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Riverfolk festival gaining support

■ *First annual Riverfolk event gaining steam and support.*

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

Each time the Riverfolk Festival committee has a meeting, there are new faces.

And, says festival organizer Mark Palms, it's not only because the committee is raffling off a limited-edition festival poster among those in attendance.

"Each month we look for a few new faces at our meeting," Palms says.

Enthusiasm and excitement is growing as fast as the support from organizations both within and outside of the community.

Pfizer Corporation, Johnson Controls, Carhartt Corporation, the Ann Arbor Area Visitors and Convention Bureau and noted Manchester artist Chris Roberts-Antieau have all signed

on as sponsors of the Aug. 3 all-day event. Palms has been greeted with interest and assistance as he approaches both individuals and community organizations with information about the festival in order to elicit interest in donating or volunteering.

"Every time I speak in front of a group, all of my volunteer flyers are gone," he says.

Last week, he spoke at a meeting of the National Honor Society and was happily surprised to be met with applause at the close of his presentation.

Palms has replenished his supply of volunteer forms once more and enthusiastically high school students can fill out a volunteer application and return it to the Community Resource Center. In exchange for three hours' work, volunteers will receive a free ticket to the festival, a free festival t-shirt and a letter of recognition for community service.

"That actually goes for adults as well as students," he says.

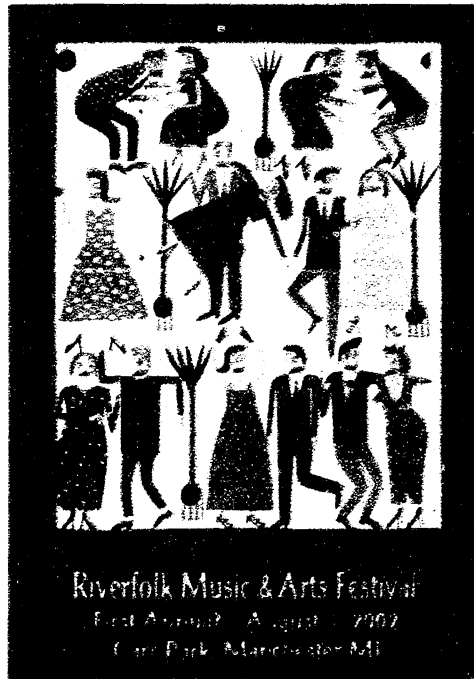
The Manchester Optimist Club similarly welcomed Palms to its March 25 meeting and has pledged the support of both the Manchester and Saline clubs for the event.

Local restaurants and service organizations are next on Palms' list of contacts.

"Dan Huntsbarger of Dan's River Grill signed on immediately," Palms says. "He will be invaluable help with the food court. We're going to contact all of the local restaurants and also the service organizations such as Kiwanis to provide food for the event."

The inexhaustible Palms also will be performing onstage at the Riverfolk Festival. As part of the Raisin Pickers, he will be joined on the main stage by fellow performers Joel Mabus, Jeremy Kittel, Kitty Donohoe, Robert Jones, Matt Watroba, Suzanne & Jim, The Tangerine Trousers and Hot Club of

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"Fast Dancers" is the theme poster for the first annual Riverfolk Festival to be held in Manchester Aug. 3. The all-day event will focus on both music and arts and is planned as a benefit for the Community Resource Center.

Artwork courtesy of Chris Roberts-Antieau

NEWS BRIEFS

Community building committee meeting set

The next community building committee meeting for an update on the new school is set for 7 p.m. on Monday in the high school media center.

The public is welcome to attend.

Oak Grove Association to meet

The semi-annual meeting of the Oak Grove Cemetery Association will be held at 7:00 p.m. April 17, in the American Legion house. Lot owners also are advised that all adornments must be removed from graves by April 8 in order to prepare the grounds for Memorial Day services held at the cemetery.

Alumni banquet plans under way

The Manchester High School Alumni Association has set the date for its 125th annual alumni banquet on June 15.

Again this year the group will award a scholarship to a graduating senior. To make a tax-deductible donation to the Manchester High School Alumni Association Scholarship Fund, send a check to Colleen Kemner, 14282 W. Austin Rd., Manchester, Mich. Please note if the donation is being given in memory or honor of someone.

American Legion breakfast this weekend

The American Legion, post #117 will hold its monthly breakfast from 8 a.m. to noon on Sunday at the Legion hall, 203 Adrian St. The cost is \$4.50 per person and traditional breakfast favorites are made to order.

School board nominating petitions due Monday

The deadline for filing a nominating petition for a position on the Manchester Community Schools' Board of Education is 4 p.m. on Monday. Two seats currently are available.

High school academic games teams excel

Manchester High School's English essay, math and social studies games teams each ranked in the top three in Cascades Conference competition last week. Watch next week's Enterprise for full information on this academic achievement.

A Sure Sign of Spring



It's a sure sign of spring when the Dairy Queen opens. Everyone in town looks forward to the event—even the pets! Kevin (left) and his sister Ginger Taylor purchased a special bowl of ice cream for "Dolly." Employee Heather Walter learns how to make cones just right on her first day on the job, under the watchful eye of co-owner Jeff Fabey.

Photos by Sven Gustafson

School holds Good Friday special meeting

■ *Administrators' contracts renewed in the nick of time.*

By Laura Merte
Staff Writer

A special meeting of the Manchester Board of Education was called in the eleventh hour last Friday, barely in time to meet the April 1 deadline for renewing the contracts for Manchester's administrative staff.

Contracts for Manchester High School principal John Easley, Ackerson Middle School principal Tom George, Klager Elementary School principal John McGuire, Athletic Director Theresia Schenk, and Athletic Director Wes Gall were all renewed by the end of last Friday's meeting.

TWO DAYS prior, the Executive Committee (made up of President Ron Ellison, Vice President Marlene Wagner, and Secretary Monty Okey) met and concluded with the belief that the board had one month to review and take action on whether to extend the administrators' contracts for another year. Concerns over discipline and communication issues at the high school and middle school led to hesitation on one board member's part.

"I have heard some concerns from the community, as well as staff and students, and I wasn't sure that I could vote for extension of some of the contracts without further discussion," Okey said. "I thought some other board members might have some concerns too."

At that point, it was believed that the board could address these concerns in April either before or at the regular board meeting. Unfortunately, upon scrutiny of the contracts, it was discovered that if no action was taken by April 1, the contracts would auto-

matically be extended.

Due to the short notice, the meeting was only publicized through posted announcements and telephone calls. Furthermore, uncertainty as to the meeting's purpose, coupled with the prevalent belief that two of the principals' positions were in immediate danger, raised a number of concerns from the audience, and prompted several teachers to speak on behalf of Easley and George.

In short, calling the meeting on Friday was a result of "poor timing and miscommunication," said Okey.

AS CONCERNS were raised about discipline at the high school and communication at the middle school, it was noted that communication between the board and administrators is limited. Evaluations, conducted annually by the superintendent, were the only method for the board to evaluate administrators' performance. All administrators had received satisfactory marks from Oegema.

Public participation earlier in the meeting had favored a more goal-oriented process.

"Are any of us perfect? No way!" said Jared Throneberry, board director at the high school. "Is there a proactive way to do this? (Tell them) what they do well and what they need to improve. Set goals and work toward them."

Oegema later echoed Throneberry's sentiment.

"I think there are some issues we have to work on, some challenges we have to face together," he said. "There are always recurring problems, and my recommendation is that (Easley and George) are doing a good job and their contracts should be renewed."

SEPARATE CLOSED sessions with principals Easley and George resulted in renewals of their contracts, with the stipulation that committees be created to set and

evaluate goals for the administrators.

In the closed session, said Okey, "I was able to look at their evaluation and have open communication with the individuals."

Evaluations are available to all board members, several of whom had not seen them yet. Okey, for instance, stated that he was not able to review the evaluations prior to the Friday meeting, but had planned to do it prior to the regularly scheduled meeting set for April 15.

"The closed sessions were very productive," said trustee Tim McConnell. "Even board members make assumptions, and unless specific issues are addressed to the principals, they may have no idea what is going on."

"Sometimes they have perfectly good answers. We were able to work through a lot of concerns."

In the end, said Okey, "everybody's contracts were extended, and a method for better mutual communication and goal-setting was established between the board, the superintendent, and teachers and administrators."

The composition of the evaluative committees will likely be discussed at the April 15 meeting of the Board of Education.

CONTRACTS FOR McGuire, Schenk and Gall were all renewed Friday as well.

Schenk, who is completing her first year as Finance Director, thanked the board for the opportunity to work in Manchester schools.

"(This is) one of the best teams I've ever worked with," she said. "I've seen Manchester grow an awful lot in one year ... in the infrastructure and resources we have as a group."

"Manchester's children's future is a lot brighter than it was, even two years ago, and I'm looking forward to a lot of positive change."

More layoffs at local Uniloy plant

■ *Another 15 jobs cut.*

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

The cost of a recession that started more than a year ago has increased once again in Manchester.

Uniloy Milacron, one of the top two employers in the community, last week laid off 15 employees in its machine assembly plant in Manchester.

Another dozen jobs were reportedly reassigned within the plant.

In late September and early October, about 40 layoffs were announced at the Manchester site and employee furloughs and pay reductions were instituted in November.

"We're definitely hoping this is the last layoff we have at the plant," Corporate Communications Director Al Beaupre said in October. "We try to do almost all of them at the same time; that way when we're done we hopefully are done for a long time."

But he said that the company's policy is not to speculate on future layoffs.

The Cincinnati-based employer claimed that "depressed sales in capital goods commodities" were at the root of the most recent downsizing.

"These layoffs were directly related to lower machine sales," said Tim Neutzling in Milacron's corporate communications department.

The Manchester plant manufactures blow molding machinery as well as molds for blow molding and replacement parts for blow molding machines. Neutzling said that about 300 people still are employed in the Manchester facility. He added that the company employs approximately 10,000 in its plants in North America, Europe and Asia.

Neutzling added that all Milacron plants worldwide are feeling the effects of the recent depressed economy.

"Particularly capital goods have been affected," he said. "It's been ongoing since the beginning of last year, but there has been an increased effect since Sept. 11."

"We always hope that layoffs are temporary. We hope that the economy will pick back up, and machine sales will increase; then we can call back our valued employees."

"But we can't promise anything."

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

April 4
 Manchester Village Parks Commission meets at 7:15 p.m. at the village hall.
 American Legion Post 117 meets at 7:30 p.m. at the American Legion Home.

Manchester Township Planning Commission meets at 8 p.m. at the township hall.
Sharon Township Board of Trustees meets at 8 p.m. at the township hall.

April 5
Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 7 p.m. in the Emanuel United Church of Christ kitchen.

Al-Anon meets at 7 p.m. in the Emanuel United Church of Christ 3-4 grade classroom. Contact 428-8786 for information.

April 6
Manchester Kiwanis Club meets at 7 p.m. at the village hall. Call 428-8976 for membership information.

April 7
 American Legion breakfast is held from 8 a.m. to noon at the American Legion Hall.

April 8
 School board nominating petitions due at 4 p.m.
 Euchre Night at the American Legion. 7 p.m. All are welcome.
Manchester Village Council meets at 7 p.m. at the village hall.

Manchester Optimist Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Emanuel United Church of Christ.

Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce Board meets at noon at Dan's River Grill. All chamber members may attend.

Manchester District Library Board meets at 7:00 p.m. at the new village hall, 912 City Road.

Bridgewater Township Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Bridgewater Township Hall.

Manchester Knights of Columbus meets at 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Center.

Manchester Community Fair Board meets at 8 p.m. at the village building.
Manchester Township Board meets at 8 p.m. at the Manchester Township Hall.
 National Association for the Mentally Ill public education meetings are open to consumers, families and the general public. Meets at 7:30 p.m. at St. Clare's Church/Temple Beth Emeth, 2309 Packard, Ann Arbor. (734) 994-6611.

April 9
Manchester Area Senior Citizens meet at 9:30 a.m. at the senior center.

Bootstompers meet at 7 p.m. at Emanuel United Church of Christ.
Little League organizational meetings are held at 7 p.m. at the high school, room 104.

Manchester Village Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall.

20th Century Club meets at 7:30 p.m.

Freedom Township Board meets at 8 p.m. at the Freedom Township Hall.

Shakespeare Club meets at 1 p.m.

Ackerson Middle School PTA meets at 3:30 p.m. at the middle school.

April 10
Awana Clubs meet at 6:30 p.m. at Community Bible Church.

The Southern Michigan Street Cruisers Car Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Hall on Clinton-Tecumseh Road. All interested parties are welcome to attend.

Manchester Community Brass Band meets at 7:30 p.m.

Athletic Boosters meet at 7:30 p.m. in the high school media center.

American Legion Auxiliary meets at 7:30 p.m. at the American Legion Home.

Southwest Washtenaw Council of Commissioners meets at 7:30 p.m. Call (517) 456-4642 for information.

April 11
Manchester Lamb Club will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the Michigan Livestock auction hall.

Male Caregiver Support Group for husbands, sons and partners of someone with Alzheimer's disease or related dementia meets from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Westside United Methodist Church, 900 S. Seventh St., Ann Arbor.

