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Book Fair slated at middle school

The Troll book fair is coming to the Middle School Dec. 8-14. There is a wide variety of books available at the fair. The book fair is open to the public from 1 to 3 p.m. Dec. 8 through Dec. 10 and is an important fund raiser that provides money and books for the middle school library.

Cookie Exchange will mark holiday season

Once again the Manchester Area Historical Society will celebrate the holiday season with a cookie exchange and carol sing. All area residents are invited to attend this party on Dec. 14 at 7:30 p.m. at Sharon House Bed & Breakfast, 8533 Sharon Hollow Rd. Bring a plate of cookies to share and your best singing voice. Attendees will have the opportunity to purchase additional cookies and these donations will be given to Manchester Family Services.

Local dancers to take part in holiday show

The traditional holiday favorite The Nutcracker Suite is coming to Chelsea. The Dance Arts Performing Ensemble will perform at the Chelsea High School Auditorium at 2 p.m. on Dec. 11, at 7 p.m. on Dec. 11 and at 2 p.m. on Dec. 12.

Washtenaw County Commissioner Joseph Yekulis will be the guest performer in the first show. Michigan State Representative John Hansens will perform in the second show and Judge Richard E. Conlin will perform in the third show.

This is the second year the Dance Arts Performing Ensemble has presented The Nutcracker under director Wendi DuBois, and the performance will include new scenery, costumes and choreography.

Manchester area performers include Korry Chavey, Ashley Collins, Ashley Farr, Elizabeth Flahie, Stephanie Mackres and Amanda Patridge.

Reserve tickets are available at the Chelsea Pharmacy, 1050 S. Main St. General admission is \$10. Tickets for seniors and children 10 and under are \$7. Group discounts are also available. For more information about this event, please call 475-3070.

New building authority ready for business

Retaining local control was the priority in creating the new building authority, which is set to begin issuing permits after the first of the year.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand

Staff Writer

The formation of the newly created Western Washtenaw Construction Authority is underway.

Beginning Jan. 4, 2000, the Construction Authority will begin the responsibility for issuing all building, electrical, mechanical and plumbing permits as well as scheduling inspections.

A new fee schedule, which will enable the authority to be self-supporting, will also go into effect next month and has been provided to contractors and other interested parties.

The office for all inspections will be relocated from the village hall to 122 W. Main, Suite 102, and will have office hours each weekday morning from 8 a.m. to 1

p.m. The telephone number for the Construction Authority will be 428-7001. Inspection requests must be placed 24 hours before they are needed, and a voice mail system will be instituted to take calls after hours.

The authority will contract with the same inspectors who currently provide the services.

"It is our goal to provide a high standard of service for the residents of Bridgewater, Freedom and Manchester townships and Manchester village," said

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Holiday spirit



Photos by Marsha Johnson Chartrand

Students and the Team II classes at Klager school decorated Ollie's Main Street Pizza for the holidays, in appreciation for the business' contributions to the schools.

High School students shine on college tests

Average test scores for Manchester High School students were high on college entrance exams.

Scores are in for the Manchester students who took the Pre-Scholastic Aptitude Test and the ASVAB test, and High School Guidance Counselor Dave Taylor said that Manchester should be very proud with the results.

There were 64 students who took the ASVAB test, four seniors and 60 juniors. The juniors had a mean score of 53.22 (62nd percentile) on overall academic ability. Of the ten sub-tests, they achieved the best on general science and coding speed; they did the worst on auto and shop information along with electronics information, but still scored in the average range in those topics. They scored better on the verbal ability (67th percentile) than math ability (60.5th percentile), but still above average on both.

ASHLEIGH SEWELL scored the highest overall with a 68 in academic ability (99th percentile). Mike DeBurghgraeve scored a 66. David DuRussel, Rachel Landry and Jackie Palms scored 65s. Andy Jones scored a 64, and Holly Sutton and Will Slocum scored 63s (90th+ percentiles). Andy Jones and Will Slocum scored the highest on math ability with a 69. Mike DeBurghgraeve and Ashleigh Sewell both scored a 68. Jackie Palms scored a 67. David DuRussel scored a 66. Kathryn Horodeczny scored a 65 and Rachel Landry scored a 64. Rachel Landry and Ashleigh Sewell both scored a 65 on ver-

bal ability. Mike DeBurghgraeve and Anthony Smith each scored a 63. Randi Foster, Elizabeth Bauer, Jackie Palms and Holly Sutton all scored a 62.

IN THE electronics information segment of the test, Owen Whitman scored a 71. Derrick Smith scored a 69. Ashleigh Sewell scored a 67. Andy Jones and Bill Robertz scored a 65, and Mike DeBurghgraeve scored a 63.

In mechanical comprehension, Mike DeBurghgraeve and Owen Whitman each scored a 74. Andy Jones scored a 72. David DuRussel scored a 69. Kathryn Horodeczny scored a 68, and Joe Donnellon scored a 67.

In the coding speed portion of the test, Jackie Palms scored a 73. Mike DeBurghgraeve scored a 70. Nicole Leverett, Amy Preston and Stephanie Schleicher each scored a 66. David DuRussel, Jennifer Heskett and Emily Hughes all scored 65. Amber Cullip and Randi Foster each scored 64, and Cheryl Barker, Joe Donnellon and Laura Meyer all scored 62.

In numerical operations, Mike DeBurghgraeve and Jackie Palms each scored 64. Joleen Bubel, Jennifer Heskett and Holly Horodeczny all scored 63, and David Canter and Amber Cullip each scored 62.

IN AUTO and shop information, Bill Robertz scored 67. Andy Jones scored 66 and Derrick Smith scored 61.

In general science, David DuRussel scored 71. Owen Whitman and Andy Jones both scored 69. Rachel Landry, Sarah Luckhardt, Ashleigh

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Hometown musicians 'The Raisin Pickers' remain audience favorites

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand

Staff Writer

"The Raisin Pickers don't pick raisins, they pick music," begins a review of their most recent release, Handed Down.

The Raisin Pickers have been a local sensation since their debut in Manchester ten years ago. They are regular guests at the Gazebo Concert series each summer and have become regionally popular through their tours and their CD releases.

The current quartet - including a new fiddler replacing James Sneyd, who recently returned to his native New Zealand - will be performing at the National Folk Alliance in Cleveland next February.

Back in 1989, the group consisted of Mark and Carol Palms, Gary Reynolds, Mike Gleason and Bill Farmer, and was truly a "Manchester" band - hence their appellation of Raisin Pickers, named in honor of the River Raisin. Over the years the membership has changed and evolved, always retaining the nucleus of Mark and Carol.

"By now, we're pretty well known locally, on a big enough scale, that we have some name recognition. Most people know of us even if they haven't heard us," says Carol.

"MARK REALLY is who keeps us going. He's got a good finger on the pulse of the business."

David Mosher, the third mem-



The Raisin Pickers

ber of the band, is a versatile fulltime musician. A singer, songwriter, and producer, he also instruments to "playing about five instruments functionally."

Mosher is currently part of the Wild Swan children's theatre in Ann Arbor, is in the midst of a ten-show run of Charlotte's Web at Washtenaw Community College, and has teamed up with Yes I am the newest song sister," he says with a chuckle.

"But besides that, I perform with about 14 different groups as well as solo. Diversity is sta-

bility, you know?"

He has recently been featured on national TV as the background singer for St. Paul Insurance and received a Parents Choice Award for producing one of Austin's recent releases, Fan Dag Umbo.

Both Mark and Carol Palms are music teachers - Mark in Napoleon and Carol in Ann Arbor - and their daughters, Jacky and Natalie, are both teens. So the majority of their touring coincides with family summer vacations as they have

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Alternative students seek new ways to learn

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand

Staff Writer

Halfway through the first semester of this school year, the Manchester Alternative School students are stretching their wings and preparing to fly.

Alternative School facilitator Kathy MacKercher is proud of the students in her charge.

"We have kids doing some great things out here," she says. And throughout the school is evidence that great things are happening.

Students at the alternative school are pursuing their education and their various talents just like every other student in the district. They are simply going about it in new and unique ways.

AT THE entry to the building is a small display of stained glass sun catchers and ornaments, designed by senior student Dan Stephens. Inspired by and instructed by an uncle, who has a business in Clarkston making stained glass creations, Stephens has made kaleidoscopes, votive candle holders, boxes and sun catchers.

Currently Stephens is making a jewelry box which will provide art credit for him as he prepares to graduate next June.

"I've been doing stained glass work for two years, on and off," says Stephens. "It's fun to sit down and do it - it passes the time and it is rewarding when it's done."

Although his creations have been made by working mainly in copper foil technique of leading glass, he is also repairing some small windows for a friend using lead came.

After graduation, Stephens hopes to attend technical school and train in the electrical field.

"But I'll still do stained glass on the side," he says.

SENIOR MARLEY Powers is earning scholarship money for college through her involvement in the High School Involvement Association.

"I've remembered as long as I can remember, but I really started getting serious about five years ago," says Powers. For the past three years she has

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Community Calendar



Thursday, Dec. 9
 ■ 5:00 PM - Chelsea First United Methodist Church spaghetti dinner, call 475-8119 for more information
 ■ 6:15 PM - Awana Clubs meet at Community Bible Church
 ■ 7:00 PM - High School Band Concert

Friday, Dec. 10
 ■ 10:00 AM - Senior Citizen's program and luncheon at Klager Elementary School

Sunday, Dec. 12
 ■ 7:00 PM - Community Band Concert, Manchester United Methodist Church

Monday, Dec. 13
 ■ 7:00 PM - Manchester Optimist's Club meets
 ■ 7:30 PM - Bridgewater Township Planning Commission
 ■ 7:30 PM - Overeaters Anonymous meets at Chelsea United Methodist Church
 ■ 8:00 PM - Manchester Knights of Columbus
 ■ 8:00 PM - Manchester Community Fair Board meets in Emanuel Church basement
 ■ 8:00 PM - Manchester Township Board meets

Tuesday, Dec. 14
 ■ 9:30 AM - Manchester Area

Senior Citizens
 ■ 1:00 PM - Shakespeare Club
 ■ 7:00 PM - 7th & 8th Grade Band Concert
 ■ 7:00 PM - Little League meeting, Room 104 at High School
 ■ 7:00 PM - Bootstomper's at Emanuel Church
 ■ 7:30 PM - Manchester Village Planning Commission
 ■ 7:30 PM - 20th Century Club
 ■ 8:00 PM - Freedom Township Board meets

Wednesday, Dec. 15
 ■ 7:00 PM - Klager Program
 ■ 7:30 PM - Community Band
 ■ 7:30 PM - Bridgewater Township Board meets
 ■ 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM - Manchester Family Services
 ■ Manchester Food Gatherers at St. Mary's Parish Center Kitchen

Thursday, Dec. 16
 ■ 6:15 PM - Awana Clubs meet at Community Bible Church
 ■ 7:00 PM - Manchester Cub Scout Pack meeting
 ■ 8:00 PM - Manchester Township Planning Commission
 ■ 8:00 PM - Sharon Township Planning Commission

If you would like to have your group or organizations event listed in the Community Calendar, please contact Julie Schaible by phone at 428-8173, by fax at 428-9044, by e-mail at Manchester@Heritage.com, or mail at The Manchester Enterprise, 109 East Main Street, Manchester Michigan, 48158. Deadlines to have items listed in the Community Calendar are Friday, by 5 p.m. to have items listed in the following Thursday's paper.

Ag students attend conference

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
 Staff Writer

Nineteen FFA students and five adults representing Manchester High School participated at the National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky from Oct. 25 through Oct. 30. This was the first year the convention has been held in Louisville, after being held in Kansas City for many years.

The group started their trip on Monday by going to Chicago, where they visited the Chicago Board of Trade, the Sears Tower, and the Hard Rock Cafe. The following day they headed to Indianapolis, and toured the National FFA Center and the Indy 500.

The third day saw their arrival in Louisville. They visited the Kentucky Aquarium, and attended their first convention session Wednesday evening. On Thursday, the group had the opportunity to hear actor Danny Glover speak at the convention.

Thursday's program at the Convention included a career day.

"The career show encompassed a million square feet," said FFA advisor Ryan Rowe.

And the career day activities weren't just about farming. The students had an opportunity to



Manchester students on a recent career oriented trip to Indianapolis.

explore scholarships, universities, businesses - all geared toward developing life management skills.

"The world is wide open to these kids; they can do anything," said Rowe. "The exhibits included building construction, business management, horticulture, forestry, and leadership activities. These opportunities gave the students a taste of the many different avenues open to them."

This year, no one in the club went to the convention to compete; but John Schiel, a past American FFA degree winner,

participated as a chaperone. Haeussler will be going out for "We've had state FFA winners in the past and Marie her American FFA degree next year," said Rowe.

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OBITUARIES

Leonard L. Spiegelberg

Double A retiree was WWII veteran and 4-H leader

Leonard L. Spiegelberg, 76 of Manchester passed away on November 30, 1999. Mr. Spiegelberg was born in Lima Township on February 4, 1923 the son of Ervin and Edith (Feldkamp) Spiegelberg.

On April 14, 1961 in Lake Odessa, he was married to Mary A. Alder and she survives. He retired from Double A Products in 1986 after over 22 years of service. He was a member of the Sharon United Methodist Church and the Washtenaw Sheriff Posse. Mr. Spiegelberg was a veteran of World War II serving in the U.S. Army and an active 4-H leader for many years.

In addition to his wife Mary, he is also survived by a son, Rex Spiegelberg of Grass Lake; two daughters, Teresa and Dawn Spiegelberg of Grass Lake; a brother, Ronald (Dorothy) Spiegelberg of Vicksburg; a sister, Wilma (Rufus) Gillam of Dexter; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

The Spiegelberg family received callers at the Jenter-Braun Funeral Home in Manchester and funeral services were held on Friday, December 3, 1999 at 11 a.m. at the Sharon United Methodist Church with Rev. Carter

Garrigues-Cortelyou officiating. Interment was in Rowe's Corner Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Spiegelberg family or to Sharon United Methodist Church.

Ethel Mary Weber

VFW Auxiliary President loved to read and play cribbage

Ethel Mary Weber of Traverse City, formerly of Kalamazoo died November 9, 1999 at her home. Mrs. Weber was 83.

She was born on January 1, 1916, in Manchester, the daughter of Arthur D. and Anna Mary (Feldecamp) Burch.

On October 23, 1948, she married Shirley H. Weber in West Unity, Ohio. They resided in Bellaire and Kalamazoo prior to moving to Traverse City.

While living in Kalamazoo, she was a member and former President of the Ladies Auxiliary VFW Red Arrow Post #1527. In her later years, Ethel enjoyed playing cribbage and she was an avid reader all of her life.

She is survived by her husband, Shirley, of Traverse City; a daughter, Mary Anne Willis, of Constantine; and many nieces and nephews. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial services will be held Friday, December 17, 1999 at 11 a.m. at the Westwood United Methodist Church in Kalamazoo.

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Creative spirit at large in Manchester art classes

Teacher encourages students' self expression through art

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Staff Writer

"We're pushing creativity in our classes," says Carrie Resh, art teacher for Klager Elementary and Manchester High Schools.

"I think that whether or not any of these kids ever go into art as a career or in the future, the lessons they've learned in cre-

Mexican - and identifying not only the differences in the styles but the similarities as well.

"I have a lot of talented students in these classes," says Resh. "I love to see what they come up with."

Her classes at Klager School are currently working on multi-cultural projects for the annual

Klager Christmas program. Mrs. Henry's fourth grade class was making traditional African masks out of papier mache.

The class molded a face on a mannequin head with newspaper and a couple of layers of natural paper towels to provide an authentic natural 'wood' color.

"The kids wanted them to be a mask they wore," says Resh, "but I explained to them that these were intended to be a work of art, not a Halloween mask."

After making the papier mache mold, principal Brian Kissman brought in authentic African wooden masks to provide models for the students to use.

Part of the lesson was in discussing how the paints were made, and how color schemes were developed.

"I asked them to limit their variety to two or three colors," said Resh. "Many of the kids did a great job of completing the decorations too with beads,

seeds and other patterns."

Keeping the creative talents of Manchester students alive and well is both a challenge and a delight for Resh. Working with a variety of medium and a wide range of ages and artistic talents provides constant change and new ideas to share with the students and with the community.

At right, Cheryl Barker, Rachel Elliott, Kristine Angel, and Elizabeth Brennan show off some of their artwork. Below left, fourth-grader Kimberly Ticknor prepares papier mache to create her African mask. Below right, German exchange student David Feldman creates a scrap wood animal in advanced art class



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— Carrie Resh
Klager art teacher

classes at the high school in stretching their artistic talents.

