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Superintendent resigns after 13 years

By Shawn Lawrence

Staff Writer

Manchester School District Superintendent Ronald Niedzwiecki resigned at the special board meeting last week.

Niedzwiecki had apparently been negotiating a buy-out with the district attorneys for several weeks. The deal was ready for board signature at the school board meeting and supplies Niedzwiecki with a buy-out package totaling approximately

\$103,000.

The package includes six-months' salary, insurance benefits for one year, and the district has agreed to buy Niedzwiecki three years toward retirement for about \$26,000 to boost his pension.

Niedzwiecki has been the superintendent in the district for 13 years, but had fallen in disfavor recently, losing the support of the board and some members of the community.

A petition calling for the board not to renew his contract was signed by 600 residents.

"Someone in the position of superintendent of schools is always subject to criticism, and I understand that is all part of it," Niedzwiecki said.

He declined to discuss specific issues of contention between him and the school board, but he said that he and the board members both agreed that it was "in the best interests of myself and

the board," that he discontinue working in the district.

But he said he is proud of the job he has done in Manchester.

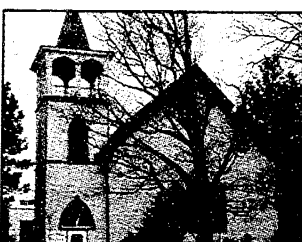
"I think we've all accomplished a great deal over the years," he said. "I'm very proud of the work we've done, and of course the successes of the kids who have passed through the district during that tenure."

School Board member Paul Kluwe said that he recognizes

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Ronald Niedzwiecki



NEWS BRIEFS

Manchester Fair starts in two weeks

The 55th Annual Manchester Community Fair, themed "Fair Echoes of the Century," will begin on Tuesday July 6, and continue through Saturday, July 10.

The fair features entertainment, tractor pulls, and livestock auctions, in addition to a carnival by Pugh Shows, who recently purchased the W.G. Wade carnival.

In preparation for the fair, participants should be aware of deadline dates.

Floats must be pre-registered with Fair Board Secretary Carol Britten by Tuesday, June 29. Entries for the exhibit building are accepted only on Monday, July 5, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Gazebo concert Thursday: Wes Linenkugel Quartet

The Gazebo Summer Concert Series continues with a performance tonight by Wes Linenkugel Quartet.

The show will take place at 7:30 p.m. tonight at the gazebo in Wurster Park. The concerts are free to the public.

The summer concert series is presented by the Manchester Recreational Task Force and supported by a grant from the Washtenaw Council of the Arts and donations from businesses and individuals.

Ice cream social at Bethel church

An ice cream social is planned for Friday, June 25 at Bethel United Church of Christ, 10425 Bethel Church Rd. in Freedom Township. Cake and ice cream, sandwiches and salads are on the menu. The event is open to the public and will begin serving at 4:30 p.m.

Chicken Broil tickets ready

Attention Chicken Broil workers: tickets are available for pickup at the Sutton Insurance Agency, 136 E. Main. Packets of 15 tickets will be distributed to Chicken Broil volunteers. The meal tickets cost \$6, a 50-cent savings over purchasing at the gate on the day of the event.

Fireworks show slated for July 3

The Independence Day fireworks display sponsored by the Manchester Men's Club is scheduled to begin at Carr Park in Manchester, at dusk on Saturday, July 3.

Please remember that no personal fireworks are to be brought to the park.

School's out



Photos by Marsha Johnson Chartrand

Rachel Ricamore (left) doesn't know whether to laugh or to cry as she gets "creamed" by senior students. The tradition of the Senior Class initiating the incoming freshmen with shaving cream on the last day of school, took on special meaning this time as Rachel's sister, Jolene, did the honors. Above, Kristin Guenther, Katie Fielder and Andrew Coutts are three more casualties of the last day of school ritual.

Legion of volunteers keep town running

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
 Special Writer

They've always been there, working behind the scenes, helping the community and making sure things get done.

But now more than ever, a wide variety of volunteers throughout the community are being seen as a necessity by more and more businesses, service organizations, and government units.

"We have a hard time finding committed volunteers," admits Kathy Hakes, Manchester Township clerk. The township needs a lot of things that can be helped by volunteers from the community.

Township level representation at the Western Wash-tenaw Recycling Authority meetings, planning commission, and board of review are all considered "volunteer" positions. Election workers, although paid an allotment for the long days they put in, are also considered volunteers.

"Even if you're getting paid, you're really doing this job out of a sense of community mindedness," said Hakes. "You're doing it because you believe in the system, and you are giving of yourself."

Noting that election workers put in 16-18 hour days, Hakes says that it's a difficult position to fill.

"Now that we are on the cusp of having to split into two precincts, I will need to find twice as many willing workers at election times," she says.

On planning commission, board of review, and other unpaid commissions in the township, Manchester Township Supervisor Ron Mann often has

to scramble to find people who don't have a particular agenda to push.

"It's awfully easy to sit back and complain, but until you get out there and find out what the issues are, and why they are, you can't really make a decision," says Mann.

"I'm not perfect, but as a public representative I've always tried to vote, whether it was on school board, Fire Department, planning commission, or Township Board — the way that I believe people would vote if they had the same information I did. You learn the background and then you make your decision. It may not be a popular decision, but that's the way it has to be."

Hakes mentioned that the reason that Manchester Township does not have an annual Clean Up Day like other localities is because we don't have volunteers who are willing to run it.

"If people realized how little resources we really have as a township, they wouldn't wonder why we don't offer more," said Hakes.

Manchester Township Library relies heavily on volunteer time to fill the needs of the community at large. In recent years, a Friends of the Library organization has formed and the Friends have planned activities and volunteer opportunities to encourage more involvement from the community.

Mormon sisters and elders, on mission assignment in the Manchester area, have spent many hours directing story hours, shelving books, and doing other jobs around the library. Volunteer Ann Fowler has been volunteering between 10 and 20 hours per week at the Library

over the past 14 years.

"She's ready to do whatever," says Library Director Dorothy Davies. "She will assist patrons, especially children, and she is in charge of the Historical Room."

Because the Historical Room at the library has so many valuable and irreplaceable volumes and photos, staff supervision is required for those who want to do research. Fowler is available by appointment to assist those patrons, and she also handles interloan delivery and shelving books.

Another local service organization that relies totally on volunteer help is the Manchester Family Services. And when MFS needs help, they find it from many of the other organizations throughout the community, that specialize in volunteer help.

"Our annual Christmas Shop is a two-day affair," says President Joanne Fredal. "At that time, the boy scouts and the St. Mary CCD classes help us by sorting food, packing bags, and other organizations often help staff this enormous effort."

A monthly commitment to

Foodgatherers' distribution is another project that occupies a full day each month for MFS board members. At least six volunteers spend several hours sorting, packaging, and distributing food to families in need in the Manchester area.



Photo by Marsha Johnson Chartrand

"You're closer to heaven in a garden," and volunteer Mary Sue Moore of Manchester Family Services also enjoys donating some of her time to gardening at Bethel UCC, in Freedom Township.

"We're uniquely volunteer in that every penny we receive goes directly to our families," Fredal says.

"There are no administrative expenses; none of us receive mileage or any compensation for our services."

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Township loses battle over cellular phone tower

By Shawn Lawrence

Staff Writer

Manchester Township has lost the final round in court and is being forced to allow Airtouch Cellular to construct a cellular phone tower within the township.

The board received word last week that the township had been ruled against, leaving them with very few options to try and stop the tower.

"(The judgment) shows that we do not control the properties of Manchester Township," Trustee Lyle Wiedmayer said. "Our zoning ordinance doesn't mean beans."

The township tried unsuccessfully to block Airtouch Cellular's request to construct a 240-foot tower on property located on Parr Road across from the mobile home park.

The company, as required by law, had sought permission from the township's planning commission and board of trustees to erect the tower. When the township denied the request, saying it was not in compliance with zoning ordinances and land-use plans, Airtouch sued.

"We tried, we lost," said Township Supervisor Ron Mann. "We didn't roll over."

The judge in the case, George Woods, ordered the township to allow the company to proceed immediately with its tower, and not to interfere with the company's plans in any way. The order was issued May 13.

Mann said that the township could appeal the decision, but then, if it lost again, it may be forced to pay damages, court costs or Airtouch's attorney fees.

Mann said that the only bright side to the matter was that some people in the field have forecast that all or nearly all of the cellular telephones in the future will be satellite-based, and will not require a tower. So perhaps the tower may be obsolete and could be removed in the future.

"What scares me is that they (Airtouch) will say at that time, 'we don't need it, we don't want it,' and walk away from it," Mann said.

Airtouch Cellular would not comment.

In other news, the board appointed the Volunteer Fire Department members to offices for the 1999-2000 year. The appointments include Fire Chief Billy Scully, assistant chiefs Gale Koebbe and Gene Kemeter, Captain Gary Wiedmayer, Lieutenants Kris Kensler and Brian Kunzelman, and Secretary-treasurer Harry Johnson.

The board also agreed to send a letter of gratitude to former Fire Chief Gary Wiedmayer for his years of dedicated service and many hours of work for the township.

The board also made monetary awards to the volunteers for the past year of service to help defray expenses the fire fighters

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Community Fair to open in two weeks

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Special Writer

Changes abound at the 1999 Manchester Community Fair. For its 55th annual event, the fair board has announced new exhibit categories, new entertainment, and a great mixture of their most popular programs from the past.

"We have to keep changing to keep up with the times," said Carol Britten, board secretary. Yet the board tries to retain a blend of the best of the old as they rewrite the script for future years.

To mark the end of the 1900s, the board has chosen Fair Echoes of the Century as the theme for this year's fair. The motif is reflected in the choice of parade marshals, Howard and Lenore Parr, who have volunteered many hours over the years and fostered an excellent working relationship between the board and the Manchester Historical Society ever since its inception.

July 6-10 is the date for this year's fair but there are many more important dates associated with the fair.

July 5 is the day to remember if you want to place exhibits in the Exhibit Building. And plan a little further ahead if your organization or business hopes to enter a float in this year's parade. Floats must be registered with the fair secretary no later than June 29, seven days prior to the parade.

The parade will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 6 and wind its way through downtown Manchester before proceeding to the fairgrounds.

The first day of the fair is filled with excitement for everyone involved. Judging in the exhibit building begins early in the morning, and must be completed by noon. At noon, the rush of awarding the ribbons, arranging the exhibits and setting up fencing and skirting around the exhibit tables begins.

"Sometimes we get done just in time, but we always get done by five," says Britten. And then it is time for the gates to open and the spectators begin to arrive, prior to the parade.

A baby photograph contest is the newest category of entries in the exhibit building. Professional portraits of babies from birth to age 5 will be accepted in this category. In addition, the popular new Challenge Contest returns from last year. A few changes have been made to the material list that is required for this year's challenge. Put your imagination to work and make a creative wall hanging — the prizes are substantial in this cat-

egory for all ages.

Speaking of prizes, the premiums in all categories have been raised substantially this year, a move that the board hopes will encourage a wider range of entries. Also to encourage a high volume of exhibits, the Exhibitor Awards will include several levels of awards for multiple exhibits. An honor roll of exhibitors who enter five or more exhibits, a ribbon awarded to all who enter 10 or more exhibits in different classes, and a trophy to those ambitious souls who enter 20 or more exhibits in different classes, in the Exhibit Building. Rules for all contests are printed in the Fair Book, available at most local businesses.

The kids of the community anticipate the parade itself almost as soon as last year's parade is finished. From the fire sirens that pierce the air to the putt-putt of mini-cars driven by the Shriners; from the magnificent horse-drawn carriages and wagons to the bicycles and little red wagons ridden by the children, there is something for everyone to see.

The floats are entertaining, too, but it's obvious why the kids are really here when you see the large empty bags they bring to the curb. After the parade is over, they'll have enough treats to last them till Halloween.

Entertainment abounds at this year's Manchester Community Fair. The entertainment committee has put together a roster of activities for each evening's entertainment. The popular "Gold Dust" returns from last year on Friday and Saturday nights.

Adrian's own Atticus Sumner and the Cottonwood Cloggers make three appearances on Saturday afternoon. The Country Stompers will entertain audiences on Wednesday and Friday.

And Manchester's "Small Town Sounds" will provide fairgoing music on Wednesday evening as a backdrop to the highly popular Bullman's.

If an old time fair activity such as the cowboy games, livestock show and auctions, or tractor pulls pique your interest, there is plenty of entertainment to keep you happy, too.

Ladies Day on Saturday morning is enjoying a revival and this year will be coordinated by the Beta Sigma Phi chapters of Manchester.

There is something for everyone to see and do at the fair, from the youngest members of the family to the oldest.

Remember when ...



Photo courtesy of the Manchester Historical Society
STONEBOAT FACTORY - Built probably around the 1880s or '90s, the factory was located behind today's Fahey Realty building on what is now parking for Dan's River Grill, above the river bank level. In Manchester's First Hundred Years, Warren Kimble is identified as owning it. Stoneboats were conveyances built to transport large stones from farmers' field. Horses pulled them like a toboggan as they were slid along ploughed ground. Larger stones could be rolled onto them to be moved out of the way. The boats were built out of heavy planks, sawed especially for that purpose. The front part of the boat was made to slant upwards to keep it from digging itself into the soft ground when it was moved forward. This and many other pictures of historical Manchester can be found in the Historical Society's calendar, on sale at the Enterprise office and other locations.