COMING EVENTS:
Manchester Knights of Columbus will sponsor a benefit spaghetti dinner for Ryan Weir, who is facing a liver transplant. The event will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on April 12. Donations will be accepted at the door. All proceeds will help Ryan with his medical expenses.

Oak Grove Cemetery Association will hold its semi-annual meeting at 7:00 p.m. April 17, in the American Legion house. Lot owners also are advised that all adornments must be removed from graves by April 8.

Manchester Community Fair dates June 25 through 29.

Thursday
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American Legion Post 117

meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at the American Legion Home.

Manchester Township Planning Commission meets at 8 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of each month at the township hall.

Sharon Township Board of Trustees meets at 8 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at the township hall.

Manchester Lamb Club will meet at 7:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month in the Michigan Livestock auction hall.

Manchester Cub Scout Pack meets at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Center.

Sharon Township Planning Commission meets at 8 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at the township hall.

United Way Board meets at 12 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Hall.

Community Resource Center Board meets at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month at the center.

King's Volunteers meet on the fourth Thursday of each month at 1 p.m. at the Manchester United Methodist Church.

Friday
Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 7 p.m. each Friday in the Emanuel United Church of Christ kitchen.

Al-Anon meets at 7 p.m. each Friday in the Emanuel United Church of Christ 3-4 grade classroom. Contact 428-8786 for information.

Saturday
Manchester Kiwanis Club meets at 8 a.m. on the first and third Saturday at the village hall. Call 428-8976 for membership information.

Sunday
American Legion breakfast is held from 8 a.m. to noon on the first Sunday of each month. October through June, at the American Legion Hall.

Parkinson Education and Support Group meets at 1:30 p.m. on the second Sunday of each month. Call 930-6335 for information.

Taize Worship on the second Sunday of each month, 7 p.m. at the United Methodist Church.

Boy Scouts host a monthly breakfast on the third Sunday of each month, September through May, at St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Center.

Monday
Euchre Night at the American Legion, 7 p.m. each Monday from October through May. All are welcome.
Manchester Village Council

meets at 7 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month at the village hall.

Preceptor Gamma Theta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi meets on the first and third Monday of each month. For more information call Diana Sloat at 428-7253.

Masonic Lodge business meeting takes place at 7:30 p.m. on the first Monday of each month.

Manchester Optimist Club meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday of each month at Emanuel United Church of Christ.

Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce Board meets on the second Monday of each month at noon at Dan's River Grill. All chamber members may attend.

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Manchester Knights of Columbus meets at 8 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Center.

Manchester Community Fair Board meets at 8 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at the village building.

Manchester Township Board meets at 8 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at the Manchester Township Hall.

Manchester Board of Education meets at 7:00 p.m. on the third Monday of each month in the high school media center.

Tuesday
Bootstompers meet at 7 p.m. each Tuesday at Emanuel United Church of Christ.

Story Time with Grandma Pat. 10:30 to 11 a.m. and 12:30 to 1 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Manchester District Library, for children ages 3 to 6, accompanied by an adult.

Manchester Band Boosters meet at 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the high school band room.

Freedom Township Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Freedom Township Hall.

Manchester Area Senior Citizens meet at 9:30 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the senior center.

Little League organizational meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the high school, room 104.

Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the Village Hall.

20th Century Club meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month.

Freedom Township Board meets at 8 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the Freedom Township Hall.

Shakespeare Club meets at 1 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

Ackerson Middle School PTA meets at 3:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the middle school.

Manchester Historical Society meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the Blacksmith Shop.

La Leche League of Western Washtenaw County meets at 10 a.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Call 428-8831 or 475-2094 for location or information.

Klager Elementary School PTO meets at 6:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Call 428-8321 for location.

Wednesday
Awana Clubs meet at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday at Community Bible Church.

Manchester Community Brass Band meets at 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday.

Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners meets at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at the County Administration Building.

Raisin Valley Land Trust meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at the Blacksmith Shop.

Veterans of Foreign Wars meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at the American Legion Home.

Athletic Boosters meet at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month in the high school

media center.
American Legion Auxiliary meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month at the American Legion Home.

Southwest Washtenaw Council of Governments meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month. Call (517) 456-4642 for information.

Women and Infant Children program meets from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month at the senior center.

Bridgewater Township Board meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month at the Bridgewater Township Hall.

Manchester Men's Club meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month.

Manchester Family Services Community Food Gatherers program takes place from 1 to 3 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month at St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Center kitchen.

Manchester Township Fire Department Board meets at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the fire hall.

The Manchester Garden Club meets informally on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Gardeners of all levels of experience are welcome. Call JoAnn Okey at 428-9667 for details.

GETTING LISTED

If you would like to have your group or organization's event listed in the Community Calendar, call The Manchester Enterprise at 428-8173, fax your copy to 428-9044 or mail to The Manchester Enterprise, 109 East Main Street, Manchester, MI 48158. Calendar events may also be submitted by e-mail to mchartrand@heritage.com. Deadline to have items listed in the Community Calendar is 5 p.m. Friday for the following Thursday's paper.

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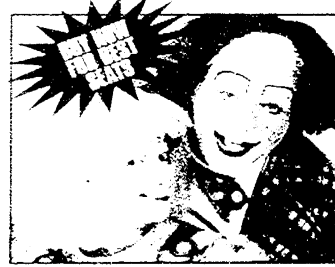
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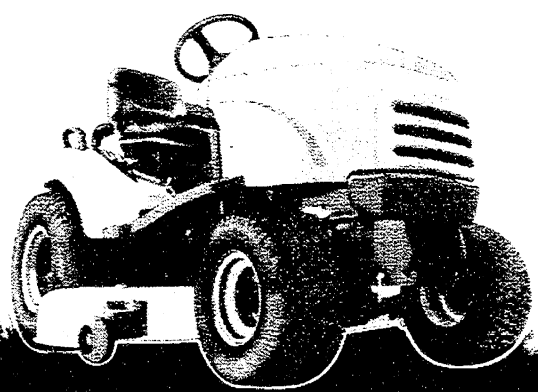
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Manchester loses two volunteer firefighters to union rules

State, international unions beginning enforcement of bylaw.

By Sven Gustafson
Staff Writer

A burning controversy pitting full-time, union firefighters against volunteers has spread to Manchester.

The Manchester Township Fire Department recently received resignations from two part-time, volunteer firefighters, who cited a union clause forcing them to choose between volunteering and remaining as members in the union.

Firefighters Joey Knasiak, of Manchester, and John Roe, of Bridgewater Township, work full-time for the Ypsilanti Fire Department. They served with the Manchester Township Fire Department for more than 10 and six years respectively, according to Fire Chief William Scully. Their resignations were accepted at the February and March Manchester Township Board meetings.

The union clause is with the International Association of Fire Fighters, an AFL-CIO, CLC-affiliated labor union. The Ypsilanti Fire Department is one of approximately 2,700 IAFF affiliates.

Terrence Chesney, secretary and treasurer of the Michigan Professional Firefighters Union, the state branch of the IAFF, said long-standing union rules prohibit members, who by nature work as full-time fire fighters, from volunteering in other fire departments.

"Those bylaws say that in order to be a member of the International Association of Fire Fighters, you shouldn't be a volunteer," he said. "There is a strong conflict of interest with being a paid firefighter."

Chesney explained that career firefighters can be injured on off-duty, volunteer time. This, in turn, can force the full-time employer into paying overtime wages to workers covering the injured firefighter's shifts, driving up that employer's cost.

Chesney noted that all union



Fire chief Bill Scully

members have a choice in the matter. But remaining on a volunteer fire department would mean giving up membership in the IAFF.

That means not being able to come to union meetings, or being able to vote on contract negotiations.

"This isn't about being against volunteers," Chesney said. "There's several ways you can be active in your community with-

out being a volunteer firefighter."

Neither Roe nor Knasiak wished to discuss the matter. The latter explained, "It's an issue that I'd rather not talk about, and I'd rather not talk about it."

Chief Scully said he was sorry to lose them.

"Both of them had numerous years of experience along with a lot of training," he said. "The majority of your full-time firefighters have second jobs... some of them volunteer as part-time firefighters."

He noted that Knasiak began his firefighting career in Manchester, where he received most of his training.

Scully said currently, the two were the only firefighters Manchester Township stood to lose via the union rule.

"I don't think this is going to have a negative impact on volunteer fire departments," he said.

A union official, who asked not to be named, said local unions began strictly enforcing the bylaw only after being pressured by the IAFF and state unions.

Asked if the bylaw was controversial among firefighters, the official replied, "very."

"It has caused a lot of animosity and bad feelings," he said.

"Joe Knasiak and John Roe knew they were breaking the

international bylaws when they signed with the Manchester Township Fire Department, and they put (the Ypsilanti Local 401) in a very precarious position.

"I disagree with it, but it is part of the bylaws, and we have to abide by the bylaws."

The issue has erupted into a bitter struggle in Maryland. A similar IAFF resolution identifies 38 volunteer fire departments in Prince George's County as "rival organizations," and has drawn national attention, including that of U.S. Rep. Curt Weldon (R-Pa.), according to a story on Firehouse.com.

"Does this mean that those career firefighters from other departments that went to New York City would lose their union cards if this were enforced because they were volunteering to help their brother firefighters in time of need?" Weldon said in February.

Locally, the Chelsea Fire Department also reported recently losing four volunteers to the union clause.

Chesney denied that the union bylaw was about increasing membership in the union, as some have suggested.

"It's not about members," he said. "The IAFF has about 250,000 members worldwide. We don't need six more members in Manchester or something."

"All communities should have full-time firefighters ready to respond to emergency situations. The real concern is what's best for the community."

He added that volunteer firefighters, who usually depend upon other jobs for their income, may not be eager to join a force if and when it moves to full-time status. In this way, Chesney said volunteers can sometimes "inadvertently hold a community back from progressing to a full-time fire department."

Scully, who said he is not against unions, doesn't agree. "That's an opinion," he said. "I don't perceive that as being true."

He said Manchester Township, which had 328 runs in 2001, lacked the run volume necessary to afford full-time firefighters.

The Manchester Township Fire Department currently has 27 part-time volunteers and no full-time employees. Each receives the same training as full-timers, responds on an around-the-clock, on-call basis, and is paid \$10.75 per hour during runs.

That's compared to the nine days per month Scully said full-time firefighters average, and the \$34,078 annual starting salary with benefits for the Ann Arbor

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Teen substance abuse panel set

By Laura Merte
Staff Writer

The effects that drugs can have on a family can be devastating, even more so when the user is young. Family members are often hesitant to invade a teenager's privacy, preferring to "keep the peace" rather than risk being completely shut out from their son or daughter's life. But leaving a problem alone can only magnify the damage.

Being able to identify alcohol or drug abuse is crucial in order to help a teenager involved in their use. Knowing what steps to

take—and what actions to avoid—is equally important.

An ongoing, two-part discussion series is being offered to parents and teenagers in the community. Ron Harrison will present the topics on the first and second Tuesdays of each month, October through June. Harrison is a social worker with 28 years of experience working with substance-involved adolescents and their families.

Free to the public, literature and refreshments are provided, as well as the opportunity to speak with the presenter after

the workshop. Seminars will be held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, 5305 Elliot Dr., in the Education Center, Classroom EC4 on the 2nd floor. Remaining dates for 2002 are: April 2 and 9, May 7 and 14, June 4 and 11, Oct. 1 and 8, Nov. 5 and 12, Dec. 3 and 10.

The series is sponsored by Dawn Farm, the Livingston/Washtenaw Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Act (SDFSCA) Consortium, and the St. Joseph Mercy Health System "Healthy Communities" Program.

OBITUARY

WILLIAM LAVERN MILLER

William Lavern Miller, age 69, of Manchester, died on March 27, 2002 at Chelsea Community Hospital.

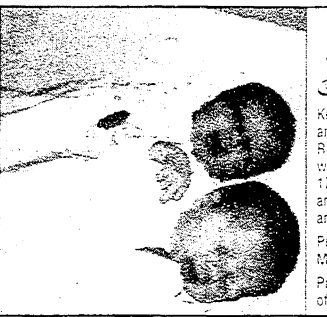
He was born in Ann Arbor to Robert and Aldena Miller. He worked at Argus Optics continued with Perfect Optics and General Scientific. During his 40-year career he worked on optics that were used for military defense and the lunar missions. Mr. Miller retired at the age of 62 with medical conditions. Bill (or Wild Bill as some called him) will be greatly missed by his family

and friends.

He is survived by his precious Barb, her daughter Lanettia and family, mother Aldena, brother Ted and wife Agie, son Dan and wife Sandy, daughters, Sandy and husband Ed, Meijnda and husband Leon, their mother Rose, eight grandchildren, two nieces and two nephews. He was

preceded in death by his father Robert and a brother Robert.

Memorial services were held at 11:00 a.m. on March 30 from the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea, with the Rev. Kathy Batell Chaplain of Chelsea Community Hospital officiating. Visitation was held prior to the time of service.



Madisen Rose Wright Miranda Renee Wright

Kevin and Tammy Wright of Onsted are proud to announce the birth of their twin daughters, Madisen Rose and Miranda Renee, born on March 16. Madisen was born at 6:35 a.m. and weighed 5 lbs. 1 oz. and was 17 7/8" long. Miranda Renee was born at 6:50 a.m. and weighed 5 lbs. 8 oz. and was 18 5/8" long. Madisen and Miranda have a big brother, Connor who is 2.

