

# The Weidman Messenger

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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### OUR PINK SWAN WAS BANDED IN MICHIGAN

Word from Howard Rowe, conservation man of Mt. Pleasant, is that our pink swan with the yellow plastic collar was banded this spring at Shiawassee National Game Refuge near St. Charles.

Object is to track migration of the birds from their winter grounds to wherever they go in spring and summer. Their breeding range, according to Mr. Rowe, is the upper portion of Canada and the north rim of Alaska.

Their winter range is North and South Carolina, around Chesapeake Bay.

These are whistling swans, incidentally. They rest on waters around Weidman each year on their flight to their summer refuges.

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Although we had met him only once, we were deeply saddened by news of the death of John S. Weidman III at his home in Durango, Colo.

John and his father, J. Stanley Weidman, made a surprise visit to this village last summer, and we were immediately impressed by John's disarming sincerity.

He was not just a rich man's son. He was a hard-working man managing the important lumber mill his father established in 1945. Stanley Weidman, like his father, John S. Weidman, made his own fortune by his own ingenuity and work. Stanley Weidman's son was following in the family tradition.

John was 46 years old. He died at his home in Durango, Colo., and his death was discovered by his wife when his 5.30 a.m. alarm clock went off and she could not waken him. The fire department was called at 5.43 a.m.

We could weep to think of this friendly, apparently healthy, hard-working young man, born to wealth, quietly dying some time before his early-morning clock-call to work sounded.

We sympathize deeply, too, with his father, who had turned over most of the work of operating the Durango mills to his son John.

Among survivors is a son, John S. Weidman IV, a boy of high-school age. A brilliant and hardy family will continue.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY



BILL HUBERT Photo by Betty Baxter

Bill Hubert, a little-known but widely traveled and experienced performer, presented an assembly at the Chippewa Hills High School at Remus April 26. He is a very young and talented folk singer who brings his real message through to people in his songs.

His wife, Barb, is a former English teacher in the Weidman School (Barbara Lichtenfelt). Bill and Barb now live in Sault Ste. Marie.

While he was in the Army he was stationed in West Berlin, where he had a weekly folk-song show aired over continental Europe via the Armed Forces network.

He is a graduate of CMU, and once took over Louis Armstrong's scheduled appearance at the college when Armstrong was delayed by a blizzard.

The night of the assembly party was given at the home of Betty Baxter so that the former Weidman students and many new friends from Chippewa Hills High School could be reunited with the two brilliant people.

Both Bill and Barb teach English at Sault Ste. Marie. Both have very serious feelings about life and the problems we face today, and their listeners felt they could sit for hours listening to them.

Bill performed at Remus in the morning and in the afternoon at Barryton.

After spending two nights at the home of Betty Baxter, the Huberts returned to Sault Ste. Marie Saturday morning, where he was scheduled to sing later in the afternoon.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

## Men in Uniform

Marine Pvt. Virgil Harvey is enjoying a 20-day furlough with his home folks.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and Dale and Joyce attended a party recently at the Charles Voss home, honoring Steve Voss, who left May 1 for the Army.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin and Mrs. Lena Martin spent from Friday through Sunday in Fort Knox, Ky., visiting Mrs. Lena Martin's daughter and husband.

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Alan Wood of Fort Jackson, S. Carolina, spent from Friday through Sunday at his home here. Mrs. Flora Wood and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Appelgreen were Sunday dinner guests at the Vance Wood home.

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Lieut. Robert Tvorik returned April 3 after a year in Vietnam. The first of this week he returned from Virginia, where he was interviewed by several companies for employment.

His mother, Mrs. Veronica Tvorik, now has all four of her sons back home, after waiting through the years as each served out his two-year military obligation.

The last one, Lieut. Bob, is home just in time for his mother's marriage this Saturday to John Patrick Campbell of Edmore, at St. Margaret Mary's Church in Edmore.

Mr. Campbell is manager of the A&P Store in Edmore. Vera's very many friends here wish her all happiness.

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### SCHOOL MILLAGE PASSES BY NARROW MARGIN

In the special school millage election Monday, a 10-mill (\$10 per \$1,000 assessed valuation tax) levy was approved by the Chippewa Hills School District, 748 to 721.

Barryton passed it by the narrow margin of 281-276. Mecosta turned it down, 100 Yes to 205 No. Remus passed it barely, 199 Yes, 157 No. Weidman gave it a whopping approval, 158 Yes to 72 No. Fouts turned it down, 10 Yes, 11 No.

This is a three-year tax levy for operational expenses of the school.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Flossie Davy received a call from her son and daughter-in-law, Walt and Ruth Davy, from Seattle, Wash., last Thursday morning, wishing her a Happy Birthday.