Wood scrap sculptures of animals are the current project on the table in the advanced art class.

"The kids look at the books I bring in with ideas for these scrap wood animals, and they tell me, 'this is the one I want to do,'" says Resh. "It takes a while to sink in that we are actually using scraps - and what we make depends on what scraps are available."

"It does keep them thinking." Other creations this year have included collages based on the decade of the 1990s, pencil drawings, pastels, and people in motion.

The beginning class is studying varieties of Indian art - Mayan, Aztec, Plains, Southwest, Pacific Northwest and

Township seeking state money for sewers

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Staff Writer

A new sewer system in the hamlet of Bridgewater may become a reality in the near

future if township plans to obtain grant money are successful.

"We're waiting for things to happen at the state level," said Carol Peacock, township supervisor. "We have contacted Rep. Gene DeRossett's office, who put us in touch with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

"Under the Clean Michigan Initiative, approved by voters three years ago, there should be funds available for the first time to assist with replacing the failed and problematic septic systems around the hamlet."

Peacock said there are several reasons why a public sewer system would benefit

Bridgewater. The soil in that area of the township does not perk under current standards, so the current septic systems are old, and perhaps even non-existent.

"A number of the homes were built a long time ago," said Peacock. "A representative from the Washtenaw County Department of Environmental Health has shown us where waste water is bubbling up and

visible at the surface.

"They are obviously concerned, and so are we."

Long ago, there seems to have been a system of field tile to provide drainage of wastewater away from homes in the hamlet.

"It's an interesting phenomenon," Peacock said. "The county also showed us culverts under the roads that carried

waste water. "There is some system in place, but it does not meet current standards."

New, more stringent county standards will go into effect on Jan. 3, 2000, which will affect homes and businesses alike in the hamlet. Homes that are sold will need to pass well and septic inspections - and this could

create a problem for homeowners wishing to sell.

Two things have to happen before the township can apply for a grant. First, funding for the Clean Michigan Initiative must be approved by state legislation. In November, the funding passed in the House. It is currently under consideration

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Local family buys landmark Tecumseh restaurant

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Staff Writer

A landmark restaurant in Tecumseh has been purchased by Manchester residents John and Caroline Depp.

Don's Beef Buffet has been in business for over 40 years in downtown Tecumseh, and had its earliest roots in a small diner in Manchester. So it may be appropriate that the Manchester connection continues with the Depps, who have lived in rural Manchester Township for nine years now.

The couple has a seven-month-old daughter, Julia, and is expecting their next baby in March. They raise registered Angus beef on their farm.

Caroline Depp grew up in the restaurant business as her parents owned a restaurant in Milan until last year, when her father passed away. Bob, who grew up on a farm himself, was looking for a business venture and found the idea of purchasing a restaurant appealing.

"WE LIKE to eat, and we like people in general," he said with a smile. "It seemed like a great combination."

The 'combination' idea comes together when you look at the menu for the new Americana Grill. Billed as "a celebration in fine regional cuisine," the bill of fare includes a variety of regional dishes including Vermont winter squash with cinnamon croutons, Southwestern honey mustard chicken breast, California vegetarian pasta, and nut-crusted Great Lakes walleye.

The eatery will be a fine dining, full service restaurant and Depp plans to pursue a liquor license for the establishment.

"This is basically what Tecumseh says they want," he says.

With a target date of Dec. 15 for opening, the Depps have their work cut out for them.

"PEOPLE SAY we're crazy, but I'm still confident we can

make it," said Depp.

The decor is changing already and will continue to change as the weeks go by. With a red-white-and-blue theme, the restaurant will look quite a lot different from what Don's Beef Buffet customers have come to expect.

"Some folks really liked what Don's had to offer," admits Depp, "and we don't take that lightly. It was really an institution in Tecumseh for all those years. But I think there is a niche for a restaurant like the Americana Grill in Tecumseh."

"We like the area; it's really on the verge. It's still affordable, but the population is starting to expand. It's a nice city with a beautiful downtown. We are proud to be a part of that. We think our restaurant will be appealing to a wide gamut of people - we will have things everyone will like."

"THINGS ARE really starting to fall into place there."

While the decor and menu change, some things will still be familiar to the restaurant's former customers.

"All the staff is staying on. We have hired a chef and a dining room manager, a husband-and-wife duo," says Depp.

The chef, William Benedict, is a Pittsford native who has worked in restaurants across the United States. Most recently, and also most notably, Benedict comes from the American Club in Wisconsin. His wife will be the head waitress and take care of the front end of the restaurant.

While Depp describes himself as "willing to do anything," he also hopes to take a more managerial approach to the business.

"WE REALLY want the people there to do it," he says. "We will provide the support, the marketing, the business angle - and try not to have our hands in the middle of it."



Julia, John, and Caroline Depp

Depp says they have found it a real challenge steering their way through the many tasks of opening a new business. From dealing with the downtown historic district to finding staff to

obtaining liquor licenses and permits, the couple has learned along the way.

"Changing the theme and the decor was hard enough. I can't imagine starting from scratch," he said. "But things do work out."

"It's our goal to bring some life back into downtown Tecumseh, shake it up and move it around."

"I think we'll do that."

Nutcracker Suite



Korry Chavey, Amanda Patridge, and Ashley Collins are some of the local dancers who will perform in the Nutcracker ballet.

Boy Scouts collecting food for the holidays

Manchester area Cub Scouts will be picking up food packages on Saturday, Dec. 11. Food will be picked up if left on front porches or in a visible spot in front of a house. Please use plastic bags if it is raining.

Fliers were distributed on Dec. 4. If possible, please attach the flier to the bagged goods.

The Scouting For Food Drive will be done within the village limits only. Those living outside of town who would like to participate, may drop food off at St. Mary Parish Center until noon on Dec. 11 - or call your neighborhood cub scout. Pick up within the village will be

between 8 a.m. and noon.

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Campbell Soup Company will provide the equipment when labels are redeemed at the end of the drive. This year, the school is looking forward to receiving videos, books and overhead projectors - plus other learning tools.

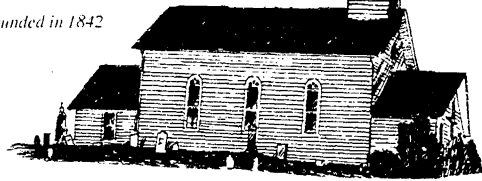
Classes will compete for who can bring in the most soup labels! This year's winning class will spend a day at the water park in Ypsilanti. All grades, 5-8, are included in the competition.

Since so many families ordinarily use Campbell products, the school is asking everyone's help in saving the labels. Give your labels to students or drop them off at Manchester Market. They may also be brought to Nellie Ackerson Middle School during regular school hours, or mail them in care of Chris Honer at the library.

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Manchester Family Services will be hosting low-income families in our community at our annual "Christmas Shop" on Saturday, Dec. 18 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Mary Parish Center. Family Services would appreciate contributions of like-new coats, jackets, sweaters, boots, and Christmas ornaments which we will distribute along with groceries and gifts. All items can be dropped off at the center on Friday, Dec. 17, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

also participating in offering donors the opportunity to give to the families. At United Band & Trust the annual Gingerbread Man tree will have the ages and genders of Family Service children. At Comerica there is a giving tree that accepts socks of any size or kind for children through adults. And at D&N Bank, Junior Girl Scout troop 5 has the warming tree for mittens and hats.

-Joanne Fredal

Our sincere thanks to all who helped make our 60th anniversary such a memorable event, our family for planning a surprise coffee hour at church, all who came, the cards and flowers there and those sent to our home. All was much appreciated. God bless you all.
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EMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Thursday, Dec. 9 12 noon Senior Meal 6 PM Jazzercise 6:30 PM Girl Scouts #120, 280 7 PM Deacons Friday, Dec. 10 9:15 AM Jazzercise 7 PM AA Saturday, Dec. 11 9 AM Jazzercise 10 AM Creative Memories Sunday, Dec. 12 2 PM Chelsea Baton Core Monday, Dec. 13 6 PM Jazzercise 6:30 PM Optimist Dinner 7 PM Mom's In Touch, CE Board Meeting, Brownies Troop #966 8 PM Fair Board Meeting Tuesday, Dec. 14 12:00 noon Senior Meal 7 PM Manchester Co-op Preschool Christmas Program Boy Scouts Wednesday, Dec. 15 9:15 AM Jazzercise 1 PM Emanuel Quilters 4 PM Volleyball-Chrysler 6:15 PM Jazzercise 6:30 PM Basketweaving & Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Chancel Choir	NORTH SHARON BAPTIST CHURCH Thursday, Dec. 9 7 PM Church visitation Friday, Dec. 10 7 PM NSCS Christmas Concert Saturday, Dec. 11 9 AM Fishermen's Club 1 PM Secret Pal Christmas Party Sunday, Dec. 12 10 AM Special Surprise Guest Speaker 5:30 PM Choir Practice Wednesday, Dec. 15 2:30 PM Phoster Club, Dunamis, and Teens 7 PM Teachers' Meeting 7:30 PM Community Bible Study "Journey of a Lifetime"	ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA Thursday, Dec. 9 12:30 Christmas Potluck Saturday, Dec. 11 Christmas Program Rehearsal 9-11 AM 1st-8th grades 10-11 AM Pre & K dress rehearsal Sunday, Dec. 12 10:15 AM Christmas Pageant Tuesday, Dec. 14 11-5 Blood Drive, Chelsea Hospital 6:30 PM Aerobics 7:30 PM Senior Choir Deadline for Adopt-A-Family gifts Wednesday, Dec. 15 8AM-2PM Chelsea High School Blood Drive 7:30 PM Advent Worship Service

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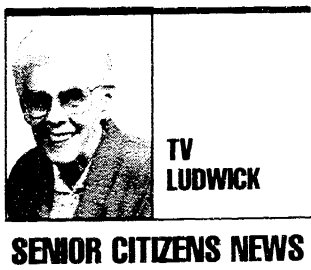
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Lamenting loss of warm days

Here is this one from our venerable leader Dorothy Willingham: "The blessed month of November reluctantly drifted by, and we are going to miss its many unusually pleasant warm sunny days. While extremely grateful for the beautiful fall weather, one can't help but wonder what busy, often cold, December holds in store for all of us pampered souls. We are about to find out!"

"One thing we don't have to wonder about is the thoughtfulness and dedication of our kitchen volunteers from Emanuel United Church of Christ. Led by an earnest, faithful Mary Smith, once again her crew left the kitchen sparkling after our November meals. We thankfully salute ... Mary Smith, Edna Difenderfer, Olive Feldkamp, Francis and Vivian Heckaman, Doris Hough, Catherine Nickerson, Ethelyn Rhees, Norma Stautz, Maxine Widmayer and Lucile Williams.

"Many thanks also to Father Charlie for his interesting presentation on the 16th. You can come back anytime, Father, for you are wanted. We are a wanti-



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ng people. Then, too, Marion Ahrens and her activity efforts, on our behalf, deserves a huge 'Thank You!' Those of us who went to the Sweet Adeline's concert on the 13th spent a few joyous, uplifting hours. On the 23rd she scheduled another happy time, the Hankard Inn lunch and tour. Thanks again Marion. We salute you in appreciation.

"And to all those generous people that work so hard each month to make our program special, we say with gratitude. Happy Thanksgiving." (Thanks, Dorothy, for the writing. It helps out and I appreciate you for doing it.)

Thursday, Dec. 9: Come to the council meeting beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center

and then stay for work on the January - February calendar. At 12 noon, Sue Miller, cook at the senior meals, will 'fill us up' with pork chops and kraut, good! These senior meals at Emanuel on Tuesdays and Thursdays are waiting for you who are 55 or older in our area ... come try them, they're good! Just call either Kelly at 428-8655 ahead, or Sue Miller at 428-7630 between the hours of 9 and 11 a.m. on meal days to either reserve or cancel your meal. Then, come and enjoy cooking at its best where you can also enjoy the fun and fellowship of delightful folks. Bingo can be played each Thursday at the Center, too.

Friday, Dec. 10: The senior bus picks you up to go to Klager School Christmas Program and Dinner starting at 10:15 a.m., call Marion Ahrens at 428-7865 ... do it quickly as when I signed up in the book, it was nearly full. It's a fun day with those kids and we thank them and parents, teachers and volunteers. Then, at 6 p.m., pickup begins to go to the Saline Card Party put on by the seniors. Give Marion another call to go.

Monday, Dec. 13: Shopping at



From left, TV Ludwick, Jeanette Frinkel, Marion Ahrens, and Vivian Heckaman all celebrated December birthdays at the Senior Center.

Adrian today with a 9 a.m. pickup. Also call Marion.

Tuesday, Dec. 14: Sue is sweet and good beef roast is served today at the senior lunch.

Wednesday, Dec. 15: A Christmas light tour is on today. Pickup is at 4 p.m., call Marion.

Thursday, Dec. 16: Sue serves ham in the a.m. today. Get those reservations in, then come enjoy a break in your busy season activities!

CRC seeking volunteers

The Community Resource Center is seeking board members to serve on the Board of Directors.

The CRC was organized in 1987 as a nonprofit coordinating agency. Its mission is to identify and meet the direct and indirect human service needs of people in the Manchester area and to provide a forum for local community and other organizations.

It was initially founded to help local workers find jobs after a plant closing. Today, the CRC continues as a referral center to help match other individual needs to resources available in the area. Interacting with the Manchester Community Schools, local governments and other entities, the CRC describes its role as seeking to provide information and identify community programs that help improve the quality of life for our area.

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The ENTERPRISE COMMENTARY

EDITORIAL

School has much to celebrate

Creation of new building authority a positive step

The recent formation of a region-wide building authority for the village of Manchester, Bridgewater, Freedom and Manchester townships is another positive step toward local control. The work that has gone into this project has been worth the effort.

The townships of Manchester, Freedom and Bridgewater, along with the village of Manchester, have established the local building authority, known as the Western Washtenaw Construction Authority, which formalizes a good idea that has been in practice for the past 17 years. The official beginning of operations for the authority will be Jan. 4, 2000. An office has been established at 122 W. Main Street, Suite 102.

Building inspector Dale Behnke has been hired as the head of the construction authority and a part time administrative assistant will be in place by the time the office opens.

THE CREATION of the building authority makes legal and official the manner in which building inspections were being conducted in the area. The alternative of turning the inspections over to the county would have cost more and been less efficient.

Having a local authority will provide for more timely inspections, and maintaining reasonable costs. It also allows more local control of the process than going through the county.

This authority is truly a success story on how local governmental units can share resources and do something together. It is likely that this will become a model for further cooperative efforts in municipal projects.

Somewhat like the South West Washtenaw Consortium of Governments (SWWCOG), the authority brings local governmental units together for a common purpose to combine their efforts rather than duplicating them.

IN YEARS past, the inspection process was simply one of the minor duties handled at the village office. With an economic boom and corresponding increase in the number of permit applications flowing through the village office, it became necessary to decide if it was a duty that would continue to be done in-house.

Village Manager Jeff Wallace said that the four government's involved aren't really making any grand changes in the way inspections have been done in the past 17 years. But with the four units working together, Wallace predicts that these communities will be able to keep high building standards to ensure quality growth in the area.

It's simply that the job has grown to become too much to handle within the village offices. Townships were grateful for the village to take on the bulk of the responsibility. But with increased paperwork, and more inspections each year, it grew. Still as township and village officials got busier, there weren't regular quarterly meetings. Someone had to take responsibility, so it was decided that all should take it together.

There are many more buildings that need permits under changing state and local zoning laws. It seems like a permit is needed for everything. The new authority will help all of the local government units with some zoning control.

UNDER THE new procedure, the building authority can conduct its own appeals process and more information will be forthcoming to homeowners, builders and contractors in a more timely manner than if the process was handled by the county. Reports of two-week waits for an inspection by county inspectors was part of the impetus to form a local authority rather than reverting to a less-efficient system.

Local builders and contractors are happy with the idea of retaining the local control under a new system. The fees will likely remain less than having an outside entity take on the Sharon Township has not joined the Building Authority, and permits in that region will continue to be done by Washtenaw County officials. But the Building Authority has left the door open for Sharon to join at a later date if it decides to. If Sharon begins to experience any type of a building boom, it may want to consider taking advantage of that invitation.

There will still be inspections conducted by the county. Soil erosion permits and driveway permits are currently conducted under county regulation. The authority may open the door to doing some of these additional permits as well.

OPERATING THE Building Authority will come at a cost, but it is believed that the permit fees will entirely fund the program and there will be no tax increase or money shifted from the general funds of the four entities involved to make it happen. The goal is for the authority to be self-supporting and possibly even have a reserve to carry it through lean times.