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April is a good month to focus on the stars

By Laura Merte
Staff Writer

AN ASTRONOMER'S VIEW

"Astronomy helps us to understand the universe we live in, and our place in it," says Jeff Potter, educator at Ritter Planetarium in Toledo. "But I think astronomy's greatest importance is as a gateway to the larger world of science."

Children are particularly drawn to the world of the stars, Potter says. Why?

"I think that everybody watching the sky has their own reasons," he says. "Some like the order in the sky ... they enjoy recognizing the star patterns and their nightly and annual movements. Others like the mystery of it, contemplating on where it all came from, how stars and planets form, and wondering who else might be out there asking the same questions."

For new astronomers, Potter suggests visiting a planetarium (see "Planetarium Shows" below), reading specialty magazines such as *Astronomy* or *Sky and Telescope*, and exploring a local astronomy club. Visiting the website www.skyandtelescope.com will show a list of clubs around the United States.

Most importantly, just go outside and look at the sky! For ideas on what to look for, see Potter's "Top 10" list.

METEOR SHOWER

The oldest recorded meteor shower, the Lyrids, will pass near Earth from April 16 to 25. Evidence of the Lyrids reaches back to ancient Chinese records from 687 BC.

Meteors will radiate from a point near the constellation Lyra, in the east-northeastern sky, above and to the right of the Northern Cross. However, looking straight at the radiant will not be the ideal method of observing the meteors. The best way is to sit back in a reclining lawn chair with your feet pointing either northward or southward. Watch about 45 degrees above the horizon (straight up is 90 degrees).

This annual shower will be relatively calm compared to the Leonid storm in November, which was unseen by most observers in the area due to fog. But patient observers can expect to see an average of 10 "shooting stars" each hour, or one every 6 or 7 minutes on the days surrounding April 22, when the shower reaches its maximum.

Other than fog and cloud cover, the only obstruction from clear observation is light. The moon will be "waxing gibbous" (see "Phases of the Moon" below), and may impair visibility somewhat, but will only be a minor problem if you observe from a remote location, far from city lights.



PHASES OF THE MOON

Waxing and waning, gibbous, quarters ... we've all heard these terms before, even studied them in school, but may not know just what they all mean. Here's a refresher course on the phases of the moon:

"Waxing" is the period in which the moon "grows" from new to full. "Waning" is when it diminishes back to a new (or "no") moon.

"Gibbous" refers to the moon's shape: rounded and asymmetrical, as opposed to "crescent," a curved sliver of light.

When the moon is in its "first quarter," only the right half is visible as it waxes from crescent to gibbous. Conversely, the "third quarter" shows the left half of the moon.

Knowing these terms, the eight commonly-recognized stages of the moon can then be named (in order): new moon, waxing crescent, first quarter, waxing gibbous, full moon, waning gibbous, third quarter, waning crescent.

April's full moon will be on the 26th, and the new moon on April 12.

PLANETARIUM SHOWS

Toledo - Ritter Planetarium
Visit the zoo or art museum nearby and make a day out of it.

"Native American Skylore" is a look at the nighttime sky through the eyes of native Americans, showing Fridays at 7:30 p.m. A program for children, "Don't Duck. Look Up" follows Dudley, a precocious little duck, as he learns about the sky, along with a barnyard full of animal friends, showing Saturdays at 1 p.m.

Ritter Planetarium is located on the main campus of the University of Toledo in Toledo, Ohio. Admission is \$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for seniors and children ages 5 to 12. For more information, call the 24-hour planetarium hotline at (419) 530-4037 or visit the Ritter Planetarium web page at www.rpbto.utoledo.edu. The audience is invited to participate in observing sessions at Brooks Observatory following the evening programs.

Ann Arbor - Planetarium at the U of M Exhibit Museum of Natural History

Before and after the show, explore the museum's many exhibits ... and, for the next two weekends (April 6, 7, 13, 14), docent-led tours will lead a maximum of 15 people through the dinosaur exhibits at 2 p.m.

"The Stars of Spring" will be showing at 11:30 a.m., 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. Saturdays and at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. Sundays. "Navigating with Lewis and Clark" documents how the famous explorers used astronomical observation to find their way across the continent, showing at 12:20 and 2:30 p.m. Saturdays and at 2:30 p.m. Sundays.

Planetarium tickets are \$3 per person, with a 20% discount for museum members. The planetarium is located within the University of Michigan Exhibit Museum of Natural History, at 1109 Geddes Avenue in Ann Arbor, one block west of Washtenaw. For more information, call 763-6085 or visit the website, www.exhibits.lsa.umich.edu.

Jackson - Hurst Planetarium

Make it a family day in Jackson by touring the historical buildings and grounds of the Ella Sharp Museum Complex, exploring the interactive "Discovery Areas" at the museum, or visiting the Center. Michigan Space and Science Center.

After several years of requests, Hurst Planetarium is offering a program for adults who have an interest in learning more about the sky and find the stars somewhat intimidating. Designed for budding astronomers, hot tub enthusiasts and campers, "Learning the Night Sky for Adults" will take place from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. April 18 and 25. Seats are first-come, first-serve, and limited to 62 adults (sorry, no children) per session.

Hurst Planetarium is located within the Ella Sharp museum complex in Jackson. Admission is \$3.00 for adults and \$2.50 for children ages 4 to 11. For more information, visit the planetarium's web site at snc.jps.k12.mi.us/hurst/.

Lansing - Abrams Planetarium

See the black-light gallery of astronomical art, or join other sky-gazers when the observatory opens to the public for monthly observing from 9 to 11 p.m. April

19 and 20 (weather permitting).

Through April 14, "Orion Rendezvous," a Star Trek Voyage of Discovery, takes the audience on a trip through a deep space "wormhole" tunnel, showing at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and at 4 p.m. on Sundays. "Zubenelgenubi's Magical Sky" is directed towards families with younger children, and features an odd assortment of sky characters at 2:30 p.m. on Sundays.

Starting April 19, the shows will switch to "Planet Parade" and "Larry: Cat in Space."

A current sky demonstration follows all shows, and sky observation will take place, weather permitting, in the evening. Tickets cost \$3.00 for adults, \$2.50 for students and seniors, and \$2.00 for children age 12 and under. Abrams Planetarium is located on Shaw Lane, between Harrison and Hagadorn Rds. on the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing. For more information, call (517) 332-7827 or visit the website at www.pa.msu.edu/abrams/.

TELESCOPE WORKSHOP

After the holiday season, many people find that they have received a wonderful gift that they have no idea how to use: a telescope. While it is usually easy to find target like the moon, frustration can set in early. Often, the instruction manuals included with many telescopes are not easy for the beginner to understand.

Planetarium-Brooks Observatory will provide the tools and knowledge needed to help turn frustration into an enjoyable hobby with "How to use a telescope," a two-hour workshop held starting at 6:30 p.m. on April 20.

A crash course in backyard astronomy, the workshop will cover all of the things that people need to know to enjoy amateur astronomy, according to Alexander Mak, Associate Director of Ritter Planetarium.

"We are open and candid about what views can be expected with a given set up, and what kind of objects can be seen," Mak said. "People often have elevated expectations about what they will see and how easy it is to find targets. This can lead to disappointment and turning away from astronomy."

"With the proper knowledge and attitude, amateur astronomy can be one of the most rewarding

Top ten observation list

Grab a map of the sky (from a book at the library, or online at www.skyandtelescope.com), a pair of binoculars or a telescope, a blanket and warm jacket, and check out the "Top 10" celestial bodies for observation, according to Jeff Potter, Planetarium Educator at Ritter Planetarium in Toledo.

- 1. Saturn:** Saturn's rings are easily seen with even a moderate telescope.
- 2. Jupiter:** A pair of binoculars will show some or all of the four Galilean Moons. A telescope may reveal several dark cloud bands on the "surface" of this giant gas planet.
- 3. Orion Nebula (Orion the Hunter):** This is the most famous star forming region in our galaxy. Binoculars or a low power telescope are best to see this "cloud in space."
- 4. Ring Nebula (Lyra, the Harp):** The remains of a dead star, this faint object is often described as looking like a fuzzy "Cheerio" when seen with a telescope.
- 5. Eta Lyra (Lyra, the Harp):** It looks like the fifth brightest star in the constellation of Lyra, the Harp. Binoculars reveal it as two stars, and a telescope can "split" each of those stars into two more! That makes Eta Lyra a "double-double" star.
- 6. Albireo (Cygnus, the Swan):** This star marks the beak of Cygnus the Swan. This beautiful binary system is made up of a cool red/orange star and a hot blue/white star. The color contrast is a favorite for many amateur astronomers. At least a small telescope is needed to "split" this star.
- 7. Coma Berenices (Coma Berenices):** This star cluster is best seen with binoculars, and looks like the Eiffel Tower, or the letter A.
- 8. H and Chi (Perseus):** These compact star clusters are so close to each other (as seen from the Earth) that they both fit into one telescopic field of view! Under very dark skies, the unaided eye can make out a fuzzy patch of light when looking at these clusters.
- 9. Great Globular Cluster (Hercules):** This ancient cluster contains millions of stars! Some very large telescopes (especially one equipped with a camera) will reveal individual stars. Through most telescopes, and even binoculars, it appears to have a bright center, growing dimmer and fuzzy toward the edge.
- 10. Andromeda Galaxy (Andromeda):** Light from the Andromeda Galaxy takes 2.5 million years to travel to earth. This makes it the most distant object most people can see with just their eyes. Of course, it is very faint, and you need a very dark sky to see it. From a typical backyard, binoculars show it as a faint fuzzy patch of light.

hobbies around. We hope to start a few people on the right path with our workshop."

The workshop will conclude with an observing session at the Brooks Observatory, weather permitting. Admission to "How to use a telescope" is \$10.00 per

person (\$8.00 for Friends of Ritter members). Reservations are required and can be made by calling 410-530-2650. For more information on the workshop, and all other events at Ritter, visit the planetarium website at www.rpbto.utoledo.edu.

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The ENTERPRISE COMMENTARY

Street Talk

By Becky Noggle

What is something you want to do before you die?



"Travel the world."
Jeanne Cloke



"Learn Japanese"
Angi Fiegel



"I want to be the fastest sub maker in Michigan."
Justin Tinkle



"I would like to see my great-grandchild."
Carol Graustein



"I want to have my 100th birthday."
Keith Reed



"Retire for the second time."
Eddie Garden

AOL, please stay out of my mailbox

While you were working, chances are good that America Online, the nation's largest interactive services company, quietly slipped a promotional CD-ROM into your mailbox. That's it, sheathed between the coupons for boiled ham and the letter announcing that YOU HAVE BEEN SELECTED TO WIN 1 MILLION DOLLARS!

None of the usual suspects of junk mail, many of which can easily be recycled with newspapers, are more insidious than the newest staple of mailbox packing material, the AOL version 7.0 CD-ROM mailer.

AOL, a subsidiary of AOL Time Warner, has been sending out waves of CD-ROMs for nearly 10 years in a marketing ploy to win over more users of the popular Internet service. Coupled with the volume, the packaging of the discs, which range from plastic books, to tin containers, to cardboard slats glued inside plastic-wrapped subscription magazines, is excessive to say the least.

The CDs are ubiquitous. Here at the Enterprise office, we've received at least two in recent weeks. AOL CD-ROMS are even being included inside magazine flaps behind seats on commercial airliners. At home, I grimace every time I fish one from the mailbox, knowing it's just one more unnecessary



HIP CHECK

addition to the rapidly filling neighborhood landfill.

According to Solid Waste Industry News, Michigan is the nation's third-largest trash importer, accepting 33 times more garbage than it sends out. In 2000 alone, Canada sent us 1.3 million tons of garbage. Many people, including the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, say that Michigan's landfills are quickly reaching capacity.

Figuring it was time for some answers on AOL's wasteful and irresponsible practice, I phoned AOL headquarters in Dulles, Va. for more information.

Nicholas Graham, a spokesman for AOL, offered few concrete details on the mailers, but called the strategy a "consumer driven program" that "closely mirrors consumers' online behavior," say-

ing it was a quick and easy way of getting AOL software in the hands of customers.

"Putting AOL service in the hands of customers has been very successful," he said. "It's been a primary driver of our subscription growth."

Yet Graham would not divulge how many of the CDs are mailed out, how often they are mailed, nor from where. He said the company does maintain a database of how many people actually use the discs (as opposed to substituting them for clay pigeons), but declined to share that information, saying it was all part of AOL's "proprietary marketing strategy."

"We believe an overwhelming number of AOL subscribers want to continue receiving the CDs," he said.

From a business standpoint, it's hard to argue with AOL's success. AOL added 6.5 million new subscribers last year, the strongest annual growth in the company's history that boosted its membership to more than 34 million people worldwide. Company mouthpieces like Graham say that's due to marketing guru Jan Brandt's aptly named "ubiquity strategy."

But the company has also borne the lion's share of criticism over its history, including complaints of shoddy service,

excessive inbox junk mailing (imagine that), and even chat room censorship. Now, I have never used AOL, so I don't have any personal experience with the company other than with the mailers. But their habit of filling my trash bin spurred me to search for options.

As it turns out, there are alternatives to sending unused (or used, for that matter) AOL discs to the scrap heap.

