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NEWS BRIEFS

Financial aid workshop set

Manchester High School seniors and parents or guardians are invited to attend a financial aid night at 7 p.m. on Dec. 9 in the high school media center.

Parents will learn the five W's of financial aid: why is there financial aid, who is eligible, where does financial aid come from, and when and how to apply.

Call Jim Fielder at 428-8274 for additional information.

Band schedules holiday concerts

Band Director Jared Throneberry has announced the schedule for all the upcoming holiday band concerts, beginning with the fifth grade concert on Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the middle school gym.

Seventh and eighth-graders will present their concert at 7 p.m. Dec. 5 in the middle school gym and the high school concert will be held Dec. 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school gym.

Toys for tots returns

The Manchester and Brooklyn chapels of Jeter and Braun Funeral Homes will once again sponsor a Toys for Tots program benefiting children in need during the holiday season.

New, unwrapped toys may be dropped off locally at the funeral home or at the Manchester District Library, 912 City Road.

Legion breakfast set

The American Legion Post 117 will hold its monthly all-you-can-eat breakfast from 8 a.m. to noon at the legion hall on Adrian Street. The cost is \$5 for adults, \$2 for children under 10.

The menu includes eggs, biscuits and gravy, pancakes, bacon, sausage, fruit and cold cereal.

Garden friends host workshop

Reservations are required for a workshop to create a holiday green centerpiece at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the community room at the Manchester village hall. The workshop costs \$20 for members, \$25 for non-members. Call 428-1122 to make your reservation as space is limited.

Mike Helton of the Flower Garden will provide greens and decorations. Participants should bring a container.

Manchester's new planners to start early

Motorcycle club held in contempt.

By Michael Rybka
Special Writer

The Manchester Township board agreed to amend its contract with the professional planning firm Carlisle-Wortman after consultant Donald Pennington resigned unexpectedly.

The board had decided last month to go with a fresh planning perspective and a contract was approved for Carlisle-Wortman to be ready for consultation in January. Pennington, who began advising the township in 1993, was expected to stay on for the remainder of the year.

However, in a letter dated Oct. 17, Pennington cited "challenging family circumstances" and said he could no longer provide professional service.

While Pennington stated that he would continue working through November, he did not attend the first planning commission of the month. Trustee Lyle Widmayer, who represents the board on the planning commission, said Pennington had learned through the grapevine that he was to be replaced before he heard it from the township.

The amended contract will allow for Carlisle-Wortman to be available for consultation in time for the planning commission's Nov. 21 meeting.

The board also dealt with other matters.

Supervisor Ron Mann reported that a judge ruled the Night Hawk Motorcycle Club in contempt of an earlier injunction that limited its activities to four, two-day public events a year.

Mann, who was in attendance at the hearing, said the ruling took an odd turn when the Night Hawks'

attorney admitted that he did not inform the club of the contempt injunction.

Mann said the judge ordered the attorney to pay \$250 in fines incurred as well as the township's attorney fees that will total more than \$4,000 and also ordered the club not to hold any events until after a trial was held over other alleged infractions.

While Mann said the case essentially was over, Treasurer Claire Turk did not share his optimism.

Turk said the definition of a "public event" still has not been clearly defined. She wondered whether four, two-day events automatically implied that the two days needed to be in succession.

The board also approved the purchase of a used fire siren for \$6,800.

The price includes the removal of the decades-old siren from the old village hall and wiring connections

to make the newer siren operable under a one-year warranty.

The purchase will be mounted on a 40-foot pole at the north side of the township fire station. Approval was conditioned upon the 40-foot pole not being in violation of any village ordinance.

The township is at a loss as to what to do with the old siren.

The board also voted to amend its zoning ordinance pertaining to residential cluster options.

Clustering works to the advantage of both developers and municipalities by allowing smaller lots to be built upon in high-acreage zoning designations without changing the residential density.

Under the clustering option, houses can be built closer together with the surrounding land preserved as open space in perpetuity by deed restriction.

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Santa Splendor



Santa's arrival in Manchester on Saturday was greeted by hundreds of children and families along the streets of downtown during "Christmas in the Village." Santa visited with young friends at the American Legion Hall and also at Lunch With Santa sponsored by the Manchester High School Key Club (inset)

Photos by Laura Merte and Marsha Johnson Chartrand

SWWCOG moves ahead on regional plan

By Laura Merte
Staff Writer

The regional plan for the Southwest Washtenaw Council of Governments (SWWCOG) is one step closer to becoming a reality.

At the council's most recent meeting on Nov. 13, additions and revisions to the draft regional plan led to a request for a second draft from planner Amy Golke of the Washtenaw County Planning Department.

SWWCOG held public meetings on May 29 and Oct. 9 to introduce the plan to area residents and glean input on the draft. A compilation of the comments was considered at the meeting.

With a few exceptions, it was decided that the majority of the comments be added to the plan's appendix, as an addendum to the visioning session results of October 2001.

"It's helpful to have (the comments) in the appendix because, for most people, the plan and the appendices are the sum of what's been done," SWWCOG Chair Jim Fish said.

For those people who were unable to participate at the public meetings, Fish went on to say, the presence of the comments will reflect the issues that were discussed so that they can see the plan's development process.

A letter from Sharon Township supervisor Gary Blades also was examined by the council while incorporating comments into the draft plan. On behalf of the township's board of trustees, Blades pointed out several inconsistencies and omissions from the plan, most of which were resolved at the meeting.

Sharon Township's board has been the only SWWCOG member board to thoroughly review the draft plan. Fish pointed out. Other council members and attendees agreed that the input of the governing boards for all units represented—Bridgewater, Freedom, Manchester and Sharon Townships, the Village of Manchester and Manchester Community Schools—should be gathered before submitting a final copy of the regional plan for adoption.

It was ultimately decided

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Bridgewater faces busy agenda

Township business keeps board on its toes.

By Nancy Hebb
Special Writer

Almost 20 members of the Stimac family from across Michigan joined Michael and Helen Stimac's old neighbors and friends at the Nov. 20 ceremony dedicating Bridgewater Township's new flag and pole in their memory.

Additional ceremonies followed during the regular township board meeting to swear in newly elected trustee David Faust and the new appointee to the Manchester District Library Board, Carol Schulte.

Schulte replaces Nancy Howard, whose move out of the Bridgewater area necessitated the change. Mary Jane Wahl, township treasurer, also announced that she also would leave the township sometime in the foreseeable future. The procedure for recruiting a replacement treasurer was

one item of business resolved during the meeting's information-packed agenda.

Supervisor Carol Peacock reported that according to Aaron Berkholtz of the Washtenaw County Road Commission, the Environmental Assessment for the Wilbur Road bridge project has been completed and sent on to the Michigan Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration. After their reviews are complete, the road commission has promised to conduct a public hearing at the township hall.

Another road issue, the state of Logan Road following extensive work by the county, elicited public comment. Residents pointed out that, in spite of copious new material being laid, the road already contains major potholes and is deteriorating more than expected each time it rains. Jim Fish questioned whether adequate compacting took place. The

board assigned Faust to follow up on the problem.

Fish also reported as planning committee chair that at its November meeting the commission approved the Sprint Tower site plan on Sheridan Road north of

Allen Road, recognized the Clinton Community School Land Use Plan and discussed options for a Bridgewater hamlet visioning session.

He added that the second

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The Manchester American Legion Post 117 provided a color guard for the flagpole dedication ceremony held at Bridgewater Township Hall last Wednesday.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Nov. 28
Thanksgiving
 No school
Nov. 29
 No School
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.

Dec. 1
American Legion breakfast held from 8 a.m. to noon at the American Legion Hall.

Dec. 2
Middle school boys' basketball at Vandercreek, 4:30 p.m.

Euchre Night at the American Legion, 7 p.m.. All are welcome. Call 428-8120 for information.

Manchester Village Council meets at 7 p.m. at the village hall.

Preceptor Gamma Theta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi. For more information call Diana Sloat at 428-7253.

Masonic Lodge business meeting 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 3
Bootstompers meet at 7 p.m. at Emanuel United Church of Christ.
Story Time with Grandma Pat, 10:30 to 11 a.m. at the Manchester District Library, for children ages 3 to 6, accompanied by an adult.
Manchester Sportsman Club meets at 7p.m. at the club-house, 8501 Grossman Road.
Manchester Band Boosters meet at 7 p.m. in the high school band room.

SCHOOL LUNCH

KLAGER ELEMENTARY MENU
Monday: Spaghetti, garlic bread, salad and fruit
Tuesday: Chix 'n' gravy, mashed potato, roll and fruit.
Wednesday: Papa Joe's pizza, salad, fruit and treat.
Thursday: Hamburger, fries, veggie sticks and fruit.
Friday: Papa Joe's pizza, salad, fruit and treat.

SECONDARY MENU
Monday: Bosco bread sticks with marinara, salad and mixed fruit.
Tuesday: Nacho supreme with cheese, lettuce and tomato and pears.
Wednesday: Ollie's pizza, salad, fruit and pudding.
Thursday: Sloppy Joe, potato, beans and fruit.
Friday: French toast, sausage, potato and fruit.
 Lunches are \$2.25 per day. Milk is served with each meal. Menu subject to change without notice.

Freedom Township Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. at Freedom Township Hall.
Winter concert 5th grade
Dec. 4
Middle school boys' basketball vs. East Jackson at home, 4:30 p.m.
Awana Clubs meet at 6:30 p.m. Community Bible Church.

Manchester Community Brass Band meets at 7:30 p.m.
Story Time with Grandma Pat, 10:30 to 11 a.m. at the Manchester District Library, for children ages 3 to 6, accompanied by an adult.
Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners meets at 7 p.m. at the County Administration Building.
Raisin Valley Land Trust meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Blacksmith Shop.
Veterans of Foreign Wars meets at 7:30 p.m. at the American Legion Home.
Washtenaw Association of Retired School Personnel 11 a.m. at Weber's Inn, Ann Arbor

COMING EVENTS
Winter concert 7/8 grade Dec. 5
Dec. 13 Festival of Trees at Village Hall
Thursday
Manchester Village Parks Commission meets at 7:15 p.m. on the first Thursday of each

month at the village hall.
GETTING LISTED
 If you would like to have your group or organization's event listed in the Community

OBITUARIES

PAUL A. KEMNER
 Paul A. Kemner, age 89 of Manchester, died on Nov. 22, 2002.
 He was born Feb. 19, 1913 in Sharon Hollow, the son of Gerhard Heinrich Frederick H. and Amelia Emma (Wollpert) Kemner. He married Helen A. Henewald on Sept. 20, 1947 and she preceded him in death on Nov. 28, 2000.

Surviving are their children, David (Eloise) and John (Colleen); four grandchildren, Bradley, Christopher, Matthew and Maddison; sisters Esther Grossman and Dorothy Moore; sisters-in-law Marie Gaff, Ella, Helene and Irene; and caregiver Sharon Domengoni, all of Manchester.

He was preceded in death by brothers Lewis, Walter, Lawrence, Herbert, Ernest, Bernard and Frederick and sister Mabel Leeman.
 Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday at Emanuel United Church of Christ in Manchester. Memorial Contributions may be given to the church or to the Manchester

Calendar, call The Manchester Enterprise at 428-8173, fax your copy to 428-9044 or mail to The Manchester Enterprise, 109 East Main Street, Manchester, MI 48158. Calendar events may

also be submitted by e-mail to mchartrand@heritage.com. Deadline to have items listed in the Community Calendar is 5 p.m. Friday for the following Thursday's paper.

Community School Foundation. Arrangements handled by the Jenter & Braun Funeral Home, Manchester Chapel. See the guest book at www.jenterbraun.com.

MARY E. WALTER
 Mary Walter, age 79, formerly of Manchester, died on Nov. 24, 2002 in Belding. She was born Jan. 26, 1923 in Lyndon Township, the daughter of Oscar and Alice (Hankard) Ulrich.

She married Donald A. Walter on Nov. 9, 1940 and he preceded her in death.

Surviving are their children, Ronald (Carol); James (Jo), Robert (Denise), Donald (Erin), Susan (Mike) Shinabarger, Sharon Weidmayer and Kathryn (Roy) Weidmayer; 19 grandchild-

dren; eight great-grandchildren; a brother, Emmet Ulrich; sister, Dorothy Cogger and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; an infant daughter Mary Ann; brothers Paul and Ken Ulrich and sisters Helen Young and Alice Hickey; grandson Donald A. Weidmayer and granddaughter Amanda L. Walter.

A memorial mass will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Manchester. Memorial contributions may be given to Hospice of Michigan or the Alzheimer's Foundation. Arrangements entrusted to the Jenter & Braun Funeral Home, Manchester Chapel. Please sign the guest book at www.jenterbraun.com.

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Absentee ballots cause election day inconvenience

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

Manchester-area townships and those across Washtenaw County probably spent more on the Nov. 5 election than they had anticipated.

That's because extra poll workers were needed to duplicate every absentee ballot after doubts were cast as to whether they would scan properly.

Local township clerks have not yet determined how much the extra time and work will end up costing taxpayers.

Factors include the number of absentee ballots that were duplicated, what each

township pays its poll workers and the number of salaried personnel on duty Election Day.

Estimates averaged in the area of \$1.50 per ballot across the county.

Washtenaw County Election Administrator Melanie Wiedmayer said the problem stems from having the ballots printed by a different company than in the past two years. Doubleday used the lightest weight of paper allowable, she said.

Wiedmayer said the thick, printed bars on the ballot used for demarcation did not line up front side to back side as they should have and caused the ballot to bleed

into the front.

Furthermore, the ballots were printed digitally rather than by offside printing and certain voting machines were not sensitive enough to adapt to the change from ink to toner, she said.

Wiedmayer said that random testing of voting machines countywide showed that 18 percent of them were unable to scan the ballots properly.

She added that in light of the 2002 Florida election and the related mishaps, the number was high enough for the county to insist that every absentee ballot be copied.

The county has agreed not to charge the municipalities for programming each voting machine's memory card, but it had never charged for the service in the past anyway.

Electioneers who copied the ballots were a mixture of declared Republicans and Democrats as required by law. More than a dozen steps and two different oaths were taken to ensure that a voter's privacy was maintained. Local clerks had mixed reactions to the snafu, but credited County Clerk Peggy Haines and her staff, particularly Wiedmayer, with being available to help.

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clerk Kathy Hakes said that she needed to get four additional election workers on short notice.

"It was trouble in that extra work needed to be done, in the already-busy final week before the election," she said. "As far as the cost, I haven't come up with a total amount yet."

Hakes said that between precincts 1 and 2, Manchester Township had a total of 316 absentee ballots cast.

"The workers started at 11 a.m. on Election Day and finished at 1:30 a.m.," she said. "About 13 hours of that time was involved in duplicating and counting the ballots."

Bridgewater Township clerk Karen Weidmayer reported at last week's meeting that three pairs of election workers, each containing a Democrat and a Republican, spent long hours counting the problem ballots.

No figures were reported on the number of absentee ballots counted in Bridgewater or Sharon Townships.

Sara Bassett, the newly-appointed Freedom Township Clerk, said the county did the right thing to

ensure the integrity of the election, but that since Freedom only had 61 absentee ballots, the impact was much less than it was on the larger townships.

"It turned out that we were not required to have an absent voter count board which would have been much more expensive," she said. "Knowing that the ballots would have to be duplicated, we did have eight extra workers after the polls closed."

The added workers spent an extra two hours after the close of the election tallying all the absentee ballots. Bassett estimated the extra cost at about \$160, plus additional work for herself as clerk to get the training.

"We were fortunate that nothing went wrong," she said. "I was pleased that I was home by 1:30 a.m."

Special Writer Michael Rybka also contributed to this article.

Help wildlife survive winter's chill

There are two basic strategies that wildlife use to survive the harsh winter months of Michigan. Highly mobile species, like birds and butterflies, can leave the harsh conditions behind and migrate to where it is warmer and food is more abundant. If migration is not an option, the species will stay in the same place and make adjustments in its physiology or surroundings in order to survive the winter.

Some animals choose to sleep during the winter. If the sleep is deep, and the animal's temperature drops to just above freezing, it is a true hibernator.

Some bats, snakes, and groundhogs fit this category. However, if the sleep is less deep, the animal will frequently wake to eat, and the body temperature will not drop more than a few degrees. This indicates a species that is not a true hibernator. Bears found in North America and gray squirrels fall into this category.

Whether or not resident wildlife are "winter sleepers," they must prepare physically for stressful winter months. Most wildlife will use a nest, den, burrow or cave that is not likely to have an air temperature below freezing to help save energy. These safe havens must be found or built before winter arrives. Mammals and birds also will change their body covering (fur or feathers) to make it warmer and more weatherproof.

Winter survival requires a lot of energy, whether for migration or sleep. To prepare for this, many species of wildlife will store food either as fat, like migrating birds, bears, bats or deer. Other wildlife will prepare caches of food. Chipmunks, squirrels, and beavers are examples.

Food is a critical resource as it is converted to energy and is crucial in maintaining body temperature.

You can help over-wintering wildlife by providing native plants that bear food in fall and winter. Good plant selections include those that are late fruiting, late blooming, and fall seeding. For birds, you can supplement natural foods with high fat bird peanuts such as sunflower seed, peanuts, and even mealworms.

Create brush piles, hibernacula and other shelters. Providing shelter from the elements and predators can help many species survive the winter. Rabbits, songbirds and other species often will utilize properly constructed brush piles. Snakes, toads, and other amphibians and reptiles can often benefit from the creation of hibernacula, a strategically designed and placed stone or log pile.

Avoid disturbing hibernating animals. Waking them may cause starvation later in the winter due to energy used to raise body temperature and wake.

Provide a water source year around. A simple bird bath or dish with a thermo-

statically controlled heater can help birds and other wildlife save energy, by providing water closer to the animal's body temperature.

Make a windbreak by planting native evergreens of all sizes-groundcover, shrubs and trees. While it is too late now to plant a windbreak, you can plan now for the future, and start planting next spring. Windbreaks can provide energy saving benefits to people as well. Both people and wildlife benefit from planting windbreaks.

Plant warm-season prairie grass. Unlike most common cool-season field grasses, prairie grasses (called warm-season because their growth occurs during the hot mid-summer months) remain rigid and tall throughout

winter. They provide excellent winter habitat for pheasants and many other grassland species by providing protection from the elements and predators.

Refrain from mowing meadows until just before spring thaw to provide protective cover areas as long as possible for over-wintering wildlife.

For more information or advice on providing wildlife food and cover, tree and shrub species to plant for wildlife, and other ways to help wildlife survive winter, contact Forester-Wildlife Biologist Andy Henriksen, at the Washtenaw County Conservation District. Call 734-761-6721, ext. 5.

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7:00 p.m.
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Arrival of Santa Claus
8:00 p.m.
Santa's Village at Lucky Buck's Cafe
Photos with Santa, Mrs. Claus & Elves
Stockings Stuffed w/ Goodies
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At Busch's Shopping Plaza
Photos with Santa, Mrs. Claus, Elves
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Klager hosts Math & Science night

■ Fun learning experience relies on local parent presenters.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

"The most wonderful, unique feature about this year's Math and Science Night is that every presenter was a mom or dad from our school district," said an enthusiastic Title I Coordinator Pat Rohrer of the fourth annual event.

"Each one volunteered to share their expertise with our students."

Another great turnout with more than 400 people in attendance gave parents and Klager Elementary School pupils alike an opportunity to participate in a fun learning experience.

Radar engineer Brian Fischer presented a hands-on explanation of how radar works with power point presentations showing animals that use radar, such as bats and dolphins, and a B-2 bomber in flight.

