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# The Weidman Messenger

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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### WEIDMAN DAY WENT OVER WITH A BIG BANG

So the first Weidman Day held here since 1965 was the biggest and best celebration Ye Ed can remember--and Ye Ed can remember a lot of celebration days here.

It was a super spectacular, and it was so well organized, and managed, that the day's program went off like clockwork, and by Sunday morning the town was cleaned up and back to normal.

That's really something, what with problems the entire country is having with hoodlums. We had no hoodlums here--or if we did, they behaved themselves and entered into the spirit of the day with gusto--undoubtedly good for what ails them.

Anyhow, it was the biggest and best celebration this town has ever seen, with no difficulties and no disruptions.

The parade was beautiful and extensive, the exhibits and special booths outstanding, and all in all it was just a wonderful day.

Let's hope that those who worked so hard on various committees will have the courage to do it again.

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### NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

So next week, after the July 15 issue is in the postoffice, Ye Ed and the faithful news writers take a week off.

By schedule, the Messenger is supposed to skip to first week of July for vacation, but this year, with Weidman Day on the 10th, we just couldn't see no Messenger keeping the public posted on all late developments.

So--everybody takes a break this next week.

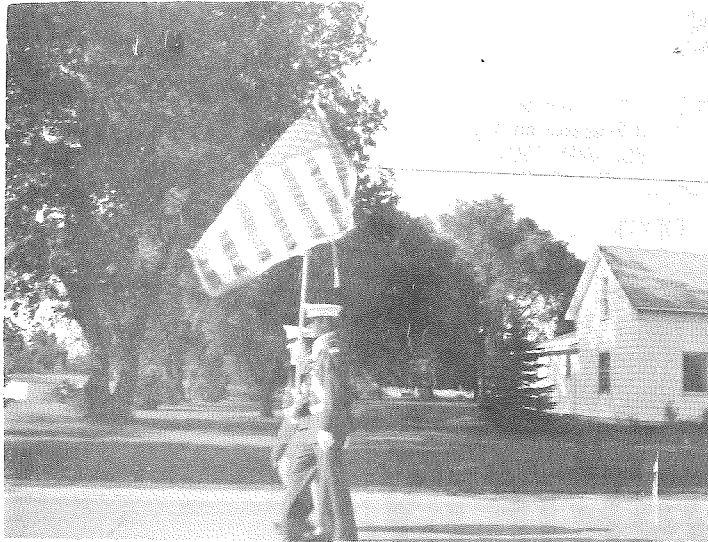
Whee.

Our next issue will be dated July 29, and thereafter we publish weekly except when we take our Christmas-New Year's break.

We'll be printing more photos of Weidman Day when we resume publication with the July 29 issue.

See yuh July 29!

## WEIDMAN DAY



**IT STARTED WITH THE BIGGEST PARADE--**Weidman has ever had. It was purely beautiful, beginning with the standrad-bearers (above) and the authentic Indian costumed-man leading the band; to the many floats, and a lovely old carriage with the King and Queen (W.A. "Bill" Appelgreen and Emma Middlesworth); and on and on, just beautiful. **Messenger photos**



**AN INDIAN-COSTUMED MAJORETTE--**Led the band in the parade north on Coldwater Road, all the way down town on the Airline. The parade that followed was strung out beyond a camera's all-over reach, and we could only get this'n'that in the way of features. See other photos on other pages of this issue. There will be more in forthcoming issues, after our vacation.

### WBA GETS TWO WORKERS AT MITCHELL PARK

Gary McArthur, president of the Weidman Business Association, announced Tuesday morning that Mitch Leiter, co-ordinator for Mid-Michigan Alliance, has provided two young workers who will be caretakers at Mitchell Memorial Park, for the Weidman Business Association.

They are Jerry Abbott and Ray Ehl, who will work 65 hours a week for six weeks at the park, on maintenance and improvements.