Developer wants zoning change to expand mobile home park

By Shawn Lawrence
Staff Writer

Another mobile home project has been proposed in the area. This one is an extension of Manchester Manor, a park on the east side of the village.

The Village Planning Commission received a request to rezone a 13-acre parcel of land that adjoins the current mobile home park so that the owners of the park can add 60 to 65 more units to the park. Right now, Manchester Manor consists of 116 units.

The mobile home park is owned by Gary Antonelli, Larry Antonelli and Dennis Bartlett. They want to purchase the 13 acres from Jim Hansen.

Currently, the area is zoned for agricultural uses, but in the rezoning map that was drafted recently, the area was designated R2, which means residential land for multi-family housing.

The rezoning map, however, has not been adopted by the Village Council.

Village Manager Jeff Wallace said that the village has a series of steps and investigations it must complete before a decision is reached on the rezoning request.

The planning commission has begun that process by asking the village engineer and planner to develop impact reports predicting how the proposed development would change the need for services from the community. The planning commission is also requesting impact information from the school district, local police and fire departments, as well as information from the Washenaw County Drain Commission.

This rezoning request is the

third such proposal in the Manchester area that is currently pending.

Larger mobile home park development requests have also been proposed in Sharon and Manchester townships.

Wallace said that the outcome of those developments may have an impact on the village's decision.

"We need to look at the combined impact on the community," Wallace said. "We have five units of government here (the village and the four townships).

"If we all have a mobile home development go in, just look at the impact on schools, traffic, parks, everything. But way the zoning laws are set up, we all

have to have land available for that."

Wallace said another consideration was that population growth is tending to cluster on the east side of the village, and the main traffic route there is the Main Street/M-52 intersection, an area already overburdened with traffic.

Wallace said that increased development could force the village to look into creating an alternative route for people, to get around that corner.

No decision is expected immediately. The planning commission will begin to gather information and will hold a public hearing to listen to residents' concerns and comments before making a recommendation to the Village Council. The council will make a final vote on the issue after the planning commission makes its recommendation.

He said that he expected the decision process to take a minimum of four to six months.

Corrections

The Manchester Enterprise will correct all errors of fact. Please contact the Enterprise at 428-8173 if you believe we have made an error.

Part of a story about a boy who saved his mother's life in the the June 17 edition of the Enterprise was omitted. The full story appears in this week's edition on page 8.

Photographs of Dave Little and Dick Fahey were incorrect-

ly identified on page 7A of the June 17 edition of the Enterprise. The photos were transferred.

Regarding a story in the June 10 edition about Wayne Winzenz, Anne Marie Gordon did not leave her position on the school board in mid-term. She finished her four-year term and was asked to remain another year due to the resignation of Jack Gaughan, who retired due to health reasons.

Gotcha!

Children ticketed by police for performing outstanding deeds

The Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a new program where Manchester kids who perform good deeds will be recognized.

The chamber has started a new program where children who are 'caught' doing a good deed will be issued a ticket from the local police.

The ticket can be turned in to one of three local businesses, redeemable for a free ice cream.

"It is hoped that by positively recognizing the good things that our kids are doing, we can encourage appropriate behavior and build self-esteem among our youth," chamber member Sharon Curtis said.

"We hope to also convey to them that the businesses and the leaders in this community care," she said.

The Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce would like to recognize the following merchants for their contribution to the ice cream program. For the discount on the ice cream: Baker's Dozen, Dairy Queen, and The Whistle Stop. For funding the purchase of the ice cream: The Black Sheep Restaurant, Cizmar's Village Gifts, Comerica Bank, D&N Bank, JumpShip Web Design and Management, Manchester Floors, Manchester

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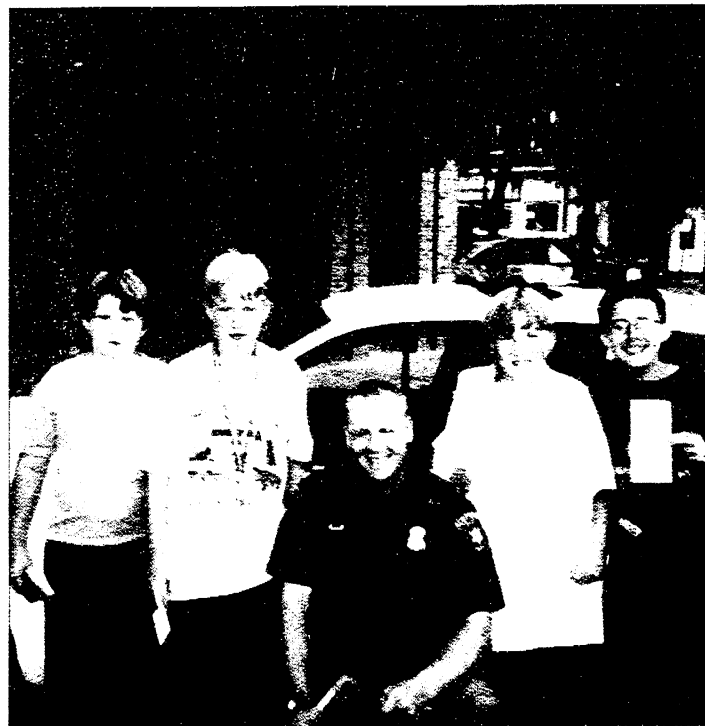
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The above students were "ticketed" for doing it right, by Deputy Kirby last week. "I caught them using the crosswalk — not just once, but twice," said Kirby. Pictured from left are Joey Vigilanti, Jesse Gehringer, Nicholas Burkhardt, and Gary Tobias, all fifth graders at Manchester Middle School.



SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

This is the time of year when we watch nature at its best. Across the street out of the river came a family of mallard ducks with offspring. Fellows working close to the area stated that the mallards have been around for two weeks ... what a sight.

It's fun to watch our tomato plants which have developed blossoms. I can napple taste the fruit. Pear and apple trees have small fruit, too. Hope the summer doesn't go too quickly, because as we grow older, time goes too quickly. Wouldn't we love to hang on to that second hand to stop time from marching on?

The strawberries are sweet and good on shortcake. Let's enjoy each day.

Del and I sit on the porch on the 13th watching and waving at the return home "parade of



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SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

vehicles" from the Michigan International Speedway race in Brooklyn. All modes of transportation went by, mostly mobile homes for the weekend (some homemade and some very elite). Lots of imagination and fun went into building some of these.

Between 8 and 8:30 p.m., we counted 400 vehicles, which averaged out at 4.3 seconds per

vehicle past our home. A wave of hands was returned in friendly fashion — they were having a good time in the long, long line stretching back out of sight.

One other thing ... one afternoon, at about 4 p.m., a raccoon came from next door into our garage! I always thought they slept in the daytime and I could hardly believe my eyes. It ran out and proceeded north to the next lot, much to my relief. I look around some now when going outside.

Friday, June 25: Bus pick-up begins at 3:30 p.m. for your trip to the Bethel United Church of Christ Ice Cream Social. Fun and good eats begin at 4:30 p.m. with all the cake you can eat plus good food. They have changed their date from fair week and we wish them success

with their new date. All our socials are different in their own way and we do enjoy each one.

Monday, June 28: Enjoy a shopping trip to Chelsea beginning at 9:30 a.m. as you leave the Center. Call Marion Ahrens at 428-7865 for your ride.

Remember, no social on June 30, as was printed on your Trumpeter calendar page in the June-July issue.

Thursday, July 1: St. James United Church of Christ on Michigan Avenue on Route 12 will hold its social west of Saline. Pick-up time for senior citizens begins at 4 p.m., call Marion

From our vantage point we watch Janey Koch and the rap-

port between the children in her care and herself. She is one of the best crossing guards at Jenter-Braun corner in protecting our kids at a crossing. They will miss her and I for one think

it is a shame that some folks just have to 'be someplace before they leave home!' I would like to thank Janey for her dedication and wish her well in her endeavors.

Sula Darlene Jeffers

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GARDENING

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FROM THE GROUND UP

By Ron & Barbara Kopp

"Cool in the Shade" Part II

Maple trees are some of the best trees for shade. Most grow quite tall and spread out equally wide, covering a large area with their canopy.

The family of Norway maples (*Acer platanoides*) dominates the market with its many varieties (cultivars). They are easy to transplant, very pollution tolerant, adapt well to extremes in soils, from sand to clay, and will withstand dry conditions better than sugar maples. Note: Norway maples do not like 2,4-D (broadleaf weed and dandelion killer); do not spray or allow your lawn service to use this around the trees or drip edge as they will absorb it through their roots. The following are several more popular cultivars to choose for your home.

The ever popular "Crimson King" and "Royal Red" are Norway maples not "Red Maples" as many call them. The spring color is bright wine, changing to rich maroon throughout the summer. They make a great impact in the yard with their dark color and rounded form. "Royal Red" is a newer variety, supposedly with better color and cold hardiness.

As for new trees on the block, "Princeton Gold" was introduced just a few years back. It's a real knockout with bright yellow leaves all season. Plant this tree near the dark maroon ones for great contrast and impact. The leaves of this tree are thinner and can slightly wind-burn in hot summers if planted on exposed hills and windy sites.

"Deborah" is a favorite of many. The new leaves emerge in the spring a brilliant red, later changing to dark green with red veins. Since new growth is red, you will have a two-tone or red tipped tree through the summer as the tree continues to grow. Fall color is brick. The leaves are thick and full, making for great shade on hot days.

Another "two-colored" maple is the Norway, "Drummondii" also called "Harlequin or Variegated" maple. This tree has showy, light green leaves edged in white. Though common in Europe, it is seldom seen here. Variegated maples are very bright appearing and a nice change from solid green.

The Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*) family, has green leaves in the summer. It gets its name from the tiny red flowers that cover the tops of the tree in early spring; a sign that winter is over. The foliage is not as heavy as the Norway maples. The leaves are smaller and more dainty, but this is the maple that sets the fall ablaze with dazzling shades of red, yellows and oranges. Varieties now are being grown, each trying to outdo others before, with the brightest reds, earliest, or longest lasting fall color. Even the names of these new cultivars, evoke images of a spectacular show: "October Glory," "Red Sunset," "Firedance," or "Northfire," to name a few.

The Red or Rubrum maples are very tolerant of soils but prefer slightly acid and moist soils. Old timers often call this tree,

"Swamp Maples," as native trees are often found in bottomlands, swamps and mixed forests.

The silver maple is a fast grower for "instant" shade but has a lot of liabilities as it ages. There are many superior trees, in our opinion, to choose instead.

Exception: There is a hybrid or cross between the Silver and Rubrum maple called "Autumn Blaze" that has the best features of both parents. Excellent orange-red fall color, rapid growth, strong branches, drought tolerant, and dense shade makes this newcomer a good choice.

We hope this brief description of some of the Maples will help you decide on trees to stay cool in the shade.

Send your gardening questions to "From the Ground Up" c/o this newspaper.



M.S.U. EXTENSION SERVICE

GARDEN CORNER

Summer is the peak of the growing season, and except possibly for weeds, nothing is more prolific than questions about growing concerns. Michigan State University Extension specialists answer timely queries about topics ranging from nuisance pests to vegetable gardening to tree problems.

Q. Are sowbugs insects?

A. No. Sowbugs and pillbugs, like insects, are arthropods (from Greek words meaning "joint-footed"), but they're more closely related to shrimp, lobsters and crabs than to insects. They have segmented bodies and seven pair of legs. The main difference between sowbugs and pillbugs is that pillbugs roll up into an armored ball when

disturbed. Indoors, they are attracted to humid areas and so are usually found in the basement or on the ground floor. They enter through cracks and crevices in the foundation. Outdoors, they tend to live in moist areas such as mulched flower beds, leaf litter and grass clippings, and under boards, rocks and other debris in the yard. Indoors or out, they do no damage to humans, pets or plants.

Q. What is that long, skinny insect that looks like a living twig? What does it eat?

A. This is the aptly named walking stick. These insects are leaf feeders that can be found in several species of deciduous trees. They rarely cause much damage. Their camouflage is so good that most people won't see them unless they move.

Q. I've been successful in growing some fairly demanding plants, but something as simple as carrots has me stumped. Is it something I'm doing that makes them grow forked and misshapen?

A. Most problems with carrots, starting with poor germination and ending with rough-looking roots, are due to either soil or weather. Crusting of clay soils can prevent the emergence of carrot seedlings. Heavy clay soil or compacted soil usually results in forked carrots. Hairy carrots can be caused by improper use of herbicides or excessive fertilization.

Too much rain or irrigation at the wrong time can cause roots to split. Adding organic material to clay soil, working the seedbed to a depth of 14 inches, covering carrot seeds with a layer of peat moss, sand or vermiculite instead of soil, planting a few radish seeds in with the carrots to break up a soil crust, growing carrots in raised beds, and properly using herbicides and fertilizers can help produce better carrots.

Q. What causes the leaves on maples and other trees to go all brown around the edges in summer?

A. This condition is called leaf scorch. Leaves may be tan or brown just around the edges, or the brown area may extend deep into the leaf between the veins. Causes may be dry weather, root injury that prevents the plant from taking up water, accumulation of road salt in the root zone, atmospheric pollution, soil compaction around roots and diseases such as Verticillium wilt.