## WEIDMAN LIONS CLUB

Emil Lueder, Reporter

The Weidman Lions Club met May 1 at the Methodist Church basement for their regular meeting and a delicious roast beef dinner, with dessert of pie a la mode, served to 16 members.

A motion was made and supported to contribute \$50 to the Duane Taylor Fund, toward an elevator in his home.

Election of officers was held, with the following named:

President, James Carrick; First Vice President, James Clark; Second Vice President, Bernard Pitts; Third Vice President, Vernon Miller; secretary, Donald Stanley; treasurer, Ralph Turnbull; Tail Twister, Harry Herman; Lion Tamer, Donald Starr; Reporter, Emil Lueder; and Flower Committee, Leon McArthur.

Wednesday, May 15, will be work night at the park, after dinner and a short business meeting. Come dressed in work clothes and bring a few tools to fix fence and other repairing necessary.

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### FLOSS DAVY HAS BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Flossie Davy observed her birthday last Thursday, with her children and grandchildren taking her cakes, ice cream and gifts during the day and evening, and friends dropping in to wish her a happy day.

Among those calling were Mrs. Helen Alwood and Cathy, Mrs. Elvah Gott, Mrs. Hermione Smith and Mrs. Irma Kische.

## Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Clark (Red) Sowle Sunday morning at his home. He had been in ill health for some time, but was dedicated to his work of being a good farmer and had started spring planting. Our sympathy is extended to relatives and friends.

Otis Conley returned home from CMC Hospital Thursday night. He has pernicious anemia, and will have more checkups with his doctor this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Loraine Conley and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow were Saturday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Conley. Mr. and Mrs. Orlan Denslow of St. Clair were Sunday visitors. Glenn Goby of Lake Thirteen called Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis of Sherman City. The occasion was in celebration of Mr. Loomis' birthday. Happy Birthday, Ward!

Mrs. Kate Darnell, who was also a guest at the Loomis home, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Loomis to the card party for the Cancer Fund at Brinton afterward, and was an overnight guest. She won first prize for ladies, with Mr. and Mrs. Skalitzky winning low.

Miss Mary Jane Schrock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Schrock, had First Communion at St. Cecelia's Church in Clare Sunday.

Mrs. Robert Ash and children have been living at their home the past two weeks. Mr. Ash has been helping with remodeling in his spare time from work at Midland. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley of Weidman visited them Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Zill and family of Saginaw and Mrs. Ida Bazaire were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill and sons. Kenny was five years old, so was honored guest for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock, Saturday evening, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens of Lake, Sunday.

Greg Leiter came home from Grand Rapids hospital Thursday. He will return to Grand Rapids to have stitches removed this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Del Esterline and family of Farwell visited Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Al Barker and Linda of Greenville visited Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz and Brian, Jill and Kathy of rural Remus visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow, Saturday evening, Jill remaining over night. Her parents came for her Sunday afternoon.

Little Lee Ann, daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga, is a patient at the Mt. Pleasant hospital. She was scheduled for a tonsillectomy Monday morning.

Mrs. Lou Gray accompanied the Brinton Extension Club to Reed City Tuesday, and for the lesson and meeting at Harrison on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Gray of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Loren Gray and family of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gray. Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis were evening visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Gross and family of Rosebush visited Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughters Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Loomis and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loomis and family were supper guests of their father and brother, Arthur and Patrick Loomis, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry and Paul and Keith visited Mr. and Mrs. Marion Anderson at Brady Lake, near Morley, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Geasler of Remus and daughter, Mrs. Dick Allarding, of Lansing, were Wednesday dinner guests of Mrs. Ethel McLean. Mrs. McLean visited Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller Thursday evening.

Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons and Eddie John were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fifield and DeWayne Fifield of Lansing and Mrs. Thane Sides. Mrs. Emmons and Eddie John have recovered from a bout with flu, and now Mr. Emmons has caught the ol' bug.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe and Blane the previous weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Willis Lee and Philip Allen of Durand. Mr. and Mrs. Harland Shook of Midland were Sunday visitors.

Mrs. Bernard Eberhart of Lake Thirteen and daughter, Mrs. Willis Rankin, Jr., and son, Willis III, of Clare, visited Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley recently.

Dale and Linda Schrock spent Thursday morning at the Stanley home. Mrs. Stanley baby-sat for Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung of Beal City, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Elliott of Mt. Pleasant were Saturday overnight and Sunday guests. Others visiting during the weekend were Donald Moore of Saginaw, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and family of Weidman, and Debbie, Denny, Darlene, Donna, Doris and Dawn Pung.

Mr. Stanley had a checkup with his doctor Monday afternoon at Mt. Pleasant, and will have x-rays Thursday morning at the hospital.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Fey Johnson were luncheon guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson in Mt. Pleasant.

