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NEWS BRIEFS

Historical Society selling luminaria tonight

The Manchester Historical Society will be selling luminaria for one more night at the Blacksmith shop from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. tonight.

The luminaria are \$5 for the first 10 and \$1.50 for each additional package of five. Christmas eve is the date to put them out.

Historical Society member Carl Curtis said this is a tradition that not only makes Manchester look beautiful for the holidays, but is one of only two remaining fundraisers the society has, the other being the sale of the Historical Society calendar.

"It's been a tradition for a long time, and it looks just beautiful," Curtis said.

The Blacksmith Shop is located one block east of M-52 on East Main Street.

Financial aid workshop scheduled at High School

A financial aid/scholarship meeting will take place at 7 p.m., Jan. 11 in the High School media center. The public is invited to attend this free workshop.

Cynthia Van Pelt, the financial aid director at Eastern Michigan University will be the guest speaker.

Free Applications for Federal Student Aid will also be available to students entering colleges or universities in the 2000-2001 school year.

Planning underway for 2nd Kiwanis Raffle

The Kiwanis Club of Manchester has begun making plans for the Second Annual Crazy Kash Knight Raffle. The goal for the March 4 raffle is to raise \$20,500 to be used for new pianos in all three schools and also new batting cages.

The Kiwanis plans on adding more activities than last year. Tickets will go on sale in January. For more information, or to have a ticket reserved, call Pat at 428-7751, Rhonda at 428-1329 or Dianne at 428-7722. Tickets were sold out in advance last year.

School foundation set

A kick off for the Manchester Community Schools Foundation is scheduled for this week. In partnership with United Bank and Trust and the Tecumseh Community Foundation, the MCS Foundation will build for the future of Manchester's schools.

To make a year-end, tax-deductible contribution please contact Denise Walter at 428-8680.

DEQ holds hearing on gravel application

By Wanda Fish
 Special Writer

Some 25 people attended last Thursday's public hearing held by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality at the Bridgewater Township Hall. Adrian Sand and Stone, an Ohio company, filed last June for a permit to continue sand and gravel mining operations that will result in the creation of a 47-acre lake. The lake would be about 100 feet wide and 2,100 feet long with an average depth of 55 feet (70 feet maximum), according to the application. Once mining operations cease,

Adrian Sand and Stone says it plans to build a small residential development, in about 15 years.

Jeffrey Stansley, president of Adrian Sand and Stone, attorney Philip Goldsmith, and Peter Collins of Applied Science and Technology, an Ann Arbor firm specializing in environmental investigations and remediations, made the presentation for the mining company.

Other attendees included Bridgewater Township Supervisor Carol Peacock, Township Attorney Bruce Laidlaw, and Planning Commission Chair

Jim Fish, and several residents. Planning Commission Chair Robert Snow and others represented neighboring Clinton Township.

Jim Blow, a member of State Representative Gene DeRose's staff, also was present, as was Grand Rapids attorney Devin Schindler who represents some residents of Bartlett Road, a part of the truck haul route.

Rick Schramm, the DEQ hearing officer, explained at the outset that the official purpose of the hearing was to review concerns about the creation of the

lake, although other comments on related issues might be allowed if there were sufficient time.

While several residents of both Bridgewater and adjacent Clinton Township expressed concern about the impact on water quantity and quality, much of the hearing was dominated by expressions of concern about the mining operation itself, particularly traffic, road conditions, safety and noise.

Adrian Sand and Stone began mining operations in 1991 at the present 80-acre mining site off Hog Road, south Willow Road in Bridgewater Township. A Township official estimates that at least five or six million tons of saleable material has been removed from the site. Two small lakes have resulted. According to the application, creation of the 47-acre lake is necessary to continue mining operations.

The only alternative to that proposal is to halt mining below the water table, thus avoiding creation of the lake. This would limit the economic feasibility of the mining operation, since a large volume of the sand and gravel available at the site is below the level of the water table.

Recently, nearly 100 Bridgewater Township residents signed a petition asking just that - a halt to mining operations on the present site and a denial of

Township approval to mine an adjacent leased 40 acre site on property owned by Don and Florence Baker. Adrian Sand and Stone filed an application for mineral extraction on that site in April 1997.

Bridgewater Township has tied approval of the permit to completion of a paved, Class A haul route between the mining site and U.S. 12. While the Washtenaw County Road Commission completed plans for the new road a few months ago, Adrian Sand and Stone refused to make any financial commitment to build the road without the approved mining permit in hand for the Baker A parcel. At the hearing, it appeared that neither the Township nor Adrian Sand and Stone, was prepared to make the first move.

According to Peter Collins, while there would be some, "temporary fluctuations in the water table, those would be minimal and would cease once the lake is completed." He also indicated that no other environmental impacts would be likely to result.

"If there were any kind of spill, impact would most likely be limited to a maximum of 400 feet, given the kind of soils in the area," he said.

Bridgewater residents Tracey Reed and David Bopp, who live near the mining operation, expressed concern about

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Spreading Christmas Cheer



Fifth-graders (left) Sara Scharpenberg, Hannah Gregerson, Seth Goodell, and Cortney White celebrated the holiday spirit on the last day of school, December 17.

Photo by Marsha Johnson Chartrand

First time dancer performs in classic

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
 Staff Writer

Fifth grader Stephanie Mackres does a lot of the same things that her classmates do. She collects Pokemon cards, plays in the fifth grade band, and enjoys Harry Potter stories.

She is also a party child. At the recent performance of The Nutcracker, presented by Dance Arts Ensemble of Chelsea, under the direction of Wendi DuBois, Stephanie danced the part of one of the "party children."

In her third year of ballet with Laura McCartney, Stephanie participated in the ensemble's "Nutcracker" for the first time this year.

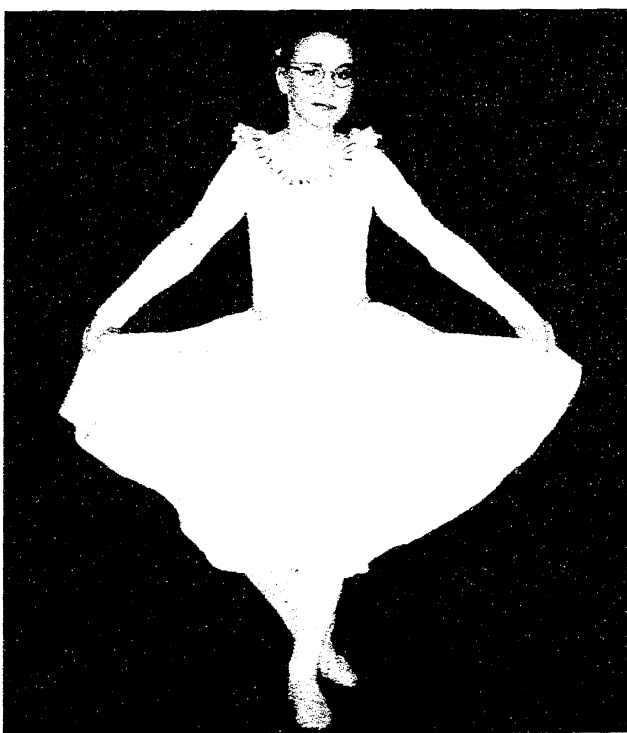
"I decided to try out after seeing the Nutcracker last year," said Stephanie. "I thought it was really interesting. When I was three or four years old I saw Nutcracker in Ann Arbor, but I hadn't seen it again till last year."

"I tried out by doing a mix of dances. I'm a party child because if you're a first year you get a smaller part than the bigger girls."

ALTHOUGH INITIALLY she didn't know any of the other girls in the Nutcracker - none of her classmates from ballet or jazz were a part of the ensemble - she quickly made friends. Stephanie just turned ten last month and is among the youngest cast members. A few other ten-year-olds and an eight- and nine-year-old are the other young members of the ensemble.

"When I was offstage waiting for my part to come up, my friends and I played Old Maid and Uno and other games - and I enjoyed that," she says.

Stephanie felt very confident about performing in the production and looks forward to future dance recitals. She also really enjoyed performing onstage at Potter Center in



Stephanie Mackres takes her bow.

Jackson for the Nutcracker performance there.

"I've been on stage for three years now, so I'm not really nervous. I'm planning to continue on in Dance Arts until I'm about 13 or 14. Then when I get into high school, I'm going to do plays."

STEPHANIE'S OLDER brother, Eric, had a role in the recent drama club production of "Murder in the Heir" at MHS. She has enjoyed watching two other plays in which Eric was also involved, and says that drama is something that really interests her.

"I liked dancing in front of other people and just showing how much I've learned since September," says Stephanie. "It was a lot of fun, and I enjoyed all of the performances."

"One of my favorite parts was

at the end of the show where we give flowers to the bigger girls, and I really liked doing that."

Stephanie got some flowers of her own when the performance came to Chelsea last Saturday evening.

"My mom brought a big old bouquet all for me," she says.

The Saturday night Chelsea performance was her favorite for another reason as well.

"My whole family was there and that was great. And Mr. Fielder came to that performance, too."

Stephanie plans to be in The Nutcracker again next year. She hopes to be able to dance in a larger role, and hopes to eventually be able to dance the part of Marie.

Meanwhile, she says, "I feel pretty lucky to be a part of it all."

Contingency plan ready

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
 Staff Writer

"We're planning for the worst but hoping for the best," said Sgt. Dieter Heren of the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Dept. when asked about local plans to cover the Year 2000 turnover.

This has been an excellent opportunity for us to review our emergency preparedness plan, and we have done that."

A disaster doesn't usually strike with a lot of warning but the dire predictions of a Y2K disaster have made an impression on nearly everyone.

Local preparations are being handled in case of power outages, telephone problems, and other incidents that might result at midnight on Dec. 31.

"We're in a preparation mode right now," said Heren. "It's business as usual with the added prospect of a potential disaster."

