



Sarah Johnson demonstrates a graceful move at the ice rink during Winter Festival.



Other ice skating maneuvers were not quite so graceful, however.



Left to right: Briana Clark, Sarah (again), the Statue of Liberty, and Megan Coutts.

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Constable Lyle Moore: Serving Manchester Township

— story & photos by Kathy Kueffner

Your alarm clock goes off at 7:00 in the morning.

At 7:00 in the morning, Constable Lyle Moore is already out on the roads of Manchester Township, patrolling.

With almost 40 years of being on the job as an officer of the peace for the township, Constable Moore has seen the township grow from a mostly agricultural environment to an area which includes new homes on a few acres each.

Stepping out of his police vehicle, Constable Lyle Moore returns to the township hall. After a few hours on the back roads, the police car looks little different than our muddled civilian vehicles.



"There are 150, maybe 160, miles of road in Manchester Township," Constable Moore tells me as we head south on Adrian Street. "We'll travel the perimeter starting out."

I'm riding shotgun with the Constable on a blustery February day. In between us is a vertical stack of equipment: first, on the bottom, a CB, then the PA system with the switch controlling the blue light on the roof, on top of that a scanner, then the State Police radio.

I asked him if his job has pretty much stayed the same over the years, and he replied that it has but, of course, with the construction of new homes and new residents moving in, "there's just a lot more of the same things to do. The township case load has increased considerably."

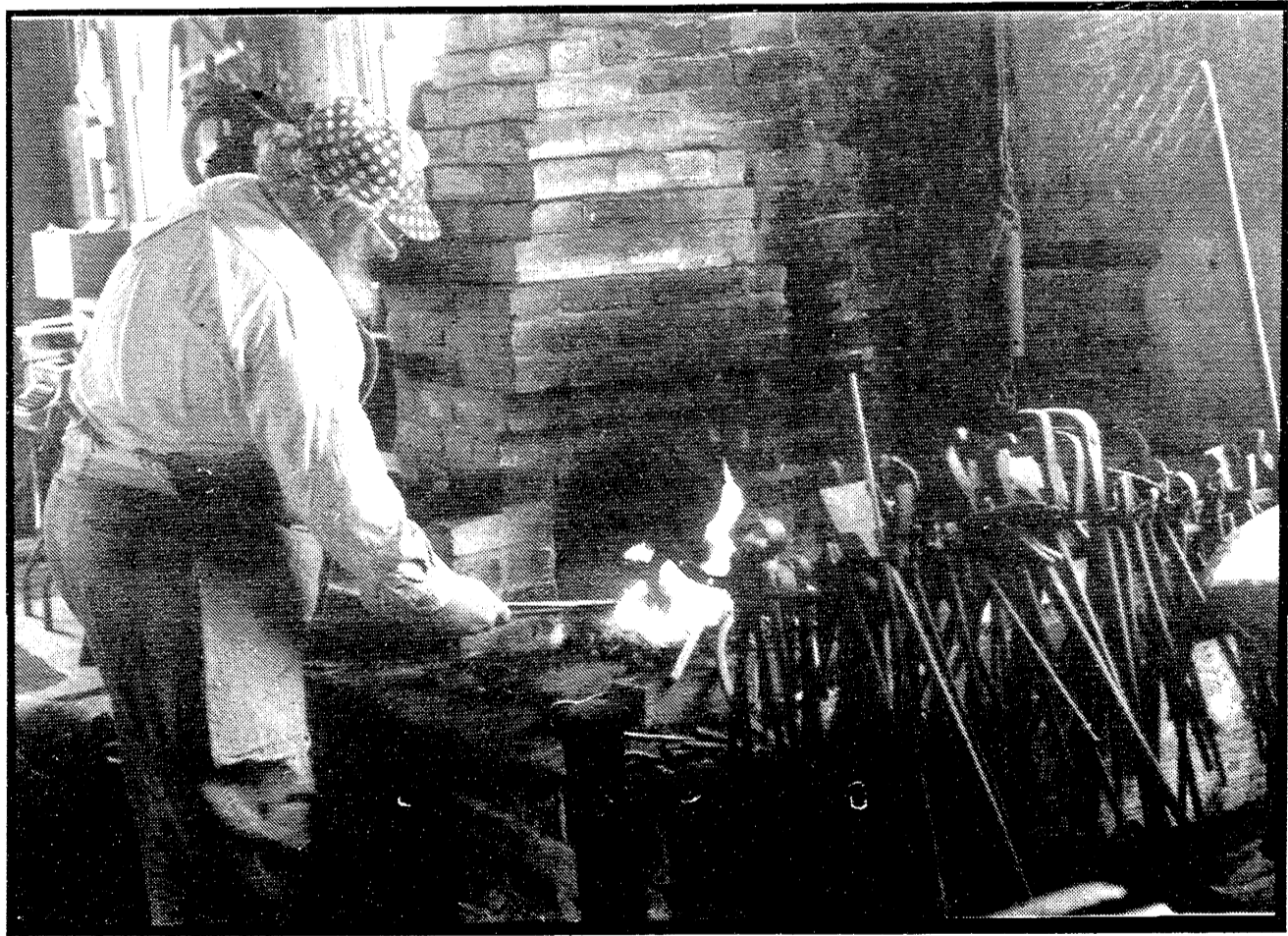
Besides his duties as Constable, Moore is also the Zoning Administrator. "I used to be called the Zoning Inspector," Moore grins, "then I got 'promoted' with the title of Administrator. I didn't notice a promotion in salary, however," he muses.

As Zoning Administrator, Moore conducts property inspections, checks building permits, advises of zoning violations and then does the follow ups to make sure the work is in compliance.

Sometimes an inspector's job is dangerous. Moore recalls a time when after a zoning violation had been issued, the "subject" buried an axe in a chunk of wood about fifteen feet away from the Constable.

See Constable page 6

Keeper of the Flame



Above: Blacksmith Tim ARMENTROUT demonstrated his craft during Winter Festival, and gave a presentation at the February meeting of the Manchester Historical Society in the Blacksmith Shop on Main Street. (See page 5.)

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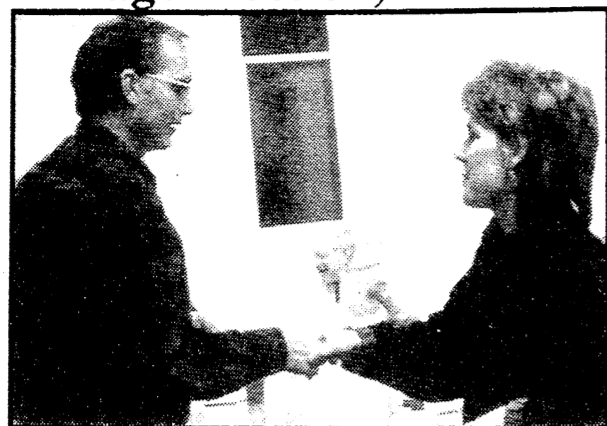
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Village Election, March 11



Jeff Schafer, village council member who is stepping down after serving a two-year term as trustee on village council, speaks with Mary Ames after the council meeting of February 19. As we noted in the February *Chronicle*, Mary is one of three candidates for three positions coming up for election, Monday, March 11. Also a candidate to serve on village council is Herb Mahoney, a long-time resident of Manchester who is police chief in Milan. Seeking re-election is Joe Marshall, who with his wife Sue, owns and operates the Manchester Antique Mall on Main Street.

The polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. at Manchester Village Hall, 120 S. Clinton St. — photo kk

Fireman Honored at Ceremony



BOB BURKHARDT of Manchester was presented a plaque from Clinton Fire Chief Dennis Keezer in appreciation for 25 years of volunteer service to the Clinton Fire Department. The Fire Department put on a buffet dinner at "Where Friends Meet" in Clinton, February 10 where past retirees of the Clinton Fire Department, and Bob and his wife Rita, and son Rodney attended. There was an awards ceremony for Bob as well as other awards presented.

The Chronicle Desk

You will notice a new byline in this issue of the *Chronicle*: Stephanie Somerville.

Stephanie is a part-time college student at Washtenaw Community College, taking classes in journalism this semester before entering Michigan State University next fall.

Stephanie graduated from Saline High School in January, taking accelerated courses. She moved with her family to Manchester last July.

When Stephanie showed me her portfolio of writings, I asked her if she could write a leprechaun story for March. The next day she gave me the delightful *Once Upon a Time* romance you'll find on pages 14-15.

Stephanie also researched Manchester Panther sightings from 1984 (page 2), interviewed the new secretary, Cynthia Ybarra, at the Community Resource Center (page 15), visited and wrote about a new shop in the Mill, M & L Enterprises (page 4), and provided us with some history of the office of the Constable on page 6.

Guaranteed good reading, in the *Manchester Chronicle*. — kk

Rose Gets Mad!

Rose has been married for thirty years to a guy who gambles their money away at baseball games. Now she's getting mad and she's following her husband to the ballpark!

Decker is a businessman who collects the bets.

Two Manchester actors star in these two character roles in *Bleacher Bums*, Tecumseh Area Players' nine-inning comedy playing March 7, 8 and 9. Diane DuRussel is Rose, and Paul Bamford is Decker.

Curtain time is 8:00 p.m. each evening at the Tecumseh Civic Auditorium, 400 N. Maumee St., in Tecumseh. For further information, phone (517) 423-6617.

New Manufacturing Company to Locate in Manchester

Jerry Schmidt, a representative of SGF, a German manufacturing firm, told Village Council members at their meeting of February 5, that one of the main reasons SGF considered locating in Manchester was, "the crime rate...there isn't one."

"We're a friendly company and found this community to be friendly," he said.

SGF of America is the U.S. subsidiary which manufactures steering couplings for the auto industry. Their facility on nine acres in the Industrial Park will be comprised of offices, warehouse and manufacturing plant, with research and development plans in the future. Within three to five years Schmidt says they foresee employing 29 people in the manufacturing division, and three to five people in the warehouse.

Above, Schmidt, with council president Larry Beckett assisting, shows drawings of SGF's building plans. — photo by kk

"THE LITTLE FAIR WITH THE BIG HEART"

has been chosen as the theme for the 1996 Manchester Community Fair. It was the winning entry submitted by Dennis Curtis during last year's fair.

Plans are underway: a contract was signed with Crown Amusements of Belleville, Michigan; entertainment will be scheduled; and, committees are being appointed.

Brenda Bristle is in charge of the Merchants' Tent for this year's fair and will soon have contracts ready. If you are interested in having a booth in the Merchants' Tent, please contact Brenda at 428-0214.

Local resident elected to M.A.F.E. board

Carol Britten was elected as vice-president of the Michigan Association of Fairs & Exhibitions.

Additionally, Carol was re-elected as Director of Zone 2, representing eighteen fairs in the south-east corner of Michigan.

Carol was one of several members of the Manchester Community Fair who attended the M.A.F.E. convention held at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids in January.

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May the road rise up to meet you, May the wind be always at your back, May the sun shine warm upon your face, May the rains fall soft upon your fields, And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of his hand. — an Irish prayer



Remember the Manchester Panther?

In May of 1984, Manchester had a strange and unexpected visitor.

This visitor was in the form of a large, black cat seen prowling about town by various sources. Most assuredly, many are aware that I am referring to the Manchester Panther. This mysterious creature was spotted not only in this quiet unsuspecting village, but as far north as Saginaw, and as far west as Ionia county near Grand Rapids.

The panther was not expected to survive its first Michigan winter, but it reappeared in Milford in 1986, proving all its skeptics wrong. To this day, the panther still has not been found.

The first to spot the panther in Manchester was an on-duty police officer. He claimed he saw a large, black animal run across the road. Other sightings were numerous, including one in the early evening: a woman spotted it walking across the Little League ball diamond.

Manchester soon became quite an attraction. Helicopters buzzed overhead, pontoon boats patrolled the River Raisin, and sight-seers flocked to town in hopes they would catch a quick glimpse.

Luckily, no one was ever harmed by the animal. Its apparent passiveness may be why the panther could still be roaming around somewhere out there.

Then police chief William Zsenyuk claimed that searchers had it in their gun sights several times, but they did not shoot. Searchers didn't want a wounded animal running loose and they were reluctant to "put it down" because it hadn't done any real harm.

Despite all the efforts to catch the panther, and even all the sightings, plaster casts of big footprints were the only true proof of its existence. Because of this, there were and still are many people that do not believe there ever was a panther in Manchester.

Zsenyuk was a believer; after the Little League sighting, he stated, "It was really scary there for us."

— researched from *The Ann Arbor News*, and written by Stephanie Somerville

YOU ARE INVITED to share your stories and recollections of the Manchester Panther at the next meeting of the Manchester Historical Society, March 19, Tuesday evening, 7:30, at the Blacksmith Shop, 324 E. Main St.