## EAST Coldwater

Esther Skinner, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Allen and children of Blanchard called on Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Branson and children of Weidman and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Eckert and family of Big Rapids were Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Branson. The Bransons showed movies of their trip to Florida.

Maxine Lofgren sat on the school election board Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Skinner of Belding were Sunday dinner guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell called on Mr. and Mrs. Don Lofgren Sunday morning.

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Frank and Ernest Gross and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Cotter and family and Mrs. R. D. Sprague and Mrs. Bessie Teall were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Don Lofgren, celebrating the birthday of Darcell Lofgren.

## ARRIVE HOME AFTER REPEAT FLORIDA TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe and Floyd Dutcher arrived home Friday night after flying to Florida and driving Floyd's car home.

Floyd had flown home accompanying the body of Frank Secord, last month.

The Howes and Floyd stopped off at various places of interest on their auto trip home.

They visited Daytona Beach and St. Augustine in Florida, Savannah, Ga., where they visited Floyd's son, Kenneth, and family; and stopped in Tennessee and other places of interest.

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### NFWS NOTES

Dale Putman of Dearborn was a Saturday visitor of Mrs. Emily Wood. Jennie Sharrard of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dent, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Kirvan and daughter, Sherry, of Flint, were Sunday guests. GERALINE JOHNSON and Linda Krueger were callers. Lula Kressie of Barryton was a Monday visitor. Gladys Haight of St. Johns was also a Monday guest. Walter Kirvan and grandson of Grand Rapids were Saturday visitors.

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## Card of Thanks

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to friends, and neighbors and relatives, for the many Masses, flowers, cards and food that were sent in at the death of our beloved son and brother, Pfc. Patrick C. Coughlin. We wish to give special thanks to Msgr. Dunphy, Father Gula, and Father Hartwig; the J. J. Rush Funeral Home; the pallbearers; and to all the ladies who prepared the dinner.

Theresa Coughlin  
 And Family

## Card of Thanks

I wish to thank my friends and relatives, and a special Thank You to the WSCS of Weidman for the cards, letters and visits I received while I was in the hospital.

These were greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Myrtle Geasler.

## Card of Thanks

I would like to say "Thank You" to my many friends who sent me cards, flowers and gifts during my stay in the hospital last week. Also to my friends who called, and to the Forest Hill Church for their lovely flowers.

Sincerely,  
 Lucille Smith

### NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Nina Forbes was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gale Brien and Beverly of Shepherd. Mrs. James Stalter was also a guest.

## Obituary

### CLARK SOWLE

Clark (Red) Sowle of Brinton died Sunday at his home. He was 66.

He was born in Brinton April 5, 1902, and was a lifelong resident of that area.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday at 2 p. m. at the Brinton Community Hall, with Rev. James Linton officiating. Burial was in the North Brinton Cemetery.

He is survived by a brother, Floyd Sowle, of Brinton; three sisters, Mrs. Eathel Beers, Mrs. Lena St. John and Mrs. Eunice Lalonde, all of Brinton.

The Daggett Funeral Home of Barryton had charge of arrangements.

The family has the sympathy of all.

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## Obituary

### HOWARD LEITER

Howard Leiter of Mt. Pleasant died Sunday at the Medical Care Facility after an illness of several months. He was 66.

He was a retired carpenter, and spent his early years in Sherman Township where he was born. He was the son of C. E. Leiter and Emma (Losey) Leiter, Sherman

## Legal Notice

ISABELLA COUNTY PROBATE COURT

Mt. Pleasant, Michigan  
 ESTATE OF WALTER E. WOOD,  
 DECEASED.

THE COURT ORDERS:

Interested persons may appear May 29, 1968, at 10:00 A. M. at Probate Court to show cause why David E. Burrows should not be licensed to sell interest of estate in lands to pay debts.

Publication in the Weidman Messenger. Court Rule Notice.  
 Dated May 3, 1968

BURKE McCLINTIC  
 Judge of Probate

Attorney:

David E. Burrows  
 123 North Main  
 Mount Pleasant, Michigan.  
 May 9t3

Township pioneers.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2 p. m. at the Stinson Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant, with Rev. Carlyle Waterworth officiating. Burial was in the Forest Hill Cemetery.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Merritt (Vivian) McBride of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Hubert (Marion) Stefanini of Perry, Ga.; a son, Dale Leiter, of Milwaukee, Wis.; and six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Also surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Amy Darnell of Remus and Mrs. Nellie Patterson of DeWitt, and many other relatives.

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**N. Broomfield**

Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith of Merrill spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder and Mrs. Mary Cook.

Mrs. Etta Bellinger of rural Winn called on Maycie Cook last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Caulkins of Alto were weekend guests of their brother and sister, Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar. Mrs. Grace Crowley was a Saturday afternoon caller.