They also will police the park daytimes, hopefully doing away with the broken-glass situation at the pavilion.

The Isabella County Sheriff's Department polices the park at night.

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### ADELLA WARNER DIES AT AGE NINETY-SEVEN

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Wm. (Adella) Warner, 97, who passed away July 10 at a nursing home in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

She is survived by five children, all in Wvoming; Mrs. Margaret (Warner) Johnston is a step-daughter; ; Marie Smith of Florida is also a step-daughter.

Mrs. Warner was aunt to both before her marriage to Will Warner.

The Warners lived in Weidman many years, in the house now the home of the Clayton Raubs. Mr. Warner was caretaker of the Weidman cemetery, and he planted the rows of pine trees at the north side, among other improvements there.

Both were loved and respected by this community.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Don Lofgren of Stockbridge were last Thursday afternoon visitors of Mrs. Bessie Teall. Mrs. Huber of Mt. Pleasant was a caller. Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Rannie Campbell (Elsie Bolinger) and family of Muskegon were visitors of Mrs. Teall. They said it was the best Weidman Day they'd ever seen.

### Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

A number from this area attended the parade at Weidman Saturday morning.

Glad to report that Martin Bonger is improved since his surgery at CMC Hospital last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Haenke and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Fletcher and baby spent Sunday with their parents, and all attended the activities at Weidman Saturday evening.

The Merry Go Round Club met with Ellen Geasler last Thursday, with 14 members and two visitors present, and six children. The

next meeting will be with Vera Seymour Aug. 12.

Mr. and Mrs. George Holland of Grand Rapids called on their mother, Jane Fields, and uncle, Tony Bartley last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe La Londe had their daughter, Mrs. David Crook, and daughter Pam from Ohio as guests over the Fourth holiday. Friday they all spent the day in Ludington.

Fern Verette attended a Tiger baseball game Saturday at Detroit. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fosberg and boys left Sunday and planned to attend a Tiger game in that city.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

### WEIDMAN DAY VISITORS

Weidman Day visitors at the Russell Branam home on Lake of the Hills included members of the Ed Bellows family, an old and loved batch of kids some of us grew up with, and who have scattered, as did we all.

The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Ritchie (Marvel Bellows) of Lapeer, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Beutler (Betty Bellows) of Traverse City, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Milligan (Joan) of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Bellows, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bellows of Little-

field Lake, all sons and daughters of Grover and Mabel Bellows of Coldwater Township; and Jack Bellows of Weidman. Mrs. Branam is a daughter of the Grover Bellows also. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Russell of Ovid were also among the guests. She is a daughter of Floyd and Lillie Bellows.

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3-76-tf

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GARAGE SALE--Central Michigan Right to Life will hold a garage sale July 15-16-17, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., at the corner of Littlefield and Weidman Roads. Pickup of donated goods can be arranged by calling 644-3615 or 644-2133. July 15t1

BENEFIT BINGO--Sponsored by the Temple Association of Farwell, July 24, at Farwell, beginning at 6.30 p. m. For benefit of Jim Hawley of Lake, who is in St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw suffering third degree burns over 50 percent of his body. His hospital expenses will be astronomical, and the family needs the reassurance of their friends. July 15t1

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 Evening Service, 7.30 p. m.  
 Prayer Meeting Wednesday, 7 p. m.

We had a full church Sunday, and Hosea Humphrey sang and played his guitar beautifully.

## Card of Thanks

The Chippewa Hills Band Boosters would like to thank Allen Lumber Company for moving the booth, Jim Damitio and Elaine Denslow for paint, Western Auto, Baumann's IGA, Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department, Denise Bellinger, and EVERYONE who baked, donated, or helped in any way. A special thanks to the Murl Mercer family for all they did before, during and after the big Weidman Day celebration; All the people who patronized our booth made it a huge success on Weidman Day.

## Local Items

Tom Louisell of Charlevoix spent last Thursday with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell. The Louisells' son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Preston (Buzz) Smith, of New Jersey were expected this Thursday for about a week's stay with her parents.