Plans for December 31 have included additional staffing at all substations, including Manchester's station 4. There will also be officers stationed at other locations throughout the county on a 24-hour basis beginning Dec. 31 at 8 p.m. and continuing through Jan. 3 at 7:30 p.m.

"We normally have extra patrols on New Year's Eve," said Heren, and added that this year will be no exception. Heren will be at work at Station 4 that night to oversee the shift operations and assure that everything goes smoothly.

An information letter distributed by Sheriff Ronald J. Schebil, states that the so-called Millennium Bug is "a complex, misunderstood and underestimated dilemma capable of adversely affecting local economies and the general safety and security of our community(ies)."

"It is our goal to establish community preparedness through a common sense, well-orchestrated, proactive approach to any emergency, regardless of its origin."

"We are attempting to transform any public concern into an effective action plan, which would benefit in any emergency situation."

Heren makes some of these common sense suggestions to

Manchester residents who are concerned about the millennium bug.

"Please don't pick up the phone at midnight to see if it works. And please don't try calling 911 to see if you can get through. This will only tie up lines and keep true emergency calls from going through."

"If there is a public safety issue, and you can not dial outside the local exchange, there will be a deputy manning the local station's telephone number, 428-8829. And in the event there is no telephone service, people can come to the station (120 S. Clinton Street, upstairs) for assistance."

The Sheriff's bulletin adds that if your everyday phone system fails to function and you have a cellular phone, the following numbers can be dialed to request a police response by the WCSD, in the following order of priority:

911 or 734/971-8400, extension 1911 or 734/971-8719

Village residents may also wonder about public services such as water delivery. Karen Tucker, Village Clerk states that a DPW employee will be on duty at the treatment plant at midnight Dec. 31 to make sure everything is running smoothly. All DPW employees will be on standby, ready to be called in, in the event of the emergency.

"If something does happen, I'm sure there are a lot of people we can call on to help," said Tucker.

She added that all day to day village operations can be handled manually, bypassing the computer systems if necessary. The fire department has a generator at township hall and the lift station also has generators to operate the water supply system.

"There is also a county-wide system, where we can call on for additional assistance."

The message seems clear: Manchester residents have little to fear come 12:01 a.m. on Jan. 1, 2000. And what cannot be controlled, will be managed in an organized and down-to-earth manner.

Happy New Year!

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Community Calendar



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 ■ 7:30 PM - Community Resource Center Board meets
- Friday, Dec. 24**
 ■ 7:00 PM - AA Meeting at Emanuel Church Kitchen
- Saturday, Dec. 25**
 ■ Merry Christmas!
- Monday, Dec. 27**
 ■ 7:30 PM - Overeaters Anonymous meets at Chelsea United Methodist Church
- Tuesday, Dec. 28**
 ■ 10:00 AM - La Leche League meets, call 428-8831 for information
 ■ 6:30 PM - Klager PTO meets, call 428-8321 for information
 ■ 7:00 PM - Bootstompers at Emanuel Church
- Wednesday, Dec. 29**
 ■ 7:30 PM - Community Band
- Thursday, Dec. 30**
 ■ 6:15 PM - Awana Clubs meet at Community Bible Church

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

Renowned cyclists come to Klager

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand Staff Writer

They've entertained at half time for Detroit Pistons and other NBA games and toured around the country and around the world - performing in over 20 countries on four continents. But just for fun, as part of a Michigan tour that has taken them to Detroit, Northville, Battle Creek and Kalamazoo, they decided to stop in at Klager School last week.

Sem Cycle, also known as simply "Teresa and Sem," held two performances for elementary school students earlier this

month and held the kids and adults in the audience enthralled.

Much of the couple's antics were performed on unicycles. They also did juggling, balancing and other acts designed to educate as well as entertain.

"We've done so many wonderful educational things at our assemblies, we decided that we wanted something really entertaining going in to Christmas," said Principal Brian Kissman. "But as well as being fun, these performers showcased a lot of physical educational skills as well."

Teresa and Sem (a native of the Netherlands) are not only locally and internationally famous but have performed at half time for nearly all NBA and college team games. The Livonia couple met ten years ago at a cycling competition and with their common interest in unicycling it was "love at first sight." Both are multiple world champion unicyclists and their assembly combined unicycling, juggling, acrobatics, equilibrics, comedy and magic.

Kissman said that SemCycle decided only recently to start getting into school programs.

"After being at the big gigs, they wanted a change. They really like working with kids, so they sent out flyers to local schools. When I saw their presentation I thought we needed a holiday treat, and knew that the students would enjoy the quality and fun stuff they do."

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Teresa and Sem delighted Klager audiences with their performance.

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Sharon Township Domestic Assault

Deputies were dispatched on Dec. 6 on a report of domestic assault. They met with a 43-year-old woman, who told them that when she returned from work, her husband, a 43-year-old man, had begun to argue with her. She said the argument continued sporadically throughout the night. When she went to bed, the man was watching television.

A short time later, the man came into the bedroom and roused the woman from her bed. She retreated to the bathroom, and the man followed her. He hurled the cordless telephone at her three times, hitting her once in the knee and causing a small cut. The man then began to argue

with their daughters in the kitchen of their home, threw a bowl of food into the sink, and threatened to kill his oldest daughter, a 24-year-old woman. The man's wife then came to the kitchen, and tried to keep the man from his daughter.

The man then went to the basement and ripped the telephone line from the wall. The older woman used a cellular phone to call 911. The man hurriedly packed clothes and left the house, warning the women to leave his house.

The woman and her daughters could only attribute the man's actions to him going "crazy."

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Student of the Month

Elisabeth O'Dell, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey (Rebecca) Whitman, has been selected as the December Student of the Month by the Manchester Optimist Club.



Elisabeth is a senior at Manchester High School and is involved in many school activities. She has been on the Honor Roll for her entire academic career at high school, where she is a member of the National Honor Society. She has also been a member of the German Club for three years, and an after-school tutor for German.

She has been a member of the band for the past four years, this year performing with the Symphony Band. She is listed in the Who's Who of High School students for 1998-99. She is also an active volunteer at Klager Elementary

with the literacy program.

Elisabeth is on the varsity softball team and was honored with the Michigan High School Softball Coaches' Award for outstanding GPA, during the Spring '99 season. She is listed as a Scholar Athlete for MHS.

She attends Sharon United Methodist Church. After graduation, she plans to attend Grand Valley State University, pursuing a major in International Business.

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Original black sheep cares about history

By Marsha Johnson Chartrand
Staff Writer

Imagine our charming village of Manchester with its downtown buildings nearly half empty, in disrepair. A ghost town, if you will.

Open your eyes and look at what we have now - a full and thriving downtown business district and a growing community.

Like it or not, much of what we see today when we look around our community can be credited to one man.

Back in 1963, Don Limpert, his wife and three young children were looking to move away from the Birmingham-Troy area in Metro Detroit. Limpert had grown up in Freedom Township and was the fifth generation of Limperts to live here.

"We took a year to look around and decided on Manchester. I saw the property on Mahrle Road, and bought it within five minutes.

"I make my deals quickly."

SELF-EMPLOYED as a general contractor since 1955, Limpert's primary business has been in the commercial field. He has also carried a real estate license for over 40 years.

"My specialty - and I was among the first to do - was recycling old buildings.

"This was at the time when 'urban renewal' was the thing. I have proved over and over in the past 35 years that it is cheaper to recycle than to build new.

"I've done jobs all along the East Coast and as far west as Omaha, Nebraska. In Savannah, Georgia and in Madison, Indiana, I have recycled older buildings, very similar to what I've done here in Manchester."

Limpert says that when he moved here, Manchester was turning into the proverbial ghost town.

"Main Street was 40-percent vacant. Within ten years I owned 40-percent of Main Street.

"One day I bought three buildings in the same day from Dick Way."

LIMPERT'S PLAN was to refurbish and update the historic buildings in the downtown, and keep them in character with the community.

"There's no magic in it but now it's become the 'in' thing. And I pioneered it.

He contends that the entire south side of Main Street, from the bank to the corner of Clinton Street, was slated for destruction in what he considers a misguided urban renewal project.

"I did influence a lot of what happened," said Limpert. "The building owners came to me - I didn't go to them. I was the only one in a position to purchase them at the time.

"It wasn't that hard to do. All of those buildings were underutilized. I put apartments in the empty upstairs areas. There were no apartments in this village other than single-family houses that had been split up. When I built the Mill Pond Apartments, that was the first large building project that had happened in Manchester in years."

may well be what turned the village economy around.

The tavern, self-named for Limpert as the "black sheep" of his family, operated on what he terms a very simple philosophy.

"I wanted to pattern the restaurant and bar after an old country model - where it was the social center for the community. The drinking part of it was secondary.

"With the sing-alongs, the customers would entertain themselves. I never spent \$5 on advertising in all the years I owned the restaurant, and when I sold it, it was among the top producing small town restaurants in the state."

The success of the Black Sheep was legendary in the early 70s. Patrons came from all over the county and even from other areas of the state to be part of this "social center."

LIMPERT IS unashamedly an opportunist. He has no regrets other than, perhaps, that he wasn't able to save more of the Main Street buildings that were torn down prior to his arrival.

He is a firm believer that the community needs a historic district in the downtown area.

"All you need is one building owner to say, I don't like this idea.

"The bank is a classic example. It looks like a 90 year old woman with a face lift.

"People are against the idea simply because they don't understand. They think the local government is trying to take away their property rights.

"Instead, a historic district would protect property - it would keep a neighbor from making changes that might affect your own property values.

"It's a shame that we have such a neat community, with a distinct image, yet we're doing nothing to preserve it in a practical sense."

LIMPERT KNOWS that he has upset a lot of apple carts over the years. He claims it doesn't bother him to know that he isn't well liked. He has served on Village Council in the past and more recently on the Manchester township planning commission, and frequently attends meetings "for my own benefit."

"I do my homework; that's



why I'm successful." Currently Limpert's only Main Street holding is the historic mill building.