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CHAMBER NOTES



Board Elects New President

The Board of Directors elected Jeff Whitman, of JumpShip Web Design and Management, as president of the Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce (MACC). The position of president became available when Bill Wagner, of Wagner Associates, resigned at the June Board of Directors meeting. Wagner has recently secured an agreement with Microsoft to author a manual for a forthcoming product and believes this new commitment will not allow him to devote the necessary time to the MACC Presidency. We wish him well and thank him for his service to the MACC.

From the President

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as the President of the Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce. I will be sending a letter to the membership in the next few days outlining what I see as the direction of the MACC. I can be reached at (734) 428-1657 and via e-mail at president@manchester-mi.org.

MACC Treats for Feats

The Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce (MACC) is sponsoring a program to reward kids. When a kid gets caught doing the right thing, without being asked, they will receive a ticket from the local police. After receiving the ticket they will take it to the business listed on the ticket to receive an ice cream cone.

Examples of ticketable offenses are: not riding their bike in a no bike-riding zone; throwing trash in the garbage can, not on the ground, or wearing a helmet while riding their bike.

It is hoped that by positively recognizing the good things that our kids are doing, we can encourage appropriate behavior and build self-esteem among our youth. We hope also to convey to the children that the businesses and leaders in this community care and support them.

Thank you to the participating businesses for participating in the program: Baker's Dozen, Black Sheep Restaurant, Chelsea Print and Graphics, Chizmar's Village Gifts, Comerica Bank, D&N Bank, Dairy Queen, JumpShip Web Design and Management, Manchester Floors, Manchester Pharmacy, Stitches, Sutton Insurance Agency, Premier Contracting, Inc., Suzanne's Interior Decorating, and Whistle Stop.

MACC urges the support of its members and friends in this program. Your donation to this program will be greatly appreciated and publicly acknowledged. Please send your donation to MACC, PO Box 521, Manchester, MI 48158.

MACC and the Internet

Many of you know that the MACC went online with a new web site last March. We are pleased with the attention the site has received. In March we hosted nearly 3,000 visitors and now are averaging around 2,000 visitors per month. The Web site has information on our meetings, local news, chamber business, and the most popular section, discussion forums for the community and the schools.

We are offering a special program to the membership where the first 10 businesses to purchase the Business Web Card will also receive a free e-mail account with an auto-responder. The Business Web Card is copy of your business card on the MACC Web Site, which will link to your personal MACC Web Page.

Sutton Insurance Agency and JumpShip Web Design and Management have the Business Web Card online. J & M Wash on Wheels and Manchester Pharmacy will be online shortly. Check them out at www.manchester-mi.org/cards

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A place you can lay your weary head

By Shawn Lawrence
Staff Writer

Five years ago, when the Curtis' first saw the old Heimerdinger farm house on Sharon Hollow Road, they had this great idea. Let's live here, open the house to guests and turn the place into a Bed and Breakfast.

Carl and Sharon Curtis are both retired, (he's a former school teacher, and she used to operate a business in Ann Arbor), and thought it might be a fun venture.

And it has been. Sharon said that a lot of people were skeptical that a bed and breakfast in Manchester could work.

"We got some funny looks," Sharon said. "A lot of people asked us 'Who would want to stay in Manchester?' But there are a lot of people who want to stay in Manchester."

Sharon said that most of their guests at The Sharon House are coming to town for weddings or funerals, reunions, to visit friends and family, for business, or just to get away for the weekend.

"People have come from as far as California and Germany," said Carl. "And they've also come from within a stone's throw. We had a man who came up (who lived just down the road) who said his furnace broke down and he wanted someone warm to stay for the night."

Sharon said that initially they weren't sure how they would feel about inviting people into the bed and breakfast which also serves as their full-time home, but said that it has been a very positive experience.

"We've met some absolutely wonderful people and made some friends," Sharon said. "I think everyone who has stayed here has left as friends. We treat them as our guests, our personal guests."

Another benefit, they said, was that there is no travel time involved in getting to work every day. However, they said it's difficult to maintain privacy when sharing their house with others.

All of the rooms, except for



Photo by Shawn Lawrence

Sharon and Carl Curtis at their bed and breakfast, the Sharon House on Sharon Hollow Road. They have operated the business in the historic farmhouse for five years.

some storage areas and one bedroom, are usually open to the guests.

"People who stay at bed and breakfasts are generally congenial and personable," Carl said. "If they are staying at a motel, they want their own space, but here, they don't mind seeing other people."

Initially, the bed and breakfast venture started out as a way to earn some supplemental income to help pay for heat and taxes, and to justify living in such a big house. But they said it has been successful beyond their expectations, and the couple doesn't advertise the business.

"We're here with more of a retirement attitude," Carl said. "We don't really want to expand the business any more than it is now."

The 4,500-square-foot home sits on seven acres in Manchester Township. Three bedrooms are let to guests. Sharon cooks a full breakfast in the morning and Carl makes the coffee and juice.

"People don't leave hungry," Sharon said.

It is a non-smoking non-alcohol residence. Children are not disallowed, but it is not a very kid-friendly home with antiques and breakables everywhere.

Rooms rent for between \$60 and \$90 per night, and reservations are appreciated, but not always an ironclad necessity.

"We certainly would like some notice if you're coming," Sharon said.

The house is decorated with a variety of collectibles, antiques and "old stuff," Carl said.

Among the displays are a collection of box cameras, a collection of pig banks, an antique china, an old post office, books, furniture and a cardboard giraffe!

There is also an array of antique and specialty mechanical music devices.

The Curtis belong to the Music Box Society International, a group of collectors and aficionados of music boxes, and much of their own collection is on display throughout the house.

There's a 1937 Wurlitzer band organ that they bought 10 years ago situated in the old kitchen.

That particular piece first traveled with a fair, and then was used on a ferry boat in Buffalo.

Another band organ they had specially built for them two years ago, done by hand with custom decorative painting on the front.

"That's our new car," Sharon said.

In addition to the many items displayed throughout the home, the house itself is a sort of

curiosity.

The hardwood floors were recycled from the old Iron Creek Schoolhouse — you can still see the screw holes in the floor where desks were mounted.

The Curtis have learned much about the old house since they have moved in — not because they have done extensive research, but largely because people who have lived in the house, or had relatives living in the house, stop by and relate old stories.

The house was built in 1885 by George Heimerdinger, a German immigrant. He lived in the house for a time, and eventually, two of his sons took over the

house until the late 1920s when it was sold to George Nollar.

Nollar ran a dairy farm at that location until the mid-1950s when he retired.

Then, for an eight- to 10-year period, the history gets a little fuzzy. For a while, the house was occupied by two families, and also stood empty for a period until the late 1960s when George Macomber bought it. While it stood abandoned, it was in bad shape and someone, so the story goes, had actually pulled a permit to burn it.

But Nollar still had rights to the house and refused to let it be

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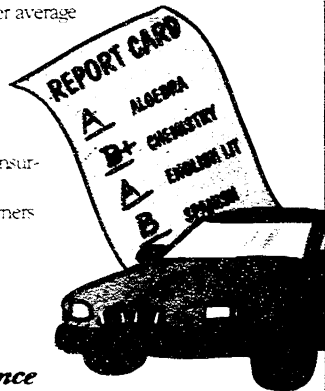


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Bridge closures will delay traffic indefinitely

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Special Writer

The Bridgewater Township Board of Trustees met on June 16 and was greeted with the announcement that a second township bridge spanning the River Raisin would be closed the following morning.



"The Wilbur County Road Commission has inspected the Wilbur Road Bridge and found it is no longer strong enough for traffic," said Supervisor Carol Peacock. This news comes close on the heels of the closure of the Wallace Road bridge, about a quarter mile away. Peacock

indicated that the township and the road commission would have to apply for funding to replace at least one of the two bridges, and that the Road Commission has sought input from the township.

"I'm not sure how much weight citizen input will have," she said. "I would anticipate the residents will want at least one of the bridges replaced and reopened."

The 103-foot-long Wilbur Road bridge is one of the longest in the county, and was a military surplus bridge. An interim plan to have a temporary bridge was discussed but no action was taken.

An authorization was signed for a haul route to be developed on Bartlett Road. The road will be brought up to Class A road status, by paving it from Allen Road to U.S.-12, upon the signing of the authorization by all five parties to the agreement:

Bridgewater and Clinton townships, Washtenaw and Lenawee county road commissions, and Adrian Sand and Stone. This will bring all parties into com-

pliance with Bridgewater Township's recently adopted ordinance requiring mining operations' haul routes to be conducted on Class A roads.

Board honors years of service to district

The Manchester School District honored several retiring employees, and recognized many others who have given long years of service to the schools at the board meeting last week.

The school board recognized high school teacher Leonard Hastings for 25 years of service; high school teacher Judy Smith for 10 years of service; high school secretary Karen Weidmayer for 10 years of service; and high school teacher June Weiland for 10 years of service.

The board also recognized middle school teacher Roger Boyce for 25 years of service; middle school secretary Charlene Goodell for 15 years of service; and middle school teacher Marjorie Scully for 25 years of service.

The board recognized elementary school teacher Carolyn Supers for 10 years of service; and elementary school teacher Suzanne Whitney for 10 years of service.

The board also gave honor to four retiring employees.

Doreen "Polly" Brokaw is retiring after serving 20 years as the food service coordinator. Walter "Jim" Hone is retiring after being a bus driver in the district for 12 years.

Elementary school teacher Janice Little is retiring after teaching for 28 years, and middle school teacher Marjorie Scully is retiring after 25 years.

The board thanked all of the honorees for their fine work, and treated them to a reception in the band room.

"This has been a matter of concern for some time," Peacock said. "It will be a big step if this can move forward. A lot of people would like to see this happen."

When asked if it was anticipated that all parties would sign the

agreement, Peacock said, "The indications are positive, but until all the papers are signed we cannot know for sure."

In other news, there was a discussion and analysis of fire, See BRIDGE — Page 8

Therapist opens local office

By Shawn Lawrence
Staff Writer

Psychotherapist Barbara Shumard is opening a private counseling practice in the village to serve people in the area who have previously been forced to travel to Adrian or Ann Arbor for psychological help.

Shumard will operate the practice at 146 East Main on a part-time basis. She will be available to meet with people on Fridays, or by appointment.

Shumard, a psychotherapist with 35 years of experience, said she specializes in children's and family services.

She said she helps families work on parent-youth conflicts, marital difficulties, trauma intervention, depression and grief, abusive situations, and a host of other problems.

She currently operates a practice in Livonia, which she has owned for 20 years, and she said she hopes her Manchester business will allow her to work more hours closer to home.

She said that her practice is somewhat unique in two ways: first, she uses the "psychodynamic" approach in counseling people, which means she takes a "total person" approach to counseling.

"I take into account not only what's happening to them psychologically, but what's happening in their environment and what may be going on with their health wise," she said.

She said her practice is also unique because she is a Christian-based therapist.

"Therapists are generally trained not to get into religious issues," she said. "My feeling about that is that's part of the whole person. If you're doing OK psychologically and medically but (your spirit) is suffering, you're not getting what you need."

Shumard, a practicing Christian, said her technique is not the general approach psychotherapists use, but she believes it is an important part of understanding the individual.

"Early on in my training, I was told not to get into religion," she said. "That (she was taught) is the place of the pastor or priest and it's too easy to get judgmental."

"But if someone is grieving, they're certainly going to want to talk about their relationship with God and why that (trauma) happened. I'm open to talking about that. It's a part of the whole."

But Shumard said her role does not include trying to convert people towards or away from religion.

"If someone has no religion, I don't tell them that's the problem," she said. "I'm not trying to convert. I'm trying to take people where they are in their spiritual journey in life."

Shumard said she is also available to speak at churches or other community organizations on topics like grief, loneliness, depression, helping the elderly, or whatever else is needed that she has some expertise in.

And although people come to her for help when they are having difficult times, she said there is a lot of joy in what she does.

"It's very humbling, quite an honor for people to let you in to work with them," she said. "We learn to laugh and people get better."

She said the one thing she would like to see more of in society in general is for people to work on loving one another.

"Whether that's in their marriages, or with their children," she said. "Parents should make sure children get spiritual guid-

ance by emphasizing ethics and morality and not letting kids raise themselves.

"I want to encourage people to find their happiness and not be so willing to live in such unhappy lives."

Shumard said that people should not be afraid to seek help when they think they need it.

"Just because you walk through a therapist's door doesn't mean you're sick, it means your health," she said. "It means you want to learn some things about yourself."

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ENGAGED: Kristy Ann Houle, daughter of Rodney Houle of Michigan Center and Brenda Moore of Chelsea, and Heath Goodell, son of Larry Goodell of Michigan Center and Stephanie Goodell of Manchester, have announced a Sept. 25 wedding. The future bride is a 1995 graduate of Saline Christian High School and is employed at Cole Funeral Chapel in Chelsea. The future bridegroom is a 1992 graduate of Manchester High School and a 1999 graduate of Michigan State University. He is employed at Reddeman Farms Golf Club.



Foster parents needed in Washtenaw County

Like many communities, Washtenaw County is in need of foster homes for children up to age 7. The demand for foster homes is greater than the number of families providing it. Foster homes are vital to children unable to remain in the family home with their parents. The reasons that these children must reside outside the home are varied, but in all cases it is important that appropriate homes are available when they are needed. Foster homes are provided by caring adults who take children into their homes on a temporary basis. Foster parents can help

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Dan Johnson, pictured here with his mother Dr. Virginia Johnson, and Optimist President Jim Achtenberg, was named the "Student of the Month" for June, in recognition of his many achievements.

