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## State claims low by four to six percent

# County accepts equalization figures

By Sue Kiley  
Staff Writer

Sixteen assessors and supervisors throughout Clinton County were at the special County Board of Commissioners meeting held Friday to make their stands known on the finalization of the equalization of the county.

The board unanimously voted to accept the real property figure of \$286,838,812 county equalized value. This figure is up 35 million dollars from last year. They also voted unanimously to accept the county equalized figure of \$22,962,847. This makes a total of \$309,801,660 for the real and personal values throughout the county.

Last year the real and personal value of the county was \$279,000,000 making this year's value up 15 percent.

The big question is whether the state will place a factor on the county, after the county has gone through the expense of hiring an appraisal firm. United Appraisal's value of the county was \$283,000,000.

The state says, according to the board, that real estate should be as high as 302.4 million dollars. Making the county between four to six percent off from what the state feels it should be.

"Before anything happens a meeting should be set up with the Tax Commission," Virginia Zeeb, commissioner said.

A big error was made in Bath Township assessments by the state tax commission because they didn't have Department of Natural Resources land figured included.

"I just can't see where the Tax Commission is coming up with these figures," Walter (Bud) Nobis, commissioner said. "If we are going to get a factor the state is going to have to do their own dirty work. They

aren't going to make the county do it."

Bath Township Supervisor Thomas Woodruff commented the state's figures are based on deeds, of which about 90 percent of the deeds include personal property.

"The county did an 100 percent appraisal and the state only did a two to four percent appraisal," Roger Overway chairman of the board said.

Commissioner Richard Hawks commented a meeting should be held between United Appraisal, the State Tax Commission, the attorney's for the county, and the Board of Commissioners.

Leon Thelen, county equalization director pointed out the Tax Commission now only consists of one person. "They all have left, and haven't been replaced," he said.

Overway questioned Thelen, "At what point in time will they give us a factor if they are going to go ahead and do it?" Thelen replied, they would know by the second Monday in May. Final decisions have to be made by the last day in May.

"I think we should let our attorneys handle this thing out," Overway said. "Because the last time we got together we got no place at all, they were right and that was all there was to it."

Commissioner Robert Wood suggested inviting the State Tax Commission about the matter.

Overway's reply was, "That just might work."

Nobis concluded the board's statements by saying, "The state is changing the rules all the time."

The assessors and supervisors were given the opportunity to express their views on the matter.

"Evidently someone didn't do their job last year, if there has been an increase of 15 to 20 percent," Ed Cox, of Greenbush Township said. "Until I know the rules of the game I can't play it. I just can't see that kind

of growth in one year."

"It just seems kind of ridiculous that we have a total appraisal and then they come in and do what they did," Thelen said.

Earl Barks, of Olive Township

commented, "A person always fixes up his house before he sells it." He continued, "The five percent is nothing."

"If the state puts a factor on us, I agree with Duane (Chamberlain)

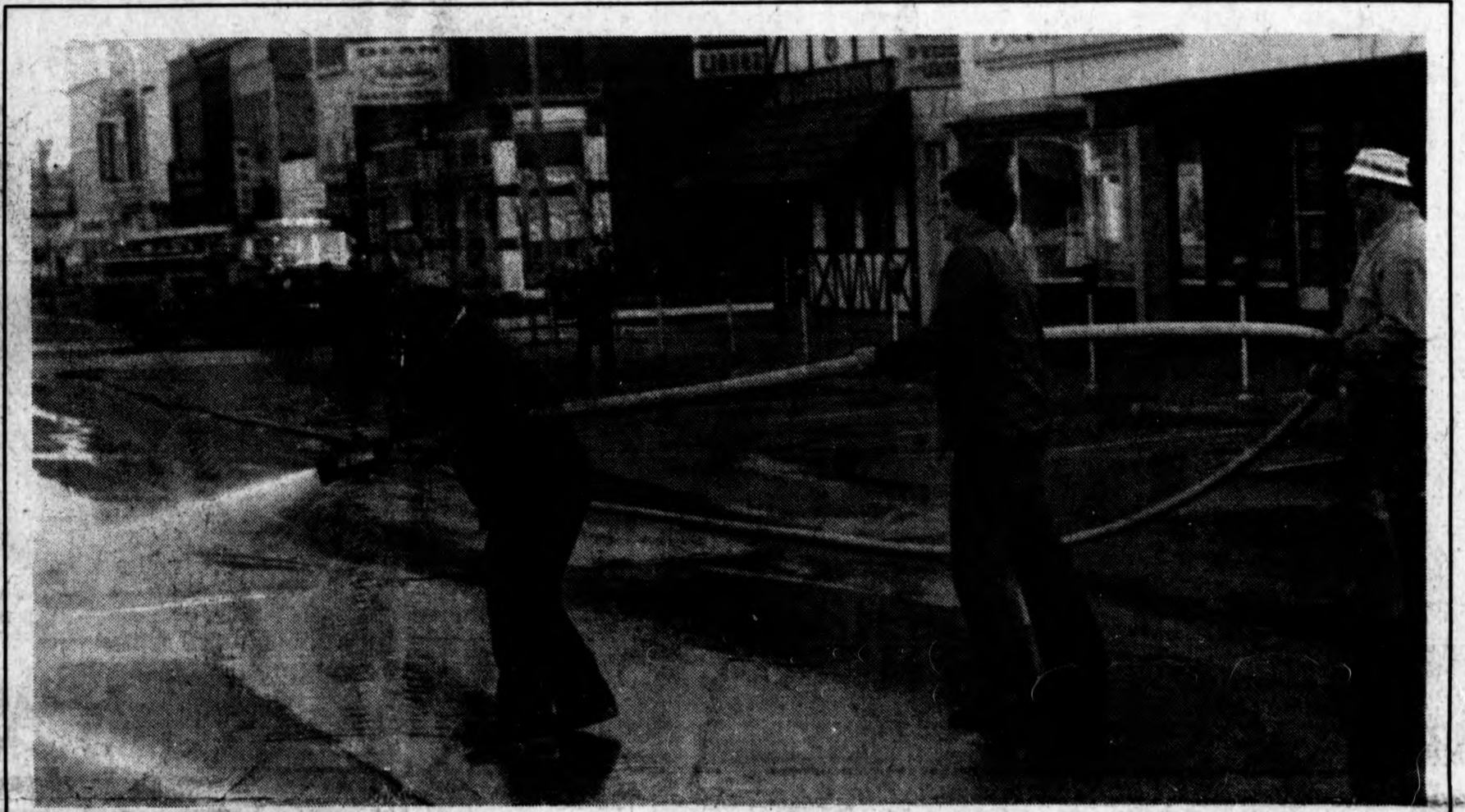
don't levy it," Woodruff said.

Thelen added: "The only way we can attack it is to find enough errors."

Cox said that the appraisal company checked 800 homes in Green-

bush and the State Tax Commission checked 44.

"I can only see one way to go," he said. "We can nit pick all we want but it's not going to do any good for five percent."



## St. Johns merchants attack dirty streets

Edward "Spud" Heathman, Dave Barber and Kurt Becker join other businessmen and the St. Johns Fire Department washing down Clinton Avenue Sunday morning. The early morning spring cleaning project was conducted by the St. Johns Area Chamber of Commerce and followed a Thursday clean-up behind stores and in downtown alleys.

## George N. Abbott

## Rites held for community leader in Maple Rapids

MAPLE RAPIDS—Funeral services were held April 23 at Congregational Christian Church for Maple Rapids civic and government leader George N. Abbott, 81, who died April 20 at his home.

Mr. Abbott served on the Maple Rapids Village Council from 1963 to 1968 and, then became village president, serving in that position ever since.

He was a member of the Congregational Christian Church and past commander of the Fowler Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Anative of New York, he was born Nov. 9, 1895, the son of George and

Carrie Abbott. He has lived in Michigan since 1916.

On Nov. 25, 1920, he was married in St. Johns to the former Doris Taylor.

He was a farmer and employee of Fisher Body.

Surviving are his wife, Doris; three daughters, Mrs. Margaret Wakeman of Jackson, Mrs. Ruth Kekel of Maple Ridge and Mrs. Jean Gavenda of Maple Rapids; son, George Abbott Jr. of Maple Rapids; nine grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Burial was at Sowie Cemetery. Rev. Averill Carson officiated.

## Fedewa zoning request denied

By Jim Edwards  
Editor

ST. JOHNS—Fedewa Builders' request for re-zoning to allow another senior citizen complex in St. Johns was turned down by the St. Johns City Commission Monday night.

The action by the Commission followed a recommendation by the St. Johns Planning Commission that the request be denied because of inadequate storm sewer facilities in the area.

Fedewa currently have 50 senior citizen housing units in the north end of St. Johns between Clinton Ave. and Lansing St.

They had requested re-zoning to allow construction of an additional 50 units.

After studying the re-zoning request for four months and the Fedewa proposals for handling the storm water, the Planning Commission sent their recommendation to the City Commission saying an adequate solution to the problem had not been proposed.

Action of the zoning matter was initially tabled two weeks by the City Commission at the request of Fedewa Builders.

Fedewa was asked for the motion to table to allow their representatives and city representatives to discuss possible solutions.

The two parties met again at the regularly scheduled meeting Monday night, but the discussion was much the same as two weeks previous.

Fedewa claimed that by cleaning the 50-year-old Estes Drain and installing automatic controls on their existing holding pond, the problem would be solved.

The existing senior citizen complex has a holding pond that holds the storm water until the storm has subsided and then allows it to flow into the Estes Drain.

Currently, the valve controlling the retention and release of the storm water is manually controlled. Fedewa said they would install an automatic device when the proposed additional units were constructed.

Chuck Carr, of the engineering consultant firm of Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber, said his firm had studied the problems for the city and their finding was held in a

holding pond and the drain was cleaned.

"There's just no way," he said, "you can continue to develop (in the area) without providing an ultimate final solution."

During the meeting two weeks ago and again Monday night, the city indicated that Harry Harden, drain commissioner, had changed his opinion in letters regarding the matter, saying at first the Fedewa proposal to clean the drain would not solve the problem, but saying later it would be permissible.

After more discussion of whether or not cleaning of the Estes Drain would solve the problem, Mayor Roy Ebert asked for action by the Com-

mission on the proposal.

Commr. John Hannah, saying additional information had come up during the two meetings, moved the matter be sent back to the Planning Commission.

Commr. Gerald Wilcox disagreed, saying "I feel we've had ample time and we can no longer put off Fedewa Inc."

He commended the work by the Planning Commission on the matter and said, "It's time for us to act."

Commr. Donald Roesner asked if the Planning Commission could be asked for specific recommendations on solving the storm water problem.

Lyle Huntoon, Planning Commission member, explained that group had studied the problem already for

four months and, before a storm water solution was reached, the Fedewa was asked for a final decision.

"They wanted a yes or no," Huntoon said. "With the sewer in the present condition, we reluctantly had to turn them down."

The motion to send the matter back to the Planning Commission failed 3-2 with Hannah and Roesner voting in favor and Ebert, Wilcox and John Aehart voting against.

The ultimate motion to follow the Planning Commission's recommendation to deny rezoning passed unanimously.

Fedewa can re-submit their request after six months or if there is a substantial change in area.

## Zeeb resigns to accept state health services post

Mrs. Robert (Virginia) Zeeb, Clinton County Commissioner for the four and a half years officially announced her resignation to the County Board members Friday. Mrs. Zeeb has accepted the position of Director of the licensing and regulations division of Health Services in Lansing. She assumed her duties in this capacity on Monday.

Mrs. Zeeb, the only woman on the county board, was also vice-chairman of the board, vice-chairman of

the finance and personnel committee; vice-chairman of the human services committee; and chairman of the criminal justice committee. She represents precincts one and three of DeWitt Township.

Her resignation from the board becomes effective June 1.

"It came as a real surprise," Mrs. Zeeb said about her recent appointment. She is the first director since the re-organization of the depart-



Virginia Zeeb

ment. "The position was always there, according to Mrs. Zeeb, it had just never been filled before."

In her new job Mrs. Zeeb will act as the overseer of the people testing nurses, doctors, physical therapists, etc.

"The county has come a long way," Mrs. Zeeb said reflecting on her tenure on the county board. "The most progressive step, I feel the county took was when they hired an administrative assistant."

She also said budgeting procedures have improved, and better systems for doing things had been developed. She noted also great strides had been taken as far as the health department was concerned.

During her tenure of office Mrs. Zeeb has been on every committee. She commented, during this time, she has learned a lot about financing, and how priorities are established.

"There just aren't enough hours in the day to do everything," Mrs. Zeeb said.

One of her regrets with leaving the County Board was that someday she would have liked to become chairman of the board.

Mr and Mrs Zeeb have four children, Patrick, Chris, Michael, and Karen.

## Chamber announces Farmers Market

Art Wood, president of the St. Johns Area Chamber of Commerce, announced this week that the Chamber would again sponsor a Farmers Market in St. Johns during the summer months.

Last year's market, which was held in the parking lot of Clinton National Bank, was well received by area residents and first year participants encouraged Chamber officers to again support the project.

According to Wood, the location of this year's market has yet to be determined, but the first sale date has been scheduled for Saturday June 4.

Hours for the sale will be from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and sales space will be available for non-commercial sales by individuals of home grown or manufactured items.

While a number of vendors from last year's market have already signed up for participation this year, Chamber officials are requesting advance registration or, at least, notification from persons considering use of space at the market.

Reservations can be made by calling the Chamber office, 224-7248, or by mailing the form which accompanies this article.

Working with Wood on the committee are John Kennedy, Roberta Magell and Dave Barber. Full information on scheduling and location of the market will be announced.

Mail Form To:  
St. Johns Area Chamber of Commerce  
112 E. Walker St.  
St. Johns MI 48879

I would like to participate in the 1977 Farmers Market

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# Bike-A-Thon for Cystic Fibrosis May 15

The Cystic Fibrosis foundation will be sponsoring a "Cyclin' for CF"

Bike-a-thon on May 15, from 1-6 p.m. The announcement was made by

Dennis Scott, volunteer chairman for the 1977 CF Bike-a-thon.

The course will begin with registration at Smith Hall and will run for 50 miles. The event is open to all persons who obtain prior sponsorship for at least 10 cents a mile. A person may get as many sponsors as can.

which affects the lung and digestive system of children. One in 20 persons (over 400,000 Michiganders) are carriers of the recessive CF gene. Research sponsored by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation has increased the life expectancy of CF children by more than 16 years in the past 15 years of activity.

All proceeds will go to benefit children stricken with Cystic Fibrosis and related lung-damaging diseases. Official CF "I Did It!" T-shirts will be awarded to all who bring in \$25 or more.

Those wishing to participate in this project should contact Dennis or Janet Scott at 224-2601 for further details and registration forms.

Cystic Fibrosis is a terminal, genetic disease

## C.B. radio, tools stolen

Michael Ballens reported while he was parked at 1537 E. Jason Rd., on April 2 a C.B. radio and several tools were taken from his auto.

Duane Deyoe, 2411 W. Maple Rapids Rd., reported a breaking and entering had occurred sometime between March 27 and March 31.

Max Schnieder reported on April 2 that while his car was parked a East Olive School a C.B. radio, antenna, and tape player were taken from his car.

Unlawful entry and malicious destruction occurred at the Ralph Disbrow residence at 13198 S. Wacousta Rd. Someone had torn down ceiling tile.

On April 1 Paul Rusted, 9172 S. Chandler, reported a larceny of over \$100.

James Price, 4130 S. DeWitt Rd., reported his brief case had been taken from his auto April 2.

### NOTICE

WATER DEPARTMENT  
FIRE HYDRANT FLUSHING PROGRAM FOR  
APRIL - MAY 1977

The City of St. Johns Water Department personnel will be flushing the fire hydrants to clean out the water mains of rust and sediment that develops. Flushing of fire hydrants is done in the spring and fall.

The schedule for flushing will be:

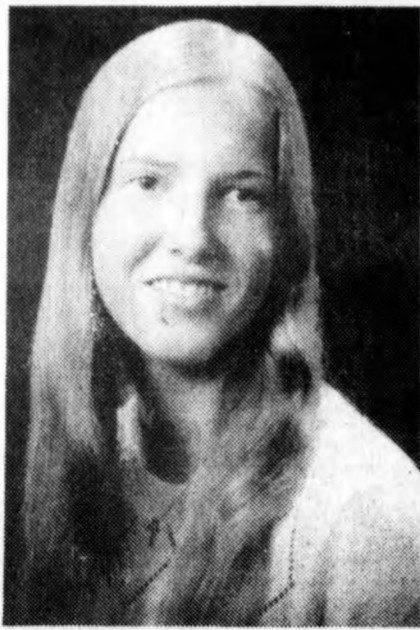
April 24 thru April 28

May 1 thru May 5

May 8 thru May 12

Flushing will be done between the hours of 9:30 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

St. Johns Water Department  
Carl Fonger, Water Supt.



## DeWitt names top students

Sonja Sue Black, daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Black, has been named as valedictorian, and Connie L. Shaw, daughter of Mr and Mrs Richar Shaw, has been named salutatorian. Sonja has maintained a grade point average of 4.00 on a 4.00 scale throughout high school and has been a member of the National Honor Society, Homecoming and Prom Courts, involved in sports, school musical and received a D.A.R. award. She plans on continuing her education by pursuing a mathematics degree and branching into the business field. Connie has maintained a grade point average of 3.99. She has been involved in the National Honor Society, sports and has received the Presidential Physical Fitness Award for the past five years. She plans to study Business at Lansing Community College. The other top academic students are as follows: Bonnie Shaw, Mary Snetting, Kay Carroll, Kari Rice, Janet Selhorn, Chuck Sites, Pam Mohr, Kim Miller, Dottie Powell and Robin Hobbs.

## Juveniles apprehended for area larcenies

Several juveniles have been petitioned into probate court as a result of the solving of several cases by the Clinton County Investigative Squad, during the past few weeks. Three juveniles were petitioned into probate court for a larceny which occurred at 602 W. Gibbs St., on March 31. One of these youths was also charged with the larceny of a bike at 107 N. Morton, on March 23 and the larceny of an auto at 530 Voucansant St., on Sept. 18, 1976.

All three of the youths were also petitioned for a larceny over \$100 at 609 N. Morton.

In separate incidents one youth was petitioned into probate court for the larceny of a building which occurred on March 24.

Three juveniles and two adults were apprehended by the Squad for the larceny of two autos at the Redwing Bowling Alley on March 30. The names of the two adults are being withheld pending the issuance of warrants.

Two juveniles have been apprehended for the larceny of three autos on April 2. Officers are seeking warrants for an adult involved with the incidents.

Jimmie D. Teachout, 609 N. Morton, was arrested

for the larceny of an auto on April 14.

Two juveniles were petitioned into probate court for a breaking and entering which occurred at the Sharon Dershem residence, on Lowe Rd., on March 31.

Richard Byren, Lansing, was charged with the breaking and entering of an auto at Searles Trailer Park on Parks Rd., on Feb. 20 in which a CB radio was taken.

The Clinton County Investigative Squad solved these two cases.



Mayor Roy Ebert signs a proclamation declaring May 1 through May 8 as National Music Week. Mrs. Richard Jacoby, local Music Week Chairman, (left) and Mrs. Paul Martis, president of the St. Johns chapter of the Morning Musicales watch him sign the document.

## National Music Week

May 1 through May 8 is National Music Week.

community who likes and enjoys music. Anyone interested should contact Mrs. Martis.

The St. Johns Morning Musicales will help celebrate the event keeping in mind the theme of this years project: "Reaching Mankind Through Music."

Morning Musicales was started 39 years ago as a study group for women in the community with the idea to learn and to also perform before a group of peers to the best of their ability.

This year there are 36 members in the group, three of those being charter members.

The St. Johns Musicales is considered unique in many circles, because they do most of their own programs instead of reaching outside the club for experts and professionals. Mrs. Paul Martis, outgoing president of the club commented that a couple times a year they do go outside the group and have people come in to talk, however.

Morning Musicales is involved in many different music related activities which continue throughout the year. They study the various kinds of music; offer scholarships in music and voice in the amount of \$100 for students to attend music camp or to continue private study; they have an exchange program with Lansing and Owosso Musicales groups; and have sang in nursing homes, hospitals, and even Ionia State Prison.

The Musicales place third in state competition for its Achievement Book compiled by Mrs. Winchell Brown.

Mrs. Kenneth Jones, participated in a panel with a group from Detroit comparing the differences and similarities of a small group versus a larger group. The Musicales recently came back from a convention in Grand Rapids.

For the past two years the group has been studying music in America. Last year they studied the first 100 years, and this year they are studying the second hundred years.

The St. Johns Musicales is open to any women in the

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# Top 10 seniors announced at Ovid Elsie High School

The Honor Ten of the Ovid-Elsie High School graduating class of 1977 has been announced by Blaine C. Lentz, Principal. These students represent the top ten graduating seniors based on their grades during the first three and one-half years of high school.

Loretta Brichan, 17, is the daughter of John and Barbara Brichan, 7551 West Henderson Road, Elsie. She will study computer science at Michigan State University.

Susan Geisenhaver, 17, is the daughter of Lee and Judith Geisenhaver, 7539 West Krouse Road, Ovid. Susan will attend the University of Michigan.

Margaret Horak, 17, will attend Mercy Central School of Nursing to pursue a nursing degree. Her parents are Gerald and Margaret Horak, 9684 E. Maple Rapids Road, Elsie.

Sharon Heinze has been named valedictorian of the class. She has earned a 3.92 grade point average out of a possible 4.00.

Anne Glowney and Leann Martin have each earned a 3.89 grade point average and have been named co-salutatorians.

Completing the Honor Ten in alphabetical order are: Lisa Baese, Brenda Bowen, Loretta Brichan, Teresa Clark, Susan Geisenhaver, Margaret Horak and Glenn Morgan.

Sharon Heinze, 17, is the daughter of Eugene and Irene Heinze, 11587 Taft Road, Bannister. She plans to attend Ferris State College where she will major in accounting.

Anne Glowney, 17, is the daughter of Floyd and Marjorie Glowney, 10322 Woodbridge Road, Bannister. She plans to attend Central Michigan University.

Leann Martin, 17, is the daughter of Larry and Margo Martin, 673 West Front Street, Ovid. She will begin attending Michigan State University this summer and plans to become an elementary teacher.

Lisa Baese, 18, will continue her education at Lansing Community College. She is the daughter of Lewis and Dorothy Baese, 158 West Oak Street, Elsie.

Brenda Bowen, 18, is the daughter of Lois Bowen, 1509 South Warren Road, Ovid and J.C. Bowen of Owosso. She will major in education at Central Michigan University.

## Dance will benefit Special Olympics

ST. JOHNS—A May 6 dance is being sponsored by the St. Johns Education Association to benefit Special Olympics.

The dance will be at Smith Hall and donations are \$10 per couple or \$5 single.

Live music will be provided by Algie Watkins' band, Pulliam Sisters, Walt Cole and Chris Howe's band.

Tickets are available at the door or from any St. Johns public school teacher.



## Ovid-Elsie Honor Ten

Ovid-Elsie's top 10 graduating seniors this year are [front, from left] Teresa Clark, Lisa Baese, Susan Geisenhaver, Glenn Morgan, [2nd row, from left] Ann Glowney, Loretta Brichan, Margaret Horak, LeAnn Martin, [rear, from left] Brenda Bowen and Sharon Heinze.

## Accidents result in injuries

Clinton County Sheriff's department reported four accidents during the past week, with injuries reported in three.

Kenneth R. Albone, Sault Saint Marie, lost control of the vehicle he was driving on Francis Road, and went into a ditch on the east side of the road. A passenger in the auto, Paul West, Lansing, was injured

and taken to Clinton Memorial Hospital for treatment of injuries. The incident occurred on April 19 at 5:30 p.m.

