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Family services holds food day

Manchester Family Service Foodgatherers day will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. next Wednesday at a different place from its normal location. This month's event will be held at the Emanuel United Church of Christ kitchen, 524 W. Main Street.

Chicken and biscuit luncheon set

St. Mary's Chicken and biscuit luncheon will begin serving at 11 a.m. next Wednesday at the St. Mary Parish Center on Madison Street

Kindergarten round-up at Klager elementary

All children eligible to enter school in the fall of 2002 are invited to participate in Kindergarten Round-Up on April 18.

Parents of children who will be five years old on or before Dec. 1, 2002 should call the Klager office at 428-8321, ext. 1300 to register for an appointment time.

Lenten service set

"Following the travels of Paul" will be presented by Manchester residents Fred and Mary Munson at an evening Lenten service to be held at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday at Sharon United Methodist Church.

The Munsons traveled to Turkey last September after studying the writings of the apostle Paul. They have slides of Turkey today in areas where Paul traveled and will present some of the background of his letters.

Birds at the blacksmith shop

The March 19 meeting of the Manchester Area Historical Society will feature a program by Dody Wyman of the River Raisin Raptor center.

Wyman will bring three live birds of prey (raptors) which have been restored to health at her sanctuary, tell the members of the society how this is done and how it relates to the natural history of the Manchester area.

The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. and guests are welcome to attend.

Alumni association to present scholarship

The Manchester High School Alumni Association will again present a scholarship to a graduating senior. To make a tax-deductible donation to the scholarship fund, send a check to Colleen Kemner, 14282 W. Austin Rd., Manchester. Please note if the donation is being given in honor or memory of someone.

Southwest Washtenaw staving off sprawl

Remote location, commitment to farming may slow urban sprawl.

By Sven Gustafson
Staff Writer

Driving across the countryside surrounding Manchester, it's easy to be seduced by the wide-open spaces, corn stalks trimmed and composting for winter, and dark earth soaking up the melting snow.

But judging from comments from a recent meeting of the Southwest Washtenaw Council of Governments, it's clear that community leaders are united in concern. They know that based on what has happened in other nearby communities, Manchester's "rural character" is theirs to protect.

"Dark skies," said Freedom Township Planning Commissioner Peter DeLoof, offering his interpretation of rural character. "A lack of sameness." "A lack of impervious surfaces," suggested Theresa Schenk, Freedom Township clerk.

"When you drive to Saline, what everybody

moved there for is now gone," noted Washtenaw County Commissioner Steve Solowczuk, a first-time guest.

Said Manchester Township Supervisor Ron Mann, "We don't want the cookie-cutter developments."

FORMED IN 1999, SWWCOG is working to draft planning maps and documents that address regional issues, which townships can reference in drafting their zoning ordinances.

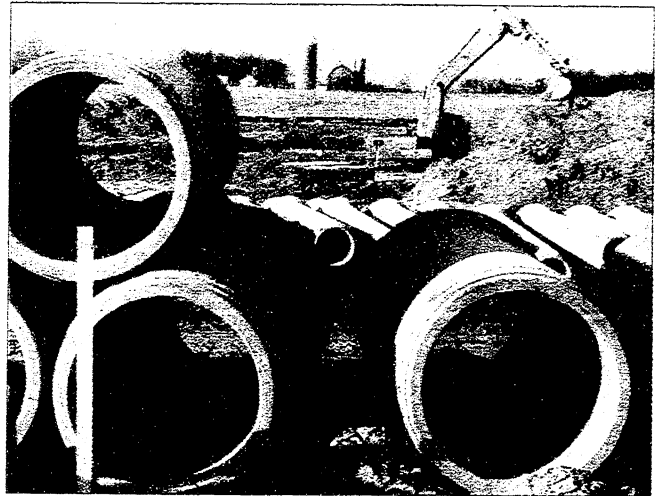
This sort of regional co-operation stems from a desire to proactively manage future growth, said Erin Perdu, SWWCOG planning consultant.

"The Manchester area hasn't experienced the growth pressures that the communities around the Ann Arbor-area have," she said. "They've seen what's happened in other townships and they don't want that to happen. I think that's a positive thing."

"The idea is that growth will occur in the most effective way, and in areas where services exist and the type of development will contribute to the character of the community and not reduce it."

In 1999, The Philadelphia Enquirer defined the

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Sights like this, where new development and traditional farmlands are juxtaposed, are more and more common in western Washtenaw County.

Student of the Month

By Laura Merte
Staff Writer

The Manchester Optimist Club has selected Chris Maly, a senior at Manchester High School, as February's student of the month.

The son of Phil and Tina Maly of Manchester, Chris has been an honor roll student throughout high school and is currently a member of the National Honor Society.

Serving as captain of the football team this past fall, Chris has been active in the sport for all four years of high school. In addition, he has been on the track team since a freshman, a year in which he also played basketball and participated in the high school's fall play.

Outside of school,



Chris Maly, a senior, is pictured with his parents, Phil (left) and Tina Maly and Optimist Club president Ed Whelan.

he enjoys skiing and playing bass guitar. A well-rounded individual, he currently serves Boy Scout Troop 426 as assistant scoutmaster and is

the youngest Eagle Scout in the history of the troop. He also dedicates his time to the community by working at Silver Maples Retirement

Home in Chelsea.

Upon graduation in June, Maly plans to attend Michigan State University and pursue pre-dental studies.

Local man awaiting crucial liver transplant

Ryan Weir looking toward the future with optimism.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

Even though Ryan Weir has been facing a chronic disease since he was 10 years old, he remains matter-of-fact and doesn't complain about his lot in life. "They found autoimmune hepatitis in my liver when I was 10," he says.

The doctors have always watched Weir's health closely and performed periodic biopsies to monitor his progress.

Damage to the liver can seriously affect the absorption of vitamins and nutrients, prevent waste products from being effectively removed from the system, and reduce the production of proteins needed to clot the blood.

"The last one they did, they discovered (the damage) was getting worse," he said. "So they decided to put me on a transplant list."

Initially, Weir was listed as status II B, which means he had no associated complication. Organ allocation policies take into consideration the severity of the disease when prioritizing patients to receive organs.

But last month, x-rays and a CAT scan found a small tumor on the liver, putting Weir higher

on the priority list for immediate transplant opportunity.

"I could get a liver any day now, or a month from now," he says.

The tumor is not an uncommon side effect of the medications used to treat Weir's liver disease.

"It's not necessarily a surprise but they weren't expecting it to happen," he said. "Sometimes it just does."

Up until Dec. 3, when he was first placed on a transplant list, Weir, 22, was employed as a mechanic in Norvell. A 1999 graduate of Manchester High School, he has lived in the community all of his life. Because of the extent of his illness, he missed a lot of his sophomore and junior years in high school, delaying his graduation for a year.

A patient with chronic liver disease who is unable to sustain a normal quality of life or who has serious complications resulting from the liver disease should be considered high priority for transplantation. At this point, Weir qualifies on both counts.

Growth in the field of liver transplantation was initially slow due to the high rate of organ rejection. The discovery of new anti-rejection medications and better organ preservation solutions in the 1980s resulted in an increase in the number of transplants as well as

Ryan Weir recently was placed at the top of a national list for a liver transplant. He has had chronic autoimmune hepatitis since he was 10 years old.



better survival rates. One-year patient survival rates of 85 to 90 percent and five-year patient survival rates of 65 percent are now very common.

Although Weir has insurance which will pay for a percentage of the more than \$100,000 cost of the transplant surgery, the amount left to pay could wreak financial devastation for his family. Ron Weir, Ryan's father, is a carpenter and his mother, Nancy, is employed at McNaughton and Gunn in Saline. The Weirs are not sure about the amount that will be covered by insurance.

"We think they cover 80 per-

Judge rules against Night Hawks' appeal

Case is one of longest pending civil cases in county history.

By Sven Gustafson
Staff Writer

In a civil dispute dating back four decades, a Washtenaw circuit court judge last month threw out the most recent lawsuit by a motorcycle club against Manchester Township.

The Huron Valley Night Hawks, an Ypsilanti-based motorcycle club that owns 35 acres at 14758 Sharon Hollow Road, filed suit against the township in February 2001. The club sought an appeal of several earlier rulings prohibiting them from holding more than four motorcycle races per year on the property, which features a dirt track.

Washtenaw County Circuit Court Judge Melinda Morris issued the decision on Feb. 19.

"The Night Hawks are essentially trying to start this matter with a clean slate, as though the prior orders did not exist and

were not binding on them and their use of the subject property," she wrote. "The Night Hawks cannot have their cake and eat it too."

"Under the Night Hawks' reasoning, a matter resolved by a post-judgment order could be reopened as many times as a party decided it was not happy with the order."

At issue in the matter is what township attorney Bruce Laidlaw called "non-conforming use" of the property. The township's zoning ordinance recognizes the land as rural-agricultural.

"The ordinance doesn't mention motorcycles," he said. "It mentions recreational park-type uses as acceptable."

Township resident Lewis "Woody" Kellum shares a property boundary with the Night Hawks. He said the Night Hawks run motorcycles almost every week, sometimes on weekends, and even late into fall and winter when conditions are favorable.

"It's just very hard to enjoy

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

March 14
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.
March 15
Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, 5 to 8 p.m. at the St. Mary Parish Center on Madison Street.
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.
March 16
Manchester Kiwanis Club meets at 8 a.m. at the village hall. Call 428-8976 for membership information.
Manchester Men's Club will hold a guest night tonight beginning at 6 p.m. with a cocktail

hour and a 7 p.m. dinner at the American Legion Hall.
March 17
Boy Scouts host a monthly breakfast at St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Center.
Join Knox Presbyterian Church for "A Taste of Quest" at 7 p.m. Quest is a 10-week dining and discussion experience with a message about the Christian faith and an opportunity for group discussion. Call 761-5669 to register or for further information.
March 18
Euchre Night at the American Legion, 7 p.m. All are welcome.
Manchester Village Council meets at 7 p.m. at the village hall.
Preceptor Gamma Theta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi meets. For more information call Diana Sloat at 428-7253.
Manchester Board of Education meets at 7:00 p.m. in the high school media center.
March 19
Bootstompers meet at 7 p.m. at Emanuel United Church of Christ.
Story Time with Grandma Pat, 10:30 to 11 a.m. and 12:30 to 1 p.m. at the Manchester District Library, for children ages 3 to 6, accompanied by an adult.
Manchester Historical Society meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Blacksmith Shop.
March 20
Awana Clubs meet at 6:30 p.m. at Community Bible Church.
Manchester Community Brass Band meets at 7:30 p.m.

Women and Infant Children program meets from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the senior center.
Bridgewater Township Board meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Bridgewater Township Hall.
Manchester Men's Club meets at 7:30 p.m.
Manchester Family Services Community Food Gatherers program takes place from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Emanuel United Church of Christ kitchen (change of location for this month only).
March 21
Manchester Township Planning Commission meets at 8 p.m. at the township hall.
Manchester Cub Scout Pack meets at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Center.
Sharon Township Planning Commission meets at 8 p.m. at the township hall.
United Way Board meets at 12 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Hall.
COMING EVENTS:
Manchester Community Fair dates June 25 through 29.

meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the 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.
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.

STRAIGHT FACTS
No matter how hard we try to avoid mistakes, sometimes they happen anyway. When that occurs, we rely on our readers to let us know about them. So, please help. To request a correction, e-mail Marsha Johnson Chartrand at mchartrand@heritage.com, or call 428-8173.


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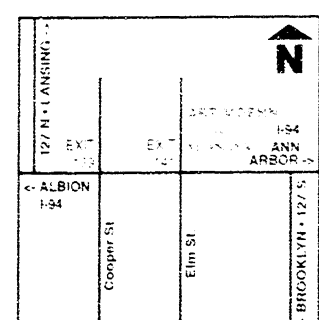
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Village President to hand over gavel at Monday's meeting

■ Two-time village president has deep roots in community.

By Sven Gustafson
Staff Writer

Jeff Schaffer had the day off from his job at Wolverine Pipe Line on Feb. 1, the day after snow and freezing rain pummeled Manchester. What did he do? He helped the department of public works plow the village out from under eight inches of snow.

"Everybody said, 'you're the only mayor that's ever done that,'" said Schaffer. "But that's just the kind of guy I am. I like to work with the people."

"I don't mind getting my hands dirty."

It's just one example illustrating the down-to-earth, populist charm of outgoing Village President Jeff Schaffer, who will step down from the position Monday.

Sitting for an interview with the incumbent mayor at The Baker's Dozen, it's clear that Schaffer is a well-liked, widely recognized figure in the Manchester community. People stop to say hello as they pass in and out the door. Schaffer casually jokes and makes small banter. It's also clear he makes a modest village president.

"I'm just some ordinary Joe that's doing the job," he said over coffee and an oatmeal cookie. "The people of Manchester are what makes this place. I'm just one of them."

Yet Schaffer, 53, is always ready to roll up his sleeves and help. When the village was preparing to move its operations to the old Ford plant on City Road, Schaffer helped to clean out electrical wires and cooling ducts with his son, Bill, on weekends. He said he's also fixed plenty of water mains in the dark in freezing temperatures.

"He comes in and says, 'what can I do?'" said Village Clerk Julie Schaible, the newest village employee.

"Many people have made me feel welcome in the village, and he's right up there on that list," she said.

"He's such an important part of our community, and has brought a lot of knowledge and experience about the community," said Pat Vaillencourt, the lone candidate to replace Schaffer as village president.

Vaillencourt credits Schaffer for helping her learn the intricacies of municipal government, as well as for cloaking her with the nickname of "nitpicker."

"Jeff would always do his best to give us whatever history or insight he had on anything," she said. "But he was very much promoting of council to



Photo by Sven Gustafson

Jeff Schaffer, concluding his second term as Manchester's village president, was one of the youngest ever to serve the community during his first term, which ran from 1978 to 1982. Twenty years later, he ran again, serving another four-year term.

give its input and own opinions and own decisions.

"He will very much be missed."

Schaffer said his stepping down stems from growing demands in his personal life.

"Just got a lot of things going right now," he said. "I don't feel I have the time to devote to it that the job requires."

Schaffer is a life-long resident of Manchester. His father, William Schaffer, owned Schaffer Lumber Company, and installed much of Manchester's sewer system. He was also vice-president of Union Construction, and ran Schaffer Dairy Farm, which delivered milk to village residents. His mother, Joyce, lives in Chelsea. His father passed away in 1973.

Schaffer and his wife have two children, a 29-year-old daughter named Dawn, and a 27-year-old son named Bill, who lives in Fenton. His wife Connie works for the University of Michigan.

This is the second term Schaffer has served as village president. He began his first stint at age 29, when then-President David Little stepped down. Schaffer, who had a seat on the village council at the time, was written-in on the last night before candidacy peti-

incumbent Larry Becketl.

Schaffer graduated from Manchester High School, and studied business administration at Cleary College in Ypsilanti. He entered the U.S. Army in 1969, and was stationed at Fort Ord, Calif. for basic training. He then came back to Jackson for reserves.

He was never called up to serve in Vietnam, but said he knew people from basic training and high school that did. Some of them never returned.