Mrs. Eda Van Zandt entertained the Tri-County Hospital Guild No. 9 Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Herman Lueder entertained the Lutheran Ladies Aid Wednesday evening of this week in her home at rural Remus.

Mrs. Glee Krueger and family and Herman and Aliance Cook were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schafer of Weidman, honoring their daughter, Rene's, First Communion and Glee's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Cook of Mosherville were Sunday afternoon

and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook. The Herman Cooks were Sunday evening guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines were April 23 dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Louisell of Weidman. In the afternoon they all went to visit Mr. and Mrs. Milo Handy of Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin McAllister of Breckenridge were Sunday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueder and Terry were Friday guests.

Mrs. Glee Krueger, Carol Schafer of Weidman and Maycie Cook attended the funeral of Mrs. Lulu Simons Friday, and spent part of the afternoon with Mrs. Lovica Krueger of Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Verne Bergey was pleasantly surprised when several relatives and friends came with a shower of gifts for her new baby girl, last Wednesday evening. A very pleasant evening was enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Montgomery and son, Harold, of Coleman were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs.

E. Rhode and Harold. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gostola and children were afternoon callers.

Philip Dent was confirmed Sunday with the class at the Zion Lutheran Church in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Gilda Cook and Darla attended a pot-luck dinner Sunday at the Chippewa Wranglers' Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolf Lueder and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder attended the Golden Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Steele at Shepherd Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolf Lueder were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Strong of Elwell.

Mrs. Mary Cook has been in the Mt. Pleasant hospital the past few days for tests and x-rays.

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**NEWS NOTES**

Mr. and Mrs. Gary St. John and family were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Bates, of Clare. In the evening they visited Gary's aunt, Mrs. Rudy Williams, also of Clare.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

**MARRIED IN QUIET CEREMONY SUNDAY**

Joy Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harris Brown of Brinton, became the bride of William Lee Alwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Alwood, in a quiet ceremony Sunday afternoon at the Weidman Baptist Church, with Rev. Marvin Aldridge officiating.

Their attendants were Chris Brown and Jake Spence.

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**NEWS NOTES**

Mrs. R. D. Sprague, Mrs. Bessie Teall, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls and Frank and Ernie Gross and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cotter and children of Deerfield were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Don Lofgren and family, celebrating the birthday of Darcell, who was nine.

Mrs. Jib Hall of Barryton was a Thursday afternoon caller of Mrs. R. D. Sprague.

Mrs. Pearl Battle took her son, Scotty, six years old, to CMC Hospital Monday afternoon for repair of hernia Tuesday morning.

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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

### MARRIED IN ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Stephen Martin and Miss Anna Marie Blodgett were married in St. Joseph's Church in Beal City Saturday morning.

A reception was held in the afternoon.

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Mrs. Shirley Egbert spent Tuesday evening with Mrs. Gary Rigles. Mrs. Egbert and boys spent Monday evening with Mrs. Bonnie Guthrie and children.

Mrs. Glenn Pasch attended a surprise baby shower for Mrs. John Weber Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Ben Weber.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hale and family spent the weekend at Coldwater Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pung entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of the First Communion of their daughter, Kathleen. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Norman Tilmann and family, Mrs. Amy Courter and Mrs. Matie Pung.

Mrs. Mary Rolph of Mt. Pleasant and her niece and husband and baby girl called on Louise Smith Saturday afternoon. Ginger Rau and girl friend of Bay City were Saturday evening visitors.

Sunday morning 54 children, 28 girls and 26 boys, made their First Communion at St. Joseph's Church at the 8.30 Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Joslin of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Blanchard, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer and family and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer were Sunday dinner and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer, celebrating the First Communion of Sue Ann and Christopher Schafer.

Six of their nine children and their families surprised Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kavanaugh on their 35th wedding anniversary Saturday evening at the Mick Schmalbach home. Ed and Vera attended the party thinking it was a house-warming for the Schmalbachs. All reported a good time, wishing the Kavanaughs many more happy years together.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindy Siefker of Mt. Pleasant spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rau returned home from Mexico last Wednesday, after spending a few days there.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Zeien entertained their family at dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau entertained at dinner Sunday honoring the First Communion of Debbie. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Rau and family, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rau, Mrs. Louise Smith and Anna and Dora, and Gala Funnell and Lucille.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

## WEST Nottawa

Helen Alwood, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Paisley entertained at dinner and supper Sunday in honor of their son, Kenny, who made his First Communion at St. Joseph's Church in Beal City. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wernette and family, Barney Neubecker, Mrs. Vera Neubecker and children, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Halfman, and Mrs. Sadie Paisley of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stevens entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of their daughter, Pamela, 13, who was confirmed at the Zion Lutheran Church in Mt. Pleasant that morning. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schertel and family, Miss Louise Schupbach, all of Mt. Pleasant; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stevens and Mrs. Margaret Johnston.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Halfman entertained their club recently.