Mrs. Mary Emerich and Sister Aquina of Chicago, and Mrs. James Bierschbach of Nottawa were Sunday afternoon callers at the Messenger office, as also were Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Putman of Alaska. The Chicago group had attended a Bleise family get-together at the Donald Peltier home in Mt. Pleasant. Bob and Alberta Bleise attended from here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bushre of Lake Isabella, Mr. and Mrs. Don Sonst and sons of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. John Gott, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Peacock and Diane were guests of the Wanda Graham family during the Weidman Day parade and also the evening, along with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dennis and boys of Barryton, Ula Cummins, and Marlene Davy, to watch the fireworks.

Debe Graham had visitors on Weidman Day, throughout the day and evening; Frances and Douglas Tress of near Alma, and Bill Harmon. Toni Findley of near Blanchard was a weekend guest of Debi. Ruth Herber and sons also visited during the day.

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## North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Visitors at Zena Olger's over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Alton Wilcox, Dewey Allbee, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Conley and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Letson, Mr. and Mrs. Sim Riggs. Zena called on her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Allbee, and Mrs. Doris Wedman of Mt. Pleasant one day last week.

Mrs. Lois Knollenberg and boys

visited at the Mick Abbott home Sunday afternoon, and enjoyed lunch with them.

Visitors at the Joe Ptak home were Debbie Wood and boys and Denise Ptak and friend; Mr. and Mrs. Reynold Hunt of Royal Oak, Mrs. Betty Hare and Bill Ingalls of Evart. and Mr. and Mrs. James Nagyari.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott called here Sunday. We spent Saturday at Wanda Graham's, to watch the parade and the fireworks in the evening.

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## LAKE ISABELLA

Ruth Yabs, Reporter

Due to my working in the McArthur Insurance office this past week while they were on vacation in Kentucky, and having company over the weekend, I did not have time for news-gathering.

So, I relinquish this space for news of the big Weidman Day activities.

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## West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Straus and Margaret and Mark called on the Paul Coles Saturday evening.

Mrs. Diane Anderson and girls Deanne and Becky, of Nebraska, who spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa, returned to her home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cole and Mrs. Cole's sister of Detroit spent several days at their farm. They attended a Golden Wedding anniversary party Sunday at Star Lake, for Mrs. Cole's sister and brother-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Masiwchuk entertained friends from Detroit over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Pfannes visited his brother, Sebastian Pfannes, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Allbee, and son, Tom, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole were called to the beside of their brother-in-law, Julius Allbee, Sunday evening. He remained very ill at this time.

Our granddaughter, Miss Connie Ewing, called on us Monday evening. Her home is in Vassar. She is one of six young ladies in the state picked from the Latter Day Saints Church to travel throughout Michigan putting on programs at churches.

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## Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Tiani and sob, Eugene, and granddaughter, Kristen Rimbold, spent the weekend with their parents and grandparents, the Sterling Oplingers. Mr. and Mrs. Oplinger attended the Forest Hill School reunion Sunday at Weidman.

Dale Putman was a Sunday morning caller at the Oplinger home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin returned home Friday from a week at their cabin at Copemish. Woodrow is there now. Joe and Betty were Sunday guests at the Lena Martin home, to see the new baby of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Martin.

Floyd Dutcher and Monroe Beckwith were Tuesday luncheon guests at the Charlie Losey home. Harold Losey called Saturday. Mrs. Ardis Merrihew accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher to the Dutcher reunion at Mt. Pleasant. There were 93 relatives and three visitors present.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Silvernail called on Charlie and Hattie Losey and me Saturday afternoon. It's nice to see old friends you haven't seen in a long time.

Charles Fahnestock won a \$25 prize in a drawing at the Weidman celebration.