Schaffer left the Army in 1974, when he was already working for Wolverine Pipe Line Co. He has been with the company for 30 years.

Between Schaffer's two stints as village president, he served two terms on Village Council. He also served two years as treasurer on the school board.

When Schaffer first served as village president, there was no village manager, just he and a clerk, a police department and a Department of Public Works. Schaffer said his job has changed a great deal, thanks to help from Village Manager Jeff Wallace and Schaible.

"He (Wallace) does a lot of leg work for you," he said. "He takes a lot of the day-to-day operations away from it."

"I still make the decisions. My responsibility is the ultimate decision, but I let them do the work."

He said he serves mostly in an advisory capacity, providing direction.

"You could get in there and just let them do everything," he said. "And I trust them wholeheartedly, but there's still a system of checks and balances."

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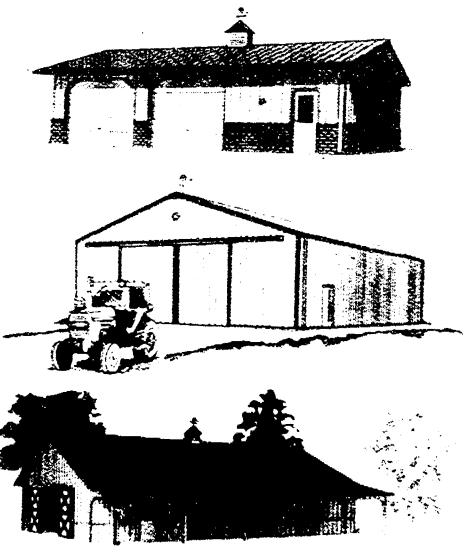
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Schaffer leaves a council notable for its cooperation. It's what Schaffer likes to think of as the team concept.

"I think everyone has an input," he said. "But I've said, 'I don't expect you to agree with me all the time, but if you don't tell me your side, then maybe I'm missing something.'"

"If it's a one-person deal, then we might as well not have the elected officials, but it is a group deal and we're doing what's best for the community."

Although candidates for village president do not run on party platforms, Schaffer considers himself a Republican. He largely brushes the matter aside.

"I'm gonna do what's best for Manchester," he said. "I've always felt, no matter what party you belong to, let's work for the betterment of Manchester."

He said he was proud to have been president when the

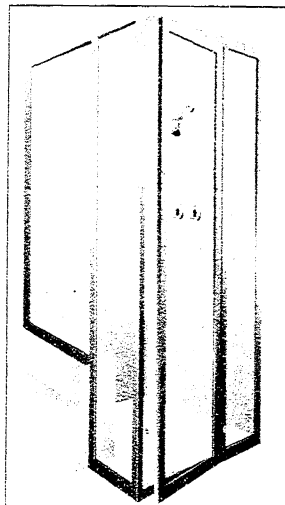
Chicken Broil turned 25 and then-Gov. William Milliken attended. He is also proud of having presided over the transition to Village Hall.

"The people before us laid the foundation," he said of Manchester. "The foundation is strong. We're just walking in the sand behind their footprints."

As for the most challenging times, Schaffer cited the Wexford Homes development and the stresses that brought to both village council and the planning commission. In addition, he recalls the year a tornado ripped through Manchester. He said the Village of Chelsea sent crews to

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Street Talk

By Laura Merte

What is the most embarrassing or unusual

CD/tape/record/8-track in your collection?



"My boy gave me one of those 'gangster rap' things as a joke... but I threw it away."
Larry Trionfi



"Abba Gold."
Amy Rentschler



"Would you believe me if I told you I don't have any CDs?"
Bob Trent



"I guess the funniest one would be 'I just go nuts at Christmas.'" (by Yorgi Yorgesson)
Marjorie Weller



"The Carpenters - it's got to be the tackiest one I've got."
Chuck Arteseros



"I wouldn't buy music if it were embarrassing... but the most interesting would be the Police."
Luis Ortiz

Winter hibernation seems like a good idea

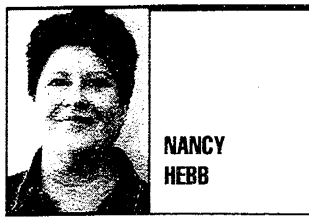
Querying the fundamental difference between humans and the rest of the mammalian world, I've recently decided that somewhere along the evolutionary line, mankind and the animals we domesticated might have got things wrong. Perhaps winter in Michigan offers too much time for reflection.

In the dark months, possums, skunks, woodchucks and other less-than-welcome neighbors (not to mention the grubs, insects and plants they feast on) disappear long enough to give people a chance to forget their animosity toward these pests. Man is allowed to quit worrying about noises or smells under the porch, to think of Punxsutawney Phil as cute and loveable.

In the meantime, some small thing about someone we love dearly will become so onerous that "cabin fever" threatens our sanity, or maybe just our comfort level.

Confined in their cozy dens, mother bears actually labor, give birth, and nurse their cubs in blissful ignorance of any whining or complaints. They sleep through bad weather and pain, not to mention sibling rivalries or snotty noses.

Bears don't suffer Seasonal



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SHEEP SHOTS

Affective Disorder. They don't beat a cold only to come down with the flu. They aren't fooled into soaring spirits by balmy weekdays, only to be hit with wind, snow, sleet or rain every weekend.

They certainly aren't foolish enough to try to pack up and move their households from one domain to another in a Midwest midwinter.

I was supposed to move at the end of February, then the end of February, then mid March. I'm still packing. In the meantime, the dust bunnies have flourished at both the new house and the old, multiplying at the same rate as the arachnid populations.

I actually tried hibernating these past few months. It wasn't intentional, but the result of a

succession of ailments, from a simple cold to severe bronchitis. Unlike Madam Bear, however, I had to deal with the guilt, stress, and worry that the unproductive time spent curled up under a quilt with my eyes shut caused. My doctor even suggested that worrying about what wasn't getting done was dragging my immune defenses down.

My best intentions—of getting organized as I moved, so everything would be perfect in my new home—have led to a kind of mental hell. Now pressures of time and health dictate that everything just get crammed together and shifted in irrational fashion from old storage areas to new, to be sorted, re-cleaned, re-stored or disposed of at a later date. Unfortunately, the new abode is about one-fourth the size of the old, so my dead storage options are limited.

The realization that, if I'd been more efficient, less sick, not to mention younger, fitter, and mentally together, transitional life could have been beautifully simple, is a dark cloud thickening even the few rays of sun we've had recently. Maybe I'm deluding myself, but I think it would all have been smoother in spring or summer.

In this respect I do envy bears and groundhogs. Think of the wonder of a deep, rejuvenating sleep. No nightmares. No awareness of things that go bump in the night. Howling winds and blankets of snow or ice mere background to blissful snoring, nothing and nobody needing your precious awareness.

Then picture, as the fresh smell of thawing humus and gentle southerly breezes defrost a world budding into floral and fragrant splendor, simply awakening with all the energy you could ever desire, with loved ones near ecstatic to greet you and an abundant food supply: inviting panoramas of possibility spread before-you. Is that what bears experience?

Is the transforming state of being "not in the world" that Zen and other meditative states strive toward, in order to then "wake" into a better being, just a substitute for hibernation? How much time, thought, and energy, not to mention paper and ink, have been devoted toward accomplishing what Mother Nature grants to lesser mammals as a matter of course?

Our urge to travel south in winter might be another hibernation substitute. Leaving cares (supposedly) behind, we trans-

form ourselves from one creature with a certain set of concerns and activities into another life-form in another place that allows for less stressful demands on our minds and bodies. Nobody returns from Florida depressed.

I imagine, in my rainy day ruminations, that there was a time when our semi-upright forbears accepted the fact that winter and high production aren't compatible. Maybe they slept 18 out of every 24 hours. Maybe they traveled as far south as their legs would take them and then just accepted whatever came their way. Perhaps they were able to meditate themselves into another state of being to combat the ravages of bad weather and decreased food supplies.

Unfortunately, or maybe luckily, hibernation isn't an option for modern humans. Although I'd relish feeling incredibly rested, opening my eyes to spring allows skipping the worst of winter. I admit I'll always opt for being in and of this world. Lack of sunlight might lead to short tempers, or indoor living to increase germ spreading, but I suspect that like most people, I'm glad to treasure any day I'm given.

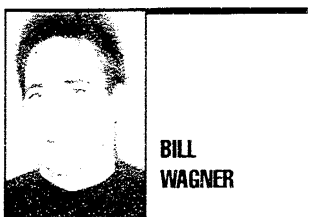
A primer of online shopping security

How secure are the credit card numbers you enter when you're browsing the Internet? How do you know no one is stealing this information? Could those doomsday scenarios that make such great TV actually happen?

Well, no. Not if you're careful. First of all, it is important to trust the end merchant. Personally, I never enter into an online transaction with a merchant about which I have no other information. You should have a real address, and some other information about the reputation of a business before you buy anything online.

Most people are familiar with Amazon, Lands' End, and other major merchants. There are many small merchants that have unique items, but before you buy from them, you need to know more about their reputation. Check their address, and then check with a local Chamber of Commerce, or Better Business Bureau.

Next, you need to understand the risk associated with internet transactions. The internet is a very large network. Any request you make, or response you receive, travels through many different computers between



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the computer in your home, and the actual destination computer.

For example, if you are ordering a book from Amazon, the request goes through computers owned by AOL, MCI, Qwest, AT&T, Nortel, and many other smaller providers. Locally, your request probably even travels through at least one computer owned by the University of Michigan. Without any encryption, the administrators at any of those sites could try to steal the information in the request, or the response.

To protect users, many transactions are encrypted, so that a code must be broken in order to understand the message. Mathematicians have worked very hard to try and build unbreakable codes and secret

messages. The research has centered on two areas: creating unbreakable codes, and designing strategies to avoid key stealing.

If I send you an encrypted message, you can read it only if you know the key. Somehow, I have to get you the key before I can send you any encrypted message. If anyone else discovers the key, the message is no longer secure.

A group of mathematicians at Stanford University—Whitfield Diffie, Martin Hellman, and Ralph Merkle—made a promising discovery toward solving this problem in the 1950's. They envisioned sending a message via a "locked box."

In this scenario, I would put a message in the box, and secure it with my padlock. When you receive the box, you add your own padlock, and send it back to me. I remove my lock when I get back the box; now it is sealed with only your lock. I send the box back to you; you remove your lock and read the message. The entire transmission is secure, and you and I never had to exchange keys to our padlocks.

This helped a great deal. Sender and receiver did not

need to exchange secret keys. On the other hand, the message needed to make three trips, instead of one.

Next, these same mathematicians thought about how to have the same safety, and have the message only make one trip. They came up with another analogy. Suppose I want to receive secure transmissions. I manufacture many padlocks that all use the same key. Anyone who wants to send me a secret message uses one of my padlocks. I open the box with my key, which is the only key available.

This idea was the seed for Public Key Cryptography, the basis for all secure transactions on the internet. When you send a secure message on the internet, your message gets encrypted using the recipient's public key. Only the recipient has their private key, so only the recipient can unlock the message. Also, the public key is useful only to lock a message; no matter how many people have the public key, it cannot help them unlock a message.

So, public key cryptography solves the problem of exchanging keys in order to exchange private messages: anyone can get and use a public key to encrypt a message, but only the recipient can open that message.

Now, how secure is public key cryptography? The answer is, it is very secure. Mathematical proofs have shown that it would

take the combined efforts of 100 million personal computers more than 1000 years to determine the private key from a public key. That's secure.

The most common public key encryption is RSA encryption, named after RSA cryptanalyst, Adi Shamir, and Leonard Adleman, who came up with the idea at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. RSA encryption uses a formula based on multiplying very large prime numbers.

Two prime numbers form the private key; say 7, and 11. The product of those two prime numbers is the public key; in this case 77. For small prime numbers, determining the private key is easy. However, for larger numbers, it is unbreakable. Consider this value for the public key: 114,381,625,757,888,867,669,235,779,976,146,612,010,218,296,721,242,362,562,561,842,935,706,935,706,935,5,245,733,897,830,597,123,563,958,705,058,989,075,147,599,290,026,879,543,541.

Can you determine what two prime numbers are factors of that number? It's unlikely. And consider that the above number is several orders of magnitude lower than the values used in modern encryption technologies.

So, any time you are dealing with a merchant that uses secure transmissions, noted by the padlock icon in your browser, you can feel safe that your transmissions are secure.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Health fair was a huge success.

To the editor:

Kudos go out to Chris Kanta, Director of the Manchester Community Resource Center and the Manchester Coalition for Health in the wonderful presentation at Klager Elementary School on March 9 for the Community Health Fair.

Together with funds made available through the Judy Ivan Endowment Fund at Saline Community Hospital, a part of the Washtenaw County Health Improvement Plan (HIP) was

received well in Manchester.

Health care representatives were among the individuals providing health and wellness screening, offering information for community members and even finding time to network among themselves. Many people attended the fair from young children to senior citizens, despite the weather outside.

Local health, human services and fitness resources were available on site. County health care representatives recognized that Manchester is a growing community and with growth there come extra needs for the people who live here. Proving

the fact that Manchester is an integral part of Western Washtenaw County and services are needed in our small part of the county.

I am proud to be included among a group of individuals and organizations that care about the health and wellness initiatives brought to Manchester that benefit and lead to progress in our community. My sincerest thanks and one hope is that this community health fair is only the beginning, with more to be planned in the future.

Vickie Bolan



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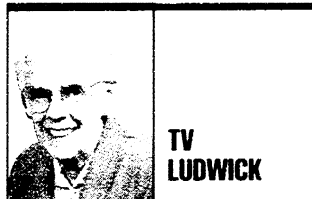
What weather for March, huh? We were discussing this topic at senior meals recently, and kept remembering huge snowstorms that canceled all activities. Del worked at Michigan Gas Storage during one of these and couldn't get back home ... stayed all night out there.

Mike Miner is our historian and can remember all kinds of things: "course he's just a tad younger than the rest of us. We do enjoy you, Mike, thanks.

Sis sent me what she calls "a neat chuckle" and I think so too. A woman goes into the local newspaper office to see that the obituary for her recently deceased husband is published. The obit editor informs her that there is a charge of 50 cents per word. She pauses, reflects, and then says, "Well then, let it read 'Fred Brown died.'"

Amused at the woman's thrift, the editor tells her that there is a seven-word minimum for all obituaries. She thinks it over and in a few seconds says, "in that case, let it read: 'Fred Brown died, golf clubs for sale.'"

Thursday: Senior Council meeting begins at 9:30 a.m., come on out to the Village Hall with your ideas to help our officers and council. And, back at



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SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

Emanuel, Tod is getting our meal ready today for our taste buds. It is baked Italian chicken and delicious, come try our very "good and plenty" senior meals if you are 55 years or older in our area. You can get a lot for just \$3.25!

First, call in your reservation! You shouldn't just come to eat without calling either Kelly at 428-8359 ahead of mealtimes, or Tod between 9 and 10 a.m. on meal days at 428-7630. Cooks Tod and Sue cannot conjure up food at the noon serving! Then there are games played at our new rooms at the Center at 12:30 p.m.

Sunday: Well, be gorrie, it's St. Patrick's Day again (short year). All of us enjoy being a little Irish on this special Sunday, have fun wearing the green.