Retaining local control at no cost to anyone except those people who use the program is a definite positive step for the village and the three townships who opted into the Building Authority. The work that has gone into the program has been an effort well spent.

It occurred to me recently, that people who read the Enterprise and get all of their school district news here may be under the impression that the district is in trouble.

In the newspaper business, we tend to present small pieces of information over time, and often leave it to the reader to draw conclusions as to the bigger picture. Sometimes I wonder if the many small pieces we present always add up to the whole pie.

To be sure, the school district is facing many challenges now, and has been in the recent past. Budget cuts, declining enrollment, employee and teacher contract negotiations and now facility improvements are all topics we have covered in recent months.

Much has been made about the dozen or so students who did not re-enroll in the Manchester public schools this year, and with the district's precarious financial situation, this has made a large impact on programs, forcing cuts in many areas.

But I wonder sometimes if a change in emphasis might be in order. With all of the options



SHAWN LAWRENCE

CAPTAIN'S LOG

available to students now, including private schools and schools of choice, perhaps people in this community might take pride in the fact that while a dozen students left the district, many hundreds of students and their parents chose to return to the Manchester schools. They did this presumably because they are finding the Manchester schools are meeting the challenge of educating the children.

As the community and the school board begin to determine priorities in a facility improvement project, it is important that we continue to recognize the many things the district already does well. In our paper this week is a story

about Manchester underclass students with outstanding scores on college entrance pre-exams. This is one obvious indication of the fine job being performed by the faculty.

We also recently printed a story about MEAP and HSPT scores where Manchester students again scored well above the state averages in most areas.

Alongside budget cut stories, we frequently print articles about new and innovative programs being instituted in the district from the elementary school up through the high school level. At the end of every year, we can count on an article detailing the numerous scholarships earned by Manchester students.

In addition to the academic achievements, the extracurricular programs like athletics, music and drama are continually churning out achievements. The alternative

high school is yet another way Manchester schools provide a forum for learning and growth.

I believe the most important components to a successful education are nothing more than people. Students with involved parents, and most

importantly, good teachers are the irreplaceable pieces. No amount of technology, no amount of money and no amount of new computers will succeed in educating a child in the absence of one of those three components. None of these items can replace an experienced and dedicated teacher with the ability to inspire a child to the joys and wonders of learning.

As a newspaper, we will pledge to keep this in mind as the facility discussion begins. To remember that we are not patching a broken district, but instead, that Manchester is in the enviable position of upgrading an already fine system.

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Visions of sugarplums and donkeys

I don't know how it happens year after year but Christmas always seems to sneak up on me.

It's not like I'm not thinking of it. Starting about, oh, August 25 I start remembering the date and thinking, "Well, it's just four months until Christmas." (My family will also tell you that I remind them it is 364 days until my next birthday - but that's a story for another column.)

And so it goes. On September 25 I remind myself that I have three months left. By October 25 I start wondering where the time has gone. And sometime around November 25 I think that I have plenty of time and shouldn't panic.

Why, then, I panic anyway. I'm not really sure. I start thinking of all that I have to do in the next 25-30 days and it makes me shudder. I don't really care much for shopping because I don't like crowds or cranky people. And I seem to run into quite a few of the latter while Christmas shopping - myself included.

I HAVE always felt pretty lucky that I've never had to be on the hunt for something trendy during the holidays. Either my kids were too young or too old to be affected by the hype for the "hot toys" of the Christmas season. No one cried for lack of a Cabbage Patch Doll, a Tickle-Me Elmo, or a Furby.

I have, on occasion, decided I must have a certain gift for a certain person - and that gift turned out to be in decidedly short supply. For my oldest daughter's first Christmas she received a doll which became her special companion. When her little sister was born, my oldest decided that Santa must bring every little girl a Huggums for her first Christmas.

For some reason it was hard to find a Huggums that year. I traipsed around both Ann



MARSHA JOHNSON CHARTRAND

AFTER THOUGHTS

Arbor and Jackson, with a three-year-old and a six-month-old in tow, looking everywhere that carried Madame Alexander dolls. There was no dolly to be found.

My sister-in-law in Milwaukee still has my eternal gratitude for finding a Huggums at a Marshall Fields and sending her via UPS a few days before Christmas.

SOWHEN the Cabbage Patch fervor came a year or two later, I had already experienced the phenomenon and had no desire to repeat it. Fortunately the girls were still small enough that they didn't mind that Grandma made their Cabbage Patch dolls.

I haven't had to do the frantic search for "just the right gift" very often over the years, and for that I am grateful.

But here I am with three teenagers and a wannabe teen and I'm on a manhunt - or maybe I should call it a donkey-hunt - for just the right toy. It's for the same kid as last time. (You'd think I would learn.)

This toy is not something I would have considered a hot item. It's not being featured on the news, or at least I haven't seen it there.

But over Thanksgiving weekend we went shopping and she saw one of these toys and thought it was great. I casually looked at it and thought, how cute. Maybe I'll stop back during the week and pick one up.

But when I stopped by later that week the toy was gone. Call

me naive - I still didn't catch on to the fact that there might be a problem. I decided to make a side trip to Meijers. There a nice toy department helped me climb up on ladders to see if the reluctant donkey was hiding up on the top shelf behind his companion bears and pigs and tigers. Still no luck.

SINCE THAT day I've been constantly on the lookout. Catalog shopping, internet shopping - I even have

someone's boyfriend making bids for me on e-bay. Friends and relatives have joined me in

traditional shopping and are on the lookout for this toy. It has become a challenge and I'm determined to locate one of these donkeys if it's the last thing I do.

After all these years, I have joined the insanity.

Wish me luck... and may you find everything you want for your kids, too.

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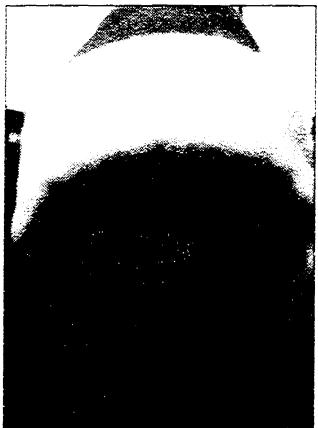
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Street Talk

By Marsha Johnson-Chartrand

Are you looking forward to snow?



"Yes, I can't wait to go snow-boarding!"
- Tim Tyler



"You bet - I will be going snow-mobiling"
- James Tobias



"No, because I'll have to walk in it and drive in it."
- Ken Lane



"Yes and no. I like the changes of season, but summer is still my favorite."
- Yvonne Henry



"Heck yes - hopefully I'll be going skiing."
- Mike Risko

SCORES

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Sewell and Kathryn Horodieczny all scored 67. Elizabeth Bauer, David Canter and Mike DeBurghgraeve both scored 65 and Amber Cullip, Diane Dillon, Shannon Green, Emily Hughes, Holly Sutton and Holly Horodieczny all scored 63.

The district received the results of the PSAT test Dec. 2.

Ashleigh Sewell had the highest score overall with a selection index of 199 (96th percentile). Taylor said she should be commended and might possibly qualify for a National Merit semi-finalist.

Rachel Landry also received a very high index score with a 192 (94th percentile). The index score is the combination of the verbal, writing and math scores.

Ashleigh Sewell received the highest verbal score with a 68, Randi Foster scored 61 and Mike DeBurghgraeve and Sarah Luckhardt each scored 60.

TAYLOR SAID that on the PSAT, a score of 60 predicts a verbal score of 600 on the SAT; 80 is a perfect score. An average score is typically between 40 and 55.

Taylor said that other notable verbal scores were earned by Audrey Bennett and Jack Smail with scores of 58, Amber Cullip and Holly Sutton each scored 56 and Jackie Palms and Rachel Landry each scored 55.

On the math portion of the test, Ashleigh Sewell scored a 63, Andy Jones and Jackie Palms each scored 62, Eric Walter and Will Slocum each scored 60, Sarah Luckhardt and Bill Robertz both scored 59, Randi Foster, Kathryn Horodieczny and Rachel Landry all scored 58, David DuRussel and Brett Maki both scored 57, and Audrey Bennett, Mike DeBurghgraeve and Jon Miller all scored 55.

On the writing portion of the test, Rachel Landry scored a 79, Ashleigh Sewell and Holly Sutton both scored 68, Mike DeBurghgraeve scored 66, Elizabeth Bauer and Sarah Luckhardt both scored a 61, Bill Robertz scored a 59 and Jackie

Palms scored a 55.

"Overall, our students did a great job and should be applauded," Taylor said.

PICKERS

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performed in a variety of areas within a reasonable distance.

"**WE TAKE** a couple of weeks to travel - we call it touring - and turn it into a vacation," says Carol.

Recently the group performed in Saline with the Fiddlers Philharmonic and the RFD Boys, which gave them some wider local exposure.

"While we temporarily have just three people we're sort of in a new incarnation," says Mark Palms. "We're trying to figure out how to fit this into our style. Some of our songs really need the energy of four."

They'll have an opportunity to do that at Dan's River Grill as they are the featured performers for the New Years Eve banquet at Dan's Down Under.

"It will be nice to stay close to home this year," said Palms. "It sounds like it'll be a fun evening. We're preparing some music particularly for this event - both holiday tunes and

music of the era."

The band refuses to be categorized as bluegrass or folk or a dance band - the closest they come to getting a classification is calling themselves "a string band that swings."

"**I THINK** that term falls safely within our realm," says Palms. "Although string bands in the past have been considered as sort of rough-and-ready, from the hills, we're sophisticated midwesterners and I think we represent the evolution of that style in today's world."

"We play primarily stringed instruments, but a string band is a pretty wide category. It actually came before bluegrass - bluegrass came out of the string band, and evolved from there. There is a specific style and tradition that is bluegrass, and we don't mess with that."

"It's a good creative outlet for us. I think our music is folk - we create it, we have folk type themes - but I don't know if folk will ever be like it was back in the '60s."

"It's not attached to a cause any more," adds Carol. "But it still has the poetic quality. We've avoided being categorized - it's just that we want to be appreciated for the sake of

the music, not because we're a certain kind of group."

A FREQUENT addition to the Raisin Pickers performances is traditional dancer Sheila Graziano.

"Sheila is also a great singer and piano player," says Carol Palms. "We did two recordings with her early on, before coming to Manchester, as a trio."

Graziano performs percussive dance styles including Irish, Scottish, Appalachian, English and Canadian, and has been frequenting traditional music and dance festivals for more than twenty years. She also does instruction in traditional dance for the Fiddlers Philharmonic.

Plans for recording again are underway, although whether their next release will be as a trio or a quartet is still unknown.

"There is a lot of logistics and planning to whether the new fiddler will be a permanent addition to the band," explained Palms. "Before James left, we were planning to

record another CD - but at this point I feel the urgency only to keep on track. We don't know if we'll get to the studio this summer or not.

"David is quite prolific and Mark has always written a lot, too. That's the reason we would record again - because there are new songs to sing."

New songs to sing, new roads to travel, and a proliferation of talents. The Raisin Pickers have plenty of reasons to keep on picking well into the new millennium.

SEWERS

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in the Senate.

Secondly, administrative

rules for the funding must be made public. Although this could take time, with one of the two pieces in place, township officials are hopeful that they will be able to apply for a grant early next year.

"The legislative liaison at the DEQ is optimistic there will be funding for such a project under Clean Water funds," said Peacock.

After finding out whether funding is available and how much it will be, there are a few steps the township will need to take to get the project underway.

A petition, requesting the sewer system, must be circulated among the residents and

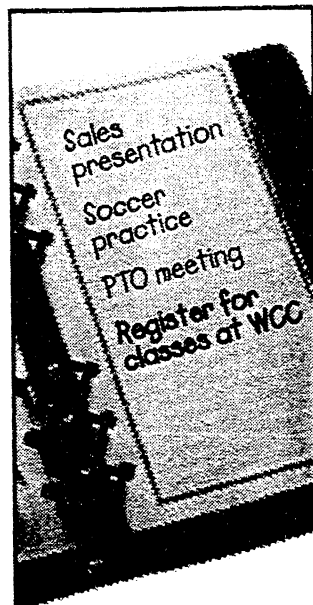
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The ENTERPRISE SPORTS

Dutch grapplers open season with strong showing

By Colleen O'Neill
Special Writer

The Manchester Wrestling team opened the season on Wednesday with one win and one loss in a dual meet.

"We lost to Clinton 39-37 but we beat Grass Lake 60-18," said Head Coach Steve Velcheck. "They (Grass Lake) are a pretty young team."

The two-point loss to Clinton is notable in that the Dutchmen took three forfeits in both meets.

In the 103 weight class Josh Tobias won both his matches. Russ Cruz won both his matches at 135. He won them both with pins.

Jeremiah Tobias, who wrestles at 145, also won both of his matches by pins. Jordan Wahl wrestles at 152. He, too, won both matches.

"He also had the best match against Clinton in that he beat a wrestler he lost to several times last year," Velcheck said.

MATT JONES pinned both of his opponents at 160.

Mike Boehmer weighs only 153 pounds but wrestled in the 171 class.

"He defeated both of his opponents which is really good considering he was outweighed by 20 pounds or so," Velcheck said.

Alex Kormendi won both of

his matches in the 189 class.

"The first couple meets are always a time to look and see what you need to work on and get ready for the middle of the season," Velcheck said. "The seniors did a nice job of showing leadership, what it will take to win."

Wahl, Boehmer, Jeremiah Tobias and Jones are the seniors.

"All four went 2-0," Velcheck said.

Damien Evans wrestled at 130 and won his first match of his career.

THE FLYING Dutchmen competed at a tournament on Satur-

day and split their record again, winning two and losing two. Springport won the tournament and Erie Mason, St. John's and Leslie all were there.

"Against Springport we lost 46-30," Velcheck said. "Our bright spot in that meet was Josh Tobias who wrestled at 112 and he won a 6-1 match."

The Dutch defeated St. John 40-35 and Erie Mason 37-36 but lost to Leslie 39-37.

"They were all close matches," Velcheck said. "Especially considering we were giving up 12 points to everyone, besides St. John. Everyone else has full squads."

Five players were undefeated

on the day were. Josh Tobias at 103 Jordan Wahl at 152 and Matt Jones at 160 all won their four matches. Willie Slocum at 130 and Jeremiah Tobias at 145 both won with four pins.

AT 189, ALEX Kormendi went 3-1. At 135 Russ Cruz was 2-2. 103 Doug Cruz went 2-2. 119 Dyon Evans and 125 James Meyer went 1-3.

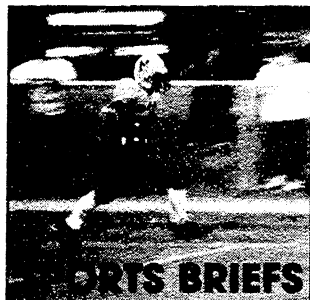
"At 171 Mike Boehmer went 1-2 but wrestled very well for the competition he was wrestling at, since he was outweighed," Velcheck said.

Manchester was closest to Springport who won in the finals 52-25.

"We fared pretty well against them," Velcheck said. "We were 3-3 and the three losses were by a total of four points. We are hanging a little tougher this year. The team is coming pretty well."

"We'll find out a lot more this week when we start our league schedule. We'll be able to work on what we saw and hopefully come out with a couple more wins."

The first league meet was against East Jackson at home on Wednesday. Manchester will then attend the JAWS tournament on Saturday. That competition starts at 9 a.m. at Jackson High School.



Scoreboard

November 22
Seventh Grade Basketball
Manchester: 26
Napoleon: 33

Eighth Grade Basketball
Manchester: 33
Napoleon: 34

November 23
Seventh Grade Basketball
Manchester: 54
Vandercook Lake: 23

Eighth Grade Basketball
Manchester: 51
Vandercook Lake: 35

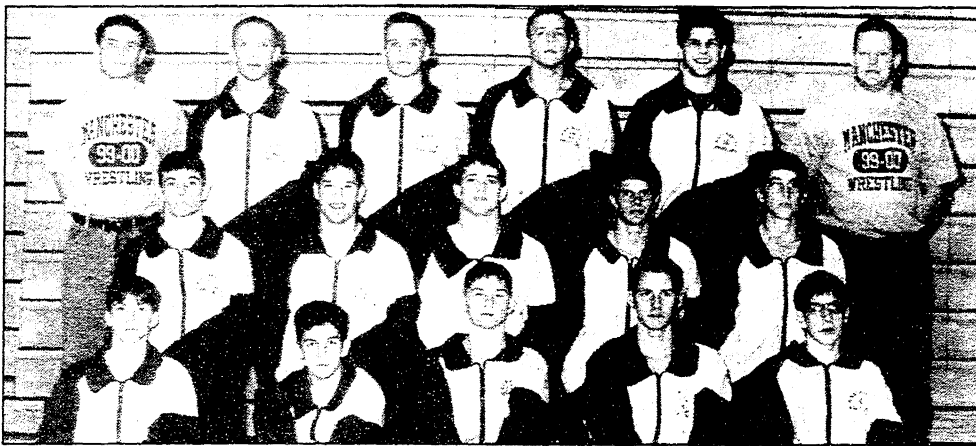
Wrestlers Open Season

The Manchester Wrestling team opened their season last week with a dual meet and an invitational. Even though they do not have wrestlers in two weight categories, requiring them to forfeit those two matches, the team has been very impressive so far. See related story on this page.

Cheerleaders to take part in holiday competition

The Manchester Varsity and Junior Varsity Cheerleaders will participate in the Holiday Cheers competition at Macomb Community College on Dec. 11. Competition starts 12:45 p.m. and admission is \$4, under 5 are admitted free.

The teams will only compete in one round and varsity will be taking their award winning cheer with just slight modifications. Head Coach Dana Dietz said they will not be changing much.



The Manchester wrestlers looked strong in early season action, downing Grass Lake 60-18.

Eighth grade squad drops close one

By Colleen O'Neill
Special Writer

The Manchester eighth grade basketball team suffered their first loss in two years when they were defeated Napoleon 33-34 on Monday.

"We were trailing just about the whole game, but never by more than four or five," said Head Coach Adam Benschoter. Manchester was down 6 to 5 at the end of the first quarter. 19 to 16 at the half, and only trailed by one at the end of the third. Unfortunately that is where it stayed.

The Dutchmen were hurt by the absence of Jordan Tallman who leads the team in rebounds and scoring. He missed the game due to illness.

Besides missing Tallman Benschoter had three starters on the bench in foul trouble in the first half.

"Considering that I thought we played a really good game," Benschoter said.

"THE ONE thing that really hurt us were turnovers. We ended up with 25 for the game," Mike Coval led the team with 13 points. Jeff Miller and Terris Ahrens both shot six points. Lance Aiken added four points. Dan Schulte and Jon Schaible both added a bucket.

"Normally Jordan is in the scoring column and that was the first time Jason Lindemann

didn't score," Benschoter said.

"That hurt." Manchester actually had the lead with 20 seconds left and they had the ball but that was when they gave up the 25th turnover.

"They capitalized, they scored and we lost," Benschoter said. It was a tough loss.

But Manchester came right back against Vandercook Lake on Wednesday who had lost to

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Seventh graders split pair over past week

By Colleen O'Neill
Special Writer

The Manchester seventh grade boys basketball team suffered their first defeat of the season when they lost to Napoleon on Monday 33-26.

"We didn't get off to a real good start," said Head Coach Curt Fielder. "They took control early, and made us play catch up. We tightened the score up a bit but it was not enough to put us over top."

Manchester was down by only two points at the half and only trailed by four points at the end of the third quarter.

Brett Melcher led the team in scoring with 13 points. He was followed by Tom Breilein who had four points. RJ Layher and Tyler Mester both added a bucket and a free throw while

Andrew Way sunk one from the line.

"Napoleon played a good hard game," Fielder said. "They had some fine ballplayers. It will be interesting to see how these two grades match up in the coming years. It should be a game to look forward to every year."

The Dutch rebounded from that loss to crush Vandercook Lake at home on Wednesday winning 54-23.

"We had a lot of people contribute too. In the first quarter we were getting beat 9-6. Then we jumped to a 24-13 half-time lead, then 40-20 and then finally 54-23.

This time it was Breilein with the scoring lead with nine points and Melcher next who added eight. Andrew Way,

Bryan Haeussler, and Rodney Posky all had six. Dan Randall, Mike Tremblay and RJ Layher each put up four points. Eric Strong, Charlie Sears and Tyler Mester all added a bucket.

"Eleven of our kids scored," Fielder said. "That is really encouraging."

Fielder was also pleased with the defensive contributions from James Tobias, Matt Church, Tim Tyler and Aaron Kwolek.

While Fielder was thrilled with the win he was happy with his players for an entirely different reason.

Fielder said with the win in hand in the fourth quarter he tried to get some of the kids who do not play as much more playing time.

"It was the players who generally play more who were really looking to the kids who do not get much of a chance to play much," Fielder said. "The starters were feeding them the ball, giving these kids a chance to shine."

On Thursday the team traveled to Ann Arbor for a scrimmage against St. Francis.

"It was more or less a running clock," Fielder said. "We played for an hour; everybody rotated in and played the same amount of time."

"I saw some good things out of a lot of players. They played some nice quarters. I got to look at some different combinations of kids and how they worked together."

This week the Dutch travel

for both of their games. They play at East Jackson on Monday and at Michigan Center on Wednesday.

"We've beaten those two teams once already this season," Fielder said. "But we will need to be prepared for both games."

Fielder pointed out that the season is nearly over.

"We have just four games left," Fielder said. "It has been an enjoyable group to work with so far. I know many of the kids will continue playing in Ann Arbor."

Fielder pointed out that the Ann Arbor league takes a lot of commitment from both the players and their parents.

"But they really enjoy it." That's the bottom line.

JV basketball squad preparing for season

By Colleen O'Neill
Staff Writer

The junior varsity basketball season got a sneak peek at the season when they scrimmaged at both Milford and Siena Heights.

"For the first scrimmage we were a little rusty," said Head Coach Brian Bonner.

At Milford, the Dutch saw two teams from larger schools in higher districts.

"Milford is Class A and Dexter is Class B," Bonner said. "We were missing a few players due to Thanksgiving weekend."

"We did a lot better at Siena against Lenawee Christian and at Whitmore Lake, we showed improvement."

Bonner has 10 players on the team and most are sophomores.

Bonner said Jacob Geyer will play a little of everything except point guard.

"He is very versatile; he can play inside, outside, shoot the three, go inside for us, he'll be flexible for us," Bonner said.

"He has been practicing with varsity but he'll start with us. He helps us out."

"Karl Schaible is one of our better defensive players," Bonner said. "And he can also score. I look to put him on the other team's best scorer. He is a great hustler, plays real hard, gives it his all."

Bonner said he has several players who can make the three-point shot and Mike Walter is one of them. He adds that Walter really plays hard and shoots the ball.

Jeremy Forner has come back to the game of basketball. "This is his first year since junior high," Bonner said. "He is a good athlete, he's just picking up it back up. He does a real good job playing defense."

Bonner knows that Forner is a good, quick football player but said it is hard to know what he'll do in basketball this year since he's been out of the game for a while.

"Tyler Clark is an inside play-

er, a rebounder who will go up against the bigger fellows," Bonner said.

And Bonner will put Chris Loud in at both forward spots.

"He's got a nice touch, he can shoot the ball can play inside too," Bonner said.

"Casey Preuninger is our tallest player, he'll play the five spot, the center."

Bonner said Preuninger can really run the floor well which a lot of big guys cannot do.

Three freshmen round out the team.

Nate Smith will play both guard spots, is another good three-point shooter, is a pretty good ball handler and has a lot of quickness, according to Bonner.

While Nick Strobl has always lived in Manchester, this is his first year at the public high school. Bonner will put him in at the large forward and the center spot, maybe even the whole front line.

"He has a good outside shot

for a big guy and he can shoot the three too," Bonner said.

"Having him is a nice surprise."

Josh McCalla will play mainly point guard.

"He sees the floor really well, is a good passer and has good game sense," Bonner said.

Bonner said both Mike Walter and Karl Schaible are good leaders. They lead by example. They are always at practice, give it their all and have a good attitude.

As they prepare to open the season Bonner sees many strengths to this team.

"One strength is the three point shot," Bonner said. "I have a lot of kids who can do that."

"And we have pretty good depth. I can put them all in the game and feel pretty confident about who is in. Good team speed and quickness is another strength."

The team will open the season Tuesday against Clinton at home then will travel to

Vandercook Lake on Friday.

Brian Bonner is in his seventh season of coaching. He started as an assistant on the varsity team, then coached the freshmen team for one season before taking on the junior varsity squad for the 1995-1996 season.

He played three years of varsity basketball at Manchester then played college baseball at Albion.

As for his hopes for this year Bonner said it is hard to make predictions.

"The first step is to be over 500 then go from there," Bonner said.

"You never know who will go to varsity, if they get some injuries they could take players. The ultimate goal is for varsity to win and we never know at the junior varsity level who they will take."

Even if he loses a player or two, it sounds like Bonner has enough depth to be well over 500.

HOOPS

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Napoleon by two points.

"WE KNEW they were capable of being good," Benschoter said. "But we defeated them 51-35."

"Finally, our shooting improved."

Against Napoleon the Dutch only shot twenty three percent.

"If we had shot twenty four or twenty five percent we would have won," Benschoter said.

Against Vandercook Lake the Dutchmen shot forty eight percent.

Schaible led the scoring with 18 and Tallman had nine. Jeff Miller and Coval both had seven points and Dan Schulte scored four. Jason Lindemann was on the board with two.

"We did a real nice job defensively," Benschoter said. "We only gave up four points in the first quarter."

Middle school rules say a team can not press or run a trap if they are leading by 10 or more points.

"When we are not pressing we seem to lack a bit on defense," Benschoter said. "Jogging back we seem to lose a little emotion, play a little tentative instead of going after it."

But Benschoter was adamant about one thing.

"IT WAS a good win," Benschoter said.

The team is winding down their season with only four games left.

They will travel to East Jackson on Monday and then go to Michigan Center on Wednesday.

"We beat East Jackson 44 to 27 earlier in the year and we beat Michigan Center 50 to 39 earlier," Benschoter said.

"From talking to other coaches it sounds like Michigan Center has gotten a lot better. I haven't heard too much about East Jackson."

On Thursday the team had a scrimmage with St. Francis and Benschoter saw some good things.

"We had a lot of good things come out of that. We finally decided to run the offense we just got lay up after lay up," Benschoter said. "We're hoping that will run into the next game."

Other than that he plans on doing the same things he has been doing; press, adjust and adapt.

Freshman squad gears up for basketball season

By Colleen O'Neill
Staff Writer

Corey Fether has a new job this year. After working as an assistant coach with the varsity squad last year, Fether will now be the Freshmen Basketball Coach.

There are 10 players on the team and Fether describes them all.

"Jeff Galaska will be a point guard, and has a nice 3 point shot," Fether said.

SEWERS

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business owners in the special assessment district as defined by the township. Two-thirds of the residents and/or property owners in the area included must have signed the petition and bring it to the township board.

"Basically, our board wants to have quite a bit of community support for such a project," said Peacock. "We don't expect state funding to cover 100-percent of the cost - it would probably require at least a 25-percent match locally."

"That 25-percent would obviously have to come from the property owners. The board doesn't have funds to match it and there might be opposition from those outside the district."

"Certainly, the property owners within the hamlet will derive some economic benefit from this," she said.

Peacock believes there is adequate community support to make this project a reality. The ability to be able to sell their property under new county guidelines is one aspect of the support, and another is simply aesthetic.

Peacock says that members of the board regularly receive calls wondering when the project will begin, so once funding becomes available things may be able to move along quickly.

"We are more optimistic now than we have been in the past," she said. "Now we'll have to wait and see how long it will take."

BUILDING

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Dale Behnke, the head of the construction authority. "The changes taking place will help maintain and improve that service."

The authority agreement also

"David Evilsizer will be a starting forward and back up point guard and is another 3-point shooter."

Guard Kenny Baker will have to do some ball handling according to Fether and Jim McCarthy is a player with a nice set shot.

"Joel Makielski is a good defensive player who can also take it to the hole and score," Fether said.

Fether said he will be look-

ing to Kevin Walter for points.

"Craig Lane is Mr. Versatility," Fether said. "He can play a little bit of everything."

Fether said Tyler Harvey will probably be his starting center and he is a good rebounder.

And Colin Moore is the tallest player on team.

"We'll be looking to him for defensive presence in the middle and also for the rebound."

WCC Board packet is now available online

The Washtenaw Community College Board packet is now available online. Interested persons now can access the documents shared at the board's regular monthly meetings on the WCC website, www.washtenawcc.mi.us/trustees by click-

ing "Current Meeting" at the far right of the page.

Board packets will be available each Monday prior to the board's special monthly session (usually the second Tuesday of the month) and its regular monthly meeting, which con-

venes the fourth Tuesday of the month, except in August. Upcoming meeting dates are: Dec. 14; Jan. 11 and 25, Feb. 8 and 22, March 28, April 11 and 25, May 9 and 23, June 13 and 27, July 25, Sept. 12 and 26, Oct. 10 and 24, Nov. 14 and 28, and Dec. 12.

As a coach Fether said he wants to key on defense and making sure the team is pre-

pared for the next level.

Fether played basketball at Pittsford High School in Hillsdale County before going on to Central Michigan where he played four years of intramural basketball.

Teaching brought Corey to Manchester, as he is a seventh grade Math teacher.

The team will open their season on December 14 when they host the Leslie Blackhawks.

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40 Vanna's cohort
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45 Inuit
47 Bicycle seat style
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9 Use asphalt
10 "All - of You" (song)
11 Eve's grandson
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Answers in Today's Classifieds

600 Employment

PRE-SCHOOL TEACHER
The Early Learning Center, NAEYC accredited teacher, seeks team teacher with 8+ early childhood experience. Please call 734-973-7722.

PRESS OPERATOR
Immediate opening at Dexter Stamping Company, a \$250,000 and ISO9002 certified supplier of automotive stampings. Full time, first shift (6am to 2:30pm). 1999 and one year of manufacturing experience helpful. Competitive wage determined by experience.

Located only minutes from Ann Arbor, Jackson, Stockbridge, Manchester and Chelsea. Dexter Stamping Company offers an excellent full benefit package after 90 days of employment, including sick/personal time and vacation after one year.

Apply in person, or send your resume/qualification to: Human Resource Department, Dexter Stamping Company, 69 Enterprise Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48103. Fax: 734-668-1175.

PRINTING
Pressman needed. Full time. Must have some printing experience (Höbelsberg, GTO/KOYO). Good benefits and pay. 313-271-5600.

RN-LPN-CEN
SIGN-ON-BONUS!
Afternoon and midnight shifts available. Contact: Kim Hoelt, RN or Cyndy Brown, RN. 313-271-5600.

SEVA/CHILD HOME
1640 W. Wadsworth
Saline, MI 48176
(734) 429-9401

SALES ASSOCIATE
Nationally recognized public accountants in Lansing are classified advertising sales associate. Must have strong organizational skills and be prepared to creatively pitch advertising sales. Send resume, salary history and references to "Classified Advertising Sales" and Confidential, c/o Stephanie Arbanas, State Bar of Michigan, 306 Townsend St., Lansing, MI 48906.

SALES/PERSONAL
Ceramic tile store. Must have experience in customer service and sales. Computer literate. Part/full time positions available immediately. Hours include Saturday. Please call 734-426-1100 or fax resume to 734-426-1106. Wages based on experience.

SALES-SERVICE TECHNICIANS
Orkin, the nation's leader in pest control, is looking for full time Sales-Service Technicians to service our residential Washtenaw County area. We offer:
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• Drug free work environment.
Candidates Need:
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• Ability to work independently.
• Ability to work with the public.
Please call Mike Stanford at 1-800-332-4501, or fax resume to 734-721-2958.

SALINE AREA SCHOOLS
Lathrop Program hiring Special Education Aide for student in after-school programs. Hours are 2:30-6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Starting salary \$7.56 per hour with some college reimbursement. Job to be filled January 2, 2000. Must be 18. (734) 944-8946

SCREEN-PRINTER EXPERIENCE
Leading Ann Arbor printing company. Full time, part time, and/or weekends. Top wages. Call Mickie 734-975-8800

SCREW MACHINE OPERATORS-BONUS PAID
Due to plant expansion, K&M Precision products has openings on second shift. Flexible hours for Screw Machine Operators and Self-Help Operators. Bonus offered to experienced operators. Company has medical, dental, 401K and profit sharing. 734-426-3941.

SECONDARY OPERATORS
Entry level and experienced operators required due to plant expansion. K&M Precision Products offers medical, dental, 401K and profit sharing. 8763 Dexter-Chelsea Rd., Dexter, MI 734-426-3941.

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Sub contractors with reliable plow trucks for large retail sites. All Metro Detroit areas. Call: Metro-Detroit Snowblowing/Deicing especially. Top pay! Paid weekly. Call 810-774-0090.

SOCIAL WORK ASSISTANT to supervise visits with children and their parents, transport children in own vehicle, teach parenting skills during visitations. Must have reliable car and ongoing transportation. Degree in child development preferred. Send a fax resume to Patricia Kempker, LSSM, 2550 Packard, Suite 111, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. Fax 734-971-2137.