Recycle Ann Arbor has just set up a new program to accept CDs and accompanying plastic and paper packaging at its Ellsworth Road drop-off station. Station Manager Pete Murdock says the facility was supposed to go online with the program April 1, but is awaiting clearance from the city. He said the CDs will be sent to a Missouri facility which re-programs the discs into new CDs. He said he did not know of any other CD recycling programs in the area.

Then there's Roxio, a California software company that posts ideas from visitors on its Web site, roxio.com. They range from ringing CDs with trim to make flashy beverage coasters, to hanging them in glass windows to prevent bird collisions, to using them to pave driveways. A Coast Guard member points out the usefulness of discarded CDs as emer-

gency reflectors at sea.

Perhaps the most subversive idea, however, comes from Berkeley, Calif., where techies John Lieberman and Jim McKenna have created a Web site called NoMoreAOLCDs.com. Their mission? Encourage disgruntled, conscientious citizens world-wide to mail in unwanted AOL CDs until they amass 1 million of them (about 17 tons, they say). Then, they plan to give them back to the "rightful owners" in Dulles, Va. So far, they have 18,671.

To be fair, Graham pointed out that AOL operates one of the largest internal recycling services in the nation, and said it will take back any unsold or unused CD-ROMS with accompanying packaging material for recycling.

"Any consumer that is willing to send back unused CDs is welcome to do so provided they are willing to pay shipping charges," he said.

He also said anyone can request to have their names taken off the AOL mailing list by calling member services at (800) 827-6364. No telling yet if this works, but there's probably a touch-tone phone navigation system just waiting to be enjoyed.

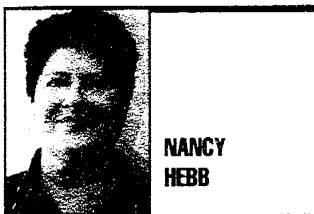
Seeking the fountain of youth a worthwhile gamble

Is it irrational to expect youth, with all its attendant energy and drive, to retire to bed at an early hour while adults pushing middle or later age postpone the luxury of sleep to a far later hour?

There are a lot of similar ironies in life, forced on us because we live our span arse-barkwards, so to speak. When we have the knowledge to value what's truly important, our energy levels dip so we can't enjoy the activities or hang on as tightly to our days as we might if we possessed the strength and stamina of childhood.

As a twenty-one-year-old in London, for instance, I did lots of fun stuff, but as a mature adult, I can think of more I should have done.

Recently, I found myself dozing upright at 9 p.m. Tiredness seemed obscenely self-indulgent, since it had been a relatively normal Saturday. Maybe you recall similar twelve-hour spans.



SHEEP SHOTS

Rising at a respectable hour, you find a rip in whatever you want to wear. Improvising, you grab something—anything without noticeable stains—out of the laundry hamper, spritz it with one of those fabric refresher sprays, and add a touch of cologne behind your ears for extra insurance.

As coffee brews, you put the dog out in the back yard. He gets out of the fence and takes off across a field. You still don't have any socks on.

Shoving your feet into rubber boots (the quickest alternative

to bare), you run out the door with coat half on and realize that even though you thought you beat a recent sniffles bug, you suddenly have no voice. Calling the dog sounds like Uncle Mort drowning in muddy ditch water.

The miscreant mutt contemplates cooperating, until he gets close enough to actually see the scowl on your sleep-creased face. When he realizes you're not happy, he figures he'd better go back the way he came, ending up in the yard where he belongs. You, meanwhile, conclude that rubber boots, bare toes, and sub-freezing temperatures make for misery when you're 300 yards from the house.

Jogging toward warmth, you stub your toe on something hidden beneath the spring snow on the ground. As you do a body-jolting half stumble, you see the dog heading for freedom again. Luckily, he minds your croaked reprimand and stays in the yard long enough for you to get yourself and him back indoors.

Why is it that those little bits of fuzz-covered fabric insoles slip out of footwear so easily, but are impossible to reinsert so that they fit, flat and comfortable? You free your feet, now with one black-and-blue toe, permanently misaligning the boots' interiors. You go in search of socks.

On your way through the kitchen, you realize the coffee pot wasn't precisely set under the coffeemaker's spout. There's brew under and around as well as in the pot.

Determined to organize the rest of the day, you make sandwiches for the folks you will meet elsewhere that day. Such efficiency! You'll save time by not having to go out to lunch.

The dog, obviously not satisfied by his morning venture, paces restlessly, stepping on your bruised foot. You figure he might as well join you on your journey. He can run around a safely fenced area while the humans do what humans do. He obviously needs the exercise.

Smack dab on time, you load your vehicle and climb behind the wheel. Then you notice you've forgotten your purse (or cell phone, or breath mints, some vital necessity).

Sprinting into the house to retrieve the essentials, you

smile. At least you didn't drive miles before realizing your forgetfulness. Your grin slips when you open the driver's side door and see the dog finishing off a tuna sandwich.

The rest of the day goes pretty much according to plan, except for the time-wasting trip to a restaurant for lunch. The dog runs around sniffing new smells. The people get people work done, the weather warms up a bit, and the sun shines for almost a whole hour before it sets.

So why can't you keep your eyes open beyond a six-year-old's bedtime? Maybe it has something to do with turning the thermostat up to thaw the toes that have felt frozen since 7 a.m. Perhaps viruses are still circulating, riding the waves of your circulatory system, zapping enthusiasm. Maybe March's refusal to cut short winter's hold, and the lack of sunlight, are to blame.

Here we are, days getting longer, but an internal clock tells me to climb into bed earlier each night. No wonder middle-aged kings and explorers spent fortunes and lifetimes trying to locate a Fountain of Youth. From the view beyond twenty-something, their gamble looks rational and totally worthwhile.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Orchids to the Manchester Township Fire Department.

To the editor:

Fortunately it isn't very often that any one of us gets to watch our local firefighters in action. My turn came last Monday when a fire started in my garage chimney.

I just can't resist the urge to describe the wonderful things that started to happen as I called 911. Before I hung up the phone, the siren was blowing. Shortly thereafter, because I am also close to the fire barn, the full team was out front. While some of us may question the number in that team, it is reassuring during a fire scare to know everything that might be needed is standing by.

As I watched this team go to work, my pride in them grew by leaps and bounds. How great it is these days to see experienced, polite and effective men in action. No one stood around giving orders, though there was a clear method to what happened. A suggestion would come from one member, an added one from another and the problem was speedily attacked.

They all worked together like they had been on the same team for years; though we know our volunteers reporting to fire calls usually fall into different teams

for each run, depending on who is available and when they arrive.

Mine proved to be a simple chimney fire, but I am sure other responding firemen might have resorted to the melodramatic fire axes, water hoses and rough shod treatment of the structure near the fire. It is a compliment to our firemen that they discipline themselves to do exactly what is necessary, and no more. Even after the fire was out they took time to put a temporary cover over the hole in the roof. This consideration was also above and beyond the call of duty.

The tax money we rightly spend for fire protection can't buy the kind of service I witnessed last Monday. Instead, it speaks of local pride and the personal integrity of dedicated public servants. We all owe them a lot and can't thank them enough for what they so cheerfully and faithfully give us day in and day out.

Well done, and again I say, well done!

Howard Parr

Historical society offers update on 2003 calendar.

To the editor:

Progress on the 2003 calendar is good. We have received pic-

tures and some information on several of the 34 country schools that provided the education for students in Manchester, Bridgewater, Sharon and Freedom Townships up until the time they joined together as Manchester Community Schools.

However, there are many more about which we have no pictures or information. These include Nichols, Matteson, Spaford, Oak Ridge, English, Iron Creek and Zimmerman as well as information on McMahon and Oak Township in Manchester Township; Bridgewater Center, Paul, Allen and Dewey in Bridgewater Township; Sharon Hills, Everett, Pierce, Craft and Dorr in Sharon Township; Thomas, Pleasant Lake (the building that was torn down after the present building was built), Dresselhouse, Girbach and Luick in Freedom Township.

Any photos and/or information you can share with us will be greatly appreciated and will be returned to you as soon as possible. Please call Nondus Buss at 428-8159 as soon as possible if you have materials available to loan us.

Thank you to those who are helping preserve memories of the past for citizens of the future.

Nondus M. Buss

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Diabetes

Management is critical to good health

■ Lifestyle changes key to control.

By Helen Kay Polaski
Special Writer

The disease currently affects some 16 million adults and children in America and causes nearly 200,000 U.S. deaths annually.

Though a cure has not yet been found, eating right, maintaining a healthy weight, and getting plenty of exercise can help prevent its onset.

The disease is diabetes, and it is on the rise in America.

ACCORDING to Dawn Crane, Diabetes Education Program Coordinator at Chelsea Community Hospital, once diagnosed, the person with diabetes actually can do a great deal to manage it. Being physically active and eating properly is the foundation of management.

"Diabetes requires lifestyle changes in order to feel better and control for some of the possible complications associated with the condition," Crane said.

Proper diet, exercise and medications that control blood sugar can help those who already are affected live a

healthy and active life.

Diabetes mainly occurs in two forms, Type 1 and Type 2. Type 1, formerly known as juvenile or insulin-dependent diabetes, develops when the pancreas makes little or no insulin. Type 2 is far more common, accounting for approximately 90 percent of all cases, and occurs when the pancreas produces some, but not enough insulin, or when the body's cells develop a resistance to the insulin.

Because diabetes can develop gradually over many years, often with no symptoms, many American's already have the disease but are not yet aware of it. Some signs that may indicate Type 2 diabetes is present include: fatigue and sleepiness, weight gain or loss, blurred vision, slow-healing sores or frequent infections, increased urination, thirst, and tingling and loss of sensation in the hands and feet.

Diabetes is associated with several long-term complications. For example, it is the leading cause of blindness in the United States due to a complication called retinopathy. However, the risk is controllable by keeping one's blood sugar,

blood pressure, and cholesterol levels down, and not smoking.

Though researchers are not 100 percent sure why some individuals get diabetes and others do not, certain factors point toward a higher risk. For instance, the chance of getting the disease increases in individuals who have a family history of diabetes. Other causes include: obesity, inactivity, age and race.

"Although we have historically thought of Type 2 diabetes being associated with those over age 40, it is on the rise even in children. Healthy lifestyles for all family members, including maintaining a normal weight and doing regular physical activity, including walking, helps to control the risks for developing diabetes," Crane said.

THOUGH diabetes in the general public continues to climb, some races are at particular risk. While Type 1 diabetes is more common in Caucasians and in individuals in European countries, Type 2 diabetes has been diagnosed in approximately 12 percent of African-Americans, Hispanics, and Native Americans.

Relay for life team slots available

There is still plenty of time to get together a team for the 2002 Western Washtenaw Area Relay for Life in Chelsea.

Relay teams consist of eight to 12 people who agree to raise at least \$100 each; then on June 28, all the teams come together to celebrate, honor and remember those who have battled cancer.

In addition to having a team, individuals, organizations and businesses can be a sponsor for the event. Six levels of sponsorship are available, ranging from Team Sponsor to Platinum

Sponsor.

Cancer survivors are also encouraged to participate in this year's relay. Several activities are planned including a victory lap and dinner. A luminary ceremony also remembers those who have lost their battle with cancer.

The next team captain's meeting is set for 6:30 p.m. this Sunday at the Chelsea Community Hospital dining room B. Individuals interested in forming a team are encouraged to attend.

The Relay for Life is a commu-

nity celebration to honor and remember those who have battled cancer. This unique event is fun and helps raise awareness and funding to find a cure for all cancers.

The 2002 Relay for Life in Chelsea is scheduled for June 28 to 29, from 6 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Old Chelsea High School track. For more information about becoming a team captain or sponsor, please call Deanna Shackelford at 971-4300.

VIDEO VOICE

■ Video reviewers rate "Training Day."

"Training Day" (R), starring Denzel Washington, ranked an 8 out of 10 from both our video reviewers. "Clark" and "Audrey" at the DVD Revolution in Manchester.

"Denzel Washington can definitely play more than just the good guy," Clark says. "It is a likable movie and one I could watch more than once."

"Men are not very wordy, are they?" Audrey notes.

She Says ...

"I give it an 8 out of a 10—but I had to watch it twice to come to this conclusion," Audrey says. "The first time I watched it, I was so disgusted that I was tempted to turn it off."

Oh, Denzel, how far you fell since *Fallen* ...

"I watched it again and realized that the Academy Award he won for this role was well granted, because Washington is very good at being bad.

"Great movie, but it certainly offended my sensitive side."

"Training Day" was fourth among the top five rentals for Manchester viewers for March 17 to 23.

1. Zoolander
2. Artificial Intelligence
3. Heist
4. Training Day
5. Joy Ride

New Releases for April 2 include "Bandits" starring Bruce Willis, Billy Bob Thornton and Cate Blanchett, and "Thirteen Ghosts."

"COTTON PATCH GOSPEL"

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For ticket information call 734-665-6149 or www.bethlehem-ucc.org/youth.
Bethlehem church is located in downtown Ann Arbor at 423 S. 4th Ave.

SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS



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SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

Where does the dust come from when only two people and an occasional cat stir it up?

I remember my mother having a nearly dust-free home and one of my jobs was weekly dusting. I know you remember those huge dining room tables and chairs and fancy legs. Ladies got more exercise back then with all their ups and downs.