Monday: Go along shopping at Tecumseh. Bus is on request and

pickup begins at 9:30 a.m. Call Tootie Armentrout at 428-7615 to reserve your ride.

Tuesday: One of our area clergy will present the program at 11:30 a.m. Corned beef and cabbage will be enjoyed by all present. Aren't the meals good (and plenty)? Come try them, but don't forget those reservations first! Work time is next at the Village rooms, they are looking attractive, thanks seniors. 5 p.m. is starting pickup time for travelogue "Legend of Louisiana."

Wednesday: If you are 65 or older, come join the seniors who are enjoying Donna Pointer's Yoga class (she does make us move!) It is good to get those corpuses moving. Come join us at 9:30 a.m. at the Village Hall room.

Thursday: Swiss steak at noon, sound good? Games at 12:30 p.m. Pickup will start at 6:30 p.m. for the monthly senior sponsored card party at the Village Hall which begins at 7:30 p.m. for young and old! Come play with the "masters." Today is also the deadline for reservations for the Lenten Breakfast, to be held at Manchester United Methodist Church on the 27th.

Saw two robins in the side yard today, March 8th!

Happy Birthday Seniors



Senior citizens celebrating their March birthdays last week included Lucile Williams (left), Helen Wahl, Wayne Willingham, Arlene Walter, Dorothy Willingham, Winnie Tager and Marie Gilbert.

State's seat belt law turns two

Belt use remains high; extra enforcement in Washtenaw County aims to push number higher.

By Laura Merte
Staff Writer

The Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP) announced last week that Michigan's safety belt use rate for 2001 remains high, at 82.3 percent, according to a direct observation survey conducted by the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute. That figure is just short of last year's record 83.5 percent rate, but a significant improvement over the 70 percent compliance rate in the state before the law took effect.

This announcement of the rate comes on the heels of the second anniversary of Michigan's standard safety belt law, which took effect on March 10, 2000. Through aggressive advertising and enforcement initiatives such as "Click it or Ticket," Michigan has retained most of the gains made in the first year.

Though it is difficult to compare Michigan's safety belt law to others in the country, its effectiveness is evident in results, according to Anne Readett of the OHSP.

"We have one of the higher (safety belt usage) rates in the country," says Readett.

From March 15 to 17, law enforcement throughout various cities in Washtenaw County will be out in full force in an effort to increase statewide belt usage rates even further. Special funding will enable units to focus on unbuckled motorists.

Nearly \$1.5 million in federal funding has been provided this fiscal year to support special traffic enforcement efforts. A large portion of the funding has been allotted to additional patrols focused solely on seat belt enforcement within 18 Michigan counties. The counties that qualified for increased funding are: Bay, Calhoun, Genesee, Ingham, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Kent, Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Muskegon, Oakland, Ottawa, Saginaw, St. Clair, Van Buren, Washtenaw and Wayne.

Due to the significant increase in safety belt use, Michigan received an additional \$5.2 million in federal funds this year. This money will be used for traffic safety related projects.

"Over the past two years, Michigan drivers have made great strides in their efforts to buckle up," said Major Tim Yungfer, Commander, Office of the Director, Michigan State Police. "There are still far too many—two out of 10—who are not making buckling-up a habit. Buckling your seat belt should be the first thing you do when getting behind the wheel of a car."

Michigan's standard enforcement safety belt law requires all front seat passengers be buckled up, all passengers under 16 be buckled up regardless of seating position, and all children under age 4 be in an approved child safety seat. It is also recommended that children who outgrow a child safety seat be properly fitted for a booster seat.

Michigan drivers pulled over for non-seat belt use can expect to pay tickets of \$50 for non-belted drivers and passengers, and an average of nearly \$95 for children under the age of four not restrained in a child safety seat.

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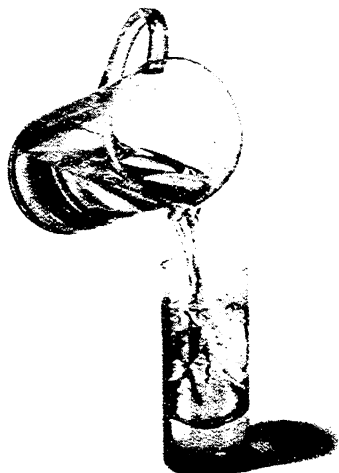
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Buddy system encourages mammograms

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System of Ann Arbor will once again collaborate with Power, Inc. on an educational program for women designed to encourage women to support one another through the mammography process.

Womankind is a mammogram educational program that encourages women to choose a friend or loved one to become "buddies" with the idea that they schedule their appointment on the same day at the same time slot and go through the process together. The goal is to make yearly mammograms an annual "tradition." SJMHS will support the program by providing "buddy slots" so women can schedule their mammograms in the same time slot.

"The buddy system is a unique approach to get women to take charge of their health and get that important annual screening," says Marilyn Harris, Breast Health Specialist at SJMHS. "It also de-mystifies the process because you go through it with someone you know, love and trust who can provide personal support."

It is recommended that all women age 40 and older have a mammogram every year. For reservations or for more information about the Womankind Buddy Mammogram Educational Program, please call (800) 231-2211.

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By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

It might look like Amanda Erskine is on vacation, but she's still wearing her Army uniform.

In fact, it might feel like a vacation... but she's actually on active temporary duty here in Manchester. You might call it a "working vacation."

Erskine, a 1995 graduate of Manchester High School who recently joined the United States Army, returned home to Manchester last week on a temporary duty assignment to the Army's "hometown recruiting" program after concluding a rigorous training course.

"It's a program that adds credibility to the Army," said Sergeant First Class J. Scott McKown, of the Ann Arbor recruiting station, who is accompanying Erskine on her visits to Manchester and other local high schools.

"Upon completing training, soldiers have earned leave

time," McKown added. "(Hometown recruiting) is considered special duty and is offered to selected soldiers, where they can spend time at home without using up vacation or leave time."

Erskine, who recently completed a 12-week training session for psychological operations and a three-week airborne course in Ft. Benning, Ga., keeps a busy schedule and seems to thrive on it.

"I'll be going back to Ft. Bragg, N.C. after this, to take a six-month language course," she said.

Erskine will learn Pashtun, the Arabic dialect spoken in Afghanistan, and she expects her next deployment, in October, to be to the Middle East.

"It should be pretty challenging," she said of her next venture.

With her recent training, her career options will put her either in target audience analysis or developing products for psychological operations.

"In target audience analysis, I would be analyzing the needs and vulnerabilities of the peo-



Specialist Amanda Erskine was on a "working vacation" last week in Manchester as she spent some temporary duty time in the Army's hometown recruiting program.

Photo by Marsha Johnson Chartrand

delivered to the people of Afghanistan.

"You've heard we're doing a lot of humanitarian aid over there—dropping food rations and other things. These always include a message, a gift from the United States Army. That's the psychological operations detachments that are doing those things."

Erskine enlisted in the Army eight months ago after realizing that "I had a lot of student loans to repay" upon graduation from Eastern Michigan University.

"The Army gave me a lot of great benefits," she said. "I got \$35,000 for repayment of my student loans. Once I'm in, they'll pay for up to 75 percent of my tuition for a master's degree, plus I got an \$11,000 enlistment bonus and \$3,000 for enrolling in the airborne course."

Although her bachelor's degree in psychology from EMU would have earned Erskine an opportunity to pursue officers' training, she chose to enlist because she specifically wanted to work in psychological operations.

"It's exciting and challenging," she said. "I could do work all over the world."

During her visit to Manchester, Erskine had the opportunity to talk to several of her former teachers and professors and scheduled a visit to Donna Clark's sociology class to talk about the many career pathways offered by the Army.

"There are so many opportu-

nities in the Army for kids coming out of high school," she said.

"They will help pay for college and they also offer job training for more than 200 different fields."

"Actually, there are 212 fields," McKown said. "Kids can go into something they're interested in and get job skills for the future."

Erskine added, "I kind of wish I would have considered it right out of high school; it's been really exciting training."

"Also, they promoted me immediately to specialist—that's four pay grades higher than most people start out."

The Army recognized Erskine bachelor's degree and within another year to 18 months she could attain the rank of Sergeant, a leadership position as a non-commissioned officer. And in three years, when her commitment is completed and her student loans paid off, Erskine is considering entering Officers' Candidate School.

Erskine, the daughter of Judi Willson and Don Erskine, both of Manchester, seems to have military service running in her family. Her brothers, Adam Erskine and Evan Wahl, both belong to the United States Marine Corps.

"They can't help it," she says with a smile.

But Erskine knows that she is right where she belongs. And she hopes she can find other Manchester students their place in the Army, too.

"It's exciting and challenging. I could do work all over the world."

— Amanda Erskine
Army recruiter

ple of Afghanistan," she says. "We would try to persuade and influence their attitudes and behaviors."

"If not that, I'd be developing products like advertising, leaflets, newsletters and loud-speaker announcements to be

VIDEO VOICE

Which movies have you watched this past week on video, and what ones will you be watching in the weeks to come? Video Voice shows the top local rentals and announces the newest releases for the coming week.

The top rentals for the week of Feb. 25 to March 3 at the DVD Revolution in Manchester were as follows:

1. Don't Say A Word
2. The Musketeer
3. Hardball
4. Jay & Silent Bob Strike Back
5. Cinderella II

Movies released on March 12 that currently are available include The Order starring Jean-Claude Van Damme, Joy Ride with Paul Walker, Zoolander featuring Ben Stiller and Heist, starring Gene Hackman.

Scholarships for seniors

The Manchester High School guidance office currently is receiving local scholarship applications for graduating seniors.

Recognizing outstanding student achievement is an important aspect of the honors night and graduation ceremonies, and it is hoped that the community will support local scholarship

applications. Applications are due from the students no later than May 1. Local businesses, organizations and individuals who are interested in sponsoring a scholarship or contributing to an existing scholarship should contact Jim Fielder, the high school guidance counselor, at 428-8274.

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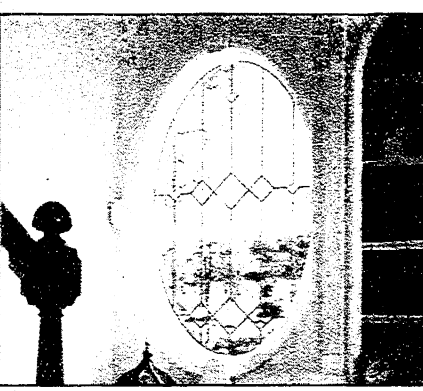
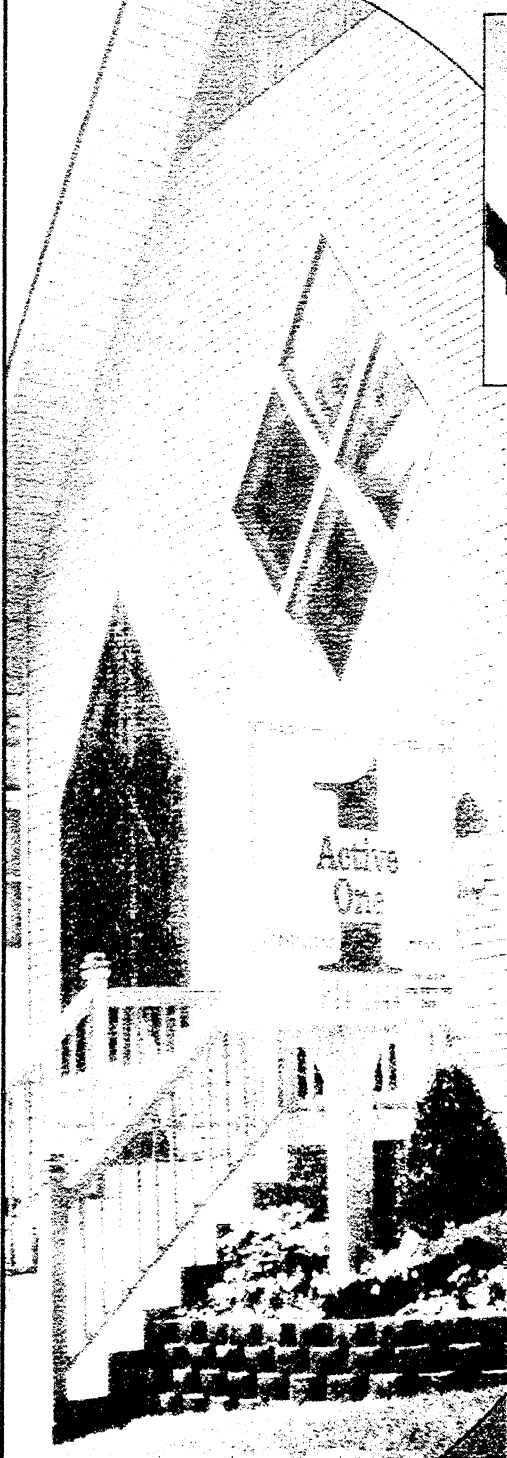
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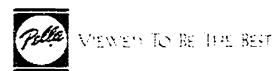
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SKYWATCH

By Laura Merte
Staff Writer

The moon was last full on Feb. 27, and will be full once more on March 28. Thus, the next few weeks should be dark and ideal for stargazing, assuming the skies clear up significantly.

IN THE MARCH SKY

At twilight, looking in the west-southwest sky, the brightest "star" you see will be orange-red Mars, which is visible until 10 p.m. when it sinks beyond the western horizon.

After dark, Jupiter is the brightest light, shining high in the southern sky, and moving westward as the night continues.

At Jupiter's lower right you will see pale yellow Saturn, and the orange star Aldebaran just to Saturn's left.

Venus, "the evening star" has been absent for most of the winter, but is now visible just above the western horizon after sunset, and will rise higher each week throughout the month.

PLANETARIUM SHOWS

HURST PLANETARIUM will be showing "The Explorers of Mauna Kea," a look at the cutting-edge sky observation technology atop the largest volcano in Hawaii. Located within the Ella Sharp Museum complex in Jackson, this month's show times are at 7 p.m. Thursdays, March 14 and 21 and at 3 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2.50 for children ages 4 to 11. For more information, visit the planetarium's web site at



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RITTER PLANETARIUM will show three different programs throughout the month. "The Dawn of Astronomy" explores the ancient world and its connection to the sky, showing at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

"The Spring Skies Over Toledo" takes the audience on a tour of currently visible constellations and planets, showing at 7:30 p.m. March 22 and 29.

"Bear Tales and Other Grizzly Stories," a fun Saturday afternoon program for children and their families, teaches all about the sky and the stories that go along with it, showing at 1 p.m. on March 16, 23, and 30.

Ritter Planetarium is located on the main campus of the University of Toledo in Toledo, Ohio. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 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.rpbo.utoledo.edu. The audience is invited to participate in observing sessions following the evening programs.

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at the Exhibit Museum of Natural History will feature a number of shows in March.

"The Stars of Spring" will discuss the constellations of the season, showing at 11:30 a.m., 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. on March 16, 23 and 30 and at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. on March 17 and 24.

"Navigating with Lewis and Clark" documents the famous cross-continental expedition, showing at 12:30 and 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, March 16, 23 and 30 and at 2:30 p.m. Sundays, March 17 and 24.