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THE LONDON TOWNSHIP Board will be accepting resumes for the elected position of Township Treasurer. Resumes will be reviewed and applicants will be interviewed at the December 13, 1999 board meeting at 7:30 p.m. Please submit resumes to the Township Clerk at 13613 Tuttlewood, Midland, MI 48640. If you have any questions, contact the Clerk at (734) 439-1974.

TILE SETTERS/LABORERS
Ceramic tile installation experience necessary with references. Granite fabrication/installation knowledge a help. Must have phone and transportation. Full time positions available immediately. Please call 734-662-8004.

WAREHOUSE ASSISTANT
Daytime hours. Benefits. Some driving necessary. Merit/Carpet One. Call interview at 734-475-8621. Ask for Sharon.

WEEKEND GREETER
Saline Builder seeks a greeter for service customers and provide information on homesites. Good communication and interpersonal skills are important. Resumes available immediately. References required. Fax resume to 734-944-2526 or telephone 734-944-2519.

WELDERS
Furniture component company seeks an experienced production welder. Print reading, fabrication experience helpful. Competitive wage and health benefits. Apply: GMI, 3985 Fletcher, Chelsea, MI 48118

601-Office/Clerical
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLERK
McKinley Associates, Inc., a national real estate investment and property management firm, has corporate offices located in downtown Ann Arbor, has an opening for an experienced Accounts Payable Clerk.

Position responsibilities include: Accounts payable processing. Prior experience with computerized accounting systems along with strong mathematical skills required.

Salary commensurate with experience. Benefits package including health-life-dental insurance, 401(k) plan, tuition assistance and discount on rent rate at a McKinley managed apartment available.

Please send resume with salary history to: McKinley Associates, Inc., RE: AP, P.O. Box 6459, Ann Arbor, MI 48107-8649. Fax: 734-769-8760. e-mail: info@mcKinley-associates.com

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Part time. Clerical/receptionist. Experience required. Must be computer literate. Internet experience a plus. Call Tom at 734-475-3701.

APPOINTMENT ADMINISTRATOR
Appointment coordination and scheduling for high volume disability service department. Pleasant phone voice and excellent customer service required; attention to detail and ability to multi-task a must; medical terminology helpful. Full time position flexible hours. 734-677-4220.

BOOKKEEPER FOR CPA FIRM-FULL TIME
Monthly bookkeeping, bank reconciliations, journal entries and computer entry. Small office & excellent work-mates. Flexible schedule. Female. If you have common sense, good handwriting & excellent attention to detail, we can train you. No degree needed. Fax resume to 734-426-1453. Contact Stacy, mthomas@netnet.com.

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Equestrian Team at the high school, and has also been involved in 4-H riding clubs.

In the rodeo association, however, Powers has the opportunity to do new and different things - barrel racing, pole bending, goat tying - and she recently began another new pursuit, breakaway roping.

"In the rodeo association, we ride for scholarships, more than awards," she explains. Placing for each event is based on a point system, and scholarship money is awarded based on the points riders have earned.

Powers isn't sure yet of her standings or how much scholarship money she has earned, but she says she will go "wherever there is a show," and will continue to ride all winter long.

Powers plans to attend Washtenaw Community College after graduation next summer, with an eye toward MSU and their veterinary science program.

OTHER STUDENTS at MAS are also involved in a wide variety of programs both in their school and out in the community.

On Thursday afternoons, Title I teacher Sue Whitney hosts a literacy group at Klager School. Five MAS students help out with this program each week. Amber Shock, Julena Westcott, Marley Powers, Devin Golka and Angila Kinsey have dedicated their time to the program this year.

MacKercher explains that the alternative students are responsible for assisting the elementary kids and that they have really developed relationships within their groups.

"At Halloween, they threw a party for the literacy group," she says. "They read stories and the kids then drew their favorite scene from the story. They also took mini-pumpkins for the kids to paint and played 'pin the tail on the cat'."

DEVELOPING NEW and creative ways of learning is part of

the curriculum at MAS and the students are not only doing that for themselves, but for the elementary and middle school kids with whom they work.

Leigh Aiuto and Marley Powers are helping about 25-30 middle school students to develop the Middle School yearbook. The younger students have done some of their own photography and some has been done by the MAS students.

Photography lab is one of the artistic activities that MAS students are pursuing this fall.

"The kids love it, and are having a lot of fun with it" says MacKercher. "Right now we are rotating it into the art classes once a week."

Teacher Adam Benschoter and parapro Bob Johnson are coordinating the photo lab. The school is in need of equipment for the lab and much of what they currently have has been purchased second-hand or donated.

THE QUILT Raffle at MAS has done very well this fall. A quilt, designed and sewn by parent Amy Powers, has been on display in the United Bank and Trust office, and was intended as a fund raiser for the school.

Proceeds from the raffle will purchase technical equipment, gym equipment or books to form a library at MAS.

Committee involvement is another way that MAS students keep in touch with each other, the school, and the community at large. This fall's parent night was highly successful with well over a hundred people in attendance. Students, siblings, parents and staff shared an evening of good food and company. MacKercher says the positive energy shared at the Parent Night was incredibly encouraging to her.

"**WE LIKE** to do this as an invitation and an opportunity to parents to be part of the program and interact with their kids. It was great to have so many parents attend; this was our best turnout yet."

MacKercher's goal of getting the kids out and active and learning sportsmanship was achieved by an early fall softball game vs. the Chelsea alternative school.

Giving the students ownership in their education is one of the purposes of the Handbook Committee and the Advisory Board.

Students and parents are part

of the handbook committee, to focus on the different ways things happen and the different activities that apply at MAS. Developing more of a focus on respect for the individual as well as the school, the handbook provides an outline of expectations for the students and staff alike.

The advisory board is made up of students, parents, high school teachers, administrators, and the entire alternative Ed staff. This committee helps to monitor what is going on in the alternative education program - whether it is curriculum issues, attendance policies, or other issues facing the school. Watch for further updates from Manchester Alternative School throughout the year as the students get better acquainted with each other and their community.



Amber Shock and Brandon Lentz read to Klager school students.



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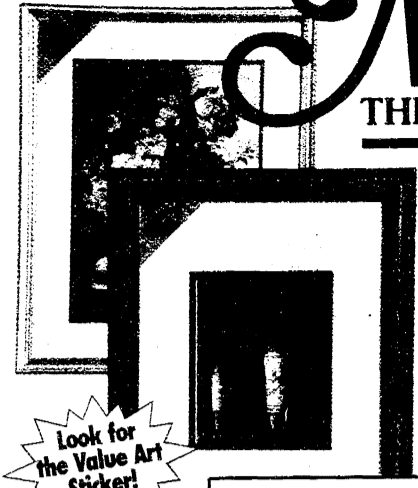
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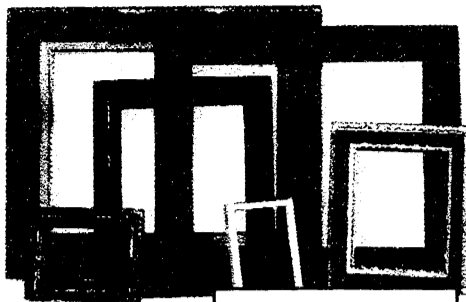
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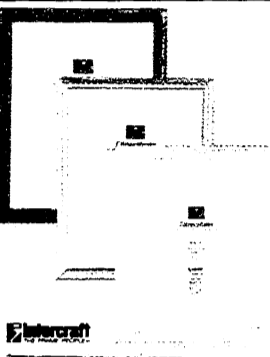
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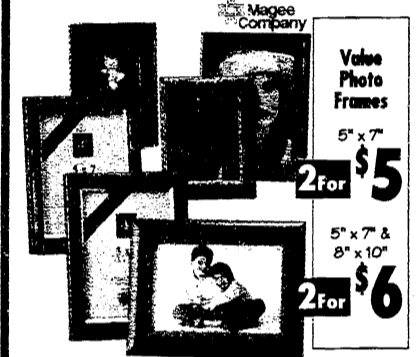
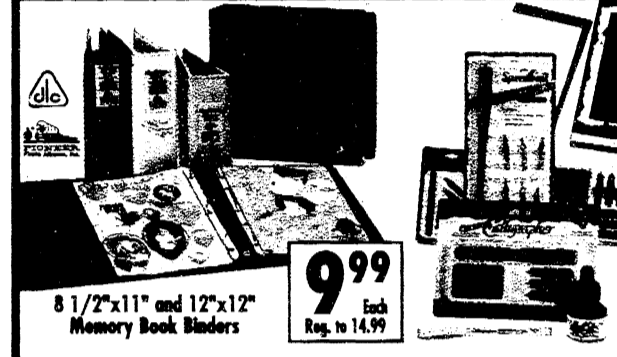
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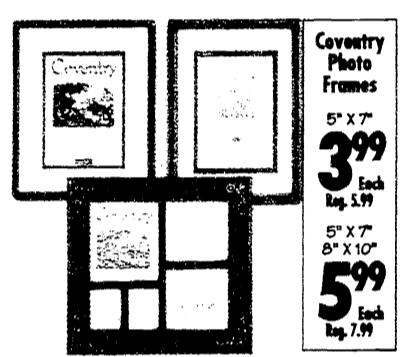


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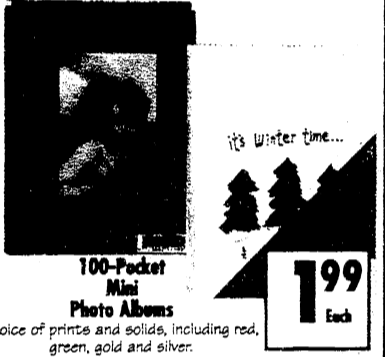
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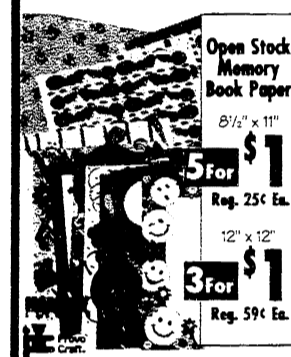
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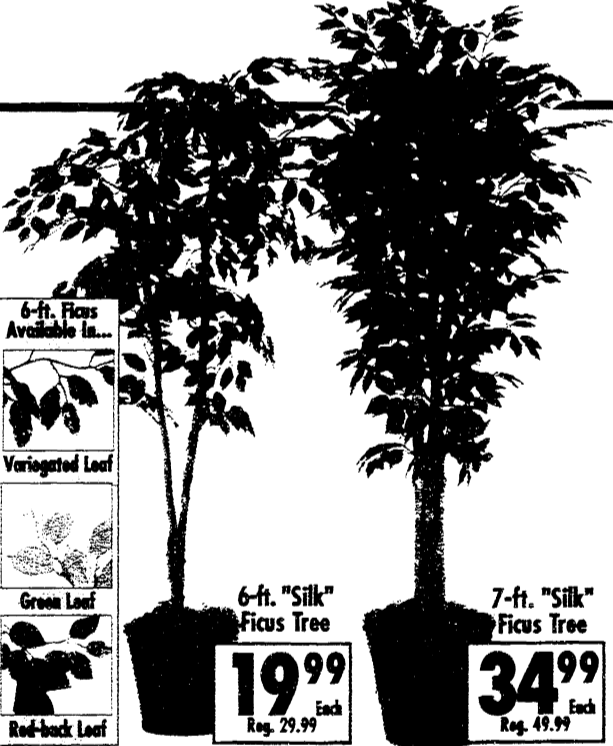


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— Barbara Bush

"And if I didn't know it before, I certainly do now."

"No man, woman or child ever had a better life." She noted a certain closeness she and the Former President share. Barbara also shared with Conquest the specialness of her family.

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
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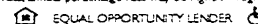
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Plans are already set for The Great Steamboat Race of 2000, when the two paddlewheelers will square off once again and travel from New Orleans to St. Louis. Along the way, the steamboats will actually conduct three speed races, and the boat that wins at least two will be awarded the "Golden Antlers" for the year.

Passengers come from all over the United States — and often from abroad — to experience this step back in time. And hordes of residents along the levees eagerly anticipate the battle of the steamboats each year.

Reservations are now being accepted for 22nd annual race, which starts in New Orleans on June 24 and culminates in St. Louis on July 5, 2000. Fares start at \$1,635 per person (double occupancy) for the 11-night event, including port charges/costs, four sumptuous meals each day, all onboard activities, awarding-winning entertainment and the service of an all-American crew. Passengers who book in any higher cabin category, with a \$300 per person deposit at least six months before departure, will receive free roundtrip airfare or a \$250 per person travel allowance for the vacation. Space is limited to 174 passengers on the *Delta Queen* and 416 on the *Mississippi Queen*. The airfare offer is subject to availability and a few restrictions.

The race recreates the spirit of the first steamboat competition, held in 1870 between the Steamboats *Natchez* and *Rob't E. Lee*.

"At every port there are contests between passengers and crew in fabulous old river towns," says Tom Hook, director of entertainment for The Delta Queen Steamboat Co. "In Natchez, there is a huge citywide welcome, a tour of the elegant antebellum homes and the famous Floozie Contest. In Vicksburg, there's a tour of



Civil War battlefields and in Greenville, there's the Steamboatin' Olympics."

In Memphis, passengers can disembark and tour Graceland, home of Elvis Presley. Memphis' historic Peabody Hotel is also the home of the Riverboat Rigamarole, another annual tradition of the Great Steamboat Race.

At Cape Girardeau, Mo., passengers and crew entertain with Captain Foghorn's Floating Follies and the Great Americana Banner Competition.

All during the journey, there are competitions between passengers of the steamboats, the winning vessel gaining the Commodore's Cup for that year. And for the eighth year, celebrity judges for the events will be Bodine Jackson Balasco, known as the "Last of the Riverboat Gamblers" and the outrageous comic and New Orleans chef, Joe Cahn.

Chef Cahn has performed his humorous cooking demonstrations in the past — his Creole Bread Pudding is sinfully good — and he'll create more of his delicacies during the 2000 cruise. But he's saving his newest creation as a surprise.

Bodine Jackson Balasco teams up with Cahn to entertain the passengers with his sleight of hand artistry, outrageous wit and non-stop energy. Balasco will also lecture one afternoon on the history of riverboat gambling, a topic that has earned him a national reputation and an invitation to lecture at the Smithsonian Institute.

"At The Delta Queen Steamboat Co., we have a real love for the past, of time long ago. Our vessels capture that spirit through fine foods, period entertainment, gracious service and luxurious appointments," Hook says.

"The Great Steamboat Race captures the zenith of the Steamboatin' experience."

The vacation ends in St. Louis, just in time for one of America's largest Fourth of July celebrations. "As the fireworks fly over the famous Gateway Arch, there's a magical, incredibly beautiful moment," says Hook. "It's something not to be missed. It's a storybook ending to a journey that has delighted travelers for more than a century, and will well into the 21st century."