My mother also worked in the newspaper office gathering local news after Grandmother died in '37. Three kids and four grownups and a five-bedroom house didn't lessen her load. She went to bed early, to arise and get the washing on the line before daylight.

Those gals were pioneers in the 20s and 30s before her first washing machine in 1936. She was a mighty mite at 5-foot-2 and about 100 pounds.

Thursday: Come all you April-

born seniors 55 and older and enjoy being seated with others like you at a special table to celebrate your birthday! Meat loaf, cake with candles a corsage and song will be your special treat. And that meat loaf is special! We invite all seniors in our area to come try these special meals ... you do get enough to eat for your \$3.25. Sue and Tod are generous with the servings and he asks, "Is that enough?" each meal day.

Just be sure to get your reservation in ahead to Kelly at 428-8359 or to Tod and 428-7630 between 9 and 10 a.m. on meal days. Once in a while we may forget we haven't made a reservation, but do not make it a habit, please!

Rubena hopes you will join her at cards after you eat. The bus will take you to the center and then home from there.

Sunday: Today at 2 a.m. we should set our clocks ahead one hour or we may be late for church! Makes me wonder why we still do this each spring?

Monday: The senior bus is 'on request' to go along shopping at Jackson. Call Tootie at 428-7615 for your ride.

Tuesday: At 9:30 a.m. the board will work on the May-June calendar at the Center. Give them your ideas to better plan things you like to do. Noon lunch is teriyaki chicken. Aren't these senior meals tasty? Stamping class begins at 12:30 p.m. in Emanuel's dining room and you are invited to join these artistic folks. A work day is planned at the center, also at 12:30 p.m.

Wednesday: No yoga today.

Thursday: Senior council meeting begins at the center at 9:30 a.m. You are invited to come and see how hard your board works! They welcome your ideas. Meanwhile, back at Emanuel, Tod is getting pot roast for our pleasure. Have we thanked Sue Miller and Tod Armentrout lately? I overheard someone say, "Isn't that carrot salad delicious?" We do love those extra dishes.

A gathering of gardens

■ Local gardeners will share their expertise.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

"A Gathering of Gardens" is planned for July 13 sponsored by the 20th Century Club of Manchester.

Six private Manchester gardens will be highlighted and open to tours from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission will be by ticket only, and pre-sale tickets are now available at a cost of \$8 per person. Tickets will be \$10 on the day of the walk, for which a rain date of July 14 is set. Lemonade

and cookies will be available at one of the garden locations, and gardeners will be on hand at each location to guide you and answer any questions.

The central location for the garden walk will be Manchester's gazebo in on the village green in Wurster Park. A granite bench, made from the same granite as the Texas state capitol building, will be raffled by the 20th Century Club and will be on display at Wurster Park. In addition, plants and garden accessories will be sold at booths in the park.

Tickets can be purchased at Calamity Jane's, 117 E. Main Street, or by calling 428-1122.

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Trail becomes uphill battle

The past few weeks have taken me both high and low; they have been filled with promise, love, challenge, happiness, and sadness.

I left Vaughn, New Mexico, and completed the last 70 miles of high desert plains into the town of Mountainair, New Mexico. There I spent several days with a newfound friend, Allan Stibora. My feet were pretty sore from the big-mile days I had been hiking (118 miles in five days, or an average of nearly 24 miles per day). In addition to providing much-needed company, Allan helped me plan a better route through the rest of New Mexico and Arizona.

On March 14, I had even more company. My girlfriend, Nina Baxley, flew into Albuquerque to spend a long weekend with me. On my birthday, March 15, I asked her to marry me as we sat high in the beauty of the Sandia Mountains. We enjoyed a wonderful weekend after that.

We explored the Petroglyph National Monument in the nearby mountains and spent time in Old Town Albuquerque, a busy tourist area that was once the main hub of the city and is now filled with turquoise jewelry and Pueblo kachina dolls for sale. The weekend came and went, and Nina is now my fiancée. She plans to join me in May and hike with me to Canada along the Pacific Crest Trail.

I continued my hike through two different Pueblo/Spanish ruins. These were massive cathedrals built in the early 1600s as the Spanish Franciscan missionaries came to convert the Pueblos to Christianity. They coexisted well for several years until the Spanish leaders decided it was time for the Pueblo to give up all aspects of their native religion, including the kachina dances. The Pueblos resisted this, and discontent followed. Several Pueblo medicine men were put to death after being charged with witchcraft.

A long drought ensued, and the surrounding farming communities suffered terribly. The Pueblos believed this was because they were no longer allowed to perform their rituals. In the 1660s, the communities were abandoned, and everyone headed to the Rio Grande valley, where water was more reliable.

The 1680s saw the Pueblo revolt: 21 Franciscan priests were killed, as well as several hundred other Spanish citizens. The remaining Spanish ran for safety in what is now El Paso, Texas. All that remains of this site are the ghostly walls of the massive cathedrals, standing 40 to 60 feet high. A mystical place.



DAN 'SHELTOREE' ROGERS

WALK ABOUT AMERICA

I crossed the Rio Grande a few days later, having met several ranchers on my walk through their rangelands. One such gentleman was a Mr. Sanchez, who is 75 years old and still runs his family farm. His grandparents started this farm in the 1870s. When he passes away, however, the farm will cease—as far as his family is concerned—as his children do not wish to continue it.

Sanchez blames it on our modern thirst for material things. A simple farming life is not good enough for his kids, he said; they want more. A sad but oft-repeated story on the American small farm.

As I climbed out of the Rio Grande valley, I crossed the Magdalena Mountains via Forest Service roads. I misjudged the difficulty and soon found myself at 7,000 feet on the side of the mountain with no food, no water, and darkness setting in.

I pressed on, knowing I had to find water. At about 8,000 feet, I found patches of snow. I was exhausted after having hiked 29 miles, as well as hungry and thirsty—but not dehydrated. I filled my water bottles with snow and lay out my sleeping bag on the ground. I slept in the open air with my water bottles inside my sleeping bag; this would allow me to manufacture more water for the next day's hike.

It was a beautiful night, and I slept soundly, waking at first light to see the sunrise over the mountains to my east. I had a half-quart of water. I finished my hike and reached the town of Magdalena that morning. Magdalena is a wonderful little town nestled in these mountains. The folks here are friendly, and the town has a certain pride about it.

The next two days took me down out of the mountains and across the The San Augustin Plains. They stretch for about 18 miles east to west and are surrounded on all sides by moun-

tains. Thousands of years ago, this was a huge lake. It must have been spectacular. Today, it is a barren high plain that sits at 7,000 feet in elevation—a perfect location for the National Radio Astronomy Center.

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Upon reaching the town of Datil, New Mexico, I received word of a tragic death of a close friend back in Ohio. It is a reminder that time waits for no man; even if we are away from our loved ones, time keeps taking from all of us. And so I close this section of the journey, humbly reminded of my mortality, as I cross the skies back to Ohio.

For a more detailed look at the trek, please visit www.sheltoweehikes.com.

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Heritage Newspapers-Western Region

Michigan author visits Klager for reading month

Michigan author brings message of wildlife rehabilitation.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

Ever since she can remember, Robbyn Smith has cared for animals. As a child, she was always bringing home an orphaned or injured animal.

After graduating from Michigan State University, she worked as an animal technician for many years. She met her husband, noted wildlife artist (Gijsbert "Nick" van Frankenhuyzen at the animal clinic where she worked.

The couple have spent years rehabilitating injured and orphaned animals and restoring them back into the wild, and Smith shared tales of their adventures with Klager Elementary School students on March 21. Her animated presentation concluded with guiding the pupils through drawing an owl to illustrate their own tales

of Jackson, the great horned owl upon whose life her book is based.

Smith kept a journal of

Jackson's exceptional life with their family, which spanned 13 years, and drew upon those entries to write "Adopted by an

Owl," the featured book for March is Reading Month at Klager school, published by Sleeping Bear Press.

"Jackson imprinted on us and adopted our family as his own," Smith wrote. "There was a point during his stay with us that he attempted to join the owl world."

Jackson was missing from the farm for two weeks and the family thought he had finally cut the apron strings. But he soon showed up on the roof top, screeching for food.

"We never found out what happened to him during those 'lost' two weeks but he never left our family again," Smith said. "The book is a condensed version of his life with us."

Jackson's story is illustrated with original artwork by van Frankenhuyzen. The many animals that have shared their farm, near Bath, with the family, have made excellent, though not always cooperative, models for his famed wildlife paintings.

Smith's presentation brought Klager pupils a deeper appreci-



Brandon Lucas examines an owl pellet brought by Robbyn Smith VanFrankenhuyzen, author of the book, "Adopted by an Owl." Smith was the special guest author for March is Reading Month at Klager Elementary School.

ation of wildlife and the rehabilitation of injured and orphaned animals. Kids, teachers and staff members all enjoyed her day-long visit at Klager Elementary School.

Klager elementary students participate in U-N program

Second-graders learn there is strength in diversity.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

The Class Size Reduction group of second-grade pupils at Klager Elementary School made

a very special presentation March 16. The group was asked to make a presentation at a committee meeting for the Ann Arbor United Nations Committee. Two-thirds of the 29 students in the Class Size Reduction group and about 25

family members attended the Saturday meeting.

The boys and girls had done a unit on diversity during last fall. Beginning their unit in September, which is National Hispanic Month, the students listened to and acted out Hispanic folk tales. Second-grade migrant students helped out by sharing the meaning of several of the Spanish words that came up in their tales.

Next, the students took a look at their own cultural heritage. Parents filled in a simple family tree and the boys and girls did mini-reports on the countries of their ancestors.

Using the "Children Just Like Me" series, pupils learned about children all over the world: finding that even though there might be differences in their lives, people all over the world have many things in common. Through their exposure to multi-cultural literature, the children learned the meaning of diversity.

The second-graders also wrote about diversity. Creating a beautiful mobile under the direction

of art teacher Carrie Resh, and memorizing a poem about diversity were also part of their learning experience.

The months of study and preparation brought the Klager pupils to the First Presbyterian Church in Ann Arbor on March 16. At the presentation, they read some of their writings about the topic of diversity, presented the mobile and gave a heartfelt rendition of the poem

they had learned and memorized.

"The United Nations committee was very impressed with the talents of this young group," said Title I Coordinator Pat Rohrer.

"They gave the children two books for the school library—"To Be a Kid" and "For Every Child."

The day was a memorable one for all involved.



Some of the 20 "Diversity Day" participants pose with teacher Pat Rohrer in front of the diversity mobile they created, that was presented to the Ann Arbor United Nations committee. Front row, from left are Kendra Holt, Casey Kittel and Catherine Mackey. Back row: Sam Curby (left), Rohrer, Jaqueline Timoszyk, Tessa Owens and Madeline Gregerson.

VOLUNTEER

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Fire Department. The Manchester Township Fire Department had a budget of approximately \$170,000 for the 2001-2002 fiscal year. Scully said, based on fire contracts with townships and the village and a fire millage tax levied in Manchester Township.

Based in Washington, D.C., the IAFF is the largest firefighters union representing as many as 270,000 professional firefighters and paramedics in the U.S. and Canada. Started in 1918, it claims to be one of the oldest public employee unions in the country.

The MPFF union is comprised of 120 local units representing about 5,000 Michigan firefighters.

Chesney said he thinks part of the controversy stems from the reluctance of many firefighters to break with the volunteer fire departments where many of them started their careers.

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LIVING THROUGH HISTORY

Reenactment group to set up camp at Alumni Field May 10.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand Associate Editor

At its Feb. 18 meeting, the Manchester Community Schools' Board of Education considered a request from the middle school staff that the 17th Michigan Company E be allowed to set up a mock Civil War encampment at Alumni Field across from the Nellie Ackerson Middle School.

This living history lesson would benefit the seventh and eighth-grade social studies curriculum by bringing Manchester's military history back home.

Doug Nosbisch, a Corporal in the 17th Michigan, is in his sixth year with the non-profit reenactment group.

"The 17th Michigan, Company E, was made up primarily of people from Manchester, Ypsilanti and Adrian," he explained. "Approximately one-third of them were from Michigan Normal College, which eventually became Eastern Michigan University."

Nosbisch said that fellow Manchester residents Don Limpert and Roger and Sue Luckhardt also have participated in the regiment's living history activities in the past.

"We are chartered as a non-profit educational corporation," he said. "And this is very local. This community put quite a few men in the regiment. There were at least seven people from Manchester. One is buried in Oak Grove Cemetery."

Nosbisch has a history of the regiment that "fills a binder" and noted that the 17th was one of Michigan's most decorated

units. "There were nine Congressional Medal of Honor recipients in this regiment," he said. "Some truly heroic people came out of Manchester."

The 17th Michigan had a great impact on history and was part of Ambrose Burnside's 9th Corps.

According to Nosbisch, the unit formed in the summer of 1862 in Ypsilanti's Depot Town Barracks and was mustered in shortly after. Within six weeks, it was headed to the battles of South Mountain and Antietam, Md., where more than 2,500 Union soldiers and 4,000 Confederate troops were killed in a three-day span Sept. 14 through 17, 1862. More than 25,000 soldiers from both sides were wounded in these battles. Thousands more were missing or captured.