'Optimist Student' is honored

Dan Johnson, a junior at Manchester High School, has been selected as the June "Student of the Month" by the Manchester Optimist Club. During Johnson's high school years he has been involved in many school and community activities. He has been on the A and B Honor roll for the past three years at the high school. Johnson has an active member of Quiz Bowl and Academic Games for three years. He has been a member of the Equations Team and

Spanish for two years, and a member of National Honor Society and Key Club for one year. Johnson has been involved in many community activities. He has worked with Christmas in April and other CCD programs. His face is familiar as he has worked for the Manchester Pharmacy and Manchester Video for the past few years. His future plans include finishing his senior year next year and going to the University of Michigan in the fall of 2000. He hopes to look into becoming a lawyer or Biochemist.

Honors

Christopher James Fillyaw of Manchester graduated Cum Laude from Michigan Technological University in Houghton. Fillyaw received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering at Spring Commencement on May 22.

Mary C. Lobbstaal of Manchester received her bachelor's degree in business administration from Western Michigan University in April. Lobbstaal is the daughter of John & Lynda Lobbstaal.

Central Michigan University recently announced its dean's

list for the spring semester. Ashley Hall, a freshman from Grass Lake. Jessica Sabin, a freshman from Grass Lake. Jennifer Murphy, a freshman from Clinton. Brandi Kruse, a sophomore from Manchester. and Suzanne Lowery, a junior from Manchester were all named to the list. Justin L. Ebersole of Manchester has been named to the Dean's List at Albion College for the spring semester. A senior majoring in political and history. Justin is the son of Loring and Linda Ebersole of Manchester.

Student named all-American

The United States Achievement Academy announced today that Joshua McCalla from Manchester has been named an All-American Scholar. The USAA has established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. The All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3, or higher, grade point average. McCalla, who attends Nellie Ackerson Middle School, will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, executive director of the United States Achievement Academy. McCalla is the son of Steve and Dawn McCalla of Manchester and the grandson of Glen and Doris McCalla of Ann Arbor. Douglas Connell of Chelsea and Bonnie Connell of Pinckney.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Bethel United Church of Christ Thursday, June 24 6 p.m. - Ice Cream Social Initial Set-up Friday, June 25 12 noon - Ice Cream Social Final Set-up ICE CREAM SOCIAL Sunday, June 27 Coffee Hour sponsored by the Cabinet Monday, June 28 5:15 p.m. - Weighdown Workshop Emanuel United Church of Christ Thursday, June 24 9:15 a.m. - Jazzercise Friday, June 25 6 p.m. Jazzercise 7 p.m. AA Saturday, June 26 9 a.m. Jazzercise 12 noon - Baton 5 p.m. Travelers return from Germany Sunday, June 27 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 3 p.m. Saline Home Worship Service Monday, June 28 6 p.m. - Jazzercise Tuesday, June 29 9:15 a.m. Jazzercise 7 p.m. Boy Scouts Manchester United Methodist Church Thursday, June 24 4 p.m. - Food Co-op Delivery Sunday, June 27 10:30 a.m. - Worship 12 noon - Farewell Potluck for Pastor Frank St. John's Lutheran Church Sunday, June 27 9:15 a.m. - Sunday School 10:30 a.m. - Worship 6:30 p.m. - Youth Group Monday, June 28 7:30 p.m. - Elders Bible Study St. Mary's Catholic Church Thursday, June 24 7 p.m. - Mass Friday, June 25 8:30 a.m. - Mass Saturday, June 26 4 - 4:45 p.m. - Confession 5 p.m. - Sunday Mass	Sunday, June 27 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. - Mass Monday, June 28 12:10 p.m. - Mass Youth Group - Cedar Point Trip Tuesday, June 29 8:30 a.m. - Mass Wednesday, June 30 8:30 a.m. - Mass Zion Lutheran Church Saturday, June 26 10 a.m. - American Cancer Relay for Life begins Sunday, June 27 8 a.m. - Alternate Worship 9:15 a.m. - Worship at Historic Zion Church 10 a.m. - Relay Ends Monday, June 28 7 p.m. - Stephen Ministry
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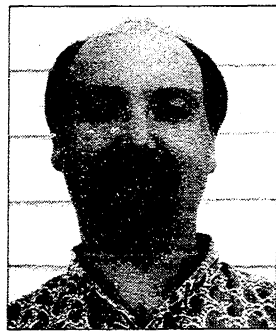
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The ENTERPRISE COMMENTARY

Street Talk

By Marsha Johnson-Chartrand
Do you support the formation of a district library in the Manchester area?



"Yes, I think everyone should have access to it. Personally, I don't think cost should be a factor when making that type of a decision."

Keith Johnson
 Sharon Township



"Sure - just because there will be more to offer if there is more financial backing. It would be a good idea because we're having a hard time keeping up with just Manchester's contribution."

Barb Eversole
 Bridgewater Township



"Yes. It's a fairer, more equitable way of financing the library. It is also fewer hassles for those who control the budget. This is something that's so important for education. I don't think the Internet is going to replace libraries - you can't curl up in bed with the Internet!"

Lee Fidge
 Manchester Township



"Absolutely. I think our library needs the funding and expansion to bring more services to the community."

Joanne Fredal
 Freedom Township



"Sure - Libraries are good things to have!"

David Robbins
 Bridgewater Township

OPINION



MARSHA JOHNSON-CHARTRAND

AFTER THOUGHTS

I've never considered myself a public speaker. If I have to think about making a speech, my stomach gets tangled up in knots and my palms get sweaty. My tongue trips over my words because I keep trying to "edit" what I'm saying. Making 3x5 cue cards is nerve wracking. It's just not something I do.

So when I was invited to speak to Mr. Krzyzaniak and Mrs. VanRaden's fourth grade class last week you would think that I was having a severe attack of the nerves. After all, I'm a writer, not a speaker.

But fortunately, that's what they wanted me to talk about.

I've done these talks before. Career Day at the middle school was an anxiety producing day, but I made it through. I operate on the firm belief that it's much easier if I know whereof I speak.

Just when you think that today's youth is a noisy, rude, troublesome, gum-chewing lot, stop in at Klager School and get your opinion changed. I found a classroom full of eager, receptive and enthusiastic students. Even during the last week of

school they understood that they had something to learn and were ready to learn it.

To make me feel less nervous at the last minute, I took along a "writer's bag of tricks." Glasses, books, pencils and pens, eraser, a journal, a notebook, thesaurus, and dictionary were stuffed quickly into a tote bag. A couple of tools I couldn't stash into the bag were my computer and my imagination - so I would just have to deal with that when I reached that part of the speech.

I hate being the only one in a room who is talking. That means everyone is looking at me. But for 10 or 15 grueling minutes, I found something to talk about, thanks to my trusty bag of tricks. I felt like Felix the Cat.

My favorite part of these talks is when I get to stop talking and let the students ask their questions. These fourth grade students had enough insightful questions to last another half an hour. Some of them were talkative and had dozens of questions, while some had no questions or just one. But their attention didn't waver and their manners were impeccable.

By the time it was over, I was almost having fun. Not that I believe that anyone will ever ask me to do public speaking for a living, but I found out once more that it can be survived. The kids even gave me a round of applause at the end of my visit. I almost did feel like a real public speaker.

It was rewarding to have Mr.

"K" tell me a few days later that one of the students had taken his small notebook on a tour of the middle school. He was taking notes, just like a good writer should. Wow, this kid not only heard me, he listened! I was impressed and perhaps a little flattered.

Both teachers say they believe there are a lot of prospective writers in this class. Maybe I'd better be watching out for the competition.

On another topic, as a member of the District Library Planning Committee for the Manchester community, I am often asked why the library is thinking of changing.

My first response is the fact that the community itself has changed a great deal in the past 20 or 30 years. We used to be Sleepy Rock (the location of the 1980's camp movie, "The Carrier") but are quickly moving into the status of a "bedroom community" for Ann Arborites.

Manchester is the last frontier in Washtenaw County. All of the other small towns - and much of the space in between - have grown up and filled up. Where else are people going to go?

As the community grows, so does our need for a library. The friendly, cozy little white house on the corner has served us well for 60 years. But it has become cozier and cozier over the last five years.

Shelves have been built halfway up the windows.

Shelves are crammed in the hallway. The "used book sale" in the basement is filled with treasures that might have stayed on the shelves, but the staff needs to make room for more new books to meet the demands of a growing and literate community. It's simple to see we need more space.

A district-wide library would also provide more equitable and reliable funding. Most people don't even realize that the

our primary base of patrons." And now that bad word, taxes, has come into the discussion. No one likes to pay extra taxes. In fact, no one likes to levy taxes, either.

The primary problem with this plan would be from a public relations standpoint. The vote would have to be district-wide, and not conducted by township.

"Before even approaching the school board, we'll go back to the townships to be fair," said Davies.

The fact is, books, and the other services provided by a library, cost money. They cost a lot more money than they used to. Funding for the library has not increased at the same pace as the rate of inflation. Donations from the community were generous in response to a recent crisis when it was feared the library might have to close its doors. It's obvious that folks in Manchester value what the library has to offer.

Contrary to rumor, the salaries of library staff have not skyrocketed in recent years. The staff has received modest raises, as have most people in public and private business. The library works on a tight budget that is carefully and continuously monitored.

The District Library Planning Committee is composed of representatives from Manchester Village and Manchester, Freedom and Bridgewater Townships. Sharon Township declined the opportunity to send official representation to the meet-

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Baby boomers: retirement is closer than you think



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MONEY MANAGEMENT

Baby boomers beware. Retirement is closer than you think.

And to make matters worse, you may not be able to rely on the government and your employer to fund a secure retirement.

There are several reasons for that, reports the Michigan Association of CPAs. First, more and more companies are phasing out guaranteed pensions and shifting toward defined contribution plans, such as the 401(k), where the plan's benefits depend on how much the employee contributes and how successfully he or she invests those contributions.

Then there is the widely held

belief that Social Security might not be around, at least not in its present form. Add to that the poor savings habits attributed to the baby boomers generation and you have the need for serious thinking.

The bottom line is that, if you're a baby boomer, you had better start saving for retirement like you mean it. The sooner you get serious about it, the better off you will be. By exploiting the following strategies, CPAs say baby boomers can still achieve a level of retirement security.

Maximize 401(k) Plans
 Employer-sponsored 401(k) plans that boast tax-deductible contributions and tax-deferred earnings along with generous employer matches are the best hope for millions of baby boomers. If you don't do anything else, contribute every dollar you can, up to the maximum allowed.

Also, be sure to make the most of your employers match. Moreover, if your plan allows after-tax contributions, go for it. You won't get the deduction, but the tax-deferred feature of

401(k) plans means your money grows faster.

Don't Be Too Conservative
 Numerous studies have found that employees tend to invest too conservatively. The challenge for boomers is to invest aggressively enough to overcome a late start, but not enough to seriously jeopardize their future. Most experts agree that with retirement 10 or more years away you can still invest a substantial portion of your long-term retirement savings for growth in stocks or stock mutual funds, as long as your portfolio is sufficiently diversified.

Stocks can be potentially volatile investments, but history has shown that over the long term they tend to be the most profitable. As you move closer to retirement, you can begin to move your funds into more conservative investments.

Fund An IRA Or Keogh
 Traditional Individual Retirement savings program. Depending on your income and other factors, your contribution may be fully, partially or not at all deductible. In any case,

CPAs point out that the greatest tax savings with IRAs is not in the initial IRA contribution, but in the tax-deferred compounding of interest.

The same thinking hold true for Roth IRAs. While contributions to a Roth IRA are not deductible, they, too, accumulate earnings entirely tax deferred. The added benefit of the Roth IRA is that distributions in general are tax free.

If you have self-employment income, set up a Keogh Plan and make regular tax-deductible contributions. Like other qualified retirement plans, earnings from Keoghs are tax-deferred.

Don't Discount Social Security Entirely

You can expect a Social Security check when you retire, but it's likely that the benefit you receive will replace a smaller percentage of your income - and you're likely to find that more of your Social Security benefit will be subject to tax. For an estimate of how much you'll get when you retire, call the Social Security Administration (SSA) at 800-

772-1213 and ask for a "Request for Earnings and Benefits Estimate Statement" form. Check your form carefully to make certain that the SSA has recorded your wages accurately.

Stop Spending So Much
 Heed the financial advice of experts and pay yourself first. Have your bank transfer a fixed amount each month to a savings or mutual fund. What you don't see, you won't miss - and more importantly - you can't spend.

If you're lucky enough to reach the point where your mortgage is paid off or you've paid that last college tuition bill, you'll have a large chunk of money you can redirect into saving for retirement.

Pay Off Your Home Mortgage
 A home of your own stabilizes your living costs and provides inflation protection. In your retirement, the equity you have built up in your home can become a valuable source of income. You can sell your home, move into a smaller one and live off the profits. When you own your own home, you also

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Actions reflect on community

When I was little I used to think how great Manchester was. But after 15 years of living here, I am realizing how much of a joke it really is.

I look at Manchester as if it was a bicycle, and the other schools around us are like a Jaguar. We wonder why Manchester isn't growing. Well, what do we have to offer? Our schools are small and old. When you pull into the High School, it is like pulling into a trailer park with all the portables out front.

Why would anybody want to move to a community that has become as divided as this one? Why put your child in a school that is not run the best; where if something goes wrong, it just gets worse?