Car driven by Joseph F. Hoffman, Saginaw, was westbound on M-21 on April 19 at 8:39 p.m. when he struck a pedestrian, Guadalupe Cuevas, Saginaw, as he was walking down the centerline of the

road. Cuevas was injured and taken to Owosso Memorial Hospital.

Cars driven by Bryan K. Lintemuth, 3811 N. Krepps, St. Johns, and Elmer E. Swagart, 5397 N. Williams, St. Johns collided at the intersection of Chandler and Sevey Rds. on April 24 at 6:25 p.m. Swagart and his wife Ma-

rie were taken to Clinton Memorial Hospital for treatment of injuries sustained in the accident.

Cars driven by Robert L. Ancel, DeWitt, and Bruce N. Jury, Laingsburg, collided at the intersection of Price Rd. and a private driveway on April 15 at 2:07 p.m. There were no injuries in the accident.

## Law Day program offers free legal advice

Free legal counsel will be available to Clinton County residents on April 29, 1977.

As a public service in conjunction with Law Day

U.S.A., which is May 1, members of the Clinton-Gratiot County Bar Association will give 30 minute consultations to anyone who phones for an ap-

pointment. According to Randy L. Tahvonen, "No legal documents will be drawn up during the 30 minute consultations, nor will time

permit the resolution of specific legal problems. "However," he added, "many persons have questions about what to do about their legal problems that we can address during the sessions."

"No Bills Day" was conceived by the State Bar of Michigan in 1974. Since then it has attracted the participation of most of the state's local bar associations and won the Award of Merit of the American Bar Association.

To make an appointment for a free consultation, call 224-3220, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. before April 27, 1977.

Law Day U.S.A. became a national holiday during the Eisenhower Administration, reminding citizens of their legal rights and obligations under the American system of justice.

## Ovid Lions plan White Cane sale

The Ovid Lions Club will be sponsoring its annual White Cane Sale Friday and Saturday of this week, April 29 and 30, and club members will be stationed at the usual areas including the Post office, bank

and IGA all day Friday and Saturday morning.

The White Cane Drive is one of the Michigan major projects and most Lions Clubs in the state will have their White Cane Drive on this one

weekend, the proceeds of which all go to the state and local Lion projects having to do with sight saving and help for the blind.

Much of the money from White Cane stays in the local area to help purchase eyeglasses, eye exams, white canes, etc., for local residents and especially eyeglasses for children in the Ovid area who are financially unable to afford this important need.

Proceeds also go to the various state Lion projects including Home for the Blind, Leader Dog, Braille Transcribing and Eye Bank.

## Taxpayers Association announces meeting

An organizational public meeting of the Shiawassee Taxpayers Association will be held at 1 p.m., Sunday May 1st at the West Branch School on Delaney Road, 1/4 mile north of M-21. (Delaney Road is 1/2 mile west of the west city limits of Owosso.)

Shiawassee Taxpayers are organizing to protest the rising property tax rate and factors on real estate which they claim have gotten out of control since the retirement of Andrew Shippee, former equalization director of Shiawassee County.

All residents of Shiawassee and Clinton County are being given the opportu-

ity through the organization to discuss the reasons for continual tax increases and make suggestions on how property taxes can be lowered through legal means.

Temporary officers are Robert Carlton, supervisor of Woodhull Township (Chairman), Ray Wirth Jr., clerk of Bennington Township (treasurer) and Robert E. Tisch (secretary).

Officers of the Hillsdale County organization will explain their patriotic rebellion and how they are attempting to legally see to it their property taxes remain unpaid.



Dennis LaBar, of a local sawmill, is shown counting the rings of a 126 year old tree recently logged in the Nashville, Michigan area. According to LaBar they don't get many logs this size anymore. In fact, it has been quite a few years since they had logged a tree that even came close, as seen in comparison to the trees in the background.

**DUE TO HIS INCREASED ALLERGY TREATMENT PRACTICE**

**Dr. Robert W. Clifford, M.D.-P.C.**

will be discontinuing his clinics at Clinton Memorial Hospital in St. Johns. He will continue his Ear, Nose and Throat practice.

All records are available at his office in the Matthews Building, Owosso.

### NOTICE OF BIDS

### CITY OF ST. JOHNS

Sealed bids for a "Comprehensive Insurance Program" for the City of St. Johns will be received until 3:00 p.m., Thursday, June 23, 1977 in the office of the City Clerk, 121 E. Walker Street (Municipal Building), St. Johns, Michigan. The bids must be sealed and bear the name of the bidder on the outside of the envelope and be plainly marked "Comprehensive Insurance Bid". The bids will be publicly opened and read at this time and referred to the City Commission for awarding or rejection at their regular meeting on June 27, 1977 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers, 121 E. Walker Street, St. Johns, Michigan.

The City of St. Johns reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects in the bids or bidding in the best interest of the City of St. Johns and accept the proposal, which in the opinion of the City Commission best serves the interest and needs of the City of St. Johns.

Specifications for the aforementioned insurance program may be picked up at the office of the City Clerk, 121 E. Walker Street, St. Johns, Michigan, Monday thru Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

F. Bruce Wood  
City Clerk

## CLINTON NATIONAL ANNOUNCES

# Full-Time Service For Bath Area!

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**MONDAY,**

**MAY 2, 1977**

**9:30 a.m.**

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★ **NEW OFFICE HOURS:**

MONDAY	9:30 - 4:30	THURSDAY	9:30 - 4:30
TUESDAY	9:30 - 4:30	FRIDAY	9:30 - 6:00
WEDNESDAY	9:30 - 12:00 Noon	SATURDAY	9:30 - 12:00 Noon

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### Personality Profile

# Caring for others for 40 years

By Sue Kiley  
Staff Writer

## Editorial

## Let's keep it clean

Several St. Johns businessmen and firemen were hard at work early Sunday morning making downtown more attractive for us all.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce, along with representatives of the Fire Department, manned fire hoses to wash down Clinton Ave.

The hosing down of the Clinton Ave. business district followed a Thursday work project when local business owners cleaned up in the backs of stores and alleys.

The spring cleaning project by Chamber of Commerce members has made a considerable difference in the downtown appearance.

For awhile, at least, the curbs of Clinton Ave. and backs of stores are not accented by blowing wrappers, food containers, beer and soft drink cans and other refuse.

They did their part—now it's up to the rest of us to keep it that way.

There are trash receptacles in several downtown St. Johns locations.

Some act as though the purpose of the litter baskets is to provide a target for poorly aimed pieces of trash.

Our local businesses cleaned up for us—let's do our part now.

A town with dirty streets looks like—a dirty town.

Caring, volunteering, and doing for others is a big part of Mrs. Fred (Esther) Tiedt's life. But then she's been doing this kind of thing for over 40 years.

Mrs. Tiedt is a retired nurse, who has done all types of care work and phases of nursing. She still works at the Red Cross when she has time.

During the war she taught home nursing courses in Maple Rapids and Fowler. While she was a registered nurse for 20 years she did both private and general duty nursing in St. Johns.

Mrs. Tiedt has also belonged to the hospital auxiliary since 1936 when she began nursing at the hospital. Through the Auxiliary Mrs. Tiedt has worked in the gift shop, and wheels the gift cart throughout the hospital for the patients. She is also the buyer for the gift shop, but modestly adds, "I have help from others also."

Esther has seen the gift shop go from a cubby hole, to a corner in the lobby of the hospital, to its present site, a room of its own just off the lobby. Through her work with the gift shop she says, "I've really learned a lot through the help of the other ladies too."

Mrs. Tiedt recalls what it was like being a nurse in the early days working 12 hour shifts from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. with two hours off. "That is if you weren't too busy," she said with a slight grin.

She remembers one time at the hospital when they were short handed and she had to work a different shift. "We had 20 babies born in November," she said. "That's when I lost 10 pounds."

Mrs. Tiedt received her nurses training at Saginaw General for three years and worked in Saginaw for nearly a year. In 1936 she received an offer from Clinton Memorial Hospital for a nursing position.

"I guess I was just a home town girl," she said. "And besides that I was going with Fred at the time," she added.

Though she liked all aspects of nursing, she particularly enjoyed private nursing the best. "There was so much more personal contact," she said. "You could really see them get better."

She added however, many times private nursing demanded more time, patience and care.

Since retiring as nurse almost 15 years ago, Esther spent just about as much of her time doing volunteer work. Now she puts in between 12 to 20 hours per week working at the hospital.

"I like all kinds of work associated with the auxiliary," she said. "I'm willing to work just about on any kind of project." The money collected by the auxiliary is used for the Hospital's Special Care Unit.

Esther always wanted to be a nurse for as long as she could remember. It was hard sometimes working and raising a family at the same time, though. She worked mainly the night shift, so the children were asleep while she was at the hospital. She added her parents lived with them so they took care of the kids while she was gone.



## Esther Tiedt

Esther stresses it took a lot on her husband's part too, to be understanding about her working. Being a nurse, she took care of her whole family through a lot of illness, skinned knees, and aging parents. She took care of both her parents and Fred's mother too.

When she has time her hobbies include: needlepoint, travelling, and working out in the yard. She also enjoys making things for the church guild bazaar such as knitted and crocheted items.

The couple has two children; Janet, who lives at home and works in Lansing, and Frederick Carl, who lives in Ventura, California; and two grandchildren, seven and two. Volunteer work has been one part of Esther Tiedt's life, caring for people who are sick and need her has been the other half.

Along with her hospital work, Mrs. Tiedt also works on the Red Cross Disaster Program, the Bloodmobile, she is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, past president and treasurer of the ladies aid; a member of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League; and past president of the Lutheran Children Friends Society.

### Back Through the Years

From the Clinton County News Files of 1937, 1947, 1957, & 1967

April 27, 1967

At least two tornadoes slammed across the mid-section of Clinton County last Friday night, causing a number of minor injuries and inflicting property damage that will run into hundreds of thousands of dollars. Possibly five others touched down briefly.

73, prominent St. Johns insurance man and former postmaster here. Mr. Wykoff passed away at 7:30 a.m. Monday following an illness of several months duration.

Burial services for Mrs. Emma F. Campbell, widow of the late Dr. Oliver B. Campbell, for many years a prominent physician and surgeon in Ovid, were held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, in the family mausoleum in Maple Grove Cemetery. Rev. Wm. Blanding officiated at the committal service.

An initial federal grant of \$147,778 for the development of Sleepy Hollow State Park is Ovid and Victor Townships has been approved in Washington, D.C., according to an announcement Monday by Congressman Gary Brown of Michigan.

Oliver Demaray, 50, of Lake Odessa, died in St. Lawrence Hospital in Lansing early Sunday morning as the result of injuries he received in an accident on US-16, near Wacousta Saturday afternoon.

Lorenz A. (Tony) Tiedt is stepping down after 34 years of association with the Wolverine Stockyards Co., of St. Johns.

April 29, 1937  
40 Years Ago

Clements A. (Clem) Sohn, former Clinton County farm boy, who at 26 had become the most celebrated parachute jumper in the history of aviation, fell 1,000 feet to his death at Vincennes, France, Sunday, while thrilling a great crowd with one of his famous "Bat wing" dives. Tangled parachute ropes were blamed for the tragedy.

April 25, 1957  
20 Years Ago

Five more grass fires earned the attention of the St. Johns Fire Department as spring brush clearing projects costs taxpayers in St. Johns and neighboring townships a total of \$180 during the week.

Mrs. Maude Eiserman, 77, of Ovid died suddenly last Friday morning in Bradenton, Fla., where she had been spending the winter. She had been in ill health for some time but her death was unexpected.

Dennis Bauer, 14, of St. Joseph School, St. Johns, has been named to represent St. Johns safety patrolers at the 21st National AAA Safety Patrol in Washington, D.C., May 2-5.

May 1, 1947  
30 Years Ago

Clinton County people were shocked and saddened Monday by news of the death of Walter G. Wykoff.

Mrs. Edna Seim, St. Johns dramatic soprano, left Wednesday afternoon for New York City, where she will sing today before a group of the leading musical critics of the world. Among them Lawrence Tibbett, the Metropolitan's leading baritone. This is an experience and an honor that comes to very few singers and a reward the St. Johns singer won Sunday at Indianapolis in a nation-wide contest sponsored by the National Federation of Music Clubs.



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### Baseball loses faithful fan

By Richard L. Milliman

Sports these days is losing much of its magnetism for me. That's quite an admission for an old sports writer, participant, Little League coach, etc., etc. It's also quite a change.

Baseball has always been my special field. Fan I have been, boy and man, since the days of Elden Auker and Gabby Hartnett and their contemporaries. Why, I even remember when Rudy York came up to the Tigers, and when Beaumont, Tex., was the Tigers' main farm team.

But I'm slipping away from baseball fandom, and I heartily deny it has anything to do with age. It all comes down to money.

How can any baseball player be worth \$400,000 a year, as Pete Rose recently extracted from the Cincinnati Reds? How can any player command the type of multi-million-dollar arrangement Reggie Jackson drew out of the Yankees?

Obviously, they are not worth that much money. How much money is a million dollars anyway, for gosh sakes? Most of us live and die and never have any real recognition of the value of a million dollars.

Where are the supermen of yesteryear? Where have all the selfless heroes gone? The game's the thing, isn't it?

The supermen have been replaced by the millionaires, with options and clauses and deferred payments, and all.

The selfless heroes have been replaced by the agents and the player strikes and the jealousies and the determination to keep up with the Gary Matthews and the Catfish Hunters and the Joe Rudi.

Along the way, the game, and its attractions for me, are down the drain. Not enough is left for the fan of sport. I am not abandoning baseball; it has abandoned me.

Perhaps I am too harsh. Perhaps the players are more attracted by competition than by money. Perhaps there can be both magnetic poles in a true sportsman.

Bill Bradley, one of the more articulate persons ever to grace the professional sports scene, this season is quitting professional basketball. Bradley a couple of years ago spelled out some of his reasons for playing in a book called "Life on the Run." A section goes like this:

"I often ask myself why I continue to play. In 1967, when I first signed, I was convinced that I would play no more than four years, the length of my initial contract. I'm still playing."

"One reason is the money. The average salary in the National Basketball Assn. is close to \$100,000. Many players make more than \$150,000. There is no question that it gives me a sense of security, and a greater feeling of freedom, mobility and accomplishment."

"But the money is not the sole reason I play. The answer lies much deeper in the workings of the game and in me."

"I recall, for about the 50th time this season, how it was in

1970, the first time we won the NBA championship. I stood at mid-court in Madison Square Garden, two fists raised, chills coursing up and down my spine.

"Since I was nine years old, I had played basketball to become the best. Individual honors were nice but insufficient. An Olympic gold medal gave satisfaction, but it was not top-flight basketball. The NBA was clearly the highest caliber in the world, and there I was, a part of the best team."

"All those statements of team solidarity expressed since high school; all the hours of loneliness, dribbling and shooting a basketball in a gym somewhere in the world, all the near misses in the smaller championships—high school and college—of America's sports hierarchy; all the missed opportunities in other fields; all the denied personal enjoyment; all the conflicts suppressed and anger's swallowed."

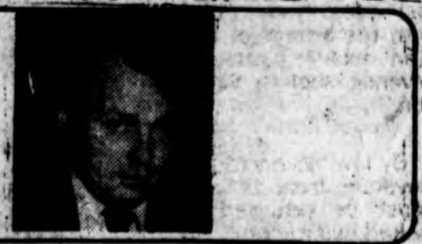
"Everything seemed worth it for the feeling at center court on May 8, 1970."

If I should even suspect that most major league basketball players approached their tasks with the sensitivity and the motivation of Bill Bradley, then I might come back to baseball.

### A PERSONAL LOOK AT THE NEWS

## Between the lines

with Jim Edwards



Oh, Mr Carter, what have you done? If you haven't figured it out by now, those rumblings you've been hearing aren't thunder—it's the groaning of millions of Americans who have already spent the \$50 income tax rebate you promised.

But, alas, campaign promises, like lottery tickets, offer much but result in little.

Can you imagine, though, the grinding of teeth and pulling of hair that followed the announcement that there would be no magic \$50 arriving from Uncle Jimmy in the mail?

You know how these things go.

"Where did the new transistor radio come from?"

"I bought it with our tax rebate."

"Aw, don't worry, after all this talk about it, Carter wouldn't dare change his mind."

"Maybe you're right, but I've got some more news for you."

"Well?"

"You know those new curtains in the kitchen? Guess who already spent the 50 bucks?"

"But, that's silly. Whaddya doing spending money we don't even have yet?"

"Who bought the radio?"

"That's different—we needed it."

"We sure needed it — so if you get more than five feet away from the house, you can tell how bad the Tigers are getting beat."

"Let's not be snide. How bad did we really need the kitchen curtains?"

"As bad as we needed the radio."

"Oh well, there's no real reason to get all upset over this. A few months ago, we weren't expecting the \$50 anyway, right? So, now we get the 50 bucks we weren't expecting and we've already spent \$100, so that makes us even. We should celebrate. Wanna go out for dinner tonight?"

LATER:

"I suppose we shouldn't have really splurged like this, but it isn't everyday you get \$50, no strings attached from the government."

"That's true and I really do like the new curtains. And I'm sure you'll get a lot of use out of the radio."

"Yeah, Carter really came through for us this time."

"By the way, how much was the bill for dinner?"

"Let's see—for the prime rib, drinks and tip it'll be about \$30."

"See, Carter knew what he was doing to stimulate the economy. The government gives us \$50 and, in the last two days, we've spent \$130."

LATER:

"Omigosh. Did you hear what Walter Cronkite said? No \$50."

"Did they say why Carter changed his mind?"

"Yeah, he said the people would probably just stash it away and not spend it."



"RELAX, YOU DON'T HAVE PNEUMONIA, AFTER ALL..."

### 88th District Better outlook



Rep. Stanley Powell

Bad things in the past are best forgotten, but I can't help recall that a year ago now we were struggling to overcome a budget deficit of major proportions.

Things are a little better this year. The economy has improved—more revenues are coming into the state treasury and it appears that we might end up in a more favorable financial shape this year.

A measure to make sure we stay in good shape, called the budget stabilization fund or the "rainy day fund" was proposed earlier this year by Governor Milliken who proposed an April 1 deadline for it to be approved. I am sorry to say that the bills to establish this fund are still in committee.

Briefly this concept requires us to set aside money in good years to be used when the economy is down and state revenues slack off. It appears now that the passage of the budget stabilization fund bill hinges on a decision to be made later as to whether or not to continue a two-tenths of a percent state income tax hike that was implemented about two years ago.

As you may recall, the additional two-tenths percent increase in the income tax was imposed to make up for revenue lost through elimination of the sales tax on food and drugs.

This two-tenths of a percent increase is slated to expire this July 1, unless the Legislature decides to continue it.

If the Legislature does not renew the two-tenths of a percent, budget officials claim there would be no money left with which to establish a budget stabilization fund.

The appropriations committees in both chambers are working steadily on budget bills and are making good progress.

The budget stabilization fund would fit into the development of the new budget if the concept is approved.

Energy is the key issue of 1977. After suffering one of the worst winters in the nation's history, both Michigan and the federal government will be struggling with proposals to create a comprehensive energy policy.

Senior citizens and the poor have been especially hard hit by the escalating costs of energy. Last week in the House, the first of many hearings was held on a bill to establish a fuel stamp program, which would be similar to the food stamp program. Fuel stamp recipients would purchase stamps at a lower cost than their actual value.

The Legislature in the next weeks and months will review a number of options to relieve the needy and those elderly persons on fixed incomes of the rising costs of heating their homes. In addition to the fuel stamp bill, there is a bill which would require utility companies to send a representative to personally notify customers of service termination before the utility service is actually turned off.

A bill which would provide a 50 percent reduction in utility rates for aged persons was introduced last year and has been discussed again for possible re-introduction.

A heating subsidy bill, providing that no more than two percent of annual income need be spent on home heating has been introduced.

A low income energy stamp bill is designed to provide coupons to individuals with incomes under \$5,000 for credit on their electricity, natural gas or oil bills. The Legislature may also discuss allowing deleting sales tax on utility bills for senior citizens. In addition we may see the development of programs for the unemployed or youngsters to winterize the homes of the needy and senior citizens.

This is a mere sampling of the proposals which may come before the House this year. The Republican Caucus supports some of these concepts and is hard at work developing other options which will insure equity and stimulate conservation efforts on the part of those who receive some sort of energy subsidy.

#### PHOSPHATE BAN

A bill to ban the sale of phosphates in laundry detergents, household cleaners, degreasing compounds and some industrial cleaners is currently in committee and could possibly come up in the Michigan State Legislature for a vote this session.

If this bill is passed, it would be a criminal offense to sell phosphorus in cleaning agents beginning July 1, 1977. The exception to the law would be a trace or minimal concentration of phosphorus incidental to manufacturing which does not exceed one-half of one percent.

There has been a great deal of controversy surrounding this bill. Supporters of the bill say the measure would have a cleansing effect on Michigan's Great Lakes and inland waterways.

Opponents of the bill have pointed out that one of two possible substitutes for phosphorus - carbonate - causes residue to be left on clothes and in washing machines in hard water areas which could damage washing machines. The cost of commercial water softening systems can be upwards of \$200, which opponents say discriminates against the poor and non-industrial cleansing agent users.

#### UNSAFE TIRES

Driving a motor vehicle with unsafe tires might get you a fine under terms of a bill that is making its way through the Michigan Legislature.

A bill has passed the Michigan Senate and is now in the House that specifically spells out what is considered an unsafe tire. Currently, law enforcement officers can issue tickets for unsafe tires, but there is no established definition of an unsafe tire.

This measure establishes a minimum tread level and considers tires to be unsafe when a part of the belt material, tire cords or ply are exposed, when a tire has evidence of cord or tread separation, or when two or more adjacent major grooves at three or more locations around the circumference are below minimum level.

### Senator Richard Allen

#### Both sides of PBB

#### 30th District

The following facts seem well established by testimony before the Senate Consumers and Agriculture Committee now considering PBB legislation:

There is no scientific evidence of any adverse health effect caused by PBB in any species of animal levels anywhere near the current low levels of human exposure.

PBB is only moderately toxic and exists at a relatively low level in our food supply compared to any other environmental contaminants.

If all this is true, where does the support come from to lower the PBB action level, dispose of another 20,000 head of cattle and spend \$25 million of taxpayers' money?

A number of sources: First of all, from some sincere people who feel any amount of money is justified so long as we cannot absolutely prove that PBB is perfectly safe at present levels. And, of course, just as there is no evidence that there might be damage, there is no proof that there cannot be. I count both Governor Milliken and Rep. Francis

Spaniola amongst the "sincerely interested in complete safety at any price" advocates.

However, a wide array of support comes from numerous and diverse sources. Certainly in the forefront are a number of farmers and others who have lawsuits totalling many millions of dollars. Many of them and their lawyers feel their position will be greatly enhanced by the state taking the position that very low levels may be of some damage.

The press has also been a considerable influence. A few newspapers and a few TV stations have given particularly sensational coverage distorting the facts.

Political motives. Obviously, the original PBB accident was a multi-million dollar tragedy for taxpayers, farmers, consumers and others. It may have, in early months, caused some human health effects. There are attempts to place the blame to the detriment of the Governor, certain legislative leaders and perhaps, by citizen activist Doug Ross, to the entire governmental process.

Certain agricultural groups feel they would be benefited.

The Michigan Cattlemen's Organization, for instance, represents the beef cattle industry which was never directly affected by the addition of PBB to dairy rations. However, they have suffered greatly from consumer reaction and loss of markets. They are supporting the bill hoping some consumer confidence may result. Also, with heavy national supplies of beef depressing prices, the prospect of slaughter and disposal of thousands of heads of cattle could be viewed by some as helpful.

Certainly, also ignorance and fear play a role. I would estimate that I have spent many hundreds of hours reading, listening to testimony and talking with farmers and scientists directly involved.

