



## DeWitt's Ox Roast is on

Plans and preparations are the order of the week for DeWitt residents as they plan to celebrate the 34th annual Ox Roast Saturday, Aug. 16. There will be homemade pies, oxburgers, beer, bingo and lottery drawing with money prizes sponsored by the DeWitt Memorial Association.

## Millage issues to be aired

St. Johns Board of Education member and finance committee chairman Robert Craig, will appear on the WRBJ Hotline Show, Friday, Aug. 8 from 10 to 11 a.m., with Kids Still Count Committee chairman, Jenny McCampbell. Craig and Mrs. McCampbell will speak on the millage issues and answer questions called in by listeners.

## Information given

Pewamo-Westphalia's two millage proposals will be explained at a public information meeting, tonight, Aug. 6, at 8 p.m. in the high school library. School officials will explain the millage issues to be offered to voters in the August 11 election and answer questions.

## Election services offered

The Kids Still Count Committee, working for the passage of the St. Johns school millage proposals will bring an application for an absentee ballot to shut-ins who so request.

This committee will also take people to the polls on Monday, Aug. 11 between 10 and 11 a.m. and 3 and 4 p.m. If you are in need of either of these services call Community Resource Volunteers, 224-8285.

## Public meeting planned

The DeWitt Board of Education's finance committee will make recommendations for budget cuts at the regular board meeting, Monday, Aug. 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the high school library at 7:30 p.m. to discuss the budget recommendations and receive public comment.

# 4 county schools come back to voters

## Funds needed for operation and programs

By Patrice Hornak  
Clinton County

Three of Clinton County's four school districts asking for operational millage in their Aug. 11 special millage elections won't have enough money to open their doors in September if the millage proposals go down.

St. Johns, Fowler and Bath will only have eight county-allocated mills (minus what the Headlee Amendment subtracts) if millage proposals are defeated in the upcoming Monday election. Each is seeking a millage renewal, plus additional millage for operational purposes.

Pewamo-Westphalia voters will also go to the polls Monday, but they will only be asked for a 2.5 mill increase for one year on one ballot and reprieve from the Headlee Amendment on a second ballot. Their district's request for an 18.5-mill renewal was approved by the voters back in June.

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## Weather is fickle foe

By Patrice Hornak

A hail storm which caused an estimated \$375,000 damage stripped leaves off corn and soybeans, pounded oats and alfalfa into the ground and thrashed out wheat last Tuesday afternoon in northwest Clinton County.

"I've never seen this kind of hail damage," said George McQueen, Clinton County Cooperative Extension director. He said he remembers one field 16 to 18 years ago with similar damage, but never had he seen such extensive hail damage.

The rare Michigan hail storm moved through eastern Clinton County and western Shiawassee County, causing extensive damage in this county in a strip two miles long and five miles wide northwest of Ovid.

McQueen estimated 50 percent of the crops in this 10-square-mile area just north of the initial extensive damage vicinity were ruined.

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## Getting ready for the fair

The Clinton County 4-H Youth Fair starts, Monday, Aug. 11 and runs for three action packed days next week. Lisa Munger of Maple

Rapids and 2,000 other county young people are now going through the final stages of preparation for the annual fair. You can read

about Lisa and her brother Luke and other 4-H members and leaders in Section B of today's Clinton County News. It starts on page 12.

## Schools face reductions if millages fail

By Patrice Hornak  
Clinton County

Voters will have to weigh their desire to continue good educational programs in their schools with their reluctance to approve more millage to operate those educational programs in the upcoming Monday, Aug. 11 special elections slated in the St. Johns, Bath, Fowler and Pewamo-Westphalia school districts.

Each school district has already drawn up a list of cuts which will be implemented if school millage requests are turned down by their voters.

St. Johns schools are asking for a 2.45-mill increase in Proposal I. This will generate \$454,000 for the school district.

If voters defeat Proposal I, the board of education has agreed to make "reductions" in a number of programs and services, the most drastic being the closing of Teresa Merrill Elementary.

Other reductions will occur in transportation, staff, maintenance, extra-curricular activities, teaching supplies, textbooks, special education and administration.

By revising the bus stops, the district estimated it could save \$20,000 from its \$585,000 transportation budget. The reduction in bus transportation which would affect 268 students, would make students walk longer distances to catch their buses.

Elementary level cuts would total \$111,000 while junior high cuts would be \$48,000 and the high school cuts would be \$92,000. A total of 16 staff positions would be eliminated throughout the district.

Reductions in extra-curricular activities, a much-debated area, were not expressly given, but rather dollar figures were voted by the St. Johns Board of Education.

At the high school, reductions in athletics, drama and music programs would save \$7,000. At the junior high level, athletics would be reduced by \$2,000.

If Proposal II in St. Johns fails, the district will not receive an additional \$92,000 it says it needs for maintenance and repair projects, including the

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# Arson suspected in St Johns home fire

By Sue Gladstone  
Student Intern

St. Johns

the blaze that destroyed the home of Paul and Patricia McKinney, 1003 E. State St., in the early hours of Sunday,

Arson is suspected to be the cause of

Aug. 2.

St. Johns Chief of Police Lyle French said evidence supports the arson theory. Assistant Fire Chief, Charles Bensinger, said that flammable liquids were found in the registers of the home.

French said witnesses claim to have seen people running from the area just before the fire. The liquids could not have been in the system long before the fire began, French reported.

McKinney purchased the home in June, for \$17,000. The family was in Toledo, Ohio when the fire destroyed their home. They have two children, daughter, Mary Ellen, 7, and son, Scott, 8.

Bensinger said the corner of the home was already blown apart from the

explosion by the time firemen reached the scene.

Officers from the St. Johns police department, county sheriff department and the Michigan State Police Fire Marshall Division are investigating the fire. The liquids that were found have been taken to the state crime lab to be analyzed.

The fire was reported by a neighbor, Jeff Rademacher, after he was awakened by the explosion.

Rademacher's home, next door to the McKinney home, had some damage, windows were broken due to the intense heat and the siding was burnt. Bensinger pointed out that the heat melted a ceramic flower pot that was on the window sill of Rademacher's home.



## Searching the ruins

Volunteer firemen dig through the ashes trying to find a cause for Sunday's early morning fire which

destroyed the home of Paul and Patricia McKinney at 1003 E. State St. (Photo by Sue Gladstone)

## Historic Home Tour planned for September

By Sharon Randall

St. Johns

Six history packed homes have been scheduled for the Clinton County Historical Society's 1980 Home Tour Festival, Saturday, Sept. 13 in St. Johns. Also to be viewed are St. John's Episcopal Church which recently underwent remodeling, and the Paine-Gillam-Scott 1860 House Museum, the society's historical museum renovated and restored by community volunteer labor.

Tickets for the tour went on sale this week in an attempt by CCHS promoters to encourage "in advance" purchases.

All this year's sites are within walking distance of the courthouse

square or downtown St. Johns. Historic building lovers can take a stroll back into history as they tour these unusual old homes.

The oldest dwelling on the tour is the 1854 Italianate home of Mr and Mrs Joseph Latoff at 501 E. Higham. It remains, 126 years after its erection, an imposing structure set on a slight hill.

Across the street, to the west, is Mr and Mrs Field's 1869 Victorian home, a charming pale blue house with crisp white trim and many gables.

Not far away on East Walker Street is the impressive Nihart apartments, a recent renovation and restoration project by new owner, Ruth Nihart. Originally an Italianate, single family dwelling, built in 1876 by David French, this home was remodeled as an

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# Police cracking down on teenage drinking at Northside Drive-In

DeWitt Twp.

Trouble is brewing at the Northside Drive-In and DeWitt Township police are not going to let it continue according to Chief Tom Aranow.

The police department has been receiving complaints for the past month concerning juveniles drinking at Wednesday night's Buck Night sponsored by WVIC radio in Lansing.

According to Aranow thousands of kids from the tri-county area have been flocking to the drive-in causing among other problems a considerable traffic jam.

Police were called to the scene on July 16 after receiving a call saying kegs of beer had been brought in on the back of pickup trucks. It was also reported people were bringing in alcoholic beverages and selling them to minors.

Several plainclothes officers were witnesses to the situation recently. No arrests were made yet however, concerning the

selling of intoxicants to minors.

"It's turned into a drunken party," Aranow said. "It appears that kids as young as 12-years-old are out there drinking."

A Lansing man, Shawn McGregor, 18, 837 Garfield, Lansing, was arrested and lodged in the Clinton County Jail after he allegedly struck Craig Hummell, 16, over the head with a tire iron.

## Garage theft totals \$4,425

John Castillo of 6481 Westgate, Laingsburg reported to Clinton County Sheriff's deputies several items stolen from his garage totaling \$4,425. Items taken were a garden tractor, air compressor, golf clubs, golf bags, a trailer hitch and swaybar, a ladies' three-speed bike, and a battery charger. The culprit cut through a screen door then broke the glass leading to the

Hummell was taken to St. Lawrence Hospital for treatment and McGregor was charged with felonious assault.

"We have a definite problem at the Northside," said Aranow. "We aren't going to let it continue."

In connection with this problem, police also made 13 traffic stops related to careless or reckless driving near the drive-in exit.

Aranow indicated he has

talked to the Clinton County Sheriff's department and the Michigan State Police about the situation. There will be some definite action taken this Wednesday night according to Aranow to correct the situation.

In other township police action it was reported Shari Lewis, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma was walking along Chandler Road on Aug. 2 about 6:20 p.m. when she was abducted by two males,

one of which was carrying a small revolver. She stated she was robbed of \$300 and then taken to Meridian Township.

Police are continuing to investigate the incident.

A political sign valued at \$450 belonging to Tony Hufnagel candidate for Clinton County Sheriff was reported torn into several pieces on the night of July 28. It was a canvas sign located on the corner of Heribson and US-27.



## Haste honored

Pewamo

A Pewamo man was honored for long service to Heindol Hog Market, Inc., at the company's 30th anniversary meeting July 26 at Merrillville, Ind.

Ron Haste, manager of the Heindol market at Pewamo, received an award for 10 years of service. Haste worked as assistant manager at Heindol markets in Indiana and Michigan before his promotion to manager at Pewamo in 1977.

Since its start in 1950, Heindol Hog Market, Inc., has become the world's largest independent hog buyer with 92 markets in nine states. In its last fiscal year, Heindol bought 5.6 million hogs, or 6.1 percent of all hogs raised in the United States for commercial slaughter.

## Students receive awards

Six St. Johns Students have been awarded scholarships to the Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp for a two week summer study program in band or orchestra. The awards of \$120 were made by Marshall Music Company of Lansing for musicianship, citizenship and musical achievement.

Attending will be Patricia Smith, Caren Rojas and Marcia Lusk, all high school students here and junior high students, Scott Tarnosky, Bob Sanderson and Sarah Witteveen.

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Throw a sponge at the clown was the name of this game at the Mead Street Neighborhood Carnival held last week to benefit the Senior Drop-In Center. Kim Eckert takes aim at helpers Pat Griffin, top and Cindy Linman. The carnival, planned by the neighborhood children, was held at the Eckert home. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

## Carnival nets \$40 for Clinton Senior Drop-In Center

It was carnival time last week in the Mead Street neighborhood when youngsters hosted a gala affair to benefit the Senior Drop-In Center.

More than \$40 was raised in nickels, dimes and quarters in games and activities planned by Steven and Kimberly Eckert, Dale Good,

David Harsh, Susie Workman, Erica Knight, Cindy Linman and Pat Griffith.

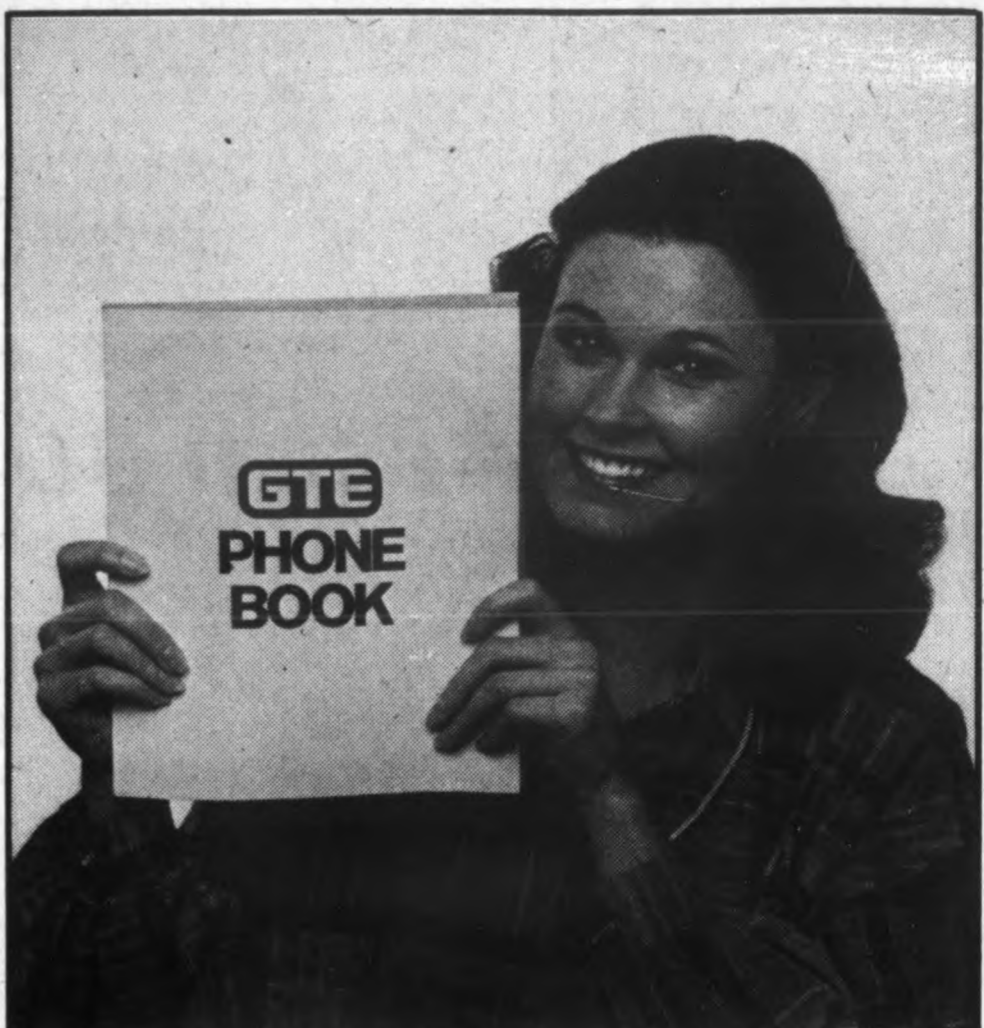
The children organized games and prizes and mothers helped with cakes and pies.

Events included all kinds of carnival games, including sponge throwing, a sucker tree and a fish pond. Children guessed riddles to

win cakes and snacked on popcorn and lemonade.

"This was a fun way for our neighborhood children to do something for the community's senior citizens," said Kaye Eckert.

The children delivered their carnival money to the Senior Center, just the way they earned it, in nickels, dimes and quarters.



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### Blow your horn

This line up of eighth grade trombone players, Tim Ackley, Kyle Barnhart, John Snyder and Bill Cleaver practice in one of the summer band sessions with St. Johns Band Director Walter Cole. The summer sessions are designed to "keep youngsters playing in the middle of the summer," Cole said.

"Basically we work on fun kinds of band music," he said, "with some extra help for sections." The seventh grade summer session will present an informal concert, Friday, Aug. 8 at 9 a.m. The eighth grade group performs at 1 p.m. The free concert is for parents and friends. (Photo by Sharon Randall)

## Federal, state grants aiding SJ school programs

### St. Johns

Several state and federal grants have recently been received by St. Johns public schools, totaling \$62,605. Kenneth Lashaway, vocational education director for the school system said St. Johns has received a \$42,000 federal grant to help the high school agriculture program, a \$20,000 federal grant to assist students with handicaps and learning disabilities, and a \$605 grant to purchase sex equity materials.

The \$42,000 grant is a 50-50 matching grant, with the federal government's share being \$2,000. To come

up with the matching \$21,000, the school district will have to delay some other purchases in other programs and take the money out of the capital outlay and replacement budget, he said.

With the grant money, the school district is expected to purchase agriculture mechanics related testing equipment, test engines and teaching materials.

The vocational agriculture program, with assistance from a specially formed vocational agriculture committee, has undergone some significant improvements in the past year.

Because of these improvements, Lashaway said, the school district qualified for

the federal grant. The vocational agriculture committee will oversee how the money is spent.

The \$20,000 grant is a special needs grant, with 75 percent to come from the federal government and 25 percent to come from local coffers.

With the money, the district plans to employ three trained technicians in agriculture, building trades and auto mechanics. The grant was renewed from last year.

The \$605 grant to purchase sex equity materials is a state grant which all schools in Michigan received, though the amount of the grant varied according to the size

of the district. Lashaway explained that the money will be used to purchase films, film strips, brochures and other informational pamphlets spelling out the need and advantages for women in non-traditional women's jobs.

St. Johns schools have also applied for a \$1,400 grant to allow the school system to keep the Michigan Occupational Information Systems (MOIS) career education computer terminal in the school system next year. This computer, which helps students to obtain career information, will be cut if the Aug. 11 school millage election fails.

## Care Center Week designated Aug 17-23

### Clinton County

August 17-23 has been designated Clinton Area Care Center Week in Clinton County and hopefully the residents of this county will be celebrating this week by sponsoring various money-making projects to benefit the nursing care facility to be built in St. Johns. Tom Wiseman, publicity

director for the Care Center, said several fund-raising functions have already been slated and he urges other community groups and organizations to call the Care Center office at 224-6808 to volunteer their assistance. Two "used but not abused" cars have been donated by Keelean Buick-Pontiac-GMC, Inc. and St. Johns Ford-Mercury, Inc. These two cars will be raffled off during the Care Center Week.

Clinton County Farm Bureau will be sponsoring a hog raffle and the Congregational Church Youth Group will sponsor a street dance on Maple Street Thursday, Aug. 21, from 7-11 p.m. The Care Center will have

an informatoin booth at the 4-H Fair next week and it will have a similar booth downtown in front of Clinton Bank and Trust during Care Center Week. More details about the various activities scheduled for Care Center Week will be listed in next week's DeWitt/Bath Review and Clinton County News.

## Assessments drawing heat

By Sue Kiley White

### DeWitt

Residents of the West Lake Geneva Riverwood subdivision in DeWitt were informed Monday night of a 26 per cent increase in the cost of the special assessments for the sewer project bonds during a public hearing. About 70 property owners attended the hearing held in the DeWitt High School Auditorium.

"We've realized a substantial cost increase since 1978," said Jim Spalding, administrative aide. "We are now looking at 12 per cent inflation rate."

Charles Bauer, former city council member explained to the group how the project has progressed over the past two and half years. He noted when the Lake Geneva subdivision was incorporated into the plat of the city it did not have municipal improvements.

He indicated that in 1969 the citizens of Lake Geneva totaled about 300 and they saw the necessity for these improvements and voting to become annexed to the city of DeWitt.

"The situation became acute in 1974 and 1975," said Bauer. "There became a real need to further develop the sewer and streets."

In 1974 he mentioned the cost for these improvements via specials assessments was estimated at \$4,100. It was at this time also the city aggressively sought to become a member of the Southern Clinton County Sanitary Sewer Authority.

"We qualified for 80 per cent federal funding for our project because of the formation of the SCCSSA," noted Bauer. "This significantly reduced our costs making us lucky to qualify for federal funds."

Because of governmental bureaucracies the city lost a year of time. So while they were able to reduce costs they had extended the project into another year before completion.

The project was originally expected to be completed this spring. However, this completion date has now been extended to July of 1981.

"We finally got the step three grant," said Bauer. "The project still will cost less with 1980 dollars. In addition, we also have achieved a favorable interest rate from the Farmers Home Administration."

The project according to Spalding would have cost \$4,100 in 1974 while the costs per benefit unit in 1980 is expected to reach \$6,400 using a 1.60 factor.

"If this game of Micky Mouse had not been played," said Bauer. "We would not have realized such a tremendous savings."

Residents had several misgivings about the project and voiced their concerns at the public meeting.

Doug LaMay, a resident of eight months questioned why lending institutions demanded they pay off the assessment when they bought their home.

"It's costing me 20 per cent more," said LaMay. "What are you doing with all

that interest and will we be credited for what we've paid?"

Spalding responded no credit would be given because the city itself has not demanded the payment nor has it billed these people.

Jim Osborne of Sandhill Drive indicated the project was supposed to be completed this summer. He asked, "If the project is not completed by next summer, will there be another assessment?"

Spalding indicated the holdups have not been on the part of the city but rather with the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Natural Resources who had ordered the initial clean-up.

"Dealing with these agencies takes a lot of time and a lot of paper," said Spalding.

Benefit units will be expected to pay charges on the special assessment, an application for a sewer permit (\$450) also known as a tap-in charge, and hiring a contractor to do the hook-up. Presently the monthly rate per quarter for the sewer is \$21. Spalding indicated

residents could expect to see an increase of at least \$15 per quarter more in the future.

Residents will be charged one per cent over the interest rate charged on the bonds which are eight per cent for the sewer. The bonds are expected to be sold in late October.

Final cost estimates for the collector is \$1,030,000 while the street improvement should total \$507,000. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$1,537,000.

City council has already voted to go ahead with the project. However, Gary Radke of Sandhill Drive noted when the project was first discussed in 1978, council said if the project went over 10 per cent there would be another vote.

Spalding said another vote will be taken if the project goes 10 per cent over the 26 per cent increase already realized.

"By looking at the current building trends, projects are coming in lower in 1980 than they were in 1978," said Bauer.

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## ★ Home Tour

apartment house in 1929 by local architect, R.V. Gay. It is to that remodeling that Mrs Nihart chose to renovate.

The Episcopal Church is on this same corner and visitors will want to view the extensive restoration of its interior. This city landmark was built in 1893.