"They were thrown in to the war's most horrendous battle," Nosbisch said. "And they were still wearing their dress uniforms." Fortunately, the group won't have to reenact that battle. Instead, the 17th Michigan will set up a traditional "company street" consisting of the commander's tent at the head of the street with "dog" tents along either side.

"They're called dog tents because they're only fit to put dogs in," Nosbisch said. "That's been kind of shortened to pup tents—but it's interesting to see how many phrases we use today have a Civil War origin."

Civilians, too, are part of the history lesson. Wives and families of the soldiers often traveled with the regiment, Nosbisch added.

That's not all of history that the middle-schoolers will learn. There will be five stations with-

in the camp and students will have time to hear a short explanation and demonstration of each aspect of camp life. Clothes, personal items, food, arms and equipment and other aspects of camp life will be described and simple drills will be practiced with the students as participants.

"All of this will take place during their regular class time," Nosbisch said. "So they will only have seven to 10 minutes at each station."

The regiment requested permission to have their firearms on the Alumni Field for the event and this generated discussion at the board meeting. Superintendent David Oegema noted that it was allowed for "demonstration or educational purposes" if pre-approved by the school board.

Nosbisch said that reenactments never use loaded weapons.

"There's too much potential for mishap," he said. "This is a show-and-tell lesson."

While some board members

were reluctant to allow firearms on school grounds, Monty Okey expressed his belief that "unloaded, long-barreled Civil War rifles are appropriate for purposes of demonstration."

Lyndon Uphaus added, "I think of it as part of the costume, like swords and bayonets."

Marlene Wagner moved to support the idea of a Civil War camp to be held May 10, supported by Tim McConnell. Appropriate safety precautions would be taken. The motion passed with full support of the board.

The encampment will be held from approximately 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on May 10 and members of the community are invited to attend.

As a non-profit educational corporation, the 17th Michigan Regiment is involved in a program for the preservation of Michigan Civil War flags. The regiment has adopted three of these flags and will gratefully accept and pass on donations collected for this historic program.

Cub Scouts hold Pinewood Derby

The Manchester Pack 421 Cub Scouts held the annual Pinewood Derby at Emanuel Church March 23. Trophies were awarded to Devon Costella for Best Design, and to the first through fifth place cars, belonging to Travis Tubbs, Nathaniel Bazydlo, Austin Fuller, James Krecklau III, and Eric Selover, respectively.

The fastest cars from each Cub Scout level will advance to the district finals in May. These cars belong to scouts Nathaniel Bazydlo, Austin Fuller, James Krecklau III, and Ryan Paul.

The troop thanks all the committee members for their help, the volunteers that prepared and served refreshments, and all of the participants and parents for their sportsmanship and fast cars. Congratulations to all.

Good luck to the winners as they head to district finals.



Winners of the recent Cub Scout Pinewood Derby included Travis Tubbs (left), Nathaniel Bazydlo, Austin Fuller, James Krecklau III, and Eric Selover.

FESTIVAL

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Cowtown.

In addition to music, however, the Riverfolk Festival will also feature art. And that is where Roberts-Antieau comes in.

"We had considered having a contest, but time was short," Palms said. "So instead, we decided to look at the doors of some local artists and ask for a donation."

"Chris graciously gave us her portfolio and allowed us to select a piece that would match the character of the festival. We chose her piece titled, 'Fast Dancers,' because Riverfolk is both a music and an arts festival."

"We intend to use her art piece on a commemorative first-annual Riverfolk Festival poster."

A limited edition of the poster will be sold at the festival and perhaps in locations around the community.

More volunteer interest is not only sought, but welcomed.

"We encourage folks who are interested in volunteering some time, or those who are simply curious, to come and find out

how we're planning our event," Palms says. "Our next meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on April 16 at the village hall."

More information, juried-artist applications and volunteer forms are available on the Riverfolk Festival's website, www.riverfolkfestival.org.

In May, the artist-in-residence program will culminate with high school students exhibiting their work with nationally recognized artist Jan Kaulins, who specializes in hand-coloring on black-and-white photography. The Manchester Area Historical Society will host the exhibition at its May 21 meeting.

Young art students have selected significant local landmarks as their subjects and each is also writing a one-page essay about the finished piece for the presentation. The originals will be silent auctioned the day of the Riverfolk Festival.

Interested community members and businesses can also call the Community Resource Center, at 428-7722 to offer volunteer, assistance or financial support.

"It's going to be a great community event and a lot of fun, too," Palms says.

Spring classes held at Hidden Lake

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand Associate Editor

Presuming that spring actually does arrive this year, Hidden Lake Gardens is offering classes for those interested in aquatic ecology or gardening.

"Frogs and Salamanders of Michigan" will be held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 13 or May 18.

This hands-on experience with native Michigan frogs and salamanders will be great for the family and nature lovers of all ages. Learn to identify frogs from their unique spring breeding calls. Naturalist John Skinner will teach this class on aquatic ecology and lead the class on a tour of wetlands at Hidden Lake Gardens, where participants can listen for frog calls and catch and release frogs, tadpoles and aquatic insects with nets from a shallow pond.

Old shoes or waterproof boots are encouraged. Register early to ensure a spot in the class by calling (517) 431-2060. The cost of the class is \$9 for adults, \$7 for children. Fees for Friends of Hidden Lake Gardens are \$7 adults; \$5 children.

"Rock Gardening" is set for 11 to 12:30 p.m. on April 20.

Planning and planting a rock garden can be a rewarding experience for advanced gardeners as well as novices. Learn the basics of practical gardening beginning with design concepts, maintenance requirements, plants, and planting techniques.

Slides will be used to show elements of design, "backbone" plants, use of dwarf conifers, dwarf shrubs, and rock garden bulbs. Anton Reznicek, Ph.D., Curator of Herbarium at University of Michigan and Former Director of Matthaei Botanical Gardens will be the instructor for this class.

The class is open to the public at \$12. Friends of the Hidden Lake Gardens are charged a \$10 registration fee.

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Plenty of sunshine across much of the state on Thursday will make for unfettered travel conditions.

SOLUNAR TABLE

Four-day forecast indicates best feeding times for fish and game.

	Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Thu:	5:36 a.m.	11:49 a.m.	6:03 p.m.	—
Fri:	6:28 a.m.	12:16 a.m.	6:54 p.m.	12:41 p.m.
Sat:	7:16 a.m.	1:03 a.m.	7:40 p.m.	1:28 p.m.
Sun:	9:33 a.m.	3:21 a.m.	9:56 p.m.	3:44 p.m.

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Statistics for the week ending April 1.

Temperatures:

High for the week	56°
Low for the week	10°
Normal high	51°
Normal low	31°
Average temperature	34.9°
Normal average temperature	41.0°

Precipitation:

Total for the week	0.46"
Total for the month	0.03"
Total for the year	4.99"
Normal for the month	0.11"
% of normal this month	27%
% of normal this year	70%

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise Thursday	6:13 a.m.
Sunset Thu, night	7:04 p.m.
Moonrise Thursday	2:11 a.m.
Moonset Thursday	11:12 a.m.

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NATIONAL CITIES

City	Thur. Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Akron	44/24/c	44/26/c
Albany	48/26/s	44/22/s
Albuquerque	74/44/s	76/44/s
Anchorage	37/21/s	39/24/s
Atlanta	64/42/pc	66/44/s
Atlantic City	52/36/s	50/36/s
Austin	72/48/c	76/48/c
Baltimore	54/30/s	50/30/s
Baton Rouge	71/46/c	72/47/pc
Billings	59/36/pc	60/38/c
Birmingham	64/40/pc	66/38/s
Bismarck	49/22/s	51/34/pc
Bloomington	54/23/pc	52/32/s
Boise	74/42/s	64/40/pc
Boston	52/32/s	48/30/s
Brownsville	72/62/c	74/64/sh

MICHIGAN CITIES

City	Thur. Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Ann Arbor	40/26/pc	42/26/s
Battle Creek	43/22/c	43/27/s
Bay City	36/22/pc	40/24/s
Coldwater	45/24/c	46/29/s
Dearborn	44/26/pc	42/30/pc
Detroit	44/26/pc	42/30/pc
Grand Rapids	42/22/s	43/25/s
Holland	41/21/s	44/29/s
Jackson	40/26/c	42/26/s
Kalamazoo	42/22/c	44/28/s
Lansing	42/20/c	43/23/s
Livonia	44/25/pc	43/26/s
Midland	43/22/pc	41/24/s
Monroe	42/25/pc	42/27/s
Muskegon	42/21/s	42/27/s
Pontiac	43/22/pc	41/23/s
Port Huron	43/21/pc	40/22/pc
Saginaw	38/22/pc	40/24/s
Saline	40/26/pc	42/26/s
Sault Ste. Marie	32/15/pc	33/18/s
Sturgis	44/24/c	45/30/s
Toronto	28/22/pc	26/18/c
Traverse City	38/18/c	38/22/s
Warren	44/27/pc	41/31/pc

REALFEEL TEMPTM

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Highest Thursday	41°
Highest Friday	40°
Highest Saturday	52°
Highest Sunday	53°

WORLD CITIES

City	Thur. Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Acapulco	93/74/pc	93/72/pc
Algiers	53/44/pc	63/48/pc
Amsterdam	62/44/s	55/39/pc
Athens	60/54/r	62/53/r
Auckland	66/55/pc	66/58/c
Bangkok	94/79/pc	95/80/pc
Barbados	86/76/pc	87/77/pc
Beijing	63/56/sh	65/51/pc
Beirut	66/54/pc	70/55/pc
Belgrade	51/35/sh	46/40/r
Berlin	55/35/s	52/31/pc
Bogota	67/52/r	63/56/sh
Buenos Aires	77/61/s	77/61/pc
Cairo	87/61/s	97/70/pc
Caigary	38/18/c	30/24/sn
Cape Town	67/48/sh	63/42/s
Copenhagen	50/35/pc	46/30/pc
Dublin	52/41/s	53/42/sh
Frankfurt	60/36/s	56/37/c
Geneva	62/38/s	53/44/sh
Hong Kong	81/71/pc	83/71/pc
Istanbul	54/44/c	55/49/r
Jakarta	83/76/r	82/77/sh
Jerusalem	60/47/c	77/55/s
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Karachi	96/69/s	91/69/pc

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The ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY

Thursday, April 4, 2002

Don't forget to wear your helmet

Men's Club promotes interest in safety

■ Fun presentation has a cautionary message.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

Two individuals known only by the names of "Melon Head"

and "Cant Elope" were the principal characters in a short video presentation viewed by pupils last week as Deputy Marcus Kirby and Scott Crawford, of the Manchester Men's Club visited Klager Elementary School.

The joint presentation had a

dual purpose, infusing entertainment with a dose of reality.

Kirby's short video showed the unfortunate "Melon Head" falling to the cement, similar to what would happen in a fall from a bicycle, scooter, inline skates or skateboard. The film graphically showed Klager pupils what could happen to an unprotected head. Poor Melon did not survive his ordeal.

"Cant Elope," however, was wearing a properly fastened helmet when she took a similar fall. Cant lived to tell her tale and to make the rounds at Klager with Kirby and Crawford during their presentations.

The third and fourth-grade Team II students got some laughs from the fanciful faces drawn on Melon and Cant but the message was equally clear: Wearing a helmet is serious business.

In fact, the Manchester Men's Club is so serious about wanting every child to be protected that they are making an offer that parents and kids alike simply can't refuse.

The club, in conjunction with CNS, a company promoting a national program to provide affordable sports helmets to kids, is offering the already-inexpensive equipment at half its normal price. The Men's Club is underwriting 50 percent of the cost of each helmet ordered through Klager Elementary School to help protect every child from a fate like

that of poor Melon Head.

The four styles available range in price from \$7 to \$10. Bike and skateboarding helmets often cost \$30 and up. The helmets being offered are Snell approved, one of the national certification organizations for helmets.

"The most expensive helmet in the brochure will only cost kids and their families \$5," Crawford said.

He asked the pupils, "How many of you have pop bottles at home?"

Every child raised his or her hand.

"You can earn the money to buy one of these helmets by taking back just 50 pop bottles," Crawford said.

He added that the Men's Club believed that it was important that kids have a personal investment in the helmet, as it would help encourage them to wear it.

Crawford, a former president of the Manchester Men's Club, also said that the program of awareness has been nearly two years in the making. Sgt. Dieter Heren of the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department began talking to the Men's Club at that time about the possibility of promoting helmet use to young children. Kirby is carrying on the program on behalf of the Sheriff's Department.

John McGuire, principal at Klager Elementary School, reminds parents that forms to purchase helmets can be



Photo by Marsha Johnson Chartrand

Scott Crawford (left), holding his friend "Cant Elope," shows how well she was protected by one of the bicycle helmets being partially funded by the Manchester Men's Club to Klager Elementary pupils. Also pictured are Team II pupils Kevin Robert and Linsey Haynes and Deputy Marcus Kirby of the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department, who is cooperating with the Men's Club on this project.

returned after spring break.

"The deadline is April 25," he said. "That way parents can spread the cost out if they have

multiple family members to buy for."

Or maybe, they can schedule a family bottle drive.

Does your child really need a helmet?

The simple answer is yes, says the Bicycle Helmet Safety Institute.