"I'm not done with that," he says. "I am looking for buyers to help create a first class restaurant and brew pub in that location.

"I don't buy buildings, I buy locations," he continues. "Then I wait. Time is on my side."

CIVIL WAR history is a particular interest of Limpert's, and he serves as the president of a national organization of Civil War collectors.

"I've collected Civil War memorabilia since I was 13 years old," he says. "My grandfather used to own apartments and I worked for him cleaning out apartments.

"One day I found an old suitcase with letters and diaries from the Civil War era. I've been collecting ever since."

His collection is wide ranging with a special interest in GAR (Grand Army of the Republic) memorabilia. He recently presented a program at the Manchester Area Historical Society on the local Comstock Post of the GAR.

"Most people don't even know what the GAR is, or how much political influence that group held," he says. "But they elected six presidents, and all of the benefits that are now provided to veterans have their roots in the political clout that the GAR had in the late 1800's."

LIMPERT HAS researched a number of local connections to the Civil War and found that one of Manchester's Civil War veterans attended the 75th reunion at Gettysburg, in 1940

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St. Mary's to hold Christmas eve choral programs

At St. Mary's Church on Dec. 24 there will be a special celebration of carols at 4:30 and 11:30 p.m. prior to the Christmas Eve Masses. The 4:30 program will begin with Peter Crisafulli's arrangement of Three Carols for Flute and Harpsichord, played by Sarah Johnson and harpsichordist Marijim Thoene.

St. Mary's Children's Choir will sing well loved carols from many countries and centuries. In addition to the carols, the children will present a musical drama based on a medieval French carol, "In the Town." This carol provides the narrative and action of Mary and Joseph's plight in finding themselves with no lodging in the crowded city of Bethlehem.

The characters in the play include Brigitte Dettloff as Mary and Carrie Litwin as Joseph. The innkeepers are portrayed by Chloe Miller, Colby Harper, Austin Harper and Logan Harper. The angels are portrayed by Christie Litwin and Emily Pomilio. The sets are constructed by Alice Rossettie and Victor Kanta, with costumes designed by Diane DuRussel. The play is directed by Manchester's own actress, Diane DuRussel.

At the conclusion of the play everyone is invited to sing to "Away in a Manger." The instrumental music during the 5 p.m. Mass will be provided by Rachelle Lillenthal, trumpeter, Betty Cummings, baritone, Chris Kanta, celesta player, and

Marijim Thoene, organist.

The carol program at 11:30 p.m. will begin with Betty Cummings playing "Variations on Greensleeves," a 16th century anonymous composition with harpsichordist Marijim Thoene. The adult choir will also be singing carols from several centuries and countries.

Members of the Adult Choir include Evelyn Panches, Ginny Johnson, Patty Swaney, Carol Palms, Theresa Schmitt, Betty Cummings, Alice Rossettie, Anita Greca, Diane DuRussel and Guy Little. Organist and choir director is Marijim Thoene.

Fr. Charlie Irvin will be officiating at the 5 p.m. and midnight Masses.



St. Mary's Children's Choir: (front, left) Emily Pomilio, Chloe Miller, Carrie Litwin, Colby Harper (center) Christie Litwin, Bridgette Dettloff, Austin Harper, Logan Harper (back) Tarah Bondy, Taylor Harper.

HOME FRONT BY MARYANN LAWRENCE

The smell of hot oil was the first thing that hit me when I walked into my uncle's house last year. It was the first time I ever attended "cannoli day," an annual tradition that takes place a few weeks before Christmas. Cannoli are Italian pastries consisting of a flaky outer tube-shaped crust stuffed with white pudding or a ricotta cheese mix.

Traditions abound in my family at holiday time, as they do for so many other families. Gift giving is a popular one, to say the least. Traditional foods make the season. For my family, traditional foods are the highlight; they are what links our Christmas to those of our Italian forefathers.

Fish is a popular holiday favorite in Italian families. When I was younger, Christmas Eve was spent at my aunt's house. Her home was large and accommodated my father's side (about 80) plus my aunt's family (another 10 or so) plus a large Christmas tree with presents to fill the living room. She and her sister made the entire feast by themselves. For a fish lover it was a dream come true: the traditional Christmas tripe was set first, calamari, shrimp, muscles, scallops, white fishes and many others followed. I held out for the lasagna and breaded veal, deep fried thin and crisp.

When my husband and I were engaged, we started our own traditions. We visited Holly to shop for antiques and watch the actors in Dickens costumes playing out A Christmas Carol. We attended a local ballet presentation of the Nutcracker. Now that we have children, I am excited to introduce them to these traditions. I don't know why.

David McNeil, Director of Christian Life for Christ Our King Lutheran Church in Saline says traditions help build stronger families. Traditions, he said, are a "coming together on a common ground." With so many broken families, individuals are estranged from one another or

do not interact as a unit. Having dinner together or having a "movie night" or some such regular occasion, gives children a sense of belonging.

"We don't have children anymore," he told me in a telephone interview. "We have hockey players," or soccer players or musicians or gymnasts or whatever. Traditions, therefore, help capture childhood.

I can see his point. But let me tell you quite clearly that there is no losing of ones childhood in my family. We're all still a bunch of kids. And coming together? We're always together. So what do these traditions really mean?

I guess, to me, new traditions help build a relationship. Old ones reinforce the ones we have. Although I am frequently with my family, and we are all adults with our own ideas and separate lives, participating in the same rituals year after year gives us a sense of union into this unique and particular family.

Within the confines of my own, I know that traditions can often turn into burdensome obligations. Remember that dinner I told you about earlier? Well, now that I'm married and have even more family to see at holidays, it's just impossible to visit everyone. In this day when families live several miles apart, you can't always hold on to traditions, no matter how good they were.

That doesn't mean that just because you poop out of a tradition that everyone else has to give it up. In my family, cannoli day, like tomato-canning weekend, takes place with or without

you. I guess we all figure someone's going to show up. And there is an unwritten rule about family gatherings, too: If you don't show up, we're gonna talk about you.

That's why I showed last year - to prevent rumors.. It was my first and so far only participation in cannoli day. It was a blast. I have always been close with my uncle's girls, who range in age from six months to five years older than me. All three of them were there. So was my sister and sister in law. My uncle, aunt and mother were there too. That was all it took.

My cousin, who speaks no Italian and knows very little about our Italian heritage, knows everything there is to know about making cannoli. I stepped in and started cutting the circles out and wrapping them around the small rods

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Pauline B. Haller, 98, of Manchester passed away on Dec. 14, 1999. She was born in Huetting, Wettenberg, Germany on June 12, 1901, the daughter of Michael and Maria (Schaffner) Bauhammer.

Pauline moved to America in December of 1925 where she met her husband Albert K. Haller, and they were married on Jun. 1, 1929. He preceded her in death on Jun. 16, 1983.

She was an active member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and with her husband owned and operated the Manchester Central Market from 1946-52, the Haller Tavern from 1952-60, Haller Laundromat 1960, and Haller & Son Meats from 1961-77.

Pauline is survived by her son Edward E. Haller of Manchester and a daughter in law, Eileen Haller of Evanston IL; three grandchildren and

several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a son, Albert A. Haller in 1988, eight brothers, and seven sisters.

The Haller family held visitation on Thursday, Dec. 16 with a rosary service at the Jenter Braun Funeral Home. The Mass of Christian Burial was held on

Friday, Dec. 17, at 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Fr. Charles E. Irvin as celebrant. Interment was in St. Mary's cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that expressions of sympathy be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church or the Saline Evangelical Home.

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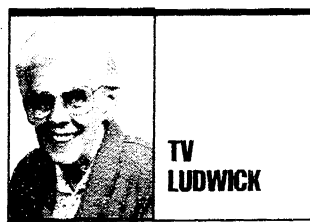
'Twas the night Before Christmas' in a most heart-rendering form was given by Karen Jenter, and we print it here:

"He lived all alone, in a one bedroom house made of plaster and stone. I had come down the chimney with presents to give, and to see just who in this home did live.

"I looked all about, a strange sight did I see - no tinsel, no presents, not even a tree. No stocking by mantle, just boots filled with sand, on the wall hung pictures of far distant lands.

"With medals and badges, awards of all kinds, a sober thought came through my mind. For this house was different, it was dark and dreary. I found the home of a soldier, once I could see clearly.

"The soldier lay sleeping, silent, alone, curled up on the floor in this one bedroom home. The fact was so gentle, the room in such disorder, not how I pictured a United States soldier.



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"Was this the hero of whom I'd just read? Curled on a poncho, the floor for a bed? I realized the families that I saw this night, owed their lives to these soldiers who were willing to fight.

"Soon round the world, the children would play, and grownups would celebrate a bright Christmas Day. They all enjoyed freedom each month of the year, because of the soldiers like the one lying here.

"I couldn't help wonder how many lay alone, on a cold Christmas Eve in a land far

from home. There very thought brought a tear to my eye; I dropped to my knees and started to cry.

"The soldier awakened and I heard a rough voice, 'Santa, don't cry, this life is my choice. I fight for freedom, I don't ask for more, my life is my God, my country, my corps.'

"The soldier rolled over and drifted to sleep, I couldn't control it, I continued to weep. I kept watch for hours, so silent and still and we both shivered from the cold night's chill.

"I didn't want to leave on that cold, dark night, this guardian of honor so willing to fight. Then the soldier rolled over, with a voice soft and pure, whispered, 'Carry on Santa, it's Christmas Day, all is secure.'

"One look at my watch, and I

knew he was right - 'Merry Christmas, my friend, and to all a good night!'

(This poem was written by a Marine stationed in Okinawa, Japan. The following is his request. Christmas will be coming soon and some credit is due to our US service men and women for our being able to celebrate these festivities. Make people stop and think of our heroes, living and dead, who sacrificed themselves for us. SEMPER FIDELIS.)

