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Klondike Derby

The 1980 Chippewa District Klondike Derby for area Boy Scouts is set for this Saturday, Feb. 23 near Chadwick Road and M-27. The outing will challenge Boy Scouts in both their scouting skills as well as winter outdoor survival. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the events will get underway at 9:15 a.m. A sled race is set for 2:30 p.m. and the awards and closing ceremony will begin at 3:15 p.m. Events will involve using a map and compass, wild animal trapping, snowshoe, building, emergency shelters and other skills. The Klondike will be held one-fourth mile east of US-27 on Chadwick Road.

Energy booklet

An energy assistance handbook detailing the major state and federal energy assistance programs available to ease the rising cost of energy to heat and operate a home has been compiled by state Sen. Richard J. Allen (R-Ithaca). The 30-page booklet entitled "Energy Assistance Handbook," provides information on home energy audits, home weatherization grants, energy tax grants, home heating tax credits, home improvement loans and alternative energy tax credits. This guide is available by writing to Sen. Allen, Capitol Building, Lansing, MI 48909.

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Pirateers place first

Pewamo-Westphalia Pirateers color guard placed first in Class A at P-W's own Michigan Color Guards Circuit sanctioned contest last Saturday. The Pirateers received 59.85 points of a possible 100 points. The Coachmen of Grand Rapids placed second in Class A with 57 points.

In Class B competition, Cassopolis was first, Flint Northern was second, Reed City was third and Carlton was fourth. In Open Class, Flushing High was the sole competitor. Open class is for the most experienced color guards. Class A is intermediate competition and Class B is for beginning or novice color guards. About 400 people attended Saturday night's competition at P-W High School. The Pirateers will compete in Flushing on Saturday and Clarkston on Sunday. March 8 they will have their next circuit contest at Hemlock.

Blood drive in Fowler

Fowler Jaycees will be sponsoring a blood drive Monday, Feb. 25 from 2-8 p.m. at Fowler High School.

Intermediate district to seek millage in April

By Sharon Randall
Staff Writer

Clinton County

The Clinton County Intermediate School Board has called a meeting Thursday, Feb. 21 to determine the amount of special education millage they will ask voters to approve in April.

At present 1.5 mills is levied by the Intermediate School District for special education but state mandated programs have taken expenses beyond the funds it raises. Each local district, Bath, DeWitt, Fowler, Ovid-Elsie, Pewamo-Westphalia and St. Johns, picks up the extra costs based on the special education services they use.

Intermediate Superintendent Larry Schwartzkopf said Monday that the amount will probably be 1 mill or less. "We've been re-working our figures," he said, "and are trying to get a better projection of what the SEV State

Equalized Valuation) is going to be."

The Intermediate board asked for input from local district boards earlier this month, requesting them to support a possible 1 to 1.25 special education millage. DeWitt, Fowler, Pewamo-Westphalia and St. Johns supported the proposal up to 1.25 mills. Ovid-Elsie said they would approve up to one mill. The Bath board is yet to meet this month.

"What we want is to set the lowest millage possible to do what we have to do to meet state requirements," Schwartzkopf said. "We'd like to be able to ask for less than a mill if at all possible," he indicated.

The additional special education millage will enable the Intermediate District to pick up the extra costs now being supported by local districts. "The millage will cover all the costs that the local districts are picking up out of their own budgets and not being reimbursed for," he said. "The

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Maple Rapids, Ovid report primary results

Ovid

Hazel Dietz won the Republican spot for village president in a primary election here Feb. 18 that drew 279 voters. Mrs. Dietz who has served on the village council and for years ran the Ovid Convalescent Manor won the spot with 150 votes opposed to 123 cast for Norman Martin.

Five Republican candidates were vying for the three trustee spots on the March 10 ballot. Incumbents Lynn Burgess and Michael Everts were successful with 182 and 144 votes respectively and newcomer Cyril Tremblay won a spot with 203 votes. Janet Birney received 134 votes and Arthur Price Sr., 82. Unopposed for spots on the ballot were clerk Jane

Applebee, 226 votes; treasurer Marie Scott, 221 votes and assessor James Besko, 211 votes.

Maple Rapids

Republican Marjorie Floate will have the treasurer spot on the March 10 ballot in Maple Rapids. In the primary here Feb. 18, she received 39 votes. Albert Abshagen also seeking the Republican nomination received 14. There were 54 voters. All other positions were unopposed. There are to be no Democrats on the March 10 ballot.

Mrs. Floate is employed at the State Farm Insurance office in Maple Rapids. She has lived in the village for 12 or 13 years according to clerk, Liara Tyler.

Merchants put end to winter

St. Johns

St. Johns downtown merchants think winter is over and they've planned an end-of-the-winter sale from today until Saturday, Feb. 20-23.

The sale is going to feature some "crazy prices" according to Dave Barber, co-chairman of the St. Johns Chamber of Commerce sanctioned event. That's why the sale has been dubbed a Crazy Days sale.

Barber, owner of the Julie K shop, Carol Keys from the Carol Ann Shop and Barb Stiffler from the Land of Oz are organizing the sale which will be much like a sidewalk sale, but only it will be held indoors.

Most Chamber members downtown will be participating said Barber.



Carefully

Clinton County 4-H hosted its second annual Family Learning Day Saturday, offering 50 different experiences to more than 300 participants. Kelley Phinney, helps her little cousin Eric Ritter make paper

beads. A total of 100 resource persons and helpers made the day successful. Popular options included the Massey films, cross-country skiing, disco and gourmet cooking. (Photo by Mike Peterson)



In treasurer's vault

Marking the founding of Boy Scouting 69 years ago, four county Boy Scouts toured the courthouse, St. Johns city offices and the Clinton County News last Wednesday. Here they visited with Gerald Shepard, county treasurer (second from right). Listening to Shepard's presentation in the treasurer's

vault are (from left) Stan McGuire, Troop 567 of Elsie; Reid Smalley, district scouting executive; Willard Krebel, retired register of deeds; Jim Coohon, Troop 585 of Ovid; Russ Ettinger, Troop 81 of St. Johns; (Shepard); and Tracy Spooner, Troop 71 of St. Johns. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

Favorite citizen dies

St. Johns

One of St. Johns' favorite citizens, Anthony (Tony) Kuntz, died Thursday, Feb. 14 of heart failure.

He had been involved in almost every aspect of community life since moving to St. Johns in 1937: church, school, business and most recently the fund drive to build a county-wide nursing care facility.

He and Charles Coletta co-chaired the Clinton Area Care Center fund drive to build a 108-bed nursing care facility on property located on the city's southeast side.

Their goal of receiving \$600,000 in pledges was reached before Christmas. As of Monday, Feb. 18, the total pledged toward the construction of the facility was \$805,661.

Kuntz was especially active in his church life at St. Joseph Catholic Church. He had attained high honors in the Knights of Columbus, namely he was Past Grand Knight of the 3rd Degree and Faithful Navigator 4th Degree. He was a member of the K of C Council 3281.

He was a member of the St. Johns Board of Education, was president of the St. Johns Cemetery Association and he was involved in numerous United Way campaigns.

Professionally, he was a salesman for Encyclopedia Britannica Education Corp.

Funeral services were Saturday at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Burial was in Mt. Rest Cemetery. A complete obituary may be found on Page 10.



Tony Kuntz

\$60 million Mexican bean deal signed

St. Johns

A \$60 million agreement between the government of Mexico and dry bean producers in Michigan's Saginaw Valley Thumb Area was signed last Wednesday, Feb. 13.

For about 40 Clinton County bean farmers, this deal will mean over \$1 million in sales this year.

The contract calls for the production and delivery of 112,000 metric tons of pinto and black beans from September to December of this year. About 190,000 acres will be needed to fill the Mexican order.

This was the largest commodity export contract in the history of the state.

One of the men who has been negotiating with the Mexican government during the past 60 days was Dale Kuenzli with Valley Marketing Cooperative of St. Johns.

Kuenzli said his marketing firm, along with Agrisale, Inc. of Saginaw and Northern State Bean Co. of Lansing formed another corporation just for this agreement with Mexico. This new corporation, known as ANV Export Corp., is also headquartered in St. Johns and Kuenzli is president.

One representative from each of the ANV companies, along with bean farmer Kenneth Graham of Breckenridge, made their first trip to Mexico Jan. 10. They made one other trip to

Mexico and two trips to Washington, D.C. to complete the deal.

All totaled, U.S. bean farmers will ship 177,000 metric tons of dry beans to Mexico. Of this amount, 112,000 metric tons will come from Michigan and 65,000 metric tons will come from several other states, though some of that 65,000 tonnage will also come out of Michigan.

Five U.S. companies in Michigan, Colorado, New York and California are involved in the international agreement.

Mexico's import needs are attributed to a shortfall of about 300,000 tons in the 1979 fall crop caused by dry weather

and an early frost.

Although Mexico is usually self-sufficient in dry bean production, continued bean imports are considered

likely. Kuenzli said prospects are good to renew the agreement with Mexico next year. He cited a growing population, as well as an emphasis upon improving the diets of rural Mexicans.

Area farmers to profit

By Patrice Hornak
Editor

St. Johns

Beans are big news in Clinton County, as well as other Saginaw Valley Thumb areas.

Last week an agreement was signed with the Mexican government for Michigan bean growers to ship 112,000 metric tons of dry edible beans to that country.

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Three persons were injured in a three-car accident last Friday afternoon at the corner of US-27 and Walker Street in St. Johns. Brian

Leathers, 19, of DeWitt was ticketed for failing to yield the right of way. (Photo by Mark Haney)

Woman assaulted, robbed after accepting ride with men

Clinton county

A 22-year-old Holt woman was kidnapped, criminally sexually assaulted, and then robbed after she was picked up by two men in a grey Cutlass shortly after midnight Sunday.

Clinton County sheriff's deputy Gary Bensinger reported the woman was walking along US-27 and was approached by the two men in front of the Sunset Motel. Apparently the woman had a fight with some friends at a St. Johns bar and decided to walk home.

Wearing only a vinyl ski jacket, the young woman told police she was so cold she would have taken a ride with just about anybody.

The victim was taken south to Cutler Road and then was taken westbound. The two men assaulted her, took her

purse and robbed her of \$15. She was taken through Clinton and Ingham Counties and then dropped off at the corner of Logan and Homes at about 7 a.m.

Deputy Bensinger said she then called her sister after which the manager of a 7-11 Store took her to her sister's home where the Lansing Police department was called.

Police are looking for two white males driving either a 1975-76 grey Cutlass. Anyone with any information regarding the case should contact the sheriff's department at 224-6791.

Deputies also report a Holstein cow valued at \$800 was taken from the Gerald Pohl residence in Fowler on Feb. 12.

During the past week, 33 persons were lodged in the Clinton County Jail with a total of 79 complaints being handled.

Police investigate theft of diamonds, coins from couple

St. Johns

Several diamond rings and silver dollars were stolen from the home of Louis and Norita Anderson, 608 W. Baldwin, St. Johns according to police reports. The incident happened sometime Feb. 14. The case has been turned over to the Clinton County Detective Bureau.

Bob Pike of East Lansing, reported that sometime on Feb. 14 four wheel covers were stolen from his vehicle while it was parked in the Wheel Inn parking lot. The covers were valued at \$143.

Bert Pease of 705 N. Lansing, St. Johns, reported his car battery was stolen on Feb. 17 while his vehicle was parked at his residence.

There were three major accidents in the city with 11 other less serious mishaps reported for the week of Feb. 11.

Cars driven by Brian D. Leathers, 19, 610 DeWitt Rd., DeWitt and Richard J. Vitek, 28, 2601 W. Hyde, St. Johns collided at the intersection of Walker and US-27 on Feb. 15 at 3:33 p.m. A third car driven by

Carrie M. Hurley, East Lansing, bounced off the back of the Vitek vehicle and sustained no injuries.

Leathers, two passengers and Vitek were all seriously injured and taken to Clinton Memorial Hospital for treatment.

Leathers was cited for failing to yield the right of way.

In another accident which happened on Feb. 16 at 10:30 a.m. cars driven by William Kester, 19, Okemos and Juanita Zuniga, 22, Ovid collided at the intersection of US-27 and Scott Road.

Zuniga was injured in the accident and taken to Clinton Memorial Hospital. She was also cited for failure to yield the right of way.

Kenneth D. Dieterman, 27, Comstock Park, was traveling southbound on US-27 pulling a flatbed fifth wheel trailer which was carrying a backhoe when he was struck from the side by a car driven by Cornelia C. Schafer, 71, Pewamo. Mrs. Schafer made a left turn in front of the Dieterman vehicle.

Dieterman, two passengers, and Schafer and her husband Ernest were all injured and taken to Clinton Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Schafer was cited for failing to yield the right of way.

The incident happened on Feb. 18 at 11:07 a.m. at the intersection of US-27 and Sturgis Street.

St. Johns police also made six liquor violation arrests, three arrests for drunk driving and investigated two hit and run property damage accidents.

There have been five fire runs in February.

Two sentenced for fraud

St. Johns

Two persons were arraigned in Clinton County Circuit Court Feb. 11 before Judge Randy L. Tahvonen and two persons were sentenced.

Arraigned were Hugh Pratt, 18, of 15333 Gary Lane, Bath and Ronald Dean, Jr., 17, of 207 Berkhouse, Maple Rapids.

Pratt stood mute to a

charge of embezzlement and a plea of not guilty was entered on his behalf. Trial by jury was scheduled for April 15 and a pre-trial conference was set for March 24.

Dean stood mute to a charge of larceny from a motor vehicle and a plea of not guilty was also entered on his behalf. Trial by jury was slated for April 15. A

pre-trial conference was set for March 24.

Larry Fifield, 31, and Debra Fifield, 27, both of 104 W. Lincoln St., St. Johns were sentenced to two years probation and ordered to pay \$600 in restitution for attempted welfare fraud. Fifield will spend 30 days in the county jail and Mrs. Fifield will spend 45 days in the jail.

2 named to dean's list

Marquette

A number of St. Johns students were named to the

dean's list at Northern Michigan University for the fall semester.

To qualify for this scholastic

recognition, a student must have carried at least 12 hours of undergraduate credit and must have earned at least a 3.25 grade point average out of a possible 4.0.

Attaining all A's were Diane Knight of 500 S. Kibbee, St. Johns and Mark Slagell of 1990 W. Marshall Rd., St. Johns.

Nancy Warstler of 2671 E. M-21, St. Johns also attained dean's list honors.

Youth loses fingers in shop

Bath Twp.

A Bath teenager lost two fingers after they were severed by an electric plane in a shop class at Bath High School Friday. Doctors at Sparrow Hospital could not reattach the fingers according to police reports.

Paul Sump, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sump, Outer Drive, was injured Friday morning and lost the index and right finger of his left hand.

Police Cpl. Joe Doll, who responded to the call at the high school shortly after 8:30 a.m. put the two fingers in the snow to preserve them for possible reattachment. The Bath Township Emergency Medical Team also responded to the call.

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MANY ALTERNATIVES TO PONDER

Board discusses Central School's future

By Patrice Hornak
Editor

St. Johns

Something has to be done to Central School.

The St. Johns Board of Education has several alternatives and last Wednesday, Feb. 13, they held their meeting in one of the Central School classrooms to discuss the future of the 95-year old school.

One alternative would be to renovate the building. Cost of renovating the school building was estimated at \$520,085 last year. If a multi-purpose room were added to the structure, that estimate would jump to \$847,685 using last year's figures.

Another alternative would be to construct a new building about the same size as Central School. Central is the largest elementary school in the St. Johns school district. Last year's cost estimate on a new building \$1.5 million and an additional \$327,600 for a multi-

purpose room.

Both estimates did not include fees, site development equipment which was estimated to add another 20 percent to the final figure. Due to inflation, costs would be higher than their original estimates.

Mark Barber, a St. Johns building contractor and experienced apartment renovator, offered the school board another alternative last Wednesday. He offered to buy the school, renovate it and lease it back to the school system.

The board responded rather enthusiastically to Barber's proposal and said they would discuss the idea further.

Yet another alternative to the problem of what to do with Central School is to close the building and put about seven portable classrooms at schools in the districts. Parents at the meeting responded negatively to this proposal.

A final alternative the school board has would be to bring the building "up to code" and not do any major renovation to the building.

Administrative assistant Gordon Vandemark outlined an itemized summary of an electrical inspection report completed on Central School. He said there is no extreme fire danger at the school, but a lot of little jobs are needed to bring the building's

electrical system up to today's standard.

Cost of bringing the building up to code and making minor changes was estimated at \$30,000.

During the 1975-76 school year, the St. Johns school district recorded its first drop in enrollment. The 1974-75 enrollment was 4,244 or an increase of 47. The 1975-76 enrollment was 4,126, or a drop of 82 students.

The 1979-80 enrollment is 3,922 students, a drop of 91 students from the previous school year. Projections for the next five years show the school count will be around 3,627 by the 1984-85 school year.

Probably, the 104-year-old Teresa Merrill Elementary School will be phased out due to the decline in school enrollment.

Before Barber proposed his plan, board president Ron Huard was in favor of renovating the "grand old building" if a bond issue could be passed. He was against "nickel and diming it" or making small repairs on the school piecemeal.

Board member Leonard Puetz who serves on the board's building and grounds committee, said a community decision would be needed on the Central School question. If more money were needed, then the community would have to back their decision to renovate or build a new school.

He stressed that a board of education couldn't pass a bond issue. A community which believes in a project, could pass a bond election, however.

★ Bean agreement

For Clinton County bean farmers alone, the deal will bring in over \$1 million in sales.

The Mexican bean agreement couldn't have come at a more crucial time, when farmers were looking at depressed corn, wheat and soybean prices and deciding which crops to put in this spring.

Jim Bear, manager of the grain department at the St. Johns Co-op, said prices on the three major grains last Friday indicated a farmer would receive \$230 an acre for corn, \$180 an acre for

wheat and \$210 an acre for soybeans.

Under the agreement with Mexico, farmers are guaranteed \$25 a hundred weight bag or about \$375 an acre.

About 40 Clinton County farmers have already contracted with ANV to plant and sell pinto and black turtle soup beans. About 3,000 to 4,000 acres in Clinton County will be diverted from some other crop to dry edible beans.

Bear said St. Johns Co-op didn't handle any pinto or black turtle beans last year. He said the co-op won't have

to make any major changes to handle the beans, however.

About half the Clinton County farmers involved in the Mexican bean agreement have raised edible beans in the past. For the others, this will be a new crop. Crop management will be important, said Bear. He said, "It takes as good a crop management, if not a little bit more to raise edible beans."

The Mexican bean sale was termed "one of the biggest economic booms in Michigan for the farmer" by St. Johns Co-op manager Bill Campbell.

1980-81 school budget looks bleak

By Patrice Hornak
Editor

St. Johns

The St. Johns school budget picture isn't rosy for the 1980-81 school year. In fact, it is quite "dismal" according to board president Ron Huard.

Huard made his comment after reviewing two special reports on estimated revenues given at the St. Johns Board of Education meeting last Wednesday night.

First, Superintendent Donald Burns presented an outlook on revenues for the

1980-81 school year based upon Gov. William Milliken's proposed state aid.

According to his report, estimated revenues next school year will be \$7,008,098. That includes \$4 million from the local tax levy of 25.75 mills and \$2.2 million from the state aid membership formula.

If Burns' figures prove true, St. Johns school will be receiving only \$15,328 more than the estimated expenditures for this school year. This year's budget is \$6,992,770.

Another look at the 1980-81 school year, as prepared by the board of education audit and finance committee, estimated expenditures for next school year at \$7.7 million, or a 10 percent increase.

If increases were kept to 10 percent, that would mean the budget would be increased \$699,277. Of that amount, \$548,499 would go toward salary and employee benefits (also reflecting a 10 percent increase.) That would leave only \$150,778 to be used to cover increases in all the other budget items such as utilities, fuel, textbooks, teaching supplies, transportation, building maintenance and workman's compensation.