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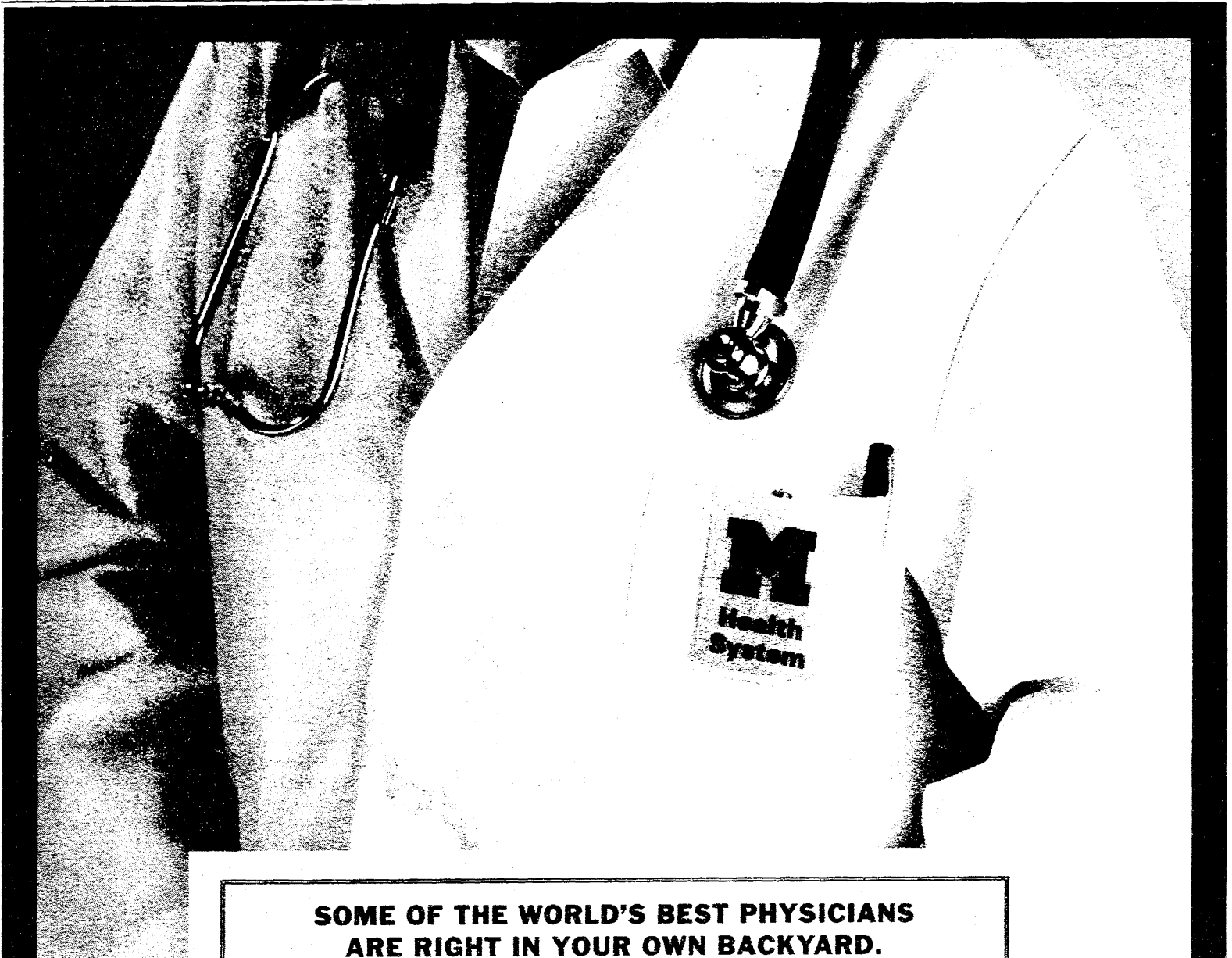
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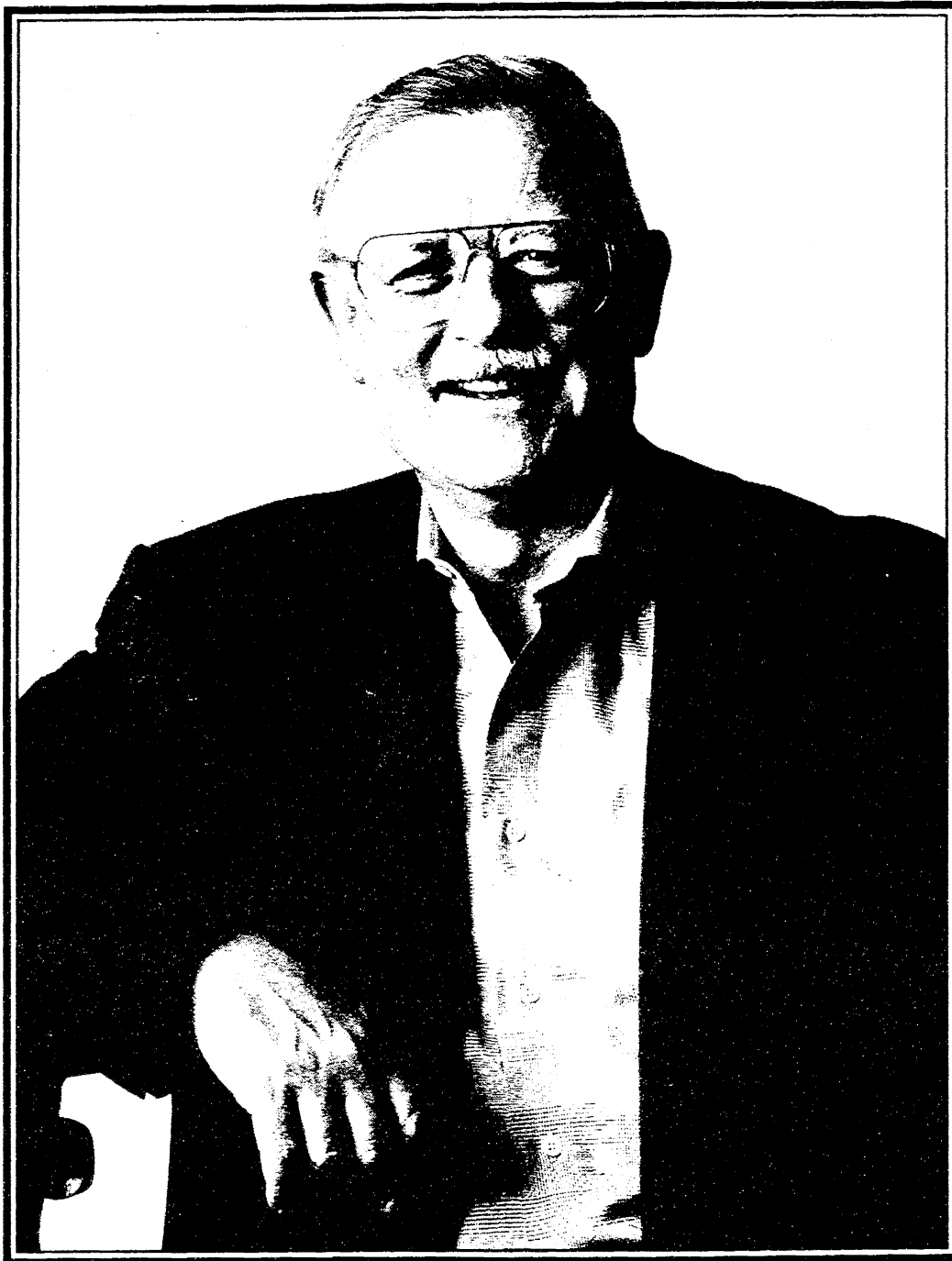
THE EARLY YEARS

Since the summer of 1962 when he took his first steps on the road to a career in entertainment, Roger Whittaker has become an outstanding star all over the world, enjoying a series of highly acclaimed albums and a string of hit singles that includes such classics as "Durham Town," "New World in the Morning," "I Don't Believe in 'If' Anymore," and "The Last Farewell." He has amassed worldwide record sales nearing 50 million. His success has embraced the United States and Canada as well as Australia, New Zealand, Scandinavia, Holland, Belgium, France, and Austria. In Germany alone, more than 10 million albums have been sold in the last six years, to add to 250 platinum, gold, and silver record awards.

Roger was born in Nairobi, Kenya on March 22, 1936. His parents hailed originally from Staffordshire in England; his father came from a family of grocers; his mother was a teacher. The music of East Africa left a mark on Roger's childhood. "In over 30 years of singing and playing musical sounds — the wonderful drumming, and those marvelous, infectious rhythms — have played a great part in everything I have ever written and sung." In school, he was an avid member of the school choir and gained top grades. "In the last three years of my formal education, I managed to work hard enough to get top grades in all my school exams and I had great hopes later of studying to become a teacher or a doctor," he says.

However, within three weeks of leaving school, Roger was drafted into national service, and he spent the next two years in uniform in the Kenya Regiment. In 1956, Roger was demobilized and decided that it was time to concentrate on a career in medicine. He enrolled at the University of Cape Town in South Africa, but he wasn't ready to study day in, day out. After 18 months, he left the university and joined the civil service education department to try teaching. "It was a very exciting time. I was teaching — and loved it! However, this was just an apprenticeship. I could go no further because I had no qualifications. The next hurdle was to find a suitable university. The University of Bangor in Wales was suggested. It was ideal."

Roger arrived in Britain in 1959. For the next three years, he studied zoology, biochemistry, and marine biology with such intensity that he ended up with the second highest grades of his year and a B.Sc. However, during his early days of teaching in East Africa, Roger had continued to sing and entertain in local clubs, and he had by now started to write his own songs. In the last year before sitting for his degree at Bangor, Roger became involved with the University Rag Week when he was approached to compose some songs to sing in the Rag Show. In doing so, he made a



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—Roger Whittaker

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SURVEY REVEALS 'UNTAPPED RESOURCE'

Older workers vow to stay on the job

Citing a desire to stay "active and involved," four of 10 older workers questioned in a new survey on retirement attitudes plan to work at another job after retiring. Of those who want to work, only 18 percent say they will do so for the money. Older Americans, says Marc Freedman, president of Civic Ventures, which sponsored the survey, "want to — and intend to — continue contributing

to their communities."

Far from being a burden on society, he says, they are "a tremendous and largely untapped resource."

But if more older Americans are to continue working, they will need help, the Committee for Economic Development (CED), a business-supported research group, indicated in a separate report.

The CED issued what it called a "wake-up call" to employers to lower job barriers for older workers. The CED urged, among other actions, a greater national effort to combat age discrimination and increased training opportunities for older workers.

The nationwide survey on retirement attitudes, conducted in May by Peter D. Hart Research Associates, questioned 803 persons ages 50 through 75. About 55 percent were retired, the rest still working.

The overriding theme, says Freedman, is that retirement is no longer viewed mainly as a time of leisure. Sixty-five percent (61 percent of retirees, 70 percent of nonretirees) said it is "a time to begin a new chapter by being active and involved, starting new activities and setting new goals." Only 28 percent (32 percent of retirees, 23 percent of nonretirees) said retirement "is a time to take it easy ... (and) enjoy leisure activities."

Twenty percent of retirees in the sample hold paying jobs. Judging from plans of nonretirees, that number may rise. Among nonretirees, 42 percent said they plan to work at a different job after retiring.

"Older Americans want to—and intend to—continue contributing to their communities."

— Marc Freedman

The survey roughly parallels the results of an AARP-sponsored poll last year of baby boomers ages 33-52. Eighty percent said they planned to work after retiring.

The survey for Civic Ventures, a San Francisco-based nonprofit group that promotes volunteerism among older Americans, shed light on several other retirement attitudes:

- Older persons enjoy their stage of life. Almost two-thirds called it the "best" or a "good" time of life.
- Their top role models for successful aging are former President Jimmy Carter, retired General Colin Powell and former Sen. John Glenn.

While more older Americans want to stay on the job, they won't be successful unless corporations take steps to make sure positions are available for them, the CED declared.

With workers living longer and retiring earlier, the CED stated that it is both in the national and the individual retiree's interest to lower barriers to later-life employment.

The group called on employers to make company pension plans neutral between work and retirement. Many plans encourage early retirement.

The CED also urged Congress to repeal the Social Security earnings test, which limits the wages beneficiaries under 70 can earn without penalty. Critics of the earnings test say it discourages people aged 65 through 69 from working.

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Beauty Beyond 50



by Joe Peddicord,
author of award-winning
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Q What do you think are the best fashions for women over 50?

A Much depends upon personality, preference and lifestyle. Casual is increasingly popular. Designers are creating easy-wear fashions. Ditch everything that is drab or dowdy, wear only cheerful colors. Chic is in for us! Cheer up dark tones with colorful accessories. Color can be psychologically uplifting and physically flattering. Comfortable figure-friendly styles in pastels, brights or earthy tones in all apparel suits us to a tee.

Regardless of current trends, let the style of a dress compliment the figure. The tank, shift, slightly flared skirt, and jacket dresses do that. When hems are too long for petite figures, we look dumpty and matronly. Keep them at mid-knee or slightly above with attractive legs. Fabrics should not cling but

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drape or blouse. Light, bright colors around the face enliven it. Dark ones accentuate facial lines and drain color from the complexion. Wearing makeup in enriching shades helps to correct this. Black dresses or tops should have a deep cut neckline so that skin frames the face to counteract the black reflection. A colorful silk or chiffon scarf around the throat is also lovely.

For better-looking legs, wear hose in light shades for thin legs and deeper tones for heavier legs. Visit Hosiery in a department store and check out the dozens of different textures and prints in socks, hose, tights and leggings.

Other styles that fit our profile are: the tailored pant suit with a shirt or sweater; zippered jackets; the long, slim or flowing skirts; slacks or walking shorts with vests or jackets. Monochromatic outfits are chic and slenderizing. Example: A light pink jacket with darker pink slacks or skirt. The ever-popular tee shirt can be worn under sweaters, shirts, jackets, vests and

suits.

Make the day's routine activities more enjoyable by relaxing, exercising and shopping in up-to-date sports clothing. Examples: Sweats in brights or pastels; walking shorts with leggings, pantyhose, or, apply tanning lotion to legs. Top off with a tailored or knit shirt or full-sized sweater.

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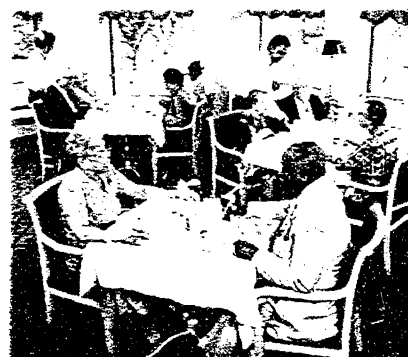
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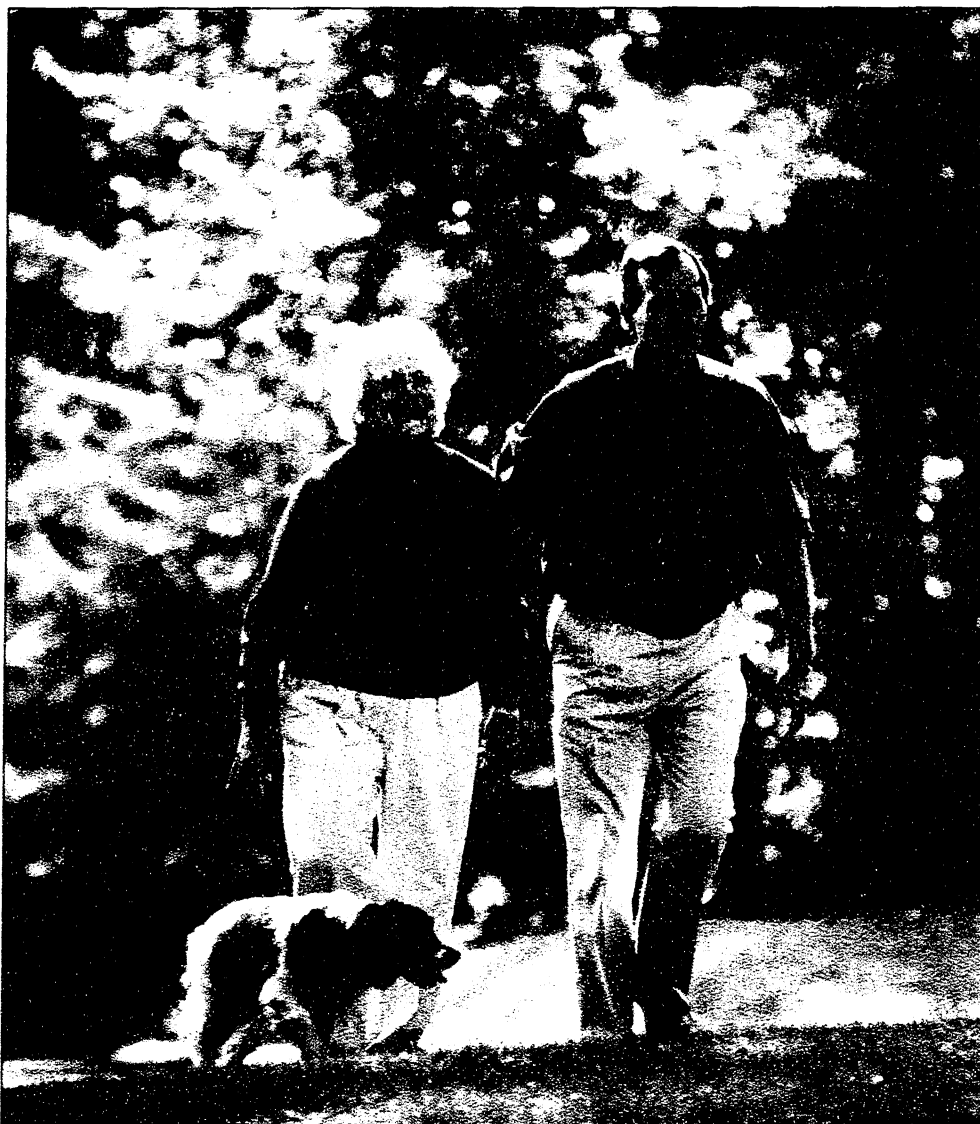
Barbara reasoned, in a life of privilege there are lots of tears. Any heroes?

"My husband!" simply said. "And to the hero of my life, what can I say? George Bush knows how I feel. He is the hero."

Barbara often jokes that her successful life is a result of marrying well.