Successful 1996 Winter Festival in a Victorian Village

The Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce would like to extend special thanks to MIDWEST FORD and PILOT INDUSTRIES for sponsoring the ice carvings in Wurster Park during Winter Festival in a Victorian Village, Saturday, February 17.

First prize was awarded to Chef Dave Woodring of Chelsea Hospital; second place went to Chef Gary Marquardt of the University of Michigan.

How to Play



At a craft booth during Winter Festival, Fred Heinrich, of Manchester, shows a youngster how an old-fashioned wood spinning top works. — photo by kk

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Help! Help! A Mouse in the House! Help Help!

Surprise! Surprise! Early, early Tuesday morning as I reached into the closet for my shirt, I saw out of the corner of my right, very sleepy eye, a brown flash zip across the floor from under the desk to under the bed. Immediately, I knew what it was. (I have seen pictures in books and Disney cartoons so I really knew what I saw.) It was a cute little brown mouse. Trouble! Double trouble! I glanced at the tiny stack of papers on my desk and I thought, it would be awesome if and when I sorted these papers to file away I would discover a cozy little nest with evidence of a mouse in it.

Oh, brother, what a choice. Take care of the papers or take care of the mouse — more than likely mice. I ran to the cupboard to see if we had a mousetrap. Found one, put a glob of peanut butter on the trigger and tried to set it. The rod to the trigger was bent the wrong way so it would not catch. Oh, shoot! Have to go to work right away so I will need to buy a trap after work and set it at night.

Did it! Got it! Put it in the trash and reset the trap for the rest of the family.

Really, what this is all about is that the animals are starting to come out of hibernation and spring is just a few days away and the 30th annual Manchester Canoe Race is just a few weeks from now on May 19, 1996.

In order to start the plans before the flowers pop up through the leaves in the flower bed beside the house and the fish start jumping (since the ice will soon be gone in the river) and the turtles and frogs will be crawling out of the mud to sun themselves on a fallen log, the Manchester Recreation Task Force Canoe Race committee will have had an emergency meeting at Bill Schwab's, Monday, March 4th. If you have any suggestions or questions about making the Canoe Race bigger and better and more fun, please call 428-7722 or 428-8976.

If you are not interested in the Canoe Race, how about planning the Gazebo Concerts?

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— Bill Schwab

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SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

Two Board Seats Open

The annual school election for the purpose of electing school board members will be held on Monday, June 10, 1996.

Two seats on the Board of Education will be vacant. The four-year terms held by John Hochstetler and John Ochs will expire in June.

Nominating petitions for these Board of Education positions may be obtained from the Manchester Community Schools, Central Administration Office at 710 East Main Street, upon request, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Completed petitions and affidavits of identity are due no later than Monday, April 8, 1996 at 4:00 p.m.

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Burk's - - Down by the Old Mill Stream

— Rita Burkhardt

As the end of February 1996 approaches, the waters still continue to flow over the dam. The snow has gone, and so has Valentine's Day which represents red hearts, cards, candy, flowers and, most of all, love.

Love can be expressed in various ways. People come to Manchester and all its stores and shops to find that special card or gift for their loved ones. Manchester has everything you can imagine. Every time a person visits the Manchester Mill and asks about other places to shop, I tell them about all our other merchants both inside and outside the village limits. This is a gift also, a gift I hope is shared by all the Manchester businesses in town.

If I don't have a specific item in my shop, maybe someone else in the Mill has it or perhaps another business in Manchester. The referral of people to other businesses not only helps the other businesses but also helps the one who refers the customer. The customer will be happy to receive the information and will remember you for the favor and perhaps return another day.

The gift of our own hearts will get us all an even bigger heart (a Valentine). Our customers are our Valentines. We greet them, talk with them, and share our business with them. Then, if they are not totally satisfied, we give our Valentine (our customer) the gift of choosing other Manchester merchants.

Remember how I told you last month people want to be recognized? Well, on Saturday, February 10th, a couple from Warren, Michigan stopped by the Mill. The lady and I started a conversation. At first she didn't seem the talkative type but then stated she had just gotten together with her high school friends which was very important to her. We all get so busy it is hard to get together.

Ironically, I was getting together that same night with some of my high school friends. We get together once a year for dinner and conversation.

The lady and I continued our conversation until her husband was ready to leave. The lady started towards the stairs then turned and walked toward me and asked for a hug. We embraced and said good-bye, still not knowing each other's names. But we both shared something in common — our hearts.

We recognized the need, as do others, to share ourselves which gives us a personal satisfaction and a gift in some form or another. That day, the lady from Warren was truly my Valentine and I guess I was hers.

Those times are special moments we need to capture because that particular moment will be gone forever, like the waters of the Raisin River as different waters flow over the dam each day. The waters flow like life, each day a new beginning. Enjoy your moments, cherish your Valentines.

I watch as the waters pass my window and I see my own moments pass as well as yours. Make this moment special for yourself and others.

Eclectic, et al



Ann Lee (left) and Deb MacNeil pose in front of one of the displays in their shop.

— by Stephanie Somerville

If you are a fan of beautiful and mystical artifacts, be sure to visit M & L Enterprises (located on the first floor of the Mill along with Suzanne's Interiors.) The pieces sold by Deb MacNeil and Ann Lee are truly stunning.

Deb describes their store as "spiritual, cultural, eclectic." It is surely all these things and so much more.

Deb and Ann make many of their products, such as fairy, angel, dragon and wizard figurines atop specially chosen crystals. They choose to make as many things as they can because that way, they are able to keep the prices low and affordable. I bought an adorable little fairy necklace for only \$8.95!

Other things throughout the store are made by various individuals. Bud Pratt does oil paintings for the shop.

Catherine Tanning makes porcelain and ceramic objects. On display is a delicate white porcelain light with hand-painted fairies around the cover.

Karla Thaler has rune stones displayed. Each stone is empowered by Karla within a sacred circle. White Moon (a Manchester resident) makes Indian artifacts such as medicine bags, mourning ribbons and medicine shields. White Moon is spiritually guided and the inspiration for her work comes to her in dreams.

Richard Two Wolves makes lovely beaded bracelets, belts and necklaces. He is also spiritually guided and meditates over his work. He believes that each piece is made for a specific owner out there.

Also found in the store are collectable Magic and Star Trek cards. If you're a collector, or you are looking for a place to display pictures or poetry, you'll also find high quality, fantasy-oriented binders made specifically for that purpose.

Even if you don't feel you're really into things of a mystical origin, you should still check it out because the essence of the store may still enchant you.

A Peek in the Pantry

— by Nancy Geiger of Nancy's Herb Pantry



Spring Cleaning

In days gone by, with the advent of spring came the terrible job of spring house cleaning. I can well remember the days when absolutely everything in the old farmhouse was moved out on the lawn, on the porch, or over the clothesline to be brushed, scrubbed, swept or beat. The days of these old rug beaters and dusters seem to be gone but the memories still linger in the attics of our yesterdays.

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The Manchester Area Historical Society held its monthly meeting

on Tuesday, February 20 at the Blacksmith Shop. Tim Armentrout gave a blacksmithing demonstration. His interest in blacksmithing began when an article in a 1978 Popular Mechanics magazine "sparked" his interest. He read a lot of books and worked with local blacksmiths to learn the craft.

He started the presentation with explaining the difference between a farrier and a blacksmith. A farrier is a blacksmith who also knows the science, health, and mechanics of horses. Blacksmiths usually did not shoe horses except to augment their incomes. They made and repaired items such as wagons and buggies.

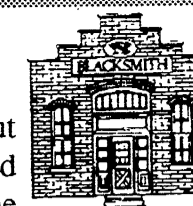
Tim started the demonstration with a flat piece of iron stock one-half inch by one-quarter inch that

he had cut down the center about one-third of the way. He heated the piece in the forge, bent one half of the cut section down out of the way, and repeatedly heated and hammered the other section to draw it out to a slim taper. When that section was done, he worked on the other one. When the two pieces were about the same, he shaped them to form a heart. He made a hook on the other end. After using a wire brush to remove the oxidation that comes from heating, he coated it with beeswax.

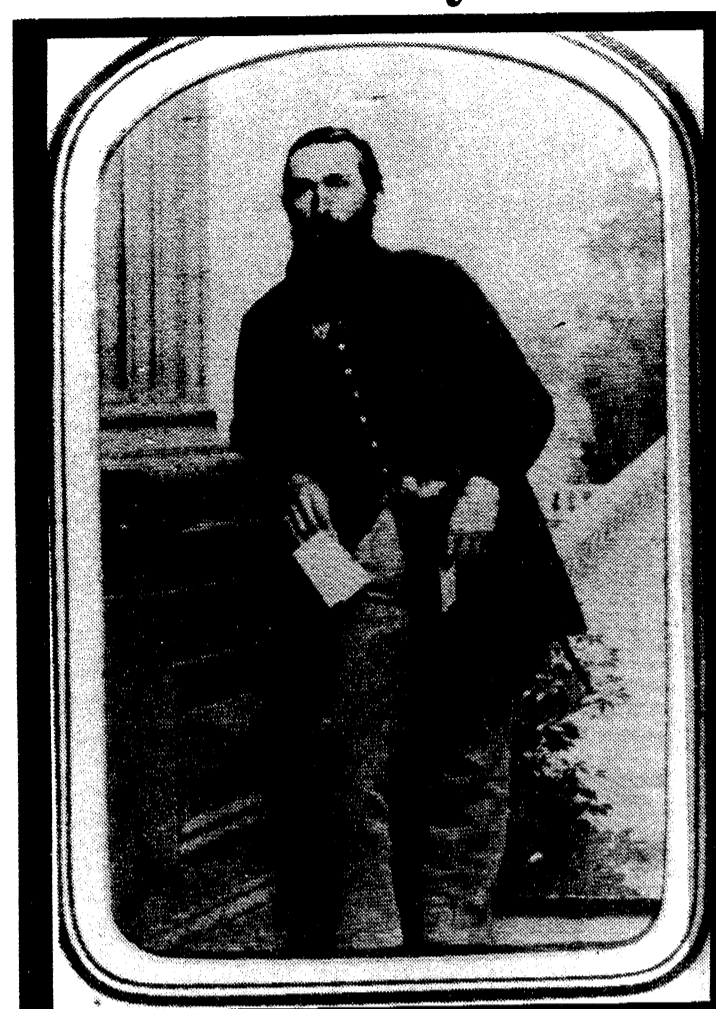
The forge can be heated to 2200°F. The blacksmith can tell when to reheat a piece of metal from the feel of it when he hammers it. Different alloys have to be worked at different temperature ranges. High carbon steel, for example, is very stiff. Wrought iron is soft when heated.

Several of those in attendance remembered John Schneider coming to their farms to shoe horses when they were young.

The program in March will be on the Manchester Panther. The public is invited to attend. — Betty Cummings, Secretary for MAHS



Civil War Theme for 1997 Historical Society Calendar



William B. Irwin in Federal uniform, Alexandria, Virginia

The Manchester Area Historical Society (MAHS) announced that the 1997 calendar will focus on a particular theme: "The Manchester Area in the Civil War".

Shortly thereafter, Historical Society Calendar Committee Chair, Reno Feldkamp, was very pleased to receive from long-time resident Don Irwin a picture of his cousin William B. Irwin, who fought with the Union soldiers in the Civil War. Don Irwin, who has been featured on the cover of the 1994 MAHS calendar along with his family farm, has allowed the society to use the picture of his cousin for the upcoming 1997 calendar.

"This is the kind of contribution the historical society is looking for," says Feldkamp. "Creating a calendar with a Civil War theme is a good way to find out more about the connection between Manchester residents and the war between the states."

According to MAHS President Deb Havens, the historical society would like to serve as a storehouse of this kind of information about the community. "We would like to be the place to visit when you want information about historical events or family genealogy. We think the calendar can be a good tool to help us research and keep all kinds of information."

One group photo of Civil War veterans taken sometime after WWI exists today. Members are also interested in photos that depict homes, families, big storms, or other significant community events in the period from 1860 - 1870. From those pictures, Manchester artist Bill Shurtliff will create a collection of pen and ink drawings for the calendar as he has done since 1987.

The Manchester Area Historical Society calendar has been a tradition since former President John Swainson created it as a fund-raiser in 1984. The calendar has always represented the spirit and beauty of this community through drawings of landscapes and buildings.

If you have a picture that you would like to share, a copy will be made of it by MAHS Vice President Diane Hough who lives here in Manchester. She and her husband Michael own Ivory Photo in Ann Arbor, and have already made several excellent reproductions of old photos for the society.

If you have a picture to contribute please call Reno Feldkamp 428-8571, Mary Smolinski 428-8472, or Deb Havens 428-8586

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We cross M-52 and turn right on Sheridan Road, which marks a boundary between the townships of Bridgewater and Manchester. Moore points to an old mattress discarded alongside the road. "Since the township landfill closed a couple of years ago, I notice more junk discarded. It's ugly, it's a problem."