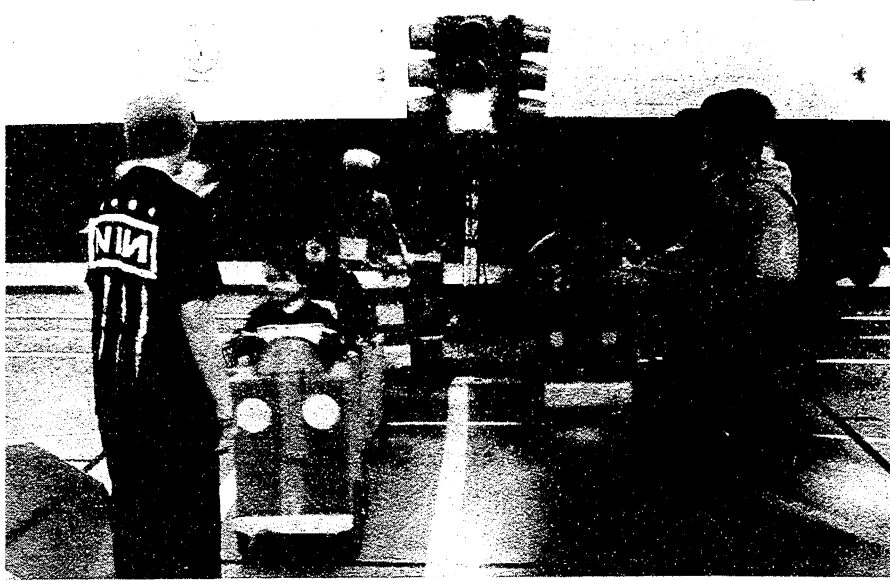
Fischer served on active duty in the Air Force for nine years and now is a member of the Air Force Reserves. He currently is employed by the Veridian Co., which worked on the B-2 stealth bomber.

Industrial design illustrator David Allen explained the "golden proportion" and set up centers for the children to observe and discover this phenomenon in art and nature.

Bill Wagner, also using a power point presentation, gave the specifics of game development and the making of computer software.

Veterinarian Dr. Doreen Cawley-Haist had a popular station showing the instruments of her trade and x-rays of animals.

The Klager gym was transformed into a driving school



One of the highlights of Math and Science Night at Klager Elementary School was the traffic center located in the gym. Students learned to follow road signs and earned a "driver's license" as they navigated through the course.

complete with a driving course. Students learned all about traffic signs, how they are made and how they are used. They were then issued a driver's license and drove a course following real traffic signs and a real traffic light.

"Dr. Tom and Nancy Greenleaf-Gibson along with their friends Vicki and Ben Holland put in hours of work creating six display boards and 11 vehicles," Rohrer said.

Both Nancy Greenleaf-Gibson and Vicki Holland are traffic engineers. Holland currently works for the Wayne County Road Commission and Greenleaf-Gibson left the City of Ann Arbor to become a full time mother.

The Carrier and Gable Co. loaned the school a real four-way stop light for a week to display in the lobby and to be used on the road course set up by the traffic engineers.

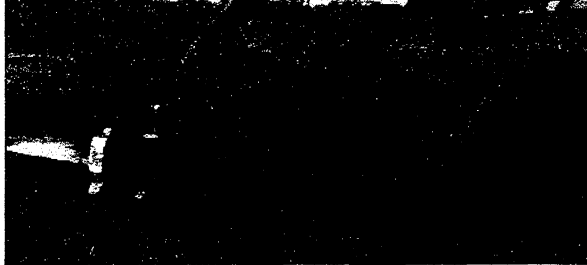
AAA and 3M donated hand-outs for the traffic centers.

Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, along with 15 adult volunteers, helped the evening run smoothly.

Rohrer thanks all of the parents who presented, volunteers, scouts and all who helped in any way to introduce Klager families to the fun side of math and science.

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This week's review from Kerry and Veronica at the DVD Revolution is for Reign Of Fire.

"She Says ..."

Veronica gives the movie an eight out of 10 rating. "This is actually a pretty good movie," she says. "It takes place 20 years from now and has a 'Mad Max' atmosphere throughout the

first part of the movie. "Though the story is somewhat implausible, what can you expect since it is about dragons? The scenery and graphics are flawless!"

"He Says ..."

Kerry, too, rates Reign of Fire an eight out of 10.

"I like this movie but it could have elaborated on the development of the dragons' history," he says.

"That would have made the movie better."

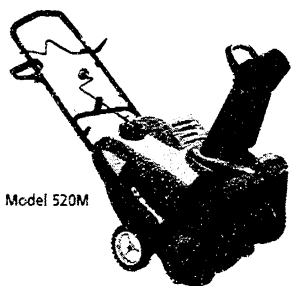
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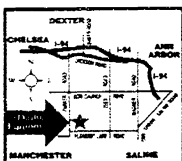
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2002 Holiday Recipe Corrections



Five Cup Salad

By Patsy Kemner

- One cup sour cream
 - One cup Mandarin oranges, well drained
 - One cup shredded coconut
 - One cup crushed pineapple, well drained
 - One cup miniature marshmallows
- Mix all ingredients together and chill several hours. May be doubled.

Spiced Sweet-Potato Cake with Brown Sugar Icing

By Janice Fischer

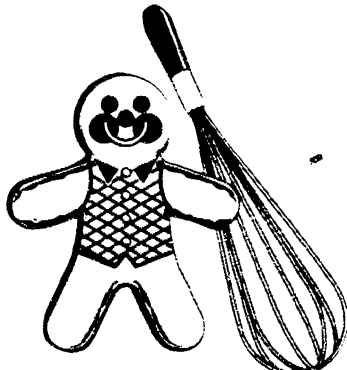
- CAKE:**
- 4 - 8 ounce red-skinned sweet potatoes (yams)
 - Nonstick vegetable oil spray
 - 2-3/4 cup flour
 - 2 tsp. Ground cinnamon
 - 1-1/4 tsp. Ground ginger
 - 1 tsp baking powder
 - 1 tsp baking soda
 - 1/2 tsp salt
 - 2 cups sugar
 - 1 cup vegetable oil
 - 4 large eggs
 - 1 tsp vanilla extract
- ICING:**
- 1 cup powdered sugar
 - 3/4 cup dark brown sugar (packed)
 - 1/2 cup whipping cream
 - 1/4 cup unsalted butter (1/2 stick)
 - 1/4 tsp vanilla extract

FOR CAKE: Pierce sweet potatoes w/fork. Microwave on high until very tender, about 8 minutes per side. Cool, peel and mash sweet potatoes.

Position rack in center of oven; preheat to 325 degrees F. Spray 12-cup Bundt pan with nonstick spray, then generously flour pan. Sift flour, cinnamon, ginger, baking powder, baking soda and salt into medium bowl. Measure enough mashed sweet potatoes to equal 2 cups. Transfer to large bowl. Add sugar and oil to sweet potatoes; using electric mixer, beat until smooth. Add eggs 2 at a time, beating well after each addition. Add flour mixture; beat just until blended. Beat in vanilla. Transfer batter to prepared pan.

Bake cake until tester inserted near center comes out clean, about 1 hour 5 minutes. Cool cake in pan on rack 15 minutes. Using small knife, cut around cake. Turn out onto rack; cool completely.

FOR ICING: Sift powder sugar into medium bowl. Stir brown sugar, whipping cream and butter in medium saucepan over medium-low heat until butter melts and sugar dissolves. Increase heat to medium-high and bring to a boil. Boil 3 minutes, occasionally stirring and swirling pan. Remove from heat and stir in vanilla. Pour brown sugar mixture over powdered sugar. Whisk icing until smooth and lightened in color, about 1 minute. Cool icing until lukewarm and icing falls in heavy ribbon from spoon, whisking often, about 15 minutes. Spoon icing thickly over top of cake, allowing icing to drip down sides of cake. Let stand until icing is firm, at least 1 hour. (Can be prepared 1 day ahead. Cover with cake dome and let stand at room temperature.)



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Raspberry Amaretto Cheesecake

By Debbie Hubbard

- Crust:**
- 1-1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
 - 6 Tablespoons melted butter
 - 1/4 cup sugar
- Filling:**
- 24 ounces cream cheese, softened
 - 3/4 cup sugar
 - 5 teaspoons cornstarch
 - 1/4 cup sour cream
 - 4 eggs
 - 1 egg yolk
 - 1/2 cup amaretto
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 1 teaspoon almond extract
 - 1 cup frozen raspberries, thawed, well drained and patted dry with paper towel, or 1 cup fresh raspberries, washed and dried.

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Mix together all the crust ingredients with a fork until moistened. Spread the mixture evenly in the bottom of a 9-inch springform pan. Using your fingertips or the flat bottom of a drinking glass, firmly press the mixture over the bottom of the pan. Bake until the crust is lightly browned and firm to the touch, 10 to 15 minutes. Cool it on a wire rack.

Meanwhile, combine the cream cheese, sugar and cornstarch. Add the sour cream and beat until smooth. Add the eggs and egg yolk, one at a time. Do not overbeat. Add the amaretto, vanilla and almond extract. Fold in the raspberries carefully. Pour the mixture over the cooled crust.

Bake 15 minutes at 350 degrees. Reduce the oven temperature to 225 degrees and continue baking about 1 hour and 10 minutes or until the center no longer looks wet or shiny. Turn off the oven and remove the cake. Run a knife about the inside edge of the pan. Place the cheesecake back in the oven and let it set until cool, about 2 hours. Remove it from the pan and refrigerate overnight before serving.

16 servings.

Tammy's Pumpkin Cake

By Tammy Feldkamp/Seid

- 1 Box of Duncan Hines Yellow Cake Mix
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 3 eggs
- 2 (11 oz.) cans of Libby pumpkin
- 2/3 cups evaporated milk
- 3/4 cup butter, softened
- 1-1/2 teaspoon vanilla

PREHEATED OVEN: 350 degrees. In large pyrex mixing bowl, pour in cake mix, reserving 1/4 cup of cake mix for your topping. Set 1/4 cup aside.

Add to cake mix, 3/4 cups butter, 2/3 cup evaporated milk, 3 eggs, 2 cans pumpkin, 1 cup sugar, 1 tsp. Cinnamon, and 1-1/2 tsp. Vanilla. Mix all these ingredients in bowl, use a spatula to spread evenly into greased 13 x 9 Pyrex baking dish.

TOPPING:

- 1/4 cup of your cake mix
- 1/4 cup of sugar
- 1 tsp. Cinnamon
- 4 Tablespoons of softened butter

Sprinkle crumbled consistency topping over cake in 13 x 9 dish. Place in a preheated oven of 350 degrees for thirty minutes, then turn oven up to 400 degrees for 5-7 minutes, degrees. Watch closely these last five to seven minutes.

Check with toothpick in middle of your cake before removing!

This smells so good throughout your home.

The ENTERPRISE COMMENTARY

Street Talk

By Laura Merte

What are you going to ask Santa Claus to bring you for Christmas?



"New sunglasses." Victoria St. Charles



"A blue balloon." Lily St. Charles



"Captain Hook and the crocodile toys." Noah Steele



"A cinderella watch." Melanie Molotky



"A steamroller." Evan Molotky



"Tools." Erik Molotky

Plant consolidation causes ripples

When a business shuts down all or part of its operation, the first thing people think about is those who might be losing their jobs.

I heard last week that Michigan's jobless rate is the lowest it has been in more than a year. An interesting irony, given the situation where up to 90 jobs in this community could be lost within the next two months.

It's déjà vu all over again ... after working there for 15 years, my husband lost his job when the Manchester business Double A Products closed in December, 1987. I was a stay-at-home mom, pregnant with our fourth child. He was lucky to find a job right away and make a seamless transition, plus we had fairly generous severance pay to fall back on.

A year later, Vickers, the company that succeeded Double A Products, called him back to work—only, however, to shut down two and a half years later.

This time, the job search was a little tougher and the severance pay a little slimmer. He was off work for six months.

For three of those months we tightened our belts as we paid our own insurance for a family of six; we got



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income mainly from his ability to "consult" with his former employer and in a co-worker's private company. Many weeks it was only an unemployment check.

For his birthday the next year, he got the job he asked for. Over the years, there have been ups and downs; he now says it was the best job and the worst job he ever had.

Perhaps the "worst" part came this past July 30 when, without warning, he was served his notice. In a couple of hours he had cleaned out his desk and that job was in the past. It's been more than three months, and he's still looking. The problem is, he's also 10 years older than he was last time. And we thought it was bad job-hunting in his 40s.

I've gone through some transitions in my nine years at the Enterprise, too. With two sales of the newspaper

in less than three years, there always was uncertainty, at least in my mind, whether I'd have a job the day after the sale was completed. One time I did. Another time I didn't.

There is a lot of uncertainty in those months of waiting to see whether or not there is a pot of gold at the end of the proverbial rainbow ... or a pile of you-know-what. It's stressful, it's depressing and you think about it constantly. You can't help it.

Sometimes I think the way it happened to my husband is almost better. You don't have time to brood about it; it's simply done.

So I understand the predicament in which the employees of Uniloy Milacron find themselves. Losing your job stinks. Losing your income is devastating. The prospect of losing all those things your income pays for—your home, your car, your children's college education—is very scary.

Not all of the people—but not all—who are affected by the consolidation at Uniloy have been offered the opportunity for a position in the new Batavia, Ohio location. A position, perhaps, but can you be offered security? How do you know

it won't happen again?

For that matter, the 220 employees who will retain their jobs in the part of the business that remains in Manchester, also may wonder what the future holds. Will more of the business eventually leave? How will that affect them; how will it affect this community?

I can guarantee that many in the community, other than Uniloy employees, also are asking themselves the same questions.

A lot of business goes through the community as a result of a large business like Uniloy-Milacron. It is said that each payroll dollar turns over several times in the community as a result of such jobs. Barber shops and hair salons, hardware stores and gift shops, local eateries and gas stations all benefit from the industrial plants, even if none of the employees live here.

But in this case, among the people who are at risk of losing their jobs are our friends and neighbors. It's not easy to watch this happen all over again.

I have talked to several Uniloy-Milacron employees over the past few weeks. Most seem to feel like they're in some kind of weird purgatory and they

have no idea of the outcome. Will they end up in heaven, or somewhere else? "We're in a situation where there may be some ramifications if we say too much," one employee told me.

No one wants to risk the severance package that is being offered by management, by speaking on the record. But there is bitterness out there.

Union negotiations were under way at the time employees were notified of the consolidation. Many believe this is among the reasons behind the plant closing. Management insists it isn't so. Of course, they have to say that. Probably no one knows for sure.

One thing we know is that things have never been the same since Sept. 11, 2001. They never will be again.

There are no guarantees in life. We can go through our days thinking that things will never change, but they always do. We don't know what those changes will be. We hope for the best; we try to think positively; and when the worst happens, we try to look on the bright side.

For me, it's the fact that despite it all, I'm still here.

'Tis the season to be greedy?

Admit it, there's something you'd really like Santa (or his local helpers) to place under the tree, in a stocking, or on your self.

If you're under that uncertain age at which the world expects sensibility to replace self-centeredness, you're allowed to advance toward December with obvious bright-eyed anticipation. The rest of us, however, must show our maturity by hiding any material hopefulness we harbor.

The all-consuming excitement over a bike, doll or some other childhood gift is easily remembered, but not likely to be duplicated in adulthood. Instead, giving rather than getting generates the thrill.

Lucky are the families blessed with generational rejuvenation, where little ones appear on the scene every few years, allowing parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and older siblings or cousins to vicariously experience the awe. Giving is always good, and more appreciated as maturity advances. But nobody



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turns a simple present into a major cause for joy better than a child, and we're fortunate to witness it.

Sure, the whole season is too commercialized. Some kids expect way too much. We're a spoiled nation, after all. When giving becomes something other than an expression of what the holidays are all about, something's lost.

My sugarplum dreams tend to consist of what I would give if only wishes were winning lottery tickets. Regretting my inability to send parents on a cruise or fund my brother's house remodeling, I try to think of inexpensive expressions of how special certain people

are in my life.

Last Thursday evening, I stopped in Manchester Collision to take some pictures of Chris Fegan and her girls, Taylor and Rachel, painting Santa's house.

The deadline for Christmas in the Village loomed. Ron Milkey of Premier Contracting was consulting with the collision crew about how to best place an axle under the massive weight of the beautiful structure that would protect Santa on his visits to hear the wishes of Manchester's little ones.

As the bad weather called out the collision staff to various accidents, the Fegans and Milkey kept working, putting know-how and elbow grease into a gift for the whole community.

Suddenly it was clear. The gifts you can wrap are, like the gingerbread detail Milkey added to turn Santa's house into a wonderland castle, simply festive ornamentation added to the firm structure under it all: the true bulk and

import of the season.

I still recall exact phrases from some of the letters local kids wrote to Santa last year. And, believe me, they don't really refer to anything you can buy in a store.

"I want tools so I can work with my dad."

"Please give my presents to the children in Afghanistan."

"I want all the children of the world to have good food."

"Please remember to visit my Nanna and Poppa."

As we celebrate Thanksgiving and head toward the racing frenzy of giving, let's put aside our guilt to enjoy sharing our time, talent and even some brightly wrapped packages with the world.

In spite of all the commer-

cialization and bah-hum-bugging of cynics, I see more giving than greed around me. It's there under the tinsel and bows, the champagne and candy. It's hammers and nails and sparks flying as metal is cut to fit an axle; it's paintbrushes in the hands of two little ladies who want to give something to Santa, it's in the patience of their mother as a few drips are wiped up.

It's embodied in a homemade birdhouse or a trip across country to be with relatives. It's the hope that a request for peace, either in prayer or a child's letter to Santa, will mean something.

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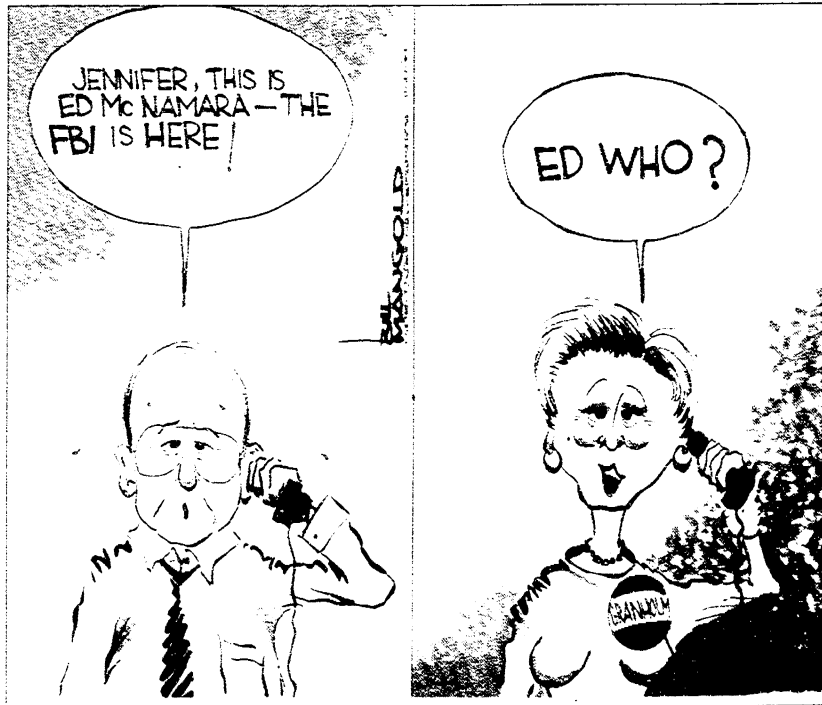
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Multiculturalism is an intentional lifestyle choice

■ Cultural heritage is important, some say.