Coming up with even a 10 percent increase will be difficult. The audit committee's preliminary figures stated a \$7.7 million budget will be reasonable. However, estimated revenue would be slightly over \$7 million, leaving a \$683,949 deficit.

To make up the deficit, the district would need an additional three-fourths of a mill to generate \$141,000. Also total of \$400,000 would be taken from the cash fund equity, leaving the district with only \$31,051 in its cash balance.

The above figures were predicated upon the assumption that 1.25 mills are approved in a county-wide April special education millage vote.

If the special education millage isn't approved, St. Johns would need about 2 mills to balance its 1980-81 budget, since special education costs will be directly charged to the district by the intermediate if the millage vote fails.

The "outlook" for the 1980-81 budget was prepared on an "informational basis only," according to the audit committee.

★ Intermediate millage

millage will also absorb tuition costs that locals are paying to Lansing for special programs until we can move back those that it is logical for us to do ourselves," Schwartzkopf said.

Other special education services include programs like the Walter Kyes Trainable School, the Pre-Primary Handicapped and Emotionally Impaired Centers. The Intermediate's services also include psychologists, social workers, home bound, speech and physical therapists.

A special education millage would also qualify the Intermediate for some equalized state money that local districts are not able to receive independently. "We will all come out ahead if we can pass a countywide millage," Schwartzkopf said.

Most county superintendents echoed his feelings. Gary Jackson from Fowler said his board voted to support a special education millage up to 1.25 mills if the Intermediate will pick up 100 percent of special education costs. "I think if a unit like the intermediate handles all of the special education it will make for a more efficient special education operation," he said. "If the millage passes at the intermediate level, there will be a reduction at the local level," he indicated.

Roy Thelen, superintendent at Pewamo-Westphalia said his board also supports the proposal. "We are encouraging them (the Intermediate) to go ahead and ask voters for whatever they need," he said.

DeWitt's board approved the special education millage request. Board member Bill Weston, who also serves on the CCISD board, said locals would end up paying the costs of special education one way or the other. "We are obligated as individual districts to pay what the Intermediate budget can't handle," he said.

The St. Johns Board of Education supported the request based upon the premise that if the Intermediate doesn't receive the extra millage from voters in a special election the district would still be assessed 1.25 mills to cover their share.

Ovid-Elsie's board also approved the idea but was explicit in limiting the request to one mill. "Based on our figures," Superintendent Don Kenney said, "we believe one mill will raise enough." Kenney indicated that evaluation in the county is going up 10 to 12 percent this year and one mill should bring in enough to support the program.

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Wednesday	10:00 A.M. to 4:15 P.M.	Dr. Frances Malinoff (Pediatrician)
	6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.	Dr. Dwight Schroeder (Family Practitioner)
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Friday	1:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.	Dr. Dwight Schroeder (Family Practitioner)

Dr. Malinoff, the pediatrician, treats children from newborns through the age of 18. Dr. Schroeder, the family practitioner, treats all members of the family, including expectant mothers.

When the physicians are not available in Westphalia, they are in Lansing offices where they can be reached by phone, or arrangements can be made to be seen there if the need arises. There is also a 24 hour answering service on week-ends and evenings.

The Westphalia office is located at 105 S. Willow Street, in the village of Westphalia, and is open from 9 to 5 every day during the week but Thursday.

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Bob Ancel at helm of county road commission



Honored guests

Riley Elementary PTO will sponsor a carnival Feb. 23 from 6-10 p.m. at the school and some of the special guests at the carnival will be Pluto, Pink Panther and Big Bird. With their favorite cartoon characters are (from left) Christy Corp, Melissa Lehner, Todd Ward and Jerry Gray, all kindergartners at Riley Elementary. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

Clinton County

It's been a mild winter but Bob Ancel has a feeling that may change.

Last Monday, Feb. 11, he became the new superintendent-manager of the Clinton County Road Commission (CCRC). Now he thinks the heavy snows will come and test his administrative skills.

Ancel, who has been with the CCRC for the past 16 years as project engineer, has replaced Jay Hebner who has retired and is moving to Florida.

Prior to coming to the CCRC, he worked in road construction with the state highway department. He received his surveying training in the U.S. Army, and has completed several college courses in engineering.

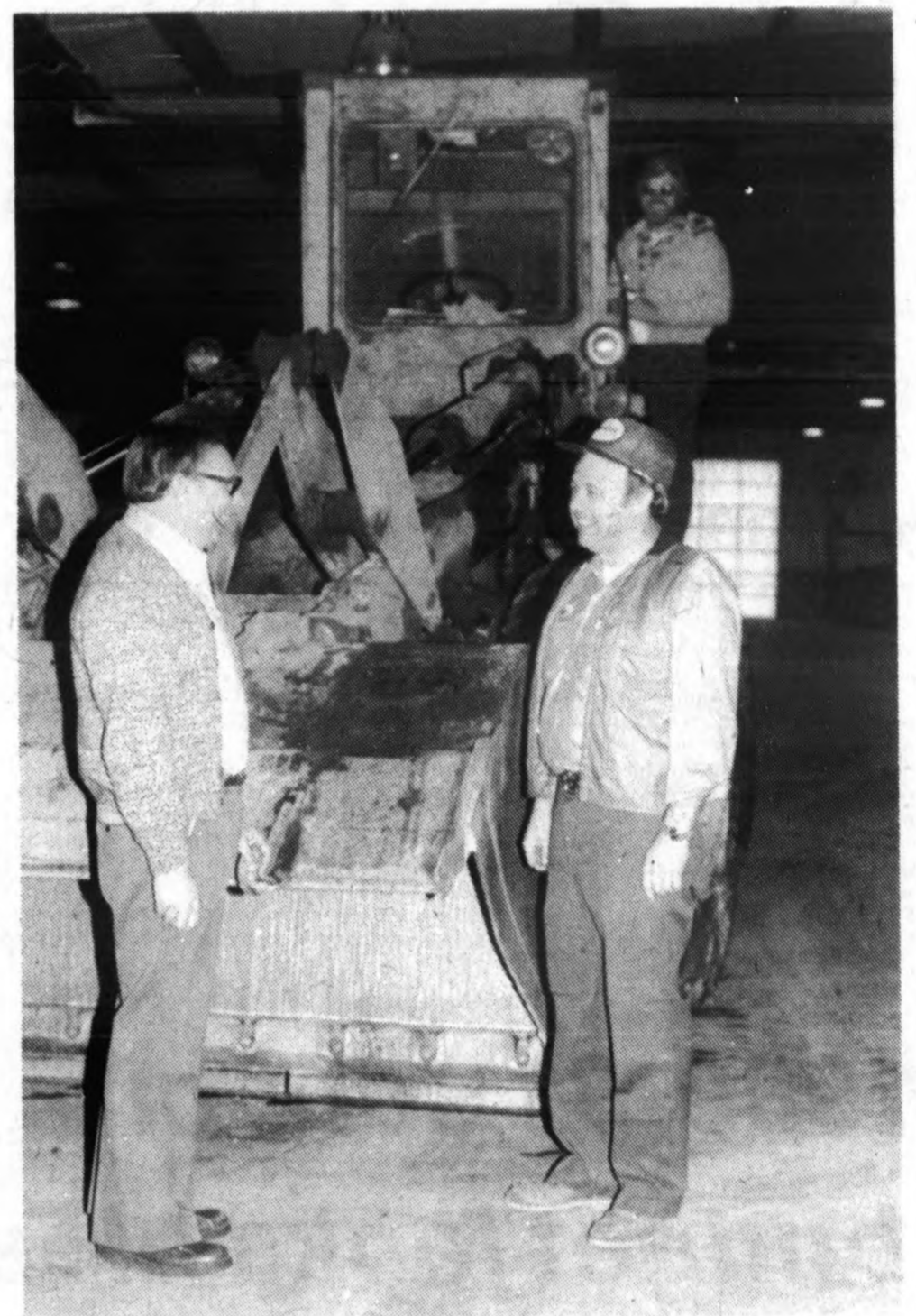
Ancel said his number one

priority is to continue upgrading roads. He also added that he knows there will be limitations due to the tight money situation.

"We have a real good staff," he said, referring to the 44 hourly and 10 salaried personnel at the road commission offices on US-27, south of St. Johns.

While not working, he is active in the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Lansing. He enjoys outdoor activities and he and his family spend occasional summer and winter weekends at their cottage at Higgins Lake.

Ancel and his wife, Penny, reside at 12723 Holly Lane, DeWitt. Their daughter, Cherie, is a senior at Cedar Lake Academy at Edmore. Their son, Jeff, is married and lives in Lansing.



Riley PTO sets annual carnival

St. Johns

Every year the Riley Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) sponsors a carnival and this year will be no exception.

The annual carnival is set for Saturday, Feb. 23 from 6-10 p.m. at the school located on Pratt Road, one mile east of Francis Road.

There will be games, popcorn, balloons sold by the Brownies, pizza and ham

sandwiches and special guest appearances by Pluto, Pink Panther and Big Bird.

A raffle with \$600 in prizes is also slated. First prize will be \$300; second and third prizes will be \$100 each; and fourth and fifth prizes will be \$50 each.

Co-chairmen of this year's carnival are Jeanne Butler and Sharon Rumzek. Proceeds will go toward the purchase of outdoor and picnic area equipment.

History book vetoed

Fowler

The Board of Education here voted to remove a

book, "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings," from the curriculum upon the recommendation of the Instructional Council.

The council, made up of teachers, citizens and administrators, acts as a study committee to examine instructional matters that come up before the board. The book in question was being used by the High School English Department for a unit on black history. Superintendent Gary Jackson said the council found the


book quite descriptive and felt that students could learn about black history in another way.

The high school band director was authorized to proceed with plans for a summer band camp.

Two parcels of land, transferred to the Fowler District from Fulton were accepted by the board. The Fowler board also voted to join and participate in a Clinton County School Board Association.

First week

New Clinton County Road Commission manager, Bob Ancel (left) talks with Bruce Woodbury, the shop foreman. In the background on this loader is Paul Ritz, loader operator and chapter chairman of the Michigan Road Employees Local 171. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)



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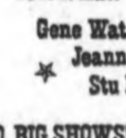
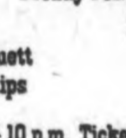
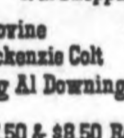
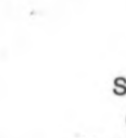
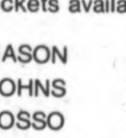
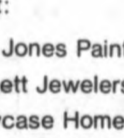


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Senior Citizen Drop-in schedule

Wednesday, Feb. 20—Exercises at 10 a.m. followed by nutrition lunch at 12:30 p.m. Speaker will be Nene Sadlak.
Thursday, Feb. 21—Lunch at 12:30 p.m. followed by bingo.
Monday, Feb. 25—Open from 9-5. Public lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch will include soup, salad and pie.
Tuesday, Feb. 26—Open from 9-5 for games and cards.

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Synopsis for proceedings of Clinton County Board of Commissioners meeting held January 2, 1980

The Board met Wednesday, January 2, 1980 at 9:00 A.M.

Voted and carried to elect Roger Overway for Board Chairman for the ensuing year.

Voted and carried to elect Harold Martin for Vice Chairman of the Board for the ensuing year.

Voted and carried were proposed by-laws and rules of procedure as presented.

Voted and carried were committee appointments to various commissions for 1980 as presented.

The chairman of each committee for 1979 gave a progress report of activities and priorities for 1980 were discussed.

The jail proposition will be voted at the May Presidential Primary tentatively scheduled for May 20, 1980.

The fixed millage proposal is up for renewal and will be scheduled for the August primary election.

Chairman Overway thanked all department heads for their cooperation with the Board throughout the past year.

Voted and carried to adjourn and meet Tuesday, January 29, 1980 at 9:00 A.M.

Jane Swanchara
Jane Swanchara, County Clerk

Complete minutes on file in Office of County Clerk.

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Editorial Page

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Community loses one of best citizens

Our community has suffered the loss of one of its best citizens. Tony Kuntz was a friend of all people to all people. He could equally relate to both the rich and the poor; to both the businessman as well as the working man, to both the educated as well as the uneducated.

Tony was a simple man. He loved his community and worked hard to make it everything a good community should be. In this complicated and complex world we live in today, Tony was a breath of fresh air. He enjoyed the simple things of life, the same things all of us could enjoy just as much as Tony did if we possessed Tony's attitude. He was the characterization—yes, even the epitome—of a good American citizen.

It has been credited to Will Rogers that he once said, "I never met a man that I didn't like". In like-manner today, it can be said of Tony Kuntz that, "I never met a man that didn't like Tony Kuntz!"

Although Tony can no longer associate personally with us as he once did, it is a real encouragement and blessing to us who must still go on in this life, that the example of Tony Kuntz—a man who lived what he believed—may take root in us so that we also could develop and maintain the same unselfish, devoted dedication that Tony characterized in his life.

ST. JOHNS AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Thanks for Wizard of Oz support

Dear Editor:

I would like to take a moment to express my gratitude to the people of the St. Johns area for the tremendous support that they have given our Theatre Department and its production of "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz" during the past two weekends.

I do not need to tell you how wonderful it was to see our auditorium overflowing with eager theatre goers in search of an evening's theatrical entertainment. One cannot express the personal satisfaction and pleasure that our students experienced in playing to packed houses four performances in succession.

It is a very disappointing experience to play to empty seats when all have worked too long and too hard for the preceding eight weeks to provide some top rate entertainment to the community and its area.

You people did not let us down and we will do our best to continue to try to bring some excellent theatre to our area. Our program is highly respected throughout the state, but this would not be possible if it had not been for the tremendous support that you people have given us. We are forever grateful for your support.

I would like to especially express our thanks to the Clinton County News and Patrice Hornak and Sue Kiley for their excellent coverage. We also received tremendous coverage from the St. Johns Reminder and radio station WRBJ. We realize that without the support of the local media, a good program would have a very difficult time in developing.

Sincerely;

R.L. Koger
Director of Theatre
St. Johns High School

Saddened by death of Tony Kuntz

To the Editor:

Our family is saddened by the loss of Tony Kuntz, as are many others in our community. Let us not mourn the death of Tony Kuntz. Let us celebrate the many years Tony was with us. Not all men are privileged to live so long. Let us celebrate by returning a part of ourselves to our community, as our friend so ably taught us.

The Rev. and Mrs. Hugh E. Banning

Torch staff writes on draft

Dear Editor,

We are writing concerning the "Seniors Speak Out on the Draft" story in the Feb. 6, 1980 issue of the Clinton County News.

We feel that the story did not express the true opinion of all seniors at St. Johns High School.

First of all, the reporter mentioned that "These are some of the questions posed to two senior classes in Clinton County, namely John Oberlin's government class at Ovid-Elsie High School and John Wilcox's government class at St. Johns High School. Though both classes comprised a cross section of students in each school..."

To the reader who was unaware of the actual interviewing, it would seem that the reporter talked to all of the government classes (Mr. Wilcox has five). But this was not the case. The reporter only discussed her questions with one of these government classes, or approximately one-tenth of the whole senior class. We hardly consider this as a valid "cross section" of our senior class.

Secondly, we feel that her conclusions stating St. Johns students "...did not have a patriotic sense of duty," and "Interestingly, the females at Ovid-Elsie were more willing to be drafted than the females at St. Johns" were not justified by statistics or actual quotes.

We feel that we are qualified to make this statement since the TORCH staff distributed a questionnaire to a majority of the senior class which dealt with the draft and the involvement of women in the draft. These findings, which were available to the reporter, proved her conclusions wrong. We found that the majority of both senior males and females would contribute to both a fringe war or a war of "us vs. them" in either a combat or a non-combat duty.

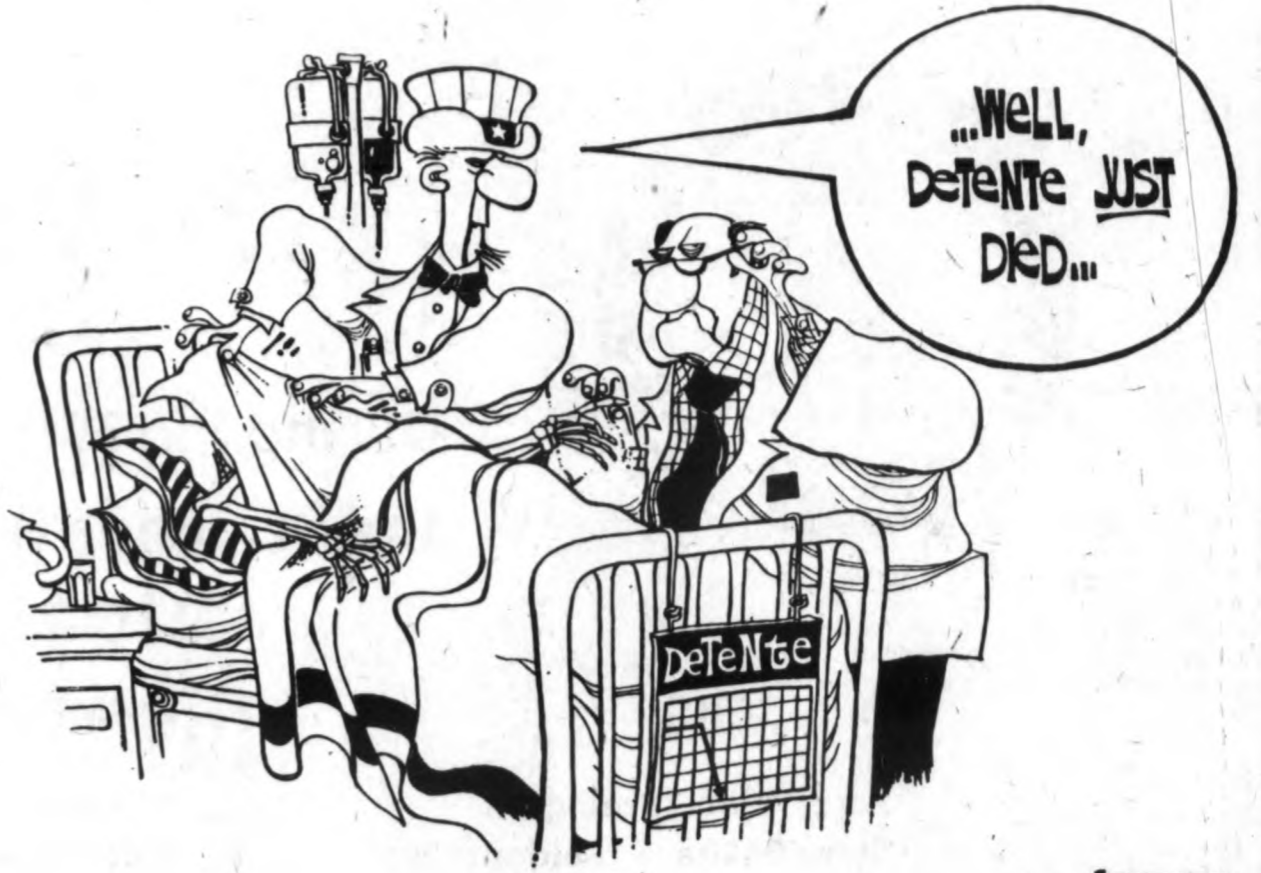
Although we are unable to compare our results with those of Ovid-Elsie students, we can state that females at St. Johns High are indeed patriotic. Our results found that 67 percent of the females would contribute to a fringe war effort and 84 percent would contribute to a "us vs. them" war.

Furthermore she states that "Specific questions about patriotism..." were asked. But, nowhere in the article did she state an opinion of a student(s) which neither expressed patriotism nor non-patriotism. Yet, she claims "St. Johns students generally did not have a patriotic sense of duty."