Coming to US-12 we turn right and cross M-52 again. On the left is an abandoned car parked on the shoulder. US-12 marks another boundary and the car is on the Lenawee county side, however, Moore has reported it to the State Police post in Adrian. "It's a traffic hazard," Moore remarks. "On a busy highway like this that car is endangering lives as long as it sits there."

Moore's salary is \$10,260 a year. From that he buys his own police car and is required to pay for all upkeep, including tires, oil changes, repairs and maintenance. The Township leases the vehicle for \$1 a year and pays the insurance premiums and mileage, however insurance does not cover emergency or road service which is paid for by the Constable.

In 1988 the Sheriff Department changed their radio communication frequency to 800, which meant that the Constable was no longer in contact with that department. The cost of equipping the township police vehicle with the 800 MHz was estimated to be \$4,500 and was worked into the budget over three years, however, it has not yet been purchased. Presently, there are no 911 calls going to the Constable; emergency vehicles are dispatched from the Sheriff Department in Ann Arbor.

Constable Moore says, "I pray that none of our township families has a life-threatening situation where the only car available has to come from the far side of the county. The risk isn't worth the money it would take to buy the radio."

He is able to run license plates through the MSP Post in Adrian, but only between 8am and 4pm.

Farther on, Moore points to the framework of a large sign in someone's front yard. "They put up a sign advertising a home business without applying for a conditional

use permit. The sign came down, but the frame's still there."

Down another gravel road, Moore says, "They must have found out 'the press' was coming, this road has just been graded. I remember," he continues, "and this'll tell you how long I've been on this job, I remember when the township roads were scraped every week. At the beginning of the week they'd start, grade every road in the township, then the next week start over again."

"Over there," Moore gestures to a small barn, "we had some live wires hanging after a bad storm. I got a hold of Consumers and waited until they came out, ...wanted to make sure no one got near those wires until the situation was fixed."

Moore's job as Constable of Manchester Township is the safety and security of the township residents. Out on patrol he is looking at houses, barns, garages, and other buildings for smoke; he's looking at chimneys and roofs for sparks; he's looking at windows for broken glass or doors that show signs of forced entry.

During his patrol, Constable Moore is observing vehicles and in general looking for anything amiss: Are headlights, taillights, brake lights working? Are drivers operating their vehicle in a safe manner, observing traffic laws? He may come across a potential traffic hazard while on patrol, for instance a paper bag in the middle of the road seemingly innocuous but perhaps containing a glass bottle or sharp tool that could shred a motorist's tire.

General road conditions are noted in all kinds of weather. It is Constable Moore who alerts the township supervisor about sections of roads that habitually wash out after a heavy rain and recommends placement of tiles or drain pipes. He will make a note on his daily log about traffic signs that have been defaced or knocked down.

We reach Mulvaney Road and take a right. "There's a lady lives along here who makes the best old-

fashioned German sugar cookies." Inarguably, Constable Moore knows many of Manchester Township residents. "People will ask me to keep an extra eye on their place sometimes, when they go on vacation, if they're going to be in the hospital, they let me know."

We drive past what use to be a farmer's field and see a realtor's small billboard with lines blocking out a new plotted subdivision, 100 acres divided into 10- or so acre sites. It won't be the only one we pass this day.

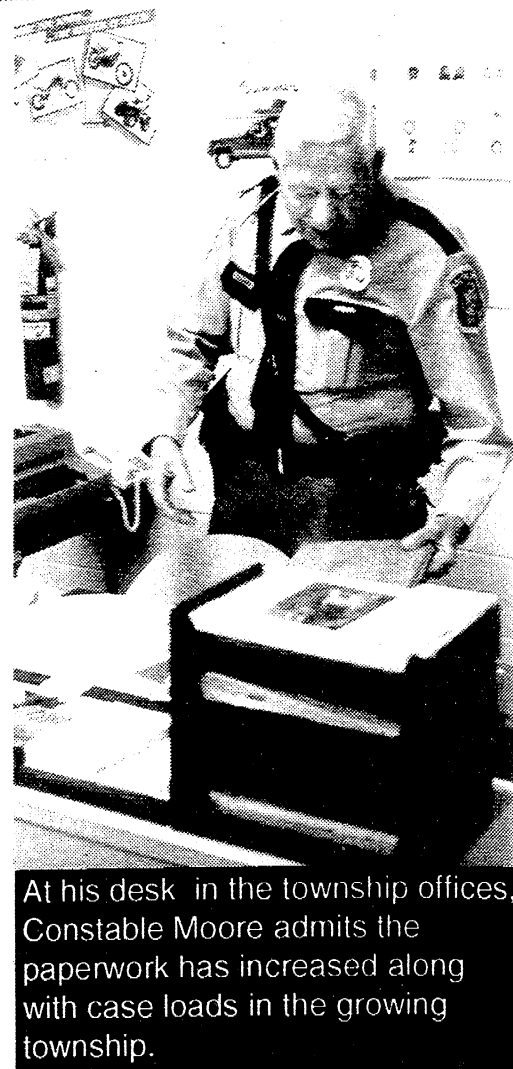
During hunting season, Constable Moore takes along a stack of township maps for hunters who get lost, or are temporarily turned around. He is also on the alert for those who are trespassing or hunting out of season.

All year long, but mostly from early spring through late fall, there are complaints of loose dogs. "This is a very serious problem," Moore says. "People go off to work in the morning and leave their pet sitting innocently on the back porch. They don't realize their 'innocent' pet dog is soon out running wildlife, deer for instance, or attacking and mutilating our local farmers' sheep." The township reimburses sheep owners for their losses, but that doesn't lessen the heartache and frustration.

"I keep my eyes open for dogs running loose, and let the sheep farmers know ... not too much we can do about it. If people would just keep their dogs confined, it would save a lot of heartache." It's a state county and township law that dogs must be kept under the owner's control.



Inspections are part of Moore's responsibilities. Above, he meets with a survey crew to determine the location of a proposed driveway.



At his desk in the township offices, Constable Moore admits the paperwork has increased along with case loads in the growing township.

As a light rain begins to accompany the blustery wind, we stop for lunch at Constable Moore's home on Sharon Hollow. His wife, Gertrude, greets us at the door; she has salads and sandwiches waiting on the table.

We sit down and Lyle says grace; the lunch is delicious, Gertrude and Lyle are gracious hosts. They are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this year, and Lyle says there will be flags flying. Coincidentally their anniversary is on Flag Day, June 14 — there are always flags flying on that day. They have seven children and 15 grandchildren. Lyle tells me they were married after he came home from the war where he served with the U.S. Navy on a 110-foot sub chaser. He was one of ten ex-servicemen who qualified out of nearly 500 for the Detroit Police Department.

After lunch, Constable Moore has an inspection to make as the Zoning Administrator. A resident wants to sell a portion of her property to her daughter and they have to determine where a driveway would be allowed to come in off Sharon Hollow Road. The inspection takes awhile as options are discussed with the surveying crew, and now the rain has turned to sleet. Constable Moore braves the elements, but I take my photos and return to the shelter of the warm police car.

Back down the road we get to Schleweis, near Bowns where a bridge washed out in the storm of '89. "They got the 'Road Closed' signs out pretty quick," Moore relates, "but we had to keep after them to get this steel barrier up. Hard telling when we'll get a new bridge."

Over the years, Constable Moore has received many trophies and has often been one of the top qualifying sharpshooters recognized by the Michigan State Police.

He served for 24 years on the Executive Board of the Michigan Constables & Court Officers Association, concluded next page

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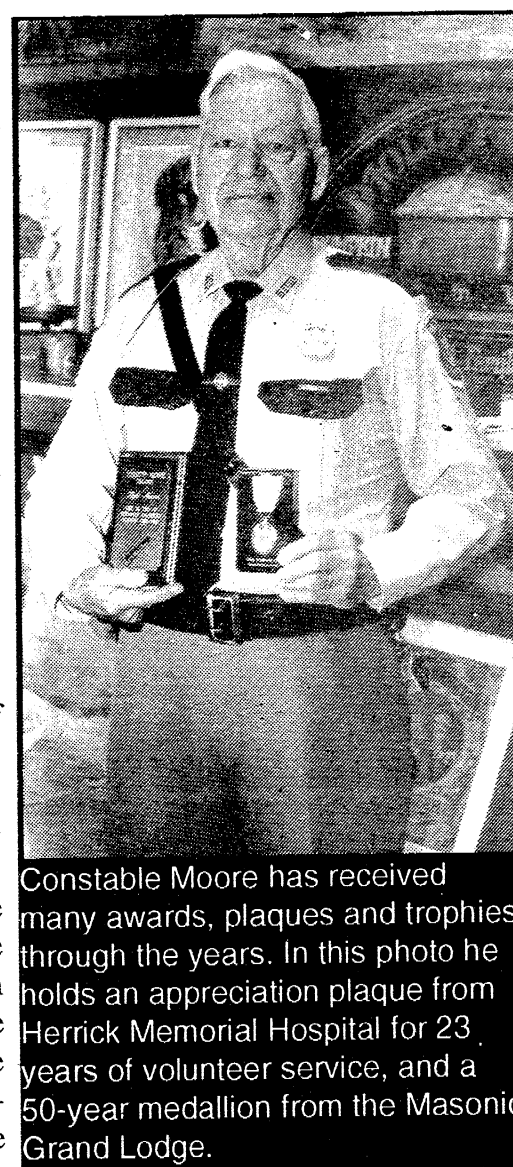
holding the offices of secretary, vice-president, and president.

I asked Constable Moore about what sort of events he remembers over the years, and he replies he covered a three-day motorcycle gathering in the early 80's, has investigated breaking and enterings, and an alleged auto theft ring. In 1990, Constable Moore was on the scene of an arson investigation and later was treated for inhalation of toxic fumes. And that same year worked with the State Police Special Crime Unit and Sheriff Department in breaking up an ORV theft ring.

He also recalls a time when nine horses were stolen. Eight of them were recovered after being traced from one stockyard to another. Constable Moore received recognition from the Michigan State Police for his part in the apprehension of the horse thieves and the recovery of the animals.

The Constable has also worked with the Humane Society in the investigation of cruelty to animals reports.

Back at his desk in the township offices where he will catch up on some paper work, I thanked Constable Moore for his time and information. I went away with an increased appreciation for this officer of the peace who is so thoroughly dedicated to the well-being of the residents of Manchester Township. As one of these residents, along with my family, friends and neighbors, we wish him safe cruising.



Constable Moore has received many awards, plaques and trophies through the years. In this photo he holds an appreciation plaque from Herrick Memorial Hospital for 23 years of volunteer service, and a 50-year medallion from the Masonic Grand Lodge.

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Manchester Coalition for Drug-Free Youth News

At the February meeting, the Manchester Coalition for Drug-Free Youth agreed to request that all members of the community adopt a Zero Tolerance attitude toward use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs by young people in our community.

The coalition also agreed to implement a Safe-Homes project for Manchester. This project will involve preparation of a directory in which residents can voluntarily list their home as "safe," meaning that they will do their best to assure that no children will be allowed to use alcohol, tobacco or other drugs while they are at the safe home. Other aspects of the project will be announced as they evolve.

Also discussed was the addition of a mandatory parents' night to the drivers' education curriculum. The purpose of this addition would be to further involve parents in their child's pursuit of a driver's license and encourage cooperation in enforcing the idea that driving doesn't mix with alcohol or drug use.

The final item discussed was the Village Curfew Law. Sunday through Thursday, minors under the age of 17 must be off the street between 10:15 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. On Friday and Saturday, the curfew applies from midnight to 6:00 a.m. If a minor is in violation of the law, the parents will be charged and must appear with the minor. The coalition welcomes anyone interested in supporting Manchester youngsters in their pursuit of a drug-free life.

— George Patak

A Welcome Addition

Recently a Manchester resident and library patron gave the Manchester Township Library a large number of books dealing with the Civil War.

John Danovich has collected Civil War books for many years. The donation to our library represents just a portion of his collection.

"I hope this will kindle an interest in the Civil War," John says. "There are many fascinating stories that have come out of this period in our history."

Now that this reading material is available at our library, John said he is thinking about the possibility of an annual writing contest about the Civil War for students.

Danovich has visited many of the Civil War battlefields, not only in Pennsylvania, but also in West Virginia, Virginia and Maryland.

"Walking the battlefields," John notes, "gives a better sense of what the Civil War soldiers experienced."

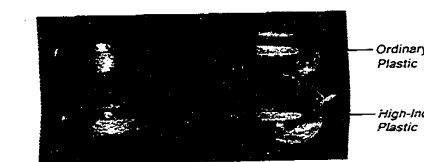
The Civil War collection Danovich donated includes biographies of Grant, General A.P. Hill, Sheridan, Lincoln, Lee and Jackson, Custer, as well as histories of campaigns, details of the parks, and personal stories of the various battles.

A partial list of the books include:

The Illustrated Confederate Reader, W.A. Graham, *Grant: A*

Biography, William S. McFeely, *The Gleam of Bayonets*, James V. Murfin, *General A.P. Hill: The Story of a Confederate Warrior*, James Roberson, Jr., *Battle Cry of Freedom*, James M. McPherson, *The Wilderness Campaign*, Edward Steele, *Abraham Lincoln: Contemporary*, William Pederson, *The Time Life History of the Civil War*, James McPherson, *Sheridan, Morris, The Armies of U.S. Grant, Arnold, The Civil War*, and *Reflection on the Civil War*, Catton, *The Custer Story*, Merington, *Son of the Morning Star*, Connell, *The Commanders of the Civil War*, Davis, *Custer's Last Campaign*, Gary, *Great Battles of the Civil War*, MacDonald, *Distant Thunder*, Abell.

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The Constable's History

- ☆ The word derives from the Latin term *comes stabuli*, which roughly means count of the stable.
- ☆ In medieval history, a constable was a high-ranking dignitary of the Byzantine and Frankish courts. Here they had primarily military functions.
- ☆ The title of constable was given to commanders of castles in Normandy in the early eleventh century.
- ☆ After the Norman conquest, many barons held the title of constable. This was a hereditary office and was often passed by marriage. This office is now only revived for coronation ceremonies.
- ☆ In 1285 under the Statue of Winchester, two local constables for keeping the peace were appointed in the jurisdiction of every hundred courts. These were the earliest *chief constables* or *high constables*. Their subordinate officers were *petty constables*.
- ☆ Constables were superseded by paid police forces in the nineteenth century, but the constable is still the chief local law enforcer in many rural areas.
- ☆ In England, all police officers are called constables.

— research by Stephanie Somerville

The History of Law Enforcement

- ✗ A substantial part of the Magna Carta (written in 1215) established guidelines for the police system of those days. This system involved a sheriff and a village constable.
- ✗ In the nineteenth century, Sir Robert Peel proposed the idea of a thousand man police force in order to cope with the crime and violence in the London metropolitan area. After years of debate, the Metropolitan Police Act was passed and the Metropolitan Police Force (better known as Scotland Yard) was created.
- ✗ The American colonies transplanted the mother country's system of law enforcement.
- ✗ There was a Dark Age of the police that extended to the nineteenth hundreds. The departments were under the control of politicians, the policemen were poorly paid and ill equipped, and corruption and brutality was widespread. By slow accretion, the police gradually lifted its low status.
- ✗ August Vollmer is known as the father of modern police work in America. He introduced the ideas of patrol in autos and of college education for force members.

From the Ground Up — by BG

SPRING is on its way — more daylight, more rain than snow, and a pot of blooming hyacinths sitting on the editor's desk.

BLOOMERS

Last October 5th, fifteen hyacinth bulbs were put into four clay pots filled with a mixture of soil and growing medium, and then thoroughly soaked.

Each pot went into a two-gallon Ziploc freezer bag and then into the refrigerator until January 22. By that time, each pot had accumulated some mold and ice crystals but the flowers were ready to emerge.

The pots were placed under fluorescent lights and by February 18th the buds could be seen. The first flowers came about the end of February, the last flowers will be gone by the end of March. At that time, everything but the pots could be discarded.

TO BLOOM AGAIN

The cost of the bulbs (\$12.50) is a small price for a month's worth of bloom. However, I keep my plants watered and growing until they can be planted outside in April. This is the reason for using some soil in the pots. About half the forced bulbs will live to bloom again in future years.

RIGHT LIGHTS

The pots of hyacinths have been replaced by flats of perennial seeds under some new fluorescent light bulbs. Those light bulbs should be changed each year for getting the maximum light along the full length of the bulb. The plants need all possible light for most of the twenty-four hour period.

Decorating Tips from The Wallpaper House

(formerly My Sister's House)

— by Juli Trolz



Question:

Recently I received a call from a customer who had put up a wall mural. The day after they put it up, it fell off the wall. Needless to say, after all their hard work, they were very disappointed. What had happened?

Answer: The mural was put up on a wall behind their wood stove. When the stove was fired up, the heat caused the paste to dry out before having a chance to adhere to the wall.

Also a light weight vinyl paste was used, and the mural panels were heavy vinyl.

I instructed the customer to remove all the loose paste from the wall and put on a good coat of wall sizing.

After that I rehung the panels using a heavy-duty paste on the wall as well as on the panels. I also used a "vinyl-to-vinyl" paste (normally used for applying borders to vinyl paper) on the seams which will insure that the seams stay together.

I cautioned them against using the wood stove for at least 72 hours to give the paste time to dry and on its own.

The mural is now in place and looks great. I recommend always using the correct paste for the type of paper being hung. And if a wood stove or any heat source is near the paper or mural, it should be shut down temporarily for at least a couple of days.

Please call or write to me with your "do-it-yourself" questions as well as decorating ideas you'd like to share.

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COOL AND WARM

If one 48-inch cool white bulb and one warm bulb are replaced, they will cost less than seven dollars. Using one of each will give light in the blue end of the spectrum that encourage leafy growth — great for seedlings

— and the warm or "daylight" bulb will encourage the flowering plants.

The grow lights sold for indoor gardens expand the range of the available light for the plants but the cost is much higher for not much more light, although that additional range will seem to make the plants glow.

An advantage of grow lights might be in the availability of differently shaped bulbs and fixtures. A single round bulb in a small "lamp" aimed at a single house plant is more attractive than the "workshop" appearance of the two 48-inch bulbs and fixtures.

The newest light bulbs are the high-intensity sodium for the "warm" and metal halide for the "cool" light. These will give much more light for more years but at a far greater cost.

ACCENT ON RED

The perennial of the year has been named — it is Penstemon digitalis "Husker Red." It may be unfamiliar to you now but it will be publicized and made available as plants or seeds by the nurseries.

This plant was chosen by the Perennial Plant Association because of the long flowering period, wide suitability, and ease of propagation for the commercial growers.

Does the title mean anything? Have the previous winners *Russian Sage* (1995), *Astilbe "Sprite"* (1994), *Veronica "Sunny Border Blue"* (1993), *Coreopsis "Moonbeam"* (1992), or *Heuchera "Palace Purple"* (1991) entered your consciousness or your garden?

"Husker Red" is grown in the sun as an accent or bedding plant. The height, according to three sources, is 20-30 inches, or 30-34 inches, or 4 feet. The foliage is maroon or deep bronzy-red or garnet red. The midsummer flowers are white, tinged with pink, or white with red stamens, or light pink-blush. This penstemon comes from Mexico although some are native to Michigan.

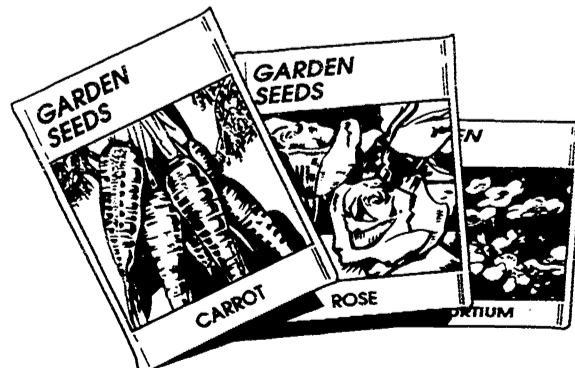
We will know more about it in the years to come, judging by the popularity of the previous winners.

Enjoy the coming spring and your garden.

♥ Connie Sue —

Looking forward to spending our lives together.

♥ Your sweetheart



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Photographs, paintings of local artists featured

Right: A triad of cardinals in winter, by Neil Haarer.



Left: A butterfly alights upon a daisy, by Neil Haarer.

— photos of photos by Kathy Kueffner

Two local Manchester artists were featured at area exhibitions in February.

NEIL HAARER's photographs were included in the *Reflections* Exhibit at Lafayette Fine Arts Gallery in Adrian.

The subject of Neil's photos are most often magical moments in nature: the flight of a butterfly, a hummingbird, the delicate soft petal of a rose, a heron stalking the shallows of a pond. Neil owns Haarer's Meeting Place restaurant in Manchester where some of this photos decorate the dining rooms.



Above: "Path"

— photo by Stephanie Somerville



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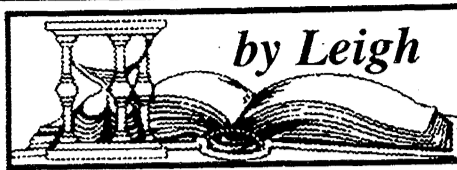
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Thyme in the Kitchen



Party Toasts

Swiss Mix
Rye Bread Treats

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1 loaf Deli Party Rye Bread
When cool, spread one side of each slice of toast with Aunt Nellie's "Ole Style Sauce" or any variety of a creamy horseradish bottled sauce

In order as given, top with
Corned Beef, sliced thinly
Sauerkraut, drained (add caraway seeds if desired)
Swiss Cheese, sliced thinly

Place slices on baking sheet and broil in oven until hot and cheese melts. Serve immediately.



No, It Isn't

Pumpernickel Bread Treats

Place on baking sheet and using oven broiler, toast lightly both sides of all slices of

1 loaf Deli Party Pumpernickel Bread

Cool
Process in food processor or mince finely by hand

1 six oz. can of any size pitted Ripe Olives, drained
1 bunch of Scallions

Add and mix together
2 Tbs. of Mayonnaise

Spread on pumpernickel toast slices just before you're ready to serve

Top with
1 tsp. grated Sharp Cheddar Cheese

Place slices on baking sheet and broil in oven until hot and cheese melts. Serve immediately.



Saucy Bits or Balls

A real treat...serves 10 or more

Meatballs: makes about 50 meatballs.

In large bowl combine well

- 1 lb. lean ground Beef
- 1 lb. lean ground Turkey
- 1 C. dry Bread Crumbs
- 2 Eggs, beaten
- 1 medium Onion, minced
- 1-1/2 tsp. Salt
- 1 tsp. Rosemary
- 1/2 tsp. Pepper
- 1 Tbs. Worcestershire Sauce
- 2 Tbs. dried Parsley

Shape into bite-sized meatballs and cook until well-done but not dry.

Drain off grease well.

OR

Sausage Links: may use small or large size sausages

6 pks. or more of Smoked Sausage Links
Cut small links in half and larger ones in thirds or more.

Saute in saucepan until cooked, do not overcook. Drain off grease well.

Sauce:

- In saucepan combine
- 1 16-oz. can Whole Cranberry Sauce
- 1 12-oz. bottle of Chili Sauce
- 2 Tbs. packed Brown Sugar
- 1 Tbs. Lemon Juice

Mix well and bring to a simmer, stirring often. Cook about 10 minutes.

Place the cooked meat into a chafing dish or crockpot. Add sauce, stir occasionally and cook until it thickens and starts to coat meat.

Lower heat simmering and to keep hot.

To Serve: Place toothpicks so that guests may spear goodies, if desired. The longer the cooking time, the thicker the sauce becomes. The amount of sauce does not necessarily have to be doubled for larger quantities of meat.

APPETIZERS... usher in

a meal with the most varied delightful course on the menu. With little fanfare, the hostess may stimulate an enthusiasm for what is yet to come. So this month's recipes are in celebration of the Manchester Chronicle's second anniversary. As we begin our third year, may you partake of what is offered and ENJOY!!

Salmon Quiche

(12 servings)

Yes, men do eat this quiche!

Bake at 10 minutes at 425 degrees, then cool and set aside

1 nine-inch unbaked Pie Shell

Pick for bones and flake

8 oz. canned Salmon or

6 oz. cooked Salmon

Spread in pie shell and sprinkle with

1/2 C. fresh Parsley, chopped

1/2 C. grated Swiss cheese

Set aside

In bowl beat together until smooth

4 oz. Cream Cheese, soft

1/2 tsp. dried Dill Weed

1/2 C. Heavy Cream,

Add and beat until well combined

3 Eggs

1/4 tsp. of each, Salt and White Pepper

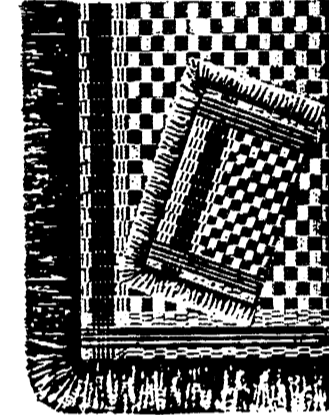
1 Tbs. fresh Lemon Juice

Pour over salmon and cheese in pie shell, top with

1 Tbs. Capers, drained

sprinkle of Paprika

Bake at 350 degrees for 40-45 minutes or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Allow to set for 10 minutes before serving.



Dog Team Tavern Bar Dip

(makes two cups)

From Middlebury, Vermont

Mix in large bowl

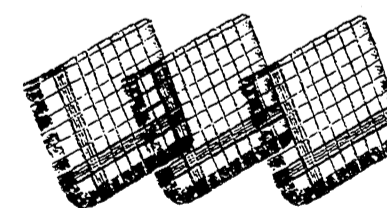
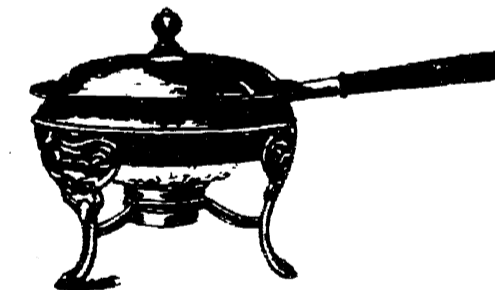
1-1/2 C. Cottage Cheese

1/2 C. Sour Cream

1/2 C. coarsely ground Smoked Ham

1 Tbs. Wasabi Powder (horseradish powder available at Japanese or Oriental and some supermarkets)

Spoon dip into crock and refrigerate overnight. Serve with crackers, chips, veggies, etc.



Cheddar Sticks (2 dozen)

a company favorite

Combine well

1 C. grated Cheddar Cheese

1 C. Flour

1 tsp. Baking Powder

1 tsp. Salt

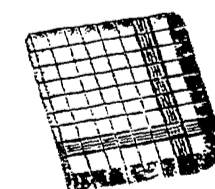
1/2 Tsp. Chili Powder

Add and make a stiff dough

1 Egg, beaten

3 Tbs. or more Milk

Roll dough into 1/4 to 1/2-inch thick logs on a floured surface. Cut into 4-inch long sections and place on greased baking sheet. Bake at 450 degrees for 10 minutes, or until golden brown. Serve hot.



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MANCHESTER MILL RUN

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7:00 Village Council
7:30 Library Board
7:30 Masonic Lodge business mtg

1-7:00 p.m. Bloodmobile at St. Mary Parish Center

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Village Curbside Recycling
9:30 Senior Citizens Council
12 Noon Senior Meal (Chicken Curry)
7:00 Band Boosters in the high school band room
7:00 Boy Scouts

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Girl Scout Sunday:

the beginning of Girl Scout Week celebrating the 84th anniversary. Scouts and leaders are encouraged to wear their Girl Scout uniforms to worship services

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6-8:00 p.m. Manchester Girl Scout Open House, St. Mary Parish Hall. Come see what Girl Scouts are doing!
6:30 Optimists at Emanuel
7:30 Bridgewater Twp Planning Comm
8:00 Manchester Twp Board
8:00 Fair Board
8:00 Knights of Columbus

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Village Curbside Recycling
12 Noon Sr Meal (Lasagna)
7:00 Boy Scouts

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY
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7:00 Village Council meeting
7:30 School Board meeting at high school
7:30 United Way meets at First of America Bank Conference Rm

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY
EMILY CUMMINGS



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6:30 Optimists at Emanuel: Program

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In the Historic Mill
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11:00 Sr Blood Pressure Check
12 Noon Sr Meal (Macaroni & Cheese)
12:30 Sr Presentation
5:30 Senior pick up for Travelogue
7:00 Boy Scouts

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Village Curbside Recycling
11:15 Sr Clergy Presentation
12 Noon Sr Meal (Spring Equinox Dinner)
8:00 Manchester Twp Planning Commission
7:00 Boy Scouts
7:30 Manchester Historical Society at the Blacksmith Shop

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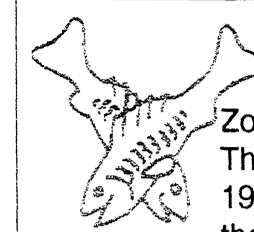
WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

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SATURDAY

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren support group meets Wednesday afternoons, 12:30-2:30, at the Faith in Action House located at the north entrance of Chelsea Community Hospital. A light lunch is provided. There is no charge but donations are accepted. For further information, call Virginia Boyce at Catholic Social Services, 712-3625, or Alice Chambers, 971-4440, or Nadine or Jerry at Faith in Action, 475-3305.



Zodiac Sign, PISCES,
The Fish, February
19-March 20. Ruled by
the planet Neptune;

Lucky Day- Friday, Lucky color-
Blue or Lavender, Element-Water.
Pisceans are fickle, honest,
sensitive, fond of beauty in nature
and art, generous and trustworthy

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8:00 Kiwanis Club at Whistle
Stop Restaurant (7:30 breakfast)

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12 Noon-General Meeting of
Chamber of Commerce.
Topic: New Mail Classes &
Rates. At Haarer's Meeting Place
7:00 Manchester Coalition for Drug
Free Youth, St. Mary Parish Hall
7:30 VFW, Legion Home,
203 Adrian
7:30 Men's Club Board meeting
7:30 Raisin Valley Land Trust
meeting, Blacksmith Shop

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11-11:30 Senior Exercise
12 Noon Sr Birthday Dinner (Beef
Roast)
12:30 Sr Bingo
7:30 American Legion Post #117
8:00 Sharon Twp. Board
7:30 Manchester Community Band
meets every Thursday in the high
school band room

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7-10pm Village Piecemakers at
Emanuel Church. All welcome!

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March 7, 8 & 9 *Bleacher Bums* at Tecumseh Civic
Auditorium. Phone (517) 423-6617 for ticket information.
Curtain time 8:00. (See page 2)

1-4p.m. Manchester Home
Schoolers meet. Ph: Tina
Zimmerman 428-0576 for info
6:00 p.m. Kelly Services Open
House. (See page 12.)
7:30 American Legion Auxiliary
7:30 RecTask Force at B' Shop

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8:30 a.m. Meeting to discuss
Summer Festival at
Comerica Bank. All interested
invited.
11-11:30 Sr Exercise
12 Noon Sr Meal (St. Patrick's
Dinner)
12:30 Bingo
7:30 Purple Heart mtg -- locations
vary, phone 428-7052 for info
7:30 Manchester Community Band

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6:00 Sr Pick up for Saline
Senior Citizens Card Party

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8:00 Kiwanis Club at Whistle
Stop Restaurant (7:30 breakfast)
10am-4pm Chelsea Country Crafts &
Folk Art Sale, Chelsea High
School. (See page 4.)
10am-4pm Celebrate National Quilt
Day at Quilter's Quarters. (See
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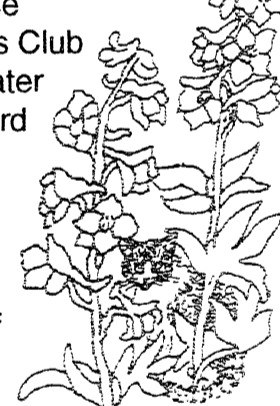
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7-10pm
7th/8th Grade Dance
at the Middle School

10 am Sr leave Center for
Mataei Botanical Garden
Glass House
7:30 M'r Men's Club
8:00 Bridgewater
Twp Board

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First Day of
Spring



11-11:30 Sr Exercise
12 Noon Sr Meal
(Major Surprise)
12:30 Bingo
8:00 Sharon Twp. Planning Comm
7:30 M'r Community Band

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Zodiac Sign, ARIES, The Ram,
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1-4 p.m. M'r Area Home
Schoolers meet. Phone Tina
Zimmerman at 428-0576 for
info.
6:00 Kelly Services Open House.
(See page 12.)
7:00 Sportsman Club
7:00 Manchester Fire Dept

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11-11:30 Sr Exercise
12 Noon Sr Meal (Meat Loaf)
12:30 SrBingo
6:00 Pick up for Senior Card Party,
Freedom Twp Hall-7:30
7:30 p.m. CRC Board meeting,
CRC office. Annual meeting.
7:30 M'r Community Band

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9:30 a.m. Seniors leave Center
for Giles Greenhouse in
Hillsdale

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BENEFIT BANQUET

The ninth annual Benefit Banquet, hosted by the Chelsea Community Hospital is scheduled for Saturday evening, April 20, at 7:00 p.m.

This year, as in the past, the Community Resource Center banquet provides the opportunity for organizations and individuals to recognize volunteers for their service to our community.

The theme for the 1996 banquet is "An Apple A Day" which originated with the program presentation for the banquet concerning health issues in the Manchester area.

The cost of organization and individual sponsorship is \$30 for candidates and \$45 for candidate/guest. Banquet donations for the community-at-large are \$50 single and \$75 a couple. Banquet invitations for the community-at-large will be mailed the last week of March.

In 1989, the volunteer recognition idea provided another source of income to be used for operational costs of the Community Resource Center. While the need is still the same, funding should not be an issue. Just note that on the application.

For your candidate to be considered for the Claire Reck Outstanding Volunteer Award, make sure the service information is complete. Each volunteer nominated will receive a personal invitation to the banquet and a certificate of recognition. Names of volunteers received by the April 8th deadline will be published before the banquet.

— Dianne Schwab

Parenting in the 90's Five-Week Workshop

As a result of the outcome of the Manchester Community Schools Student at Risk committee survey, the Community Resource Center is offering an Effective Parenting in the 90's five-part workshop series beginning Thursday evening, March 14 through April 18.

Many parents indicated an interest in classes to develop parenting skills. The workshop series will be held in the Manchester High School Media Center.

Class time is scheduled from 6:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Cost is \$15 which includes the book, "Reducing the Risk: Effective Parenting in the 90's." Scholarships are available.

Pre-registration is important. Flyers are available at the Manchester Pharmacy, Great Lakes Bancorp, First of America Bank, Comerica Bank, Manchester Market and the Community Resource Center.

A major portion of the workshop is material drawn from workshops of H. Stephen Glenn. Previous workshops offered in Manchester have been rated very helpful. The workshops are intended to be a practical, interactive, hands-on program.

The hope for this workshop is that it will teach the basics of what parents need to know to effectively parent for prevention and give them a support network for acting on this knowledge.

For more information about other classes or to register for the program, call the Community Resource Center, 428-7722.

Thursday, March 28, 1996, at 7:30 p.m., the Community Resource Center Board of Directors will meet for its annual meeting.

All meetings are open to the public.

The annual meeting provides the opportunity for review of past programs and suggestions for other services that should be addressed by the Community Resource Center.

The Board of Directors will elect new members and 1996-97 officers during the business meeting.

An agenda item for the meeting will be the Benefit Banquet scheduled for April 20 at Chelsea Community Hospital. Agenda items can be added by calling the Community Resource Center by March 25.

Information about the Community Resource Center services to the community is always available through personal contact at the office located at 122 W. Main St. (downstairs) or by calling 428-7722.

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March is the time of year when Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. celebrate their yearly birthday. The Girl Scouting movement in this country was founded by Juliette Gordon Lowe of Savannah, Georgia on March 12, 1912.

In honor of the Girl Scout's 84th birthday, the Girl Scouts of Manchester would like to invite the community to an Open House displaying information on the activities of their girls, the badges they have earned, and the articles they have made.

This Open House will be held on Monday evening, March 11 from 6-8:00 p.m. at the St. Mary Parish Center which is one block north of Hop-In behind the central business district.

Drop by with our family the evening of Monday, March 11 to see what our local Manchester Girl Scouts' sixteen troops with 141 girls have been doing.

We are lucky to have very active Girls Scouts here in Manchester, each with two to four leaders, cookie chairmen, first aiders, and troop campers, all headed up by Lucile Bruner has Service Unit Manager, and Anita Tyler and Sharon Haussler as Troop Service Directors.

Come and see what has been going on this year.

— Lois Hansen

Thank You

I'd like to thank the lady who found my wallet uptown the weekend of February 18 and took the time to bring it to me at my house. I thanked her then, but did not get her name. I appreciated it very much.

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Smoking, Not

— by Cory Chrestensen

I think that people shouldn't smoke. All it does is make your lungs black. Wouldn't you rather have your lungs pink than black? I'd rather have mine pink.

Lots of people die of cancer every year. If you smoke, you'll have a short life. People get emphysema from smoking. You may get lots of diseases just by smoking. Second-hand smoke is very dangerous.

If you smoke when you're pregnant, your child will be affected. Your child will have a low birth weight. Anything you send into your body will be sent into your child's body. Smoking when you're pregnant is very risky.

Doctors have studied the hazards of smoking. They have concluded that smoking is very addictive. People that smoke have a greater risk of a shorter life span. They may have strokes, heart attacks, emphysema, and cancer.

I feel that the person that invented the cigarette didn't have a very good idea anyway. People sell tobacco and earn tons of money. They earn that money by risking people's lives every year. People have a better chance of living longer if they don't smoke.

By now I think teenagers shouldn't ever start smoking. On all the information doctors have about smoking, it is hazardous.

I asked 97 people if they thought they were going to smoke when they grew up. 95 said no, 2 said yes.

Sharks Don't Stink

— by Graham Parker

The shark swims into the shallows and devours a little child. Is this all we think of sharks, that they're savage beasts that eat people?

Well, if that's what you think, you're wrong.

It just so happens that sharks kill up to one to four people a year, while people kill thousands of sharks a year. And the thing is, most fishermen kill sharks for sport.

The shark swims toward the surface sensing the presence of prey. The shark swims toward the small and defenseless sea lion. The sea lion tries to escape, but it's too late. The shark devours the sea lion. After doing so, the shark wanders away to find another meal.

That's just the way of nature, the strong animals prey on the weak animals. Many people think humans are part of the shark's menu, but they're not. Sharks just get mixed up when they see surfers lying on their boards. To sharks, a surfer and a sea lion look the same.

The main reason sharks have such a bad reputation is because of the movies. Movies like *Jaws One*, *Two*, *Three* and *Four* make people scared of sharks. Because of *Jaws*, people think of sharks as evil monsters.

Some people are too scared to even step in the ocean, including me. And most people think just because it's in the movies, it's true.

I think that people should stop killing sharks. It's not like sharks intentionally attack people. Companies that make soup catch sharks, cut their fins off and throw them back into the oceans to die.

I mean occasionally there's a shark attack, but most of the attacks are because the victims were mistaken for a seal or sea lion. Sharks don't deserve the bad rap they've gotten.

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Sports in Manchester

— by Christopher Roberts

I think that in Manchester schools we should have sports in grades 5-12! Don't you?

In a vote, 90% of the students in my class agree! You can go around Manchester and see lazy children from not getting into sports or other active activities early enough. I'm lucky I did.

If you don't get into active activities early enough it can result in laziness or even an overweight body. I feel when children are overweight, they get made fun of more than other children. If we did have sports, they would be just like 7-12 grade sports.

For instance: football, basketball, baseball, volleyball, track and field, and cross country. I think parents don't like taking their 5-6 grade children to Ann Arbor or other cities so they can play sports. I think we should have sports through the school earlier.

Violence

— by Nathan Smith

Violence, violence, violence. Why do we have violence? For example, movies. There's too much violence in movies. People getting killed, people in hospitals, just because people used violence.

How do we stop it? Shut down companies that make all these dangerous weapons used in violence. What else can we do? We're running out of options.

Let's offer kids these days more leisure fun activities, life-time sports, respect for one another and life itself.

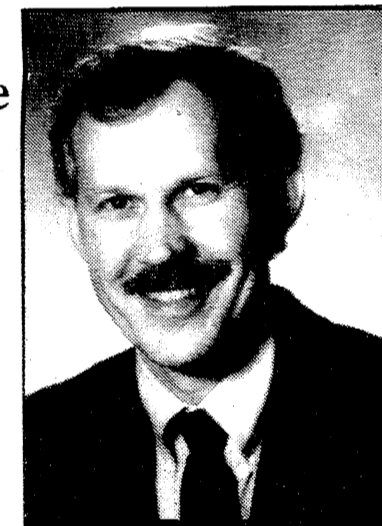
When I polled my class about whether or not there's too much violence in the world today, 19 people said yes, one person said no. So, please don't use violence.

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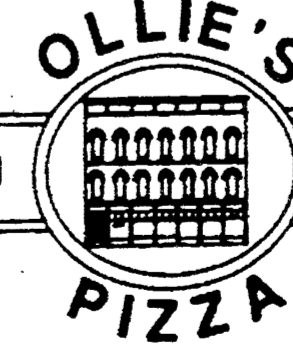
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Once Upon A Time

a fairy tale for St. Patrick's Day
— by Stephanie Somerville

The clock struck three and the beautiful young maiden looked up from the chair upon which she sat. She looked out the window and was confronted with quite a surprise; the endless England rain had ceased, at least for a moment. In a state of awe, she ran through the corridors until she reached the courtyard door. She threw it open and burst outside into the warm, moist air. She looked above her and saw a dazzling sight. Directly above the castle she called home was a beautifully beaming, shimmering rainbow.

Victoria, the normally melancholy maiden, was grateful for this gay spectacle. With the recent passing of both her parents went most of Victoria's merry nature. Whereas before even the rain would bring a smile to her face, it now took the great miracle of a rainbow to give her joy.

Retaining her smile, Victoria wandered back into the castle. Unsure of what to do with herself, she decided to search out Abby, her chambermaid and dear friend. She found her tidying up one of the second floor rooms.

"Hello, Victoria. I noticed you took quite a fancy to our rainbow outside. It's good to see a smile on your pretty face again," Abby commented.

"It's good to have something to smile about again," Victoria replied. "There isn't much to rejoice in since Mother and Father passed. It gets quite lonely in this huge place without their loving faces around. If only..."

Victoria was interrupted by a deafening clap of thunder. She looked towards the window and saw the familiar rain begin to fall once again.

"Ahh, the familiar rain, here once again to reassure us that there is still life

beyond our home," Victoria said with a slight smile.

No sooner had she spoken her last word when a pounding was heard from the western entrance of the castle. Surprised but grateful for a visitor, Victoria fled through the halls to be the first one to greet whoever it may be. She threw open the heavy door with great enthusiasm and was taken quite aback by the sight before her. In front of her stood the most astonishingly handsome man she had ever seen.

He allowed her a few moments to take in his beauty before speaking.

"Hello, my beautiful dear. My name is Leith," he said with a strong Irish accent. A delightful blond curl slipped out from underneath his cap and dipped down the slender ridge of his nose. He reached up and gently pushed it away as he smiled a wide, inviting grin at Victoria.

"Would you mind terribly if I came inside out of the rain?" he asked politely.

Victoria, still slightly dazed by the sudden appearance of the mysterious Leith,

led him inside without a second thought.

"My name is Victoria. It is quite lonesome here in this tremendous home. I would be quite pleased if you would come in and join me for a cup of tea," she said gently to Leith.



Leith nodded gratefully and Victoria led him to the library to sit while she searched out Abby to fetch them some tea. Unfortunately, Abby was nowhere to be found so Victoria dashed to the kitchen and made the tea herself. She returned to the library slightly out of breath but happy. She listened in fascination as Leith converse about himself.

"My name is Leith McCann and I come to you from Emerald Isle—the great Ireland. I lived in a small, almost uninhabited area in the west of the Mourne Mountains... There we are plagued with heavy rains, but that does not bother us because without the rain there would be no rainbows. It may sound foolish, but we like to believe we get our strength from the rainbows."

As he spoke, Victoria felt as if a spell was being cast over her. She paid the closest of attention to every word he said, every gesture he made... quite obviously her young heart was falling in love. Despite her new found joy, Leith could sense a sadness about her. He happily took notice of not only her grave interest, but also of the great beauty she was. He admired her glowing green eyes and sleek brown hair that cascaded down the back of her dress. He admired the graceful way she played with the jewels on her fingers. He felt happiness welling within his soul, yet he could not let himself be forgetful of his secret.

"Dear Victoria, I so wish I could stay and talk with you forever, but I must be on my way. I need to find a place to shelter myself during my visit to your beautiful country," Leith proclaimed to her.

Feeling great gloom at Leith's mention of leaving, Victoria felt something drastic needed to be done. She felt purely ecstatic for the first time in months and she did not want to lose that feeling.

"You simply must stay here, Leith," she said. "There are far too many rooms here in which you could reside for me to send you away! Please say you'll stay."

Failing to notice the promptness with which Leith agreed, Victoria hugged her new found friend in her joy. Slightly embarrassed by her sudden display, she began to blush, which made Leith laugh lightheartedly.

"Yes, I do believe I will like it here very much," Leith said as Victoria led him to his room.

Strange things began to happen in the castle shortly after Leith's arrival. Victoria did not notice, though, as Leith was as pleasant as could be. They spent all their time together and he would tell her all about his homeland and his adventures there. Victoria's head was quite in the clouds, so she was utterly shocked when Abby told her of the odd happenings, and she was especially shocked at Abby's suspicion of Leith.

"No matter what you believe, things have been disappearing, our belongings have been found scattered about in places they should not be, and great deals of food have been found missing from the kitchen," Abby reported to Victoria. "I understand you are quite adoring of the young fellow, but I do believe he is the cause of all this confusion."

Victoria fled from Abby and headed for Leith's room. Tears fell from her eyes in anger as she ran through the hallway and towards the stairs. While ascending the stairs, she spotted a very strange sight: on the edge of the railing balanced a beautiful blue butterfly. Victoria forgot her destination for the moment and stared in wonderment at the unusual creature. The butterfly began to move and Victoria followed it up the stairs. It flew down the hall towards Leith's room and landed exactly on his door. It just sat there for a moment as if waiting for some unspoken approval before the door slightly cracked open and the butterfly flitted inside. Oddly, the door remained open that slight crack and Victoria mistook it as an invitation for her. She pushed the door open the rest of the way and nearly fell over when she saw what lay before her.

Victoria stared wide-eyed at what was once a dark, dismal castle room. Where before two small candles were used to see, three rainbows now zigzagged around the room, lighting up all the darkened corners. A waterfall fell from the ceiling and emptied into a small pond that now sat where the bed had once been. Butterflies flew aimlessly around the flowers that sprouted from grass that had once been a hard, wood floor. In the back right corner of the room she saw a small worktable where upon many pairs of mismatched shoes sat. What fascinated her most about the worktable was the little man that sat near it, his head dipped down in concentration. She walked slowly towards him and spoke as calmly as she could manage.

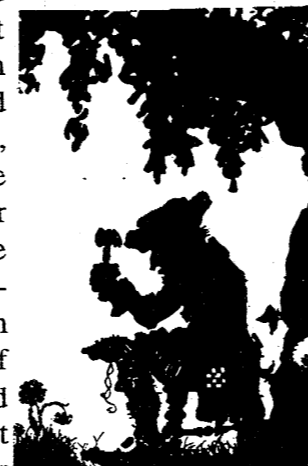
"What in heaven's name is happening in this room? Where is the bed, the floor...and where is Leith?" she asked of the man.

"Mille murder!" he exclaimed in shock. "What are you doing here? You must leave right now, this was not meant to be seen by your eyes!"

"I will do no such thing," she nearly shouted at the little man. "Tell me where Leith is this instant!"

"Leith is downstairs in the courtyard; go to him now," the little man said.

Taking one last look at her amazing surroundings, Victoria fled for the door and darted downstairs to the courtyard. Here she found no one; Leith was not awaiting her, the little fool in green had lied to her. She ran back upstairs and flung open Leith's door. What she saw now surprised her even more than the discovery of the magical room. In front of her sat Leith on the bed; all the walls and



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Once Upon A Time

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shadows had returned. The beautiful room was gone, and so was the little man at the worktable.

Leith tried to smile at Victoria, but the anguish he saw on her face prevented it.

"Come, we will walk outside and I will justify all," Leith said, taking Victoria's arm and leading her back downstairs.

For once, the weather was quite pleasant for a walk on the grounds with Leith, but Victoria was far too distraught and confused to appreciate the sun. Since he cared for her so deeply, Leith felt it was his duty to tell Victoria exactly what she had confronted in his room.

"Victoria, listen to all I have to say before you begin to judge, for I love you and could not bear to lose you. Do you recall that little man dressed in green with a small blacktop hat and a beard? That little man was a leprechaun; that leprechaun was me," Leith admitted.

Victoria cried out in shock, and Leith reached out to steady her shaking body.

"Leprechauns are not treacherous creatures; we have a very loving nature. We are also very powerful, as is demonstrated in my ability to take on human form and to convert your castle room into a magical place. But I am not here for myself, I'm not here simply to show off my powers; I'm here to help someone else.

"I'm sure you noticed many of the strange things going on around here and I take full responsibility. You see, I'm not the only one here. Do you remember all the butterflies darting about my room? If you had looked a little bit closer, you would have noticed that they were really people, little tiny fairies. These little fairies are pookas and they are very mischievous! They truly tried their hardest to behave, but they soon became bored with the monotony. To make them happy, I turned the room into a magical place, just like home, but that too bored them. They snuck out when I was not watching them closely and created havoc about your home. I sincerely apologize for what my friends and I have caused," Leith said to Victoria with an apologetic face.

"But why? Why did you leave your safe, beloved home and why did you come here?" Victoria pleaded.

"As I told you, the pooka fairies are prone to mischief and often get themselves into desperate situations."

CRC Welcomes New Secretary

— by Stephanie Somerville



If you happen to venture into the office of the Community Resource Center, you'll find a new face to greet you. The new person is CYNTHIA YBARRA, Manchester CRC's secretary.