The whole area of chemical contamination is a new threat and therefore not easily analyzed or understood.

It is not surprising that much of the public is left confused and fearful.

### Rep. Francis Spaniola

#### Lottery success

#### 87th District

There are 13 state lotteries in the United States, with the Michigan lottery being the most successful. The Michigan lottery is becoming increasingly popular—so popular it set a record in sales last fiscal year and could surpass that record this year.

The Michigan lottery was started in November of 1972. Total revenue in each of the first two full fiscal years of the lottery was around \$142 million. In the last fiscal year (1975-76, with the advent of the "instant winner" games, total revenue shot to \$232 million.

By law, 45 percent of the revenue from ticket sales must be returned to the ticketbuying public in the form of prizes. About 10 percent goes for administrative costs, such as sales agent commissions, advertising and bank fees. The rest goes into the state treasury.

There have been frequent questions from the public about how the state's lottery revenues are used. This is not readily apparent from the wording of the law which established the lottery.

There seems to be a popular feeling that state lottery proceeds should be used expressly for education. Actually, the lottery re-

venues go into the state's General Fund, which can be used for any purpose, as appropriated by the Legislature.

In a move to clarify the situation, the House has passed a bill which would require that all lottery revenues, including unclaimed prize money and interest on lottery accounts, be deposited in the School Aid Fund.

It should be stressed that this will not mean more money for education, since less money will be taken out of the General Fund for that purpose. However, it will make it clear to the public that the revenues from the lottery will be specifically earmarked for education. Also, I would be remiss if I did not point out that this procedure is just a bookkeeping change.

The bill is under consideration in the Senate. It has the support of the Michigan Education Association and the State Department of Management and Budget.

Last fiscal year was not only the best year ever for the Michigan lottery, it was also the best year ever for any state-run lottery. It left Michigan once more in the No. 1 position among the 13 states with lotteries.

The other states are Delaware, Connecticut, Illinois, Maryland, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island.

In terms of 50-cent units, Michigan sold 453.5 million, or a weekly average of 8.7 million. Following were Illinois with total sales for the year of 349.9 million, New Jersey with 312.6 million and Pennsylvania with 267.1 million.

The Michigan lottery has more than met its primary goal, which was to provide a reasonably stable source of new revenue for the state. It will be hard to top last year, but the Bureau of Lottery is constantly seeking new approaches that will encourage ticket sales.

The lottery business is still relatively new. Lotteries were prohibited in the United States from the turn of the century until New Hampshire initiated its "sweepstakes," the forerunner of state-run lotteries, in 1964. Since that time, a dozen more states have joined the lottery flock, and several others are considering lotteries as a means of raising needed revenues.



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Mr. and Mrs Lawrence Murray

## Pline, Murray wed during double ring rites

St. Mary's Church in Westphalia was the site of the marriage of Irene M. Pline, and Lawrence A. Murray on April 16 at 1 p.m. The bride was given in marriage at the double ring ceremony by her father before an altar of Easter lilies. Father James Schmitt officiated.

Parents of the couple are Mr and Mrs Robert A. Pline, 300 S. Heyer, Westphalia; and Mrs Leslie Murray and the late Mr Murray, of 1916 Clifton, Lansing.

A selection of John Denver songs by Duane Feldpausch was sung during the ceremony.

The bride chose a Victorian style gown of nylon organza over taffeta with a sheer yolk bodice accented

with ruffles, appliques and pearls. The dress also features a cathedral train outline in lace and bishop sleeves with large lace trimmed cuffs. Her veil was a three-tiered fingertip veil attached to a Camelot headpiece accented with pearls. The veil was outlined and accented with daisy lace to match the cap.

The bride carried a cascade of orange sweetheart roses, white carnations, and white fuji mums with baby's breath.

Maid of honor was Agatha Graham, sister of the bride, Lansing. Bridesmaids were Ann Heckman, sister of the bride, Pawam, and Vicki Glazer, friend of the bride Lansing. Flower girls were

Sandy Pline and Both Heckman, nieces of the bride from Lyons, and Pawam respectively.

The attendants wore peach colored floor length gowns accented with a short ruffled cape. The flower girls wore crowns similar to the bridesmaids. They carried Colonial bouquets of white carnation, orange daisies, yellow mums and blue statice.

The bride's mother wore a floor length dark turquoise gown with a matching flowered jacket. The groom's mother wore a floor length gown of beige with a scattered blue floral pattern. Both mothers wore corsages of pink sweetheart roses and pink carnations. Best man was Richard

Soderberg, friend of the groom, Grand Ledge. Groomsmen included: Gary Schray, friend of the groom, Grand Ledge; and Rodger James, friend of the groom, Lansing. Ushers were Robert Pline, Jr., brother of the bride, Lyons; and John McDowell, friend of the groom, Lansing.

A reception for 300 people was held at the St. Mary's Parish Hall in Westphalia at 5:30 p.m.

The couple took a wedding trip to the Hawaiian Islands.

The bride is a 1974 graduate of Nazareth College. The groom is a 1967 graduate of Michigan State University.

The couple are making their home in Lansing.



Tony Konecny Cindy Woodman

## They're engaged

## Engaged

Mr and Mrs Robert E. Woodman, and Mr and Mrs Ben Konecny, of Ashley, announce the engagement of their children, Cindy and Tony.

The bride-elect will graduate from Fulton High School in June.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1974 graduate of Fulton High School. He is currently employed at Oldsmobile.

An Oct. 8 wedding is being planned by the couple.

## Walkers hold open house



Mr. and Mrs. Edgar W. Walker

The family of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar W. Walker invite friends and relatives to an open house in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, May 1 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the V.F.W. Hall on US-27 in St. Johns.

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## Ovid News

The Fine Arts Club of Ovid met recently at the home of Mrs Edith Simpson in Owosso. Dessert of Praline ice cream roll, crackers, coffee and tea were served from an attractive table with the Easter motif of bunnies, jelly beans, etc.

After the business meeting a few of the members discussed the drama. Janet Bates presented the "Drama in Music", such as "Fiddler on the Roof", "Valerie", "The Flying Dutchman", a number of other musicals and in great detail "The Merry Widow" which she had attended recently in Ann Arbor. She also had a picture of the castle in Bavaria which had its part in the drama and is the model for the Fantasy Land Castle at Disney World in Florida.

Edith Simpson told of comedy in Drama and used Red Skelton as an example. He always plays the clown and his favorite is "Freddie the Freeloader". He paints clowns, sketches, paints and outlines a story every night. She gave a detailed sketch of "Shenandoah" a play she had recently seen in Lansing. She closed with her trip to the Festival Theatre in Stratford, Ontario where Shakespearean plays are given.

Oneta Barthel presented William Shakespeare in "Historical Drama", a teacher of History. He was the first to write historical plays. People accepted many of the things he said in plays that otherwise would not be tolerated from others. He was busy as a theatrical manager, producer and writer of plays and the theatre was his first concern.

The demand for plays and full length dramas created a need for professional playhouses. In the 1570's the first play-

house, Finsburg Fields, was erected. Later, The Curtain and The Globe, the best known theatres came into being. The best example is the Festival Theatre in Stratford, Ontario.

The meeting adjourned to meet for "Our Night Out" at the Ovid United Church for the Palm Sunday Easter Cantata. Morning Star Chapter No. 279 OES of Ovid met in regular session on Tuesday evening, April 12 with Worthy Patron Ruth and Duane Chamberlain presiding in the East. The usual reports were read and accepted as read.

A birthday card was signed and sent to Carrie Rose. There will be a White Elephant Sale at the next regular meeting in May. A monetary gift was given to the Job's Daughters for their 25th Anniversary. Correspondence was read from the office of the Worth Grand Matron, the membership committee, an invitation to the Shiawassee County Association, and Rhaca Friends night on May 7. Members were reminded of the Vesper service in Maple Rapids on May 1 and County Association in St. Johns on May 4.

Several members are eligible for life memberships. They will be given out soon at a regular meeting.

The dining room and kitchen have been painted. Thanks to those who worked very hard in doing the work. Refreshments were served in the dining room by Jo Lawrence and Dorothy Rose.

The new organ at the Shepardsville church will be dedicated on Sunday afternoon, May 15, at 3 p.m. Two accomplished organists will be presenting an organ recital.



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## St. Johns students display art work

St. Johns High School had 15 art works, representing the work of 12 students, in a recent Region 8 Art Show in the lobby of the Lansing City Hall. The display is in honor of Youth

Arts Month, and ran until April 15. Some of the works of Art will be selected to be in the Michigan Week Show in May at Central Michigan University, which represents

work of young artists from all over the state.

Region 8 is made up of several counties in this immediate vicinity, and currently has a membership of 85 art teachers.

The St. Johns art students having their work on display in Lansing were: John Bond-pencil drawing; Tom Dicken-Acrylic painting and ink drawing; Stephanie Emore-scratchboard drawing; Robert Hine-acrylic Paint in g; Laura Miller-macrame hanging; Rick Mitchell-scratchboard and ink drawings; Deb Motz-macrame hanging; Mark Radina-soft sculpture; Sandra Stephenson-mixed media painting; Michelle Wawsyck-ink drawing; Karen Weatherwax-weaving hanging; and Sue Woodhams-conte crayon drawing and ceramic pot.

### Shepardsville

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afternoon, May 15 at 3 p.m. Two accomplished organists will be presenting an organ recital at that time.

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Julie Little

Shirley Little, St. Johns and Ken Little, Bradenton, Florida, announce the engagement of their daughter Julie Ann to Daniel Stephen Chapko, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Chapko, Ashley.

The bride-elect is a 1976 graduate of St. Johns High School. The prospective bridegroom is a 1975 graduate of Ashley High School and is employed by Oldsmobile.

The couple is planning a June 4 wedding date.

### Ovid man promoted

Thomas H. Purves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Purves, Junior, of Fairfield Township, Allen Rd. rural Carland, has been promot-

ed to an associate tax analyst in the tax department of the Standard Oil Division of San Francisco, California.



Dawn Prowdley

Mr and Mrs David L. Prowdley, 1590 Theresa Ave., DeWitt, announce the engagement of their daughter Dawn Marie to David R. Hayward, Byron. He is the son of Mr and Mrs T.A. Green, 111 Holly, and Dr and Mrs David R. Hayward Jr., West Virginia.

The bride-elect is a 1976 graduate of DeWitt High School and is presently employed as a professional dance instructor at The Fred Astaire Dance studio in Lansing.

The prospective groom is presently employed as the manager at the Fred Astaire Dance Studio, in Lansing.

A fall wedding is being planned.



Ellen Keilen

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Keilen, 1009 Hampshire Dr., announce the engagement of their daughter, Ellen Marie to Christopher F. Halfmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Halfmann, 501 Wight St., all of St. Johns.

The bride-elect is a 1975 graduate of St. Johns High School and is employed by Min-A-Mart food stores.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1974 graduate of SJHS and is also employed by Min-A-Mart.

An October wedding is being planned by the couple.

### Mark Barz on deans list

Mark Barz, son of Mr and Mrs Marvin L. Barz, of Goderich, Ontario, was among 27 juniors to achieve academic recognition at Concordia College, in Ann Arbor by making the dean's list for the winter quarter.

In order to qualify for the dean's list a student must have a 8-5 grade point average or better on a 4.0 scale.

Barz is a 1974 graduate of St. John's High School and is studying pre-ministry.

# LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF

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Please Take Notice that the Annual School Election of the School District will be held on Monday, June 13, 1977.

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## Couple united in afternoon wedding vows

Denise J. Wilson became the bride of Andreas Sannis, on March 19 at 2 p.m. at Holy Family Catholic in Ovid, with Father Aubin officiating.

Parents of the couple are Marion L. Wilson and the late Richard J. Wilson, 6738 E. Parks Rd., St. Johns; and Mr. and Mrs. Stephanas Stannis, of New York City, New York.

Attending the bride were Boni Long, Elaine Spiess and Mary Temple. Flower girl was Jennifer Faulkner and ring bearer was Gary Lusher, Jr.

The bride was given in marriage by mother and brother.

The bride chose an Ivory color, satapau dress with venice lace bib and sleeves

with a picture hat and fingertip veil.

The attendants wore aqua color dresses with a draped bodice and white picture hats.

Best man was Richard L. Wilson and groomsmen were: Gary Lusher, Sr. and Roger Narvensen. Usher was Al Firovich.

A reception was held following the ceremony in Bannister.

The bride graduated from Ovid-Elsie High School and attended Corning and Lansing Community Colleges.

The groom graduated from an Athens, Greece High School.

The couple are making their new home in New York City, New York.

## Hospital Auxiliary elects officers, honors volunteers

Clinton County Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Board held their monthly business meeting April 20 at 7:30 p.m. with Chairperson Mrs. Mary Crosby calling the meeting to order.

Minutes from last months meeting were read by Secretary Gerry Rasmussen, and stood approved. Roll call was taken and there were 33 members present. Treasurers report was passed out by Mrs. Helen Cole and stood approved. Mrs. Garapetian, Corresponding Secretary, gave her report and read thank-you notes from Mrs. Dorothy Schoals and Mrs. Nina Waldron.

The Sewing Report was given by Mrs. Helen Fitzpatrick with a total of 110 hrs. put in by the ladies. Mrs. Esther Tiedt passed out the gift shop financial report and reported that they are now in the process of taking inventory. Mrs. Dee Ferris reported she and Mrs. Ingrid Grost has purchased some new toys for pediatrics with money designated at a previous meeting.

Mrs. Melanie Humphrey, chairperson of the annual card party and style show, reported that it will be held May 4 at 7:30 p.m. at the high school cafeteria. Tickets may be purchased from any Auxiliary Member for \$2. She also requested all ticket money be turned in at the May meeting.

Mrs. Irene Zeeb, chairperson of the nominating committee presented the slate of officers for next year and a list of new members to be received next month.

Slate of officers are as follows: Mrs. Melanie Humphrey, chairperson; Mrs. Carol Chalmers first vice - chairperson, Mrs. Marilyn Wood second vice-chairperson, Mrs. Gerry Rasmussen, secret a r y; Mrs. Dorothy Cogger, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Helen Cole, treasurer; new members: Mrs. Manning, Mrs. Wakefield, Mrs. Fred Lewis, Mrs. Burnham.

Mrs. Ambrose, Mrs. Towar, Mrs. Val Colletta, Mrs. Warstler, Mrs. Raymond Ebert and Mrs. Mark Barber. Nominated for Honorary Membership: Mrs. Robert (Francis) Conn. A motion made by Mrs. Donna Carter, seconded by Marjorie Wilcox to adjourn.

### Ewing's celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Ewing, will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary, Sunday May 8, at Kings Pointe East Club House located on Abbott Rd., one block north of Saginaw in East Lansing, from 2 to 6 p.m.

The couple were married Feb. 16, 1927 and lived in Bath until 1974 when they

Jeanne Fedewa, Monica Fields, Kathleen Goerge, Leslie Hazle, Linette Jacobs, Mary Kramer, Mary Lennemen, Shelly Little, Christine Lozano, Marilyn Martin, Rose Martin, Tammy Melius, Danita Morley, Lisa Ormston, Rosina Pease, Connie Phelps, Julie Platte, Cindy Pung, Sharon Rademacher, Laura Richards, Robin Sample, Barbara Schmitt, Linda Schomisch, Audrey Simon, Donna Simon, Sharon Smith, Elda Soliz, Eileen Theis, Janet Theis, Judy Thelen, Lisa Thelen, LuAnn Thelen, Mary Ann Thelen, Sandra Thelen and Susan Tucker.

moved to Grayling. Mr. Ewing is a retired mail carrier.

The couple has two daughters, Jeanne Ann Adams, Lincoln, Nebraska; and Mary Ellen Francis, East Lansing.

Friends and neighbors are invited to join the family for the celebration.



Mr. and Mrs. Albert Witgen

An open house will be held Sunday, May 8 from 2 to 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Hall in Westphalia honoring Mr. and Mrs. Albert Witgen on their 50th wedding anniversary.

It will be hosted by their children, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Witgen, Betty Thelen, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Asher and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Simmon. Friends and relatives are invited.

## DeWitt Baptists participate in rally

Members of the First Baptist Church in DeWitt have been taking part in the Central Michigan Crusade Rally with Lansing and Jackson area churches in celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Baptist State Convention. The Crusade will continue through the week at the

Evart High School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. each week. Jim Wilson is the evangelist.

According to Rev. Jerry Cole, pastor of the DeWitt Church, beginning May 1 through May 8 the church will hold its Spring Crusade at 7:30 p.m. each night. Dr. Doyle Weather-

ington, pastor of the First Baptist in Homestead, Florida will be the evangelist.

Music will be provided by Terry Earl, associate pastor of the Bethany Baptist Church in Lansing. The services will be held at the church located at 11068 DeWitt Rd.

BY CHLOE PADGETT

Home Economist

## Chloe's Column



### Vitamin C overdosing?

In the past few months there has been discussion regarding the possibility of vitamin C overdose.

A recent article described symptoms two individual developed after taking excessive doses of vitamin C over a period of several months. They developed symptoms like swollen and bleeding gums, bruises and pain full joints, symptoms which are identical to those associated with the vitamin deficiency disease known

as scurvy. The extreme deficiency which leads to scurvy is not normally found in U.S. diets.

According to Anita Dean, Michigan State University Extension specialist in foods and nutrition, guinea pigs treated with large doses of vitamin C for an extended period can develop a dependency on the vitamin. When the high doses were reduced to a normal level the guinea pigs developed a deficiency.

"The two cases recently reported in the press suggest that the same results might also occur in man," says Dean, "but we do not have experimental evidence that this occurs in humans."

The widespread practice of consuming large doses of vitamin C to prevent the common cold is a possible hazard. Excessive doses of anything should be viewed with suspicion until evidence of usefulness and safety is firmly established.

Until data is available showing that vitamin C is useful and safe in preventing or treating the common cold, in doses recommended, it should not be used for this purpose.

Citrus fruits and juices, tomatoes, broccoli, greens, strawberries and melons are excellent sources of vitamin C. Vegetables and fruits contribute more than 90 percent of the vitamin C to diets in the United States. There is no possible way of getting an overdose of vitamins by consuming ordinary foods.

### Area Happening

APRIL 30—Family style Swiss steak supper, 5:30-8 p.m., Eagle Township Hall, Eagle. \$3 adult, children under 12 \$2 and pre-school free. Proceeds go to Eagle Park and Fairgrounds.

MAY 2—The Clinton County Chapter of MARSP will meet for a 6 p.m.

potluck dinner at Eureka School. Spouses invited.

MAY 6—St. Johns Education Association Special Olympics benefit dance, Smith Hall. Live music. Tickets are \$10 per couple, \$5 single and are available at the door or from St. Johns public teachers.

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Michael Joseph Gross, 21, 7781 W. Grand River, Grand Ledge; Martha Sue Powers, 24, 7781 W. Grand River, Grand Ledge.

Roger Lee Prior, 19, R-6 Colony Rd., St. Johns; Karen Sue McCausey, 19, 1779 Mead Rd., Lansing.

William T. Walter, 34, 3609 N. East St., Lansing; Connie L. Cobb, 34, 3609 N. East St., Lansing.

Brian Dean Cooper, 19, 7511 S. Chandler Rd., R-5, St. Johns; Cynthia Anne Hinkle, 17, 900 Long Blvd. No. 356, Lansing.

Richard William Jones, 25, 6335 Park Lake Road, Bath; Pearl Rebecca Davis, 24, 6335 Park Lake Road, Bath.

Lawrence Wayne Thomas, Jr., 18, 1130 Maumee St., Adrian; Mary Magdalene Schneider, 16, 2265 W. Parks Rd., St. Johns.

Nolan Charles Johnson, 27, 608 North Clinton Ave., St. Johns; Doreen Faye Burk, 21, 609 N. Ottawa, St. Johns.

Michael John Marek, 22, 64484 S. Chandler Rd., St. Johns; Lisa Marie Spitzley, 19, R-2, St. Johns.

Rodney Glen Adams, 20, 13534 Dawn Dew Dr., DeWitt; JoAnn Schneider, 21, 13534 Dawn Dew Dr., DeWitt.

Robert Steven Danielson, 25, 6690 Victoria Shore Drive, Laingsburg; Janice Elaine DeBoer, 22, 6690 Victoria Shore Drive, Laingsburg.

Thomas Lee Burdick, 23, 15868 Short Street, East Lansing; Maria Ann Morse, 25, 15868 Short Street, East Lansing.

Bernard Raymond Thelen, 20, 5154 Hollister Rd., Ovid; Loretta Ann Brunger, 18, 11029 W. Bristol Rd., Lennon.

Mark Lawrence Forsythe, 22, 940 N. Park St., Owosso; Mary Jo Kayanek, 20, 1504 S. Hollister Rd., Ovid.

Richard A. Wakefield, 19, Box 263 Wurtsmith AFB, Michigan 48753, Shreveport, La.; Diana Tompkins, 17, 2731 Avery Rd., St. Johns.

William John Hansen, 50, 711 East McConnell, St. Johns; Eunice Eileen Douglas, 41, 223 N. Main St., Ovid.

Delmar Ford Janes, Jr., 24, 2265 Parks Rd., Lot 105, St. Johns; Linda Sue Brya, 21, 5844 S. US-27, St. Johns.

Richard Stephen Burgess, 22, 5400 E. Pratt Rd., St. Johns; Diane Louise Karnes, 21, 9717 Jason Rd., Laingsburg.

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# Clinton County SPORTS



John Newman displays the trophy he won for winning the seventh week round of the St. Johns American Legion Pool Tournament.

## Softball meeting in DeWitt Township

A meeting will be held Tuesday, May 3 for those people in DeWitt Township both adults and

youths interested in playing softball. Valley Farms Park located at 730 Wieland Road behind the police station.

## Redwing netters breeze by LCC

St. Johns High School defeated Lansing Catholic Central, 6-1, April 18 for the second tennis win of the season.

In the singles division Tim Halfman, St. Johns defeated Greg Devine, LCC, 6-1, 6-1; Jim Vitous, defeated Bruce Simon, 6-1, 6-1; Bryan Salminen, defeated Joe Maurer, 6-0, 6-0; and Jeff Schneider, defeated Scott Selmer, 6-1, 6-1.

In doubles action LCC's Janos Neval and Kelly Lynch defeated Jon Salminen and Jim Shafley, 6-2, 6-7, 6-4; St. Johns

players Alan Gove-Jeff Swears, defeated Keith Garmin-Joe Meier, 6-2, 6-1; and Kurt Stork-Jeff

Barnes, defeated Dave Martin-Joe Goeddeke, 6-1, 6-2.

St. Johns record is 2-0

## Ovid-Elsie sets softball meeting

There will be an organizational meeting on Thursday, April 28 for persons interested in playing slow-pitch softball for both men and women in the Ovid-Elsie area.

## Little League try-outs set

Little League tryouts will be held Tuesday, May 3 and Thursday, May 5 at 6 p.m. at the Little League field behind Bee's Chev-

Olds on Townsend Rd.

Boys signing up must have their birth certificate or other legal document of proof of age.

Pony League tryouts will be held Wednesday, May 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the Little League Field.

Coaches and umpires are greatly needed and anyone who is willing to spend one evening a week to help 400 boys have a successful summer baseball program, should contact one of the Little League coaches or Jack Downing.

each non-city resident. Application envelopes for the men and women leagues are available at city offices from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. until May 13.

Richard Coletta, city administrative assistant asks that those enrolling teams pick up the registration envelopes and return them as soon as possible.

## Dan Lee holds Alma to 3 hits in 7-1 Redwing victory

ST. JOHNS—Dan Lee went the distance for St. Johns last Tuesday to lead the Redwings to their 3d Mid-Michigan B varsity baseball victory this season.

The Redwings upped their league record to 3-1 with the 7-1 victory over Alma.

