



Town meeting

Congressman Howard Wolpe will visit DeWitt area residents Sunday, March 11, as he continues his series of town meetings throughout the Third Congressional District which includes the City of DeWitt as well as DeWitt, Eagle and Watertown Townships.

Sunday's town meeting is slated for 2 p.m. in the choir room of DeWitt High School.

There is no agenda for the meeting. Rather the congressman hopes to begin a dialogue with his constituents of district. He will explain issues he sees as important in Washington, D.C., and hopes to get feedback from those who attend.

The DeWitt stop is one of 12 planned during March and April for Congressman Wolpe.

Deadline

extended

Applications for ordering trees in St. Johns has been extended to the end of March according to Clerk Richard Coletta. Anyone wishing to have a tree planted in his yard should contact the city.

Historical

Commission

The Clinton County Historical Commission will hold its re-organizational meeting of the new year at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 22 at the courthouse in St. Johns. (Evening entrance at the rear). The agenda will include election of officers, recognition of new members, project funding and text for the historical site marker recognizing the Gunnisonville Historical District. The public is welcome.

Troub

honored

A reception honoring Earl Troub, a long-time employee of the Fulton Schools, will be Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Fulton Middle School. The reception is given by the Fulton School Employees and the public is invited.



Nutrition Week

March 4-10 is National Nutrition Week. The theme of this year's event is "Set the pace! Take the food way to good nutrition." Build your daily food intake around the Basic 4 food groups: four servings of fruit and vegetables; four servings enriched or whole grain breads and cereals; two servings meat, fish or poultry; and two servings milk and milk products.

Road Commission garage rezoned

By Patrice Hornak
Editor

St. Johns

Fears that the Clinton County Road Commission would sell its vacant building on the corner of M-21 and Cass Street to an industrial firm have been squelched.

The road commission changed its rezoning request from light industrial to general commercial and St. Johns city commission approved the rezoning at a special meeting

Monday night after a public hearing. Road Commissioner Paul Nobis still won't say to whom the road commission is hoping to sell the building. But, at least neighbors in that area are appreciative that the building won't be turned into an industrial site.

The road commission also asked the portion of the property near the old garage fronting on Cass Street to be rezoned residential. It is presently zoned municipal center. The first reading of an ordinance to rezone this property residential is slated for

Monday night's city commission meeting. A public hearing will take place sometime in April.

Also to benefit the road commission neighbors, Nobis told those at the city commission meeting that a six-foot redwood fence would be constructed between the commercial and the residential lots.

General commercial zoning allows for retail as well as some production on the site, but all products made must be sold on that property.

Also at the Monday night special meeting, commissioners discussed a tax abatement program for businesses in the central business district.

A public hearing on the proposal has been set for March 26.

The city is considering offering businesses tax breaks when they renovate their buildings or construct new ones in a designated "economic development district." The district's boundaries would be set by the commission, but presently the commission is eyeing the St. Johns-downtown business area.

Also, the commission is charged with stipulating how long the tax abatement would continue. Under economic development district leg-

islation, up to 12 years may be allowed for the abatement. During this time, new construction would be assessed at about half its value.



New probate judge

Marvin Robertson (right) was officially sworn in as Clinton County probate court judge on Friday afternoon in the Clinton County courthouse by former 29th Judicial Court Judge Leo Corkin.

Robertson was appointed by Gov. William G. Milliken to fill the probate judge vacancy left when Timothy Green was elected circuit court judge. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

Lincoln Day dinner set

St. Johns

Lieutenant Governor James Brickley will be the guest of honor at this year's Clinton County Lincoln Appreciation Dinner set for April 5.

Tickets for the annual gathering of county Republicans are \$10 per person and may be ordered by calling Charlie Greamer, Clinton County Republican Committee chairperson, at 224-7695.

The 7 p.m. dinner in the St. Joseph Catholic School gymnasium will be preceded by a 5 to 6:30 p.m. patron's reception in the Central National Bank Community Room. Cost of the patron's reception is \$50 per couple, the ticket including dinner.



Victory snip

Pewamo-Westphalia won its first basketball league title ever Friday night, and the Pirates fans were in a celebrating mood. Warren

Hengesbach (14) and Stan Piggott (20) show their exuberance as they cut down the nets. (Photo by Tom Nowak)

Landmark to be marked

By Sharon Randall
Staff Writer

Before the Capitol Savings & Loan Association opens its new building on Clinton Avenue later this month, a dedication ceremony will be held on the site commemorating the Steel Hotel which was lost to a fire there in 1975.

A Tri-County Historical marker, sponsored by Capitol Savings & Loan will be dedicated March 15 in a 7 p.m. ceremony which is to include as guest the great-grandson of Robert M. Steel who built the hotel in 1887.

The event will be part of the Clinton County Historical Society's March meeting which will be held in the downstairs community room of the new building. Capitol Saving & Loan will

have their grand opening later this month.

It started out a grand palatial hotel built by the wealthiest man in Clinton County. When the Steel opened in 1888 and for years later, it was known as one of the finest hotel buildings in the state.

Marble topped wash stands, French plate glass mirrors, French tile and carved oak woodwork made Steel's hotel a statewide attraction.

It ended up destroyed by fire in 1975, amidst controversy and rumors over a x-rated theater and book store. Shortly before, it had been cited with

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A lost landmark

Once grand and impressive, the Steel Hotel was known across the state. This picture, taken around the

turn of the century, will be on display at the new Capitol Savings & Loan Association along with a Tri-County

Historical marker to be dedicated next Thursday evening. The Savings & Loan is built on the site of the Steel Hotel which burned in 1975.

Bridge to be revived

The largest bridge construction program ever undertaken on Michigan's county road and municipal street system will begin this year.

Selected for the 1979 bridge program in Clinton County, was the bridge on State Road at the Grand River. Construction costs are estimated at \$650,000.

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) said the bridge-rebuilding program is the result of substantial increases in federal and state programs to replace critically

deficient bridges.

More than \$14 million in federal and state money is available this year for construction or design of 69 bridges. Federal and state funds will pay 90 percent of the costs and local agencies 10 percent. The Clinton County Road Commission and Eagle Township will pick up the State Road bridge tab.

Funding will be available for more than 300 bridges in the four-year period which began last Oct. 1.

Ammonia tank explosion erupts at milk plant

Ovid

An explosion at the Michigan Milk Producers Association plant in Ovid resulted in a minor fire and caused the evacuation of about 100 residents Monday afternoon.

According to the Clinton County Sheriff's Department, the explosion occurred at about 3:20 p.m. The cause was listed as either a faulty or loose

valve which released ammonia into the Williams Street building. A fire subsequently resulted.

The MMPA plant was back in operation shortly after 5 p.m. after the fire was put out by the Ovid Fire Department. St. Johns fire fighters also responded to the call.

Residents evacuated from the three block area returned to their homes shortly after 5 p.m. also.

Obscene phone calls hit Bath Twp

Bath Township

An obscene phone caller, identifying himself as a doctor conducting a survey,

has made at least nine phone calls to Bath residences since Feb. 24. Bath Township police

reported nine such phone calls started around 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24. Most people were aware of the obscene phone caller's tactics and hung up. "That's what they should do," stressed Gene Reno, Bath Township police chief.

The man identifying himself as a doctor in Bath may be the same person identifying himself as Dr. Webb in other mid-Michigan communities.

The obscene caller hangs up if an older person answers. He usually places

the calls when school is out. Children answering the phone should be informed of this man's recent phoning binge. The child should tell his or her parents of the phone call, and the parents are urged to phone the police department.



Diane Byford

She's no libber--just a cop

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

DeWitt

Uncertainty still prevails for new police officer Diane Byford. Although she has been on the job nearly a month, DeWitt residents still turn their heads when they see a woman dressed in a blue uniform.

Officer Byford is confident in her law enforcement role and as a woman. The question is: Has the community accepted this kind of role reversal? What has traditionally been a male occupation is now intergraded with a female.

The new officer had not been in the patrol car long when a state message came over the radio. Driving with one hand and taking the information down with the other she listened intently. The message concerned an escapee from a mental

institution.

"You never know when you might come across something like this," she said.

Driving seems to be her major activity whether it be day or night. She commented this was how she sees what is going on in the community.

Just before dusk the young officer decided it was time to run the radar unit on Webb Road just south of DeWitt Road. It was a matter of minutes before she clocked a motorist going 45 miles per hour in a 25 mph zone. The radar unit, a hand-held device, continued to blink 45 on and off while the officer pursued the vehicle.

Before getting out of the squad car she called in to the Clinton County Sheriff's Department dispatch center.

"18-19 traffic stop on Webb just south of DeWitt Road," she called in. She proceeded to give the dispatcher the license plate

number before approaching the stopped vehicle.

"You aren't going to believe this," she said as she got back into the car. "But this woman is really giving me a hard time...she said she doesn't feel a woman should be in police work because it was a very masculine job."

Byford does not consider herself a woman's libber. She says she likes being taken care of by her husband Mark. She enjoys cooking meals and taking care of their Lansing home. To her, police work is a job she happens to enjoy. She is not out to prove points, only that she is a good police officer.

She attended Oakland Community College in Farmington where she obtained her degree in criminal justice. From there she went through Lansing Community College's Police Academy.

"I went to the Michigan State Police Academy," she said. "I quit before the first

day was over. It was too military and tough...it just wasn't for me."

Diane admitted she feels a certain comradeship with Laurie Levknecht, Clinton County's first female police officer in DeWitt Township. Byford is not alone in some of her feelings about her job and how the public views her. Levknecht has experienced several of the same problems.

Although she stands just over five feet tall, Byford knows she can do the job she was hired to do. She loves to drive and excelled in her driving class at the academy. She is considered a sharp shooter, out shooting several of her male counterparts. She is also well versed in self defense techniques.

"I was a tomboy when I was growing up," she said. "I learned to shoot a gun because I wanted to not because I was out to prove

anything. I did a lot of things just because I liked doing them."

The rookie officer made several more stops during her eight hour shift. Several times she just issued warnings to motorists who had burnt out headlights or were observed speeding.

"If I'm not sure I won't pull them over," she said. "I'm not on the job to be mean or to be the authoritative figure."

DeWitt Police Chief Wendall Myers commented he will be using Officer Byford on complaints at the school. He feels maybe having a woman talk to the students will be to his advantage. Especially when talking to a young high school girl.

The young woman explained she likes the idea of starting out in a smaller community where she will receive well-rounded training.

Road block catches driver

DeWitt Twp.

When DeWitt Township police officer Wayne Wilcox observed a motorist shining a spotlight in the eyes of oncoming drivers, he investigated. It ended with a six mile chase with speeds reaching over 100 miles per hour.

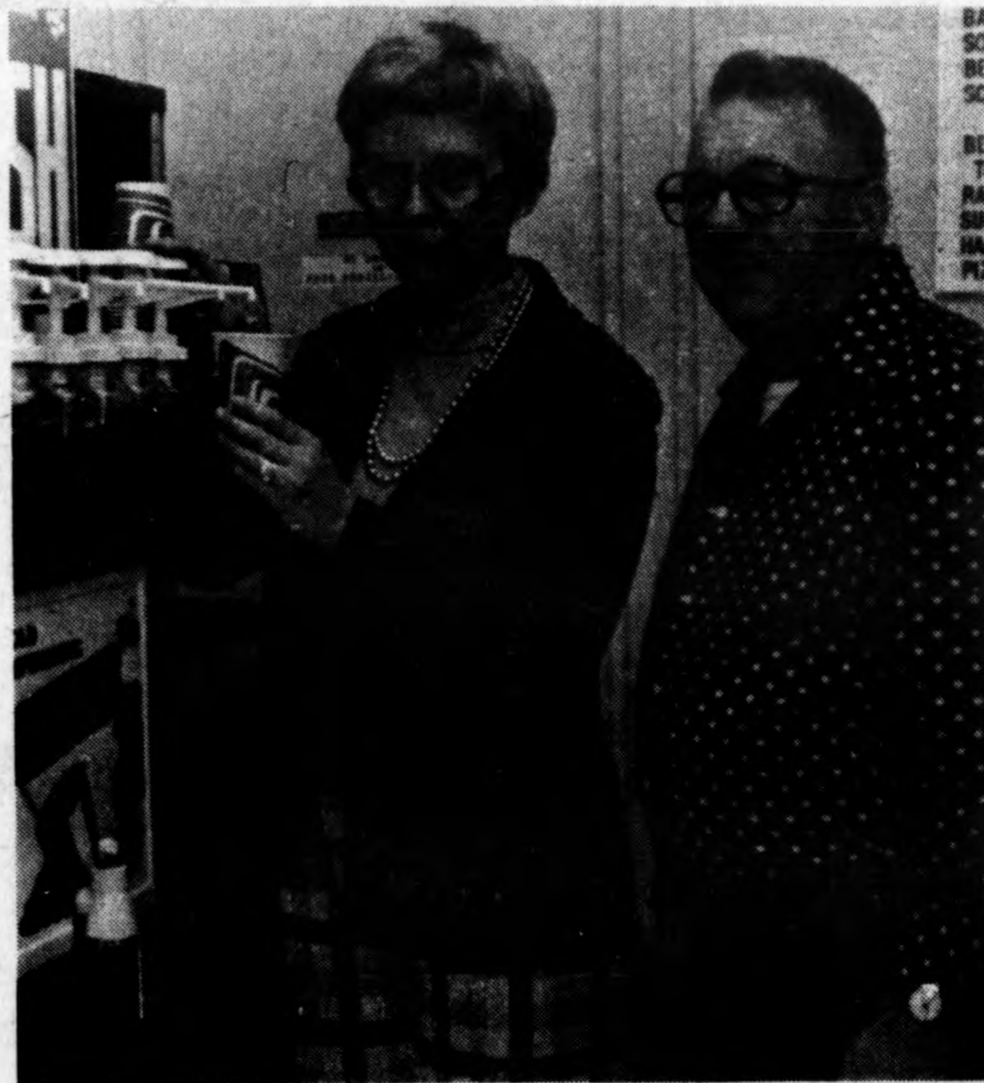
Mitchell J. Ott, 18, Ann Dr., Bath was arrested just south of Chandler Road on the Clinton-Ingham county line after a road

block was set up by East Lansing police.

Mitchell was charged with fleeing and eluding police officers.

DeWitt Township police are continuing their search for Raymond P. Ramos, 22, of Lansing. He is being sought on a felony warrant for assault on a police officer.

Last week, Officer Ken Fisher was run down by the suspect after attempting to make a traffic stop. Fisher was unharmed in the incident.



New snack bar

A new snack bar featuring frozen yogurt, soft ice cream, slush, candy bars, sandwich menu and a limited food menu opened recently on Clinton Avenue in downtown St. Johns, adjacent to the Clinton Theatre. Owners of the theatre, Robert and Maxine Miller, say the Clinton Theatre Snack Bar is convenient for both theatre goers and downtown customers, with tables and chairs available in the theatre lobby for those wishing to take a quick snack and relax. The snack bar is open from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays and will probably be open to 10 or 11 p.m. when the weather breaks. Sunday hours are from 1 to 7 p.m. The Millers are planning to move to St. Johns from Owosso. Mrs. Miller is originally from St. Johns. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

Crime down, recoveries up

St. Johns

Crime was down 7.6 percent in St. Johns in 1978. The recovery rate of stolen property was also up in the city which made Police Chief Lyle French very happy.

He attributed much of the department's success in recovering property to the Investigative Squad which has been in operation for the past three years.

French said the new -incapacitation law which has been in affect one year has been more of a hindrance than a help to his department. In 1977, 64 persons were arrested for being drunk and disorderly. In 1978 that figure was 13. In comparison, 1977 figures showed 74 persons were arrested for driving under the influence of liquor while 93 persons were arrested in 1978.

"Previously my men could arrest a subject for being drunk and disorderly if they came out of the bar staggering, now they can't," he said. "Instead they have to wait until he gets in the car and attempts to drive."

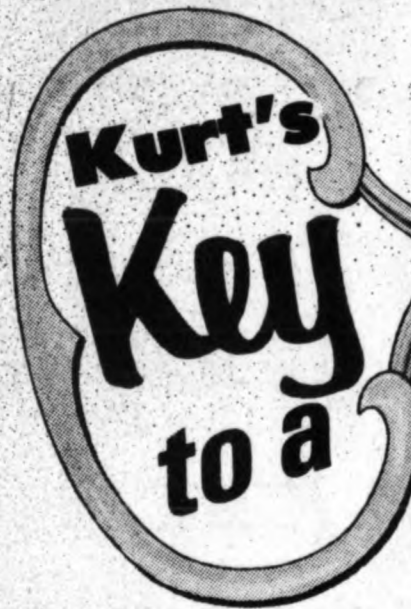
Less miles were driven in the city because complaints were up 146 over last year. More time was also taken to write up reports because of the new state forms which were issued.

Vandalism was up from

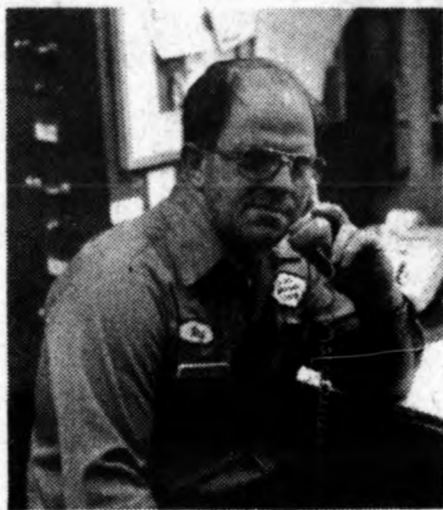
119 complaints in 1977 to 190 gun pellets shattering a picture window.

The St. Johns police department is now up to full strength with 11 police officers including the chief.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE #309

Notice is hereby given that the City of St. Johns will hold a Public Hearing on March 26, 1979 at 7:45 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, 121 E. Walker Street, St. Johns, Michigan, for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in a proposed Zoning Amendment which, if adopted, would amend Title V, Zoning and Planning, Chapter 51, Zoning Ordinance of the City of St. Johns as follows:

That the premises hereinafter described shall be rezoned from its present R-1, Single Family Residential, to O, Office District:

Original Plat, Block 97 - Entire Block 97 of Walker's Plat, City of St. Johns, except the right-of-way of US-27 as relocated, and also except property lying SW of Highway US-27.
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Richard L. Coletta
City Clerk

Governor proposes cuts, schools bear brunt

By Patrice Hornak
Editor

Clinton County

Clinton County schools could stand to lose \$167,779 if the governor's plan to cut school funding to make up for an excess spending in the welfare department goes through the state legislature.

The crux however, is, that the money to come from area schools has already been budgeted.

State Budget Director Dr. Gerald Miller said recently that Governor William Milliken must slash \$40 million from Miller's earlier budget estimates. Overspending in the area of welfare, was blamed for the budget shortage. To balance the budget, it was hinted funds already set to be spent on education could be funneled into the welfare coffers.

Between 1/2 and 1 1/2 percent of each school district's total school revenue could be cut.

For Clinton County schools, this cut would total \$167,779 if an average 1 percent were cut from each school district's 1978-79 school year budget.

Following is a breakdown of cuts to each district as provided by the Clinton County Intermediate School District:

School system	Cut
Bath	\$20,000
DeWitt	27,852
Fowler	9,950
Ovid-Elsie	32,184
Pewamo-Westphalia	12,793
St. Johns	64,000
Intermediate district	1,000
Total	\$167,779

"Cuts of any amount would be especially difficult to adjust to at this time because we are nearly two-thirds through the year," said St. Johns Superintendent Dr. Donald Burns. "We have contract agreements that must be met and most of the budget line items have been committed."

He said if the governor takes \$64,000 from state aid, St. Johns would be forced to dip into its fund equity, which means less money for next year's use.

The final payment in state aid for schools arrives June 30. Dr. Burns said the school's only recourse is "to write our representatives and protest the unfairness and difficulties the loss of these dollars places on the local school district."

An executive order cutting the budget is subject to approval by the House and Senate Appropriations Committees.

Superintendents from Clinton and Shiawassee county schools met at the Chef's Cafe in St. Johns last Friday with State Representative Alan Cropsey (R-DeWitt) of the 88th District; and legislative aides of 87th District Representative Francis Spaniola (D-Corunna) and 30th State Senator Richard Allen (R-Alma).

Though the proposed state aid cut was the main focus of attention, other inadequacies in school funding and regulation came under fire.

Senator Allen is also holding a special meeting Friday, March 9 in Lansing on school matters for area school administrators.

Meeting of the minds

Legislators or their aides got an earful when school superintendents from Clinton and Shiawassee counties met in St. Johns Friday to discuss the proposed state aid cut as well as state mandated programs not funded by the state and governmental restrictions on education. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)



HUD contractors doing poor work

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

Bath Twp.

Housing rehabilitation in Bath township has been termed "a mess" by Supervisor Thomas Woodruff. That's why the township board has voted to withhold 10 percent of the total payment to contractors.

"The first checks should have never been issued in the first place," Woodruff told the board Monday night. "However, the person responsible isn't here anymore." Woodruff was referring to Margaret Anderson former Housing and Urban Development (HUD) director who quit three weeks ago to get married.

The township submitted three pages detailing errors and poor construction which need to be corrected to the contracting firm of McCampbell and Suntheimer. This is the first project this firm has done for the township.

Three homes in the township (Clark, Cox, Pettit) were approved over \$5,000 each in rehabilitation. Trustee Robert Sober says the work done by contractors is far from being a quality job.

Some of the problems cited

to board members were loose and buckling paneling, leaky plumbing, improper siding and work being done which was not specified in the contract.

It was noted deals were being made between contractors and home owners for work to be done which is not in the contract. Woodruff said changes were going to have to be made in this respect.

"If the project calls for dry wall it will be dry walled not paneled," Woodruff said. "Anything we pay for has to be done right."

Board members were informed this was not the first time problems have occurred with contractors not doing a good job. Woodruff admitted that, "maybe these are a little worse than normal."

Bath Township is currently interviewing 33 applicants for the HUD director position. A decision is expected to be made in the next week.

In other action the board decided at its Monday night meeting to pay the Clinton County Road Commission \$15,296 for work done on Clark Road from the high school to Center Road. This is the balance on last year's bill.

2 apprehended for smoking pot

DeWitt

Two juveniles were apprehended by DeWitt City police for smoking marijuana behind the Fuerstenaue School at 7:30 a.m. while they were waiting

for the school bus. Police also investigated two accidents, made an arrest on bad check complaint's totaling \$870, and arrested one person for indecent exposure.

Federal grant received

Capitol Area Community Services, Inc. of Lansing will receive a \$47,600 federal grant.

The grant was part of the Emergency Energy Conservation Program. It provides funds to low income persons, including the elderly to assist them in responding to winter-related energy crisis problems.

Any low income person who faced serious hardship

in paying for energy needs due to the severe weather may be eligible for assistance.

The counties served by the program are Ingham, Eaton, Clinton and Shiawassee.

Those wanting more information on the program should contact Capitol Area Community Services, Inc., 101 E. Willow St., Lansing, Mi. 48906

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Bath High School gets accreditation

By Sue Killey
Staff Writer
Bath Twp

Bath High School has made a step in the right direction. The school recently received University of Michigan accreditation, something they lost last year. Obtaining North Central accreditation is going to be a long, hard pull however, according to Principal Anthony Drago.

The school was put on probation for the 1978-79 school year after an inspection was made on April 18, 1978. The high school received 10 commendations, nine violations, and 11 recommendations.

Some of the violations cited by the accreditation committee were: the insufficient number of counselors to the number of students; library materials were not adequate; not enough textbooks for students; a negative attitude of the student body; and the lack of chief executive on the high school level.

Drago commented the nine violations were corrected within one semester. Most of the 11 recommendations have also been met.

"Normally it takes one to two years to get your accreditation back," Drago said. "It is unusual we accomplished our goal so quickly."

The principal explained what some of the violations involved. For example, in some classes three students were sharing one book. This meant not everyone could take a book home when an assignment was due or a test was scheduled.

Last year 55 students were suspended from school. There was a high dropout rate, and a lot of students were getting into trouble. This year Drago began the Glasser Approach to discipline.

"It's a form of behavior modifications," Drago said. "It's a positive approach which takes longer, but it's better than kicking a kid out of school so he falls further behind."

Some of the recommendations included having more student activities other than athletics. Last year of the 25 extra curricular functions offered to students only five were not related to athletics. This school year a wider variety of activities has been offered to the students.

A curriculum council has also been formed to evaluate needs for updating and expanding the classes offered to students.

The accreditation committee did list some positive aspects of Bath High School before they were placed on probation. They noted the school system had a nice facility, a good media catalog, a successful debating and forensic team, and a good Government II program. It is hoped by Drago that a concept in teaching will

begin at the high school called the "Humanistic Approach." The idea lends itself to the team teaching concept and a more uniform course of study.

For example, if juniors were studying the early years of America in history, they would also be reading books in English about the same time period. They would be studying paintings from this era in art class and in music class they would be learning about ballads and battle songs.

"We need to have accreditation for the needs of the students and to provide a quality education," Drago said. "We have to provide not only the basic needs but also the maximum needs."

With no accreditation, it was very hard for students to apply to college and to be accepted according to Drago. Students attending colleges from Bath High Schools also found they had a hard time competing against students coming from accredited schools.

"If a school is not meeting the basic minimal standards, there is no way the student can compete," he said. Drago estimates it will take three or four years to obtain North Central accreditation. It is going to be a lot of hard work and many changes but Drago feels confident they will meet their goal.

Just because it's hard doesn't mean we can't do it because we can," he concluded.

You can adjust to snow, says Philippine native

By Deb Elston
Guest Writer

St. Johns

Every year by the time March rolls around, most people are tired of winter and ready for spring to come.

But if you've never seen snow before, winter can offer a variety of new exciting things to do.

Dan Paril, a native of the Philippines, arrived in the U.S. with his wife, Sally, in November of 1978. Sally, a

former resident of the Clinton County area, had been a Peace Corp volunteer in the Philippines when they met and married a little over a year ago.

When Sally's grandfather became ill, the Parils decided it was time to come to the U.S. and meet the rest of the family.

Paril, who works at the Community Resource Volunteers Center in St. Johns, had adjusted well to the winter weather.

"The cold season doesn't

bother me a lot," he said. "At first I was trembling when I got off the plane."

because he was so homesick, but now he only calls him

once a week.

"It's really nice to speak

with someone with your own dialect," he said.

Fortunately his brother, who lives in Detroit, greeted him at the airport with a coat. Paril said he likes winter for a change of pace. The Philippines has only two seasons--rainy and dry, and temperatures rarely reach below 50 degrees.

Seeing snow for the first time was a unique experience for him.

"When we got the first snow, Sal and I made a snowman and sent a picture of it back to my mother," Paril said with a laugh. He also drove a snowmobile at his sister-in-law's home which, he said, "was very funny."

One thing he had on his list of things to try was deer hunting.

"I was curious about hunting season so one morning I joined my sister-in-law's husband, who later shot a 10-point buck."

At one time Paril was a student at the University of Feati in Manila but later dropped out when his father died. He hopes to someday finish his education and get a degree in engineering.

Farming is still pretty backwards in the Philippines as compared with the U.S., Paril said. "I sent my boss a picture of a combine to explain how corn is harvested and how it is shelled," he said. She wrote back and said there's no way they could use it due to the topography of the land.

Many farmers still plow their land with carabaos (water buffalo).

Paril said he thinks the U.S. is great and prefers the peacefulness of the small town to the crowded city. "People are friendly, and not like the big city where people don't bother with you."

When Paril first arrived here, his brother called him every day to console him



Dan Paril

Quadriplegic to stress safe driving in assembly

By Louise Wirbel
Milliman Newspapers

St. Johns

Jack Burnett's tragic accident happened 16 years ago, but he relives the episode day after day.

Paralyzed from the neck down in a high school car accident in Ohio, the quadriplegic has spent many of his wheelchair years since in

front of student audiences, telling them about the drag-racing accident that cost him a normal life.

Burnett will be speaking to St. Johns High School students Friday, March 16 in an assembly between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.

"I gave up my physical abilities for five minutes of fun," Burnett tells students. "I'm really not here to preach to you, but I want you

to use your head when you're behind the wheels."

Slides of his high speed race with buddy Charlie along Ohio Highway 131 some 16 years ago accompany his talk-slides that portray the reckless contest between two teenagers and their vehicles.

All it took was a brush of the wheel over loose gravel on the roadside for Burnett,

and he lost control of his 1954 convertible, a mishap that resulted in the car's rollover in a ditch and an immediate broken neck for its 18-year-old driver.

Burnett's presentation is sponsored by the Michigan Association of Insurance Companies. During his travels the past several years, he has spoken to over 500,000 students.

MUNA takes honors

By Betsy Johnson

St. Johns High School's Model United Nations group spent a successful week at the Great Lakes Invitational held at Kalamazoo's Conference Center.

The South Africa delegation won the award of "best delegation". The delegation included Scott Strahle, Linda Hopp, Joe Parker, and Greg Wood. Other members of the club represented the People's Republic of China and Czechoslovakia.

The dance marathon for


Muscular Dystrophy has been re-scheduled for May 4. It will begin at 3 p.m. in the Rodney B. Wilson Junior High gym.

The Student Council has planned its second annual Gong Show for June 1.

Students in Mr. Gehoski's advanced biology class have received the cats they will be studying for their main

project this semester. They will learn the muscle and skeletal structure of the cats, then dissect them to learn the internal anatomy.

Since most of the students in the class are planning careers in the medical field, dissecting the cats is valuable preparation for college courses.



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Pet shop just a stepping stone

By Kitty McCague
Guest Writer

DeWitt

Working in a pet shop might be just another parttime job for most high school students, but one DeWitt resident launched an animal technician career that way.

Marlee Langham, 24, is the first Michigan State University student to take home both the Highest Academic Achievement Award and the Superior Clinical Achievement Award from the Animal Technology program. She was recognized for her work last week with other students from the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources during the annual honor banquet. Although pleased about

maintaining the highest overall grade point average among the 34 graduating "animal tech" students, Langham says she feels "particularly honored about the clinical award."

The Upjohn Company sponsored award is given each year to the student who performs best in clinical situations. MSU clinical veterinarians, clinicians, and certified animal technicians who work with the students vote on the one they think functions most professionally in every day activities.

For the last year of the program, these students make rotations through every medical section of both the large and small animal clinics.

They assist veterinarians and clinicians in a myriad of duties, from preparing

horses for surgery to monitoring medication for a cat in intensive care.

For example, before surgery Langham prepares animals and puts them under anesthesia. In radiology, she shoots and develops X-rays. In the intensive care unit, she checks vital signs and behavior.

In many respects, she says, the animal technician is to the veterinarian as the nurse is to the doctor.

"We are trained to perform the technical tasks of veterinary care--from pathological laboratory testing to assisting in general care."

The concept of a veterinarian's helper is not new. But the reality of an animal technician as a professional is now just materializing. Today, larger and more sophisticated clinics and

private practices can not function without them.

Most MSU animal technology graduates go into private practice, where the diversity of their education is put to use on a smaller scale.

But Langham will start work after graduation and state board exam in the clinic that she has been in for the past year. She will work in the anesthesia section, assisting upcoming animal technology students and answering their questions.

"It will be somewhat of a supervisory position," she said.

It is a rarity for an animal technician to be hired by MSU right after graduation, but Langham's background and aptitude helped her sidestep the tradition.

For four years before entering the university program, she worked under Dr. Kenneth Achterberg at the Abbott Road

Animal Clinic in East Lansing. There she performed many of the same duties she knows now, but without the scope of background knowledge.

"I was limited by what I didn't know," she says. To find the answers to her questions she entered the program, finally realizing one of her childhood goals...working with animals.

While she has been studying sciences and clinical procedures for the past two years, her East Lansing born husband, Robert has worked at Oldsmobile.

"Now that I am finishing school he is awaiting entrance into MSU's College of Engineering." The demanding pace of the program and the long hours in the clinic everyday have not left the Langhams much time for each other. But they hope to correct that after she completes her licensing exams March 21.



Marlee Langham examines Chinook's stitches. The young dog just underwent corrective heart surgery. (Photo by Kitty McCague)

3rd Bowl Down Lung Disease this weekend

St. Johns

Win Warren of St. Johns has been named chairman for the third annual Bowl Down Lung Disease Days to benefit the Michigan Lung Association at Redwing Lanes.

The bowling will take place on Saturday, March 10, Monday, March 12, and Wednesday, March 14 at regular league bowling times.

The competition is open to students who bowl in the peanuts, preps, junior and major divisions of the Michigan Youth Bowling

Association. Sponsorship forms and detailed brochures explaining the activity are available at the lanes.

First, second and third place trophies will be awarded to top fund raisers in each division, and there will be a championship trophy. Each bowler will receive a "Bowl Down Lung Disease" patch. Each participant should enlist the support of as many sponsors as possible by asking them to make a per pin pledge.

A "Bowl Down Lung Disease" event is a state-wide program which gives the local community the opportunity to show its commitment to healthy lungs. The event will help to fund MLA's programs in adult and child lung disease, professional education and research, smoking and health, and environmental health. "Redwings Lanes plans to make this event more successful than last year's very successful event," Warren said. "We should top \$2,000."

Hospital Auxiliary marks 52nd anniversary

St. Johns

Thirty-three members and one guest, were in attendance at the Feb. 21, meeting of the Clinton Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Board.

February marked the 52nd anniversary of the Auxiliary. This has been a period of many activities and accomplishments. The financial productivity of the members has assisted in purchasing equipment which has helped to modernize Clinton Memorial Hospital. Corky Paradise, chairman, brought a beautifully decorated cake to commemorate the occasion.

Three new members were added to the Auxiliary board; Rita Churchill, Nadia Cross and Julie VeCasey. Melanie Humphrey a former member, has returned to the board. The sewing committee

members worked 135 hours, made 23 articles from salvaged materials and 99 new articles.

Rooms will be checked to see where new window shades are needed. The Auxiliary will purchase the shades.

Mrs. McLaughlin, historian, says she has had assistance in obtaining material, and her scrapbook is now up to date.

The Heart Ball was a huge financial success as well as an enjoyable occasion. Mary Crosby expressed her appreciation to all those who assisted by the donation of time, materials and money. The net proceeds were \$1,228. A\$50 donation was received from Mr. and Mrs. William Barber.

Wanda Humphrey, chairman, reported that


plans for the spring style show are progressing and the committee is in the process of choosing an appropriate theme.

Romain DeCamp, Coordinator of Volunteer Services, reported on an article written by Sylvia Porter, in which she summarized new tests and procedures that are practiced in many large hospitals. In reviewing these, many of these practices are being performed at Clinton Memorial. The hospital's modern equipment is comparable to that found in the larger hospitals.

The hospital sells soft drinks in returnable cans, many of which are thrown away. It was suggested that containers be placed in the halls and the Auxiliary could receive the money for the returnables.

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Editorial Page

It's fun to go down a muddy road with friends



By Sharon Randall

It's the elderly and the poor who are so often forgotten and for those both old and poor the chance of being remembered and included becomes very rare.

Nineteen people live at the Community Living Center just outside of St. Johns and most of them are both old and poor. Circumstances that brought them here are varied; the majority have been placed by Social Services. A few are private patients who turn their Social Security checks for a place of warm shelter, food, clothing and a little pocket money.

Who remembers them? Scouts and other youth groups learning about compassion and good deeds. Local clubs and organizations looking for a cause at holiday times.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Salisbury who run the center say visits from organizations and groups break up the long days for the center's residents. Potluck suppers, dances and bingo can all be brought into the center and are by several church groups, the Valley Farm club, the Jaycees and employees of Blue Cross-Blue Shield in Lansing. Addie McHenry and others with Community Resource Volunteers come out twice a week to play bingo and cards.

Outings are rare but each year a local dentist, Donald White gives tickets for a country-western show and there are trips to the county 4-H fair and the Ionia fair.

Hardest to find are friends. A Jaycee Club can't be a friend. A friend is someone who remembers you. Someone you see often. Someone who knows your

name and understands how long winter can be. Center residents have two friends. Two young friends, I might add. Jody Hettler and Dale Prochazka have been coming every day this winter to paint rooms at the Center through the CETA program. This is Hettler's third winter. He's gotten to know the people who live here.

Friday, Hettler and Prochazka arranged for a bus (donated by Bernie Feldpausch) and supper at McDonald's (on the house) and drove off with eight of the elderly residents to the Hospitaler Circus in Lansing.

And what a treat not to be someone's good cause but to go off to the circus down a muddy winter road with friends.



Off to the circus

Going off on a rare outing were eight residents of the Community Living Center. Jody Hettler gives a boost up to one of the elderly folks he and Dale Prochazka treated to a trip to the circus Friday.

Attending were Sylvan Friend, Merlin Pierce, Mickey Mashburn, Mike Doyen, Robert Hammond, Lidia Berdes, Gordon Pier and Peter Casey. (Photo by Sharon Randall)

SENIOR CITIZEN UPDATE

Social Security

If you are drawing Social Security and also working, you must file an annual report for Social Security if you are earning more than the allowed amount.

Any person who has received at least one Social Security check during 1978 can earn as much as \$3,240 for 1978 if you are under age 65 years. If you are over 65 and you earned more than \$4,000 in 1978 you are required to file a work report for Social Security.

Those who have estimated their earning, will automatically receive this form in the mail. Those who didn't estimate the extra earnings, contact the Social Security office for the report forms. This is not a tax report, it is a separate report for Social Security beneficiary or recipients.

For self employment, list total wages or net earnings. Indicate the months where you had wages less than \$270 in 1978, if you are not over 65 years old. If you are over 65 years old, indicate the months in 1978 you received less than \$334. Self employed people would indicate that they were generally considered to have performed sub-service in any calendar month when they worked 45 hours or less.

Generally when persons have earnings over the \$3,240 or \$4,000 limit, their benefits are with-held at the rate of \$1. for every \$2 earned over the limits.

If you have any questions, you may call a toll-free number, enterprise 6500, or contact them at 838 Louisa St., Lansing, Mi., 48910. This report must be filed by April 15th, 1979.

VANDALISM

The people living in the Village Square Senior Citizen Apartments are being victimized with vandalism. There have been, in the last few weeks, many things happening. Tires have been slashed on cars, the air let out of other tires, gloves compartments have been ransacked but nothing of value has been reported missing from them.

One car owner reported the front cushion of his car had been slashed. A visitor at one of the seniors had all four of her hub-caps stolen, plus other things of minor importance.

These incidents have been reported to the police, who are making frequent runs into the complex. They are now patrolling the area more frequently. They report they have a possible suspect so are keeping a tighter vigil. Most of these things seem to be happening in the early morning



By Ruth Delo

hours, although a few have happened before midnight. The Village Square senior citizens have been very cooperative with the police. They have reported these crimes as soon as possible.

It is up to us, the senior citizens of Village Square, to report to the police anything we see that is suspicious. If there is someone in our complex, that is the least unusual, either walking, driving or parked, call the police. They will drive out and investigate and there is no harm done if everything proves to be okay.

If you have a car, be sure the doors are locked. At least they will have trouble getting into your car.

With the police alerted, and all of us watching outside whenever we can, perhaps we can put an end to this problem.

Coming events for seniors

Wednesday, March 6--Nutrition dinners at 1 p.m. at Elsie Kent elementary School; Fowler Waldron Elementary School at 5 p.m.; and Rodney B. Wilson in St. Johns at 12:40 p.m.

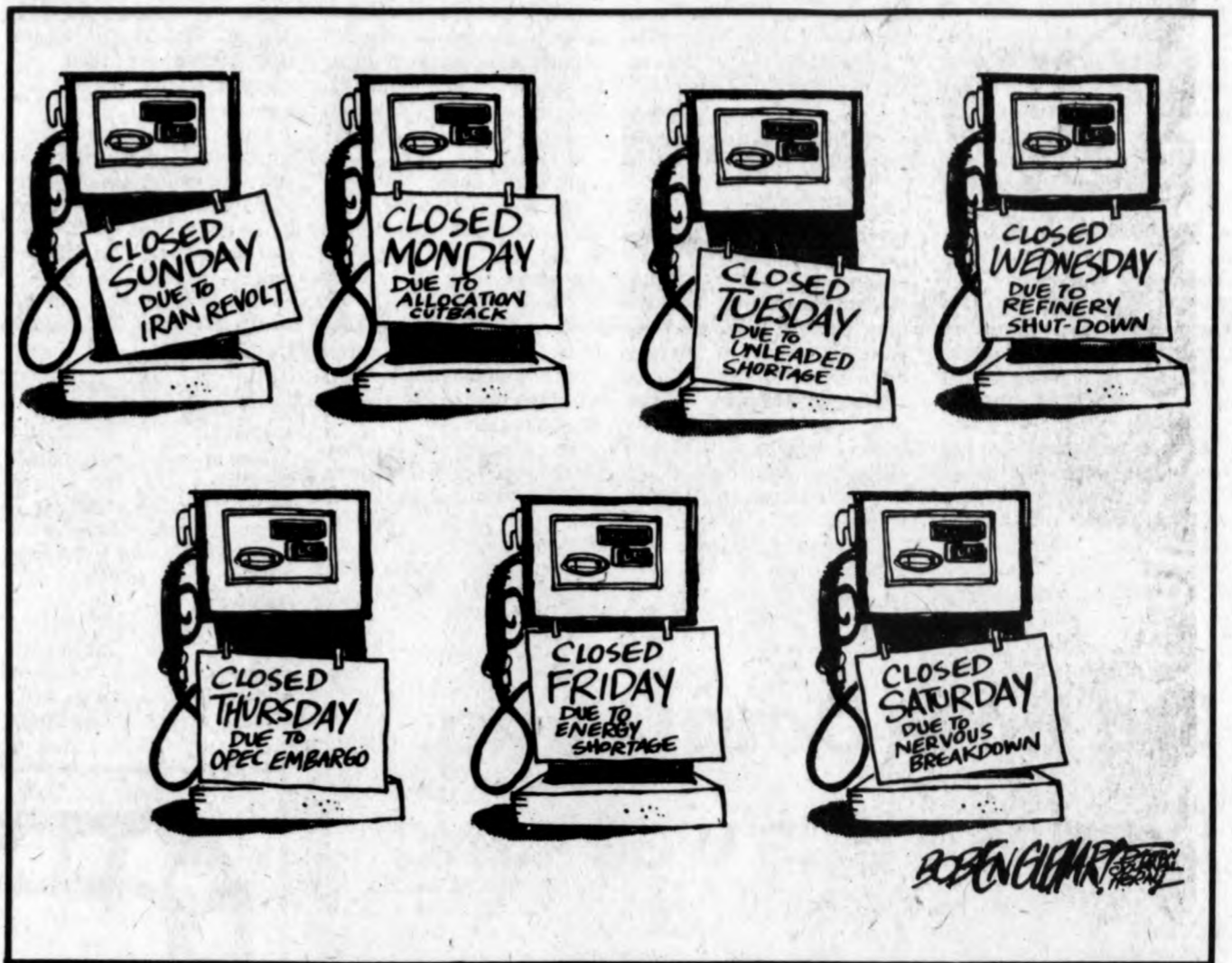
March 6--Senior citizens card party at 8 p.m. at Central National Bank. all seniors are welcome.

Monday, March 12--at noon the new Senior Citizen Club of St. Johns will have a potluck at the K of C hall. It is open to all seniors.

March 12--Nutrition dinners at Westphalia at noon at St. Mary's hall; and at 4 p.m. at Bath Middle School.

Tuesday, March 13--Nutrition dinners at noon at DeWitt St. Jude's Catholic Church; Maple Rapids Methodist Church at noon; and Ovid Junior High School at 1 p.m.

So, until next time....



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Constitutional tinkering feared

By Richard L. Milliman

Number 28 has now fallen line, with only a handful more to go.

Reference is made to the grass-roots drive to call a federal Constitutional Convention to add a plank to our United States Constitution requiring the federal government to operate with a balanced budget each year.

I sincerely hope the required 34-state approval is not reached. As I've mentioned before in this corner, I'm all in favor of balanced governmental budgets. But I'm also scared to death of what a convention of modern-day thinkers would do to our Constitution if they got a chance.

For example, do you really think we could get some of the things in our Constitution today that our Founding Fathers included? For an... exercise in citizenship sometime, just go back and read our Constitution, including the Bill of Rights, and think about it a bit. It's worked pretty well for a couple of hundred years, with the amendments along the way. We should be very, very, very careful in doing anything to put the Constitution in jeopardy. And that includes, in my view, the proposed convention to write the balanced-budget plank.

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As I've noted before, I'm all in favor of balanced governmental budgets...but I'm also more than a little skeptical whether a mandated prohibition against out-of-balance governments would be effective. Somehow, government spenders seem to find a way around sensible spending limits.

For example, I recall the year President Nixon presented a "balanced budget". Of course, you had to pretend a few things...such as full employment, as I recall. But it was "balanced" when it left the Executive Office.

And there have been several "balanced budgets" in Michigan. Like the time Michigan invented the 15-month fiscal year; that worked for one time around, permitting certain annual tax collections twice in the same "fiscal year", and the budget was "balanced."

Where there's a will to spend taxpayers' money there's a way to do it--regardless of prohibitions against deficit spending.

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A recent Gallup Poll showed the American people by a whopping 6-to-1 margin in favor of the proposed balanced budget amendment. If a provision permitting exceptions for emergency situations is included, the approval margin soars to 84 percent. Just maybe balanced budgets in government is an idea whose time has come.

The Gallup Poll went a step further in asking where cuts should be made if spending should be limited. The pollsters listed five programs in which the federal government would spend the greatest amount of money under the new \$532 billion Carter budget.

According to newspaper accounts of the Gallup results, the favorite cutting spot was welfare, favored by 54 percent to chop in case of spending limits. Next came defense as a target favored by 29 percent, while 9 percent chose health, 8 percent listed education, and 5 percent chose Social Security.

Cutting spending is bitter medicine for most politicians, and welfare is a favorite target anyway.

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Some public figures have rather definite ideas on where to cut. Sen. Alan Cranston of California, for example, came out the other day in favor of ending the federal revenue sharing program which sends federal money to states. Whether Cranston favors an end to the revenue sharing program which reaches local units (except school districts) was not clear, but he wants to cut off aid to states.

"The U.S. Treasury has been borrowing money and deepening the federal budget (deficit) year after year while money piles up in state treasuries," Cranston said. He claimed the federal government could save about \$2.3 billion this year that way.

Can't you just hear the cries in Lansing, and Columbus, and Indianapolis and other state capitals if Cranston's view were to prevail? Most federal funds channeled through states have gone into one program or another, and to cut off the spigot certainly would bring wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Probably it would bring higher state taxes, too, to replace the lost federal aid. That just seems to be the way government has always worked.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Praises Clinton Memorial

I have just returned home after a 10-day stay at Clinton Memorial Hospital, and I want to share my feelings with you.

I have been in Sparrow, Lansing General, Provincial and Mason general, and I can honestly say that our hospital in St. Johns is most superior in every way, every way.

I never encountered a nurse who was not competent, cheerful and willing to go out of her way to make me comfortable and happy. I would put our surgeons, Dr. SanJuan and Dr. Perez,

up against any other surgeon anywhere. I have never seen such sincerity and compassion in dealing with a patient, both before and after surgery, as displayed by these two men.

It breaks my heart to read in the paper how many local babies are born in Sparrow Hospital or elsewhere, when we have such a superior O.B. department right here. I just wish that everyone could see these dedicated nurses "in action"--they sincerely care about their patients.

So, as Ann Landers says, "come on, St. Johns--wake up and smell the coffee"--take advantage of this modern facility; of these superior doctors and nurses; of the most modern equipment cardiac-pulmonary and elsewhere and help our hospital grow.

You should thank the good Lord that we have such excellent facilities in our city--I do!!

Most sincerely,
Bunny Fowler
St. Johns

Personality Profile



Florine Peabody

Life revolves around rock hunting seasons

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

Elsie
Rocks have led Dave and Florine Peabody on hunting sprees from Thunder Bay, Ontario to El Paso, Texas. In fact, the Elsie couple plans their vacations around the "rock seasons."

The rock hunting hobby started 18 years ago for Dave Peabody. It took Florine a few years, however to decide whether she wanted to take an interest.

"Every place we went, we'd always be walking on the beach with our heads bent looking for rocks," Mrs. Peabody said. "I heard him talking so much about it I had to get interested."

She explained during the first three years they really didn't know much about the hobby. "We just picked up rocks because they looked pretty," she said with a grin. Now they are more selective in what types of rocks they choose.

Their rock hunting hobby has taken them on many different adventures which have included panning for gold. Florine commented there is quite a trick to discovering the shiny nuggets in the pan.

"You just don't find gold anymore," she said. "They found it all a long time ago."

The Peabodys home is chuck full of rocks. A visitor finds them in the basement along with a workshop, in the garage and in the house. One room alone is filled with rocks and the products of their finds...jewelry.

They have made turquoise rings from rocks they found in Colorado and necklaces from jade and agates they

found in Wyoming.

"It's fun to see what you find after you cut a rock open," she said. "Look, doesn't that look like a butterfly in the middle of the geode?"

Rocks come in all shapes and sizes, in the Arizona desert some rocks are found looking like flowers. The sandy, grain texture of the rock looks like a peach color rose.

Sometimes people bring rocks that they find to the couple hoping to have rings or some types of jewelry made from them. Not all rocks are jewelry material, however. Mrs. Peabody said the more a rock is cut the fainter the color is-sometimes a cause for disappointment.

"This is really a nice hobby," she said. "We get to be outdoors and it is something we can do together."

After the ice clears from the bays is a good time to go rock hunting in the northern states. They head south in the spring and fall because there are too many people in the summertime.

When you go rock hunting one must dress the part. Mrs. Peabody dresses in blue jeans, wool socks and high boots. She also wears a hard hat and goggles when digging in the gravel pits or mines.

Mrs. Peabody recalled standing in a Minnesota gravel pit when they were up to their waists in rocks. The company was pumping rocks out of the river and Dave and Florine found it a perfect opportunity to find some treasures.

When the pair looks for turquoise they go into the mines up in the mountains. For this type of rock hunting they need a guide.

"If we weren't rock hounds we'd be missing out on a lot of interesting things," she said.

Looking Ahead

HISTORICAL SOCIETY--"Antique Fakes and Forgeries" will be presented by Lorraine Everhardus at the Capital Art Gallery in the Plaza Hotel, Lansing, on Wednesday, March 21 at 7:30 p.m. The program is sponsored by the Historical Society of Greater Lansing. Ms. Everhardus, a former foreign language teacher and retail store manager, united expertise and a long term personal interest in antiques in the opening of the Williamstown Exchange, a consignment shop, at 109 East Grand River in Williamstown, five years ago. Free. Barrier Free.

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS--will meet March 20 at 8 p.m. at 732 Newton Ave., Lansing. This organization offers friendship and understanding to bereaved parents.

SPAGHETTI DINNER--Saturday, March 17, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Pilgrim United Methodist Church. Free will offering. Church is located at the corner of Parks and DeWitt roads.

HEALTH CLINIC--The St. Johns public health clinic will be held at the Congregational Church, 100 Maple St., Thursday, March 8 with immunizations available from 9 to 11 a.m. and blood pressure screening from 1 to 2 p.m. For more information, call the Mid-Michigan District Health Department at 224-7772.

TOUR TO MEADOW BROOK HALL--is sponsored by Clinton Memorial Hospital Auxiliary on April 4. The bus will depart from St. Johns at 8 a.m. and arrive back at 6 p.m. Participants will see the former Dodge mansion, Meadow Brook Hall, and will stop at the mall for a short shopping spree. Contact 224-4338, 224-3234 or 224-3823 for reservations.



★ Steel Hotel

24 fire safety violations.

The Steel Hotel opened March 31, 1888. It boasted 50 guest rooms, three sample rooms, a billiard room, freight elevator, water closets and a barber shop with bath.

When it burned the big run-down building, divided into rooms and apartments, was home to about 15 retired gentlemen.

The ceilings leaked and throw rugs covered bare spots in the raggedy red floral carpets.

A grand and handsomely carved stairway leading to the second floor ballroom was elegant to the end. It

led little girls up to the big empty ballroom for dancing lessons after school or families to picture taking sessions with Olan Mills. Behind the ballroom was a kitchen once used for banquets and weddings. It stood closed up, silently piled high with dusty storage items.

Historic Sites chairperson, Shirley Karber said the marker will be placed in the lobby of the new building along with a picture of the old hotel.

The dedication service is under the direction of William Patton, assistant vice-president of the association. Hila Bross, vice-president of the Historical society and Mrs. Karber. Music

will be provided by Gail Foerch. Mr. and Mrs. John Caudy, who once ran the restaurant at the hotel, will serve as hosts.

Robert Waldron, Steel's great-grandson and former Republican Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives will attend the ceremony.

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A certified check or bank draft payable without condition to the Remy-Chandler Intercounty Drainage Board or a satisfactory bid bond in an amount not less than 5% of the bid price shall be submitted as bid security, as required in the "Information for Bidders". The successful bidder will be required to furnish bonds and insurance as specified.

Proposals shall remain firm and shall not be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after bid opening.

The Remy-Chandler Intercounty Drainage Board reserves the right to accept any proposal, to reject any or all proposals, in whole or in part, to award the Contract to other than the low bidder, and to waive irregularities and/or formalities in bidding.

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Remy-Chandler Intercounty Drainage Board

Drug committee formed

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

DeWitt

Is there a drug problem at DeWitt High School? Is the nine-week suspension policy too harsh for first time offenders? What are other schools doing about the drug problem?

A newly formed Substance Abuse Committee consisting of 36 teachers, students, police, specialists and residents, will address these questions and more during the next three months. They will present their findings and recommendations to the DeWitt Board of Education by the end of the school year.

Bobbi McConnell, chairperson of the committee, explained the purpose of the group was to determine if there was a drug problem by polling students, teachers and administrators. They would then revise the existing policies and see if more changes would be necessary.

During the recent first meeting the group decided to examine eight objectives which were divided among three subcommittees.

The first subcommittee chaired by Robert Taylor will deal with identifying specific educational efforts being made in the DeWitt School District. The second subcommittee headed by Gary Lass will examine other district's programs and establish pros and cons for each area. Sandy Venstra's committee will find how big a drug problem DeWitt has. She will be handling several kinds of questionnaires during the next few weeks.

"The general feeling after the first meeting was we needed some kind of drug education from kindergarten to high school," Mrs. McConnell said. "You can be sure appropriate subject material is covered on grade levels."

Fred Goers, DeWitt High School principal, elaborated on this point saying they can teach young children about poisons. "You can also stress to them that aspirin is not candy," said Goers.

The principal said the drug problem in the schools is a growing cause for concern. He also noted alcohol seemed to be more widespread than marijuana use although it isn't far behind.

"Compared to Lansing we really don't have that great a problem," Goers said. "Comparing DeWitt to previous years, we do have a problem."

So far in the 1978-79 school year there have been seven cases dealing with some type of substance abuse violating some rules or regulations. During the 1977-78 school year the problem was no where near as great, according to Goers.

"At first we just thought we were just catching more people than before," he said "Now we realize there is more of it to catch."

Education seems to be the major concern for parents on the committee. Discipline is one of the last points the group will look at and is not a major issue at this time.

DeWitt High School has one of the toughest punishments around for drug violations, handing out a nine week suspension.

St. Johns High School hands out an immediate five-day suspension for smoking drinking, or chewing tobacco on school property. A letter is also sent to the parents and a conference is set up. The second offense brings a 10-day suspension.

For possession, use or the selling of drugs, a suspension of up to 10 days is given according to Principal William Swears. Where selling is involved, the police are brought into the case.

First semester reports indicate 14 students were suspended for smoking, two for drinking, and five for sale and use of marijuana. None of the suspensions exceeded 10 days.

Suggestion boxes will be placed at DeWitt High School in order to get a better idea of what students feel is the major problem. Members of the committee will also be interviewing students during the next few weeks.

The meetings are open to the public. The next group meeting will be March 8 in the high school library at 7 p.m. At this time the subcommittees will declare how they will reach its objectives and what problems need to be resolved.

Society This Week

Woolfe, Trew exchange March vows

Vickie Lynn Woolfe became the bride of Dale Eugene Trew on March 3 at 3 p.m. in Bath. Rev. LaVern Bretz officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Norman Woolfe, father of the bride escorted his daughter to the site of the marriage which was decorated with blue roses and white lily of the valley. The "Hawaiian Wedding Song", was sung during the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Norman Woolfe, 15760 Culver Dr., East Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Trew, Sand Lake.

The bride chose an ivory satin dress with blue lace trimming the insert down the front of the gown. The ivory veil was also edged with blue lace. She carried one red rose with baby's breath and blue ribbon.

Marsha Ellis, of Lansing acted as the matron of honor. She

wore a floor length light blue gown and carried a white rose with baby's breath and a blue ribbon.

Best man for the couple was Bruce Miller.

Mrs. Woolfe chose a floor length blue dress for her daughter's wedding. Mrs. Trew chose a floor length green gown. Both mothers wore corsages of white gardenias.

A reception for the couple was held at the Park League Hall in Bath at 7 p.m. Serving at the reception was Bonnie Swanchara, Timothy Woolfe, Ronald Woolfe, and Judy Shrewsbury.

Vickie graduated from Bath High School in 1971 and is employed at Michigan State University. Dale graduated from Bath and is employed at Oldsmobile in Lansing.

The couple took a honeymoon trip to Florida and will make their home in Bath.



Mrs. Dale E. Trew



Clifford Oles Teri Ritz

They're engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ritz, 5545 W. Colony Rd., St. Johns announce the engagement of their daughter Teri Lynn to Clifford Leroy Oles, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Oles, Sr., 1120 E. Taft Rd., St. Johns.

The bride-elect and the prospective bridegroom are seniors at St. Johns High School. He is employed by Bob's Auto Body in St. Johns. The couple is planning an October wedding.



Lynette Hrncharik John Miller

They're engaged

Mr. and Mrs. John Hrncharik of 7500 E. Colony Road, Elsie announce the engagement of their daughter Lynette Kay to John David Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Miller, 7715 Wildcat Road, Ovid.

The bride-elect is a 1978 graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School. She is employed by Gene's IGA in Elsie. Miller graduated from Ovid-Elsie High School in 1977 and is employed at Ovid Oil. They will be married April 21.

Ballard graduates

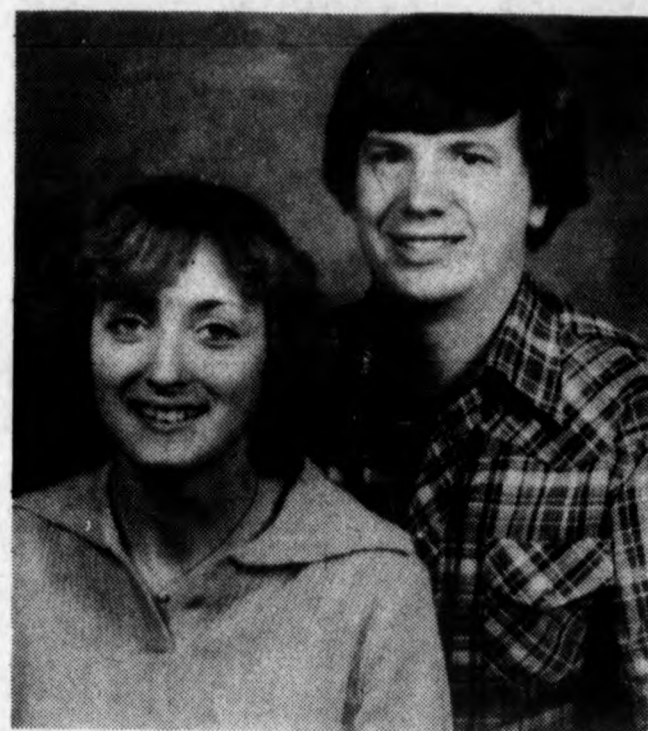
Pittsburgh

Lori Sue Ballard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Ballard, 7340 St. Clair Road, St. Johns, graduated from Wilma Boyd Career

School in December. Miss Ballard, a 1977 graduate of St. Johns High School, is now employed by Waldo Travel in Lansing.

During their pilgrimage to Mecca, Muslims stand on the Plain of Arafat and pray from noon until sundown, says National Geographic. Pil-

grims rest up the day before at a nearby village for this day of "standing," the high point of their ritual.



Wanda Thelen Michael Fedewa

Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Gregor Thelen, Westphalia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Wanda to Michael Fedewa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Fedewa, St. Johns.

Both are 1975 graduates. The bride-elect is employed at the Michigan Department of Treasury in Lansing. Michael is employed at Oldsmobile.

A Sept. 22 wedding is being planned.



Maureen Savoie

Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. William Savoie of Pewamo announce the engagement of their daughter Maureen C., to Richard S. Harr, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Harr of Westphalia.

The couple are graduates of Pewamo-Westphalia Community Schools. She is employed by the Ionia County National Bank and he works for Larry T. Schafer Construction.

They plan to be married August 25.

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Mr. and Mrs. Michael D. Hogle, 14130 Everett, DeWitt, became the parents of a son, Richard D. on Jan. 17 at 10:39 a.m. at St. Lawrence Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale L. Thelen, 11263 W. 3rd, Fowler, became the parents of a daughter, Mindy Rose on Feb. 24 at 6:24 p.m. The mother is the former Dorothy A. Arens.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Anthony Nelson, 425 Dill Rd., DeWitt, became the parents of a daughter Taya Elyse on Feb. 23 at Sparrow Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor, 333 W. Randolph St., Lansing, became the parents of twin daughters, Amy Jo and Jamie Lynn on Feb. 20 at Sparrow Hospital. The mother is the former Margaret Spalding.



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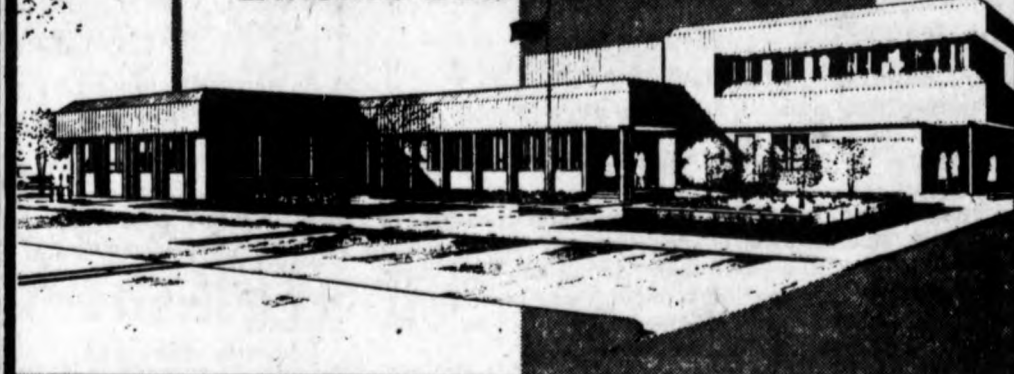
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Obituaries

Robert Martens

Robert Martens of 8985 Francis Rd., DeWitt, passed away Friday, March 2, 1979 at age 85.

He was born in Clinton County on July 11, 1893 to Charles and Minnie (Krumm). He married Myrtle Ward on Sept. 20, 1952 in St. Peter Lutheran Church, Riley Township.

He was a member of St. Peter Lutheran church, and also was a retired farmer.

Surviving are his wife, Myrtle; a daughter, Mrs. Martha Argersinger of Lansing; and a son, Lorenz Martens of St. Johns. A son, Maynard Martens, preceded him in death.

Also surviving are three step-sons, Lawrence Ward, Ralph Ward and Ted Ward, all of DeWitt; 11 grandchildren; 28 great grandchildren; and four great great grandchildren.

Funeral services were at 1 p.m. Monday, March 5 at St. Peter Lutheran Church. Burial was in Mt. Rest Cemetery, St. Johns. Pastor Roger Heintz officiated. Funeral arrangements were by the DeWitt Area Chapel.

A farmer all his life, he is survived by four brothers, Edmund, Lawrence and James, all of Pewamo and John O'Connor of Jackson. A brother and two sisters preceded him in death.

He was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. He never married.

Violet Paksi

Funeral services for Mrs. Violet R. Paksi, 61, of 2502 E. Steel Rd., St. Johns who passed away Feb. 26, 1979 at Provincial Hospital in Lansing after a long illness, were held at the Osgood Funeral Home Thursday, March 1, at 2:30 p.m.

Rev. Doug Jones officiated and burial was in Mt. Rest Cemetery.

Mrs. Paksi was born in St. Johns Feb. 15, 1918 to Jesse and Ella Mae (Doty) Welling. She attended St. Johns public schools and graduated from Rodney B. High School in 1938.

She resided all her life in the St. Johns area, having spent the last 30 at the Steel Road address.

She married Joseph Paksi on Nov. 7, 1938 in St. Johns and he survives his wife. Also surviving are five sons, Robert, Richard, Larry, James and David, all of St. Johns; five daughters, Mrs. Ruth Powers of DeWitt, Mrs. Susan Bunge of St. Johns, Mrs. Janet Davis of Lake Charles, La., Mrs. Carol Taylor of DeWitt and Mrs. Nancy Webster of St. Johns.

Also surviving are a brother, Robert Welling of Lansing, and 24 grandchildren.

A diamond is actually a very pure carbon, formed millions of years ago under intense heat and pressure of the earth's liquid magma.

Edith Wollenson

Mrs. Edith Wollenson, 72, of 2214 N. US-27, St. Johns, passed away at age 72 on Feb. 27, 1979 at Clinton Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services were held at the Osgood Funeral Home Thursday, March 1, at 1 p.m. Rev. Nelson Hass officiated and interment was in Mt. Rest Cemetery.

Mrs. Wollenson was born in Michigan Jan. 12, 1907. She resided most of her life in the St. Johns area.

She married Charles Wollenson in Lansing and he survives his wife. Also surviving are two sisters and a brother.

She was a member of the World Wide Church of God.



Toymaker badges earned

Junior Girl Scout Troop 432 of St. Joseph Church earned their toymaker badges by constructing toys for the church nursery and donating their efforts to the nursery coordinator, Terry Rogers (seated in the middle.) Presenting their various toys are

(from left, front row) Deb Smith, Linda Strickland and Monica Robertson; (back row) Chris Thompson, Bonnie Parsons, Michelle Erhardt, Angie Rademacher and Lori Strickland. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

Woman's Club talks issues with legislators

By Dorothy Welsh

St. Johns

Ten members of the St. Johns Woman's Club met Feb. 21 at the Lansing Hospitality Inn with other woman's clubs from around the state. Discussed were current problems facing legislators.

Keynote speaker was Representative Bobby Crim, Speaker of the House. St. Johns members were invited

to visit the legislature and take positions on issues.

A panel discussion on taxation and the Headlee Amendment was highlighted. This was presented by Representative Virgil Smith, vice chairman of the Taxation Committee, and Representative Gary Vanek, member of the Taxation Committee.

The legislators said voters had been given a very simple explanation of the Headlee plan, but it is actually very complicated. Representative Crim predicted it would be three or four years before its meaning would be clarified. Representative Matthew McNeilly discussed no-fault insurance and redlining. He invited the women to contact him with questions of relations with insurance companies on claims.

Both Majority Floor Leader, Joe Forbes, and

Frank Garrison, U.A.W. lobbyist, talked on lobbyists and lobby reform.

Representative Forbes said, "Lobbyists are necessary as a source of information to legislators. Garrison said, "Lobbyists prefer to call themselves legislative representatives."

After lunch the final speaker was Representative Thomas Anderson, chairman of the Conservation, Environment and Recreation Committee. He discussed five alternatives to fossil fuels. He predicted high rises in cost of present fuels in use.

The theme of the day was, "Be informed--be involved--be influential."

The St. Johns club is a member of the State Federation and of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

Fergus O'Connor

Funeral services for Fergus L. O'Connor, 66, of rural route 1, Pewamo, Colony Road, in Lebanon Township were held at St. John the Baptist Church in Hubbardston on Saturday, March 3, 1979 at 11 a.m.

Father Eugene Fox officiated and burial was in St. John the Baptist Cemetery in Hubbardston. A rosary was recited at 3 and 8 p.m. daily at the George Chapel, Fowler.

Mr. O'Connor passed away Feb. 29 at the Ovid Convalescent Manor. He was born in Lebanon Township, Clinton County on Aug. 11, 1912 to Michael and Mary Ann (O'Connell) O'Connor. He resided in the Pewamo area all his life.



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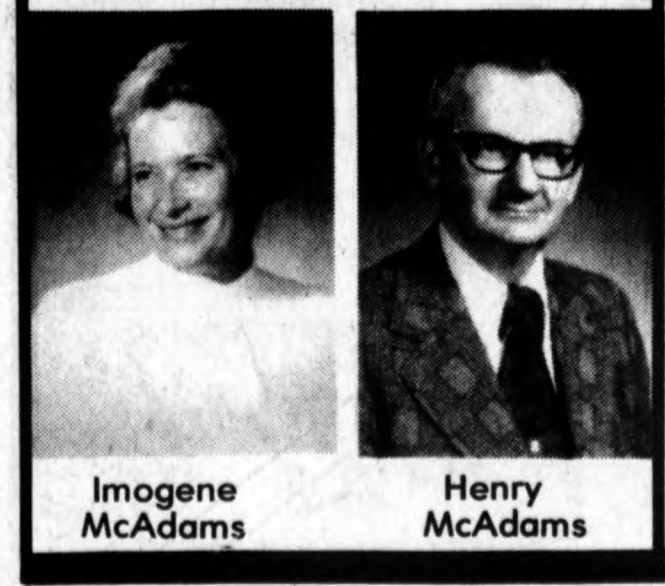
St. Johns Church of Christ
Marriage Enrichment Seminar

The St. Johns Church of Christ will hold a Marriage Enrichment Seminar on Friday and Saturday, March 16 and 17. Henry and Imogene McAdams will be the leaders for this six-hour workshop experience.

Mr. and Mrs. McAdams are qualified for this work through thirty years of successful marriage and thirty years in the preaching-pastoral ministry. They have further prepared themselves for this work through special study in the field of marriage enrichment and through conducting previous seminars.

Mr. McAdams has ministered for the past twelve years at the St. Louis, Michigan Church of Christ. He and Imogene are the parents of three children; a daughter married to a minister, a son just recently graduated from MSU, and a daughter, fifteen, yet at home.

The seminar sessions will be held at 7 o'clock Friday evening and at 1:30 and 7:00 P.M. Saturday. They are open to the public. You may register for this Christian Marriage Enrichment Seminar by phoning 224-6421.



Reaume honored

David Reaume, son of Elwood and Charlotte Reaume of Rt. 1 Island Road, Fowler, was honored at the Michigan State University's College of Agriculture and Natural Resources awards banquet.

Reaume won the Power Equipment Technology Honor Graduate Award. The award is based on academic performance, performance on placement training, promise of future activity in the industry and cooperation with the Institute of Agricultural Technology, as well as the esteem of one's fellow students.

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4-H Spotlight

By Diane Otton
4-H Youth Program assistant

IT'S THE KIDS THAT DO IT

It's the kids that do it for Marbeth Hynes of St. Johns. And true it is, Marbeth utilizes her artistic ability and imagination in helping the kids do it in cake decorating.

Marbeth and her husband, Lyle, live at R#1, St. Johns in Essex Township. On their 80-acre farm, Lyle produces primarily cash crops.

The couple has raised four children, one daughter and

three sons. Their daughter, now Judy Paksi, is organizational leader in Fowler Fireballs. Two of Marbeth's sons are living in California and Florida, while one is still living at home. Lyle Hynes is employed by Motor Wheel as a machine operator.

Marbeth became interested in cake decorating about 15 years ago, and taught herself to be a creative and talented lady. Soon it became a lucrative business, and Marbeth found herself making one or two cakes every week for weddings, birthdays, or anniversary celebrations.

Marbeth Hynes has tried her skills at flower arrangement, too. Presently Marbeth utilized wood fiber, silk and dried flowers for her arrangement materials. Marbeth explains that she enjoys the challenge of this craft and does about three arrangements every month.

Marbeth Hynes is a successful business woman and a helpful community leader. It is with her talents, ability, imagination, and willingness to teach others that Marbeth adds to 4-H and Clinton County.

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Jim's Column

By James W. Pelham
County Extension Director

GEAR UP FOR FARMERS' WEEK!

Food production is becoming an increasingly complex issue for the producer and consumer, some insights into which are available during Michigan State University's Farmers' Week, March 19-24.

The 64-year-old event, the only one of its kind in the nation, reflects this issue in its theme, "Food, America's Essential Resource."

The more than 180 educational sessions, coupled with a \$3 million farm implement show and scores of displays and exhibits, feature programs for city

residents, limited acreage producers, gardeners, and commercial farmers.

Topics offered during Farmers' Week include effective use of herbicides, heat conservation in dairy operations, controlling wildlife damage to home and commercial farm crops, and getting into beekeeping.

Others consider current trends in infant and adult nutrition, laws affecting women in agriculture, along with law effects on land and homeowners.

Efficient use of irrigation equipment, learning to care for game birds, poultry, rabbits, dairy goats, the commercial aspects of swine, sheep, and beef are a few more.

Gardeners, landscape en-

thusiasts, and people owning horses will find several programs geared toward their needs. The same availabilities exist for persons having environmental concerns, or those looking for careers in agriculture.

Speakers from throughout the nation will probe controversial issues ranging from applying weed control chemicals to forestlands to better ways to produce food.

Visitors will find informa-

tion ranging from home grown fishworms to human nutrition, health, and disease.

Details of where to park and where each educational session is being held and when, are listed in a free Farmers' Week brochure. It may be obtained by contacting the local Cooperative Extension Service office. For those who wish, write to MSU Bulletin Office, Box 231, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824.

Extension calendar

March 8 Photography Leaders Meeting, 7:30 p.m., extension office.
March 9 Fairboard executive meeting, 5 p.m., extension office.

March 10 Michigan Angus Sale, noon, Judging Pavilion, MSU.
March 10 Michigan Live-

Dairy seminar slated

By Jim Pelham
County Extension Director

Last year's dairy seminar or improving milk quality was so successful that Michigan State University and Michigan's dairy industry cooperatives, including Michigan Milk Producers and McDonald Dairy, have decided to continue with a

similar type seminar on March 16.

An earlier date was originally scheduled, but was in conflict with another important meeting for area dairymen.

The program gets underway at 9:30 a.m. at Smith Hall with coffee and registration and by 9:50 a.m. a discussion will be underway

on present utilization and future markets—a topic of concern to area dairymen as expansion in this county is obvious.

Bill McCarthy of St. Johns representing the Michigan Department of Agriculture, will speak on the interstate milk shippers program. Ron Stebbenson and Henry Ket-

tunen will also be on the program.

In the afternoon there will be programs on cooling milk, reducing energy costs and controlling mastitis.

Lunch and other meeting expenses will be provided by the dairy industry to those who make reservations with the county Cooperative Extension office.

American Agriculture Notes

By Sue Heinlen

A meeting of the Clinton County American Agriculture Movement was held at the home of John and Ginny Jones in St. Johns March 5. There was a fairly large group in attendance.

Discussed were activities taking place in Washington, D.C. Meetings are still taking place daily and we feel that there is progress being made.

The week the hearings were to take place was the week Washington got the big snowfall, and all the hearings were postponed. That seems to have made things run somewhat later than we had anticipated. Now they are working on a sugar bill and will not resume legislative

work on anything for us until that is finished.

It seems that they do believe that there is a problem this year and things still look very favorable for getting something—what we don't know right now.

It really is too bad that we couldn't be getting some good coverage, because there are some real good things going on down there. People have gone out of their way to make things better for the farmers who are staying down there. Last week two hogs and a couple hundred chickens were donated to the farmers; grocers have taken things right off their shelves and given them to the farmers.

Public support has been excellent the whole time the farmers have been there. Farmers have been invited into private homes for meals, showers, and even to stay. It seems that the farmers were pretty important during the recent snow. They took doctors and nurses to their jobs, disc jockeys who were snowed in at the radio stations, and many other. They pulled countless numbers of people out of the snow, and they even delivered one woman to the hospital ready to have a baby.

When blood ran low in Washington the farmers rallied to show their support and gave blood.

The damage done down there is blown way out of proportion, it just isn't like they say it is. Maryland farmers have made an offer to get the mall area straightened out after the farmers move their equipment. The policemen have told the farmers that they wish they could stay there all summer, that some of the groups they have to look forward to are much more destructive than the farmers ever thought of being.

Coming up is a soybean meeting to be held at the Farm Bureau building on March 22. The speaker will be from the Andersons of Maumee, Ohio. It should be a very informative meeting; plan to attend.

Also coming up at Farmers Week are some meetings of interest to farm wives. On Tuesday guest speaker at

one of the meetings will be the new House Agriculture Committee chairman and Helen Milliken. The meeting begins at 10:30 a.m. and there will be a noon luncheon. After dinner the speaker will be Sr. Morrison, who I understand is a terrific speaker. Cost for the luncheon will be \$4.50. The meeting will be in room 102 at the Kellogg Center at MSU.

The next meeting is

tentatively scheduled for the first Monday in April. If something happens before that, a meeting will be announced on WRBJ at 12:25 p.m. The meeting place will be the Jones farm again.

Also at the next meeting, a quarter of beef donated by Peggy and Jan Stevens will be raffled off. Tickets will be available at the next meeting and the drawing will be held on the first Monday in May.

Officers elected

Chapter #88 Blue Star Mothers held a meeting at the Congregational Church with Dorothy Welsh in charge.

State President Francis Eastman of Turk Lake, state parliamentarian Marge Flegel and Vice president Greta Howse were present.

Officers for 1979 were elected. They are Edna Eldred, president; Rose Randolph, vice president,


Alma Boak, recording secretary; Fannie Weir, financial secretary; and Dorothy Steves, treasurer.

The appointed officers are Ruth Barrett, chaplain; Jean Primm, historian, and Dorothy Welsh, patriotic instructor.

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March 13 Federal Land Bank annual meeting, Long's Convention Center
March 15 Hunter safety class, 7 p.m., Central National Bank
March 15 Production Credit Association annual meeting, Long's Convention Center
March 16 Dairy Seminar at Smith Hall 9:30 a.m.—3 p.m., sponsored by MSU and Michigan Dairy Cooperatives
March 17 4-H photography evaluations, Smith Hall
March 19 4-H Council meeting, 8 p.m., C. Conklin's
March 19-23 Farmers week at MSU
March 21 Horse Workshop, 7 p.m., Smith Hall
March 21 M.A.E.H. program, "Food Co-ops", 1 p.m., Central National Bank
March 22 Citizenship shortcourse, 7:30 p.m., extension office
March 22 Teen leader workshop, 7 p.m., Smith Hall

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Child's therapy turns work to play

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

Clinton County

Occupational therapy is not just for adults. Ted King, therapist for Clinton County Intermediate School District, works with 87 children with special learning problems and says he could work with 87 more if he had the time.

King finds there is a correlation between children who do not learn well and those who have a hard time functioning simple motor skills such as balancing.

"If a child can't cope with standing on one foot, how can he cope with pencil and paper activities," King questions.

He added most people can tune out certain background noises such as a heater turning on and off in a room. To some children the noise is deafening, making it impossible for them to concentrate on anything but the heater. If a child has an eye-hand coordination problem he will have a reading problem because he can not follow the printed word across the page.

"This is basically a new field for schools," King said. Through working with children in the district, King finds male students need more help. Universally they develop much more slowly both physically and mentally.

King evaluates and defines each student's problem. After the problem is identified, he develops a directed activity to correct the problem.

"A child's main occupation is play," King said. "I don't play with them I take a play activity and direct it to the problem the child has."

To develop coordination he will have the child perform several activities at the same time. This might mean swinging from a pulley while attempting to toss a bean bag into a plastic container.

"You take their mind off what they are working on," he said. "They shouldn't have to think about tying their shoes...it should be secondary."

He further explained some children are constantly worrying about falling. If they try to go down a flight of stairs they clutch the guard rail. Through working with these children he hopes to not only overcome their motor skill problems but also see an improvement in their regular school work.

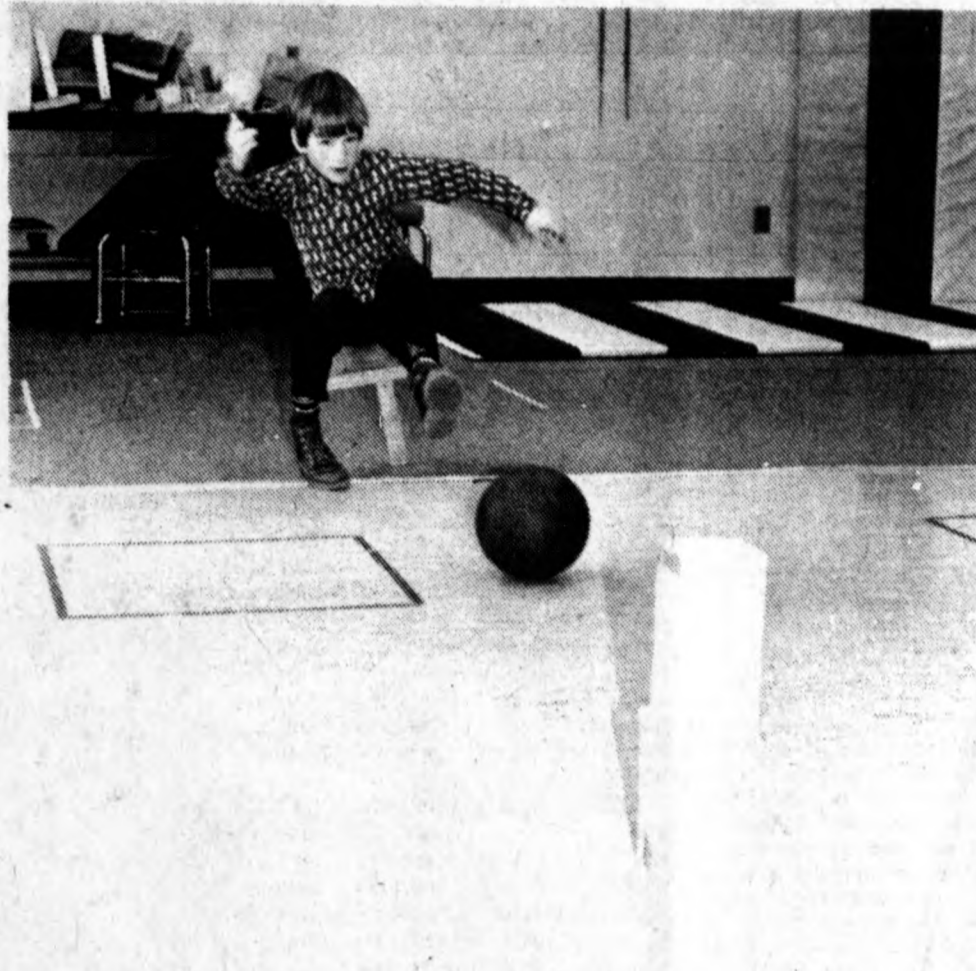
To do a good job King feels he should visit a classroom twice a week. Because he only has a part-time person helping him, he finds this very difficult to accomplish. Therefore once a week he visits classrooms in the six schools conducting group activities.

He does these activities when the teacher is in the room. She can conduct these exercises also and can see improvement in the child more readily.

To cut costs King makes his own equipment. He has built a ramp, walking blocks, swings, and designed several games for pennies compared to what it would cost commercially.

"We've got to get the parents involved too," King said. "If more is done with the child at home, he should accomplish more in school."

For the next four Wednesdays King will be conducting classes for parents. The parents will be taught how to make equipment and learn exercises to help the children at home.



Darrin has therapy with King twice a week and looks forward to the visits. (Photo by Sue Kiley)



Darrin Stump, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Stump, shows therapist Ted King he can get the bean bag in the plastic pan with no help at all.

P-W sophomores selling magazines

By Paul Miller

In order to raise money to meet expenses for the upcoming year, the sophomore class is now active in a magazine selling program that will run until March 12.

The class held a meeting in the cafeteria on Feb. 22 to set their goal for \$5,000. Students will receive prizes based on the amount of subscriptions they sell.

The senior class ordered graduation announcements the week of Feb. 5 and are hoping to receive them in early May.

8 & 40 plans for Spring Pouvoir

Clinton County Salon 581 met at the home of Jean Mary Bartholomew Tuesday evening, Feb. 27 for the regular monthly meeting with eight members and two guests present.

Ann Walker, Chapeaux, conducted the meeting. Special guests, Kaye Mishler who is Departmental Chapeaux and Pauline Seidel, departmental secretaire,

were introduced by Mrs. Walker. They each gave a talk and partner Kaye presented each member present with a pen.

Spring Pouvoir, which is to be held in Greenville on Saturday, March 31, was discussed and tentative plans were made for members to attend.

The next meeting will be at the home of Ginger Bacon on March 27.

Clinic slated

Family planning clinics will be held every Tuesday afternoon in March from 12 noon to 5 p.m. at the Clinton County branch office of the Mid-Michigan District Health Department.

A late afternoon clinic is scheduled for March 27 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Clinics are held at the health department in the Clinton County Service Center, 306 Elm St., St. Johns.

Clinic services offered include annual medical exams, V.D. screening and treatment, premarital exams with blood tests, and various contraceptive supplies. In addition, pregnancy tests are offered daily on a "walk in" basis at the health department.

A white-winged guan, a bird thought extinct for 100 years, was spotted last year in Peru, says National Geographic World Magazine. Since then scientists have found several in a wilderness region.

PROPOSED FLOOD ELEVATION DETERMINATIONS FOR THE CITY OF DEWITT, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN

AGENCY: Federal Insurance Administration, HUD
ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: Technical information or comments are solicited on the proposed base (100-year) flood elevations listed below for selected locations in the City of DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan.

These base (100-year) flood elevations are the basis for the flood plain management measures that the community is required to adopt or show evidence of being already in effect in order to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

DATES: The period for comment will be, ninety (90) days following the second publication of this proposed rule in a newspaper of local circulation in the above-named community.

ADDRESSES: Maps and other information showing the detailed outlines of the flood-prone areas and the proposed base (100-year) flood elevations are available for review at the City Hall, DeWitt, Michigan.

Send comments to:
The Honorable William E. Drouin
Mayor, City of DeWitt
414 East Main Street
DeWitt, Michigan 48820

Attention: James R. Spaulding, City Administrator

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mr. Richard Krimm, Assistant Administrator
Office of Flood Insurance
(202) 755-5581 or Toll Free Line (800) 424-8872
Room 5270
451 Seventh Street, SW,
Washington, D.C. 20410

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Federal Insurance Administrator gives notice of the proposed determinations of base (100-year) flood elevations for the City of DeWitt, in accordance with section 110 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (Pub. L. 93-234), 87 Stat. 980, which added section 1363 to the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (Pub. L. 90-448), 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 24 CFR Part 1917.4 (a)).

These elevations, together with the flood plain management measures required by section 1910.3 of the program regulations, are the minimum that are required. They should not be construed to mean the community must change any existing ordinances that are more stringent in their flood plain management requirements. The community may at any time enact stricter requirements on its own, or pursuant to policies established by other Federal, State or regional entities. These proposed elevations will also be used to calculate the appropriate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings and their contents and for the second layer of insurance on existing buildings and their contents.

The proposed base year— flood elevations for selected locations are:

Source of flooding	Elevation in Feet (National Geodetic Vertical Datum)
Southwestern corporate limit	795
Just downstream of Schavey road	796
Approximately 1450 feet downstream Bridge Street	799
Upstream corporate limit	801

(National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (Title XIII of Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968), effective January 28, 1969 (33 FR 17804, November 28, 1968), as amended; 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128; and the Secretary's delegation of authority to Federal Insurance Administrator, 43 FR 7719. In accordance with section 7 (o) (4) of the Department of HUD Act, Section 324 of the Housing and Community Amendments of 1978, P.L. 95-557, 92 Stat. 2080, this rule has been granted waiver of Congressional review requirements in order to permit it to take effect on the date indicated.

Gloria M. Jimenez
Federal Insurance Administrator

GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP

Greenbush Township landfill will not be open until April 7 and 21 due to weather conditions.

Betty Pettigrew Township Clerk

RILEY TOWNSHIP

The Budget and Federal Sharing will be discussed at a meeting at the Township Hall, Thursday,

March 15, 1979 at 1:00 p.m.

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St. Johns City Commission Minutes Special Meeting Jan. 29, 1979

The Special Meeting was called to order by Mayor Arehart at 7:18 p.m.

COMM. PRESENT: Arehart, Starck, Roegner, Brockmyre
COMM. ABSENT: Hannah (excused)
STAFF PRESENT: Randy L. Humphrey, City Manager, Richard L. Coletta, Acting City Clerk, Paul A. Naples, City Atty.

Loren Perry Sewer Problem
Loren Perry of 1013 Church St. was present to complain about the expense of replacing his sanitary sewer.
The Comm. discussed the sewer and said that they didn't feel the City should be held responsible for a sewer that was improperly installed 15 years ago. The Comm. said they had previously told Mr. Perry they wouldn't charge him the City's full tap in fee or make him pay the full amount for replacing the City side-walk, but that the City was in no way responsible for his sanitary sewer and would not pay all or any part of the expense of replacing it.

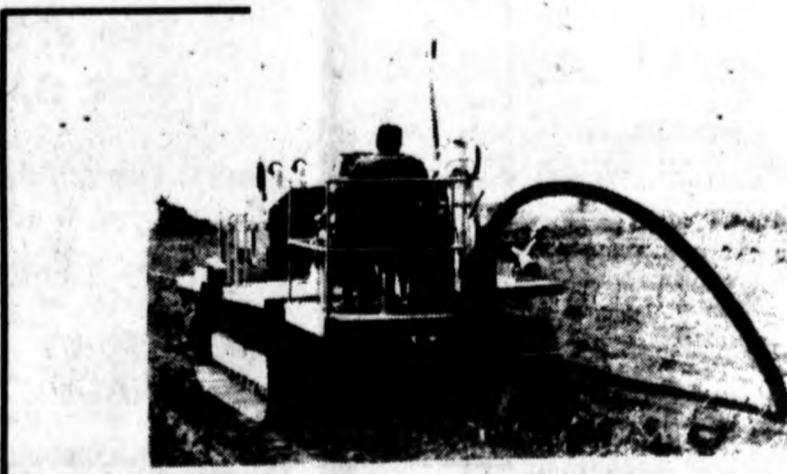
Interviews
Richard L. Coletta and Diane Edwards were present and were interviewed for the positions of City Clerk and City Assessor.
Mayor Arehart adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m.

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Clinton County Sports B

Pirates down Olivet to win league crown

By Tom Nowak
Sports Writer

Pewamo

After coming close before, the Pewamo-Westphalia basketball finally made it to the top Friday night—and the P-W fans didn't take it in a subdued fashion. P-W won its first Central Michigan Athletic Conference basketball title in the school's history with a 56-50 win over Olivet, and as good as the game was the victory celebration was almost better.

At least the packed house seemed to think so, as the cutting of the nets, the victory dance of Warren Hengesbach and the ride of coach Joe Ghiardi on the shoulders of his players drew the same ear-splitting roar that P-W's fourth quarter spurt had.

And the fun went on long after that—clusters of girls were letting spontaneous

shrieks 20 minutes after the players had left the floor, while the avenues of downtown Westphalia were treated to a rare traffic jam as motorists spread the word of the victory.

The win was an appropriate one for the Pirates. While Olivet, with high-scoring Randy Morrison, and Fulton, with its tremendous offense, drew most of the attention in the CMAC, P-W kept on winning with its unsensational yet extremely effective defense. Friday was no exception.

Morrison scored 25 points, but could only hit for eight points in the second half. His 25 points were still far below his season's average. Only one other Eagle, Steve Byrens, was in double figures.

Not only did Olivet have trouble scoring, the Eagles had trouble shooting. They only got off 39 shots the whole game, what

would normally be a half's work for them.

"They played good defense and we played good defense," Ghiardi said. "It was not a real well-played game by either team. There's a lot of pressure playing for the league championship, and there's more pressure in front of all those people."

The P-W gym was filled at 6:05, 20 minutes after the doors opened, and fans were being turned away up until game time.

The pressure seemed to bother Olivet more in the early going. The Eagles didn't score until three minutes into the game, and P-W took a seven-point lead at the end of the first period as Tim Spencer completed a three-point play after time ran out.

Olivet dominated the second period, tying the score at 26-26 with 2:41 to play. P-W only scored one free throw the rest of

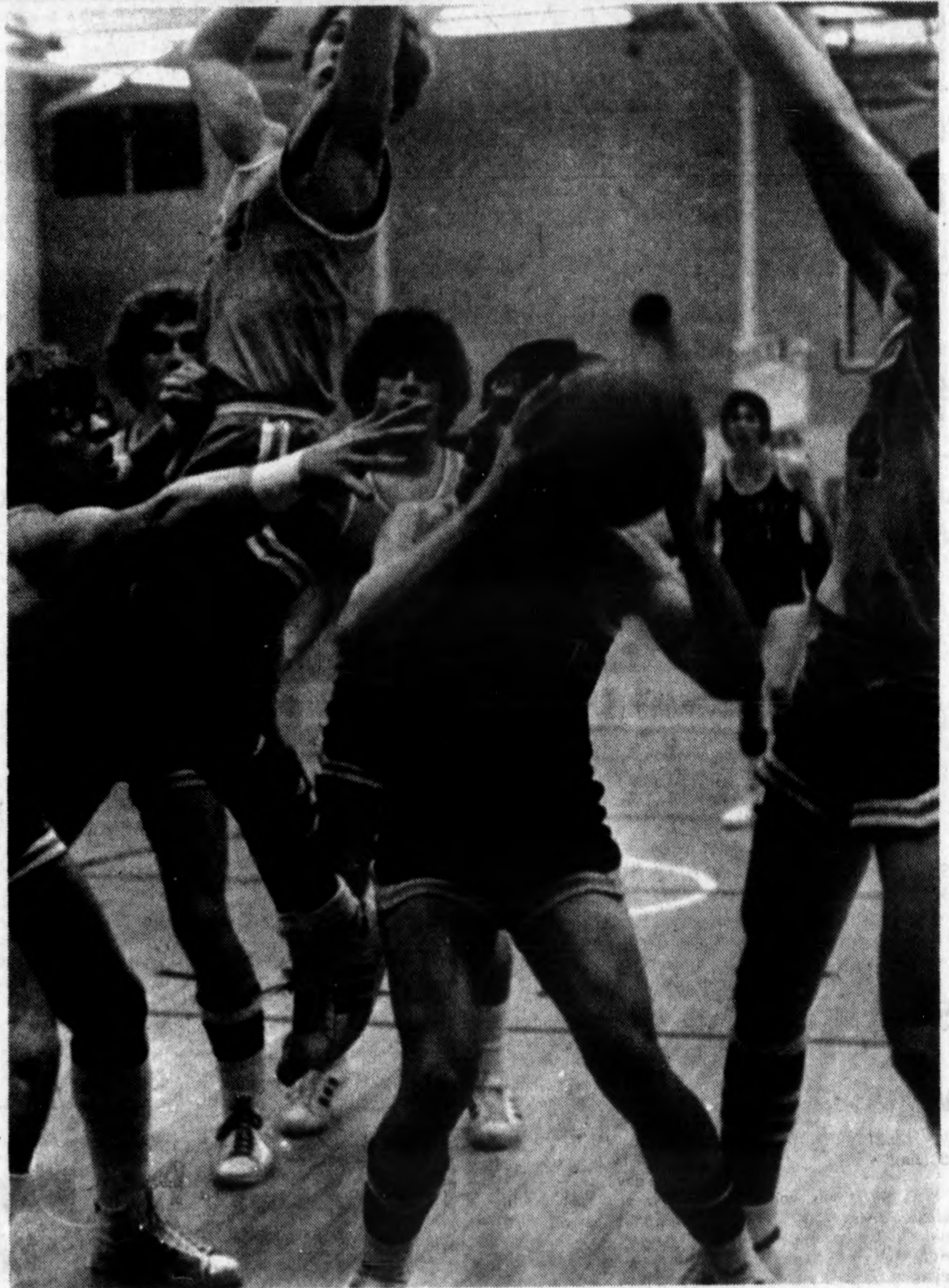
the half, but Olivet missed several chances to take the lead and the Pirates carried a 27-26 lead into the locker room.

Sparked by the good outside shooting by Daryl Fedewa, the Pirates again took a seven-point lead halfway through the third quarter. Olivet rallied in the final minutes, however, and closed the gap to one point by the buzzer.

Olivet continued to move, however, and with 6:37 to play Byrens hit two free throws to give the Eagles their first lead, 44-43. Dan Miller returned with a score for P-W, giving the Pirates a lead they never gave up.

Free throws by Hengesbach and a basket by Mike Belen gave P-W a seven-point lead with two minutes to go, and the P-W crowd was so loud the Olivet cheerleaders were plugging their ears.

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Trapped

Olivet's Steve Byrens has no place to go. P-W's Tim Spencer has him covered on the right, Doug Schafer has him from the top, Dan Miller is closing from behind and Warren

Hengesbach is on the left. Byrens broke into double figures, but P-W won the game and the CMAC title, 56-50. (Photo by Tom Nowak)

Girl gymnasts go out with wins

St. Johns

The Redwings girls' gymnastics team capped its finest season ever with two wins last week, putting St. Johns' final record 10-1.

St. Johns defeated Perry on Feb. 27, 80.35-65.55, and Thursday defeated Grand Ledge, 88.05-74.4.

The Redwings took every first place against Perry, and

Denise Cerny took at least a share of three of them.

The Redwing senior won the vault with 7.5, while Sharon Law was third with 7.1. Denise took the floor exercise with 7.25, the only Redwing to place in that event, and she tied her sister Darlene for first on the balance beam with 7.0 Law was third with 6.6.

Darlene won the uneven bars with 6.9, while Denise was second with 6.65 and Dawn Bakita third with 5.5.

The Redwings took 11 of the top 12 places against Grand Ledge, with Denise taking three first places. She took the vault with 7.7, Darlene was next with 7.5 and Diana Ward of Grand

Ledge third at 6.9.

Denise took the balance beam with 7.45, Darlene was second with 7.35 and Law had 6.85. The Redwing senior also took the floor exercise, scoring 7.55. Darlene had 7.25 and Dawn Bakita 7.1.

Darlene took the other first winning the uneven bars with 7.9. Denise was next with 7.65 and Cindy Steavens third with 6.9.

The Redwings will now travel to Freeland on Saturday for regional competition. While individuals have competed in the past, this is the first year St. Johns has qualified as a team.

St Johns sluggish in loss to Lancers

Midland

St. Johns didn't have the kind of game it wanted to take into the tournaments as the Redwings dropped their regular season finale to Bullock Creek on Friday,

77-60.

"It was a real poor ball game," coach Bob Tissot said. "We never got rolling, we never really played hard. And when we don't play hard we don't win."

"We're not tall but we have some kids that hustle. But not Friday night. And when you're small and don't hustle, you don't have much going for you."

St. Johns was within striking distance at the half, trailing 39-32, but the Lan-

cers stretched their lead to 17 points by the end of the third quarter and the Redwings never came close.

"We've been in three straight games where we played really hard and were right there at the end and came up empty," Tissot said. "Friday we saw a team that wasn't quite as good as the teams we've played lately and we were not ready to play. We weren't enthused about the game."

Tissot said he was pleased with the second team in the third quarter, which came off the bench to cut the Bullock Creek lead by four points.

The Redwing statistics indicated the kind of night they had. St. Johns was only

23 of 62 for 37 percent from the field and Jim Dedyne was the only scorer in double figures with 13 points. Tod Ballinger had nine, Garth Banninga and Mike Stafford

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Marauders go unbeaten

By Tom Nowak
Sports Writer

Elsie

The Ovid-Elsie basketball team got one tremendous accomplishment out of the way Saturday night—but more challenges lie ahead.

The Marauders completed their first undefeated basketball season in history by downing Bay City All Saints, 57-55. The night before O-E overcame a slowdown by Swan Valley to win the MMB game, 42-37. O-E finished at 20-0 for the regular season and 14-0 in the league.

Now the second-ranked Marauders have other firsts in mind—a regional victory, for starters, and further down the line, a state championship. But before that they have to get through a district that includes three teams they have already beaten twice.

However, one of those teams, St. Johns, gave O-E all it wanted two weeks ago before the Marauders pulled out an eight-point win. And the other team in the district, Durand, carries a 13-6 record. Further the Railroaders were upset by Ovid-Elsie in last year's district and probably haven't forgotten that. Clearly, O-E would be wise not to look too far ahead.

But looking back a few days, the win over All Saints was a memorable one and would have been even if it hadn't been the grand finale of O-E's season. O-E held the lead most of the game, though never a large one. Ed Kaminski started the game with a three-point play—one of four he had in the first half. But while O-E was able to score under the baskets, Randy Morse

of the Cougars was torrid from the outside. His long-range shooting enabled Bay City to stay even with O-E, 16-16 after a period.

All Saints made a move in the middle of the second quarter, taking a 27-23 lead with 3:43 to go. But O-E tied it in a hurry. Bowles hit a foul shot, missed the second but Kaminski rebounded, scored and was fouled. The 6-8 senior completed the three-point play and tied the game.

Kaminski soon struck again. After a steal under the O-E basket, he drove the length of the court scored on a layup and was fouled again. Again he hit the free throw and O-E appeared about to make a move.

It didn't. O-E only scored one free throw in the last two minutes of the half and took a 32-31 lead into the locker room.

The Marauders went up by as much as four points in the second half, but with 2:31 to go the score was tied and All Saints had the ball. The cougars ran the clock down to 1:10, but Bowles knocked the ball loose and Kaminski picked it up. Seconds later Kaminski scored, giving O-E a 55-53 lead.

All Saints got the ball back, however, and with 15 seconds to go Morse hit from the corner to tie the game. But O-E got the ball down court, found Kaminski open under the basket and the senior dropped the ball through from 10 feet to give O-E the win.

Kaminski put on a show for the packed house, scoring 31 points and taking 17 rebounds. Bowles was in double figures with 10, while Mike Hudecek had

seven rebounds. Dirk Besko and Rod VanDeusen had four assists.

Craig Golsin led All Saints with 22 points and Morse had 12.

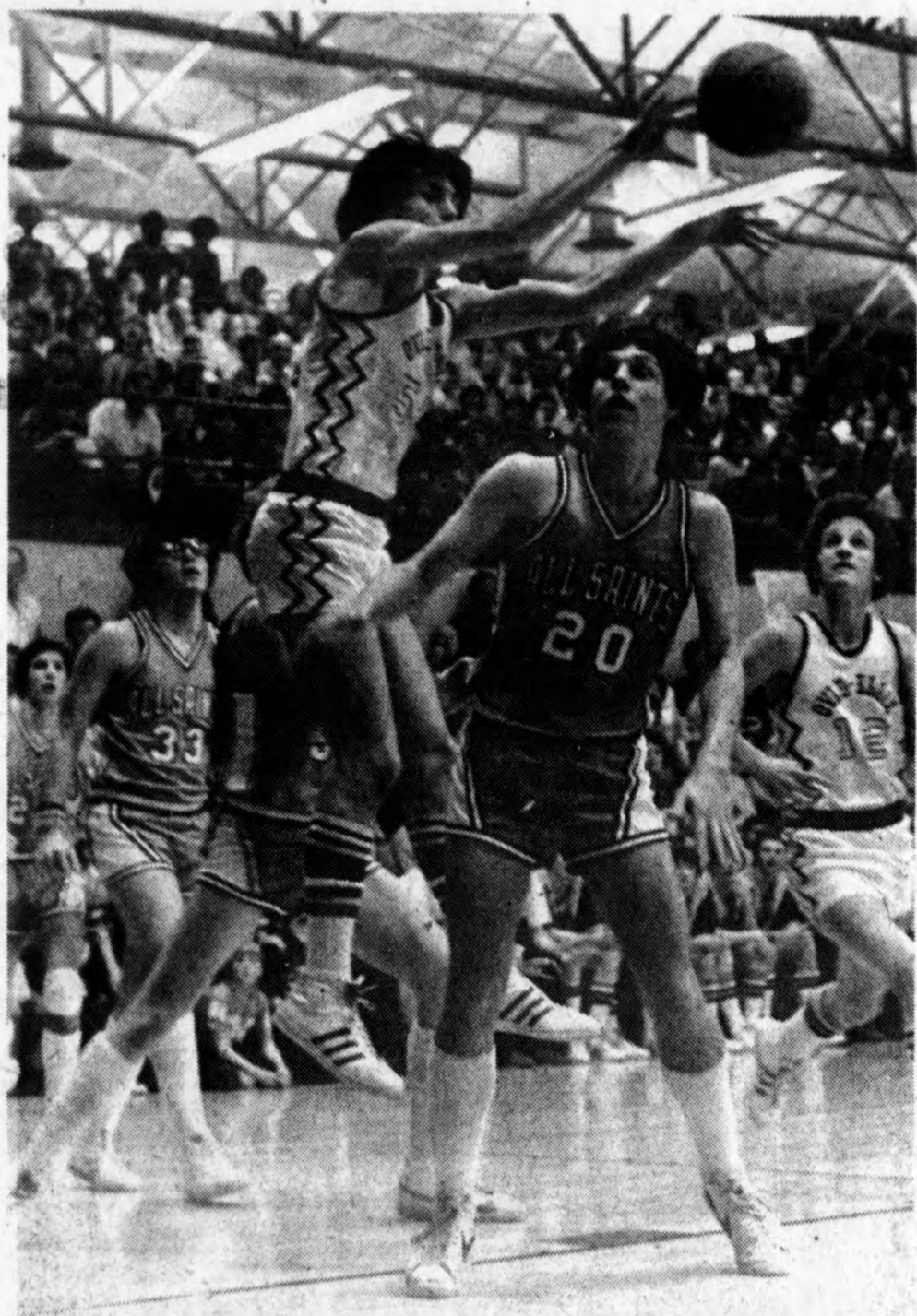
All Saints, now 13-7, has faced a lot of good teams this season, but coach Lefty Franz was most impressed by O-E. "That's the best ball game we've played all year," he said. "We've

played a lot of good teams—(Saginaw Sts.) Peter and Paul, Reed City, Carrollton—but this is the best team we've seen."

The Swan Valley game lacked the excitement of the All Saints game, but it was a win anyway. Sophomore Mark Carter had a good game with 12 points and 10 rebounds. Kaminski had 12 points and 11 rebounds while Hudecek took

six rebounds. Besko and Bowles each had four assists.

O-E met Chesaning last night in the first round of the district. If the Marauders did the expected they will meet Chesaning Thursday at 7:30. The winner of that game will meet the winner of the St. Johns-Durand game at 7:30 Saturday in the finals. All games are at O-E.



Feeding off

Ed Kaminski can shoot—he scored 31 points against Bay City All Saints Saturday—but he can also pass. Here he avoids Bay City's Joe Kazmierski and drops the ball off to a teammate. (Photo by Tom Nowak)

Fulton handles Fowler

Middleton

Last week's Central Michigan Athletic Conference action left Fulton eager for the tournament to start, while the Fowler squad had some problems it had to solve in a hurry before last night's game with Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart.

The Fulton full-court press forced 22 Eagle turnovers in the first half and enabled the Pirates to cruise to an easy 97-68 victory Friday night.

"We just harassed them," Fulton coach Kim Lathwell said. "They just couldn't handle the press—they had 13 turnovers in the second quarter alone."

That second quarter was the downfall of Fowler. The Eagles trailed by eight points going into the period, but the Pirates outscored Fowler 36-21 to take a 56-33 halftime lead.

Not only did Fulton play well on the press, its offense was as error-free as it is likely to get. The Pirates had seven turn-

overs the entire game. "The way we push the ball," Lathwell said, "we usually get more turnovers than that."

Fulton had balanced scoring and rebounding. Gary Moore and Daryl Trefil led with 17 points, while Jeff Cooper had 16, Jeff Stephens 14 and Jim Slavik 10. Neil Hufnagel had 14 for Fowler, while Mark Schrauben had 13 and Doug Koenigskecht had 13.

Cooper and Brad Winsor had six rebounds, while Slavik, Trefil and Tim Johnson had five. Trefil had five assists while Moore and Stephens had five steals.

"We were super pumped up because of our loss at Fowler," Lathwell said. "But it was a sort of bitter-sweet win. It was nice to win, but we didn't do it down there. If we had, we'd been in first place in the league. But it's still a nice game to take into the tournament."

Fulton had an other easy time on Feb. 27, running away from Portland St. Patrick 80-48. Dan Blemaster

led with 13 points, Mark Skaryd had 12 and Moore 10. The Pirates jumped out to a 26-6 first-quarter lead and were never challenged.

The Pirates finished the regular season 15-4, 11-3 in the league, tied for second with Olivet. Fowler was 8-6 in the league, for fourth place 10-7 overall.

Last night Fulton met Ithaca and Fowler played Sacred Heart in the districts. If Fulton repeated its romp over Ithaca early in the season, the Pirates will meet Central Mont-calm Thursday night at Ithaca.

"Our scouts were impressed by Central Mont-calm," Lathwell said. "They've got a big team—though everybody's bigger than us—that goes about 6-2 across the front. They have five good ballplayers."

If Fowler got by Sacred Heart, the Eagles will meet the winner of tonight's Vestaburg-Ashley game. The finals will be at Vestaburg High School at 7:30 Friday.

St Johns girls win 3 matches

Belding

The St. Johns volleyball team appears to have broken out of its slump just at the right time, advancing to the district finals Saturday before losing.

St. Johns defeated Caledonia in the opening round of the tournament, 15-6, 16-6, then beat Lakewood in the semifinals, 15-8, 15-12.

In the finals St. Johns lost to Hastings, last year's regional champion, 16-14, 15-4.

Sally Buggs led the Red-

wings with 29 service points for the day.

"We really played super volleyball," coach Beth Swears said. "We finally played the way we should have all season."

St. Johns split its league matches last week, defeating Chesaning but losing to Alma.

The Redwings, 4-7 in the conference going into last Monday's match with Ovid-Elsie, meet Bullock Creek tonight at Midland in the last match of the season.

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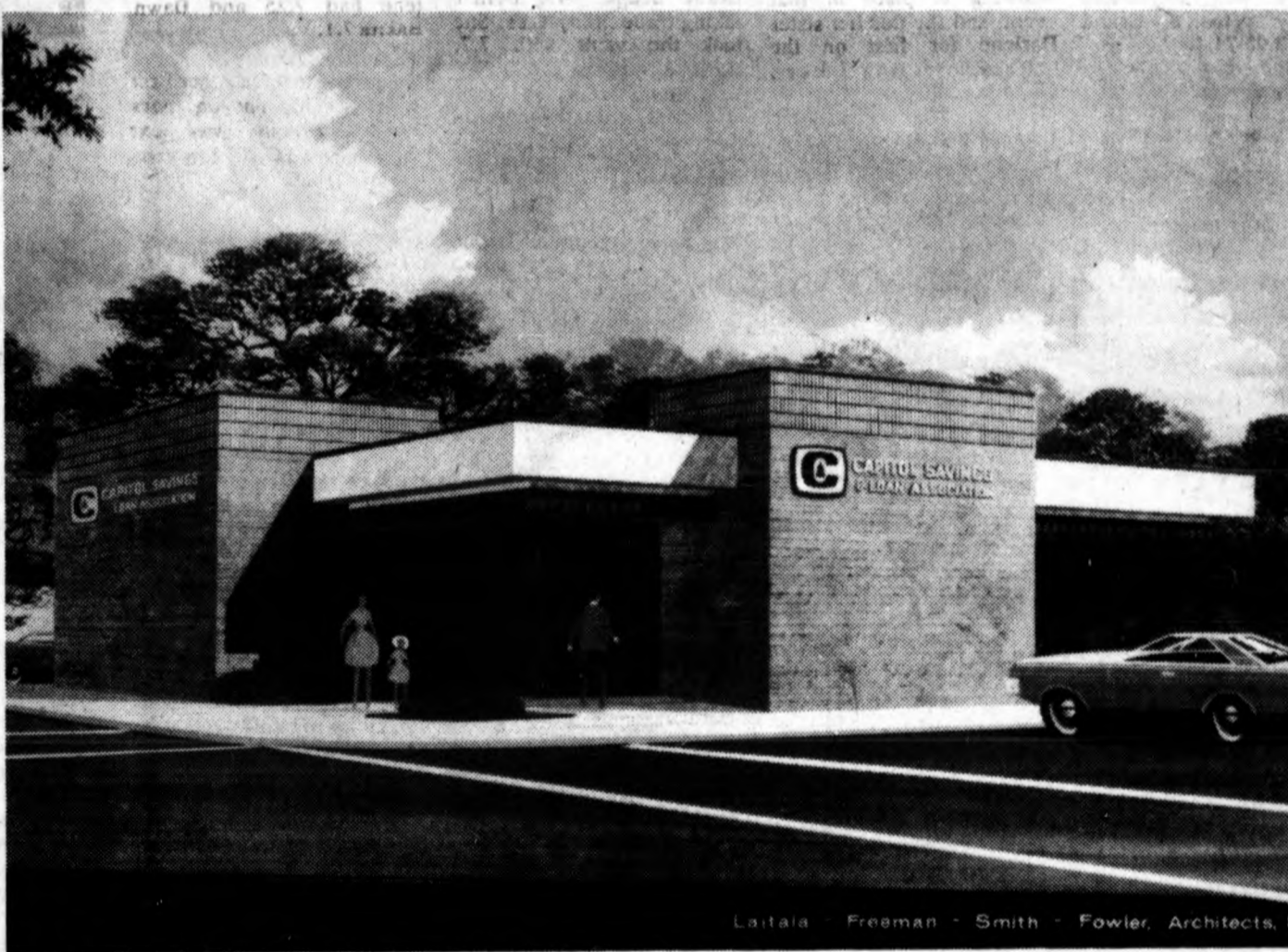
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Swimmers defeat Okemos

St] Johns
The St. Johns swimming team is pointing to the conference and state meets after capping its dual season with a win over powerful Okemos.

The Redwings beat the Chieftains 94-78 Wednesday for the 11th win of the season against one loss.

St. Johns had come off three straight easy victories over Mason, Chesaning and Swan Valley, but

was certainly ready for the competition put up by Okemos, traditionally one of the state's Class B powers.

"We really worked that meet," Coach Jim Makaruskas said. "Okemos is having what's an off-year for them, but they're still ranked as one of the best in the area."

The Redwings won 10 of 11 events and set five school records. Two of the record-setting performances

belonged to sophomore Kirk Goins, who won the 200-yard freestyle in 1:51.7 and the 500-yard freestyle in 5:04.2. He broke his own record in each event.

Rod Lounds won the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:13.6, a school and Okemos pool record. Tim Grost set a St. Johns record with his winning time of 59.9 in the backstroke, and Steve Baxter's time in the 50-yard freestyle was 23.6, also a St. Johns mark.

Baxter was a double winner, taking the 100-free-style. Scott Davison scored 199 points to win the diving and St. Johns won the medley relay and the 400-yard freestyle relay.

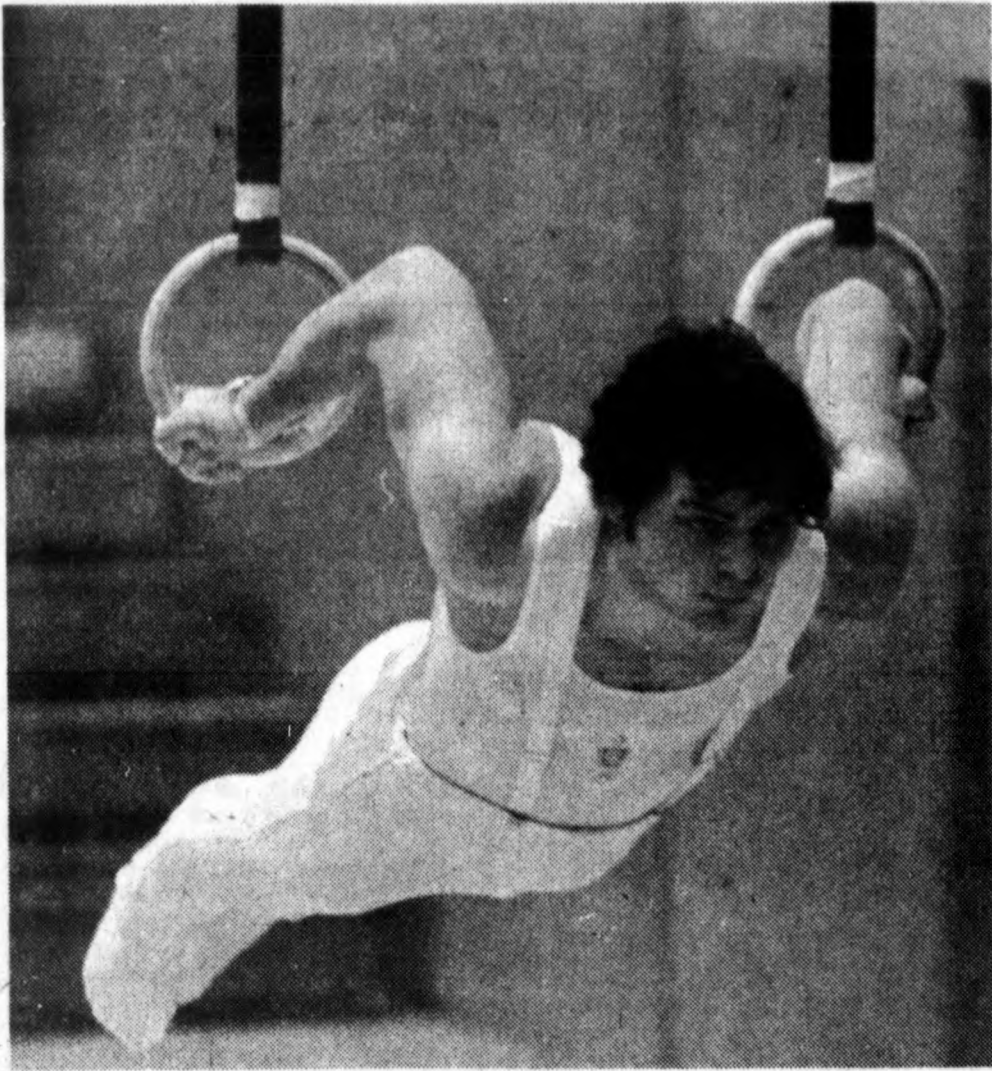
Rick Mee, Lounds, Scott Ward and Al Nelson swam the medley relay, while Eugene Pierce, Ben Manning, Goins and Baxter swam the freestyle.

St. Johns, swimming its toughest schedule ever, finished with its best record ever. And if it hadn't been

for a bad night against Holt, the Redwings could have finished unbeaten.

"We were really down for that meet," Makaruskas said. "I really think we're better than Holt. I feel safe in saying we're the best Class B team in the area."

The Redwings will have a chance to prove they're the best club in the Mid-Michigan B conference this weekend when they host the league meet Friday and Saturday.



Strength with grace

If you think gymnastics doesn't require strength as well as grace, imagine holding yourself in the position. St. Johns' Bruce Szarka can, and his performance on the still rings gave him fifth place in the league meet Saturday. (Photo by Tom Nowak)

Boys' gym team wins title

St. Johns

The St. Johns boys' gymnastic team won its second straight Mid-Michigan Gymnastic League title by sweeping the league meet Saturday.

St. Johns had 138.50 points and East Lansing was second with 125.38. Ionia, Harper Woods Notre Dame, Grand Blanc and Hillsdale followed.

The win, combined with St. Johns unblemished dual

Mark, gave the Redwings the overall team title.

Also senior Bart Acino claimed the individual title in all six events and the all-around. Acino and the rest of the Redwings are now gearing for the state meet on March 16 and 17. The Redwings, currently ranked second in the state, will be shooting for the

team title while Acino is the heavy favorite to take the individual title.

St. Johns placed at least two men in the top six of every event.

Floor exercise: Acino, first place, 8.9; Dan Halstead, fifth place, 7.9; Lance Gardner, sixth place, 7.75.

Pommel horse: Acino,

first place, 6.65; Todd Warner, fifth place, 4.55.

Still rings: Acino, first place, 8.5; Mike Brockmyre, third place, 7.65; Bruce Szarka, fifth place, 5.9.

Long-horse vault: Acino, first place, 9.05; Dan Seperic, second place, 8.75; Gardner, fifth place, 8.55.

Parallel bars: Acino,

first place, 8.75; Jeff Rice, third place, 7.65; Brockmyre, fourth place, 7.35.

Horizontal bar: Acino, first place, 8.05; Kurt Stork, third place, 5.85; Gardner, fourth place, 5.65.

All-around: Acino, first place, 49.80; Brockmyre, third place, 36.70.

O-E places 4 at state meet

Mt Pleasant

Ovid-Elsie wrestlers won three places and finished in 10th place overall at the state meet held at Central Michigan University last weekend.

Dave Toth and Rick Bancroft won fourth place for the Marauders while Richard Ackles placed fifth.

Mt. Pleasant won the team championship with 77 points. Holt was second with 63½ and Durand

next with 54½. Other area schools in the top 10 were Charlotte, fourth place, and Chesaning, seventh place. O-E had 36 points, tied with East Grand Rapids and Sturgis. O-E was rated 15th in the last Class B coaches poll.

Toth, wrestling at 112 pounds, opened with a 5-3 decision over Eugene Wzquiedo of Novi. He defeated Burt Partello of Grayling, 3-0, then lost

to Troy Pentecost of Holt, 8-7, in the semifinals. Pentecost went on to win the title.

Toth came back to beat Rany Levitt of Gull Lake with a pin in 4:59, then lost to Brian Kilinski of Riverview in the consolation finals, 8-1.

Bancroft, 132 pounds, decisioned Jim Hanes of Forest Hills Central, 11-0. He lost to Bernie Holmes of Mason 10-2, then won in the consolation bracket over Ray Runge of Lake-

shore, 11-1.

He defeated Dan Gonzales of Bay City John Glenn, 4-2, beat Larry Siris of Southgate Schafer, 3-2, then lost to Louis Cares of East Grand Rapids, 4-2.

Ackles opened by taking two decisions, 2-1 over Steve Whittemore of Mason and 5-1 over Jack Girmo of Monroe Catholic Central. He then lost to John Murphy of Lakeshore, 3-0, and to Greg Rehmann of Chesaning 3-1.

Saginaw

Ovid-Elsie's volleyball team saved its best play of the season for tournaments, winning a pair before losing in the district semifinals.

The Marauder defeated Hemlock in a pre-district game on Thursday, 15-11, 13-15, 15-9, and handled Caro in the opening round district game, 15-4, 15-6.

O-E then played its best match of the season against once-beaten Saginaw Eisenhower but still fell, 15-5, 14-16, 15-8.

Eisenhower had dropped only one match all season, to Class A power Bridgeport, but reportedly did not lose another game all year. But not only did O-E take one game, the other two were closer than the score indicates.

"We played out of our minds," coach Gina Mazzolini said. "I think we played the best we were capable of playing. We peaked at the right time for the tournaments."

"We were disappointed to lose, but we realized we played really well, especially considering how much talent they had. We didn't have their talent but we outplayed them."

She said Eisenhower had a strong spiking team but the O-E front line, led by Eldina Marriage, either blocked the spikes or intimidated the Eisenhower players, forcing them to hit the ball out of bounds.

Jennifer Litomisky, up from the junior varsity, gave O-E a spark with seven service points while Brenda Francis led the spiking.

Their coach said they hated to take a victory, we played so well," Mazzolini said. "That match should have been the finals because it was so well played."

Against Caro, Lori Webster had nine points serving while Webster, Denise McCue and Brenda Francis led the spiking.

O-E went into the Hemlock match a bit overconfident and it showed in the Marauders play.

"It was kind of scary for a while," Mazzolini said, "but

when we had to we set it up and got the points."

Marriage and Webster each had 14 service points.

The Marauders also won a pair of league matches, 15-8, 9-15, 15-10 over Alma on Feb. 26 and 15-10, 15-7 over Chesaning on Wednesday.

Against Alma, McCue led the scoring with 14 points,

but the blocking, led by Marriage, and the back row defense were the strong points of the O-E game.

Marriage had nine points to lead O-E against Chesaning, while McCue and Webster were the leading spikers. Again, the back row came through while the passing was good and Marriage helped set up the O-E offense.

The Marauders' record went to 13-5 overall and 8-4 in the Mid-Michigan B league, tying them for second with Alma and Chesaning. O-E had a nine-game winning streak before falling to Eisenhower. O-E is at Swan Valley tonight to end the season.

★ St Johns

had eight.

Bullock Creek had a 38-29 advantage in rebounds, Dedyne led St. Johns with six. Paul Desprez came off the bench to pick up a pair of steals.

The loss left St. Johns 8-10 overall and 7-7 in the Mid-Michigan B league, good for fourth place.

Tonight the Redwings open district play at Ovid-Elsie with a 7:30 game against Durand. The Railroaders are 13-6, with a win Friday night over Otisville-Lakeville, 57-55.

Tissot said Durand will have good shooters and will be a strong defensive team.

With a 6-2 front line, the Railroaders will be an even match for St. Johns as far as height goes.

"I'm sure they're looking

their way into the finals," Tissot said. "It looks like the winner is going to be the team which succeeds in playing its style of ball."

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Sea Lions finish their season

By Don Keim

The Sea Lions season came to a close this week end with the state meets at Midland for the boys and Alma for the girls. The boys were at Midland, Saturday and the girls were at Alma on Sunday. The teams attending were Flint, DeWitt, Alma, Midland, Saginaw, Saginaw Township, Mt Pleasant, Ann Arbor, Okemos, Lansing and St. Johns.

Results of the state meet are as follows:

Boys-8 and under

100-medley relay: First place-Kevin Bauer, Jim Cain, Mike Giesecke, Bruce Goins. 100-medley relay: Sixth place-Mike Fitzpatrick, Todd Keim, Tom Newhall, Kenton Schulze.

100-individual medley: First place-Kevin Bauer, 25-freestyle: Third place-Jim Cain. 25-butterfly: Fourth place-Bruce Goins; 11th place-Kenton Schulze. 25-backstroke: Sixth place-Mike Giesecke. 25-breaststroke: second place-Kevin Bauer; Sixth place Mike Fitzpatrick.

100-freestyle relay: Third place-Jim Cain, Mike Fitzpatrick, Bruce Goins, Kenton Schulze. 100-freestyle relay: Sixth place-Mike Giesecke, Todd Keim, Tom Newhall, Dan Smith.

Boys-9 and 10

200-medley relay: Fifth place-Mike Martindale, Steve Smith, Spencer Baker, Aaron Cross. 50-butterfly: 12th place-Steve Smith. 50-breaststroke: Fourth place-Mike Martindale.

Boys-11 and 12

200-medley relay: Second place-Steve Welch John Peterson, Brian Goins, Carl Fedewa. 50-freestyle: Second place-Carl Fedewa. 50-backstroke: Fourth place-Steve Welch. 50-butterfly: First place-Bruce Goins. 200-freestyle relay: Steve Welch, Brian Goins, Carl Fedewa, Steve Fedewa.

Boys-13 and 14

50-freestyle: Third place-Chad Munger. 100-breaststroke: Sixth place-Chad Munger.

Girls-8 and under

100-medley relay: Third place-Kim Bauer, Erin Masarik, Kara Scranton, Chris Welch. 100-individual medley: 10th place-Chris Welch. 25-freestyle: Second place-Chris Armstrong; Fourth place-Erin Masarik. 25-butterfly: Ninth place-Chris Welch. 25-backstroke: Third place-Chris Welch. 25-breaststroke: Third place-Kara Scranton.

100-yard freestyle relay: Chris Armstrong, Kendra Bailey, Kim Bauer, Erin Masarik.

Boys-9 and 10

200-medley relay: Fifth place-Jenny Giesecke, Missy O'Connell, Diane Stratton, Shawn Veasey. 100-individual medley:

First place-Missy O'Connell. Third place-Shawn Veasey. 50-freestyle: Third place-Diane Stratton. 50-butterfly: fifth place-Diane Stratton. 100-freestyle: Third place-Shawn Veasey. 50-breaststroke: Fourth place-Missy O'Connell.

Girls-11 and 12

200-medley relay: Fifth

place-Jean Rewerts, Laura Homant, Audra Peters, Kif Bailey.

100-individual medley: Seventh place-Audra Peters, 12th place-Kif Bailey. 50-freestyle: Seventh place-Kif Bailey. 50-butterfly: Fifth place-Audra Peters. 50-breaststroke: 11th place-Laura Homant.

Girls-13 and 14

200-medley relay: First place-Judy Fedewa, Kim Goins, Shawn Meyer, Gloria Stratton. 200-medley relay: Ninth place-Mandy Martindale, Jenny Plowman, Barb VeCasey, Beth Gavenda. 200-individual medley: eighth place-Kim Goins; 10th place-Judy Fedewa. 50-freestyle:

Second place-Gloria Stratton; 11th place-Beth Gavenda. 100-butterfly: Third place-Kim Goins; Sixth place-Judy Fedewa. 100-freestyle: Second place-Shawn Meyer. 100-backstroke: Fifth place-Barb VeCasey; Seventh place-Gloria Stratton; 11th place-Beth Gavenda. 100-breaststroke: Fourth place-Shawn Meyer; Eighth place-Mandy Martindale.

P-W girls drop 2 out of 3

Westphalia

The Pewamo-Westphalia volleyball team closed its season by dropping two out of three non-league matches last week.

The Pirates traveled to Potterville and lost 15-3, 15-2. On Thursday the P-W varsity beat Laingsburg 15-2, 15-5, but Saturday the varsity was eliminated from district competition by Breckenridge, 15-7, 8-15, 15-9.

Against Laingsburg, Bev Schmitt scored seven straight points in the first game and Michelle Rademacher did the same in the second. Judy Spitzley had six spikes.

The Pirates played fairly well in the first game against Breckenridge and looked strong in the second game. But in the third game, P-W fell apart after leading most of the way.

The junior varsity split its matches, defeating Laings-

burg 15-7, 15-0, but losing to Potterville 15-6, 7-15, 15-11. Ann Schmitt had 12 straight points in the second game against Laingsburg, while Donna Heckman had nine spikes on the night. Lynn Klein served for 15 points against Potterville.

The varsity finished its season with an 8-9 overall

record and a 3-2 CMAC mark, good for third place. The junior varsity was 11-2 overall they took the league title with a 5-0 mark.

"We've only got three seniors," coach Carol Bogard said, "and with the JV's doing so well I'm looking forward to next year."

Bowling report

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★ P-W wins

Olivet hit two free throws to cut the lead to five, but Hengesbach returned the favor to make the score 54-47 with 1:05 left. Ten seconds later Hengesbach fouled out. Byrens hit a free throw and P-W was up by six.

Then with 30 seconds left Todd Gosner scored to pull Olivet within four and the Eagles regained possession. But Randy Morrison was called for traveling with 13 seconds left, and P-W beat the press with an easy basket by Spencer to clinch the 56-50 win and the CMAC title.

P-W finished the league season at 12-2, with its only losses coming to Fulton. Olivet, ranked 10th in the state by the Associated Press, finished 11-3 overall, tied with Fulton for second place. P-W had beaten Olivet a week earlier, 50-45, to take a share of the lead and set up Friday's showdown.

Hengesbach and Fedewa

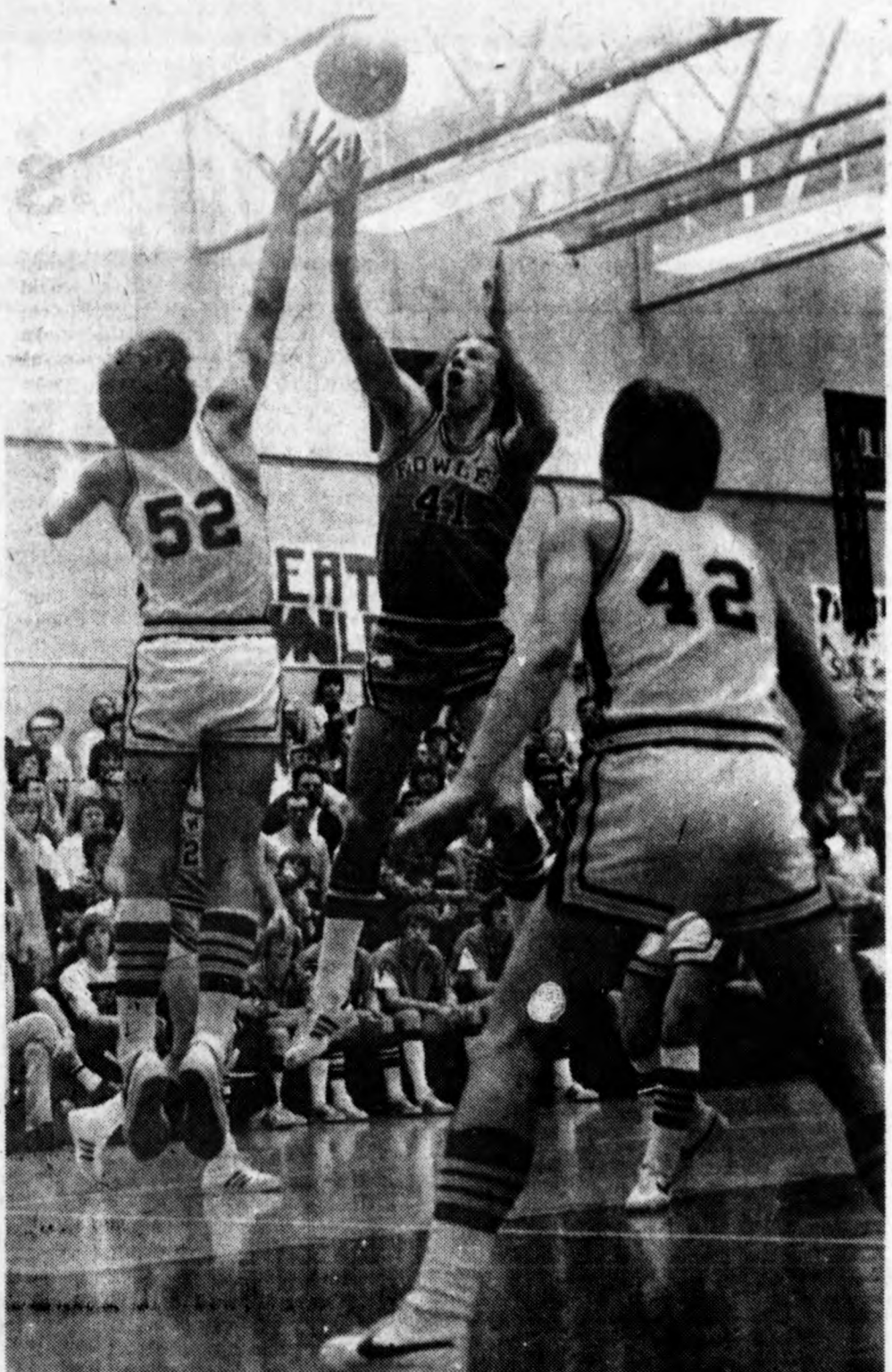
had 13 each for P-W, while Belen had 12. Spencer nine and Miller eight. Hengesbach had eight rebounds and Spencer had six, while Stan Piggott and Miller had five assists.

P-W was 24 of 46 from the field for 52 percent while Olivet was 17 of 39 for 44 percent. Olivet was 16 of 26 from the line, P-W eight of 16.

P-W is 15-5 overall, with a non-league loss to Ionia and two to Ovid-Elsie, ranked second in the state Class B.

P-W opens tournament play tonight at Ithaca with a 7:30 game against Carson City. P-W beat the Eagles by 18 points a week ago.

Should the Pirates win, they would go to the finals to meet the winner of Thursday's Fulton-Central Montcalm game at 8 p.m. Saturday. And don't think P-W wouldn't love another crack at Fulton, which twice beat them by a total of three points.



Up for grabs

Fowler's Terry Thelen seems to be surrounded by Fulton Pirates during last Friday's 97-68 victory for Fulton. Out and out hustle aided the Pirates who capitalized on Fowler turnovers. Trying to haul down this rebound was Tim Johnson (52) while Jeff Cooper (42) and Jeff Stephens (14) wait the outcome. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

Fulton girls eliminated

Middleton ended its season with a win over Fowler after Fulton's volleyball team

being eliminated from the state tournament in a pre-district match.

On Feb. 28 the Pirates dropped a pre-district match to Central Montcalm, 15-4, 15-12, but came back later in the week to beat Fowler, 14-11, 15-10.

Sheila Penner scored nine points and Karen Wheeler had seven against the Eagles.

Fulton finished with an 11-6 overall mark and second place in the Central Michigan Athletic Conference.

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City of St. Johns

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Monday, March 19, 1979 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 20, 1979 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The tentative County Equalization ratio, and multiplier for the City of St. Johns:

	RATIO	MULTIPLIER
Personal Property	.4401%	1.14
Personal Property	50%	1.00

Diane M. Edwards

NOTICE
Watertown Charter Township
Board of Review Public Meeting

The assessment rolls of said township will be subject to inspection at the Watertown Township office, 12803 S. Wacousta Rd.:

Monday, March 12, 1979
9 a.m. - 12 and 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 13, 1979
1 p.m. - 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

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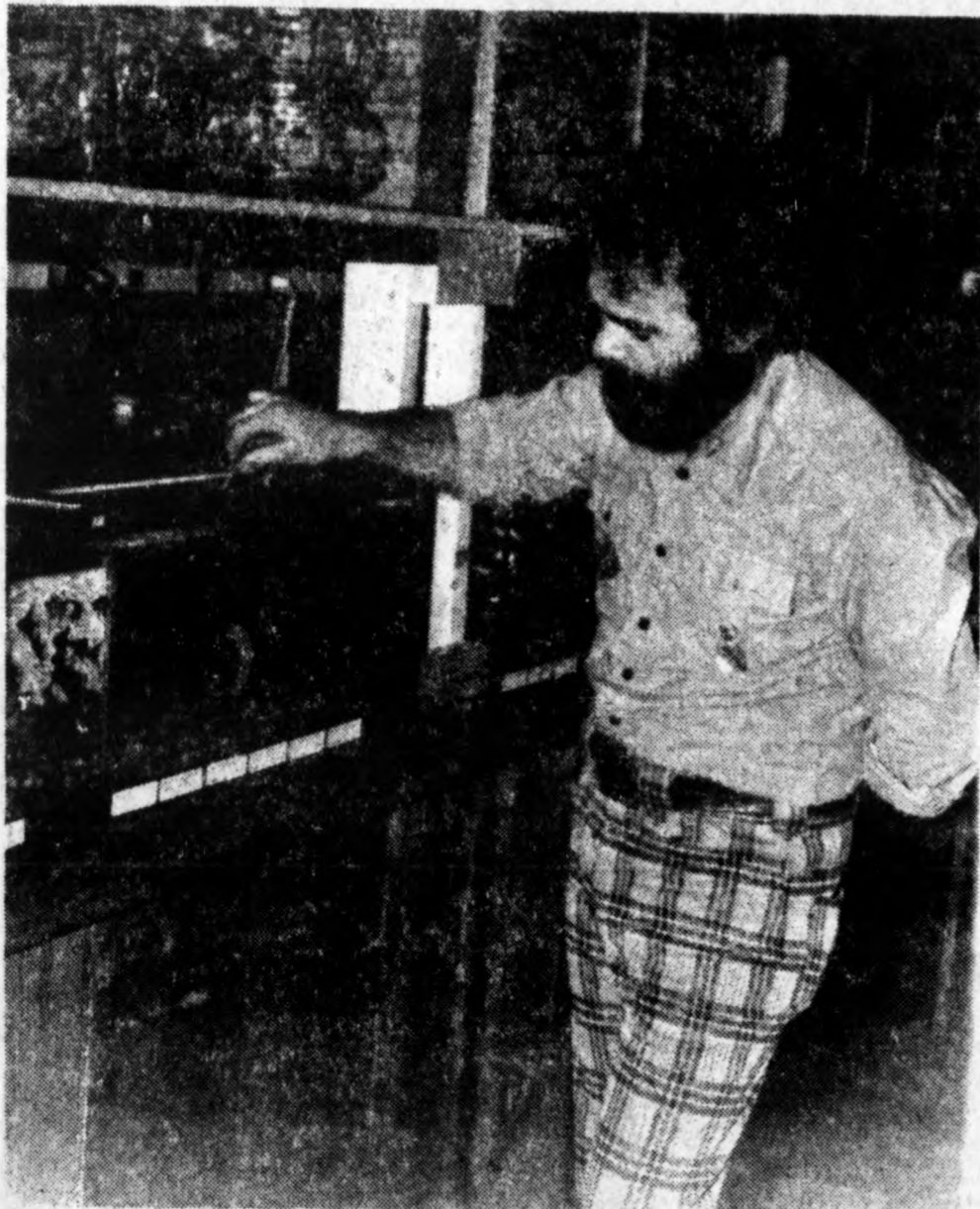
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The Back Page

Fish doctor makes house-to-tank sick calls



By Sharon Randall
Staff Writer

St. Johns

The days of the family doctor making house calls are long gone but St. Johns has a doctor of sorts who'll still come to your home.

He's the local tropical fish and aquarium expert, Ron Gill, and to worried customers who are troubled with sick fish, a faulty filter system, or just plain confusion over a new hobby, his service is invaluable.

According to Gill it's much easier to make a house call than to try to explain or diagnose a problem over the phone.

The same with a large aquarium, he delivers it to the home and puts it in operation for the owner. Smaller outfits he equips in the shop and lets the customer take home.

Ron's own knowledge comes from spending 24 hours a day with the business and his long time interest in the hobby. He's had large tanks at home for a number of years and still uses them to experiment with new kinds of fish and equipment before bringing them into his shop, "Wildwood," on Clinton Avenue. Soon he will be establishing a salt-water tank in the shop and offer those kinds of fish for sale.

A salt-water aquarium offers many unusual fish as well as some breathtakingly beautiful colors. "They look

like they've been painted by hand," Gill said, "an orange circle around their mouth, stripes and colors you don't see anywhere else."

His experiments at home establish for him what kinds of species are hardy, what kinds exist well together.

Gill prides himself in being able to give honest advice to customers even when they don't want to use it. "Sea horses are next to impossible to keep," he said, "but people are attracted to them and want to have them." Gill doesn't handle seahorses but he will get them for customers who insist—but not without his warning about their frailty.

Another thing Gill won't do is sell fish to a customer until he has set up his aquarium and run the filter and heater for at least a week. "Sometimes it's difficult to wait that week, especially when children are involved in the project, but it's hard for fish to go into a new environment and unless certain precautions are taken they'll die," he explained.

Gill thinks tropical fish should be a hobby to enjoy with a minimum amount of work. "Good reliable equipment that you can depend upon is absolutely necessary," he stressed.

He handles at least 52

varieties of fish as well as some unusual water pets such as underwater frogs.

The most popular fish are swordtails, platties and black mollies. They are all inexpensive and easy to raise. Gill's favorite is the clown loache, a bright orange and black striped fish that sells for \$3.98. They have never been bred in captivity, Gill said, which explains their high price.

Popular with kids is a fat piranha who lives alone in a top shelf aquarium behind a "not for sale" sign. For a quarter, kids can feed him a lively gold fish.

The pet store is naturally a popular place for kids who

come to watch the fish and birds and fondle the hamsters, gerbils and guinea pigs.

Wildwood doesn't handle the exotic pets like snakes, monkeys, and parrots but can get them for customers upon request.

They have a special arrangement with elementary teachers and nursery schools to whom they loan pets and cages. The teacher can bring the pet back at vacation time or trade it for a different kind.

Wildwood also specializes in plants and flowers and small and unusual gifts which are Gill's wife, April's specialties.

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The hum and bubbling of aquariums gives a special quiet to a pet shop. Ron Gill, the fish doctor, nets one of his favorite clown loaches in his shop on Clinton Avenue. (Photo by Sharon Randall)

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