By Lisa Carolin
Heritage Newspapers

How important is it to teach children about their cultural heritage?
It's very important, according to Frances Kai-Hwa Wang, a contributing editor to Asian-American Village Online. She gave a lecture Nov. 7 at the University of Michigan's Children Center in Ann Arbor.
Wang is second generation Chinese and was born in Los Angeles in 1966 after her parents had immigrated to

the United States from China in 1964. She describes her upbringing as a contrast in cultures.
"There was a clear split between home and school," she said. "I was the only Chinese person at my school. Kids thought that I was nice, quiet and shy, but my parents said that I was too talkative and too Americanized."
Wang played with blonde Barbie dolls and watched actress Farrah Fawcett on television, thinking one had to be blonde to be beautiful. She was 12 years old when she first found out there was a Chinese New Year.
Wang, who has been mar-

ried 11 years and has three children, decided that she didn't want her own children to be raised as a minority.
"My kids don't know that they are part of a minority," said Wang, who lives in Ann Arbor. "They think it's normal to speak more than one language because they've learned to speak Chinese, as well as English."
Wang has worked on three main goals for her children:
•Give them firm grounding in their cultural heritage.
•Help them to develop a strong sense of identity and self-esteem by teaching them about their people's culture and history in

America so they know that they have a place in America. Also, surround them with positive self-images so that they know that they are normal and beautiful.
•Extend that understanding and compassion to people of other cultures.
Wang said she is deeply motivated by "a need to be normal." To accomplish this feeling for her children, she has exposed them to the language, food, culture and friends from China.
Wang buys her children Chinese books, videos, and dolls, and exposes them to Asian trends such as Hello Kitty and Pokemon, as well as Asian role models, including Michelle Kwan and Tiger Woods.
"I look at every meal as a cultural opportunity," Wang said. "Instead of making a trip to McDonald's a treat, we make a special Asian meal the treat."
"I also like to educate my children's peers at school by giving presentations about festivals and encouraging a multicultural curriculum."

One of the biggest challenges is stereotype-proofing children. Wang suggests talking about race in general terms such as skin color and hair texture. She also stresses teaching children to deconstruct stereotypes and to speak up about it.
Wang said children can make racist remarks as early as preschool, but that third grade is more often the time when children come to understand race. Wang recommends preparing children and teaching them the words to say so that they will be ready. She also said that it's very important that they tell an adult.
"A parent needs to take action when a child tells them about a racist comment," she said. "They need to see that you are taking their side. If we say nothing,

our silence gives our assent."
Wang suggests getting teachers, principals and school boards involved as needed. A healthy school environment is an integral part of helping a child to feel comfortable with his or her identity, she said.
"Multicultural living is a lifestyle choice of how we want to live our lives and how we want to raise our children," she said. "It's a way of thinking about our choices and our compromises with an eye to culture and ethnic identity."
"It is something that we incorporate into everything that we do every day."

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Teaching the American melting pot

As the Caucasian parent of an adopted Korean son, I have grappled with the issue of how much Korean culture to share with him.
If you adopt a child from another country and make him or her an American citizen, then why teach the child about a culture that is no longer a part of his or her daily life?

Frances Kai-Hwa Wang, a writer and educator on multiculturalism, says giving children a strong sense of their cultural heritage is important for their self-esteem and identity.

Does a child who has dark skin or different shaped eyes need that sense of their cultural heritage more than any other child?

I think that it comes down to the individual family and child. If it's important to you, then you will probably instill it in your child.

The last thing I want to do is force-feed my son something that he doesn't want to hear about or isn't ready to hear about, at least at this point in his life. When anything in the piano lessons to Sunday school is forced on someone, the outcome is rarely the desired one.

Should the schools teach multiculturalism? I don't know that there has to be a subject with that name, but within the context of world cultures, history and literature, it would be enriching for everybody to learn about everybody else.

If children want to talk about their heritage—be it Asian, African or European—whether they are second generation or 10th gener-



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MARCHING TO A DIFFERENT BEAT

ation or have an unusual name or a different look, learning about heritage teaches us about differences. And, more importantly, it teaches us about the commonalities that bind us.

For those people who just want to call themselves Americans, and don't care to dwell on their heritage, so be it.

Isn't that what America is all about—the freedom to be whoever and whatever you choose?

It has been suggested to me a number of times that I should not have put my ethnic-looking son in a homogeneous school system. My response to that is that if people from ethnic minorities don't enter the so-called homogeneous school systems, those systems will stay homogeneous.

It's the only way children will get the exposure that is

part of what living in a melting pot is all about.

I hope that my idealism serves my son well, and that he and other minority children enjoy the respect and dignity that every individual deserves.

Education and exposure give individuals the opportunity to be proud of who they are while marching to a different beat.

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Answering machines and voice mail systems are an often frustrating but useful part of today's world. There are times when you just want to talk to a real person, not listen to a recording of options and push buttons for eternity, only to get a message saying "all operators are currently busy; please call back at another time."

On the other hand, it is comforting to know that there is a way for people to leave a message when you are unable to answer the telephone.

I have heard answering machine greetings from all ends of the spectrum, from the basic "The Smiths aren't home. Please leave a message after the beep!" to detailed messages updated daily: "This is Joe Smith, I am out of town on business today and will be back next Friday. I can be reached on my cell phone by calling 555-1234. If you are calling about the car for sale, the price is \$5,999 firm. If this is Mom, I left the library books by the back door, please return them by Tuesday."

To protect their privacy,



Laura Merte

WIDE AWAKE

many people use messages such as "You've reached 555-1234; please leave a message and we'll get back to you."

For a bit of variety, here are some answering machine messages gleaned from the internet guaranteed to amuse friends and family:

"You have reached the number you have dialed. Please leave a message after the beep."

"Hi. Now you say something."

"Hi, I'm not home right now but my answering machine is, so you can talk to it instead. Wait for the beep."

"Hi! John's answering machine is broken. This is his refrigerator. Please speak very slowly, and I'll stick your message to myself with one

these magnets."

"Please leave a message. However, you have the right to remain silent. Everything you say will be recorded and will be used by us."

"Hi. I'm probably home; I'm just avoiding someone I don't like. Leave me a message, and if I don't call back, it's you."

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"Hello, I'm home right now but cannot find the phone. Please leave a message and I will call you up as soon as I find it."

"This is you-know-who. We are you-know-where. Leave your you-know-what you-know-when."

"These words are lovely dark and deep / But I've got promises to keep / And miles

to go before I sleep / So leave a message at the beep."

*** Today: Thanksgiving. No senior luncheon.

Saturday: 8 a.m. pickup for a trip to Motor City Casino.

Monday: Bus is on request for pickup to Ann Arbor for shopping at K-Mart and Dollar Tree.

Tuesday: A hearty noon lunch will be pork chops and dressing.

Next Thursday: Seniors with December birthdays, join your peers for a special birthday dinner of baked chicken at noon.

To request bus pick-up for the many excursions, call Tootie Armentrout at 428-7615.

Most activities are held in the senior rooms at the village hall, unless otherwise specified. Lunches on Tuesday and Thursday are held in the dining hall at Emanuel UCC, and are a bargain at \$3.50 for senior citizens and \$4 for non-seniors. Please call ahead of time, 428-7630, so the meals can be planned accordingly.

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It will be some time before your toddler can completely dress herself, but there are many ways

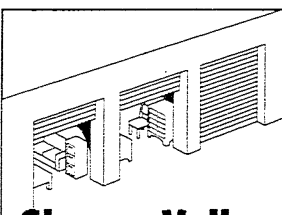
she can help you dress her. Try some of these learning experiences and games and create some of your own!

Name the body part: Show your child an item of clothing and ask her where she will wear it. Be playful. "Should we put your pants on your head?" As she pulls on her pants, you might say, "now the pants are over your feet; now your knees. Now the pants are all the way up, around your tummy!"

Baby doll dressing and washing: Your toddler has begun to enjoy pretend play. You can help her improve her own dressing skills by providing dolls and clothes. Show her where the clothes go on the doll and how to put them on and take them off. Encourage her to try.

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BRIDEWATER

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draft of the Southwest Washtenaw Council of Governments regional master plan should be available for distribution on Dec. 2. Commission and township board members will receive a copy for review.

Chip Tokar from Stansley Mineral Resources reported that phase one of the Bartlett Road upgrade was concluded and annual inspection of the gravel mining operation occurred Oct. 21. Glen Burkhardt of Tetra Tech MPS found no obvious problems during his review of the properties. The pollution prevention report noted only several points of concern, primarily dealing with petroleum product in secondary containment facilities, which Tokar said that Stansley has since addressed.

A depth survey of the pit's lake occurs several times per year. Tokar prepared a map of the lake with depths and contours and included company emergency numbers and access routes. The map, distributed to both the township and to emergency services, could prove crucial if local law enforcement or rescue personnel conducted an underwater recovery.

Peacock reported that the board has conducted special meetings to work on locating and negotiating the purchase of land for the Bridgewater hamlet mechanical sewer system. As it has regularly, the board went into private session following this meeting to further discuss the process.

The special sewer assessment on this year's December tax bills, Peacock explained, does not include any interest added.

"It will be the same amount as last year," she said. "The board decided that since the process is taking longer than anticipated and no bonds have been issued (so we haven't had to pay any interest), we shouldn't charge interest."

In the assessment schedule distributed to residents in the sewer district, both principal and interest appeared after the first year.

"There are only a few individuals who prepaid their assessment," Peacock said. "Those people will receive refunds for this year's interest amount."

Also concerning the hamlet of Bridgewater, ideas for a visioning session to encourage greater input from both residents and business owners were discussed. Plans for a session involving the township's planner, Birchler, Arroyo & Associates, the Planning Commission and residents will be presented at the Dec. 18 Township Board meeting. Fish anticipates participation of Mike Score, MSU County Extension Agent, as a facilitator.

Ron Finkbeiner's appeal for reduction of fees associated with a rezoning request in the hamlet elicited extensive consideration, but has been tabled at several meetings in past months. In researching the fees charged by other townships and municipalities, board members found the amount dictated by the new Bridgewater fee schedule to be excessive.

"We've never had a rezoning request to process, so we don't have that track record to guide us," Peacock explained. "I believe we should reduce both the stated nonrefundable fee and the escrow amount required."

A resolution passed by roll call vote to amend the fee schedule for rezoning/map changes for commercial, subdivisions or condominiums. The newly adopted fees include a \$1,000 nonrefundable fee, with the escrow reduced to \$3,000.

Peacock reported that she addressed the Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce

at its November meeting, talking about the state and concerns of Bridgewater Township. The chamber invited the township to become a member.

"The Village is a member, and the Schools are a member," Peacock said.

Trustee Doug Parr said he would like to see the chamber's by-laws before voting on whether or not to join.

The board agreed to continue a contract with Birchler, Arroyo, the township's planner, on an hourly or as needed basis. Parr pointed out that this was the way most other contracts with the township were constructed, rather than keeping a firm on retainer.

The township's ongoing legal battle with Susan Krause regarding the number of dogs kept and bred on her property continues, according to Zoning Administrator Janet Cowling.

"The next court-ordered inspection of the property is supposed to take place Nov. 30," Cowling said. "Krause has requested that it be done Dec. 5. Sentencing is scheduled for Dec. 16, when the judge will review and pass sentence based on compliance or noncompliance with the plea agreement."

The Dec. 18 board meeting will include discussion on the hamlet visioning meeting, expiring terms on various township committees, the anticipated need to fill the position of the county's invitation to host a township web site (with representatives of the county and Bridgewater residents who've volunteered to work on the project present), and other business. Residents are encouraged to attend the meeting, which will begin at 7:30 p.m.

SWWCOG

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that a second draft of the plan was necessary for distribution to the SWWCOG member units. The draft will then be distributed to the various planning commissions and boards for their review, with a 60-day deadline to furnish comments to SWWCOG.

"Basically, we just want comments and an indication

of whether or not they would be able to adopt this plan, either as presented in the second draft or with changes," said Fish. "We really want to find out if there will be any roadblocks."

Fish estimates that all comments should be submitted to SWWCOG by its February meeting, at which point the adoption process potentially could begin.

The regional plan is a

coordinated effort by communities in southwest Washtenaw County to pool resources and create a more comprehensive decision-making process. When completed, the plan will serve as a guide for localities to consider in their future community planning. SWWCOG is not a governing body and its plan will not usurp the authority of local master plans or zoning laws.

PLANNERS

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The amendment the township adopted was modeled upon a state standard that clarifies and standardizes the wording.

Preparing for the imminent departure of Turk at the end of February, the board voted to immediately begin a display advertisement blitz in the hope of having someone ready to be trained by

the first of the year.

The motion also included the immediate acceptance of applicants.

Clerk Kathleen Hakes reported a 53 percent turnout of registered voters in Manchester Township for the recent election.

She added that the over-

whelming support of a proposal to expand the township board from five members to seven would mean that four board positions would be at stake in the November 2004 election.

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Paul

Looking Back



Mrs. Dettling has been a resident here for more than 50 years and will be greatly missed.

Iron Creek

The penny social at Mrs. Water's last Thursday evening was a success. The proceeds were over \$10.

Alvin Kellam closed a three month's term of school in the Dorr district last week. We learn there is talk of extending the telephone line east from L.D. Watkin's to connect with Manchester.

The first automobile to traverse "the gravel road" passed here Friday afternoon. It is needless to state that it was making good speed.

This place loses one of its best known residents in the death of J.D. Bauer which occurred Monday at 6 p.m. He was respected for the sterling qualities that commended him as a man of honesty and sincerity. He had lived upon the farm where he died nearly 40 years. He was 66 years. He leaves a wife and four children. Mrs. A.S. VanWinkle of Tecumseh, Mrs. Margaret English, Miss Mary Bauer and C.F. Bauer; his eldest daughter, Mrs. Thomas Kirk having died about two years ago. The funeral will be Thursday morning at 10 o'clock at the church in Manchester.

Sharon

Daniel Burch is much better.

Elmer Logan's family also Mr. Brooks are quarantined for measles.

There was no league Sunday evening. Mrs. E. Baker was to have led, but members visited Manchester to attend revival meeting.

Will Wolfe bought a new organ last week.

Bridgewater

Fred Randall has his new barn completed.

Chris. Saley lost his carriage horse last week.

The gospel meetings now being carried on at the town hall by Rev. Kamm of Clinton are being well attended.

Will Matthews has lost a number of lambs with dysentery, caused it is said by turning them into a field of volunteer outs. They were westerns and this is the first case of the kind.

Born

HAEUSSLER - In Bridgewater on Thursday, Nov. 20, 1902, to Mr. and Mrs. John Haeussler, a son.

Died

BAUER - In Manchester on Monday, Nov. 24, 1902, of jaundice. Dave J. Bauer, aged 66 years. Funeral at Emanuel's church Thursday forenoon.

On the gridiron at Manchester

First game of real football largely attended. Good game. Score, 0 to 0.

The country seems to be going football mad and every large college and university has an "eleven" now trying itsrawn and courage

with sister colleges. High schools even have caught the enthusiasm and Manchester is not behind the times.

The Saline high school boys met our high school on the gridiron here Wednesday. The line up was as follows:

- M.H.S - Captain, Essery
- Center - Merithew
- R. Guard - Briegel
- R. Tackle - Brighton
- R. End - Holmes
- L. Guard - Root
- L. Tackle - Lehmar
- Q. Back - Gumpner
- Q. Back - Atkinson
- L. H. Back - Essery
- R. H. Back - Conklin
- F. Back - Jacobs
- S.H.S - Captain Henne
- Center - Kyle
- R. Tackle - Wood
- L. Guard Townsend
- L. End - Schmidt
- L. H. Back - Rouse
- F. Back - Henne
- R. Guard - Swezey
- R. End - Depuy
- L. Tackle - Wolf
- Q. Back - Ehnis
- R. H. Back - Reeves

When game was called our villagers thought from a size up of the sides that Saline would score and when at the end of the first half they failed to do so, the enthusiasm ran high and at the end of the second 20 minute half the score was 0 to 0 and our boys were fairly carried off

the field. Essery's end run in the first half and several 5-yard "bucks" by our boys in the last half were features of the game. The best of feeling prevailed and no one was hurt.

Looking Back is a periodic feature reprinting articles from the Manchester Enterprise from 100 years ago. It appears through the kind cooperation of the Manchester District Library and is compiled by staff writer Laura Merte.

MANCHESTER ENTERPRISE

November 27, 1902

Brief news items

There will be a dance at Arbeiter Hall Thanksgiving evening.

We would like to have a farmer's institute held in Manchester this winter. It would be a good thing.

Foster & Wurster Bros. & Co. put out another piano on Monday. They have sold 16 pianos within the past year.

There will be a special train run through here to Ann Arbor today from Hillsdale so all who wish may attend the football game.

The clerks of the village are wishing that the merchants would agree to close their places of business at 8 o'clock p.m. during the winter.

The band is progressing well. The boys take interest in the work and spend much time in practice. Two new members, Paul Schoettle and Clarence Lehr have been added to the list making the number 22.

We understand that farmers living on both the Jackson road and the one north of it through Sharon, are anxious to have telephone lines built connecting Norvell and Manchester. Last week we published a letter from Harry Ladd, man-

ager of the Norvell and Brooklyn farmer's line, which gives the cost of constructing a line, instruments, etc. Almost every farmer could afford to have his house connected and as shown by the writer, would be benefited in many ways. How convenient it would be to be able to talk with merchant or friend in all the neighboring towns.

Revival meetings were begun at the Methodist church Sunday evening and will be continued every evening this week except Saturday also next week and perhaps longer. Rev. Steinger says: "One soul has already been saved. Cooperation of all the Christian people of the community is invited. The harvest is ripe. The meeting this evening will be a Thanksgiving service. Come and bring your friends with you."

Freedom

Twenty-nine scholars attend Bethel school.

The cider mills have closed down for the season.

The infant son of Henry Feldkamp was baptized Sunday.

Mrs. John Roller is able to sit up after two week's illness.

Mrs. C. Dettling and daughter, Phena will break up housekeeping and live with her daughter, Mrs. E.L. Schumacher at Ann Arbor.

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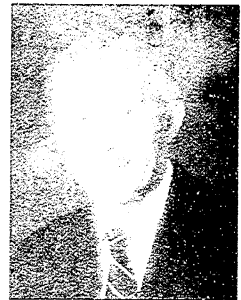
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Fifth-grade Girl Scout troop 966, led by Sheri Hieber, helped to decorate the Girl Scout tree for the first annual Manchester Festival of Trees. The girls made mittens to donate to the Community Resource Center. Pictured are Claire Davis (left), Amanda Roberts, Mollie Cole, Heather Hieber, Jamie Payne and Emily Werner. Missing from photo is troop member Katelyn Horning.