D.J. Whitman spent a few days with his grandparents, the Pete Woods, and attended the celebration. His mother came and got him Sunday evening. Michael spent Saturday with his folks, and attended the celebration, too. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Mills were Sunday guests of her folks.

Mrs. Mabel Allen was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller. Later they called on Mrs. Ethel McLean at Big Rapids.

Bill Thompson and three CMU chums attended the Weidman celebration. Bob Thompson at-

tended the celebration in the evening. Mrs. Betty Thompson spent the morning at the celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson attended the Forest Hill School reunion Sunday at the Weidman park.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow attended the Weidman celebration Saturday, and the Forest Hill School reunion Sunday. There was a large crowd in attendance.

(Well, Connie, did you get through the celebration all okay? Sorry I missed it. Second one I ever missed. The other one was 53 years ago. I was in Minnesota.)

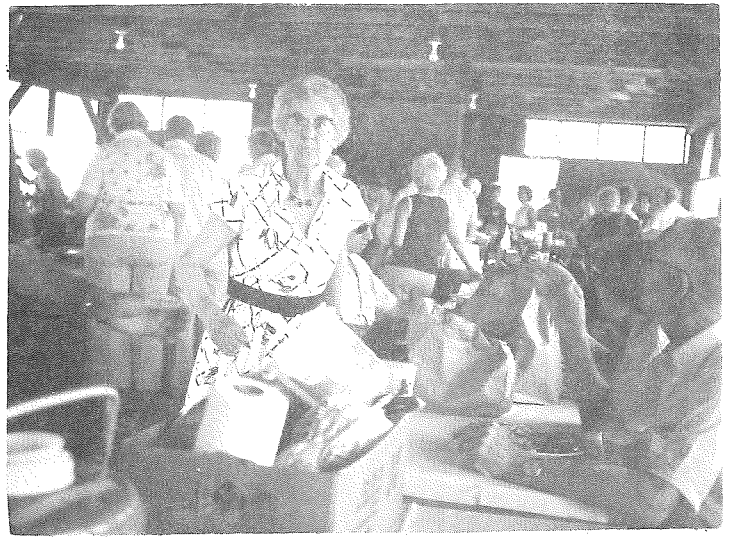
(Yes, Jessie, I got through it --barely. After the paper's out this week I take 10 days to recover.)

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WEIDMAN DAY--At the Antique Show in the old bank building, Claribel Beutler was stunning in an old-time costume.

Messenger photo



AT THE FOREST HILL SCHOOL REUNION--Eat time. Everybody had a most wonderful day.

VOTE PETE WOOD AUG. 3  
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# THANK YOU!

We want to personally thank all committee heads and committees and all workers on our first Weidman Day since 1965.

It was a great day, and it was thanks to hard work by many people who pitched in in every way to make this year's Weidman Day a huge success.

You made Weidman Day a real event, never before equaled.

We also want to thank the many hundreds of folks who came to enjoy the day.

GARY McARTHUR  
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ABOUT 150 JOYFUL PEOPLE--Attended the first reunion of students and families from the Forest Hill (Tinker) School Sunday at Mitchell Memorial Park. It was a wonderful day for all, with Earl Oplinger's original bell from the school hung and rung at eatin' time.  
Messenger photos



ERNIE PUTMAN

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Putman stopped in at the Messenger office Sunday afternoon, after the highly successful reunion dinner for former students and their families, from the Forest Hill (Tinker) School.

Ernie said that they would return to Michigan, and were looking for farm land to the north of this area, to buy.

Ernie was the instigator of the school reunion, with an invitation to all former students and their families to stage a reunion at Mitchell Park Sunday, a highly successful affair.

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### S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

The 28th Dutcher reunion was held at Island Park, Mt. Pleasant, Sunday, with all eight of the older members, ranging in age from 65 to 80, with 92 family members and five visitors present. After a delicious potluck chicken dinner with all the trimmings, there was a lot of visiting.