Nearby on North Oakland Street (at the corner of M-21) is the apartment home of Mrs J.G. Matthews. Originally the home of Marvin Babcock, part of the home was built in 1868 and then an elaborate addition made in 1876. It's outstanding architectural features in-

clude roof line brackets and Greek revival features on its porches including elaborate entablatures and columns. Today the home is owned by Harold Reed.

Walking down Oakland, across M-21, the tour will continue to the home of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Welch who are planning to open their charming Queen Anne home to tourists. Owned for years by the Shaffley family, the Welches' 80 year old home has been adapted to their active family but retains the charm and special features of its early years.

The other two home tour sites are

located off the courthouse square. The Paine-Gillam-Scott house museum is an 1860 Italianate building renovated and restored to its 1890 remodeling. Recent renovation has taken place in the kitchen area and visitors will be delighted to see the changes.

Just off the square, across from Rodney B Wilson Junior High School is the 1965 Ranch home of Mrs Robert Conn. Both Mrs Conn and her late husband came from very old St. Johns families. Historical memorabilia and collections from this early time have been incorporated into the Conn home.

## ★ Funds needed

St. Johns voters will be given three different ballots including a one-year request for 20.20 mills, a renewal of 175 mills and an additional 2.45 mills; a one-year request for a half mill for capital improvements, maintenance and repair of school facilities; and permission not to have the school district's eight county-allocated mills cut back by the Headlee Amendment.

The additional 2.45 mills will generate \$454,000 for the school district, the half mill will give the district \$92,000 and release from the Headlee Amendment would mean the district wouldn't lose \$10,000.

Fowler schools are asking for 19 mills for one year in Proposal I and 1.5 mills for one year in Proposal II. The 19 mills includes a 17-mill renewal and a request for two additional mills.

Bath voters will be given two ballots Aug. 11, one asking for a 20-mill renewal, three additional mills and release from the Headlee Amendment; and one ballot asking for one mill. Both requests will be for one year.

The Bath Board of Education is asking for the same millage they requested in June, but they have decided to make it a one-year request instead of two-years as proposed in

June. Each school district has outlined what cuts in educational programs and services will be made if millage requests are not granted. The cuts include extra-curricular activities, staff reductions, transportation changes, not making needed maintenance improvements and in the case of the St. Johns school district, a school closing.

If the millage proposals asking for renewal of operating millages fail in St. Johns, Bath and Fowler, the school districts will be forced to go back to the voters one more time.

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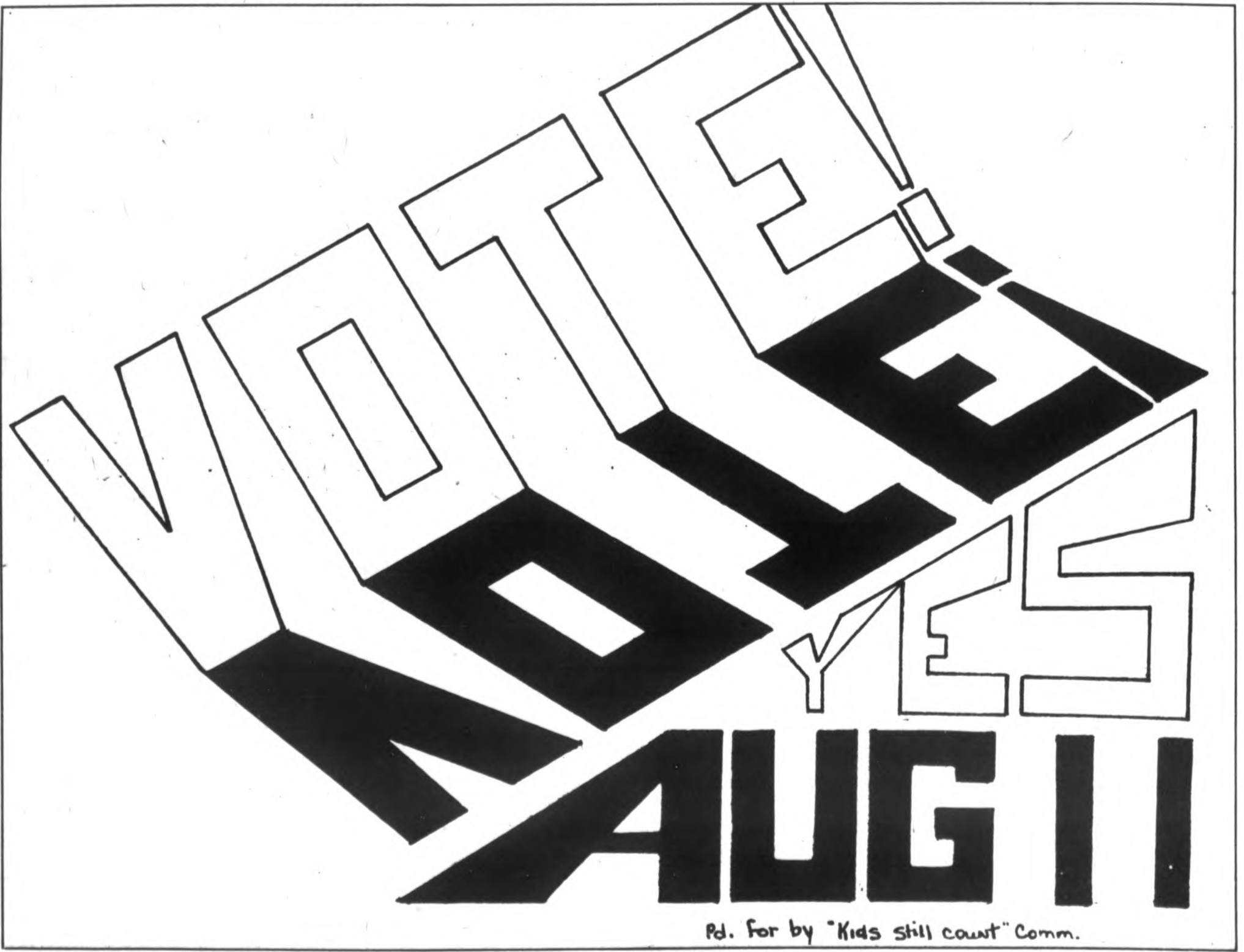
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# Editorial Page

## Can we really say no?



By Sharon Randall

School officials in Bath, Fowler, Pewamo-Westphalia and St. Johns are returning to voters again, Monday, Aug. 11 with a plea for increased millages.

Taxpayers and voters in Clinton County are caught in a situation of rising SEV (State Equalized Valuation) increases on their property which raises their taxes and at the same time, lowers the State Aid given local schools by the State of Michigan.

Additional state cuts have been slashed from local school budgets this summer and more are anticipated for fall, forcing schools to ask for millage increases or make massive cuts in the educational programs they offer students. The districts have spelled it out to voters, listing budget needs and budget cuts if the millages don't go through in these second-time-around elections.

The dilemma is clearly more taxes or reduced educational benefits. Can we say no?

Not if we believe in public education with local control. Not if we believe in preparing Clinton County's young people for the world of tomorrow.

No votes will mean drastic cuts in each of these schools. Cuts that offer students a full school day and the services of libraries, counselors, physical education and art. St. Johns lists reduction in athletics, drama and music. Textbooks and teaching supplies are on the cutting list. Special education will also face reductions. Cuts have been planned for transportation and children will be required to walk farther to school or their bus stops.

We support these millage requests at Bath, Fowler, Pewamo-Westphalia and St. Johns because we believe these Boards of Education and school superintendents have already made the cuts that can't hurt the student or the school program. From now on, the cutting will hurt and the whole county community will feel it.

We urge a positive vote for schools on Aug. 11.

## Come to the fair

Expand your horizons next week by attending the Clinton County 4-H Youth Fair. If you have never attended before, you're in for a big surprise. Collected together under the roof tops of Smith Hall, the new judging pavilion, the ancient quonset and the cattle and horse barns is an array of achievement unequalled anywhere.

The fair is a gathering of country people unlike any other event in this area. It is the only true county activity that brings together folks from all corners of Clinton County. Children and grown-ups from every nook and cranny participate in this annual activity that is the culmination of a long year of

learning for 2,000 youngsters ages 10 to 19.

It's an activity that points a finger at the positive and rewards hard working young people with a proud and exorbitant display and ribbons, honors and trophies.

Beyond that the Cooperative Extension staff and volunteers and other county organizations have put together some old fashioned fun for everyone in the form of Family Day from 1 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday with entertainment, games, arts and crafts and learning activities.

The Fair Board offers excitement in the form of an animal family petting tent where town and country friends can

meet to milk a cow or a goat or ride on a pony or scratch a pig behind his ears.

There's also "Anything Goes," on Wednesday evening, climaxing the fair with a wild greased pig chase and an ice cream eating contest.

Take your children and your spouse by the hand and come to the fair. Expand your horizons, this year. If you miss it, you will be missing the unique opportunity to see the county you live in as a whole in a refreshing and positive light.

Take part in our county homecoming, neighbors meeting neighbors, friends meeting friends, Monday, Aug. 11 through Wednesday, Aug. 13.

## You get what you pay for

To the Citizens of the St. Johns School District

We have a good school system. A system so good that people move to this area specifically so their children can attend the St. Johns schools. A system so good that realtors include time and again the features of houses they want to sell, the phrase, "In the St. Johns School District." A system so good that our students consistently score well above the national averages on standardized tests. A system so good that people selling their houses in this area can expect to get thousands of dollars more for their property than they would for comparable property in other districts.

Unfortunately we can't expect the professionals we have hired to be able to continue giving us such high quality if they are forced to work with more crowded classes and less

equipment and supplies. By the same token, we can't expect our buildings to operate at peak efficiency when the roofs leak and the walls are cracking. The reality is always there: **YOU GET WHAT YOU PAY FOR.**

Our school system has been operating on a 1976 millage, and it's time it got a raise in order to meet the 1980 prices.

It is understandable that tax-payers want to rebel at the ever-mounting burden they carry. But please don't take your frustrations out on the children by diminishing the quality of their education. A high-quality education is the most important thing we can give our children. Not only will it benefit them as individuals, but also our whole community. For the sake of all of us, vote YES on August 11.

Gary & Jenny McCampbell

## Listen to the people

To the Editor:

It appears that a decision by the people on the last millage vote means little. Because for operational purposes the millage request this time is the same. There are a number of issues I would like to address myself to:

1. Where does the increase in school taxes that I pay go? On a given parcel of property the school tax portions has increased 30% each year since 1976, for a total increase of 120%. The school says they don't have the increase. So whatever branch of Government has the money is where the school should go for their needs, for I have already paid a hefty increase in school taxes.
2. I am tired of half truths and misleading statements by the school administration. In the August issue of Your Area Schools, two areas are misleading. The first being that a house valued at \$50,000 would pay

only a \$44 increase. It would be much more than that, almost double if all proposals were to pass. The second is on the back page of the issue. It is very misleading and causes most to think that a sizable decrease in funds has taken place, when just the reverse is true. On 76-77 the total State Aid received (based on enrollment) was \$5,117,184. The 80-81 (est.) is \$6,199,443 so no decrease has taken place but a large increase of \$1,082,259 has been realized. From last year this increase should be \$366,907 plus about \$400,000 from fund equity which means an increase in spending for the coming year could total \$766,907 or 13% with out additional taxes. I am in favor of returning last year's millage but not the increase, and would encourage others by their vote to make this point so clear that a misinterpretation would be difficult.

Respectfully,  
Douglas W. Cook

## Trying times

To The Editor:

These are trying times in Michigan. Our state is facing the most severe financial crisis since before World War II. Voters in your school district will be going to the polls soon to ballot on a millage proposal that will determine the kind of educational program that will be offered to the children and youth who attend your schools.

The people of Michigan have long demonstrated their

belief in local control of education. They have expressed it by their financial support of Michigan's public schools.

Local school boards must go to the voter to meet the financial needs of our schools.

I would like to lend my support by urging the voters of your school district to approve the millage proposal that will be on the ballot Aug. 11, 1980.

Phillip E. Runkel  
Superintendent of Public Instruction

## Praises NO vote

Dear Editor:

I wish to take this opportunity to publicly praise State Senator Dick Allen for his NO vote on HB 4645, the main bill legalizing the right-to-strike for public employees, including teachers.

I'm sure this was a tough decision for Senator Allen whose wife, JoAnn, is a teacher at Alma Public Schools. But it's quite clear that Allen favors taxpayers, public employers and students, and that he also will not cater to any special interest group.

Unfortunately, a majority of state legislators did not follow the leadership of either Senator Allen or Representative Alan Cropsey. Instead 22 other senators and 61 other representatives passed HB 4645 and sent it to Governor Milliken. Thus, the fate of HB 4645 rests with the governor who is expected to veto the legislation.

HB 4645 not only legalizes strikes by public employees but also establishes a mechanism for compulsory binding arbitration. Similar compulsory binding arbitration provisions cost Detroit taxpayers \$50 million when an outside arbitrator ruled a few years ago in favor of Detroit

Sincerely,  
Robert G. Craig, Trustee  
St. Johns School Board

## Care Center News and Views

by Don Roesner

Many people have been asking the board members why construction of the Clinton Area Care Center has not yet been started. As a result, the board has decided they should inform the community of the causes of the delay.

First, it must be remembered that no positive action could be taken to acquire a financial commitment such as we needed from a lending source until we could show ourselves to be a financially sound corporation. This could not be done until we had completed a successful drive to acquire pledges for financial support for the nursing home.

It was the board's plan to apply for EDC-backed loans at the conclusion of our fund drive. Unfortunately, the interest rates began an unexpected climb, to a level which made it impossible to sell 8 percent EDC bonds. We could easily see that attempting to finance our project with EDC bonds would leave us in a marooned position similar to that of other projects which are currently dependent on EDC funding.

We, therefore, investigated other sources such as Farm Home and Federal Housing Administration. Our initial investigation indicated that our best chance of obtaining financing for our project would be to apply to the Federal Housing Administration. We were originally opposed to financing with an FHA-guaranteed loan as we realized that a commitment for a loan from this source would require at least six months of hard work and time.

We proceeded with the application because we had no other loan mechanism available to turn to. We were will along with this application when we were informed that, as a result of an earlier contract with Farm Home Administration, we would have an excellent chance of being approved for a 5 percent loan from this agency if we wished to follow up our earlier contact with them with the necessary application, etc.

As a result, the board has completed a formal application for a Farm Home Administration loan and the board has, for the time being, at least, discontinued its pursuit of the Federal Housing Administration's 10 percent to 12 percent loan.

We are hopeful that a positive response will be



forthcoming on our 5 percent Farm Home loan in the very near future. The board is very much concerned that our project has been delayed by the recent dollar crunch.

It appears at this time, that the delay may have worked to our advantage, inasmuch as we were only recently offered the opportunity of a 5 percent Farm Home loan and, further, the dollar crunch and work slowdown may very well work to our advantage when we let our project out for bidding.

The board hopes this explanation will help everyone understand some of the problems that have caused the delay in the construction of our much-needed nursing home.

The board is most appreciative of the community support it has received and which we hope will be received in the future. We are well underway with this project, but we continue to need the support of the community if we are to conclude this project successfully.

## St Johns superintendent responds to general questions

by Donald Burns,  
St. Johns School Superintendent.

Two General comments we hear when meeting with groups are: Teachers' salaries are too high; and there are too many administrators in the school system.

Seldom is it said, however, that teachers are not worth their pay. Therefore, it is assumed that the statement may mean that teachers are overpaid in comparison to the salary being received by the person making the statement. Such comparisons may be honest attempts to evaluate the salary of a teacher, but such comparisons are unfair.

The teacher market concerns employment of teachers within the profession rather than across professions or occupations. The same is true of accountants, attorneys, electricians or mechanics. In the case of teachers it is an invalid comparison to contrast a St. Johns school teacher's salary with that of someone from, say, Federal-Mogul because the teacher will not be seeking a job with Federal-Mogul Company. However, it is fair to compare the salary of a St. Johns teacher against that of, say, Ovid-Elsie or an Alma teacher because it is a distinct possibility that a St. Johns teacher would seek employment in Alma or Ovid-Elsie.

Compensation for workers in our country, whether blue or white-collar, is normally based on a salary scale for each position. This scale usually provides for increases in salary based on professional training, experience, and seniority.

Let's look at the way such a salary scale works in the nation's business world—for tool and die makers in a machine shop. Apprentices with no experience or training begin at the low end of their salary scale. With some years of training and experience, a person becomes a journeyman. This means movement up toward the middle of the salary scale. Finally a master craftsman with additional training, 15 to 20 years of experience, and supervisory responsibility, would be at the top of the scale.

This same pattern is true in education. Teachers first must have four years of college preparation or training. They then start teaching at the bottom of the scale. After seven years experience (in St. Johns) the teacher has reached the middle of the salary scale. In another seven years he/she will have reached the top of the scale. At this point they have 14 years of teaching experience and four years of college training.

The Ovid-Elsie teacher beginning salary (1979-80) was \$11,116 and after 11 years reaches \$19,156. For an Alma

teacher, the starting salary was \$12,269 and after 12 years earns \$19,016. In St. Johns the beginning salary was \$11,023 and after 14 years the teacher can earn \$19,075. Teachers with over 14 years experience earn the same. It can be seen, therefore, that the St. Johns teachers were paid on the average less than both the Alma and Ovid-Elsie teachers.

The other item of discussion regards school administration. There are some people that say there are too many administrators in the St. Johns school district. Others say this is not so.

How does St. Johns compare to other school districts throughout the state of the same average size? According to the State Department of Education we find that St. Johns had 286 students per administrator while the state average for school of the same size was 249 students per administrator.

Let us consider, however, that the number of administrators is really not the question and, rather, that it is the cost of administration for which concern is expressed. How does St. Johns compare with other schools in the state with approximately the same enrollment?

The State of Michigan dictates to the school districts the kind of financial records that must be kept. Administration expense in school districts similar in size to St. Johns was reported to be \$128.00 per pupil. In St. Johns those same expenses per pupil were \$103.00. The difference is \$25.00 per child.

Administrative expenses include: superintendent and principals' salaries, secretarial salaries, office expenses, election costs, printing and publishing, board salaries, etc. (The St. Johns Board of Education is one of the few boards in the state that does not receive pay for their work and responsibilities.)

Education is, and has been, an undermanaged enterprise. From my survey, it appears that, in the private sector, there is one supervisor for every ten (or fewer) non-supervisory employees, but I'll leave a more scientific study of that topic to someone else. I do know, however, that when the Bell System goes on strike, telephone service still is provided by "supervisory personnel". Other business and industries also are capable of operating in a limited manner with supervisory personnel alone. I know of no school system that could operate all of its schools for even one day with only its management and supervisory staff. There simply aren't enough administrators.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Prisoner wants friends

Dear Editor,

I am a prisoner at Lompoc Federal Correctional Institution in Lompoc, Calif. and, I am lonely.

I thought if I wrote to a newspaper, perhaps they would be so kind as to help me find someone to correspond with. You see, I don't get any mail from the outside world. My family and what friends I once had have long since stopped writing me. I am in solitary confinement and at

times the loneliness is more than I can bear. Could you help? You can be sure I will answer all that are kind enough to write to me.

Harold E. Hall  
#32650-138 I-Unit  
P.O. Box -W-  
Lompoc, Calif. 93438

### Bicyclists, motorists each have rights

To The Editor,

Spring has come and gone. Summer is here, and bicycles are more prevalent than ever. Now's as good a time as any to state a few helpful hints and at the same time air a few of my own grievances.

I am concerned because I have read too many stories of people being killed or injured on bicycles lately.

First I would like to address the bicyclist. As a cyclist you have rights on the road. With those rights you have responsibilities. You have the right to the road. Be reasonable. Stay as far to the right as you can, but leave eight or 10 inches to your right so you can maneuver. You may ride two abreast, not three or four, as I have seen.

As for responsibilities, you owe it to yourself and drivers to be predictable. Weaving, disobeying traffic signs, and turning without looking make you prime for your own story with a headline reading, "Bicyclist Killed in Accident." I could go on and on. It's for your safety (that you learn as much as possible about biking.

Now for my personal gripe and a problem that faces many bicyclists—the automobile and the automobile driver. Most drivers are good drivers and respect the bikers' rights. There are many that do not. A light tap on the horn 300 or 400 feet back is a good warning. A blaring horn at five or six feet is a good scare and could cause an accident. Tossing things out the window at a biker serves no purpose. I've had this happen to me more than once. All I can say to drivers is please be courteous to the bikers.

My last point is, as a bicyclist, if you are harassed by a motorist get his license number and turn him in to the police. It may save someone else from the same treatment.

With the increased use of the bicycle comes a need for increased awareness by drivers and bicyclists alike. A new look needs to be taken at the bicycle. No longer is it a toy but it is a means of transportation for many people.

If you won't join them on a bike, please don't discourage them by your actions.

Bob Dickman  
St. Johns

# Personality Profile

## Gary Conley, valuable asset of Bath schools



Gary Conley

By Sharon Randall

### Bath

Every school district needs someone like Gary Conley. By his own description he's a jack of all trades. Others call him multi-talented and conscientious.

He serves Bath Community Schools as director of buildings and grounds, in charge of the maintenance and custodial staffs. Since March he has also headed the transportation services.

"Gary has the district at heart," Superintendent Kenneth Dyer said. "He has a good professional attitude towards his work. As a small school we are very fortunate to have someone with so much talent."

Conley's latest project is a remodeling at the elementary school that resulted in a much needed private office for the superintendent. Most importantly, he constructed the office, adding a doorway and a wall, with no capital outlay.

Conley simply re-cycled materials from other parts of the school or found "donations." "The bulk of the materials are things that we had around here and could put to better use," he said. The donated materials were "just donated," he smiled.

The room for Dyer's new office came by moving the teacher's lounge to the former special education classroom. Conley knocked a doorway through the wall from the main administration office, added a wall, installed shelves and voila, a new private office for Dyer. "I think the head of the school should have his own private office," Conley said. "We've thought about it before, but money always popped up and we just have too many other needs."