Here in the CRC office, Cynthia relates information to questioning individuals, does computer work, and assists with the Food Cupboard.

Cynthia enjoys being able to help the people of her community and has begun work with the Manchester Coalition for Drug-free Youth.

She hopes one day to be able to work as a bilingual translator, but until then she is happy to be involved in more close-to-home activities.

Cynthia is new to Manchester, having just moved with her children from Arizona only eight months ago. So if you see Cynthia, welcome her to the neighborhood!

Two local artists in Chelsea Show

Two Manchester artists will be among the 100 juried artisans presenting their work for sale at the annual **Country Crafts & Folk Art Sale** March 16, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., at Chelsea High School.

APRIL DeCONICK will have her new line of April LeFay products which include a variety of handmade porcelain fairies dressed in silk blossoms for spring, and fairy ring wreaths made of birch with long ethereal fronds and silk flowers. April has also created a new honey-based soap in fairy motif molds and will introduce new April LeFay fragrances.

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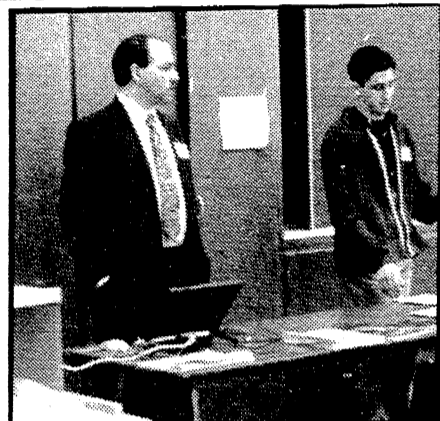
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It was Manchester Career Day at the high school February 27. Boy Scouts of America hosted twenty different career demonstrations from which students selected three to attend. Careers ranged from Marine Biology with a curator from the Detroit Zoological Institute, to Law Enforcement with a representative from the US Marshals Service in Detroit, to four Military recruiters, and many more. Johnson Controls sponsored the event.

Photo above: From Manchester, Dr. P. Lamont Okey, a family physician, talked about a career as a doctor of medicine to a packed room of students. Dr. Okey said he intended to be a minister or go into social work, but "a couple of good anatomy classes at Wesleyan changed his mind."

Photo right, Russ Grimes introduced by Trevor Schleicher of the high school leadership class. Russ Grimes of Johnson Controls in Manchester answered the question: How do you get to be an electrical engineer? He explained the work he does on a computer, saying his job requires him to be responsible for schematics, software and time/job projections. Grimes travels all over the United States and Europe and said in the present day world of global marketing a person with a degree in electrical engineering could be offered a position on any continent.

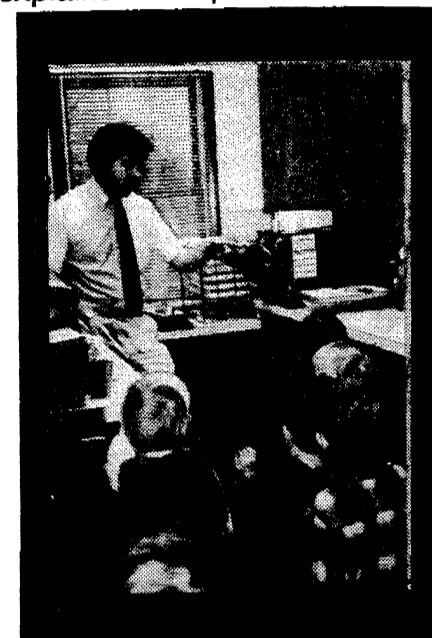
Photo right: Bill Ames, recently retired Washtenaw County Extension Service agent, spoke about careers in agriculture, including not just farming but communications, biogenetics, landscaping, and golf course maintenance.



February was National Children's Dental Health Month.

Manchester Co-Op Preschool children learned all about the importance of taking care of their teeth from Dr. Bruce A. Bates, of Manchester. Dr. Bates, and assistant Tammie Withrow showed the children the different rooms and described the tools a dentist uses. The children looked at x-rays, rode in the hydraulic chair, and received free sample kits of toothpaste, dental floss and activity books.

Left: Dylan Withrow checks out the computer at his mom's desk. Below: Dr. Bates explains some procedures.

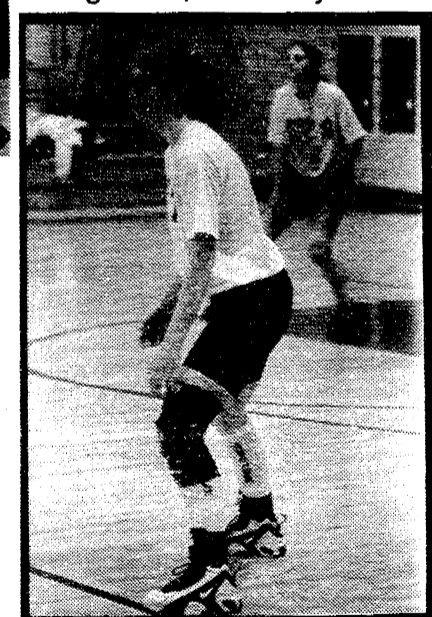


— Photos by Kathy Kueffner

Below: #1 Emily Tucker, Bottom right: Julie Porter in foreground, #8 Amy Saunders, #2 Stefanie Shulz

JV Basketball

Top left: #6 Carmen Kapa, #10 Sarah Gould, #12 Becky Butterfield, and Kelly Parr. Below: Amy Gall in foreground, #9 Jenny Mann



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A Nomination for Kommunity Kudos:

Who: BARBARA DeLONGCHAMP

Why: As a real estate person, Barb has a job to do and does it well. But if our encounter with Barb is an example, Barb's commitment to serving her clients is one of caring and going the extra mile. Even an extra two or three miles! Her good nature, her sense of humor, and her sincere desire and ability to help—all make Barb an exceptional person to do business with. Thanks, Barb! And we'd recommend Barb to anyone who is looking for the help of a Realtor!

Sincerely, Janet and Bill Shurtliff



Therefore, let it be hereby proclaimed that
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Above: The Willingham of Manchester check out the microwave ovens offered at our new downtown appliance store, Craft Appliance, owned by Frealin and Mary Ellen Craft.

Craft Appliance Store will be celebrating their grand opening through the month of March. They offer brand name washers, dryers, refrigerators, microwave ovens, and ranges, besides being a full-service operation.

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Marine Life Assembly at Klager

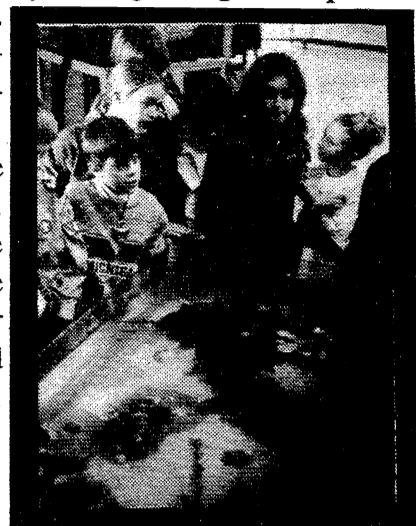
— by Ashley Billittier
fourth grade guest reporter



Above: Paul Tooman, Kelly Waters, Keith, Jeffrey Adams

On February 1 and 2, there was a Marine Life assembly at Klager Elementary School.

We saw a whole bunch of marine life there. There were three tanks. One had a little island in the middle of the water, another one had just water in it, and the third one had mud in it.



Above: Standing by the shark and eel tank, we identified Chelsea Shaw and William Aldrich

The tank with water in it had an eel, two horseshoe crabs, a shark, and a crab in it.

The one with mud had some hermit crabs in it and a purple, black and orange crab in it. I think it's called the Asian Crab.

In the tank with the island, there were fiddler crabs and also there was a blowfish, two chocolate starfish, a leopard shark, and some sea anemones.

The eel is like a guard dog. It guards its area and if you touch its area it will bite you. The eel is really blue with yellow slime over it and that's why it looks green.

When one of the sharks bite you, it feels like when your hand gets slammed in the car door.

The chocolate chip starfish has little things that look like chocolate chips on it and that's why it's called a chocolate chip starfish.

The blowfish has little things like burrs on it, and if you make it really upset it will get big.

If you want to pet a shark you have to pet it from its tail down. The horseshoe crab was hard like a horseshoe, but it didn't look like a horseshoe.

The sea anemones felt like "gak," it was cool. The leopard shark had spots like a leopard and that's why it's called a leopard shark. The fiddler crabs run around on the island.

Everyone had fun. I hope they come back next year for more kids to enjoy.

Left to right: Todd Canter, Michael Chapin, Abby LaRock and Austin.

— photos by kk



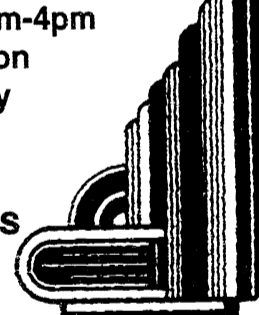
Watching the instructor handle a horseshoe crab are Rose Sandeen, John Schaible, Chris Esarius, Abby LaRock, Gretchen Stein and Katie Meranuck.

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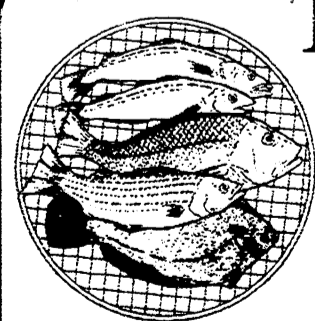
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CHICAGO Flower & Garden Show

All those in favor of an early spring say, "aye" — aye, aye, aye! I can't guarantee it here in Manchester, but it will be an early spring on Chicago's lakefront as the Chicago Flower & Garden Show opens March 9 at Navy Pier. The nine-day show will take place in Festival Hall, a premier exhibition space to showcase the 85,000 sq. ft. of spectacular flower displays. The 35 formal garden displays in this year's show will include a variety of imaginative, horticultural presentations. Many gardens will demonstrate practical ideas for the everyday gardener.

"Chicago's Garden" at the entrance to the show is comprised of more than 2,000 plants growing in containers such as pots and troughs. The display will show how to grow perennials, evergreens, bulbs, herbs, edible plants, evergreen trees, shrubs and aquatics in small spaces.

For children of all ages, brand new topiaries direct from The Walt Disney World Resort in Florida will once again be unveiled. This year, Pocahontas, John Smith, Meeko the raccoon and Flit the hummingbird will debut in their topiary form. Pocahontas and Mickey Mouse will appear live and in person March 16-17 to greet guests at the Disney display from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Some of the more unusual displays include a prairie-style garden, a Chinese garden and a cloud forest featuring plants that are grown naturally in Costa Rica. A field of tulips celebrating the Tulip Time Festival in Holland, Michigan will also be featured. Orchids, conifers from Asia, Europe and North America and cacti will be featured in other gardens. Experts will be on hand to demonstrate how to plant and care for trees and shrubs.

More than 50 seminars will be presented throughout the show. Local experts in horticulture, gardening and home landscaping will discuss everything from how to start a garden to pruning, flower arranging, container gardening, how to grow herbs and vegetable gardening.

John Ash, one of California's leading chefs and educators, will host seminars on the art of matching wine and food. He will lead participants through a lively and fun tasting of various foods with wines from Bonterra Vineyards. The vineyard is located in Mendocino County north of San Francisco which, along with Napa and Sonoma counties, make up the most prized growing region for wine grapes in California. Bonterra has emerged as the leading producer of wines made from certified organically grown grapes. This means that no herbicides, fungicides, pesticides or chemical fertilizers are used in growing the grapes. The winemakers at Bonterra believe that this yields superior flavor and bouquet in the wine. Ash will explore such subjects as the best wine to serve with chilies, can red wine go with fish, etc. He will also discuss how to best match wine with herbs and edible flowers. Ash will conduct food and wine pairing seminars at 11 a.m. on March 15, 16 and 17 and at 5 p.m. March 15 and 16. Bonterra wines will be available for tasting and purchase during the entire run of the show.

People visiting the show at Navy Pier can also experience the many attractions the Pier has to offer, such as the glass-enclosed Crystal Gardens, the Navy Pier IMAX Theater, Chicago's Children's Museum and the main shops and restaurants. Located just north of the Chicago River on the lakefront, Navy Pier is easily

accessible by public transportation. There is also plenty of parking nearby.

The Flower and Garden Show would be a great place for a short getaway to savor a preview of flowers to come and also to check out the fantastic Navy Pier. It encompasses over 50 acres of parks and other attractions including a 15-story ferris wheel and musical carousel.

Hours of the show are from 10-8 Mon.-Sat and 10-5 Sun.. Admission for adults is \$8 weekdays \$10 weekends; for children (2 to 12), \$4 weekdays/\$5 weekends. For ticket information, call 312-321-0077.