Laws now require helmets in many states. That is because medical research shows that 85% of cyclists' head injuries can be prevented by a bicycle helmet.

More than 800 bicycle riders are killed in the U.S. every year, almost all in collisions with cars, and 75 percent of them die of head injuries.

Many thousands more suffer less severe but still debilitating injuries which are far worse than scraped skin or even broken bones.

Your child can suffer permanent personality changes and learning disabilities from a brain injury and both of you will be aware of what they have lost. Common long-term effects include concentration difficulties, aggressiveness, headaches and bal-

ance problems.

Will your child actually use a helmet?

Yes, if other children wear one, their parents use one, the teacher at school has told them how much good helmets do, and the child has picked out the one they really want.

No, if the helmet makes your child feel like a geek, nobody else uses one and it does not fit well.

Perhaps yes if you have the will to enforce the rule.

Most situations fall somewhere in between, and you know your child best. Seventh-grade seems to be the most resisting age for helmets, when the feeling of invincibility is strong and the rage for teen fashion is undeniable. The key motivator of helmet use for kids is fashion, not safety. Try to make use of that.

Girl Scout to start 60-tree nursery in village

■ Two-year effort is her project for Girl Scout Gold Award.

By Sven Gustafson

Manchester will be a greener place when Marie Beaudoin gets done with it.

As a project for her Girl Scout Gold Award, the 17-year-old Beaudoin has an eye on the future of the community. She's decided to accept the task of rearing 60 trees from 8-inch saplings to 2-foot young trees in an 8-by-8 plot of earth.

Beaudoin plans to plant the

trees at 9 a.m. May 4 at Chi-Bro Park. She will have help from local Girl Scout troops, who will wield shovels and buckets, and hopes to have someone from the Washtenaw County Conservation District come and speak.

"I picked this project because I wanted something unique," she said. "I've always been interested in the environment, so I wanted to contribute something to Manchester, beautify it."

"They'll just stay there for about two years and then the village will transplant them to various locations around Manchester."

Beaudoin has been a member

of the Girl Scouts of Huron Valley for about 12 years, or since kindergarten. The Gold Award is recognized as the culmination of a senior Girl Scout's career. Because her local troop disbanded during her sophomore year, Beaudoin is registered as an individual Girl Scout, known as "Juliettes," for Juliette Gordon Low, the founder of Girl Scouting.

Marie's grandmother is still active in the Girl Scouts in Muskegon and has been very influential for Marie, according to Libby Beaudoin, Marie's mother.

In planning for the project, Beaudoin met with the Village Parks Commission to seek approval. She also contacted Michigan State University for fertilizing and watering tips, and e-mailed a private land service forester for information.

The nature of the project requires that Beaudoin be the primary caretaker of the saplings for the two-year span of her project. That means weekly weeding and watering during the growing season, possibly beyond reach of the nearest water spigot.

"I may have to bring out a couple buckets," she said. "I know some people that would probably help."

Gary Wiedmeyer of the village Department of Public Works was expected to stake out an area for Beaudoin this week. He'll also supply the wood chips for mulch.

Marie had help from her parents, Libby and Art of the Manchester Veterinary Clinic, in ordering the trees. They placed the order with the Michigan Conservation District for 25 white pine and 25 Norway spruce, and said the trees should arrive the last weekend in April.

Beaudoin cites her parents'

involvement in the National Arbor Day Foundation for ultimately influencing her. She received 10 more trees—two each of redbud, white dogwood, crabapple, hawthorn, and flowering pear—free from NADF for being a member.

"They've always been interested in environmental issues and I guess it's just passed on to me," she said.

"She's a good kid," said her mother, Libby. "And not just as a parent, I'm saying, we're very proud of her."

Marie is a junior at Washtenaw Technical Middle College, a charter school of

Washtenaw Community College. She will earn an associates degree in science and technical communication next spring.

Then, it's off to either Kalamazoo College, University of Chicago, or U of M where Beaudoin says she'll pursue a degree in microbiology to set up for an eventual MD or PhD for a career as either a doctor or researcher.

In her free time, Beaudoin volunteers once a week at the Chelsea Community Hospital in the pharmacy, where she assists with inventory and cleans equipment, and works at her parents' veterinary clinic. She

concedes only that she is "some-

what motivated."

"She's a little too motivated sometimes, you'd kind of like to rev her engine down," her mother said.

Marie said she'd ultimately like to see the trees planted in Manchester parks, particularly in Kirk Park, where Beaudoin has noticed a lack of conifers.

"It's like the week after finals which can bring some stress, but I think I can handle it," she said of the planting date.

"With Girl Scouts, it usually spurred you to get involved in the community. I stayed pretty busy."



Photo by Sven Gustafson

Marie Beaudoin, 17, has taken on a challenge in Girl Scouting. As an individual scout, known as "Juliettes," she is seeking to earn her Gold Award by beginning and nurturing a small nursery of 60 trees for the village of Manchester at Chi-Bro Park. The trees will eventually be planted around the village, including within the park system.

The Optimist Student of the Month for March is Kevin Walter, son of Terry and Faye Walter of Manchester.

Walter is a junior at Manchester High School and a member of the National Honor Society. He has been an honor roll student throughout his high school years and is currently serving his second year on Student Council. He is the leader of the School Improvement Committee.

During his freshman year, Walter played golf, basketball and baseball, earning his varsity letter in golf. In his sophomore year, he played football, basketball and baseball.

This school year he lettered in football and is starting his third year of baseball. He also has been voted captain of the varsity football team for the fall 2002 season.

Outside school, Walter enjoys playing basketball with friends and working on and driving cars. The past two summers have found him working part-time in the engineering department at Schmalbach-Lubeca in Manchester.

A student who enjoys math and social studies, Walter plans to attend either Western Michigan University or the University of Michigan following graduation and major in mechanical engineering.



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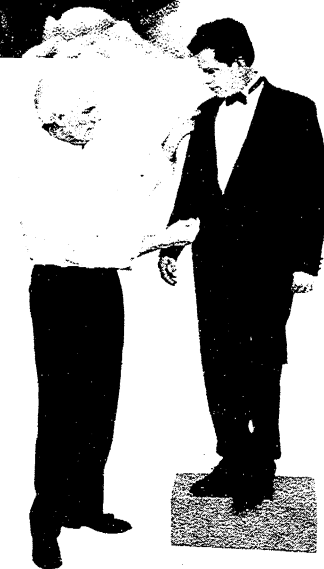
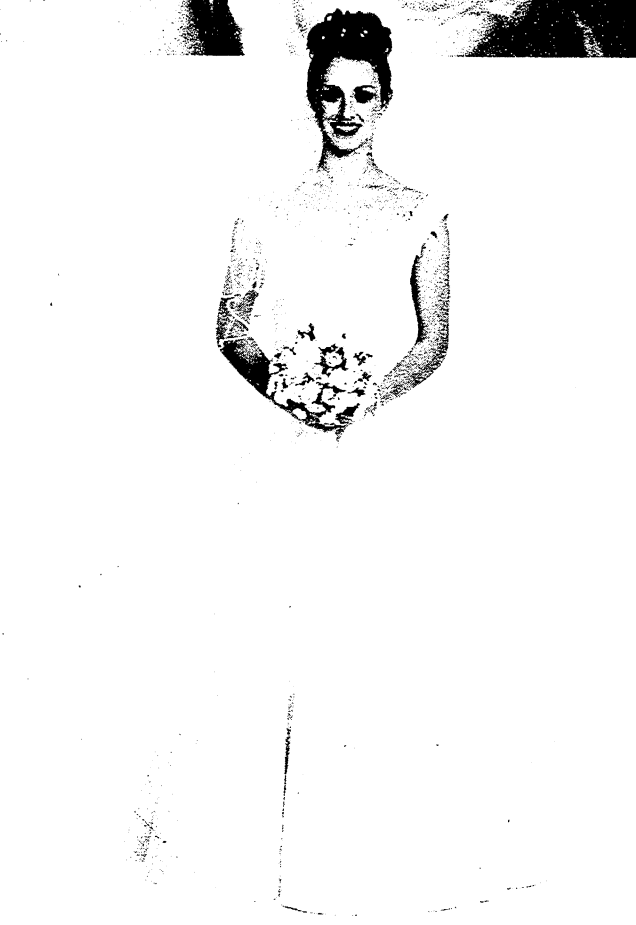
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Kozminski: Waldo Road purchase option is mine

Sharon to hold public hearing on special use permit April 18.

By Sven Gustafson
Staff Writer

It's a race against time to decide the fate of a piece of land that has come to symbolize the future of Sharon Township.

That's how many residents are viewing the latest twist in the fate of the most talked about 176 acres in town.

Sharon resident John Kozminski called a special meeting of the Sharon Township Planning Commission last Wednesday to apply for a special use permit for an 18-hole golf course he wants to develop on his old family farm at the intersection of Waldo Road and M-52.

Yet Kozminski, who operates a nursery at his home on Pleasant Lake Road, does not yet own the property. His mother, Margarethe, who lives in Florida, does. Kozminski said that he has the option to buy the

property, and is trying to sell home sites to finance the purchase.

"We are interested in selling parcels in trying to assist us in purchasing the property," Kozminski said in a phone interview.

"It appears that there is an interest there. There certainly are building sites, and they would have to comply with the Sharon Township 10 acre minimum (lot size).

The Waldo Road property is where The Landon Companies wants to develop 698 manufactured home sites. The developer sued the township in September 1999 over the township's zoning ordinance, which recognizes the property as agricultural. The township has told Kozminski that a golf course would be permitted on the site with a special use permit.

Kozminski first appeared before the township in January. He said that because Landon did not purchase the property by Dec. 31 2001, the window for the

option on the parcel was his beginning Jan. 1.

According to Kozminski, his mother signed a development agreement with Landon in 1997 that gave them first option through Dec. 31 2001. Washtenaw County Circuit Court Judge Donald E. Shelton then confirmed the agreement between Kozminski and his mother last July, giving him rights to the option beginning in January. In February, Shelton reconfirmed that agreement, stating it would move forward as was written.

"Landon has no option to purchase the property unless I choose not to do so," said Kozminski.

The option to the land is part of a larger lawsuit brought against Margarethe involving the Kozminski family support trust. As of press time, Kozminski's assertions regarding the option could not be confirmed. Nor could a statement made in an earlier Enterprise story made by Landon spokesman John Truscott that Landon retained legal rights to that option.

Also unknown are details surrounding the time frame. Kozminski knows only that he has a 60-day window on the option.

"There's a question of whether or not the time has started on the option," he said. "We think that the judge will determine when that date starts."

Kozminski said he is interested in developing seven 10-acre home sites on the parcel. He confirmed receiving a land appraisal last month, but would not divulge the price of the property. He is selling the home sites on a contingency basis.

"We have made all people who have called aware," he said. "Everything is contingent."

"We're not taking from anybody, we're just taking signed agreements."

As such, he noted he couldn't promise building sites until the purchase of the property is finalized. Kozminski's own home is on the market, and he said moving to one of the golf course

home sites was a possibility.

"If we don't buy the parcel," he said, "then the parcel goes back to my mother's authority and she has the right to sell the property to whomever she chooses."

But he added that his mother was bound to an agreement, which he described as a personal issue.

Kozminski maintains his main intent is to develop the site into a golf course. Although Kozminski plans to run the course, he plans to hire experts to serve on staff.

Shannon Fleck, Sharon Township planning commission chair, said Kozminski's plan calls for building on one acre of the 10-acre sites and leasing

back the rest to become part of the golf course. "So you would actually own part of the golf course," she said.

Sharon officials including Fleck and supervisor Gary Blades have opposed Landon's development proposal, objecting to the development's size and location.



John Kozminski is attempting to sell seven 10-acre home sites to help him finance the purchase of the 176-acre property owned by his mother, Margarethe, upon which he plans to build a golf course.

Birthday Celebrations



Brownie Troop 1802 put together a chain of 90 links to mark the 90th birthday of Girl scouting, which was March 12. Girl Scouts of Manchester extend a big "thank you" to businesses, individuals and the community for their support of Girl scouting all year around. Pictured are Eleni Kastanis (front, left), Emma Greene, Olivia Birchmeier, Angela Maggetti, Addie Baier and Sarah Fielder; Taylor Withrow (back, left), Jessie Sahakian, Skylar Haeussler, Alexia Knapp, Melissa Bazydlo, Michelle Newkirk, Tabitha Withrow, Mason Ysassi, Alexis Cozart and Kelsie Ritter.

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Whose water is it anyway?

Proposed legislation calls for permits on groundwater withdrawal

Several bills recently introduced in both Michigan's Senate and House have brought the issue of regulating ground-water withdrawal to the forefront and has opened discussion on potential impact on the agricultural industry.

The bills, as they are currently written, mandate a permit system that could impact virtually all of Michigan's agricultural irrigators, as well as some livestock operations and food processing businesses.

"However, we've been assured by the bills' sponsors that it is not their intent to push the bills through as-is," said Jim Byrum, president Michigan Agri-Business Association. "The bills open the discussion, and we're certainly going to be at the table representing the needs of Michigan agriculture."