Her husband's service as vice president and president of the United States offered her a unique opportunity to make a difference in the public eye.

But since leaving the White House in 1993, this Former First Lady continues to serve others with the same tireless energy, goodwill and good humor that has endeared her to millions around the world.



Barbara Bush, former first lady, and husband, George, with family dog, Millie.

Filled with the funny, often self-deprecating and occasionally touching anecdotes for which she is well-known, Barbara's memoir will charm her millions of admirers and earn her many more.

Born Barbara Pierce, she grew up in Rye, New York, where she met and later married George Herbert Walker Bush on January 6, 1945.

The Bush's first daughter, Robin, died in 1953 after fighting leukemia. Today the family includes four sons (George W., Jeb, Marvin and Neil); one daughter (Dorothy); four daughters-in-law; one son-in-law; and 14 grandchildren.

Throughout her years in public life, Barbara now 74, volunteered in and supported hundreds of charity and humanitarian causes.

Today, she continues her service as AmeriCares ambassador-at-large; Mayo Clinic Foundation board member; and supporter of various organizations, including the Leukemia Society of America, Ronald McDonald Houses, and the Boys & Girls Club of America.

Her number one cause, however, is family literacy. In 1990, she helped develop The Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy whose mission is to support the development of family literacy programs; break the intergenerational cycle of illiteracy; and establish literacy as a value in every American family.

She currently serves as honorary chair of the foundation and hosts its annual fundraiser, "A Celebration of Reading." To learn more about the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy, visit their website at www.Barbarabushfoundation.com.

Her involvement in the literacy cause does not end with her foundation. She regularly undertakes a myriad of projects and a rigorous appearance schedule designed to emphasize reading as a part of daily family life. By visiting literacy programs across the country — in schools, housing projects, organizations and businesses — she witnesses, first hand, the powerful impact reading has on self-esteem and family dynamics.

She authored *C. Fred's Story* and the best-selling *Millie's Book*, whose profits benefited the literacy cause, and more recently wrote *Barbara Bush: A Memoir*, her best-selling autobiography emphasizing the importance of family, faith and friends. *Memoirs* gives readers a very private look at a life lived in the public eye, at her husband's side, for more than 25 years.

Politics aside, people worldwide have

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Gerry Thomas: Inventor of Swanson's T.V. Dinner



Gerry Thomas receives some well-deserved recognition in Hollywood.

The longest running television hit has received some well-deserved recognition in Hollywood, where a celebration was held to commemorate the 45th anniversary of the Swanson "TV Dinner."

The inventor of the Swanson TV Dinner, Gerry Thomas, along with the world-famous aluminum tray, celebrated the 45th anniversary on Hollywood Boulevard. Swanson was honored on the Hollywood "Walk of Fame" on Tuesday, March 30th, when the since retired Thomas and the aluminum tray took their rightful place in TV history during a handprint ceremony at the famous Mann's Chinese Theater.

The 45th anniversary celebration included the unveiling of new, retro packaging featuring the original design of the first TV Dinner boxes. The words "TV Dinner" are once again on the box—for the first time in more than 35 years. In the mid-1960s the company removed the words, thinking they limited opportunities in which the dinners could be consumed. The "TV Dinner" term was first used in 1954 to link-up with the growing popularity of

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"A lot of people say, 'Oh, I'm getting older. There's nothing I can do about it.' There is," says Sheldon Kaftan, D.O., an internal medicine specialist at Oakland General Hospital. The following is a look at just what those youth-prolonging things are.

- **Man (and woman) in motion**

Exercise. Walk. Do calisthenics and limbering exercises for your joints. "These are the things that will keep you younger," says Kaftan. "What I see causing people to get old faster is their inability to move around." Once you get moving, you lose weight, lower your blood pressure and help protect yourself against a myriad of problems. Kaftan recommends people age 60 or older visit their doctor before they begin walking; younger people can start immediately unless they have serious health problems. He recommends walking at least three times per week for 30 minutes per session.

- **Snuff out the puffs**

Don't smoke. "It's the worst thing you can do for yourself from day one," says Kaftan. "Whenever you quit is a good time." Just how much of a health risk is smoking? "This is who I see in the hospital. People who are immobile

because they can't breathe from smoking and they don't exercise," he says.

- **Low-fat is where it's at**

Eat a low-fat, high-fiber diet. Watch your sodium intake if you have heart problems, it makes you retain fluids and raises your blood pressure, says Kaftan.

- **Tests for the time**

Have regular screenings, as indicated by your physician. They ensure you're on top of any health problems that might crop up.



- **Hormones that help**

Consider taking hormone replacement therapy if you're a woman beginning menopause. It reduces your risk of several major health concerns, such as osteoporosis and heart disease.

- **Manage your medications**

Be conscious of what medications you're taking and why — or you risk being overmedicated. "I probably spend more time taking people off medication than putting them on it," says Jack Voytas, M.D., a geriatric medicine specialist at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. Overmedication can occur when a person is seeing a number of doctors, all of whom prescribe medications separately. It also happens when patients don't know the medicines they're taking, so they can't

alert individual physicians who will then recognize possible interactions. "Medications are directly tied to falls," says Voytas. "Seemingly harmless cold remedies, for example, can cause blood pressure problems, while decongestants can affect thinking," he says. Voytas recommends taking all over-the-counter and prescription medications to your family physician so he or she is aware of everything you're using.

- **It's all in your head**

Keep challenged mentally, says

Schools always rave about programs like this but have trouble finding older adults to volunteer their time. "There is so much you have learned through your career and experience," she says. Working with younger people "keeps you acclimated to the times now, and educates the young person about the past."

- **We want you**

Volunteer your time to a charity or community organization. "Volunteering puts value into your life," she says.

- **That's a laugh**

Laugh every day, says Simancek. There's nothing like an optimistic, positive attitude to keep people young. Research actually backs this up. Optimism may help boost the immune system, according to studies at the University of California at Los Angeles.

- **Drink to your health**

Have an occasional alcoholic drink. Kaftan says it lowers cholesterol. Any drinking beyond moderate, however, actually has been found in studies to negate the vitamins and minerals you ingest from healthy eating.

- **Talk it over**

If you have a concern, talk with your physician. There are many new treatments available to resolve problems you may be having. For instance, says Kaftan, in the past impotence could be treated only in certain circumstances. Today virtually all impotent men can be helped, regardless of the problem.

"If you do these things you will improve your chances of living to an older age and being healthy," says Kaftan.

- **Know yourself**

Learn about the aging process and what to expect and it won't seem so strange, says Simancek. "Work with it, don't fight it," she says. "The more you learn about changes the better you're able to deal with them."

For more information on programs for older adults, call Marianne at (313) 655-2168.

Marianne Simancek, R.N., health educator and wellness program coordinator for St. Mary Hospital. Watch the news, take trips to the library to check out the latest books. Join a book club through a church or neighborhood group. It's a good way to stay current, keep your mind fresh and stay social.

- **Sleep well**

Simancek says as you get older, you sleep for shorter periods of time, but sleep more often. That is, you may need less sleep at night, but then need naps during the day. "This is frustrating to a lot of people — they think they're out of the norm, but they're not," she says.

- **Tell our young people a thing or two**

Tutor a child or young adult in math, science, reading or anything else you know something about, says Simancek.

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demo track that found its way to a major music publisher. Before he knew it, Roger was back in the studio recording his first single, "The Charge of the Light Brigade."

Roger's second release, "Steel Men," started to pick up radio air play while he was sitting his exams.

When he was given the news that he had passed his

finals and landed his prized degree. Roger also learned that "Steel Men" had entered the British charts. It was the first his of what has become a remarkable career.

Faced with the dilemma of which career to choose, Roger sought the advice from his professor. "Take your chance," he was advised. "Have a try in show business and if you haven't made it in ten years, come back here and teach. I shall always have a place at the university for you."

Finding himself an agent and manager, Roger set out to establish his name and almost immediately was

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booked for a summer season in Northern Ireland. He then spent the next five years learning his trade. Not long afterwards, he landed his first major breakthrough when he was signed to appear on an Ulster Television show called "This And That." In the spring of 1964, Roger met his future wife, Natalie, and they were married on August 15th after a mere three month's courtship. Today they live in the heart of England — with their five children, Emily, Lauren, Jessica, Guy and Alexander. By 1967, Roger was slowly beginning to make his name. He had enjoyed several record releases during this time, though the elusive big hit single had still escaped his clutches. Still, he was earning a healthy living and

appearing occasionally on radio and television. Roger was asked to join a British team for the annual music festival at Knokke, Belgium. Singing "If I Were a Rich Man," and his own composition "Mexican Whistler," he helped Britain to win the competition. He also emerged as the hit of the entire contest and picked up the coveted and highly prestigious Press Prize as the personality of the festival, issued on the Continent as singles shortly afterward. "Mexican Whistler" soon reached number one in three different European countries while "If I Were a Rich Man" peaked at number two. Suddenly, Roger was inundated with offers to tour Europe and star on the major television programs.

At home in Britain, however, he was still virtually unknown on a national scale, although his records were played extensively, and he enjoyed a fair amount of success on television and in cabaret. In the fall of 1969, his British record company issued a new single: another of his own compositions with the unusual title of "The Leavin' (Durham Town)." "I just didn't have any faith in that song at all," Roger admits. "Far from promoting the single in Britain, I went off to Finland for a cabaret season and television appearances." By the time he returned in November, "Durham Town" was rapidly climbing the British charts.

THE LAST FAREWELL

One of Whittaker's best-loved songs in America is "The Last Farewell." And he enjoys telling the story of how the tune came to be a favorite. Originally recorded in 1971, the lyrics to the song were written by a Birmingham, England, silversmith who entered a contest in which the best lyric or poem sent to Whittaker would be put to music and recorded. Although "The Last Farewell" was not the winner, the song was included on an album, along with the winner "Why." "Suddenly, five years later, I got the call from Atlanta, Georgia," Whittaker relates. "The wife of a program director had requested the song be played on WSB radio there. She had heard the song while traveling to Canada.

"The Last Farewell" went on to become the most requested song on WSB's playlist and within weeks, it became a massive hit all over the world, reaching the coveted Number One slot in 11 different countries. In

the USA, "The Last Farewell" became a Top 20 hit in 1975 and finally selling over 11,000,000 copies worldwide. The song broke down the barriers to success in America for Whittaker and opened up a vast new country for his music to explore.

Germany, particularly, has been a highly successful market for Roger over the years. It all started back in 1976 when he undertook his first major concert tour of the country, following the success of "The Last Farewell." Record success, however, has established Whittaker's name in the country and hoisted him to superstardom. He sings and records in the German language. Indeed, in 1985, he was acclaimed as the country's most successful recording artist, singing in the German language, a distinction no other major international record star could claim. Roger admits to being unable to speak a word of German and records his songs phonetically.

THE 1980's

In conjunction with his first American tour in 1980, Roger launched a major international song writing competition. Children Helping Children, from the United Nations in New York through UNESCO, Children from all over the world were asked to submit lyrics and poems on the subject of promoting peace and understanding, the best of which Roger would put to music and record. The contest attracted over one million entries from 57 countries. The winner was 13-year-old Odina Batnag from Manila in the Philippines who was flown to New York and introduced to the huge audience at Roger's Radio City Music Hall concert where her entry "I Am But A Small Voice," was performed for the very first time. The song has been released worldwide with all proceeds raised by sales being donated to UNESCO's education for handicapped children programme. That year also finished on a note of extreme triumph when Roger received America's prestigious B'nai B'rith Humanitarian Award for his work with children.

In 1982, Roger was persuaded to make a movie in his native Kenya. It was an ambitious project, and for six weeks the film cameras followed him throughout the East African country as Roger related the story of Kenya's history — the British colonial development and the rediscovery of his homeland — through his own unique words and music. The result, Roger

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The Original
TV DINNER
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television. In addition, Swanson is also reviving the aluminum tray for this nostalgic occasion. Although it was officially "retired" in 1986 and replaced with microwaveable packaging, 45 authentic trays are making a comeback as part of a 45th anniversary sweepstakes for consumers. The 45 trays will be distributed with a grand prize winning game piece within the anniversary edition packaging. Lucky recipients will receive an RCA 52" big screen color television.

The Swanson TV Dinner was a timesaver of many of the 19 million women who took jobs outside the home during World War II and continued to work after the war ended. Becoming the first of its kind, the TV Dinner has changed American culture so much that even the original package is part of the Smithsonian Institution's collection of Americana.

And just as the convenience of Swanson's TV dinner became popular among Americans, so did its novelty. American's love affair with television was just beginning to take off, and it was the complete TV Dinner that could be prepared and eaten without sacrificing time away from the tube. Additionally, the three-compartment aluminum tray, which helped to keep food from running together, was reusable. Some people even used the aluminum trays to make Christmas ornaments and jewelry.

"For 45 years, Swanson dinners have played an important role within the American family," said Murray Kessler, President, Swanson Frozen Foods. "The TV Dinner was invented to meet an increasing need for high-quality, convenient meals for a value. Today more than ever, these demands are the same and through the years, Swanson has delivered on that promise.

He continued, "The entire Swanson Dinner team — both in the Headquarters office as well as in Omaha and Fayetteville — have put together a terrific 45th anniversary celebration."

Gerry Thomas, who at the time was Swanson's VP-Marketing and has since retired, first proposed the concept of the "TV Dinner" as a solution to the company's turkey surplus problem.

"It's the classic example of necessity being the mother of invention," explained Thomas regarding his revolutionary concept. "It was after Thanksgiving, and we had undersold. Needless to say, we had a surplus of turkeys — 520,000 pounds of turkey to be exact." He continued, "Due to the limited space in the warehouses, the turkeys had to be kept in refrigerated railroad box cars, which traveled from coast to coast.

We were challenged to come up with a way to use the excess inventory."

The solution came during a routine sales call to a Pittsburgh distributor. "I saw a box of single-compartment metal trays which were being tested by an airline as a way to serve heated meals on international flights," recalls Thomas, 77. "Immediately I thought, 'Now, that's an interesting packaging idea,' and asked to take one as a sample."

During the plane ride home to Omaha, Nebraska, Thomas sketched a quick replica of what would soon become Swanson's legendary three-compartment aluminum tray.

The idea was positively received, and the final result was a complete "heat and serve" dinner — featuring turkey, corn bread dressing, gravy, buttered peas and sweet potatoes — that emphasized high quality and convenience. Now, all that was needed was a name. Thomas and a relatively new invention provided the inspiration.

"At the time, only 20 percent of U.S. homes had televisions, but the word 'TV' meant you were cool and modern," explained Thomas. "Also, earlier research suggested that this product was likely consumed by mom and the kids when dad wasn't home, and often in front of the television."

The combination proved successful, because the "TV Dinner" caught on with consumers from the start. The original production order for 5,000 dinners was considered a great risk, but the company sold ten million dinners the first year they were in national distribution. Forty-five years later, that number has grown substantially, as Americans consumed more than 160 million Swanson dinners in 1998, or more than 3 million a week.

Expanding the Line

Since its inaugural run, Swanson's line of frozen dinners has grown significantly. Today, the expanding product line includes dinners, entrees, pot pies, Hungry-Man dinner varieties, Fun Feats kid's dinners and Great Starts breakfast items.

Murray Kessler attributes the staying power of the Swanson brand in part to these continual efforts to address consumer's changing tastes and lifestyles and to provide quality at a fair price.

"Hula hoops and pogo sticks have come and gone through the years," Kessler said. "But Swanson has remained a welcome guest on the American tables throughout the years."

ANECDOTES FROM THE INVENTOR OF THE "TV DINNER"



Gerry Thomas Shares Stories Surrounding His Legendary Innovation

- "It's the classic example of necessity being the mother of invention. After Thanksgiving, Swanson had 10 refrigerator railroad cars — each containing 52,000 pounds of unsold turkeys — going back and forth across the country because there was not enough storage in warehouses. We were challenged to come up with a way to get rid of the turkeys. The challenge produced the "TV Dinner."

- "During a sales trip to a Pittsburgh distributor, I saw a box of single-compartment metal trays. An airline was apparently testing a novel idea to serve hot food on international flights. The concept got me thinking, and on the plane back to Omaha I

made a rough sketch of what became Swanson's legendary three-compartment aluminum tray."

- "The first trays were heavy gauge aluminum — almost like pewter. Supermarket buyers suggested that women would buy a dinner just to get the tray to use for holding buttons. We were in the giftware business and didn't know it."

- "Many of the 19 million women in the U.S. who took jobs outside the home during World War II continued working after the war ended. Consumers' demand for high quality, convenience food created the ideal environment for our product."