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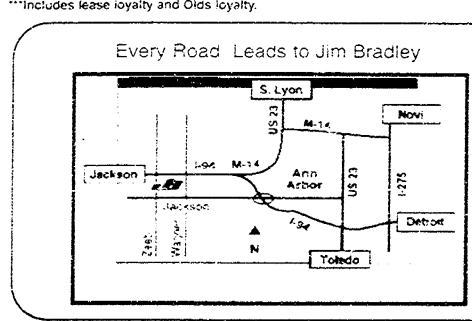
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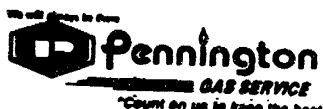
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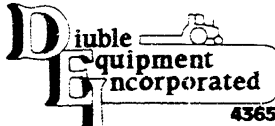
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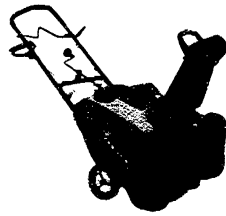
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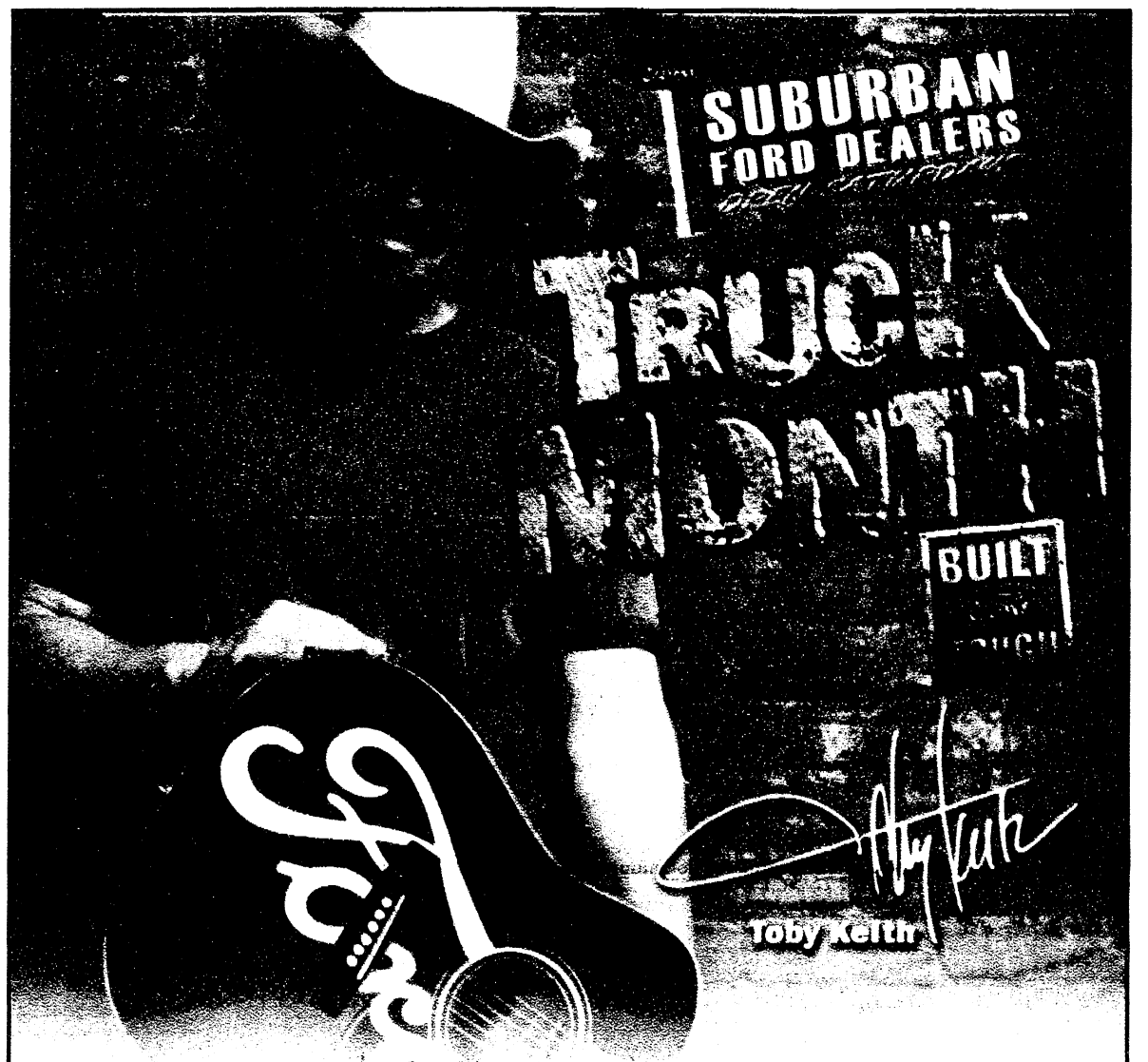
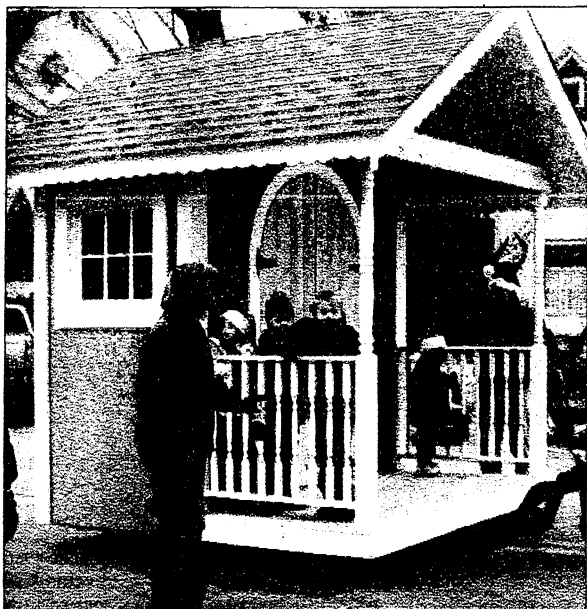
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Photos by Marsha Johnson Chartrand
 Above, "Santa's elves" from Kleinschmidt True Value Hardware were hard at work making toys for Christmas while riding in the Santa parade on Saturday. One-year-old Alex Throneberry, center, was ready to follow in his father's footsteps with sticks for conducting the Manchester High School Band as they played Christmas carols; and Tyler Elliott (far right) of Sharon Township got into the spirit of the parade with his miniature pony. Below, Santa's new Manchester home will be ready to welcome visitors between Comerica Bank and Calamity Jane's on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon, until Dec. 21. Taylor Fegan and cousin Maddie, Leo Schmitt and Rachel Fegan got to ride through town waving from Santa's front porch.



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Peace keeping mission

Local woman involved in peace efforts for 42 years

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

As Gail Curtis looks back on her life, she says that her first clear memory is of a celebration in her childhood home of Flint on Armistice Day, Nov. 11, 1918.

"That memory probably is aided and abetted by the reminders of relatives and friends," she admits, adding that she was but three years old at the time.

"When the extras came out, a neighbor came over and asked if we wanted to go downtown and watch the hullabaloo."

Getting her older sister and brother out of school, Curtis' parents took the children to her grandfather's drugstore in downtown Flint where they watched a spontaneous parade going by.

"My grandfather sat high stools in the window and we could see over the heads of people on the sidewalk," she says. "What I remember most was a man, later identified as J. Dallas Dort, who was sitting astride the hood

of a car, beating on a dishpan with a spoon in celebration."

A few years later, as young Gail started school, she learned that this early memory marked the end of fighting in "the war to end all wars."

"I was somewhat slow to realize that it wasn't actually so," she said.

It wasn't until, as the mother of six children in the mid-50s, that she went to an assembly at the Rackham Auditorium at the University of Michigan. She believes now, that as she heard Arthur Miller speak, that it was then she had her awakening.

"It turned out that Miller had graduated from the University the same year I did," she said. "And he had gone to Spain to protest the Spanish Civil War. He asked where all his classmates had been at that time."

"I thought, gee, I didn't even know there had been an upheaval in Spain the year I graduated."

It was then, she says, that she realized how lucky she

had been.

"A father, a brother, five sons, and two husbands ... all had been through a Second World War and not been threatened in any way."

Her first husband and the father of her two oldest sons, John Bailey, died of cancer in 1948 and she subsequently met and married Lewis Kellum as she worked as a docent in the museum at the university. Together, the Kellums had four more children.

"I was busy with my young children and life was comfortable," she recalls.

Still, she was haunted by her memory of the day of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

"My shock that day was equal to that of Sept. 11, 2001," she said.

Yet, a few years later she watched as her alma mater launched its Phoenix Project to provide nuclear power to all countries.

"I was pretty occupied (with family) but I kept thinking that some day I would understand ... and I'd



Photo by Marsha Johnson Chartrand

Looking back on a long and productive life, Gail Curtis of Manchester Township recalls her days as a young mother in the Ann Arbor peace movement. Today, she lends her efforts to a newly-formed local group called Manchester Area People for Peace.

be able to do something," Curtis said.

"Some day" came in the fall of 1960. Curtis' oldest son was entering college and her youngest daughter started kindergarten. And one day she was reading the newspaper and saw a letter to the editor calling women to meet in protest of testing the atomic bomb in the atmosphere.

"Women were to meet in front of the courthouse," she remembered. "We were supposed to dress like 'respectable women'—we wore hats and white gloves; and we distributed and hung up leaflets in protest of nuclear testing."

That was Curtis' first demonstration and she describes it as a "freeing moment."

"We went on for quite a while: opposing nuclear testing, becoming aware of other groups of women around the nation who had a common cause," she said.

As the movement grew, the Ann Arbor Women for Peace also grew and the group eventually was invited to

host a national conference of Women for Peace. Female activists Dagmar Wilson and Betty Friedan, along with many others, attended that first conference in Ann Arbor.

As the 60s went on and the war in Vietnam escalated, the peace movement in Ann Arbor grew steadily.

"We continued our opposition to what was going on," Curtis recalls. "I can't say it was us women who wakened the faculty at the University of Michigan; but many of us were faculty wives."

"Some of the younger women, whose husbands weren't tenured, also weren't sympathetic but wouldn't dare take the risk of speaking out for the sake of their husbands' livelihoods."

"They might slip us some money, but they couldn't participate."

In the early days of the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), the Ann Arbor Women for Peace did "woman sort of things"—serving coffee and doughnuts at meetings.

"Not all of the members of

the group were students," Curtis added. "We had gotten beyond the hat-and-white-glove stage; we did a lot of leafleting and writing of letters."

"We were glad to simply be a part of what was going on." Curtis also had the tacit support of her husband.

"Although he didn't always agree, he agreed that I had a right to do this," she said. "He was a tenured professor so he didn't have the concerns that some of the younger faculty members might have had about threatening his job by my involvement."

Another movement, the Voters' Pledge, was headquartered in the Unitarian Church on Washtenaw Ave., right across the way from Curtis' home, which remained a place where those involved in the peace movement could congregate throughout the turbulent 1960s. Voters could sign the pledge saying they would not vote for any candidate who supported the war in Vietnam. Curtis and other

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MAPping out a plan for Peace

Members hope to provide forum for discussion and support.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

Manchester Area People for Peace is a group of local residents who are deeply concerned about the possibility of war against Iraq—or any other nation.

"The group got started through an e-mail inquiry that I made and word-of-mouth," said Eileen Parker, a member of MAP for Peace. "I asked local people interested in forming a peace group to contact me."

In response to Parker's message, the group first met on Nov. 9.

"I was delighted by the number of people who showed up," she said. "We

decided to turn our anxiety and frustration over the current rush to war into a constructive grassroots movement aimed at engaging the community in a dialogue on peace and alternatives to war."

MAP for Peace plans to sponsor discussion groups on a range of topics from war on Iraq to protection of civil liberties in a wartime environment.

"Suggested topics will be discussed at our meetings and community members will be encouraged to send topic ideas to us," Parker said. "We want to engage students as well and hope to have special discussion groups for them."

Parker emphasizes that the group's disagreement is with the administration's policies toward Iraq and preemptive attacks on

other nations.

"Should an attack on Iraq come, we will continue our efforts aimed at peace and dialogue," she said. "We will always remain supportive of the men and women of our military who are put in harm's way by these policies."

Manchester Area People for Peace can be contacted via e-mail at MAPforPeace@comcast.net or reached by phone at 428-0222.

The group sponsored a table at the Christmas in the Village event last weekend and was located at Klager Elementary school passing out flyers and talking to interested residents. Contact the e-mail address or telephone number above to receive information on the group's next meeting.

Migrant coordinator keeps busy year around

By Laura Merte
Staff Writer

For the first two months of the school year, high school teacher Cheryl Call is one busy woman. In addition to teaching Spanish classes at the high school, she coordinates the migrant education program in Manchester. She works with about 50 students who are enrolled in Manchester schools until the end of October, when their families return to Texas. At that point, one might think her workload is somewhat lightened.

"It's assumed that because the kids are gone I have nothing to do," says Call. But that assumption couldn't be farther from the truth. So what does she do?

The first month after the students leave finds Call communicating with school counselors in Texas, filling out withdrawal slips, delivering grade reports, and ensuring that credits get transferred when students enroll in Texas schools.

"When the kids are here there isn't really time to do paperwork," Call says. "You have to take care of their needs right away; you can't just make them wait while you fill out a form."

calling the students to Texas is completed. Call uses the next several months to assess the program's strengths and weaknesses.

"I have until about March, when I have the opportunity to sit down to look at and evaluate the program," she says.

"I look at the data from assessments, standardized tests and classroom grades and tests to see if what we are doing is working."

Students are given entry assessment tests, usually during the summer program, and re-evaluated when they leave. Call examines the data for signs of improvement and individual growth.

"If we don't see that, then we look at what we can change," she says.

CALL HAS been on the path towards working with migrant students from an early point in her education. "I took Spanish in high school and spent a year in South America, and traveled to Spain and Mexico," she said. "The culture was always a part of my life."

"I wanted to do something with Spanish," she said. "And bilingual education was very hot at the time, so it seemed right for me."

So Call started college at Saginaw Valley in the bilin-

gual education program. She graduated from Central Michigan University with a major in Spanish and a dual minor in bilingual education and art.

Since then, Call has also earned a master's degree in TESOL (teaching English to speakers of other languages).

Call's first teaching job was in Houston, Texas, but she soon returned to Michigan, teaching Spanish at Eastern Michigan University, and working with Ypsilanti's adult education program as an English as a second language teacher.

"While I was doing that I heard Manchester was looking for a Spanish teacher," she said.

Thirteen years later, she is still here. While her first year was only part-time, it became full time in her second year when she was asked to coordinate the district's migrant education program.

"I just fell into it," Call said. "Granted, there have been times when I've been frustrated to the point of giving up, but it's worth it."

"I have known some of these kids since kindergarten and now they're graduating."

One major improvement in the program Call has been



Photo by Laura Merte

High School Spanish teacher Cheryl Call coordinates the district's migrant education program, which works with approximately 50 students in Manchester schools through the end of October, as well as hosting a 6-week summer program.

working on since she started in parent involvement.

"The connection between home and school always was missing," she said. "Home-school communications are very important but difficult at the same time."

"They don't have phones, and their address usually is just a post office box. Sometimes the communication is just me visiting the camp, even going into the

working on organizing an in-service day for the transportation department.

"Hopefully in the spring and fall we can take the bus drivers out to the migrant camp where they can meet the kids and their parents and go over the rules," she says. "I think a lot of concerns—such as pickup location and how long the drivers wait for students—can be resolved once everybody gets together and talks about it."

During the 2001-02 school year, Call organized a staff visit to the DuRussel potato farm, where the migrant students' families work during the growing season.

"It was really successful in making the staff aware of the migrant situation," Call said.

In addition to the tour, Eastern Michigan University professor Dr. Cathy Day led a one-day seminar for staff on the strategies of working with LEP students. But even with these in-service days, Call says that it is an area that needs more work in the district.

"We can't just have one day a year," she says. "One of my goals is to keep the migrant program fresh in everyone's mind ... we need to remember that the kids will be coming back next year."

The ENTERPRISE SPORTS

Girls' hoops fall short in championship game

Clinton prevails, 36-20, in finals.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

As last week progressed, it looked like a successful end to an otherwise disappointing season was in sight for the varsity Lady Dutch. Winning the first two games of district playoffs heightened anticipation for Friday night's district championship game against the Clinton Redskins.

Monday night the girls played Plymouth High School and won 41-34 in what had been a close game all the way.

"We actually scored the last six points of the game," Manchester coach John Wilkins said. "It was a one-point game very close to the end."

The senior class led the way through most of the game. Kate Meyer led the team with 15 points while Liz Okey contributed 12 points, nine rebounds and four blocked shots. Michelle Slocum had six points and Cori Chrestensen scored just one point but had four assists and two steals. Juniors Fallynne Schlosser and Caitlin Sewell may provide leadership for next year as they scored five and two points, respectively.

"It was a pretty good

game," Wilkins said of Monday's victory. "We played pretty well but didn't shoot well from the free throw line till the fourth quarter, when we were 7-for-10 from the free throw line."

"We made them at the end when we needed to."

The Dutch improved from a 1-for-8 free throw record in the first three quarters.

Calling it a "solid game" with only 12 turnovers, Wilkins acknowledged that the freshmen from Plymouth played hard and had two good post players with a will to win.

Wednesday the Dutch met Gabriel Richard on Clinton's court with a final score of 38-24 in Manchester's favor.

"It was real close at half-time," Wilkins said. "We had just a three-point lead. In the second half our defense caused a lot of problems for them and we outscored them 19-8 to pull away at the end."

Okey led in scoring with 12 points and 10 rebounds. Sewell had eight points and grabbed eight rebounds; Chrestensen scored eight points and Slocum five with three assists; Abbey Preuninger and Katie Meranuck each added two points; and Schlosser had one point.

"This was more or less a game where we got it under control in the third quarter," Wilkins said. "We ran some

clock in the fourth quarter and were able to keep a good margin."

On Friday, against Clinton, "we weren't so fortunate," Wilkins said.

"It was just a night where we could not hit a shot. If you hold a team to 36 points, you usually expect to win."

"We got good open shots, shots that we've pretty much made all year, but we just could not make it on Friday night."

The Lady Dutch ended up with just 14 percent of their shots from the floor, when all season long they had made about one-third of their attempts.

"Had we shot anywhere near our normal percentage, it would have been a completely different story," Wilkins said.

That was the story of this year's varsity season, however.

"We had a lot of close losses," Wilkins said. "We played well most of the year but one or two mistakes near the end of games cost us numerous times this year. Every game in the conference was close."

The Lady Dutch ended the season with a 9-13 record, a slight improvement from last year's 7-14.

"We'd hoped to have a better record this year but the difference between us being 9-13 and 14-whatever, is a

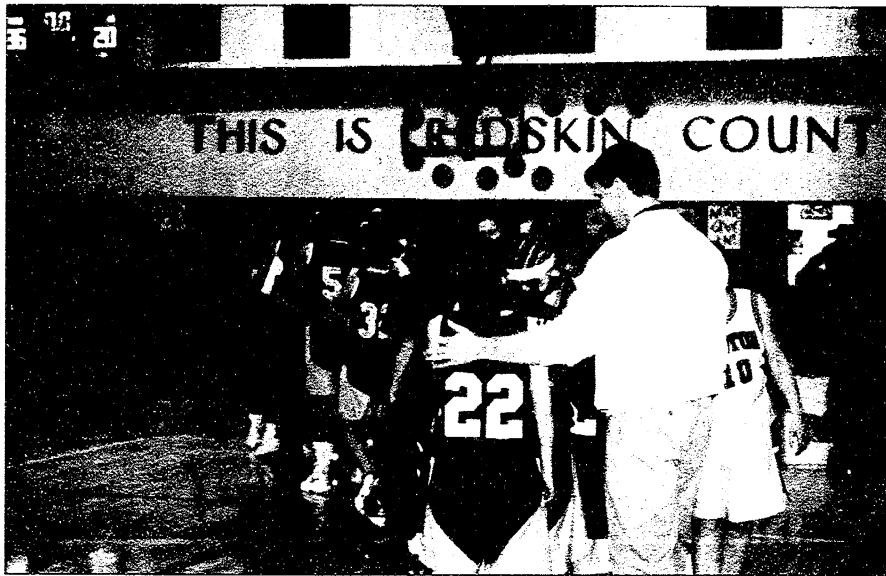


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It was a somber end to an exciting week as the Lady Dutch conceded to the Clinton Redskins Friday night.

matter of about 10 points throughout the year," Wilkins said. "We had a lot of one point or two point losses—things could easily have been the other way around."

No matter what, the Clinton game was a disappointing loss for the Dutch. Meranuck led in scoring with five points; Okey ended a stunning senior season with only four points and five rebounds. Slocum and Meyer each added three points

while Julia Steinaway scored two points and had six rebounds. Chrestensen had one point with five rebounds and three steals while Sewell had two points with seven rebounds and three blocked shots.

In the end, there wasn't much to tell.

"It came down to making the open shots we had," Wilkins said. "Not that Clinton shot that much better."

"But it was enough."

Freshmen wrap up a successful season

Girls finish with a 14-1 season.

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Associate Editor

The freshman girls' basketball team faced Jackson-Parma Western on the home court on Election Day for the final game of the 2002 season.

"We started out well by outscoring Western 11-2 in the first quarter," Manchester coach Amy Gall said. "The girls came out and played extremely hard because it was their last game."

Each of the girls had the desire to finish the season 14-1.

The team executed both offensively and defensively while enjoying themselves and spreading the scoring throughout the whole team.

Leading scorer was Darcie Chrestensen with 13 points

followed closely by Becca Long with 10 points.

Emily McConnell and Allison London each had six points, followed by Katie Hill with five. Lynn Preston with four and Laura Eisenhauer and Jenny Harrison with two points each.