Mrs. Tressie Ahlers and daughter Vera, called on Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith last Tuesday. Mrs. Elizabeth Wickenhesier of Detroit spent the weekend with the Smiths.

Mrs. Vera Neubecker and children called on her parents, the Arnold Halfmans, Friday evening.

Mrs. Helen Alwood and Cathy called on Mrs. Carol Wernette and children last Tuesday morning, to make their acquaintance with the new baby, Mike.

Our deepest sympathy to the Mary Reihl family.

Mrs. Lillian Johnston spent Sunday afternoon at the John Hogue home in Clare. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips of Lake called on Lillian. Eugene Vincent of Mt. Pleasant called on his sister also.

Mrs. Hermione Smith had dinner with the Don Smith family Sunday. In the afternoon Hermione and the Don Smiths called at the Don Alwood home, and enjoyed lunch.

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### Local Items

Ward Dell came home to stay last Friday, after spending the winter in the tb hospital at Saginaw. He plans to have some of his fruits producing, and also will have honey.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Handy and children of Harrison were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Straus were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Riley.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Oberlin of Lansing were Sunday evening callers of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ash and Mr. and Mrs. Orval Wiggins and family of Farwell were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilcox and family.

## Two Rivers

Bill Goodman of Westphalia came last Monday morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. Mary Reihl, with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin. He was a supper guest of the Martins.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin called on Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lorenz last Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Mead and two daughters of Mt. Pleasant were Wednesday afternoon callers at the Herman Martin home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haupt and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin spent last Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kavanaugh, observing the Kavanaughs' 35th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schupbach and daughter, Janet, spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin.

Mrs. Chris Larson called on her sister, Mrs. Aaron Thompson, of Hersey, last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fey Forbes spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Courser.

Mrs. Ella Cox and Mrs. Ernest Courser attended Ladies' Aid at Mrs. Tressie Smith's of rural Mt. Pleasant, last Wednesday.

Mrs. Edwin Courser, Mrs. Ernest Courser and Mrs. Keith Thompson spent Saturday in Saginaw.

Miss Shirley Baker, Mrs. Mary

Staley and Miss Donna Knight of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Ella May Bugbee were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mrs. Nettie Baker.

Mrs. Tressa Bunting was a Thursday afternoon visitor of Mrs. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harvey and family were Sunday dinner guests of their son, John, and family. Virgil remained with his brother's family for a short visit.

Wm. Harvey and friend of Flint came up Saturday to see Virgil, and visit their parents. Tom and William Harvey were also guests at John's at Chippewa Lake Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sweet and children of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday visitors of the Charles Harvey family.

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### JUNIOR-SENIOR PLAY TO BE PRESENTED AT REMUS SCHOOL

Chippewa Hills School District's Junior-Senior play will be presented at the Remus school building May 14 and 15, at 8 p. m. each date.

Also on May 15, a meeting for all parents of fifth grade music students will be held at the same building at 7.30 p. m.

The Junior-Senior Prom will be held at Canadian Lakes Friday, May 17.

Next Thursday, May 16, the PTA will meet at Remus at 8.



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Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter  
**MISSIONARY SOCIETY  
 ELECTS OFFICERS**

The April Missionary meeting of the Forest Hill Church was held at the home of Mrs. Flora Wood, with election of officers. Named were Mrs. Flora Wood, re-elected president; Mrs. Eva Denslow, vice president; Mrs. Virginia Spires, secretary, and Mrs. Helen Smith, treasurer.

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Steve and Sherri Johnson were Thursday overnight and Friday guests of their grandparents, the Gerald Dents. Mrs. Johnson was a Thursday guest. Mrs. Emily Kirvan and the Harold Krueger family, and Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Dent were Friday guests. Mr. and Mrs. George Loomis and Mick were Friday overnight guests. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ott, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Carr and Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and children were Sunday guests.

Mrs. Johnson had the misfortune last Wednesday evening to be kicked in the face by a cow, breaking her nose.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Baker and children spent Friday evening with her mother, Mrs. Margaret Denslow.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mrs. Eva Denslow called at the Lakeview hospital last week to visit the sick.

Mrs. Edith De Vaney of Coldwater Lake and Mrs. Elizabeth Wickenheiser of Detroit were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins were Monday callers of Mrs. Nettie Lawrence. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Graber were Friday evening callers. Mrs. Lawrence called on her brother, Ed Graber, and wife, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey and Mrs. Eunice Blackmer spent Sunday at the Duane Root home near Flint. It was a family get-together.