There is a saying that goes, "You get what you give." This simply says that what you put in is what you get out. Well, we put nothing into our schools. We fight among ourselves and if we have a problem or dislike someone, we just push them out or just get rid of them.

When new coaches or teachers come to Manchester we say that they need to learn our way, but we don't grow up and realize that they run the show and are the boss and we

don't run to someone higher up because we don't get our way.

We are guilty of pointing the finger at people we don't like, and blaming them for things. For example, Mr. Easley tries to do his job to the best of his ability, but he has to try to do two jobs. It's easy for people to just sit around and wait for a problem so they can point the finger in his direction.

When we do stuff like this to people, how can we expect to get any better or get better people? If they make a mistake or don't do things our way, we just get rid of them or drag them through the gutter.

I am ashamed to say I am from Manchester, because people will just laugh at me. I'm tired of it and I don't see it getting any better for awhile.

Jeff Panches

Schools' focus needs to return to kids

After the recent school board election I was disappointed that I didn't win a seat. Upon contemplation, however, I realize that the people who didn't vote for me actually

did me a favor.

The composition of the current board as well as the new board does not bode well for the community. They have managed to take a molehill and make it a mountain. If the issue of renewing the basketball coach's contract has dragged on this long, what do we have to look forward to on more important issues?

The board strikes me as being interested in running the schools, not in being an advisory board, which is what they are supposed to be. I question the wisdom of some of their decisions of late.

At the last special meeting a lot of information was read to the audience by a couple of board members. Unfortunately, not all of it was correct, but that doesn't seem to matter.

There are a number of problems in our schools, the least of which is how good of a sportsman the basketball coach is. Some people's opinions will never be changed.

One student is going to be home-schooled because of death threats she has received. My son, Jeff, has had two death threats - one fairly serious just within the last two weeks.

Let's get our focus back to where it should be - the students.

Evelyn M. Panches

The Manchester Enterprise welcomes letters to the editor. Our policy is as follows.

All letters must be signed and include an address and telephone number for verification purposes. Letters can be sent via e-mail to standard@globalbiz.net, although your address and telephone number should be included as well.

1. We ask that letters be limited to 500 words.
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4. We favor letters that address issues of local interest, although letters about any topic of general interest are welcome.
5. All letters must be received by 5 p.m. on Friday to be considered for publication in the next issue.

Boy, 11, saves mother with Heimlich maneuver

By Shawn Lawrence
Staff Writer

A quick-thinking 11-year-old boy saved his mother's life by performing the Heimlich maneuver on her as she was choking on a piece of candy last week.

Brent Long, a fifth-grader at Ackerson Middle School, has always been interested in medicine, according to his mother Jayne Long.

Brent had recently finished

reading a book on emergency first-aid, and when he saw his mother grasping her throat, he sprang into action.

Jayne, of Manchester Township, said she was eating a piece of candy on her way out of the Golden Nugget Restaurant in the Irish Hills when it became lodged in her throat.

"I just started choking," she said. "I walked outside the restaurant and started to pass out.

"I did panic a little bit," she said "I kept thinking just relax and it will (go down), but my airway was totally blocked and then I couldn't see anything."

Brent said that as he was walking out of the restaurant, when he saw his mother start choking and dropping the things she was carrying.

"I just turned around and did the Heimlich and then she was fine," he said. "It wasn't really very scary — maybe a little, well,

sort of a lot."

"It was a very weird feeling," Jayne said.

"Nobody was sure what to do and here this little kid comes up and does it (the Heimlich maneuver). I get goosebumps when I think about it."

Brent said he doesn't think of himself as a hero: "Well, to my mom, maybe."

He said he has wanted to be a doctor for as long as he can remember, and he reads a lot of

books on medicine, but he has not taken any classes in first aid.

"I just was looking at books and I figured out how to do the Heimlich maneuver and CPR and so I did the Heimlich and it worked," Brent said.

"This just goes to show how important it is for people to know what to do (in an emergency situation)," Jayne said.

Jayne said that after the night's events, she allowed Brent to stay up a little past his

bedtime to watch TV.

"I couldn't really say no." The American Red Cross and other agencies frequently host first-aid and cardio-pulmonary resuscitation classes at area hospitals and other locations that are open to the public free of charge.

HOUSE

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destroyed.

The home was also in jeopardy in 1989 during a tornado that destroyed an outbuilding and blew the garage roof into the woods nearby.

"It's withstood some threats to its existence," Carl said.

Macomber eventually sold the home to his daughter and son-in-law, Del and Shirley Sparks, who restored the house.

"They did a beautiful job," Sharon said. "They put a lot of their heart and soul into this house."

The home has remained relatively unchanged since that time. After the Sparks' family owned the home, it was sold to the Gillies family, and then the Potters' family who owned it until the Curtis' bought it.

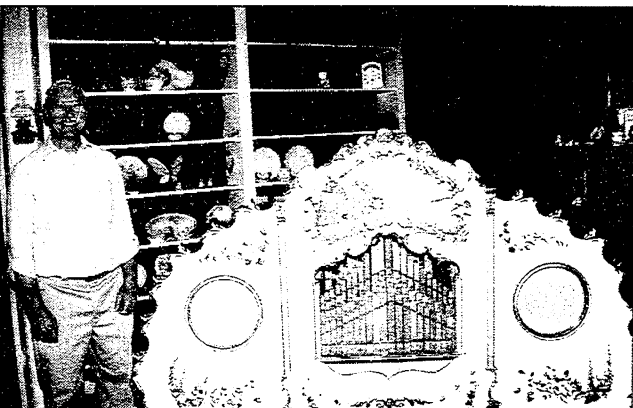
"We still get visitors," Sharon said. "People stop by with their children to show them where they grew up. That's neat for us."

Sharon and her husband love their home, and they said they are happy to be able to open it to guests.

"We don't feel like the owners of the home," Carl said. "We are the current caretakers. It's a piece of history and we're here to perpetuate it."



The old farm house that now serves as the Sharon House bed and breakfast has stood the test of time. For more than 100 years, the house has weathered storms and neglect to remain one of the gems in Manchester Township. The rooms (above) rent for between \$60 and \$90 a night, and the house itself is filled with collections and curios. Carl Curtis (below, left) is shown here with one of the couple's band organs, and the cardboard giraffe (below, right) is just one more of the many surprises that await guests.



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cue and medical runs, and how to charge for uncollected bills on fire department runs.

An updated fee schedule for special land use and site plan fees was presented.

There was discussion on continuing problems with low voltage from Detroit Edison which remains widespread throughout the township.

"Detroit Edison informs me they are continuing to work on upgrades," said Peacock. "It will be handled in three phases, with the final completion in November."

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Civil War band to perform in gazebo concert

Next week on July 1, the Gazebo Summer Concert series will feature a very special band in honor of the Fourth of July holiday.

The 5th Michigan Regiment Band, an authentic Civil War brass band, will perform Civil War period music in authentic military uniforms and with reproduction custom-made instruments.

The band has revived the American Civil War period by performing at reenactments, festivals, parades and special events across the country since 1973.

Civil War band history

When political unrest in the United States reached its peak in 1861, Michigan men volunteered for the Union Force and began their participation in the Civil War.

In August of that year, the 5th Michigan Volunteer Infantry was formed. The men, mostly Livingston County residents, gathered at Fort Wayne in Detroit. They fought together for nearly four years, repeatedly displaying courage and valor. Colonel John Gilluly, the 5th Michigan's first field grade commander, was killed at the Battle of Rappahannock and later buried in Brighton.

At the Battle of Gettysburg, the 5th Michigan fought from the beginning and in one hour, 105 men, about half the regiment, were wounded or killed. At the end of the war, 75-percent of the 5th Michigan soldiers were casualties.

When the regiment was initially formed, some 20 foot soldiers were selected for their musical ability to become the 5th Michigan's band, assuming the task of creating a fighting spirit. Civil War bands were almost exclusively brass and percussion, a sound that instilled men with patriotism and inspiration.

Bands of the Union and Confederate armies were noteworthy in the American military brass band movement, for they promoted the development and refinement of keyed and valued

brass instruments.

Regiment band revival

For 108 years following the war, the 5th Michigan Regiment bandsmen were a memory. In 1973, however, the group was reborn as a Bicentennial project.

In keeping with the authenticity of the Civil War Regimental Bands, the present day 5th plays music of the era on custom-made replica over-the-shoulder sax-horns with a repertoire specially arranged for them.

Civil War bands typically have 12 to 18 musicians with a maximum of 22 members. Period over-the-shoulder brass sax-horns were accompanied by wood rope tension bass and snare drums. Band members wore dark blue wool sack coats and pants fashioned with pewter button-flies. Their hats, called kepis, were made of wool and leather and bore a regiment's insignia. A bugle on the top of the hat denoted infantry.

The 5th Michigan Regiment Band also had a diamond corps insignia on the top. Today's 5th Michigan Regiment Band is authentic in number, instrumentation and dress.

Civil War bands typically performed in a circle. The music included marches, polkas, schottisches and waltzes. They took part in parades, military balls and musters on both sides of the Mason-Dixon Line. Today's 5th Michigan Regiment Band plays more than 150 authentic pieces, many transcribed from records at the Library of Congress in Washington D. C.

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inal piano scores, selections from the 3rd New Hampshire (Federal) stationed at Port Royal, S.C. and excerpts from the Brass Band Journal, New York, New York.

Band strives for authenticity

Many Civil War bands had a colorguard that included flag-bearers and artillery soldiers to protect the flags. Today's 5th Michigan Regiment Band is represented by the USA Civil War era flag and the 5th Michigan Regimental flag. Names of battles the unit participated in are stitched on the cotton and silk banner. The artillery soldiers are armed with muskets, consistent with the period.

Spouses, friends and children often traveled with the troops to battle. They sat at a distance and watched; history even records picnics and a prevailing social attitude. Between 1860 and 1865, a woman typically wore pantaloons, a modesty slip, hoop camisole and petticoats under a

skirt and bodice. Clothing was fastened with hooks and eyes or buttons.

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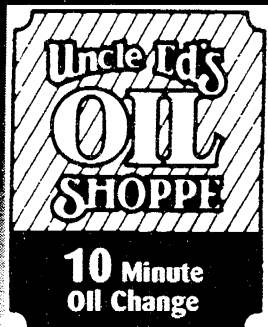
The 5th Michigan Regiment Band plays authentic Civil War music on custom made instruments, and is coming to Manchester on July 1.

along with gloves or half-gloves called mitts. Today's 5th Michigan Band is accompanied by a group of ladies who are authentic in dress and behavior. Today's 5th Michigan consists of 30 members who are musicians, color guard and support persons.

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Community Resource Center changing with the times

By Shawn Lawrence
Staff Writer

■ After 11 years, the Community Resource Center continues to evolve to meet the changing needs of the community

Eleven years ago, when the Community Resource Center first opened, it was designed as a temporary emergency center to help displaced workers when, Double A Products, a major employer in town, shut down.

The state-sponsored program was supposed to last six months, but when that time period came and went, the board of directors for the CRC, (comprised of local residents) decided it liked what it saw and wanted the group to stick around.

Today, the CRC helps everyone from children seeking music lessons to people with mental health problems.

"There are a lot of people in Manchester who don't know what we do," said CRC Director Diane Schwab. "They just see that things get done and they don't know who's doing it."

Which is fine with Schwab. She doesn't care who gets the credit, she just wants the organization.

The CRC is a non-profit organization that operates almost entirely on a volunteer basis.

Ten volunteer board members oversee the group, and more than 50 regular volunteers help provide the services, which include delivering meals to home-bound seniors, passing out food to needy people, providing counseling to adults and children with mental, emotion-

Group shifts focus to meet community needs

al or other problems, parenting classes, providing transportation for disabled people or people with no vehicles, and a wide variety of other programs. The center is also largely a referral center. If Schwab can't

"The volunteers are the only way to meet the needs of the community."

— Diane Schwab
CRC Director

solve your problem, whatever it may be, she probably knows someone who can.

Schwab said the center gets calls for help on a wide range of topics every day, and they can provide referrals to people who need help finding work, housing, food, medical assistance, child care or virtually any human service.

People also call the center looking for information about taxes, local community events, local businesses — she even had one person call her to

request a fan in his apartment. Two days later, he had his fan, at no charge.

"I get tickled every now and then at the questions people call me with," Schwab said. "But if you use the attitude that no question is a dumb question, then you just answer them."

The CRC also works in tandem with a number of other groups such as law enforcement, schools, parents, county agencies, counselors, social workers and other emergency groups to help provide services to the community.

Schwab said it's the volunteers who make it all possible — from the people who volunteer to serve on the CRC Board of Directors, and the Girl Scouts who go door-to-door to collect food for the hungry.

"The volunteers are the only way to meet the needs of the community," she said. "That's the only way you can do it. There's no money to do what needs to be done — they do it."

The center is funded by a number of groups, agencies and individuals.

Nearly 60 percent of the \$30,000 annual budget comes from grants from the county and other governmental units.

About 20 percent comes from two major fundraisers (a banquet sponsored by Chelsea Hospital, and a golf tournament) and private individual and business donations.

The remaining 20 percent comes from the Emanuel United

Church of Christ, the Village of Manchester and the United Way.

Schwab said that the CRC is constantly evolving in an effort to meet the needs of the community, and to help people who fall through the cracks.

She said that in the future, the CRC is planning to focus more on children's preventing problems first rather than solving them later.