Previously the superintendent was located in the same large room as the administrative secretary and the bookkeeper.

"Now anyone can come in and talk to the superintendent and feel more at ease," Conley said.

The only expense that Dyer and Conley see in the new office is in draperies. "We might have to buy drapes," Dyer said, "that's the only thing we haven't been able to find."

With Conley at the helm, the school system gets their dollars out of the maintenance department. "We take care of a lot ourselves," he said. "When we get stumped we have to call in outside help, but I'm as protective of the taxpayers dollar as anyone else. I feel that anytime I can save, I do it."

Conley is naturally a frugal person. At home he spends very little money on maintenance. "I've just always had a talent for fixing things," he said simply. "And I can stay with a problem and figure out what's wrong and fix it."

Bath made the news a year ago when tremendous community involvement resulted in a new football field. All the labor and equipment and most of the materials were donated. "The football field is a prime example of people willing to ask for donations and people willing to give," he said.

While he is proud of the project, he doesn't see it as unusual. "The old football field was the result of community effort," he explained, "this is just a younger generation repeating it."

The newest volunteer project is renovation of the baseball field. Again, the project rests on volunteer labor, materials and equipment. "There are many people in the community who enjoy doing more than just paying tax dollars," Conley said. "People are willing to donate in any school system. Sometimes it just takes someone to ask or know who to ask and someone to prove there is a need."

Bath is a small community 10 minutes from Lansing. Most of its downtown area has been gone for years, making the schools the center of community life. Conley describes his home as a community where people are willing to help, and where many people remain to raise their own families. He grew up in Bath and went to school there. Today his sons are being educated in the system.

The people who turn up to help on volunteer projects and are willing to give time and materials to the school program are "just good people," according to Conley. "The majority are probably old residents or natives," he said, "and some are new people who want to be part of the community. They are all just good people," he explained. He is one of them.



### In need of pie

The DeWitt Ox Roast means a good time for all the residents of Clinton County. This year marks the 34th annual event where the streets of downtown DeWitt are closed to motor vehicles and people can wander through various tents containing bingo, beer, food and prizes. Also available to the public are carnival rides. The city tax assessor will be in

a dunking machine for those people who want to vent their frustrations over higher taxes. The youth of DeWitt are putting forth an all out effort to obtain 1,000 homemade pies for Aug. 16. Jason Moody and Aaron Wilberdin are handing out some of their empty pie tins to a neighbor hoping for a sweet reward next Saturday. (Photo by Sue Gladstone)

## Looking ahead

**BIBLE SCHOOL**—St. Johns Lutheran Church Vacation Bible School will be held Aug. 11 - 22 from 9 - 11:45 a.m.

**OUTDOOR WORSHIP**—Aug. 10, 10:30 a.m., at the band shell in the city park at St. Johns. This event is co-sponsored by the First Congregational and First United Methodist Churches. Bring a blanket or lawn chair, share in the worship service, stay for a potluck picnic in the park, and enjoy recreation together, including a softball game. (If it's raining, meet at First Congregational Church).

**HISTORICAL DISPLAYS**—On exhibit at the Paine-Gillam-Scott historical museum on Maple Street, St. Johns is an oil lamp collection and a display of fluorescent glass. The museum is open Wednesdays from 1:30 to 5 p.m.; Fridays from 7 to 9 p.m. and Sundays from noon until 4 p.m.

**LOCAL FOOD CO-OP**—needs area farmers to supply produce, eggs, honey, etc. Call 224-4986 if interested.

**PAPER DRIVE**—The St. Johns Lions Club will be conducting a paper drive the second Saturday of each month. Papers should be placed at the curb by 10 a.m.

**QUILTS, QUILTS, QUILTS**—Display your old and new quilts at the annual Historical Society Quilt Show in conjunction with the 1980 Home Tour Festival. Help make this year's show better than ever. Call Marianne Barrone, 651-6629 or Pam Gnodtke, 489-2679.

**FOOD AT THE FAIR**—The Pewamo-Westphalia Band Boosters invite you to visit their cafeteria at the Ionia Free Fair. Open Aug. 2 - Aug. 9 under the Floral Building. Home cooked meals and pie from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Air conditioning.

**ANDERSON CAMPAIGN**—The Anderson Coalition is alive and well in Clinton County. For more information call Dana Swears, 224-2656.

**BE A HOSTESS**—at the 1980 Home Tour Festival, Saturday, Sept. 13, in St. Johns. To volunteer call Kathy Keenoy, 224-8180, Dorothy Cressman, 224-4775 or Alice Bond, 224-3617.

**OX ROAST PIES**—We need your help! Fruit pies, pumpkin pies and brownies are urgently needed for the food tent at the DeWitt Ox Roast, Saturday, Aug. 16. Pie tins will be distributed through out the community the first week of August. Or pick them up at local stores. Please deliver the pies to the tent the morning of the Ox Roast.

**GENEALOGISTS**—of the Clinton County Historical Society will hold their annual potluck picnic at Don and Janet Snyder's Monday, Aug. 11, at 6 p.m. The Snyders live at 3416 W. Banner Rd., located about four miles northwest of St. Johns.

**AUG. 13 "THE HOUND THAT THOUGHT HE WAS A RACCOON,"** will be shown along with "The Tortoise and the Hare," and "Feliz Navidad" will be shown for children Wednesday afternoon from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at St. Anne's Episcopal Church located at Webb Road and US-27.

**EXTRA FOOD**—The Community Food and Nutrition Program of Lansing is looking for excess food or produce that cannot be used this season, to be used for low-income and needy people. Please call 482-1271 if you have vegetables or fruit that will go to waste if not picked.

**LALECHE LEAGUE**—The Clinton County LaLeche League will meet at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13. The topic will be nutrition and weaning. The organization meets at 5188 N. Scott Rd. For a ride or information call 224-6984 or 224-7741.

**STREET FAIR**—Reserve your church, club or organization's spot at the giant street fair held at the 1980 Home Tour Festival, Saturday, Sept. 13 from 10-5 p.m. Informational or money-making booths. Call Marilyn Newman, 224-3303.

**KIEFFER REUNION**—The Walter Kieffer Family Reunion will be held, Aug. 10 at the Maple Rapids park. Any heirs of Walter and Daisy Kieffer are welcome to come enjoy the day.

**HEALTH COUNCIL**—The Clinton County Health Education Council will meet at 8 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, at the Service Building, 306 Elm Street. Everyone interested in the health education of our youth is invited to attend.

**TINY TOTS NEXT SESSION**—will run from August 4 thru the 14. There will also be a session for Tiny Tots held August 18 thru 28. For more information call the Veterans Memorial Pool at 224-6950.

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED**—Workers are needed to help man the food tent at the DeWitt Ox Roast, Saturday, Aug. 16. Each two hour shift needs 30 to 40 people. Volunteer by calling Gail Stevens, 669-3313.

## Local nuns pronounce religious vows

Sister Catherine, 25, (the former Karen Brown) and Sister Linda Fedewa, 26, will pronounce their first vows as Sisters of Christian Charity, Aug. 21 in the chapel of the motherhouse in Wilmette, Ill. Cardinal Cody, archbishop of Chicago, will preside at the Mass and receive the nuns, Sister Linda and three other young sisters.

Sister Catherine, daughter of Mr and Mrs Norman L. Brown, of St. Johns, and Sister Linda, daughter of Mr and Mrs Steve Fedewa of Fowler, are interesting parallels. Both attended Most Holy Trinity grammar school in Fowler and both graduated from Fowler High School. Each one continued her education at Lansing Community College and Central Michigan University. Sister Linda graduated from that university in 1976 with a B.A. degree in science, going on to teach fourth grade at St. Mary's School in Westphalia where she met the Sisters of Christian Charity. Sister Catherine meanwhile pursued studies at CMU and worked as statistical clerk and receptionist at Michigan Dept. of Public Health in Lansing.

Both young women entered the novitiate of the Sisters of Christian Charity in Wilmette in 1977, beginning with one year as associates followed by two years as novices. Sister Catherine attended Mundelein College in Chicago

during this time and graduated with a B.A. in religious studies.

After profession of vows,

Sister Catherine will go to St. Margaret Mary Parish, Chicago where she will be engaged in student teaching.

Sister Linda will teach at Resurrection Parish, St. Louis, Mo.

## ★ Sewer

why they were building the new plant to the year 2000 rather than to 1985. It was explained it is usually more cost effective to build on a 20-year plan, than a lesser amount.

"We as the first cost users don't see it as being cost effective," said John

Urban. Residents will be expected to hook-up to the sewer within 60 days with the \$450 tap-in fee payable on demand. Construction should be started at the end of October.

"If we start doing the project today, it would be

costing you at least \$8,000," said Bauer. Bob Waggoner, a resident of the area for two years concluded, "I can't get too excited about all the money you're saving us and all these improvements you're making."

## Area students graduate

**Big Rapids**  
Area students were among the 1,500 completing requirements for certificates, associate's, bachelor's and doctoral degrees at Ferris State College during the spring quarter.

Rex E. Ballantine, Jr., graduated with a bachelor of science in pharmacy. He is from the Elsie area.

From Fowler were Theodore Rademacher with an associate in applied science in building construction technology and Leanne M. Thelen with a bachelor of science in accountancy.

St. Johns graduates were Daniel L. Barker with an associate in applied science

in technical illustration; Robert Gladstone III with an associate of science in automotive service; Michael Green with an associate of applied science in architecture.

tural drafting; Rose Miller with an associate of applied science in respiratory therapy and Sharon Rosekrans with a bachelor of science in criminal justice.

## Tillotsons hold family reunion

The annual Tillotson Family Reunion was held at the Elsie Village Park with 64 people attending. There were some from Washington State, Flint and Elsie area.

The highlight of the reunion, following the potluck dinner, was the record

of the first Tillotson-Woolf family reunion in 1905 at Elsie with its list of vital statistics.

This year the young people enjoyed ball games and tennis matches while the older generation enjoyed family conversation and pictures.

## Senior Citizen Drop-in schedule

Wednesday, Aug. 6, nutrition luncheon at 12:30; door prizes, guest speaker is Audrey Fruchtl.

Thursday, Aug. 7, nutrition lunch at 12:30; bingo.

Friday, Aug. 8, nutrition lunch at 12:30; bingo.

Monday, Aug. 11, open 9 to 5 for games and cards.

Tuesday, Aug. 12, open 9 to 5 for games and cards.

# Life Styles

## Evening wedding joins Barnes, Cressman

Brenda Kay Barnes became the bride of James Allen Cressman on the evening of June 14 at the First Baptist Church in St. Johns.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Carlyle Barnes. Her mother is Arlene Barnes. Parents of the groom are Gary and Joyce Cressman, all of St. Johns.

Pastor Nieukoop presided over the double ring ceremony at an altar decorated with two baskets of green glads.

Debbie Hebden sang Evergreen and the Wedding Song during the ceremony with Mrs. Loznak accompanying her.

The bride wore her mother's wedding gown made of white satin with a lace panel and a long train. She wore a lace hat with a rose attached holding the veil. A Colonial bouquet of white, pink and tiger lilies with apple blossom streamers was chosen by the bride to accent her gown.

The Matron of Honor was Carmon Ann Young of St. Johns. Bridesmaids were Katrina Bennett of Carson City, Tammy Chamberlin of DeWitt and Dawn Cressman of St. Johns. Stacey Bennet was the flower girl.

The attendants wore mint green dresses with peasant necklines and carried Colonial bouquets of mint green in

an antique pink basket with petals.

The mother of the bride wore a pink floor length gown and the groom's mother wore a light blue gown with a pleated skirt and jacket. Both mothers wore corsages of white orchids.

Best man of the couple was

Todd Allen Cressman of St. Johns. Groomsmen were Bud Barnes, Dan Blacker, and Jay Cressman. Ring bearer was Troy Cressman. Ushers at the ceremony were Jeff Barnes and Scott Cressman.

Following the ceremony was a reception of 350 guests at the V.F.W. Hall in St. Johns.

Serving at the reception was Connie Andrus and Cindy Datema. Host and Hostess was Carl and Arlene Barnes.

The couple traveled to Florida and South Carolina for their honeymoon.



Mr and Mrs James Cressman

## Marriage licenses

Gary Joseph Romanczuk, 25, 205 N. Scott Rd., Apt. #D-1, St. Johns; Jean Lynn Glidden, 24, 205 N. Scott Rd., Apt. #D-1, St. Johns.

Richard Dail Langham, 24, 207 East Higham, St. Johns; Darla Ann Morrison, 19, 207 East Higham, St. Johns.

Jerry Allen Kosloski, 37, 817 N. Clinton, Lot #115, Grand Ledge; Dixie Lee Kosloski, 38, 7084 N. DeWitt Rd., St. Johns.

Steven A. Halfmann, 20, 10809 East 3rd St., Fowler; Rosemary Heckman, 21, 424 S. State St., Pewamo.

Eric David Figg, 33, 814 N. Edgewood St., #2, Arlington, Va.; Monica Susan Renner, 24, 13550 Upton Road, Bath.

Richard Stanley Andrews, 21, 13804 Main Street, Bath; Roxanne Lynne Wells, 17, 13844 Main Street, Bath.

Alan Curtis Russell, 22, 105 DeSander, Lansing; Karen Marie Smith, 27, 105 DeSander, Lansing.

Kevan Wesley Smith, 21, 511 W. McConnell, St.

Johns; Jose' Marie de Droog, 19, 700 South Clinton, St. Johns.

Robert Lee Cantwell, 18, 13609 Main St., Bath; Korine Kay Smaltz, 18, 13609 Main St., Bath.

Joseph John Humenik Jr., 46, 302 W. Gibbs, St. Johns; Sheila Jean Galloway, 32, 310 E. Cass, St. Johns.

Lonnie Glen Riggle, 18, 2265 W. Parks Road, Lot #130, St. Johns; Dawn Lee Coleman, 19, 2265 W. Parks Road, Lot #130, St. Johns.

Larry Dean Henning, 20, 310 W. Cass Street, St. Johns; Patricia Ann Kirschbaurer, 19, 910 Hampshire Drive, St. Johns.

Grayling Anthony Love, 24, 1202 Alpine Drive, DeWitt; Catherine Anne Liebrecht, 21, 1202 Alpine Drive, DeWitt.

Gregory Thomas Gage, 19, R #1 Hubbardston Road, Hubbardston; Joyce Lynn Parsons, 17, 515 S. Main Street, Fowler.



Mr and Mrs Cyril McAdams

## Family reunions mean big parties

By Neva Keys

On a beautiful sunny day, a Clinton County farmer was riding his tractor, cultivating the family farm on French Road and day-dreaming.

He was thinking of his happy life, good health, fine family and many faithful friends and neighbors. He thought of the times in the past when he enjoyed Farm Bureau meetings, his work on the farm, raising four children and traveling to other states.

"Now," he thought, "Why not have a big party inviting friends, relatives and neighbors to join in some fun." As a result of these thoughts, John Jones approached his wife, Virginia, and together with their children and mother, Mrs. Adele Jones, plans were laid for a potluck supper and entertainment.



Vicki Mee Edwin Nicewicz Engaged

Mr and Mrs Robert Mee of St. Johns announce the engagement of their daughter, Vicki Ann to Edwin J. Nicewicz.

The prospective groom is from Tonawonda N.Y. and is presently self-employed.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Ohio Institute of Technology with a bachelors degree in electronics engineering technology and is presently employed by the Ohio Power Company in Newark.

An Aug. 30 wedding is planned.



George and Joanne (Keys) Kricker, who have been entertaining for years in the Florida area came and entertained friends

and family at a family celebration given by John Jones an his family.

## McAdamses celebrate anniversary

Mr and Mrs Cyril A. McAdams celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on July 3rd.

Mr and Mrs McAdams were married in Lansing on July 3, 1920, and lived in the Lansing area for 25 years. They then moved to Bath in 1945 where they have made their home for the past 35 years.

A surprise party was given for the couple by their family. Attending was Mrs. Harold McAdams and her son Douglas, Mr and Mrs Louis McAdams and their children, Robert, Leon, Cheryl, and Carla. Mr and Mrs Peter Wisniewski, Mr and Mrs Eugene McAdams, Eugene Jr., and Caroline and her fiance Kevin Haugen.

Kevin Haugen and Caroline McAdams announced their engagement at the party making it a double celebration.

Most invitations were made by telephone and personal contacts with Clinton County folks for the Friday night party, July 18th.

Over 180 people arrived for the potluck supper held in the recently constructed barn that housed the Joneses' farm machinery. After clearing and cleaning the building, long tables, chairs and benches were brought in.

The buffet-style serving tables were laden with ham, chicken, hot casseroles, vegetables, salads and relishes. The pastry tables were filled with luscious home-made pies and cakes, colorful jello desserts and watermelons. Gallons of iced tea, hot coffee and pop were available for all and there was no shortage of food.

A small improvised stage was set up at one end of the building for the entertainment and there was much picture taking. The tables were cleared away to make room for dancing and singing.

Two weeks previous to the party, the Jones family had attended a reunion of descendants of the Keys Family at the Livingston Farm north of St. Johns. Present for the first time in years were cousins George and Joanne (Keys) Kricker of Jupiter, Florida. Both have been entertainers for years in the Florida area. Jones telephoned the couple to request their music for the party.

Joanne, a 1948 graduate of Elsie High School, studied piano and organ at Alma College and Michigan State

University and also voice with Ladislo Viada at the Musical Comedy Workshop in Miami. She is unique, in that she not only plays contemporary music but is also an accomplished classical pianist as well.

George, a natural musician and multi-instrumentalist, started his early years with guitar and went on to banjo, cornet, tuba, steel guitar, trumpet, trombone, singing and comedy.

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## REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

I, William Schafer, executor of the estate of Walter O'Neal hereby offer for sale at private sale to highest bidder the following described real estate located in village of Hubbardston, Michigan:

Parcel #1: Mill - located in village of Hubbardston at a point 70 feet east of northeast corner of lot 236 on the south side of Washington St. The southerly parallel with the east line of lot 236 to the section line between sections 12 and 13. Then easterly along section line to center of Fish Creek. Then up center Fish Creek to southern line of Washington St. Then westerly along south side of Washington St. to point of beginning.

Parcel #2: House - located in village of Hubbardston located on lots 165, 166, 177 in village of Hubbardston.

Bids to be taken from this date till August 30, 1980. I further reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

Wm. L. Schafer  
Executor  
R#1 Maple Rapids Rd.  
Box 126  
Fowler, Mich. 48835

If you desire to inspect either of these parcels of estate please call at 517-981-6652.

ORDINANCE NO. 324

AN ORDINANCE TO DENY MUNICIPAL TAX ABATEMENT TO CERTAIN CLASSES OF HOUSING PROJECTS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ST. JOHNS.

THE CITY OF ST. JOHNS ORDAINS:

Section 1. Tax Abatement. The City of St. Johns shall not grant any municipal tax abatement to any class of housing projects within its boundaries to which Section 15(a)(1) of Act 346 of the Public Acts of 1966, as amended, being MSA 16.114 et. seq. shall apply except as set forth in Ordinance No. 323 of the City of St. Johns previously enacted.

Section 2. All Ordinances or any parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions herein are hereby repealed.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force twenty (20) days from and after its passage.

PASSED, ORDAINED AND ORDERED PUBLISHED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ST. JOHNS AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD THE 28th DAY OF JULY, A.D., 1980.

Adoption of the above Ordinance was moved by Commissioner Roesner and supported by Commissioner Hannah.

Yeas: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah

Nays: Starck

Absent: Brockmyre

THE ORDINANCE WAS DECLARED ADOPTED.

# BIRTHS

A boy, Louis Lyndon, was born to Mr and Mrs Edward Faivor of Price Rd., St. Johns on July 27 at St. Lawrence Hospital. He weighed 8 pounds 10 ounces. Grandparents are Mr and Mrs Charles Faivor and Mr and Mrs Forest Wesseler. The mother is former Linda Wesseler.

A girl, Jennifer Anne, was born to Mr and Mrs Clifton Dale Baley of Elsie June 18 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. She weighed 8 pounds 13 ounces. Grandparents are Mrs Faye Baley and the late Frank Baley, Mr and Mrs Harold Thompson of Owosso and Mr and Mrs Geary LaMar of Flint. The mother is the former Helen LaMar.

A girl, Rebecca Jo, was born to Mr and Mrs Melvin Pohl of Fowler on June 25 at Carson City Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds 1 ounce. She has one sister. Grandparents are Mr and Mrs Robert Pohl and Mr and Mrs Clair Snyder. The mother is former Pam Snyder.

A boy, Ryan Kirk, was born to Mr and Mrs Dan Whitmore of West Jason Road, on July 1. He weighed 8 pounds. Grandparents are Mr and Mrs Dennis Rademacher of St. Johns and Mr and Mrs Robert Whitmore of DeWitt. The mother is the former Marcia Rademacher.

A boy, Eric Joseph, was born to Mr and Mrs Gary Schneider of Fowler July 22 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. He weighed 8 pounds 6 ounces. The baby has one brother. Grandparents are Mr and Mrs Donald Schneider and Mr and Mrs Clement Thelen. The mother is the former LuAnn Thelen.

A girl, Irma May, was born July 16 to Mr and Mrs Ron Shively of Ovid, at Sparrow Hospital.

Mr and Mrs John Keys of Ovid are parents of an infant son, Kyle Robert. He was born at Woman's Hospital in Ann Arbor Saturday, July 12. Mrs Keys is the former Jane Gauthier. Grandparents are Mr and Mrs Jim Gauthier of Marquette and Mr and Mrs Sid Keys of Elsie.

To Mr and Mrs Phillip Gooder of St. Johns a girl was born on July 8 at Saint Lawrence Hospital. The mother is a former McCormick.

A daughter, Jasmine Alexandria, was born to Mr and Mrs Gerald A. Dodge of Lansing on July 7 at Sparrow Hospital.