The Robert, Garry, Richard and Clayton Dutchers and Ronna; Steve and Sandra Dutcher attended Weidman Day Saturday. We thought they had a really nice parade and fireworks, for a small village.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard and family visited the Ervin Dutcher

Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., Floyd and Ray Dutcher, the Clayton, Richard, Robert and Jim Dutchers and Hattie Losey attended the Dutcher reunion Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Dutcher of near Jackson visited his grandparents, the Ervin Dutchers, last Monday.

Hazel (Gatehouse) Davis and daughter, Dee Ann, and children of Pottsville, Pa., spent a few days visiting Hazel's brothers, Leo and Harry Gatehouse, and families. Dee Ann came to attend her class reunion at Mt. Pleasant, and they attended Weidman Day.

Julia and Rex visited her folks, the Glenn Owenses, of Midland, Friday, and got Dawn, who had spent a few days with her grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Dobson and family of Montague spent the weekend with the Garry Dutchers, and attended Weidman Day.

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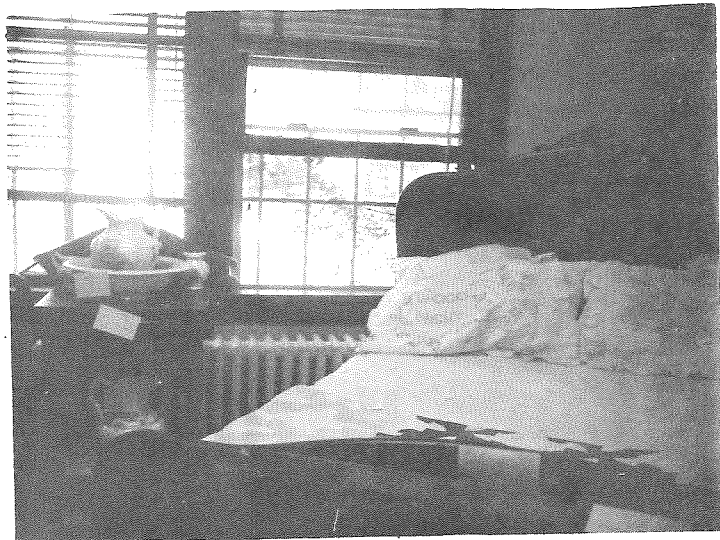
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**A COMPLETE ANTIQUE BED**--Made up with antique bedding, was a great feature at the antique show in the old bank building Saturday. In the photo above, the bed and night stand were sent in by Mr. and Mrs. Chris Larson, with the antique pitcher and bowl donated for the occasion by Janet McCreight. Dee Lawens, with Snookie Weber and Carol Wood as co-chairmen, did a wonderful job of room arrangement throughout the building. Messenger photos



**THE ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW**--With Archie Jerore chairman, was a great attraction for visitors. Archie and his wife preside at their show-space with some of his work on stone-cutting.

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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Paul McGinnis of Cadillac called on the Al Tilmanns Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau had Sunday supper with the Norman Rau family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Russell of Hubbardston and Mrs. Herman Bierstetel of Lansing visited their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Keiffer. Herman works in the Schafer Bakery in Lansing. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stewart.

Mrs. Nora Gruss, Gertrude Gross, Monica Grinzinger and Coletta Gross spent Monday afternoon with Viola Engler. They had a real good time, playing cards.

Ray, Theresa, Sue, June, Mike and Coletta Gross went to Lansing Saturday evening to attend a wedding reception for Janet Dickson, daughter of Rudy and Rita. It was a very nice wedding.

The Beal City Band did itself proud at the Cherry Festival at Traverse City last week, where it was a featured attraction in the parade.

Mrs. Matie Pung has been ill this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith of Mt. Pleasant visited Ann Smith Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Straus entertained their club Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Yuncker were hosts at a party at their home last week.

A lot of people from here attended Weidman Day.