Lee picked up his second

win for the season, striking out nine and walking four while holding Alma to three hits and one run.

St. Johns scored in the first inning when Mark White led off the inning with a single.

White stole second and went to third on a perfect bunt by Mark Geller.

A well-executed double

steal sent White home with the first run of the game.

After being held scoreless for three innings, Alma got on the scoreboard when Mark Ward blasted a towering fly ball that cleared the left field fence to tie the ballgame 1-1.

But, in St. Johns' half of the third inning, back-

back doubles put the Redwings ahead 4-1.

In that inning, Lee picked on the first pitch and smacked it through the middle for a single.

The next two batters were retired, followed by a walk to Lonnie Hoyt.

White then ripped a double and Steve Bissell followed with another two-

bagger. The two doubles scored Lee, Hoyt and Bissell.

An error and walk in the fifth inning was followed by another St. Johns double, this time by Hoyt and the Redwings had two more runs to lead 6-1. Hoyt added the last St. Johns run when he scored on a passed ball.

The Redwings' scheduled doubleheader at home against Swan Valley Saturday was postponed due to unplayable conditions on the St. Johns field.

The St. Johns junior varsity, however, played at Swan Valley and swept a double header 1-0 and 3-2, highlighted by sophomore Rich Carter's no-hit shut-out in the first game.

## Redwing jayvee pitcher tosses no hitter, scores game's only run against Swan Valley

Rich Carter, St. Johns junior varsity pitcher, tossed a no-hitter against Swan Valley Saturday and scored the game's only run in the 1-0 Redwing jayvee victory.

Carter held the Vikings without a run or hit in the seven-inning game and scored the only Redwing run in the fifth inning.

He led off the inning with a single, stole second and moved to third on a sacrifice bunt by Kevin Bloomfield. Carter then crossed

the plate when the Swan Valley pitcher uncorked a wild pitch.

St. Johns had four hits and committed two errors. Swan Valley committed no errors.

Jayvee coach Jan Szymczak praised his squad following the opening game of the Saturday double header. He complimented the "real fine effort by Carter" and labeled the win a "good team effort defensively with fine support by the team on and off the field".

The second game of the double header was an-

other low scoring affair with the Redwings winning 3-2.

Swan Valley got on the scoreboard first with a run in their half of the second, but St. Johns came back in the third with three runs after two were down.

Duane Hoxie walked after two outs and Buz Zamarron followed with another walk. Rich Carter singled home Hoxie and he and Zamarron scored with Jim Archambault doubled to left.

Swan Valley picked up another run in their half of the third, but the next four

innings were scoreless for both teams.

St. Johns picked up the

## St. Johns announces tennis league sign-up

ST. JOHNS—Three adult tennis leagues are being sponsored this year by the City of St. Johns.

Persons may sign up for mixed doubles, men's doubles and women's doubles until May 13.

The mixed doubles league has been sponsored previously by the city, but this will be the first year and men's and women's doubles leagues will

3-2 win with only twos and committed four errors.

Swan Valley had three

be organized. Organization of the men's and women's doubles league will depend upon sign-up response.

Those wishing to sign up should register at the in-

## Motorcycle poker run set

A motorcycle poker run is being sponsored Sunday, May 1 by the St. Johns American Legion.

Those wishing to enter should be at the Legion

hits and again in the second game, committed no errors.

formation desk in city hall, 121 E. Walker, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, call the recreation department at 224-3213.

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# Citizenship Seminar students selected

Clinton County Farm Bureau Citizenship Committee recently announced the six High School students in county who have been selected to receive scholarships to the 1977 Young People's Citizenship Seminar. The Seminar will be held June 20-24 at Albion College. One student from each of the six county high schools was selected. They are as follows: Bath - Patty King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas King; DeWitt, Sonja Black, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Black; Fowler, Tom Ellsworth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ellsworth; Pawamo-Westphalia, Janet Simon, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Hilary Simon; Ovid-Elsie, Ken Bosam, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Bosam, Sr.; of Ovid and finally Sheri Harte, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Harte. Sheri will represent St. Johns High School.

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come here with nothing and build their lives up to a greater fulfillment. For all of these reasons and many more I can say gladly that I'm very proud to be an American.

## President's report

## Local affairs

by Bill Kissano

Local affairs, a term that certainly covers a large area of concern. County government, property taxes, roads, fire protection, police protection, rural crime, ambulance service, water pollution, land use; these are some of the areas covered under local affairs.

The Clinton County Local Affairs committee is very active in many of these areas. These are problems that can best be tackled by an organization such as your county Farm Bureau. Farm Bureau members throughout the county are very close to and well informed about all of these areas.

By using your County Farm Bureau we can channel all of our input and thoughts in an organized manner to the local officials responsible. The local Affairs Committee, being in communication with the local officials can help keep you, the members, informed of the activities of local government.

On the other side the local officials know that if they have an area of concern they can call on our organization to help solve the problems. We certainly want this to be a two-way street.

Here are some examples of the work being done in the local affairs area. The

county Farm Bureau Community Groups is being coordinated by the Local Affairs committee in conjunction with the Clinton County Planning Commission.

The slide tape presentation being used and the discussion that follows, concerns itself with "the cost of sprawl", as it relates to Clinton County. Hopefully from this we can come forth with some suggestions for containing unplanned sprawl within the county and a means of preserving prime agricultural land for the production of foods and fiber.

Just last week the county Farm Bureau board met with the Clinton County sheriff, St. Johns Fire chief and the director of the Clinton Area Ambulance Service. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss some concerns Farm Bureau members had in these areas.

It is the intention of the Farm Bureau to cooperate fully with these agencies in providing the best service possible in time of real need while, at the same time, respecting the rights of the parties affected to have their friends and neighbors assist them in this time of need. Some steps have been taken to solve the problem and hopefully our continuing dialogue will contribute to better relations in the future.

An area of concern coming up in the near future is pollution control and clean water act as it relates to agricultural run off. This will apply to the Looking Glass river watershed and the Maple River-Stoney Creek watershed.

The county Farm Bureau board will be meeting with someone from the Tri-County Regional Planning office and taking a look at these areas.

gave her presentation of "The Many Hats of a Farm Wife".

Ron Nelson from the Michigan Farm Bureau Public Affairs Division assisted by State Trooper, Charles Brown, gave the afternoon program on rural crime and crime prevention. They stated that one of the best weapons against crime was awareness. Be aware of what goes on in your neighborhood and report anything that looks suspicious. They spoke of "Operation Identification" which is a program to label all belongings.

Do not use your social security number instead use the letters M I and driver's license number. On machinery and equipment they recommend engraving it in several different places.

The Fall Rally will be hosted by the Genesee Farm Bureau Women in early fall. Time and place will be announced later.

The May meeting of Farm Bureau Women in Clinton County will be cancelled while the women take a tour of Holland, Michigan, to see the tulip farms and wooden shoe factory. The tour will leave the Farm Bureau office in St. Johns on the Community Bus at 7:45 a.m. and return in mid afternoon. The noon meal will be at a smorgasbord restaurant in Holland. Total cost is \$6.10 including tours, bus trip and meal. Call the Farm Bureau office for further information.

Each county chairman gave a report of their year's activities, and many interesting ideas were exchanged. Helen Atwood from Michigan Farm Bureau gave some pointers on how farm wives can be more successful in telling their farm story to the consumer.

A film which is available from Michigan Livestock Exchange, entitled, "Food Prices Too High? - Compared to What?" by Congressman Jerry Litton was very informative. Anyone interested in the film can contact Michigan Elevator Exchange in St. Louis.

The noon luncheon was served by the women of the Pilgrim Church. Following lunch, Marie Woodnams of Clinton County

## Farm Bureau women host spring meet

Clinton County Farm Bureau Women hosted the District V Spring Meet on April 18 at Pilgrim United Methodist Church on the corner of DeWitt and Parks Roads.

District V is made up of Shiawassee, Clinton, Genesee, Eaton and Ingham counties and each county was well represented with their Farm Bureau women.

Following a hospitality hour and registration the meeting was called to order by Mrs. Myra Spike, Chairman of District V (Mrs. Spike was 1976 Mother of the Year in Michigan). Mrs. Betty Morris, Clinton County chairman gave the welcome and led the flag salute. Bessie Swagart, also of Clinton County, led devotions.

Two public meetings are coming up that I would urge all Farm Bureau members to take part in. The Looking Glass River meeting will be Thursday, May 12 at 7:30 p.m. at the DeWitt High School, in the auditorium. On Thursday, June 16, at 7:30 p.m. a meeting for the Maple River-Stoney Creek Watershed will be held at Smith Hall in St. Johns.

These meetings will gather input from the public before the public hearing on the clean water plan is scheduled for Sept. 8. Your ideas will be important in determining what direction these clean water plans will take. While we as Farm Bureau members are vitally concerned with the environment which surrounds us, we are also concerned that these rules and regulations will become totally unrealistic. It's up to us as Farm Bureau members and concerned citizens to make our views known at these public meetings.

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## Spring potholes cost millions

LANSING—Potholes. Every spring they appear on roads and highways, jolting drivers, passengers, cargo and pocketbooks.

This year, the roadway surface repair tab on state highways alone is expected to reach a record \$3 million. So says Tom Wiseman, chief maintenance engineer for the Department of State Highways and Transportation.

The cost on county roads and city streets will be millions more.

Wiseman believes that because of the unusually deep frost penetration in Michigan's record cold winter, the spring crop of potholes could be greater than normal.

"It's literally money down a hole," he says. "But it has to be spent." Few motorists would argue that it is money well spent. Aside from the safety hazard of potholes, repair costs can be weighed against the \$25 or so a motorist might pay for a front end alignment and wheel balancing when his car slams into a deep pothole.

Potholes—they're also called chuckholes—have been the bane of road travelers almost from the time the wheel was invented. They occur when water trapped under the road surface freezes and expands, then thaws and contracts. The soft wet cavity remaining gets pushed in by passing wheels, leaving a hole. The more water under a road

and the more freezing and thawing, the more potholes.

Michigan, with many varieties of water-holding clay soils and many periods of freezing and thawing, particularly in spring, is ideal pothole-spawning ground.

The key to stopping potholes is good drainage and good surfacing to keep water out of the sub-base of the road. In short, the better the road, the fewer

the potholes. Michigan's 1,665 miles of freeways, constructed with elaborate drainage systems and reinforced pavement nine or ten inches thick, have fewer potholes than lightly paved or unpaved roads. As freeways age, however, even they are subject to potholes. All 9,400 miles of state highways are paved.

Of the 88,000 miles of county roads in Michigan, 52,000 are still unpaved as are 2,000 of the 18,600 miles of city streets. During spring thaws, many turn to mud and some become impassable, in effect turning into giant potholes.

Weight restrictions are imposed in late winter and in spring to protect roads from damage by heavily loaded trucks.

### WHY I PREFER TO BE AN AMERICAN

By Patty King  
Bath High School

My three main reasons as to why I prefer to be an American consists of basic beliefs.

The most important reason to me is that everyone in America is entitled to an education. Not only do normal, healthy children receive an education but children either unhealthy or diseased of some sort, also get a good education. I have always thought how I would feel if some of these handicapped children were not allowed an education. It's that thought that makes me glad I'm an American.

### Soybean Queen contest entry deadline today

Daughters of Clinton Co. F.B. Soybean Commodity Division members are invited to participate in a new contest sponsored state-wide by soybean producers. Contest rules are as follows:

1. Contestants must be single.
2. Parents must be Farm Bureau members.
3. Contestants must be 18-25 years old.
4. Father must be a soybean producer or be

engaged in marketing of soybeans, such as elevator operator.

5. Application deadline is April 27.

The county winner will participate in the state contest at Dansville on Saturday, May 28. The state soybean queen will go to the national contest, all expenses paid, at Louisville, Kentucky, for the August competition. If you are interested call the Farm Bureau office 224-3255.

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a shower of golden brown grain.

Samples were enjoyed by those present, some liking the unsalted over the salted. From this point, the Solar Soya, Inari Ltd. brand name, is shipped in large containers to a packaging plant and then on to various markets, some overseas.

### ASPARAGUS SALE

Fresh Michigan snapped asparagus orders are being taken now through May 5. The asparagus is harvested and hydrocooled and shipped to the County Farm Bureau office for a superior quality product. Also available Florida's Sun Sip Lemonade Concentrate.

**DEADLINE FOR ORDERS - May 5 -**  
Delivery will be between May 12th - 27th

COMPLETE THE ORDER FORM BELOW AND MAIL WITH YOUR PAYMENT TO:  
CLINTON COUNTY FARM BUREAU 407 E. Gibbs, St. Johns

NAME	ADDRESS	CITY
STATE	ZIP	PHONE
No. Ordered	Item	Price
	Michigan All Green Asparagus (20 lb carton at '13 <sup>00</sup> )	
	Florida's Sun Sip Lemonade Concentrate (24/12 oz. cans at '9 <sup>00</sup> )	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	

**PLEASE SEND MONEY WITH ORDER**

**PROVED BY RESEARCH**

**54% MORE PROTEIN**

**10% MORE DIGESTIBLE NUTRIENTS**

If conventional haymaking methods have seemed satisfactory, it's only because there has been nothing to compare them to!

**Now There Is!**

## PROTECTO-GUARD

### MAKE BETTER HAY - THE RONCO WAY

In conventional haymaking practices, losses of hay quantity and quality have been looked at as necessary evils. Evils; yes, and costly ones! Necessary; no! We have changed that. The benefits of chemical preservation listed above are not our figures! They are the results of independent studies by a number of leading Land Grant colleges (the complete studies are available upon request).

**PROTECTO-GUARD**  
**MAKE BETTER HAY - THE RONCO WAY**

This preservative is made for conventional bales, and for stackers and large round bales. With it, you can safely hay up to 25% moisture, without worries about oxidation, heating or loss.

The payoffs: Because with higher-moisture hay, losses to stem and leaf shatter are minimized, you take in more tons of hay per acre. Because retention of full, fresh nutritional value is maximized, each ton gives you far better feeding results. Your hay remains more palatable, and keeps its fresh color and peak palatability. You reduce curing time and the risk of loss to rain or weathering. And finally, by haying earlier, you are assuring yourself of better, faster regrowth.

Why are more and more growers using this preservative as each season passes? Simply because they've found that it results in many added dollars of returns from each and every acre. Put it to work for you and see, finally, what your hay is really worth!

## ST. JOHNS CO-OP

ST. JOHNS PHONE 224-2381

# Mercantile Guardian

If you have a store, take just a minute for two questions:

Is your commercial insurance specially rated by zone, to give you a price break because you are not in a big city or urbanized area?

Have you reviewed your coverage and your potential loss exposure with a commercial insurance specialist in the past year?

If "no" or "not sure" on either question, please call us or stop in at 407 East Gibbs Street in St. Johns.

**Mark Simmon**  
593-3104

**Leon Feldpausch**  
224-3256

**Ron Metz**  
224-3255

**Bruce Irish**  
224-4766

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ADVERTISE WHERE IT PAYS...

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LEGAL NOTICE

Help Wanted 1

HELP WANTED - Receptionist for doctor's office...

YOUNG MAN to do yard work part time...

BEAUTICIAN STYLIST - Sharp aggressive with desire to earn & learn...

WANTED: A MIDDLE aged lady to stay with elderly lady in country home...

BORED OR BROKE? Full or part time. No experience required...

HELP WANTED - EXPERIENCED HERDSMAN and general farm work...

Jobs Wanted 3

WANTED - Bulldozing, backhoe work, drain fields, water lines, footings & digging of any kind...

Real Estate 4

SELLER'S INTEREST IN LAND CONTRACT. We buy, fast service...

FOR SALE 40 ACRES, no buildings, 3 miles S. of Fowler on Wright Rd...

COMPLETE BODY WORK AND GLASS REPLACEMENT BOB'S AUTO BODY, INC.

COUNTRY SIDE, 4 bedroom home with fireplace and rustic decor...

I need 5-10 acres with 3 or 4 bedroom home up to low 40's...

HELP! I desperately need a 3 bedroom home in the DeWitt School district...

HANDYMAN'S SPECIAL House is located in Carland. Take Carland Road north to Juddville Road...

FOR SALE - 116 acres with large older home, barn and several outbuildings...

HOUSE FOR SALE 6845 Winfield Rd., Ovid. May be seen by calling 224-7856 or 669-9760...

FOR SALE 40 ACRES, no buildings, 3 miles S. of Fowler on Wright Rd. 1 1/4 miles W. on Taft. Bids may be phoned in to (517) 593-2103.

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Resort Property For Sale 5

FOR SALE - Cabin, Harrison, Mich. Partially furnished. Has 2 bedrooms, 1/2 bath, living room, kitchen, screened porch...

For Rent 6

HOUSE FOR RENT - \$200 security deposit, \$160 per month plus utilities, 3 bedrooms, remodeled last year...

FOR RENT - Large sleeping room for men only. 224-3061.

FOR RENT - 1976 Dodge motor home, 23 ft., sleeps 6. Phone 647-6539. PGC-15fm

Trailers & Campers 9

'68 FAN 14' TRAVEL TRAILER in very good condition with water and electric systems...

Boats & Motors 13

FOR SALE - 14' fiberglass runabout boat, 45 hp motor, boat trailer, tilt bed...

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Motorcycles 12

1974 HONDA CL-350 STREET Scrambler For Sale. 4800 miles, driven 1 yr. Sharp looking bike...

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Farm Produce 19

FOR SALE - MAPLE SYRUP - Gallons, Half gallons, quarts, pints in stock...

FOR SALE - Purebred Durac Boars 12 to choose from. Larry DeVuyt 875-2561.

Cattle 21

SPECIAL SPRING FEEDER CATTLE SALE, Friday, May 6, 1 p.m. sharp...

Pets 23

FREE - To good home, female Beagle and female Springer Spaniel, both purebred. 641-6619.

FREE PUPPIES - 3 males, 1 female Beagle Brittany mixture. 224-6428.

Horses 24

FOR SALE - bridles, blankets, storm blankets, halters, stable blankets, 485-8691.

Miscellaneous 27

WATER SYSTEMS and sump pumps at money saving prices. DEAN TRUE VALUE HARDWARE...

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Hogs & Sheep 20

HAMPSHIRE Purebred Boars and open gilts, excellent feed conversion. 7 1/2 miles west of DeWitt. 9800-Howe Rd., Wacousta 626-6416 Heilers.

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CANDYLAND - Homemade chocolates - Easter bunny sucker 25 cents. 307 Quarterline, Portland. Open 6 days, 12:00 - 7:00 p.m. Closed Wednesday. Phone orders 647-4026. PGC-104fm

FOUND - 2 coon hounds must identify, Maple River area. Ph. 838-2359 after 4. 51-3-p-35

WANTED - OLD POST CARDS OF THE EARLY 1900 - 1920's. Willing to buy or trade. Call 224-2361 days or 224-7051 nights.

CUSTOM BUTCHERING AND PROCESSING, by appointment. We butcher on Wednesdays and Fridays. Beef, pork, Halves and quarters, also retail cuts. All meats MDA inspected. Vaughn's Meat Processing. West City Limits on Bush Rd. just off M-57 Carson City. 45-1f-29

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The family of Anna Hengsbach wishes to thank Father Schmitt, Father Orlowski, the Ionia Manor and their staff for their excellent care...

In memory of our dear husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, John I. Tribelner, Sr., who went to the Lord April 4, 1974.

WATER HEATERS - Gas or electric in stock for immediate installation. DEAN TRUE VALUE HARDWARE, downtown St. Johns. Ph. 224-3271.

Household Goods 32

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DISCOVER DANCING - Consider taking lessons from Rul and Ginny Ritter of Ritter's Routines. No contracts. Call 669-9303 after 11 a.m. 33-1f-29

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NEW DEADLINE FOR CLASSIFIEDS

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10 words or less 60¢ each additional word 6¢

Run two weeks, get the third week FREE!

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CLASSIFIED BUSINESS SERVICE DIRECTORY

Directory listing for various services: Auctioneer, Electricians, Jewelry, Farm Drainage, Party Supplies, Plumbing, Restaurant, Roofing, Space for Rent, Upholstery, Vacuum Sales, Concrete Work, Credit Bureau, Drugs, Insurance, etc.

6 MONTHS FREE RENT. Call us & see how you can get up to 6 months free rent. MOVE YOUR MOBILE HOME TO ST. JOHNS MOBILE HOME VILLAGE NOW! WE WILL PAY MOVING COSTS. LARGE LOTS, PAVED ROADS, CITY SEWER AND WATER, NATURAL GAS.

USED EQUIPMENT. John Deere 7020 Tractor W/Dozer & Duals. John Deere 4430 Tractor W/Sound Guard Body & Duals. John Deere 4430 Tractor W/Sound Guard Body. John Deere 4620 Tractor W/Cab & Duals. Oliver-White 12 Row Planter. IHC No. 710 Plow - 6 - 16". Several 3 Point Hitch Field Cultivators - 10 - 21 ft. Several Wheel Discs 12 - 21 ft.

FARM EQUIPMENT USED. J.D. 3020 Tractor. I.H. 460 Diesel Tractor. I.H. 300 Tractor. J.D. 300 Industrial Motor Tractor. 2 - J.D. 494-A Planters. 2 - J.D. 6-Row Planters. 1 - A.C. 6-Row Planter. J.D. 400 Grinder-Mixer. New Holland 675 Tandem Spreader. Several Used Plows in Stock. OWOSSO IMPLEMENT CO. 3495 W. M-21 Owosso. Phone 723-7323.

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# Legal Notices

## LEGAL NOTICE

**CLINTON COUNTY ZONING COMMISSION.** Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in the Courthouse, St. Johns, Michigan on May 19, 1977, at 8:00 p.m. The Public Hearing will be held on the following:

Case No. ZC-3-77(A)—Bingham Township.  
**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** (B1 36) Beg. 585.4' of Int'n. of US-27 (before widening) & W 1/4 post of Sec. 4, T7N-R2W, thence S. 72.62', E. 135', S. 39 degrees 31' E. 261.4 ft., S. 79.2 ft., E. 365', N. 1598.9 ft., W. 683 ft. to center of Moore & Perrin Drain, SW 1/4 along said Drain 818.2 ft. to point of beginning, except N. 59' E. of Drain thereof CP. 18.4.  
 (B1 42A) Beg. on C-1 of US-27 2075.3 ft. N. of SW cor. of Sec. 4, T7N-R2W, thence NE 1/4 along center Moore & Perrin Drain 818.2 ft., W. 591.5 ft. to cen. US-27, thence along US-27 to beg., except the N. 200 ft. thereof. 1.3.  
 (B1 42-A.1) The N. 200 ft. of following: Beg. on C-1 of US-27 2075.3 ft. N. of SW corner of Section 4, T7N-R2W, thence NE 1/4 along center Moore & Perrin Drain 818.2 ft., W. 591.5 ft. to cen. US-27, thence S. along US-27 to beginning. 2.7.  
 Also, a Special Use Permit to operate a drive-in theater on the aforementioned description B1 36.  
 Case No. ZC-3-77(B)—Bingham Township.  
**Purpose:** Rezone from B-1, Local Business to B-2, General Business.  
**Legal Description:** Beg. 1136.5 ft. S. & 50' W. of E 1/4 post of Sec. 5, T7N-R2W, th. W. 350', S. 154' E. 350', N. 154' to beg. Beg. 1012.5' S. of E 1/4 post & 50' W. of sd. 1/4 post, Sec. 5, T7N-R2W, th. W. 350', S. 124' to US-27, E. to W. line sd. US-27, N. 124' to beginning.  
 Also, a Special Use Permit to service livestock trailers on the aforementioned parcel of land.  
 Case No. ZC-3-77(C)—Bingham Township.  
**Purpose:** Rezone from B-1, Local Business to B-2, General Business.