It is true that senior classes around the country certainly must be concerned about the reinstatement of the draft. St. Johns High School's seniors are just as concerned about this situation as any other school, including Ovid-Elsie. Since we too are journalists and find errors in your story, we feel that another story with a real "cross section" of seniors' opinions on the draft based on facts should be printed in an upcoming issue. We will be happy to share our findings with you.

Sincerely,

The St. Johns High School TORCH staff



A look at finance

By Dr. Donald Burns
St. Johns School Superintendent

In many ways, rural life seems ideal. The air is somehow fresher and the grass usually appears a bit greener in the summer and the snow more beautiful in the winter. For the rural school district, there are some advantages. This is especially true in smaller districts where the school system is so close to the people.

All is not roses, however. St. Johns Board of Education is facing a very serious financial problem—primarily for reasons not caused at the local level.

At last Wednesday's board meeting, Robert Craig, chairman of the board's audit and finance committee, reported the district's estimated revenues for the 1980-81 school year are \$683,000 short of estimated expenditures and that a minimum of two mills will be needed to balance a "bare-bones" budget.

Probably no issue has consumed more printed space and attention from administrators than explaining school financing to the local communities. School finance is a confusing issue in most communities today. And why not? Have you ever tried explaining the State Aid Act?

Before Headlee, it was difficult enough—since Headlee, it's almost impossible. Any discussion of school funding is full of contradictions. Enrollments decline but costs do not decline. Assessments increase, but school revenues don't necessarily increase.

Since 1973, state school aid in Michigan has been based upon the Equal-Yield or "Bursley" Concept. Simplified, this means that a school district is guaranteed a given dollar amount per pupil from local and state sources for each mill levied in taxes.

During the school year 1973-74 (the first year of the Equal Yield Concept) the St. Johns school district was guaranteed \$894 per pupil. The enrollment then was 4,410 pupils (4,410 x \$894 = \$3,942,540). Of this amount, state membership aid amounted to 52 percent or \$2,057,000.

Six years later (1979-80) St. Johns schools were guaranteed \$1,432 per pupil. The enrollment is now down to 4,073 (4,073 x \$1432 = \$5,832,536). Of this amount, \$2,297,084 or 39 percent is state membership aid. The balance is from local taxes. Thus in six years, state membership aid increased \$240,084 while local aid increased \$1,649,912.

From the above data, one can see that the percent of local property taxes needed to support the St. Johns schools over this six-year period increased over 87 percent while state membership aid increased only a little over 11 percent.

In other words, under the Equal-Yield formula, as our local equalized valuation keeps going up (1973—\$65 million; 1979—\$137 million), we received more total dollars, but we drew most of those dollars from local taxes and received very little more in state aid. Is it surprising then to be told that schools are in serious financial trouble, especially the rural school districts because it is in those districts the State Equalized Valuation is going up more rapidly?

Many rural districts in this state, during this year 1979-80, received fewer dollars from the state than last year, while at the same time, their property taxes rose dramatically. In 1978-79 St. Johns received \$2,628,000 in state membership aid. This year 1979-80, we expect to receive approximately \$2,300,000.

What can St. Johns expect in the way of membership aid for the coming school year 1980-81? Based on the governor's budget, we can expect to receive approximately \$2,270,000. That's about \$30,000 less than this year. Now with inflation at 13 percent, how can the governor or anyone expect the St. Johns Board of Education to present a balanced budget for 1980-81 school year?

Specifically, what the governor and others in Lansing have absolutely failed to come to grips with is that the crisis currently facing the public schools has been caused by this state aid formula. As a result, we like many other local school districts, are facing a very serious finance problem this year. And yet the governor is proposing taking over \$40 million out of K-12 education and giving it to the cities. Hard to believe, but that's exactly what is going to happen unless enough people start sending a different message to Lansing. Board members and administrators can't reverse such action alone; we must have your support.

It has been my observation that school administrators and board members for years and years have been among the leaders for tax reform in Michigan. Many years ago, school administrators realized that local real estate taxation, particularly farmland and residential property, could not carry the school funding burden. Not many in the state legislature, however, were sympathetic to this dilemma and, consequently, no real attempts to better equalize the school funding formula has taken place. The biggest burden still remains on the local property owner.

It is imperative that this fact be faced squarely, and some reasonable funding program be devised and implemented so school districts like St. Johns might be given the opportunity to concentrate on their major task of educating young people.

Senior Citizen Update

I eat "out" quite often and one of the nicest things about it is seeing and meeting people.

I like people and love to sit in an airport and try to figure out in my mind what they do, where they are going and always get in a good conversation with someone very interesting. Do you do that?

The other morning when I was having my morning coffee, I became aware of the number of people who were being served eggs in one form or another. I asked the waitress how many eggs they used in a day and she said at least a case. That was in one restaurant only.

Think of all the restaurants in Clinton County serving and using eggs. How many of you people use eggs in your own home? What a tremendous amount of eggs we must use, just here in Clinton County.

How many in our State? How many in the United States? How many in the world? It's pretty staggering, isn't it?

What is the point of all this? None, really. Do you remember when you drove around the country and every farm had chickens? Some of them had quite large flocks. How many do you see now? I can't remember seeing too many lately.

Yes, I know, the chicken farms now keep their chickens inside, off the ground. It's really amazing when you think of it. How many chickens would it take just to supply St. Johns? We can't have all the chickens laying eggs, because look at the amount of chicken we eat.

The farmers say there is no money in chickens, but really, someone must be making money to supply our needs.

This makes one think of bread, buns, butter, meats and how about coffee? I drink my full share, I'm sure, but that could really fog your mind with figures.

I guess all we can say is, thank God someone keeps us supplied with all the goodies we demand.

Benefit Dance Great Success

If you weren't at the K of C Hall a couple Friday nights ago, then you missed a really good time. There were more than 150 people there—enjoying every minute of it.



By Ruth Delo

Sam Sherwood and "Zip" Walz did the square dance calling and they had no trouble filling up the floor. It seems like everyone danced with so much enthusiasm. Everyone had such a good time, they want another dance. We will try to have another dance next month, so look for our advertising.

This was a benefit dance for the Senior Citizen Drop-in Center. We want to thank the K of C Hall for the donation of the hall. Many thanks to the Stevens Band for donating their time and talents. Also thanks to Sam and "Zip" for their time calling the square dances. A special thanks to all you who baked cookies for us.

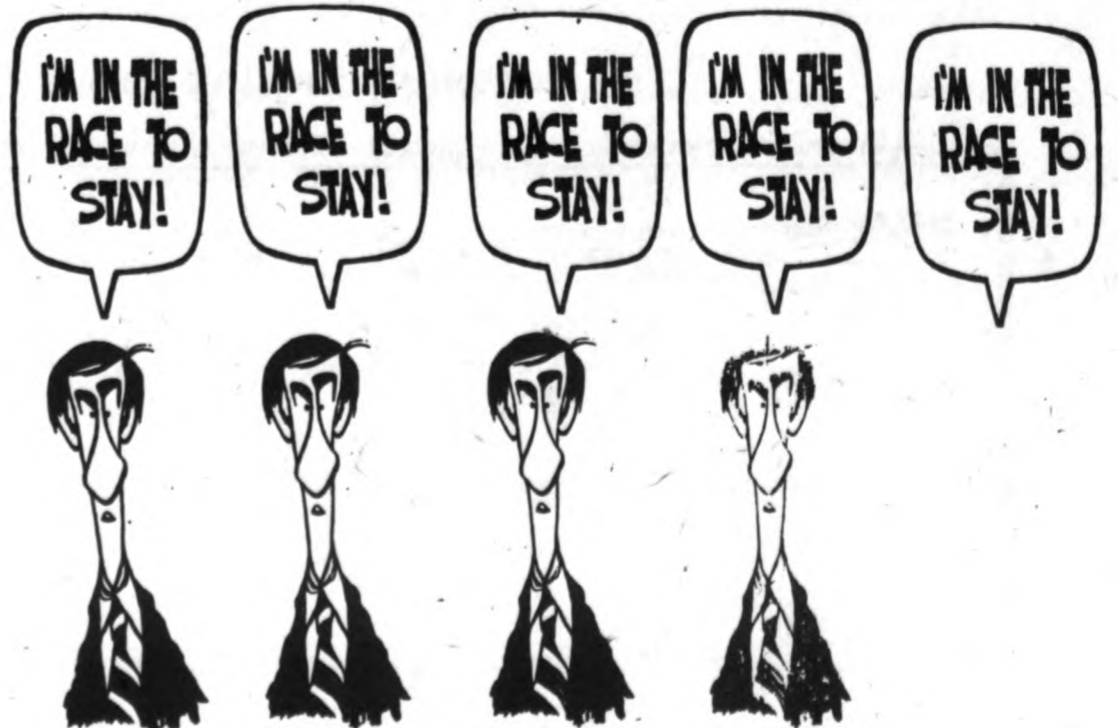
Of course none of this could have happened at all if people hadn't given of their time to help with everything. Many thanks to Clinton Bank & Trust for their advertising for us on the outdoor billboard in front of their bank.

All the merchants were so kind to let us put posters in their windows.

To you people who came to the dance, I think you had such a good time, you probably feel like thanking us. Thanks anyway.

I'm sure I have missed someone, but don't feel slighted, just THANKS.

So...until next time.



Personality Profile

Nutrition to disco, Sue does it all

By Sue Kiley
Editor

St. Johns

Take an outgoing personality, a dab of creativity, two parts of teacher and nutritionist, and a large quantity of enthusiasm and the final product should measure out to be home economist Sue Crumbaugh.

In her job for the Dairy Council of Michigan which is funded by dairy farmers and producers, Ms. Crumbaugh instructs teachers how to teach their students about good nutrition and eating habits.

"The main emphasis in nutrition education in the schools is with kindergarten through sixth graders," Ms. Crumbaugh said. "Our goal is to help them learn how to make wise food choices."

She further explained that children especially in this age group are easily influenced by their peers, television and school. Her main objective is to influence them in the right direction.

After graduating from Central Michigan University as a home economics teacher, she taught in her home town of Ashley for a short time. It was while she was substitute teaching she attended a nutrition workshop which eventually lead Sue to her present job which she's had for three years.

"Nutrition is fast moving in addition to being important," she said. "There is hardly a day that goes by where you can pick up a newspaper or magazine where nutrition isn't mentioned."

In her Cass Street home, Sue was found practicing good nutrition tips with a puppet called "Chef Combo". In a workshop she was preparing called "Early Food Choices", Ms. Crumbaugh was using the puppet to help her relate good nutrition to preschooler teachers.

"This is the first time we have pre-schoolers," she indicated. "It's really exciting because now we are reaching three-year-olds, all the way up to twelfth grade."

The job of home economist takes her to all kinds of places such as Michigan State University, community colleges and schools. She also instructs senior college students taking child development and elementary education on nutrition techniques.

"I guess the really rewarding part of my job is after I've done a workshop, a teacher will come up to me and say she can't wait to use the material with her students," said Sue.

In St. Johns, Ms. Crumbaugh is better known perhaps for her disco dancing and teaching talents. She took her first class two years ago, which opened up a whole new world.

She had seen disco dancing done and decided she wanted to learn how to dance right, so she took the class. After finding she had a natural talent and a love for that kind of dancing, she began teaching classes in September of 1978. Along with her disco lessons, she also took ballet classes.

She took more disco classes and her own classes grew, so that within a short time she was dancing six hours a night five or six nights a week through the adult education program at St. Johns High School.

In addition, she volunteered her time at the elementary schools throughout the county, teaching disco, line dances and body movement to youngsters.

Although she admits disco is waning, it has brought back the basic kind of dancing where people touch each other again.

"Disco helped bring this back," she commented. Her latest venture is learning how to roller skate. "Not disco skating," she asserted, "just the regular kind."

One of her dreams is to learn how to fly an airplane. She has not discounted the idea and some day she will take some classes.

If these activities are not enough to keep her busy, Sue likes to tote paint, cross country ski, sew and macrame. She will also be walking in the March of Dimes Superwalk.

Because of her hectic schedule, she took about six months away from dancing, but now she has begun practicing for a special Jazz Disco Ensemble presentation she will be performing in at Lansing Community College in June.

Another class she will be taking through LCC is an Emergency Medical Training program.


"It's really worth it for the few hours you put in to know what to do in case of an emergency," she commented.

Her main goal right now is to be a continued success in her career. Through this objective she says she meets all kinds of people and has developed relationships which will last a lifetime.

Is it any wonder then why Sue Crumbaugh has been nominated to "Who's Who in American Women?"



Sue Crumbaugh



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I see by the papers

By Richard L. Milliman

I SEE BY THE papers that President Carter's job rating is slipping again.

According to a Lou Harris-ABC News survey of 1,198 likely voters nationwide reported in early February, President Carter receives a 50-49 percent negative rating on overall job performance, compared with a 53-46 percent positive rating in mid-January.

Harris-ABC reports a 58-39 percent negative rating for Carter on the way he has handled foreign policy in general; in mid-December, Carter received a 51-47 percent overall positive rating on foreign policy.

As we have seen since last fall, the presidential ball takes funny bounces. From a few scant months ago, when Mr. Carter was at the depths of most public endorsement, events in Iran and Afghanistan have sent his stock soaring. In neither case did Mr. Carter shape the events which gave him new political vim and vigor ..., and sent Sen. Kennedy, his chief political antagonist, on a downward slide.

Which is to say that public opinion likely will change again for Mr. Carter, probably based on events in the future which none of us can now foresee. Which is also to say that when public support of a public figure is so volatile, based on events of the moment, it has very little root strength.

Although Iran and Afghanistan have helped Mr. Carter's presidential hopes in the short run, they likely will be harmful in the long run, as the people seek answers to why things happened the way they did. Perhaps the slippage, as Harris-ABC reports, is an inkling of what is to come.

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I SEE BY THE papers that American women may well face the draft, or at least registration, right along with American men.

Personally, I'm pulled between two views. Theoretically, I think that's good and proper; women should be treated the same as men, and vice versa.

But actually, I'm sorry to see it happen. I don't like to see anyone drafted, men or women; but I can accept the registration and draft of men much more readily than women. Is that chauvinism, or just traditionalism?

The revised draft points up another inequality in our system, at least in Michigan. First to register, and first to be drafted, will be 20-year-olds, then - according to Mr. Carter's proposals - 19-year-olds and then 18-year-olds.

None of these, who make up our first line of national defense, is old enough under Michigan law to legally buy a bottle of beer. That's unfair.

If we're going to draft 'em, they should have full rights ... including the right to buy alcohol legally.

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I SEE BY THE papers that Volkswagen may put up a plant in Michigan; apparently they like their experience in Pennsylvania - despite ongoing labor problems - enough to try another American site.

I also see by the papers where a couple of Japanese auto companies are studying the same sort of expansion program.

Which points up a quandary I faced a few months ago when I was shopping for a small car. I wanted to buy an American product, for traditional nationalistic reasons. But several of the American cars I looked at were built overseas, and the Volkswagen which struck my fancy was built in Pennsylvania.

I ended up with an Oldsmobile Omega.

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Some closing Nuts and Jolts from Hod Shewell:

- One reason so much aspirin is sold is to ease headaches developed trying to get the tops off the bottles.

- "Emeritus" is a Latin word meaning has-been.

- I know a guy who made just enough money selling his wife's gold wedding ring to pay for the divorce she got when she found out.

- Skilled labor is the art of getting out of work.

- A birthday is a day all little people are big people.

Looking ahead

INTERURBAN—which ran between Lansing and St. Johns will be the focus of the Clinton County Historical Society meeting's program Feb. 21 in the Capitol Savings and Loan community room at 7:30 p.m. Alta Reed and Ford Ceasar are in charge of the program.

THE BATH CLINIC will be held February 21st at Lakeside Chapel on Park Lake Road, Bath. The immunization portion will be from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. The W.I.C. participants may come at 9:00 a.m.

PANCAKE SUPPER—The Knights Templar will sponsor a pancake supper Saturday, Feb. 23, from 4-7 p.m. at the Masonic Temple on W. M-21 in St. Johns. Pancakes, sausage, fried potatoes, apple-sauce, coffee, milk and sherbet will be served. Donation will be \$2.75 for adults and \$2 for children. Proceeds will go to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

CHICKEN DINNER—Family style chicken dinner will be served at the Eagle Inn in Eagle on Sunday, Feb. 25 from 1-5 p.m., with proceeds to go to the Eagle Parks and Recreation Department. Price of the dinner will be \$3.75 for adults and \$2 for children. Preschoolers will eat free.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING—Learn about the sumpto-thermal method of natural family planning through a series of four meetings presented by the Couple to Couple League. The series will be held at Most Holy Trinity School in Fowler from 7-9 p.m. on Sundays Feb. 24, March 23, April 27 and May 18. Cost is \$23 per couple. Call 593-2260 for pre-registration.

HOSPITAL AUXILIARY MEETING—Wednesday, Feb. 20 in the Clinton Memorial Hospital dining room at 8 p.m. The television committee will meet at 7:30 p.m.

EIGHTH GRADE PARENTS NIGHT—at St. Johns High School Monday, Feb. 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. Eighth graders and their parents are invited to attend. This event is sponsored by the guidance departments at the high school and junior high school. High school curriculum information will be discussed. Building tours will be available.

PANCAKE SUPPER—DeWitt Jaycees and Jayettes will hold a pancake supper, Saturday, Feb. 23 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the DeWitt Memorial Building. The proceeds, \$2 adult and \$1 children, will go to the Memorial Association.

VALENTINE BENEFIT DANCE—For Doug and Cindy Smith on Feb. 22 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the DeWitt Memorial Building, Dewitt. Donation will be \$5 per person. There will be a raffle. For more ticket information, call 669-3500 before 5 p.m. or 669-8092 after 6 p.m.

CHURCH CHOIR—The First Baptist Church will host a 36-voice mixed voice choir from the Grand Rapids School of the Bible and Music on Feb. 17 during the evening worship hour that begins at 7 p.m.

Miss Julie Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Green of St. Johns, is a member of that choir. The campus choir is under the direction of Paul Vander Mey. The public is invited to share in this musical treat.

PAPER DRIVE—St. Johns Lions Club wants your newspapers. Watch for curb pickup date or bring them to the drop-off building at the corner of E. Steel and N. Swegles streets in St. Johns (next to Superior Insulation warehouse.)

SPECIAL EDUCATION parents can attend three parent training workshops on the rights and responsibilities of parents of special education children and the laws pertaining to them. They will be held at the Intermediate District office from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 16, Feb. 23 and March 1. Call Nona Edsenga, 669-3992 for further information.

FISH SUPPER—The Men's Club of the Price United Methodist Church located on the corner of Price and Chandler roads will sponsor a fish supper at the church on Saturday, Feb. 23 beginning at 5:30 p.m. and continuing until all are served. There will be a free will offering. There will also be a bake sale. The public is invited.

MAPLE TWIRLERS—Square dance club will sponsor their 15th anniversary dance Friday, Feb. 22, at the middle school gym, Middleton from 8-11 p.m. Wendell Law will be the caller. All singing calls. Guests are welcome.

GRADUATION DANCE—The Bath Shootin' Stars Square Dance Club will be welcoming new members into the club at their graduation dance at the Bath High School cafeteria on east Clark Road, Saturday, Feb. 23, 8 to 11 p.m. with Wendell Law calling. Fingerfood potluck after the dance. All western style square dancers are welcome.

THE BATH PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC is held on the third Thursday of each month at the Lakeside Chapel in Bath, Webster Rd. on Feb. 21. Immunizations from 9-10:30 AM, Blood Pressure screening from 11-12 Noon. For more information, call Mid-Michigan District Health Department.

EXPECTANT PARENTS—Attend a 10-week series of prenatal classes beginning March 3 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Clinton Memorial Hospital. Four-week preparation for childbirth also available. Call 224-4373 for more information.

Bath band has winners in festival

Bath Bath High School band students participated in the solo and ensemble festival at Alma College on Feb. 9, competing with approximately 30 other Michigan Schools. Students were placed in divisions one through five according to their performance. Those placing in the first division will go on to the state festival at Flint Southwestern High School on March 22.

Those placing in the first division were: Laurie Carter, alto sax (solo); Lois Scarane, clarinet (solo); Valerie Drago, cornet (solo); and Sandy Asbridge, clarinet (solo).

Those placing in the second division were: Chuck Elden and Tom Lombardi, trumpet duet; Lois Scarane and Tammy Riley in a clarinet duet; Sue Risch, piano (solo); Shelly Gleason, piano (solo) and Tammy, clarinet (solo).

Chuck Elden did a trumpet solo to place in the third division.

David Kressler is the instructor of Bath High School Band.

Karen VanderRoest and Ronnie Moor, both of the Middle School accompanied these students on the piano during practice sessions.

Life Styles



Mr and Mrs Richard Bayshore Jr

Leiby, Bashore exchange vows

Peggy Ann Leiby and Richard LeRoy Bashore, Jr. were united in marriage Dec. 29 at Haslett Baptist Church. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leiby, Bath and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bashore, Sr., Holt.

Pastor Thomas VanDyke, of Lakeside Chapel, Park Lake officiated at the ceremony.

Peggy was escorted to the altar by her father as the "Wedding Song" was being sung by Miss Sharon Somerville.

Miss Somerville was accompanied by organist William Holda.

For her wedding, the bride chose a white satin floor length gown with empire waistline. A ruffled and lace embroidered bodice and high lace collar accented her dress which also featured long, lace cuffed sleeves. The chapel length veil was trimmed with matching lace. Her bouquet was red roses surrounded by white mums accented with pine cones and evergreens.

Norma Ackerson, friend of the bride was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Tammy Bashore and Sherry Jankovic. They wore floor length, puffed sleeved, red gowns. They each carried a single carnation trimmed with white lace which also trimmed their dresses.

The groom, whose lapel flower was a red rose with baby breath, was attired in a white tuxedo with red embroidered, ruffled white shirt and cummerbund. He was

attended by Terry Royston as best man. Groomsmen and ushers were Tim Bashore, Todd Bashore and Eric Leiby, who were all dressed in black tuxedos with red shirts and wore red carnation boutonnières.

Following the ceremony the newlyweds greeted 275 guests at a reception in the church Fellowship Hall.

After a two-week Florida honeymoon, the couple are residing in Lansing.

Births

A girl, Valeri Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Willard E. Curtis, Jr. of 304 S. Scott Rd., St. Johns, Feb. 14, 1980 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. She weighed 6 lbs. 9 1/4 ozs. The baby has one brother. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Iverson and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Curtis, Sr. The mother is the former Victoria Cramer.

A boy, Charles Randall, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Randall Root of 3820 Turner, Lot 24, Lansing, Feb. 13, 1980 at St. Lawrence Hospital. He weighed 9 lbs. 4 oz. The baby has one sister. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Root and Mr. and Mrs. Duane Rudy. The mother is the former Debbie Rudy.

A boy, Nick Michael, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Moe Bompezzi of 404 E. Parks St., St. Johns, on Feb. 12, 1980 at Lansing General Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 9 3/4 oz. The baby has one sister. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Steve Bompezzi of Owosso and Mr. and Mrs. William Striggon of Corunna. The mother is the former Johnnie Striggon.

A boy, Matthew Daniel, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Fedewa of Rt. #2, Fowler, Jan 30, 1980 at Carson City Hospital. He weighed 8 lbs. 6 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Fedewa and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Thelen. The mother is the former Colleen Thelen.

A boy, Christopher Lee, Jr., was born to Mr. and Mrs. Christopher L. Bailey of 105 E. Elm, Elsie, Feb. 9, 1980 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 1 1/2 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Schroeder and Mr. and Mrs. James D. Wells, all of Elsie. The mother is the former Belinda Rummel.

A girl, Brooke Anne, was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Bennett of 409 W. Park, Feb. 7, 1980 at 10:36 p.m. at Clinton Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7 lbs. 6 1/4 oz. The baby has one brother. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bennett and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Coffman and Mrs. Mikki Hughes.



Rebecca Hawk Michael Conrad Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hawk, 6507 Clark Rd., Bath, announce the engagement of their daughter Rebecca to Michael Conrad of Lansing.

He is the son of Paul Conrad of Haslett and Patricia Anderson of Lansing.

Engaged

Rick J. Foster and Julia Beth Lowe are planning an August 23 wedding date it was announced recently.

Julia is the daughter of James J. Lowe of Kalamazoo and Karen Bjork also of Kalamazoo. She is attending Michigan State University majoring in dietetics.

Rick is the son of Richard Foster of Holt and Yvonne Pangborn of St. Johns. He is also attending MSU majoring in restaurant and business management. He is currently studying as apprentice to the chef at the MSU University

Club Restaurant in preparation for a culinary institute in the East.



Ginger Mull Jeff Holzhauser Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Mull of DeWitt, would like to announce the engagement of their daughter Ginger Marie to Jeffrey Robert Holzhauser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holzhausen of Hope. The bride-elect is a 1977

graduate of DeWitt High School. The prospective bridegroom is a 1976 graduate of Meridian High School. A March 22 wedding is being planned.

Marriage licenses

Richard Lee Brunner, 25, 2265 W. Parks Rd., No. 283 St. Johns; Deborah Kay Studt, 23, 2265 W. Parks Rd., No. 283 St. Johns.

Stanley Joseph Raymond, 23, 403 Short Street, Belle Vernon, PA; Toni Ann Pinchak, 21, 629 West Main Street, Monongahela, PA.

Mark L.G. Myers, 21, 609 N. Morton, Lot No. 74, St. Johns; Bonnie Rae Eisler, 18, 701 S. Clinton, St. Johns.

William Jay Newton, 28, 706 N. Oakland, St. Johns; Sharon Kay White, 37, 706 N. Oakland, St. Johns.

Derick Michael Pardee, 22, 1758 E. Alward Rd., DeWitt; Jane Laurette McGee, 20, 4428 Esta Drive, Flint.

Douglas Brent Jacobs, 36, 205 N. Scott Rd., Apt. No. B-2, St. Johns; Mary Marjorie Moxley, 21, 8360 N. Dewitt Rd., DeWitt.

Robert LeRoy Krumm, 32, 8680 W. Pratt Rd., St. Johns; Martha Elaine Howard, 39, 8680 W. Pratt Rd., St. Johns.

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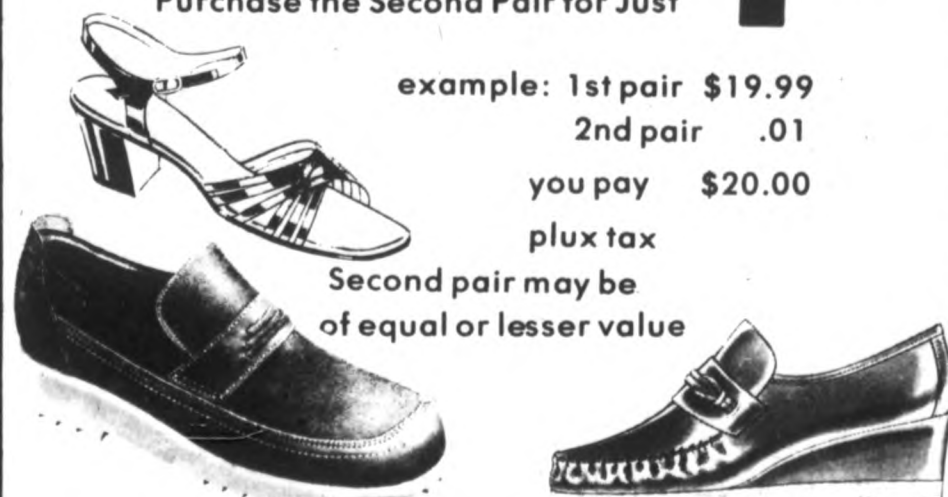
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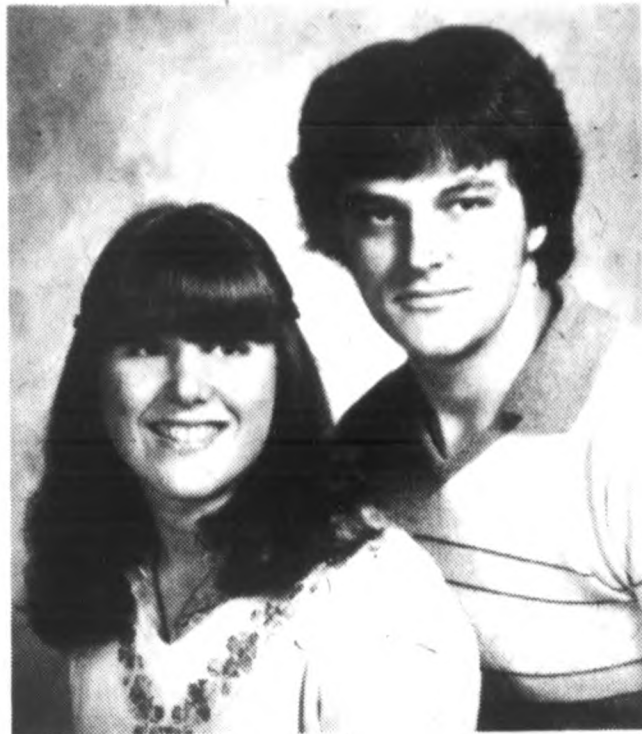
Susan Ruff Doug Miller

Mr. and Mrs. James Ruff, Perrinton would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Kay to Douglas Kim Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Miller, Welter Road, St. Johns. The bride-elect is a senior at Central Michigan University majoring in Health and Physical Education. She is employed at the Academic Administration on campus. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School and is employed by Karber Block Company in St. Johns. The couple plans a May 17 wedding date.



Linda Zuker Robert Karek

Robert and Mary Zuker, 211 W. McConnell, St. Johns announce the engagement of their daughter, Linda Katharine to Robert James Karek, son of Mrs. Stella Karek, 7544 N. DeWitt Rd., St. Johns. The couple graduated from St. Johns High School and plan an April 26 wedding date. The bride-elect is employed at McDonald's in Portland and the prospective



Lisa Thelen Chris Weber

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Thelen, Fowler would like to announce the engagement of their daughter Lisa to Chris Weber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weber also of Fowler. The bride-elect is a 1978 graduate of Pewamo-Westphalia High School and is employed by the State of Michigan.



Sandra Fedewa Paul Klein

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Fedewa, Bauer Road, St. Johns announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandra R. to Paul P. Klein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Klein 11336 W. Clinton, Fowler. The bride-elect is a 1978 graduate of Fowler High School and is employed at Jacobson's Beauty Salon. The prospective groom is a 1976 graduate of FHS and is employed at Oldsmobile. The couple plan a June 28 wedding.



Linda Schrauben Steve Schafer

Mark and Margaret Schrauben, Fowler, would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Linda to Stephen Schafer, son of Stanley and Rose Schafer, also of Fowler. The bride-elect is a graduate of Fowler High School and is a graduate of Central Michigan University. She is presently doing graduate work at Michigan State University. The prospective groom is a graduate of Westphalia High School and is a student at MSU. A June 7 wedding date is being planned.



Teri Patterson

Patterson-Barks

Mr. and Mrs. Gary R. Patterson, 5006 E. Centerline Rd., St. Johns are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Teri Lynn to Erron Todd Barks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl T. Barks, of Barks Farms, 3600 E. Centerline Rd., St. Johns. The bride-elect is a senior at St. Johns High School and is planning to attend Davenport college this summer majoring in accounting. The prospective groom is a 1979 graduate of St. Johns High School and is presently employed at Lietzke Farms. No wedding date has been set.

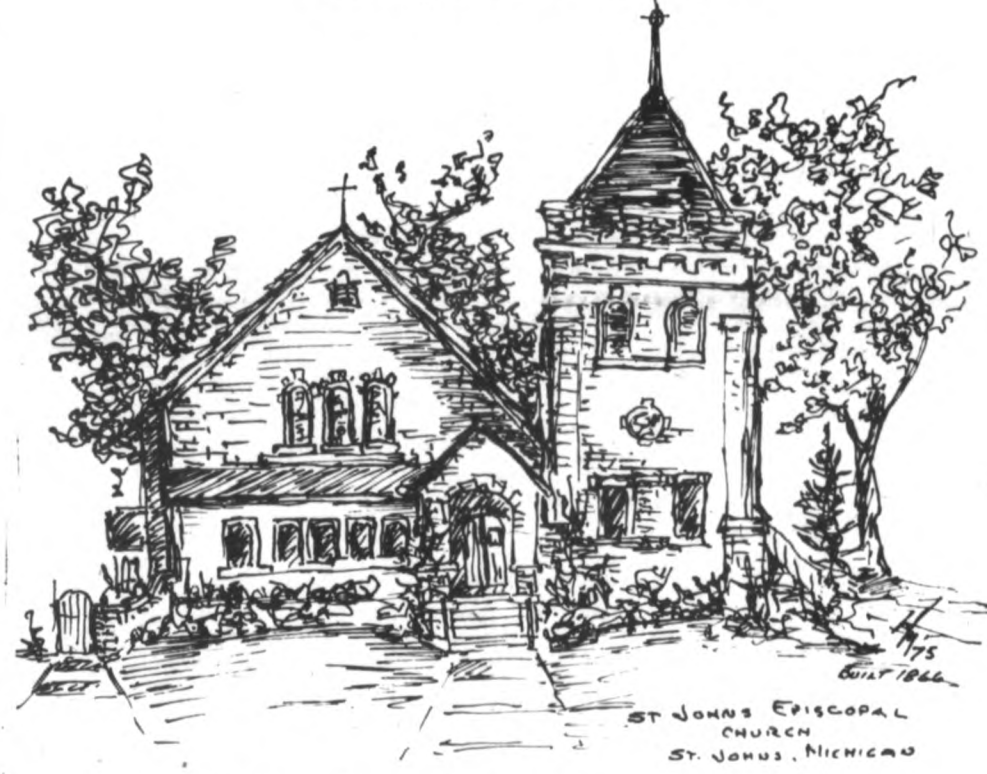
Births

A boy, Erik Andrew, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald S. Mitchell of 810 N. Mead, Feb. 5, 1980 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. He weighed 8 lbs. 12 1/2 oz. The baby has one brother. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Yurek and Mrs. Bonnie Mitchell. The mother is the former Carole Yurek. Mr. and Mrs. Dean L. Schrauben, Fowler, became the parents of a son, Jeffrey Dean, on Jan. 30 at St. Lawrence Hospital.

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Obituaries

Anthony Kuntz

St. Johns community leader, Anthony A. Kuntz, 70, of 506 S. Oakland St., St. Johns, passed away Thursday, Feb. 14, 1980 at Clinton Memorial Hospital.

He was Past Grand Knight of the 3rd Degree; Faithful Navigator 4th Degree, a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 3281 and a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, St. Johns.

He was a former trustee of the St. Johns Board of Education and was past president of the St. Johns Library Board.

He was active in the United Way campaigns and all aspects of St. Joseph parish life. He also was past president of the St. Johns Cemetery Association.

His most recent civic project was to co-chair the fund drive to build a county-wide nursing care facility, the Clinton Area Care Center, in St. Johns.

Mr. Kuntz was a sales representative for Encyclopedia Britannica Education Corp. for 44 years. He was a member of the Professional Bookmans Association.

He was born in West Union, Minn. on Aug. 6, 1909, the son of Joseph and Mary (Eickenlaub) Kuntz. He graduated from St. Johns University in Collegeville, Minn. Since

1937 he had resided in St. Johns.

On Oct. 14, 1939 he married Agnes Klein in Mendon, Mich. She survives her husband as do three sons, Norbert of Shelburne, Vt., Vincent of Lansing and Quentin Paul of Kalamazoo; and three daughters, Mrs. Mary Renee Pohl of Westphalia, Elaine Kuntz of Tucson, Ariz. and Mrs. Margaret Wheeler of St. Johns.

Also surviving are seven grandchildren and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Tillman of Minneapolis, Minn. and Mrs. Ann Dehler of Casper, Wyo. Three brothers and one sister preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Saturday, Feb. 16, at 11:30 a.m. Father William Hankert officiated and interment was in Mt. Rest Cemetery.

Two rosaries were offered at St. Joseph Catholic Church Friday evening. The parish recited a rosary at 7 p.m. and the Knights of Columbus recited the rosary at 8 p.m. The Osgood Funeral Home was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

The family suggests memorials be given to the St. Johns Knights of Columbus or the Clinton Area Care Center.

Mable Hammond

Mrs. Mable Hammond, 73, of Roscommon, formerly of 803 E. State St., St. Johns, passed away after a long illness on Feb. 14, 1980 at Provincial House West in Eaton County.

Funeral services were held at the Osgood Funeral Home Saturday, Feb. 16 at 2:30 p.m. Rev. Brian Sheen officiated and burial was in South Bingham Cemetery.

Mrs. Hammond was born in Clinton County Aug. 22, 1906, the daughter of Harvey and Lizzie (Slocum) Feazel. She attended St. Johns

schools and resided most of her life in St. Johns.

On May 2, 1925 she married Kenneth Hammond in St. Johns. He passed away in 1969.

Mrs. Hammond was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Chapter 79, in St. Johns and she was manager of a retail shoe store.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Mary Zuker, Mrs. Jean Green and Mrs. Charline Blizzard, all of St. Johns; 13 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Julius Pohl

Funeral services for Julius M. Pohl, 81, of 210 Heyer St., Westphalia will be held at St. Mary's Church in Westphalia on Wednesday, Feb. 20, 1979.

A rosary was recited at 3 and 8 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday. Interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery. Funeral arrangements are by the Neller Funeral Home in Portland.

Mr. Pohl passed away Feb. 17 in Lansing after a lingering illness.

He was born in Westphalia June 23, 1898, the son of John and Catherine (Spitzley) Pohl. He resided in

Westphalia most of his life.

He was a member of St. Joseph Society, St. Mary's Church and the Knights of Columbus 4th Degree. He had retired from the restaurant business and the Knights of Columbus insurance business.

He was married to the former Mary Platte.

Surviving are one son, Harold Pohl of Sylmar, Calif.; one daughter, Mrs. Caroline (Gerald) Piggott of Portland; 13 grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Ferguson of Fenton and Mrs. Theresa Hengesbach of Portland.

Florence Lamberson

Florence Lamberson, 78, of 729 N. Pine, Lansing passed away at her residence.

Graveside services will be held at the DeWitt Cemetery on Wednesday, Feb. 20, 1980 at 11 a.m. Rev. Danny J. Bowditch will officiate. The Osgood Funeral Home is

in charge of the arrangements.

She was born in Clinton County April 23, 1902 to Fred and Hellen (Hacker) Mankey. She was a foster mother for the state of Michigan.

Surviving are one brother, Charles Mankey of St. Johns and one nephew, Lee Peterson of rural St. Johns.

Donna Hines

Funeral services for Mrs. Donna Hines, 49, of 155 W. Maple St., Elsie will be held Wednesday, Feb. 20, 1980 at Carter Funeral Home in Elsie at 1 p.m.

Rev. Roger Heintz will officiate and interment will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Ovid.

Mrs. Hines passed away Sunday, Feb. 15 at 5:30 p.m. at her home, due to heart failure.

She was born in Essex Township Feb. 15, 1931, the daughter of Adam and Ida Bailey.

She moved from Ovid to Elsie and had resided there

the past 15 years. She was a member of the St. Johns Lutheran Church and she was formerly employed by Hancock Industries in Elsie.

Surviving are her husband, Edward Hines whom she married in Angola, Ind. on Jan. 22, 1951; one daughter, Mrs. Sharon Chalmers of Crystal; one son, David of Elsie; two grandchildren; her mother, Mrs. Ida Bailey of St. Johns; a sister, Mrs. Connie Hankins of St. Johns; and a brother, Adam Bailey, Jr. of St. Johns. She was preceded in death by a brother, Menlo Bailey.

Ione Anderson

Funeral services for Mrs. C. Ione Anderson, 95, of Essex Township, West Colony Road, route 1, St. Johns were held at the Lowe United Methodist Church, Saturday, Feb. 16, 1980.

The Rev. Robert Gillette officiated and burial was in the Lowe Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the Lowe United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Anderson passed away Feb. 12 at Clinton Memorial Hospital.

She was born to Warren and Elizabeth Webster Casterline of Essex Township on Jan. 4, 1885. She lived in that home all her life except for the last five years when she lived in the homes of her two children because of poor health and the last six months at Rivard Nursing Home.

The farm homestead was recently made a Centennial Farm, purchased first by her grandfather, Edwin Dewey

Webster in 1879 and now owned by her two grandsons, Jack and Alan Anderson.

She attended Hammond Country School, graduated from St. Johns High School in 1903 and attended Michigan Agricultural College in 1904.

She was married to Floyd J. Anderson Oct. 4, 1905. He passed away in 1956.

She was a life-long member of Lowe United Methodist Church, many years a member of the Sorosis Club of Maple Rapids and for over 30 years a member of the St. Johns Woman's Club. She was a charter member of Clinton County Farm Bureau and always an active member in church and community affairs.

She is survived by one son, Dale Anderson of rural St. Johns; one daughter, Mrs. Jean Openlander, also of rural St. Johns; seven grandchildren and eighteen great grandchildren.

Iva Allen

Mrs. Iva L. Allen, 90, of 201 S. Oakland, St. Johns, passed away Saturday, Feb. 16, 1980 at Clinton Memorial Hospital.

She was a life member of the Order of the Eastern Star, chapter 79, and the American Legion Auxiliary.

Funeral services will be held at the Osgood Funeral Home at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 20. Rev. Danny J. Bowditch will officiate and burial will be in Mt. Rest Cemetery.

An Eastern Star service was held Tuesday evening at the Osgood Funeral Home at 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Allen was born in Roselm, Ohio April 8, 1889 to Francis M. and Loise (Sackett) Sanderson. She resided in St. Johns for the past 60 years.

Her husband, Ray E. Allen passed away in 1949. She is survived by two sons, William Allen of Houston, Tex. and Floyd Allen of Fallon, Nev.; six grandchildren; six great grandchildren; one brother, Ora Sanderson of Midland; and one sister, Mrs. Treve Pitchnik of Harrison.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the American Cancer Society.

Gordon Hodge

Gordon S. Hodge, 70, of 310 E. McConnell, St. Johns, passed away Feb. 12, 1980 at 9:30 p.m. at Clinton Memorial Hospital.

He worked at the Fowler Elevator and St. Johns Co-op and in 1974 he retired from Federal-Mogul Corp.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, F & AM 105, Knights Templar 24 and Royal Arch Masons 45.

Funeral services were held at the Osgood Funeral Home in St. Johns Friday, Feb. 15 at 2 p.m. Rev. Robert Prange officiated and burial was in Mt. Rest Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society.

He was born in St. Johns May 10, 1909, the son of Ray and Leona (Shaw) Hodge. He attended St. Johns public schools and graduated from St. Johns High School in

1927. He resided all his life in Clinton County, the past 32 years at the McConnell Street address.

On June 30, 1929 he married Ruthe Carey in Bingham Township, Clinton County. She survives her husband as does one son, Richard of Petaluma, Calif.; three daughters, Mrs. Shirley Dockham of Lansing, Mrs. Dorothy Joyce Gorman of Ovid and Mrs. Betty Brown of rural St. Johns; and 10 grandchildren.

Also surviving are one sister, Mrs. Marvel Patton of Saginaw; one half brother, Jack Smith of Crystal; three step-brothers, Elymas Smith of Bath and Earl and Charles Jolly; and two half sisters, Mrs. Lois Hodge of Wisconsin and Mrs. Doris Bissonette of Lansing.

Mr. Hodge was preceded in death by a daughter, Judy.

Rosetta Janz

Rosetta A. Janz of 615 W. Main St., DeWitt passed away Feb. 14, 1980 at age 85.

She was born July 30, 1894, in Clinton County, the daughter of Gustav and Albertina (Wobser) Janz.

She was a member of the First Lutheran Emmanuel Church in Lansing.

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Russell and Jo Janz of DeWitt; two sisters, Mrs. Lydia Frey, of

Minnesota and Mrs. Elizabeth Frey of Colorado; two brothers, Henry Janz of Grand Rapids and R.E. Janz of East Lansing; three grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the DeWitt Area Chapel with Pastors John Vogt and Daniel Buske officiating. Burial was in DeWitt Cemetery.

WATERTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP

Synopsis of regular board meeting. Also board members present except Trustee Dan Gorman, and County Commissioner, Robert VanDriessen.

Pledge given to our Flag.

Agenda approved as amended.

Minutes of regular and special meeting accepted. Treasurer's report accepted and placed on file.

Elaine Amos, of Park Board, reported that bids have been put in newspapers for the mowing of parks this coming summer. Bids to be opened by Township Board at March meeting. Forest Shipman, has been elected Chairman of Park Board for 1980, Gloria Miller, Vice-Chairman and Elaine Amos, Secretary-Treasurer. James Pond appointed to fill unexpired term of Tom Tank. Bingo license to be renewed, and discussion had relative to showing movies to children with help of PTA.

Sewer Authority report given by James Lonier who stated that same members were elected to office for coming year, and committees are the same.

CAPACOG report given by Vaughn Montgomery stating that meeting was on solid waste problems and the recycling of the by-products.

Public comment time:

Rental of entire complex to Wacousta United Methodist church discussed. Herman Openlander informed board that church would like to rent complex for church and Sunday School purposes from approximately April 13th to end of May, and then from September 7th, to whenever sanctuary is completed. Board informed of daily utility expense.

Motion made and supported that since this is a religious group, that township rent the complex to the Wacousta church at the rate of \$15.00 per meeting. Motion carried.

Graydon Briggs, Fire Chief of Grand Ledge, discussed paying for fire runs on a per run basis with township having to enact an ordinance to collect for part of these runs from insurance companies. Fire Chief also requested all citizens see that their HOUSE NUMBERS are prominently displayed on their houses so that they can be seen from the road by both the fire and ambulance departments.

Planning Commission report given by Tom O'Bryant on three matters.

1. Request of Ballard, VanDeventer, et al for rezoning from R-1B to R-1A. Request granted and township board concurred.

2. Boehm request for variance in Summer Lane. Planning Commission recommended that this be granted and township board concurred.

3. McGuire request to rezone Jon Trimmer property on State Road to B-2, General Business, for purpose of use as a contractor's office, storage and banquet hall rental. Planning Commission recommended denial of such request and township board concurred, as this is spot zoning.

Clerk informed board that an amended Resolution would have to be adopted on the Franchino Mold & Engineering Co. request for Facilities Exemption Certificate. Motion made and supported that an amended Resolution be passed stating that such request would not impair the financial soundness of any taxing unit or impeded the operation of the Township. This amends Resolution of October 10, 1979.

Clerk answered questions on Trial Balance for year 1979.

Supervisor informed board of several date in February.

Meeting adjourned.

Mildred F. McDonough, Clerk

Vaughn Montgomery, Supervisor

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Hortense Harryman

Funeral service for Mrs. Hortense Harryman, 74, of 511 N. Clinton Ave.; St. Johns were held at the Osgood Funeral Home Tuesday, Feb. 19, 1980 at 1 p.m.

Rev. Keith Laidler officiated and burial was in Mt. Rest Cemetery. Mrs. Harryman passed away Saturday, Feb. 16 at Clinton Memorial Hospital.

She was born in Clinton County July 25, 1905, the daughter of Audabon D. and Ella (Smith) Lyon. She attended the University of Michigan.

She married Elwyn G. Harryman in Holt on March 7, 1925. She came to St. Johns from Grand Rapids in 1961.

Surviving are an aunt, Mrs. Ruth Serrine of St. Johns and several nieces and nephews.

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Fresh look

St. Johns City Hall has taken on a fresh look, due to the hard efforts to two CETA employees, Scott Litwiller (left) and Wesley Barrett (center). They have been painting the whole auditorium, painting hallways in the fire hall and city hall and refinishing the floor and stage of the auditorium. The city has been billed only for the supplies. Also assisting in the work has been Tom Helms (right) city hall custodian. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

Gifted and talented workshop set

Clinton County Administrators, teachers and parents can participate

in a two-day workshop on education for the gifted and talented being sponsored by

Ingham Intermediate School District, Monday, Feb. 25 and Tuesday Feb. 26.

The workshop, to be conducted by James Cross, educator for the talented and gifted from the University of Connecticut, as been arranged for those who have not had previous training in the area and for those experienced in the field.

Hopko receives degree

Suzanne Elizabeth Hopko, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hopko, 509 S. Swegles, St. Johns, received a bachelor of science degree in special education from Central Michigan University at winter graduation ceremonies on Saturday, Dec. 15.

Miss Hopko graduated from St. Johns High School in June, 1976.

She has accepted a position with Wayland Union Schools as a teacher for emotionally impaired and learning disabled children.

Monday's session is from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and will look at "Who are the Talented and Gifted?" The evening session is planned for those new to the field. A catered dinner will be served from 6 to 7 p.m. for \$5.

Nemcik graduates from Alma College

Alma Melanie Nemcik of St. Johns is among the students who completed requirements for graduation from Alma College during the college's fall term.

A history major, she received a bachelor of arts degree. A 1976 graduate of St. Johns High School, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Nemcik, 4113 W. Maple Rapids Rd., St. Johns.



Sue Hopko

Tuesday's session will look at developing Independent Education Programs (IEP'S) for the talented and gifted and implementing the Enrichment TRIAD Model in the classroom. Noon lunch is also \$5.

Participants may attend either session or both. Jackie Osburn, consultant for gifted and talented at the Clinton County Intermediate office, has registration forms and will organize a car pool if desired.

Obituaries

Harry Reamer

DeWitt Harry (Tiny) Reamer, 51, formerly of 1200 Locher Rd., DeWitt, died Feb. 12. Funeral services for Mr. Reamer were held Thursday, Feb. 14 at the DeWitt Aea Chapel. Burial was at the DeWitt Cemetery with Rev. Muri Eastman officiating.

Mr. Reamer was born in Cadillac on Jan. 1, 1929 to Present and Floy (Tanner) Reamer. Mr. Reamer is survived by one brother, Curtis Reamer of Dexter; one sister Fern Reamer Maddox of Ann Arbor; and one niece, Sonja Ann Maddox of Ypsilanti.

Mary Gorbenko

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Gorbenko, 85, of 1526 S. Loomis Rd., St. Johns who passed away Monday, Feb. 18, 1980 at her residence, will be held Thursday, Feb. 20.

Rev. Father William Hanker will officiate at the 11 a.m. service at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Burial will be in Mt. Rest Cemetery. A prayer service is slated for 8 p.m. Wednesday evening at the Osgood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Gorbenko was born in Austria Jan. 1, 1895. She has resided in the St. Johns area for the past 40 years, however.

She was married in Cleveland, Ohio to Frank Gorbenko. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Mary Moore of St. Johns and Mrs. Ann Simons of Lansing; four grandchildren; and 10 great grandchildren.

Ora Fish

Mrs. Orientis A. Fish, secretary of the Clinton County Historical Society, past secretary of the Friends of Bement Library, past president of St. Johns Morning Musicales and a member of the First Congregational Church choir, passed away Sunday, Feb. 17, 1980 at her residence at 106 S. Ottawa St., St. Johns.

Funeral services for the 75-year-old woman will be held at the Osgood Funeral Home Wednesday, Feb. 20 at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Hugh Banninga will officiate and burial will be in Mt. Rest Cemetery.

The family suggests contributions be made to

the Michigan Heart Association or the St. Johns Library Fund.

She was born in Lansing March 1, 1904, the daughter of George and Marie S. (Scheffer) Chandler. She graduated from Lansing Central High School and came to St. Johns in 1944. She was married to Lawrence Fish.

Surviving are one son, Kaye L. Fish of Grand Rapids; one sister, Mrs. Annabell Salter of Nevada; and two brothers, John Chandler of Florida and Carl Chandler of Lansing.

Mrs. Fish was a former key punch supervisor with Michigan Millers Insurance.

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Faces in the Forces



Top cheers

Fowler cheerleaders placed fourth in the Class D cheerleading state competition a couple weeks ago, but this picture of the team just arrived this week. Members of the squad are (from left, kneeling) Rosemary Wieber, Cindy Weber, Beth Feldpausch, Joni Koenigs-knecht and Susie Feldpausch; (back) Chris Boog, coach Suzie VanElls and Wendy Schueller. The Fowler team was among 82 squads in classes A, B, C and D who competed in the state finals at Central Michigan University Feb. 2.

Illah Briggs takes Green Thumb post

St. Johns

Mrs. Illah Briggs of St. Johns has been appointed Energy Outreach Worker through the senior workers employment program Green Thumb and will be developing a community energy resource and information center for senior citizens here.

Green Thumb is sponsored by the National Farmers Union with funds received from Title V of the Older Americans Act through the United States Department of Labor. It pays retired senior citizens to provide an array of community service jobs. They work in parks, are involved in renovation of town halls, schools and development of community facilities and beautification projects. Workers can also be assigned as individual placements in schools, nutrition projects, municipal governments, organizations and agencies as teacher aids, library aids, nutrition and clerical aids

to strengthen community services.

Mrs. Briggs' position is for 21 hours a week through May. Her goal is to use community resources to find and assist senior citizens in need of assistance and develop community education programs on energy awareness and conservation. Mrs. Briggs said her first thrust is to find area residents who are having trouble paying their utility and fuel bills. Single people with an income of \$4,250 or less can get a \$280 credit on their fuel bills, she said. For two persons the income figure is \$5,625.

She will also be attending workshops on saving energy and will in turn set up programs here to explain what she's learned. Soon she will have information on insulated shutters. Mrs. Briggs can be reached at her home, 224-2498 or at the Senior Citizen Drop-in Center every Tuesday afternoon.

Parents Night scheduled

The annual eighth grade Parents' Night will be held at St. Johns High School on Monday evening, Feb. 25.

The program will begin promptly at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. Eighth grade students are encouraged to attend with their parents.

The purpose of the program is to provide parents with information concerning the St. Johns High School program for next fall's freshman class. There will be a presentation of the general overview of the school's program. Vocational programs and the various curriculums available to students will be discussed.

Information about enrollment procedures, graduation requirements and guidance services will be provided. Individual questions will be answered by the Counseling staff following the presentations.

The program will be presented by the high school and junior high school guidance departments. Tours of the high school will be available.

Counselors participating in the program will be Mrs. Sarah Boron, jr. high; and from the high school, Mrs. Charlotte Grady, Mrs. Arlene Scramlin, Loren Perry and Bob Tissot.

Joseph Mills

Pvt. Joseph D. Mills, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas V. Mills, Sr., 120 E. Wilson, St. Johns, recently completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

James Light

Airman First Class James E. Light, son of Connie Smith of 510 E. Cass, St. Johns, is a member of an organization that has received the U.S. Air Force Outstanding Unit Award at Lubbock, Tex.

The U.S. Air Force Outstanding Unit Award is earned by members of an Air Force unit for exceptionally meritorious service or out-

standing achievement that clearly sets the unit apart from similar units.

The airman is a 1977 graduate of Manton High School, Manton.

Scott Smith

Airman Scott M. Smith, son of David E. Smith of 497 Dill Rd., DeWitt, has been assigned to Chanute Air Force Base, Ill., after completing Air Force basic training.

During the six weeks at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Tex., the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force.

The airman will now receive specialized instruction in the vehicle mainte-

nance field.

Airman Smith is a 1979 graduate of DeWitt High School.

His mother, Melene F. Smith, resides at 1513 E. Kalamazoo, Lansing.

Troy Lewis

Troy B. Lewis, son of Ted R. Lewis of 3366 N. US-27, St. Johns, has completed recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

During the 10½-week training cycle, he learned the basics of battlefield survival. He was introduced to the typical daily routine that he will experience during his enlistment and studied the personal and professional standards traditionally exhibited by Marines.

He participated in an active physical conditioning program and gained proficiency in a variety of military skills, including first aid, rifle marksmanship and close order drill. Teamwork and self-discipline were

emphasized throughout the training cycle.

He joined the Marine Corps in June 1979.

Steve Weir

Marine Lance Cpl. Steve L. Weir, son of Larrie L. and Sharon K. Weir of 6798 Winfield Road, Ovid, recently participated in cold weather training on Cape Cod.

He is a member of the 36th Marine Amphibious Unit, based at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

The exercise, which involved 3,000 U.S. sailors and Marines and three Navy ships, was designed to test clothing, equipment and amphibious techniques under adverse weather conditions. The exercise started with an amphibious assault landing and involved infantry training at Camp Edwards, Mass. The training was a prelude to a NATO cold weather exercise to be held later this year.

A 1978 graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School, Weir joined the Marine Corps in September, 1978.

Jerry Jakus

Airman Jerry J. Jakus, son of John J. Jakus of 3785 Green Road, St. Johns, has completed Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, here.

The airman, who is remaining at Lackland for specialized training in the security police field, studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special instruction in human relations.

Completion of this training earned the individual credits towards an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Airman Jakus is a 1979 graduate of St. Johns High School.

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Clinton County Sports B

Corunna cages title tie, Marauders

By Mark Haney
Sports Writer

Ovid
Unless something very odd happens, which is not that unlikely this season, Corunna will win the Mid-Michigan B Conference title.

The Cavaliers assured themselves of at least a tie for the title with a 50-42 win over defending league champion Ovid-Elsie Friday, thus ending the Marauders' seven-game winning streak at Corunna.

Ovid-Elsie managed to split the week by taking non-league foe Ithaca 94-55 Tuesday, allowing the Marauders to take a 9-8 overall record, 5-4 in the league. Corunna sports a 7-2 league mark while Ionia stands at 6-3.

Corunna's win was revenge for a 60-57 upset by Ovid-Elsie earlier in the season.

"It feels good," Corunna Coach Frank Davis said. "It has been a long time. It is the

CORUNNA 8 14 17 11-50
OVID-ELSIE 10 6 12 14-42

CORUNNA: Phil Annese 8, 4/5, 20; Jim Koenig 5, 1/2, 11; George Fattal 2, 0/2, 4; Rene McComb 1, 2/4, 4; Jeff Rowley 5, 1/3, 11. **TOTALS**-21, 8/16, 50.

OVID-ELSIE: Mark Hose 0, 0/0, 0; Mark Carter 6, 1/2, 13; Jeff Hettinger 2, 0/1, 4; Dan Fabus 2, 0/0, 4; Bob McClelland 0, 0/0, 0; Troy Gintner 2, 0/0, 4; Chris Horak 0, 0/0, 0; Jerry Horn 0, 0/0, 0; Mike Hudecek 7, 0/1, 14; Carl Teelander 0, 3/4, 3. **TOTALS**-19, 4/8, 42.

first time we have beaten them since I have been here."

Both teams had the offensive jitters early, as Ovid-Elsie eventually took a 10-8 first quarter lead. The Marauders held fast to the margin, taking it to 16-12 with four minutes left. But then things went very wrong, as Corunna's full-court press and Ovid-Elsie miscues allowed Corunna to take a 22-16 lead at halftime.

"I think that spurt of theirs right before halftime really hurt us," Ovid-Elsie Coach Bob Foreback said.

The Marauders then fell behind by as much as 11 points, at 39-28 in the third quarter, before making a late fourth-period surge. Ovid-Elsie got within six points of the Cavaliers, but no closer.

"I wasn't too dissatisfied with our performance," Foreback said. "You can't fault their efforts."

"I just think Phil Annese was the difference," he added.

OVID-ELSIE 22 20 22 30-94
ITHACA 18 16 9 12-55
OVID-ELSIE: Mike Hudecek 1, 1/2, 3; Chris Horak 0, 0/2, 0; Carl Teelander 3, 1/2, 7; Dan Fabus 11, 2/4, 24; Mark Carter, 5 0/0, 10; Mark Hose 4, 2/2, 10; Troy Gintner 2, 4/5, 8; Jeff Hettinger 3, 6/8, 12; Jeff Mills 0, 2/2, 2; Bob McClelland 0, 0/2, 4; Jerry Horn 2, 2/3, 6; Albert Huss 2, 0/0, 4; Lonnie Nixon 2, 0/0, 4; Doug Thering 0, 0/0, 0. **TOTALS**-37, 20/32, 94.

ITHACA: Alan Godley 2, 4/6, 8; Scott Williams 3, 11/16, 17; Jeff Adamic 1, 0/0, 2; Don Droste 6, 2/4, 14; Matt Kristin 1, 7/9, 9; Jim Wideman 1, 0/0, 2; Rich Fiegel 0, 1/2, 1; Mark Tanghe 1, 0/0, 2; Ken Nolan 0, 0/2, 0. **TOTALS**-15, 25/40, 55.

Annese, absent in the first encounter, led Corunna with 20 points while center Jeff Rowley and guard Jim Koenig each scored 11.

But Ovid-Elsie forward Dan Fabus, who had 32 points in the first game, was limited to just four. The Marauders best was the 14-point game of senior forward Mike Hudecek. Junior point guard Mark Carter added 12.

"I thought their kids really worked well on defense," Davis said of Ovid-Elsie, "and we didn't get much of anything in there end early on."

"I think they did a good job of forcing us to the inside defensively," Foreback said.

Tuesday's game was a parade to the foul line as Ovid-Elsie made 20 of 32 free throws and Ithaca shot 40 and made 25. "In fact, the officiating was such that they called every little thing," Foreback said.

The fouls, all 27 of them, didn't deter Ovid-Elsie from rolling to a 22-18 first quarter advantage and grabbing a 42-34 lead at intermission. But the third period, when Ovid-Elsie outscored Ithaca 22-9, was the difference.

Fabus led the Marauders with a 24-point, four-assist, four-steal effort. Forward Jeff Hettinger, however, scored all 12 of his points in the 30-point final stanza while also grabbing seven of Ovid-Elsie's 44 rebounds.

Carter and guard Mark Hose each scored 10 points.

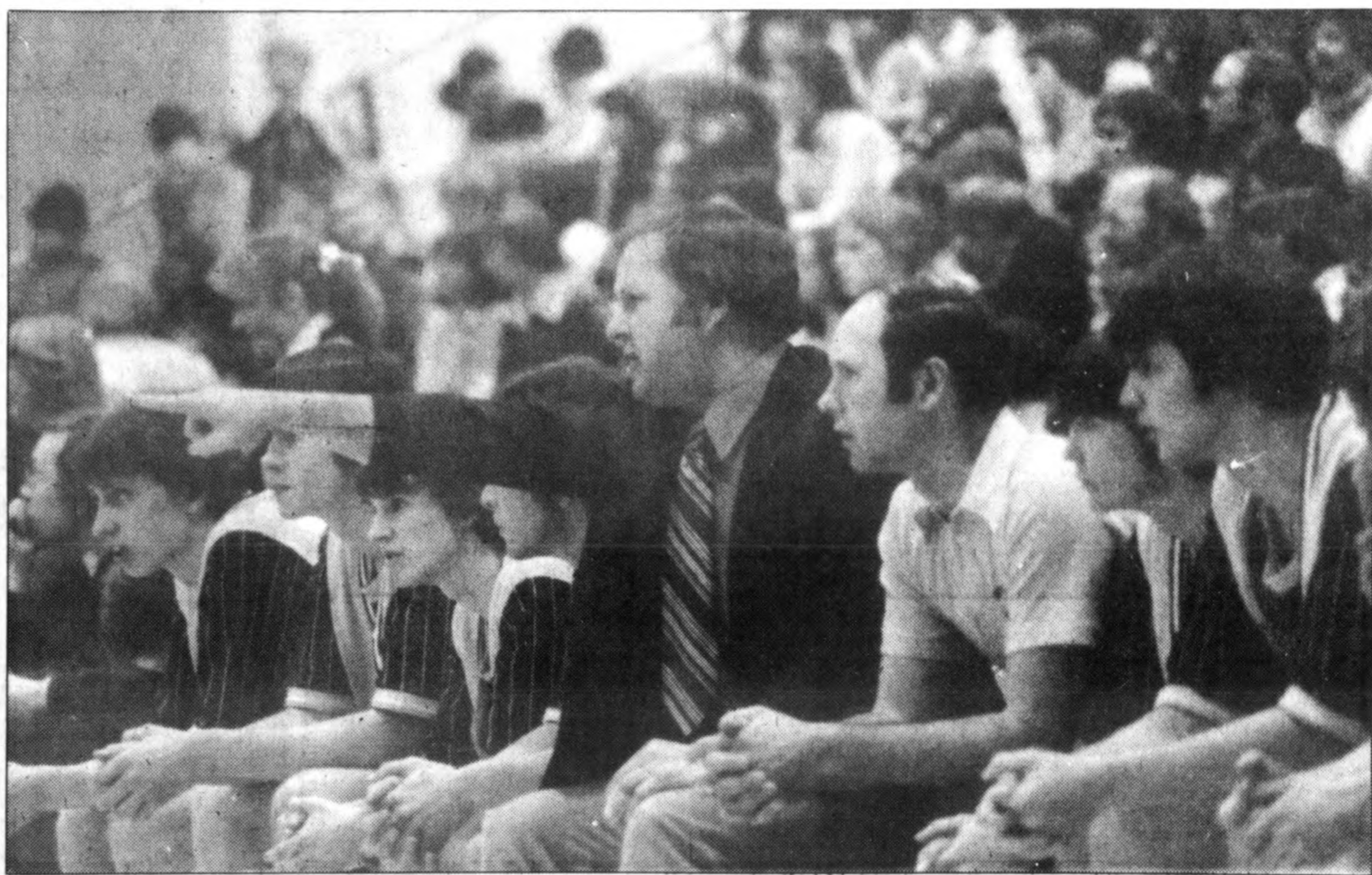
Of course, a rematch with

nemesis Corunna may be in the offing for Ovid-Elsie in the districts, which will be at

Corunna. "You can't tell what will happen there," Foreback said.

The Ovid-Elsie junior varsity took Ithaca 60-44 then took Corunna 42-40.

The Marauders play host to league rival St. Johns Friday.



Not too happy

There is something out there that Ovid-Elsie High basketball coach Bob Foreback doesn't like during Friday's game at Corunna. The thing Foreback wanted to see the least? Corunna's 50-42 victory. (Photo by Mark Haney)

On The Mark

by Mark Haney

When a coach quits or gets fired, it must hit a particular nerve only sensitive in sportswriters. Because we usually go nuts trying to find out why. And it sometimes pays off, because these people get canned and quit for some darned interesting reasons.

More often than not, however, the rumor mill tends to blow the reasons all out of proportion. There was, for instance, the football coach at a small college I used to cover.

He quit, he said, so he would have more time to spend with his family especially his two eldest sons then in high school. Besides, he spent enough time working just as the school's athletic director.

But people soon were saying the guy quit because he was forced out of the job by unhappy alumni who wanted an exciting winning team. Or, the rumor mill said, he quit to take an active part in the school's Freedom Fund, which was meant to keep the school clear of federal government support.

Few people wanted to believe he quit for the reason he stated.

And if you live in Clinton County, you may be hearing such tales about a coach or two around here too.

Kim Lathwell of Fulton, for instance, just quit his job as an assistant coach of the football team. When I asked him why, Lathwell said there were two reasons, really. As basketball coach, he said he didn't feel he could do justice to both jobs, not with both seasons so close to each other. And, he added, the amount of time he spent from August through to March on both jobs took him away from his family too much. So he decided to stay with basketball.

A simple choice maybe, but not one that was easy to make.

But then neither was Roberta Sixés. She said pressure from parents caused her to recently quit her job both as Bath High volleyball and softball coach.

She said she had the support of the school's administration, but that there were people in the community against her, so she felt it wasn't worth her effort to fight them.

And that too, wasn't an easy choice to make.

For despite what seemingly good intentions they have, parents can get carried away in their differences with a coach. And that almost always causes trouble for one or the other.

Despite the rumors to the contrary, parents had little to do with the firing of the Alma High swim coach midway through the boys' season. Rumors swirled around that affair too, with the abrupt change causing stories of many wrong doings to be circulated.

But Athletic Director Bill Bupp said the move was based on actions by the administration, the school board and the coach himself. And, Bupp said, it was just a matter of the coach not fulfilling his role as laid out in the job description. The fact that the move was made at midseason, Bupp said, was because the school felt it better to handle the situation now than to explain why it waited.

Then, of course, the rumors really would have flown. And that only tends to cause more problems.

But then, rumors usually do.

'Wing cagers fall from race

By Mark Haney
Sports Writer

St. Johns
The road can be a cruel place to be for a basketball team. And while the road trips have been fair to St. Johns most of this season (they are 3-3 away from home), it got ugly this past

week as the Redwings lost to Mason Tuesday 89-75 and to Ionia in Friday's Mid-Michigan B Conference contest, 66-64.

Friday's loss dropped the Redwings out of a tie for second and into a tie for third with Ovid-Elsie, this Friday's opponent.

"It wasn't exactly the best

of weeks," St. Johns Coach Bob Tissot said.

With a little luck and a little more time, however, St. Johns could have salvaged the week with a win over Ionia. The Redwings made a valiant fourth-quarter surge, outscoring Ionia 26-13, but it fell short of a win.

"I really think that if we

had another 30 seconds left in the game," Tissot said, "we would have won. We had the momentum going for us."

St. Johns struggled early on, falling behind 20-16 in the first quarter and 41-27 at halftime. Ionia eventually assumed a 17-point advantage with a little over four minutes left in the game. Then St. Johns got going.

"Finally with about four minutes or so left," Tissot said, "we were down by 17 and it was kind of like everything suddenly fell into place."

"In that last four and a half minutes, we played what probably was the best basketball we have played all

year."

While guard Chris Eddington got Ionia 19 points, St. Johns got a 20-point nine-assist, five-steal game from junior guard Bruce Fedewa. Senior forward Bob Sutherland got 17 of St. Johns' 43 rebounds.

The Redwings made a late run at Mason too, after the Bulldogs had rolled to an

18-point lead. With over two minutes left, St. Johns had trimmed the margin to eight points and had a player at the free throw line for a one-and-one. But the free throw fell short and Mason took the rebound.

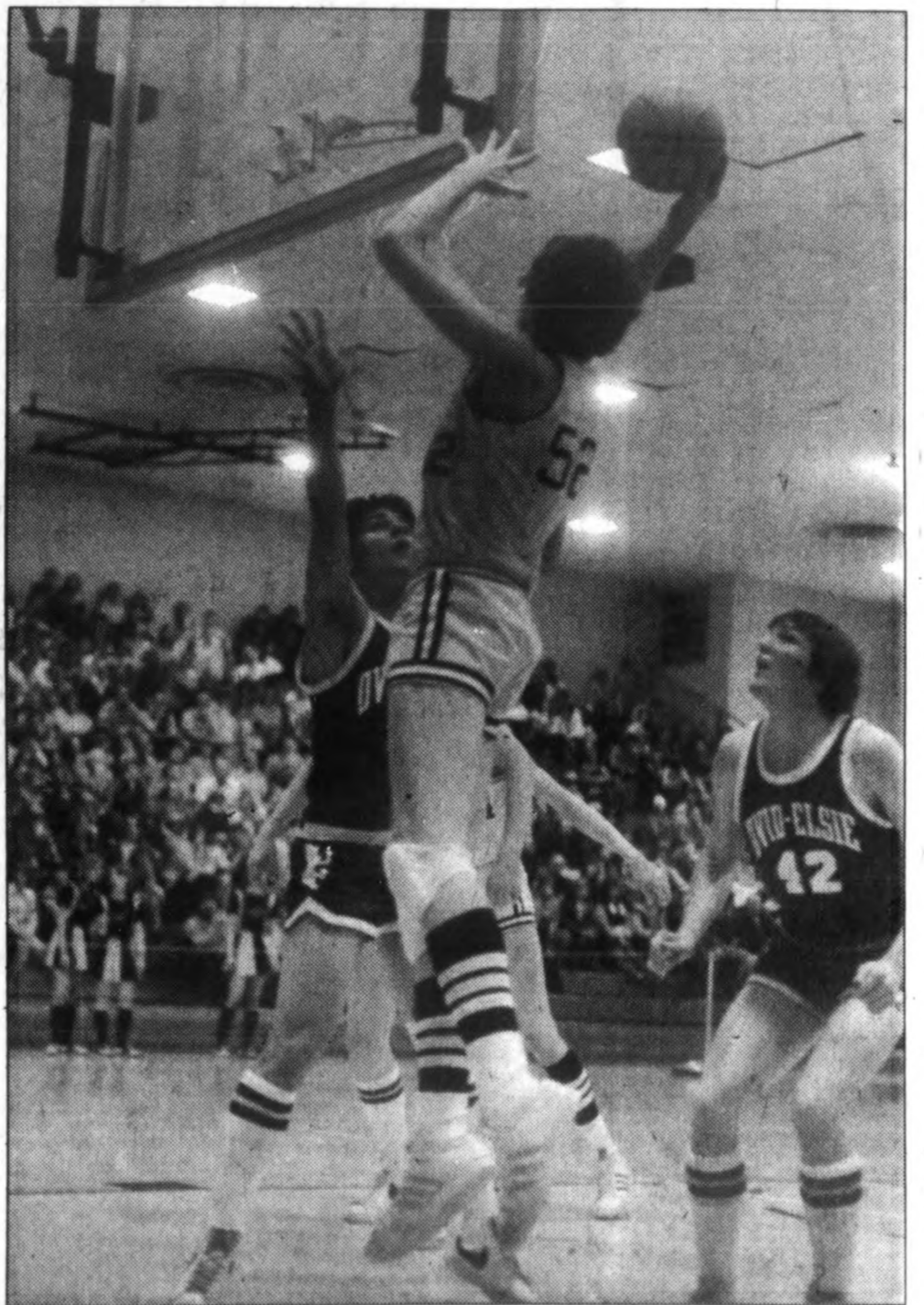
The St. Johns junior varsity slipped past Mason 56-55, but dropped a 71-56 decision to Ionia.

IONIA 20 21 12 13-66
ST. JOHNS 16 11 11 26-64
IONIA: Sykes 3, 4/6, 10; Klein 4, 6/8, 14; Eddington 9, 1/5, 19; Rubach 6, 2/4, 14; Reglin 4, 1/1, 9. **TOTALS**-26, 14/24, 66.

ST. JOHNS: Casler 10, 2/5, 22; Hallenbeck 1, 0/2, 2; Sutherland 2, 2/4, 6; Sleep 4, 0/1, 8; Bannina 1, 0/1, 2; Simon 1, 0/0, 2; Campbell 1, 0/0, 2; Fedewa 10, 0/0, 20. **TOTALS**-30, 4/13, 64.

MASON 19 21 21 28-89
ST. JOHNS 18 18 16 23-75
ST. JOHNS: Sutherland 4, 3/5, 11; Sleep 4, 0/1, 8; Hallenbeck 1, 0/0, 2; Casler 9, 2/4, 20; Fedewa 8, 2/2, 18; Bannina 0, 8/9, 8; Campbell 3, 0/2, 6. **TOTALS**-30, 15/22, 75.

MASON: Peters 10, 3/6, 23; Archer 10, 5/8, 25; Howe 2, 4/6, 8; Scott 4, 3/4, 11; Vincent 2, 0/2, 4; Davis 1, 0/1, 2; Clark 6, 4/4, 16; Jewell 0, 0/1, 0. **TOTALS**-35, 19/29, 89.



Gosh!

Gosh, he's tall isn't he? Corunna High forward Rene McComb (52) goes high over Ovid-Elsie's Mike Hudecek for a basket, while Marauder Troy Gintner (42) eyes the action. Corunna came away with a 50-42 win at home despite Hudecek's 14 points. (Photo by Mark Haney)

Districts stiff for wrestlers

By Mark Haney
Sports Writer

The districts were more than they had been cracked up to be for the area wrestling teams.

CLASS A

St. Johns got just two wrestlers, 155-pound Ken Harris and 167-pound Greg Wood, out of the Class A district at Owosso Saturday.

Coach Chuck Wolf was unable to wrestle 119-pound Jerry Peters due to an ankle injury, while 126-pound Garret Hayes and 132-pound Kurt Hayes each lost first round matches. Don Healy, at 112-pounds, was ahead after two periods in his semi-final match but lost in the third stanza and was eliminated from the tournament.

"Especially I was disappointed with Don Healy's loss," Wolf said. "I thought he was wrestling very well, but the guy he wrestled was doing well too."

Harris and Wood pinned both of their foes to make it to the regional, which begins Saturday at 11 a.m. at Rochester Adams High.

How are their chances?

"It is pretty even," Wolf said. "It is hard to say. I knew Class B was pretty tough at 155 but Class A hasn't looked as tough."

"Yeah, I think they should both qualify for the state meet."

To do so, they must finish in the top four Saturday.

CLASS B

Wednesday's all-star wrestling match at Lansing Eastern told Ovid-Elsie's Rich Ackles something. It told him he had a pulled neck muscle and a pinched nerve. And though the 198-pound Ackles beat Waverly's Todd Robinson and Class B-C-D, the team took the Class A squad 47-8. Ackles was unable to wrestle at Saturday's Class B district at Linden.

And Ovid-Elsie found itself 17th in a 20-team field, without a wrestler going to the regional at Linden.

"He sustained the injury a couple of weeks ago," Ovid-Elsie coach Jim Maidlow said, "and he thought he'd try it out Wednesday. And it bothered him quite a bit."

For instance, Ackles found

out he couldn't use his arms much.

In the district, won by Montrose, three Ovid-Elsie wrestlers managed first round wins—98-pound Mark Thornton, 135-pound Brett French and 185-pound Terry Mitchell.

CLASS C

Fulton High's wrestling team found the Class C district at Freeland tougher than it anticipated and wound up eighth in the 15-team field.

Three Pirates, however, head on for the regional at Ithaca. Jeff Price, at 105 pounds, took second when he lost his finals match 3-1. Tim Price at 132 pounds, lost his second match in 36 tries when a wrestler from Farwell turned the tables on him and pinned him in the waning moments of his finals match.

And Rick Robbe, wrestling at 145-pounds, lost his first match in 36 on an 11-4 decision in the finals.

"It was a tougher tournament than I thought," Fulton Coach Jayce Pell said.

Shepherd won the team title, with Farwell second, Reed City third and Carson City-Crystal fourth.

Gymnasts eye second place

St. Johns
There still is a glimmer of hope, floating near the St. Johns High boys' gymnastics team. The Redwings of John Furry brought on the glimmer with a 116.66-104.28 win over Southfield Lathrup Feb. 9 and a 104-98 win over Grand Blanc Tuesday.

The glimmer of hope is for second in the league standings.

"They are looking better," Furry said. "I feel we have a very good shot at being second in the league to East Lansing. Nobody is going to touch East Lansing, though. They are solid."

"I anticipate ending up with a 7-3 league record."

The two wins put St. Johns into a 5-3 league record with a 5-5 overall mark. Friday, two more league victories may be in the offing with both Ionia and Harper Woods Notre Dame taking part in a double dual meet at St. Johns.

"All three of us, we really are not that far apart," Furry said.

"We are pretty nip and tuck in there. It could be anybody's meet."

St. Johns won four of six events with Grand Blanc. Randy Long finished first in the floor exercise with a 6.5 score, Dave Ebert was best in the pommel horse with a 4.6 score, Bruce Sarka and Grand Blanc's Rob Felts tied

for first in the still rings with a 5.95 and Graham Rice took the parallel bars competition with a 6.4 score.

St. Johns nearly had another first in the vault, but Grand Blanc's Rod Golightly skipped by with an 8.55 score, better than Calvin Rice's 8.5.

Golightly, winner of the high bar competition with a 5.0 score, edged Spencer Beaufore of St. Johns in the all-around 32.22-30.55.

Beaufore was third in floor exercise, tied with Graham Rice for third in vaulting and was second in the high bar.

Long managed a second in pommel horse, Brent Churches was third in the still rings, Curtis Simon was third on the parallel bars and Dave Purchase was third on the high bar. Three qualifying scores came out of the Southfield Lathrup meet. Calvin Rice's 8.8 score in the vault was good for the state meet, Graham Rice's 6.9 on the parallel bars was too and Beaufore's 36.35 all-around score was his first state-meet qualifier.

Szarka was second to Lathrup's Andy Fogel in the still rings while Beaufore was second to Fogel on the high bar. Long won the floor exercise and Ebert took the pommel horse.

Friday's meet begins at 7 p.m.



Hard work

The concentration needed to just survive in high school gymnastics is etched on the faces of both Brent Churches (left) and Dawn Bakita (right) of St. Johns. Churches was on his way to a third-place finish on the still rings in the meet Tuesday with Grand Blanc while Bakita, below, exhibits her form on the parallel bars at Monday's meet with Lansing Harry Hill. (Photos by Mark Haney)



Girls top Mount Pleasant

St. Johns
In an out-and-out battle, the St. Johns High girls' gymnastics team took Mount Pleasant Thursday, 82.40-80.65.

Darlene Cerny paced the Redwings by winning the vault (7.9), the uneven parallel bars (7.25) and the floor exercise (8.0). She then took second to Mount Pleasant's LeeAnne Lennon on the

balance beam.

Cindy Steaves grabbed a second on the bars, just ahead of Lennon who grabbed a second in the vaulting and in the floor exercise.

Dawn Bakita, who also scored points for St. Johns in the vaulting, grabbed a third in both the floor exercise and on the balance beam. Her scores 7.2 and 6.9 respective-

ly, qualified her for the state meet.

Sharon Law also contributed points in both the vault and on the parallel bars while Cindy Farrel scored on the beam and Tammy Gladstone scored in the floor exercise.

Mount Pleasant stands at 8-2 overall. St. Johns, however, is 7-1, with a trip to Mason on tap today and one to Perry set for Tuesday.

CMAC volley race tightens

By Mark Haney
Sports Writer

The race for the volleyball crown in the Central Michigan Athletic Conference looks a bit like the battle for second in the CMAC basketball run did a few weeks back.

With Pewamo-Westphalia's upset of CMAC leader Olivet Thursday, the Pirates wound up in a three-way tie for the lead with Fulton and Potterville. And Pewamo-Westphalia tangles with Fulton Thursday.

That tilt precedes the CMAC league meet Saturday at Fulton.

PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA
Coach Carol Bogard's Pirates had just one volleyball match last week, but they made the best of it by knocking off Central Michigan Athletic Conference leader Olivet, 9-15, 15-9, 15-7.

The Pirates, 7-5 overall and 4-1 in the CMAC, were boosted by 92 percent serving efficiency and by one of Bogard's tactical moves.

"I switched Donna Heckman from hitter to a setter," she said, "and it really worked well. I think it really made the difference."

Down 5-3 in game two, Judy Spitzley served up 11 straight points to put the game on ice, and put momentum on Pewamo-Westphalia's side.

Spitzley eventually accounted for 14 points while nailing in 18 spikes. Dorothy Thelen had seven points on her serves with 14 spikes. Ann Schmitt served eight points, Patti Spencer had 12 spikes.

The Pewamo-Westphalia junior varsity scored a 15-4, 15-2 win over the Olivet reserves behind 88 percent efficient serving. Jeanne Smith, Shawn Thelen and Julie Thelen each accounted for five points.

OVID-ELSIE
Going one-for-three in baseball isn't great, but it does give you a respectable .333 average. Winning one of three in volleyball isn't so great as Ovid-Elsie High coach Stan Pasch discovered this past week.

Pasch's Marauders topped Ionia Wednesday, 15-7, 15-2, but lost to St. Johns Feb. 11 15-12, 13-15, 15-12 and lost to Alma Monday 15-3, 15-12.

Against Alma, which leads the Mid-Michigan B Conference, Ovid-Elsie got eight points from the serves of Brenda Hughes. Alma, however, got seven from Marta Kapp, including six in a row.

"We played pretty well with them," Pasch said. "But they are better. I think

they are the best team in the league."

Lori Len paced the Marauders against St. Johns by going 23-for-23 serving.

The Marauders travel to Chesaning today with Cornua on tap Monday.

ST. JOHNS
With efforts of its own, the St. Johns High volleyball team climbed back into the Mid-Michigan B Conference race this past week.

Coach Beth Swears' team first took Ovid-Elsie 15-12, 13-15, 15-12 Feb. 11, then came back to down Chesaning 15-10, 4-15, 17-15 Wednesday to put the Redwings in a tie with Chesaning for second in the league behind Alma.

St. Johns, 11-3 overall, 4-2 in the league, got seven points and 18 sets for spikes from Denise Thelen while Ann Purtil served up six points. Lori Kus and Janis Karber then contributed 19 and 10 spikes.

Thelen won the Ovid-Elsie match for the Redwings by breaking a 12-all knot in game three, serving up three winning points. In all, Thelen accounted for 19 points while Purtil scored 10. Kus had 18 spikes and Karber had 15 with a pair of aces.

The St. Johns junior varsity upped its record to 8-3 overall by taking Ovid-Elsie 15-8, 16-14 and got Chesaning 15-10, 1-15, 15-7. Jeanne Ammons and Jackie Bachelor each had seven points against Ovid-Elsie while June Pearson had 13 points, including two aces, against Chesaning.

The freshman B team lost to Grand Ledge 15-2, 15-9 and to Chesaning 15-12, 15-13, despite an 18-point service performance in the latter by Caren Rojas. The A squad, however, got 13 points from Lisa Henning to top Grand Ledge 15-2, 15-4 and got eight points from Lisa Mazzolini to top Chesaning 15-7, 15-8.



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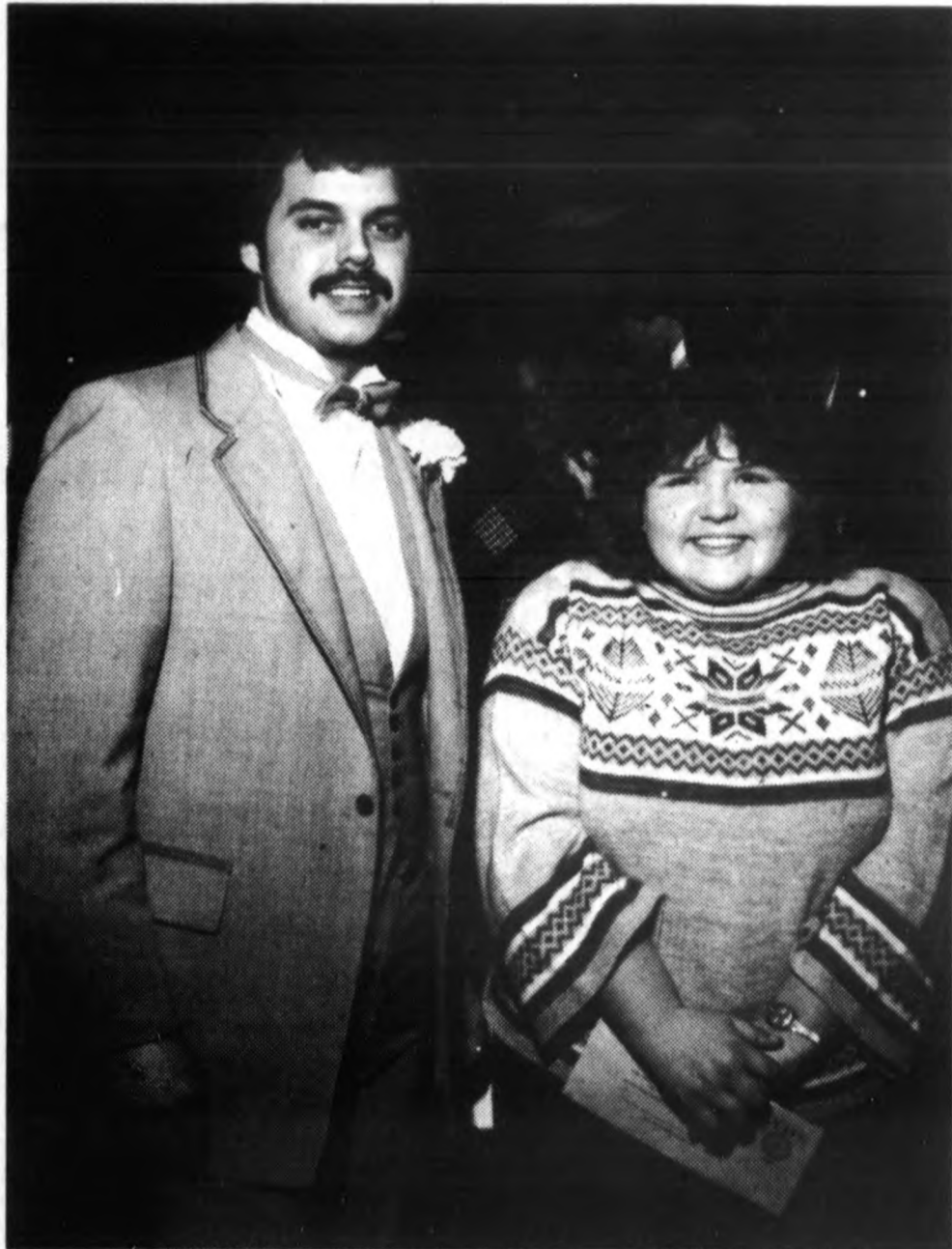
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Trip winner

The winner of the St. Johns Bridal Fair \$500 gift certificate to be used toward a honeymoon offered through Savas Travel Agency of Owosso was Julie Johnson, shown here with John Berg, master of ceremonies at the bridal fair. Miss Johnson will marry Joe Todd on July 12. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson. (Photo by John Fitch)

Kids, adults to explore the future

Clinton County
Clinton County students, fourth grade through eighth, have been invited to participate in Futures Super Saturday being sponsored Saturday, March 1 by the Eaton Intermediate School District. They will explore space

colonization, ocean farming, future transportation and careers and computer games in workshop sessions.

Students, parents and teachers can attend the day long activity and participate in three different sessions of their choice. Super Saturday costs \$3 a person, including

lunch and will be held at the Eaton Intermediate School District, 1790 East Packard Hwy., Charlotte.

Clinton County's consultant for gifted and talented children said that a bus may be taken if enough children and parents sign up to attend. Teachers are also

invited.
"The day has been arranged for students and adults to learn about and discuss together our alternatives for the future," Ms. Osburn explained. "It's a great opportunity to involve our area students in a high interest program," she said.

Larry Schlack, a member of the World Future Society and Superintendent of the Barry County Intermediate School district will give the keynote address. "Future Trends." Participants will see a slide show on Space Colonization and then break into smaller groups of their choice to look at things like future transportation, future careers, computer demonstrations, and ocean farming. Also offered in an afternoon session will be "The Nuke Dispute" a special film, debate and discussion of the nuclear energy dilemma.

Ms. Osburn will provide registration forms at her office at the Clinton County Intermediate School District, US-27. Checks and workshop choices must be in to the Eaton office by Wed., Feb. 27.

Seek replacement of township clerk

DeWitt Twp.

DeWitt Township is without a clerk once again. Township officials officially accepted the resignation of Betty Churchill on Thursday, Feb. 14.

Originally, Mrs. Churchill had submitted the resignation in the first part of January. However, township officials wanted to give her time to consider her announcement.

Former township clerk Judy Hazelo has been filling in for the township in addition to her other job as computer/programmer operator. She will continue to assume the duties of both jobs until a replacement for Mrs. Churchill is found.

Mrs. Churchill was sworn into office Nov. 20, 1978. Her term expires Nov. 20, 1980.

4-H news

Knit and Stitch By Janice Rademacher

At our last meeting, Mrs. Fleisher came in and talked about health. The games were done by Elizabeth Welch and Marybeth Labrado. Refreshments were done by Cathy Vitek and Heather and Heidi Scranton. On roll call, we answered with health tips.

At the Jan. 21 meeting we didn't have a demonstration because we did favors. Refreshments were done by Shelly Knight and the Labrado families.

Synopsis for proceedings of Clinton County Board of Commissioners meeting held December 21, 1979.

The Board met Friday, December 21, 1979 at 9:00 A.M.

Minutes of the November 27, 1979 meeting were approved as corrected.

Agenda was approved as amended.

Voted and carried to adopt the resolution No. 79-100. Harvesting Natural Resources

Board voted to inform the Michigan Historical Commission that they desire to list the Paine-Gillam Scott house in the Michigan State Register of Historic Sites.

The Board voted not to make an appointment of a Board member to the Clinton County Historical Society.

Voted and carried to approve farm land application No. 79-294 and 79-295.

Voted and carried to approve commissioners expense accounts as presented.

Voted and carried that the Zoning Ordinance Amendment OR-1-73 Part I be referred back to the Planning Commission.

Motion failed to rewrite portion of zoning ordinance and eliminate special use permits and include special use permit restrictions in zoning ordinance

Motion to adopt zoning ordinance OR-1-78 amendment Part II, III Option B, and IV voted and carried.

Motion was carried to concur with Bath Township and recommend IW & IE as Clinton County's preferred route of the I-69 interchange through Bath Township.

Tom Woodruff thanked the Board of Commissioners for their support to Bath on matters of concern to the township.

Agnes Danley, who is retiring December 31, 1979, was presented a certificate of appreciation for serving Clinton County for eleven years.

Committee of the whole met December 14, 1979 with District Court Judge Fred Lewis to discuss options available to alterations at the District Court.

Motion was carried to approve alterations to District Court.

Voted and carried to approve audited bills for December in the amount of \$59,096.04.

Voted and carried that unexpended appropriations be returned to the general fund.

Voted and carried that the unexpended appropriation of \$1,896.00 of 1979 Michigan Health be returned to Federal Revenue Sharing Fund.

Voted and carried that the county make payment for drain work less than \$200 prior to 1976 in the total amount of \$1,345.81 to be made to the Revolving Fund.

Voted and carried to transfer \$4643.79 from Contingency (transfer #23) \$1,410.00 to Maintenance, \$2,500.00 to Juvenile Court and \$733.79 to Tax Tribunal Appropriation.

Voted and carried to accrue several 1979 expenses.

Voted and carried to rescind action to change county's phone system and installation of additional DeWitt Foreign Exchange line.

Voted and carried the resolution approving the contract between the Michigan Department of Transportation and the Clinton County Board of Commissioners providing 1980 funds for the Van program.

The Clinton Area Care Center has \$610,000 pledged to date.

Voted and carried to recommend improvements to the Community Living Center at approximate cost of \$50,000.00

Voted and carried to reappoint Earl Barks to the Zoning Appeals Board for a three year term.

Voted and carried to reappoint William Purvis to the Department of Public Works for a three year term.

Two additional members to DPW are still needed. Names should be submitted to the Physical Resources Committee.

Voted and carried to replace Max Brown who resigned with Daryl Kesler to the Tri County Regional Planning Commission.

Voted and carried to notify the State of Michigan that without State financial assistance, the county is unable to assume responsibility with respect to electrical, plumbing and mechanical construction codes and the State is requested to assume responsibility.

Maintenance responsibilities at Green Haven are being discussed. Proposals will be forthcoming.

Estimates are being obtained to convert or replace the oil furnace at Smith Hall.

Job description of the maintenance position has been amended to include minor patching of county owned blacktop.

Insulation at the County Service Center is not adequate. The matter is being taken under advisement.

Sheriff and Farm Bureau are discussing fire services. Written policies are being developed.

Voted and carried to table the matter of recommendation and waive \$3.00 of the \$10.00 fee for concealed weapons permits for members of the Sheriff's Posse until a legal opinion is obtained.

Sheriff informed the committee that Consumers Power has leased space at the County Radio Tower for \$900.00 per year.

Voted and carried that the county plan on a new county jail with a 53 bed capacity and place the proposition on the ballot at the May 20, 1980 Presidential Primary Election.

Voted and carried to adjourn and meet January 2, 1980 at 9:00 A.M. for organization of the Board.

Complete minutes on file in Office of County Clerk.

Jane Swanchara
Jane Swanchara, County Clerk

Synopsis for proceedings of Clinton County Board of Commissioners meeting held November 27, 1979.

The Board met Tuesday, November 27, 1979 at 9:00 A.M.

Minutes of the October 30, 1979 meeting were approved as presented.

The Agenda was approved as presented.

Resolution regarding regulation and management of solid waste was referred to the Physical Resources Committee.

Voted and carried to approve the following farm land applications as presented: 79-290, 79-291, 79-292 and 293.

Chairman of the Ingham County Department of Public Works spoke on solid waste disposal.

Motion failed for approval of ZC-20-79, Eagle Township, Stay and Associates Special use permit for operation of a gravel pit.

Motion carried to grant a special use permit ZC-24-79, Watertown Township, to American Excavators Inc.

Motion carried to rezone property of Dr. Richard Martin, Bath Township from M-1 Limited Industry to A-1 Agricultural Production.

Motion carried to grant a special use permit to operate a horseback riding school, boarding facility and tack shop, Dr. Richard Martin, Bath Township.

Voted and carried to approve Commissioners expense accounts as presented.

Lt. Robert Ferry from the Sheriff Department informed the Board that Federal money for the 73 snow storm has been received in the amount of \$51,693.00. The money will be distributed to units with the County receiving approximately \$20,000.00 as follows: \$18,100-Road Commission; \$1,590 to Sheriff and \$320 to Administrative Services.

Finance Committee approved travel expenses of Equalization Director and Treasurer for October after documentation was received.

Voted and carried to approve adjustments to the classification compensation schedules effective January 1, 1980, A thru F.

Voted and carried to close the Courthouse Monday, December 24, and that it be considered a paid holiday for employees covered under the County's compensation and classification schedule.

Voted and carried to approve bills audited for November in the amount of \$54,226.99.

Voted and carried to elect Joyce Divine as a Democratic member to the Board of Canvassers for a four year term.

Voted and carried to elect Diane Rivest as a Republican member to the Board of Canvassers for a four year term.

Voted and carried that the surety bond for County Road Commissioners be set at \$2,000.

Voted and carried to adopt the personnel policy for non-union county employees effective January 1, 1980.

Voted and carried to adopt the resolution modifying the charter of the Lansing Regional Tri-County Manpower Consortium.

Voted and carried to authorize the addition of three Lansing foreign exchange lines and the deletion of two outgoing DeWitt foreign exchange lines.

Voted and carried to amend the 1980 budgets due to reclassifications; Juvenile Probation; Prosecutor; Planning; and Animal Control.

Lancaster reported that Margaret Thingstad is resigning as the County's member at large on the Tri-County Mental Health Board.

Voted and carried to appoint Enid White to fill the unexpired term of Clinton County's member at large in the Tri-County Mental Health Board ending December 31, 1980.

Voted and carried to adopt the Mid-Michigan Board of Health by laws.

Voted and carried that the Clinton County Board of Commissioners concur with the Bath Charter Township Board and DeWitt Charter Township Board and favor an interchange at Chandler Rd. and I-69.

Voted and carried to adjourn and meet in regular session Tuesday, December 21, 1979 at 9:00 A.M.

Jane Swanchara
Jane Swanchara, County Clerk

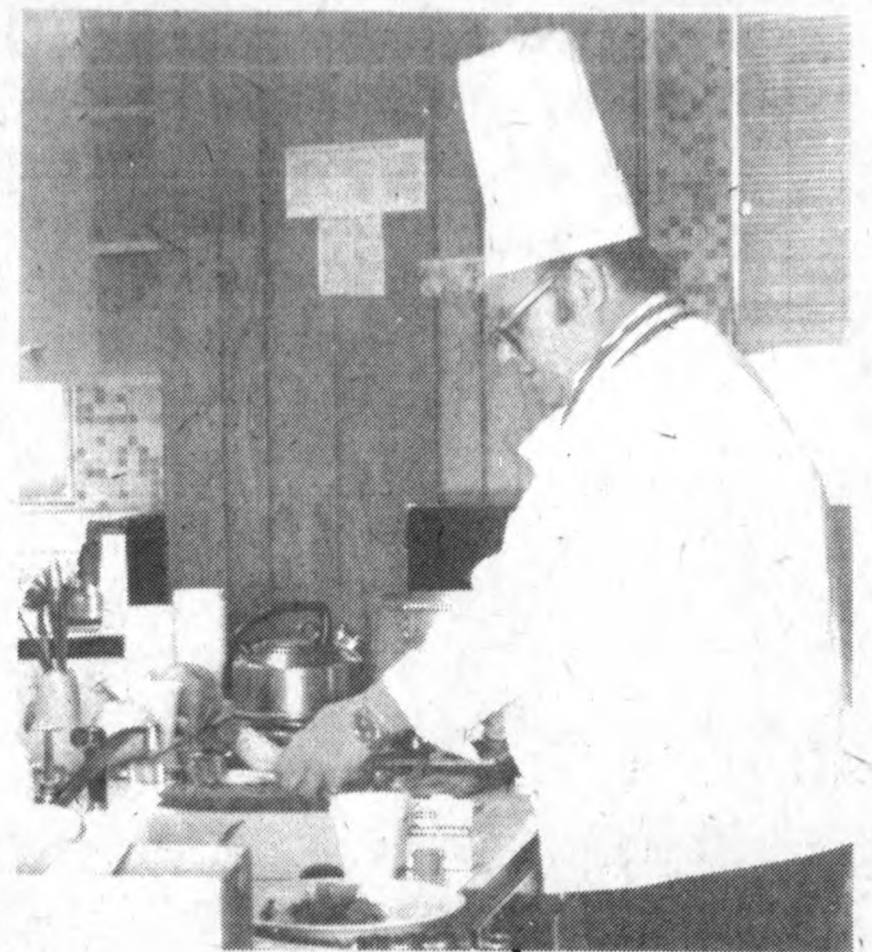
Complete minutes on file in Office of County Clerk.

Family Day provides learning and fun for all



Helpful tips

Rose Thering of Elsie couldn't resist giving her daughter Denise some helpful hints as she discovered the basics of rug hooking at 4-H Learning Day, Saturday. Denise, a member of Elsie 4-Corners learned rug hooking and how to make a honey bear and "loved them both" according to her mother. (Photo by Mike Peterson.)



Gourmet cooking

Resource person Jeanneane Ammons, left, helped demonstrate Easter crafts at 4-H Learning Day and Chef Robert Nelson of the American Culinary Institute of Education in Lansing led a very popular option in gourmet cooking. More than 300 children and adults participated in the day of activities. (Photos by Mike Peterson)

Easter crafts

Ag advice

By Mark F. Hansen
Extension Agricultural Agent

that has been tested for vigor.

SEED VIGOR IN BEANS

Farmers may obtain better field performance in dry edible bean and soybean seedlots if they plant seed

means of measuring seed quality. It is relatively inexpensive but affords significant payoff, said Larry Copeland and Dennis Greenman. Copeland is a seed

specialist for the Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service. Greenman is manager of Michigan Crop Improvement Association.

He related that some seedsmen throughout the north central soybean and navy bean area are beginning to sell on the basis of vigor ratings.

MCIA now offers two vigor tests in addition to the standard warm germination test that is normally used for marketing seed. Information from such tests can be very useful to farmers as a supplement to the standard warm germination test, because they indicate the potential for seed performance in the field. The standard warm germination test used for seed labeling reflects the potential germination under optimum in a seed germinator.

"So farmers need to know what's meant by all of this and they need to take advantage of it," Copeland said.

The recent growth in interest in seed vigor is due to a growing awareness of seed quality.

"Today's inputs in raising crops are more expensive and more crucial than they once were," he pointed out. That makes it necessary that all inputs pay off."

One vigor test offered by MCIA is the Cold Soil Test, which indicates the ability of a seed to germinate under cool and wet (early spring) conditions. Another is the Tetrazolium Viability and Vigor Test, a chemical test which detects weak areas and deterioration within the seed.

Copeland said any vigor testing program provided by a laboratory needs to be supported by sound research. His research program is exploring other vigor tests—the Four-Day Germination Count, the Accelerated Aging Test and the Conductivity test. The goals of this research are to establish in relationship between laboratory seed vigor ratings and field performance, and to develop vigor tests to identify high field performance potential.

By using results of vigor tests as well as the standard warm germination test, farmers can avoid the risk of planting poor seedlots and help eliminate poor seed quality as a deterrent to crop productivity.

So far, the Conductivity Test has shown a higher correlation with field performance than any other test—including those now used by the MCIA. One or more of these tests may be used by the MCIA in the future.

"Farmers need to use every possibility they have to strengthen their economy and return," Copeland said. "They just can't afford to take risks any more by planting low quality seed."

Copeland's work is funded by the Michigan Dry Bean Research Advisory Board and the Michigan Soybean Committee.

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The DeWitt Charter Township Board is accepting applications to fill the position of Township Clerk, vacant due to resignation. Must be township resident and registered voter. Position includes extensive bookkeeping, typing, filing, recording of Board minutes, handling of insurances, running of elections, and various other duties as designated by law.

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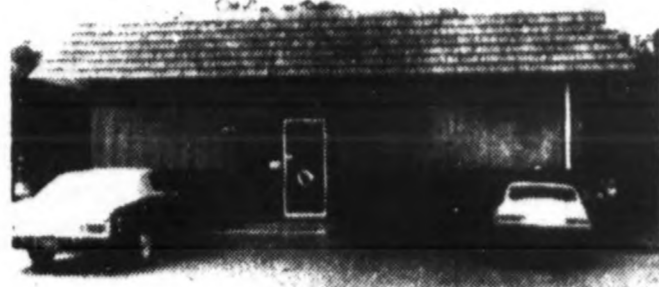


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FARM HOME & AUTO



Fire chiefs relate costs

The Local Affairs Committee of Clinton County Farm Bureau, under the direction of Fran Motz, chairman, sponsored a meeting of chiefs of the various fire departments in the county and township officers to discuss costs of fire and emergency vehicle runs.

The discussion it was suggested that most of the accident calls were from Michigan vehicles.

Another fact pointed out was that some fire departments were not billing the townships promptly. Some of the chiefs indicated this would be corrected. This would make possible billing to the users of the service. It was also suggested that a good explanation of the charge be sent with the bill. The education and public relations of the townships was essential to a good record of collections.

Ron Nelson, Michigan Farm Bureau legislative counsel, asked if the police computer had the capability to check out vehicle drivers following an accident so that a charge could be made at the scene by the township for fire and emergency squad service. The sheriff said he didn't think it could be done, but this could be arranged through legislation. During

the discussion it was suggested that most of the accident calls were from Michigan vehicles.

collections from insurance companies have sometimes been hard to obtain. The townships had no problem with Farm Bureau Insurance. At a future meeting of this type the input of insurance companies would be appreciated.

A suggestion was made for a project throughout the county which would involve a group such as 4-H, FFA or the Farm Bureau Young Farmers. Fire and sheriff's department personnel feel that it is difficult in many instances to find rural addresses because of lack of or improper numbering at the address. Large easily read numbers on mail boxes or houses would be of considerable help during time of a fire or injury at that address.

Young Farmers plan tour

Alan Moore, Clinton County Young Farm Chairman, has extended an invitation to all young farmers in the county to join in a tour of the Battle Creek Farm Bureau feed facility on March 6.

The group will meet at the county office at 10 a.m. to share rides. For more details contact Alan Moore at 862-5608 or the county office at 224-3255. Reservations are due no later than Feb. 29. Young Farmer couples

sponsored a card party at the county office on Feb. 16 and a tour of the Farm Bureau Center in Lansing on Feb. 7.

Future activities include a gym night March 22, a volleyball tournament with county FFA groups April 12; a Rural-Urban Tour July 19; county-wide picnic for all young farmers Aug. 3; Discussion Meet Aug. 30; booth at the St. Johns Street Fair Sept. 13; Young Farmer of the Year and Outstanding Young Farm Woman contest Sept. 27; and a Halloween party Nov. 1.

committee has planned a varied program to allow for greater participation. All are welcome.

Soybean Day is Feb. 26

Mark Hansen, county agricultural agent, has announced a soybean growers informational meeting to be held Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 1:30 p.m. at Smith Hall.

The County FB Soybean Division is assisting in the meeting which will feature information on solid plantings, fertilizer, weed control and processing. All interested growers are welcome.

There are over 200 young farm families in the membership of the county Farm Bureau and the young farmer

County president reports on AFB convention

Mr. and Mrs. Don Witt left Jan. 1 for Arizona to attend the American Farm Bureau Federation convention.

They and neighbors Leon and Louise Schumaker went by car and stayed at the home of the Schumaker's daughter, Mrs. Jane Coy. After a sightseeing trip around the Phoenix area, they enjoyed Christmas dinner on Sunday before going to Scottsdale.

Vesper Services began Sunday night officially opening the convention. At the opening general session on Monday, Allen Grant, AFBF president announced he would not be running for re-election as president again.

Mrs. Guy Gross, chairman of the National Women's Committee, gave a very interesting report. Arizona governor Bruce Babbet and British Ambassador Sir Nicholas Henderson spoke.

Noon lunch was served to 3,000 people with 10 buffet tables in about 30 minutes. In the afternoon, President Witt attended the wheat and feed grain conference, where farmers spoke out sharply against the grain embargo.

Dr. Joyce Brothers, author and psychologist, spoke at the women's session. On Tuesday night, Bob Hope entertained the convention goers who had waited in line for 1 1/2 hours. They agreed it was well worth the wait; 7,500 persons were there.

The Witts met and visited with people from all over the USA. Voting started Wednesday. On Thursday they visited a 1,000-cow dairy operation. They returned to Michigan on Friday, arriving at the height of a strong windstorm.

Last call for fruit

Thursday, Feb. 21, is the final day to place orders for Florida citrus, citrus juice, cheese, frozen vegetables and Michigan frozen fruit, hams, bacon, hickory stick, hot dogs and cider.

Orders may be called in no later than 4 p.m. that day. The Young Farmers are sponsoring the sale and delivery will be made during the first two weeks of March.

Community groups active in county

Clinton County Farm Bureau has 22 active community groups throughout the county and these groups are composed of farmers who meet monthly to discuss mutual concerns and to enjoy a social-time together.

Twenty-three of the officers of county groups were present Jan. 31 at a training session which was designed to help them carry out their responsibilities more effectively.

Dwight Nash, community group committee chairman showed a slide presentation entitled "Community Groups - Where the Action Is."

The officers then divided into three groups. Chairmen, discussion leaders and minutemen in each group received training in their own area of leadership.

Gene Greenawalt, regional

representative, led the chairmen in a typical meeting plan. Ken Wiles of the Michigan Farm Bureau Information Division instructed the discussion leaders on good techniques to use in getting involvement by all members in the discussion topic. Bill Kissane, chairman of the state and national affairs committee, set up the legislative grid system with the minutemen.

The community group system is the structure by which the Farm Bureau members on the local level make their voices heard on issues affecting them on local, state, national and international levels.

Farm Bureau members interested in joining a community group may contact the county FB office for more details.

Women host men's night

The annual men's night was held at the FB office Feb. 5 with about 40 persons in attendance. Following a buffet style supper, a program on farm safety was presented. Professor George Brown of MSU's ag engineering department was the speaker.

Brown's speciality area is farm safety and he gave the group many practical suggestions on how to make homes and farms safer.

Every tractor or combine should have a fire extinguisher. A large majority of farm accidents happen to children under 15 years of age and he stressed the importance of watching young children and keeping them away from farm machinery. He stressed keeping a level head and getting assistance promptly.

Many pamphlets and stickers on farm safety were distributed to the group and are still available either

through the county Farm Bureau office or the Extension office.

The March meeting of Farm Bureau Women is a very important one. It will be March 4 beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the county office. A potluck luncheon will be served at noon. Mrs. Donna Wilbur from the Michigan Farm Bureau Information Division will be speaker during the afternoon program.

All Farm Bureau women in the county are urged to attend. At the January board meeting the directors expressed concern over the lack of growth and involvement of Farm Bureau Women in the activities of both the women's committee and the total Farm Bureau program. President Don Witt appointed a committee consisting of four board members and their wives and the executive

committee of the women's committee to study the problem. Their recommendations will be put into rule changes to be considered at the March 4 meeting. Each Community Group is asked to send a representative. There must be a quorum or 50 percent of the community groups in attendance, in order for rules to be changed.

4-H Club news

Elsie 4-corners

A very interesting meeting and party was held at the home of Mrs. Andrew Cobb. She lives half a mile east of Elsie on the Cobb Farm that has been in the family since 1844. Several games and contests were held with the groups divided into two teams. Douglas Schoch and Rick Grieve were captains of the two sides.

Then Mrs. Cobb showed many items that had been handed down through seven generations on this farm and

that were fascinating. She urged the members to save a toy of today that will someday also be a relic and enjoyment of their past and show what life was like in-50 or 100 years from now.

She showed air photos of the farm that included the row of maple trees along the road that had been planted by Henry Cobb 100 years ago.

Mrs. Cobb told a bit of Elsie history that has come down through the family.

She recalled a great uncle of her husband's, Andrew Grenlund of Bannister, skating from Bannister to Elsie in long graceful sweeps, both a familiar and beautiful sight in the long ago winters on Maple River. This was a favorite winter sport and talked about by those of that time.

Everyone had a good time and also learned of what an interesting heritage it is to live in the same place so many years.

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Village of Fowler

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Summary of Fowler Village Council meeting

A regular meeting of the Fowler Village Council was called to order by President Carl Koenigskecht on Monday, February 11, 1980, at 7:00 P.M. Trustees present were R. Smith, Antonides, George, Spicer and D. Smith. J. Koenigskecht was absent.

Minutes of the January meeting were approved as read. Bills totaling \$3626.43 were approved.

Bids were received for sanitary sewer extension on South Sorrell St. and storm sewer re-routing near the corner of Kent and Pine Streets. The Council accepted the low bids of \$15,851.50 for sanitary sewer, and \$215 for storm sewer, both submitted by Roy Pung.

Representatives of several trash removal firms were present to answer questions concerning Village-wide trash pick-up. No action was taken.

In other action, the Council:

- Authorized a change in the street lighting contract with Consumers Power Company to reflect the addition of several street lights in the municipal parking lot. Stated there were no objections to the application for Farmland Agreement submitted by Joe and Wanda Simon.
- Approved a building permit for construction of a grain bin by Mathews Elevator.
- Authorized a traffic count at the Henderson Street railroad crossing.
- Authorized a storm sewer checking account.
- Requested the Clerk to obtain insurance bids.

Meeting adjourned 10:30 P.M.

W. McKean
Winnie McKean
Village Clerk

NOTICE BOARD OF REVIEW MEETINGS CITY OF ST. JOHNS

Notice is hereby given to all property owners in the City of St. Johns, County of Clinton, State of Michigan, that the assessment roll for year 1980, will be available for inspection and review at the City Hall, 121 E. Walker Street, St. Johns, on the following dates and times:

Monday, March 10, 1980 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
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ATTENTION: Real estate classes being offered starting March 10. Men or women, if you are interested in making money and want to be in one of the best training programs available. Full or part-time. Call Tom Olsen, Ionia 616-527-9690 or Mike Krum Greenville, 616-754-9347 or Bill Ferguson Lakeview, 517-352-7294. Suburban Specialists Real Estate. 8-3-p-1

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The Back Page

Solar energy, 'The way to go'

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

DeWitt

The higher the heating bills got, the more Arthur and MaryLou Courtland thought about going to some sort of natural heating system. Their first thought, of course, was to use solar energy. Six months later they installed Solar Pak II on the side of their DeWitt Road home.

Solar Pak II is a complete solar system, consisting of an inflatable collector, flexible connecting ducts, hardware and the handling unit. The collector is eight feet high and 12 feet long for a total of 100 square feet of collecting surface.

The Courtlands saw the unit advertised in a newspaper and thought anything would be worth a try if it brought the

heating bill down. They figure between this year and next the \$559 solar unit will pay for itself.

The unit does not store heat. However, when the sun shines, the window unit in the kitchen kicks in at about nine o'clock and is operational through five p.m.

"Everybody should try to get away from oil," Mrs. Courtland said. "This country should be self-sufficient... wind and sun are the way to go."

The couple is even taking more energy saving measures such as turning the thermostat and water heater down. MaryLou uses the microwave more, they don't drive as much as they used to, and lights are turned on a minimal amount.

The new heating device keeps the kitchen very warm and cozy and according to Mrs. Courtland. The living room

and dining room are comfortable and the bedroom is warm.

One of the disadvantages Courtland noted was having to put the structure up the first of October and take it down the first of April. If the unit is not taken down in the summer, the heat of the sun would melt the plastic on the outside of the home.

The federal government pays 30 percent of the cost and the state pays 20 percent of the cost through tax deductions on income tax forms. The total cost then figures out to be \$229.19.

When people pass by the home, Mrs. Courtland said the sun catching device receives a lot of stares from passing motorists. In fact, one man drove by, backed up and then pulled in the driveway to see what it was about.

The Courtlands showed him the contraption and through conversation found the man had another kind of solar heating unit.

There are few basics necessary when operating the solar unit. First of all, the sun needs to be up at 45 minutes during the early morning hours and 10 minutes during the

day.

Mrs. Courtland says the noise the machine makes when it kicks on is not distracting and she hardly knows it is on most of the time.

"The only thing I know for sure is that solar energy works," Mrs. Courtland said. "The only problem is that you need some kind of back-up unit too."

She added, "It's inexpensive, clean, and there are no ashes."

The Solar Pak II was developed in Minnesota and is becoming more and more popular through the Midwest. The Courtlands bought their machine through a distributor in Grand Ledge, but the main branch is in Muskegon.

"The more people know about it, the more people come out to see it," Mrs. Courtland said. "Most people won't buy something without seeing, so we are showing our unit to anyone who wants to see it."

Arthur Courtland compared the thought of using solar energy with the invention of the car.

"A lot of people said the car would never catch on and look what happened," he said. "Solar energy is the way to go."



Using the sun

MaryLou Courtland demonstrates how the Solar Pak II works inside her home. The only remodeling that had to be done on the home was to take out a window. (Photo by Sue Kiley)



Arthur Courtland stands by the sun catching machine outside his home. He says it's not that much trouble to take it down and put it back up again. (Photo by Sue Kiley)

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