Thursday, Dec. 23: Get an early Christmas present from our volunteer nurse Mae Sellers when she takes your blood pressure beginning at 11 a.m. Thanks, Mae! Swiss steak will be featured on the menu and we invite all who are 55 or older to come to Emanuel UCC

to enjoy the food and fellowship. Reserve your spot at the table by calling Kelly at 428-8359 ahead, or Sue at 428-7630 on meal day mornings by 11 a.m.

Merry Christmas to all on this last one of the century. We, as seniors, try to enjoy each one to the 'hilt' and urge you to do likewise. Our merry wishes go out to each of you!

Tuesday, Dec. 28: Our cook, Sue Miller is extending our meal program through the end of the year and will serve pork roast and all the trimmings

today. This is an added bonus for all of us...she said. "You let me off to enjoy Thanksgiving week with my family." Call in for your spot and all are invited who don't have time the rest of the year. See you!

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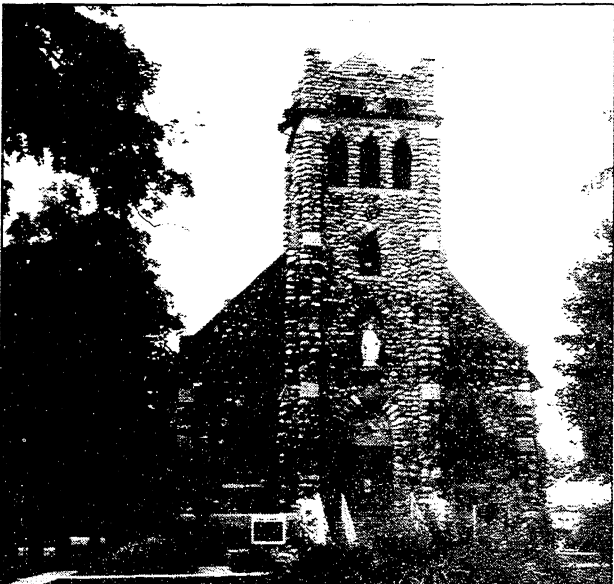
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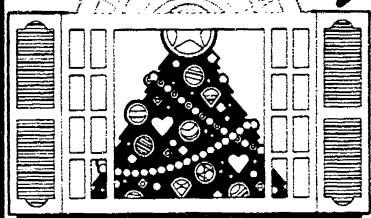
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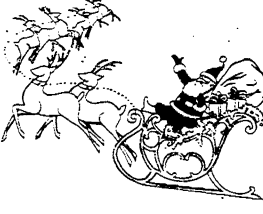
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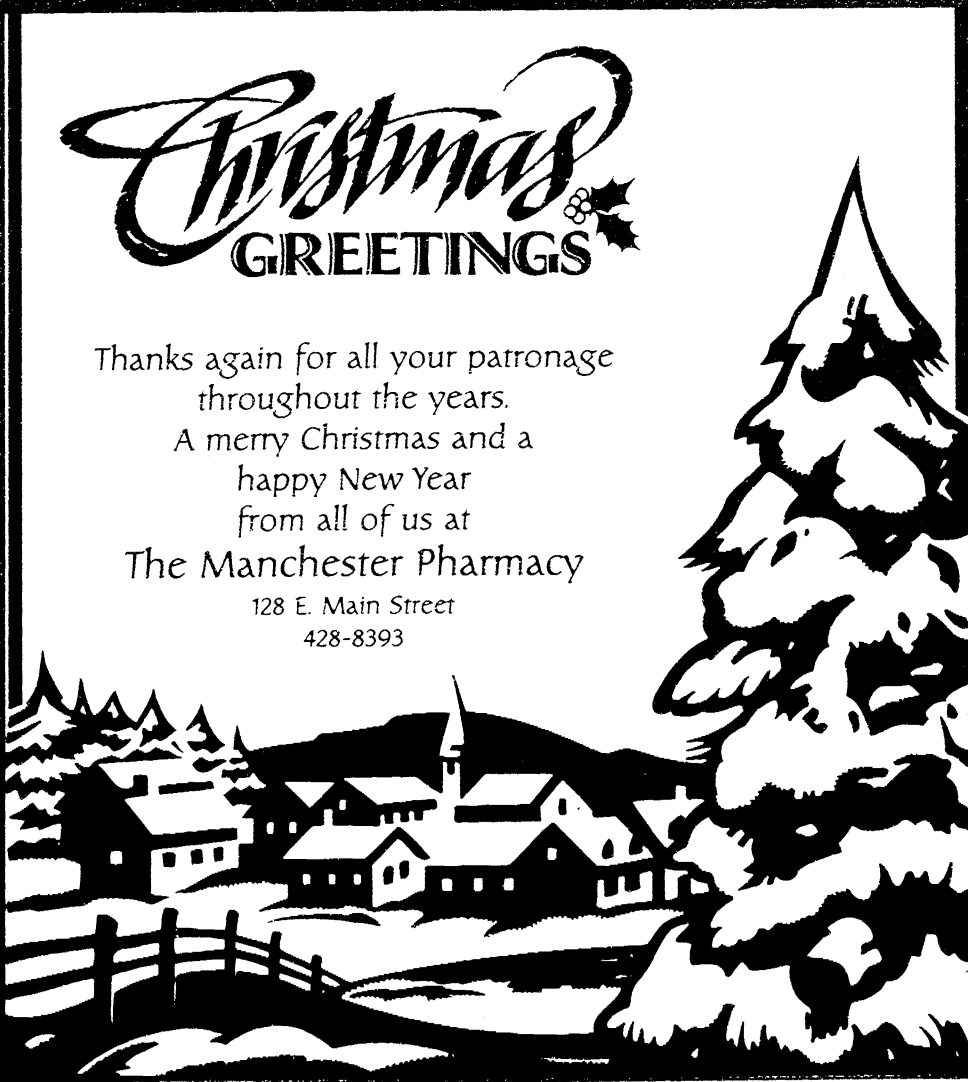
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Street Talk

By Marsha Johnson-Chartrand

"What do you want Santa Claus to bring you for Christmas?"



"A race horse. I would race it."

- Matthew Kemner



"A Barbie and a Barney, and a kite and a Barbie bike. And that's it."

- Marie Gray



"Legos, waffle town, a race car with a road and buildings, and an airplane. A play one, not a real one."

- Chad Fusilier



"Dollies, especially Barbie dolls."

- Sabrina Seales



"A bunch of Pokemon sparkly cards."

- Jared Maisano

Editor enjoys small town newspaper

Christmas came early for me this year. Specifically, in late May when I came to work at the Enterprise.

Working at a small-town newspaper had been a dream of mine for quite a while, but there always seemed to be some impediment. Sometimes it was the distance from my home, sometimes the town itself didn't feel right, or the wages were pathetic. But I knew when I had the opportunity to come to Manchester that it was a perfect fit.

Many of the people I know in journalism are career-oriented. The goal is always climbing the ladder, taking the next step, writing for a bigger paper. That type of focus surely has its merits. But I think that those folks are missing out on something wonderful when they bypass smaller newspapers for an opportunity to boost their name circulation, or to write about topics with 'wide impact.' What they're missing is the feeling of



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CAPTAIN'S LOG

family that is second nature in a small community.

There have been many people this past year who have made me feel welcome here, and to these people, I am extending a merry Christmas wish.

To Dawn Steele: you've been able to accomplish the impossible under the most ridiculous circumstances. It is a pleasure to work alongside someone who is so good at what they do. For the few of you who do not know Dawn, she is expecting her first baby sometime in January. I

only mention this so that when the newspaper declines in quality, you will understand why.

To Marsha Johnson Chartrand: Marsha has shared the workload, carrying me many weeks and never complaining (excepting, perhaps, some school officials). Her contributions to the paper are immeasurable. The newspaper, the town and myself are all very lucky to have someone so dedicated to the community.

To Julie Schaible: I have to admit that I don't really know precisely what Julie does, but judging by the amount of phone calls she gets, I know that it is very important. At the Enterprise we have two writers, a sales person, a production manager and Julie. Julie can usually be seen hunched over a computer, typing cryptic symbols onto a mysterious looking computer screen, but, if someone walks in the door, Julie is the first one to jump up and

help them. Julie has her own job to do, but she is the one who also makes everyone else's job easier.

To Wanda Fish: well, Wanda, I've never met anyone quite like you, but I now know you well enough to see you will take that as the compliment it is intended. Your writing, sometimes quirky or off-beat, always well-done, is one of the reasons small-town papers are so fun.

To Colleen O'Neill: your contribution to the Enterprise was like a gift dropped from the sky. If there was ever any doubt in my mind that Manchester was a sports town, well, there is no more.

To Dave Helisek, David Jose, TV Ludwick and Jeff Whitman: all of you make important contributions to the Enterprise simply because you care about Manchester. People have come to expect your fine work in the paper, and all of you are irreplaceable.

To the Enterprise Editorial

Board: Emory Garlick, Monica Horodeczny, Rev. Fr. Charlie Irvin, Marsha Johnson Chartrand, Lyndon Uphaus and Jeff Wallace. Your contribution to the newspaper has allowed the Enterprise to have an editorial voice in the community, something every newspaper should make a top priority. I am extremely proud of our editorial board and the work that comes out of it.

Finally, our readers also deserve my gratitude. I've appreciated every comment, letter, phone call and visit that you've paid, even the negative ones. Those keep me humble and honest. Working with a fine group of people has been an added fringe benefit to this job, but you readers are the reason I want to do it.

So to all of you, I want to say merry Christmas and thank you for making this such a special year for me.

Simplifying holiday preparations calms the soul

I really like Christmas.

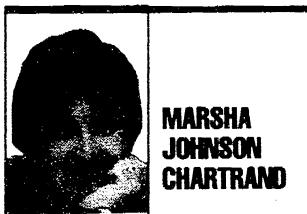
I love the anticipation, and I love the secrets. I enjoy getting gifts, and I love giving them. I love going to church on Christmas Eve and getting the feeling of "peace on earth, and good will toward all people."