Within the last year, she attended a workshop in Howell on asset building in youth. The seminar was based on a study by the Search Institute, a research group out of Minneapolis, which stated that successful and healthy children exhibit 40 specific "assets" which are essential to well-rounded youths.

The assets cover a range of topics from proper support and empowerment to positive identity and values.

Schwab said that she wants to begin to incorporate this program into the school system and the community through the CRC by involving teachers, parents, administrators and other community people and organizations.

She recently conducted a survey, prepared by the Search Institute, of Manchester students in an effort to begin to identify which of the 40 assets are prevalent in the community and which are lacking.

The results of the study will be shared with the school community soon along with the proposal to begin an asset-minded

approach to child development.

Schwab will give a preliminary presentation on asset building at the next school board meeting.

"It's a good, basic philosophy," she said. "Getting the parents involved in kids' lives is real prevention that's long term."

Schwab said that people are beginning once again to understand the important role of parenting.

"As parents, we're not prepared," she said. "In the sixth grade (for instance), we don't know what abilities they need to have. Kids need adults. Kids need good role models. We've forgotten that."

"Kids (aren't given) the same priority as they (were) when I was growing up, and we need to change that."

"We're a small town, but we have to think big," she said.

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Chamber of Commerce names new president

By Shawn Lawrence
Staff Writer

Manchester resident Jeff Whitman was named as the new president of the Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce last week.

Whitman replaces acting chamber president Scott Gindlesberg, who took over when former chamber president Bill Wagner resigned.

Whitman was elected unani-



Jeff Whitman

mously by the chamber board of directors, and will serve until September when another election will be held.

Whitman said he has two main goals he hopes to accomplish with the chamber.

First, he said he wants to help the chamber re-identify what their purpose is and redefine its objectives.

"I want the chamber to be a recognizable entity in the community," Whitman said.

"There seems to be some lack of understanding of its purpose and I want to make that clear to

not only our membership but also to those we would like to be part of the chamber."

Whitman said his second goal is to establish strong ties with other agencies, groups and organizations in the community to help deliver better and more efficient services to the community.

"There seems to be a lot of fragmentation in the community regarding working together on projects that are similar in nature," he said.

"There seems to be a lot of overlap. The community is at a point right now where it is big enough that we need to be able to do some things that have been difficult in the past because of financial resources."

He said that facilitating better communication between the various organizations in the community would go a long way towards improving community services and programs, and that is an area he will concentrate on with the chamber.

Whitman, 42, has lived in the area with his wife Rebecca for 11 years, and he has four children.

He works as a corporate pilot for the Eaton Corporation in Ohio, and he operates his own business, JumpShip Web Design and Management, a firm he created last year.

JumpShip created and maintains the chamber's Web site at www.manchester-mi.org, a community-based resource center covering a variety of Manchester topics on the internet.

He moved away from the town of DeWitt, north of Lansing, when his job required him to relocate, and he said Manchester has been the right choice for him and his family.

"We looked at the various

communities within commuting distance and (based on) a combination of cost of living and quality of life, Manchester was obvious right away," he said.

Whitman said that the chamber is currently composed of nearly 100 members, nearly all with businesses or organizations in the immediate Manchester area.

Whitman said he also hopes to grow the size of the chamber membership, and also the scope of activities which the group sponsors.

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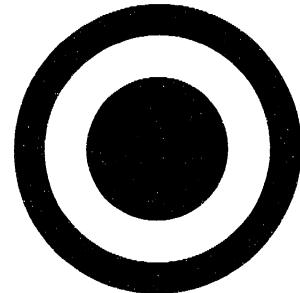
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Basketball coach appointment delayed again

By Shawn Lawrence
Staff Writer

A final decision on the fate of the varsity basketball coach, promised by the school board last week, has again been delayed.

A vote on appointing Matt Seidl as head basketball coach ended in another three to three tie, with one board member absent.

The board initially considered appointing Seidl last month, but was unable to reach a consensus at that time.

The vote ended in a three to three tie that time also, with board members Ron Ellison, Brian Evans and Wayne Winzenz voting in favor of appointing Seidl and board members Paul Kluge, John Ochs and Brad Roberts voting against. Trustee Emory Garlick abstained from that vote and the board agreed to take up the issue again two weeks later.

At that meeting, however, Garlick asked the board for more time to meet with parents and students to discuss the issue, and the item was postponed until a special meeting, which took place last week. The meeting was set specifically to deal with the coaching appointment.

At that meeting, board members Ellison, Kluge and Winzenz voted in favor of appointing Seidl, and members Garlick, Ochs and Roberts voted against.

Board member Brian Evans was not in attendance.

The issue may be revisited at the June 28 board meeting.

It appears Seidl will be appointed at that time since Evans has previously voted in favor of the coach, but if it is not resolved then, it will have to be decided by the new school board which consists of one new member, Polly Jo Deacons, who was elected to replace board president Winzenz who did not seek reelection. Losing Winzenz means Seidl loses a vote in favor of his appointment, bringing the board to a 3-3 tie again meaning Deacons' vote would sway the board in either direction.

Seidl said he believes he has the votes for the appointment if all of the board members are present to vote. But he said if he hears that any board members in favor of his appointment might be absent from the June 28 meeting, he will probably remove his name from consideration.

The issue of the coach's appointment has divided sentiment among the school community between those who like Seidl's competitive approach, and those who believe he has a problem controlling his temper.

Seidl was disciplined by the district and the Michigan High School Athletic Association last season for receiving two technical fouls in one game. He was suspended for one game by the MHSAA and received an additional game's suspension by the school administration.

He was also required to enroll in a course in anger management by the district, which he did successfully complete.

Seidl said he was surprised to find himself embroiled in the middle of a controversy and said he has stood back and watched the spectacle in amazement.

"It's been a soap opera," he said. "I've coached for 17 years and never seen anything like this."

He said he's not precisely sure why his appointment has become a point of contention for so many, but said he suspects it is a combination of people who have personal grudges against him and people who have been given misinformation.

"I'm under scrutiny," he said. "If you're a head coach, a board member, a principal, you're going to have some people who just don't agree with you."

"As a coach, you develop thick skin," he said. "When their kids are involved, parents become kind of crazy. You just accept that."

But Seidl said he believes he has the support of the kids he coaches and their parents.

"If you took a vote of the people who have actually dealt with me, it would be very one-sided in my favor. If I didn't have player and parent support, I would be gone."

He also said he thought the board was spending too much time on this one issue at the peril of other, more important business facing the district.

"We accept the superintendent's resignation and appoint an interim in five minutes, but we spend over an hour on the basketball coach; something's

wrong there," he said.

But critics of Seidl point to his personnel record as evidence that he is not a good role model for young men.

Last season, an MHSAA official, after ejecting Seidl from a game, wrote in a report that Seidl offered to step outside to discuss the matter before being escorted from the building by security.

Seidl also resigned from the team after the school administration slapped him with a harsher punishment than the MHSAA doled out for the incident.

He did return to the team to finish coaching the season, but some critics maintained that he did not set a good example by quitting.

The board has also heard allegations that Seidl used harsh language in front of the students.

Some parents have also criticized Seidl for having a win-at-

all-costs approach to the game, and have accused him of not being a good sportsman.

Roberts, one of the board members who voted against Seidl's appointment, said he believes the board will make a decision at its next meeting. Roberts said that he was basing his vote on information contained in Seidl's personnel file, but Seidl said that his file did not tell the whole story.

"To be fair to Matt, he (Seidl) said that not all of the information was in his personnel file," Roberts said. "I want to give him the chance to provide more information before the next board meeting."

"I feel I have to be fair on both sides. If he has a piece of information I don't have, I'm going to look at it."

"I personally have nothing against Matt Seidl," Roberts said. "I think he knows the sport and he can teach the kids, but I think if there's a problem

there, he needs to address it." Seidl admits he has made some mistakes, but said he is being unfairly singled out for what he believes are petty offenses. He said he does not believe he has a problem with anger.

"I'm a competitor," he said, "more than anything they've

ever seen at Manchester. I'm going to stay that way. They knew that when I was hired."

"I wish this situation would go away but it won't," he said. "I'm either going to coach at Manchester next year or somewhere else. I'd rather coach at Manchester."

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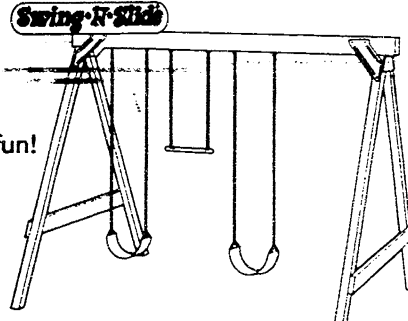
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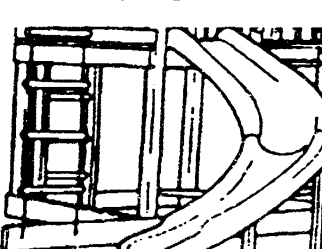
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They gave the following awards: Fire chief: \$2,000; assistant chiefs: \$500; captains: \$300; lieutenants: \$200; secretary-treasurer: \$1,000; and fire marshal: \$300.

Lyle Wiedmayer said he believed the secretary-treasurer was entitled to more money because of the volume of paperwork he is required to complete.

"He is required by the state to make out a report for every run we have," Wiedmayer said. "We can get two or three a week, and there's quite a lot of detail involved. I think that needs a little consideration in our new budget."

Mann said he agreed that the secretary-treasurer deserved more compensation.

"But on the same token, I don't think we can afford to pay anybody what they are really worth on the fire department," Mann said. "They don't (volunteer) because of the money. They do it because they want to be firemen and because they want to give something back to the community."

Mann said that the awards the township gives are in effect to help defray costs the fire fighters incur as a result of their positions.

The board did not take any action on Wiedmayer's suggestion because they only award salaries at the end of the year. If the secretary-treasurer is going to receive a raise, it will take place in the June meeting of 2000.

The board scheduled a public hearing for 8 p.m. Monday at the township hall. The public is

invited to inspect the township's proposed budget for the next fiscal year, and offer input before the board passes a final draft of the budget.

A special meeting will immediately follow the public hearing for the board members to vote on the budget.

The board sent a resolution to Washtenaw County asking for assistance for the Southwest Washtenaw Council of Governments (SWCOG), a regional planning group that is

trying to research and analyze growth trends and community planning options.

Mann said that the township is facing many new questions in growth that it has not faced in the past.

He said that under the township's current master zoning map, the township is allowing for growth, which would triple or quadruple the population of the township.

"That's what we're zoned for right now," he said. "If that's what we want, fine. If not, we

need to look at the zoning (plan).

Mann said that zoning and growth issues were not a simple matter for the township.

On one side of the issue are people who want to preserve the character of the township and stop growth.

"But I don't want to tell someone who's owned property for years and years that they can't divide it up and sell it for a return on their investment," Mann said. "Where's the balance? I don't know. That's the question we need to answer."

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the discontent in the school community over leadership recently, and he hopes this move will put that to rest.

"I'm hopeful that on July 1, we can move forward into a new year and a whole new future," he said. "And I think we will."

"The widespread feeling in the community was that it was time for him to move on."

"This has been a difficult situation for the past year or two, and this is just the way it turned out," Kluge said.

He said there were many factors which led to Niedzwiecki's resignation, and no one single issue which caused him to resign.

High school Principal Robert Smith was unanimously appointed interim superintendent by the board, which will now begin the process of searching for a new permanent superintendent. Smith will receive an \$8,000 raise with his new duties.

Smith has the option of applying for that position, but is not automatically a candidate.

The search process for a new superintendent will take many months, and involves advertising for the position and creating

a superintendent committee of board members to research and interview candidates. Kluge said the process will be conducted in public for the residents to follow what is happening along the way.

He said he expects the school will have a new superintendent in place no later than one year from now.

Niedzwiecki's last day in the district is June 30.

Kluge said the qualities he is looking for in a new superintendent are honesty, integrity, respect for people's dignity and competence in running the school system.

"I think (Niedzwiecki) did the best he could, much to his credit," Kluge said. "Early on, there were problems with school facilities and he handled a lot of those problems."

Niedzwiecki said he has not made plans for his future, but he is considering retiring from education altogether, or working in the private sector.

"I've enjoyed my 13 years in Manchester," he said. "I've had the opportunity to work with some outstanding board members, faculty and staff."

"I've also met some wonderful parents and I really feel lucky to have had the opportunity to work with their children."

Local artist featured in gallery

Manchester resident Nancy A. Michaelson is Washington Street Gallery's featured artist for the month of July.

Michaelson's exhibit, "Through the Veil," will be open from July 6 through July 31 with a reception for the artist on Friday evening, July 9, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

This year, Michaelson was selected by the National Parks Association as Artist-in-Residence at Mammoth Cave National Park in Kentucky, and spent the month of April painting throughout the Park. At least one of these paintings will be a part of the Washington Street show.

"My paintings are full of strong visual analogies," Michaelson said.

She said she often starts with a wash of color or several layers of color and looks at these as "veils to be penetrated."

The Washington Street Gallery in Ann Arbor is open Thursday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

VOLUNTEER

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The newest member of the Manchester Family Services Board is Mary Sue Moore. Currently, Moore serves as the assistant secretary of the board and decided to serve "because I was asked."

"The board wanted someone to represent each of the churches and needed a volunteer from Bethel Church," she explains. "I've done a lot of volunteer work through the church over the years and this was a natural extension."