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Callers at Mrs. Flora Wood's home during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergquist, Beth Lynn Wood, Wendy Wood and friend, Mrs. Elaine Wood, Alan Wood, Dale and Mary Ellen Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Blodgett were Sunday evening callers of the Benn Johnson family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Lorenz were Sunday supper guests of the Charlie Loseys. They also called at the Gerald Losey home, and Dan and Shari called on Yours Truly.

Howard Leiter's funeral was held Tuesday at 2 p. m. at the Stinson Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Betty Thompson attended a WSCS District meeting at Clare Wednesday. She attended the Junior District solo ensemble at Reed City Saturday. Bill and Bob Thompson, Nancy Losey, Denise Denslow and Jeanne Wood took part in the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cummins and Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins were Tuesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tracy White. Mr. and Mrs. White were Sunday guests at the Alva Cummins home.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jackson and family were Sunday dinner guests of the Gerald Losey family. Mr. and Mrs. Al Gross and Amy were callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlan Denslow and Lorraine of St. Clair were

Saturday overnight guests of his mother, Mrs. Eva Denslow.

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**NorthWeidman**  
 Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott called on Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tower of Brinton Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams visited their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Adams, of Reed City, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Marjorie Dodge of Saginaw and Mrs. Anna Kochensparger of Ashley called on their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. John Gott, Monday afternoon. Mrs. Cloyce Kochensparger of Ashley brought Anna's daughter-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett called on their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Blodgett, and family, of Mt. Pleasant, Saturday evening.

The children of James Kennedy had a dinner in honor of his birthday Sunday afternoon at the Wiley Knollenberg home in Mt. Pleasant. Those present were Mrs. Muriel Miller and family, Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott and boys, Mrs. Duane Chapman and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kennedy and family of Mt. Pleasant.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Riley and family and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Straus were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Straus and family, the occasion being Michael's First Communion.

**FINAL CONCERT BY SCHOOL BAND SET FOR MAY 10**

The final concert of the Chipewa Hills concert band will be presented Friday, May 10, at 8 p. m. in the Barryton school.

The band will play several selections from modern band literature, including the music of "Music Man," Henry Mancini, and folk music.

Donations will be taken to help provide scholarships to band camp for members.

A highlight will be the presentation of the first Barry Thompson Band Camp Scholarship.

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**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Leiter and family were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary St. John and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith and children of Flint spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith, and Jim. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith and Mrs. Leah Scharrer, Mrs. Mike Scharrer of Farwell, and Mrs. Shirley Creed of Algonac and Mrs. Stanley Spires were weekend callers at the Ted Smith home.

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Foster and Connie visited with Mrs. Ina Gillett Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Fey Ervin and son of Blanchard and Mrs. Betty Yankee and son and daughter of Amble were Sunday afternoon visitors. Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Stevens of Sanford were Thursday callers.

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## S.W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter  
HOME FROM VIETNAM

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Baker and son, Chris, left for Fort Mead, Md., Monday, after Larry's short visit with the home folks on his return from Viet Nam. They visited the Alan Marshall family in Detroit over the weekend.

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Mrs. Clayton Dutcher and grandchildren, David, Karen, Becky and Kay Lyn, were recent callers of Mrs. Catherine McDaniel and girls.

We wish to extend our sympathy to the Howard Leiter family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Remington and sons of Saginaw spent Sunday night and Monday with the Ervin Dutchers, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher spent from Friday afternoon till Sunday visiting the Monroe Dutchers in Clarkston and the Jack Dutchers in Lake Orion. They also called on the Russell Merrihews and the Earl Moyses family of Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines spent Sunday evening with the Ervin Dutchers.

Louise Leiter was one of the Senior girls to go to Chicago on their trip from Thursday till early Sunday morning.

David Leiter went with the agriculture class to Lansing Saturday, on soil judging.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Ransom and son, Billy, of Grand Blanc spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hardenburg and family and Emory Dell.

Mr. and Mrs. Beecher Davis of Midland and granddaughter, Kelli Martin, of Georgia visited the Gatehouse families last week. The Harry Gatehouses and Duane Threns and the Davises were dinner guests of the Leo Gatehouses.

Mrs. Verlia Wilcox and granddaughter, Patty Branson, called on the Gatehouses Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Donna Hines and daughter were callers.

Mr. and Mrs. John Maeder spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maeder and Mark.

Mrs. Lucile Merrihew and Mrs. Marion Beutler attended a District meeting of the WSCS at Clare Wednesday.