Mrs. Francis Theisen is in the hospital. Mrs. Leo Gross, Mike Gross and Dora Smith were visitors at Kitty Gross' Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. John E. Schafer spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Martin, Jr., spent Sunday with Bill Martin, Senior.

Mrs. Marie Rahl had company over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Schafer of Mt. Pleasant visited Mrs. Rose Schafer Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould and family went to Midland Saturday to see Fred's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Collinson.

Mike, Coletta and Kitty Gross spent Wednesday afternoon with Bill Martin, Sr.

Michael and Linda Dickson and Mark and Tammy stopped in last Tuesday to let Great-Grandma Gross see the new baby, Susan Marie.

Mrs. Tillie Starr of Mt. Pleasant visited Wm. Martin, Sr., one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George McGuire of Florida and Mr. and Mrs. Walt Schafer called on Tillie Schafer

Friday evening.

Terry Klumpp took the Boy Scouts to Mio for a week, returning Friday.

Betty Sunderman and girls of Shepherd called on Louise Schafer and Orié Farner of Mt. Pleasant, Sunday.

Tillie Schafer spent Sunday at the Ed Schafer home at Coldwater Lake.

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## In the Editor's Mail

EVERYBODY LOVED WEIDMAN DAY

Mrs. Connie Skinner, Editor THE WEIDMAN MESSENGER Weidman Mi. 48893  
Dear Connie:

If you have room in the next issue of THE WEIDMAN MESSENGER, and are so inclined, I would appreciate your printing the following:

This is to publicly commend the Weidman Business Association and other Weidman residents and friends for the fine organization and tremendous effort which made Weidman Day such a success. All the activities and attractions of the day, from the parade to the fireworks, were outstanding!

It was gratifying to see so many former Weidman residents and friends back for a visit. Everyone commented on the "togetherness" attitude which pervades our community. It seems that by working together, great things can be accomplished.

I would also like to comment on the very efficient and gracious manner in which Phyllis Sides handled the King and Queen event. My mother was honored by being selected as Queen, and thoroughly enjoyed her participation in Weidman Day. She has requested that I also express her appreciation for the courtesy and good will extended to her.

Thank you,  
Joan Charnes  
Weidman

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### CORRECTION

When we printed the list of businesses that have changed hands here, we said the Dale Tilmann family had built the D&R Drive In Restaurant. The Tilmanns added on to the building and accomplished other conveniences there. The original drive-in business was started by Roy and Helen Adams in 1964, with Helen in charge of the opening of the business and the general work and management of it.

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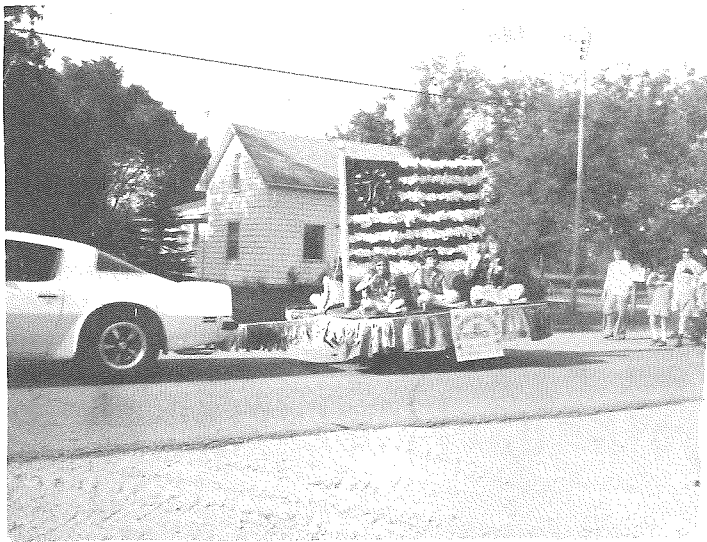
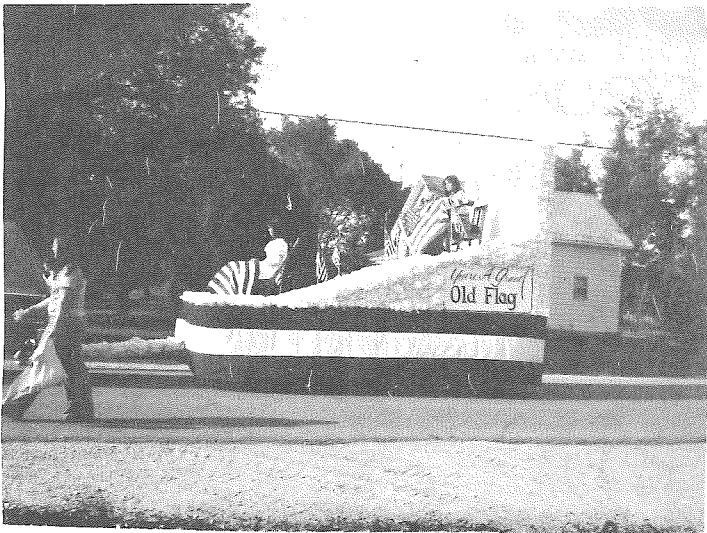
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## MORE ON THE PARADE.....