Planetarium tickets are \$3 per person, with a 20 percent discount for museum members. The planetarium is located within the University of Michigan Exhibit Museum of Natural History, at 1109 Geddes Ave. in Ann Arbor, one block west of Washtenaw. For more information, call (734) 763-6085 or visit the website, www.exhibits.lsa.umich.edu.

ABRAMS PLANETARIUM will feature "Orion Rendezvous." This 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.

A current sky demonstration follows all shows, and sky observation will take place, weather permitting, in the evening. Tickets cost \$3 for adults, \$2.50 for students and seniors, and \$2 for children age 12 and under. Abrams Planetarium is located 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/.

Seuss-isms



Leadership class students from Manchester High School and Klager kids enjoyed a presentation of Dr. Seuss' book, "If I Ran The Zoo," as the school kicked off March is Reading Month on March 1 with a celebration of Seuss' birthday.

Program asks 'Is it time for a baby?'

"Is It Time to Have a Baby?" will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday at Saint Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. The program is ideal for those who are considering pregnancy or are newly pregnant and want help in understanding what will be happening.

The program includes segments on how to encourage pregnancy, exercise and nutrition for a healthy baby, medical concerns and procedures that may occur during pregnancy or delivery, childbirth education, birthing options, what is a neonatal intensive care unit and

why babies sometimes go there and pregnancy after 35. Segments will be presented by doctors, nurses and other women's health experts of Saint Joseph Mercy Health System.

Following the segments, a panel of experts will answer your questions on all topics such as nurse midwifery, nutrition, genetics, high-risk pregnancy and more. An optional tour of the Family Birth Center is also

available. The cost of the program is \$15 per couple and includes a resource manual filled with information on the topics presented plus financial planning, fatherhood and more. Light refreshments will be provided. Pre-registration is required. To register or for more information, please call the Saint Joseph Mercy Healthline at (734) 712-5400 or (800) 231-2211.

Student places at competition

Kristy Adams, a senior at Manchester High School, placed third at the regional photography competition sponsored by VICA/Skills USA.

The event, held on March 1 at Washtenaw Community College, was a competition held among high school students in vocational education.

Adams is a student in the South and West Washtenaw Consortium's visual imaging class that is held at Saline High School.

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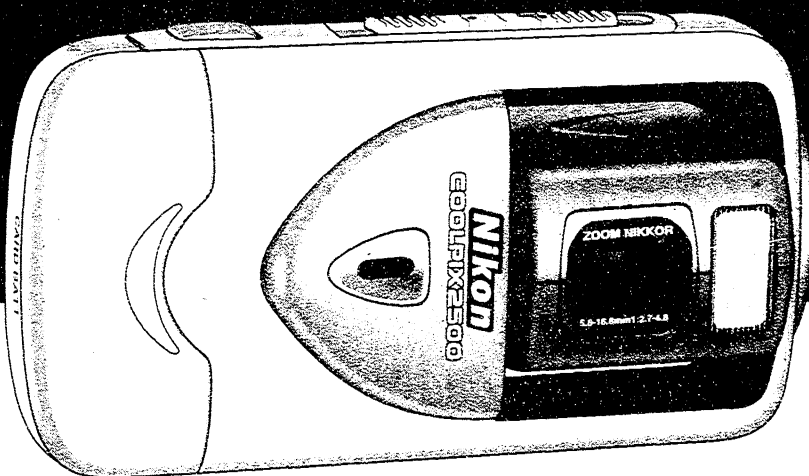
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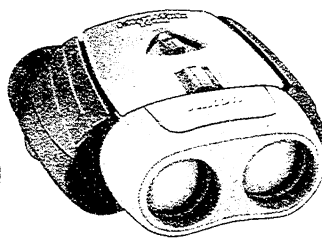
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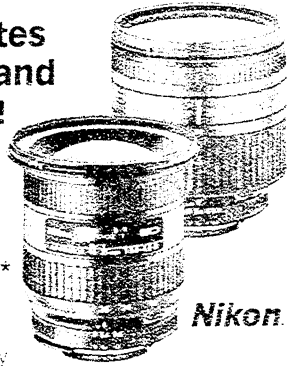
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SPRAWL

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term sprawl as "a spreading, low density, automobile dependent development pattern of housing, shopping centers and business parks that wastes land."

ACCORDING TO the Ann Arbor-based Great Lakes Sustainable Land Use, from the mid-1960s to the early '90s, southeast Michigan's population increased by 1.6 percent. Yet the number of dwelling units per acre actually decreased by more than half, increasing the amount of urbanized land by 28 percent.

Much has been made of the issue of sprawl in Washtenaw County, where a 14.1 percent increase in the population has pushed growth into what were once sleepy, bucolic burgs. Communities like Dexter have struggled to keep up with the demands 841 new residents (since the 1990 Census count) place on infrastructure, open space and schools.

To be sure, southwestern Washtenaw County is growing, but at a comparatively slow rate. Population growth in the Bridgewater, Freedom, Manchester and Sharon township- and Manchester Village-area since the 1990 Census has ranged from a low of 6 percent in Freedom Township to a high of 29 percent in Bridgewater Township.

TAKEN AS a whole, the region has grown by about 21 percent, or 1,611 new residents, compared to 13,000 in Pittsfield Township alone. And since the beginning of 2001, during a depressed period for home buying and construction, a total of 100 building permits were issued for modular, single-family, duplex and condominium housing units across the southwest region, according to the Chelsea and Western Washtenaw construction authorities.

As principal planner for the Washtenaw County Metropolitan Planning Commission, Perdu, who has worked with SWWCOG since 1999, cited two factors that have slowed development in southwest Washtenaw: location and a strong commitment to farming.

"One of the reasons is that transportation-wise, it's a little more disconnected than Saline or Chelsea," she said. "It's not as

easy for people to come to Manchester and drive to Ann Arbor to work."

As for her second point, Perdu noted there are a number of farmers in the area under PA 116 contracts, which reward farmland preservation with tax credits.

IN ADDITION, four Freedom Township farms were recently selected as finalists eligible for statewide Purchase of Development Rights funds. If nominated, the farmers could preserve their farms in perpetuity by selling the rights to develop them to the state. But that program, which had a \$5 million funding pool for 2000, has run out of gas, and no one is sure when—or how—the pool will be replenished.

Jim Fish, chair of both SWWCOG and the Bridgewater Planning Commission, said there's not much communities can do to stem sprawl.

"We don't have the legal tools to effectively manage growth that's going on," he said. "I don't think state law gives us that, and I don't think we've been able to use state laws they do give us."

Fish noted that historically, zoning laws in Michigan were open. Now, he said, to make those laws more restrictive is very difficult.

Perdu pointed out Michigan is a "home rule" state, in which townships and villages exercise self-government within parameters of the state constitution.

"The system is just not set up (for community planning)," she said.

FISH SAID townships need more techniques to implement zoning restrictions. He cited transfer of development rights, which would allow a farmer to sell the right to build on his farmland to another area in the community, as an example. TDR programs have existed since the early 1980s, and are in place in states such as Minnesota, Maryland and New Jersey.

"(It) works well in other states, but it's not available to Michigan townships," said Fish. "Things are happening out there that we can't control. We've got very limited tools."

"I think sometimes communities try to be ahead of the game, but sometimes you don't see what's coming," said E. Spaulding Clark, Scio Township supervisor. Since 1990, Scio has

absorbed an average of 175 new homes each year, according to statistics from the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

"(With) township economics, sometimes you're playing catch-up," Clark said.

PERDU NOTED that different southwestern Washtenaw agencies have done different things to manage growth. Freedom Township, she said, has sliding scale zoning, which increases the number of building lots as the size of the farm lot increases. Sharon Township has 10-acre minimum lot sizes.

Both of these, she said, "helps to slow things down."

So far, most medium- to large-scale housing developments in the area have been located in the village of Manchester. That's where Saline-based Wexford Homes plans to build Emerald Glen, a 103-unit, 80-acre development. Construction is set to begin this spring, pending site plan approval by the village.

"To be perfectly honest, it was the relatively inexpensive raw land values compared to the rest of the county," said Director of Land Development Jamie Gorenflo of why Wexford came to Manchester. "It's still one of the best places to buy raw land in the county."

GOENFLO ALSO cited the "charm of the community, and the sort of idyllic nature of that part of the county that doesn't exist in too many other places."

"There hasn't been a real extensive track record for Manchester," he continued. "I think we're on the forefront of development. It's one of the untouched, untapped markets in the community."

Recent research may lend that argument some weight. Last summer, the research firm EPIC/MRA conducted a survey of 400 new home buyers on behalf of the Michigan Association of Realtors on factors involved in the decisions to purchase new homes.

The majority of respondents said they were looking to buy in areas with low crime rates. About half indicated a preference for a larger home, a newer home on a large lot, and a home in a subdivision with nearby open space. Yet 75 percent also expressed concern over the loss of farmland to housing developments.

THE SURVEY also indicated that shorter commutes (ninth of 13 factors) and ability to walk to stores and restaurants (ranked 12th) were not significant factors. Fully 67 percent of respondents were not interested in new, urban neighborhoods mixing commercial and residential space with smaller lots but shared green space.

"I think when you start to ask people ... a lot of times their views change a little bit," said Perdu.

Gorenflo is one who doesn't think Manchester's remote location is a hindrance.

"Given what we're offering, there's going to be a trade-off between a little bit of a commute" and small-town quality, he said.

Fish, too, is skeptical that distance from economic centers does much to discourage growth.

"I suppose over time, it's made a difference," he said. "Does it make a difference now? Not a lot, nowadays."

FISH SAID developments in car engines that allow automobiles to get up to 70 to 80 miles per gallon will allow people to commute more cheaply than before.

"Think how much further people could commute," he said. "It's scary in terms of roads; it's scary in terms of build-up."

Fish said the recent slow-down in the economy, coupled with fluctuations in gas prices, has helped slow development pressures for now.

Larry Byrne knows this firsthand. The Manchester resident and developer of 60-unit River Edge and the new River Edge development, both on the east side of the village, has sold three

Making Her Vote Count



Joan Berry (left) casts her ballot in the village election Monday as Carol Britten records the votes. A total of 75 votes were cast; 72 for Pat Vaillencourt (village president), 67 for Pat DuRussel, 68 for Dave Petsch and 69 for Martin Way (trustees).

of seven built units at River Edge thus far.

Byrne said it depends whether or not he'll develop more properties. But he is optimistic Manchester can avoid the sprawling growth that has characterized Chelsea.

"I think that Manchester can do quite well without losing its charm," he said. "I'm big on quality. As long as you do something with quality, it will do well and it will sell."

BARRY LONIK, Dexter Township resident and former executive director of the Washtenaw Land Trust, said that excessive development often hurts communities, even while adding to property tax rolls. Dexter, he said in particular, has failed to understand that lesson.

"Residential development costs you money and gives you a lot of extra costs," he said. "You lose the character of the community that you like."

"It's important for people to articulate what they want in their

community. One house in the middle of 10 acres with a big lawn in front of it is not really protecting open space."

But the desire to preserve open space, Perdu said, is often checked by the need for tax bases that development feeds. She said that if the Manchester area had as much pressure, "you might be seeing some of the same kinds of developments."

Fish said the SWWCOG plan is helpful to everyone involved, and will make for better local planning and zoning ordinances.

"If you don't have a good plan, you're open to legal challenge," he said. "I think that the work that's being done on the southwest Washtenaw plan is of very high quality and will be very beneficial to the townships."

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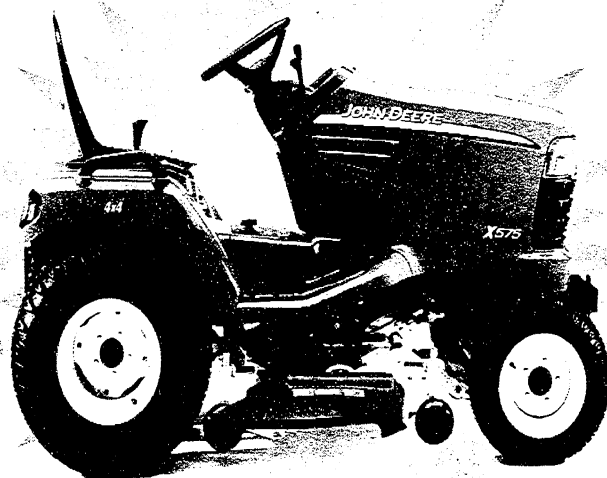
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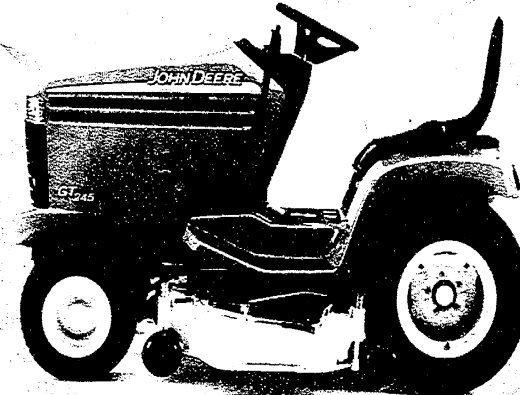
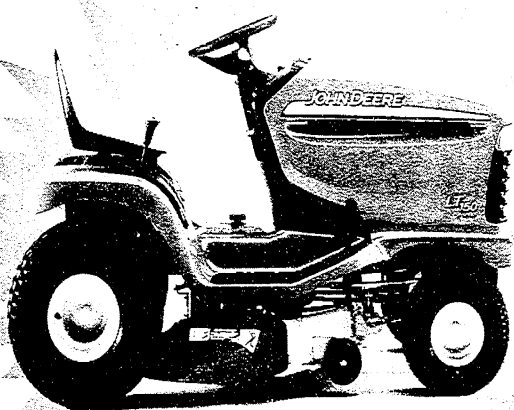
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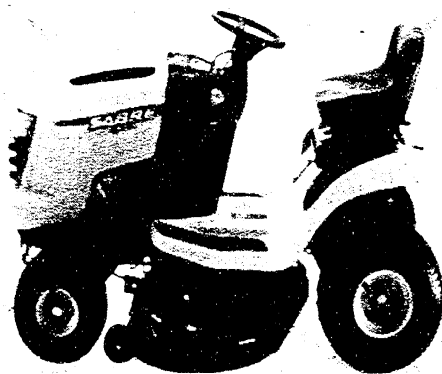
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NIGHT HAWKS

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where we live with their motorcycles going on," he said. "I have no problem with motorcycle racing or the club per se, it's just the noise they generate."

Kellum said the racing events start late in mornings and last until dark.

"They're up higher than where we live, and so the noise comes down on us," he said.

The Night Hawks have used the property since the 1960s for bumping, club meetings, motorcycle and all-terrain vehicle (ATV) riding and races.

The legal tussle began in 1967, when Manchester Township sued the Night Hawks, claiming the use of the property for motorcycle racing constituted a public nuisance and violated the township zoning ordinance. Although the circuit court in that case found the Night Hawks to be in violation of the zoning ordinance, the Night Hawks were able to establish prior use of the property for four racing events per year. That court enjoined the club from racing on the property more than four nights annually.

