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Editor's Column

By Connie

LOCAL ITEMS

So the Little League players and parents are getting ready for another summer of games on Weidman's Little League playing field, one of the best in Central Michigan.

Saturday parents (dads) and kids were out in force, putting in cement footing and floor for a refreshment stand (to be run by the mothers, it's presumed), and fertilizing and seeding the playing field.

Grownups and boys alike had a wonderful day Saturday.

Wilbur Benn had the most beautiful array of tulips in full bloom Saturday we've seen this wacky spring.

Apparently he covered 'em during those nights of frosts and freezes--or maybe he didn't.

Anyhow, they're beautiful.

So we had several nights last week of severe frosts and one of real freezing (our outside thermometer stood at 28 at 7 a. m. Friday morning).

All our flowers were hanging their heads; the lilacs, too far out, almost in bloom; our few tulips; and the red-budded ornamental crab tree, nearly ready to bloom.

Everything hung limp and apparently well-frozen Friday morning.

But before noon the lilac buds had perked up, the tulips had raised their heads and stood stiff and proud again; and if the flowers come out, we'll have come through that arctic freeze with no damage around our place.

Fruit trees in southwestern Michigan, however, were reported as badly damaged, with subsequent shortage of cherries, peaches and apples--and of course, higher prices.

Saturday Rick McArthur helped Ye Ed set out a dwarf apple tree; we have our own strawberries;

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PLAY BALL!--They'll soon be doing just that, on the Little League diamond on the west side of Weidman. Saturday was work-bee day at the ball park, with Dads and kids joining to lay a cement floor for a brand-new refreshment stand (to be operated by the mothers, probably), new grass seeding for the diamond, and general fixup of the ballpark. Some of the adults (above) man the cement mixer and smooth the stuff for the floor.



NOON TIME--AND HAMBURGERS FOR ALL--At the work bee at the Weidman Little League ballpark Saturday. Pat Arsenault bought the hamburgers, from Weaver's; Bader Milling Company donated fertilizer and grass seed; Allen Lumber Company gave the cement; Spike Branson supplied the gravel; and Weidman Western Auto donated electric wiring and miscellaneous items. Citizens donated their time--and brawn. Messenger photos

In uniform



PFC GLENN RILEY

PFC Glenn Riley, son of Bernard and Leona Riley, is in Augsburg, Germany, receiving medical technician training as part of his Army education plan.

He will spend 90 days at Augsburg, in work and study at the hospital there. The Army sends only two candidates out of a medical platoon per year to Augsburg, and Glenn and his parents naturally are elated. Many are in line for the privilege of working and studying at the hospital at Augsburg, and Glenn was chosen by his platoon officer and company commander. Glenn was chosen among 36 candidates.

The med students go from hospital room to room, to observe and at times assist doctors.

Glenn wants to be an x-ray lab technician, and is enthusiastic about his present work and studies.

He will be at Augsburg until July 15. Here's his new address: PFC Glenn Riley 365-70-0709, USAH, Augsburg, APO New York 09178.

He would like to hear from his friends.

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Jessie Rosencrantz and Hattie Losey were Saturday afternoon visitors of Connie Skinner.

GOLDEN WEDDING



MR. AND MRS. ISADORE SCHAFER

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Schafer are hosting an Open House to help celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, May 15, at the Beal City K.C. Hall, from 12 noon until 4 p. m. Their children are Edward Schafer and Roselene Schafer of Beal City, Eileen Hudah of Flint, Mrs. John (Leona) McDonald and Mrs. Dave (Carol) Neyer of Mt. Pleasant. Friends and relatives are cordially invited. The family requests no gifts, please.

the lake, relaxing and entertaining their relatives.

Glenn Tomlinson spent the weekend in Rochester with her husband, Bud. Ben Bamford spent Saturday evening and stayed over night with them before reutrnng to Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Shelp of Lansing came up to the lake for the weekend.

Mrs. Leonard Schneider spent Tuesday in Lansing, shopping and visiting. She and Mr. Schneider went out to dinner at the Sveden House in the evening, and then went to play Bingo later in the evening. Mrs. Schneider returned home Wednesday morning.

As usual, the Beal City School Carnival was a great success, and everyone had a grand time there. Some of our neighbors attending included the Schneiders, Mitchells, Flaughers, Marchianos, JoAnn and Don Atherton, the Don Harter family, the Dennis family, and many others I may not have reported. You can bet the kids had fun.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schneider spent Thursday evening with their daughter, Mrs. JoAnn Adams, of Lansing. A lovely dinner was served, and we enjoyed a pleasant evening together, examining wedding gifts.

Mrs. Marjorie Dennis of Sidney spent three days up here with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dennis and girls. Dawn says she always likes to come and visit on Coldwater Lake.

Happy to welcome back from Englewood, Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Lichtenfelt. They

spent three months down there, and had lots of company at times. They enjoyed it there, but are glad to be back.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Shelp entertained Saturday evening, as they had Jerome and Sheri Beck in, and Glenn Kemmis and Joe Mockridge and son.

Glenn Kemmis and Joe spent the weekend at Glenn's cottage. Glenn seems to be doing pretty fair, and holding his own.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Kavanaugh of Detroit were here the weekend, to visit his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kavanaugh. Sunday morning Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Beck were invited over to have breakfast with everyone, and visit.

Mrs. Jerome Beck's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Scott, of Calimesa, Calif., will be here around Thursday to visit and will stay a couple of months here in Michigan.

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SHERMAN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR PROTESTS TAX RAISES HEREABOUTS

Sherman Township Supervisor Earl Oplinger protested last week to the County Board of Commissioners on the raising of taxes in Sherman Township by 18 percent while the entire county's taxes rose only an average of 10 percent.

He was among several township supervisors protesting in vain before the board.

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Mrs. Robert Tibbetts of East Lansing spent a couple of days this week with her mother, Mrs. Claribel Beutler.

Coldwater Lake

Iaan Schneider, Reporter

A big welcome back to Gilbert and Neva Maas, who just returned from sunny Florida Sunday. Glad to have them back in the neighborhood. Their son and his

wife spent the day with them Sunday. They left to go back to Big Rapids Sunday evening.

The Armstrongs spent the weekend at their cottage. They left Sunday to go back to Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Marcy of Elwell spent the weekend here at

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Apr. 28t2

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May 5t1p

BETTER THAN A LETTER

FOR SALE--100 bales of straw, 30¢ per bale; also 50 bales of hay, 75¢ per bale, take all of both lots at this price. Also for sale, one hay rake, one 275-gal. gas tank with hose and nozzle, cheap. Howard Schafer, tel. 644-2010 May5t1

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May5t2

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May 5tf

Obituary

FLOSSIE FORBES

Mrs. Flossie Forbes of Brinton died Thursday, April 28, at the Isabella County Medical Care Facility. She was 84.

She was born May 30, 1892, in Coldwater Township. She was married to Leland Forbes in 1910. He preceded her in death in 1965.

She was a life member of Wau-benoo Chapter, Order of Eastern Stars No. 360, in Weidman.

She is survived by a son, William, of Brinton; three daughters, Mrs. Nora Geasler of Brinton and Mrs. Rosamond Faulds and Mrs. Irene Bush of Florida; four sisters, Mrs. Maude Winchell and Mrs. Carolyn Alston, of Clare; Mrs. Agnes Stevens of Farmington, and Mrs. Bernice Hill of Cleveland, Ohio; and nine grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, May 1, at 1 p. m. from the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton, with Rev. Marvin Eldridge officiating. Burial was in the North Brinton Cemetery.

Flossie was loved by all who knew her. Her family have the sympathy of their many friends.

Obituary

REV. ARTHUR CROSS

Rev. Arthur Cross of Remus died April 27. He was 78.

He was born Nov. 1, 1898, in Remus, where he spent his life. He was a mail carrier from 1921 to 1961, and was minister of the Remus Church of Christ from 1939 to this year, 1977.

He was a member of the Me-costa County Mail Carriers' Association, and Ministerial Association of Wheatland Township.

He is survived by his wife, Fern; a brother, Clifford, of Grand Rapids; and sisters Anna Jones of Grand Rapids and Evelyn Barnett of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Funeral services were held at 1 p. m. Saturday, April 30, in the Wheatland Church of Christ with Rev. C. Hiram Gates officiating. Interment was in the West Wheatland Cemetery at Remus.

Rev. Cross had many friends in this area, who will mourn their loss.

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Card of Thanks

We wish to extend our appreciation to our neighbors, relatives, and friends, for their thoughtfulness at the time of the loss of our mother, Ruth Blesch.

Our thanks to those who brought food, and those who provided the lovely luncheon at the church; for the cards and flowers, and generous contributions to the American Cancer Society and Barryton United Methodist Church in memory of our mother.

Many thanks to everyone who helped in any way.

Jo Alkofer
Jean and Marshall
Murdock

METHODISTS TO HOST MAY FELLOWSHIP DAY

All church women of all denominations all over Isabella County are invited to attend May Fellowship Day May 6 at the Weidman United Methodist Church, beginning at 10 a. m.

There will be a program, and lunch at noon. Lunch fee will be \$1.50.

Call Marian Beutler, Weidman, ph. 644-3557, for lunch reservations.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Sympathy goes out to the family of Flossie Forbes, who died last Thursday, April 25. at the Medical Care Facility in Mt. Pleasant, after a lingering illness. He daughters, Rosamond Faulds and Irene Bush of Florida, were here, and a sister, Agnes Stevens, of Farmington, was also here, all to attend funeral services Sunday at the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton.

Laura Robert spent Friday with her sister, Dorothy, in Ithaca. Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Forbes hosted a family dinner Sunday, in honor of the christening of their infant son, Lavern, Jr., at St. Joseph's Church in Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Baker called at the Crittenden Funeral Home Friday, paying their respects to an old friend, Arthur Cross.

They were also in Bay City Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Livermore called on his brother and sister-in-law and family, Mr. and Mrs. David Livermore, over the weekend.

Eathyl and Janet Beers were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Beers. The occasion was the birthday of Dean Beers, of Kalamazoo, who spent the weekend with his folks.

Just a reminder of the Merry Go Round Club meeting at Sandy Cline's on Thursday, May 12.

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LAKE ISABELLA

Ruth Yabs, Reporter

This past beautiful spring week brought out the flowers, grass-- and weeds. We found many home-owners cleaning and fixing up their yards after the long cold winter. Many weekenders

were up here at their homes-- not really resting, but relaxing (?), working around their summer homes. Folks are returning to their Lake Isabella homes after spending the winter in warmer climates. It's good to see the spring activities.

After waiting about three hours for Elma June to arrive from school (due to car trouble), the Robert Mays and the Arthur Lists of Edmore left for Roscommon Friday evening for a Pork Chop Memorial REACT camp-out. The group consists of REACT members from 13 counties.

I stopped in to see the Guerins, and found Julius feeling much better. Happy to report this improvement.

DARNELL FAMILY OBSERVES ALL WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

The annual Darnell family wedding anniversary gathering, celebrating all the wedding anniversaries in the family, was held last Wednesday evening at the Frank Maxon home in Broomfield Township.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey of Weidman, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Darnell and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Darnell of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Blackmer, Mr. and Mrs. W.E.B. Darnell of Big Rapids, and George and Anne Darnell of Stanton.

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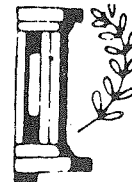
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Card of Thanks

We want to thank our neighbors and friends who put out the fire in our granary last week Tuesday. Our family was not at home at the time, and we are most grateful to our neighbors who noticed smoke coming out of the granary, called the Fire Department, and pitched in to put out the fire in short order.

We certainly are most grateful, and appreciative of good neighbors.

Howard Schafer
And Family

4-H MEMBERS EARN SPECIAL HONORS AT COUNTY SHOW

Several members of the Winning Pioneers 4-H Club found themselves receiving special honors Saturday evening at the Isabella County 4-H Spring Achievement event.

It was held at the West Intermediate School in Mt. Pleasant, with project evaluation in the afternoon and style review in the evening.

Many parents and friends enjoyed the clowning act, which involved members of the newly-formed clowning project, along with a style revue of personal appearance items.

Those earning styling recognition included Michelle Bellinger, Kim Donley and Diane Beutler, for clothing, and Jamie Carrick for knitting. Construction winners were Michelle Bellinger for clothing and Diane Beutler for crocheting.

Awarded Certificates of Merit for outstanding workmanship were Billy Beutler, for snowmobile safety; Betty Henry, for beef science; and Pami Sprague, Tonya Bellinger, Diane Beutler and Deb Wernette for the macrame and creative arts projects.

The club, as well as members, received special 4-H club work participation ribbons for the display set up during the afternoon and evening.

Those wishing to sign up for summer projects should contact the administrative leader, Mrs. Mary Beutler, tel. 644-3462, or Mrs. Denise Bellinger, tel. 644-2528.

The next regular meeting of the Winning Pioneers 4-H Club is May 10, at the Weidman School, at 3.30 p. m. Summer sign-up must be completed at this meeting.

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Mrs. Bertha Summers of Grand Ledge visited her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson, over the weekend.

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cornell and children of Gladwin and Mr. and Mrs. George Cornell and children of Beaverton spent Saturday with their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth and son, Mike, and daughter, Pam, took a fishing trip to Upper Michigan this weekend, and brought home some nice suckers.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Casteel and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth and son, Mike, helped Joe Geasler celebrate his birthday Tuesday.

The Paul Coles and Velma went to South Bend, Ind., Tuesday, where they met their grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ganser, on their return from a free 10-day trip to Acapulco, Mex., which they enjoyed very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pfannes visited his brother, Bess, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Place and son, Mitch, and her mother, Mrs. Edna Teeter, went on a several days' trip to Canada, where they attended the graduation of the Places' daughter, Janelle, who returned home with them.

Mrs. Gwen Dean called on her cousins, the Paul Coles, Friday.

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NEWS NOTES

The family of Mrs. Mary Clark gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Embrey and family of Mt. Pleasant, for an early Mother's Day chicken barbecue. Everyone had a wonderful time, with lots of chicken and family visiting and games for the kids.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey, Mrs. Lilian Earns of Mt. Pleasant, Audrey Clark, and Roberta Richardson attended a doll show at Saginaw Sunday.

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Editor's Mail

Dear Mrs. Skinner:

Thank you so very much for coming over last (Tuesday) night on such short notice. (To take pictures of the 4-H exhibits.) Whenever we need you again, I will make sure you're notified much earlier.

Jamie Carrick
Reporter, Winning
Pioneers 4-H Club

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Mr. and Mrs. William Lawens of Mt. Pleasant were Friday visitors of Connie Skinner. Mr. Lawens expressed dismay at the state of the Millpond, or Lake Weidman, since the dike at the east side gave way weeks ago and left the Pond drained, a dreary wasteland. "We used to enjoy fishing there," Mr. Lawens said. "Joe Ptak had a nice road for ac-

cess for the public to fish on the Pond, but the public littered it up so with empty beer cans, paper cartons, and the like, he had to close it."

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cahill, Jr., of Belding spent from last week Monday till Wednesday at the Wilmer Cotter home. Mr. Cotter is a brother of Mrs. Cahill. They also visited her other brothers and their families.

Tim McArthur of Pontiac spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McArthur, and family.

Glenn Frantz returned home from the hospital in Reed City Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Michael of Pretty Lake Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fox and the McArthurs attended the Trout Festival at Kalkaska Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell spent last Friday and Saturday with their children and grandchildren in Grand Haven and Spring Lake.

Frank Durham of Bay City was a visitor last week at the home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Reichoff of Ludington were last Tuesday visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Huffman took a birthday cake to Mrs. Emil Phillips last week. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Valentine of Midland were Thursday guests. Jack Cotter and Rose Schafer were Sunday guests, and enjoyed cards with them.

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague and Mrs. Leila Shook attended the state band competition at Traverse City Saturday. The Chipewa Hills bands all received a First rating.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski and family visited Dick's aunt, Mary Kolanosko, at Manistee Sunday.

Debbie Touchinski was among the youngsters registering for kindergarten, this week.

Mrs. Elizabeth Neubecker returned to her home here Sunday, after spending the winter in Florida. She spent the weekend with her son, Jim, and family, who purchased a new home in Dewitt. She also attended, with the family, the First Communion of their first son, Christopher, at the St. Theresa Church in Lansing, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson enjoyed the Shepherd maple syrup festival Sunday. After viewing the parade there, they visited their daughter and husband, Jack and Marilyn Powers.

Mrs. Bertha Summers of Grand Ledge spent the weekend here with her sisters, Gladys Wilson, Marge Mullet and Nina Forbes. Mrs. Summers has just returned

from Boynton Beach, Florida. She and Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Forbes visited the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton Friday to pay respects to Flossie Forbes of Brinton.

Wilbur Benn is in the Alma Hospital.

Obituary

RUTH L. ECHLER

Ruth L. Echler of Weidman died Sunday at CMC Hospital following an illness of several months. She was 59.

She was born Oct. 23, 1917, in Bridgewater, Ohio.

She is survived by five daughters, Caroline Kreischer of Pioneer, O., Verna Stoy of Angola, Ind., Doris Bolf of Weidman, Sue Shaner of Lake, and Cindy Shantow of Weidman; and 13 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 3.30 p. m. at the Stinson-Helms Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant.

The family have the sympathy of all.

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ELMER FRAZIER RESIGNS AS BROOMFIELD SUPERVISOR

Elmer Frazier announced last week that he is resigning as Broomfield Township Supervisor and assessor.

"I'm willing to stay until September in order to train someone for my job," Elmer is quoted as saying. "If they find someone to replace me right now, my resignation is effective immediately."

He said he was extremely displeased with a recent decision by the State Tax tribunal. He termed the decision, which returned the county to the State Tax Commission's figures for 1975 "a joke".

"I enjoyed it when I first started," he said, "but I don't want to make promises I can't keep."

Broomfield Township, with a large portion of Lake Isabella in its boundaries, has had trouble getting township citizens to take township offices.

The loss of the Supervisor is a serious blow.

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SWANS COME BACK TO LAKE OF THE HILLS

Mrs. Paul Fahnstock, whose home is on the east banks of Lake of the Hills, called us Friday morning to announce that two beautiful white swans were resting on Lake of the Hills.

This is the first time the swans have appeared on that lake in several years, since building became general all around the lake shores.

They sure look good.

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mrs. Irene Keck and family of Ashley spent Sunday at the Joe Martin home.

Mrs. Edna McDonald of Florida was here for the wedding of her grandson, Eddie Oplinger. She was a guest at the Earl Oplinger home, returning home to Florida Sunday. Debbie Slider's mother also lives in Florida, and Debbie went home with Mrs. McDonald to spend a week with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger attended their card club at the Michael O'Brien home Saturday evening.

Mrs. McDonald called on Mrs. Violet Oplinger Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Dutcher were Monday callers at the Charlie Losey home. Wednesday callers were Mrs. Violet Oplinger and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey, Mrs. Shari Lorenz and Danny and Traci, and Mr. and Mrs. Theron

Merrihew. Harold Losey and Ar-dith Merrihew were Sunday callers.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and her granddaughter, Cindy, attended the Prout-Cook wedding Saturday evening in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Celia Backus, Miss Linda Backus and Mrs. Margaret Denslow spent Sunday in Davison with their brother, George Peacock, and wife. They also called on a nephew, Brian Smith, who is recovering from an injury suffered last December. He is now getting so he can walk a little, with the aid of a walker.

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Conley came home from Arizona after spending the winter there. They called on her mother, Mrs. Zena Olger. Debi Graham was also a caller of Mrs. Olger.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott re-

turned from Florida, where they spent most of the winter.

Our daughter, Bessie Allen, took us to her place Friday. We stopped for rummage sales. Saturday Mary Gott took us to her place, then to Lewis Erwin's, as Dick was working there.

Mrs. Helen Alwood and Cathy took Heather and Todd Alwood on a shopping trip Saturday in Mt. Pleasant. It was Todd's second birthday, and he enjoyed his free Pixie treat. In the evening Rusty and Fonda had a nice chicken dinner with all the trimmings, and birthday cake, at their home. It honored Todd's birthday, and that of Fonda's sister, Brenda Methner. The Chum Methner and Don Alwood families were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Abbott and family had dinner Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott took us to see my sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Carl McGillis, at Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Smith and Scott and Jeff of Au Gres were supper guests at the Don Alwood

home recently.

Donny Alwood and Jim Kowal-eski enjoyed trout fishing Sunday. They got a nice mess of fish for Monday night supper.

Helen Alwood, Rolla Belden, Donna Zinn and Gaylord De Gase called at the Stinson Fu-neral Home last Thursday morning to pay respects to Grace Jackson, who died at 83. She used to live in the Beal City and Weidman area.

Mrs. Helen Alwood and Cathy, Linda Loomis, Lori and Becky England attended the Junior High Band concert last Thursday evening. Mr. Anderson does a wonderful job with his students, and really should be highly commended.

Donny Alwood, Dave, Joe and Pete Smith, Debi Graham and Chris Embrey and Les Shenk were among students playing at Traverse City last Saturday in a state band festival.

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Nina Forbes attended the funerals of Ruth Blesch, Walter Smith and Flossie Forbes during last week.

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Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

VOCAL DIMENSIONS CHOIR MAKING A GOOD NAME

The Beal City Vocal Dimensions made a choir tour to Newberry High School Thursday evening to present a concert at 8 p.m.

They visited the Mackinac Bridge on their way there, and stopped at Tahquamenon Falls on their return trip Friday.

They arrived back at Beal City about 7 Friday evening. They spent Thursday evening with Newberry choir members' families.

The event was chaperoned by Mr. Pevarnic, Vocal Dimensions Choir director, Mrs. Shirley Weber, pianist, Mrs. Kitty Yunker, bus driver, and Mr. Heithys. Special numbers were offered by Dave Schafer and Fritz, singers, Jim Ball, bass player, and Doug Theisen, drummer.

Tuesday, May 3, the Vocal Dimensions offered a choir concert at St. Joseph the Worker Church, at 7.30 p.m.

The Beal City PTA held its annual carnival Saturday evening. Games and refreshments were enjoyed by all, as were also the raffles and prizes.

The good news from Hubbardston is that Al Cashen is on the gain again. He is in a Grand Rapids hospital, for heart surgery. He was reported coming along fine so far.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Seder of Frankenmuth visited at the Herman Grinzinger home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Platte of Portland were Wednesday afternoon guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rau called on Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould Wednesday evening.

Cindy Pohl and Doug Gepford will be married Friday evening.

Matie Pung was moved to the Isabella County Medical Facility this past week.

The Howard Schafers had a fire in a shed last week Tuesday, but not much damage was done, as neighbors saw the smoke and called the Fire Department and then pitched in to put it out.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Schafer of Detroit attended the Klumpp-cross wedding Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Rau of Lansing visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rau Sunday.

Amanda Schafer spent Saturday evening with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Block.

Jennifer Lynn Boling, daughter of Leonard and Diane, was baptized at St. Joseph's Church Sunday. Gregory Joseph Martin, Jr., son of Gregory and Diane, was also baptized.

Dale Rau of Gregory was home

for the weekend.

Mrs. Delores Gould called on Mrs. June Blasen Thursday afternoon.

Penny Klumpp and Steve Gross were married Friday evening. It was a beautiful wedding.

Mrs. Vera McKenzie retired from the Ferro Stamping plant in Mt. Pleasant Friday. She received many nice flowers and gifts.

Mrs. Louise Schafer spent Sunday at the Jim Schafer home in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Schafer of Shepherd called on Louise Schafer Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Schafer of Coldwater Lake returned home after a two weeks' vacation in Dannemora and Schenectady, N. Y. They spent one week with their son, Edward, and family.

Mrs. Tillie Schafer spent Sunday with the Schafers at Coldwater Lake.

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BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 18 TABLES AT PLAY

At their regular card party last Thursday afternoon, the Beal City Senior Citizens had 18 tables of pepper at play.

Kate Martin won high-score first prize for the ladies, with Clara Fox second and Mary Smith low.

Isadore Schafer won first for the men, with Elwin Cluley second and Louis Rau low.

Jerome Young won the pepper door prize. Margaret Lawens won the door prize.

The committee, consisting of Hulda Stevens, Bertha Schumacher, Katie Schumacher and Harold Schumacher and Mrs. Irene Clare, served sandwiches and pickles, with coffee, for refreshments.

The next card party at the K. C. Hall in Beal City will be Thursday afternoon, May 12. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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WEIDMAN PHARMACY PARTICIPATES IN OLD-DRUG DISPOSAL DRIVE

Lou Fiorillo, pharmacist at the Weidman Rexall Pharmacy, says his store is participating in the county-wide drive to get old and/or unused drugs out of homes and into complete disposal states.

Most people (like Ye Ed) have prescription bottles and boxes of drugs, such as pain-pills, sleeping pills, even vitamin pills and capsules, that have stood on their bathroom shelves for years, unused.

The drive is dubbed Operation Condemn, and everyone is being asked to look over storage shelves or places for old and/or unused prescription pills and capsules, vitamin pills and capsules (they can deteriorate, too!) and the like.

Take them to your pharmacist

(here, it's Lou Fiorillo, of course), and you will be registered for a drawing, giving you an opportunity to win a \$25 savings bond.

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with Central Michigan Pharmacists Association.

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JOYCE SMITH GRADUATES AS A REGISTERED NURSE



Miss Joyce Smith, daughter of Don and Louise Smith of Weidman, graduated April 30 from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor as a registered nurse with a BS degree.

The nursing training and study is a four-year course, and Joyce has spent the past four years in Ann Arbor, after graduation

from the Chippewa Hills High School, with honors.

She is a member of Sigma Theta Tau, the national nursing Honor Society. She represents the Ann Arbor School of Nursing in Who's Who Among College Students.

She graduated with a 3.89 scholastic average.

Her parents and sister, Mary, attended graduation ceremonies Saturday, when 6,000 students graduated from the University and 150 from the Nursing School, the latter's ceremonies taking place in the afternoon.

Joyce will begin work at CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant May 22.

Congratulations!

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Editor's Column

By Connie

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we do hope to raise a few more successful canteloupe this year than last. (They take too darn long to grow, in this particular area of the treacherous Michigan climate.)

Recently Frances Tranbarger and I wandered down to water's edge on Lake of the Hills one evening and came up with nice-sized bluegills for next evening's

supper.

Now we're threatening to take on chickens and pigs--we've done it before.

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FIREMEN'S AUCTION

THIS SATURDAY, MAY 7

Don't forget the annual Firemen's Auction, which will be this Saturday evening, May 7, at Evelyn Hackney's Village Inn tavern.

Needed are donations of anything and everything you can find by rummaging around your house a little, and which you no longer use but which might be treasures to someone else--who will pay handsomely at the auction. Proceeds always go for needed equipment for the Firemen, who are all volunteers, job holders, business men, etc.

Especially needed, according to Pauline Branson, wife of the Fire Chief, are baked-goods items: Bread, cakes, cookies, pies--anything you can tuck into your oven and donate.

'Tisn't much, considering the time, risk and effort the Firemen give us in protecting our properties all year long.

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Wally Smith goes with the Ninth Grade Band to Reed City, to a state band contest. The Concert Band and Symphony Band were in Traverse last Saturday, also in state competition, and came up with a One rating. Congratulations, kids!

GRASS FIRES KEEP THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT BUSY

Grass fires kept the Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department busy recently, with averages running about one a day.

They were called out three times Saturday, to a rather extensive fire in Coldwater Township which was started by a campfire being used by a small group of young men; it was reported that they thought their campfire was safe and left the area and drove into Weidman for supplies. A summons was issued for permitting an unintended fire to escape.

Also Saturday there were two calls to Lake Isabella for grass fires, one on Queens Way and another near the tennis court.

Monday afternoon the Department was called to the James Noe home in Weidman, where a strong west wind scattered a paper-burning fire in a secure container and started a runaway grass fire. The Firemen made short work of that.

Burning permits must be obtained from Merle Aldrich in Mt. Pleasant, tel. 773-5713, no toll charge.

This area is extremely dry, and outside burning is definitely not advised.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Brien of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday evening with his mother, Mrs. Nina Forbes. Michael Brien and Sue of Berkley spent Sunday with their grandmother.

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