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## Plenty of seats at RBW this year

Rodney B. Wilson will have two Christmas concerts this year in order to give better seating to everyone, John Speck, music director, said Monday.

This evening at 7:30, the Sixth Grade Chorus and the Eighth Grade Band will perform for friends, parents and the public.

Tuesday, Dec. 22, the Sixth and Seventh Grade Chorus and the Junior High Orchestra will present their Christmas program, also at 7:30 p.m.

Admission is complimentary. Both programs are in the auditorium.

## Luminaries will light way

The Maple Rapids Methodist Church plans a special caroling event, Sunday, Dec. 20 at 7 p.m.

The congregation extends an invitation to the county community to meet at the village park and walk along a path of luminaries to the church on Maple Street. All ages are welcome.

Carolers will visit shut-ins around the village then return to the church for surprises, fellowship and refreshments.

## Math scholars announced

A St. Johns High School junior, Eric Hufnagel, finished in the top four percent on part one of the 25th annual Michigan Mathematics Prize competition and was to compete again this week in the final examination.

Eric is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Hufnagel of 1818 W. Walker St.

The competition is sponsored by the Michigan Section of the Mathematical Association of America and was designed to focus attention on the necessity for mathematical training in most professions and trades and to identify and provide scholarships for capable mathematics students in the state.



Please Santa, this big...

Fowler Jaycees brought Santa to town last Saturday and Shawn Piggott gave him a graphic description of what he wanted to find under his tree. Shawn will be 2-years old in February.

## City shies away from reassessment

By SHARON RANDALL

St. Johns City Commissioners have opted to stick with 1975 assessment figures and accept a tentative county factor of 1.5964 for 1982.

This means, according to figures presented by City Assessor Diane Edwards, that the average residential property in the city is assessed at 31 percent of its true cash value.

Even though the city paid \$8,000 in 1980 for a complete reassessment study and Edwards updated those figures again this summer, commissioners chose the older figures.

Edwards had recommended in a memo to the council that they consider her reassessment figures. She said her main reason for wanting to use the new figures which individually appraise each property is because the city would then have the capability of adjusting an individual's value if it is too high or out of line with the neighborhood. "If you chose to accept state and county factors for increases in value, we relinquish the right to adjust an individual's assessment without penalizing all property owners," she said.

In a sampling which compared reassessed values to the old assessment plus the factor, Edwards found about a 50 - 50 difference. "As you see," she wrote in her memo, "some individuals would have a higher value because of the appraisal. However, they have had the advantage of being under assessed for the past few years. The same is true, in reverse, for those who would have a lesser value from the appraisal."

The city assessor said it would be to the advantage of the general public to assess the property individually. "This gives the taxpayer an opportunity to know the value he will be taxed upon and also the chance to appeal that assessment. When factors are received, any decrease the city makes in an individual's assessment is picked up by all taxpayers through a higher factor."

Mayor John Arehart said commissioners stayed with the old figures mainly because they are suspicious of the state tax board. "There is always the danger that the state will come in and put a factor on top of our raised assessments," he said. "They look at the county as a whole and they could still subject the city to a factor because some other unit was off. And it's tough, almost impossible, to fight that (the factor) when they do it."

Arehart said the whole idea of reassessing property is hard to accept. "People would rather stay with what they have than go to a new reassessment figure," he said.

The mayor also maintained that this is a bad time to be reassessing property when markets are so uncertain. "It's hard to find the true value of a home, right now," he said. "I don't think property in St. Johns is going to sell for what that proposed figure is suppose to be," he said.

Edwards maintains that since 1975 the value of homes has gone up, but not necessarily at the same rate. "A lot of people are out of line," she said. "Some haven't increased as much as the factor has been and some have increased more."

Factors are placed on a community's assessment through a study by the county, which looks at an area's sales over a 30 month period and compares those sale prices with the assessed values to determine what ratio they have been assessed at. "For us," Edwards said, "they've come up with 31 percent."

She said her own figures indicate that the 31 percent figure is in line.

New city commissioner, Tom Wiseman, was the only board member to vote against using the old assessment figures.

Edwards also reported to the commission that a "truth in assessment" bill is strongly being considered by the state legislature. This bill would require any unit of government to roll back its millage rate to an amount equal to spreading the taxes on the assessed rather than the equalized value.

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- Arehart

## New rink planned for skaters; St. Johns buys cars, jet cleaner

By SHARON RANDALL

The St. Johns City Commission approved a plan by the park board to install a temporary second ice rink in the city park area this winter.

The park board's recommendation called for making an additional ice rink on the south side of the park, near the Sturgis Street Tennis Courts.

Commissioner Dick Starck said that summer recreation programs sponsored by the city have been steadily increasing, but that winter sports have been ignored. He indicated that the study currently underway by the city is showing a need for more winter activities.

City Clerk Dick Coletta, said the park board also recommended the city use adult help at the rink this year instead of hiring young people. "We need adult supervision and programming," he said. Commissioner Don Roesner said adult supervision is necessary to set up times for playing hockey and

figure skating.

The city also agreed to take over dispatching for the Clinton Area Ambulance Service which now has individuals answering the calls in their homes. City Manager Randy Humphrey said the city police could do the dispatch service for the ambulance at no cost. "We will simply be their voice on the radio," he said.

Approval was given to a project plan submitted for the Shop Rite Grocery store to be built in the Southpoint Mall. The approval was necessary for obtaining low interest financing through the

Economic Development Corporation.

Commissioners referred a request from Robert Blastic for rezoning a 6.35 acre parcel located behind the current Federal Land Bank property on US-27 to the city planning commission. Blastic would like the property rezoned from R-3, high density residential, to office as the land bank may be interested in expanding.

Commissioners awarded bids for a city car and a detective car to two local automotive dealers. Egan Ford received the nod for a \$6,977.56 Fairmont Futura, including a trade-in on the

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### Holiday Hours

The DeWitt-Bath Review will be closed Dec. 24-25 and Dec. 31 and Jan. 1.

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### Night fire

Steam and smoke engulfed St. Johns firemen as they fought a car fire Monday night at the corner of US-27 and Sturgis Street. Bob Zuker of St. Johns said some damage was done to his station wagon that caught fire on the left rear corner, setting the tire on fire. Zuker said cause of the fire was undetermined. Firemen were called out at about 6 p.m. according to City Police records. (Photo by David Olds)

## Sealed Power doubles earnings

Sealed Power Corporation reported third quarter earnings from operations of \$5,792,000, or \$1.91 per share, more than double earnings of \$2,611,000, or 54 cents per share, in the comparable quarter a year ago. Sales for the July-September quarter were \$76,779,000, a 26 percent improvement over sales of \$60,870,000 in the same period last year.

Earnings from operations for the first nine months of 1981 totaled \$16,683,000, or \$3.45 per share, as compared with \$8,165,000, or \$1.70 per share, in the January-September period of 1980. The earnings improvement came on sales of \$238,224,000, a 26 percent increase over sales of \$189,200,000 a year earlier.

As previously announced, the company sold a 57 percent interest in its two Mexican subsidiaries, reducing its ownership to 40 percent. The sale complies with the Mexican government's national ownership policy and was necessary for the required expansion of these companies to meet the growing demand for engine parts, according to a company news release.

The release further stated the result of the sale was "an extraordinary after-tax gain of \$5,339,000, or \$1.10 per share." This boosted net earnings for the third quarter to \$11,131,000, or \$2.29 per share, and net earnings for the nine months to \$22,022,000, or \$4.55 per share.

## Telephone service changes hands

An Owosso man, John Blanchett, has taken over the St. Johns Answering Service, coupling it with his alarm monitoring business, Security Alarm Co.

Blanchett purchased the local answering service in June as well as Security Specialists of Lansing. He said the telephone answering service will act as a division of his alarm company.

Blanchett is a state licensed alarm contractor and sells, services and monitors alarm systems for businesses and homes. "We monitor many types of equipment," he explained, "security, fire, sump pump failure, furnace failure, whatever people need." They also provide security and alarm monitoring of water towers

and security windows.

Blanchett said the telephone answering service is a sideline business. It services St. Johns, Ovid, Owosso, Laingsburg and DeWitt and is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year with special trained operators. A paging service is also available. While he called the alarm monitoring business his primary function, he said the telephone service "will not be slighted."

Blanchett said his telephone and paging service is of particular advantage to the small businessman who can't be in his office all day. "Our service allows the professional to get out in the field and still be in 24 hours a day, through the contact our service provides," Blanchett said.

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The Second Front Page

## Fowler meeting time changed

The regular meeting of the Fowler Public Schools Board of Education will be held at 7:30 p.m., instead of 8 p.m., Monday, Dec. 21.

The board meets in the all-purpose room at the Waldron School.

## Special church services set

A special Christmas service will be held on Sunday, Dec. 20 at 11 a.m. at the Congregational Church in St. Johns. Special music will be provided by the Handbell Choir. The Chancel Choir will present Handel's Messiah.

Rev. David Lord's sermon will be "Song to Lowly Men."

The Christmas Eve service of Carols and Candles will be held Dec. 24 at 7:30 p.m. Special music will be provided by the Handbell Choir.



## Live nativity set

Christmas comes to New Hope Fellowship in Ovid in the form of a live nativity, Dec. 20, 21 and 22 at 7 and 8 p.m.

This year the congregation has added an inn scene to their production that features live farm animals. Mary will ride the donkey from the inn to the stable set up on the church lawn at 1100 N. Ovid Road.

The public is invited to this portrayal of the Christmas story.

## Christmas concert staged

St. Johns High School presents its annual Christmas Concert, Sunday, Dec. 20 at 3 p.m.

The program will feature the choir, orchestra and band with traditional music of the season as well as selections from the Messiah by the combined orchestra and choir.

The concert will take place at the high school in Pocus Auditorium.



## Holiday glow

Christmas shoppers enjoy a special mood in St. Johns. Tiny lights twinkle along Clinton Avenue and the courthouse stands out at the head of the street behind the community's giant Christmas tree,

putting everyone in a special mood. This year merchants have many gifts and items on sale before the holiday, hoping to entice shoppers. (Photo by David Olds)

## Residents fear radio tower endangers airport

By DAVID THOMAS

Clinton County's latest battle over the issuance of a special use permit is all set to erupt at next Tuesday's board of commissioner's meeting. This time, however, the catalyst is not a landfill but a 268 foot communication tower which some Victor and Olive township residents claim endangers the air safety at nearby Archer Airfield.

The Olive Township Board, the Michigan Aeronautics Commission, the Clinton County Department of Developmental Control and the Federal Aviation Administration have all given their approval to the project proposed by the Chase Broadcasting Company of Parks Road, St. Johns. Lining up in opposition are the Victor Township Board, 46 residents of Victor and Olive townships who recently signed a petition protesting the tower construction and the owner of Archer Airfield, Richard Archer.

All got a chance to have their views presented, either verbally or in writing, at the Dec. 9 meeting of the Clinton County Planning Commission.

The "supporters" of the tower project came away temporarily victorious as the planning commission voted 5 to 2 for approval of a special use permit. The commissioners stipulated, however, that the tower be no higher than 268 feet and be shielded by a strobe light for daylight hours.

Commissioner James Moore cited the analysis by the department of developmental control as the basis of his motion to approve the special use permit. The major points of the department's analysis included:

— That approval had been granted by the Federal Aviation Administration.

— That the Michigan Aeronautics Commission does not oppose the project because of mitigating steps to be taken by Chase Broadcasting Corporation concerning height reduction (the height of the tower was originally proposed to be 275 feet) and lighting.

— That the use complies with the future land use map in as much as a communication tower is a use permitted in an agricultural district.

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## New county commission districts will be determined December 23

By SHARON RANDALL

An apportionment plan that will determine the makeup of the Clinton County Board of Commissioners is expected to be chosen at a meeting Dec. 23, according to County Clerk Jane Swanchara.

The apportionment committee which includes Swanchara as clerk, Gerald Shepard, county treasurer, Jon Newman, prosecutor, Richard Koenigsnecht, Republican chairman and Max Calder, Democratic chairman, started meeting in early November when final census figures were received.

Apportionment is part of a 10-year process which affects all legislative bodies from the U.S. Congress down to the local level. The last apportionment was in 1971.

"We're still looking at two plans with 11 commissioners, two with nine and two with seven," Swanchara said.

A 17-member plan was submitted last week by Calder, but Mrs. Swanchara said it will not be seriously considered. The Democratic chairman has also submitted one of the 11 commissioner plans.

So far, the apportionment committee has eliminated several plans which included a 10-member commission and a five-member commission.

Koenigsnecht said that the committees biggest concern is keeping to the "one man - one vote" system. He

noted that while most people attending the committee's meetings prefer a larger county commission rather than a smaller one, the smaller plans are more equal and fit township lines to a greater extent.

The trick is juggling the census figures trying to make commission districts equal, Swanchara said. The county population has grown from 48,492 to 55,893 over the past 10 years but that growth has not been equal by townships. Victor Township and DeWitt City picked up a lot, she said.

"It's been very hard for the apportionment committee not to split up townships," Swanchara said. "Our charge is to stay within a 1.1 variance of population between the commissioner district we develop and the enumeration districts set by the census don't necessarily follow township lines."

Swanchara said that the 1971 apportionment did not follow the 1.1 variance requirement, but was off as much as 10 percent. "However, no one appealed it so it went through," she said.

If a plan is developed that does not follow township lines problems will arise with voting machines and letting citizens know just what commissioner represents them. The clerk said that this kind of situation would put a burden on township clerks to know exactly where voters live.

Battle comes  
before county  
commission,  
Tuesday

Caroling joins  
SJ community

A Community Carol Sing will be held in St. Johns, Wednesday, Dec. 23 at 7 p.m.

Carolers will meet on the courthouse lawn and will entertain St. Johns shoppers from that spot for about an hour. Then they will break into small groups and go to entertain shut-ins around the community.

Doctors move

Today is moving day for Dr. James Grost and Dr. John MacDonald who are moving their medical practice to the new St. Johns Medical Building at 901 S. Oakland St.