A boy, Daniel John, was born to Mr and Mrs Steven Sipkovsky of St. Johns on July 15 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds 5 ounces.

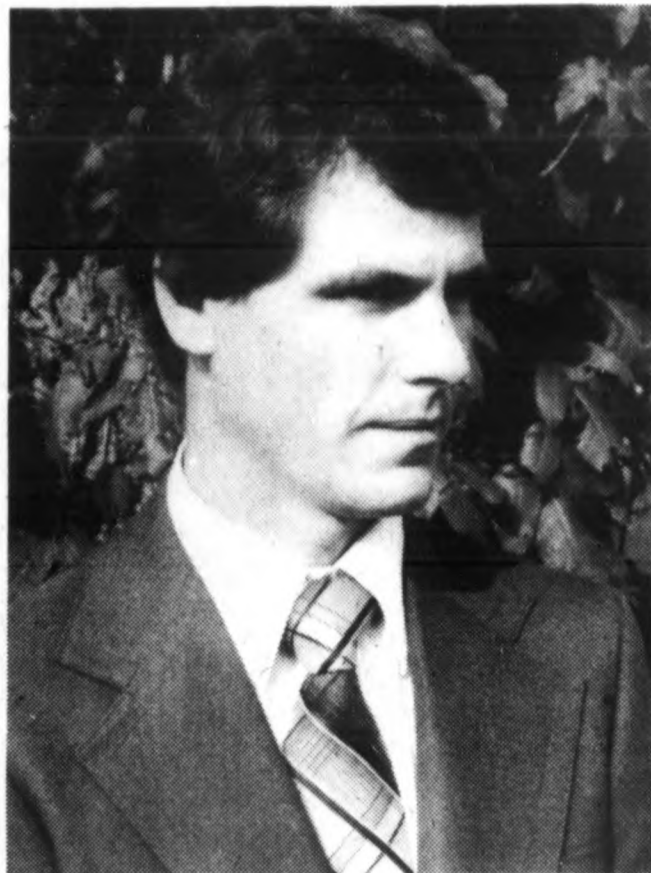
A boy, Bennette Terry, was born to Mr and Mrs Terry Prichard of Fowler July 11 at Carson City Hospital. He weighed seven pounds three ounces. The baby has one sister. Grandparents are Mrs A.J. Husted and Mr and Mrs Leo Jr. Prichard.

A boy, Joshua John was born to Mr and Mrs L.D. Blackmer of St. Johns on July 24 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds 4 1/2 ounces. Grandparents are Gordon and Rita Shultz and Dave and Virginia Blackmer.

A girl, Emberly Anne, was born to Mr and Mrs Bruce Haas, Gibbs Street, St. Johns, on July 19 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds 4 ounces.

The baby has one sister. Grandparents are Mrs F. Earl Haas, and Mr and Mrs Robert L. Phelps. The mother is the former Brenda Phelps.

To Mr and Mrs Glenn J. Smith of Fowler a baby boy, Troy Simon, was born July 16 at St. Lawrence Hospital.



Terry Donohue

## Donohue receives D.D.S. degree

Terry J. Donohue, a lifetime resident of the Carson City area, recently received his Doctor of Dental Science (D.D.S.) degree from the University of Michigan, School of Dentistry.

While attending U of M Donohue was selected for membership in Omicron Kappa Upsilon, a national honor society for dentistry.

Donohue is a 1973 graduate of Fulton High School and also graduated Magnum Cum Laude from Central

Michigan University with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1977.

He is the son of Mr and Mrs Walter Donohue of Perrinton.

He will be opening up his dental practice at 323 W. Maple in Carson City on Aug. 11. Appointments can be made by calling 584-3013.

Donohue and his wife, Jo Ann, reside at 10190 S. Bliss Rd. in the Carson City school district.

## Awarded degree

Mary Bergdolt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bergdolt of St. Johns, was awarded a bachelor of arts degree by Concordia College, River Forest, Ill. on Saturday, May 24.

215 bachelor of arts degrees and 30 master of arts degrees were awarded by the college at its spring commencement.

Concordia College is located in suburban Chicago and is one of 13 colleges owned and operated by the 2.9 million member Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Concordia offers a variety of programs in teacher education and the liberal arts.

# Double ring ceremony joins Ballard, Muysenberg

St. Jude Catholic Church in DeWitt was the setting for the June 14 wedding of Mitzi Ann Ballard and Donald Robert Muysenberg.

Father David Stotenbur presided over the double ring ceremony with Chris Howe and Kevin Cushman providing the music.

The bride wore a pleated chiffon skirt with an empire waist and embroidered lace top with an open neck. Her veil was secured with a finger tip cap trimmed with lace. She carried a bouquet of white azaleas, roses lilies of the valley and ivy.

Maid of honor was Michelle Ballard of DeWitt. Bridesmaids were Kim Simon, Tammy Vaillancourt, Melanie Krohn, Marille Powell, Stacey Ballard, and Tonya Ballard.

The attendants wore baby blue pleated skirts and printed tops with short sleeves. Their bouquets were of white azaleas, baby blue almond blossoms, ivy and blue ribbons.

Best man of the couple was Kevin Dent, Groomsman were Dennis Muysenberg, David Swink, Bruce Cater-

ino, Nick Pogonchef, and Robin Ballard. Ushers were Mike Muysenberg and Mark Ballard.

Parents of the bride are Lloyd and Marjorie Ballard. The groom's parents are Robert and Mildred Muysenberg of Lansing.

The groom's mother wore a smoke grey sleeveless dress with a chiffon cape. Her corsage was a peach rose. The bride's mother wore an emerald green sleeveless gown. Her flower was a pink rose.

A dinner was served at St. Jude church at 7 p.m. with a band and dancing beginning at 8 p.m.

Serving at the reception was Pam Ballard, Candy Ballard, Deen Janz, Patty Muysenberg and Janet Baggett.

The couple traveled to Mackinac Island and the Upper Peninsula for their honeymoon. They are residing in Lansing.

The bride is a 1976 graduate of DeWitt High School and the groom graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1974.



Mr and Mrs Robert Muysenberg

# Successful year for Shepardsville Vacation Church School

Lucille Spencer

Vacation Church School

## Receives training

Cadet Jay I. Richards, son of Mr and Mrs William H. Richards, 220 N. Scott Rd., recently received practical work in military leadership at the Army ROTC advanced

camp at Fort Riley, Kan. The five-week ROTC advanced camp provided an opportunity for cadets to develop and demonstrate leadership capabilities in a field training environment.

Richards is a student at Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant.

finished a successful year at the Shepardsville Church with the Price Church participating. There was an average attendance of 40 with 16 teachers and helpers. Edith Walker was director.

Helpers and teachers were Joyce and Nancy Davis, Carol Sitowski, Sue Parker, Kay Watson, Leta Gleason, Colleen Wineland, Diane Waters, Jan Kalajainen, Gwen Personious, Don and Wanda Dietrich, Donna Hettinger, Jan Squiers and Lucille Spencer.

The Theme of the School was We Show God's Love. Several of the children had a perfect attendance.

An open house and program was held Friday evening for the parents and friends of the scholars. Each class had a part in the program.

Elizabeth Gilbert has returned to her home after spending two weeks with her daughter and family in Iceland.

Ruth Chamberlain, Elizabeth Gilbert, Mrs Mickey Besko, Calista Reed and Lucille Spencer attended a Friend's Night program with their sister chapter, Breckenridge.

# Murray, Angell exchanged marriage vows



Mr and Mrs Dennis Angell

Julie Denise Murray and Dennis Lynn Angell were joined in marriage by the Reverend David Lord during a double ring ceremony held at the First Congregational Church in St. Johns June 7 at 3:00 p.m.

The bride's parents, Mr and Mrs Keith Murray of St. Johns gave her away in marriage at an altar decorated with pink carnations, white glads and fern.

The parents of the groom are Mr and Mrs Max Angell of Ovid.

The bride chose a cascade of miniature pink roses, white carnations, daisies, and baby's breath to accent her antique white Qiana fashioned gown with a scoop neckline. Lace trimmed the neck, tapered sleeves, Howard and Eleanor and the chapel length train. Williams of St. Johns. The Her waist length veil was secured by a lace applique Juliette headpiece.

Wearing contrasting shades of pink Qiana with floral print chiffon capes were matron of honor Cindy Smalley of St. Johns, bridesmaids, Kris Ernst and sister of the bride Lorene Knight. The attendants also wore a sprig of baby's breath in their hair, and carried a single pink rose with burgundy velvet streamers.

Jim Ernst, the bride's brother-in-law was the best man. Groomsman were Mike Paradise and Bill Smalley. Ring Bearers were Jason

Knight and Zachary Ernst. Both boys are nephews of the bride. Ushers were Dave Van Etten and Scott Young.

A reception of 200 guests was held following the wedding at the V.F.W. Hall. Special guests attending the wedding were the bride's grandmothers Helen Fowler and Leona Huckleberry.

## Wedding joins Williams, Rennells

Shirley Jean Williams and Alan James Rennells were her antique white Qiana married May 3 at the Pilgrim fashioned gown with a scoop United Methodist Church.

The parents of the bride were neckline, tapered sleeves, Howard and Eleanor and the chapel length train. Williams of St. Johns. The Her waist length veil was secured by a lace applique Juliette headpiece.

## Moore reports for duty

Marine Lance Cpl. Michael P. Moore, whose wife, Carol, is the daughter of Richard Young of 5442 Hollister, Ovid, has reported for duty with 1st Marine

The couple is residing in St. Johns after a honeymoon to Northern Michigan.

The bride is a graduate of St. Johns High School and is employed by Clinton Memorial Hospital. The groom is a graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School and is employed by Motor Wheel.

and Joan Rennells of St. Johns.

The couple is residing at 4884 S. County Farm Rd. in St. Johns after a honeymoon to Turkey Run State Park in Indiana.

Division, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

A 1980 graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School, he joined the Marine Corps in November 1977.

## NOTICE OF BID

The Clinton County Road Commission will receive sealed bids at its office at 3536 S. US-27, St. Johns, Michigan until 10:30 A.M. Thursday, August 21, 1980 for the following:

Pole Storage Building 40x96 ft.

Specifications may be obtained at the Road Commission office.

The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any bid which in their opinion is in the best interest of the Road Commission.

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REPORT OF CONDITION	
Consolidating domestic subsidiaries of the	
Central National Bank of St., Johns	St. Johns
State of Michigan	June 30, 1980
Charter number 15420	National Bank Register Number 7
Statement of Resources and Liabilities	
Cash and due from depository institutions	4,096
U.S. Treasury securities	7,771
Obligations of other U.S. Government agencies and corporations	6,716
Obligations of States and political subdivisions in the United States	6,288
All other securities	333
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	1,000
Loans, Total (excluding unearned income)	27,620
Less: Allowance for possible loan losses	107
Loans, Net	27,513
Lease financing receivables	313
Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises	479
Real estate owned other than bank premises	-0-
All other assets	789
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>55,298</b>
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	5,425
Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	27,730
Deposits of United States Government	17
Deposits of States and political subdivisions in the United States	15,268
Other deposits	-0-
Card and officers' checks	491
Total Deposits	48,931
Total demand deposits	7,029
Total time and savings deposits	41,902
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	150
Interest-bearing demand notes (note balances) issued to the U.S. Treasury and other	237
Liabilities for borrowed money	231
Mortgage indebtedness and liability for capitalized leases	1,193
All other liabilities	50,742
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES (excluding subordinated notes and debentures)</b>	<b>52,745</b>
Subordinated notes and debentures	300
Preferred stock	-0-
Common stock	101,082
Surplus	911
Undivided profits and reserve for contingencies and other capital reserves	1,500
<b>TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL</b>	<b>1,412</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL</b>	<b>55,298</b>
Amounts outstanding as of report date	
Standby letters of credit, total	143
Time certificates of deposit in denominations of \$100,000 or more	11,632
Other time deposits in amounts of \$100,000 or more	722
Average for 30 calendar days (or calendar month) ending with report date	
Total deposits	48,946
U. S. Government Securities of \$3,950,000.00 were pledged at June 30, 1980 to secure Public Deposits of \$900,000.00 of Treasurer of the State of Michigan and for other purposes.	
We, the undersigned directors attest the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.	
Harold W.H. Wellman President	
of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief	
Directors: [Signatures]	
July 30, 1980	

# Zip Codes reaching nine digits

## St. Johns

With four more digits scheduled to be added to ZIP Codes beginning in 1981, St. Johns Postmaster Keith A. Mishler reminisced how ZIP (Zoning Improvement Program) got underway in July, 17 years ago.

"It started at a Washington ceremony with Ethel Merman belting out the tune, 'Zip-a-Dee Doo Dah,' he remembered.

"Initially, it created a public furor with some dire things predicted about what would happen to the mail system by adding five numerals to an address," Mishler said. "Today there

is almost universal acceptance, with nearly 95 percent of all First-Class mail coming in with ZIP Codes."

He noted that some public criticism to the upcoming nine-digit code has been heard, but predicted that the new system will be readily accepted.

"Resistance to change isn't surprising," Mishler said. "There was a big public to-do in 1863, a hundred years before ZIP Code, when the Post Office Department came up with the then revolutionary idea that mail should be addressed by street and number. Up to that time, mail was addressed to an individual in a

city or town, and the addressee had to come to the post office to get it."

Postmaster Mishler said the nine-digit code is intended primarily for business mail which accounts for about 80 percent of all mail. However, all mailers will be encouraged to use the added digits.

The additional numbers will pinpoint mail automatically to individual blocks, office buildings and companies with large volume. The present five digits sort mail only to post offices, stations and branches.

Mishler said ZIP Coding speeds both manual and automatic sorting of mail,

especially when addresses are difficult to read or show the wrong city or state. He also noted that incorrect ZIP Codes can route mail to the wrong city and sometimes can cause delay in delivery.

Correct ZIP Codes for any address can be obtained at the post office. Telephone 224-7368 in St. Johns or by calling any of the post offices in the county.

Under favorable conditions, a mature earthworm can produce 1,500 offspring a year.



## Breaking ground

These are just a few of the people who will be building the Hope Bible Baptist Church in Maple Rapids. Left to Right are Carol Hoffer,

Gerri Farrier, Pastor Wesley Farrier, Delores Goff, Kenneth Goff, Pam Snyder, Gary Snyder, Brook and Brian Snyder.

## Church works for new building

### Maple Rapids

Ground breaking ceremonies were held Sunday evening at the corner of Maple Avenue and Cook Street in Maple Rapids for the new Hope Baptist Bible Church. They expect to complete their new building by January.

The congregation began in the home of Mary Jane Lenz on New Year's Eve, 1976, when a small group gathered for a service. Pastor Wesley Farrier spoke that night and remains the preacher.

On Easter of 1980 the church moved to the corner of US-27 and Roosevelt Road

where they are leasing a building from Parker Memorial Baptist at no cost.

The congregation began with 13 people and has grown to an average of 55 people including the children.

"Trust the Lord to send all the skill," said Pastor Farrier relating that there are no professionally skilled tradesmen in the church. Gary Snyder, chairman of the building committee, said, "I guess you could say I am a tradesman, I built my home."

William Schmidt, a skilled draftsman drew up the plans. St. Clare Pardee is the

architect. All the labor will be donated by the congregation.

Gerri Farrier, the pastor's wife, said "The church is going to be built by the people for the people."

Snyder said he feels the project is going to cost the church \$30,000 to build themselves.

The church owns its building site and has installed the sewer system. They have \$9,000 in the building fund.

Hope Bible Baptist is a mission church of IFBA (Independent Fundamental Baptist Association), which will be helping with the

funds and the building of the church.

Pastor Farrier was raised in Riley where his brother had a church. He graduated from DeWitt High School and is a Veteran of World War II. He married Gerri Gardener of St. Johns in 1944. They resided in St. Johns for 27 years and attended Grove Bible Church in Victor Township. Pastor Farrier was ordained in March this year after taking correspondence courses at Moody Bible Institute. He is employed by Federal Mogul and has one son, John, still living at home.

# SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS OF PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS IONIA AND CLINTON COUNTIES, MICHIGAN TO BE HELD AUGUST 11, 1980

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that a special election will be held in the Pewamo-Westphalia High School Building, on Monday, August 11, 1980.

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7:00 O'CLOCK, A.M. AND CLOSE AT 8:00 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The following propositions will be submitted to the vote of the electors at the special election:

### I. TAX RATE LIMITATION INCREASE PROPOSITION FOR OPERATING PURPOSES

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Pewamo-Westphalia Community Schools, Ionia and Clinton Counties, Michigan, be increased by 2.5 mills (\$2.50 on each \$1,000.00) on state equalized valuation for the year 1980, for the purpose of providing additional funds for operating purposes?

### II. APPROVAL TO LEVY AUTHORIZED MILLAGE RATE

Shall the authorized millage rate for operating purposes of Pewamo-Westphalia Community Schools, Ionia and Clinton Counties, Michigan, be approved for levy in 1980 without regard to reduction required by section 31 of article 2 of the state constitution of 1963?

All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

I, Lucille Hepe, Treasurer of Ionia County, Michigan, hereby certify that, as of July 11, 1980, the records of this Office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Pewamo-Westphalia Community Schools, Ionia and Clinton Counties, Michigan, is as follows:

- By Ionia County: .00125 unlimited
- By Lyons Township: None
- By North Plains Township: .001 - 1980
- By Portland Township: .0005
- By the School District: 18.5 1980 only

Lucille Hepe  
Treasurer  
Ionia County, Michigan

I, Gerald E. Shepard, Treasurer of Clinton County, Michigan, hereby certify that, as of July 11, 1980, the records of this Office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Pewamo-

Westphalia Community Schools, Ionia and Clinton Counties, Michigan, is as follows:

- By Clinton County: None
- By Bengal Township: None
- By Eagle Township: .5 - 1980
- By Lebanon Township: None
- By Dallas Township: None
- By Riley Township: None
- By Westphalia Township: None
- By the School District: 18.5 mills, 1980 only

Gerald E. Shepard  
Treasurer  
Clinton County, Michigan

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Pewamo-Westphalia Community Schools, Ionia and Clinton Counties, Michigan.

Donald S. Walter  
Secretary, Board of Education

## Obituaries

### Former Ovid dentist passes away

Memorial services for Dr. Roscoe L. Barrus, 78 will be held Monday, Aug. 11, 1980 at the Houghton Chapel at 1:30 p.m. Burial will be held at the Maple Grove Mausoleum with the Rev. Rod Kalajainen officiating.

Dr. Barrus, formerly

of Lansing, died in Seattle, Washington on Sunday, July 20, 1980.

Dr. Barrus was born in Pompeii on July 26, 1901 the child of David K. and Jessie (Hamilton) Barrus. He resided most of his life in the Lansing and Dimondale

of Seattle, Wash., Joe Barrus, of DeWitt; one daughter, Mrs. Mary Jane Perry of Salt Lake City, Utah; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the American Heart Association be made.

area. He lived in Ovid from 1913 to 1919.

He married Dorothy E. Jenks in 1924 who passed away in 1974.

Dr. Barrus was a dentist who practiced in Lansing until he retired in 1972.

Dr. Barrus is survived by two sons; William D. Barrus

### Lilas Devereaux

Funeral services for Mrs Lilas Devereaux, 82, of 2445 S. Woodbridge Road, Ithaca, were held Tuesday, Aug. 5 at the Carter Funeral Home in Elsie with burial at Duplain Cemetery with the Rev. Mark Johnston officiating.

Mrs Devereaux passed away at the Clinton Memorial Hospital, Saturday, Aug. 2.

She was born July 26, 1898, the child of Orville and Grace Case in Ovid and resided most of her life in the Elsie area.

She was married to Ward Devereaux in Wacousta,

Aug. 4, 1918. She was a member of the Ashley United Methodist Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Ellen Devereaux of St. Johns, Miss Faith Devereaux and Mrs. Amber Eastlick of East Lansing; one son, Orville of Van Buren, Ohio; 11 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild; and two sisters, Mrs. Grace Bradshaw of Elsie and Mrs. Neva Bensinger of St. Johns.

Memorials may be made to the Ashley United Methodist Church.

### Walter Stanley

Funeral services for Walter B. Staley, 72, of 16940 S. Oakley Rd., Chesaning were held Saturday afternoon at the Carter Funeral Home in Elsie. Burial was made in Payne Cemetery in Fulton Township. The Rev. L. L. Strait officiated.

Mr. Staley died Wednesday, July 23 in the St. Mary's Hospital, Saginaw, following several months of illness.

He was born in Gratiot County, Jan. 4, 1908, to John and Edna Staley. He resided

40 years in the Elsie area and for the past seven years lived in the Chesaning area.

He married Rhea Havens on Oct. 29, 1927, in Hastings, Mich. Mr. Staley was a retired farmer.

He is survived by his wife, Rhea; one daughter, Mrs. Dale Stoddard of Chesaning; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Maurice Richman of Lansing. One son, Robert, preceded him in death in May 1980.

### Joseph Vostrirancky

Funeral services for Joseph Vostrirancky, 76, of 170 Snyder Drive, Ovid were held Monday, August 4, at the Carter Funeral Home, Elsie with burial at Oak Hill Cemetery, Owosso, with the Rev. Justin Shepard officiating.

Mr. Vostrirancky died Thursday, July 31, at the Shiawassee Medical Care Facility in Corunna. He was born in Czechoslovakia on April 7, 1904, the child of Frank and Anna Vostrirancky and lived many years in the Ovid-Elsie area.

He was married to Rosie Santrucek at Corunna Feb. 5,

1927. She passed away in 1976. Farming was his life work.

Surviving are three daughters: Mrs. William (Mildred) Dush of Elsie, Mrs. Joseph (Agnes) Strachota of Henderson and Mrs. Robert (Rosemary) Liss of Mt. Clemens; three sons: Edwin Voss of Warren, Emil Vostrirancky of Corunna and Ernest Vostrirancky of Bannister; and 24 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren.

Also there was one brother, Rudolph Hawkins of Zephyr Hills, Florida; and one half-sister, Anna Kasik of Owosso.

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### Soybeans lost to hail

Last week's hail storm destroyed Joe W. Eger's 70 acres of soybeans on the family farm on M-21, near Ovid. Eger's crop damage was the worst in the county according to Clinton County Extension Director George McQueen. Twenty-six year-old Eger figures he lost about \$12,000 worth of beans in the

disaster. A graduate at the Assemblies of God Seminary in Springfield, Mo., Eger is preparing for missionary work. He has already put himself through four years at Michigan State University and a year of Bible School, according to his father, The Rev. Joseph Eger of East Baldwin, St. Johns. (Photo by Sharon Randall)

## ★ Fickle weather

Farmers in northern Clinton County were kept out of their fields last week by excessive rainfall, about five inches in the past two weeks.

Mother Nature has not been kind to crops in Clinton County lately. Farmers in the northern portions of the county were kept out of their fields last week by excessive rainfall, about five inches in the past two weeks.

McQueen said the northern portion of Clinton County has received more rainfall than the southern portion, with M-21 as the dividing line. The flat lands in the northern section have been especially hard-hit and water could be seen standing in the fields last week.

On the other hand, McQueen said the southern part of the county "is not in bad shape."

The dry bean crop was most effected by the excessive rainfall, and coupled with the rain, the dry beans were hit with diseases because of too much moisture.

Corn was faring well last week, reported McQueen who said the rain helped as well as hindered. He said, however, that if the northern portion of the county received any more rain in the near future, soybeans and corn would be the next to realize the same plight as the dry beans.

Some wheat had been taken off the fields prior to the heavy rainfall of recently, but McQueen said he had received several reports of wheat still in the field sprouting. Sprouting brings the price down when the farmer goes to sell the wheat. McQueen also added that another inch of rain would guarantee the wheat would come off as feed.

### ST. JOHNS CITY COMMISSION MINUTES JULY 14, 1980

The Reg. Mtg. was called to order by Mayor Arehart at 7:30 p.m.  
 COMM. PRESENT: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre  
 COMM. ABSENT: Starck  
 STAFF PRESENT: R.L. Humphrey, City Mgr.; R.L. Coletta, City Clerk; P.A. Maples, City Atty.; D.M. Edwards, City Assessor.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supported by Comm. Brockmyre that the Mins. of the June 23, 1980 Reg. Mtg. and the July 7, 1980 Special Mtg. of the St. Johns City Comm. be approved as amended.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Brockmyre supported by Comm. Roesner that the Warrants be approved in the amt. of \$1,085,780.34.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Arehart asked for additions or deletions to the Agenda. There were three.  
 Motion by Comm. Roesner supported by Comm. Brockmyre that the Agenda be approved as amended.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supported by Comm. Brockmyre that the City Comm. approve the First Cong. Church request to use the St. Johns City Park Bandshell on Sunday, Aug. 10, 1980 at 10:00 a.m. for a joint worship service and approve the First Cong. Church request to use the City Pavillion on Thursday, Aug. 7, 1980 between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. and further that all fees be waived.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supported by Mayor Arehart that the City Comm. approve the request of the Brush Busters 4x4 Club to use the City's old Shell station property on Sat., July 26, 1980 to conduct a car wash for the benefit of the Clinton County First Aid Volunteers, and further that all fees be waived.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supported by Comm. Brockmyre that the City Comm. authorize the Staff to submit project descriptions for a Public Safety Bldg. and for a Ind. Park Site Development as possible EDA projects.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supported by Comm. Brockmyre that the City Comm. table the Bohaty Dance School request to use the municipal auditorium to allow the Comm. and Staff an opportunity to further consider the implications of this type of use of the auditorium and to allow the City Atty. an opportunity to review the liability questions involved in this request.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

The City Clerk reported on the progress of the dangerous building at 204 N. Ottawa. Mayor Arehart accepted the Clerk's rec. and left the Bldg. Hearing on the table.  
 Motion by Comm. Hannah supported by Comm. Brockmyre that the City Comm. award the asphalt bid to Capitol Excavation Paving Co., Inc. for the unit prices bid and that this type and quantities of material will be determined at a future date. Further, that City Mgr. Humphrey, Comm. Roesner and Mayor Arehart be authorized to meet with reps. of Searles to discuss the types of material that would be acceptable on E. Gibbs St.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supported by Comm. Brockmyre that the City Comm. authorize final pmt. to Williams Bros. Asphalt Paving Co. in the amt. of \$1,115.70 for the Walker St. bridges.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

There was a very lengthy discussion regarding the Oxford Tax Abatement Ordinance. Motion by Comm. Hannah supported by Comm. Roesner that the City Comm. table the Contractual Effect of Ord. Amendment until the MSHDA accepts the service fee of 6%, that was previously agreed to by the City of St. Johns, Oxford Develop. Corp. and reps. of the MSHDA, at the July 7, 1980 Special Mtg. of the City Comm.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supported by Comm. Hannah that the City Comm. accept Walter Heintert's report and further that the City Atty. be authorized to draft the documents that would give the City the proper easements or lease to place a test and municipal well on the County Jail property and further that the City Mgr. be authorized to appear before the County Board and request permission to place a well on this property and approval of the document prepared by the City Atty.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supported by Comm. Brockmyre that the City Comm. adopt the resolution authorizing City Clerk Coletta to make application to the Mich. Dept. of State Highways and Trans. to do maintenance on water mains and sewers within the right-of-way of US-27 and M-21.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Brockmyre supported by Comm. Hannah that the City Comm. accept the City Clerk's rec. and that the Election Inspectors be appointed as presented.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supported by Comm. Roesner that City Mgr. Humphrey be requested to advise the Mich. Municipal League Nominating Comm. that the St. Johns City Comm. in consideration of the Comm. and Mayor Arehart's interest in the past and present progress and operations of the league, we do hereby unanimously request the Municipal League Nominating Comm. to place Mayor Arehart in nomination for appointment to the Mich. Municipal League Board of Trustees.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Mayor Arehart supported by Comm. Brockmyre that the City Comm. authorize the City Atty. to draft an Ord. to deny tax abatements for family subsidized housing.  
 YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Hannah, Brockmyre. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Arehart adjourned the mtg. at 9:15 p.m.

# SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS OF ST. JOHNS PUBLIC SCHOOLS CLINTON AND GRATIOT COUNTIES, MICHIGAN TO BE HELD AUGUST 11, 1980

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that a special election will be held in the School District, on Monday, August 11, 1980.

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7:00 O'CLOCK, A.M., AND CLOSE AT 8:00 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The following propositions will be submitted to the vote of the electors at the special election:

#### I. MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSITION

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in St. Johns Public Schools, Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan, be increased by 20.2 mills (\$20.20 on each \$1,000.00) on state equalized valuation for the year 1980, for the purpose of providing additional funds for operating purposes (17.75 mills of the above increase being a renewal of 17.75 mills for operating purposes which expired with the 1979 tax levy and 2.45 mills being additional operating millage)?

#### II. TAX RATE LIMITATION INCREASE PROPOSITION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in St. Johns Public Schools, Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan, be increased by 1/2 mill (\$0.50 on each \$1,000.00) on state equalized valuation for the year 1980, for the purpose of providing additional operating funds for capital improvements, maintenance and repair of school facilities?

#### III. APPROVAL TO LEVY AUTHORIZED RATE

Shall the authorized allocated millage rate of 8 mills for operating purposes of St. Johns Public Schools, Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan, be approved for levy without regard to reduction required by section 31 of article 9 of the state constitution of 1963?

THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- PRECINCT NO. 1  
 Voting Place - Auditorium of the Rodney B. Wilson Jr. High School.
- PRECINCT NO. 2  
 Voting Place - The East Essex School.
- PRECINCT NO. 3  
 Voting Place - Eureka School.
- PRECINCT NO. 4  
 Voting Place - The Olive Center Schools.
- PRECINCT NO. 5  
 Voting Place - Riley Elementary School, 5935 W. Pratt Road.

All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

I, Gerald E. Shepard, Treasurer of Clinton County, Michigan, hereby certify that, as of June 20, 1980, the records of this Office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in St. Johns Public Schools, Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan, is as follows:

By Clinton County:	None
By Essex Township:	None
By Greenbrush Township:	None
By Duplain Township:	None
By Bengal Township:	None
By Benham Township:	None
By Ovid Township:	None
By Riley Township:	None
By Olive Township:	None
By Victor Township:	None
By Watertown Township:	None
By Westphalia Township:	None
By the School District	None

Gerald E. Shepard  
 Treasurer  
 Clinton County, Michigan

I, Shirley A. Johnston, Treasurer of Gratiot County, Michigan, hereby certify that, as of June 20, 1980, the records of this Office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in St. Johns Public Schools, Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan, is as follows:

By Gratiot County:	None
By Fulton Township:	None
By Elba Township:	None
By Washington Township:	None
By the School District:	None

Shirley A. Johnston  
 Treasurer  
 Gratiot County, Michigan

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of St. Johns Public Schools, Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan.

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# Clinton County Sports

## Card collectors test county

By Tim Jeffery

Bank safety deposit boxes are normally used for storing valuables such as jewelry, important papers and documents and even gold and silver. Considering these items, could it be possible that a baseball card merits the necessity of being stored along with them?

Just ask Ed Supowit who collects nostalgic items as a full-time profession. His 1910, Honus Wagner card, which was found in tobacco packages during that era, rests comfortably and safely in a safety deposit box.

Supowit explained, "The Mona Lisa of card collecting is the Honus Wagner tobacco card. It can bring anywhere from \$5,000 to \$10,000." Obviously, he can't be faulted for keeping his gem in such security.

Friday, Supowit along with his right-hand man, his young son, Steve, paid a visit to St. Johns testing the market for card holders interested in selling from their collections. The pair make trips to various spots around the state in search of new additions.

According to Supowit, who makes his home in Southfield, there are no particularly better areas for finding valuable cards. "You just never know where you'll come across something you're looking to find," he said. "If I do well here we'll be back again."

He tells of a night in Memphis, Tenn. having set up a hotel room, being thwarted by two men who saw his ad in the paper. The intruders waited outside the room and proceeded to buy whatever suited their tastes, from people intending to visit Supowit.

"In a few places, collectors don't appreciate you invading their territory. I've had dealers in St. Louis and Boston get upset with me," the collector explained.

By dealers, Supowit is referring to individuals who have shops or stores strictly for baseball cards. He stated, there are three shops in Cincinnati dealing solely with baseball cards.

Baseball card collecting was never really considered a hobby until roughly six or seven years ago, according to Supowit.

Supowit is full of interesting stories about the history of baseball cards. His collection, which he points out couldn't even begin to be pinpointed, on how many cards are included, contains material from the first sets of cards made.

The first cards started in 1895. They were found in cigarette packages through 1910. Then they were inserted in candy wrappers, namely caramels.

Gum was included with cards for the first time in 1933. The Goudey company was the inaugural corporation to come out with such a package.

The age of the card is not significant in the value it may bring. According to Supowit there are actually only a few ball players who are remembered today from the early 1900's. Those particular players' cards are the worthy mementoes in terms of money, from that era. He mentioned the names of Ty Cobb, Christy Mathewson and Honus Wagner as players whose card would fall into this category.

Supowit explained that his Honus Wagner card is worth so much money because when cards became included with caramels, Honus Wagner no longer wanted to be related in any way with tobacco. His card was then only available with the caramels so the tobacco version became valuable."

Supowit estimated there are 15 to 20 of the coveted cards floating around the country. However, the caramel version of the card is much more plentiful. "I got a call from a guy one time, telling me he had the Honus Wagner card. I went and took a look at it and offered the guy \$5 for it. He thought I was crazy, but that's all it was worth," Supowit recalled. Naturally it was the caramel card.

The wrappers from the first Goudey Gum packages are actually worth more than the cards, which were found inside. The wrappers are worth \$5 apiece, according to Supowit.

During war years, 1942 to 1947, Goudey quit making cards because of a sugar shortage. They were not able to make gum, which meant there were no baseball cards.

Besides being printed by gum, tobacco and candy manufacturers, the cards have come with every conceivable product since the twenties. Dog Food, cereal and cupcakes have all been sold with baseball cards included.

One such worthy card is the 1960 Post Cereal Al Kaline card. It's value is in the range of \$50 to \$100. With Kaline

being inducted into the Hall of Fame his cards will become more coveted.

Instances such as printing plates being damaged will greatly increase value. The Eddie Egan tobacco version, which comes from the same era as the Honus Wagner card, is worth \$3,000 to \$4,000 because of damaged plates. Baseball's first black player in the major leagues, Jackie Robinson's 1952 Topps Bubble-gum card in mint condition will bring its owner approximately \$150.

Conventions are held in numerous spots around the country for collectors to gather, sell and trade attempting to complete their sets.

"We live in a disposable society. People find something in the corner and they throw it away. Find an unopened package and it's worth some money," Supowit stated.

"Steve is young, but he's learning the names of some of the older cards. One day he'll take over this whole collection," Supowit said, about his son who one day hopes to be a sports broadcaster. If and when Steve reaches his goal, he'll easily recall where he gained a majority of his knowledge.



Lots of cards

Supowit and his son Steve display part of their enormous baseball card collection, which they brought to St. Johns. (Photo by Tim Jeffery)

## Bee's grappling coach totes a talented pen

By Tim Jeffery

For Mario Torrez coaching wrestling is simply not

enough. The Bath coach has taken his knowledge a step further and has shared his thoughts with wrestling buffs nationwide.

"Takedown, the title of Torrez's sixth article, appears in the 1980 August-September issue of Strength and Health Magazine. The story contains his ideas concerning weight training and other methods he uses for preparing his team.

Unlike most coaches, Torrez does not teach at Bath High School. Instead, he does this at East Lansing High School in the form of government and social science. Prior to taking the varsity job at Bath, he headed the East Lansing squad.

Bath's head man has also made stops along his coaching trail at Walter French Junior High in Lansing, Ravenna High School in Ravenna and at Ketchikan High School in Ketchikan, Alaska.

Torrez, a six-time AAU

powerlifting champion in Michigan and Alaska, is one of three international referees for the sport in the state of Michigan. He has been involved in officiating since 1970.

A training guide written by Torrez will soon be available for coaches. The book sells for \$3.50 and features Torrez and former Bath wrestler, Barry Brown, on the cover.

Other articles written by Torrez have appeared in Iron Man Magazine, Scholastic Wrestling News, National Strength Coaches Association Journal and The Young Wrestler. In the future he plans to work on a feature about incorporating wrestling and powerlifting with chiropractic methods.

"I love to write and to speak in front of people," Torrez stated. A good indication of his enjoyment in speaking is the fact that he filed for state representative on the Republican ticket.

However, he has since withdrawn because of the time the position would demand. He indicated that he is already very busy.

Another highlight for Torrez was his trip in June of 1979 to The Dominican Republic. Accompanied by Bath wrestlers, Jimmy Soria, Steve Hicks and Barry Brown, the foursome stayed at the Olympic Village in Santo Domingo. They wrestled with some of the representatives for the Pan American Games during the visit.

"The food was good, but it was kind've strange to see armed guards at the village," Torrez pointed out. The guard were on hand to protect the athletes. "Overall it was a great experience," he said.

A member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Torrez has donated a percentage of his earnings from his writings to the church.

Please turn to page 11A.

## Telling it like it is



By Tim Jeffery

Usually the closest any of us come to the big names in sports is seeing them on television. As far as getting to know what these athletes are really like, depends on newspapers or magazines. Here then is this week's question.

Suppose you had the opportunity to have any given sports personality pay a visit to your house for dinner, whom might you most enjoy entertaining?

**Lorene Knight of St. Johns:** "Ilie Nastase because he's so bizarre. Also Mark Fidrych because I'd like to see him out in my yard pitching a few balls."

**Lynn Ballinger of St. Johns:** "I'd like to meet Al Kaline because I listen to the Tigers all the time and really would like to meet him. I'd also like to have Reggie Jackson for dinner, even though people sometimes get mad at him for hitting homers for the Yankees and winning games for them."

**Karla Rademacher of St. Johns:** "Bruce Jenner because he's an all-around sports figure and he's kind've neat. Also Magic Johnson because I like what he's doing and yet is still very big on Michigan."

**Michelle Rehmann of St. Johns:** "Probably Tracey Austin. She's a very interesting person and at such a young age to have achieved the opportunity to play at Wimbledon is really incredible. Also Magic Johnson because his character is very outgoing and he has a certain charisma that is very appealing to me. Jack Nicklaus is another I'd enjoy meeting because it's incredible that he's still going as strong as he is at his age."

**Joe Lebrato of St. Johns:** "Probably Magic because he looks like a pretty cool dude, smiles a lot and is pretty funny. Also Darrell Dawkins so he can teach me to break a backboard. I'd also like to meet Nolan Ryan so he could teach me how to throw his good pitches."

**Craig Dennis of Ovid:** "Terry Bradshaw because he's a good quarterback and I love the Steelers. Also Willie Stargell so I could find out what he's really like. I'd like to meet John Kolb of the Steelers because he's tough and I enjoyed watching him compete in the strongest man of the world contest."

**Lisa Lawrence of St. Johns:** "Muhammad Ali because I'd like to figure out why he thinks he is the greatest."

**Pat Koenigsmecht of St. Johns:** "I think Mark Spitz because he's very interesting and my girls are in Sea Lions and really enjoy swimming. I'd also like to entertain George Kell because he knows all the little tidbits about the Tigers."

**John Cleveland of St. Johns:** "Sparky Anderson because he's someone who has a real good handle on baseball and he's really sparked the Tigers. Also Linda Fratianne because I just think she's a well rounded skater and has a lot of grace and poise. I'd also enjoy meeting Art Schlichter the Ohio State quarterback because he's probably the best quarterback in college football. He can do everything on the field."

**Judy Pierce of St. Johns:** "Nadia Comaneci because my daughter is a gymnast and we like the gymnastics real well. Probably also Magic Johnson because he has a really neat personality and doesn't seem to have a big head."

**Jane Rehmann of St. Johns:** "Probably Ervin Johnson because I'd like to know how it is to have all that money and what he does with it all. Also Eric Heiden because I've always liked skating. He's not too bad looking either."

## Marauders offer tennis

Ovid-Elsie

Plans for forming a girls' tennis team at Ovid-Elsie High School are running well ahead of schedule.

Original forecasts were for a girls' squad beginning in 1981. Now, since 19 girls have indicated they will play, the Marauders will field their first team in September.

Athletic Director Bob Foreback indicated if indeed 19 or more individuals come out for the team, both a JV and varsity squad will be formed.

An announcement will be posted shortly for the coaching position. Foreback indicated that there is an individual on the staff who helped last year and has shown an interest in coaching the girls' team. A few other staff members are interested as well.

The only problem he foresees is making up the schedule. Many athletic directors are not working at this time and may be hard to contact.

### COMMISSION ORDER

(under authority of Act 165, P.A. 1929 and Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended)

#### Statewide Trout and Salmon Regulations

#### STATEWIDE TROUT AND SALMON REGULATIONS

The Natural Resources Commission at its meeting on July 11, 1980, under the authority of Act 165, P.A. 1929, as amended, and Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended, ordered that for the period beginning August 10, 1980, and ending January 1, 1982, no person shall take, or attempt to take, any species of trout or salmon from any of the waters of this state except by hook and line during the open seasons prescribed, and within the minimum size limits and maximum possession limits indicated below.

Statewide open seasons on all streams and designated trout lakes shall be from the last Saturday in April through September 30 (longer on waters designated by the Director for extended fishing under Act 165) on all trout and salmon. Statewide open seasons on all other inland lakes and the Great Lakes shall be any time for all trout and salmon. Size limits shall be 8 inches on Lower Peninsula streams, 7 inches on Upper Peninsula streams, and 10 inches on lakes. The daily limit for trout and salmon shall be fish singly or in combination but no more than 3 lake trout or splake, except that in the following areas of the Great Lakes it shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take lake trout or splake:

In all the waters of Lake Superior east of a line drawn due north of Crisp Point (Sec. 1, T31N, R6W), to the international boundary line and thence east to the city of Sault Ste. Marie.

In all waters of the St. Mary's River.

In all the waters of Lake Huron north and west of a line drawn from Forty Mile Point (Sec. 23, T36N, R4E), northeasterly to the international boundary line, thence north and west to the point where the St. Mary's River flows into Lake Huron, thence west to the Mackinaw Bridge.

In all waters of Lake Michigan north of a line beginning from the Michigan-Wisconsin state boundary line east to the tip of the Leelanau Peninsula and thence extending in a northerly direction to the Village of Good Hart.

In the following waters of the Great Lakes it shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take more than one lake trout or splake:

All waters in northeast Lake Michigan lying inside of a line drawn from the tip of the Leelanau Peninsula extending northerly to the Village of Good Hart.

In the following waters of the Great Lakes it shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take more than 2 lake trout or splake:

In all remaining waters of Lake Michigan south of a line beginning from the Michigan-Wisconsin state boundary line east to the tip of the Leelanau Peninsula.

This order recinds the Commission Order issued July 14, 1978 by the Natural Resources Commission — STATEWIDE TROUT AND SALMON REGULATIONS.