**GIRL SCOUTS BUILD THEIR WEIDMAN DAY FLOAT**--Thirty-three Girl Scout Juniors and Cadets made their own float for Weidman Day, and it was right pretty, a good job. Phyllis Sides is the troop's organizer, with leaders Linda England, Denise Bellinger, Linda Reynolds, Kathy Stebelton, June Lennon and Lois Riggles. Messenger photo

**BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 19 TABLES IN PLAY**

At their regular card party last Thursday afternoon, the Beal City Senior Citizens had 19 tables of pepper in play, with 76 present.

The party began with a potluck dinner at noon, and proceeded with pepper playing after that.

Lillian Hullman won first prize for the ladies, with Mildred Young second and Clara Fox low. William Martin won first for

the men, with Wilbur Reinert second and Stub Beutler low.

Agnes Sheahan won the pepper prize. Agnes Sharp drew the door prize. A special prize was won by Coletta Gross.

The next party at the K. C. Hall in Beal City will be on Thursday, Aug. 5. There will be no card party meantime, in deference to the Beal City Bicentennial celebration.

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**ISABELLA BANK AND TRUST'S** Float in the big parade said, "Happy Birthday, America!" on the back, "You're a Grand Old Flag" on both sides, and a large flag with the words, "You've Come a Long Way, Baby!" on the front.

**WEIDMAN GIRL SCOUTS**--Had their float prominently in the parade. We got a closeup of the float, and the girls, in other photos.

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**NEWS NOTES**

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fox and Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur spent the Fourth of July weekend camping south of Sharon, on the Manistee River.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Knudson of Trenton spent the Weidman Day weekend with their mother, Mrs. Lela Whearett, and uncle, Don Clark. They all agreed it was the greatest Weidman Day the town has ever put on.

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**VOTE PETE WOOD AUG. 3**  
Primaries, Sherman Township  
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# THANK YOU!

**WE ARE DEEPLY GRATEFUL**--To the many, many people who worked hard and long in preparation for our first Weidman Day since 1965, and for the overflow crowds who came to our celebration. Appointed and volunteer committees did their jobs extremely well, and the day was just a wonderful success. Local working leaders; the Beal City men who helped barbecue chicken as only they can do it; the Fire Department, and the Sheriff's Department, for taking part in the parade, and their good protection throughout the day and night; and all the other organizations such as the Girl Scouts and their hard-working leaders; the Arts and Crafts Show, the Antique Show, the school marching band; the Old Car clubs, the obliging elderly people who rode so gracefully in old carriages and cars; the men who manned the dunking machine (a hit if there ever was one!)

Thanks, very sincerely, to everybody. We all worked hard for this, and it was a smash hit.

**WEIDMAN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION**