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CLAYTON SMITH DIED MONDAY NIGHT

Clayton Smith, a long-time resident of Weidman and one of our more loved and respected Senior Citizens, passed away Monday night at 11.30 at the Isabella County Medical Facility in Mt. Pleasant.

His passing was unexpected, although he had been ailing for

some time.

Officials at the Medical Facility said that Clayton had appeared normal at supper-time, eating a normal meal.

Funeral services will be Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery in Weidman.

The family have the deepest

sympathy of their many friends.
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BAND BOOSTERS SCHEDULE SWISS STEAK DINNER

The Chippewa Hills Band Boosters (parents of children in school bands) are scheduling a Swiss steak dinner for Saturday, May 20, at the high school cafeteria.

Serving will be from noon to 3 p.m., with costs at \$3 for Senior

Citizens and children and \$3.75 for adults.

The public is cordially invited. Money from the dinner will be used to finish paying for blazers purchased for the Junior high school bands.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski and girls visited Mr. and Mrs. Jude Simons of near Brinton Friday evening.



GIRL SCOUTS AND BROWNIES CLEAN UP PARK--In Weidman to earn their Keep America Beautiful badges, last week. (They also figured Mitchell Memorial Park here needed cleaning up, as it does perennially.)
Messenger photo

The hard-working girls shown above, left to right, are: Junior Girl Scouts Angela Nash, Tammy Kent, Karen Most, Alicia Miller

and Cindy Jeffrey. Kathy Most is their Leader.

The Brownie Troop No. 401 had these girls at the park helping clean up: Left to right, bottom row, Kathy Jeffrey, Beth Ward, Marnie Weiland, Holly Denslow, Tammy Battleshaw,

Becky Vore, Cindy Nash. Leaders are Jean Vore and Phyllis Sides.

The Weidman Business Association furnished the trash bags for the girls' park pickup, and promised to have the filled bags hauled away.

CHIP HILLS BAND TO PERFORM AT TULIP FESTIVAL
The Chippewa Hills High School Band will perform on the school field at the annual Tulip Festival in Holland, according to word this week.

Band Boosters, friends and Senior Citizens are invited to join a bus trip to the festival. Costs are \$3.50 for the bus ride and \$2 for grandstand seats. Buses will leave the high school at 8 a. m. and return at 8 p. m.

Interested persons may call the principal's office at the high school.

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S. W. Sherman

Mabel Chaffee, Reporter

Mrs. Mike Knipfer and daughter of Big Rapids spent Sunday with Pat Egbert.

Mabel Chaffee enjoyed a birthday dinner Wednesday, honoring her sister, Minnie Flaughter. Her other sisters also attended, at Minnie's home. Minnie's birthday is May 2, and she entered Saginaw General Hospital on that date for surgery on her back. I

pray for a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dutcher and girls of Lake Orion and the William Remingtons and children of Saginaw spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald have returned home from a three-weeks' trip to Africa. They really enjoyed the Sahara Desert, although it was very hot and dusty, with the hot sand flying in the air. They needed protection for their faces.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dutcher and family and the Eddie Oplingers spent Sunday with their parents, the Ervin Dutchers, Jr. The Jack Dutchers of Lake Orion called on the Dutchers Sunday afternoon. The George Woodins and Carl Fitzgerald also enjoyed visiting them during the week, and did a bit of fishing, but the big ones got away.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dutcher and family and the Eddie Oplingers spent Sunday with their parents, the Ervin Dutchers, Jr. The Jack Dutchers of Lake Orion called on the Dutchers Sunday afternoon.

Pat Egbert and Mabel Chaffee visited Rosie Leiter at the River-

view Apartments in Mt. Pleasant Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Rhode of Grand Rapids and the Eugene Flachs of Remus visited the Ervin Dutchers, Sr., through the week.

Myrtle Sheldon visited her son and grandson in Big Rapids Sunday afternoon.