In 1987, the township filed a motion alleging the Night Hawks were violating the 1969 order, and the court issued a similar order in August of that year.

Failing again to heed the 1969 and 1987 orders and injunctions, Manchester Township filed a motion in 1999 asking for an order to show cause why the Night Hawks should not be held in contempt of court. In December of that year, the circuit court issued another order forbidding the club from staging more than four races per year.

The Night Hawks, in turn, filed an appeal in January 2000, which was dismissed for lack of jurisdiction. So instead, the group in March submitted an application with Manchester Township for a conditional use permit. The township held a public hearing, and was still deliberating the matter on Feb. 14, 2001, when the Night Hawks withdrew their application.

The group instead filed suit Feb. 21, 2001.

The township responded by seeking a dismissal of the complaint, based on violation of court order, and an injunction against further violations. The township said it had obtained a copy of the Night Hawks' 2001 schedule, which showed 21 events scheduled for the Sharon

Hollow Road property.

In issuing her decision, Morris granted the township's motion for summary disposition, and dismissed the plaintiff's claim.

"It may bring to an end one of the longest pending civil cases in Washtenaw County history," said Laidlaw, who has been on the case nearly 10 years.

He said the Night Hawks now have two options: appeal the ruling in the court of appeals, or re-apply for a conditional use permit from the township.

In an e-mail dated Feb. 22 to township officials, Laidlaw noted, "an appeal would take years and the decision eliminates most of the Night Hawks' bargaining power in seeking approval of a conditional use."

"I believe the Night Hawks' attorney made a big mistake by withdrawing the conditional use application and starting a new suit."

Phone calls to the Night Hawks' Ypsilanti headquarters were not answered.

Their lawyer, Lawrence S. Katkowsky, met with his clients Monday evening for the first time since the ruling.

Katkowsky called Judge

Morris' opinion "badly researched and poorly written." He disputed her claim that she was not provided a copy of the township ordinance, claiming a copy was filed, but that a court clerk phoned him to say she could not find it.

"Before we file the appeal, we're going to go to court to have that changed," said Katkowsky. "There were so many things wrong with her opinion that there is a high probability her decision will be reversed."

Katkowsky added that the Night Hawks' position in the suit was that the only thing litigated was sanctioned racing events, of which he said only one was held last year.

Laidlaw said the suit against the township sought a declaration from the court that recreational riding was not in violation of any orders and was permitted under the township's zoning ordinance.

"They have put up a very long, tenacious battle," he said.

Manchester Township Clerk Kathleen Hakes said the township would wait to see what the Night Hawks would do before proceeding.

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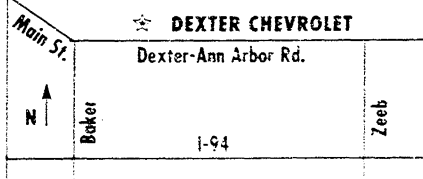
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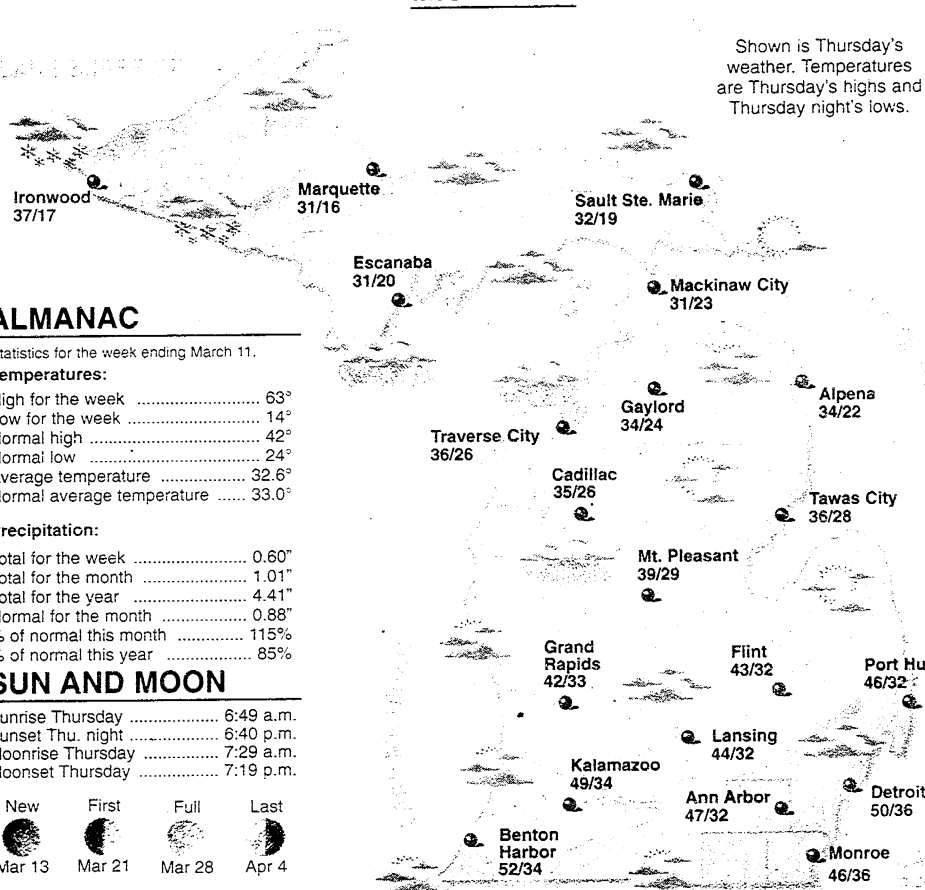
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Chelsea/Dexter	46/31
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Monroe	46/36
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Highest Sunday	42°

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

Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Thu: 11:51 a.m.	5:40 a.m.	—	6:01 p.m.
Fri: 12:21 a.m.	6:23 a.m.	12:33 p.m.	6:43 p.m.
Sat: 12:56 a.m.	7:06 a.m.	1:16 p.m.	7:26 p.m.
Sun: 1:41 a.m.	7:52 a.m.	2:02 p.m.	8:13 p.m.

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Highest Thursday 3 Minimal
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Statistics for the week ending March 11.

Temperatures:

High for the week	63°
Low for the week	14°
Normal high	42°
Normal low	24°
Average temperature	32.6°
Normal average temperature	33.0°

Precipitation:

Total for the week	0.60"
Total for the month	1.01"
Total for the year	4.41"
Normal for the month	0.88"
% of normal this month	115%
% of normal this year	85%

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise Thursday 6:49 a.m.
Sunset Thu. night 6:40 p.m.
Moonrise Thursday 7:29 a.m.
Moonset Thursday 7:19 p.m.

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Hoops senior plans a future in sports journalism

■ Mike Walter works hard to earn his place.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

Last year, Mike Walter was supposed to spend the summer working on his golf game.

Instead, he ended up focusing on basketball. And the results, he says, have been worth it. "Over the summer, I just did a whole lot of work on my game," he says. "I tried different things: I implemented new things in my game and just dedicated the summer to basketball."

Although he still played golf last fall on the varsity team, Walter says that brushing up on his basketball skills was most important to him.

"I've been playing basketball since I was in the third grade," he says. "It's my passion. I really enjoy playing it."

In fact, he credits coach Steve McCalla who started the Manchester youth hoops program back when Walter was in third grade, with teaching him the most about the sport.

"I thank Mr. McCalla, because he's the one who got me started in basketball, and brought me up through ninth grade," he says. "He has taught me so much about the game and I attribute about 95 percent of my successes

to him."

Last summer, Walter realized that with a host of seniors and a new coach on this year's varsity team, he would have to earn his place. And as fall progressed and key players were getting hurt, it was evident that some of the other players on the team would need to step up to the challenge.

"I knew it was time to do my best," he says. "I worked on everything I could to be a better basketball player."

Having suffered an injury that sidelined him from much of the basketball season last year, Walter knew that it would take time for his injured teammates to get back into the swing.

"Last year, I knew I had to work twice as hard as everyone else to get back to where they were at," he says. "I knew if I worked over the summer I would be able to accomplish some great things."

His determination earned him a co-captain's berth on this year's varsity squad.

"I knew I was qualified," he says. "I just wasn't sure whether the rest of the team knew it."

Varsity coach Bryan Barnard recognizes the leadership that Walter has brought to this year's team.

"Mike's a great captain for us because he works as hard as



A golfer and the co-captain of this year's successful varsity basketball team, Mike Walter is described as an "unselfish" player by coach Bryan Barnard. "Everyone plays together and we feed off each others' successes," Walter says of his teammates.

Photo by Marsha Johnson Chartrand

becoming a sports journalist. He also hopes to be involved on a basketball team at UCF.

"Yeah, my mom yells at me for watching ESPN in the morning before school," he says with a grin. "But it inspires me. I could be doing that."

"I see how hard those guys have worked to get where they are. I have the drive to do it—I know I can succeed if I try."

"You don't run into many people like Mike in your life time," Neal adds. "The unselfish deeds Mike displays in his everyday life are incredible. He is a goal oriented individual who focuses on the betterment of the future."

And bettering the future for his fellow students at Manchester High School is one more goal for Walter to reach. He recently helped the school obtain a \$5,000 grant from Saline Community Hospital Foundation to continue the Challenge Day program at the high school level.

He is a mentor for five freshmen students, even though he's not a member of the leadership class. He is one of only two seniors outside of the class who were invited to be part of the mentorship program.

"Breaking down the senior-freshman barrier has been great," he says. "I remember how it was when I was a freshman. (Now, the freshmen) aren't afraid of us."

He also is a three-year varsity quiz bowl member, a third-year member of the Social Studies Academic games and carries a National Honor Society-qualifying grade point average, although he has not joined the organization.

He also was recently invited to play for the USA Junior Nationals Basketball team on April 7.

"Obviously, when I got the letter, I jumped at the opportunity," he says. "It's not very often you get something like that."

"I think it's because of the program we have and the system we're running. The basketball program is definitely on its way up. And I think the program will continue to succeed, thanks to the youth hoops and the great coaches we have."

Walter is grateful to his parents, Mike and Erma Walter, for their encouragement and support.

"Without them, obviously, I wouldn't be here," he says. "It's great what they've done for me."

Teamwork is especially important to Walter, and that has been exemplified in his work on the court this winter.

"I'm really happy with where our team is right now," he said prior to Friday night's game against Ann Arbor Green Hills. "It's been a tough season but we're right at the point we want to be."

"You have injuries and adversity but good teams overcome it. We can consider ourselves one of the good teams. No one is selfish; everyone plays together and we feed off each others' successes."

Now that the basketball season has ended—somewhat prematurely, in his opinion—Walter says it's time for him to get a job.

"I have absolutely no idea what I'll be doing," he says. "Hopefully something will open up that's good paying and I'll enjoy doing it."



SPORTS IN BRIEF

Optimists set tri-star basketball contest

The Optimist Club of Manchester will hold its annual tri-star basketball contest at 1 p.m. on Sunday at the Nellie Ackerson Middle School gymnasium.

Boys and girls ages 8 to 13 are welcome to participate. Registration forms are available at Klager and middle school offices and at the event.

Player profile nominees sought

The Manchester Enterprise would like to profile one student athlete each week. Senior profiles are especially welcomed, but player profiles are not limited to members of the senior class.

A coach, teacher, parent or counselor may wish to nominate a player who exemplifies the spirit of athletics both on and off the playing field.

To make a nomination, contact Marsha Johnson Chartrand at 428-8173 or by e-mail at mchartrand@heritage.com.

Napoleon three-on-three tournament set

A three-on-three basketball tournament will be held in Napoleon next weekend.

Teams will be ranged by age, with one class for sixth through eighth-graders and another for grades 9 to 12.

The tournament registration will begin at 8 a.m. on March 23 and the games will begin at 8:30 a.m. at the Napoleon High School gymnasium.

Fund-raiser to benefit Golf-Ademics and Flight of Hope

A Las Vegas Casino Night will be held Friday night at Cobblestone Farm in Ann Arbor, benefiting local charities Michigan Junior Golf-Ademics and Children's Flight of Hope. The cost is \$25 per person and includes chips, food, music and dancing.

For more information, contact Mike Walters at 734-730-9402.

Winter sports recognition nights set

Basketball recognition night will be held next Wednesday and volleyball recognition will be held on March 24. Varsity and middle school wrestling recognition night will be announced.

Spring sports beginning

High school track, softball and baseball seasons are under way this week and middle school track will begin on Monday. Students who wish to be involved in track at any level should speak with the coaches immediately.

Middle school track parents meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on March 25 in the middle school gym.

Participation fees are \$55 at the high school level and \$45 at middle school. There also is a \$20 sports insurance fee if the student has not played a sport yet this school year. Physical forms must be submitted before a student is allowed to practice.

Frosh wrestles to sixth at state tournament

■ Successful season ends for small team.

By Laura Merte
Staff Writer

Manchester's wrestling team capped its 2001-02 season with an exciting weekend at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Three teammates competed at the state level, March 7 to 9: Dan Fleck and brothers James and Josh Tobias.

"When we arrived at the Palace on Thursday, the kids were focused and ready to wrestle," said Manchester coach Steve Vlcek.

Freshman James Tobias wrestled first, winning 8-4 against a sophomore opponent with a 34-7 season record.

Sophomore Dan Fleck was pinned quickly in his first match. His opponent came to the competition with a 34-3 record, and eventually finished as the State runner-up.

Junior Josh Tobias was up against a senior with a 39-8 record, and recorded a tough 6-4 decision.

FRIDAY FOUND Fleck off to a good start, winning by default



Photo by David Jose

Freshman James Tobias (third from right) placed sixth at state wrestling finals last weekend. Tobias was one of three Dutch wrestlers to be successful in traveling to the state meet this year. His brother Joshua, a junior and Dan Fleck, a sophomore, also participated in the grand march and wrestled at the Palace.

opponent. With one more win, Fleck would become an all-state wrestler.

Giving his best, Fleck wrestled to a 7-3 loss in his next

match. His challenger had previously defeated him 18-4 this season, and went on to take fourth place at the state level.

"Dan wrestled his last match

See WRESTLE — Page 3-B

Eighth grade netters win two over Vandercook

■ Girls complete an 8-5 season.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

The eighth-grade Lady Dutch volleyball team traveled to Napoleon last week for a match. On an off night, the girls were unable to come away with a victory in the match. The scores were 9-15, 3-15 and 16-14.

Top scorers for the afternoon were Aimee Werner with eight points, Lynn Preston with five points and Allison London with four.

Overcoming that challenge, the team took two victories over Vandercook last to conclude this year's season.

In the first match, the Lady Dutch posted a 15-1, 15-7 and 15-3 win with Misty Neely and Katie Hill each scoring nine points. Laura Eisenhauer with eight, London with six and Alex Breilein and Emily McConnell



The eighth-grade volleyball team proudly displays the trophy they won at the home invitational tournament last month. Front, from left, are Alex Breilein, Misty Neely and Lynn Preston. Standing, Emily McConnell (left), Darci Christensen, Julie Hinkley, Katie Hill, Allison London, Katelyn Gall, Rebecca Long, Laura Eisenhauer and Lauren Hone.

with five points each rounded out Manchester's record.

In the second match, Manchester continued to prevail, leading 15-9, 15-1 and 15-7 over the Jayhawk team.

Katelyn Gall led the team with

11 points; Neely, Eisenhauer and Rebecca Long scored seven points apiece and Hill added four points to help the Dutch finish the successful 8-5 season.

The team was coached by Kathy Rose.

Coast Guard Auxiliary to teach sailing class

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Ann Arbor Flotilla will teach a Sailing Fundamentals Class in Milan for all Ann Arbor area sailing enthusiasts. The class runs from 7 to 9 p.m. on Mondays for nine weeks, beginning March 18.

This course combines the training programs of the American Sailing Association and the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Class fees are \$31 for an individual, \$41 for a family with two members, and \$51 for a family with three members. Graduates of this course (approved by the National


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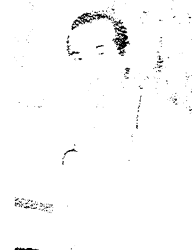
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Varsity cagers fall short in district finals

■ Green Hills grounds the Dutchmen.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

There were tears on Friday night following the District finals as the Dutchmen lost 46-44 to Ann Arbor Green Hills.

"It was a fun season," said Bryan Barnard. "We worked hard and I really am sad it's over. As long as the season is, I wish it was still going."

"A lot of times (the kids) want to be done by the time the season ends, but we all wanted to keep going. These kids care a lot and they wanted to keep playing."

The Dutchmen opened the district

competition facing Whitmore Lake on its home court with a decisive 65-49 win.

"Having it at their home court made it a little more difficult," Barnard said. "It's always hard to beat a home team, especially in districts."

The game had a close first half with the score reading 27-24 at the close of the second quarter.

"They were tougher than we expected," Barnard said. "That's how it is when you start getting into March. Everyone picks up their level of play."

The Dutch did a good job of taking control of the game in the second half.

Senior Karl Schaible scored a career-high 16 points in the

game, on what Barnard called a very balanced scoring night.

"Karl had a great game," he said. "We had four kids score in double-digits and this was the first time this year for that."

Nick Strobl and Brent Leverett each scored 13 points and Jeff Punches scored 11 points. Josh McCalla added seven and Jacob Sawyer five points.

"It was nice to get the balance," Barnard added. "We also had seven three-pointers as a team."

While the Dutchmen had trouble on the boards in the first half, they rebounded in the second half led by Strobl with 11 and Punches with eight.

Mike Walter led in assists with four.

"As the end of the year approaches, Mike has done a really good job of getting the ball inside to the big guys," Barnard said. "He's a real unselfish player and does a good job of following the game plan."

Barnard also pointed to Walter and Schaible as playing great defense along with Sawyer, who came off the bench to play a very tough and solid inside defense in the game.

In the final quarter, the Dutch threw 14 of 14 from the free throw line, for a total of 20 for 26. Leverett and McCalla led the team in free throwing with six-for-six and four-for-four in the fourth quarter.

"And then there's the game we really don't want to talk about," Barnard said, referring to Friday's match up with Green Hills. "It was like a few other games we've had this season, where we just couldn't get over the hump."

The team did a great job in the first place of playing with a lot of emotion and energy.

"Our emotional level has not always been where it needed to be," Barnard said. "But that night we came out fired up and inspired, taking a 26-16 lead at the half."

Following their game plan, the Dutchmen did a great job both offensively and defensively.

"They don't have any post players that can defend Jeff Nick and Jacob," Barnard commented. "We went inside, and did a great job. Defensively, holding them to 16 in the first half was great."

Even overall, Barnard was



The varsity Dutchmen tried hard to repeat their district championship this year, but fell short by just two points against Ann Arbor Green Hills.

proud of his team's defensive effort.

"Forty-six points is not that many," he said. "In the last few minutes we had some good shots that just didn't fall. That's the way it goes sometimes."

But also in the second half, the Dutch had trouble with Green Hills' pressure defense.

"We didn't make good decisions," Barnard said. "We turned it over 10 times in the second half. That was basically the story."

Going in, the Dutch knew they would have a tough game.

"They do a good job of a lot of movement on the defense."

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WRESTLERS

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of the year like a champ. With 31 wins this year, he did a great job," Vleck said.

To Fleck, he says: "Keep improving so you can make it back up next year."

Josh Tobias faced a regional champion in his first Friday match, losing 5-3 with a reversal in the final 10 seconds.

"This was a tough loss," said Vleck. "I don't think he quite recovered."

Tobias lost his second match, a close 4-2, ending his season with 45 total wins, just short of the junior record.

Vleck is confident that Tobias has another great year ahead of him. "I know Josh," he says. "He'll come back next year hungrier than ever and have another outstanding season."

AFTER LOSING his first match on Friday, James Tobias needed a win in order to continue in the tournament. In his next match, he battled a

full six minutes, finally coming out on top with a 4-3 decision against an opponent from Addison, with whom Tobias has wrestled five times previously this season.

With this win, Tobias achieved All-State status and advanced to Saturday's finals.

Saturday morning, Tobias won a difficult 6-5 match against a Freeland competitor, putting him up against the regional champion from Whitmore-Preecout.

Tobias lost 11-4, which set him up for either fifth or sixth place.

"James wrestled his best match of the tournament," said Vleck of his last battle, where Tobias came up short 6-2 to finish sixth at the state level.

"I was definitely happy with my performance," Tobias says. "But I made a few mistakes. I didn't finish on some of my takedowns. Overall, I could have wrestled better in some matches. But the whole state meet has been great."

"He's only our second freshman to place at the State tournament," said Vleck of Tobias, who finished his season with an overall record of 43-10. "The next three years should be very exciting for this young wrestler as he continues to improve."

Tobias agrees. Competing at the state level has given him a taste of the action he can expect for the next few years.

"It's definitely motivated me," he says. "Over the summer I'm going to work hard. I'm looking forward to next year."

For Tobias, wrestling is in the family. In addition to Josh, his older brother Jeremiah was a four-time State champion, who now wrestles for The University of Michigan.

"He gives me plenty of pointers," Tobias says of his brother's influence. "My parents tape every match and he goes over them with me. I look up to him. I think he'll be proud of me."

VLECK HAS remained optimistic throughout the season, encouraging the small team to work hard and build their skills.

"I'm really proud of not only our State qualifiers, but all nine kids as they stuck it out and represented our school," he says. "They are gaining the respect of many people in the wrestling community as hard-working kids and good sports."

As the 2001-02 season ends, Vleck is looking forward to next year's team. He plans to build on the nucleus of returning wrestlers with younger ones from the middle school, and hopes that some who have previously wrestled on the team will return for the next season.

"If all the pieces fall into place, we should be very competitive," he says.

Vleck isn't alone in coaching the wrestlers. Volunteers Mike Bunn and Brent Woods both put their time in as assistant coaches for the team, as well as leading over 60 freestyle wrestlers in the wrestling club.

"They definitely don't get enough credit for all the work that they put in," Vleck says.

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Schulte finishes college career as champion

It was a cold and blustery weekend at the University of Edinboro, Pa. March 1 and 2. But it was serious basketball inside of McComb Fieldhouse as the 11th National Intercollegiate Wheelchair Basketball Tournament took place.

Five teams had made it to the "big dance" and the Movin' Mavs from the University of Texas at Arlington had drawn a bye for the first round of play because they were rated first in the standings. The team's first game was against fourth-ranked Southwest State.

UTA came out slow, leading only 13-10 halfway through the first half. The team finished the balance of the first 20 minutes on a 20-5 run. The Mavs came out in the second half and scored the first eight points and went on to win the contest by 26 points, final score 57-31. UTA's senior point guard, Paul

Schulte, scored 12 points as the team displayed why they were ranked number one.

Third-ranked Wisconsin-Whitewater beat number two Illinois 52-33 and the stage was set for the championship game, UTA Movin' Mavs vs. the Wisconsin Warhawks.

In the first half, it was a battle between the inside play of Wisconsin against the speed and quickness of UTA. Schulte is the "old man" on the team at 22; all the other starters are freshmen or sophomores. A three-point edge was all UTA had at the end of the first 20 minutes. Shortly after the start of the second half, Wisconsin managed a two-point lead but it was short lived.

UTA went on an 8-0 run with 15 minutes left to play. After that, the two teams traded points with UTA leading by as many as 16 with seven minutes left. The



Paul Schulte earned multiple awards as a result of leading the Movin' Mavs of University of Texas—Arlington to a national championship in wheelchair basketball.

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Barnard said. "They move our big guys out; they make them come out and guard them at the three-point line. It's hard to zone them because all the guys shoot threes."

The Dutch also had trouble with shooting the three, and only achieved one out of 11 three-point attempts.

Ultimately, Strobl led the team in scoring with 12, followed by Punches and Leverett with 11 points each. Schaible scored six points and McCalla and Sawyer each dropped in two.

Overall, it was a successful season. Barnard said.

"We changed a lot of things," he said. "The style of play, the team attitude ... that was good. Those are the positives."

"The kids played hard; we improved our defense. Even though our record wasn't as good as last year, our team concept was good. We got along well."

"You have to look at it that way," Barnard said his team was

made up of great kids. "There's a lot expected of them at the varsity level, and they did everything I asked of them," he said. "They worked hard; I'm proud of everything they did."

He added that the team had great leadership in captains Walter, Schaible and Punches.

"At the beginning of the season, people didn't give us much of a chance," he said. "But the guys overcame the adversity and did a great job; they believed in themselves."

"We didn't achieve everything we wanted to, we all know that, but I think they feel good about themselves."

With several very close games to their credit and a winning season despite starting out with four injured players out of the roster of



Photo by David Jose

Karl Schaible was credited with a great defensive game against Whitmore Lake in the district semi-finals last week. He also scored a varsity career high of 16 points, making him the team's offensive leader as well.

12. Barnard considers the season a good one and believes the future is bright for the Dutch.

"Our junior varsity finished with an 18-2 record and our freshmen with 17-1," he said. "The guys are already eager to play summer ball. There's a lot of interest right now and talent to match."

SCHULTE

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Warhawks cut the lead to 10 and then to 5 with less than 90 seconds remaining in the game, but UTA held on to win 67-58.

Schulte, playing in his last collegiate game, had 12 points and grabbed seven rebounds. He said he expected to lead the team, but he was nervous because it was his last chance to win a championship. UTA's last championship was 1997 and Schulte's freshman year was 1998.

After the game, Schulte commented, "Plan A was for me to make 6-three pointers. After I missed my first two attempts we went to plan B."

"I draw the defense and pass the ball to my unguarded teammates for easy baskets."

The strategy worked. Sophomore guard Jason Nelms led all scorers with 24 points and freshman Mike Payne added 17.

Coach Jim Hayes commented on Schulte's play by saying it couldn't have ended any better.

"I couldn't be happier," Hayes said. "That's the only way to send that young man out, away from UTA—as a champion."

At the awards banquet it appeared to be everyone's opinion that Schulte is a champion in all regards. He was named to the five-man first team All-American Squad and he received an award for Academic All American (3.4 GPA in engineering). On his third trip to the podium he received the sportsmanship award and finally the most coveted award, besides the national championship trophy. Schulte was named the "Player of the Year" for leading his team to an 11-0 season record and a national championship.

Schulte's next appearance will be playing for the USA Team at



the Pan Am Games in Brazil, April 18-28, then the World Gold Cup Games in Japan, Aug. 21-Sept. 2. In-between he and his wife, Meghan, will continue their studies over the summer at UTA.

Rumor has it that the end of July might see the USA Team practicing at Manchester High School, just before they leave for Japan.

Thanks for the support, Manchester!

-submitted by Tom Schulte

DeRossett announces plan to seek third term

Redistricting is pushing Rep. Gene DeRossett farther north than the current 55th District, which has been his legislative home for the past five years.

The local builder-turned-lawmaker announced this week that he will seek a third term, even though most of his constituents will be in the newly drawn 52nd District.

DeRossett, who currently represents the 55th District, which includes portions of Lenawee, Monroe and Washtenaw counties, said he is "looking forward" to meeting new people in the 52nd District. The redistricting, he said, reflects the changes in population. It typically takes place after a decennial census.

"Every 10 years, the legislature is assigned the task of redrawing the Congressional, State Senate, House and Court of Appeals districts to reflect changes in population. The current 55th District, which I have been honored to represent since being elected in 1998, has been split into two separate districts, the new 52nd, and the 55th."

The redistricting plan will

first take effect in the August primary, and the general election on Nov. 6.

THE NEW 52nd District, geographically encompassing northern and western Washtenaw County, includes the northeast portion of the city of Ann Arbor, the city of Saline, the villages of Barton Hills, Chelsea, Dexter and Manchester, and the townships of Ann Arbor, Bridgewater, Dexter, Fremont, Lima, Lodi, Lyndon, Manchester, Northfield, Scio, Sharon, Sylvan and Webster.

"I am proud of the many accomplishments in my last two terms in the legislature, and believe our district has benefited as a result," said DeRossett.

Over the past four years, DeRossett has played an integral role in shaping public policy and serving on a number of important House committees. DeRossett has protected K-12 school funding, lowered taxes, led efforts to reform the manufactured housing industry, implemented voluntary agricultural pollution prevention programs and supported a cleaner environment and better land use policies.

IN ADDITION, DeRossett has secured state transportation monies for maintenance and repair of roads and bridges, initiated a statewide system of collecting child support payments, and cracked down on criminals who use computers to commit crimes against children and families.

"I am particularly pleased that we have put into action two important measures, recently. First, Michigan farmers and landowners are now able to participate in a voluntary, incentive based agricultural pollution prevention program. And secondly, I have implemented a number of changes to the Michigan Education Savings Program, which will allow more residents to set aside money for the higher education expenses of their children," DeRossett said.

DeRossett serves as the chairperson of the House Agriculture and Resource Management Committee and is a member of the Land Use and Environment Committee and Transportation Committee. During his first term, DeRossett chaired a House Land Use Work Group.

As a result of his leadership on the work group, the House Land Use and Environment Committee was created for this current legislative session. DeRossett is also a member of the House Bipartisan Caucus on Early Childhood Development. He is also a member of two national legislative groups: the Children, Families, and Health Committee of the National Conference of State Legislators and the Council of State Governments Annual Meeting Committee.

DeRossett enjoys meeting the constituents of his district and to that end, spends much of his time traveling throughout his district. The travel allows him an opportunity to see the needs of the district first-hand.

"While creating public policy is one component of this position, the needs of our constituents are what drive this job," he says. "Whether I assist a constituent group to acquire the grant funding they seek or act as a liaison to the various governmental agencies, it is

vital to be responsive to available resources for the public."

Since being elected in 1998, DeRossett has met on a bi-monthly basis with a group of residents from each township in his district, the District Advisory Council.

"WITH MORE than 90,000 constituents, this group volunteers their time to meet and exchange

ideas, suggestions, or concerns with how state and local issues affect their families and/or neighbors. As a result, I am better able to communicate, to my colleagues in Lansing, the direct impact of issues on my district," DeRossett said.

"I have also been fortunate to

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Parenting program offers tips for tough times

By Debra Talcott
Special Writer

First-time parents, enthralled with their new roles, read every book they can get their hands on to learn about newborns.

When their child reaches the age of three, the now-more-seasoned parents interview all the preschool teachers in town to find the program that is just right. When Johnny or Susie turns five, the parents are eager to volunteer in the kindergarten and can hardly wait to display that universal source of parental pride—refrigerator art.

By the time their not-so-youngster heads to middle school, however, the same devoted parents may find themselves in a quandary. The perplexing questions they ponder are "how should I talk so Johnny will still listen to me," and "how should I listen so Susie will still talk to me?"

Help for anyone in this stage (or soon to enter this stage) of parenting is just around the corner. That is when Manchester resident and Saline Middle School principal Nic Cooper will take to the microphone to offer insight into the unique challenges of parenting an adolescent. Cooper's presentation will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. tonight in the Heritage School Media Center in Saline.

COOPER, who has a long and varied career in education and consulting, will share advice from *How to Keep Being a Parent ... When Your Child Stops Being a Child*, the book he coauthored with friend and colleague Rick McCoy.

"While this book was first written for parents who have teenagers now, we also offer it to any parents who expect their children to become teenagers," the authors say in the book's Preface.

Sections from the book will serve as Cooper's outline. He will explain the primary tasks of the developmental stage called adolescence, the nature of supportive parenting, tools for forming healthy relationships, the importance of structure and discipline, and what parents need to be concerned about now.

Cooper's goal is to help parents realize the impact they still have on their children, even if they feel the parent-child relationship is no longer as close as it once was.

"Sometimes when you're a parent of an adolescent, it appears as if your kid can't stand you and is pushing you away," he says. "Parents have to realize part of the adolescent's job description is to become independent, and parents should not feel this behavior means they are having no impact."

The principal cites the example of asking teenagers in his classes who was most influential in their lives. While parents might predict "friends" as the most common response, it was actually the parents themselves who were most often named.

"That is why boundaries are very important with this age group and why adolescents need to be loved and treated with respect," Cooper says.

Cooper's warm and welcoming style encourages parents to ask questions and express concerns. In return, the principal will share his observations of the practices that work with adolescents.

FOR EXAMPLE, Cooper will give parents strategies for keeping the lines of communication open with their teen.

"First you ask the questions, then you listen, listen, listen," he says. "After that, you tell them your own values and fears. The goal is to make yourself a credible guide."

"That is not the same as being their buddy."

When he teaches the skill of valuing our children, Cooper will address the difference between shame and guilt. He explains that it is healthy and productive when the adolescent feels guilty for irresponsible actions, but he emphasizes that parents should always avoid shaming.

In his *Growing Parents Growing Children* workshops, Cooper has taught parents to identify positive qualities in their sons and daughters.

"So often we evaluate their performance when the qualities are what matter," he says.

Cooper has gained his expertise through years of formal training and practical experience. Before joining the Saline Area Schools, he was a counselor, assistant principal, and head of the alternative education department in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. He has also conducted

workshops on conflict resolution, team building, and dealing with substance abuse.

A long-time resident of Manchester, Cooper enjoys singing in the choir at Manchester United Methodist Church. Other interests include running, lifting weights, and boxing to stay in shape.

With his wife, Jane, a dental hygienist for Dr. Lesch in Saline and Dr. Currey in Manchester, Cooper has gained his most important experience from raising two daughters. Angela is a senior studying journalism at Boston University. Last summer she was an intern for The Manchester Enterprise. Sara is a sophomore at Eastern Michigan University who has worked for Saline's Middle School summer challenge program. The program helps seventh graders prepare for their eighth-grade year.

Both daughters have read parts of Cooper's book and offered their suggestions during



Nic Cooper

the writing process. Others who have reviewed the book prior to printing were parents, educators, a social worker, and a minister.

Copies of *How to Keep Being a Parent ... When Your Child Stops*

Being a Child will be available for purchase after the presentation. The book sells for \$12.95 plus tax, and \$2 of every sale is donated to the Foundation for Saline Area Schools.

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have a wonderful support team. My wife of 38 years, Sandy, keeps my district office running smoothly while my Lansing staff, Peter Wills and Rob Macomber, work to assist with my legislative initiatives and constituent casework. We look forward to the challenges and opportunities ahead.

"As a father and a grandfather, I understand that it is vital to continue driving our agenda of putting children and families first, cutting taxes, retaining Michigan's education excellence, improving long-term care, fighting crime, and ensuring quality health care," DeRossett said.

PRIOR TO serving in the Michigan House, DeRossett was a licensed contractor and owner of DeRossett Construction, Inc. He is also a licensed real estate agent. He holds a 2-year completion certificate in conjunction with the UAW, AFL-CIO and Building Trades from U-M/Wayne State University for labor and industrial relations. DeRossett also spent 4 years as a UAW employee at the Ypsilanti Ford plant and served on the Ford Motor Company Employees Credit Union Board.

DeRossett's community service involvement includes serving as past president of the Saline Rotary Club; chaplain of the Saline Sons of American Legion, Post 322; past member of the Saline Area Senior Citizens Board; past member of the Saline Community Directions senior housing board; past treasurer of the Saline Economic Development Council, recipient of the Saline Jaycees "Outstanding Young Man Award;" member of the Manchester Optimist Club; member of the Ann Arbor Salvation Army Arbor House auction committee; a 32nd degree Mason commissioned as a Kentucky Colonel for 25 years of service to the Shriners Hospital; and member of the Bethel United Church of Christ.



This column has been discussing ways to can help your child prepare for the first day of school. This week's column will focus on things a parent needs to do before the first day of school.

Find out as much as you can about the school before your child enters it. Parents will want to know:

- The principal's name
- The kindergarten teacher's name
- When to register for kindergarten and what forms should be filled out

-What immunizations are required for entry to school

-A description of the kindergarten program

-The kindergarten yearly calendar and daily schedule

-Transportation procedures

-Food service arrangements

-How you can become involved in your child's education and in the school

Most schools will send you this information. Manchester Community Schools will hold its kindergarten registration on April 18. For more specific details and to pre-register for an appointment at kindergarten round-up, call the Klager Elementary School office at 428-8321, ext. 1300. To be eligible to enter kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old on or before Dec. 1, 2002.

Find out in advance what the school expects from entering kindergarten students. If you know a year or two ahead of time, you will be in a better position to prepare your child.

Visit the school with your child so your child can become familiar with it, and it won't seem scary.

Talk with your child about school. During your visit, the parents' attitude and positive comments will likely rub off on the children. ("Look at all the boys and girls painting in this classroom. Doesn't that look like fun?") Talk about the teachers and how they will help your child learn new things.

When the long-awaited first day of kindergarten arrives, go to school with your child (but don't stay too long) or put your

child on the school bus. And be patient. Many young children are overwhelmed at first because they haven't had much experience in dealing with new situations.

This is another way that First Steps Washtenaw can help you and your child get ready for school. This year-round program provides opportunities for parent and child to attend playgroups in their own school district, meet other parents and children and learn more about child (and parent) development. Call 428-7804 for more information.

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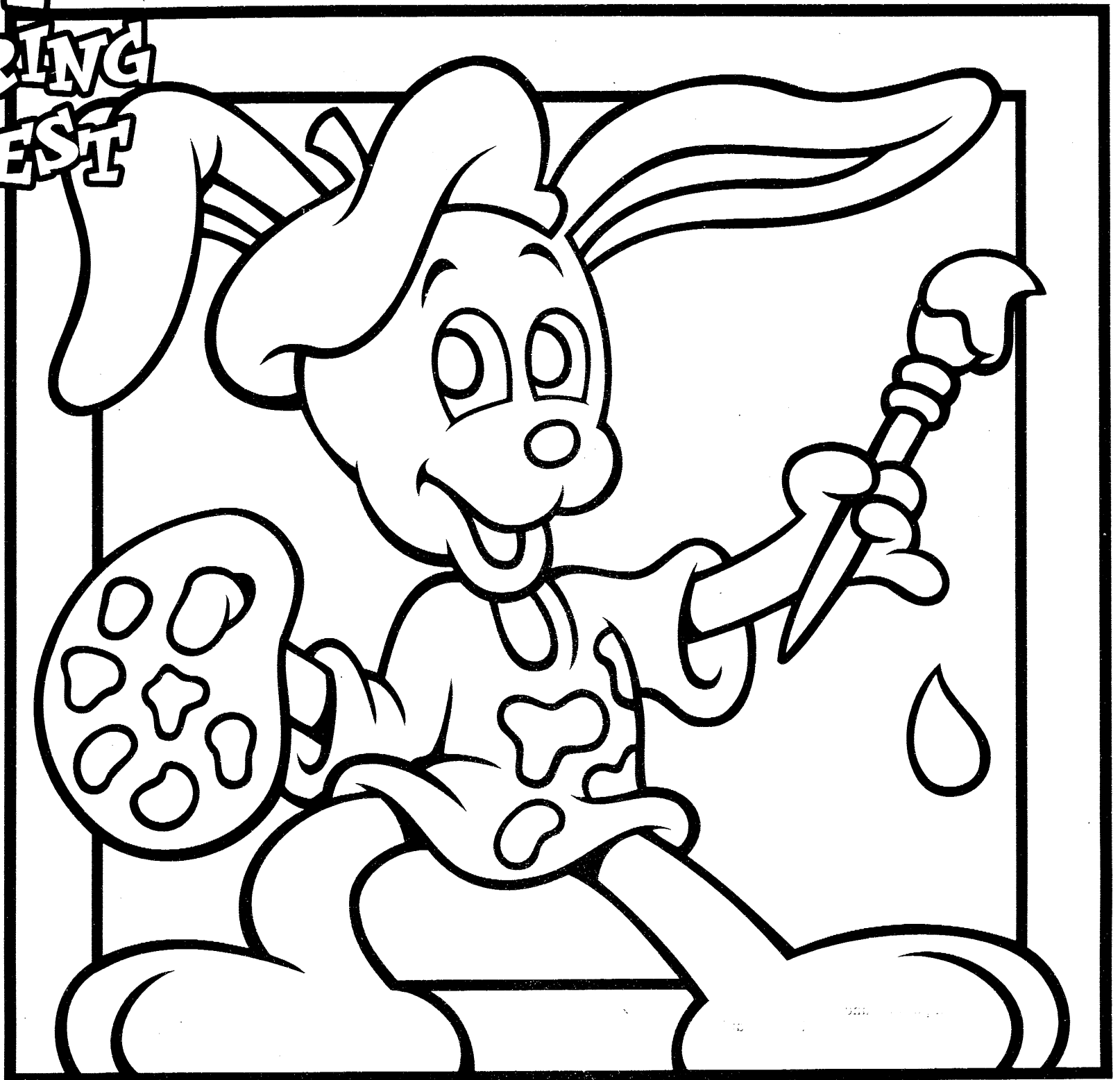
RULES:

Children ages 4-12 are invited this year to enter The Saline Reporter, The Dexter Leader/Chelsea Standard, Milan News-Leader and Manchester Enterprise Easter Coloring Contest which is sponsored by local businesses. Contest rules include:

1. Contestants may enter their colored picture at any of our offices in person or by mail: The Saline Reporter/Milan News-Leader, 106 W. Michigan Ave., Saline, 48176; The Chelsea Standard/Dexter Leader, 20750 Old U.S.-12, Chelsea, 48118; or The Manchester Enterprise, 109 E. Main St., Manchester, 48158.
2. Contest is open to area children ages 4-12. Artists ages 4-5, 6-8, and those ages 9-12 will be judged in separate groups. A \$25 cash prize will be awarded to the coloring entry judged best in each group.
3. Coloring must be done by the child, using crayons, paint, felt-tip pens, colored pencils, or any other coloring medium.
4. Each entry form must be completed with contestant's name, age and phone number.

5. **DEADLINE for entry to be at the newspaper office is Friday, March 22, 2002.**

6. Winners will be published in the March 28, 2002 editions of the newspapers.
7. Employees of the Heritage Newspapers and their immediate families, and families of the judges are not eligible to enter.



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Local farmers market a new 'green' product

■ Soy-based fertilizer is a true alternative to chemical lawn products.

By Nancy Hebb
Special Writer

In a time of uncertain agricultural economy and crucial water quality concerns, five Washtenaw area farmers have embarked on a venture to benefit both their bottom line and the environment. Their company, Practical Soy Products LLC, recently introduced "Clean Green" fertilizer, a soy-based alternative to chemical lawn products.

"We wanted to find a niche market that we could fill, without involving a middleman, to increase our profit," said Dennis Huehl, who with his brother, Gerry, farms 750 acres in the Manchester and Chelsea areas.

In 1999, farmers Huehl, Jeff Bristle of Manchester, Dale Lesser from Dexter, and Chuck Koenn of Chelsea, joined with Washtenaw Extension Agricultural Agent Mike Score to explore ways to bolster falling farm income. Score started looking for alternatives to traditional crops and the usual commodity markets.

The process took three years, but the group, with the addition of Ken Stegenga of Saline, founded Practical Soy Products in January. They're ready to market what might be the first product of its kind in the country, completely produced and processed in southeast Michigan.

"We wanted a product that area consumers would welcome, and that would be environmentally friendly," Score said. "We wondered if organic farming would work for us."

In 1999, organic soybeans were selling for \$21 per bushel, compared to the \$5.50 conventional farmers were getting.

"Those \$21 beans looked pretty inviting!" Score said.

Ensuuing visits to organic farms taught the group the requirements for certified organic production. After doing some math, they decided it wasn't a viable option. Intense cultivation meant high manpower hours, which in Washtenaw County's labor market was just too expensive.

Their "field trips" weren't a waste of time, however. One of the organic operations visited was Mike Findley's 1,000 acres in Tuscola County. Findley remarked that his neighbor recently noted how green grass always looked around the soybean bin.

Members of the group had noticed the same darkening of grass around their own soybean storage areas. Almost jokingly, they wondered: could you make fertilizer from soybeans?

Initially the idea of feeding beans to your lawn seemed less than serious.

"We decided to research it, but it didn't seem that exciting," Score said.

Results of research tests conducted in the following two years ended any skepticism. Comparative studies showed that the soy-based fertilizer the group devised performed as well or better than standard urea or "poly-s" chemical products.

Research at Michigan State University's Hancock Turf Center, Willow Golf Course in Wayne County, and Gallup Park in Ann Arbor documented that not only was the grass fertilized with "Clean Green" as lush and dark as turf treated with conventional fertilizers, the effects of the soy product lasted longer.

Dean Krauskopf, host of WJR radio's "The Gardening Show" and MSU horticulture expert, scored the turf trials at MSU.

"In almost all the plots I've evaluated," Krauskopf said, "the Clean Green soy fertilizer has performed as well as conventional fertilizers. Since 'Clean Green' nutrients are released slowly, nutrient loss due to leaching should be less of a problem and it may be possible to only apply fertilizer twice per year to high maintenance lawns instead of the four or more times necessary with other fertilizer products."

With an analysis of seven percent nitrogen and no phosphorous or potassium, the soy product also offers an environmentally responsible way for people to keep their lawns green without contributing to phosphorous contamination of groundwater and streams.

According to Janis Bobrin, Washtenaw County Drain Commissioner, application of

traditional phosphorous containing fertilizers in urban and suburban areas is the biggest obstacle to reducing phosphorous in area waters.