**Legal Description:** Part of the E 1/2 of SE 1/4, Sec. 5, T7N-R2W, desc. as the S. 200' of a parcel beg. 1012.5' S. & 50' W. of E 1/4 post of Sec. 5, th. N. 1 degree 00' E. alg. W. r-w of US-27, 452.8 ft. to cen. of Moore & Perrin Drain, thence following drain N. 85 degrees 23' W. 194' S. 50 degrees 55' W. 229.4' S. 22 degrees 31' W. 314.2', S. 87 degrees 40' E. 486.9 ft. to beg.  
 Case No. ZC-4-77—Olive Township.  
**Purpose:** Rezone from B-3, Highway Service to B-2, General Business.  
**Legal Description:** (OL 272B) Beginning at E 1/4 post of Section 21, T6N-R2W, thence S. 384', W. 250', N. 384', E. 250' to beginning. 2 acres.  
 Case No. ZC-5-77—Olive Township.  
**Purpose:** Rezone from B-1, Local Business to B-2, General Business.  
**Legal Description:** Com. 3.25 chains W. of E. quarter post of Sec. 21, T6N-R2W, run. th. N. 24.6 rds., th. W. 6.5 rds., th. S. 24.6 rds., th. E. 6.5 rds. to place of beginning.  
 Also, a Special Use Permit to service automobiles on the aforementioned parcel of land.  
 Case No. ZC-4-77—Bath Township.  
**Purpose:** An application for a Special Use Permit to operate a dog kennel.

## Mortgage Sale

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by John R. Howell and Vivian Howell, husband and wife, of 4713 South Loomis Road, DeWitt, Michigan, as Mortgages to Clinton National Bank & Trust Company, a national banking corporation, with its principal offices situated in St. Johns, Michigan, as Mortgagee, dated August 12, 1974, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Clinton, State of Michigan, on August 21, 1974, in Liber 277, pages 440-443.  
**Mortgagee** having elected, under the terms of said mortgage to declare the entire principal and accrued interest thereon due, which election it does hereby exercise, pursuant to which there is claimed to be due and unpaid on said mortgage on the date of this Notice for principal and interest, the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Four and 92/100 Dollars (\$25,554.92) and no civil suit or action or proceeding 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 statutes in such cases made and provided, Notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of May, 1977, at 10:00 a.m. in the forenoon, at the North Main entrance of the Clinton County Courthouse, in the City of St. Johns, County of Clinton, State of Michigan, (that being the place of holding the Circuit Court within the said County) said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due as aforesaid, and any sum which may be paid by the undersigned at or before said sale for taxes and/or insurance on said premises, and all other sums paid by the undersigned, with interest thereon, pursuant to law and to the terms of said mortgage, and all legal costs and expenses, including the attorney's fees allowed by law, which premises are described as follows:  
 Part of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 9, T6N, R2W, Olive Township, Clinton County, Michigan, described as: Beginning on the West North-South section line North 0 degrees 39' East 1375.0 feet of the Southwest corner of said Section 9, thence North 89 degrees 47' East 485 feet, thence South 0 degrees 89 degrees 47' West 485 feet, thence North 0 degrees 39' East 150 feet to the point of beginning.  
 There being more than two-thirds of the original indebtedness still due and owing, the mortgagors, their successors and assigns, or any person lawfully claiming from or under them shall, within six months from the date of the aforesaid foreclosure sale, be entitled to redeem the entire premises sold, by paying to the purchaser, his executors, administrators, or assigns, or to the Register of Deeds, in whose office the deed is deposited for benefit of such purchaser, the sum which was bid therefor, with interest from the time of the sale at the rate percent borne by the mortgage plus any other sums required to be paid by law.  
 Dated: April 15, 1977.  
 Randy L. Tahvonen  
 Attorney for Mortgagee  
 103 East State Street  
 St. Johns, Michigan 48879  
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 Part of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 9, T6N, R2W, Olive Township, Clinton County, Michigan, described as: Beginning on the West North-South section line North 0 degrees 39' East 1375.0 feet of the Southwest corner of said Section 9, thence North 89 degrees 47' East 485 feet, thence South 0 degrees 89 degrees 47' West 485 feet, thence North 0 degrees 39' East 150 feet to the point of beginning.  
 There being more than two-thirds of the original indebtedness still due and owing, the mortgagors, their successors and assigns, or any person lawfully claiming from or under them shall, within six months from the date of the aforesaid foreclosure sale, be entitled to redeem the entire premises sold, by paying to the purchaser, his executors, administrators, or assigns, or to the Register of Deeds, in whose office the deed is deposited for benefit of such purchaser, the sum which was bid therefor, with interest from the time of the sale at the rate percent borne by the mortgage plus any other sums required to be paid by law.  
 Dated: April 15, 1977.  
 Randy L. Tahvonen  
 Attorney for Mortgagee  
 103 East State Street  
 St. Johns, Michigan 48879  
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**Mortgage Sale**  
 Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Long Development, Inc., a Michigan Corporation, of 1000 Long Blvd., Lansing, Michigan, as Mortgagee, to Clinton National Bank & Trust Company, a federal banking corporation with its principal offices situated in St. Johns, Michigan, as Mortgagee, dated October 8, 1974, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Clinton, State of Michigan, on October 16, 1974, in Liber 278, pages 236-239.  
 And the property encumbered by said mortgage, hereinafter described, having been duly conveyed by warranty deed dated March 20, 1975, and recorded in Liber 354 of Deeds; Page 246, Clinton County Records, to Paul V. Anderson and Susan C. Anderson, husband and wife, then of 244 South Every Road, Mason, Michigan, who assumed and agreed in said deed to pay said mortgage.  
**Mortgagee** having elected, under the terms of said mortgage to declare the entire principal and accrued interest thereon due, which election it does hereby exercise, pursuant to which there is claimed to be due and unpaid on said mortgage on the date of this notice for principal and interest, the sum of Forty-two Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-four and 50/100 (\$42,424.50) Dollars and no civil suit or action or proceeding 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 statutes in such cases made and provided, Notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of May, 1977, at 10:00 in the forenoon, at the North Main entrance of the Clinton County Courthouse, in the City of St. Johns, County of Clinton, State of Michigan, (that being the place of holding the Circuit Court within the said County) said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder of the premises described in the said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due as aforesaid, and any sum which may be paid by the undersigned at or before said sale for taxes and/or insurance on said premises, and other sums paid by the undersigned, with interest thereon, pursuant to law and to the terms of said mortgage, and all legal costs and expenses, including the attorney's fees allowed by law, which premises are described as follows:  
 Lot 57, Country Meadows Estates, a subdivision in DeWitt Township, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the plat recorded in Plat Book 5, pages 37 through 41, Clinton County Records.  
 The mortgagors, their successors and assigns, or any person lawfully claiming from and under them shall, within One (1) year from the date of the aforesaid foreclosure sale, be entitled to redeem the entire premises sold, by paying to the purchaser, his executors, administrators, or assigns, or to the Register of Deeds in whose office the deed is deposited for benefit of such purchaser, the sum which was bid therefor, with interest from the time of the sale at the rate percent borne by the mortgage plus any other sums required to be paid by law.  
 Dated: April 15, 1977  
 Clinton National Bank & Trust Company Mortgage

that on the 19th day of May, 1977, at 10:00 in the forenoon, at the North Main entrance of the Clinton County Courthouse, in the City of St. Johns, Clinton County, Michigan, (that being the place of holding the Circuit Court within the said County) said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder of the premises described in the said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due as aforesaid, and any sum which may be paid by the undersigned at or before said sale for taxes and/or insurance on said premises, and other sums paid by the undersigned, with interest thereon, pursuant to law and to the terms of said mortgage, and all legal costs and expenses, including the attorney's fees allowed by law, which premises are described as follows:  
 Lot 57, Country Meadows Estates, a subdivision in DeWitt Township, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the plat recorded in Plat Book 5, pages 37 through 41, Clinton County Records.  
 The mortgagors, their successors and assigns, or any person lawfully claiming from and under them shall, within One (1) year from the date of the aforesaid foreclosure sale, be entitled to redeem the entire premises sold, by paying to the purchaser, his executors, administrators, or assigns, or to the Register of Deeds in whose office the deed is deposited for benefit of such purchaser, the sum which was bid therefor, with interest from the time of the sale at the rate percent borne by the mortgage plus any other sums required to be paid by law.  
 Dated: April 15, 1977  
 Clinton National Bank & Trust Company Mortgage

Randy L. Tahvonen  
 Attorney for Mortgagee  
 103 East State Street  
 St. Johns, Michigan 48879  
 State of Michigan  
 The Probate Court for the County of Clinton, Estate of Gayle L. Adams, Jr., Deceased.  
**Take Notice:** On June 29, 1977, at 11:00 a.m. in the Probate Courtroom, St. Johns, Michigan, before the Hon. Timothy M. Green, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held.  
 Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate must be presented said Virgil G. Adams, Administrator, at 5922 W. Cutler Road, DeWitt, Michigan 48820 and proof thereof, with copies of claims, filed with the court on or before June 29, 1977.  
 Dated: April 18, 1977  
 Attorney for Petitioner:  
 F. Merrill Wyble  
 3939 Capital City Blvd.  
 Lansing, Michigan 48906  
 Phone (517) 323-4770  
 Virgil G. Adams, Petitioner  
 5922 W. Cutler Road  
 DeWitt, Michigan 48820  
 State of Michigan 52-1  
 The Probate Court for the County of Clinton, Estate of Joyce Jean Adams, Deceased.  
**Take Notice:** On June 29, 1977, at 11:00 a.m. in the Probate Courtroom, St. Johns, Michigan, before the Hon. Timothy M. Green, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held.  
 Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate must be presented said Dale B. Sawyer, Administrator, at

1685 E. Round Lake Road, Laingsburg, Michigan and proof thereof, with copies of claims, filed with the Court on or before June 29, 1977.  
 Dated: April 18, 1977  
 Attorney for Petitioner:  
 F. Merrill Wyble  
 3939 Capital City Blvd.  
 Lansing, Michigan 48906  
 Phone: (517) 323-4770  
 Dale B. Sawyer, Petitioner  
 6185 E. Round Lake Road  
 Laingsburg, Michigan 48848  
 State of Michigan  
 The Probate Court for the County of Clinton, Estate of Edward G. Howe, Deceased.  
**Take Notice:** On the Petition of Donna Jane Kebler, the Will of the deceased dated August 9, 1975, was admitted to Probate and administration was granted to Vernon H. Howe, the Executor named.  
 Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate must be presented to said fiduciary at 2491 Okemos Road, Mason, Michigan 48854 and copies of the claims must be filed with the court on or before July 8, 1977. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned to persons appearing of record entitled thereto.  
 Dated: April 21, 1977  
 Attorney for Petitioner:  
 Brian V. Howe  
 2714 Maplewood Dr., S.E.  
 Grand Rapids, MI 49506  
 Telephone: (616) 949-6513  
 Vernon H. Howe, Petitioner  
 2491 Okemos Road  
 Mason, Michigan 48854 52-1

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** Part of the E 1/2 of SE 1/4, Sec. 5, T7N-R2W, desc. as the S. 200' of a parcel beg. 1012.5' S. & 50' W. of E 1/4 post of Sec. 5, th. N. 1 degree 00' E. alg. W. r-w of US-27, 452.8 ft. to cen. of Moore & Perrin Drain, thence following drain N. 85 degrees 23' W. 194' S. 50 degrees 55' W. 229.4' S. 22 degrees 31' W. 314.2', S. 87 degrees 40' E. 486.9 ft. to beg.  
 Case No. ZC-4-77—Olive Township.  
**Purpose:** Rezone from B-3, Highway Service to B-2, General Business.  
**Legal Description:** (OL 272B) Beginning at E 1/4 post of Section 21, T6N-R2W, thence S. 384', W. 250', N. 384', E. 250' to beginning. 2 acres.  
 Case No. ZC-5-77—Olive Township.  
**Purpose:** Rezone from B-1, Local Business to B-2, General Business.  
**Legal Description:** Com. 3.25 chains W. of E. quarter post of Sec. 21, T6N-R2W, run. th. N. 24.6 rds., th. W. 6.5 rds., th. S. 24.6 rds., th. E. 6.5 rds. to place of beginning.  
 Also, a Special Use Permit to service automobiles on the aforementioned parcel of land.  
 Case No. ZC-4-77—Bath Township.  
**Purpose:** An application for a Special Use Permit to operate a dog kennel.

The text of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed to be amended and map showing the Zoning Ordinance as proposed to be amended may be examined at 100 S. Ottawa Street, St. Johns, Michigan between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 12 Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. of any day Monday through Friday.  
 Interested persons are requested to appear and voice their opinions with respect thereto.  
 A Field Trip will commence at the Zoning Office on Wednesday, May 18, 1977 at 9:00 a.m.  
 J. Anthony Nelson,  
 Administrator

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**WATERTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP**  
 Synopsis of regular meeting. All board members present except James Doll, who was ill.  
 Pledge given to our Flag.  
 Agenda approved with additions.  
 Minutes approved with several corrections. Treasurer's report accepted.  
 Bills allowed and 1977 Budget amended to cover several under-budgeted items.  
 County Commissioner gave his report and requested direction from Watertown Township about State Tax Commission and equalization factor.  
 Motion made and supported that Watertown Township go on record with the Clinton County Commissioners to the effect that we firmly believe that the County Commissioners should initiate action against the United Appraisal Co. to take action against the State Tax Commission. Motion carried.  
 Tom Talk has been hired to now and maintain the township parks.  
 Matter of competitive sports among the very young brought up and the fact several citizens question the advisability of this. It was suggested that when the Park Board come out their questionnaire relative to Summer Recreation program, that they request the feelings of citizens on this matter of competitive sports among the very young in league ball playing, or would they prefer sandlot ball with stress on teaching coordination, good sportsmanship, etc. The Park Board will also plan a Memorial Day service at cemetery again this year.  
 Mrs. Allen, of 9353 W. Grand River Avenue, granted permission to put a trailer in the back of their house for her grandchild to live in.  
 Curtis Baggett talked with Board about their feelings relative to his mining sand and gravel on the Clarence Alsabe property located next to the landfill. The Board informed him that he would have to go through formal channels.  
 Bids for insulating the ceiling in the complex road, but the matter was tabled until Consumer Power can make a study and recommendations.  
 Bid given to Montgomery Ward to put up a chain link fence between Cemetery and Looking Glass Valley Park.  
 Benton hired to take care of Wacoona Cemetery for another year.  
 Meeting adjourned.  
 Mildred McDonough, Clerk  
 Herman Opplander, Supervisor


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# Legal Notice

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE**

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Millbrook Meadows, Inc. of 316 Manchester, DeWitt, Michigan, to Westphalia Builders & Supply Co., Inc. of 7200 South Grange Road, Westphalia, Michigan, dated September 19, 1974, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Clinton and State of Michigan, on September 26, 1974, in Liber 277, Page 947, Clinton County, Michigan Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Twenty-Nine Thousand and 04/100ths Dollars (\$29,000.04), and judgment of foreclosure and sale of the mortgaged premises having been entered on March 11, 1977, in the Circuit Court for the County of Clinton;

NOW THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that by virtue of said judgment 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, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front (north) entrance of the Circuit 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 Friday, May 27, 1977, at 10:00 local time in the forenoon of said day, and the amount so as aforesaid then due on said mortgage together with 14 percent interest, legal costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that said mortgage does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in the mortgage as follows, to wit:

Lot 15, Millbrook Meadows No. 2, a subdivision of part of the southwest 1/4 of Section 5, T31N, R21W, City of DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 5 of Plans, Pages 34 and 35.

Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be six months from the date of sale.

**WESTPHALIA BUILDERS & SUPPLY CO.,**  
A Michigan corporation

DATED: April 8, 1977  
Joseph B. Backus  
BLACKBURN & BACKUS, P.C.  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
P.O. Box 794  
St. Johns, Michigan 48823  
(517) 337-1617

**—NOTICE—**

The Michigan Department of State Highways and Transportation is calling two public hearings to discuss the US-27 alignment alternatives in Clinton and Gratiot Counties. These hearings will be held on:

Wednesday, June 1, 1977  
Circuit Court Room  
Gratiot County Courthouse  
Ithaca, Michigan  
8:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 2, 1977  
St. Johns Junior High School  
101 West Cass Street  
St. Johns, Michigan  
8:00 p.m.

The purpose of these hearings is to provide the opportunity for a public discussion of alignment alternatives for US-27 between Lansing and Ithaca in Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan.

A description of the alignment alternatives, maps and other pertinent information will be available beginning April 29, 1977, at the following locations:

Clinton County  
County Clerk's Office, County Planning Office, County Extension Office, Bement Public Library, City Clerk's Office, St. Johns, DeWitt Township Hall.

Gratiot County  
County Clerk's Office, County Controller's Office, County Extension Office, Ithaca Public Library.

In addition, this information may be examined at the following locations:

Wilbur Smith and Associates  
3401 E. Saginaw-Suite 212  
Lansing, Michigan

Bureau of Transportation Planning  
Michigan Department of State Highways

and Transportation  
Third Floor-State Highway Building  
425 West Ottawa Street  
Lansing, Michigan

State of Michigan

The Probate Court for the County of Clinton, Estate of Owen D. Keeton, File No. 19740.

Take Notice: On June 29, 1977, at 10:00 a.m. in the Probate Courtroom, St. Johns, Michigan, before the Hon. Timothy M. Green, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held on the Petition of Doris L. Keeton, administration of the estate was granted to Doris L. Keeton.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate must be presented to said Doris L. Keeton at 15925 N. East Street, Lansing, Michigan and proof thereof, with copies of claims filed with the Court on or before June 29, 1977. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereupon assigned to persons appearing of record entitled thereto.

Dated: April 21, 1977  
Attorney for Petitioner:  
Richard T. O'Neill  
817 Center Street  
Lansing, Michigan 48906  
Petitioner:  
Doris L. Keeton  
15925 N. East St.  
Lansing, Michigan 48906



Chris C. Simmon of Fowler, has achieved a 3.56 out of a possible 4.0 at Northern Michigan University in Marquette where he is a senior majoring in nursing. He is shown in the nurses' training laboratory administering a blood pressure test to a fellow classmate. Simmon is the son of Mr and Mrs. Clare H. Simmon, 159A S. Wright Road, Fowler. [NMU photo]

## Highway hearings announced

Township level workshops to review proposed improvements of US-27 between Lansing and Ithaca have been announced by the Michigan Dept. of State Highway and Transportation and Wilbur Smith and Associates.

At the beginning of each workshop, the project status will be summarized and questions will be answered on an individual basis. The workshops will be followed about a month later by formal hearings.

Workshops are scheduled for township residents and governments as follows:

May 2—Bingham Township, township hall, 8 p.m.

May 3—Washington and North Star Townships, Circuit Court room, Gratiot County Courthouse, 8 p.m.

May 4—DeWitt Township, township hall, 8 p.m.

May 5—Olive Township, township hall, 8 p.m.

May 10—Greenbush Township, township hall, 8 p.m.

The location and design public hearings will be held June 1 for Gratiot county in the Gratiot County Circuit Court room at 8 p.m. and June 2 for Clinton County at Rodney B. Junior High, 101 W. Cass St., St. Johns, 8 p.m.

## Shepardsville

Church is on Walker Street, one block north of M-21, two blocks west of the intersection light.

The General Meeting of the Shepardsville UMW was held on Thursday evening, April 21 at the church with the devotions and program in charge of the Berean Circle.

Mrs. John Spencer presided over the short business session. There were guests from the Ovid United Church and the DuPlain United Methodist Church. The usual reports were read and accepted as read. An invitation was read from the Elsie UMW inviting the ladies to their Annual Missionary Salad luncheon on May 4. Registration will begin at 11:30, with the luncheon starting promptly at noon. Rev. Donn Doten of Lansing will be the speaker. He will tell about Bangladesh. Reservations must be in by April 29. A nursery will be provided for children. A sack

lunch must be brought for the children. Reservations may be made through Flora Hall.

Mrs. Paul Susan was program chairman for the evening. She gave a short reading from "For Women Only". She also offered a short prayer. Several hymns were sung.

Mrs. Susan introduced the speaker for the evening, Carol Ross. Miss Ross is the woman representative of the Navigators in Michigan and works out of Wesley Center at MSU. She explained the work of the Navigators through slides. II Timothy 2:2 is one of the verses on which the Navigators place their work in spreading the gospel. They work mostly with young adults at the college level. Several of the slides also showed how they work with others.

Mrs. Susan closed the program with a short prayer.

Light refreshments were served in the community room.

### CNB&T figures set records

First quarter figures at Clinton National Bank and Trust Company continue to set new records according to Brandon C. White, President.

An increase of \$42,158 over the 1976 figure set first quarter profits at \$185,304, an increase of 29.5 percent.

Per share earnings rose to 52.3 cents per share compared to 40.7 cents per share last year. (The 1976 figure is adjusted for the effect of a 5 percent stock dividend paid to shareholders of record on February 17, 1977).

Total assets climbed to \$79,909,777 for the period ending March 31, 1977, an increase of 16 percent over one year ago. As an indication of continuing growth, an asset increase of 4.7 percent has been recorded since December 31, 1976.

Deposit totals also set a new record during the quarter, passing the \$70,000,000 mark for the first time.

The bank will open a full-service office in Bath Township near East Lansing to replace the twice-a-week service offered through the County Service Unit since 1967. The Bath office is scheduled to open May 2.

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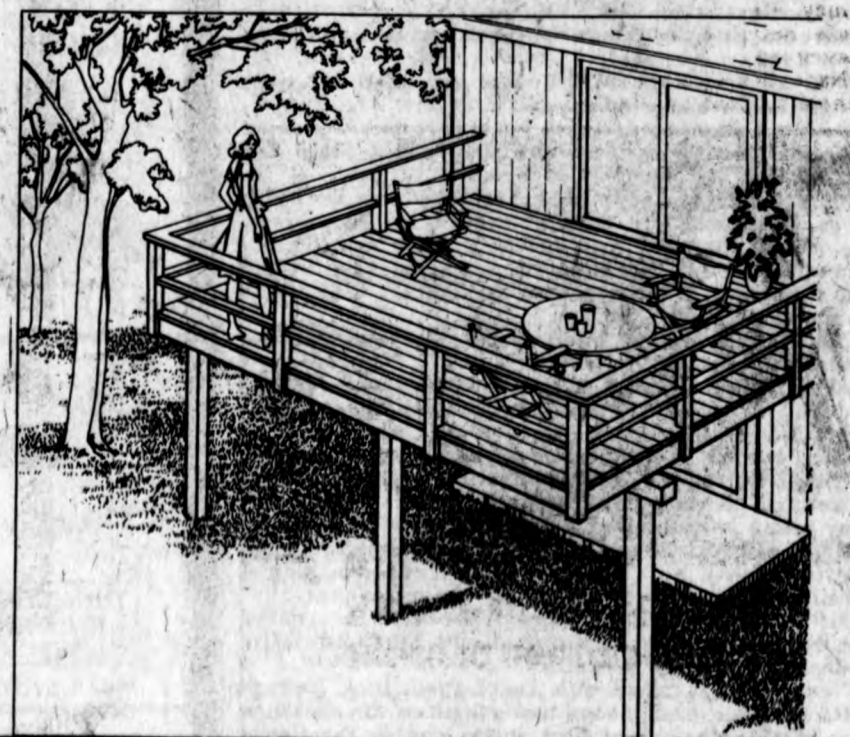
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# Dredging begins in Maple River



William P. Repp (left), government inspector; and Jack W. Elder, project engineer, Soil Conservation Service, Watershed Construction Unit, inspect the 8-inch suction dredge that will be used on the Maple River.

The Hydro-test Corporation, Ann Arbor, through their sub-contractor Be-dot Pipeline Construction, Inc., South Beloit, Ill., expected to begin setting their suction dredge into the Maple River, April 25.