But there is one thing I really don't like - and that's Christmas shopping.

I don't like crowded stores, I don't like driving in nasty weather after dark, and I don't much care for the hype that goes along with the holidays. I should add that I don't like cranky people, either, at the risk of sounding like another one of them.

I've tried catalog shopping and I've tried online shopping. Somehow they both seem to have the same atmosphere as a crowded, overdecorated store - they are just not quite as noisy and you don't usually have to deal with rude people.

No matter how well things



MARSHA JOHNSON-CHARTRAND

AFTER THOUGHTS

start out I usually end up dazed and confused and sometimes plain out of sorts.

I think it's just the sense of being overwhelmed by the expectations we all seem to have of the holiday season.

When I recall Christmas from my childhood, I remember a sense of magic. I don't remember my mother hurrying and scurrying around and trying to get all the shopping done so that we could have a perfect Christmas.

But it seemed like we always had one just the same.

I am sure my mother did get stressed out over the holidays back then, although I expect it was probably not as stressful as it all seems now. We do have higher expectations now than people used to.

Maybe one of the secrets is to try to reduce those expectations. Maybe we don't need all the Furbys, the talking donkeys and dinosaurs, the dolls and the electronic games.

A friend shared that he was going for a simpler, more memorable Christmas this year - giving a gift of self and of time and talent. What better gift can we offer to those we love?

One of my favorite authors of all time is Laura Ingalls Wilder. Her stories of old-time Christmases from the Big Woods of Wisconsin to the prairies of Dakota are something I return to each year at the holidays.

It was a simpler time then. Finding an orange, and a stick of candy, and a doll, and a penny in their stockings was a thrill to small children. They didn't have the commercial influences that we were exposed to as kids, much less the amount to which our kids are exposed today. It can be a revelation to remember that this isn't about retail business volume, or spending a lot of money, or frustration.

Last summer I bought myself a terrific book. It includes nearly 150 "rediscovered" columns written by Mrs. Wilder between 1911 and 1925.

During those years, her famous pioneer spirit had turned to journalism and she wrote for local farm papers and national magazines. It is a collection of these writings that were published into a book called, "Little House in the Ozarks" in 1991.

One piece, written in

December 1924, was a recollection of her younger years and a Christmas long ago.

The year she remembered was one when she worried she might not make it home for Christmas with her family.

Her words, as I read them, seemed appealing and timeless to me:

"Such magic there is in Christmas, to draw the absent ones home," she says. "And if unable to go in the body, the thoughts will hover there! Our hearts grow tender with childhood memories and love of kindred, and we are better throughout the year for having, in spirit, become a child again at Christmas time."

Perhaps we, too, will be better throughout the year, and in the years to come, if instead of the spirit of materialism we recall the simple spirit of a quieter, gentler time.

May you all have a peaceful and joyful Christmas season.

Don't give up on the holiday traditions just yet

Recently Susan Ager did a column in the Detroit Free Press about a mother who was burnt out on Christmas.

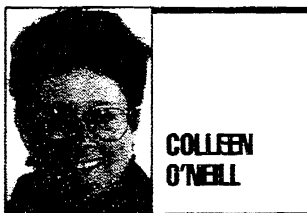
She and her husband have two sons and traditionally would spend about \$200 per person in the family. Everyone made their lists with that dollar amount in mind.

They always put up a tree. They decorated the house with lights.

Mom made cookies and candy and roasted a big turkey on Christmas Day.

This year, she found herself tired of the work and the debt and the effort.

She did not take out the lights. She told her family she would not go shopping and fight the crowds in the mall.



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REFLECTIONS

She would not bake or cook. The point of Ager's column was to document one person's refusal to keep running on the same old treadmill of massive excess.

There is a part of me that begrudgingly agreed with this mother.

I always cook too much food.

We inevitably waste some of it. I always spend too much money.

The to-do list does get long at this time of year. It really is a massive effort to get ready for this holiday.

And yet, for all the work and money that goes into it, I couldn't help but think that if I were really burnt out on the whole deal I wouldn't just quit.

We can all be guilty of losing our perspective on the season.

But there is a point of the season. And the lights and the gifts are reminders of why so many of us celebrate Christmas.

The reasons are not just religious.

I love the whole sense of giving, just to give. I think hard about the gifts I buy because I want them to be genuinely appreciated.

I love the traditions and the ritual. Turning on Christmas music and decorating the house. Taking the kids to choose our tree. Cooking and baking.

I reconnect with my family at this time of year. This holiday

creates special moments for my husband, my kids and myself.

And then my siblings will come to town. The family is 21 in all now, and 14 of them will be sleeping under our roof.

I love that.

I will admit that I don't do it all. My Christmas stationery from last year is still by the computer, blank.

I do more and more of my shopping via the Internet. Point, click, and let it be delivered to the door in just a few days.

I use the school fundraisers to stock up on wrapping paper and ribbons.

I do feel like we spend too much and our children do not appreciate all they receive. I feel a guilty about the poor and starving people in the world

when we have so much.

But I wouldn't just stop celebrating.

I wouldn't give up on this or any holiday.

The holidays create rituals in our lives. The flow with the seasons, bringing change and yet familiarity. There is comfort in that to me.

Obviously to this particular woman the pendulum had swung completely to the other side. And I guess I should use it as a lesson. I need to slow down, to do less. Enjoy the season and maybe cut back on my obligations. I need to remember the reason we do all of this.

But I still need my rituals. I still need to celebrate the season and I hope you do too. Merry Christmas.

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Millenium message

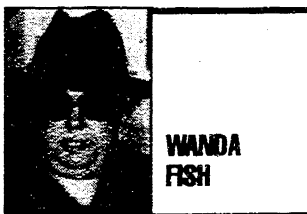
For those of positive outlook, this is a great time. Not only is it Christmas - the very foundation of hope for many - we're beginning a fresh 1000 years. What an opportunity!

For those less cheerfully inclined, there's all the potential for disaster. Even if there isn't a global technological breakdown, then perhaps Armageddon. Or both.

This has been an eventful one thousand years on the planet. We've explored many of the nooks and crannies of our world, and made a tiny bit of progress exploring off our own globe. Humanity has left footprints on the moon and hopefully left no harm.

This century, we've engaged in two fully global wars, with huge loss of life. But we now seem inclined to pull back from the brink of nuclear self-annihilation, although the spreading technological capability is very troubling.

Still, humankind has had great triumphs. Some dread diseases - small pox, polio, diphtheria, and plague, to name a few - are largely a thing of the



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past. And, we're gaining on others. There is much in which to rejoice.

And should, with all this progress, should we hope for in this new millennium? Much. An end to war. Continued medical progress and the will and commitment to spread good health throughout all the lands. Eradication of intolerance. The end of hunger and poverty. Better education for all the world's children. Kindness towards one another - and towards other species as well.

In other words, the message today is the same as it was 2000 years ago.

PEACE ON EARTH AND GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Thank you to all my family and friends in the beautiful little town I consider my home. I want to take this opportunity to thank all who have stood beside me with prayers and caring support during my extended illness in Cleveland.

The hundreds of cards I have received this year and in the last two and a half years have truly boosted my spirits. Thank you to Father Charlie and all the churches who have been continuously praying for me.

In Cleveland, I am referred to as their Miracle, both by doctors and nurses. My family appreciates your part in this miracle. Your prayers have been answered and I am home for the holidays after two and a half months in Cleveland this past July through October and another three stays this year. I

came home Sunday, Dec. 19 for the last time.

I'll never forget your kindness. During this illness we have experienced how precious life is and what is really important. Your continued prayers and support are a blessing to all

of us. May the holiday season and the new millennium bring one and all peace and happiness.

God bless you. Susie (Kirk) Periat And Mike, Michelle, Brad & Nick



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increased potential for water supply problems and pollution of the supply.

Stansley said that it was not likely, but that if it happened, the company would correct the problem.

Bridgewater Township Supervisor Carol Peacock also stated worries about protection of the aquifer. Additionally, she cited several Township Board concerns about the mining operation. Issues included an apparent change in the name, from Adrian Sand and Stone to Stansley Mineral Resources, failure to provide proof of insurance and lack of compliance with the consent judgement of 1994 under which the company has been operating.

Additional concerns were access to the site for inspections, the failure to get required permits before beginning construction of an access road, and the failure to follow plans that were laid out in the consent agreement.

Peacock also said the western wall of the pit was extremely steep and presented a danger that the Township first asked to have resolved in 1997.

Given all the problems, Peacock stated, "Yesterday, the Board decided we had little recourse other than to seek legal action to assure compliance with the consent judgement."

On several occasions during the meeting, Schindler demanded to know when a new paved haul route would be constructed. Schindler said residents had endured unsafe conditions, property deterioration, excessive dust and undrivable roads long enough. He suggested the time had come to end "the dancing."

"I danced with the Road Commission, Mr. Stansley and Ms. Peacock," he said, "and it's time to stop blaming others and build the road." Unless there is positive action by Jan. 31, he said he planned to file a lawsuit.

Charles Williams said he and his wife Eve had lived in the Township for 25 years and loved the area, and thought the mining operation was a serious disturbance for the Township. He said there was serious potential impact on the water of the area. Williams stated that renewing the permit and allowing mining of the additional 40-acre parcel, "would mean at least 15 to 20 more years of noise, dangerous traffic and deterioration of property values and that, given the track record of the company involved, must not be allowed."

Stansley said the insurance was up to date, but the certificate had been sent to the former supervisor Doug Parr in error. He indicated the name change did not affect the legal status of Adrian Sand and Stone, and that he was, "not aware of any failure to fully comply with the consent judgement, but would certainly discuss any issues with the Township."

Stansley went on to say that noise levels were within the 70-decibel range but they would try to take some measures to reduce noise levels. With regard to road construction, Stansley said the company could not economically build the road without fully mining the additional 40-acre parcel

and that they could not permit until they had a mining permit in hand.