- "In 1965, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis hosted a children's party to celebrate her daughter Caroline's 7th birthday. In honor of the occasion — and to promote the 'TV Dinner' — we provided Swanson dinners to her to serve at the special luncheon. We later learned from her cook that the 'TV Dinner' became one of Jackie's favorite foods."

- "In 1968, I told my oldest son David, who was seven at the time, that I was looking for a new variety of 'TV Dinner' to add to our growing line-up. I asked him to come up with his 'to die for' choice. After eliminating cheeseburgers, he finally came up with his dinner — meat loaf, hash browns, green beans and a brownie. Within six months, it was a Swanson 'TV Dinner,' and shortly after became our 4th biggest seller."

- "It's always been a truism that the more foods you add to a dinner, the fewer people will be attracted because of individual preferences. In tracking these trends, we noticed our most popular side dishes were peas, corn and mashed potatoes. Nothing much has changed to date except all kids love the brownies."

- "Every New Year's Eve in the '60s, Guy Lombardo performed in the Roosevelt Grill of the old Roosevelt Hotel. One New Year's Eve, to draw attention to Swanson dinners, we placed Guy on the street corner outside the hotel, eating a turkey 'TV Dinner' on a candlelit table with an elegant place setting and his trademark champagne. David Letterman would have been proud of the crowd that was attracted."

- "In 1962, we introduced the 'World's Fare' line of four international style dinners — Mexican, Polynesian, Italian and German. We were apparently ahead of our time soon after World War II with the German variety. It was a darn fine dinner with sauerbraten, spaetzle and Bavarian red cabbage."

Roger Whittaker

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Whittaker in Kenya, was screened in Britain by BBC Television in the autumn of 1983, followed by a worldwide transmission.

In 1986, Whittaker made a reappearance on the UK Top 10 singles chart with the standard 'The Skye Boat Song' in a duo performance with Des O'Connor. Also in 1986, he published his autobiography, *So Far, So Good*, co-written with his wife. And, in 1989, Roger was awarded the prestigious Gold Badge of Merit from his peers in the British Academy of Songwriters, Composers and Authors.

THE PRESENT

The 1990's have seen Roger continue to perform and record. In the summer of 1991, he was personally invited by Bob Hope to appear in a highly prestigious Gala Charity show at the London Palladium. In 1993 Roger recorded "Celebration," a self-penned album offering a wide array of his vocal and song writing talents. As part of his celebration of 30 years in the music business Roger launched a world tour. His concert in Sacramento California was taped and shown across the United

States on Public Television. "The Celebration Concert," was also made available as a home video release from RCA.

Roger's latest English release is "A Perfect Day, His Greatest Hits and More." The title track to this album features Roger singing a sentimental duet with his daughter Jessica. With more than 35 years in show business and more than 100 albums in print the 61 year old showman shows no sign of slowing down. In spite of recent knee replacement surgery, Roger continues an active concert schedule with nearly 100 concert dates in one European and two North American tours in 1997. This year has also seen Roger work on a new German album and begin work on a new English album.

Now established at the very pinnacle of international stardom the sheer magnitude of the demand to see Roger Whittaker performing in concert, or on tour, or on television has resulted in an extensive almost non-stop round of engagements all over the world, making him one of the most travelled entertainers in showbusiness history ... and needless to say one of the most successful and respected.

Sun City developments increase for active retirement lifestyle

By Leonard J. Hansen
Mature Market Editorial Services
(Special to Conquest)

Four Sun City active retirement communities in Arizona, Nevada and California are welcoming new residents; and three additional communities have been announced for California, Texas and South Carolina. The developer is Del Webb Corporation, which developed the first Sun City, northwest of Phoenix, Arizona, in 1960.

Sun City communities include championship golf courses, extensive and resident-owned recreational, cultural and health/sports/fitness centers, landscaping and other amenities, together with quality single-family, duplex and garden villa homes. Shopping, banking, medical offices and other services are located either on-site or immediately adjacent. Home prices range from \$80,000 to \$239,000, and the average home price of approximately \$140,000 is affordable by most mid-income mature adults.

The present Sun City active retirement communities welcoming new residents are located in Phoenix and Tucson, Arizona; Las Vegas, Nevada; and Palm Springs, California. Approved and currently in planning are new Sun City developments in Roseville, near Sacramento, California; near Austin, Texas; and near Hilton Head, South Carolina.

"Retirement is more than merely housing, so our Sun City communities focus on and provide the amenities and opportunities mature adults seek for an active, quality and safe retirement lifestyle," said Philip H. Dion, chairman and chief executive officer for the nation's leading developer serving the age 55-plus population. "Because they are involved in fitness, educational and community programs, our residents, on average, actually thrive with longer and healthier lives. They volunteer actively in the general population, towns and cities around each Sun City, working in schools, building lower-income housing, counseling younger people in business, operating recycling programs, volunteering for security units, teaching continuing education to other residents, maintaining the community, and more.



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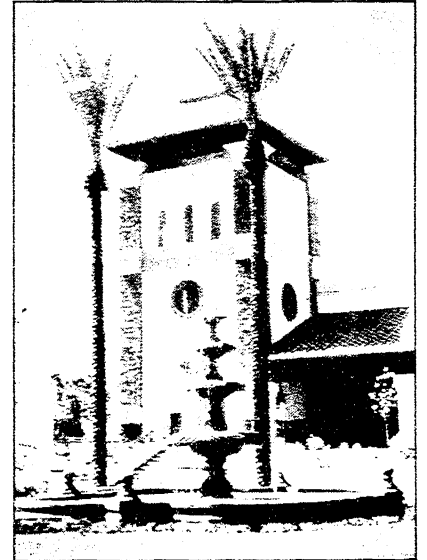
Unique to the retirement residential field, homeowners, rather than developers, own and direct the recreational, activity, entertainment and sports facilities, golf courses and community programs. Association fees vary by development, but range from \$110 per person to \$1,200 per household per year.

Each Sun City operates a Vacation Getaway Program through which mature adults (age 55-plus) may stay in a vacation villa, visit the site, sample all of the community facilities and programs, play a complimentary round of golf, enjoy other special benefits, and have the opportunity to tour the entire area. Inclusive packages are priced as low as \$105 for three nights, \$199 per week — depending on the location and time of year. Almost half of the new residents in Sun City developments visit the active retirement community forts through the Vacation Getaway Program. For information on the special travel packages, call Del Webb toll-free at 1-800-385-0027, ext. 27.

Retirement can be the start of a new, active and productive lifestyle as a resident of a Del Webb Sun City.

Request information on the Del Webb Sun Cities, the Vacation Getaway Program for adults, age 55-plus, and/or details on a specific development, without cost or obligation, by calling toll-free to 1-800-3985-0027, ext.27. Or, write: Retire in the Sun City Style, Del Webb Corporation, P.O.Box 29040, Phoenix, AZ 85038.

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What will happen as the baby boomers start to age? "Certain sectors will profit," says Peter G. Peterson, chairman of the Blackstone Group, a private investment bank, and author of *Gray Dawn: How the Coming Age Wave Will Transform America* — and the *World* (Times Books, 1999). Three industries he sees as most likely to boom are financial services, in particular, asset management; health care

and the leisure industry. As the population shifts its investments from stocks to life insurance and annuities, gives up power drinks for eyeglasses and extreme sports for cruises, you might want to think about making some investment changes of your own. Peterson believes that ordinary investors have an edge over the pros since the growth of businesses that serve an older population will be a long-term trend: "Financial markets rarely take the long view," he says. At left are some top mutual-fund holdings that concentrate in the three sectors.

— Michelle DeBlasi

Hope for Preventing and Curing Arthritis

by John Siegfried, M.D.

If you have arthritis, you're definitely not alone. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), an estimated 43 million Americans suffer from one or more forms of arthritis or related diseases, including rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus, gout, fibromyalgia, and osteoarthritis. In fact, arthritis is the nation's leading cause of disability. And, with the aging of the population, an estimated 60 million Americans will have this disease by the year 2020.

Many people think that arthritis is an inevitable condition of aging. While it's true that the incidence of the disease increases with age, it's not inevitable. According to the CDC, there are several effective ways to prevent the disease, including:

- Keeping your weight down. According to a recent study by researchers at Boston University, even losing a few pounds can make a big difference. In the study, overweight women who lost 10 pounds cut their risk of arthritis in half.
- Injury prevention. Injuries on the job and from sports can lead to arthritis down the line.
- Infectious disease control. Lyme disease is closely associated with arthritis, and if you avoid Lyme disease you may also be able to avoid arthritis. Use insect repellents and cover as much of your body as possible when walking in the woods. Check for ticks and remove them. See a physician promptly if you suspect you have Lyme disease.

If you are among the 43 million of us who have arthritis, you'll be happy to know that pharmaceutical companies are working on dozens of new medicines for this disease. In fact, two new medicines — both for rheumatoid arthritis — were approved just this year.

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Additionally, a whole new class of arthritis drugs, COX-2 inhibitors, is under Food and Drug Administration review and should be available to patients shortly. In clinical trials, these drugs relieved arthritis symptoms without causing gastrointestinal bleeding.

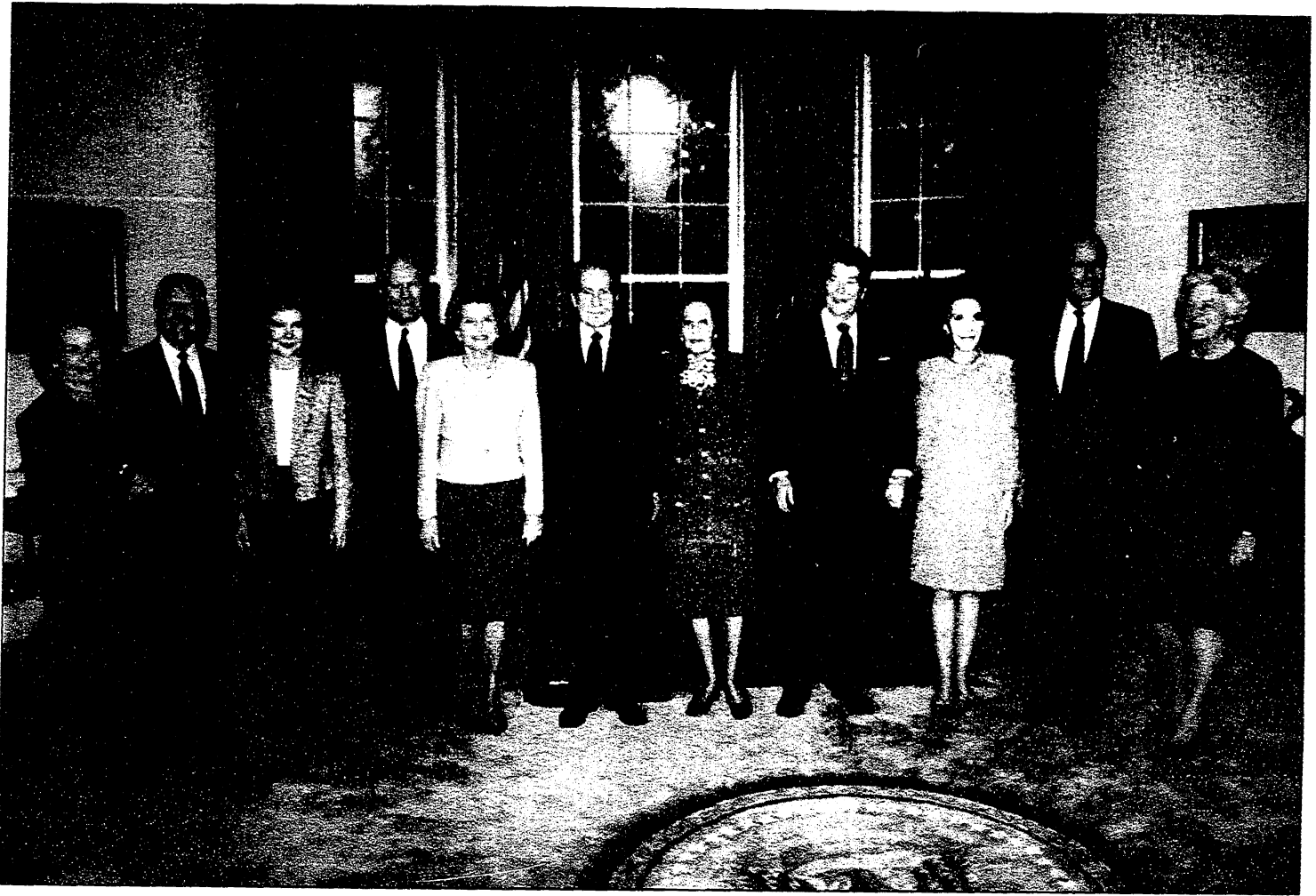
These medicines are not a cure, but the pharmaceutical industry is working on one.

John Siegfried, M.D. is Senior Medical Officer to the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA).

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Barbara Bush (at right with husband George) and other former presidents and former first ladies.

Barbara Bush: A Memoir

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come to admire Barbara Bush's wit, candor and compassion, as well as her unswerving devotion to her husband and children.

With the contemporary American history as the backdrop, Barbara remembers the experiences that led to the White House — including life as a young bride and mother and the almost unbearable pain of losing a child.

She talks candidly about her years in public life in Washington, New York and China, and describes her role as the wife of the Vice President, culminating in the climactic White House years.

Drawing upon excerpts from the diary she has compiled for more than years, Barbara takes us behind the scenes of the Persian Gulf conflict and the end of the Cold War, and introduces us to the world leaders and their spouses with whom she has developed friendships over the years. She also talks about both the Bushes' struggle to overcome Graves Disease, the disappointment of the 1992 presidential campaign and the joys of rediscovering private life.

Filled with the funny, often self-deprecating and occasionally touching anecdotes for which she is well-known, Barbara's memoir will charm her millions of admirers and earn her many more.

"In the years following our White House stay, George and I have identified ourselves with a variety of causes," Barbara said. "We are encouraging volunteerism and want people to try to take back their own communities by being responsible, supported and interested.

"In short, we are trying to live up to George's Thousand Points of Light credo: 'From now on any definition of a successful life must include service to others.'"

Barbara admitted, "I will be honest and tell you we also have learned to say no. We are trying to keep a balance and stay focused on just a few causes."

"George and I strongly feel that focusing on the family is the best place to start to make this country more literate.

"And I still feel that being more literate will help us solve so many of the other problems facing our society."

So now the Bush's have come full circle.

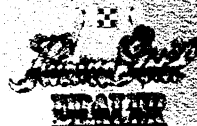
Barbara remembers years ago saying to George when they were first married: "I can't wait for you to retire."

"He looked surprised and said that he couldn't think of anything worse and that he hoped he never would," Barbara recalled. "Well, I'm glad he still feels that way. There are so many more things to do..."

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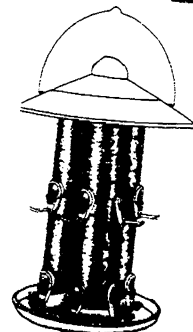
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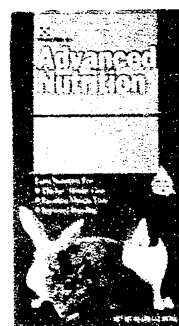
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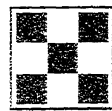


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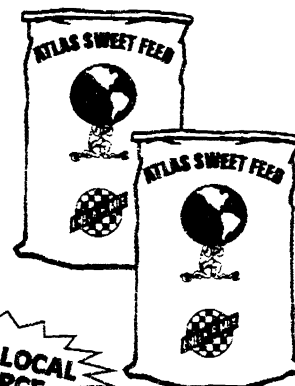
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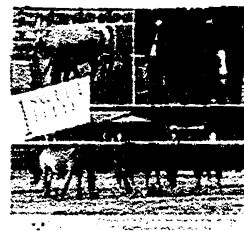
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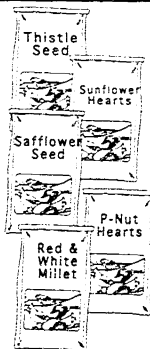
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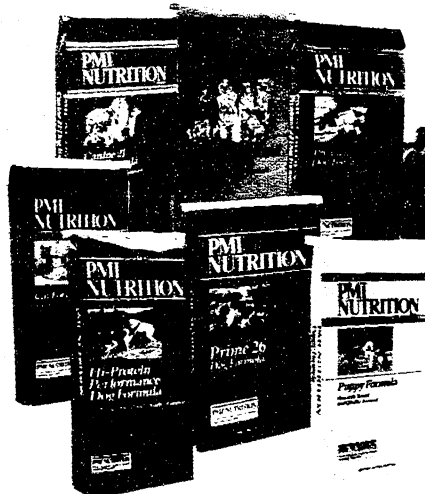
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