Mrs. Catherine McDaniel and daughters spent the weekend at Houghton Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Goerge Loomis and son, Mike, of New Era were Saturday dinner guests of the Garry Dutcher family.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dutcher and Gena of Clio had Sunday dinner with his folks, the Clayton Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher spent Wednesday afternoon with her mother, Mrs. Nora Secord, and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. William Remington and sons of Saginaw were Saturday supper guests of the Ervin Dutcher, Jr., family, and

spent Sunday with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher attended the funeral of Sam Sherwood at Grayling last Tuesday. The Sherwoods lived at the Pure Oil camp south of Weidman for many years.

They also called on Mrs. Sherwood at her home, and talked with several of the other families that used to live in the Pure Oil camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Banner and family of Midland were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler, to help Marion celebrate her birthday.

Marion attended WSCS in Farwell Thursday evening.

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## Local Items

Mrs. Ted Smith entered CMC Hospital last Monday, and returned Friday.

Mrs. Flossie Davy was taken to CMC Hospital Monday night, experiencing breathing trouble.

Mrs. Myrtle Coyer and two daughters, Virginia Fisher and Mrs. Wm. Baker and husband and family, all of Lansing, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich.

Mr. and Mrs. Clete Bess of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday guests of Mrs. Vera Hagerman.

Dianne and Rodney Holt of Mt. Pleasant spent Friday night and Saturday with their grandmother, Mrs. Nina Forbes.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Carrick called on his mother, Mrs. Ethel Wager, of rural Remus Saturday evening. They had supper with their son, James, and family, Sunday evening, celebrating the Carricks' 31st wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey attended a square dance hoedown at Mt. Pleasant, sponsored by the Belles and Beaus of Mt. Pleasant. It was held in the new Junior High School.

Mrs. Robert Holt and Dianne and Mrs. Nina Forbes and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson attended a band concert in Ithaca conducted by Harvey Brien, Saturday evening. It was the Spring Concert.

Mrs. Ralph McCreight and Mrs. Dennis Embrey attended an Extension spring get-together at Harrison last Wednesday. They enjoyed lunch at the Surrey House.

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## the Churches

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH  
Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10 a. m.  
Church Service, 11 a. m.  
Evening service, 7.30 p. m.

Thursday, May 9, Adult Fellowship at the Howard Monroe home.

May 11, 6.30 p. m., Graduation Banquet at First Baptist in Mt. Pleasant.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

## FOREST HILL COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. Stanley Spires, Pastor  
Our revival services will begin Friday evening, May 10, and run through May 17. Time is 7.30 each evening.

There will be special singing and Evangelist Rev. Appling of Delaware, will be singing also, and bringing inspiring messages. He has been here before, and all who have heard him are looking forward to his return.

We invite other church groups to come out and hear this dedicated man.

Our Young People's service Sunday evening was on "Seven Day Christians," with their leader, Mrs. Madeline Sisco, in charge, and the young people each having a part.

Next Sunday evening the meeting will be in charge of Thelma Johnson, and will be in keeping with Mother's Day.

We will have our Fellowship supper Saturday evening, May 18, at the Weidman school cafeteria, and will honor the Seniors

who will graduate, from our church, and our pastor will bring them a message at that time.

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## GILMORE CHURCH OF CHRIST

George Getchel, Pastor  
The revival services here will be held June 16 through 21. The special evangelist will be George Stansbury. It was necessary to contact him two years ago in order to get him for this June. He is very much in demand, and has a tremendous talent and message for the entire community. It is hoped that all will feel welcome to attend.

The Mother-Daughter Banquet will be held Tuesday evening, May 14, with a pot-luck dinner in the Church Fellowship Hall.

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### Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

#### POOL TOURNAMENT TEAMS ENJOY DINNER SUNDAY

Sunday the Beal City and the Weidman pool tournament teams held their annual get-together, at the KC Hall in Beal City.

Those participating were Town and Country and Asa's Tavern of Beal City and Weaver's Tavern of Weidman.

A lovely dinner was served, and trophies were presented to each of the winning team's members. The winning team was Asa's Tavern of Beal City.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lee, Sr., called on Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer and family last Tuesday evening.

Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Schafer enjoyed a few games of cards with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer, in Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schafer and sons, Johnny and Ricky, of Bay City spent Saturday night at the Edward Schafer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sebenick and son of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Frank Dietrick of Belleville were also visitors at the Schafer home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wischmeyer had dinner with their son and family, the Wade Wischmeyers, of Alma, Friday evening.

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#### SCHOOL CENSUS CONTINUES THROUGH MONTH OF MAY

The annual school census of the Chippewa Hills School District has begun, and will continue during the month of May.

The census is required by law to be taken during May in each school district in the state, according to a dispatch from the Central Office of Chippewa Hills Schools.

Purpose of the census is to determine the number of children in each age group from birth up to 20 years of age.

Census of handicapped children will include all those from birth to 21 years.

In addition, the Michigan Executive Office of Education has requested information relative to the number of males and females over 19.

Mrs. Glee Krueger will be census taker for the Weidman area.

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#### REUNITED WITH FATHER AFTER 11 YEARS

Leon Horstman was reunited with his father in Detroit last week, after a separation of 11 years, neither knowing the location or welfare of the other during that time.

They plan to get further reacquainted when both men have vacations, in the near future.

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#### HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

#### SEARLES BACK ON THE JOB DEVELOPING LAKE WEIDMAN

Willard Searles returned to the job of completing development of Lake Weidman (the famous old Weidman Mill Pond) last weekend, putting in his big machines and good-sized crews of men.

By the first of the week he had roads pretty well graveled and completed, cleanup on the landscape beside the Don Alwood home, adjacent to an artificial canal, accomplished, and was going ahead with other needed development work on the lake.

Friends of the land owners on the east portion of the old Pond, or Lake Weidman, are happy for them that they are getting something done at last on their development.

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#### CHIPPEWA HILLS SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

11th Grade: Bryan Bareham, Terri Bull, Danny Bush, Kent MacKersie, Steve Stanley, Keith Sterling, Paul Strong, Debbie Weichman, Sara Welsh, May Ann Wernette, Lindy Wyant.\*

\*Denotes all As.

12 Grade: Dave Abel, Mary Brown, Laraine Buchel, Harry Dent, Sue Glatz, Pam Hatfield, Nancy Jones, Gun Magnusson, Candra Murray, Linda Pitts, Ted Roe, Andrea Spayd, Fred Sprague, Mary Ann Ulrich, Sally Walcutt, Sue Wernette, Kathy Worthy.

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#### PRE-SCHOOL REGISTRATION SET FOR DATES IN MAY

Pre-school registration for children entering kindergarten will be on the following dates, according to word from Central Office, Chippewa Hills Schools:

Monday, May 20, Remus, 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.; Tuesday, May 21, Mecosta, same time; Wednesday, May 22, Weidman, same time; Thursday, May 23, Barryton, same time.

A child must be five years old by Dec. 1, 1968, to be eligible for entrance. Parents are requested by the school to bring the child's birth certificate and record of immunizations with them the day of registration.

Two nurses from the Mecosta County Health Department will be there to advise parents on requirements for immunizations.

The public act (law) on school entrance is as follows:

"All children enrolling in any public, private, parochial or denominational school in Michigan for the first time shall submit either a statement signed by a physician that they have been immunized against small-pox, measles, diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis and poliomyelitis, and tuberculin tested to determine the presence of infection from tuberculosis; a statement signed by one parent or guardian to the effect that the child has not been

immunized and tuberculin tested because of religious convictions or other objection immunization; or a request signed by one parent or guardian that the local health department give the needed protective injections and diagnostic tests."

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#### BROOMFIELD GRANGE NEWS

Grace Crowley, Reporter  
Because of illness, I've missed two Grange meetings, youth conference, and I know these were very interesting; besides a number of enjoyable affairs. But I do appreciate the cards, and the fruit basket.

Our sewing contest is over, and the judges gave Mrs. Loretta Small first prize in the adult class. In the Youth B class, Barbara Potter and Susan Young tied. In youth C class, Mrs. Mary Hyder and Margaret Hathaway tied, for making a dress for someone under 18. These will be sent to State Grange.

Broomfield Grange was lucky: Twelve dresses entered, three were finished but not turned in because of illness.

Let it rain or let snow melt! Our driveway has been graveled. It really improves the looks of the grounds.

Mrs. Anna Martin has been in Lakeview hospital. We hope to have her home soon.

This Friday evening a Mother's Day supper, for the community, is planned. It will be pot-luck. Bring your family.

Another smorgasbord supper for

Saturday evening, May 11.

Regular Grange meetings are on the second and fourth Friday evenings of each month. We would welcome you, if you care to come.

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### Local Items

Ben Elkins of Remus was a Friday afternoon caller of Mrs. Vina Rufner. Audrey Flaughner of Mt. Pleasant was a Sunday dinner guest.

Mrs. Howard Bywater was reported a little better Sunday evening, after suffering a heart attack the past two weeks.

Miss Inez Richardson of Winn spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Bertha Clark and Mrs. Lela Whearett.

Ruth Hutchins and Mrs. Stoy of Rosebush were Sunday afternoon callers of Blanche Cliff.

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Downing of Marion were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Butler of Waterford spent from Saturday till Sunday afternoon with her sister, Mrs. Flossie Davy.

Mrs. Fey Johnson, Mrs. Howard Johnson and Mrs. Gerald Johnson had lunch in Mt. Pleasant last Friday.

Mrs. Phyllis Sides and children were visitors of Mrs. Lela Johnson one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vanness (Marion Johnson) of Lindsay, O., are expected this weekend for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Kit Johnson.

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