Several weeks ago, according to Stansley, the company began to build a new internal drive to provide access directly onto Allen Road near the intersection with Bartlett. He said they wanted to do this early to relieve some of the conditions on Hogan and Allen Roads as well as prepare to mine the Baker parcel as soon as they had the necessary permits. They planned to use some material from the Baker mine to construct the road.

Construction on the drive was stopped when the County red-tagged it for lack of a soil erosion permit.

In a further comment, Stansley said relations between the Township and Adrian Sand and Stone had deteriorated to exchanges between attorneys because of a personal falling out between Supervisor Peacock and his brother, Rick Stansley, but that he wanted to put things back on track.

Near the end of the meeting, Robert Snow, Clinton Township Planning Commission chair, said, "It appears the company is short sighted."

"I suggest the permit be denied until they get their act together."

As the meeting became a little more heated, Schramm called for order, saying he had let the discussion get off the immediate subject of the application in the hopes that some of the issues might be sorted out. He explained that the state would only consider the permit on its own merits rather than upon questions of the haul route, safety, noise or the like. Schramm said the decision would be made in two to three months.

The comment period closes Dec. 31. Persons wishing to comment should write: File 99-13-351, Land and Water Management Division, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, 301 E. Louis Glick Highway, Jackson MI 49201-1556.

HOME FRONT

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grandma had made from an old wooden broom eons before she died seven years ago. As quick as I could wrap them, she was grabbing them, sticking them in the crackling oil and turning them out. Her sister, the one closest to my age, joined her at the frying pan. Both of them were donned in grandma's old aprons, ripped and stained, tongs in hands.

About an hour went by. It was loud, of course. We were all trying to outwit each other, and as everyone knows, volume is the great equalizer. There were a few butt pinches and batter splats. We were grease spotted and floured. We were having a ball. Then, suddenly, my cousin breaks into song, as she always

does at these moments. I would have expected a pathetic rendition of "That's Amore" or some other horse-beaten Italian song, but it wasn't.

I should mention at this time that this cousin has always been a shameless disco fan. When we were pre-teens, she and I used to frequent a local dance club where 12- and 13-year-old girls would jive to Bee Gees or some other band while a Shawn Cassidy look alike would dance on a catwalk while the girls screamed at his bell bottoms.

Anyway, here we were, a not-so-large but oh-so-loud group of dagos and my cousin sings at the top of her voice: "Burn, baby, burn, crisco inferno!"

About five cannoli shells bit the dust that day. That's okay, we laughed. Grandma would be proud. You see, it was grandma's personal tradition to burn EVERYTHING she cooked!

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At its meeting on December 15, 1999, the Bridgewater Township Board of Trustees adopted Ordinance number 34. The ordinance amends the regulations regarding mineral extraction by changing the body which will review and rule on applications for licenses to extract minerals. Under the ordinance, such applications will be reviewed and must be approved by the Township Planning Commission. The ordinance will take effect on the thirtieth day following the newspaper publication of this ordinance.
A copy of the complete text of the ordinance may be obtained from Bridgewater Township Clerk Karen Weidmayer, 13360 E. Austin Rd., Manchester, MI 48158. For appointment, telephone (734) 428-8641.

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Supervisor Mann called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. with Board Members Macomber, Widmayer, Turk, Mann and Hakes present. Fire Chief Bill Scully and township resident Don Limpert were also present. The Board approved the minutes of their last meeting of 11/8/99. The Treasurer's report was accepted. December 23rd and 30th were designated as holidays when the township office will be closed. The Treasurer's office will be open until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 22nd and Wednesday, December 29th for tax collection. Bills that have been paid and outstanding bills were approved as presented.
Fire Department activity for the month included 4 fires, 16 medical, 9 personal injury, 4 miscellaneous and 1 mutual aid, for a total of 34 runs. The Supervisor was authorized to sign the year 2000 dispatch service agreement with Washtenaw County Central Dispatch Authority. The monthly fee for dispatching services will be \$413.59 per month.
The Board accepted reports from the Zoning Inspector, Planning Commission and Supervisor. Authorization was given for a loan of \$5,166.02 to the Wester Washtenaw Construction Authority, with the monies to be returned to the township as financial conditions in the authority permit. Clerk Kathy Hakes was appointed as alternate representative to the Western Washtenaw Construction Authority.
Participation in the Clinton Area Regional Plan was discussed. Authorization was granted for the expenditure of \$1,500 to participate in the Clinton school district master plan at such time as we have two representatives available to be appointed. Any township resident interested in serving on this Master Land Use Committee should contact the Manchester Township office.
The Board voted to continue with T & N Services for snow removal and with The Cleaning Crew for cleaning services.
Correspondence required no action from the Board. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.
A complete copy of these minutes may be obtained during office hours, which are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to noon.
Submitted by Kathleen M. Hakes, Clerk
Approved by Ronald E. Mann, Supervisor

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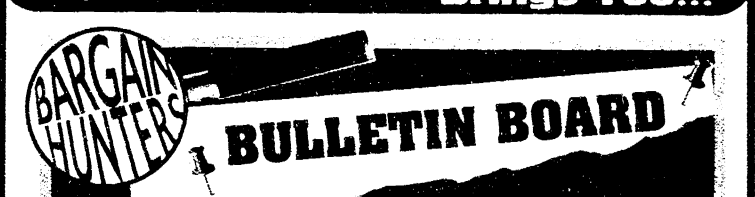
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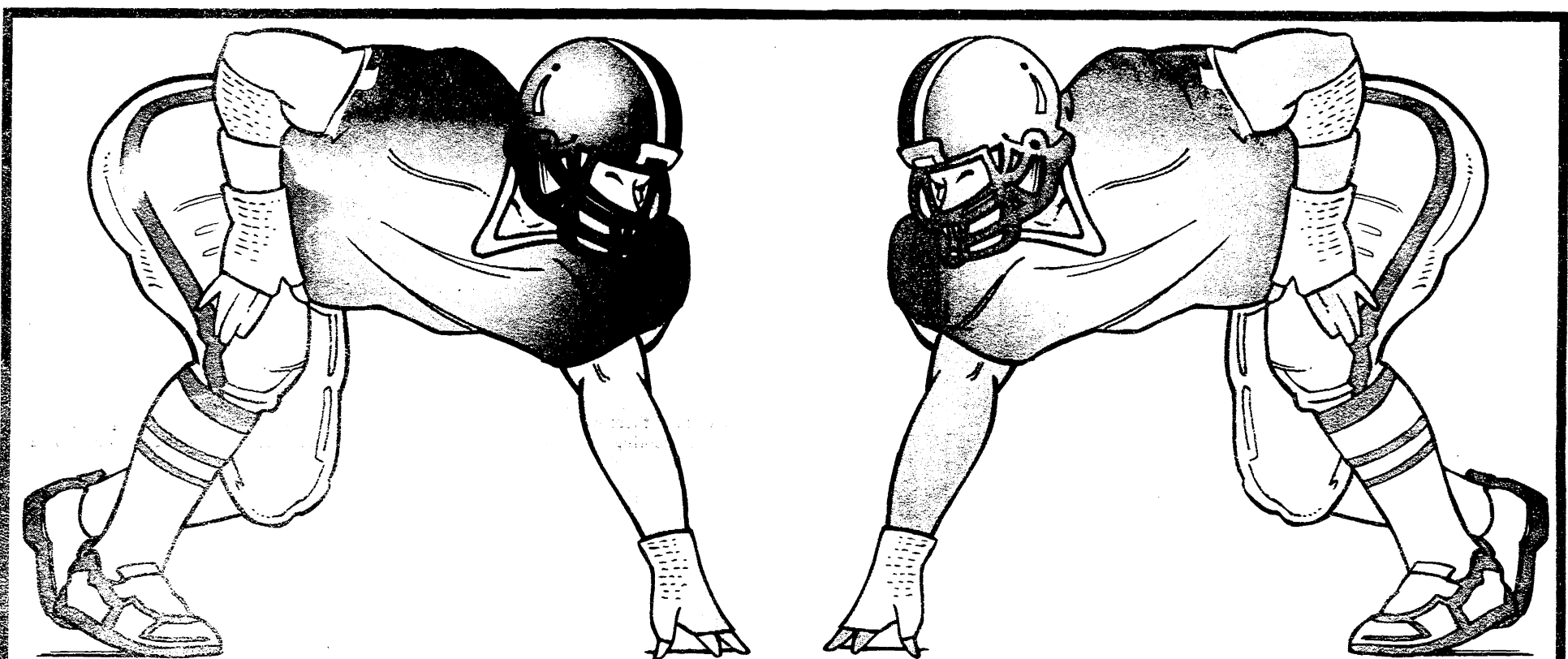
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Varsity team keeps momentum going, wins two

By Colleen O'Neill

Special Writer

The Flying Dutchmen of Manchester defeated a favored Leslie basketball team 80-77 in what was described by head coach Mike Quinn as an unbelievable game.

"It was tied 58-58 after the third quarter," Quinn said. "Manchester went on a 9-0 run at the start of the fourth forcing them to shoot a few more three's than they wanted."

The Blackhawks did not have much success with the three-point and were not able to convert from the free throw line, only sinking 14 of 32.

"We did exactly what we were supposed to do," Quinn said. "We had a lot of transitions, a lot of baskets. Both teams scored at will. We were 33 of 58 from the field."

"When we shoot the ball that well, we'll be awfully tough to beat."

Quinn said that being able to play all ten kids in almost every quarter was probably the difference.

"We were fresher in fourth quarter."

It was wild. Jason Schaible scored 20 points, pulled in nine rebounds, had four assists and five steals.

Derick Hanewald came out of his slump by scoring 17 points and stealing the ball four times.

"Getting him involved in the offense really helps a ton," Quinn said.

Jeff PUNCHES had 14 points seven rebounds, and two block shots.

He also took three big charges which took away six points and we only won by three," Quinn said.