A commitment to volunteer service in the community as well as in her church began for her long ago while Moore was an active room parent in school, and she and her husband were also members of the Athletic Boosters. She also served on the United Fund Board, precursor to the Manchester United Way, for several years.

"I went from having a route in my neighborhood, to becoming the Rural Chairman," she said.

Moore's talents as a musician have also led her to various volunteer opportunities.

"I am one of several who play at weekly German church ser-

vices at the Saline Evangelical Home," she says, adding that she has also accompanied solo and ensemble entries for years and played for the Baccalaureate services for many graduating classes of Manchester High School.

Time is indeed a precious commodity and the time donated by so many is what makes things tick — in Manchester and everywhere else.

Those who volunteer, whether it's on a church board, Farm

Bureau, Scouts, or other organization, are often the same folks who are the movers and shakers in a community. When those people have something to say, it means something.

"There's a whole lot that can be done in and for the community," said Mann. "It makes a good community when people are involved. That's how things do get done and how they should be done."

"Sometimes you just have to get up and take your turn."

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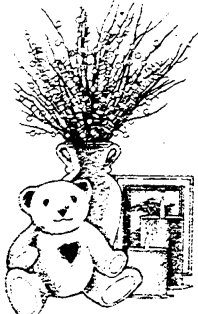
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Orphaned animals are best left in the wild

It is a beautiful sunny day. You are walking through the quiet woods or in a rustic area where all is peaceful. Then you see it, a small abandoned fawn, huddled down, hoping you won't notice it. But is it really abandoned? Probably not. What should you do? Probably nothing. That sounds cruel doesn't it? It probably isn't, though.

Most often, when young wildlife is found alone in the wild, it is not abandoned, nor does it need your help. The mother is most likely somewhere nearby, waiting for you to leave so she can return to her baby. Then the two of them can continue to go about their business as they were before you arrived on the scene.

This advice, if you can call it that, is not just for those who happen upon baby deer. All of Mother Nature's creatures are capable of protecting and rearing their young and can usually do a much better job of it than you, as an adoptive parent can.

Unless you are sure that the parent is no longer able to care for the creature, whether it may



JERRY D. POSEY

ABOUT THE OUTDOORS

be a baby bunny with its eyes barely open, or a young robin that is still unable to fly, leave it alone. Just because it is alone does not mean it is orphaned or abandoned, unless you find the dead parent nearby.

It is against the law in most states to take wild animals captive, and that is exactly what you are doing if you take it home to care for it. Most foundlings do not need your assistance and will probably be better off if you just leave them where they are and leave the area. If you want to be sure the animal needs help, leave it alone and quietly check on it the next day, or later

that day, depending on the situation.

If the animal is gone when you return it was probably not injured or abandoned at all and has moved on as it would if you had not come upon the scene.

If the animal is taken home you may find that caring for it is more than you bargained for. It takes a lot of time and effort to properly provide the care needed to raise any wild animal. You may find it difficult to find the proper food needed in some cases. Trips to the vet may cost more than you are willing to invest.

If a young animal is to survive in the wild it must have survival training provided by a parent, this is the way these skills are passed on. If the animal is taken in and raised by yourself or another human, then released into the wild later, there is a good chance it may not know to survive. Though you did your best, there are things it must learn that you cannot teach it and it will be severely handicapped without these skills.

After being raised and cared

for, a wild animal released at a later date would have no idea where to find natural food or even what it looks like after being fed every day in its own little food dish.

Another thing that many people don't consider when attempting to provide aid, whether needed or not, is the possibility of being bitten or injured by an animal that is being picked up by a large human, the likes of which it has never seen.

Many animals will bite or scratch in self defense when aid is being attempted, and you can never tell what diseases or infections are present in situations of this kind.

It is a natural response to want to provide care or aid to an abandoned or injured animal, but this type of help is best left to those that are trained in this sort of thing.

I'm not saying that a caring person should just walk on by and forget they saw an animal that may have needed help. But I am saying you should look the situation over carefully and be sure your help is really needed

before you get involved. If you feel you must get involved, do the following:

-Do not touch the animal, try to determine if it is really abandoned or injured, perhaps by leaving and returning later.

-If you decide that it is abandoned or injured and really needs help, contact your local DNR officer, or nature center and ask for advice.

-Call your local veterinarian for advice. He may just tell you the same things I have said in

this column, but when it comes from someone of authority it may mean more.

-Then, as a last resort, you may want to take the animal home and do your best to help it to survive. I don't think there are many of us who can just let a situation like this pass if we are sure the creature will surely die if we don't do something.

I know that many will not agree with my advice in that last paragraph but that is my personal feeling.

Heart disease puts entire nation at risk

From the American Heart Association

If statistics remain constant, 35 million of today's 83 million children will eventually die of heart and blood vessel disease. The American Heart Association warns that heart disease does not respect age — or the lack of it. It strikes infants, children, and teens. America's children are its greatest resource, so, in a sense, cardiovascular disease is putting our entire nation at risk.

Children exhibit the same risk factors as adults when it comes to heart disease. Weight, blood pressure, cholesterol levels, activity level, and exposure to smoking are all variables in determining the health of your child's heart. Michigan children are at increased risk of suffering from cardiovascular disease due to the following facts:

Michigan children are the heaviest in the nation, with 37 percent of girls and 38 percent of boys being overweight

39 percent of Michigan children have elevated cholesterol levels, compared to a national average of 29 percent

20 percent of African-American females and 16 percent of African-American males, ages 7-14, have high blood pressure

Michigan junior and senior high school youth have four times the national average of "severely high" blood pressure

20 percent of the waking time of our children is spent watching television

Of all the risk factors for chronic disease, lack of physical activity is the most prevalent in Michigan. 63 percent of Michigan high school students fail to meet the minimum national standard for physical activity, which is at least three 20-minute sessions weekly.

Adults can do much to minimize their risk of heart disease and stroke, and the same is true of children. We must encourage our children to exercise. Even moderate levels of exercise are beneficial, resulting in weight control, lower blood pressure, improved psychological well-being, and a predisposition to be more physically active as adults.

As parents, we must do more than encourage our children to exercise. We must serve as positive role models by living an active lifestyle ourselves.

Smoking is the biggest risk factor for sudden cardiac death. Smokers' risk of heart attack is more than twice that of non-smokers. Once more, secondary smoke endangers those people close to smokers. It has been shown that being in the vicinity of a person who smokes a pack of cigarettes a day is comparable to smoking half of that pack. Secondhand smoke accounts for between 30-60,000 deaths nationwide each year.

Each year in Michigan, the tobacco industry welcomes more than 123,000 new smokers to replace those who quit or die. Ninety percent of these new

smokers will be children or adolescents. One out of 10 Michigan adolescents smokes regularly. The dangers of second-hand smoke and the examples we set for our children should warn adults to change current smoking habits if we hope to change the smoking habits of our young people.

Actually, many of the factors affecting the incidence of cardiac disease in children have their base in the behavior of adults. Heart health is one

more area where we cannot order our children to "do as I say, not as I do." If we as adults serve as healthy role models for our children, it is more likely that they will live the heart healthy lifestyle themselves, and continue to do so as they grow.

If the frightening cardiovascular statistics for Michigan children are to be changed, we must change. We must change the habits of our children, but — first — perhaps we should look to ourselves.

DEADLINE FOR NOTICES

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ORDINANCE NUMBER 45
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE BY AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP (LIMPERT REZONING)

MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP ORDAINS THAT THE MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

Section One. That the Official Zoning Map of Manchester Township adopted pursuant to section 3.02 of the Zoning Ordinance is amended by changing the zoning designation of the following described parcels from AR-Rural Agricultural to CM-Community Manufacturing:

Property in Section 12 of Manchester Township known as tax parcel #P 16-12-400-001 (10.02 acres) and tax parcel #P 16-12-400-012 (29.98 acres) except for the southerly 300 feet of said parcel (containing approximately 8.3 acres).

Section Two. That this ordinance shall take effect thirty days after publication of the notice of adoption unless referendum procedures are initiated under MCL 125.282. If referendum procedures are initiated, the ordinance shall take effect in accordance with MCL 125.282.

The original of the above ordinance may be inspected or a copy purchased at the Manchester Township Hall, 275 South Macomb Street, Manchester, Michigan 48158, during regular office hours, which are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

Kathleen M. Hakes, Clerk
 Publication date: June 24, 1999

ORDINANCE NUMBER 44
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE BY AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP (KERNS REZONING)

MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP ORDAINS THAT THE MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

Section One. That the Official Zoning Map of Manchester Township adopted pursuant to section 3.02 of the Zoning Ordinance is amended by changing the zoning designation of the following described parcels from AR-Rural Agricultural to CM-Community Manufacturing:

Tax Parcel #P 16-10-200-015. Commencing at the North 1/4 post of Section 10; thence South 0 degrees 38 minutes West 440.01 feet in North and South 1/4 line; thence North 84 degrees 42 minutes West 183.08 feet in center of highway for Place of Beginning; thence South 0 degrees 38 minutes West 94.08 feet; thence South 72 degrees 10 minutes 30 seconds West 303.24 feet; thence South 4 degrees 36 minutes West 302.93 feet; thence North 84 degrees 37 minutes 30 seconds West 254.02 feet; thence North 14 degrees 29 minutes East 334.65 feet; thence North 4 degrees 20 minutes East 184.98 feet; thence South 84 degrees 42 minutes East 471.02 feet along the centerline of Austin Road to Place of Beginning, being part of Northwest 1/4 of Section 10, Town 4 South Range 3 East, Manchester Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan.

Section Two. That this ordinance shall take effect thirty days after publication of the notice of adoption unless referendum procedures are initiated under MCL 125.282. If referendum procedures are initiated, the ordinance shall take effect in accordance with MCL 125.282.

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ATTENTION SHARON TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

The Sharon Township Board has **rescheduled** the following regular board meetings:

Thursday, July 1, 1999 has been changed to **Wednesday, June 30, 1999 at 8:00 P.M.**

Thursday, August 5, 1999 has changed to **Thursday, August 12, 1999 at 8:00 P.M.**

Both meetings are to be held at the Sharon Township Hall located at 18010 Pleasant Lake Road, Manchester, Michigan.

Starting September 2, 1999, all regular board meetings will be held the first Thursday of each month at 8:00 P.M. at the Sharon Township Hall.

Teri L. Aiuto
 Sharon Township Clerk

NOTICE MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given that the Manchester Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing for amendment to the Manchester Township Zoning Ordinance #42 to change the zoning classification of Tax Parcel #P 16-25-100-002, presently owned by Marvin N. Swope, from AR-Rural Agricultural to MHP-Mobile Home Park.

Property is located in Sec. 25, Manchester Township, between Bowen's Road and Allen Road on the West Side of M-52, consisting of 71.53 acres.

A public hearing will be held on **Thursday, July 1, 1999** at 8:00 P.M. at the Manchester Township Hall, 275 South Macomb Street, Manchester, MI.

Further information is available for review at the Manchester Township Offices, 275 South Macomb Street, Manchester, during regular Township office hours. A copy of the proposed ordinance to amend Zoning Ordinance #42 and information is available for review at the Manchester Township office, 275 S. Macomb Street, Manchester, during regular Township office hours, which are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

Manchester Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with special needs at the meeting upon 7 days notice to Manchester Township. Individuals with special needs requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact Manchester Township by writing or calling the following: Manchester Township Clerk, 275 South Macomb Street, PO box 418, Manchester, MI 48158; telephone number (734) 428-7090.

Manchester Township Planning Commission

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON SPRINT PCS TOWER

The Freedom Township Planning Commission will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** to consider the application of Sprint PCS to construct a 190' monopole cellular phone tower at 6501 Kotha Road, Manchester, MI. The hearing will be held at the:

Freedom Town Hall
 Freedom Township
 11508 Pleasant Lake Road
 Manchester, MI 48158
 Tuesday, July 6, 1999 at 7:00 p.m.

Interested citizens are invited to attend the public hearing. Written comments may be sent prior to the meeting to the Chair, Stanley Tschiltz, 3401 Haab Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48103.

The Freedom Township Planning Commission will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids, and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with special needs at the meeting upon 7 days notice to Freedom Township. Individuals with special needs requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact Freedom Township by writing or call the following: Freedom Township Clerk, 13785 Pleasant Lake Rd., Manchester, MI 48158, telephone number (734) 428-7241.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Date: June 24, 1999
 Permit No. MI0002038
 CECO-Freedom Compressor Sta

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality proposes to reissue a discharge permit to: Consumers Energy Company, Michigan Gas Storage Company, 212 West Michigan Avenue, P22-508A, Jackson, Michigan 49201 for the Freedom Gas Compressor Station located at 12201 Pleasant Lake Road, Manchester, Michigan 48158. The applicant owns and operates this gas compressor station, which transmits natural gas to underground storage wells in Michigan. The applicant discharges noncontact cooling water to Pleasant Lake, in the NE1/4, NW1/4, Section 21, T3S, R4E, Washtenaw County.

The draft permit includes the following modifications to the previously issued permit: a new daily maximum effluent limitation for temperature.

Comments or objections to the draft permit received by **July 26, 1999** will be considered in the final decision to issue the permit. Persons desiring information regarding the draft permit, procedures for commenting, or requesting a hearing, should contact: Alec Malvetis, Permits Section, Surface Water Quality Division, Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 30273, Lansing, Michigan 48909, telephone: 517-335-4124.