Lloyd B. Campbell, Soil Conservation Service district conservationist, rode with Jack Elder and Bill Repp, March 15 from Blair Road to US-27 to inspect the way trees have been removed, ones that were left for wildlife habitat improvement.

The suction dredge will deepen the river and will not disturb the habitat for wildlife along the channel banks. The suction dredge has an 8-inch bit on the bottom of the river.

The suction dredging starts just west of Crapo Road on the Maple and will work easterly until just west of McClelland Road, and then will work on Bear Creek from the improved Maple north to just south of Roosevelt Road. This is about four miles of total dredging in a badly silted section of the river.

This work is being done as was the work on the dam at Sleepy Hollow State Park under P.L. 566 (Small Watershed Act). This suction dredging is mostly flood control, said the soil district, so there will be only a 6 percent assessment back to the

landowners in Gratiot County benefited by this project according to Robert Moore, vice-chairman of the Clinton County Soil Conservation District Board. Federal cost is 94 percent.

Moore also said that this is only a small part of the total watershed project and will not correct the flooding. The flooding will be corrected when the dikes are built and the pumps installed, according to Moore.

Moore also said that each farmer has a stake in this suction dredging—not to allow silt from their land to again go into the river. He suggested that bean, soybean and corn fields be seeded to a cover crop of rye this fall.

Moore noted that the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service through their agricultural conservation program has a cost share of 75 percent for cover crops.

One bushel of rye has to be seeded by October 15, which the cost share is \$2.10 an acre. Farmers interested in cover crops should sign up at the A.S.C.S. office in the near future.

Clinton County farmers have an obligation to not re-silt the river according to Moore.

According to Moore, Land treatment by the land operators is the key to the success of a Watershed Project. Conservation

cropping system, no-till planting of corn, tile drainage, cover crops to keep the land green through the winter months, and animal

waste disposal systems are some of the conservation practices farmers are applying in the Maple River Watershed.



Jack W. Elder, project engineer, at the helm; John R. Swanson, district conservationist assigned to the Gratiot Soil Conservation District; and William P. Repp, government inspector, in bow, set out to inspect the Maple River Watershed construction. On the bank is Bernie Comburn, landowner.

## Marine safety class for youngsters

A marine safety class is being held by the Clinton County Sheriff's Department in cooperation with the Department of Natural Resources for youngsters between the ages of 12 and 16 years old.

Children must take the class to operate a motor boat larger than six horse power. Instruction will also be given in first aid and safety.

Three classes will be

given. There is open enrollment and no charge for the class.

In DeWitt classes will be held at the high school on May 9, 10, 11, 12, from 7 to 9 p.m.; in Pewamo-Westphalia on May 9, 10, 11, and 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. at P-W High School; and in St. Johns on May 16, 17, 18, and 19 at Rodney B. Wilson High School from 7-9 p.m.

For more information contact Sgt. Ray Graham at the Clinton County Sheriff Department.

## Cars collide in St. Johns

While enroute to a fire call, volunteer firefighter, Loren Perry, 1013 Church St. collided with an auto driven by Karen Sehlke, 3647 S. Williams Rd., at the corner of Railroad and Spring Streets. Sehlke was making a left hand turn onto Spring St. and failed to see the Perry auto.

Sehlke and a child in the auto were taken to Clinton Memorial Hospital. The incident occurred on April 19 at 2:11 p.m.

St. Johns police also handled seven other accidents during the week of April 18 to 24. Firefighters responded to three

calls during the week. According to police reports there were three larcenies from autos; two persons were arrested for careless driving; one case of open intoxicants; one runaway was returned and one vandalism.

There was one violation of the controlled drug substance act, (CDSA) one person was arrested for being a disorderly person, one liquor violation, two persons were arrested for being drunk and disorderly, two for driving while licenses suspended, and one for reckless driving

## Tapes stolen

Bath Township police reported the larceny of 12 eight-track tapes valued at \$97 taken from a car belonging to Mark Phillips, of Ann Drive. The incident occurred on April 23.

Police recovered a safe belonging to the Bath Baptist Church near the railroad tracks off Slight Rd. on April 22.

Kenneth Anderson, Main St., reported a larceny from his auto of nails,

measuring tape, and a transit. The incident occurred April 19.

A larceny occurred at the Fort Bernie Party Store, M-78 on April 20. An amount of cash and a credit card was taken.

Police also handled one malicious destruction of property, one stolen bike, one driving under the influence of alcohol and one drunk and disorderly.

## Correction:

### Linda Stevenson is her sister

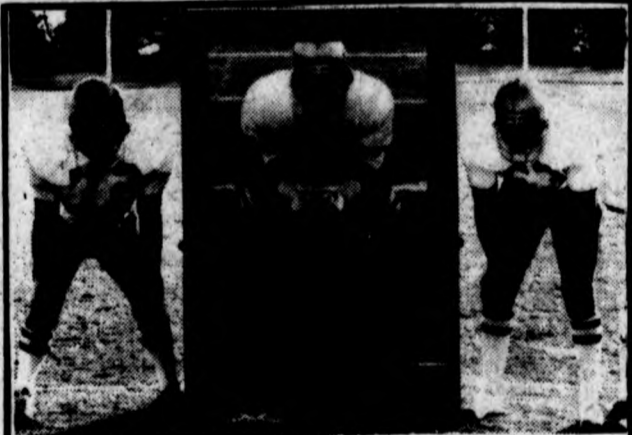
A recent Clinton County News incorrectly identified Nancy Stevenson, Girls State delegate, as Linda Stevenson.

Nancy is a St. Johns High School student and is the

1977 delegate to Girls State.

Her sister, Nancy, is a sophomore at Northern Michigan University.

She did attend Girls State while in high school.



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ORDINANCE NO. 87
CITY OF DE WITT
CLINTON COUNTY,
MICHIGAN
SUBDIVISION
CONTROL ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SUBDIVISION OF LAND IN THE CITY OF DE WITT REQUIRING AND REGULATING THE PRESENTATION OF PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLATS FOR SUCH PURPOSES; ESTABLISHING MINIMUM SUBDIVISION DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS; PROVIDING FOR MINIMUM IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE OR GUARANTEED TO BE MADE BY THE DEVELOPER; SETTING FORTH THE PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION IN APPLYING RULES, REGULATIONS, SPECIFICATIONS AND MUNICIPAL STANDARDS PERTINENT TO SUBDIVISIONS; PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF ITS PROVISIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 46.

THE CITY OF DE WITT ORDAINS:

ARTICLE I - GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1.1 SHORT TITLE: This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "City of DeWitt Subdivision Control Ordinance."

Section 1.2 PURPOSE: The purpose of this Ordinance is to regulate and control the subdivision of land within the City of DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan, in order to promote the safety, public health and general welfare of the community. These regulations are specifically designed to:

- (a) Provide for orderly growth and harmonious development of the community, consistent with orderly growth policies.
(b) Secure adequate traffic circulation through coordinated street systems with proper relation to major thoroughfares, adjoining subdivisions, and public facilities.
(c) Achieve individual property lots of maximum utility and livability.
(d) Insure adequate provisions for water, drainage, and sanitary sewer facilities and other health requirements.
(e) Plan for the provision of adequate recreational areas, school sites, and other public facilities.

ARTICLE II - DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation and enforcement of this Ordinance, unless otherwise specifically stated. The word "shall" is mandatory, "may" is discretionary.

ALLEY: A public or private right-of-way shown on the plat which provides secondary access to a lot, block or parcel of land.

CAPTION: The name by which the plat is legally and commonly known.

CITY: The word "City" wherever used in this Ordinance refers to the City of DeWitt, Michigan.

GOVERNING BODY: The City Council of the City of DeWitt.

GREENBELT OR BUFFER PARK (SCREENING): A strip or parcel of land, privately restricted or publicly dedicated as an open space located between incompatible uses for the purpose of protecting and enhancing the residential environment.

IMPROVEMENTS: Any structure or condition which modifies natural land topography or constitutes any part of a municipal system serving public or private property incident to servicing or furnishing facilities for a subdivision, such as grading street surfacing, curb and gutter, driveway approaches, sidewalks, crosswalks, water mains and lines, sanitary sewers, storm sewers, culverts, bridges, utilities, lagoons, slips, waterways, lakes, bays, canals and other appropriate items, with appurtenant construction.

LOT: A measured portion of a parcel or tract of land, which is described and fixed in a recorded plat.

(a) LOT WIDTH: The horizontal distance between the front and rear lot lines, measured along the median between the side lot lines.

(b) LOT DEPTH: The horizontal distance between the side lot lines measured at the setback line and at right angles to the lot depth.

MASTER PLAN OR COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN: The Master Plan adopted by the City for its physical development, showing the location of streets, parks, schools, public building sites, land use and other similar information. The plan also consists of maps, data and other descriptive matter, which may be amended from time to time hereafter.

MUNICIPAL STANDARDS: Those standards officially adopted by the City of DeWitt governing the design and construction of subdivisions, and land development, and municipal improvements.

OUTLOT: When included within the boundary of a recorded plat, means a lot set aside for purposes other than a building site, park or other land dedicated to public use or reserved to private use.

PARCEL OR TRACT: The continuous area or acreage of land which can be described as provided for in the Subdivision Control Act of 1967, as amended.

PLANNING COMMISSION: The Planning Commission of the City of DeWitt as established under The Municipal Planning Commission Act, being Act 285, Michigan Public Act of 1931, as amended.

PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT: A land area of at least 20 acres having both building sites and common property such as a park and which is developed by one proprietor as a separate neighborhood or community.

PLAT: A map or chart of a subdivision of land.

(a) Pre-Preliminary Plat (Sketch Plan): An informal plan or sketch drawn to scale and in pencil, if desired, showing the existing features of a site and its surroundings and the general layout of a proposed subdivision.

(b) Preliminary Plat: A map showing the salient features of a proposed subdivision of land required by the Subdivision Control Act of 1967, as amended, submitted to an approving authority for purposes of preliminary consideration.

(c) Final Plat: A map of a subdivision of land ready for approval and recording in form required by the Subdivision Control Act of 1967, as amended.

PROPRIETOR, SUBDIVIDER OR DEVELOPER: A natural person, firm, association, partnership, corporation or other legal entity, or combination of any of them which may hold any recorded or unrecorded ownership interest in land. The proprietor may be also referred to as the owner.

PUBLIC UTILITY: All persons, firms, corporations, co-partnerships, or municipal or other public authority providing gas, electricity, water, steam, telephone, telegraph, storm sewers, sanitary sewers, transportation, or other services of a similar nature.

PUBLIC OPEN SPACE: Land dedicated or reserved for use by the general public. It includes, but is not limited to, parks, parkways, recreation areas, school sites, community or public building sites, streets and highways and public parking spaces.

RIGHT-OF-WAY: Land reserved, used or to be used for a street, alley, highway, or other public access purposes.

STREET: A right-of-way which provides for vehicular and

pedestrian access to abutting properties.

(a) MAJOR STREET: Those streets so designated by the City Master Plan and/or the Department of State Highways and Transportation.

(b) MINOR (OR "LOCAL") STREET: Those streets so designated by the City Master Plan.

(c) CUL-DE-SAC: A minor street of short length having one end terminated by a vehicular turn-around.

(d) STREET WIDTH: Shall mean the shortest distance between the lines delineating the public right-of-way of streets.

SUBDIVISION OR SUBDIVISION: The partitioning or dividing of a parcel or tract of land by the proprietor thereof or by his heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, successors or assigns for the purpose of sale, or lease of more than one year, or of building development, where the act of division creates 5 or more parcels of land each of which is 10 acres or less in area; or 5 or more parcels of land each of which is 10 acres or less in area are created by successive divisions with a period of 10 years.

SUBDIVISION CONTROL ACT OF 1967: Shall mean Act 285 of Michigan Public Acts of 1967, as amended, and as may be further amended from time to time, which Act is also known as the "Plat Act".

SURVEYOR: Shall mean the person or firm intended within the definition of "surveyor" in the Subdivision Control Act of 1967.

ARTICLE III - PLATTING PROCEDURE AND DATA REQUIRED

Section 3.1 PRE-APPLICATION CONTACT AND PRE-PRELIMINARY PLAN (Optional): The Subdivision Control Act of 1967 does not require pre-preliminary plans; however, in order to lessen the incidence of conflict in the more formal "preliminary" and "final" plat application stages, it is considered desirable to follow the recommended procedures set forth in this Section.

3.11 PURPOSES:

- (a) To provide guidelines for the subdivider concerning development policies of the city.
(b) To acquaint the subdivider with the platting procedures and requirements of City Council and Planning Commission.
(c) To provide the Planning Commission and other affected agencies with general information concerning the proposed development.
(d) Acceptance of the pre-preliminary plan does not assure acceptance of the preliminary plat.

3.12 RECOMMENDED PROCEDURES:

(a) Pre-Preliminary Plat (or Sketch Plan) - The plat shall show the subdivision's entire development scheme in schematic form including the area for immediate development, and shall include the following:

- (1) General layout of streets, blocks, lots and out-lots in sketch form.
(2) Existing conditions and characteristics of the land on and adjacent to the site.
(3) Any general area set aside for schools, parks and other community facilities.

(b) Feasibility Study - A letter from a surveyor concerning the general feasibility of the land for subdividing may be required by the Planning Commission.

(c) Ownership - The City Council or Planning Commission may require such information regarding ownership of the land proposed to be subdivided as they deem necessary.

(d) Financing

- (1) The City Council or Planning Commission may require such proof of financing of the proposed subdivision as they deem necessary.
(2) The City Council or Planning Commission may require a review of past performance of the subdivider, or any agent thereof with respect to plat development.

3.13 REQUIRED PROCEDURE:

(a) The subdivider shall submit 4 copies of the Sketch Plan to the City Clerk 10 days before the next meeting of the Planning Commission.

(b) The City Clerk shall promptly transmit the 4 copies of the Sketch Plan to the Planning Commission Chairman.

(c) The Planning Commission or Subdivision Committee of the Commission will review the plan with the subdivider or his agent. The Commission may also require that copies of the pre-preliminary plat be submitted to other affected public agencies for review.

(d) The Planning Commission shall inform the subdivider or his agent of the City's development policies and make appropriate comments and suggestions concerning the proposed development scheme.

(e) The Planning Commission shall inform the City Council of the results of the review of the Sketch Plan.

Section 3.2 PRELIMINARY PLAT: The proprietor, subdivider or developer shall comply with all requests of Sections 111 through 118 of the Subdivision Control Act with respect to preliminary plat and such additional requirements as shall appear in this Ordinance.

3.21 REQUIREMENTS

(a) Submission: In addition to the number of copies required by other agencies under the Subdivision Control Act, the subdivider shall submit 8 copies of the preliminary plat on a topographic map to the City Clerk, at least 15 days before a meeting of the Planning Commission.

(b) Size and Scale: The preliminary plat may be on paper and shall be not less than 24 inches by 36 inches, at a scale of 1 inch to 100 feet showing the date and north arrow.

(c) Information Required: The following shall be furnished the Planning Commission by the developer and shall accompany the preliminary plat when filed with the City Clerk.

- (1) The name of the proposed subdivision.
(2) Name, addresses and telephone numbers of the subdivider and the surveyor preparing the plat.
(3) Location of the subdivision, giving a brief legal description of the property involved.
(4) The names of abutting subdivisions.
(5) Statement of intended use of the proposed plat, such as, residential single family, two-family and multiple housing; commercial; industrial; recreational; or agricultural. Also proposed sites, if any, for multi-family dwellings, shopping centers, churches, industry, and other nonpublic uses exclusive of single-family dwellings. Also, any sites proposed for parks, playgrounds, schools, or other public uses.
(6) A map of the entire area scheduled for development, if the proposed plat is a portion of a larger holding intended for subsequent development.
(7) A location map showing the relationship of the proposed plat to the surrounding area.
(8) The land use and existing zoning of the proposed subdivision and the adjacent tracts.
(9) Streets, street names, right-of-way, roadway widths.
(10) Lot lines and approximate lot dimensions.
(11) Contours shall be shown on the preliminary plat at 2 foot intervals.

(12) A site report as described in the rules of the State Department of Public Health, if the proposed subdivision is not to be served by public sewer and/or water system.

(13) Three copies of proposed protective covenants and deed restrictions, or state in writing that none are proposed.

(14) Right-of-way easements, showing location, width, and purpose.

(15) Proposed and existing streets, water, sewer, sidewalks and other required public improvements. This plan shall contain enough information and detail to enable the City Engineer and the Planning Commission to make preliminary determination as to conformance of the proposed improvements to applicable City regulations and standards.

3.22 PROCEDURES

(a) Application: The subdivider shall also submit to the City Clerk a sufficient number of copies of the preliminary plat to meet the requirements of Sections 112(1) and/or 113 to 118 of the Subdivision Control Act.

The subdivider shall also submit a written application for approval and also the fee established by the Municipal Standards.

(b) Tentative Approval by Planning Commission: The Planning Commission shall approve, modify or disapprove a plat within 60 days after the submission of the plat to the City and after conducting a public hearing within such period as required by Section 15 of Act 285 of Michigan Public Acts of 1931, and shall transmit such action upon each copy furnished it, and then transmit one or more copies thereof to the City Council.

(c) Distribution to Authorities: The subdivider shall submit to the various approving authorities the number of validated copies of the preliminary plat required by Sections 112 to 118 of the Subdivision Control Act.

(d) List of Authorities - Filing: The subdivider shall then file with the City Clerk a list of all authorities to whom validated copies of the preliminary plat have been distributed.

3.23 ACTIONS:

(a) Letters of Conditional Approval or Refection: When the subdivider has secured the approvals of the various approving authorities as required by Sections 112 to 118 of the Subdivision Control Act, he shall deliver all copies to the City Clerk.

(b) City Council:

(1) The City Council shall not review, approve or reject a preliminary plat until it has received from the Planning Commission its report and recommendations, unless no such action is taken by the Planning Commission within 60 days from the date the plat is filed with the City Clerk.

(2) The City Council shall within 30 days after receipt of the necessary approved copies of the preliminary plat either approve or reject it and give its reasons therefor.

3.24 CONDITIONS AND DURATION OF APPROVAL

(a) Conditions

- (1) The City may enter into a written agreement with the developer to construct within a reasonable time certain improvements within the area to be platted. No construction shall be undertaken in the Plat area prior to the grant of all approvals of the Preliminary Plat plans as provided in the Subdivision Control Act of 1967, and the furnishing to the City Clerk of a cash deposit, or certified check, or irrevocable bank letter of credit, whichever the proprietor selects, on a jointly held account to the City Council, covering the estimated costs of construction of improvements required by the City, in amount acceptable to the City Council, to insure the faithful performance of the agreement. All such security arrangements shall remain in effect for a period of all construction by the City.
(2) Approval of a preliminary plat shall not constitute approval of the final plat, but rather that final plat approval shall be conditioned on all further requirements being met.

(b) Duration

- (1) Approval of the preliminary plat by the City Council shall be for a period of two years from the date of its approval.
(2) The City Council may extend the two year period if applied for and granted in writing.

Section 3.3 FINAL PLAT:

3.31 REQUIREMENTS:

(a) Final plats shall be prepared and submitted as provided in the Subdivision Control Act of 1967, as amended.

(b) A written application for approval and the recording fee shall accompany all final plats.

(c) The subdivider shall submit proof of ownership of the land included in the final plat in the form of an abstract of title certified to the date of the proprietor's certificate, or a policy of title insurance currently in force.

3.32 PROCEDURES:

(a) Submission to Approving Authorities: The subdivider shall submit the final plat and an-built engineering plans, where required for approval to the City Clerk and all agencies enumerated in the Subdivision Control Act of 1967, for certification of approval.

3.33 ACTIONS:

(a) City Engineer and/or City Planning Commission

(1) The City Engineer and the City Planning Commission shall examine the plat within 10 days of receipt thereof, for conformance to:

- (I) The provisions of the Subdivision Control Act of 1967, as amended.
(II) The provisions of this Ordinance
(III) The Municipal Standards Ordinance
(IV) The preliminary plat, as approved.

(2) The time for review and recommendations by the City Engineer and City Planning Commission may be extended by agreement with the subdivider.

(3) If the City Engineer and/or City Planning Commission recommends disapproval of the plat by the City Council, it shall state its reasons in the official minutes of the Planning Commission and forward them to the City Council, and recommend that the City Council disapprove the final plat until the objections causing disapproval have been changed to meet with the approval of the City Engineer and City Planning Commission.

(4) Recommendations for approval of the plat by the City Council shall be accompanied by a copy of the minutes of the City Planning Commission in which approval was recommended.

(b) City Council:

(1) The City Council shall review the final plat and the report from the City Engineer and the City Planning Commission at its next regular meeting, or at a meeting to be called within 30 days from receipt of submission of the final plat to the City Clerk.

(2) The City Council shall approve the plat, or disapprove it. If disapproved, it shall give the subdivider its reasons in writing.

(3) The City Council shall instruct the Clerk to record all proceedings in the minutes of the meeting, which shall be open for inspection, and to sign the municipal certificate on the approved plat in behalf of the City Council, signifying approval of the plat by the City Council. The certificate shall show the date of the meeting at which the approval was made and the date the certificate was signed by the Clerk.

(c) Improvements and Facilities Required by the City:

(1) The City Council may require all improvements and facilities to be completed before it approves the final plat.

(2) If improvement and facilities are not required to be completed by the City Council before plat approval, the final plat shall be accompanied by a contract between the subdivider and the City Council for completion of all required improvements and facilities.

(3) Performance of the contract shall be guaranteed by a cash deposit, certified check, or irrevocable bank letter of credit.

(4) The City Council shall not require a guarantee duplicating any guarantee required by another governmental agency.

(5) Such security shall be rebated or credited to the account of the proprietor as the work progresses, as included in a written agreement between the City and the subdivider.

(6) In the event the developer shall fail to complete the municipal improvements required by the City within the period of time stated in the written agreement for the completion of public improvements the City Council may proceed to have such work completed from the remaining security funds available to it for such purpose.

ARTICLE IV - SUBDIVISION DESIGN STANDARDS

Section 4.1 STREETS - SYSTEMS AND ROAD

Section 4.11 OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

The requirements of the Municipal Standards for street design and construction, and the Michigan Department of State Highways and Transportation Uniform Criteria for Major Streets, as from time to time amended, shall be followed, in addition to all other standards set forth in this Ordinance.

Due consideration shall also be given the Street Plan policy set forth in the City Master Plan with regard to overall street layout.

Section 4.12 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

(a) Street Continuation and Extension: The arrangement of streets shall provide for the continuation of existing streets from adjoining areas into new subdivisions, unless otherwise approved by the Planning Commission.

(b) Stub Streets: Where adjoining areas are not subdivided, the arrangement of streets in new subdivisions shall be extended to the boundary line of the plat to make provision for the future projection of streets into adjacent areas. All stub streets shall be provided with a turn-around which shall meet the radius for Cul-de-sacs. See Section 4.13 (e).

(c) Relation to Topography: Streets shall be arranged in proper relation to topography so as to result in usable lots, safe streets, and reasonable gradients.

(d) Alleys: Alleys shall not be permitted in areas of detached single or two-family residences. Alleys shall be provided in multiple dwelling or commercial subdivisions unless other provisions are made for service access, off-street loading, and parking. Dead-end alleys shall be prohibited.

(e) Cul-de-sac Streets: Cul-de-sac shall not be more than 300 feet in length. Special consideration shall be given to longer cul-de-sac under certain topographic conditions or other unusual situations. Cul-de-sac shall terminate with an adequate turn-around with a minimum radius of 60 feet right-of-way and 45 feet for pavement.

Section 4.13 SPECIFICATIONS:

Street and road specifications shall conform to the adopted Street Plan, the Municipal Standards of the City of DeWitt and the Michigan Department of State Highways and Transportation Uniform Criteria for Major and Local Streets.

Section 4.14 STREET NAMES:

Street names shall be approved by the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission.