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# Recreation Round-up

**Men's Competitive League**  
Sillman's 7, Allaby & Brewbaker 0  
Ruthy's 11, Dean's Hardware 0  
Montry's Pizza & Subs 7, Redeemer United Methodist 0

**Men's Recreation League Division I**  
Superior Insulation 9, Buckstove 10  
Williams Auto Body 14, Big Ten Lounge 13  
St. Johns Standard 13, Central Michigan Lumber 17  
Shamrock Excavating 1, Clinton Automotive 9  
Research Tool 5, Beck's 18

**Men's Recreation League Division II**  
Paradise TV 9, Jaycees 7  
Phillips Orchards 4, Henning Electric 13  
Olympian Tool Inc. 10, Karber Block 5  
Maco Tool & Eng. 2, Knob Hill Tavern 12  
National Sports Imprint 7, Federal Mogul 0

**Women's Competitive League**  
Advanced Fire Protection 30, Hair Loft 0  
St. Johns Ford Mercury 12, Murton Rawleigh 0  
Hair Loft 0, St. Johns Ford Mercury 23  
Becker's Furniture 1, Advanced Fire Protection 11

**Women's Recreational League**  
Elias Bros. Big Boy 9, Randolph's Ready Mix 13  
Andy's IGA 7, Paul's Party Store 15

**Men's Competitive League**

W	L
Ruthy's	11 0
Montry's Pizza & Subs	9 1
Sillman's	8 3
Dean's Hardware	6 5
Hair Loft	5 5
F.C. Mason	4 6
Allaby & Brewbaker	3 7
Roadhouse	2 10
Redeemer United Methodist	0 11

**Men's Recreation League Division I**

W	L
Beck's	7 2
Central Michigan Lumber	7 2
Clinton Automotive	7 2
Williams Auto Body	6 3
Big Ten Lounge	5 4
Shamrock Excavating	4 5
St. Johns Standard	4 5
Research Tool	3 6
Buckstove	2 7
Superior Insulation	0 9

**Men's Recreation League Division II**

W	L
Knob Hill Tavern	8 1
Karber Block	7 2
Paradise TV	6 3
National Sports Imprint	5 4
Maco Tool & Eng.	5 4
Olympian Tool Inc.	5 4
Henning Electric	5 4
Federal Mogul	2 7
Jaycees	1 8
Phillips Orchards	1 8

**Women's Competitive League**

W	L
St. Johns Ford Mercury	13 1
Advanced Fire Protection	13 2
Becker's Furniture	4 9
Murton Rawleigh	4 9
Hair Loft	0 13

**Women's Recreational League**

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Central National Bank	9 0
Paul's Party Store	8 1
Capitol Savings & Loan	4 4
Elias Bros. Big Boy	5 6
Randolph's Ready Mix	4 6
Andy's IGA	2 7
H & H Lounge	1 9

Divisions I and II have both completed their respective seasons. Knob Hill Tavern captured the Division II league championship.

In Division I, Clinton Automotive, Central Michigan Lumber and Beck's finished the year in a three-way tie for the title. The teams ended up the season with identical 7-2 records.

Playoffs to determine the Division I champion will take place on August 11 and 12. The eventual winner will meet Knob Hill Tavern for the overall Recreational crown. The final game is slated for Aug. 14.

Beginning the week of Aug. 11, there will be a single elimination tournament held in the Men's Competitive League, both divisions of the Men's Recreational League, the Women's Competitive League and the Women's Recreational League. Brackets will be given to each team.

**8,9,10 Lassie League**

All Stars 3, Classy Lassies 9  
TNT 3, Cass Street Sluggers 10  
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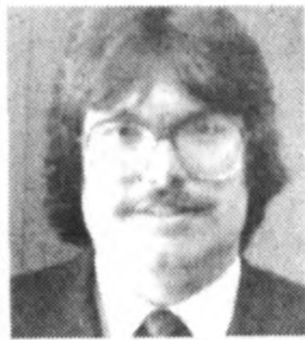
**11,12,13,14 Lassie League**

Magsigs Massives 4, Hair World All Pros 7  
Darnell Dusters 16, Durbin's Dreams 2

**\*\*SPECIAL EVENTS\*\***

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## One Man's Views

By Tim Jeffery

Now that Tommy Hearn has finally gained national recognition, we can look forward to a "dream fight" between Roberto Duran and The Motor City Hit-Man. The match up probably won't take place until early next spring. However, when they do square off, Duran had better hold onto his britches. Hearn looks to be better than Sugar Ray.

Speaking of the fight game, don't you get tired of hearing victorious boxers talk about how great they are. In particular, I'm pointing at last Friday Night's Wilfred Benitez-Tony Chiaverini bout. After putting Chiaverini away, Benitez raved about how he is the dragon and he is the greatest, right on national TV. Then to top the cake, he said Duran was afraid of him and wouldn't fight him. Sorry, Wilfred, but a M-60 Tank wouldn't frighten Stonehands, let alone a dragon. I wonder if Benitez feels the same way about Hearn's?

As the Tigers continue to pursue the New York Yankees, Mark Fidrych waits to be summoned. All reports are very positive and it looks as though he'll pitch next Tuesday night. Momentum plays a big role in pennant races and if The Bird provides the team with a bit of his old magic, the race is a long way from being over.

Sunday is our first look at Billy Sims in a Detroit Lion uniform. They face the Dolphins in an exhibition game at

Miami. I'm anxious to see Billy do his thing, but on the other hand will be holding my breath each time he carries the ball. Last season was shot before it even started with the injury to Gary Danielson. That is the worst facet of the exhibition games. Let's hope the team can go through these meaningless encounters without a major loss.

Monday marks the first day of practice for high school football teams in the country. It appears as though a couple area teams will be serious contenders for league titles. We'll know more by Sept. 1. Much of my time during the next three weeks will be spent at practice fields around the country.

Whatever became of Kirk Gibson? The highly touted rookie surely doesn't have a center field position waiting for him when he returns. Rick Peters is easily the Tiger rookie of the year and must remain in the lineup. Gibson will undoubtedly be an outstanding player, but who plays center field? The team is loaded with outfielders and probably will make a big trade after the year ends.

In recent weeks I've raved about the Houston Astros. I've even gone out on a limb and picked them for the World Series representatives from the National League. However, I didn't anticipate J.R. Richard suffering a stroke. When healthy, he can be baseball's best pitcher, as evidenced by his starting the recent all-star game. Now the team has its work cut out, as injuries are part of the game. I'm sticking with them, though.

All of the various sports magazines will soon come out with their college football preview editions. Michigan's biggest rival, the Ohio State Buckeyes probably will be ranked first in the forecasts. They will be awesome. Quarterback Art Schlichter has the Heisman Trophy in his back pocket if he plays as well as he did last year. The Wolverines must travel to Columbus for the annual showdown this year. It won't be a task to look forward to.

## Sgt Teresa Lanfer re-enlists in Air Force

Sergeant Teresa A. Lanfer, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Brickman of 7551 W. Henderson Road, Elsie, has re-enlisted in the U.S. Air Force after being selected for career status. Assigned at Hahn Air Base, West Germany, the sergeant was approved for re-enlistment by a board which considered character and performance. Sergeant Lanfer is a 1975 graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School.

# SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS OF FOWLER PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN TO BE HELD AUGUST 11, 1980

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that a special election of Fowler Public School District, Clinton County, Michigan, will be held in the Gymnasium of the Fowler High School, in the Village of Fowler, Michigan, on Monday, August 11, 1980.

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7:00 O'CLOCK, A.M., AND CLOSE AT 8:00 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The following propositions will be submitted to the vote of the electors at the special election:

**I. MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSITION**

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Fowler Public School District, Clinton County, Michigan, be increased by 19 mills (\$19.00 on each \$1,000.00) on state equalized valuation for the year 1980, for the purpose of providing additional funds for operating purposes (17 mills of the above increase being a renewal of 17 mills for operating purposes which expired with the 1979 tax levy and 2 mills being additional operating millage)?

**II. ADDITIONAL MILLAGE PROPOSITION**

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Fowler Public School District, Clinton County, Michigan, be increased by 1.5 mills (\$1.50 on each \$1,000.00) on state equalized valuation for the year 1980, for the purpose of providing additional funds for operating purposes (this being a separate proposal in addition to the increase submitted in Proposition I at this same election)?

All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

I, Gerald E. Shepard, Treasurer of Clinton County, Michigan, hereby certify that, as of July 7, 1980, the records of this Office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Fowler Public School District, Clinton County, Michigan, is as follows:

By Clinton County:	None
By Bengal Township:	None
By Dallas Township:	None
By Essex Township:	None
By Lebanon Township:	None
By Riley Township:	None
By the school district:	None

Gerald E. Shepard  
Treasurer, Clinton County, Michigan

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Fowler Public School District, Clinton County, Michigan.

Dorothy Bertram  
Secretary, Board of Education



Mario Torrez

### \* Bath coach

church. "A lot of people don't appreciate where they are or what they have, but I'm very glad to be where I am," he explained.

Torrez does not forget about his wrestlers once they have graduated. "I like to keep on-going relationships with past wrestlers because I want to see them do well in life in general," he said.

If indeed his students carry what they've learned from him into the future, their lives will certainly carry more wisdom.



## Softball teams needed

**Bath**  
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### Fowler parade

A long parade wound by the Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Fowler, Sunday, at the annual summer festival. The Girls' Softball team was represented in this entry. Music, good food, raffles, games and an evening teen dance filled out the day for this community family day. (Phot by Sharon Randall)

## HUD grant brings Bath improvements

By Sue Kiley White

A check for \$300,000 is on its way to Bath Township and local officials can't wait.

The money is part of a Community Development Block grant for small cities according to Marilyn Moinet, Housing and Urban Development coordinator for the township.

A pre-application was submitted in December of 1979 with the final application turned in May 30. Official confirmation of the grant was okayed on July 25.

Since 1975 over \$900,000 has been received by Bath Township via HUD grants. This money has been used for various projects within the community including acquisition of land, a parking lot, and the demolition and rehabilitation of numerous homes in the township.

This year the money will be used for housing rehabilitation, sidewalks, beach development, home acquisition, a senior citizens' center, a zoning ordinance plan, and the initiation of a six year capital improvement program.

Thirteen homes will be rehabilitated in the township with grants totaling \$90,000. Mrs Moinet indicated applications are available to any township resident who is low income and who has a home not up to code.

A long awaited senior citizens' center is finally going to become a reality for the township's elderly sector. Although no building plans have been specified as of yet, Mrs Moinet is keeping herself busy with designs and ideas of what the new building will entail.

The center will be on township property although sites are still being considered. The project has been allocated \$80,000 and will be underway in the next couple of months.

About \$10,000 will be used for putting sidewalks in the village area. Beach development on Park Lake will receive \$20,000 to finish off the swimming area and landscaping. The project will not be completed, however, until a Department of Natural Resources grant is applied for to purchase equipment.

Mrs Moinet mentioned the township is anticipating buying two buildings or housing units which cannot be rehabilitated. After these buildings are purchased they will be demolished with the township relocating the families involved.

Money has also been set aside to plan and manage a local zoning ordinance which is currently being instituted in the township.

Completing the list of projects on the HUD grant list will be a six-year capital improvement program which will control and assist development of businesses, and create a tax base and jobs for the community.

"The money will be put to good use to benefit the whole community," said Mrs Moinet. "The township is fortunate to receive a grant such as this for the growth and development of Bath Township."

The housing director said receiving the grant did not really come as a great surprise to the township because as she put it, "Once your pre-application has been accepted, your chances are pretty good for getting money."

"Bath Township needs help and assistance for its people," said Mrs Moinet. "This is \$300,000 coming back into the township that the people have already indirectly paid with their taxes."

She noted the grant will benefit everyone in the community, not just the low income bracket. The beach can be used by everyone and the senior citizens will finally have a place they can call their own.

Once the senior center is built they will take charge of everything according to Mrs Moinet. They will be responsible for paying their own utilities, but she indicated this should not be a problem. She also noted they could rent the building out to other community groups when the seniors are not using the facilities.

"We'd like to have the senior citizens call the center their home away from home," she added.

Concluding the housing director said, "The grant wouldn't have been possible without the enthusiasm and support of the township board and local officials. They deserve a lot of credit for their endeavors."

## ★ School districts list cuts

acceptance of a matching energy grant which will help the district cut back on its utility bills and pay for itself in a few years.

The district is also asking for a waiver from the Headlee Amendment.

Fowler's board of education has made two separate lists of budget cuts if their two millage requests are denied.

One list outlines what cuts will be made if the 1.5-mill increase is not granted. Cuts include an elementary teacher, a special education teacher, a special education teacher aide, curriculum development funds, two teachers aides, a library aide, audio-visual equipment, data processing service, asphalt repair and replacement of various band instruments, shop tools and other school equipment. All totaled, the cuts would amount to \$92,000.

Fowler schools are also asking for 19 mills, including a 17-mill increase for one year. If voters turn down this proposal, about \$183,000 would have to be cut from the budget.

Round two of cuts would include the art program at the elementary and middle schools, athletics at the middle school, athletics and class sponsors at the high school, marching band, one-third of the vocational education program, library aide, roof work at the high school, clerical staff and custodial

hours, all field trips and extra bus trips and more capital outlay projects.

Cuts in Bath's educational budget will vary from \$107,250 to \$287,000, depending upon what happens to the two proposals which will be appearing before voters in that district Aug. 11.

The first proposal is asking for a 20-mill renewal, three additional mills and waiver of the Headlee Rollback. The second proposal is asking for one mill for one year.

Regardless of the millage outcome, \$50,000 will have to be trimmed because of the declining enrollment which means less state aid for the district.

If the one-mill request is denied, \$107,250 will have to be cut from the budget. Budget cuts will include 3.5 teachers, a counselor, a librarian, and an office aide at the high school. Reductions will include having a half-time assistant principal-athletic director at the high school, a half-time custodial matron, curtailing some middle school and high school athletics.

If the first proposal including the renewal millage fails, the following cuts totaling more than \$280,000 will be cut from the \$2.48 million tentative budget.

Three and one-half teachers, two counselors, two librarians, two matron-custodians, half-time assistant princi-

pal-athletic director at the high school, office aide, the shared-time programs, field trips and the financing of interscholastic athletics. Only major revenue sports in compliance with Title IX guidelines would be run.

Pewamo-Westphalia's Board of Education also has two lists of cuts which will be necessary if voters fail to pass Proposition II, which will allow the district to levy the full rate of millage, without regard to the Headlee Amendment, and Proposition I which represents the school's operating millage.

If Proposition II fails, the district will lose \$39,500 and cuts will include elimination or reductions in extra bus trips, conferences, library materials, aide time, elementary art and extra curricular activities.

Proposition I means \$106,000 to P-W's school. These cuts include eliminating all classroom aide help, the entire elementary physical education program, all non-supporting extra-curricular activities; drastic reductions in the vocational program; reduction in transportation and reductions in custodial and clerical staffs.

These lists may be added to or subtracted from, depending upon the final State Aid allocation, board spokesmen have said.



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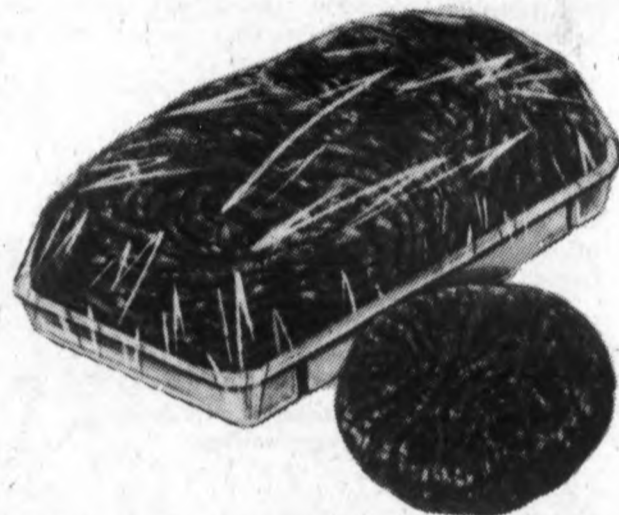
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# Clinton County's 1980 4-H Youth Fair August 11, 12, 13

## Volunteers make the 4-H fair hum

By Sharon Randall

There's no question about it, the 4-H Youth Fair, that starts tomorrow with set up and ends next Thursday with clean-up, is the ultimate culmination of a long year of work. It's the highlight of the 4-H year, a time for showing off, performing and being rewarded. It's for kids.

It's also a community affair. Behind the three action-packed days is an unending line of volunteers, a long line of people who have taught and encouraged and pushed a little. An unending line of caring people who have mechanically put the fair together, assuring the lighting, the power, the hangers, the organization and the assurance that all will run smoothly.

Their services are free, donated time, expertise and talent. This 4-H Youth Fair is the community of Clinton County.

Auctioneers, ringmen, bankers: they are all volunteers. Carpenters, electricians, handymen, donate their labor. Every part of the fair has a chairman and a host of helpers that make sure projects are entered right, judges are catered to, and awards are given fairly and with style.

Who are all these people who make the fair run? You'll read about a few of them in this special section. They are people like Larry Phinney, president of the fair board and the other 10 people who make up that board. It's people like Ruth Moiser who helps so many young people that she needs a calendar to keep their schedules straight. From May until fair time Ruth meets almost daily with youngsters in the Victor-4-H Club. It's people like Paul Love, Gary Larsen, and Bill Kissane who organize and run the popular and growing photography project Clinton County is so proud of. It's families like Maple Rapids' Mungers, and youngsters like 12-year-old Tammy Foster. It's leaders like Vernie Nickols and Juanita Atkinson, who are warm and sharing with the youngsters who come to them to learn. It's people like Mike Ziegler, electrician, who stays on call and meets three or four crises a day.

There are unusual leaders like Bob Fineman who uses his woodworking shop at Laingsburg Middle School to hold 4-H meetings and would eventually like to incorporate it into the school program. It's project chairmen for the fair Dale Kuenzli who is in charge of beef cattle and makes sure that the livestock sale is successful for children who raise market livestock. It's Jim Sykora, auctioneer, who donates his time to the sale along with Al Galloway and J. D. Helman.

There are other people who work to make the fair fun, exciting and comfortable. Community Radio Watch Club members staff the Clinton Area First Aid Trailer that stays at the fair all three days and treat scraped knees, rabbit bites and are on hand "just in case." The Clinton County Sheriff posse helps with parking.

Feeding the hungry throngs at the fair while earning funds for 4-H trips will be chairmen Sue Wakefield and Jean June and hundreds of helpers. These two leaders head the food stand that serves donated homemade pie, and hot dogs, hamburgers and sloppy joes. Last year's food stand took in nearly \$15,000, netting \$8,341 for special 4-H trips.

Enthusiastic Judy Vanek is setting up something new this year, a special Animal Family Petting Tent where children and families can milk a cow and a goat and ride on a horse.

The Fair Board has planned another big Wednesday night this year. Wednesday is the final big celebration complete with a parade, an ice cream eating contest, an egg toss and a race to catch a greased pig.

Different this year is a special attention on winners with a parade of champions each night. All the trophy and rosette winners from that day of judging and the champion animals will parade through the judging pavilion. This takes place at 8:30 on Monday and Tuesday night and 7 p.m. on Wednesday.

The trophies are donated by local merchants; the ribbons and rosettes come from a grant from the County Board of Commissioners. More than 2,000 youngsters are 4-H members. Most of them show at the fair, many of them up to six projects.

Like we said, it starts tomorrow with those volunteers again, setting up the fences, pens, tables, hooks, racks and display areas. Saturday will bring the youngsters with their project in hand. Two thousand county young people ready to show off a little, ready to test their skills, ready for approval from their community.

See You at the  
**FAIR**



### Cabbage: a rose by another name

Nine year old Kevin Kissane aims for a good shot of a cabbage, thinking that it may make a nice entry for the fair's 4-H photo display. This is Kevin's first year in photography. (Photo by Sue Gladstone)

## TO BUDDING PHOTOGRAPHERS

# All the world's a picture

By Sue Gladstone  
Intern Writer

One of the most important things, next to camera technique, that a 4-H photography club member will learn is that all things lend themselves to photography. This is only one of the theories that Bill Kissane has when it comes to teaching photography to 4-H members.

"One can read all he wants, but you cannot learn unless you get out and do it," Kissane said. This is exactly what the 4-H photographers are doing; they are out taking pictures around the house, outside, in pig pens, on vacations, and every now and then, catching Mom with her hair up in curlers.

The members of the club learn the basic camera techniques such as holding the camera still, lighting, and the more complex things such as composition, mounting and darkroom work.

There are only a few kids who are lucky enough to have their own darkroom or access to one. So most of the pictures are color and sent out for development. Kissane said that there is a wide variety of cameras that 4-H'ers are using, from pocket instamatics to 35 millimeter.

This year's photo display will be better than ever

according to Kissane.

This year Kissane is expecting over 100 entries. These entries will be put into five separate groups. For the beginners they must display four of their best snapshots and these must include pictures from the following items: animals, people, buildings and scenery. After the first year, and for those who have had some experience, the exhibitor is able to pick what ever he wishes. Their pictures will be entered in the following categories: color enlargements, color slides with a commentary, three to six pictures put together to tell a story, and a new class this year, a scrapbook presentation showing 16 to 20 pictures with a theme.

Judging the photo displays will be Milo Rowell. He will make out an evaluation sheet for each picture displayed. On this, he will use a point system, and will be looking at the composition, technical quality, effort, and mounting. He will also make comments as to why he scored the pictures the way he did.

There will be a trophy and a rosette winner in each of the age groups.

Kissane said that he can see the quality of pictures improve each year. He also went on to say that Clinton County is noted to have one of the largest and best

photography clubs in the state. He contributes this to the workshop sponsored by 4-H in the winter, where youngsters can do things that they are not able to do alone in a club. The workshop features special films and other things that are too expensive for an individual leader to have.

Kissane has been active in 4-H since he was a youngster and said, "I probably got as much out of 4-H as anyone." In 1960, Kissane traveled to Ireland as part of an International Farm Youth Exchange program sponsored by 4-H. As a youngster he was active in a 4-H club called the Happy Hustlers led by his father. The group was farm oriented and worked with chickens, vegetable gardens, cooking and some electrical work.

Kissane has been a photography leader for several years and has also had an electrical group, and been an organizational leader.

Kissane said that he has been an avid photographer for years and has over 1,000 slides. He started his own darkroom seven or eight years ago. His son is now following his steps by participating in 4-H and photography.

Also active in the winter workshops and the fair display are Gary Larson of St. Johns and Paul Love of Ovid.

# There's lots to see at the 4-H Fair

The evidence that 4-H does indeed, expand horizons is going to be presented in the form of nearly 5,000 projects at the three day fair that starts Monday in St. Johns.

The fair climaxes a year's work for these 2,000 young people, ages 9 to 19, who put their projects on exhibit and compete for ribbons and special awards. Judges from other counties make decisions on the quality of entries that range from market

livestock to string-art.

Each year, this community fair draws some 15,000 visitors to see what young people have done in horticulture, agriculture, family living, livestock, arts and crafts, clowns, conservation, entomology, teen leadership and safety.

They view photography, cake decorating, flower arranging, woodworking and leathercraft. Vegetables and flowers and field crops are displayed along with special events such as "the tallest corn", and flower arrangements that are actually made at the fair in front of a judge.

Animal lovers see dairy and beef, swine, sheep, goats, rabbits and poultry. Dogs give a show both in obedience and leader dogs and the family pet can show off in a special "pampered canine hour of fun."

There are contests to watch as young people

compete in dairy judging, livestock, dairy and horse demonstrations and public speaking, entomology, wildflower and plant identification, clothing and horticulture identification and this year a special "Make it yourself with wool" contest. Entries in the different

projects vary each year. This year creative writing entries are up; goat entries have doubled, dairy is up and personal appearance, which has been dropping the past couple years, is climbing up again. Market hogs and lamb entries are on the rise which is unusual this year considering that livestock is an expensive project.

In crafts 4-H members have entered more latch-

hook, string art and tube painting than they did last year. Photography is up with 70 beginning entries.

Every project entered in the fair is judged for an A, B, or C rating. Everyone who enters gets a ribbon. Then, judges choose special A-plus projects for the gold honor ribbon. These go to exceptional projects which range about one in every 20.

The next highest award is

the coveted rosette for outstanding exhibits. They are awarded in most classes. At the top of the list is a trophy award that goes to "Best of Show" entries in most projects.

Premiums are also paid to the entrants and range from six to one dollars. These monies come from the Clinton County Board of Commissioners and the Department of Agriculture.

## Dairy Days are next

Michigan State University's 4-H Dairy Days are coming up, August 18-21, for Clinton County young people, John Swagart, Majorie Green, Jill Watts and Todd Watts.

There, with other 4-H members from across the state, they will have the chance to match skills in various dairy production exhibitions and contests.

Highlights of the four-day event include the dairy science exhibits, dairy goat and dairy cattle judging and showmanship, and a veterinary science fair.

Participants may also attend various educational clinics designed to improve their dairy production skills.

Entrants need not own their own animals to participate in Dairy Days. The only requirement is an interest in cattle, goats, milk products or farming. You can learn a lot about the industry without even owning an animal.

Dairy Days is one of many livestock-related events scheduled during 4-H Animal Science Week at MSU, August 18-21. The event is free and open to the public.



## Ready aim

Ricky Myszak takes another practice shot at the target to sharpen his archery skills before 4-H Fair competition is held. (Photo by Sue Kiley White)

## Goat members off to state show

4-H dairy goat project members from across the state will travel to Michigan State University to compete in Michigan 4-H Dairy Goat Show, August 18-19.

Clinton County 4-H'ers competing in the Dairy Goat Show are Bill Adams, Bill

LeVeck and Stephanie Glew. The youth will participate in a variety of events ranging from showmanship and breed type classes to dairy goat driving contests. Educational clinics are also scheduled during the two-day event.

The show begins at 10:00 a.m., Aug. 18 with type classes followed by showmanship. The Dairy Goat Judging Contest is scheduled for 8 a.m., Aug. 19. Both events take place in Spartan Stadium. The show is open to the

public free of charge and is one of several livestock-related events scheduled during the 4-H Animal Science Week at Michigan State University, Aug. 18-21. For more information, contact the County Extension Service Office.

## County youth take top horticulture awards

County 4-H'ers, Sheila Barnes and Darlene Cerny were among the top winners in the state horticulture contest at Michigan State University, July 23 and have qualified to go on to the National Junior Horticulture Association Convention in Atlanta, Ga. in October.

Members of the Nimble Fingers club, the two girls entered the 1980 contest along with 50 other 4-H members from across the state.

The contest is designed to increase youths' knowledge

of the horticultural field and to stimulate others to improve their environment through horticulture.

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crops and landscaping.

Another member of their club, Craig Paksi, placed first in the contest's junior division. Elsie 4-Corners member, Deborah Taylor took the second place spot.

As top winners, Darlene and Sheila won a partially sponsored trip to the national convention, along with two other state winners.

As top junior division winners, Craig and Deborah, won \$10 gift certificates from the Joseph Harris Seed Company.

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## LEATHERWORK TOO

# Cake decorating popular at Olive

By Sue Kiley White

Olive

Words of encouragement and lots of patience make Vernie Nichols and her cake decorating class a very popular item for the Olive 4-H Club.

Cake decorating, however, was not the only project being undertaken at the Nichols home on Lehman Road last week. Among the group of youngsters working on frosting flowers were those putting the finishing touches on their leather crafts. Outside some enthusiastic young archery students were practicing under the direction of Gerald Nichols.

Mrs. Nichols says she basically taught herself how to make and decorate cakes. She took a few classes but developed her own style by looking through books.

Everybody was getting ready for the fair and anyone wanting to know what hectic really meant should have been at the Nichols home the week before the Clinton County 4-H Fair.

While the smells of leather stain drifted through the air, Vernie could be heard in the background to her cake

decorating students, "You'll get it," and "That's really good, Amy."

Julie Schmidt is the co-leader of the club. She and Mrs. Nichols explained they start with the basics of cake decorating and the kids catch right on to the techniques.

Mrs. Nichols noted it took patience and control to do cake decorating. When she begins teaching her 4-H'ers she uses three words to describe the process. All the while they decorate the cakes they repeat the phrase, "squeeze, stop, lift."

"By the time they were in bed that night, they were saying it in their sleep," she said with a grin.

There are about 14 children, ages 10-14, in the class. The first year Mrs. Nichols' students walked off with eight blue ribbons and three gold ribbons for their efforts.

The Nicholises have learned 4-H'ers in the cake and leatherworking classes are very willing to learn. They find the youngsters' enthusiasm the reward for their teaching efforts.

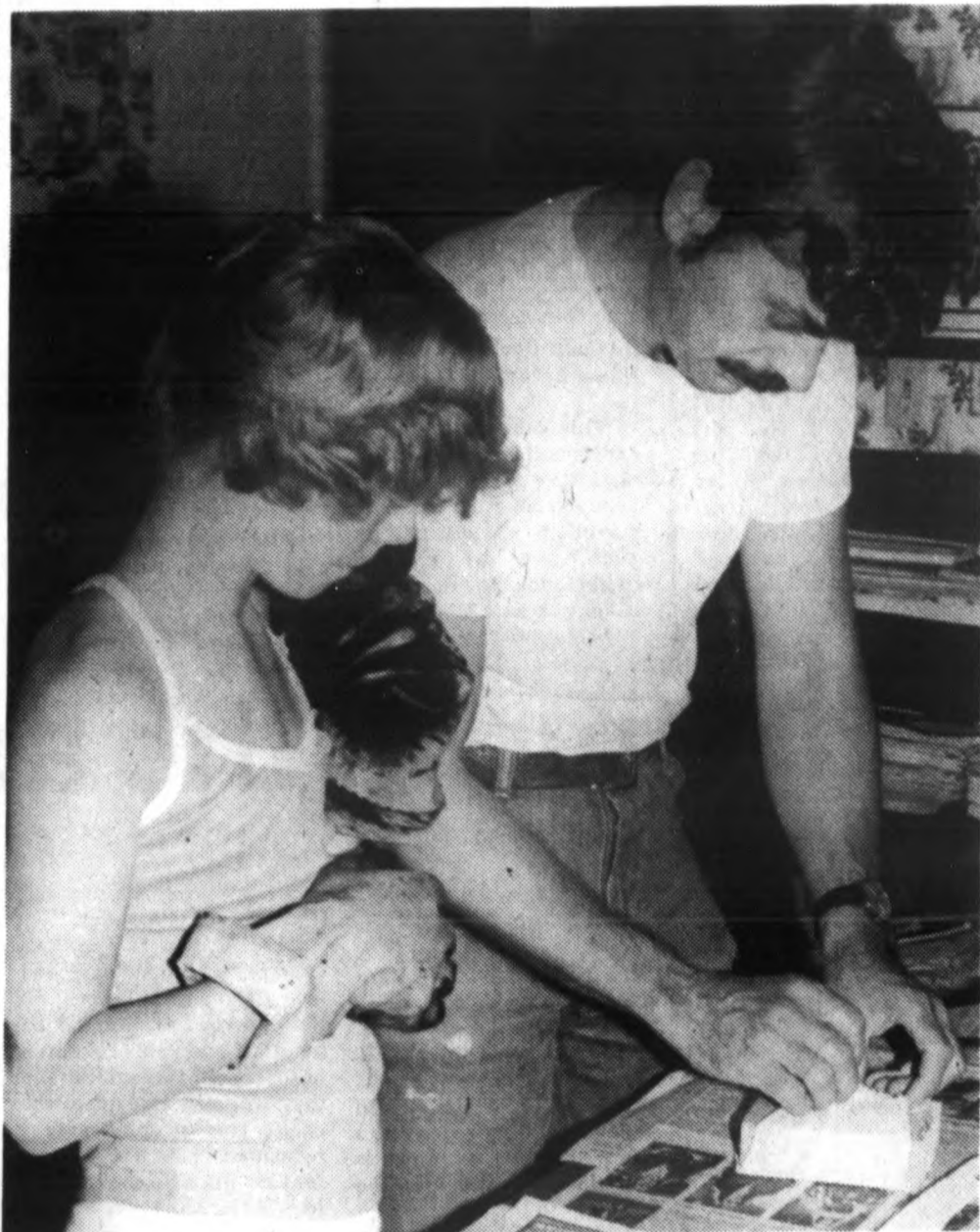
In Mrs. Nichols' class the children don't just practice on paper, but on real cakes.

The judges at the fair will be looking for uniformity, smoothness of the frosting and originality when they decide who will be awarded

the top prizes.

"It's difficult working with 14 kids at a time, especially because they progress at

different speeds," said Mrs. Nichols. "Once they've progressed, I'll show them what they want to know and then we go from there."



**Messy project**

Sheri Nichols and her father Gerald work on a leather staining 4-H project together in their Lehman Road home. (Photo by Sue Kiley White)

## ★ Japanese youths visit

children listen to tape-recorded English and Japanese stories and then dramatize the characters in English.

Japanese youths visiting Michigan have been paired with 4-H members of the same age and sex. Host families are encouraged not to change their daily routines, because the intent of the LABO program is for the youths to experience daily life in the American home.

Many of the children may experience such tasks as vacuuming, dishwashing, or gardening for the first time.

In Japan, the children are expected to spend most of their time in school, or studying, and they rarely help with household chores.

Clinton County 4-H families who are hosting the young people include: Don Couzens, St. Johns; and Bill Rosenquist, Laingsburg.

We are excited about the opportunities for these youngsters of two different cultures to establish close relationships during the next month. Hopefully, some of our 4-H hosts will visit their LABO friends' homes in Japan next summer.

## Victor macrame club after top ribbons

That elusive rosette ribbon, big, bold, and prestigious, is actively and purposefully sought by every 4-H member who enters the fair. It means that his project is the very best, right at the top of all the entries in that department.

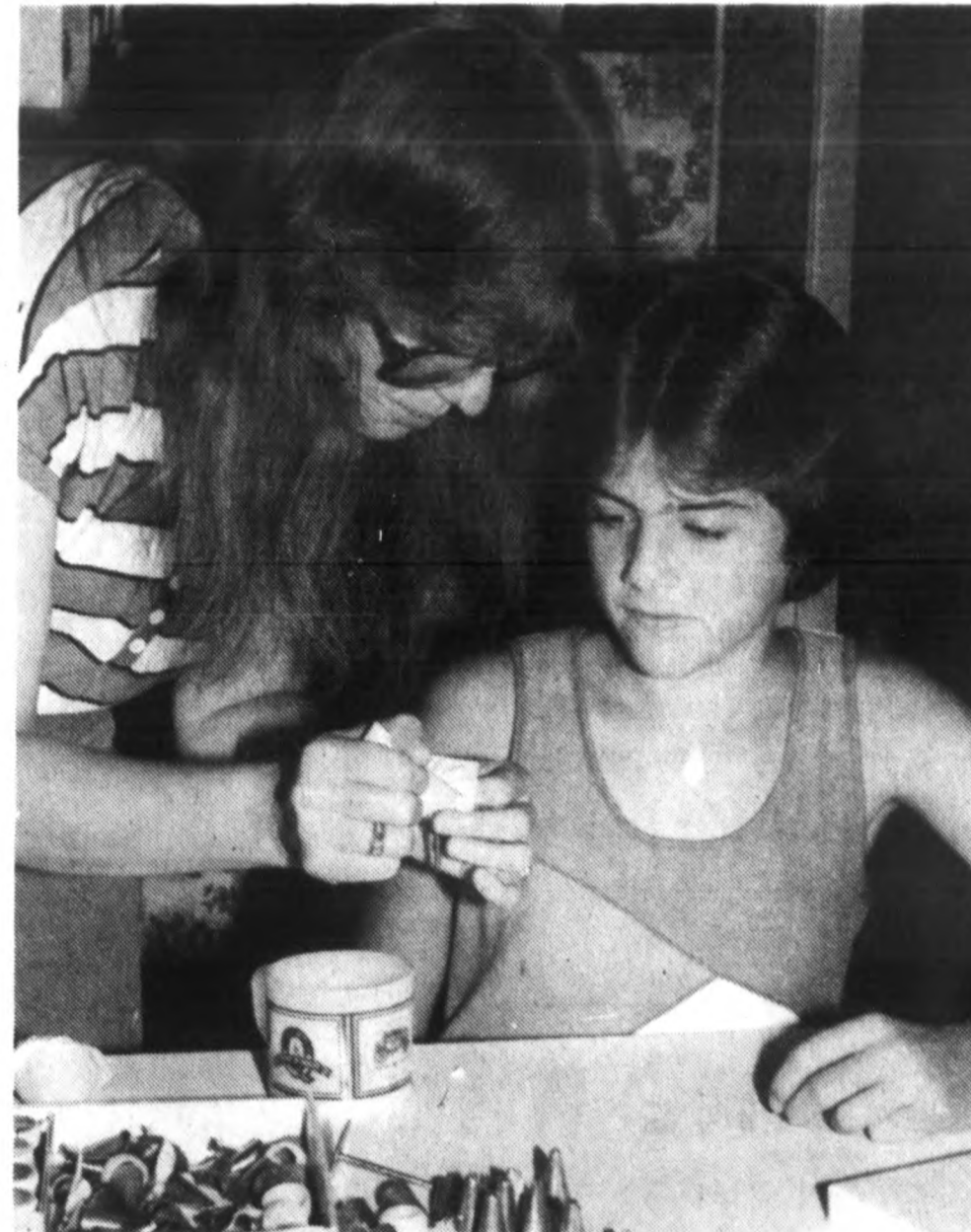
Members of Ruth Mosier's Victor 4-H Club have an edge on rosette winning, especially in the area of macrame.

The club took the two rosettes in this department last year and one the year before. They specialize in large, showy pieces, hanging shelves, glass topped hanging tables and enormous plant hangers.

That's because Mrs. Mosier firmly believes that kids can do anything if they are

encouraged and supported with patient guidance. "I believe in giving kids the chance to show the potential they have," she explained.

Mrs. Mosier lives on Alward Road, Laingsburg and has club members with Bath, DeWitt, St. Johns and Laingsburg addresses. She Please turn to page 6B.



**Squeeze, stop, lift**

Cindy Armbrustmacher of the Olive 4-H Club learns the finer points of cake decorating from her instructor Vernie Nichols. Mrs. Nichols has been a 4-H leader for the past six years and has taught more than a few youngsters how to make and decorate cakes which are sure to win a blue ribbon. (Photo by Sue Kiley White)



**Winning knots**

Macrame at its ultimate is an impressive project and the Victor 4-H Club specializes in this. Sharon Deyarmond, 14, left, and Jennifer Wooden, 13, both of Laingsburg, work at their projects for the fair. They meet twice a week with their leader, Ruth Mosier. This club has taken top honors in macrame in the last two fairs. (Photo by Sharon Randall)

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The final day of the 4-H Fair has been set aside again for Family Fun Day, an array of hands-on, family oriented projects and events to entertain even the smallest member of the family. Family Fun Day was started last year as a tribute to the International Year of the Child. It proved to be so popular that County Extension and community leaders decided to make it an annual event.

Scheduled from 1 to 7 p.m. in the area of the fairgrounds next to St. Johns' City Park and spilling into the park itself, the day's activities offer an assortment of art, craft, musical and science activities. It has been planned by the extension staff, Community Resource Volunteers and Clinton County community groups.

Art displays, games, snacks, plays, a walk-in camera, hatching chicks, clowns and balloons are all part of the activities. Children may silk-screen a design on their own T-shirt and help paint a giant mural.

Entertainment is scheduled every hour on the hour, from 1 to 5 p.m. includes, Murl the Magician, Portland City Players, Trixie Pixies, Senior Citizens Band and a Blue Grass band.

Family Olympic Games are scheduled every hour on the half hour starting at 1:30 p.m. These events include a three legged race at 1:30; potato sack race at 2:30; tricycle race at 3:15 for chil-

dren three to six who bring their own bike; adult-child wheelbarrow race at 4:30; can-stilt races at 5:30 and a child-adult mummy wrap at 6:30.

**Computer will solve budget problems**

By Carol Butler  
Home Economist

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ing where our last paycheck went to.

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from 2-5 p.m. you can pick up your personalized budget analysis.

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**Come milk a cow, pet a pig at the animal tent**



**Ride a pony at the fair**

Animal lover, Judy Vanek, guides six year old Gail Schneider, around on the horse that will be giving free rides at the 4-H Fair's animal Petting Tent. Gladis Schneider walks along the side to reassure her daughter that she will be fine. (Photo by Sue Gladstone)

By Sue Gladstone  
Student Intern

The community is invited to pet a pig, milk a cow, milk a goat, and ride a pony at the all new family petting tent at this year's 4-H fair.

The petting center is to expose children to the different types of animals and allow them to pet the animals.

Judy Vanek, 4-H leader and organizer of the petting tent, said that the tent is to be a hands-on experience as well as an educational experience for those who visit.

Mother animals will be shown with their young. Signs will tell youngsters

that the big pig is a sow and the little pig is a piglet.

"We want to set an example of proper care and love of the animal. There will be experienced people on hand to show the children how to hold the animal and they will also explain to the child the proper safety measures, care and respect for an animal," explained Mrs. Vanek.

Mrs. Vanek said many clubs, organizations, and volunteers are helping with the tent and providing animals. "It has become a real community type project," she said.

Some of the animals that will be shown in the tent will

be 4-H entries for youngsters and eligible for ribbons.

"This is a family affair at no cost," Mrs. Vanek reported, saying that she would like adults as well as children to take in the tent as a part of their day at the fair.

"I hope everyone enjoys the tent as much as I have enjoyed working on it," she said.

Mrs. Vanek is organizational leader for the Proud Prancers horse club and vice president for the horse council. She has three children. She said that her family's summer vacation is the 4-H fair.

At the tent there will also

be an animal control officer to explain their job and responsibilities in the community.



**★ Victor macrame club**

gives her summers completely to 4-H and also spends a lot of winter and spring time with youngsters. From the first of May to fairtime, her calendar is scheduled with 4-H'ers from 10:30 to noon and from 2 to 4 p.m. everyday except Friday. Each member comes twice a week, two hours at a time. In macrame alone, she has 21 members.

Macrame is a year-around

project in this club with the winter months spent learning the craft on a practice piece which features eight different kinds of macrame knots. "Then everyone picks their fair project," she explained, "and we start to work."

Mrs. Mosier has over 100 books of macrame articles and she lets the youngsters pick whatever they want. "If they think they are capable, I let them go ahead," she

said. "But the rule is that you must finish it or else."

Macrame, especially the large projects, can be an expensive entry. To offset this, Mrs. Mosier orders cord for her members through a wholesale catalog so they can get a discount. She helps them coordinate their pots and beads that go with the large hangings, buying from a special place in Lansing.

Mrs. Mosier is also the

organizational leader of Victor 4-H Club which has over 70 members. Children are enrolled in various crafts, wood working, foods and nutrition, flowers, vegetables, small engines and indoor gardening.

They also are involved in beef, swine, dairy, personal appearance, crochet, photography, rabbits and poultry.

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# Volunteer board plans 'country homecoming'

By Sharon Randall

"A country homecoming," is what 4-H Youth Agent Theresa Silm calls the annual Clinton County Youth Fair. "That's what it's been for years."

Clinton County's fair is without a midway or any kind of commercial enterprises. It's been operated as a country homecoming with volunteer adults working for and with county children for 40 or 50 years according to Fair Board President Larry Phinney.

Phinney has a soap box that he can pull out and hop up on to speak out for 4-H and the young people involved. He's typical of the other members of the board, who serve as planners and decision makers of how the fair will operate each year. It's this group that came up with a new entertaining conclusion to the fair with their Anything

Goes Night. It's on again for 1980, complete with greased pig (he's bigger this year, folks) and the famous egg toss between leaders.

The board encouraged Family Fun Day last year and it's scheduled for Wednesday with special events overflowing from the fair grounds into the city park.

Others serving on the board are Vice-President George Hazle, Bruce Irish, treasurer and Mrs Silm, board secretary. Trustees are Kathy Green, Ken Harris, Carl Huhn, Bill Kissane, Karl Schaefer and Larry Sturgis. Mary Libey is the fair secretary.

Phinney's interest in 4-H comes from being a former 4-H member, from his two daughters, Kelly and Kendra who are active members and from his vocation as a farmer and a resident of Clinton County. "I was in 4-H myself

from 10 to 20," he said. "I'm really convinced that it teaches kids responsibility. They have livestock and they have to take care of it. You change your clothes after school and you go to the barn and do chores."

There's also a special knowledge to be gained through interest in 4-H projects. "Kelly knows the prices of animals and how much it costs to feed them. If she finds a calf at a sale that she really wants but if it starts to go too high, she'll turn it down. She knows it isn't all gravy," he said.

It's a special opportunity that kids outside the 4-H family don't have. Phinney feels.

He said the fair board members are all willing to put their shoulders to the wheel in physical labor as well as planning duties. "We're sort of a captive group," he

explained. "It's a quick way to come up with a labor crew when something needs doing."

The fair budget is around \$20,000 to \$25,000 and involves rental on tents, gates and pens and the necessary porta-johns. Judges are paid, as is the secretary of the fair board who is responsible for all the entries and paying premium money to the youngsters participating. The fair budget is a fifty-fifty match between the County Board of Commissioners and the Department of Agriculture.

While explaining that "people in this community don't want a commercial fair," Phinney feels that financing the annual event is going to become more and more difficult. "The fair isn't any different than everything else," he said, "costs just keep going up." This is one of the problems the fair board will face at their fall meeting.

## Moonlight Riders to show off horses at fair

The Moonlight Riders, a 4-H horse club, based on Alward Road, Laingsburg, will have 29 entries in the Clinton County 4-H Youth Fair, Aug. 11, 12 and 13 at the fairgrounds in St. Johns.

Under the leadership of Juanita Atkinson, club members come from Laingsburg, Bath, Williamston and St. Johns. Their age and experience is varied with members from 10 to 16. Sandy Strouse and Sandy Chadwick work with the younger members. Pat Heise helps with older members.

Last year the Moonlight Riders sent four of the 10 county 4-H'ers to the State Show at Michigan State University. This year they have members with a good chance of doing this again.

The club boasts more English riders than most other county clubs and has a strong Dressage program. Member Linda Wild recently traveled to England as a top winner in Dressage, which means "training" in French and demonstrates obedience and communication between the rider and the horse.

Members also ride western, which is the most

popular in 4-H horse clubs and do contesting.

"Horse kids probably put more hours into their project than any other entry at the fair," Mrs Atkinson said. "If the member is truly putting in the proper time it takes to care for his animal and practice the skills necessary, he is putting in a lot of hours."

Horse clubs offer a unique project in that they sport a comradeship not found in other projects. Families are also very active in this project. "This club has a lot of parental support," Jo-Ellen Wing said.

Horse projects also cultivate responsibility, sportsmanship and dedication and hard work, Mrs Atkinson explained.

There will be 181 horse member entries from all over Clinton County at the 1980 fair. Lela Clark is project chairman of the event that starts with entry on Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.

Monday events are for ponies and English riding with the grand entry starting at 8:45 a.m. Monday night is the Fun Show for ponies with

teen leaders, Mary Wendt and Bob Bunn as show personnel.

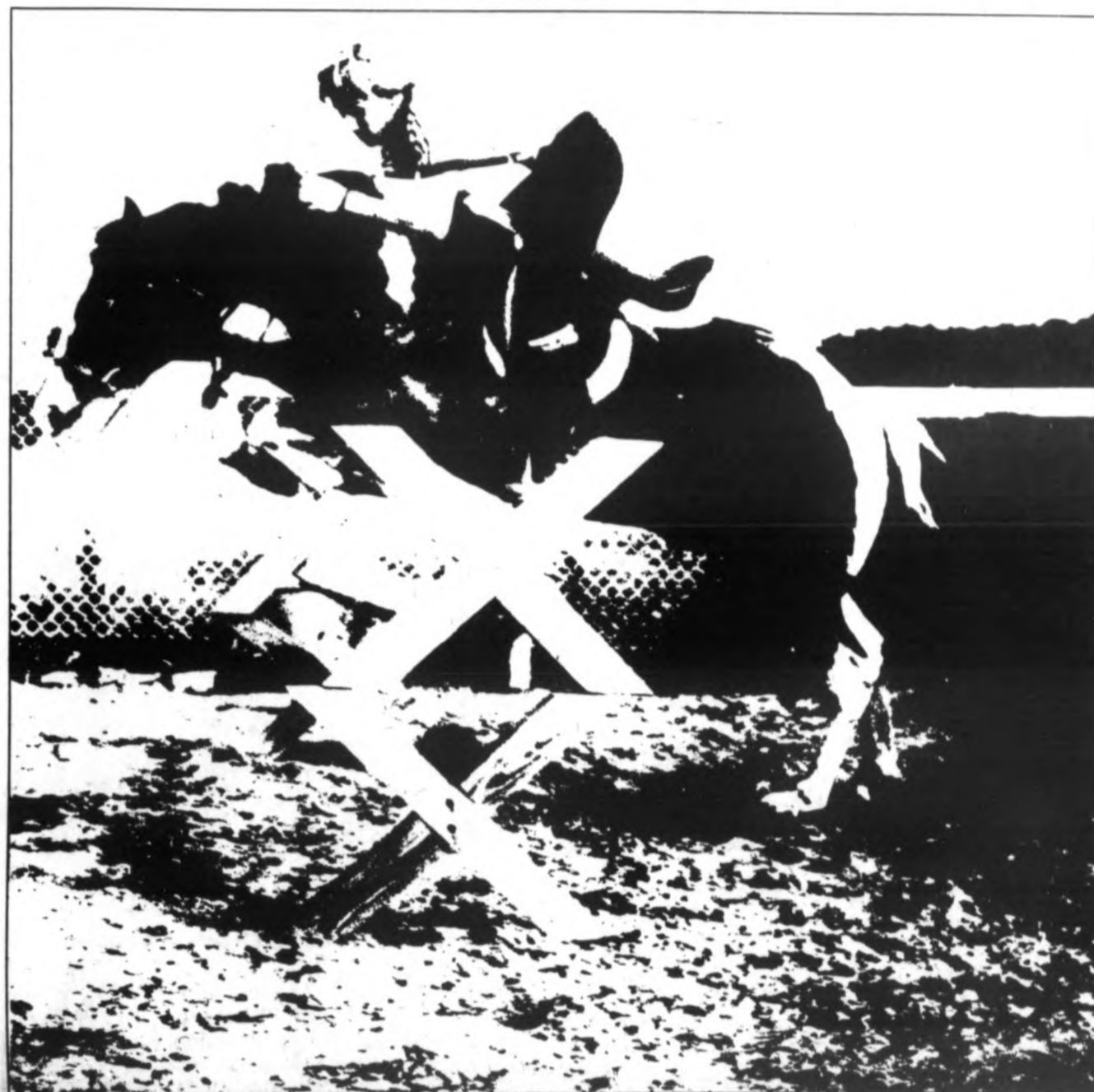
On Tuesday the horse classes take place also starting at 8:45 a.m. The horse Fun Night is at 7 p.m., Tuesday.

Fun Nights are just that, a time for fun to "let off steam". Mrs Wing said. "The kids need this kind of activity after working so hard all day." The activities include events like Egg and Spoon and Leap Frog Race.

Wednesday is set aside for contesting. Judy Vanek is in charge of registration.



A special darkroom process gives this photo an unusual quality causing Moonlight Rider, Scott Wing and his horse, T.J., to float over the jump. Scott and T.J. will compete at the fair in both English and Western classes. (Photo by Sharon Randall)



## Laingsburg teacher heads woodworking club

By Tim Jeffery  
Laingsburg

The ideal situation would combine both woodshop classes in school and 4-H woodworking into composite parts of a successful program.

Bob Fineman teaches shop

at the Laingsburg Middle School as well as heading up the 4-H woodworking offered in Victor Township. Having the two go hand-in-hand during the coming year would suit him just fine.

The 4-H meetings are held on Tuesday nights, each week. He has 12 regular

members participating in the sessions which are held at the middle school shop.

Some 4-H guidelines must be followed, but basically the members are free to create their own projects. Fineman said a stereo stand, a bird feeder and a color organ which flashes in conjunction

with music are among the items to be displayed at the Clinton County Fair.

A Laingsburg teacher for eight years, Fineman explained he knows most all people in the area between the ages of 10 and 22 from encounters at school. A majority of these students possess creditable wood-

working skills, gained through Fineman's expertise.

Fineman stated he must work out plans with the high school shop teacher for incorporating school with 4-H, prior to having the hope fulfilled. However, he indicated the situation should be

worked out very smoothly.

It will call for high school students attending the middle school for shop class if they are interested in 4-H. Most importantly though, the students will be enjoying themselves while earning school credits and preparing for a fair at the same time.

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# 4-H softball champions crowned



Senior Co-ed County Champions: Green Acres

Front row, l to r, Scott June, Kent Harris; Middle Row, l to r, Jerry Peters, Jeff DeBrabander, Tim Rayman; back row, l to r, Sue Pearsall, Doug Sleep, Gary Blasen, Jeff Pearsall, John DeBrabander, Ike Pearsall (coach). Missing from picture: Dennis Sleep and Doug Sleep, Sr. (coach)

Saturday, Aug. 2nd, the Clinton County 4-H Softball Tournaments come to a close as the Championship games were played. They had been rained out a week earlier.

Starting out in a light rain, Olive All-Stars and Nimble Fingers played the first game. Nimble Fingers won in a close game and as County Champions, will go on to the State Play-offs in the Jr. Girls' Slow Pitch Division. Olive All-Stars will also play in the State Tournament in the Fast Pitch Division.

The Jr. Co-ed Play-off saw Alan Cobb's Bengal team and Olive All-Stars, coached by Gerald Nichols, battle it out in two games before Olive emerged as County Champions. Olive will compete in the Jr. Co-ed State Fast Pitch Division. As runner up, Bengal goes on to District competition in the slow pitch division.

Nimble Fingers and Fowler 4-H also played two

games before Nimble Fingers defeated Fowler 5-4 in the second game to become Champions in the Sr. Girls' Division. Nimble Fingers, coached by Jim Cerny, will now compete in the State Fast Pitch finals and Steve Spitzley's Fowler team will try to earn a berth in the state finals by defeating Muskegon in District Slow Pitch play-offs.

The final league competition saw Green Acres and Charlie's Gang vie for the title in the Sr. Co-ed division. In a close game, Green Acres overcame Charlie's Gang 9-8 and as County Champions earn the right to compete for the State Title in the Sr. Fast Pitch Division. Charlie's Gang will go on to District competition in slow pitch.

Our congratulations to all the 4-H Softball Teams and their coaches on an exciting season. Information on District and State Tournaments is available from the Extension Office.



Sr. Girls' County Champions: Nimble Fingers

Front row, l to r, Randy Ammons (bat boy), Lisa Mazzolini, Molly Penix, Irenna Garapetian, Sheila Barnes, Darlene Cerny, Sara Tetens, Jim Cerny (coach). Back row, l to r, LeRoy Kloeckner (coach), Chris Dietz, Sue Howe, Kelly Kloeckner, Jeaneane Ammons, Ann Stafford, Kim Kloeckner. Missing from picture: Michelle Stump.

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Jr. Co-ed County Champions: Olive All-Stars

Front row, l to r, Jamie Salters, Ricky Arthur, Eric Myszak, Toby Cornell, Gerry Nichols. Back row, l to r, Gerald Nichols (coach), Tom Klaver, Todd Rohrback, Landon Foy, Pete Pfeiffer, John Schumacher, Scott Arthur, John Schneider, Randall Schmidt, David Pfeiffer (coach). Missing from picture: Jimmy Snyder, Craig Fairchild.



Nimble Fingers

Front row, l to r, Lisa Garapetyan, Susie Casler, Julie Sharick, Molly Buggs, Debbie Bunge and Cathy Brock. Back row, l to r, Coach Fred Barnes, Cheryl Bunge, Anne Moore, Reitha Gereau, Janine Scott, Brenda Burns, Lisa Thelen, Chris Martis and Coach Sue Bunge. Missing from the photo are Erin Fox, Patti Wisinski, Cheryl Glowacki and Cathy Warren.

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to the  
**Clinton County 4-H Clubs**  
Congratulations!

**PEWAMO FARMERS ELEVATOR**  
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## County farms take honors at Holstein show

Green Meadow Farms of Elsie was named 1980 Premier Exhibitor and Premier Breeders of District Six Holstein Show held at the Clinton County 4-H Fairgrounds earlier this month. Green Meadow Farms and other county exhibitors took many of the awards. Over 192 registered Holsteins

were entered in the three day show, including 15 from Clinton County.

Margery Green, Elsie, took fourth in Junior Showmanship; David Feldpausch, St. Johns, fourth in Intermediate showmanship and John Swagart of St. Johns, fourth in Senior Showmanship. Valor, owned by Miss

Green took a first place in the Young Female Class; Junior Heifer Calf and Ivory of Golden Knob Farm, St. Johns placed second.

Simonalta, also of Green meadows, took the first place in the Intermediate heifer calf class.

Golden Knob Farms placed second with their Junior Yearling Heifer, Hol-

lyann and Green Meadow Farms' Vanessa placed third.

Miss Green placed second in Senior Yearling Heifer with Marietta, and took the Reserve Junior Championship with Meadow Eve Marietta. Miss Green was also named Junior Champion Junior Exhibitor.

Green Meadow Farms took the Best Junior Get of Sire

(four animals out of one sire) out of Round Oak Apple Elevation.

In the cow classes, Green Meadow Farms' Gloryanna, placed third for three year old cows and their Stephanie and Marjorie placed first in Aged Dry Cows. An Aged Cow Milking first went to Green Meadow's Marie, and their Millie Eileen took

Reserve Champion Cow. The Elsie farm also took a first in Best Three Females.

In Dam and Daughter Class, John Swagart of St. Johns placed second with Angie and Amy. Green Meadows Farms took first in Dairy Herd and their Get of Paclamar Astroniant took first in Senior Get of Sire.

**We Salute the Clinton County 4-H Clubs**  
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**LAINGSBURG**  
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Our Sincere Congratulations to the **Clinton County 4-H Members** and their Leaders.

Fair Days are  
Monday,  
Tuesday,  
Wednesday  
August 11, 12, 13

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August 11, 12, 13  
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Card of Thanks

THE FAMILY OF Walter Keilen would like to thank all who remembered him with prayers, masses, cards, flowers, contributions, food and other acts of kindness at the time of his unexpected death.

THE FAMILY OF Walter B. Staley would like to express their thanks and appreciation to all who helped us in any way during Walter's illness and death.

Legal Notices

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON
CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK OF ST. JOHNS, Plaintiff,

vs. KENNETH F. DAVIS and MARY LU DAVIS, Defendants.
NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
DEFAULT HAVING BEEN MADE IN THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A CERTAIN MORTGAGE MADE BY McCAMPBELL SUNTHEIMER BUILDERS, INC.,

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and pursuant to the statutes in such case made and provided, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on August 29, 1980, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, at the main entrance to the Court House in the City of St. Johns, Clinton County, Michigan, there will be a public auction to the highest bidder of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due as aforesaid, and any sum which may be paid by the undersigned at or before said sale for taxes and/or insurance on said premises, and all other sums paid by the undersigned at or before said sale, on pursuant to law and to the terms of said mortgage, and all legal costs and expenses, including the attorneys fees allowed by law, which premises are described as follows:

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Mortgagee having elected under the terms of said mortgage to declare the entire principal and accrued interest thereon due, which election it does hereby exercise, pursuant to which there is claimed to be due and unpaid on said mortgage on the date of this Notice for principal and interest, the sum of SIXTY EIGHT THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY-NINE AND 49/100 (\$68,849.49) DOLLARS, and no civil action or suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

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LEGAL NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the Clinton County Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, August 13, 1980 at 8:00 p.m. in the Board of Commissioners room, of the Clinton County Courthouse, St. Johns, Michigan.

The subject of the public hearing will be the consideration of the following amendments to OR-178, The Clinton County Zoning Ordinance.
Case ZC-14-80 Bath Township - Rezoning.
A petition for rezoning has been filed by Mr. John P. Peck, 5777 Cutler Road, Bath, MI, to rezone the following described parcel of property from R-1A, Agr. Family Residential to R-M1, Multiple Family Residential.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CO. OF CLINTON
CAROLYN MILLS, Plaintiff,
-vs. DONALD MILLS, Defendant.
ORDER TO ANSWER
File No. 80-6803 DD
At a session of said court held in the City of St. Johns in said county on the 7th day of July, 1980.

What would I do with a pound of Dynamints, anyway?

By Patrice Hornak
I turned to the woman at my right and asked, "Would you like a Dynamint?"
It was a simple question, I thought, but her answer has been puzzling me since.
"Do you know that Dynamints cost \$7.25 a pound? That's twice as much as steak," she responded.

purchase a pound of fortune cookies would have to pay \$5.28.
Some of the specialty items have high price tags, if the buyer wanted a whole pound of whatever it was. Take for instance a natural carob bar (candy bar made from carob and not chocolate). A 1-ounce bar costs 29 cents, meaning that a 1-pound carob bar would cost \$4.64.

Gazebo takes shape for community entertainment

By Sue Gladstone Student Intern
Bath Twp.
The James Couzens Memorial Park Association is taking a step forward for community entertainment. They are in the process of making plans to build a gazebo in the park.

for, entertainment around the community so people a little town. So, we set our won't need to go far to find sights on the gazebo."
Mrs Eschtruth said the association is taking it a day at a time with hopes that construction will begin this summer.

Legal notices

STATE OF MICHIGAN
NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE
WHEREAS, Claude H. Cummings and E. Ruth Cummings, his wife, made and executed a mortgage to The Owosso Savings Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, of Owosso, Michigan, bearing date of November 22, 1977, and being recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Clinton County, Michigan, in Liber 295 on pages 720, 721, 722 and 723; and

WHEREAS, the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage on the date hereof, for principal, interest, and real estate taxes, is in the sum of \$23,839.53; and also an additional sum of \$75.00 statutory attorney fee as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings have been instituted at law or in equity to recover the debt secured thereby or any part thereof; and

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DAVID E. PIERSON P-31047
Attorney for Plaintiff
300 N. Washington Avenue
P.O. Box 1477
Lansing, MI 48901
(517) 485-5411

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CO. OF CLINTON
PATRICIA ANN BORJAS, Plaintiff,
-vs. CHARLES EDWARD BORJAS, Defendant.
Order to Answer
File No. 80-6686 DM
On January 10, 1980, an action was filed by Plaintiff, in this Court to obtain a decree of absolute divorce.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
LEGAL AID OF CENTRAL MI
JAY M. MITZNER P-17847
Attorney for Plaintiff
300 North Washington Avenue
Lansing, MI 48901
Dated: July 1, 1980.
HONORABLE TIMOTHY M. GREEN, CIRCUIT JUDGE.

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TAKEN NOTICE: Creditors of WARD MILLER, Deceased, are notified that all claims against this decedent's estate are barred against the estate, the independent Personal Representative and the heirs and devisees of this decedent, unless within four months after the date of this publication or four months after the claim becomes due, whichever is later, the claim is presented to the following independent Personal Representative at the following address:

JAMES J. ROXEY P31099
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14200 Webster Rd.
Bath, MI 48800

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CITY TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The St. Johns City Recreation Department Annual Tennis Tournament will be August 16, 21 and 23, 1980. The proposed categories are as follows:
August 16 at 8:00 a.m. at Tennis Courts across from the High School:
Men's Singles 20 and under
Women's Singles 20 and under

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Keck chairs bike-a-thon

DeWitt
Curtis Keck has agreed to the chairmanship of the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Bike-A-Thon in DeWitt, to raise funds to support the hospital.
St. Jude Children's Research Hospital was founded by entertainer Danny Thomas. The institution opened its doors to the public in 1967 to combat catastrophic diseases which affect our children. St. Jude's is non-sectarian, non-discriminatory and completely free of charge to all patients.

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The Family Drive-In

City of St. Johns Planning Commission August 7, 1980

- Agenda
1. Call to order
2. Approval of previous minutes
3. Peacock Special Use Permit
4. Wheel Inn Mall Request
5. Other business, if any
6. Adjournment

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# St Johns Sidewalk Sales in review



Senior Update writer, Ruth Delo takes a look at the sidewalk days in St. Johns. Staff photographer, Bob Dickman captured the crowd in this presentation of candid shots.



By Ruth Delo



Sidewalk days have come and gone and many were glad when it started, but thankful when it was over.

The merchants spent many hours getting ready for these three days and certainly worked hard hours during the sale. Now it will be necessary to put back on the shelves all the "left overs". I'm sure it was profitable for them, judging from the numbers of packages people were carrying.

Speaking of packages it really was fun to see someone with a garbage can, another with a chair or a garden hose or some odd shaped boxes, many packages of different sizes and shapes and all seemed very happy with their "bargains".

I didn't do much buying but I spent a lot of time in the downtown area. I saw people I hadn't seen in quite a time and visited with them. It seemed like every other step I took, I heard someone say, "why, Ruth Delo", and lo and behold here was someone I was delighted to see.

It's fun to renew old acquaintances and bring up to date what has happened in their lives. Now when I say "old" acquaintances I don't mean all were old in age. I love young people and many of them who were children not so long ago, were happy to introduce their little ones to me. Time really flies, especially as you grow older. Can you believe that not one person said to me—"you haven't changed a bit." How about that.

Sidewalk sales are a nice thing to have happen. I saw many people buying school clothes, men's wear, ladies' clothing and shoes. With our economy like it is, we all need to save whenever we can.

It was nice, the weather co-operated so well. Thursday and Friday was just great. Saturday it rained, so that wasn't so nice, but those two days carried us through.

The Seniors served noon lunches at the drop-in center, both Thursday and Friday. You people responded so well. It was a great success. Of course without all the volunteer help none of this could have happened.

So.....until next time.



## DEWITT SHOP RITE GARDEN CENTER

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A fast growing specimen that grows tall and irregular in shape. A very hardy tree that fits in well with any natural setting.

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