Copies of the public notice, fact sheet, and draft permit may be obtained at the Surface Water Quality Division, Jackson District Office located at 301 East Louis Glick Highway, Jackson, Michigan 49201-1556, telephone: 517-780-7690.

PROPOSED SYNOPSIS of a regular meeting of the Manchester Township Board, held Monday, June 14, 1999

Supervisor Mann called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. with all Board members present. Also present were Zoning Inspector Lyle Moore, Shawn Lawrence, Jeff White, Don Limpert, Larry Byrne, Mark & Dawn Neigebauer, and Frank McVeigh. The Board approved the minutes of their regular meeting of 5/10/99 and budget workshop of 6/7/99. The treasurer's report was accepted. A resolution was adopted, transferring the \$1,706 balance in the Fire Station Debt Service Fund, which has been inactive for five years, into the Fire Equipment Millage Fund, to be used to pay the Fire Truck Note Payable.

A resolution amending the General Fund budget was adopted. Approval was then given for bills that have been paid since last meeting and for outstanding bills.

Fire Department activity for the month included 9 fires, 9 medical, 11 personal injury, 2 miscellaneous and 1 mutual aid, for a total of 32 runs. The board appointed the following officers for the Fire Department for July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000: Fire Chief - Bill Scully, Assistant Chiefs - Gale Koebbe and Gene Kemeter, Captain - Gary Wiedmayer, Lieutenants - Kris Kensler and Brian Kunzelman, Secretary Treasurer - Harry Johnson. Annual awards were approved for last year's officers.

The Board accepted reports from the Zoning Inspector, Planning Commission, and Supervisor.

Ordinance #44 was adopted. This ordinance amended the Manchester Township zoning ordinance by amending the official zoning map for property owned by Bill Kerns, tax parcel #16-10-200-015, on Austin Road, west of town. The change was from AR-Rural Agriculture to CC-Community Commercial.

Ordinance #45 was adopted. This ordinance amended the Manchester Township zoning ordinance by amending the official map for property on Hogan Road owned by Larry Byrne (represented by Don Limpert), tax parcels #16-12-400-001 (10.02 acres) and #16-12-400-012 (29.98 acres), except for the southerly 300 feet of said parcel (containing approximately 8.3 acres). The change was from AR-Rural Agriculture to CM-Community Manufacturing.

The Board voted to accept the consent judgment with AirTouch Cellular and authorized the Supervisor and Clerk to sign it. Manchester Township is ordered to issue a conditional use permit for a cellular telephone antenna and equipment shelter as shown in AirTouch's submitted site plan.

A resolution was adopted authorizing Washtenaw County to include Manchester Township in the zone of the Washtenaw County Brownsfield Redevelopment Authority. A resolution was also adopted supporting area planning.

Property owners on Timber Lake Road requested that the two "spurs" be renamed for safety and clarity reasons. The Board approved remaining the southern spur "Timber Lake Trail" and the northern spur "Timber Lake Ridge". Temporary approval was extended for another month for Whippoorwill Lane to get the private road up to standard.

After authorizing the Clerk and Treasurer to pay normal bills until the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1999, correspondence was reviewed. No action was required. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:48 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Manchester Township board is Monday, July 12.

A complete copy of these minutes may be obtained at the township office during office hours, which are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

Submitted by Kathleen M. Hakes, Clerk
 Approved by Ronald E. Mann, Supervisor

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SALINE
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SALINE
"Bunk beds, Lazy Boy, dressers, desks, chairs, shelves, bikes, toys, and clothes." Friday June 25, 9-5. Saturday June 26, 9-1. 1113 Heritage Drive.

SALINE BUS DRIVER GARAGE SALE
"You name it, we got it!" Thursday June 24th, 9-5. Friday June 25th, 9-5. Saturday June 26th, 9-12 noon. Saline Middle School Cafeteria. 7265 Saline-Ann Arbor Road.

SALINE
"Children, men and women's clothes, toys, new Carter's P.J.'s, sewing machine, dining room set, lamps, chairs, same tools, household miscellaneous items, swing set, Little Tikes slide and teeter totter." Friday June 25, 9-5. Saturday June 26, 9-3pm. 3410 Oak Park Drive, two miles south of Michigan Avenue, east of Macon.

SALINE
Garage Sale. Household items, lawn and garden, toys, books, some collectibles, bikes. Saturday June 26, 9-2. 212 South Harris.

SALINE-Garage Sale.
Everything from crystal to clothing. All kinds of household items. Fri. and Sat., June 25 & 26, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., 322 N. Harris.

SALINE
Garage Sale. Many girls clothes (size 6-12), some boys' clothes, toddler bed, girl's 18" bike, computer desk and more. Friday June 25, 9-3. Saturday June 26, 9-3. 372 Hillcrest of South Harris.

SALINE
Garage Sale. Furniture, toys, household items and clothes. Oakbrook Court off of Old Creek Drive (Between Michigan Ave. and Willis). Several homes. Fri. and Sat., June 25th and 26th, 8:30-4:00pm.


SALINE
Garage Sale. Lot's of children's toys and clothing, misc. items. Fri. and Sat., June 25, 9-1. 200 East Henry.

SALINE
Ladies bikes, TV, tables, fish tanks, braided rug, adults and teens clothing, Barbie dolls and clothes, lots more. Friday June 25th, 9-4. Saturday June 26th, 9-4. 314 East Henry Street.


SALINE
Lots of misc. items. Lamps, boy's wear, toys, records, household items, lawn-mower, shelves, women's clothing and more. Fri. June 25, 9-2. Sat. June 26, 9-2. 6865 Mulberry Court (Off Noble, between Weber and Waterworks).

SALINE
Sat. only! June 26, 8:30-5:00. 3665 Weber Rd.

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SALINE-Two-family garage sale. Kitchen appliances, furniture, lamps, adult and kid's clothing, Little Tikes gym, stroller, Beanie Babies, and misc. items. Sat., June 26, 9-5 and Sun., June 27, 9-1. 1153 Bennis Rd.

SALINE
Yard Sale. Saturday June 26th, 8am-3pm. Girl's bike, household items, and other odds and ends. 1311 Maplewood Drive (Maple and Woodland).

SALINE - YORK WOODS SUB. Garage Sale. (off Willis and Whispering Pines Dr.). Fri., June 25, 9-4 and Sat., June 26, 9 to noon. Several homes. Twin bed, 6-piece oak bedroom set, bikes, nursing scrubs, children's clothes and toys, and lots more.

STOCKBRIDGE
Friday-Sunday June 25-27, 9-5. Huge Yard Sale. Tons of different items, including antique Amish restored horse drawn sleigh, oak desk & misc. antiques. 13470 Rockwell (off M52 to Leake to Rockwell).


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713-Auctions
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July 11, 1pm. 10290 Ostrander Rd. Maybee, MI. Two story country home on four acres. Open house Monday June 28, 5pm-7pm. Rollo Juckete Auctioneer 734-629-2388.

714-Crafts/Bazaars
CRAFTERS WANTED
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OBITUARIES

WALTER A. HIEBER

Ann Arbor
Age 85, died Monday, June 21, 1999, at the Saline Evangelical Home. He was born June 15, 1914, in Freedom Township, the son of Edwin and Ida (Eiseman) Hieber. He had been an Ann Arbor resident all of his life.

On June 10, 1939 in Lodi Township, he married Virginia Wolfe. Mr. Hieber had been a member of the Bethel United Church of Christ of Freedom Township, the church's adult fellowship and a member of the church board.

He was also a member of the Pleasant Lake Farm Bureau Group and had been the Freedom Township treasurer for over 39 years. He had farmed all of his life.

He is survived by his wife; two children: Ken (Bonnie) Hieber of Ann Arbor and Joanne Meyer of Saline; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and two step-great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one infant son, Carl; one sister, Esther Roehm; and a son-in-law, Gerald Meyer.

Funeral service will be held on Thursday, June 24, at 11 a.m. at the



Walter A. Hieber

Bethel United Church of Christ of Freedom Township with the Rev. Richard E. Hardy officiating. Burial will take place in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Bethel United Church of Christ, or the charity of one's choice. Envelopes will be available at the Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home in Saline, where friends may call on Thursday from 10 a.m. until the time of the service.

Freedom Township loses a good friend

I had known Walter Hieber was sick for a while, and yet when his death finally came, I still felt a sense of loss—loss for me personally and a loss for the community.

Walter worked hard. He worked hard on the farm, he worked hard for his township and he worked hard for his family.

Walter served as Freedom Township's treasurer for over 39 years, took care of his township's finances with a careful, thorough pride that is seldom seen today. He was not the least bit intimidated by the corporate, suit

types that sought arrangements with our rural community. In fact he seemed eager to "take them on" for the good of his neighbors.

He brought a historic perspective to the trustees board meetings, and although those meetings seemed to last longer into the night, everyone was a little wiser going home.

Many residents of Freedom Township have fond memories of visiting Walter and Virginia to pay their taxes. Usually not a pleasant task, but made so by the friendly welcome-in-and-sit-down-and-talk attitude that pre-

vailed in the tidy, country kitchen

A conversation with Walter wouldn't end until he had told you about his newest great-grandchild's antics or what was happening with the lamb or grain markets. Sharp as a tack

and strong-minded but always ready to listen, he will be missed by many.

Freedom Township has lost a good friend and a hard worker. God bless you, Walter.

—Julie Schaible
Freedom Township Clerk

ANN M. MILLER

Manchester
Age 88, died peacefully in her home Monday, June 14, 1999. She was born in Manchester on April 24, 1901 to William and Emma (Schlicht) Buss. On Sept. 15, 1926, she married John C. Miller, and he preceded her in death in May of 1990. Anna was a longtime member of Zion Lutheran Church and active in many church and civic organizations. She always loved flowers and gardening. She will be remembered for her generosity of spirit.

She is survived by one daughter, Marilyn (Frode) Maaseidvaag of Ann Arbor, two sons, Rober (Lilli) Miller of Manchester and Lauren (Barbara) Miller of Orange, Calif.; one son-in-law, Thomas Kendig of Long Beach, Calif.; nine grandchildren, Lisa (Tom) Wolken, Lars (Jill) Maaseid-

vaag, Kimberly (Craig) Rispin, Roger Kendig, John Miller, Katie (Doug) Enders, Jacquelyn (Ross) Smart, Greg Miller, Laurie (Jeff) Austin; six great-grandchildren, Erik and Karin Wolken, Claudia Maaseidvaag, Sabrina, Cooper and Alex Rispin; three sisters, Martha Eiseman, Amanda Horning and Ella Kemner; and one brother, Erwin Buss. She was preceded in death by one daughter, Kathryn Kendig; and three brothers and one sister.

Funeral services for Mrs. Miller were held on Monday, June 21, at 11 a.m. at Zion Lutheran Church in Ann Arbor, with the Rev. David Bracklein officiating. Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery. Memorial contributions are suggested to Zion Lutheran Church or Lutheran Social Services of Michigan. Arrangements by Hosmer-Muehlig Funeral Chapel.

Another look



Photo by Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Addie Rose Baier and her mother, Betsie, were singing and signing along with "It Ain't Gonna Rain" when Roots & Wings visited the Gazebo concert on June 10. This week's performance will feature the Wes Linenkugel Quartet.

EVA HORODECZNY

Manchester
Age 79, passed away on June 13, 1999. She was born in Sanniki, Ukraine on July 21, 1919, the daughter of Andre and Maria (Derewecka) Sannysky. On Feb. 20, 1940, she was married to Dmytro Horodeczny, with whom she worked on the family farm until his death on Jan. 15, 1985. Mrs. Horodeczny was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Manchester and attended St. John's Ukrainian Catholic Church in Detroit.

She is survived by her sons, Michael (Sula Jeffers) Horodeczny and Walter (Monica) Horodeczny,

both of Manchester, and Andre Horodeczny of Sanniki, Ukraine, along with seven grandchildren in America and several other family members in the Ukraine. She was preceded in death by three brothers and three sisters.

The Horodeczny family held visitation last Tuesday, June 15 with a Rosary Service held at the Jenter-Braun Funeral Home. The Mass of Christian Burial took place on Wednesday at St. Mary's Catholic church with the Rev. Fr. Charles Irvin as celebrant. Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy may be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church in Horodeczny's name.

CHARTRAND

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ings; however the public is welcome to attend any of the meetings.

At the June 14 meeting of the committee, several members were out of town. Those in attendance reviewed and updated the report from a district library plan from 1994. Back then, the concept was considered and dropped due to lack of interest on the part of the surrounding townships.

But times have changed in the past five years. Change is coming faster than anyone may have anticipated just five years ago.

The planned growth of our community is affecting the schools, township governments, village government, businesses and individuals in the community.

Creating a district library does not mean tearing down the old library and building a new, large, fancy one. It may mean keeping the old, cozy, historic library for a while longer, and making adaptations as allowed by the stable source of income.

Creating a library district is only the beginning of change, but no real change can happen without first establishing a reliable source of funding.

Davies explained that retaining school district boundaries in the plan would refrain from creating another "set" of boundaries for the library. The library would not be obligated to the school in any way, but remain an autonomous library.

"The biggest difference is that

BOOMERS

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our elections would then be held by the school's cycle, not by the presidential election cycle," Davies said.

The concept of a district library is fair, it's sensible, and it's not even asking for any money right now. But it's an idea that's not going to go away, even if we ignore it now. Like the Terminator, it will be back. Next time will probably be less than five years from now.

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