Bills introduced

The tie-barred Senate package (SB 1197, 1198, 1199, 1200) is based on the "Great Lakes Conservation Task Force 2002 Final Report." Bill sponsors include Rep. Ken Sikkema (R-Grandville), Dianne Byrum (D-Onondaga), Walter North (R-St. Ignace) and Ken DeBeausseart (D-Chesterfield Township), respectively. The report compiled comments and conclusions from eight, standing-room only, public hearings held across the state.

A fifth bill, sponsored by Sen. Beverly Hammerstrom (R-Temperance), requires the Department of Environmental Quality to establish a permit application process for gravel and inland sand mining.

Collectively, the Senate bills amend the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act of 1994 (PA 451) by establishing a new groundwater withdrawal regulatory structure for the state, and create regulation of gravel and inland sand mining operations.

House bill 5725, sponsored by Rep. James Howell (R-St. Charles), also requires permits for groundwater users over 70 gallons per minute.

The Senate package calls for a permit for withdrawals of 100,000 gallons per day for a 30-day average. The House and Senate versions, in part, both call for aquifer monitoring, impact studies on adjacent wells and violation and permit fees.

Discussion begins

"The language and definitions in these bills are not set in stone," explained Sen. Dianne Byrum. "It is not our intent to

move these bills quickly."

Byrum said inter-reach in the state's water is far-reaching.

"I was astounded at the depth of passion on this issue," she said. "Michigan is the only Great Lakes state without regulation on water usage. A permit system of some type is coming—there's no doubt about that."

"This is not about hammering agriculture. Whether they are municipal wells, residential wells or irrigation wells, there will be no exemptions. However, we clearly recognize that agriculture also contributes to groundwater recharge. When the bills are completed—and they may not look anything like what they are currently—there may be special sensitivity for agriculture."

The Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs is expected to discuss the bills in April after returning from spring recess. According to Byrum, bill sponsors want to develop a work group.

"There's a lot of issues to address and it's unlikely the bills will be brought out of committee until late in the year," she said. "This will be an open process: we want to hear from all stakeholders and get as much input as possible."

Irrigation and water recharge in Michigan

Michigan has an average of about 400,000 acres of irrigated crops each year, with potatoes and seed corn being the two major crops. A single center pivot, aboveground irrigation system commonly covers about 130 to 150 acres and, during a typical season, will draw between 500,000 and 700,000 gallons a day, according to Michigan State University Extension Agricultural Engineering Professor Ted Loudon.

"While that sounds like a lot of water, records show that, in most irrigated parts of the state, it has no effect on the aquifer levels because of the high rate of recharge," Loudon said.

It's important to recognize, he added, that most of the irrigation wells in the state have had no impact on neighboring wells or the water levels in the aquifers.

However, an irrigation well in the Saginaw area was linked to several neighboring wells drying up.

"It would be too bad if the situation in Saginaw is used to govern this new legislation," Loudon said. "There are certain

areas of the state where they have valid concerns, but it's limited in scope and a very small percentage of Michigan's irrigated acreage."

Soil types dictate groundwater recharge, Loudon explained, and in areas like Saginaw and Monroe, clay and heavy soils make recharge slow. However, in southwest Michigan, where a lot of seed corn is irrigated, gravel and sand allow for quick recharge.

"We need to understand, even within agriculture, that not every area of the state is the same, and demonstrate to the Legislature what those differences are and why they exist," Jim Byrum said.

"There are areas, obviously, where there are problems with water volumes, and conversely there are areas where there have never been, and probably will never be, problems."

The bills provide protection for neighboring wells that may be adversely impacted by irrigation systems or other high-volume uses.

"The state's natural resources belong to the people of this state and anyone who adversely impacts another's enjoyment of those resources should be held accountable," Loudon said. "However, it is important for us to define what is considered an

adequate well in order to be protected by groundwater legislation. A five-foot hand-driven well may not qualify for protection, but this will be an issue that needs to be discussed."

Water regulation is coming

Despite some initial backlash from a small segment of industry, Sen. Byrum said that most people of the state understand that water regulation is needed and that now is the time for the state to address the issue.

"We have a window of opportunity to have input on water regulation," she said. "There is international regulation being drafted, Annex 2001, which is an agreement among American states and Canadian provinces that border the Great Lakes, that calls for the creation of a water control regime."

Annex 2001 emphasizes three key principles:

1. Preventing any harm to the Great Lakes resource caused by individual or cumulative withdrawals
2. Promoting the conservation of Great Lakes water and the Great Lakes environment
3. Requiring that any diversion or withdrawal that is indirect must result, directly or indirectly, in the improvement of the

resource.

"Industry and the people of this state can have input on state law, but will have far less leverage at the national level to address this issue, which some fear will be even more stringent than these bills," Sen. Byrum added. "So, now is the time to be at the table and be heard."

It's been said that water is the new commodity—at least in Michigan. In Western states, water legislation has existed for years.

"We need to make sure that we encourage and enhance the use of water in agriculture, where it is appropriate and available, to protect some vital commodities in Michigan," Jim Byrum said. "Land, air and water are critical natural resources for agriculture. Land and air have been regulated for many years.

Because water has been abundant in Michigan, we've simply been buying time until now."

In fact, late in Gov. William Milliken's administration, a report was created by the Great Lakes and Water Resource Commission on the changing water uses and demands.

"Not much was done with the report," Loudon said. "Administrations changed; the droughts of 1987-88 passed, and the issue died."

With record low water levels in the Great Lakes, the major drought last year, the major water company recently locating in Michigan and the recent impact on residential wells from irrigation—the issue is back.

"We need to be involved and proactive in how we handle this very important issue," said Jim Byrum.

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP SPECIAL MEETING

Bridgewater Township Board
will hold a
SPECIAL MEETING
April 9, 2002 at 7:00 P.M.
at the township hall
For the purpose of considering the Rotor Disk
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Agenda Village of Manchester Planning Commission Regular Meeting April 9, 2002 Manchester Village Hall

1. Call meeting to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes from previous meeting.
5. Correspondence.
6. Public participation.
7. Old Business:
 - a. Wexford Homes
 - b. Master Plan
 - c. Other
8. Report from Administration
9. Adjourn

SHARON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION Public Hearing and Meeting

On Thursday, April 18, 2002, at 8:00 p.m. EDT, at the Sharon Township Hall, 18010 Pleasant Lake Road, the Sharon Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing to receive comments on the following proposals:

- A request by John Kosminski of Sharon Township for a Special Use Permit for a golf course, driving range and associated uses on property in Sec. 1 at the intersection of Waldo Road and M-52. Property Ids: 15-01-200-009 & 15-01-300-001.
- Written comments may be sent to Shannon Fleck, Chairman, Sharon Township Planning Commission, 10592 Chelsea-Manchester Road, Manchester, Michigan, 48158, and must be received by April 17, 2002.
- The Sharon Township Zoning Ordinance, and copies of the proposal, may be reviewed, and the Ordinance purchased, by appointment, through Teri Aiuto, Sharon Township Clerk, Call 428-7002.
- The regular meeting of the Commission will commence immediately following the Public Hearings.

Sharon Township Planning Commission
Shannon Fleck, Chairman

VILLAGE OF MANCHESTER NOTICE OF HEARING OF THE PETITION TO ANNEX CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE VILLAGE OF MANCHESTER

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Village Council of the Village of Manchester, Washtenaw County, Michigan, has petitioned the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners to annex to the Village of Manchester, Washtenaw County, Michigan, the following described lands located in the Township of Manchester, Washtenaw County, Michigan, to-wit:

SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH A ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY (66FT WIDE) DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 1 AND THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 3 EAST, MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS:

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 3 EAST, MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN:

THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 1, SOUTH 00 53'51" EAST 1446.41 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 89 14'44" EAST 65.04 FEET; THENCE NORTH 85 19'44" EAST 814.50 FEET TO A TANGENT CURVE TO THE RIGHT; THENCE 250.51 FEET ALONG SAID CURVE, HAVING A RADIUS OF 571.71 FEET, AN INTERIOR ANGLE OF 25 06'58", AND A CHORD BEARING SOUTH 82 06'48" EAST 248.61 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 69 33'20" EAST 251.64 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTH - SOUTH 1 16 LINE OF SECTION 1; THENCE ALONG SAID 1 16 LINE, SOUTH 01 00'07" EAST 70.91 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 33'20" WEST 277.56 FEET TO A TANGENT CURVE TO THE LEFT; THENCE 221.68 FEET ALONG SAID CURVE, HAVING A RADIUS OF 505.71 FEET, AN INTERIOR ANGLE OF 25 06'58", AND A CHORD BEARING NORTH 82 06'48" WEST 219.91 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 85 19'44" WEST 816.75 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 14'44" WEST 87 13 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 1; THENCE ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF "MANCHESTER CONDOMINIUM SITE", SOUTH 89 14'44" WEST 725.71 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 35'48" WEST 1334.32 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 08'08" WEST 832.34 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTH - SOUTH 1 16 LINE OF SECTION 2; THENCE ALONG SAID 1 16 LINE, NORTH 00 41'37" WEST 66.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 08'08" EAST 632.41 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 08'08" EAST 323 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 35'48" EAST 1334.39 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 14'44" EAST TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. PARCEL CONTAINING 91.242 SQUARE FEET OR 2.095 ACRES OF LAND.

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The hearing on said petition will be a public hearing and all persons for or against said proposed annexation may be heard. The hearing will be held in the Commissioners Room in the Courthouse for the County of Washtenaw, in the City of Ann Arbor, on the 17th day of April 2002, at 6:45 p.m. EST.

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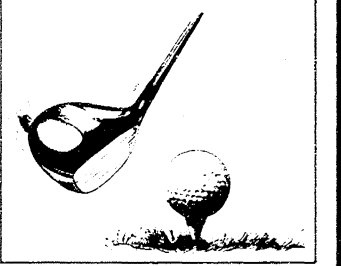
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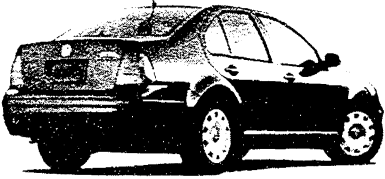
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Egg Hunt



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The Easter Bunny helps a youngster get ready to find a prize egg at Saturday's Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Manchester Men's Club.

The 25 winners of prize Easter eggs in last weekend's Men's Club Easter egg hunt have been announced.

Two years old and under: Janie Schultz, Hope Schook and Hunter Sexton.

Three-year-olds: Emily Schultz, Emma Harris, Garret Grifka, Alisha Allen and Alyssa Simpson.

Matthew Pomilio, 4, won a prize egg.

Five-year-olds locating prize eggs included Jessica Manders, Brandon Steele, Evan Carr, Jessy Jones, Ashley Higgins,

Mariah Miller and Miranda Allen.

In the 6-year-old class, James Schriber, Katie Ann McClure, Mark Pomilio, Bailey Lee, Nathaniel Bazydlo and Dakota Stetler were winners.

Ages 7 and up included Brent Schriber, 10, Vincent Dale, 9 and Ben Daubner, 9.

Each prize egg was worth a \$2 bill to its lucky finder. All kids were winners, however, as the Easter Bunny traversed Carr Park finding children who needed eggs and candy for their baskets.

Value-added agri-grant applications are open

State Rep. Gene DeRossett last week announced the opening of the applications process for state Department of Agriculture value-added development grants.

"These grants can help enhance the value of Michigan crops, strengthening agriculture," said DeRossett, R-Manchester. "It is an excellent opportunity for area farmers to boost the economy."

The program is open to processors, agri-business, producers, legislatively authorized commodity organizations and local units of government. For the initial offering, only specialty crops other than wheat, feed grains, oilseeds, sugar beets, cotton, rice, peanuts and tobacco are eligible.

The money comes from \$12 million in federal funds and is offered in grants of up to \$50,000 in three categories: marketing research, business plan development and technology. In addition, grants of up to \$100,000 are available for facility and equipment.

For more information, contact the Michigan Department of Agriculture at (800) 292-3939 or on the Web at mda-info@michigan.gov. The application deadline is May 15 at 5 p.m.

Talented Display



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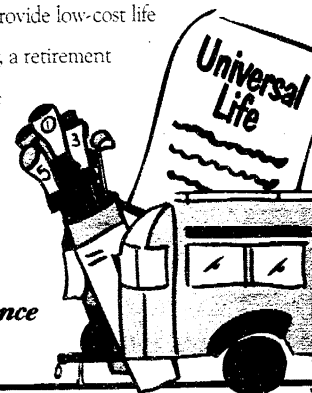
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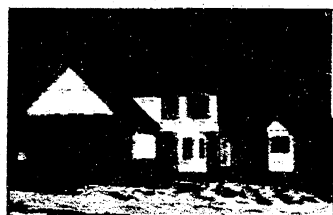


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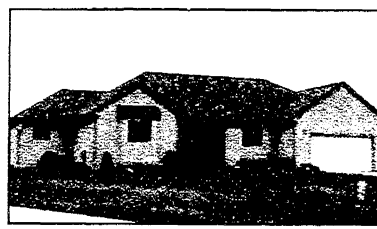
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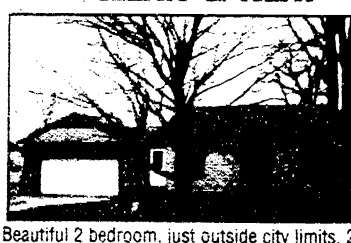


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