Brett Maki scored 12 points



Coach Mike Quinn

and had five rebounds even though he was in foul trouble and only played half of the first half. In the fourth quarter he didn't come out of the game.

The team got another major contribution from the bench with every kid in stats again.

Aaron LaRock scored six points and pulled in a rebound.

"What a big contribution; he put in four points in the first quarter," Quinn said.

"We made sub patterns differently than in the past and he came up with big baskets when we needed it."

Jason Flint only shot the ball three times but scored three points and added five assists and three steals to his stat sheet.

"He (Flint) was in foul trouble as well and fouled out of the game," Quinn said.

"That is when we got a real contribution from Brent Leverett and John Miller, both filled in Flint's spot.

"They won it for us down the stretch. Miller made a big three to help us out and Leverett stepped up to line in fourth quarter, and made a free throw, to put the game out of reach."

To keep the excitement flowing, Leslie put up a 70 foot shot at the buzzer that would have tied the game.

Quinn thought it was in, but instead it hit the rim.

Sawyer went out with a wrenched back.

Dave Zielinski gave a good defensive effort and helped to contain their post players.

"Leslie's player Dunlop is a solid post player who scored no baskets and only one free throw," Quinn said. "Zielinski gave us two rebounds. Their goal was throw it up and go get it from the glass and they weren't able to do as much as they wanted. I thought that was the difference."

The Dutchmen took the emotion and excitement from this game on the road to East Jackson on Friday night and boosted their conference record to 2-0 and their overall record to 3-1 by winning 70-61 in a game where everybody scored.

"We got out to a 9-0 lead and we were able to play everybody in the first half and everybody scored in the first half," Quinn said.

By getting the ball inside, Manchester created a situation where East Jackson was forced to foul which put them in foul trouble.

"It made them play people they didn't want to play, and it slowed the game," Quinn said. "There were 41 free throws in the game."

Quinn got another huge lift

from the bench, as all but three players scored in first quarter.

Being able to get that many guys into the game makes it awfully difficult for an opposing team to sustain momentum.

"It is hard (for other teams) to keep people fresh," Quinn said.

Two Dutchmen led the team in scoring. Hanewald and PUNCHES both had 14. PUNCHES also grabbed 11 rebounds and blocked four shots.

"The kid (PUNCHES) played a phenomenal game, he didn't get to play that much because he got into foul trouble and only played 12 minutes in first three quarters," Quinn said. "He played out the fourth."

"He only put in seven minutes in first half but came away with a stat sheet like that."

Quinn also had high praise for Hanewald who he said is starting to come around and picked up four steals in addition to his points.

"His aggressiveness really helped us," Quinn said.

Jason Schaible filled in at point guard when Flint and Leverett got into foul trouble. Schaible scored ten points, grabbed nine rebounds, had three assists and kept the game under control.

Quinn had Schaible guard the key Trojan player.

"We told him, this kid's going to make them go, if he doesn't do it, they aren't going to do it," Quinn said. "He did a super job."

And the bench came through again.

"The five guys we don't start. Zielinski, Leverett, Miller, LaRock and Sawyer came in the game and scored 14 points in the first half," Quinn said. "They gave us some real quality

minutes. At that point we were just doing everything we could to be able to play," Quinn said. "They (the bench) stepped in game did a super job," Quinn said.

Jason Flint was two for three in the game and added two free throws to score six points, he had three assists, and three rebounds.

"It was a typical Flint game," Quinn said. "He had us under control, didn't let us get out of control, got the ball made sure we executed."

Sawyer scored four points even with his bad back.

"We didn't think he was going to be able to play," Quinn said. "We were limited on where we could go and he said 'put me in,' then he got two baskets right away when we needed it and helped push the lead."

Maki is a three-point specialist. He scored 16 points last week including four three's. Maki also had seven rebounds.

The fourth quarter became a free throw contest with the Dutchmen putting up 42 free throws.

"They would foul us and hope we would miss and they could get the ball back," Quinn said. "We shot 23 of 42 free throws and did a pretty good job of stepping up and making them when we needed to."

The team will now take their Christmas break and get ready to play Litchfield in January.

"We are 2-0 in the league," Quinn said. "Those were both games on the road, so we are feeling pretty good about that."

JV team falls to Leslie but rises to the challenge at East Jackson

By Colleen O'Neill

Special Writer

The Manchester junior varsity team continued their season with a close, 72-78 loss to Leslie and boosted their conference record to 2-0 by defeating East Jackson 75-31.

"We came out well against Leslie," said Head Coach Brian Barnard. "At the end of the first quarter we had a 18-7 lead."

Barnard gave a lot of that credit to Nate Smith, Jacob Geyer, Mike Walter and Nick Strobl who all hit three point shots in the first quarter for 12 of the 18 points.

"Our full-court, man-to-man press was really good and we just came out and started the game real well," Barnard said.

However Leslie learned fast and put on their own press in the second quarter

"Their press bothered us a lot and they got back into the game," Barnard said. "It was pretty much even the rest of the game."

But, as so often is the case, it was a fundamental that hurt the team.

"The biggest difference was they out-rebounded us 40-18," Barnard said. "That is why we lost, they were getting so many easy second shots, put-backs, rebounds."

"I was surprised when I saw the stats that we only lost by six. They just killed us there."

But Barnard had nothing but good things to say about his team. He was impressed that they played so hard, and believes they always do play well.

"We shot well, we just didn't rebound," Barnard said.

And a low percentage at the

free throw line hurt the team as well. The Junior Dutch were only 17 of 27 on the line.

"There's ten more points, if we make six of them we would have been shooting sixty percent of our free throws and we should be able to do that," Barnard said. "If we had done just that, we tie."

It was a good game; they were a good team, no question about it.

Jacob Geyer led with 23 points, Josh McCalla had 13, Strobl Karl Schaible had 12 and Strobl had nine. Nate Smith added eight, Mike Walter put in six and Jeremy Forner added a free throw.

"East Jackson was a little better game," Barnard said. "We are 2-0 in league now, and 2-2 overall."

Schaible was the point leader with 16 with Geyer adding 12

and Smith 11. Strobl put up nine and McCalla eight. Casey Preuninger scored six points. Walter shot five and both Forner and Clark scored four.

"We had 70 points at the end of the third quarter," Barnard said. "Then it is a running clock. We only scored five points in fourth quarter."

Again the team shot well.

"For the week the team made 18 three pointers in two games," Barnard said.

The press was effective again, with the Dutchmen playing good pressure defense. Barnard added that everyone played in every quarter and everyone played hard.

McCalla, the point guard, had nine assists. Preuninger became the first player to get into double digits on the boards with 10 rebounds. Schaible added six steals to his stat

sheet. "It was a good way to end going into the break," Barnard said.

To stay sharp, the team will scrimmage on Thursday December 30th at Siena Heights.

"We just think we're getting on track to having a good year," Barnard said. "You just never know what will happen."

"We just go out and try to win every game, and take it one game at a time."

Barnard continued to praise his team, saying they are easy to coach, have confidence in themselves and he doesn't have to worry that they would ever quit.

"They showed a lot of character after losing that tough one (to Leslie), coming back and playing so well," Barnard said. "They are a good group of kids."

Middle School basketball winds up season on a high note

By Colleen O'Neill

Special Writer

The Manchester eighth grade basketball team completed their season with a nearly perfect record and a five-game winning streak.

The final record was 10-1 for the season.

In the last game of the season, Manchester pulled out a 57-33 win over Grass Lake.

Jordan Tallman led the team in scoring with 18 points and Terris Ahrens put up 10. The team got seven points from both Lance Aiken and Jason Lindemann, six from Dan Schulte, five from Mike Coval, and four from Jon Schaible.

As the game and season wound down Wade Goodell, who did not get a lot of playing time this year, went into the game.

"His teammates and kept feeding him the ball and he took four shots in the fourth quarter in addition to two free throws," said Head Coach Adam Benschoter. "But unfortunately he did not sink any."

Jeff Miller was another player who normally scores in every game.

"He picked up four fouls in the first three minutes," Benschoter said. "He sat a lot and really never got into the game. And when he did go in at the end of the game he was playing cautiously."

"At the end he set up Wade for all his attempts."

Benschoter also said that Mike Taddonio played a good game, just missing a couple of shots.

"Everybody played really

well all the way through," Benschoter said. "It was a good way to wrap up the season."

In the second to last game Manchester defeated Hanover Horton 40-23.

Lance Aiken led the scoring with 10, Schaible added nine, Coval put up seven, Miller six, Tallman scored three, Taddonio and Lindeman both added a bucket, and Schulte sunk a free throw.

"This was a story of two halves," Benschoter said. "We came out and did not play well at all in the first half."

"We only scored 14 points but decent defense had us only down by two."

In the second half the Dutchmen came out and started working the offense and played much better.

"We scored 36 points in second half and only gave up seven," Benschoter said.

"I was happy with the defense in both halves," Benschoter said. "But we finally started running the offense, doing the little things and it started showing."

The prior week the eighth grade Dutch defeated Michigan Center 42-21.

"The key to that game was excellent defense," Benschoter said. "We shut them out in the third quarter and only gave up three points in second quarter."

"Basically that was the ball game, them not scoring was a backbreaker."

Ahrens and Tallman both scored nine points to lead the team.

The Dutchmen also defeated East Jackson by a final score of

42-18.

"Again, as was the case with most games, the defense was great," Benschoter said. "They only scored two points in the first quarter and one point in the third."

Those quarters set the tone for the game.

Miller and Tallman both scored eight points to lead the team in the East Jackson game.

All in all, it was a great season.

Seventh Grade Game

The Manchester seventh grade basketball team closed out the final week of their season with both a win and a loss.

On Monday the Dutchmen lost to Hanover Horton 36-24.

Brett Melcher led scoring for Manchester with 11 points followed by Rodney Posky who had seven, while Mark Trinkle, Tom Breilein and Andrew Way each contributed two points.

"We were just outplayed down there," said Head Coach Curt Fielder.