"Anything the lawn doesn't use runs off when it rains," Bobrin said. "The rivers and ponds suffer. The Huron River system already contains the maximum allowable amount of phosphorous."

Both the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Environmental Quality have mandated significant reduction of phosphorous in area waters.

"If it's not done by managing lawns and turf areas to reduce phosphorous run-off, we'll have to do it the expensive way," Bobrin added. "That means spending millions for additional water treatment capacity."

"It's amazing how this product fits into two area priorities: preserving the farm economy and reducing the phosphorous problems," she said, adding with a smile that she tried Clean Green on her own lawn. "Because it's made from soy, I thought I might have all sorts of critters appearing to nibble in my yard, but that wasn't the case. It worked beautifully."

"For a change my lawn was as green as my neighbors' who use chemical-based products."

Practical trials of the soy-based granules included the revitalization of soccer fields at the Wide World Sports facility. Erich Keil, owner of Landshark

Lawn Service in the Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti area, was one of the first users and retailers of Clean Green. He tried the product on Wide World's depleted clay fields.

"Everyone knows how hard it is to establish and maintain turf on clay," he said. "I've never seen anything like Clean Green to jump-start grass. The results lasted three or four months, with kids playing on these fields every single day."

Being soy-based, the product is safe for kids and pets to play on immediately after application, another advantage Keil noted. Score, when giving presentations to school groups about area agriculture, likes to tell them about the new fertilizer.

"To emphasize its safety, I'll occasionally grab a handful and eat it," the agriculture agent joked.

While anecdotal stories report monstrous tomatoes and incredible flowers when the soy fertilizer is used in gardens, continuing research projects focus on its uses for turf.

Through this year, studies will determine the benefits of fall versus spring for the initial application, the viability of the product for seed coating, and how the nitrogen release rate may be affected by the size of the granules. At Ann Arbor's Willow Golf Course, Clean Green is being used on one par-three hole, and public response to the hole is being monitored.

Seeding studies are being conducted with Wacker Chemical of Adrian, and additional sod farm studies are underway.

Pine View Golf Course and the University of Michigan are cooperating in pond studies. Monitoring phosphorous levels will determine whether a buffer strip using Clean Green on areas around the water will help lower phosphorous contamination.

State Representative Gene DeRossett, chairman of the Michigan Agricultural Resource and Management Committee, is pleased to see farmers in his constituency taking an entrepreneurial role to expand agricultural diversity and preserve the environment.

"Agriculture is the second largest Michigan industry," DeRossett told guests at a presentation held to introduce Practical Soy Products and Clean Green. "Anything we can do to produce and support a product from agriculture that is environmentally friendly, we should do."

DeRossett has invited the company to give a presentation before the Agriculture Committee in Lansing.

Jeff Bristle, president of Practical Soy, farms almost 2,000

acres in and around Manchester, Chelsea, Napoleon, and Grass Lake.

"We have five tons ready to market," he said. "We can handle direct sales and also are looking for retail outlets. We can sell it by the 50-pound bag or the ton."

Clean Green may be generating more enthusiasm than the five farmers expected. Maintaining the calm "wait and see" attitude of a man involved in a life where weather, economic ups and downs, and unexpected obstacles can transform crops from money-makers to costly mistakes, Dennis Huehl concluded. "This is a different environment from the one we're used to doing business in."

"It's been interesting and educational from that point of view, if nothing else!"

STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF WASHTENAW
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate
FILE NO.
PR-P-00-0000-966

Estate of Bessie L. Davidson, Date of birth: 6-11-04.

TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Bessie L. Davidson, who lived at 13328 Logan Rd., Manchester, Michigan died 8-20-2000.

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MANCHESTER VILLAGE COUNCIL AGENDA
Monday, March 18, 2002, 7:00 P.M.

AGENDA:

1. Call meeting to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
3. Minutes of the previous meeting
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Public Participation
6. Old Business
 - a. Old Village Hall Discussion
 - b. Uniform Contract
 - c. Capital Connection Charges
 - d. Territorial Storm Sewer
 - e. Other
7. New Business
 - a. Hogan Road Assoc. Annexation
 - b. Gourley Annexation
 - c. Other
8. Correspondence
9. Committee Reports
10. Adjourn

SHARON TOWNSHIP
SYNOPSIS JOINT BOARD/PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
FEBRUARY 7, 2002

Supervisor Blades called the meeting to order at 8:10 P.M. with the following Board members present: Aiuto, Chizmar, Kappler and Lavender. Planning Commissioners present: Shannon Fleck and Dan Yordanich. Absent: Brian Simons, Bob Guysky, Richard Cole and Bill Lewis. There were four (4) attendees.

Trooper Steve Temeiko from the Sylvan Township State Police post gave an introduction and stated that their post would be patrolling Sharon Township.

The Boards discussed the Public Hearing scheduled for March 21, 2002 at 8:00 P.M. for the new Land Use Plan.

There were no public comments and/or questions.

The 1/8/02 minutes were amended and approved.

The Treasurer's report for December needed to be amended. The Board to approve the report and the next meeting. The Clerk presented bills for payment totaling \$21,628.14. Board approved payment.

Blades read the cemetery lawn mowing bids he received from Matt Hinderer for the 2002 season. Motion by Lavender, supported by Kappler to approve the bids and to hire Matt Hinderer for the 2002 season. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the letter from the Washtenaw County Drain Commission requesting to exceed the maintenance limit on the Pleasant Lake Extension Drain. Blades to call the Commission to ask if the assessment could be spread out over a two-year period.

Blades reported that the Chelsea Area Building Authority was creating a separate entity for soil erosion. He stated that the Township needed to pass a resolution if they would like to approve it. More Board discussion next meeting.

The Board to meet with the Washtenaw County Road Commission on March 6, 2002 at 9:30 A.M. at the County's office.

The Board adjourned at 11:20 P.M.

Teri L. Aiuto, Sharon Township Clerk
Approved by Gary Blades, Supervisor

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP
PROPOSED SYNOPSIS OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HELD FEBRUARY 20, 2002

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Board members Peacock, Wahl, Weidmayer, Parr and Spaller present. Agenda was approved with additions. Minutes of the January 23rd, January 30th, February 12th and February 19th were approved with corrections.

Priority Business the board included:

A report from Sgt. Dieter Heren regarding the township patrol.

The Board listened as both insurance companies, Burnham and Flower and Mich. Munic. Liability and Property Pool reviewed their proposed policies to the board.

Board heard a report on the grant funding for the sewer system. Board voted to continue with a lagoon treatment system for the sewer system. They also voted to enter into an option agreement for the sewer system of Lloyd Spaulding property on Kaiser road.

Board discussed having three board members and neighboring property owners join together to meet in regards to consideration of the sewer system.

Board approved to have the Freedom of Information Coordinator on the payroll and set the wage for that position.

Board discussed the proposed budget for 2002-2003. Resolutions were approved for a increase in elected officials positions.

Board discussed the Wireless Master Plan and continuing the Master Plan on the consultants website.

Board discussed the professional fees for planning and zoning applications.

Board accepted the resignation of Patricia Swaney from the Manchester District Library Board, and appointed Nancy Howard and Carmick Legrismith to the board.

Under Other Business and Information:

Board discussed zoning certificate of compliance for roofing etc.

Board approved the removal of branches and trees in the cemetery grounds.

Board approved to send a letter of support of funding for Gravel Pit Road in Manchester for the school district.

Clerk presented the new list of elected and appointed officials.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

Board approved bills for the month totaling \$27,975.61.

Reports were reviewed from Planning Commission, Zoning administrator, Assessor, Ordinance Enforcement Officer and Road Committee.

Supervisor noted several announcements for the month.

Board approved the insurance plan of Michigan Munic. Liability and Property Pool and their workmen's compensation plan.

Next regular board meeting March 20, 2002.

A complete copy of these minutes may be obtained at the clerk office.

Submitted by
Karen Weidmayer
Bridgewater Township Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF WASHTENAW
PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING
FILE NUMBER
PR-P-02-0000221

IN THE MATTER OF PALMER, FOREST GUY

TAKE NOTICE: A HEARING WILL BE HELD ON 03/28/02 AT 2:00 P.M., AT 101 E. HURON, ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN BEFORE JUDGE JOHN N. KIRKENDALL FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSE: TO CHANGE NAME FROM FOREST GUY PALMER TO FOREST GUY GRIFFIN

DATE 03/08/02

PETITIONER:
AMY GRIFFIN
BRENT FELDMAN

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Bridgewater Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for fiscal year 2002-2003 at the Bridgewater Township Hall, 10990 Clinton Road, Clinton on March 20, 2002 at 7:30 P.M. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at 13360 E. Austin Road, Manchester, MI 48158.

The Bridgewater Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon 5 days' notice to the Bridgewater Township Clerk.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Bridgewater Township Clerk, by writing or calling Karen Weidmayer, 13360 E. Austin Road, Manchester, MI 48158 (734) 428-8641.

MANCHESTER VILLAGE VILLAGE COUNCIL APPROVED PROCEEDINGS
FEBRUARY 18, 2002

President Schaffer called the regular meeting of the Manchester Village Council to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Council members present: Conaway, DuRussel, Dzenegleski, Schaffer, Vaillencourt, and Way. Also present: Manager Wallace, Clerk Schaible, Joan Berry, Don Limpert, Ken Rogge, Dave Petch, Karl Racenis, Marlene Wagner, Sven Gustafson, Dieter Heron-WCSD, George Daubner, Liz Daubner, Mark Palms, Roy Gourley, Duane Vaillencourt, John Hinkley, Ron Fielder.

The minutes of the February 4, 2002 regular meeting were approved.

The proceedings of the February 4, 2002 regular meeting were approved.

The Agenda was approved as amended.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ron Fielder read a statement encouraging the Village Council to justly negotiate the matter of annexation of property for a new high school. Mark Palms, representing the C.R.C. for the Riverfolk Festival, proposed that the Village purchase banner assemblies for the lampposts downtown. They would like to purchase and hang banners advertising the festival.

At this time President Schaffer introduced John Hinkley and Marlene Wagner. The Manchester Community School District has formally requested annexation of 57.8 acres to the Village of Manchester. The Manchester Township Board and the Village Planning Commission have given a favorable opinion to the annexation. Of concern to council is the gravel private drive that runs between M-52 and Gieske Rd. that would serve the proposed school. State funding is being sought to hard surface this drive to make it acceptable as a road. Council approved the annexation, which will be sent on to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners. Council also passed a motion to waive the normal annexation fee and bill the school for only the Village out of pocket costs.

OLD BUSINESS

VILLAGE HALL OPEN HOUSE - Vaillencourt reviewed plans for the March 3rd Open House. Invitations have been sent. The Manchester Area Senior Citizens and the Historical Society have agreed to man the refreshments and provide the bus for wastewater treatment plant tours.

GARBAGE CONTRACT - Council directed Wallace to negotiate with Great Lakes and report at the next meeting.

MANAGER'S CONTRACT - Council passed a motion to approved the Agreement to Employ Village Manager as presented, retroactive to July 1, 2001 with a 3.2 CPI increase until 06/30/2002. The current zoning duties of the manager will remain the same until 06/30/2002 when they will be rolled into the agreement.

NEW BUSINESS

WASHTENAW DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AGREEMENT - Council carried the motion that the annual dues of \$1500 be paid to continue the Village membership to the W. D. C.

PUMP & MOTOR INSTALLATION & REPAIR - Council approved that the 6" pump & motor be installed and repaired by Superior Pump & Valve at the same time as the valve installation at a cost not to exceed \$4,860.

NEW STREET LIGHTS ON HIBBARD - Council approved two Authorizations of Changes from Consumers Energy and the payment of \$400

TETRA-TECH REVIEW BUDGET - Council approved \$6000 agreement for Tetra-Tech to continue to review Wexford site plans. Costs to be reimbursed by Wexford.

ELECTION INSPECTOR WAGES - Council approved that four election inspectors for the March 11, 2002 general election be compensated at \$9 hr with the chairperson at \$9.50 hr.

CORRESPONDENCE

Council acknowledged the following correspondence:

- Letter of application for annexation from Roy Gourley.
- A letter of response from Gary Blades, supervisor of Sharon Township.
- A letter from the State Department of Transportation asking the Village to either take the Furnace Street bridge off the National Bridge Inventory or provide documentation on the progress of replacement.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE - The accounts payable report was reviewed and approved in the total amount of \$23,924.24

TREASURER'S REPORT - Council accepted the report as presented.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted
Julie A. Schaible
Manchester Village Clerk

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Notice is hereby given re: The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Order of Judicial Sale, dated February 28th, 2002 in United States vs. Rick Dren, et al, Civil Case No. 01-72463. Real property located at 847 Eugene, Ypsilanti, Michigan, more particularly described as:

Lot 112, Dianne Acres Subdivision, Libe 14, pages 49 and 50, Washtenaw County Records (Parcel #105-037-000-038-00) will be sold by the U.S. Marshals by way of public bid auction, 200 E. Liberty St., Ann Arbor, Michigan, at 10:00am on April 8th, 2002. The sale shall be subject to building lines if established, all laws, ordinances, regulations and governmental regulations (including building and zoning ordinances), affecting the property, and easements and restrictions appearing of record. If any property shall be offered for sale at a minimum bid of fifty-six thousand dollars (\$56,000). No bids for the property (except as to United States) shall be accepted unless accompanied by a certified check or cash deposit of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000). The remaining balance will be due sixty (60) days following the date of the confirmation of sale. Property shall be sold subject to the local real estate taxes for the tax year 2002, which are payable in 2003, and all subsequent tax years. Sealed bids shall be delivered to: United States Marshals Service, 200 E. Liberty St., Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107. For additional information, please call 313-234-5640.

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ELLS SKI
SES ABUS
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ETON PRETZELS
POLO MAR URS
AGES IDA SPIT

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ACROSS

1 Census data
5 Cretan moun-
tain
8 Skewer
12 Horseback
game
13 Scratch
14 - Major
15 Harrow rival
16 Bar snack
18 Religion of
Japan
20 Mistrats
21 Elvers' elders
23 Tackle moguls
24 Team ViPs
28 Run in neutral
31 Farming (Abbr.)
32 "The 39 -"
34 Author
Fleming
35 Pop singer
Lisa
37 Some noble
realms
39 Larry's pal
41 Costly
42 Superdome
squad
45 Taisman
49 Came before
51 Soap actress
Linda
52 Shrek, for one
53 First lady
54 Cheshire
countenance

Answers To This Week's King Crossword

DOWN

1 "Planet of the -"
2 Barbarian
3 "The Time
Machine" tribe
4 14-line verse
5 Rude
6 Historic org.
7 Vicinity
8 Violin method
9 Garrisoned
fort

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10 Man, for one
11 Cold War
12 news agency
17 TV superstation
19 Afternoon
socials
22 Golf Hall-of-
Famer
24 Western st.
25 Past
26 Opening night
27 Butter knife
29 Felon's flight
30 Type units
33 Bridge coup

Answers To This Week's King Crossword

36 Joined
38 Menial worker
40 Heilene's H
42 Dalmatian's
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