Section 4.2 INTERSECTIONS:

Section 4.21 ANGLE OF INTERSECTION:

Angles of intersection are governed by the provisions of the Municipal Standards Ordinance and by other engineering requirements of the City.

Section 4.22 SIGHT TRIANGLES:

Minimum clear sight distance at all minor street intersections shall permit vehicles to be visible to the driver of another vehicle when each is one hundred twenty-five (125) feet from the center of the intersection.

Section 4.23 NUMBER OF STREETS:

No more than two (2) streets shall cross at any one intersection.

Section 4.24 CONTROLLING CORNER:

Sight lines at intersections shall be avoided. Where such lines are unavoidable, street centerlines shall be offset by a distance of one hundred twenty-five (125) feet or more.

Section 4.3 FRONTYARD SETBACK:

Section 4.31 CORRIDORS:

Right-of-way for pedestrian crossings in the middle of long blocks shall be required where necessary to obtain convenient pedestrian circulation to schools, parks or shopping areas.

The right-of-way shall be at least ten (10) feet wide and may extend entirely through the block.

Section 4.32 SIDEWALKS:

Sufficient right-of-way shall be provided so that sidewalks may be installed on both sides of all streets, except where other provisions are specifically approved by the Planning Commission and City Council.

Section 4.4 BLOCKS:

A block shall be so designed as to provide two (2) tiers of lots, except where lots back onto an arterial street, natural feature or subdivision boundary.

Section 4.42 MAXIMUM LENGTH:

The maximum length allowed for residential blocks shall be one thousand three hundred twenty (1320) feet long from center of street to center of street.

Section 4.5 LOTS:

Section 4.51 COMPACT TO BUILDING: The lot width, depth, and area shall not be less than the particular district requirements of the zoning ordinance except where setbacks are provided for same permitted purposes.

Section 4.52 LOT LINES:

Side lot lines shall be essentially at right angles to straight streets and radial to curved streets.

# Charles Ackley wins soil judging contest

The Annual FFA Soil Judging Contest, which is sponsored by the Clinton County Soil Conservation District directors, was held on the Harry Harden farm in Duplain Township.

The St. Johns FFA Chapter was unable to compete this year so the contest was among the members of the Ovid-Elsie Chapter of FFA.

## Thefts reported

Willis Tovey, from the Clinton County Country Club reported on April 8 the theft of a tool box and tools.

David Lockwood, 3051 E. Wildcat Rd., reported the theft of several car parts from his home on April 10.

Robert Soltow, 13665 Tallman Rd., Eagle, reported on April 5 the larceny of

winner. The FFA Chapter was presented with a gold loving cup and, Ackley will receive a desk pen set for his efforts.

The boys were to determine from test holes and site conditions how best to treat that site for maximum production of farm products with maximum protection from erosion.

The contest holes were set up by Ken Mettert, soil scientist for the Soil Conservation Service, and Lloyd Campbell and Orville Beachler of the St. Johns work unit.

a building where two chain saws were taken.

Beverly Chanda, 7781 W. Grand River, reported the breaking and entering of her residence on April 4. She reported missing jewelry and liquor.

On April 12 there was an attempted breaking and entering at the Carl Sills home at 114 Main St., Maple Rapids.



Charles Ackley wins soil judging trophy from Robert Moore.

# Elsie News

The Union Good Friday services were sponsored by the First Baptist Church and the United Methodist Church of Elsie with their respective pastors, Jeffery Sak and David Miles presenting the Seven Words, "My God, Why Hast Thou Forsaken Me?", each with the appropriate scripture, meditation and Hymn, with Rita Woten as pianist. Pastor and Mrs Sak furnished a special vocal selection on new life in Christ.

The huge wooden Cross centered the sanctuary with potted lilies placed around the base and other potted plants in memory of R.D. Martin, Hope Green, Bryon Green, Gordon McCullough, Lyle Carroll, Carl Tethal, Mr and Mrs John Bacon, Mr and Mrs Hugh McCullough, Mr and Mrs Claude Conklin, Sr. and Andrew, Lawrence and Michael Cobb, by their families.

The Elsie United Methodist Church services were well attended at the Easter Sunrise service at 6:30 a.m. in which the following youth of the church participated: Angie Howard, Andy Miles, Kristal Gilbert, Karen Green, Don Gilbert, Mark Gintner, Darlene Craven, Julie Furstenau, Gayle Furstenau, and Tony Lentz.

Others were: Al Bywater, Ernie Bywater, Scott Bates, Susie Gintner, Tim Hehrer, Troy Gintner, Dean Gilbert, Jim Craven and Kevin Howard.

Special music included "Celebrate" by the youth during the professional and recessional; a quartette selection by David Dunham with Sharon Olson, adult helpers; and Sharon Olson as accompanist.

Russ and Sandra Gintner are the Youth Advisors, David Dunham, choral director; Jim Ade and Carl Olson, adult helpers; and Sharon Olson as accompanist.

The regular morning worship service was the Celebration of Easter by the Rev. David Miles at 9:30 a.m. Sunday. Mrs Carl Olson was organist with Dr. G.W. Bennett, directing the Chancel Choir and Mrs Jean Cobb, the Junior Choir.

The Elsie United Methodist Church Women met Wednesday evening for the April meeting at the parsonage with Mrs David Miles as hostess, assisted by Mrs Milford Clark, Mrs Manley Engretson and Mrs Zella Brewbaker.

President Mrs Harold Hehrer opened the meeting with a prayer and reading. Routine reports

were read including several dinners served recently. Plans made at the previous executive board meeting were accepted including need for larger stoves for the kitchen, sink, purchase of new table covers for the dining room, a wedding reception and other dinners in the near future.

A verbal "thank-you" was given by the Rev. David Miles for the basket of fruit given him after his recent surgery. There were several other "thank-you" notes read. Easter cards were signed by the members and sent to Mrs Hilda Schumacher, Mrs Cleo Parks, Mrs Juanita Carroll, Miss Lula Rule, Mrs Hazel Blayney and Mrs Frances Pearl most of whom are in nursing homes or hospitalized. It was voted to donate \$25 to the Methodist Youth Church Camp for the Youth and the Easter Breakfast Fund.

The program of colored slides was photographed by Rev Miles and his wife, Marilyn. First were views of children coloring eggs and enjoying the Easter season. Mrs Miles elaborated on

the series of slides, "Everything is beautiful as they showed mountain and lake scenes, young animals, children, people, outdoor altars and forest scenes, flowers, Tulip Festival and all the seasons with emphasis on life and love.

Stereo recordings of music throughout the program were enjoyed as they showed a collection of pictures of a wedding by Rev Miles.

The final selection of pictures was the complete mystery of metamorphosis or transformation undergone from a caterpillar to a butterfly. They said it took three years to secure the pictures from cocoon and chrysalis to the beautiful butterfly that in real life takes only a short time. The audience expresses their appreciation for the privilege of seeing these slides.

Mrs Hehrer introduced the two guests, Mrs Rita Hott and Mrs Nellie Washburn from the Duplain United Methodist Church.

The assistant hostess served coffee, tea and small Easter decorated cakes for the social hour that followed.

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## Section 4.53 TYPICAL LOTS

Narrow deep lots shall be avoided. The depth of a lot generally shall not exceed two and one-half (2 1/2) times the width as measured at the building line.

## Section 4.54 CORNER LOTS

Corner lots shall have extra width to permit appropriate building setback from both streets or orientation to both streets. Lots abutting a pedestrian mid-block crosswalk shall be treated as corner lots.

## Section 4.55 UNDESIRABLE AREAS

Land subject to flooding or otherwise deemed by the Planning Commission to be unsuitable shall not be platted for residential purposes, or for uses that may be in the judgment of the Planning Commission increase the danger to health, life, or property or increase the flood hazard. Such land within a subdivision shall be set aside for other uses, such as parks or other open space.

## Section 4.56 BACK-UP LOTS

Lots which back into such features as freeways, arterial streets, shopping centers, or industrial properties, except where there is a marginal access street, within a secondary business district, shall be considered to be "back-up lots." Such lots shall contain a landscaped easement along the rear at least twenty (20) feet wide, to restrict access to the arterial street to minimize noise and to protect outdoor living areas.

## Section 4.57 LOT FRONTAGE

All lots shall front upon a publicly dedicated street. Variance may be permitted for approved planned community unit developments.

## Section 4.58 FUTURE ARRANGEMENTS

Where parcels of land are subdivided into unusually large lots (such as when large lots are required for septic tank operations), the parcels shall be divided where feasible, so as to allow for redividing into smaller parcels in a logical fashion. Lot arrangements shall allow for the ultimate extension of adjacent streets through the middle of wide blocks. Whenever such future redividing or lot splitting is contemplated the plan thereof shall be approved by the Planning Commission prior to the taking of such action.

## Section 4.59 LOT DIVISION

The division of a lot in a recorded plat is prohibited, unless approved following application to the Planning Commission. The application shall be filed with the City Council and shall state the reasons for the proposed division. No lot in a recorded plat shall be divided into more than four (4) parts and the resulting lots shall be not less in area than permitted by the City zoning ordinance. No building permit shall be issued, or any building construction commenced, until the division has been approved by the Planning Commission. The division of a lot resulting in a smaller area than prescribed herein may be permitted but only for the purpose of adding to the existing building site or sites. The application shall so state and shall be in affidavit form.

## Section 4.60 DIVISION OF UNPLATTED PARCELS

The division of an unplatted parcel of land into two (2), three (3) or four (4) lots involving the dedication of a new street shall require the approval of the Planning Commission prior to taking such action. All such applications shall be made in writing and shall be accompanied by a drawing of the proposed division. No building or occupancy permit shall be issued in such cases until the Planning Commission has approved the division of such land.

## Section 4.6 OBSTRUCTIONS AND RESERVE STRIPS

Greenbelts may be required to be placed next to incompatible features such as highways, railroads, commercial, or industrial uses to screen the view from residential properties. Such screens shall be a minimum of twenty (20) feet wide, and shall not be a part of the normal roadway right-of-way or utility easement.

## Section 4.63 RESERVE STRIPS

(a) Reserve Strips - Privately-held reserve strips controlling access to streets shall be prohibited. (b) Reserve Strips - Public - A one-foot reserve may be required to be placed at the end of "stub" or "dead-end" streets which terminate at subdivision boundaries and between half-streets. These reserves shall be dedicated in fee simple to the City for future street purposes.

## Section 4.7 PUBLIC SITES AND OPEN SPACES

Where a proposed park, playground, or other public use shown on the Master Plan is located in whole or in part within a subdivision, a suitable area for this purpose shall be dedicated to the public.

The Planning Commission may require a developer to provide such public areas as may be desirable for the implementation of the spirit of the Master Plan.

## Section 4.73 NATURAL FEATURES

Existing natural features which add value to residential development and enhance the attractiveness of the community (such as trees, watercourses, historic spots and similar irreplaceable assets) shall be preserved, insofar as possible, in the design of the subdivision.

## Section 4.8 LARGER SCALE DEVELOPMENTS

### Section 4.81 MODIFICATION

This Ordinance may be modified in accordance with Article VI in the case of a subdivision large enough to constitute a complete community or neighborhood, consistent with the Master Plan which provides and dedicates adequate public open space and improvements of the circulation, recreation, education, light, air, and service needs of the tract when fully developed and populated.

### Section 4.82 NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTERISTICS

A community or neighborhood under this provision shall generally be consistent with the Master Plan and contain five hundred (500) living units or more, contain or be bounded by major streets or natural physical barriers as necessary, and shall contain reserved areas of sufficient size to serve its population, for schools, playgrounds, parks, and other public facilities. Such reserves may be dedicated to the City, School District, property owners association, or other suitable entity, as the case may be.

### Section 4.10 COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL MODIFICATION: These subdivision design standards may be modified in accordance with Article VI in the case of subdivisions specifically for commercial or industrial development, including shopping districts, wholesaling areas, and planned industrial districts. In all cases, however, adequate provision shall be made for off-street parking and loading areas as well as for traffic circulation.

## ARTICLE V - SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENTS

### Section 5.1 PURPOSE

It is the purpose of this section to establish and define the public improvements which will be required to be constructed by the subdivider as conditions for final plat approval and also to outline the procedures and responsibilities of the subdivider and the various public officials and agencies concerned with the administration, planning design, construction, and financing of public facilities, and to further establish procedure for assuring compliance with these requirements.

### Section 5.2 RESPONSIBILITY FOR PLANS

It shall be the responsibility of the subdivider of every proposed subdivision to have prepared, by a registered engineer, a complete set of construction plans, including profiles, cross-section, specifications, and other supporting data, for the hereinafter required public streets, utilities, and other facilities. Such construction plans shall be based on preliminary plans which have been approved with the preliminary plat, and shall be prepared in conjunction with the final plat. Construction plans are subject to approval by the responsible public agencies shown. All construction plans shall be prepared in accordance with their standards or specifications.

### Section 5.3 PROCEDURE

SUBMITTAL: When construction has been completed at the time of filing the final plat, one (1) complete set of as-built engineering plans of each required public improvement shall be filed with the City Clerk coincident with the filing of the final plat. Other requirements and procedures in the submittal of final plat shall be as provided in Section 3.3.

### Section 5.4 REQUIRED PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

Every subdivider shall be required to install the following public and other improvements in accordance with the conditions and specifications as follows:

#### Section 5.41 MONUMENTS

Monuments shall be set in accordance with the State Subdivision Control Act of 1967, Act No. 288 of the Public Acts of 1967, as amended, and the rules of the State Department of Treasury.

#### Section 5.42 STREETS AND ALLEYS

All streets and alleys shall be constructed in accordance with the municipal standards.

#### Section 5.43 CURBS AND GUTTERS

Curbs and gutters shall be constructed in accordance with the municipal standards.

#### Section 5.44 INSTALLATION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Public utilities and driveways shall be located in accordance with the municipal standards.

#### Section 5.45 DRIVEWAYS

All driveway openings in curbs shall be as specified by the municipal standards.

#### Section 5.46 STORM DRAINAGE

An adequate storm drainage system, including necessary storm sewers, drain inlets, manholes, culverts, bridges, and other appurtenances, shall be required in all subdivisions. Such requirements shall be according to the municipal standards.

#### Section 5.47 WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM

Water supply systems shall be constructed in accordance with the municipal standards.

## Section 5.48 SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM

When a proposed subdivision is to be serviced by a public sanitary sewerage system, sanitary sewers and other required appurtenances thereto shall be provided by the developer. Sewer systems shall comply with the requirements of Act 98, Public Acts of 1913, as amended.

If there is no existing or accessible public sewer system, a sewer system for the common use of the lot owners may be required to be provided by the developer, if feasible in the judgment of the Planning Commission, and the City Council with the advice of the City Engineer and shall comply with the requirements of Act 98, Public Acts of 1913, as shall be amended from time to time. The system provided shall be turned over to the City for operation and maintenance.

Where it is determined in the judgment of the Planning Commission and the City Council, with the advice of the City Engineer, that a subdivision cannot be economically connected with an existing public sewer system or that a public sewer system cannot be provided for the subdivision itself, then approved septic tanks and disposal fields may be approved which shall comply with the requirements of the County Health Department.

However, where studies by the City Planning Commission or the City Engineer indicate that construction or extension of sanitary trunk sewers to serve the property being subdivided appears probable within a reasonably short time (up to seven (7) years), sanitary sewer mains and house connections shall be installed and capped.

## Section 5.49 STREET NAME SIGNS

Street name signs shall be installed in the appropriate locations by the developer at each street intersection in accordance with the requirements of the City Department of Public Works.

## Section 5.410 SIDEWALKS AND CROSSWALKS

Sidewalks may be required on both sides of the street. Sidewalks and crosswalks, where required, shall be constructed in accordance with the municipal standards.

## Section 5.5 OPTIONAL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

### Section 5.51 RECREATIONAL

Where a school site, neighborhood park, recreation area, or access to water frontage, as previously delineated or specified by official action of the Planning Commission, is located in whole or part in the proposed subdivision, the City Council may request the reservation of such open space for school, park and recreation or, as the case may be, private or public access purposes. All such areas shall either be reserved for the respective school district in the case of school sites, or property owners association, or other suitable entity. Voluntary dedication of these land areas may be accepted in the discretion of the school district or the City, as the case may be.

### Section 5.52 TREES AND SHRUBS

All planting of trees and shrubs on land within the public right-of-way must have the approval of the City Department of Public Works.

### Section 5.53 STREET LIGHTING

Street lights shall be required to be installed throughout the subdivision.

### Section 5.54 FAILURE TO COMPLETE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT

In the event the developer shall fail to complete the municipal improvements required by the City within the period of time stated in the written agreement for the completion of public improvements, the City Council may proceed to have such work completed from the remaining security funds available to it for such purpose.

## ARTICLE VI - VARIANCES

### Section 6.1 GENERAL

The City Planning Commission may recommend to the City Council a variance from the provisions of this Ordinance on a finding that undue hardship may result from strict compliance with specific provisions or requirements of the Ordinance or that application of such provision or requirement is impracticable. The Planning Commission shall only recommend variances that it deems necessary to or desirable for the public interest. In making its findings, as required herein below, the Planning Commission shall take into account the nature of the proposed use of land and the existing use of land in the vicinity, the number of persons to reside or work in the proposed subdivision, the probable effect of the proposed subdivision upon traffic conditions in the vicinity. No variance shall be recommended unless the Planning Commission finds after a public hearing:

- (a) That there are such special circumstances or conditions affecting said property that the strict application of the provisions of this Ordinance would clearly be impracticable or unreasonable. In such cases the subdivider shall first state his reasons in writing as to the specific provision or requirement involved and submit them to the Planning Commission.
- (b) That the granting of the specified variance

will not be detrimental to the public welfare or injurious to other property in the area in which said property is situated.

(c) That such variance will not violate the provisions of the State Subdivision Control Act.

(d) The Planning Commission shall include its findings and the specific reasons therefor in its report of recommendations to the City Council and shall also record its reasons and actions in its minutes.

(e) That such variance will not have the effect of nullifying the interest and purpose of this Ordinance and the Master Plan of this City.

## Section 6.2 TOPOGRAPHICAL-PHYSICAL LIMITATION VARIANCE

Where in the case of a particular proposed subdivision it can be shown that strict compliance with the requirements of this Ordinance would result in extraordinary hardship to the subdivider because of unusual topography, other physical conditions, or other such conditions which are not self-inflicted, or that these conditions would result in inhibiting the achievement of the objectives of this Ordinance, the Planning Commission may recommend to the City Council that variance modification or a waiver of these requirements be granted.

## ARTICLE VII - ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS ORDINANCE

### Section 7.1 ENFORCEMENT

No subdivision plat required by this Ordinance or the Subdivision Control Act shall be admitted to the public land records of the County or recorded by the County Register of Deeds, until such subdivision plat has received final approval by the City Council.

No public board, agency, commission, official or other authority shall proceed with the construction of or authorize the construction of any of the public improvements required by this Ordinance unless such public improvements shall have already been accepted, opened or otherwise received the legal status of a public improvement prior to the adoption of this Ordinance unless such public improvement shall correspond in its location and to the other requirements of this Ordinance.

### Section 7.2 PENALTIES

Penalties for failure to comply with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be as follows: Violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance or failure to comply with any of its requirements shall constitute a misdemeanor. Any person who violates this Ordinance or fails to comply with any of its requirements shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or imprisoned for not more than thirty (30) days, or both. Each day such violation continues shall be considered a separate offense. The proprietor, developer, land owner, tenant, subdivider, builder, public official or any other person who commits, participates in, assists in, or maintains such violation may each be found guilty of a separate offense and suffer the penalties herein provided. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the City Council or any other public official or private citizen from taking such lawful action as is necessary to restrain or prevent any violation of this Ordinance or of the Subdivision Control Act.

## ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

PROCEDURE: Proposed amendments or the repeal of this Ordinance may be originated by the City Council, City Planning Commission, or by other means provided in the City Charter. All proposals not originating with the Planning Commission shall be referred to it for a report thereon before any action is taken on the proposal by the City Council.

## ARTICLE IX - REPEAL OF OTHER ORDINANCES AND PROVISIONS THEREOF

This Ordinance shall repeal and supersede the provisions of any Ordinance of the City of DeWitt in conflict herewith. Ordinance No. 46 of Ordinances, City of DeWitt entitled Standards and Requirements for New Subdivision Plats shall be repealed in its entirety at such time as all existing plats which have received preliminary plat approval thereunder have been finally processed.

All new subdivision plats which have not progressed to the status of an approved preliminary plat prior to the effective date of this Ordinance shall be bound by all of the provisions of this Subdivision Control Ordinance.

## ARTICLE X - EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance Number 87 is adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of DeWitt, Michigan, April 1977, and shall become effective upon publication.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer of the City of DeWitt hereby authenticate this Ordinance by their signatures.

CITY OF DE WITT  
By: William E. Brown, Jr. Mayor  
By: Sharon L. Brown, Clerk-Treasurer

## —Carland News—

That one day we may rejoice in a world free from the scourge of cancer.

The Carland Extension club met for their April month Extension lesson, with the emphasis on the four main rules for the conquest of cancer.

An appropriate lesson for April being recognized as the month for a drive against cancer, was given by Karen Maurer of Owosso.

Mr and Mrs Raymond Thornton of West M-21 assisted in giving the four main rules to follow to the nine members and nine visitors who attended the meeting at the home of Mrs Betty Ziola on Carland Road.

The number one rule of the four is to detect early cancer is the annual physical check-up by your family doctor.

Number two rule is the proto-examination. The third rule is the annual pap-smear test.

Last, but not least, is the breast examination.

The instructors used "Big and Little Betsy," which are soft pliable medically supplied imitative breasts for each person to examine, to feel for abnormal lumps.

Each person who attended the meeting was given brochures to take home to share with other members of their families, neighbors, and friends to work for a world free from the scourge of cancer by giving them skills and knowledge that cures may be discovered.

The meeting was held on the same day as Mrs Thornton's birthday, so all the people present sang "Happy Birthday" as the hostess served refreshments to her guests.

The May meeting will be held at the home of Mrs Clara Horn in Carland.

Mr and Mrs Richard Reed and family have returned home to Carland

from visiting the hometown of President Carter in Plains, Georgia.

The Reed family continued south to Florida, vacationing and sightseeing for two weeks before returning home.

Carland people and others of this locale attended a showing of pictures, some as old as tin-types, blown up in size to show on a slide projector screen for genetical identification by the people present.

Mr Jeffery Leydorf, one of the descendants of the Elmer Cook family, showed the pictures to other descendants which included the families of Mr and Mrs Lewis Walling of Elsie, Frank Leydorf and Mr and Mrs Jeffery Leydorf of Bannister, Mrs Mable Curtis of Elsie, Mr and Mrs Ivan Scott of Bannister, Mr and Mrs Tom Moore of Bannister, Mr and Mrs Elmer Leydorf of Bannister, Mr and Mrs Leo Deming of Carland, Mr and Mrs Thomas Winkler of Ovid, Mr and Mrs Richard Moore of Bannister, Mr and Mrs Edna Noland and Nancy of Bannister, Mr and Mrs Donald Saxton and Mrs Lynn Saxton of Ovid, Mr and Mrs Ronnie Porubsky of Bannister, and others.

A history is being written by the former Mrs Linda

Dush, daughter of Mr and Mrs Wayne Dush of rural St. Johns and an historical picture album will be put together by Mr and Mrs Jeffery Leydorf of several generations back.

The gathering took place in the fellowship rooms of the United Methodist Church in Bannister with approximately thirty-five relatives attending to identify pictures of a century and a half ago, along with some more modern pictures.

Cake, Jello, tea and coffee were served by the Leydorfs.

Four-year-old Richard Kremer, son of Mr and Mrs Carl Kremer of M-57, has returned to his home after undergoing surgery for a hernia in the Carson City Hospital recently.

