



# **MANCHESTER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

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## ***SPRING 2006 NEWSLETTER***

### ***The MACC/CRC Golf Outing***

The annual MACC/CRC golf outing is set for Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. Hickory Sticks is the location for fun in the sun. This is the only fundraising event the MACC holds for the entire year. Your participation in this event is a vital part in supporting the activities sponsored by the MACC. You do not have to be a chamber member to play. Even if you've never swung a club in your life, we want you there! The 10:00 a.m. shotgun start will feature a hot dog lunch at the turn and a fabulous steak dinner. Awards are handed out during dinner. There are many prizes available. If you would like to help, or have a donation, please contact Bill Chizmar, Patty Keezer, Patti Burton, Dave Petsch, Chris Kanta, or Steve Anderson.

### ***The Barnraising Fundraiser***

The barnraisers are sponsoring a softball tournament on Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. The action takes place at Alumni Field where the games begin at 1:00 p.m. The Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department is competing against the Manchester Fire Department, while the Manchester Men's Club will play the Sons of the Legion. The winner of each game will advance to a playoff round to follow at 3:30 p.m. The Kiwanis Club of Manchester is set to serve lunch and refreshments. Kids activities and games are planned during halftime. The festivities continue later that evening at Carr Park. A beer tent with entertainment from Manchester's own "Chef Chris" will take place from 7:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m. The money raised from this event will be used toward the purchase of the play equipment to be placed in Carr Park.

### ***Farmers Market***

Join us on Adrian for the farmers markets every Thursday, 3 – 7 p.m. Space is available for just \$10.00 per week. A discount is available to those who prepay for the entire season. Call Linda Milkey 428-0987.

### ***The Afterglow:***

The First quarterly "afterglow" is planned for Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at "Gotta Scrap Inn" located at the corner of Riverside and Furnace. Please join us for appetizers and a tour of Manchester's new B & B from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. All are welcome.

*Special thanks to Mike Helton and the Flower Garden for ordering and watering the flowers downtown. Thank you for making our town a beautiful place to enjoy.*

***The next MACC board meeting will be held on Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. The lunch meeting is held at Dan's River Grill at noon. The cost of lunch is \$10/person. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.***

## *The Prez Sez.....*

Greetings fellow chamber members. What a busy start to the new year. At the meeting in January, we filled up the calendar year with the chamber events. As I wrote down each event, I imagined to myself, “where are we going to get all of the volunteers necessary for all of this?” Then I looked around the room and realized that most of them are sitting right here! Manchester certainly has many events, and the diversity of each one is as special as the people who help facilitate them. The chili cook-off was a huge success as our own Marsha Chartrand earned the top honor. The Kiwanis Crazy Ca\$h night was just that, crazy! Much fun was had by all who attended. Christmas in April was a successful event. Many volunteers showed up to (as they say in Manchester) “take care of our own”. A total of 16 appreciative homeowners were greeted with teams of rakers, gardeners, plumbers, and roofers to spruce up their homes. A new Ribs and Blues feast on May 13 was a huge hit. Everyone enjoyed a great meal and good music. This will hopefully become an annual event. The 40<sup>th</sup> annual Manchester Canoe Race took place on Sunday. It was a beautiful day for rowers and spectators. The Memorial Day parade is a wonderful tribute to our fallen heroes. The parade begins at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>. June brings the end of the school year and softball games on the 17<sup>th</sup> to raise money for the barnraisers. Come out and support your favorite team at Alumni Field, followed by a beer tent and entertainment by Manchester’s own “Chef Chris”. July is the busiest month with the annual Fireworks show, the Fair, and of course the Manchester Chicken Broil. The circus will be in town July 28<sup>th</sup> with Riverfolk the following weekend in August. Before you know it, we will be planning Oktoberfest, Trick-or-treating downtown and finally Christmas in the Village! Whew.

Manchester certainly has many events. I often wonder why we make plans for summer trips when there is so much fun happening here in town. With gas prices on the rise, many families may choose to vacation at home. There are so many different and fun family activities to attend right here in town. All of these events would not happen without each and every one of you. By working together, we can accomplish anything. I couldn’t think of anywhere I’d rather call home. I am so proud to be part of such a wonderful community.

Yours truly,

Chris Fegan  
MACC President

**“Meet Me in Manchester”**