"We finished the game with a 53-23 victory over Western," Gall said.

Hill dominated on the boards with a total of nine rebounds, while McConnell led the team with seven steals.

"The girls finished this season strong and I was extremely proud of each and every one of them," Gall said.

Looking back over her own "freshman" season as a basketball coach, Gall said it was a tremendous learning experience—for herself, for her assistant coach Matt

McQuillan and for the team.

"I feel that we kept our focus from the first day we set foot on the court and we finished strong," she said.

Each of the players improved and progressed as the season moved on, and Gall is extremely proud to say that her team finished with an overall record of 14-1 against some tough competition.

"The girls worked hard to obtain every one of those wins," she said.

Leading scorer for the season was Chrestensen who carried an average of 11 points per game. Hill was the leading rebounder with an average of around eight rebounds per game, also leading the team in number of steals.

Allison London was the leader in assists.

"I am so very proud of these girls," Gall said.

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PEACE

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members of the Ann Arbor Women for Peace were responsible for interviewing local and national candidates for office to ascertain their views on the war.

Curtis also became active in the movement to repeal the draft. Although her oldest son, John Bailey, had joined the ROTC when he went to college in 1960, and served for 20 years in the Air Force, her second son, James Bailey, was a conscientious objector to the war and moved to northern Wisconsin for a time in his refusal to be drafted.

Toward the end of the 1960s, peace activist Anatole Rappaport had a duplex house and made the unused apartment available to the Michigan Council to Repeal the Draft, part of the American Friends Service Committee, for the group's headquarters.

"These were exciting times," she recalls. "It was amazing; we got statewide coverage on our efforts to repeal the draft. We had a mailing list; we had speakers come from Washington, D.C.; and I had the FBI calling at my home a few times."

"I would go every day to the Rappaport's and answer phones, update the mailing list and mimeograph memos to send out."

Meanwhile, Jim Bailey was living in Chicago and working in a soup kitchen with a Catholic priest. When he was finally indicted and tried in Federal Court in Detroit, his sentence was to continue his work there for an additional two years.

"For years after that, he signed his letters with pride as James Bailey, Felon," Curtis said.

"Jim is still involved in doing 'good works' and lives

in Madison, Wisconsin."

In the early 1970s the Kellum family moved to the Manchester Township farm where Curtis still lives, and she "kind of retired," although she still maintains frequent contact with friends from the Ann Arbor Women for Peace and several members of the group hold periodic reunions all across the country.

But Curtis, who remarried after Lew Kellum died, didn't forget her roots in the peace movement when she moved to Manchester.

"I first met Eileen Parker during the Desert Storm upheaval," she said. "My neighbor Lois Jewell and Mae Hardenbergh and I had fallen in together and we decided we ought to say something (about the war). We joined vigils in the park and heard speakers at Emanuel church."

"A number of other people joined us, including Eileen. I was reminded of her again when she recently wrote a letter to the editor and held a meeting in her home for people interested in discussing peaceful alternatives to war in Iraq."

And so now, at 87, Curtis has come full circle as a member of the Manchester Area People for Peace. Despite her recollection of the celebration when the "war to end all wars" concluded, she knows now that keeping the peace is a delicate matter and one that needs constant effort.

She will continue her vigil for peace, as she has for the past 42 years.

"Anything I'm doing today is mostly trying to stay informed," she said. "I listen to the radio—WUOM is a great source for me—and I get e-mails via my daughter. It all keeps me aware of what's going on."

"I'm still interested."

Drainfields serve important purpose

Many homes are built in rural areas outside the reach of municipal water and sewer systems. As a result, they are required to have their own systems.

A septic system is simply a method of recycling household wastewater, treating everyday liquid waste so that it can flow back into the soil in a way that does not pollute wells, lakes or wetlands.

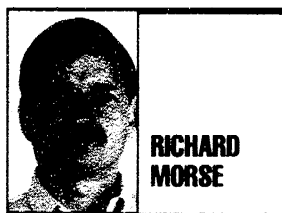
The components of a home septic system are fairly simple.

Wastewater from the home flows by gravity through a sewer pipe out of the house into a septic tank, which is a large watertight box usually made out of concrete.

Solid elements sink to the bottom of the tank, forming a sludge layer, while the majority of the tank fills with liquids called effluent.

When the tank is full, the effluent flows through an outlet pipe located near the top.

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ond tank or pass directly into the drain field, also called an absorption field. This area is composed of perforated pipes in underground trenches. The liquid flows through the pipes and percolates down into the soil.

The slowly draining effluent sinks through the soil that filters out particles and pathogens. Bacteria and natural processes break down contaminants.

The composition of the soil is important. A percolation test will determine if it's porous enough to allow the effluent to pass through.

Soil composed of fine clay or compacted soil will keep the liquids from draining and will result in a saturated drain field that will not function. If the soil has too much gravel or sand, the effluent will pass through the water table too quickly.

Drain fields must be held back from wells, lakes and streams to prevent contamination. Washtenaw County requires that septic tanks be at least 50 feet from a well and septic fields be more than 50 feet from a lake or stream and at least 100 feet from a well.

It's important to pump the contents out of the septic tank on a routine basis. A professional should do this every few years.

Routine pumping is less costly than replacing a clogged drain field. If the septic tank is sized correctly, it should be pumped out every three to five years.

Don't plant trees or bushes over the field that may clog

the pipes with roots. Don't direct rainwater runoff into the area because it will cause the field to become saturated and less able to treat wastewater.

Since a drain field needs oxygen, don't pave over it. Also, don't drive vehicles over it because the pipes may be damaged.

Don't dump trash into your septic system. Solid wastes such as diapers, cigarettes and tissues should not be disposed of in the system.

Minimize the solids you put into your sink's garbage disposer — coffee grounds and large volumes of fats, greases, and food scraps may clog the system. Never pour hazardous chemicals into your drains.

Richard Morse is a Dexter Township resident, architect, licensed builder and owner of Inside Out Home Inspection Service Inc. He can be reached at 424-9069 or at insideinspect@aol.com.

Middle School revises fall honor roll

Due to unforeseen circumstances, there have been revisions to the middle school honor roll as published last week.

Seventh Grade

A honors were awarded to Jason Alber, Heather Black, Amanda Caldwell, Hannah Caszatt, John Edgerly, Julie Fielder, Michael Garrison, Kaitlan Greene, Breanne Haeussler, Emily Hassett, Jared Huber, Nathan Hyde, Amanda Kelly, George Kelly, Danielle Lee, Marissa McKee, Amanda Mutchler, Nicholas Ross, Danielle Schulze, Katelyn Spring, Danielle Stahley, Lucas Sweet, Kimberly Ticknor,

Megan Visger, Allyson Way, Justin Welton, Danielle Winalis and Ashley Zigila.

B honors go to Zachary Albert, Elizabeth Alegria, Alia Armstrong, Marlena Baker, Inga Bamford, Marc Baron, Jeremy Bassett, Samuel Brown, Ian Burkhardt, Audrey Carey, William Cloke, Adam Colvia, Scott Conway, Sasha Coolbaugh, Jared Crawford, Kimberly Deacons, Bridget Delucia, Charles DeSautel, Brian Dettling, Lindsay Fielder, Robert Ford, Brittany Fusilier, Jessica Gibbons, Matthew Girbach, Justin Green, Joshua Guest, Katherine Harrison, Katelyn Haynes, Joshua Henschke,

James Hughes, Caleb Knapp, Krista Kornexl, Kristin Lannom, Ian Lee, Kristie Litwin, Chelsey Luckas, Nicole Mahony, Tessa McCosh, Lindsay McMahan, Brian Neugebauer, Emily Noggie, Marissa Olmstead, Justine Owens, Stephanie

Preston, Brian Ray, Gabrielle Roller, Jared Lannom, Ian Lee, Kristie Litwin, Chelsey Luckas, Nicole Mahony, Tessa McCosh, Lindsay McMahan, Brian Neugebauer, Emily Noggie, Marissa Olmstead, Justine Owens, Stephanie

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complete and, once a family has completed the application they find out that same day whether or not they qualify for the insurance and for which program they qualify. Families still may apply by completing a paper application if they prefer.

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PROPOSED SYNOPSIS OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 12, 2002

Supervisor Little called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. Board members Little, Bassett, Bossory, Horning and Weidmayer were present as well as residents. The minutes of the October 8 Board meeting were approved. The Treasurer's Report was accepted. The roofing expenditures were transferred from the Improvement Fund into the General Fund. **Audience participation:** Residents requested that a change be considered to the Mining Ordinance which currently exempts the removal of 500 cubic yards annually. They also believed that an adjoining property had violated this amount.

Reports: Planning Commission - C & T Materials submitted an application for a mining permit. Action on it was deferred until the December meeting because it was incomplete. Bridgewater Sand and Gravel still has a permit on 10 acres that has been in violation for three years. The Planning Commission recommends revoking the permit. Little and Tschiltz met with officials from Barrett Paving Materials to discuss what the pit should be doing. Barrett has resubmitted their application to the DEQ. Barrett's tested 4 or 5 residents' wells. **Zoning Board of Appeals** - The ZBA will meet regarding a variance request on the Sell property. The Ordinance Enforcement Officer, made 4 calls concerning 2 cars, refuse and a business being operated improperly. The Zoning Inspector, issued 6 permits: 1 for a garage; 2 for agricultural buildings; 1 for renovation; and 2 for decks. He had questions about assigning addresses and old addresses. **Library:** The library has added shelves to expand the library's collection. New library cards will be issued because the library is under a new cooperative. The Clerk's Report included election news. The Township has been requesting an answer from our attorney since September about how to deal with the lost \$250,000 surety bond from Bridgewater Sand & Gravel. The recodified ordinances were received on diskettes from the attorney just before the election, but still need a lot of work before they can be distributed.

Business: The Board will revoke Bridgewater Sand & Gravel's permit pending a recommendation from the Township attorney about how to proceed. The petitions from the Pleasant Lake Property Owners Association have been reviewed. We have been waiting for answers from our attorney about how to define the boundaries for the special assessment and procedures to follow. Linda Herst is expected to turn in petitions for chemical control of the weeds on Nov. 15th. Erin Perdue from ENP & Assoc. gave a presentation about their planning services. Costs will be paid for the MTA conference in Detroit. There was discussion about township equipment needs. A committee of Larry Lindemann, Joe Wissing and Rob Gold will investigate options and report to the Board. A budget amendment was approved to move \$1,000 from the assessing category to the conference and training category. A December newsletter will be published. There was discussion about the need for the Township planner to review applications. The proposed hazardous waste ordinance that our attorney had suggested was discussed. Since the ordinance was from another county, there were questions about whether the ordinance was appropriate for Washtenaw County. The County will be contacted. The uncollected fire/ambulance run charges were discussed. Options for dealing with this collections problem will be discussed at the next meeting. The bills were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sara Bassett, Clerk

David R. Levitsky, D.P.M.

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MANCHESTER VILLAGE

APPROVED COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
NOVEMBER 4, 2002

President Vaillencourt 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, Dzengeleski, Petsch, Schaffer, Way and Vaillencourt. Also present were Clerk Schaible, Manager Wallace, DPW Superintendent Wiedmayer, Clyde Wellwood, Ken Rogge, Robert McDonald, Sharon McDonald, Lorena Groustee, Dave Ballard, Robert Livesay, Chris Johnson, Carolyn Hamilton, Sandra Livesay, Dwayne Miller, Ruth Miller, Shariene Griffith, Nancy Bond, Rose Boldman, Ron Boldman, Joan Berry, Scott Brouffett, Matt Dodak, Claude Davis, Robert Shaw, Pauline Shaw, Marc Baron, Marion Ahrens, Barb Bergner, Mike Bergner, Gary Paul, Cathy Dodak, Craig Reppert & Family, John & Jacqui Coluccy & family, Mike & Sue Helton, Don Limpert, Karl Racenis, Donna Braun, Jonathan Braun, Kris Paul, Tim & Sue Colvia & Family, and Ron Fielder.

The minutes of the October 21, 2002 regular meeting were approved. The proceedings of the October 21, 2002 regular meeting were approved.

The Agenda was approved as amended.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

NEW BUSINESS
MANCHESTER WOODS PETITION - Kris Paul and Ken Rogge, serving as the spokespersons for the residents of Manchester Woods, presented the resident's petition. The petitioners are asking that the original PUD be amended to remove the planned extension of Woodland Way through to Gieske Road. Rogge cited the major concern being the increased traffic, and health, welfare, and safety of the children. He pointed out that because not all the lots have been developed the sidewalks do not go through the whole neighborhood. Rogge also stated that the site of the new high school and the idea that Gieske Road would become a public road were unknown at the time the PUD was approved.

Council discussed the issue, recalling that over 2 acres was annexed at the time the PUD was approved to facilitate the second access for emergency situations. It was noted that Planning Commission recommendation was to require that Woodland Way be connected to Gieske Road per intent of Manchester Woods PUD. Council also discussed concerns regarding the need for collector routes throughout and for the benefit of the whole community and the precedent that the one access amendment would set for other developments.

A motion was made that the Manchester Woods PUD remain as it was approved but with the understanding that when the Woodland Way extension is completed it be opened as a one way only to the north. Roll call vote: ayes-2; nays-5. Motion failed.

Council agreed that the item be left on the agenda for the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS
SEWER AND WATER ORDINANCE UPDATE - Council will review and make comments in the next two weeks.

WWTP BLOWER AND MOTOR REPAIR - A motion was made that Option 4 of the Superior Pump and Valve proposal date Oct. 31 be accepted and that not more than \$9,028 be spent to inspect and repair two motor assemblies and replace two blowers. Included in the motion and the dollar amount was the inspection of the two replaced blowers for usable parts. Warranty information will be obtained and purchase left to the manager's discretion. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE
Council acknowledged the correspondence:
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE - The accounts payable report was reviewed. Motion to pay the warrants in the total amount of \$54,549.60. Roll Call Vote: ayes-all. Motion passed.

REPORTS
SHERIFF REPORT - Sgt. Anuskiewicz presented the September, 2002 summary. Council agreed that the parks be left unlocked as no new information regarding the malicious behavior of last summer has been forthcoming. Patrols should be stepped up around the parks.

SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING - Dzengeleski updated Council on the County plan to deal with funding issues.

DPW REPORT - Wiedmayer presented the DPW report. He noted that the skate ramps would need work for next spring. The damage was mostly due to weather. Leaf pickup has started and will continue into December.

MANAGER REPORT - Wallace presented his report highlighting the placement of the tornado siren at Chi-Bro Park. The water tower will not block the siren. The power lines will be buried.

There being no further business President Vaillencourt adjourned the meeting at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie A. Schaible
Manchester Village Clerk

MANCHESTER VILLAGE COUNCIL AGENDA

Monday, December 2, 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. Wexford Development Agreement
 - b. Sewer and Water Ordinance
 - c. CRC Contract
 - d. Family Caregivers Proclamation
 - e. Other
7. New Business
 - a. Lease Agreement-County Antenna
 - b. Other
8. Correspondence
9. Accounts Payable
10. Committee Reports
11. Adjourn

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DEFINITION IN RENTAL SALE: #109 Jeffrey Waite, # 189 Joseph Becker, # 457 Phill Hill, RV-26 Jose Cuellar, Personal at Household, Boat, & misc. Sale date December 23, 2002. 1:00 pm. U-Store Saline 1145 Industrial Info, (734) 429-0590

Personals 103

STUDY PARTICIPANTS
 Healthy non-smokers, age 25-55, are needed for U of M study. Questionnaires and blood withdrawal required. Study pays \$40. Call 1-800-742-2300, #6308, e-mail Gen-Supermed.umich.edu or visit <http://www.umich.edu/~niclab>

Lost & Found 104

FOUND: Black/gray labby, declawed, Cheloa, High School area. (734) 453-2116.

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SALINE-private one bedroom, available mid Dec. \$700/mo., plus security, utilities included in exchange for yard maintenance. Reference. To inquire call (734) 429-5553.

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Fabulous 1920's classic arts and crafts bungalow on an oversized lot. 4 bedrooms, wood floors, country kitchen, porch and more. A must see! \$189,900. #228660

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Grand old brick Italianite on 15.94 wooded acres. Over 3000sf. 2 baths, high ceilings, old woodwork & more. Postcard setting! Needs your touch \$275,900. #226191

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 Great old 5 bedroom, 3 bath farmhouse on 15 acres with outbuildings. Wood floors, exposed brick walls, many other updates. \$399,900. #227705

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Home Meal Service (Meals On Wheels) needs volunteer drivers. Home Meal Service has recently expanded a large increase in demand for home delivered meals. We need one extra driver each day. Drivers could be completed in under one hour from pick up and return. This is a great chance to contribute to the community and well being of a portion of Chelsea's citizens who need assistance in maintaining their health and independence. Please contact Mary Eshel at 734-475-0444 or Nadine Shender at 734-475-1025 for more information. 12-19

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Special Education Certification, Speech Language, Masters Degree.

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Full or part time. Days, afternoons, and midnights available. Fuel or gasoline experience helpful.

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HOME or OFFICE CLEANING Detailing and dependable. References provided. Ask for Sandy. (734) 433-9870

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Miscellaneous 700

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INTERIOR DOORS: Pre-hung raised 6 panel interior doors in oak, poplar and pine, raised panel berlines and French interior door units.

FLOORING: Carpet Rolls in residential, commercial, berbers, plushes, textures, marble tile, ceramic tiles, oak hardwood flooring, pre-finished solid wood flooring, laminate flooring, linoleum, carpet padding.

NEW LUMBER & BUILDING MATERIAL:

OSB, bunk of 7-11-11, floor joists w/stumps up to 20' lengths, Trex Composite decking

WINDOWS: Double hung, casements, double tops and fixed.

MOULDING: Casing, baseboard, crown moulding, chair rail in oak, poplar and pine, sprindles, oak and poplar hand rails, stairs parts.

KITCHEN & BATH: 13-15 pc. kitchen cabinet sets in oak/cherry, maple-hickory & birch. Delta designer kitchen and bath faucets, tub and shower faucets, jacuzzi tubs, pedestal sinks and toilets.

HARDWARE: Lock sets, lever style bed bath and closet door sets, bags of cabinet hardware.

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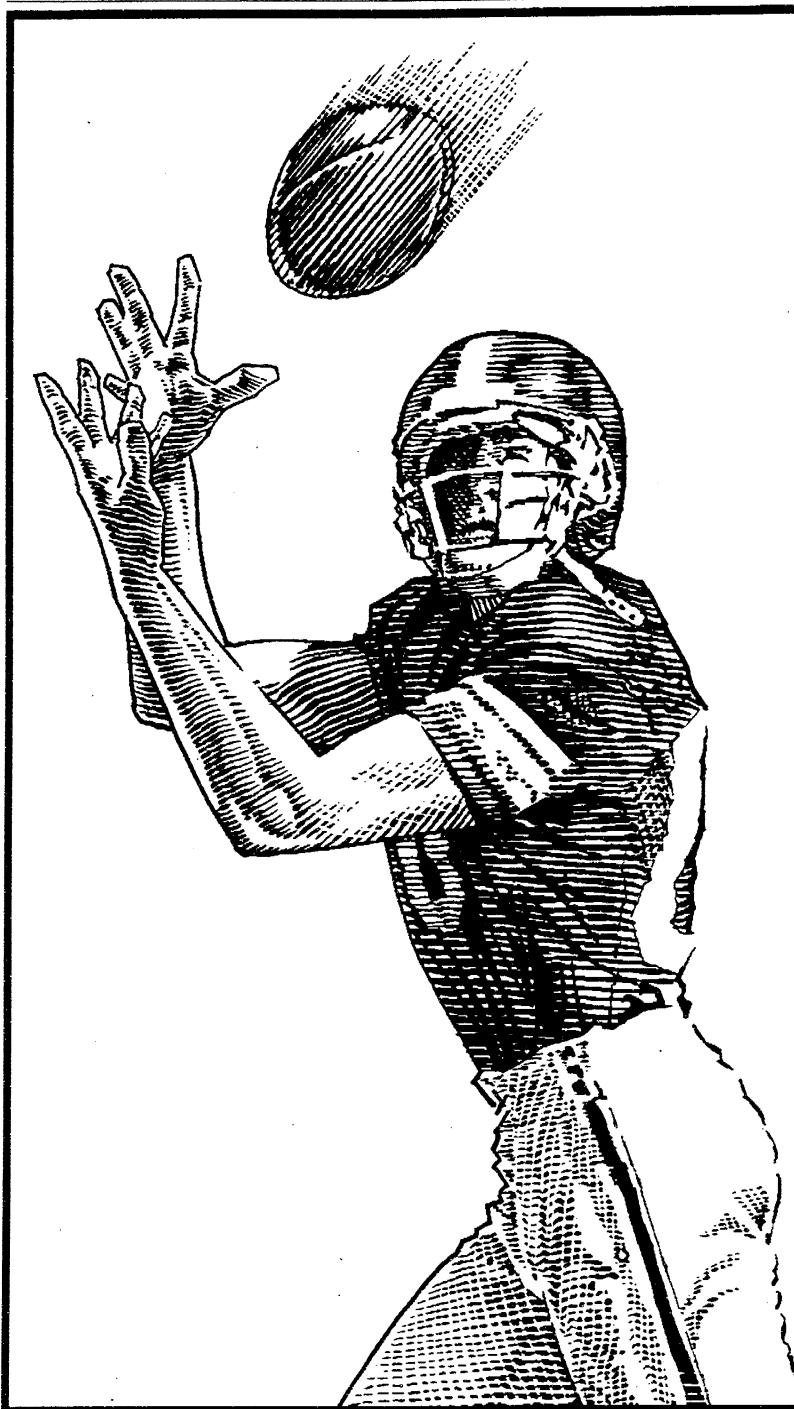
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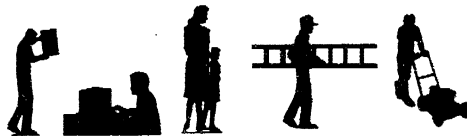
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King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- "Come again?"
 - French friend
 - Wan
 - Of a golden age of Latin literature
 - Type of market
 - Nottingham forest
 - Hit the ground
 - Aries
 - Fit for consumption
 - Seraglio group
 - Wound souvenir
 - Leave out
 - Atlanta marcher
 - Spasm
 - Notes
 - Great dismay
 - Risque
 - Color
 - Summertime dessert
 - Prepare a casserole
 - Set up for a drive
 - Potato, e.g.
 - Gentle wind
 - Cranberry territory
 - Do nothing
 - Steuth
 - about (roughly)
 - Atmosphere
 - Oppositionists'

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15								16			
			17			18	19				
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41					42	43			44	45	46
47						48					
49					50				51		

- DOWN**
- Exist
 - "Wha' dja say?"
 - Census statistic
 - Mini-tower
 - Teensy particle
 - Noted chairman
 - Hardly G-rated
 - State positively
 - Thick slice
 - War, to 25-
 - Cross
 - Haven campus
 - Emulated
 - Leander
 - Pub missile
 - Stolen
 - Writer
 - Kingsley
 - Affluent
 - Recoiled
 - Portable electric cutter
 - Moby's pursuer
 - Micro-wave.
 - jocularly
 - Quarry
 - Always
 - Numbing
 - compounds
 - His aroused
 - Actress
 - Spelling
 - Utah national park
 - Writer Ferber
 - Stratagem
 - She played
 - Lilith on "Cheers"
 - Health care setup (abbr.)
 - budget
 - A dozen XXVs
 - Cryptographer's aid

Answers To This Week's King Crossword

A	C	C	R	O	S	E	S	E			
B	A	C	E								
C	O	N	E								
D	O	E									
E	I	D	L	E							
F	Z	E	P	H	R	B	O	G			
G	T	E	E	D							
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I	S	H	E	R							
J	T	I	C								
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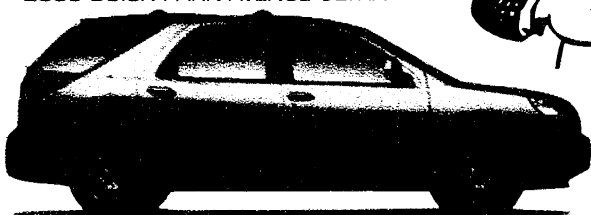
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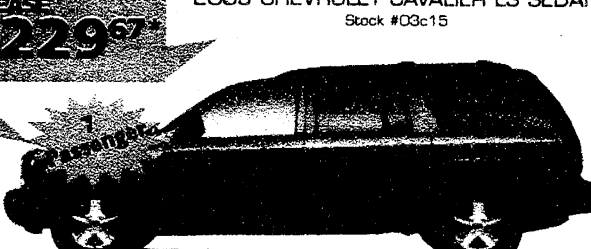
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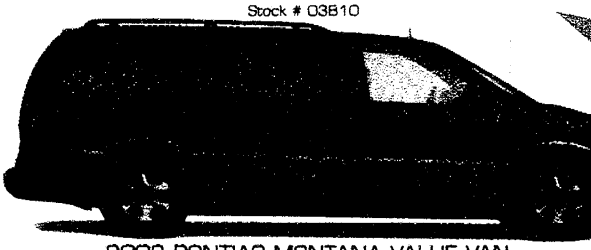
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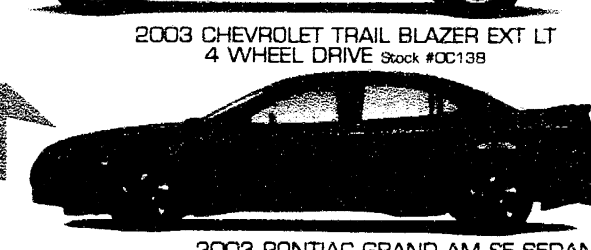
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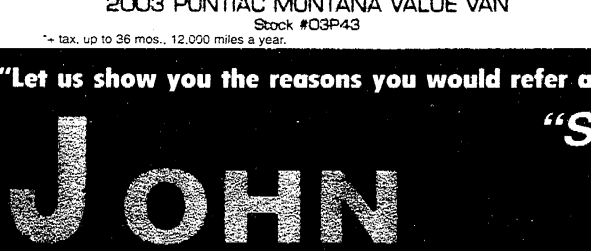
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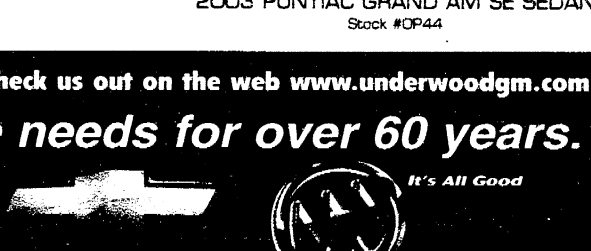
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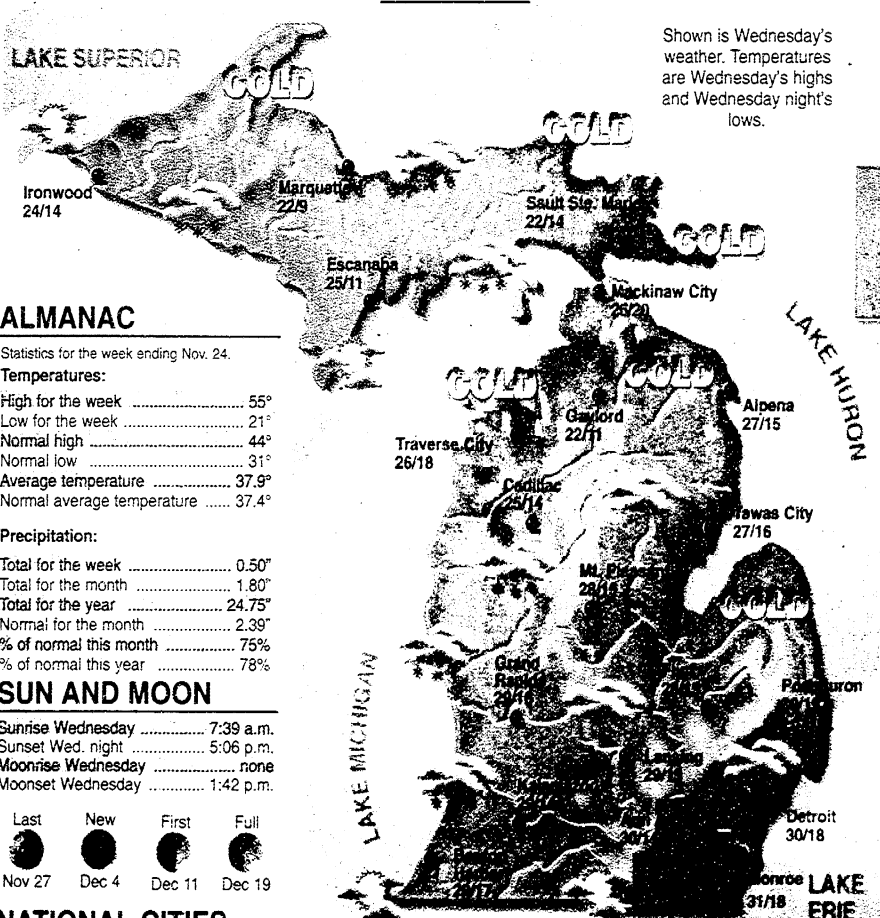
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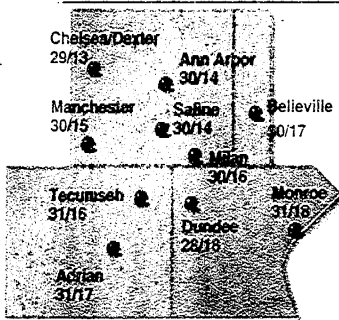
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WEDNESDAY	WED. NIGHT	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
HIGH: 28°-32° Clouds limiting sun and cold.	LOW: 12°-16° Partly to mostly cloudy and cold.	HIGH: 28°-32° Cold with clouds and sun. LOW: 13°-17°	HIGH: 35°-39° Clouds and sunshine. LOW: 23°-27°	HIGH: 37°-41° Mainly cloudy; rain or snow shower. LOW: 19°-23°	HIGH: 33°-37° Partly sunny and cold. LOW: 15°-19°

MICHIGAN



LOCAL WEATHER



TRAVEL

Lenawee, Monroe and Washtenaw Counties
Today will be cold with clouds and limited sunshine. Winds will be northerly at 8-16 mph. Thanksgiving day will remain dry with clouds and some sunshine and cold conditions.

SOLUNAR TABLE

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

Major Minor Major Minor

Wed: 5:32 a.m. 11:45 a.m. 5:58 p.m.

Thu: 6:22 a.m. 12:10 a.m. 6:47 p.m. 12:35 p.m.

Fri: 7:09 a.m. 12:56 a.m. 7:33 p.m. 1:21 p.m.

Sat: 7:53 a.m. 1:40 a.m. 8:18 p.m. 2:05 p.m.

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The exclusive AccuWeather RealFeel Temperature measures of how the air feels, taking into account all weather factors including temperature, humidity, wind, precipitation and sunshine. Shown is the highest real feel temperature for each day.

Highest Wednesday	28°
Highest Thursday	12°
Highest Friday	21°
Highest Saturday	25°

UV INDEX

Highest Wednesday 1 Minimal

The ultraviolet index is a guide to exposure to the sun. The higher the UV index number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

ALMANAC

Statistics for the week ending Nov. 24.

Temperatures:

High for the week	55°
Low for the week	21°
Normal high	44°
Normal low	31°
Average temperature	37.9°
Normal average temperature	37.4°

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise Wednesday 7:39 a.m.

Sunset Wed. night 5:06 p.m.

Moonrise Wednesday none

Moonset Wednesday 1:42 p.m.

Last	New	First	Full
Nov 27	Dec 4	Dec 11	Dec 19

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	Thur. Hi/Lo/W	City	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	Thur. Hi/Lo/W	City	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	Thur. Hi/Lo/W
Akron	30/17/c	30/18/pc	Buffalo	28/19/c	29/23/sf	Denver	34/17/pc	46/28/s
Albany	27/15/sn	28/19/pc	Burlington, IA	30/14/pc	35/24/s	Des Moines	27/15/pc	36/26/s
Albuquerque	34/26/sf	36/26/c	Burlington, VT	26/14/c	25/18/pc	Duluth	24/11/pc	30/22/c
Anchorage	33/26/sn	32/19/c	Casper	29/15/pc	42/23/s	El Paso	40/29/sf	41/28/c
Atlanta	46/29/c	46/28/s	Cedar Rapids	23/12/pc	33/22/pc	Fairbanks	25/7/c	18/3/sf
Atlantic City	40/24/sn	38/24/s	Charleston, SC	61/35/pc	51/28/s	Fargo	22/13/c	32/23/pc
Austin	45/29/c	45/31/c	Charleston, WV	52/28/c	34/22/pc	Flagstaff	36/17/c	40/19/c
Baltimore	40/24/sn	37/24/s	Charlotte	52/28/c	45/23/s	Fort Wayne	30/18/c	32/22/pc
Baton Rouge	47/32/r	49/31/c	Cheyenne	28/13/pc	44/24/s	Gary	27/13/pc	31/21/pc
Billings	40/30/pc	51/32/s	Chicago	28/14/pc	32/22/pc	Green Bay	25/9/pc	30/20/pc
Birmingham	44/26/pc	46/25/s	Cincinnati	32/18/c	32/20/pc	Helena	38/18/sf	36/20/pc
Bismarck	30/18/pc	41/26/pc	Cleveland	30/20/c	30/25/pc	Honolulu	84/66/s	84/69/pc
Bloomington	30/14/pc	32/17/pc	Columbus, MO	30/12/pc	41/25/s	Houston	46/35/s	51/32/sf
Boise	38/24/pc	44/26/pc	Columbus, OH	32/19/c	31/22/pc	Indianapolis	31/16/pc	32/21/pc
Boston	38/22/sn	34/22/s	Dallas	41/26/c	47/33/sf	Jackson	47/33/sf	42/38/c
Brownsville	52/45/r	51/47/c	Davenport	23/9/pc	31/22/pc	Kansas City	30/18/pc	41/25/s

MICHIGAN CITIES

City	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	Thur. Hi/Lo/W
Ann Arbor	30/14/c	30/15/pc
Battle Creek	29/15/pc	29/20/pc
Bay City	28/17/c	33/24/c
Coldwater	30/16/pc	30/21/pc
Dearborn	30/19/pc	32/22/pc
Detroit	30/18/c	32/22/pc
Grand Rapids	29/16/sf	30/24/pc
Holland	29/18/sf	30/26/c
Jackson	30/15/pc	30/22/pc
Kalamazoo	29/14/sf	30/20/pc
Lansing	29/13/c	31/22/pc
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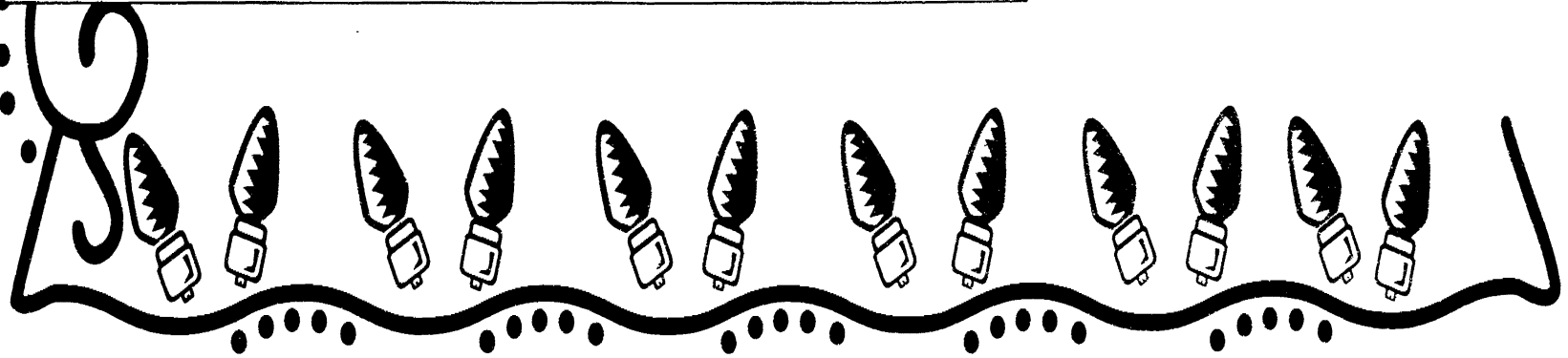
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Music fills the air with holiday sounds as you browse the shops and attend the many special events planned to stir memories of Yules past and capture the spirit of the one to come.

DATES/TIMES:

Friday, December 6, 2002

9 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Palmer Ford	Miniature Village/Model T Display, Toys for Tots & Teens
10 a.m. - 9 p.m.	Throughout Chelsea	Live Music, Shopping
11 a.m. - Noon	LaJolla Fine Jewelry	Beading Demonstration
5-9 p.m.	McKune Memorial Library House	Booksale & Holiday Music by Keyboardist Ron Andrews
5:30 - 7 p.m.	Dayspring Gifts	Author Cynthia Reynolds signs "Our Home Town"
6-7 p.m.	Vogel's & Foster's	Klutz Educational Product Demonstration
6:30 - 7 p.m.	Next to McKune House	Tree Lighting Ceremony
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.	UAW Hall	Santa's Workshop, Kid's Crafts
7-9 p.m.	Main Street	Festive Window Displays featuring Gingerbread Houses
7-8:30 p.m.	Next to McKune House	Live Creche Tableau
7-9 p.m.	First Congregational Church	Cookie Decorating for Children
7-9 p.m.	In front of First Congregational Church	Hayrides
7-10 p.m.	First United Methodist Church	Mission marketplace, cookies and warm cider
7:30 p.m.	Chelsea Ctr. For the Dev. of the Arts	Nutcracker Preview by Youth Dance Theatre
7:30-10 p.m.	First United Methodist Church	Wing 'N Prayer Concert (breaks at 8:15 p.m. & 9:15 p.m.)
7:45-8:20 p.m. & 8:30-9:30 p.m.	Chelsea Depot	Max Parkansky & Friends will provide Holiday Music and lead the Community Sing-Along
7:45-9 p.m.	Chelsea Depot	Historical Museum Open and Holiday Music
9-9:30 p.m.	Chelsea Depot	All Community Sing-Along

Saturday, December 7, 2002

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Palmer Ford	Miniature Village/Model T Display, Toys for Tots & Teens
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Chelsea Ctr. for the Dev. of the Arts	Yule Tree Gala, Holiday Shop Artists' Market & Ctr. Gallery
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Throughout Chelsea	Live Music, Shopping
11 a.m. - Noon	LaJolla Fine Jewelry	Beading Demonstration
11 a.m., Noon, 1 p.m.	Pierce's Pastries Plus	Storytelling, Music
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Gigi's Flowers	Designing Holiday Centerpiece Seminar
Noon - 4 p.m.	Chelsea Ctr. for the Dev. of the Arts	Holiday Craft Making (Holiday Gifts, Ornaments & Cards)
Noon - 5 p.m.	First United Methodist Church	Mission Marketplace
Noon	Chelsea Ctr. for the Dev. of the Arts	Chelsea Children's Choir & Chelsea Choraie Concert
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2:30 p.m.	Chelsea Ctr. for the Dev. of the Arts	Common Chord Bell Choir Concert
4:30 - 9 p.m.	Chelsea Gallery	Artists Reception
7-9 p.m.	Our Savior Lutheran Church	Advent by Candlelight for Women. Free, but reservations required.

Sunday, December 8, 2002

*3:00 p.m.	First Congregational Church	Holiday Concert with Chelsea Chamber Players
7:00 p.m.	Chelsea Retirement Center	Holiday Festival of Lessons and Carols
7-9 p.m.	Our Savior Lutheran Church	Advent by Candlelight for Women. Free, but reservations required.

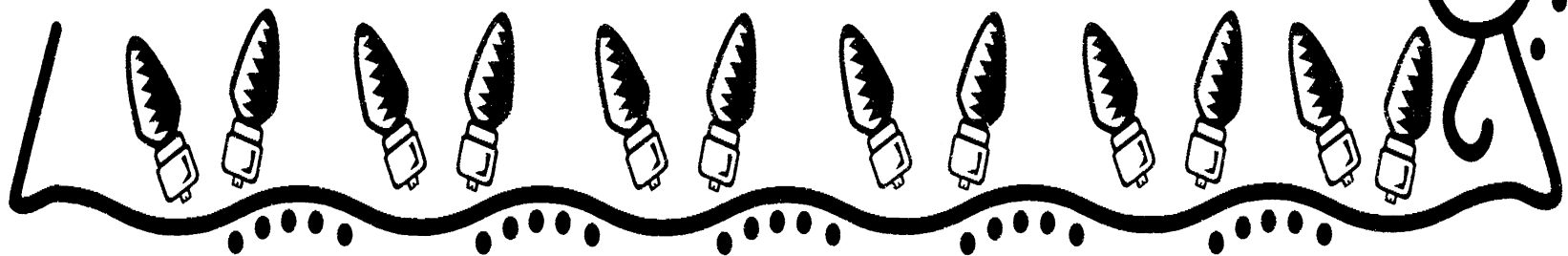
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Holiday GIFT GIVING AND ENTERTAINMENT

Candles add warmth, elegance at holiday time

Silver Bells may be a well-known holiday tune, but when you walk into most stores this season it isn't bells you see - it's candles.

It seems that candles have never been more popular or more available. From department to discount stores and everywhere in between, you'll find a large selection of candles to fit almost any style and budget.

According to Tom Hunsche, vice president of marketing for leading candle manufacturer, Hearth & Home Traditions, Ltd., candles can play a large part in your holiday decorating. And, brightening your season with candles can be simple.

"Candles cast a warm and welcoming glow in any setting," Hunsche said. "From a striking display on the mantle or center of the table to single candles placed throughout the home, there is nothing that says home quite like candlelight."

Hearth & Home Traditions, Ltd. offers these tips for decorating with candles this season:

- Use a collection of 5-7 pillar candles in varying heights to make a dramatic statement. Odd numbers tend to work better in arrangements.
- Simple red or white candles on a beautiful, heat-resistant platter can make a stunning centerpiece or can stretch across the mantle to create an equally elegant effect.

- Try different colors this season. Instead of the traditional red and green, decorate your home in a collection of icy colors like silver and blue. Or, for something really different, add a touch of this year's hot color — fuchsia — to your holiday decorations.

- A long, low candle makes a wonderful centerpiece because it provides decoration without obscuring views across a dinner table. It works equally as well on a buffet table.

- Use several votive candles in glass containers around a buffet table. The twinkling lights cast a magical glow.

- Surrounding any candle with a few sprigs of holly or fresh evergreen can create an instant focal point on an entry table. (Just be sure to keep these items away from the flame.)

- If you love to put the decorations up early and can't have a real tree in your house, use a collection of pine scented candles nearby to give your entire home the fragrance of a fresh-cut tree without all those needles.

- Candles don't need to stay indoors even during the winter months. Tin punched luminaries with votive candles make a welcoming addition to a walkway or front door.

- When holiday guests stay the night, put a candle and matches in their room. Nothing is as soothing after a hectic holiday afternoon than an evening of soft candlelight.

Holiday decorations aren't the only place for candles this season. They make a wonderful gift for friends and acquaintances.

"Candles continue to be popular gifts for teachers," according to Hunsche. "The holidays provide a break for teachers and an aromatherapy or other scented candle with a note of thanks makes a thoughtful and useful gift."

Candles also offer a fantastic alternative to the traditional bottle of wine as a hostess gift. "The Original Cake Candle from Hearth & Home Traditions, Ltd. is a fun way to take a bit of 'fresh baked' goodness to any hostess.

And, you can find a candle to fit almost any personality from babysitter to co-workers. Candles are an appreciated gift for many of those hard to buy for people on the holiday gift list.

While candies make a wonderful gift or decoration for the holidays, it is important to follow a few simple safety tips.

- Trim wick to 1/4 inch at all times.
- Always keep candles away from anything that can catch fire.
- Keep a burning candle in sight.
- Extinguish a candle when 1-inch from the bottom.
- Carefully remove all wick trimming and debris.
- Always keep candles away from pets and children.
- Read the manufacturer's instructions.
- Extinguish any candle that smokes. Let cool, trim wick to inch. If smoking persists, extinguish and return the candle.



Christmas isn't just for kids

By Renee Lapham Collins

Heritage Newspapers

There are a host of Christmas traditions that vary from family to family, and each of us probably has a memory or two of the typical events that created what we recall today as Christmas.

For me, these memories are centered around a happy childhood spent in the company of little sisters—the brothers didn't arrive until I was in my teens. My sisters and I would wake before dawn on Christmas morning, too excited to stay in bed. We'd creep into the living room and see what Santa had brought.

I don't remember ever being disappointed—St. Nick always seemed to come through with the gifts we'd asked for, even though my parents had very little to spend. After awhile, my parents would get up and my dad would spend the morning playing with us on the living room floor while mom would make breakfast and put the Christmas chicken in the oven. I'm sure my parents didn't get too much sleep, especially if they had gone to Midnight Mass. When I was a kid, Midnight Mass really was at 12 o'clock, which made for a late night for all the parish Santas who had to rush off and prepare for the morning gift-giving.

I LOOK BACK and see that my experiences as a child have both prepared me to help others enjoy the holiday as much as I did and set me up for disappointment, since the holiday now never quite lives up to my memory of the past.

My husband isn't a Christmas kind of guy at all—he hates it. His childhood was different, and his life experiences

much more tragic than mine. My mother, whom I always figured was enamored of the holiday, doesn't like it, either. There are too many reminders there of my late father, of a time when we were all young and healthy and she didn't feel as though she was facing the future alone.

Despite her sadness, my mother's efforts when I was a child gave me the attitude I have about the holiday.

Frankly, I love it. I love the music, the decorations, going to Mass, the smells of pine wreaths, "buckeyes," Peace on Earth, giving presents to everyone I can. Most of all, I adore the memories.

One of the great traditions we always had growing up was the Christmas cake. This was no ordinary cake—it was Jesus' Birthday Cake. Every Christmas morning, my mom would bring the cake out with a single candle burning in the center and we'd crouch around the Christmas crèche to sing "Happy Birthday" to Jesus, and then all together, we'd blow out the candle. It was my mother's way of instilling in us the true meaning of Christmas—not toys or stockings but the birth of Christ.

IF YOU think about all of the material things that remind us of the holiday—the decorations in stores that seem to be going up earlier every year; the constant reminders of how many shopping days are left; the 20 and 30 percent off department store sales; and the various "great gift ideas" that spring up at Meijer's or Wal-Mart's for under \$10, well, it's easy to see how we can get so caught up in the holiday that we forget

to celebrate the "reason for the season," as the saying goes.

Seen through the eyes of a child, the Christmas tradition is a magical time of twinkling lights, Santa, shiny ornaments, and presents under the tree. It is a time for us as adults to look at our own lives and at the world around us and believe—even for just a day—that everything is going to be okay.



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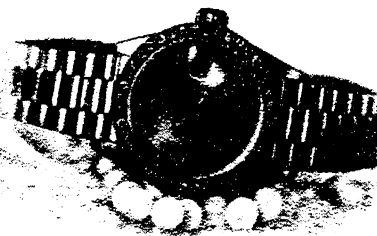
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Holiday happenings around area

Five principal villages and cities comprise our region: Chelsea, Dexter, Manchester, Milan, and Saline. No matter which community you live in, there is something afoot for the holiday season. Here is a sampling of school concerts, bazaars, parades, and other holiday events for the whole family.

DECEMBER 1 — TEEN GIFT WORK-

SHOP, Chelsea Center for the Development of the Arts. Free. 1:30-3:30 p.m. Create unique gifts to give to friends and family. Come empty-handed and leave with gifts wrapped and ready to put under the tree. Refreshments.

DECEMBER 3 — MANCHESTER FIFTH GRADE WINTER CONCERT, 7:30 p.m. at the Middle School.

CHELSEA HIGH SCHOOL HOLIDAY CONCERT, CHS auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Featuring the Symphony Band, Wind Ensemble, Chamber Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra, Women's Chorus, and Concert Choir.

DECEMBER 5 — MANCHESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL WINTER CONCERT, Grades 7-8, 7:30 p. m. at the Middle School.

HOLIDAY CONCERT, presented by the

Saline Middle School 8th Grade Band and Orchestra. 7 p.m. in the Saline High auditorium. Rebekah Hindbaugh and John Mason, conducting.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6 — HOLIDAY PARADE AND WEEKEND kicks off with the 27th annual evening parade at 7 o'clock through Saline. Among the highlights, a dance performance at Union School, a juggler, strolling musicians, the Chordsmen, County Connection Chorus, Bell Choirs, High School and Middle School Choirs, live reindeer and llamas, refreshments, and more. Santa's Village is at Lucky Bucks Café, featuring photos with Santa, Mrs. Claus, and Elves, as well as stockings stuffed with goodies and refreshments.

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE, 5-8 p.m.

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DECEMBER 7 — MILAN HOLIDAY PARADE, 6 p.m. Downtown Milan. Holiday Goodies sale, 8:30-11 a.m. and 5:30-7:30 p.m., Marble Memorial United Methodist Church, Milan.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA, sponsored by Milan Jaycees, 10-11:30 a.m. Milan Big Boy. \$3/child 12 and under; \$4 additional for picture with Santa.

SALINE CRAFT SHOW, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saline Middle School. \$2 admission, free parking. Lots of great gift and decorating ideas.

TREASURE TRAIL TO SANTA, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saline Shopping Center, photos with Santa and his crew, live reindeer, carriage rides, and much more. Free.

GERMAN FAMILY CHRISTMAS, 1-4 p.m. Kempf House, Ann Arbor. Call 994-4898 for more information.

HOLIDAY BAZAAR DAY IN DEXTER, all day. Featuring bazaars hosted by the Heritage Guild, the Girl Scouts, Senior Citizens, and Orchestra Boosters. Strolling musicians, Santa, sleigh rides, and more.

VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION, Monument Park, Dexter, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 7 and 14. Sleigh rides, reindeer, Santa, music and more.

DEXTER HOLIDAY LIGHT PARADE, 5:30 p.m.

BATTLE OF THE YULE TREES, CCDA invites Chelsea High School groups, clubs, and student organizations to decorate a tree for the Chelsea Festival of Lights. Awards will be given for organizations that best represent their club through creative decorating. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Decorating is Dec. 6 from 3-5 p.m.

DECEMBER 9 — HOLIDAY CONCERT, Saline Middle School 7th grade Band and Orchestra, 7:30 p.m., Saline High auditorium, directed by Cara Boden and Erin Hansen.

CHELSEA MIDDLE SCHOOL HOLIDAY CONCERT, Chelsea High auditorium, 7:30 p.m. featuring the Chelsea 7th and 8th grade bands, orchestras, and choir.

DECEMBER 12 — MANCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL WINTER CONCERT, 7:30 p.m. at the High School.

DECEMBER 13 — MANCHESTER SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCHEON, Klager Elementary School, reservations required.

MANCHESTER FESTIVAL OF TREES, 7 p.m. Village Hall.

HOLIDAY SOCIAL, MILAN AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, 8 a.m. Dutch Treat breakfast at the Campfire Restaurant. Guest speaker.

DECEMBER 17 — HOLIDAY CONCERT, Saline 5th grade, two shows, 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. Heritage School gym/cafeteria.

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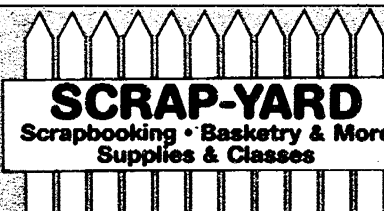
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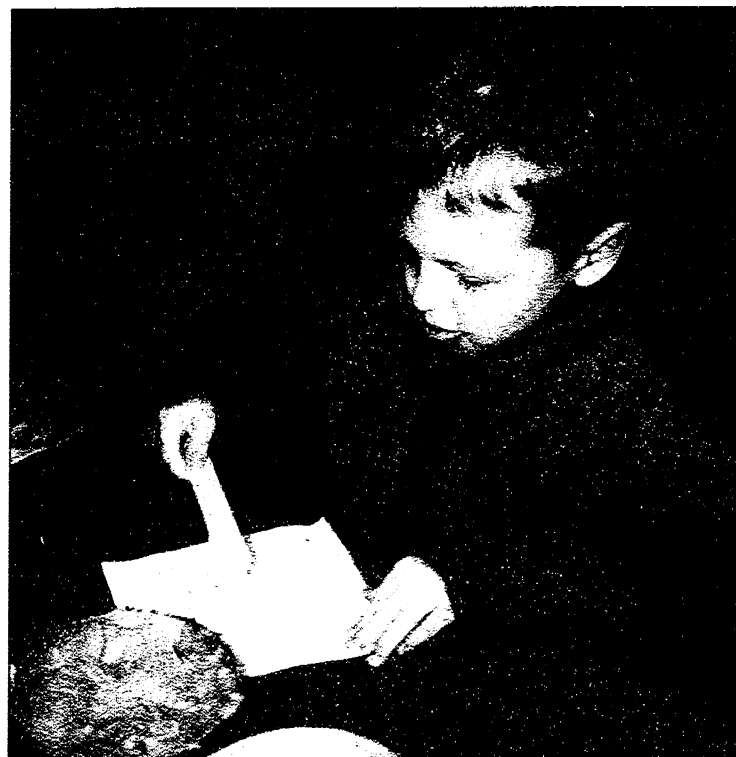
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Making holiday memories



What would Christmas be without reindeer and cookies? Leah Schwanzenberger (above) and Riles Dobar are pictured enjoying some of the holiday traditions. Leah displays a reindeer crafted of Popsicle sticks that she found at one of the many bazaars during the Dexter Victorian Christmas Celebration last year. Below, Dobar perfects his cookie decorating technique during the Chelsea Festival of Lights last December.



Manchester Memories



Marian Ahrens

What is your favorite Christmas memory?

"For Christmas 1972, I got a special gift from my children. It was beautifully wrapped in a huge box, but as I opened it I found it was loaded with bricks and papers. At the bottom of the box was a small box with a mother's ring in it. It didn't fit properly but I have always been careful of it. Just a few weeks ago, I was shopping in Adrian and I noticed it was missing. We looked all over the store and couldn't find it. I left my name and phone number and fortunately, by the time I got home there was a message — the ring had been found. I'm going to have it re-sized now after all these years."

— Marian Ahrens



Francis Heckaman



"I don't have a particularly memorable Christmas, but I certainly can't remember a bad one."

— Francis Heckaman



TV Ludwig



"I remember when I was little, we had a Santa Claus come to our house. It was the man next door and he was dressed up in my dad's costume. He was making home brew and so he was really jolly. I always wondered why Santa smelled like something to drink. He was a wonderful neighbor, though."

— T.V. Ludwick



Dorothy Willingham

"When I was about 13, I really wanted a typewriter for Christmas. A few days before Christmas a huge package was under the tree with my name on it. It was very heavy, and I was sure it was the typewriter. I opened it up and it was filled with bricks—and an Argus camera, which was something else I really wanted."

— Dorothy Willingham



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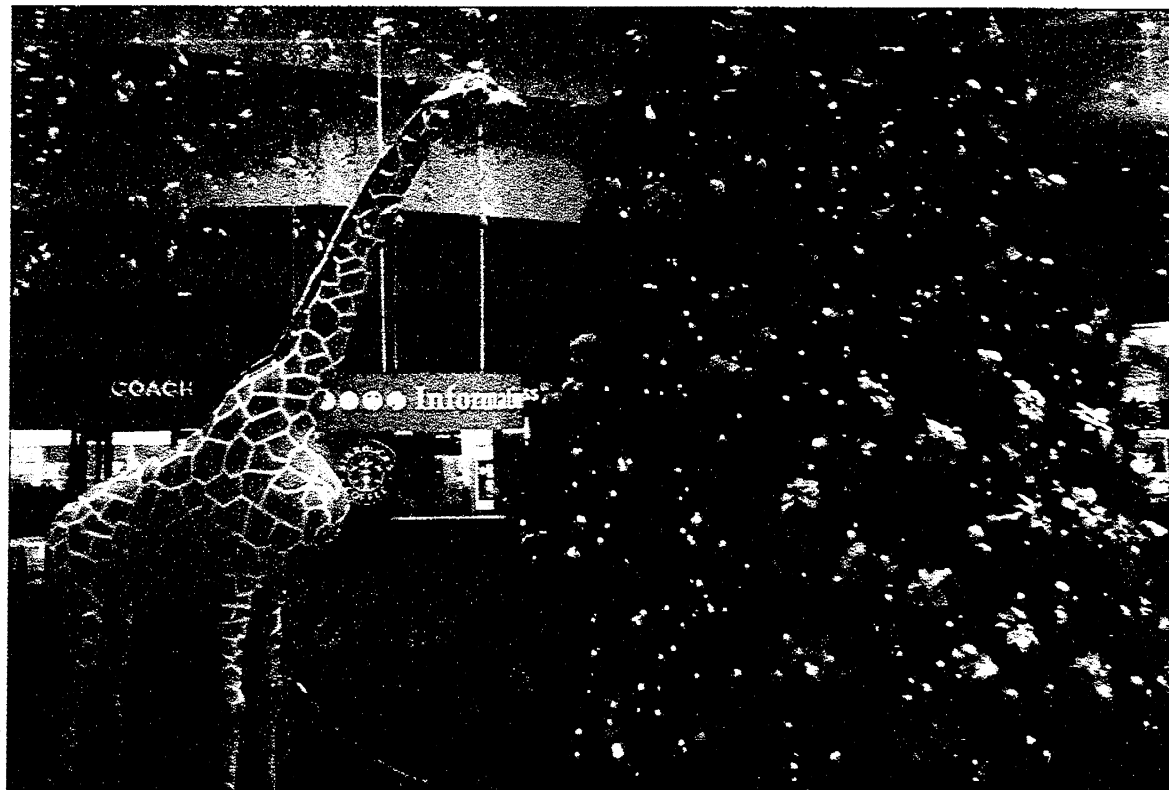
Breakfast with Santa

The Milan Jaycees are sponsoring a Breakfast with Santa fund-raiser on Saturday, Dec. 7 at the Milan Big Boy from 10-11:30 a.m.

The cost for children 12 and under is \$3 each. Children may elect to have a picture taken with Santa for an additional \$4.

Proceeds will be donated primarily to the Benson family, who lost three children in a house fire Nov. 15, and to Aid in Milan.

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Season's statistics

By Margie Bovee

Heritage Newspapers

According to the International Council on Shopping Centers, the December holidays are among the busiest of the year. Here are a few statistics gathered by the organization about mall activities:

- The holiday song played most frequently at malls last year was "Jingle Bells."
- The second most frequently played song at malls was "White

Christmas."

- The average amount of money a mall spends decorating for the holiday season is \$22,998.
- The average number of children who visit Santa in a mall is 10,119.
- The average amount in gift certificates sales last year per mall was \$598,643.
- The average amount of a gift certificate purchase is \$25.
- The average number of days it takes to decorate a mall for the holiday season is eight.

Santa's Hours

The Jolly Old Elf will be in residence at Briarwood Mall from Nov. 23 through Christmas Eve.

Santa's hours are:
Monday through Saturday: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Sunday: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Please note: Santa does take a break from 1-2 and 5-6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and on Sunday from 2-3.

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Shop 'til you drop!

Holiday season in full
swing at Briarwood Mall

By Margie Bovee

Heritage Newspapers

Oh! You better watch out

You better not cry

You better not pout,

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Santa Claus is coming to town!

Before Christmas Eve when he comes down the chimneys in area residences to deliver Christmas toys to "good" girls and boys, Santa will be at Briarwood Mall to hear their Christmas wishes.

Santa's arrival at the Briarwood Mall on Nov. 23 heralded the official start of the shopping season at the Ann Arbor mall, even though most stores have been displaying Christmas and other holiday items since October. The Jolly Old Elf will be transported to the mall via an old fashioned trolley and will stay in his cottage, located in the south corridor of the mall. The little house is nestled among pine trees and surrounded by animals from around the world. Visitors may ride on the trolley and children of all ages can have their pictures taken with Santa.

IDA HENDRIX, general manager of the mall, expects that some 10,000 children will visit Santa this year, and each child will receive a small gift from him. Of course, St. Nick will be leaving on Dec. 24 to begin his other important duties.

This year, Santa's home is located in the mall corridor formerly occupied by Jacobson's. That area is now called the Von Maur corridor. The Von Maur chain is expected to open a store in the former Jacobson location by September 2003.

The privately-owned, Iowa-based department store chain now has 18 locations, primarily in the Midwest, Hendrix said. The company hopes to attract an upscale clientele similar to that of Lord & Taylor or Nordstrom's. Construction of the Von Maur store will begin in January.

WITH THE addition of Madstone theatre, and several seasonal retail merchandising units, the mall is presently 99 percent occupied, according to Hendrix.

"We are cautiously optimistic about this holiday season," says Hendrix, commenting on the mood of the shoppers. "Last year we were just coming off of 9/11, and this year we feel the effects of an impending war and an

uncertain economy."

She said that the number of shopping days between the day after Thanksgiving and Christmas is shorter than last year because Thanksgiving is a week later than in 2001. That means shoppers will have just 26 days to complete their gift-buying compared to 32 days last season.

HENDRIX noted that in 2003 the mall will be celebrating its 30th year of operation. Consequently, many new renovations and updates will be taking place during the year, including renovations to the Sears and Marshall Fields stores. The mall itself will sport updates in building entrances, ceiling design, interior and exterior lighting, as well as new furniture in earth tone colors and a play area for children.

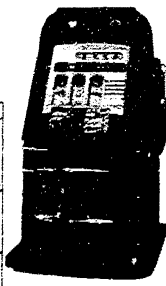
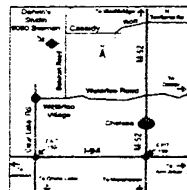
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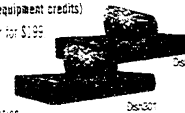


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Shirley Krass

"My most memorable Christmas was with my family and grandparents in Ohio."

~Shirley Krass

"My most memorable Christmas would have to be the last year my mother was alive and she spent Christmas at my house in 1974."

~Ruby Williams



Ruby Williams

"My most memorable Christmas was with my family about three years ago, with my son and daughter-in-law."

~Everett Eggert



Everett Eggert

"I remember going to midnight Mass and opening gifts afterwards back when I was a teenager in Indiana."

~Mary Lyons



Mary Lyons

"I enjoyed Christmas when my children were very young and we had just moved into a new house. The children decorated the tree except they didn't put tinsel on it. When they woke up in the morning, there was tinsel on the tree. They were so excited about it. They still talk about it."

~Helen Russell



Helen Russell

"My most memorable Christmas would have to be when my brother and his family came here for the holiday. They live in Texas."

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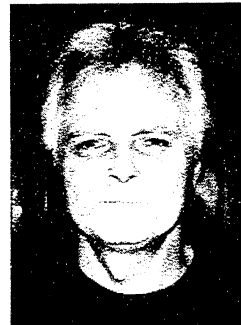
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Gifts, decor galore at Saline Craft Show

Saline Community Ed will host the sixth annual Craft Show at Saline Middle School on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

According to Scot Graden, director of Community Ed, and Cheryl Hoeft, principal organizer of the show, more than 135 crafters will be on hand, representing juried arts and crafts from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois. Crafters specializing in decorative

painting, stoneware, rugs, birdhouses, holiday decorating ideas, ceramics, calligraphy and clothing will display and sell their products at affordable prices, according to Hoeft.

"Christmas greens also will be available," she said.

Like the November Craft Show, the Community Ed event is in part designed to provide fund-raising and citizenship activities for students and student-athletes.

Throughout the show, they will man the concession stand, conduct the bake sale and assist with a variety of other activities, including helping

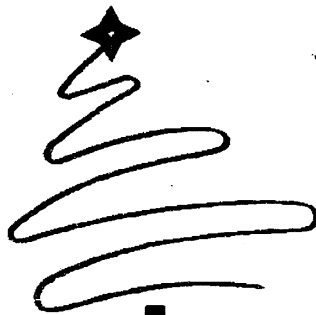
with set up, clean up, raffles, and the like.

"The craft show serves as a money-maker and opportunity for various student organizations to raise funds and promote leadership and citizenship at their school," Hoeft explained.

Admission is \$2. The school is accessible for the handicapped and disabled, and there is plenty of free parking. However, due to crowded conditions, organizers ask that no strollers be brought to the show.

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Oh Christmas tree: Decorating tips from the experts

Still trying to figure out the best way to get your tree to look the way it does in your imagination?

There is a trick (or two) of the trade in decorating Christmas trees.

SELECTING A TREE

Remember it will have a visual impact and be the focal point of your room throughout the holiday season. The size of your tree will partially be determined by how much space you have in your room, but also keep in mind these factors to enhance showing off your ornament collection. The more branch tips on the tree, the more ornaments you can hang.

If you want an informal look, choose a tree with long needles and upswept branches. For a formal appearance, select a tree with short needles and horizontal or downswept branches. If you are purchasing an artificial tree you should take storage into consideration and choose a tree that allows you to store it with the lights attached.

LIGHTING THE TREE

A general rule of thumb is to use one strand of lights per foot of tree. Of course the simplest way is to purchase a pre-lit tree that is hinged for easy

storage. But if you are starting from scratch, remember the lights should be strung throughout the tree, not stretched over the tips of the branches. Tuck your lights around the trunk, weave them in and out of the length of the branches to give the tree depth. Keeping the amount of lights uniform throughout the tree is important.

ADDING GARLAND

There are several ways to place garland on a tree. The most traditional is to swag your garland, beginning on the bottom, at the back of the tree. Swag the garland from tip to tip, using 12" to 20" swags, depending on the width of the tree and then twist the garland on each tip.

The swags should become smaller as you go up the tree. Other styles are to double swag the garland with one row falling lower than the other or to spiral the garland at an angle on the tree.

There are also many types of garland to choose from. Midwest of Cannon Falls suggests everything from traditional berry or gold leaf garland to elegant Vintage blown glass beads and stretches your imagination with designs of fish, sporting equipment or

gumball garland.

USING FILLER

Filling the spaces inside the tree creates an enchanting look from the inside out. This is the step that many household tree decorators don't know about. Filling inside spaces adds interest and compliments the overall mood of the tree. You can use ornaments, ribbon, garland, fruit, toys, mirrors, small gifts, cards or pinecones, whatever fits your theme.

THEMES

To make a strong statement, it is important to choose a dominant subject or color for your tree. Most trees look best with a balance of texture, shape, size and color but this should be tied together with one element being dominant.

For example, if your existing ornament collection has no theme, you can create one by introducing a significant quantity of one color or shape.

DESIGNS

Repetition establishes design and can help create the theme of your tree. Using different shapes in the same color or repeating the same texture in different colors also works.

The key is to keep your theme in a basic motif — outdoors and nature, angelic and romantic, folk art and handcrafted, Western and Southwest, antique glass and heirlooms, nostalgic and family, etc.

ORNAMENTS

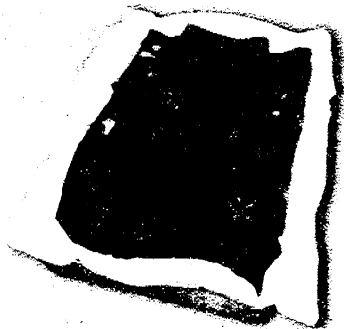
Be sure ornaments are suspended and hang freely so they are not touching other branches. Shiny finishes should be hung before matte or soft finishes, and bright colors before muted colors. Each size, shape, texture and color should be distributed over the entire tree. Larger ornaments should be placed on the lower part of the tree for balance.

For dramatic effects you can cluster several ornaments, combining different colors, sizes or shapes in one bunch, bound together with ribbon or a bow. These can be placed symmetrically throughout the tree or joined and placed as a swag spiraling the tree.

Adding bold new ideas makes the tree fun and it is certain to create conversation. If you want to decorate your tree with ornaments your children have made throughout the year, be imaginative by adding stuffed animals.

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—Sheila Pursglove
Associate Editor
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The Night Before Christmas

My father owned a flower shop back in 1976 called The Fife and Drum (because it was a very patriotic time). It was a two-story house the lower level of which he had converted into a flower shop. The family lived upstairs. My three brothers and I shared a room. In the floor of our bedroom was a large square ventilation grate through which you could see the shop floor below.

That year we held Christmas at our place and a gaggle of aunts, uncles, and cousins came. The cousins all piled into our room; blankets and pillows were everywhere; it was toasty up there, like a den.

Christmas Eve, the adults hustled us off to bed in our pajamas, admonishing us to be quiet, to go to sleep. Santa wouldn't come if we didn't. But few of

us still believed in Santa Clause and our excitement was too great. Instead of seeking sleep, we whispered and giggled, threw pillows, made obscene noises, but all very quiet.

And we took turns looking down on our parents through the grate as they wrapped presents and finished trimming the tree. You couldn't see everything, just the edge of the tree, a part of the couch that had been moved downstairs, some poinsettias, my grandmother's knee. But the lights glowed up through the grate; the voices drifted up; the smell of cookies and coffee wafted up — Christmas ascended through that grate.

One by one, the younger kids dropped off to sleep. I held on, too fascinated by the goings-on downstairs, too full of anticipation, too captivated by the secrets of Christmas preparation.

Finally, I alone was awake. My eyes wanted to close so badly, yet I fought them. I watched through the grate. My Aunt Marcia laughed. My Uncle Tom swore softly as he tripped over a package. My mother called a question to my father. Dishes clinked, wrapping

paper crinkled. My cousins and brothers breathed softly around me.

Then I, too, was gone. I had held out as long as I could.

I awoke Christmas morning with a large red imprint of the grate on the side of my face where it had pressed against the metal as I slept. Everyone laughed, and while I didn't find it funny, I knew then that the mark on my face was nothing compared to the mark that Christmas Eve would leave on my memory.

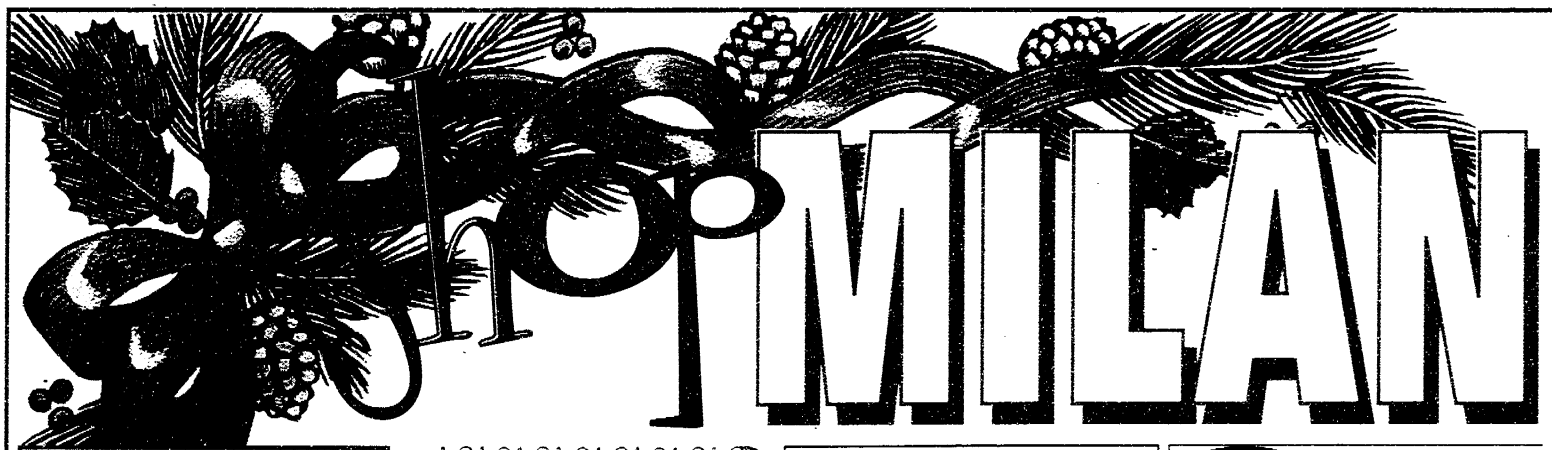
—Brian Cox
Staff Writer



Not my presents

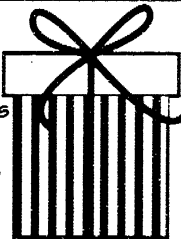
"My fondest memory of Christmas was when I was 4 years old and waking up at 4 a.m. and going down to the Christmas tree and seeing all those gifts. Thinking that all of them were mine. I started unwrapping them. After unwrapping most of the gifts. I

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knew something was wrong, since I had unwrapped several tools, including a saw and other items. Realizing my big mistake, I hid all the unwrapped gifts under my bed, hoping that I wouldn't get in trouble. That was a memorable Christmas — my rear end remembered it, too."

—Will Keeler
Staff Writer
Chelsea/Dexter



Past, Present & Future

When I was a little girl of about 7 or 8 living on Siena Heights Drive in Adrian, I was convinced that I heard Santa on our roof. Every Christmas Eve, we had a children's Christmas pageant at St. John's Lutheran Church from 7-8 p.m. The whole family would go and then we would rush home to a glowing tree packed with presents. Santa always came while we were at church.

One Christmas my father told me that we were getting home a little ear-

lier than usual and hopefully Santa was done. We were sitting in the living room, admiring the tree and presents, and taking in the ambiance of Christmas when suddenly I could hear the sound of reindeer on our roof. Bells jingled and then I heard the sound of the man who had just stuffed all those presents under the tree — Santa! I wanted to see him, but my father stopped me from going out the door.

"Oh, no, Baby Girl, nobody sees Santa," he said. "You have to just trust in what your ears are telling you and realize how lucky you are that you have heard the sounds of Santa and his reindeer."

Years later, I learned that my loving father had arranged for some of his friends to be on our roof when we arrived home and make those magical sounds just to see the look of wonder, excitement and joy on his little girl's face.

In 2001, we marked our first Christmas without my father. It had been 34 years after he arranged for the sounds of Christmas to clatter on our roof, and it was very hard to celebrate the season without the man I loved most in the world. It was going to be difficult and I wasn't sure me, my mother, or my brothers would be able to get through it, but we knew that we had to—Christ-

mas was my father's favorite holiday.

He had the decorating of the tree down to an art. He always started decorating it the very first week of December. Each day, a few more things would find their way to the tree. He would position himself in every corner of the room to see how the tree would appear to whoever was sitting in that spot. This was a ritual that lasted approximately two weeks—sometimes longer. No one was allowed to touch the tree or move a single ornament—even at 40, this father's little girl was expected to keep her hands off the tree.

That first Thanksgiving after he died, we sat around and wondered who would decorate the tree this year. Not one of us felt we could fill our father's shoes.

So, we decided that we would start a new tradition in honor of our father: we would meet at my mother's house on a Saturday in December and decorate the tree as a family. For the first year, each of us would place an ornament on the tree in memory of our father.

The day arrived. We got out the lights and the ornaments and the tree. My brother David went into the bathroom cabinets to retrieve the ornaments and lights, while Jeff and I went in search of the tree.

Now, my father had a great sense of humor and even in his death, he was

going to give us a chuckle or two. He knew that he was dying, and that he wouldn't be around for Christmas 2001.

So, all those the days that he was home alone, he prepared a few laughs for his family on a day he knew would be heart-wrenching.

Thus, David didn't find the lights or ornaments in the cupboard.

Where did he put the tree? We tore the house apart while our voices echoed, "very funny Dad" and "hope you're having fun Dad" and "Okay, we give, where is the tree?" The love and laughter kept us going all day.

Finally, there it was — the tree. My eyes filled with tears as I looked at the box that held memories of my father's love for Christmas and for his family. I knelt down and rubbed the box, hoping to pick up a scent of my father and then turned the box to discover a message from my father.

"Red goes on top, green in the middle and black on the bottom. Merry Christmas, Love Dad."

The day was filled with love, laughter, tears and memories. But what made it the best day was that I discovered I never need to feel like my father is truly gone because he is always there.

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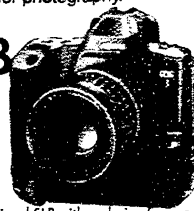
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WCC holiday program benefits Mott Hospital

The holiday season is a time for giving and Washtenaw Community College's Performing Arts Department is doing just that. The Dance and Music programs will host an event that benefits the children in residence at Mott Children's Hospital at the University of Michigan Medical Center, Wednesday, Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. in Towsley Auditorium. The price for admission is one unwrapped gift or a monetary donation.

Stars Onstage: A Benefit Concert for Children is a

joint effort of WCC and community dance studios to bring cheer to the children and families spending the holidays in the hospital. The evening begins with music performed by the WCC Jazz Orchestra and is followed by dance performances by WCC dance students and students from the Spotlight Studio LLC in Pinckney and the Dance Theater Studio in Ann Arbor.

"This is the second year that we have done a benefit and it feels good to be able to give something

back to the community," said Noonie Anderson, dance instructor at WCC. "We know how hard it is to have a child in the hospital and particularly around the holiday season. This will be a very joyous occasion."

The dancers range in age from 5 years old up to adults and will perform a variety of dances from hip hop to ballet and tap.

For more information call 677-5090.

A new idea for turkey

Students from elementary through high school are invited to enter a contest to design a patch that features the wild turkey.

The Michigan Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf) and Michigan Project WILD, in cooperation with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), are sponsoring the contest to find a design for the 2004 wild turkey management cooperater patch.

"This is the first time in history that we've let students design the patch," said Alan Stewart, Michigan DNR upland game bird specialist. "It gives teachers and students a chance to learn more about the wild turkey and the cooperater patch program, which helps fund wild turkey management projects."

The cooperater patch program began in 1972, when the DNR provided

patches to deer hunters as an incentive to bring deer carcasses into DNR offices and roadside check stations. The DNR later added bear and turkey cooperater patches to encourage the collection of management data for these species as well.

The Michigan Chapter of the NWTf now facilitates the production of the wild turkey management cooperater patch, which is available to anyone. Proceeds from patch sales are used to fund wild turkey-related projects in Michigan. Such projects help manage wild turkey populations, once near extinction in North America.

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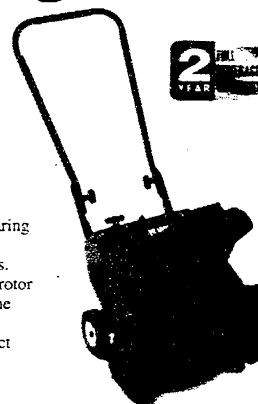
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Beginning at 6:00 p.m. there will be face painting and balloon twisting for the kids. We will be led in song by Ethan Smith and he will be introducing some special guests beginning at 6:45.

Saturday morning (Nov. 30) the kids can have "Breakfast With Santa" at Brooklyn Elementary from 8:30 to 11:00.

Saturday afternoon at 2:00 p.m., the Brooklyn Holiday 5K Run/Walk will begin at Kris' P.E. Health Club.

The Brooklyn Open House on Dec. 1 is also going to be a fun day. Refreshments can be found in all the stores in Brooklyn. Free horse-drawn wagon rides will be at the Brooklyn Big Boy. And, yes, Santa will be back in town at the Village Office. And of course Santa's reindeer will be on The Square.

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