Mrs Kremer is the former Rolayne Sloat of Carland and little Richard's grandparents are the Richard Sloats of Carland.

Grant Stinson of Carland and Mrs Elizabeth Darling of Toledo, Ohio, were married, April 10th, Easter Sunday at a 1:00 p.m. ceremony at the Augsburg Lutheran Church in Toledo, Ohio.

The Rev. James H. Heil performed the ceremony.

Marilyn Nieswander, sister of the bride was her only attendant and Neil

Stinson, Sr., of Carland served his brother as best man.

A reception followed at the home of the bride's father, Mr Francis W. Gerity of Sylvania, Ohio.

People from Carland attending were the groom's mother Mrs Vern Stinson, Mr and Mrs Neil Stinson, Sr., Mr and Mrs Farrell Stinson, Mr and Mrs Lloyd St. John and family, Mrs St. John is the former Mary Lou Stinson sister of the groom.

Miss Lynn Stinson of rural Ovid also attended the wedding ceremony.

The couple came back to Carland April 13, to make their home here in Carland.

Mrs Leo Deming has taken the training session on "Here's New Life America" and will continue taking the "I Found It" prayer group training this week in Owosso.

She is the prayer coordinator for the Carland United Methodist Church.

## Ovid Bethel celebrates 25th anniversary

By Neva Keys  
Elsie Correspondent

There were 140 guests present for the 25th Anniversary of Ovid Bethel No. 36 of the International Order of Jobs Daughters and the Majority Degree, Saturday afternoon, April 16 at the Ovid Masonic Temple. They came from Holland, Owosso, Corunna, Okemos, St. Johns, Laingsburg, Ovid and Elsie.

The Ovid Bethel was instituted by Owosso Bethel No. 2 November 14, 1951 and the following year received their charter, April 10, 1952. The first guardian was Alice Galt and Margaret Shaver, the second guardian, Mary Lou Cox, was present and was given a corsage from the Ovid Bethel.

There were pictures of Past Honored Queens and scrapbooks on display in the Bethel entry hall.

Honored Queen Cindy Moore of Elsie presided for

the meeting and introduced the following past Honored Queens: Beverly Geisenhaver, Diane Smith, Sharon Schultz, Dorothy Kadolph, Ena Baker, Donna Thompson, Debbie Goodrich, Amber Parks, Cathy Hummel, Sue Palen, Mary St. Johns, Rosalyn Smith, Ellen Veale, Mary Lou Cox, Sue Chamberlain, Kay Green, Cathy Moore, Nancy Hehrer, Cindy Hehrer, Luann Rummell, Dolores O'Bryant, Okemos and Rita Hehrer.

Patricia Cook, guardian of Corunna Bethel and Nancy Hehrer, acting guardian of Ovid Bethel; associate guardian, Raymond Moore; past guardians of Ovid, Elizabeth Gilbert, Mickey Besko and Patricia Chamberlain; and past associate guardians, Russell Gilbert and Mervin Chamberlain of Ovid, were also introduced by the Honored Queen.

There were three Worthy Matrons present: Mrs. Dorothy Cressman of St. Johns, Mrs. Wanda Litomisky of Elsie and Mrs. Ruth Chamberlain of Ovid Eastern Star Chapters.

Honored Queen Cindy Moore presented Luann Rummell her pin from the Bethel for being Grand Representative to California. Rita Hehrer read a letter from Mrs. Alice Galt who sent regrets that she couldn't attend as she was in Colorado with her son.

Robert Darling of St. Johns, Grand Bethel associate guardian and past guardian Ovid Bethel, telephoned the Daughters during their ceremony to give his regards and urge

them to keep up the good work.


The Majority Degree was conferred on Ellen Veale, Kay Green, Amber Parks and Cathy Moore. They were each given flowers and a certificate. Mrs. Anna Dunay (15 years of service), Mickey Besko (12 years service) and Mrs. Nancy Hehrer (6 1/2 years service) were presented to the East and each given a corsage of pink rosebuds and yellow daisies and a pewter plate inscribed with her name and "thank you" from the Bethel's 18 officers. The Honored Queen Cindy Moore wrote a song "Thank You" which was played and sung by Cindy Hehrer.

Mrs. Nancy Hehrer of Elsie, in honor of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Gilbert, faithful adult workers in the Jobs Daughters, presented the Bethel with a large white Bible to be used on the Altar.

The Bethel closed with the Lighted Cross Ceremony.

Everyone was invited to the dining room where the table was decorated with purple lace cover and matching napkins. The table was centered by a large cake made by Mrs. Joan Parks and cut and served by Mrs. Ruth Chamberlain. Mrs. Doris Moore presided at the punch bowl. Mrs. Wanda Litomisky and Mrs. Anna Dunay served the coffee and tea. Assisting in the kitchen were Mrs. Calista Reed and Mrs. Lella Wilson. The dining tables were decorated with apricot roses in glass vases, the Queen's color.

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**Grove School names honor students**

Lori Wong, 98, percent; Nodja Spriggs, 97; Phil Davis, 97; Jenny Pontius, 97; Greg Slagell, 96; Shane Gill, 96; Stacy Crowell, 96; Craig Dennis, 96; Tricia Erickson, 96; Aron Whitaker, 95; Chad Seelye, 95.

Scott Verlinde, 94 percent; Tim Whitford, 94; Annette Whitaker, 93.6;

Stuart Ashley, 93; Greg Stirm, 93; Gayla Ehlert, 92; Pat Ehlert, 92; Jill Cortright, 91.4; Annette Crowell, 91.3; Alexa Keenener, 90.4; Carrie Woodbury, 90.4.

Melissa Shinabarger, 90.4, percent; Carol Adams, 90.3; Beth Shinabarger, 90.2; Mark Ashley, 90; Sandra Max, 90.

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**Juveniles charged**

Three juveniles were apprehended for two breaking and enterings which occurred at Searles Trailer Park on Parks Rd. and two of the three youths were also charged with the breaking and entering of a third trailer.

The three juveniles were charged with breaking into an unoccupied trailer on Lot 21 on March 26. They were also charged with malicious destruction of property under \$100 on Lot 200 on March 25.

The two youths were also charged with a larceny over \$100 at Lot 113 on March 19.

All three youths were petitioned into Probate Court.

Three adults and one juvenile were arrested for the theft of several batteries taken from Schmidt gas station in Fowler on March 31. Adults arrested were: Mikel A. Ingerham, Reyes A. Rodriguez, and Mark E. Beachler, all of Carson City.

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# Farming & 4-H in Clinton County



## Jim's Column

### Now Hear This

BY JIM PELHAM  
County Extension Director

Last year, hearing checks on 370 volunteers revealed about half the farmers tested exhibited a greater hearing loss than expected (compared to their city cousins). Generally, if a person has trouble hearing an "s" or "t" in normal conversations and distinguishing

some vowel sounds, hearing may be impaired. "Substantial numbers of Michigan farmers are losing their hearing from noisy agricultural machinery. By age 65, it can be quite severe and even boys who operated farm equipment began showing hearing damage early in life," says

Dr. Robert Wilkinson, MSU agricultural engineer. Results obtained this year will be used as a follow-up to surveys begun in 1973. Tests so far show that: —Noise-induced hearing loss of Michigan farmers increases with age and the number of years they farm.

—Dairy producers have a hearing loss similar to those in cash crop production and other agricultural areas. —Fruit farmers exhibit substantially greater hearing losses than other groups of farmers. "Most of those checked may not be aware of the

amount of damage noisy machinery does to hearing ability. Hearing loss is a gradual, normally painless process; but when the damage is done, it is permanent in most cases," Wilkinson says. "The patterns we saw in the screening point out that damage to hearing by noisy farm equipment, in far too many instances, is something that need not happen."

Farmers with hearing loss may prevent further noise-related damage by wearing proper ear protection. Though protection reduces the intensity of the noise, it still allows the person to hear normal conversation and how the equipment is functioning.

There are two basic types of ear protectors — ear muffs and ear plugs. Muffs reduce sound to a safe level but allow enough through for informational and safety purposes. They can be removed quickly and put back on — ideal when noise exposure is intermittent or of relatively short duration, such as running a chain saw or grinding feed.

Ear plugs are available as performed inserts made of foam rubber, as fiber or plastic. They are less bulky than muffs but must fit properly to be effective and must be kept clean to prevent infection.

Foam rubber and wax fiber types are low priced and adapt to various size ears, but can get dirty and require frequent replacement. Plastic and rubber plugs may be more convenient. Ordinary cotton is not effective protection against noisy machinery.

The cost and inconvenience of providing ear protection equipment is practically nothing compared to cost and inconvenience of hearing aids, or, still worse, not hearing at all.

Hearing damage may come from tractors, air blast orchard sprayers, harvesters, grain mills, grain dryers, chain saws or other intense sounds such as gun-fire, snowmobiles, etc.

## DeWitt farm receives Centennial designation

A farm owned by Glenn C. Locher of 1905 Locher Road, DeWitt, has been designated as a Centennial Farm by the Division of Michigan History. The farm, located in Olive Township, Clinton County, has been in the possession of the family since 1875. It was originally purchased Jan. 5, 1875 by Edward Locher, grandfather of the present

owner, from Oel T. Smith. The Centennial Farm program was inaugurated in 1948. Since then, more than 3000 Michigan farms have been certified as Centennial Farms. Certificates are provided by the Division of Michigan History. Large metal markers are provided by the Detroit Edison and Consumers Power Companies.

A Centennial Farm is one which has been in the continuous possession of the same family for 100 years or more. For this purpose, the Michigan History Division considers a farm to be either 10 or more acres having estimated farm product sales of more than \$50 yearly, or less than 10 acres having estimated sales of at least \$250

yearly. A centennial farm comprises only the land and not the farm buildings, which may be remodeled or even new. Applications for Centennial Farm recognition are obtainable from: Centennial Farm Program, Division of Michigan History, Michigan Department of State, Lansing, Michigan 48918.

## New state map guide available

LANSING—Latest available maps of each of Michigan's 83 counties are printed in the state's newest map guide. The handy publication,

entitled "Michigan County Maps and Recreational Guide," contains a description of each county and a wealth of information about the state's recreational facilities. Included

are listings of state parks and recreation areas, county and township parks, state and national forest campgrounds, recreational harbors, ski hills and snowmobile trails. In

addition, the guide contains reports on hunting conditions in each county and descriptions and sketches of Michigan fish, wildlife and trees.

The guide, which measures 11 by 16 inches, is printed on durable paper and has a sturdy cover. More than half a million copies of earlier editions of the guide have been sold.

The guide is published by the Michigan United Conservation Clubs, the group that last year organized and conducted the campaign to ban throw-away bottles and cans in Michigan.

Copies may be obtained for \$7 each, including postage and taxes, from MUCC, Box 30235, Lansing, Mich. 48909. Proceeds are used to carry out MUCC's conservation and environmental programs.

## County Extension calendar

April 25: Family Learning Day (formerly Young Homemaker Day) Alma College-9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.  
April 26: Tri-County Results of Michigan Public Opinion Survey-1:30 p.m.-Delta Township Hall - W. Saginaw in Lansing.  
April 26: Spring 4-H Leaders Meeting - Smith Hall-8:00 p.m.  
April 27: 4-H Horse Member Style Review, Smith Hall-7:30 p.m. St. Johns.  
April 28: Pesticide Applicators Exam-9 a.m. to 4 p.m.-Smith Hall-St. Johns.  
April 29: 4-H Older

Youth Fun Night-Smith Hall-8 p.m. to 11 p.m.-St. Johns.  
April 30: Clinton County Youth Roadside Cleanup Project.  
May 3: Family Living, Council-Smith Hall - 9:30 a.m.  
May 3: Family Living Program, "Stress"-1 p.m.-Smith Hall-St. Johns-(free babysitting)  
May 7: Glass collection-Fairgrounds-St. Johns.  
May 11: 4-H Softball Leaders Meeting-Smith Hall-7:30 p.m.  
May 12: 4-H Share the Fun, St. Johns High School

Auditorium-7:30 p.m.  
May 16: Family Living Smith Hall Kitchen Cleaning and Inventory 9 a.m.  
May 17: Family Living Meeting for Friendly Visitor Volunteers-Smith Hall-1 p.m.  
May 15-22: Michigan Week.  
May 19-21: Family Living Educational Action Exhibit at Lansing Mall.  
May 20-23: Michigan Campers and Hikers Camper Jamboree at Fairgrounds.  
May 24: 4-H Foods Leaders Meeting-St. Johns-Smith Hall-7:30 p.m.

## Farmers may be eligible for drought assistance

Farmers suffering severe production loss from drought last year now may be eligible for an expanded program of credit assistance from the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA), the rural credit service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Tony Esper, county supervisor of FmHA for Clinton County, announced. FmHA emergency loans to eligible farmers are to enable them to return to

their normal operation after having sustained losses resulting from natural disasters. Individual borrowers must be unable to obtain credit from other usual sources to qualify for FmHA assistance.

Long and intermediate loans may be made for reorganizing the operation to make it more effective. Also, annual emergency loans may be made each

year for up to five years following a natural disaster to permit the borrower to restore his operation and return to usual credit sources for operating funds.

Those wishing to secure help should contact: Tony Esper, County Supervisor for Clinton County, 125 S. Maple Street, Ithaca, Michigan, 48847. Telephone: 875-4085.

## Ovid Junior High lists honor students

### 7th Grade

Patrick Bisson, Jeanne Booth, Bryce Call, Chris Dennison, Scot Hudecek, Jodi Jones, Lori Len, Bryan McAllister, Dawn Pray, Mary Jo StJohn, Mark Stehlik, Greg Terpstra, Diane Van Gieson, Jill Wakefield and Kim Worden.

### 8th Grade

All A's—Brenda Hughes, Kenda Winkler, and Allen Martin.  
Heidi Barclay, Dean Bendt, Sandy Billsbrough, Brad Byrnes, Brian Clock, Karl Dahlke, Matt Darling, Angie Elder.

Conty Fent, Paula Garcia, Cherie Hrymecki, Jerry Horn, Albert Huss, Mark Miller, David Road, Jeanene Ruess, Vickie Sehlke, Becky Slocum and Angie Unterbrink.

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Top Eureka Elementary Carnival ticket sellers were recognized Friday during a school assembly. Lorry Pattengill (left) was the top ticket seller, selling \$103 worth. In second place with \$63 was Kathy Kirby (center) and Carrie Gillespie (right) sold a total of \$52.50 to finish third. Also finishing in the top ten (not shown) were Dana Krumm, Theresa Glowacki, Neil Hartenburg, Angela Bradley, Kevin Shinabery, Pam Argersinger and Colleen Thayer.

## Obituaries

### L. Gordon Fitzpatrick

HUBBARDSTON — Funeral services were held April 9 at St. Johns Baptist Church for L. Gordon Fitzpatrick, 35, Maple Rapids Rd., rural Fowler.

He died April 5, following a four-month illness.

A farmer, he was born Jan. 5, 1942 in Carson City, the son of Leo and Lorraine Fitzpatrick.

A lifetime resident of the Fowler area, he was a member of the St. John Baptist Church of Fowler, Church of Fowler.

He was married to the former Rosemary Edwards, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Gordon Lawrence at home, Larry and Daniel, both of Ionia; daughters, Margaret Veronica and Larri Ann, both at home; mother Lorraine Fitzpatrick of rural Fowler; brother, Edmond Fitzpatrick of Ionia; sister Mrs. Nancy Platte of Westphalia and four stepchildren.

Burial was at Church Cemetery with Rev. Fr. E.R. Fox officiating. Schnepf Funeral Home of Carson City was in charge of arrangements.

### Burt Whitlock

ST. JOHNS—Burt Kneeland Whitlock, 94, 609 N. Clinton Ave., died April 25 at Brown Nursing Home.

A native of Clinton County, he was born in Bengal Twp. Dec. 14, 1882, the son of William and Della Whitlock.

He graduated from high school in St. Johns, completed an MSU short course and was a farmer and retired employee of Saylor-Beal Corp.

On Jan. 21, 1909 in Greenbush Twp., he was married to the former Verna Grace Beck.

A resident of Clinton County all his life, he had resided at the Clinton Ave. address since 1945, was a member of the First United Methodist Church of St. Johns and former member of Greenbush Grange.

Surviving are his wife, Verna; son, Adelbert J. Whitlock, St. Johns; daughters, Mrs. Thomas (Jean) Moore of Bannister and Mrs. Richard (Mary) Kingsbury of St. Johns; six grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

One son, Roland, preceded him in death.

Funeral services are today (April 27) at 1:30 p.m. at Osgood Funeral Home. Rev. Francis Johannides will officiate with burial at Mt. Rest Cemetery.

### Mary Bohil

ELSIE—Funeral services for Mary E. Bohil 86 of French Road, Elsie were held Monday morning, April 18, at the St. Cyril Catholic Church with Rev. Fr. Max Frego officiating. Burial was in Ford Cemetery, Elsie.

Mrs. Bohil died Thursday at the Owosso Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Bohil was born July 22, 1890, in Czechoslovakia, and married Andrew Bohil in Nemseva, Czechoslovakia in 1907. She was a member of the St. Cyril's Church.

Survivors are one son, Tony Bohil of Elsie; five daughters, Mrs. Mary Sipka of St. Petersburg, Fla., Mrs. Anna Malinak of Ovid, Mrs.

Lillian Kus of St. Johns, Mrs. Josephine Kozumplik of Lenton and Mrs. Agnes Fleetham of Charlotte; 28 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

### Charles Plowman

DeWitt — Charles F. Plowman, 84, 423 N. Scott Rd., DeWitt, and former St. Johns resident, died April 24 at Provincial House in East Lansing, following a long illness.

Funeral services were held April 26 at Osgood Funeral Home in St. Johns. Rev. Myron Williams officiated with burial at Mt. Rest Cemetery.

A native of Clinton County, Mr. Plowman was born June 11, 1892 to Mr. and Mrs. George Plowman.

A farmer and custodian, he lived in the St. Johns area most of his life and was a veteran of World War I.

Surviving are several nieces and nephews.

### Mrs. Agnes Kajdas

ELSIE—Funeral service for Mrs. Agnes Kajdas 84 of 111 S. First St., Elsie were held Monday morning in St. Cyril's Catholic Church at 8 a.m. in Bannister with the Rev. Fr. Max Frego officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mrs. Kajdas died Friday morning, April 15, in the Ovid Convalescent Manor.

Mrs. Kajdas was born Jan. 21, 1893, in Poland. She married Frank Kajdas. He died in 1958. She is survived by a son, Stanley, of Elsie and four grandchildren.

### Bertha Huntoon

OVID—Funeral services were held at Houghton Chapel of Osgood Funeral Homes April 25 for Bertha E. Huntoon, 79, 330 E. Clinton St., Ovid, who died April 21 at Owosso Memorial Hospital following a long illness.

Rev. Claude Ridley officiated with burial at Maple Grove Cemetery. A native of North Star, Mrs. Huntoon was born Oct. 2, 1897, the daughter of John and Blanche Easlick.

A resident of the Ovid area most of her life, she was a homemaker, member of the United Church of Ovid and church women's groups.

She was married March 21, 1917 in South Lyons to Harry E. Huntoon, who preceded her in death Oct. 19, 1968.

Surviving are one son Edward Huntoon of Marlette; daughter, Mrs. Arlene Fluelling of Manito Island and Mrs. Doris Kniffen of Lansing; 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sons, two brothers and her twin sisters.

Memorials may be to the United Church of Ovid.

## Election date set on career center

Larry Schwartzkopf, superintendent of the Clinton County Intermediate School District, announced that Tuesday, August 16, has been selected by the board of the Intermediate district as the date for special election on a 1.95 levy for construction and operation of a Vocational-Technical Career Center.

The proposed center would be centrally located and provide job training for students and adults throughout Clinton County.

According to Schwartzkopf, the State Board of Education will be voting at its regular June meeting on the pre-commitment of matching funds to the local project. "In order for the matter to go before the board in June we had to come to some conclusion on the election date by April 22," said Schwartzkopf.

The superintendents of the six constituent districts (Bath, DeWitt, Fowler, Ovid-Elsie, Pewamo-Westphalia and St. Johns) were invited to a special meeting at the Intermediate office on Thursday, April 21. All districts were represented and voted unanimously to recommend the Aug. 16 date.

A luncheon meeting was convened the same day with members of the Steering Committee of the Vocational-Technical Citizen's Advisory group in attendance, together with intermediate staffers and liaison representatives from the six school boards.

This group, after reviewing various options, also voted unanimously in support of the Aug. 16 date. The State Department of Educa-

tion was notified of the date on the following day, April 22. "The Intermediate board and staff genuinely appreciate the participation of the citizens, the superintendents and the various school board representatives," said Schwartzkopf. "Because their feelings were so unanimous, our task was a simple one," he concluded.

In a related move, Bernard Feldpausch, chairman of the Steering Committee of the citizen's group, announced that organization would be expanded and restructured. "Phase I is not completed," he said, "now we must move on to focus on the millage election, site selection, and curriculum." An expanded citizen's organization, with new committee assignments, would be announced shortly, Feldpausch said.

## Tempers flare at DeWitt Twp. meeting

Tempers flared and personalities clashed as DeWitt Township Board members haggled over which path to take concerning the consideration of becoming a charter township.

Dick Robinson, attorney for the township gave them a list of things a charter township could and couldn't do. Under the new Act 90 which went into effect on April 1 the Secretary of State is required within 30 days to notify the township clerk that a township of 5,000 or more people is eligible to be incorporated as a charter township.

Robinson told the board members of its three options: a) to adopt by a majority vote, a resolution opposed to incorporation; b) to adopt a resolution of intent to approve incorporation. However, if a petition is disagreement to the intent is filed within 60 days before final passage of the resolution, the electors of the township have the right to a referendum.

The petition has to have at least 10 percent of the electors of the township who voted for the office of supervisors at the last election.

The controversy began when board members were undecided on which way to approach the public on the matter. Members of the board were split, some saying they wanted to hold a public hearing first to

decide if they should put it to a vote of the people and explain what a charter township involved, while others said, "Let's just put it to a vote of the people first."

In a straw vote taken among the board to see if they were in favor of discussing a charter Township, Supervisor Alta Reed said, "I'm in favor of doing what the people want the people want me to do."

Treasurer Enid White argued for a phone poll to find out what the people in the township wanted. Veteran member of the board, Eileen Coor disagreed saying it took too much time and there was not that much interest in the people taking the poll.

Other members argued there was not enough time to get people adequately informed of an upcoming meeting. People in the audience also said it was not much time.

"You are either going to get those who are very vocal against it or for it," Karen Williams, a citizen in the audience said.

Coor moved to have the board hold a public hearing May 2 to get input on the method used on the charter township concept.

The vote passed four to three with White, Reed, and Sverson casting the dissenting votes.

In other action taken at Monday night's meeting: Joseph Latoff, acting director of the Mid-Michigan Health Department told board members of plans for establishing a

health clinic in DeWitt Township.

Latoff noted his biggest concern was to find the right site for the building. "This is going to be the last clinic anywhere until we get more staff, so we want to place it as effectively as we can," he said. "The question is just how far north can we go and still get people to come?"

The director further commented that when the health department considers establishing a clinic they have decided it must not be any further than 15 minutes away for anyone in the three-county area.

In 1976 there were two clinics set up, one in Carson City and one in Bath. So far in the beginning of 1977 clinics have been set up in Greenville and Brackenridge.

"We still have some gaps to fill," Latoff said. "Now we are looking at Clinton County."

Board members decided not to fill the position of sergeant on the police force for the coming year because of lack of funds. The post of acting sergeant will be closed as of May 5.

"We realize this is more of a work load for the police chief, but there aren't many choices left with the present economic conditions," Coor said.

The adoption of the budget was placed back on the table for the second time since the annual meeting, due to questions on the way it was prepared.

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