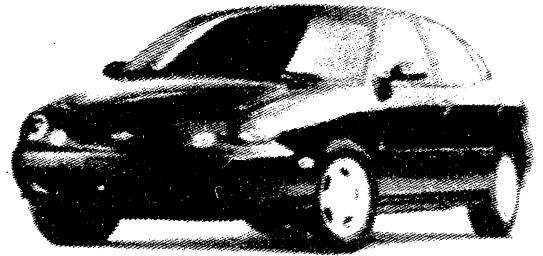
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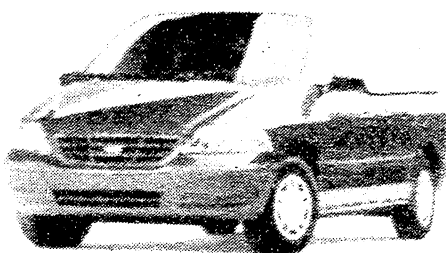


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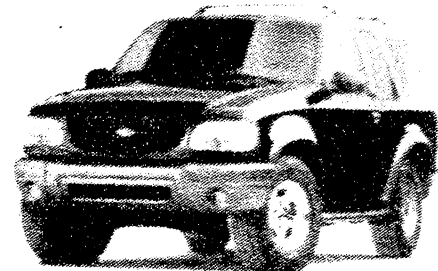
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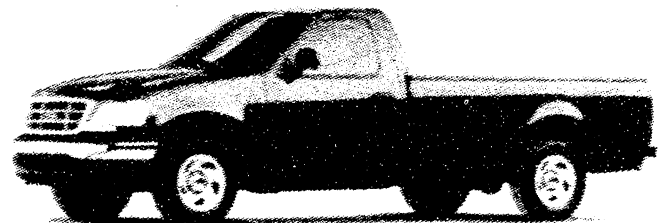
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