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Into Africa

Sarah Ahrens continues her narration of plans for a trip to Africa as part of the People to People Student Ambassador Program. Sarah, a junior at Manchester High School, works part-time after school and weekends, but is also seeking donations to raise funds for her trip. Her address is: Sarah Ahrens, P.O. Box 356, Manchester, MI 48158-0356.

I will be departing on this journey in June. This twenty-day adventure will take me from New York to Cape Town and up the coast to Johannesburg. Here is my itinerary:

Day One - Depart United States for Cape Town

Days Two and Three - Arrive and spend time in Cape Town. In the middle of the city of Cape Town is Table Top Mountain, which is completely flat on top. When the clouds cover the flat area, they are called the tablecloth.

Eight miles off the coast is Robben Island (Island of Seals) where president Mandela was imprisoned for 27 years.

Days Four, Five and Six - Transfer to Western Cape Province for homestay

Day Seven - Depart Cape Town homestays for Knysna. Knysna is surrounded by forests and located on a beautiful lagoon system on the Garden Route. This roadway journey along the coast with many beaches, resort towns and forests along the way.

Day Eight - Travel Knysna to Port Elizabeth. Day Nine - Depart Port Elizabeth for the Great Karoo region, which is wide, empty grasslands. Day Ten - Depart Great Karoo region for Bloemfontein. Day Eleven - Spend time in Bloemfontein. Day Twelve - Transfer to Johannesburg. Day Thirteen - Spend time in Johannesburg. Day Fourteen - Day trip to Peteria. Day Fifteen - Depart Johannesburg for Kruger National Park. Days Sixteen and Seventeen - In Kruger National Park. Days Eighteen and Nineteen - Return and spend time in Johannesburg. Day Twenty - Depart Johannesburg for the United States

The homestays scheduled for days four through six are the only part of the journey where the students are separated from the group. At the homestays, we will be staying with families and learn first-hand how their traditions and culture are different from our own.

The People to People Student Ambassador Program is a non-profit organization founded by Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1956. President Eisenhower believed that individual Americans reaching out in friendship to citizens of other countries could contribute significantly to world peace.

Hot School Topics — MEAP Scores, High School Proficiency Test

— by Gini Patak

It's the time of year for a look at Manchester's MEAP (Michigan Educational Assessment Test) scores, and this year something new, the High School Proficiency Test.

This year school board members heard good news on the fourth and seventh grade MEAP front. Even though some of Manchester's numbers are down a little from last year, we're still among the top performers in Washtenaw county. How Manchester, and all Michigan high school juniors for that matter, will fare on the new High School Proficiency Test, which replaces the 10th grade MEAP is anybody's guess.

Also on February's agenda was recognition of the great work done by the 8th grade boys basketball team, congratulations to State Representative Beverly Hammerstrom, a look at how At Risk grant money will be spent, a proposal by the technology committee and a building project update.

TEST RESULTS AND NEWS

Marge Mastie, School Improvement Assistance Team Member from Washtenaw Intermediate School District (WISD) reviewed the results of the MEAP tests administered last fall to Manchester students in grades four and seven. She explained that the test is no longer administered to 10th grade students, having been replaced by the new High School Proficiency Test to be administered to all Michigan students in the 11th grade.

The MEAP is Michigan's statewide testing program. It is used to help assess how well Michigan students are learning essential skills, like math, reading and science. Individual student results are reported to parents to help them understand their child's educational needs. District results help teachers decide what subjects need attention and administrators and school board members make decisions about school programs. District and state results are used by the State Board of Education, legislators and the governor to make crucial school funding decisions.

Mastie reported that even though Manchester's numbers declined a little from the outstanding 1995 performance, everyone involved in the schools - from administrators to parents and students - can be proud of our results. Full county and state results are not yet available, so a comprehensive comparison was not possible, but, according to Mastie, it looks like Manchester will still be one of the top performing districts in Washtenaw county.

"Manchester is always in the top three or four, even though you're a small rural district. You could make lots of excuses, but you don't," Mastie said.

She also noted that the percentage of Manchester students who performed in the "low" category for both math and reading has steadily declined. She indicated that this result is more telling than the satisfactory score, because it indicates a consistent rise in the rate of student success in Manchester.

Mastie also introduced the Michigan High School Proficiency Test and provided samples of the questions that will be on the test in a document called a "Testlet." The test will be given to all students in the class of 1997 during March. It is designed

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Ask the Pastor

One of the questions that I am often asked as a minister of the gospel, especially by those that are questioning my Christian faith is, "If there really is a God, then why doesn't He do something about evil?" Why does He allow pain, suffering, and injustice? Why does He allow men like Hitler, Stalin, or Jeffrey Dahmer do their evil deeds, inflict their horrors on mankind, and then so often escape the righteous judgment of the law?

Joseph Stalin and Mao Tse-tung, for instance, were two of the greatest mass murderers of all time. Yet they died peacefully in their own beds at a good old age without any obvious fear of retribution, divine or otherwise.

So the question is always the same: If God is, then why doesn't He come down? Why doesn't He judge? Why doesn't He put a stop to these things? It's as though they would have God casting down great thunderbolts of lightning, consuming the offenders on the spot.

Well, the answer to their question is that one of these days He will, and when He does, it won't be a pretty sight.

But for now God is waiting. The bible says that God is patient, merciful, long-suffering, not willing that any would perish, but that all would come to repentance (2 Peter 3:9). You see, God in His love and mercy withholds His immediate judgment of sin, giving us time and opportunity to turn from our sins.

It is a good thing for us that He does. The Bible says that all have sinned and come short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23). He includes us all in sin and puts us all in the same boat. If God's judgment was immediate where would any of us be?

Before my conversion, I was a hard-drinking, dope-smoking hippie of the 1960's, living a life that was not pleasing to God. Today I am a minister of the gospel of Christ. The apostle Paul was a persecutor of the church, hauling out men and women, casting them into prison, causing them to blaspheme, and even putting them to death. But one day he had a meeting with the Lord Jesus on the road to Damascus. He then became one of the greatest church leaders of all time, writing almost half of the new testament scriptures. But what if God had not waited? What if God had cut us off in our sins? Where would we be today?

As far as divine retribution goes, no one escapes that. The Bible says that it is appointed unto man once to die, but after this the judgment (Hebrews 9:27).

But for now, the Lord Jesus in His parable of the prodigal son, gives the best picture of the attitude of God towards the sinner. He portrays an elderly father looking down the road, watching, waiting, and longing for his wayward son to return home (Luke 15:11-24).

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AWANA Chums, left to right, Mrs. Lois Hansen with Ashley Sloat and Brandy Wiley.



AWANA Cubbies gather together for a photo in the rec room at Community Bible Church.

AWANA Sparks take time out from a relay race to pose. — photos by kk



from 6:30-8:30. Kids love AWANA — yours will, too!!!

AWANA is open to all the kids of the community, no matter which church they attend on Sunday, and especially if they do not go to church anywhere, we would love to see them come to the AWANA Club for their age group. — Lois Hansen

For information, call Pastor Jody Riethmiller of Community Bible Church at 428-8709. The church is located west on Austin Road, then south on Sharon Hollow Road.

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to test "student performance and reasoning skills in the areas of communication arts (reading and writing), mathematics, and science."

The testing will take 11 hours over roughly two weeks. Students will produce original writing in all three test areas and will use some previously prepared student work.

Test results will not be available until next fall. If a student passes, he or she will earn a diploma endorsement in each area passed. Retesting will be possible for students who fail to pass.

Parents or legal guardians can exempt a student from the test, but doing so will eliminate any chance for a diploma endorsement.

Mastie did not elaborate on the value of the endorsement or whether it is a graduation requirement.

Accommodations will be made for students with disabilities if a request is made to a local district. Parents or guardians should contact the counselor or special education teacher if such a request must be made.

KUDOS FOR EIGHT GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL AND STATE REP HAMMERSTROM

Athletic director, John Eisley, and team coach, Wes Gall, presented the eighth grade boys' basketball team and commended their 12-0 performance during the 1995-96 season. Team members, most of whom were on hand to receive the recognition included: Jason Flint, Jason Schaible, Derick Hanewald, Mark Hollosy, Nick Puscas, Chris Benedict, Kyle Davis, Bryan Blossom, Peter Dettling, Ricky Walakonis, Pat DuRussel, Matt Jones, Jordan Wahl, Tyler Breinlein, Donnie Potter, Justin Preston, Ryan Witcher. Way to go, guys!

State representative, Beverly Hammerstrom, from the 55th district which covers Monroe, Lenawee and parts of Washtenaw county, received a plaque from the board acknowledging her support of education over the past year. The award was presented by Trustee, John Ochs. Hammerstrom, who is a former teacher thanked the board for recognizing her commitment and stated her belief in the importance of supporting Michigan children.

AT-RISK PROGRAM

Manchester will have almost \$73,000 in grant money for the at-risk program. Among the programs funded will be:

- Student service program for K-4 students — This will provide a social worker to work with small groups of students who meet the at-risk criteria.

- Summer school program for students in grades 7-11 — This program will be available to students who achieved less than category 2 on their most recent MEAP reading test and achieved less than 50% of the objective on their most recent MEAP math test.

- Remedial math and reading program for students in grades 5-8 — The program will provide individual assistance to students during the school day.

- Parent workshop series — As a result of the parent survey that was included with report cards, four to six workshops will be scheduled.

Several other programs will be funded as well.

TECHNOLOGY UPDATES PLANNED

The board authorized spending \$145,000 on new computers, printers, and software to implement a new technology program at the middle school. The curriculum associated with the new program contains middle school modules that cover technology applications in the areas of communication, transportation, construction, manufacturing, and biotechnology.

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

Bids have been returned and reviewed. Most were in line with estimates, but HVAC and electrical were considerably higher than anticipated. Ways to manage within the budget are currently under investigation. The board has scheduled a special meeting March 4 to discuss the situation in greater detail.

The next regular meeting of the Manchester Board of Education is at 7:30 p.m. on March 18. Meetings are held in the MHS media center. For more information, call board offices at 428-9711.

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Don Bartolo, in a rage, turns everyone out of the house. Almaviva and Figaro, however, are undaunted. During a storm, they use a staircase to gain access to Don Bartolo's house and carry Rosina off.

The young woman has been duped by her guardian into thinking that Lindoro is a go-between for Count Almaviva. As a result Rosina refuses to follow the Count, but the misunderstanding is cleared up immediately, and a happy ending is in sight.

When the notary arrives, having been summoned by Don Bartolo to perform a hurried wedding for himself and Rosina, he is prevailed upon by Figaro to marry Rosina to Almaviva instead.

Don Bartolo can only put on a brave face at the outcome, and is reconciled by a promise that he shall receive the equivalent of his ward's dowry.

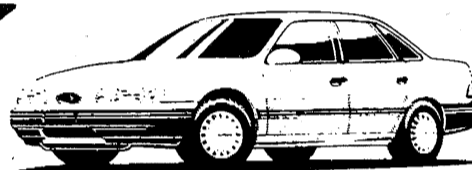
It is incredible to think that Rossini, at age twenty-five, was able to create one of the greatest operatic masterpieces ever in the space of 20 days. The qualities of the opera stem from Rossini's consistently strong composition, the finesse of the instrumental writing, and the constant rhythm of the orchestra in support of the vocal line throughout. It is impossible not to be swept up by the joyful atmosphere of the work and its irrepressible comedy, guaranteed not least by the subtle and realistic characterization of the individual roles.

The Barber of Seville video will be shown at the Blacksmith Shop Friday, March 15, at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited. For further information, phone Kathy at the Chronicle office 428-1230, or Maan Baki at Pyramid Office Supply 428-8983.

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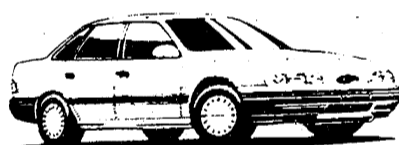


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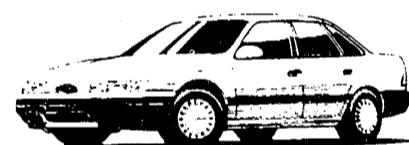
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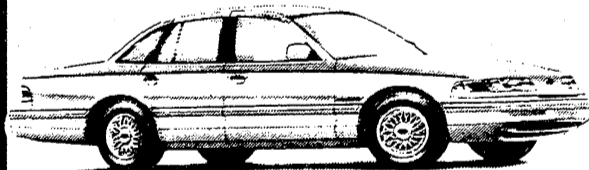
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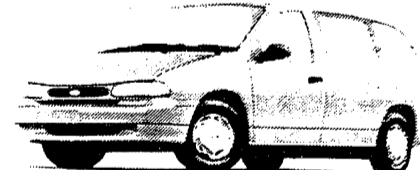
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