The doctors formerly practiced at 210 E. Walker St.

# Armed robbery suspects sought by area police



These composites by Detective Ken Fisher show "fair to good" likenesses of the suspects in a DeWitt Township armed robbery. The suspect above is described as a white male, 6-foot-2-inches to 6-foot-3-inches tall, with blonde hair. The suspect below is described as a white male, 5-foot-11-inches tall, with dark brown hair.

A Lansing hitchhiker was robbed at gunpoint and then beaten up Saturday, Dec. 12, DeWitt Township police officials report.

The victim was picked up by two men in an older-model Ford Maverick at Stoll Road near Turner. One of the men then allegedly pulled a .357 Magnum, took the victim's wallet, police said. The men then allegedly beat him up and dumped him in a ditch on Stoll near US-27, police said.

The Clinton County Detective Bureau and the township police are looking for two white males in their 20's. Composites and descriptions of the suspects are below. Anyone with information is asked to call the detective bureau at 224-8550 or 372-2039.

Township police also investigated another armed robbery last week. A man posing as a telephone repairman gained entrance to the residence located at 15281 Boichot Dec. 9, police said. The suspect then allegedly pulled out an 8-inch knife and showed that he had a gun in the waistband of his pants. The suspect then bound the hands and feet of the victim, Randolph Wills, and blindfolded him, police said. Missing from the residence

were a stereo, coin collection and a wallet, police said. A St. Johns woman was seriously injured when the car she was driving northbound on US-27 near Clark Road was struck by a vehicle driven by a Lowell man at 2 p.m., Dec. 13.

Emma Balha, 66, was taken to Clinton Memorial Hospital. Ralph Lawrence was cited for failure to yield.

Someone apparently entered the Richard Welch residence at 186 W. State Road, Dec. 9, taking stereo equipment valued at \$200, police said.

## Closed for the holiday

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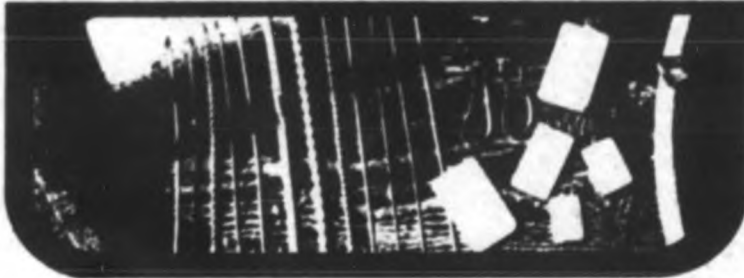
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### Words from an author

Fowler High School students learned about being a writer last week when free lance author Roger Huntington of Lansing attended their General Business class at the request of teacher Bernice Scozzafave. Huntington's presentation was part of a career study the class is doing. He specializes in auto sport writing and has worked for Motor Trend, Hot Rod and Motor Sport magazines and has written a book on the Indianapolis 500.

Huntington, who uses an electric typewriter by utilizing a pencil held between his fingers was injured in a diving accident at age 15 and turned to sport writing because of a high interest and ap-

titude for mechanical thinking. His visit was arranged through Community Resource Volunteers. (Photo by David Olds)

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## Judge Robertson attends workshop

Juvenile law history and issues were part of a workshop recently presented by Clinton County Probate Judge Marvin Robertson at Kellogg Center on the MSU campus.

Issues discussed by Judge Robertson included

finding juvenile services, right to confidentiality, foster care and the right to treatment.

The conference was attended primarily by Michigan educators, law enforcement officers and court officers.

## IRS offers free tips

Good tax records are essential to preparing a complete and accurate income tax return, according to the Internal Revenue Service.

A free pamphlet published by the IRS can help in determining what records to keep. IRS Publication

552, "Recordkeeping Requirements and a List of Tax Publications," is a guide of the types of records to keep, such as the receipts and cancelled checks necessary to itemize deductions.

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# Paine-Gillam-Scott ready for Christmas tours



## It's a special treat

The Paine-Gillam-Scott Museum has been celebrating Christmas Victorian-style, welcoming visitors Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. and Wednesdays from 2 to 8 p.m. Candlelight and special music are part of the Wednesday evening tours. Volunteer Myra Fleming, decorates a cedar tree in the turn-of-the-century style and our camera catches an intimate scene in Helen Corkin's dollhouse which is on display for the holidays.

This evening the museum staff and the advisory board entertain members of the Clinton County

Historical Society at the museum. Special guests include Thomas Jones, director of the Historical Society of Michigan and his wife, Winnie. Special music will be provided by the St. Johns High School string quartet.

Families will enjoy the museum, located west of the courthouse in St. Johns. Christmastime has brought out antique toys, Christmas greetings, the doll house and a train collection adding to the museum's regular displays. (Photo by David Olds)

# Sheriff issues storm safety rules

Clinton County Sheriff Anthony Hufnagel reminds area residents of winter storm safety rules to prevent injuries and mishaps during the upcoming season.

**Keep ahead of winter storms.** Listen to the latest weather warnings and bulletins on radio and television.

**Check battery power equipment before storms arrive.** A portable radio or television set may be the only contact with the outside world during a winter storm. Also check emergency cooking facilities and flashlights.

**Check heating fuel supplies.** Fuel carriers may not be able to move in an area buried in snow.

**Check food and stock extra supplies.** Supplies should include food that requires no cooking or refrigeration in case of power failures.

**Prevent fire hazards** due to overheated coal- or oil-burning stoves, fireplaces, heaters or furnaces.

**Stay indoors during storms** and cold snaps unless in peak physical condition. Avoid overexertion when outside.

**Don't kill yourself shoveling snow.** Shoveling snow is extremely hard work for anyone in less than prime physical condition, and can bring on a heart attack, a major

cause of death during and after winter storms.

**Rural residents:** make necessary trips for supplies before the storm develops or not at all. Arrange for emergency heat supply in case of power failure and be sure camp stoves and lanterns are filled.

**Dress to fit the season.** When spending time outdoors, wear loose-fitting, lightweight, warm clothing in several layers. Layers can be removed to prevent perspiring and subsequent chill. Outer garments should be tightly woven, water repellent and hooded. The hood should protect much of the facial area and cover the mouth to ensure warm breathing and protect lungs from the extremely cold air. Layers of protective clothing are more effective and efficient than single layers of thick clothing. Mittens, snug at the wrist, are better protection than fingered gloves.

**Automobiles can be best friends** or worst enemies during winter storms depending upon preparations. Cars should be winterized before the storm season begins. Those items to be checked are: ignition system, battery, lights, tire tread, cooling system, fuel system, lubrication, exhaust system tight, heater, brakes adjusted, wiper

blades, defroster, snow tires installed, chains, antifreeze, and winter grade oil. Keep water out of the fuel tank by maintaining a full tank of gasoline.


**Be equipped for the worst.** Carry a winter storm car kit, especially if cross country travel is anticipated. The suggested winter storm car kit includes: blankets or sleeping bags, matches and candles, an empty three-pound coffee can with

plastic cover, facial tissue, paper towels, extra clothing, high-calorie and non-perishable food, compass and road maps, a knife, first aid kit, shovel, sack of sand, flashlight or signal light, booster cables, tow chain, fire extinguisher, catalytic heater and an axe.

"Winter travel by automobile is serious business," said Hufnagel. "Take your travel seriously."

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## Shopping spree

Central Elementary School children had a chance to go shopping on their own in a special PTO project this month. Working through the Chamber of Commerce, a parent committee obtained gifts from Bennett's Jewelry, D and C, Herbruck's, Land of Oz, Parr's, Town and Country Peddler and the Treasure Chest. Prices ranged from 10 cents to \$6.50, and children were able to select things for their family in secret. Stephanie Powers, left, and Michelle Reha, both third graders, look over the display at The Elves Gift Shop in the school basement.

## Clinton's immunization record good

The Mid-Michigan District Health Department recently announced the status of school children's immunization levels in Clinton, Gratiot and Montcalm counties ranks seventh out of 45 local health departments in the state.

From spring through fall of 1979, the district health department and the schools within the tri-county area were

cooperatively working to improve student's immunization levels.

In a report released from the state, the children of these schools ranked seventh out of 45 health jurisdictions. A total of 83 percent of these students are protected against all six diseases, Diphtheria, Pertussis (Whooping cough), Tetanus, Polio, Measles and Rubella (German measles).

As the diseases are separated, the children rank third in respect to Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis at a 96 percent protection level, second in respect to Polio at a 95 percent protection level, fifth in respect to measles at a 90 percent protection level and third with respect to Rubella at a 94 percent protection level.

"We are very proud that these children enjoy such high protection levels,"

said Joe Latoff, health officer. "The schools' role in the immunization program was invaluable. The outcome speaks to the quality of work the school and health department invested," he said.

While this success speaks to the issue of immunization levels of children in schools, preschoolers need attention also, Latoff reminds parents.

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# Workers' comp reforms will help Mich. compete

The new workers' compensation reform measures recently passed by the Michigan House of Representatives will have a positive impact on Michigan's business and job climate though the battle is only half over, according to 88th District State Representative Alan

Cropsey (R-DeWitt). "It will now be much easier for Michigan to compete with other states in attracting new business and job development to the state, but we still have an image problem," said Cropsey.

The package of bills

passed by the legislators is the keystone to Governor William Milliken's economic recovery program.

"It's fortunate that we have these new laws that will make it more profitable to work and do business in Michigan because, when the economy picks up as expected in midsummer 1982, Michigan will be in a prime position to benefit from the

enhanced national business climate," Cropsey said. "But first, we must convince American businesses that Michigan has cleaned up its act and we are ready and waiting for their investments in and commitments to Michigan. And we only have six months to do that. The word is definitely out now, and we must get the ball rolling." Cropsey explained that

the House voted to delete Labor Committee amendments to the legislation that would have cost business more than the present law, if enacted. "The bills we passed, stripped of those changes, strengthen the definition of disability, coordinate benefits to avoid duplication of payments and remove fringe benefits from the salary base for calculation of workers' compensation," Cropsey said.

He also explained that Michigan is the first state to feel the effects of any negative or positive change in the economy. "But more importantly, if Michigan can diversify its economy so that we are not as dependent on automobiles, fluctuations in the nation's economy won't effect us as much," Cropsey said.

## Farmers Union convention draws area residents

Several area farmers participated in the 44th annual convention of the Michigan Farmers Union in Lansing on Dec. 4-5.

Those attending from Clinton County included: Jim and Ardith Graham, Bing and Mary Barks, Melvin and Jean Gibson, Tim and Donna Graham, Larry and Bonnie Phinney, Kelly Phinney, Carl and Joan Huhn and family, Harry Raphun, Jerry and Wilda Becker, and Jim and Judy Hippenstel.

Banquet speaker for the family farm convention was US Representative Kika de la Garza of Texas, chairman of the US House Agriculture Committee. Chairman de la Garza announced that President Reagan has accepted the compromise worked out between the House and Senate on the 1981 farm bill. He said the price levels in the farm bill were limited because of federal budget constraints that the agriculture committees must meet.

Mrs. Donna Cootware of Ralph, president of the statewide organization, pointed out that the parity level is currently equal to what it was in 1932.

"Reagan administration officials predict that farmers will pay \$20 billion in interest in 1982 and net only \$17 billion to \$18 billion," she said. "You don't have to be a Harvard economist to see disaster ahead."

State Representative Lewis N. Dodak of Saginaw, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, said hearings will be held in early 1982 on legislation to protect farmers against grain warehouse bankruptcies. He also said legislation is now being developed that would provide low interest loans to young farmers.

Delegates at the two-day convention adopted policy designed to preserve family agriculture with the goal of 100 percent parity for all agricultural commodities.

## Learn to teach CPR

A CPR instructors' class will be held at Clinton Memorial Hospital Monday, Dec. 21.

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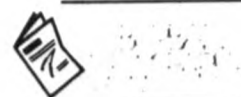
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### Our opinion

## Early rebates valuable to senior citizens

Clinton County residents now have their property tax bills in hand and know just how much is due February 14 and if senior citizens act as soon as possible they can have an early rebate to help pay them.

Homestead Property Tax Credit rebates for senior citizens can be applied for as soon as the senior knows his or her household income for 1981.

The early rebate program was designed to help older citizens who might have difficulty paying the full amount of their property taxes in February.

Rebates applied for now will be received starting in late January, well in advance of the mid-February due date, according to information from the House of Representatives.

Rebate application forms are available at local banks and local treasurers' offices. Taxpayers who took advantage of this early rebate program last year will get an application automatically in the mail from the state treasurer.

Senior citizens who have questions about the property tax rebates or who need help filling out the property tax forms can find free assistance at their township or city offices or at the Clinton County Senior Citizen office.

According to Richard Brook, Bath Township supervisor, seniors who haven't filed for the rebates in previous years but were eligible, can go back to 1977 if they act before Dec. 30, 1981 or back to 1978 if they file after Dec. 30.

Many persons can determine what their household income for the full year will be at the present time. They know what their fixed pension and social security payments will be and they can calculate what their interest income will be. Financial institutions will usually assist in determining the latter amount if necessary.

If incomes cannot be determined yet, all information will be available after January 1, 1982 and the rebate can be applied for immediately. Treasury officials can virtually guarantee that the senior citizen will have the rebate money in plenty of time to meet the February 14 deadline.

Senior citizens are entitled to rebates of the entire amount by which their property tax exceeds three and one half percent of their annual household income, if the income is \$6,000 or more. If their income is between \$3,000 and \$4,000, the rebate covers everything over one percent; if it is between \$4,000 and \$5,000, it is two percent, and if it is between \$5,000 and \$6,000, it is three percent.

Paraplegics and quadriplegics may also take advantage of the early rebate program, but other taxpayers are required to utilize the standard income tax form as their means of obtaining relief.

Rising assessments and increases in school millages have made the early rebate program necessary for many of our older citizens. Spread the word and make sure they know it's available.

### Viewpoint

## Oh Santa, what a lie

Every year, before I go to bed on Christmas eve, I pick up the house as if I were expecting company. I plump the cushions on the couch. I dust the coffee table. I glance around our Christmas living room. Everything must look just right. I'm waiting for Santa.

Moments before, I helped my husband fill the stockings and arrange the presents under the tree. We ate the cookies our children left on the mantel and put the carrots back in the refrigerator.

Santa is a lie and yet, each year on Christmas eve, I expect him still. And I don't know why.

In reality, Santa comes at Thanksgiving every year. We've all seen him. He's at the Hospital Auxiliary's craft sale and then he's the star of the annual Christmas parade when Fire Chief Clare Maier brings him into town on the firetruck.

He visits with children from a throne at Capitol Savings and Loan and eats lunch with them at the Jaycettes' annual affair. He's in St. Johns, Fowler, Ovid, Elsie, Bath and DeWitt. Sometimes he's in all those places at the same time.

He comes to schools, churches, office parties and the hospital. He poses for pictures and passes out presents.

This year, when he climbed down from the firetruck to light the tree in St. Johns, Pam Zell's seven-year old

by  
Sharon  
Randall



daughter was amazed. "Mom, Santa shrunk from last year," she said.

In Fowler, Santa's hair covered one eye and his beard twisted to one side, but the visiting children didn't seem to mind. They climbed up on his lap and as he nodded, they whispered their lists.

Santa is a lie, but he's also magic. Under that suit is an exceptional guy. He may be a community's senior citizen or a young Jaycee. His ho, ho, ho's come out in different tones, but there's a special warmth in his arms as he lifts each child onto his lap.

Community Resource Volunteers keeps Santas in three suits all Christmas season. Every school and church has their favorite.

I love them all. They're why I clean up the living room every year. They make me believe.

Santa is a lie, but he's a wonderful lie. It doesn't matter if he's short or tall, thin or chubby. Santa is caring and love. Santa is sharing and giving.

And that's what Christmas is all about.

### Chamber notes

By Jody Smith

## Want a job? Record experiences

Have you wondered why it seems so hard for high school graduates and other young people to get jobs? Is it because they are not qualified? What are the things employers need to know about prospective employees and how can a young person with little work experience begin to develop a work history?

With the help of private individuals, business and industry people and educators, Community Resource Volunteers, in cooperation with the Clinton County Intermediate School District, recently organized a task force to produce what they call an "Employability Development Plan" for young people. Bill Richards, director, has been coordinating meetings since August to devise a workable plan to help young people develop a career plan and ideas about career goals that will help lead to employment.

The task force identified those experiences that employers believe would benefit students during the transition from school to work. Writing a resume; appropriate dress for an interview, neatness in filling out an application and job references are a few of the skills that students need to acquire. Employers recognize that students completing high school often feel that they have not had the opportunity to develop adequate references; however the task force suggested that students consider everything they've ever done as a work history, such as babysitting, lawn mowing jobs and other part-time employment. All these jobs help develop common skills and habits which can be transferred to different kinds of jobs. Skills such as

dependability, willingness, general attitude are important considerations used by employers.

Developing a plan for each student to acquire these skills and experience during the school years is the first step in an individual student's EDP.

The second step is to document these experiences in a record (history) that will make up a student profile, or as many people prefer, a credentials file. This file is not to be confused with the confidential academic records that the school maintains. It is the student's own file and he is responsible for maintaining it so that references and other information will be available for job seeking and in applications for future education.

The task force agreed that for a student to learn, they must have feedback from employers. As an example, employers need to tell young people why they were not acceptable if they applied for and did not secure a job. Success in this program is dependent on community support.

The third step in the EDP is to implement it. Employers, large and small, have a key role to play in the process. The task force was charged with developing a program to help Clinton County youth become employable through the use of an efficient tool. The tool is ready, now the community must help put it into motion. If you are willing to help, please give the Chamber office a call.

(Jody Smith is director of the St. Johns Chamber of Commerce.)

### Letter to the editor

#### It takes a whole community

Dear editor:

Recently I received two very complimentary letters from St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, thanking me for the bike-a-thon I chaired in Fowler this fall.

The hospital acknowledged the \$1,816.34 which we raised and sent me a lapel pin for excelling in the drive.

The letters make me feel very good and I appreciate the nice things they say about me, but I feel the bike-a-thon was a community effort. While I cannot share the lapel pin with everyone who helped, I can extend my appreciation.

I don't want to name everyone, for fear I might omit someone, but help came in so many ways. The schools and teachers helped get riders, the village council, let us use the streets, the church gave their support, the radio station and the Clinton County News helped spread the word and merchants gave contributions so we could buy a trophy.

My thanks also go to the riders and their sponsors because that's how we raised the \$1,816.34. I feel very proud of them and the whole Fowler community and know that we have helped a very worthwhile cause.

Sincerely,

Lloyd A. Berry

# More Opinions

## Genealogically speaking

By Arlene Lounds

### County clerk offices have gold mine of information

In nearly every county, the vital statistics records are at the county clerk's office in the courthouse. These records are a gold mine of information for the genealogist.

All clerks have certain rules which must be followed. No one may eat, drink or smoke while using the records. Do not wet your finger to turn pages, or lay anything on the pages when taking notes. Use pencil only and never write on the records.

If you find an error, make note of it, and petition the state to correct it. The county clerk cannot change it without an order from the state.

Some clerks require an appointment for research. Call first and ask if an appointment is necessary. If not, ask which days are best for genealogical research.

Be quiet when you are working as the clerks have their work to do, too. Be patient and courteous.

In Clinton County, the clerk's office is closed from noon to 1 p.m. every day and no research is allowed on Mondays. No more than two persons at any time may do

research because of a lack of counter space and of personnel.

Clinton County has only a few indexes, but heavily populated counties may have an index for every year for each statistic.

Birth and death records for Clinton County begin in 1867 and marriage records go back to 1837. Criminal, civil and divorce records are researched only by the staff, but the information may be available to you.

Naturalization and immigration records will be researched by staff when time permits, if you can provide the name of your ancestor and approximate time of record.

Adoption records are in the probate court and are probably not available.

Before you go into the clerk's office, write the surname of each ancestor whom you are seeking, at the top of the page of your notebook. Put the date and the county at the top of the page, also.

Use a separate page for each surname. If you have more than three surnames to research, try to keep them in alphabetical order.

An example of how to find your great-grandmother's maiden name would be to look for your grandmother's birth record in the county where she was born. First, ask the clerk for the birth index. It will be in alphabetical order. Find her name and write it on the page with her surname. Write down, also, the number of the book and page where the record is found. Do this for every person whose birth you are searching. Then ask the clerk for the various books, one at a time, and look up all the records in that particular book at the same time. This will speed things up and you won't have the clerk running back and forth with the same books.

Leave five or six lines between each given name so you will have room to copy the information from the book. Copy down ALL information.

(Editor's note: This genealogical column is written by Arlene Lounds of St. Johns, a member of the Genealogists of the Clinton County Historical Society. Help in preparing your family tree is available at the County Archives, Walker Street, St. Johns.)

## Senior citizen update

### Christmas is a birthday

Christmas. What a beautiful and happy time this is. Downtown streets are decorated so brightly and all the merchants have done their best to bring color and music into their places of business. The array of gifts is much more extensive this time of year and it's fun just to browse.

In St. Johns, we have our lighted Christmas tree at the south end of our downtown area and I often drive there just to admire all the lights and decorations, as many others do.

Many of you have decorated the outside of your homes with Christmas tree lights, nativity scenes, and Santa with his sleigh and reindeer. Not only do you get enjoyment from arranging these things, but the rest of us really enjoy them also.

Whenever there are people together, you can hear them ask each other if they have seen the different houses that are so well-decorated. These homes are a delight to many and we can say thanks to those who take the time and trouble to bring beauty for all to see.

Even inside, the theme of Christmas has been carried out. The chandeliers with bells and the fireplace so gaily alive with color, the Christmas tree in the corner — just beauty.

Many of the decorations placed on each tree are ones that have been in the families for many years. They are handed down from one generation to another. Some trees are decorated with very delicate and expensive ornaments, but some others are so gaily decorated with popcorn strings. However the tree is decorated, it means so very much to each household.

Beneath the tree, are the packages wrapped so brightly and ready for Christmas, when children and grown-ups alike wait in anticipation to see what's inside.

With all this hustle and bustle, are we forgetting what

By Ruth Delo



Christmas is all about? This is a birthday celebration, the birth of Christ. There never has been a Merry Christmas and God Bless you all.

So...until next time.

### Letter to the editor

#### LaFave home tour nets \$250

Dear editor:

The Clinton County Historical Society is grateful to Robert and Elaine LaFave, who so graciously opened their home on Wood Road for a Christmas tour, Sunday.

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## ★ City commission

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city's 1975 Chevrolet, as a city car. Low bidder on the detective car was Keelean's for a Pontiac Grand Prix for \$8,283.90.

The city chose a low bid of \$97,270 on a demonstration model for a 16-yard jet cleaner from Jack Doheny Co. The jet cleaner will be used to clean sewers and catch basins and pick up leaves. A second bidder, Joe Bichler protested the award, saying that other

companies did not have a chance to demonstrate their equipment to the city and that the demonstration model was not part of the bid request.

Water and sewer tap fees will go up in the city in an attempt to keep up with inflation. Water tap fees for a three-quarter line will be increased from \$160 to \$200 and excavation charges will go up on sewer taps from \$1 to 25 cents more per square foot depending upon the materials involved.

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# Personality Profile

## Managing chamber is continuous challenge

By SUE KILEY WHITE

The names Jody Smith and Chamber of Commerce are synonymous to the people of St. Johns. At least they have been since October of 1979.

Mrs. Smith originally applied for the Chamber manager job thinking it was a clerical-secretary position.

"The hour long interview by the board of directors was quite a shock," said Mrs. Smith. "The more I found out about the job though, I thought it would be a real challenge."

And challenging it has been during the past 14 months. Jody can tell you that in her job it's always best to expect the unexpected.

In addition to organizing retail promotions Jody is also the "consumer information point" for the city. She listens to complaints from people who have bought products they haven't been satisfied with or ordered merchandise they never received.

People also call the Chamber looking for jobs.

"You never know what people will have to say when you pick up the phone," she said.

Jody Smith is no stranger to the business world. As a young girl growing up in Coral (located near Big Rapids) she used to sell worms to the fishermen. She had her regular customers who used to call up just to make sure she had a fresh supply of worms.

She also had a few other unusual hobbies during her childhood years in a rural resort town in Michigan. Because Jody played the bugle and her grandfather had a military background, she was the bugler at all the military funerals in Montcalm County.

Tap dancing throughout Michigan with Amstar Productions was another pastime of Jody's. Every weekend for three years she and her sister would tap dance in an elimination-type contest. Her mother made all their costumes and designed their routines, she said.

Managing a chamber of commerce was not a longtime career goal for Jody Smith. Originally, she wanted to be a history teacher. She began her studies in elementary education and switched to history while attending Michigan State University.

"I still think I'm going to write a history book," she said. "One that's interesting for children. Students have to know that history is alive."

Describing her job as "unique," Mrs. Smith would like more high school students to be aware of it and similar positions.

"It's not your typical nine to five kind of job though, that's for sure," she said with a grin.

Jody admits her job has been difficult on her family, because of the unusual hours.

"I really hope they haven't suffered too much," she



Jody Smith

said about her husband and nine-year-old son Darien. "If anything, they have been very supportive and helped quite a bit."

Although the position started out as a 20 hour per week job, it didn't take long for the board of directors to boost the hours to 30.

"We hear a lot about the problems the chamber is having," said Mrs. Smith. "But really, other chambers have the same problems."

She is very supportive of the merchants she works with. "For me this is a paid job," she explained. "What I really have to respect is these independent businessmen putting in all the extra hours."

Chamber work has been a whole new avenue for Jody to explore. She is now getting involved with the politics of the state chamber of commerce.

One of her local goals is to get the Chamber better

organized with regards to promotions. She asserts that to have anything be successful the planning has to be done early. In fact, she is already busy working on the fall Harvest Sale of 1982.

Outside her hectic life as Jody Smith chamber director, she finds time to be a Cub Scout den mother and work with Marriage Encounter groups. She loves languages and at present is trying to teach herself Spanish.

Jody and David also enjoy playing Gregorian Chants.

Prior to joining the St. Johns Chamber of Commerce, Jody was a temporary employee at the county courthouse. She was a secretary for 10 years at the Michigan State University Counseling Center.

"In a chamber of commerce job, you have to be a jack-of-all-trades," she said. "You really have to put yourself into it...I love it."

## Looking ahead

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**AN AEROBIC DANCE CLASS** will be offered from 4-5 p.m. at the Bath Elementary School starting Jan. 4. The class will run for 12 weeks and costs \$49. For more information or to register, call 694-0754.

**A CPR INSTRUCTORS' class** will be held at Clinton Memorial Hospital Monday, Dec. 21. The class will be held in the hospital conference room from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Preregistration is required. For more information, call the Clinton Memorial Education Department at 224-6881, Ext. 283.

**FARMERS UNION AND AAM** will meet Thursday, Dec. 17, at 7 p.m. at the home of Bing Barks, 3600 E. Centerline Road, St. Johns. Begin with pot luck dinner with meeting to follow.

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**VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS** at the Paine-Gillam-Scott Museum, courthouse square, St. Johns. Sunday, Dec. 6 through Wednesday, Jan. 6. Hours: Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. and Wednesday, 2 to 8 p.m. Wednesday evenings candlelight with special music. Come and visit while the sights and smells are freshest.

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# Lifestyles

## Willette, Smith speak vows in Traverse City

Ruth Willette and Michael Smith were married in an afternoon ceremony, Oct. 10, 1981 at St. Francis Church in Traverse City. The Rev. Father John Ladd officiated the double ring service.

The bride is the daughter of James and Gloria

Willette of St. Johns. She is a 1972 graduate of St. Johns High School and a 1976 graduate of Northern Michigan University. She is employed by National Bank and Trust in Traverse City.

The groom is the son of Irvin and Alice Smith of Traverse City. He

graduated from St. Frances High School in Traverse City in 1968 and is employed by Coca-Cola of Traverse City.

The bride was escorted to the altar by her father. The altar was decorated with white carnations and blue mums.

Her gown featured organza overlay with a lace bodice, stand up lace collar and a chapel-length train. The bride's bouquet included white roses, dark blue clivia, blue azaleas and was accented with baby's breath and forget-me-nots.

Maid of honor was Nancy Sundstrom. Best man was Larry Smith, brother of the groom. Jeff Smith, brother of the groom, and John Willette, brother of the bride, served as ushers.

A reception was held at the Grand Traverse Conservation Club later that afternoon.

The couple took a honeymoon trip to the Upper Peninsula and now reside in Traverse City.



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Smith

## Fedewa, Halitsky wedding set

Mr. and Mrs. James Fedewa of Houghton Lake announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathryn Marie, to Eric John Halit-

sky. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Halitsky of Indian River.

The bride-to-be is a 1976 graduate of St. Johns High

School and is currently employed by Long's of Lansing.

The prospective groom graduated from St. Johns High School in 1978 and is employed by Federal Mogul.

The couple plans a May 15, 1982 wedding.



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# Teresa Clark is autumn bride of Bryan Colf

Teresa Lynn Clark and Bryan Lynn Colf were united in an evening ceremony Oct. 17, 1981 at the Congregational Christian Church of Eurkea. The Rev. Doug Jones officiated the double ring service.

The bride is the daughter of Donald and Marilyn Clark of Elsie. She is a 1977 graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School and is currently attending Legal Careers Institute of Lansing. The groom is the son of Richard and Ardith Colf of Laingsburg. He graduated from Laingsburg High School in 1975 and is employed as a tradesman at Oldsmobile.

The church was adorned with candlelabras decorated with arrangements of white daisies and greenery, while carnations, baby's breath and statice were arranged around a unity candle on the altar.

Music during the service was provided by organist Reta Gower, pianist and soloist Debbie Jones and soloist Charlotte Webster. Selections included "The Wedding Song," "I Could Never Promise You,"

"God Has Given You to Me" and "The Lord's Prayer."

The bride's gown was Victorian-styled and featured a pleated skirt which flowed into a medium-length train trimmed in lace. The gown's back was accented with a long-tailed silk ribbon bow. The front and back of the bodice were fashioned with a sheer "V" insert trimmed with appliques and a wide edging of lace. The long, full sleeves were also fashioned with the sheer material and were gathered into lace-trimmed cuffs.

The bride wore a full-rimmed hat with knee-length netting accented with white flower appliques and pearls. One side of the hat was turned up and decorated with white silk flowers. The bride carried an arrangement of red roses, pink miniature carnations, statice and baby's breath which was accented with long, white ribbon streamers.

Kim Clark, sister of the bride, of Mt. Pleasant served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Debbie

Howard of Huntington, Bonnie Clark, sister of the bride, of Mt. Pleasant, Lisa Clark, sister of the bride, of Elsie, and Cindy Exelby of East Lansing. Alisha Meyers, the groom's niece, of Lansing served as flower girl. Their gowns were colored dusty rose and were fashioned with a sheer chiffon layer over a single knit. The long, full skirt was gathered at the bodice into a spaghetti strap top. Double-layer chiffon shoulder caplets were attached in the front and back. The front of the gowns were accented with a fabric rose. The gowns were sewn by the bride. The attendants carried bouquets of a red rose, pink carnation, statice and baby's breath. They each pinned a single, miniature carnation accented with baby's breath in their hair.

The bride's mother wore a long, light blue gown with

a pleated skirt and cape. The groom's mother wore a long, grey gown with a matching cape. Their corsages were of white carnations, pink miniature roses and baby's breath.

Best man was Terry Fraidenburg of Laingsburg. Groomsmen were Bruce Colf, brother of the groom, Mike Malone, Curt McGee and Arden Dezess, all of Laingsburg.

A reception was held following the wedding at the VFW Hall in Elsie with 300 guests attending. Mrs. Esther McHenry and Mrs. Lucille Ward cut the cake. Hosts and Hostesses were Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Hallead, the bride's aunt and uncle, and Mr. and Mrs. Gaylor Groenke, the groom's aunt and uncle. Susan Yallup attended the guest book.

Special guests included Mrs. Florence Clark and Mrs. Mary Wadell, the

bride's grandmothers, and Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Colf and Mr. Carl Esch, the groom's grandparents.

Following a honeymoon trip to northern Michigan, the couple resides in Laingsburg.



Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Colf

## Dietrich earns MSU degree

Steve Dietrich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dietrich of St. Johns, recently graduated from Michigan State University.

He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Microbiology and Public Health. He hopes to continue and achieve his master's degree at some

future date. At present, he is working for Dr. H. Garapetian doing lab work.

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# Births



**MARCY:** A boy, Nicholas Scott, was born to Kent and Joyce Marcy of DeWitt Nov. 13, 1981 at Lansing General Hospital. Grandparents include Marion Dreamer.

**FOUTS:** A boy, James Alan, was born to Diane Fouts of St. Johns Nov. 22, 1981 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Fouts.

**WEBER:** A boy, Mark Paul, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gary Weber of St. Johns Dec. 3, 1981 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Urban Thelen and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weber. Great-grandmother is Mrs. Theresa Thelen. The mother is the former Shirley Thelen.

**SMITH:** A girl, Robin Jean (R.J.), was born to Randy and Betsy Smith of St. Johns Dec. 4, 1981 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are Jean Ward of Okemos, John Ward of Ogden, Utah, Robert and Helen Smith of Lennon and Patricia Thomas of Flint. The mother is the former Betsy Ward.

**KENTFIELD:** A boy, James Edward, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ray Kentfield of St. Johns Dec. 2, 1981 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are Kirby and Nancy Roll of St. Johns and Dick and Delores Kentfield of St. Johns. The mother is the former Betty Roll.

**LOWE:** A girl, Bethany Megan, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lowe of St. Johns Nov. 30, 1981 at Carson City Hospital.

**LITWILLER:** A boy, Kent Ryan, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Litwiller of St. Johns Dec. 1, 1981 at Carson City Hospital.

**FELLOWS:** Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Fellows, 6335 Park Lake Rd., Bath, became the parents of a daughter Jeassica Mae, on Nov. 18 at Sparrow Hospital.

**HAZLE:** Mr. and Mrs. Stuart A. Hazle, 1795 W. Centerline Rd., St. Johns became the parents of a son, John Wesley on Nov. 9 at Sparrow Hospital.

**KELLEY:** Mr. and Mrs. David P. Kelley, Leslie, became the parents of a daughter, Stephanie Lee on Nov. 12 at Sparrow Hospital. The mother is the former Kristina Kay Kroone.

**GLASS:** Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Glass, Potterville, became the parents of a son, Christopher Clifton on Nov. 10 at Sparrow Hospital.

**LAYCOCK:** Mr. and Mrs. David Lee Laycock, Mason, became the parents of a son David Lee Joseph Laycock II on Nov. 11 at Sparrow Hospital. The mother is the former Debra Hock.

**THELEN:** Mr. and Mrs. Albert D. Thelen, Fowler, became the parents of a son, Benjamin Lee on Nov. 8 at Sparrow Hospital.

**LOCKWOOD-WALTER:** Deb Lockwood and Mark Walter 305 S. Gratiot St., became the parents of a daughter, Jacqueline Rae, on Nov. 18 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lockwood and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Walter all of Elsie.

**WOODARD:** Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Woodard, 15154 Turner Rd., DeWitt, became the parents of a daughter, Darsey Sue on Nov. 12 at Sparrow Hospital. The mother is the former Sue Ann Moloney.

**HAVENS:** Diane L. Havens, 210 W. Main, DeWitt, became the parent of a son, Brian Alan Gill on Nov. 12 at St. Lawrence Hospital.

**McELROY:** Mr. and Mrs. William R. McElroy, St. Johns, became the parents of a daughter, Amy Louise on Nov. 27 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Williams and Mr. and Mrs. William D. McElroy. The mother is the former Kathleen Williams.

**GROSS:** Gerry and Lou Ellen Gross, Westphalia, became the parents of a daughter, Lindsey Marie on Nov. 11 at St. Lawrence Hospital.

**KINDEL:** Mr. and Mrs. Larry Kindel, Island Road, St. Johns, became the parents of a boy, Gregory Charles on Nov. 11 at St. Lawrence Hospital. Grandparents are Barbara Davis and Duane Davis both of St. Johns and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Kindel of Elsie. The mother is the former Cindy Davis.

**BECKER:** Mr. and Mrs. Duane L. Becker, 905 N. Oakland, St. Johns, became the parents of a boy Glenn Duane, on Nov. 27 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are Catherine and Donald Messer, Al and Florence Becker and Robert and Myrtle Parker. The mother is the former Marilyn Parker.

**BISHOP:** Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bishop, 803 E. Cass St., St. Johns, became the parents of a daughter, Ann Marie on Nov. 28 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bishop and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Merignac. The mother is the former Susan Merignac.

**BERRY:** Mr. and Mrs. John W. Berry, 1116 Sandhill Dr., DeWitt, became the parents of a son, Eric Calvin on Nov. 26 at Sparrow Hospital.

**SHIVLEY:** Mr. and Mrs. Russell Shivley, 3876 Harmon Rd., became the parents of a son, Trent on Nov. 24 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Sisson and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Crane (Ilene Shivley). The mother is the former Rhonda Sisson.

**JOHNSTON:** The Rev. and Mrs. Mark G. Johnston, Ashley, became the parents of a son Jesse Dean on Nov. 19 at Sparrow Hospital.

**SCHNEIDER:** Edward H. and Janice Schneider, Pewamo, became the parents of a girl, Stacy Ann on Nov. 12 at St. Lawrence Hospital.

**MULLEN:** Mr. and Mrs. Michael Mullen, St. Johns, became the parents of a daughter, Anne Louise on Nov. 22 at Carson City Hospital.

**EARLY:** Mr. and Mrs. Gary Early, Elsie, became the parents of a daughter Bonnie Jean on Nov. 23 at Carson City Hospital.

**PRESOCKI:** A girl, Sarah Elizabeth, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ron Presocki of 1865 W. Price Road Dec. 3, 1981 at St. Lawrence Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bob Boyles of Charlotte and Mr. and Mrs. John Presocki. The mother is the former Cindy Boyles.

**FINK:** A girl, Codi Michelle, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Rick Fink of Fowler Dec. 4, 1981 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are Jerome and Jeanette Feldpausch and Donald and Donna George. The mother is the former Pam Feldpausch.

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THE ALL-STARS (front row, left to right) Julie Brown- DeWitt, Becky Klein-Fowler, Sue Pearsall-St. Johns, Mary Perrien-Ovid-Elsie, Lori Len-Ovid-Elsie. (back row) Sue Bower-Bath, Donna Heckman-Pewamo-Westphalia, Brenda Ondrus-Fulton, LeAnn Rademacher-Pewamo-Westphalia, Connie Feldpausch-Fowler.

## County All-Star team very talented

By DAVID THOMAS

1981 was a banner year for girls' basketball in Clinton County.

The seven county schools had a combined 82-55 record over the course of the season. In tournament play they were absolutely remarkable with five teams playing in district championship games. One of the teams, Pewamo-Westphalia, won a regional title before bowing out with a glittering 17-4 overall record.

Each squad had two or three outstanding players whose individual talents were superb and choosing the top ten was no easy task. Led by honorary captain Sue Pearsall of St. Johns, however, the Clinton County News and DeWitt-Bath Review presents its 1981 Girls' All County Basketball Team.

**SUE PEARSALL** — St. Johns. A first team All-State selection, Pearsall has been chosen captain of this year's All-County squad. She was the Redwings MVP this season, easily leading them in virtually every scoring category.

"She played outstanding ball this season," said her coach, Beth Swears. "Her 423 points were the most I've ever had here at St. Johns."

Pearsall, a 5-foot-11 guard, averaged 22 points a game

this year including a spectacular 36 points and 10 rebounds against Flint Carmen. Just a junior, she is considered a major college prospect.

**SUE BOWER** — Bath. A second team all-conference pick, Bower averaged 10 points a game, played outstanding defense and led the Bees in assists. She transferred at the beginning of the school year from Lansing Catholic Central and joined Wendy Foote in the backcourt to give Bath one of the most skilled guard combinations in the area. A 5-foot-6 senior, Bower even led her team in rebounding in Bath's runaway victory over Leslie.

**JULIE BROWN** — DeWitt. The 5-foot-4 senior who was a part-time starter in 1980 developed into an outstanding outside shooter this season. She led the balanced DeWitt attack with a 10.9 scoring average. Her two long "bombers" against Ovid-Elsie started a second-half comeback that resulted in a 51-42 DeWitt victory.

**CONNIE FELDPAUSCH** — Fowler. An honorable mention All-State selection, Feldpausch averaged 15.2 points and 9.6 rebounds per game. She was an especially tough rebounder and time and time again pulled the ball off the defensive boards to trigger Fowler's excellent fast-break offense. The 5-foot-9 senior forward has been a two-year starter for the Eagles.

**DONNA HECKMAN** — Pewamo-Westphalia. The 5-foot-9 senior averaged 11 points and 8 rebounds per game and serves as a co-captain for the Pirates. She also plays tough defense and is an outstanding free-throw shooter. Her 18 points led P-W to their double overtime district championship victory over DeWitt.

**BECKY KLEIN** — Fowler. A star quarter miler on the track team, Klein uses her excellent speed to run Fowler's fast break on the basketball court. A 5-foot-5 junior guard, she averaged 15.4 points a game for the Eagles this season and was an honorable mention All-

State selection. In a 47-38 victory over Olivet, she ran Fowler's highly-effective running game, scored 20 points and hit several crucial free throws to preserve the win.

**LORI LEN** — Ovid-Elsie. A first team All Mid-Michigan B Conference selection, Len scored 10.9 points and nine rebounds per game. A fine passer and defensive player, the 5-foot-6 senior also averaged three steals per game. Her four clutch free throws in the final minutes against Chesaning put the contest out of reach and gave O-E a 46-39 victory.

**BRENDA ONDRUS** — Fulton. Possibly the county's best rebounder, Ondrus also knew how to put the ball in the basket. The 5-foot-11 senior averaged 11.8 points and 16.6 rebounds per game during the 1981 season.

"She kept us in a lot of games," said Fulton coach Ron Merritt.

Some fairly "average" games for Ondrus included 18 points and 25 rebounds against Portland, 18 points and 19 rebounds against Fowler and 18 points and 14 rebounds against Laingsburg.

**MARY PERRIEN** — Ovid-Elsie. A 5-foot-6 freshman, Perrien averaged 13.5 points and nine rebounds a game. Last year she was playing junior-high basketball. This year she was a second team Mid-Michigan B Conference and honorable mention All-State selection. A fine defensive player, Perrien held DeWitt's Cindy Faggion to just five points, intercepted five passes and came up with three steals in an early season victory over the Panthers.

**LEANN RADEMACHER** — Pewamo-Westphalia. A fine outside shooter, Rademacher averaged 12 points and six rebounds per game this season. The 5-foot-8 senior also served the Pirates as co-captain. In an early season game she scored 17 points and five steals to pace P-W to a 48-45 victory over previously unbeaten Portland St. Patrick.



Carol Bogard

## Bogard selected top coach

In her very first season as a varsity coach Pewamo-Westphalia's Carol Bogard compiled an overall 17-4 record, finished second in the tough Central Michigan Athletic Conference and won a regional title in the state tournaments. What is she planning to do next year?

"Oh, I'll probably be back," Clinton County's 1981 girls' basketball Coach-of-the-Year said with a grin. "I really like it here. The school's great and I really like the community."

She found her first season exciting but gives most of the credit for her team's success to her players and the Pewamo-Westphalia fans.

"The girls worked very hard for what they achieved this season and the community support was tremen-

dous," she said. "I know that all those fans turning out for the games meant a lot to the girls."

Bogard is a 1977 graduate of Ferris State College. She spent a year coaching basketball and track at McBain before coming to Pewamo-Westphalia in 1979. She has coached basketball at both the junior high and junior varsity level at P-W before assuming the top job this season. She teaches math, journalism and business classes at the high school.

Bogard is now getting ready for a season of volleyball and if her success as a basketball coach is any indication, watch out for the 1982 version of the P-W volleyball team!

# Redwings defeat Panthers

By DAVID THOMAS

Led by the 27 points of Jeff Casler and the magical passing of Steve Gonzales, St. Johns defeated a stubborn DeWitt team by a 79-72 score Tuesday night.

The Redwings had what looked like a comfortable 45-32 lead at halftime but struggled in the last two quarters as the DeWitt Panthers simply refused to give up. With just under five minutes left on the clock DeWitt's Jim Seegraves hit a jumper to knot the score at 64 all. Guard Sam Dalman then scored from the outside to put the Panthers ahead 66-64 and give them their first lead since early in the opening quarter.

It wasn't until there was less than two minutes to play, however, that St. Johns finally took command. A basket by Casler and a three point play by Dennis Sleep gave the Redwings a more comfortable 77-71 lead.

"It was a good win," said St. Johns coach Al Werbish after the game. "We'll almost always get our points.

We're a good offensive team but we'll have to get stronger on defense.

Werbish was pleased with the way his bench performed and especially liked the way forward Tim Moore played in his first game. Moore had been ineligible for the season's first three games because of participation in a church basketball league.

DeWitt coach John Blumberg, though obviously disappointed by the seven-point loss, liked the way his team came back in the second half.

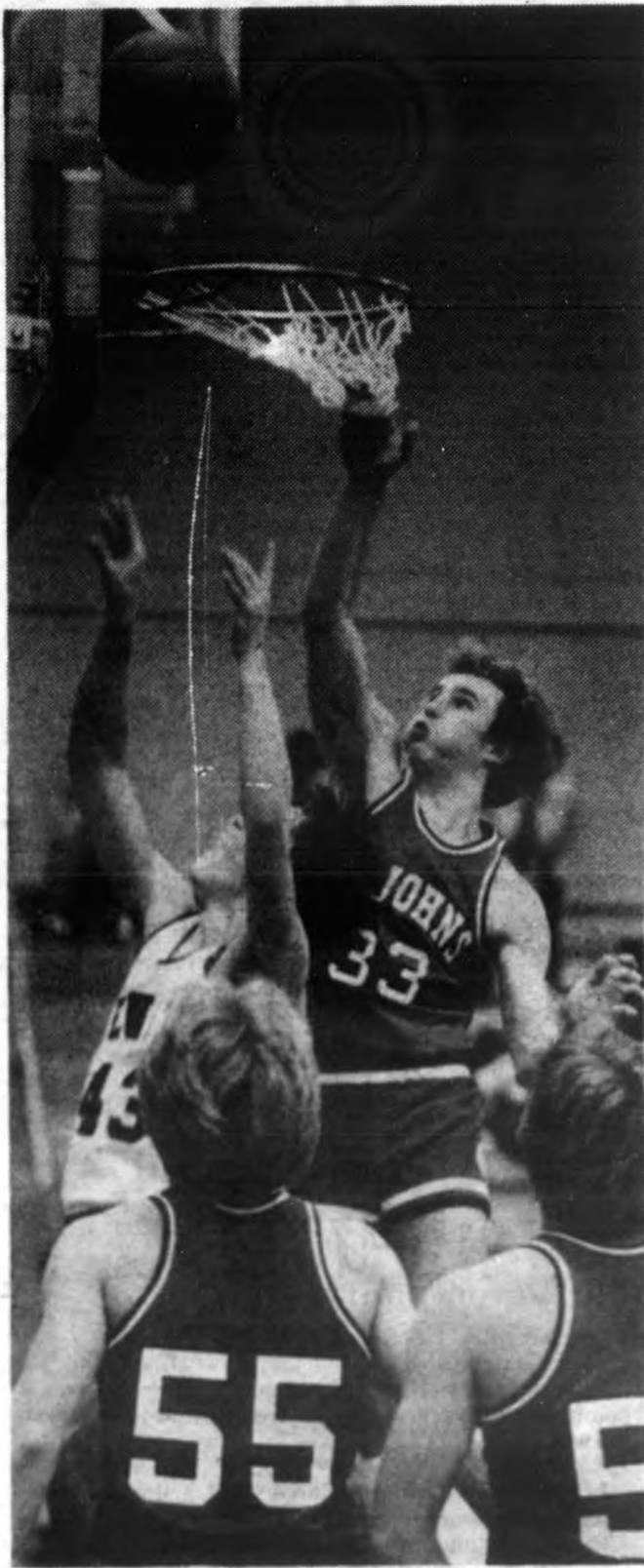
"We made some adjustments at halftime," he said. "I talked to them not too politely about their defense. We went back to the basics. I think the man-to-man press in the second half helped slow down their fast break."

Almost as exciting as the basketball game itself was the individual duel between the two point guards, Gonzales and Dalman. Close friends off the court, they harassed each other unmercifully throughout the whole game. They scored, rebounded, ran the fast break and occasionally threw passes so dazzling that their teammates never saw them coming.

Most observers felt the Dalman-Gonzales battle was a dead heat.

"They're both tremendous," commented Blumberg.

In addition to Casler's 27 points for St. Johns, Sleep scored 16, Gonzales 14 and John DeBrabander 10. Tim Deak led DeWitt with 26 points, while Seegraves added 16 and Dalman 15.



Scott Furry (33) of St. Johns battles DeWitt's Tim Deak (43) for the ball during action from Tuesday night's game at DeWitt. The Redwings jumped out to an early lead and then had to hold off a strong second half comeback by the Panthers before finally winning 79-72 (photo by David Olds).



## Cagers talented

Pewamo-Westphalia's Patty Theis heads a group of honorable mention nominees that may be the most talented group of "runners-up" ever seen in Clinton County. Theis, a 5-foot-11 center, averaged 10 points and nine rebounds a game for the regional champs. Only a sophomore, many coaches feel she will be a dominant force in Mid-Michigan basketball during the next two years.

Bath's Sandy Asbridge was equally adept at both scoring and rebounding, averaging 10 points and eight rebounds per game for Patty Terres' Bees. DeWitt's Cindy Faggion and Sheila Milner might have led Frank Deak's Panthers to a regional title if they only hadn't run up against a hot P-W team in district competition.

Debbie Hufnagel of St. Johns and Lana Hafner of Fowler weren't known for their high scoring games but often pulled down more rebounds in a single game than many other players did in half a season.

Other players receiving honorable mention honors include Wendy Foote of Bath, Amy Slavik of Fulton, Tena Woodbury of Ovid-Elsie and Donna Lenneman and Judy Theis of Pewamo-Westphalia.

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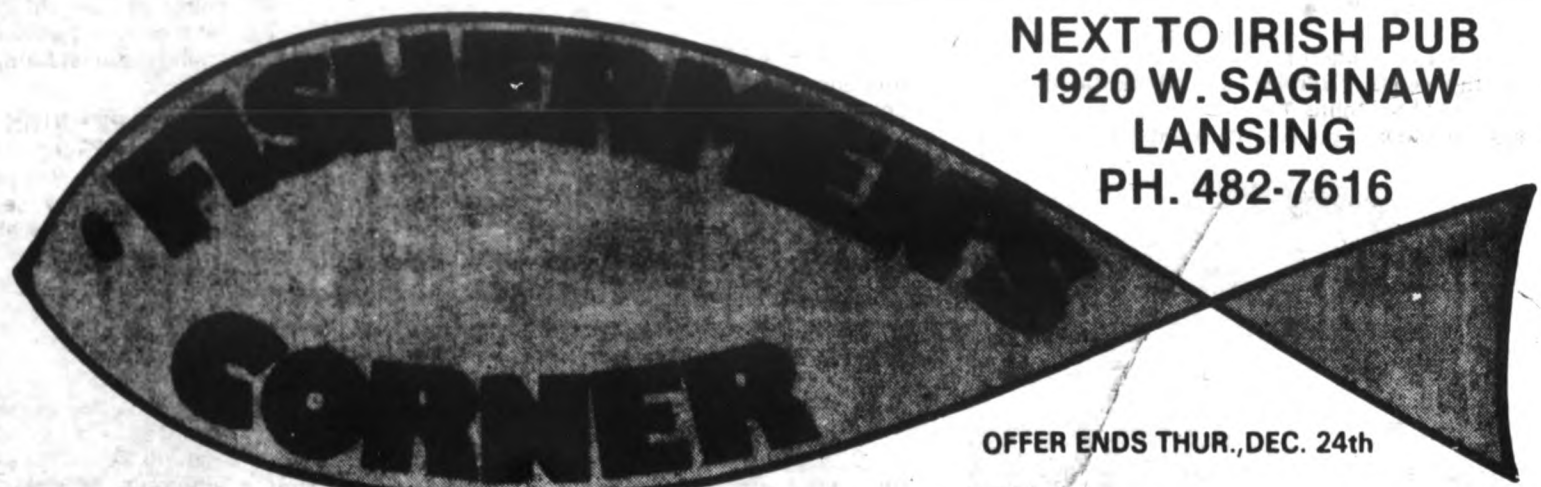


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# County teams have good week in basketball

## Fowler defeats Bellevue five

"Everything seemed to go our way," said Fowler coach Dennis Smith after Friday night's 68-39 victory over Central Michigan Athletic Conference foe Bellevue.

The Eagles jumped out to a 17-13 first-quarter lead and continued adding to it the rest of the way.

"The kids hit the shots we missed in the first two games," Smith said. "We hit 49 percent of our shots tonight. In our first two games we didn't even hit 30 percent."

With a 53-35 lead going into the fourth quarter both coaches emptied their benches. Fowler proved the deeper team as its reserves outscored Bellevue 15-4 in the final period. Nine different players scored for the Eagles whose record is now 1-2.

Glenn Feldpausch led a balanced Fowler attack with 16 points. Jim Farley scored 11 points, Greg Armbrustmacher had 10, Marty Hamilton added 8 and Darryl Thelen chipped in with 6. Mike Wirth, a 6-foot-2 reserve forward and tallest player on the team, came off the bench to lead the team with six rebounds.

Earlier in the week Fowler dropped a 73-39 game to Lansing Catholic Central.

## Bath registers first victory

Thanks to some last minute heroics by forward Tim Palmatier last week, Bath won its first game of the year over cross-county rival Fulton. A Palmatier jumper with only seconds remaining on the clock gave Bath an exciting 56-54 homecourt victory.

Bath held a 46-38 lead after three quarters and then had to hold on as Fulton came roaring back to almost nip the Bees at the buzzer.

"We almost gave it away," said Bath coach Steve VanHammon. "We still didn't get the boards like we should have but we'll take a win whenever we can."

Jon Seeger led Bath with 14 points and Todd Tucker contributed 12. Fulton's Wayne Bond scored 11 and Pete Trefil chipped in with 10.

Friday night Bath was not so lucky as they dropped a 68-41 decision to a strong Stockbridge team.

"Stockbridge plays a real tough man-to-man Indiana-type defense," said VanHammon. "We just couldn't penetrate."

Bath fell behind 21-5 in the first quarter and never was able to narrow the gap. VanHammon blamed a lack of rebounding and poor shooting at the foul line as major contributors to the Bees' defeat.

"We've just got to find a way to generate some offense, especially from the guards," he commented.

Tim Palmatier led Bath with eight points, while Jon Seeger and George Escojido added seven apiece. Barry Wild led Stockbridge with 14 points.

Bath's record is now 1-2.

## P-W wins easily over Olivet

Pewamo-Westphalia's inside game and tough defense proved too much for a smaller Olivet team Friday night and the Pirates went on to post a decisive 70-43 Michigan

Athletic Conference victory over Olivet.

"We started out in a man-to-man defense," said P-W coach Steve Spitzley. "But when we went ahead 24-16 in the first quarter we switched to a zone and slowed it down."

The strategy apparently worked as P-W held Olivet to 27 points the rest of the way, while scoring 46 points themselves.

"We only allowed them one shot each time," said Spitzley who was especially pleased with the Pirate's work on the defensive boards. "Rick Arens played an outstanding game. He grabbed 12 rebounds, eight of them on defense."

The taller P-W team dominated Olivet around the basket and produced most of its points on short jumpers or layups.

"Most of our offense was from the inside," said Spitzley. "We only needed two buckets from outside the three-second area."

P-W outscored Olivet by 13 points from the foul line and outshot them 53 percent to 31 percent from the floor.

Arens was the Pirate leading scorer with 17 points, while Jeff Nurenberg added 15 and Ted Droste 14. Droste also did an excellent job running the offense, dishing out 5 assists.

Earlier in the week P-W dropped a 63-58 decision to a stronger and talented Carson City team.

## Fulton drops game to Laingsburg

Two defeats last week, one close and one not so close, left Fulton coach Ron Merritt discouraged but hopeful that his team's first victory is not too far away.

"We have the ability to be good," he said. "We don't have the talent to be a super team but we can be good."

So far we really don't have our act together.

The "close" defeat was a 56-54 loss at Bath when a jump shot by the Bees' Tim Palmatier spoiled an impressive Fulton fourth-quarter comeback. Trailing by eight at the end of third period, Fulton outscored Bath 16 to 10 the rest of the way to almost pull out a win.

Wayne Bond led Fulton with 11 points and Pete Trefil scored 10.

Against Fulton it wasn't so close. Laingsburg jumped out to a 34-18 halftime lead and coasted the rest of the way to their 19 point final margin.

While Merritt conceded that Laingsburg was a talented team, he was not pleased with his own squad's performance.

"We haven't shot well at all," he said. "We have yet to break 40 percent. Laingsburg outshot us 59 percent to 32 percent. When other teams shoot well against you it probably means you're not playing good defense."

Wayne Bond again led all scorers with 19 points but got little help from his teammates as no other Fulton player reached double figures.

## Hudecek leads Marauders to win

Behind the outstanding play of its only returning letter winner from last season, Ovid-Elsie broke open a close game in the fourth quarter to defeat Alma 63-55 Friday night.

Veteran forward Scott Hudecek scored 23 points to pace the Marauders to victory in their Mid-Michigan B Conference opener and even their season record at 1-1.

Ahead by just a 46-45 score at the end of the third quarter, O-E used its superior height to take control of the boards at both ends of the floor and outscore Alma 17-10 in the final period. 6-foot-8 center Carl Teelander finished the game with 20 rebounds.

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## ★ Object to tower

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— That the tower should not adversely impact adjoining property.

— That the proposal meets the site developmental standards for public service installation.

The matter now moves to the board of commissioners where approval for the special use permit must be obtained before Chase can begin construction on the land located in Section 14 of Olive Township.

Archer Airfield owner Richard Archer was unhappy with the planning commission's decision and vowed to "show up in force" at the board of commissioner's meeting.

"We'll have aviation-type people there . . . members of aviation organizations, owner of local airports," he said. "I feel for the sake of aviation safety I've got to set a precedent and convince zoning people they have a responsibility to protect airports."

Archer contends that having a tower so close to his airfield endangers the safety of even the best of pilots and Archer's airport doesn't cater to the accomplished pilot.

"We basically serve the the student pilot," he explained. "I train pilots here and Lansing Community College uses the air strip for their student training. Sometimes inexperienced pilots make mistakes that a more experienced one wouldn't make. I really feel that tower will be a hazard to my airport."

Victor Township Supervisor Robert Remus is also concerned about the proposed tower's impact on airport safety and, like Archer, plans to be at Tuesday's board of commissioner's meeting.

"I'll be there. I want to say my piece," he said. "I guess at the planning commission meeting I was real upset by the bias attitude the commissioners had. I could see how some of them would vote before they even heard what people had to say. All in all, I felt the planning commission was rushing it through."

Remus agreed with Archer that the tower poses a safety hazard to the nearby airport and suggested that it be built somewhere on the west side of US-27 where other large tower structures already exist.

All indications are that if the board of commissioners concurs with the planning commission's recommendations and approves the special use permit, opponents will appeal the decision to circuit court (in November the board of commissioners stripped the county appeal board of its authority to review special use permit decisions).

"We the undersigned," stated the petition signed by the 46 residents who live near the site of the proposed tower, "are prepared to pursue this grievance to all Boards and Commissions and beyond if necessary."

## MSU offers drawing classes for youngsters

Young people aged 7-18 can enroll in Michigan State University's Saturday Art Program, which will offer work in drawing, painting, ceramics, sculpture, photography and two and three dimensional art for winter term.

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The art program is

designed to enrich art education offered in elementary and secondary schools. Participants work with members of their own age group.

Application deadline is Dec. 30. Late registration will take place on the first day of classes, if space is available. The fee is \$10, which covers the cost of materials.

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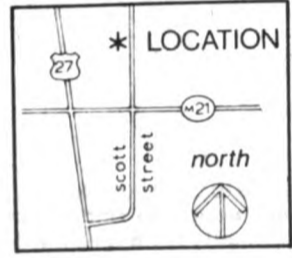
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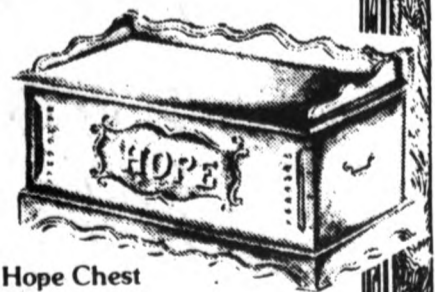
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# Sheriff deputies investigate car theft, burglaries

A car theft at the Stagecoach bar was investigated by the Clinton County Sheriff Department last week.

Gerald Moore of Victor Township told deputies that he and his brother had stopped at the bar Dec. 12 and when they returned to the parking lot, they discovered that their car, a 1977, dark blue, four-door Maverick was gone. The car was valued at \$2,000, deputies report.

A log splitter, valued at \$1,200, was stolen from the Terry Platte residence in Westphalia Dec. 9, deputies report. The log splitter was in the front yard where it was for sale. It is described as black with silver and has WELCO SPLITTER stenciled on both sides in silver paint and is on wheels, deputies said.

Deputy Michael Carey, while on patrol Dec. 1, discovered a breaking a

entering at Lund Distributing. There was no forced entry, but the inter-office door had been pryed open, he said. Nothing was missing from the business.

Deputies have also investigated two other burglaries.

Bill Nichols of 5126 W. Grand River, Lansing, told deputies someone knocked a hole in a door on that building's north side around midnight, Nov. 30,

and took approximately \$300 in cash, two checks, one for \$15 and the other for \$1,000, two junk batteries, a tractor tire and several other articles.

Parr's Pharmacy, located at 130 Maple St., Maple Rapids, was also the scene of a burglary.

An employee of the business discovered the break-in Monday morning, Nov. 30. The safe was also broken into. Missing items included \$150 in cash,

various drugs, assorted jewelry, cigarettes, candy bars, eight screwdrivers and a hammer, deputies said.

Two snowmobiles were stolen from the lot behind Becks Farm Market located on N. US-27 between 6 p.m. Dec. 2 and 9 a.m. Dec. 3, deputies said. The snowmobiles were estimated to each have a retail value of \$2,200. One was an orange Moto Ski Mirage Special, the other was a Ski-Doo Citation SS. Mathews Elevator in

Fowler suffered between \$800 to \$1,000 in damages when someone drove through the overhead doors sometime between 6 p.m. Nov. 29 and 7 p.m. Nov. 30, deputies said.

Dale Young of St. Johns reported that someone smashed the headlights, fog lights and mirrors on his 1976 Chevy Van sometime between Nov. 28 and Dec. 5, deputies said. Stolen from the van were Young's speakers and equalizer from inside the vehicle, deputies said.

## Thelen attends creative learning workshop

Francis Thelen of Fowler returned from Mitchell, South Dakota where he attended the North Central Regional 4-H Leader Forum. Thelen was one of 10 leaders from Michigan participating in the conference designed to help volunteer leaders gain additional skills in working with youth. More than 260 volunteer leaders from 12 north central states and Canada attended this forum.

With the theme "Creative Learning" the forum featured workshops on such topics as agriculture, home economics, health, leisure,

natural resources, energy and economics and jobs and careers. General sessions focused on addresses such as "Creativity", "Creative Ways to Teach", "Creative Ways to Interest and Involve Leaders, Parents, Youth and Staff" and "Creative Ways for Management, Funding and Public Support."

Thelen participated in the workshop on natural resources plus all general sessions where he learned many new and interesting ways of teaching young people how to have a good time while they are learning about ways of enjoying and preserving nature. He

also visited the worlds only Corn Palace in Mitchell plus the Oscar Howe Art Center where Iowa 4-H youth had a traveling arts and crafts exhibit.

At the conclusion of the forum, participants prepared back-home action plans to put this new knowledge and experiences to work in the state and local 4-H activities. Their plan is to be actively involved in the Leadermete' 82 being held

at Kellogg Center, Michigan State University on Feb. 27 and 28, 1982. Michigan delegates also plan to use this information in their own counties and local clubs.

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## Extension offers beef cow-calf class

Clinton County beef producers have over 2,100 beef cows another 4,200 head of beef cattle on feed. These producers have both large and small herds and many hold jobs outside of the farm, making it difficult for them to attend formal meetings.

The Cooperative Extension Service of Michigan State University is conducting a Beef Cow-Calf Correspondence Course for interested producers, Roberta Weber, Extension agriculture agent, announced.

This course will cover eight basic topics including nutrition, breeding and herd health.

The series of eight lessons will be mailed on a one-per-week basis. After the completion of the course, a county-wide follow-up meeting may be held to discuss individual questions.

The series of eight lessons is available at a total cost of \$8. To enroll, call the Extension office at 224-3288.

## Be cautious when using outdoor holiday lighting

To light the outdoors safely for the holidays, use only cords, plugs, sockets and light bulbs designed for outdoor use. George McQueen, county Extension director, advised.

Lights labelled for indoor use are not weather-proof, said Dick Pfister, Extension safety engineer at MSU. They are not designed to tolerate the extremes in temperature and exposure to moisture that outdoor lights may encounter. Before using them, check strings of outdoor lights for cracked insulation, exposed wires or loose sockets. Discard defective strings before they can cause problems.

Place lights in shrubs and trees with sockets pointing downward. This reduces the chance that water will get between the light bulb and the socket, Pfister explained.

To place strings of lights around windows or doorways, use insulated staples to hold them in position. Tap staples lightly to avoid compressing insulation.

The best source of power for outdoor lights is a

weather-proofed outdoor convenience outlet. If an indoor outlet must be used, avoid closing windows or doors on electrical cords. Drill a hole through a board, run the cord through the hole and close a window snugly on the board. Weatherstrip all sides of the board to minimize heat loss around it.

To use extension cords, waterproof all connections by wrapping with electrician's tape or cover them with plastic wrap or rubber film and secure the wrap with tape. For an extra margin of safety, keep all electrical connections off the wet ground.

Indoors or out, avoid overloading household electrical circuits. At the least overloading will result in a succession of blown fuses or tripped circuit breakers. At the worst, it could lead to a fire.

Use a wooden ladder rather than a metal one when working with electricity. A metal ladder increases the potential for electrical shock to occur, Pfister explained.

## Obituaries

### Ruth Maier

Ruth Maier, 72, of 7380 Stoll Road, Lansing, died Dec. 12, 1981 in a Lansing hospital.

Mrs. Maier was a member of the Emanuel First Lutheran Church of Lansing, a former member of the Clinton County Farm Bureau and was also a member of the Star Aid Society and was a lifelong resident of Watertown Township.

Surviving are her husband, Lawrence; three daughters, Mrs. Norman (Marilyn) Smith, Mrs. Forrest (Lorraine) Kelsey of Lansing and Mrs. Richard (Arlene) Brinkey of Grand Rapids; five grandchildren, Steven, Lori and Cherie Brinkey and Daniel and Lynn Kelsey; one sister, Mrs.

Velma Gregersen of Okemos; one brother, Leon Garlock of Grand Ledge; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon, Dec. 14, at the Emanuel First Lutheran Church. Interment was made in the Oakwood Cemetery in Grand Ledge. Contributions may be made to the Emanuel First Lutheran Church memorial fund. The Peters and Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge, was in charge of arrangements.

### Agnes Schlarf

Agnes Schlarf, 84, of 130 Amor Lane, St. Johns, died Saturday, Dec. 12, 1981 at Clinton Memorial Hospital following a long illness.

Funeral services for Mrs. Schlarf, who ran a

home for the aged in St. Johns, were held Monday afternoon, Dec. 14, at the First Church of God in St. Johns with the Rev. Danny Bowditch officiating. Burial was made in Eureka Cemetery. Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Mrs. Schlarf was born to William and Rosabell (Walsley) McHenry Sept. 16, 1897 in West Union, Ohio. She resided for most

of her life in the St. Johns area.

Mrs. Schlarf was a member of the First Church of God in St. Johns and was an active member of the senior citizens group.

Surviving are her son, Howard Jr. of Elsie; daughter, Mrs. Betty Garlock of Laingsburg; sister, Mrs. Ione Gould of Huntington, Ind.; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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### ST. JOHNS CITY COMMISSION MINUTES NOVEMBER 9, 1981

The reg. mtg. was called to order by Mayor Arehart at 7:30 p.m.

COMM. PRESENT: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman.

COMM. ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: R.L. Humphrey, City Mgr.; R.L. Coletta, City Clerk; P.A. Maples, City Atty.; D.M. Edwards, City Assessor

Comm. Thomas G. Wiseman took the Oath of Office for the Office of City Comm. as administered by the City Clerk.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supp. by Comm. Roesner that the nominations for Mayor be closed and that John Arehart be appointed Mayor by a unanimous ballot.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Starck supp. by Comm. Hannah that the nominations be closed and that Comm. Roesner be appointed Vice Mayor by unanimous ballot.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Starck supp. by Comm. Hannah that the Mins. of the Oct. 26, 1981 Reg. Mtg. of the St. Johns City Comm. be app. as presented.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supp. by Comm. Starck that Warrant Nos. 1913 thru 2038 be app. as presented in the amt. of \$798,817.22.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Arehart asked for any additions or deletions to the Agenda. There were two additions.

Motion by Comm. Starck supp. by Comm. Hannah that the Agenda be app. as amended.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supp. by Comm. Starck that the City Comm. grant the request of the St. Johns Jayettes to use the Mun. Bldg. for lunch with Santa on Dec. 5, 1981 and Dec. 3, 1981 and further that all fees be waived.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supp. by Comm. Starck that the City Comm. App. the request of the St. Johns Area Chamber of Commerce to use the City's street lights for elec. for the Christmas decorations in the central business dist., and further that Chief of Police, Lyle French, be directed to work with the Chamber of Commerce on turning the lights on and off.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supp. by Comm. Starck that the City Comm. grant the request of the Chamber of Commerce for free parking in the central business dist. beginning the day after Thanksgiving until Christmas and further that Jody Smith take the concern of the City Comm. about this request back to the members for consideration prior to any further request.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Water Consultant, Walter Meinert, was present and reported on the water well progress.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supp. by Comm. Starck that the City Comm. adopt the amendment to Ord. No. 288 and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the amendment.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supp. by Comm. Starck that the City Comm. accept the City Atty's. opinion on conditional zoning and that it be tabled until further consideration by the City Comm. at a Special Mtg.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supp. by Comm. Roesner that the City Comm. authorize final pmt. to Don Theis Excavating for the S. Oakland St. Curb Replacement Project in the amt. of \$6,093.30.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

There was a discussion regarding Miss Dig.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supp. by Comm. Hannah that the City Comm. reappoint Dr. C.W. Lambert to a three year term on the Board of Review; Cecil Smith, Cathy Canum and Thomas Coleman to three year terms on the Board of Appeals; Claire Haske and James Moore to three year terms on the Planning Comm.; Romaine Berkhausen, Terry Cornwell and Kurt Becker to two year terms on the Parks and Rec. Board; Maurice Witteveen, Dale Aurand and Barry Dean to two year terms on the Parking Lot Comm. and Mrs. Fraser MacKinnon to another five year term on the Library Board.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supp. by Comm. Hannah that the City Comm. reappoint John Arehart to the Planning Comm. and the Indus. Development Corp.; Don Roesner to the Planning Comm. and the Cable TV Comm.; Richard Starck to the Park Board and the Indus. Development Corp.; John Hannah to the Library Board and appoint Tom Wiseman to the Parking Lot Comm.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supp. by Comm. Roesner that the City Comm. authorize the City staff to take bids and purchase a detective's car.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supp. by Comm. Starck that the City Comm. authorize the City Mgr. to take bids and purchase an intermediate size staff car.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Starck supp. by Comm. Roesner that the City Comm. accept the recommendation of the Parks and Rec. Board and raise the basketball team fees to \$75.00 per team.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah, Wiseman. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Arehart adjourned the mtg. at 8:45 p.m.

### ST. JOHNS CITY COMMISSION MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING NOVEMBER 16, 1981

Mayor Arehart called the Special Mtg. to order at 4:30 p.m.

COMM. PRESENT: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah

COMM. ABSENT: Wiseman

STAFF PRESENT: R.L. Humphrey, City Mgr.; D.M. Edwards, City Assessor; P.A. Maples, City Atty.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supp. by Comm. Starck to ask the Park & Rec. Board to consider some alternatives for an additional ice rink and to do so in a manner to enable us to get this on line as soon as possible.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Arehart supp. by Comm. Roesner to table the property assessments until the last mtg. in Nov. or the first mtg. in Dec.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Starck supp. by Comm. Roesner to direct the City Mgr. and WWTP Supt. to work on specs for bidding a sludge truck under the EPA grant.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supp. by Comm. Starck to authorize the City Mgr. to negotiate with the contractors on possible removal of the hill or a compromise be worked out to have the contractors develop a road through the industrial park.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah. NAY: None. Motion carried.

There was a discussion regarding replacement personnel on the event of Sgt. Ott's retirement.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supp. by Comm. Starck to adjourn.

YEA: Arehart, Roesner, Starck, Hannah. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Arehart adjourned the mtg. at 5:50 p.m.

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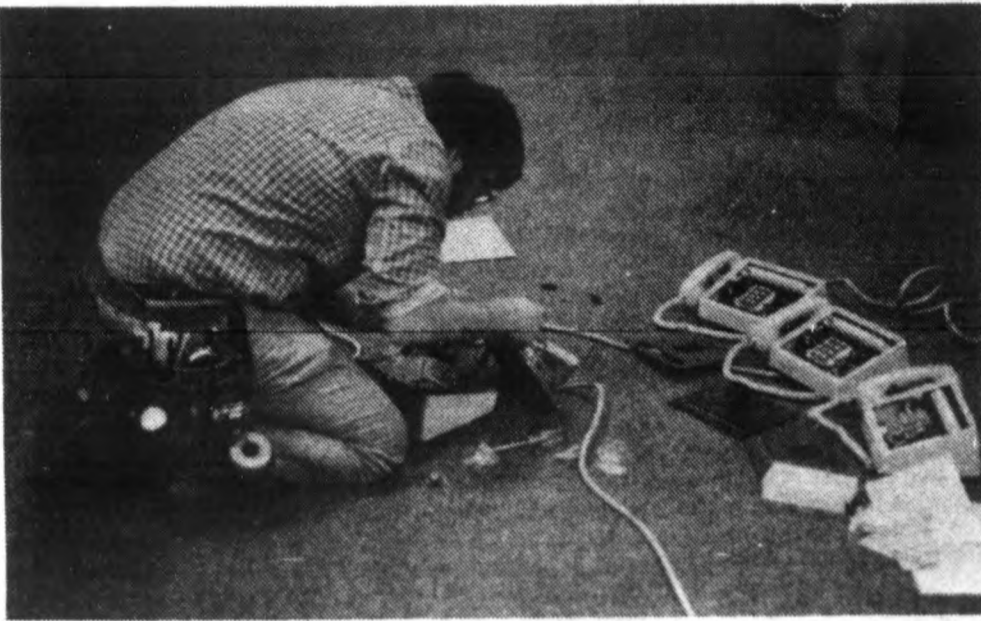
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## New phones for County News

The new Clinton County News and DeWitt-Bath Review office is decked out in a new telephone system installed last week by Doug Bailey of Dataphonics of Grand Rapids.

The new phone system will eventually provide a direct communications network between the seven newspaper offices of Lansing Suburban Newspaper Network, Inc., which includes the local papers.

Dataphonics representative, Chuck Beesko said the new system, purchased by the newspaper, will save in monthly telephone charges. Dataphonics is a GTE distributor and uses utility company equipment in setting up the system. They are a subsidiary of Burnup and Sims, the largest teleservice company in the nation. Dataphonics will soon have offices in Lansing and Detroit. (Photo by David Thomas)

## Historical museum features traditions

The Michigan Historical Museum's annual holiday exhibit is now open. This year, "Christmas Toys and Cornish Carols" looks at a fondly-remembered Christmas tradition from Central Mine, Michigan, located in the Upper Peninsula's Keweenaw County. The exhibit includes scenes, dolls, games, skates, musical instruments and other toys, plus quotes from one man's recollection of the Central Mine Methodist Church's celebrations in the 1880s and '90s.

The exhibit will continue through the holiday season. The museum is located at 208 N. Capitol Ave., Lansing. Hours are Tuesday-Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and weekends from noon-4:30 p.m. Special holiday hours are: open Mondays Dec. 21 and 28 with special children's programs available, closed Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. Admission is free.

There are many holiday activities and programs offered by the museum for

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area school children.

Dec. 22 and 23, children are invited to attend an hour-long program from 10-11 a.m. in which they will make and take home corn-husk dolls, God's eyes and dreidels. These activities are appropriate for children in grades two through seven. There is no fee.

A film series relating to Winter and the holiday season will be offered the last two weeks in December. The series is free and of interest to both children and adults.

Dec. 19 and 22, In Search of Bowhead Whales; Dec. 21, Edge of the Barrens; Dec. 23, Sandcastles and In Search of Bowhead Whales; Dec. 27, Paddle to the Sea; Dec. 28, High Arctic; Dec. 29, Death of a Legend (Wolves) and Big Horn (Sheep); and Dec. 30, Jackrabbit (11-year-old cross country skier, Herman Johansen). Films will be shown twice — 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m.

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### MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Ora B. Cook, a single man of Clinton County, Michigan, Mortgagor, to Emil Coolidge Mortgage, Inc., a Michigan Corporation Mortgagee, dated the 27th day of January, A.D. 1981 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Clinton and State of Michigan, on the 13th day of February, A.D. 1981, in Liber 314 of Clinton County Records, on page 206, which said mortgage was thereafter on, to-wit the 29th day of January, A.D. 1981 assigned to REMVEST MUTUAL INVESTMENT TRUST and recorded on February 13, 1981 in the office of Register of Deeds for said County of Clinton in Liber 314 of County Records, on page 211, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of FIFTY FIVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTEEN AND 14/100 DOLLARS (\$55,518.14)

And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 29th day of January, A.D. 1982, at 11:00 o'clock a.m. said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the north door of the courthouse in St. Johns, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with the interest thereon at fifteen and one half per cent (15.50%) per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Lebanon, in the County of Clinton and State of Michigan and described as follows, to-wit:

All that part of the Westerly 181 feet of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 19, lying South of Maple River; also all that part of the West 181 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 30 lying North of French Road, all in Lebanon Township, Clinton County Records.

The redemption period shall be six month(s) from the date of such sale.

Dated December 1, 1981

REMVEST MUTUAL INVESTMENT TRUST

Assignee of Mortgagee

Casper P. Connolly Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee 6346 Orchard Lake Rd., Suite 200 W. Bloomfield, MI 48033

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## Missionaries visiting St. Johns

Elder Rolland Shill and Elder Doug Prisbrey, missionaries for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, will be in the St. Johns area for four to six months.

Shill, 20, is from Mesa, Ariz., and has served in Charlotte, Clare, Muskegon, and Williamston. The oldest of six children, Shill has been a missionary for 15 months and plans to compete in track events in college and finish his education when his two years of service are through. He enjoys many sports including both water and snow skiing, motorcycles, horses, running and basketball.

Prisbrey, 20, is a native of Santa Clara, Utah. He has been on mission for eight months, serving in Albion before coming to St. Johns. He has two sisters and one brother and plans to become a diesel mechanic when his mission is finished. He is interested in water and snow skiing and most sports, but particularly enjoys music.

Missionaries serve two years and receive no pay from the church. "We save

before we come," said Shill, "or our folks help us out."

## Music classes offered at MSU

The Michigan State University Department of Music will sponsor its annual eight-week winter term session of music classes for children beginning Jan. 11 and 13.

The classes are open to children aged four to eight. Participants may select either a Monday or Wednesday schedule, both set for 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the MSU Music Building.

Beginning classes include activities such as

singing, listening, rhythmic movement and working with rhythm instruments and the piano. Advanced work in these activities is also offered.

Registration materials may be obtained by writing to: Music for Children, Room 219 Music Building, MSU, East Lansing, Mich., 48824. Registration will be accepted through the first week in January.

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Clinton County Board of Commissioners will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, December 22, 1981 at 1:00 P.M. in the Board of Commissioners Room, Clinton County Courthouse, St. Johns, Michigan.

The subject of the public hearing will be the consideration of the following cases:

#### ZC-26-81 Bath Charter Township - Special Use Permit

At this hearing the following described property which generally lies on the east side of Chandler Road, south of Clark and north of the Clinton-Ingham line will be considered as the site for the issuance of a special use permit for a gravel extraction operation. The property in question is owned by William Miller, 15601 Chandler Road, East Lansing, Mi.

Ba 442-010-030-100-00 NE 1/4 Sec. 30, T5N-R1W, exc. the MCRR r/o/w & the N 1/2 of SE 1/4 of Sec. 30, T5N-R1W, according to the plat thereof, Clinton County, Mi.

#### ZC-28-81 Watertown Charter Township - Special Use Permit

At this hearing, the following described property which generally lies in Sec. 33 of Watertown Charter Township E. of I-96 & N. of Sheridan Road (Eaton Hwy.) will be considered as the site for the issuance of a special use permit for the extraction of sand &/or gravel to be utilized for the construction of I-69 expressway. The owner of the subject property is Wm. S. & Jane Hull, 7320 Eaton Hwy, Grand Ledge, Mi. The applicant is Holloway Sand and Gravel Co., Inc. 29250 Wixom Road, Wixom, Mi.

Property desc. as the ld. lying E. of I-96 E'ly r/o/w in the W 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 33, T5N-R3W Watertown Twp, Clinton County, Mi. Cont. 34 ac. m/l subj. to C&ORR r/o/w.

#### ZC-28-81 Watertown Charter Township - Special Use Permit

At this hearing the following described property which generally lies in Sec. 113 of Watertown Charter Township W. of Airport Rd., N. of Clark and S. of the LookingGlass River will be considered as the site for the issuance of a special use permit for a sand and gravel extraction operation which is to be utilized in the construction of the I-69 expressway. The owners of the subject parcel is Wm. & Stella Miller, 13660 Airport Rd., Lansing, Mi.

Tax Card Parcel 150-013-400-005-00 - N 1/2 of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 of Sec. 13, also com. at NE cor of S 1/2 of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 of Sec. 13, th. W. 80 rds, th. S. 6', th. E to a pt. 4 rds S. of pl. of beg., th. N. 4 rds to pl. of beg. exc. com. 1263.21' S of NE cor. Sec. 13, th. S. alg. E. sec. in. 389.7', th. due W. 33' to iron pipe, th. N. 80°45'W 248.4', th. N. 20°27'W 268' to bank of LGR, th. alg. normal bank E'ly to POB. All in T5N-R3W, also excludes com. in SE cor. thereof, th. N. 400', W. // to S. sec. in. 710', S. // to E. Sec. in. 367.8' to property owned by Consumers Power Co, th. E'ly alg. N. in. 710.7' to beg. Property is in Sec. 13, Watertown Twp, Clinton County, Mi.

#### ZC-31-81 Watertown Charter Township - Special Use Permit

At this hearing the following described property which generally lies on the north side of Clark Road between Lowell & Airport will be considered as the site for the issuance of a special use permit for a gravel extraction operation. The owner of the subject parcel is Mrs. Florence M. Lonier, 5855 Clark Road, Lansing, Mi.

Tax Card Par. 150-014-300-025-00 - E 3/5 of S. part of SW 1/4, Sec. 14, T5N-R3W exc. 160' E&W by 218' N&S out of SE cor. thereof, also exc. 220' N&S by 158' E&W out of SW cor. thereof, cont. 58.10 Ac m/l.

#### ZC-32-81 Watertown Charter Township - Special Use Permit

At this hearing the following described parcel of property which is generally located in Sec. 14, Watertown Charter Township on the S. side of Herbison Rd, E. of Lowell Rd will be considered as the site for a special use permit for a gravel extraction operation. The property owner of the subject parcel is Edward O. Feizke, 5320 W. Herbison Rd, DeWitt, Mi.

Tax Card Parcel 150-014-100-035-00 - W 1/8 of NE 1/4 of E 1/2 of E 1/2 of NW 1/4, Sec. 14, T5N-R3W, Watertown Twp, Clinton County, Mi. 70 ac m/l.

The applications for special use permit and OR-1-78, the Clinton County Zoning Ordinance are available for public inspection in the Department of Development Control located at 1003 S. Oakland St., St. Johns, Mi. between 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon & 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. Interested persons are requested to attend the hearing and voice their opinions in respect thereto or written comments may be forwarded to the Department. Please call 224-6761 Ext. 221 for further information.

JANE SWANCHARA, COUNTY CLERK  
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# Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a ...

## Children write their Christmas dreams

(Editor's note: These letters to Santa were intercepted by the Clinton County News on their way to the North Pole. The letters are printed verbatim and are now on their way to Santa's workshop.)

Dear Santa;  
How are you? How are the elves? How are the reindeer?  
This Christmas I would like dress boots.  
Love,  
Stacy Wierman  
4445 County Farm Road  
St. Johns

Dear Santa;  
How are you doing? Are you fine? I want this for my mom: a necklace with a gold heart with love in it. And I want a three wheeler. Well, I'll see you later.  
Good-bye.  
Love,  
Eric Heinlen  
Rt 4 West Centerline Rd.  
St. Johns

Dear Santa;  
I hope I get at least one thing that I want, like the bear at Fisher's Big Wheel. You know Mom. She wants some earrings, so I am going to get a pair of earrings. I might give Dad some money and a card. I do not know what Lisa wants.  
Thank you for the candy canes and the color book. I wish you Merry Christmas.  
Barbara Schultz  
6138 Centerline Rd.  
St Johns

Dear Santa,  
Three years ago you got me a lemon flavored lipstick. Well, anyway my sister ate it. I really need some notebook paper since my dog chewed it up. I really like my taperecorder you brought me. The top broke off but it still works fine.  
Have a nice Christmas.  
Love,  
Sarah Ingalls  
6283 Howe Rd.,  
DeWitt, MI.

Dear Santa;  
I have been a real good boy this year. I hope you will send me a red and white football. Make sure it's a nerf. and a red light green leigh. Send my sister Anny a Strawberry Shortcake Doll and Pajamas. My baby brother would like Candyland and a pony.  
I love you,  
Tom Boynton  
P.S. You can put the pony in the garage.

Dear Santa;  
How are you doing? I am fine. I know that a lot of kids are going to be writing to you so I won't say much.  
I would like a Strawberry Shortcake Doll for Christmas and a another doll.  
Debra Cox  
1910 W. Taft Rd.  
St. Johns

Hi Santa,  
How are you doing? Say hit of the Reindeer. For Christmas may I please have a Teddy bear, a Dallas horse and an Easy Bake oven. I would like a horse blanket too, for Tinkerbell, my pony.  
Thank you,  
Jennifer Gaut  
9324 Grove Rd.,  
DeWitt, MI.

Dear Santa;  
I don't know what you like better: cookies, doughnuts, or rolls. So, I'll leave out all three of them plus milk. I'll also leave my Christmas list out for you. The only two things that I want, most of all are: a motorcycle and an At-At Snow Walker.  
From,  
Troy Price,  
4130 S. DeWitt Rd.,  
St. Johns

Dear Santa;  
How are you doing? I hope you have a nice Christmas. How are the deers and the elves doing? I want a new ring for Christmas.  
From,  
Becky Bayne  
7346 W. Cutler Rd.  
DeWitt, MI.

Dear Santa;  
I like Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years because they are holidays that your families can see each other. I want the Dukes of Hazzard, Barn Buster and a Dukes of Hazzard Hot Wheels case. I also want a big rubicks cube, a puppy in my bed, and I want a Snow Walker.  
Love,  
Gregary Merrill Fisher  
9149 Wacousta Rd.,  
DeWitt, MI.

Dear Santa;  
How are your deer? Are they ready for the trip? How are you? I hope you are fine. How are the elves? How many lists did you get? Santa I want a Strawberry Shortcake Doll and more.  
Love,  
Lori Potter  
5307 W. Price Rd.,  
St. Johns

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made on the 12th day of October, 1979, between PAUL LAMACCHIA and DIANE LAMACCHIA, husband and wife, Mortgagors, and CAPITOL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION, Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Clinton, State of Michigan, on October 18, 1979, in Liber 307, Page 645, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this Notice for principal, interest and taxes, the sum of FORTY-TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-THREE AND 60/100 (\$42,293.60) DOLLARS and an attorney fee of SEVENTY-FIVE (\$75.00) DOLLARS allowed by law, as provided in said Mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover the monies secured by said Mortgage or any part thereof.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, on the 22nd day of January, 1982, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, the undersigned will, at the North entrance of the Clinton County Courthouse, in the City of St. Johns, County of Clinton, State of Michigan, that being one of the places where the Circuit Court for the County of Clinton is held, sell at public auction to the highest bidder the premises described in the said Mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount as aforesaid due on said Mortgage, with Eleven and One-half (11 1/2%) percent interest, and all legal costs, together with said attorney fee, which said premises are described as follows in said Mortgage:

Land situated in the Twp. of DeWitt, Clinton Co., Mich., desc. as that part of the NW 1/4 of Sec. 21, T5N, R2W, comm. at the W 1/4 corner of said Sec. 21, thn running along the E-W 1/4 line, S89°42'30"E, 1297.49 ft. to the SE corner of the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of said Sec., thn N along the E line of the W 1/2 of the NW 1/4, N 366.5 ft. to the pt. of beg., thn parallel with said E-W 1/4 line, N89°42'30"W, 563 ft., thn N 155 ft., thn S89°42'30"E, 563 ft. to said E line of the W 1/2 of the NW 1/4, thn S 155 ft. to the pt. of beg. Subject to easements, restrictions and rights of way of record.

The length of the redemption period as provided by law is Six (6) months from the time of sale.

Dated: December 17, 1981  
CAPITOL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION  
CUMMINS & CUMMINS  
400 Capitol Savings & Loan Bldg.  
Lansing, Michigan 48933  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
224-453  
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Dear Santa;  
I would like some new toys and a Barbie Doll. I like you Santa.  
Love,  
Cheryle Johnson  
7252 Francis Rd.  
St. Johns

### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CLINTON ORDER OF PUBLICATION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF Michelle Marie McKenzie to have her name changed to Michelle Marie Brown, File No. 20501.

At a session of said Court held on December 9, 1981.

PRESENT: HONORABLE MARVIN E. ROBERTSON, Judge of Probate.

Janet Brown and Michelle Marie McKenzie having filed their application in said Court praying that the name of Michelle Marie McKenzie be changed to Michelle Marie Brown.

IT IS ORDERED, that the 13th day of January, 1982, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon at said Probate Court be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this Order for one week previous to said day of hearing in the Clinton County News a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

MARVIN E. ROBERTSON  
Judge of Probate  
224-452

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### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Norman E. Carrigan and Hazel M. Carrigan, husband and wife, to J. S. Gleason, Jr., as Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, an Officer of the United States of America, Veterans Administration, Washington, D.C., dated December 29, 1961, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Clinton and State of Michigan, on January 3, 1962, in Liber 233 of Mortgages, on page 356, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of FIVE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR & 22/100 (\$5,924.22) Dollars, and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative.

Now Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the main entrance to the County Court House in the City of St. Johns, and County of Clinton, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Thursday, January 21, 1982, at 10:00 o'clock local time in the forenoon of said day, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage together with 5-1/4% per cent interest, legal costs, Attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit: Property situated in the Village (now City) of DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan described as follows: Lot 28 of Viewcrest River Addition to Village (now City) of DeWitt, being part of the S 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Section 8, T5N, R2W.

The period of redemption will be one year from date of sale.

Dated: December 9, 1981

ROBERT P. NIMMO, Successor in Office to J.S. Gleason, Jr., as Administrator of Veterans Affairs, Mortgagee.

FRASER TREBILCOCK DAVIS & FOSTER, P.C.  
James R. Davis, Esq.  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
10th Floor, Michigan National Tower  
Lansing, MI 48933  
224-445

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Dear Santa;  
We are having Christmas at mhouse. I have been wanting a race track. See you at Christmas.  
Love,  
Jason Gilliam  
7870 N. DeWitt Rd.  
DeWitt, MI.

Dear Santa;  
How are you feeling? I feel great. How is Mrs. Claus? I hope you have a Merry Christmas. I Love you very much.  
Love,  
Shawn Rumzek  
7700 W. Chadwick Rd.  
DeWitt, MI.

### OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE

\$125,000.00  
CLINTON COUNTY  
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATE OF MICHIGAN  
TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES  
(General Obligation Limited Tax)

SEALED BIDS for the purchase of tax anticipation notes of Clinton County Intermediate School District, Michigan of the par value of \$125,000.00 will be received by the undersigned at the School District Office, 4179 S. U.S. 27, St. Johns, Michigan until 4 o'clock P.M., E.S. Time, on the 28th day of December at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read.

NOTE DETAILS; INTEREST RATE; PAYING AGENT; AND DENOMINATIONS: The notes will be dated December 1, 1981 and will mature April 1, 1982 and will bear interest at a rate or rates not exceeding 12% per annum. Both principal and interest will be payable at a bank or trust company located in the State of Michigan to be designated by the original purchaser of the notes which paying agent qualifies as such under the Statutes of the State of Michigan or of the Federal government, subject to the approval of the Inter. School District with paying agent fees, if any, to be paid by the purchaser of the notes. Denominations and form of notes to be at the option of the purchaser. Accrued interest to date of delivery of such notes must be paid by the purchaser at the time of delivery.

PRIOR REDEMPTION: The notes shall not be subject to redemption prior to maturity.

AWARD OF NOTES: For the purpose of awarding the notes the interest cost of each bid will be computed on a 360 day year basis by determining, at the rate or rates bid, the total dollar value of all interest on the notes from December 28, 1981 to their maturity and deducting therefrom any premium. Bids may include calculation of interest cost based upon the above computation but the calculation shall be subject to verification by the municipality based upon the rate or rates bid. The notes will be awarded to the bidder whose bid on the above computation produces the lowest dollar interest cost to the municipality. No proposal for the purchase of less than all of the notes or a price less than their par value will be considered.

SECURITY: The loan is in anticipation of the operating portion of the Special Education Tax for the fiscal year July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982 which tax is due and payable December 1, 1981. The Intermediate School District has pledged to establish a special fund to be used solely to pay the principal and interest on the notes when due, and has pledged to set aside in said fund an amount sufficient to repay the principal and interest on the notes when due. A portion of each dollar of taxes remaining to be collected for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1981 shall be set aside in an amount not less than 125% of the percentage that the principal amount of the notes bears to the amount of taxes to be levied and to be collected for operating expenses, anticipated delinquency in collections being taken into account, until the amount so set aside is sufficient for payment of the notes.

In addition, the notes will be a General Obligation of the Intermediate School District and if tax collections are insufficient to pay the notes when due, the Intermediate School Dist. has pledged to use any and all other resources available for payment of said notes. The Intermediate School district does not have the power to levy taxes for the payment of the notes in excess of its constitutional and statutory tax rate limit.

ADDITIONAL BORROWING: The Intermediate School District reserves the right to issue additional notes of equal standing with the notes of this issue to meet current operating and payroll expenses.

GOOD FAITH: A certified or cashier's check in the amount of 2% of the par value of the notes, drawn upon an incorporated bank or trust company and payable to the order of the Treasurer must accompany each bid as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder to be forfeited as liquidated damages if such bid be accepted and the bidder fails to take up and pay for the notes. Checks of unsuccessful bidders will be promptly returned.

LEGAL OPINION; DELIVERY OF NOTES: Bids shall be conditioned upon the unqualified opinion of the purchaser's attorney approving the legality of the notes to be secured at the purchaser's expense. The purchaser shall furnish notes ready for execution at his expense. Notes will be delivered at a place to be agreed upon with the purchaser.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS. ENVELOPES containing the bids should be plainly marked "Proposal for Notes."

LARRY A. SCHWARTZKOPF

APPROVED: DEC. 8, 1981  
STATE OF MICHIGAN  
MUNICIPAL FINANCE COMMISSION  
224-450

## NOTICE CITY OF ST JOHNS ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

December 30, 1981

Notice is hereby given that the St. Johns Zoning Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, December 30, 1981 at 7:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers at 121 E. Walker Street. (Enter through the Spring St. entrance).

PURPOSE: An appeal from Terry Adams to allow construction of a 4 unit apartment on a lot with 14,080 square feet. The zoning ordinance requires 4,000 square foot of lot area for each family unit.

TAX ROLL NO. : 19-300-460-000-033-00  
ADDRESS: 507 Vauconsant St.

DIANE M. EDWARDS  
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

224-448

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