"They had a very solid, balanced attack. They had ten kids score with one boy in double figures. They were a solid team all year."

The only loss Hanover Horton had all year was to Manchester in November.

"They were waiting for us," Fielder said. "They maybe were a little more ready or prepared, mentally and emotionally, than we were."

On Wednesday the team came home and defeated Grass Lake 43-20.

The Dutchmen led from the beginning and steadily

improved their lead throughout the game.

Breilein led the scoring with ten points while Way and Tyler Mester each had six. Michael Tremblay, Daniel Randall and R.J. Layher all added four points. Rodney Posky contributed three, Tim Tyler, Eric Strong and Mark Trinkle each had two.

"Grass Lake was much improved this time around," Fielder said. "Last time they scored eight points in the whole

game, this time they scored 10 in the first quarter."

But Fielder was pleased that the team overcame that.

"We got back to a nice solid balanced attack and saw scoring from all around," Fielder said.

He was especially pleased with the game since his leading scorer, Melcher, was out of the game due to illness.

The seventh grade team finished the season with a 9-2 record.

Netters bring home trophy

By Colleen O'Neill

Special Writer

The Junior Varsity Volleyball team brought home first place at the Whitmore Lake Tournament on Saturday, taking only one loss throughout the day.

Six teams attended the tournament and every team played every other team in the pool play portion of the tournament.

The Junior Dutch defeated Whitmore Lake, Valley Christian Academy, Mount Carmel, Inner City Baptist and their one loss was to Oakland Christian.

Each round was a one game match, giving the team five games in pool play.

"With only one loss we came out of pool play in second place," said Head Coach Sarah Riske. "That gave us a bye in the first round of the winners bracket."

The Lady Dutch played Mount Carmel in the second round and won 15-8.

That put them back up against Oakland Christian only this time Manchester won in a close, 16-14, game.

Manchester earned another bye while Oakland Christian played for the chance to go to the finals.

Oakland merited a spot in the finals to meet up with the Dutchmen for the third time that day.

Once again, Manchester came out victorious with a 15-8 win in the championship game to take the trophy.

Fourteen players attended the tournament and everyone got a chance to play.

"We had strong serving for the day," Riske said. "Natalie Weidmayer was on of the strongest, she only missed three serves in the day and in one game she scored probably half the points of the game."

Riske was pleased with the day and said the team played better defense than last week.



Scoreboard

Middle School Basketball
December 13
Seventh Grade Basketball
Manchester 24
Hanover Horton 36

Eighth Grade Basketball
Manchester 40
Hanover Horton 23

December 15
Seventh Grade Basketball
Manchester 43
Grass Lake 20

Eighth Grade Basketball
Manchester 57
Grass Lake 33

High School Basketball
December 14
Varsity Basketball
Manchester 80
Leslie 77

Junior Varsity Basketball
Manchester 72
Leslie 78

December 17
Varsity Basketball
Manchester 70
East Jackson 61

Junior Varsity Basketball
Manchester 75
East Jackson 31

Volleyball Results
December 18
Whitmore Lake Tournament
Varsity Volleyball
Third place after pool play
then eliminated.

Junior Varsity Volleyball
First Place Trophy for the
tournament.

Grads excel

Manchester has two graduates who have gone on to further athletic excellence at the college level. Nick Davis will be playing football for the University of Wisconsin in the Rose Bowl as a punt and kick returner and wide receiver. Paul Schulte plays point guard for the University of Texas at Arlington and will be representing the United States in the Paralympics in October in Sydney Australia. Look for their stories here in the next week or two.

Nominees accepted

The Enterprise would like to profile one student athlete each week. If you are a coach, teacher or counselor and would like to nominate a player who exemplifies the spirit of athletics both on and off the playing field, contact Colleen O'Neill at 433-0343 or by e-mail at oschoick@prodigy.net.

Hoops tournament

The Manchester School system will be hosting a fifth- and sixth-grade girls' basketball tournament over the holidays.

Games will be played at both the high school and middle school on Dec. 28, 29 and 30, starting at 6 p.m.

There will be a \$60 entry fee per team and teams are welcome from anywhere. The goal of the tournament is to raise money for softball and baseball at the high school varsity and junior varsity level.

Manchester Athletic Director Wes Gall hopes to have six teams from both grades participating in the tournament but will accept teams of either grade on a first-come first-served basis. "We hope to have six at both grades," Gall said. "Six fifth-grade teams might be hard. It may be easier to get 12 sixth-grade teams."

As for size, Gall is leaving that up to the individual teams.

"We're not saying they must have 10 players," Gall said. "We want to play basketball."

Township Board sets holidays

Manchester Township Board took action at their Dec. 13 meeting to designate two additional holidays in 1999.

In November, the board had designated Friday, Dec. 24 and Friday, Dec. 31 as holidays when the township office would not be open. After consulting with the MTA, Clerk Kathy Hakes discovered that if the preceding days were not declared as "holidays," the office would be obligated to open on those days.

Ever since declaring office hours, the Township offices have always been closed each Thursday. The board decided to designate Thursday, Dec. 23 and 30 as holidays as well.

This means that the last date

on which Manchester Township residents may pay their 1999 taxes directly to the treasurer is Wednesday, Dec. 29, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Taxes may be paid without penalty any time prior to Feb. 29, 2000, but many residents prefer to make payments within the calendar year to claim an income tax deduction.

Payments may still be made at the United Bank & Trust until Dec. 31, 1999 to be credited in this year. Hakes noted that Treasurer Claire Turk does not acknowledge postmarks on mailed payments, so payments made by mail to the township office must be received by Wednesday, Dec. 29.

In other action, Supervisor Ron Mann reported that a land

division has been approved on Buss Road and Sharon Hollow, creating eight new parcels. The board also approved a loan of \$5,166.02 to the Western Washtenaw Construction Authority as their share of start up costs. Hakes was appointed the alternate representative to the authority. Ron Mann is the regular representative.

The Board also decided to participate in and appoint representatives to the Clinton Area Regional Plan, an organization similar to the South West Washtenaw Council of Governments. The purpose of the organization is to create a school district master plan. The board is seeking two representatives from the township, who are residents of the Clinton school district. Expenditure of \$1,500 was authorized to participate in the planning committee.

Legion Auxiliary meets

The American Legion Auxiliary met on Dec. 8 for the annual Christmas potluck and business meeting. Twenty-eight members and guests attended. District president, Sue Houttekier, and Marti Brown, District secretary, were the honored guests.

After a delicious dinner, first Vice-President Joyce Scott conducted the business meeting. Committee reports were given. Various shut-ins have been remembered with cards and plants. Gold Star mothers (mothers of sons killed in

action) were also remembered. Evie Seegert, Joyce Scott, Shirley Roller and Geneva Walkowe conducted the shopping party for the veterans at the Ann Arbor VA Hospital on Nov. 29.

The meeting ended with a prayer for peace and singing. A "robber" gift drawing was an enjoyable ending to the evening.

January committee members are Helen Hosmer and Helen Popkey. The meeting will be January 12 at the Legion House.

- Marge Scully

VOLLEYBALL

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"Everything looked pretty good, and our defense was better than last week," she said. "Everyone played together, had fun together, and worked hard throughout the whole day."

"Michelle Slocum ended up serving game point on our last two games. She did a good job in the back row for us."

In addition to Weidmayer and Slocum, the team is made up of Julia Steinaway, Dara Jose, Corey Chrestensen, Sara Tervo, Rachelle Lilienthal, Lisa Lobbestael, Liz Okey, Kelli Randall, Daisha DeLawter, Sarah Johnson, Becky Curtis, Ashley Schlosser, and Christine

Fairbanks.

"I got a chance to see everyone in again and everyone did a great job, no matter where I put them."

"They did their job, and looked better this week than last week. They knew their spots and what was expected of them."

The team will now enjoy the holiday rest before opening their regular game season at home on January 6 against Addison.

three-day tournament.

"Each team will play five games," Gall said. "We will write them in as they sign up and there will be a rotating schedule."

There will be two 16-minute, running clock halves.

Right now, Manchester has two sixth grade teams committed to the tournament and are hoping the fifth grade will be able to field two teams as well.

If you would like to register a team you can contact Gall at his home (734) 428-7175.

There will be a \$2 admission charge at the door, or a \$5 tournament pass will be available which will bring the cost down to \$1 per game.

BRIEFS

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There will be a total of 15 games played throughout the

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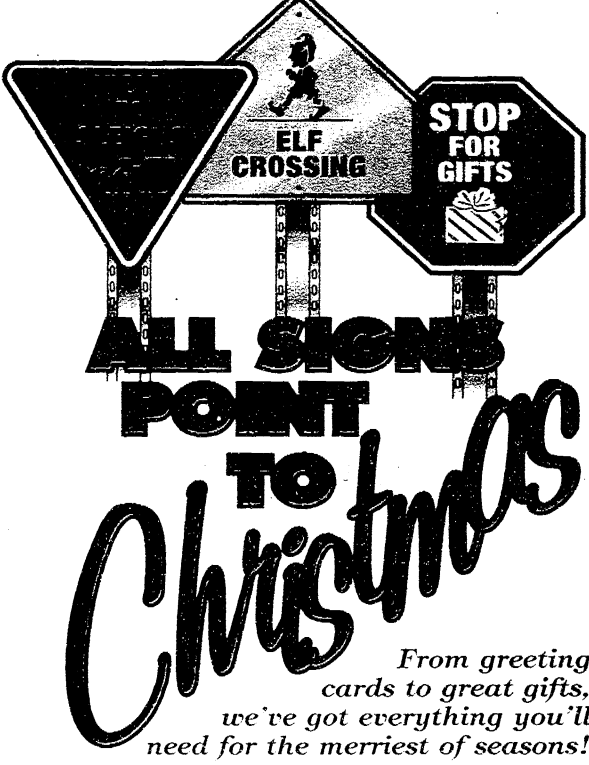
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