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70 PRESENT AT BEAL CITY CARD PARTY

Seventy people were present at the regular card party sponsored by the Beal City Senior Citizens last week Thursday afternoon. There were 16 tables of pepper at play.

Monica Grinzinger won first for the ladies, with Hulda Stevens second and Leona Faber low.

For the men, Joe Lawens won first prize, with Ed Faber second and Herman Grinzinger low.

Jerome Young won the pepper prize. Lucille Zeien won the door prize.

The daughters of Herman Grinzinger furnished a beautiful birthday cake and ice cream as refreshments for the party, and a tribute to their father.

At the next card party at the K.C. Hall in Beal City May 11, a woman from Mrs. Jerry Sheahan will show jewelry, at 1 p. m.

Everyone everywhere is cordially invited to attend.

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Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey, Mildred Ruegsegger and Lillian Earns of Mt. Pleasant attended a doll show in Saginaw Sunday.

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MAY 14--Chippewa Hills Band Boosters will be serving Swiss Steak Dinner at the High School Cafeteria, from 12 noon to 3 p.m. Special prizes for Senior Citizens and children under 12. \$3.00 for Senior Citizens and children, and \$3.75 for adults.

May 4t1

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Zena Olger helped Vernie Seymour tie a quilt Friday.

Visitors at the Mick Abbott home Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Parker and family,

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott of Middleton, Mrs. Muriel Miller and family, Mrs. Lois Knollenberg and family and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Abbott and family.

Albert Gott spent some time with me after church Sunday.

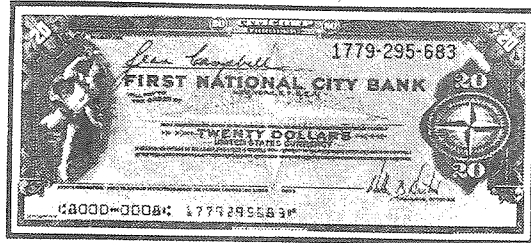
Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bushree spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips, enjoying cards.

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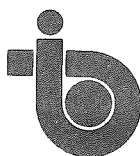
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THE THIRD GRADE KIDS--Had a wonderful time last Tuesday afternoon when 50 kids swooped on the Library here to choose free books to take home. They had this pleasure twice before this year, in October and February. Project is to encourage reading by the young 'uns. It's financed by the Federal Government with matching local donations to the Library and School. When Ye Ed was at the Library with her camera, the kids were perfectly-behaved, intelligently choosing books and answering the newspaper's questions.

"READING IS FUNDAMENTAL"

Tuesday, April 25, 50 Weidman Third Graders participated in the RIF (Reading Is Fundamental) book distribution.

Students, accompanied by their teachers, Karen Rhode and Ms. Flachs, arrived at the Weidman Library at 2 p.m.. After students had selected two books each and received a hand-stamp, they gathered on the Library lawn to learn about the Weidman Library.

RIF is a federal and local program-sharing in financing, aimed at putting books in the hands of children.

Next year the program will be expanded to include First through Fifth or Sixth Grades.

For more information on how you can help, call Ms. Barbara Valek at tel. 967-8815.

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Band Boosters Swiss steak dinner Mother's Day, May 14, at high school cafeteria.

Local Items

Marie Smith took Clara Smith to visit Clayton at the Medical Care Facility in Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon. Marie had a good visit with Bessie Teall, who at 93 years of age has a clear mind and recognized and named students in a very old school picture of the Conley School, taken years ago.

Mrs. Claribel Beutler was one of a group of Senior Citizens who attended a party at the Bush Theatre at CMU last Thursday evening. After the theatre, the group was treated to pie and coffee by the Isabella Bank and Trust at Sambo's Restaurant. There was a good number of elders attending.

Mrs. Bernard Pitts spent a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Paul Barbour, and family, in Grand Ledge, to help care for the new baby.



FREE BOOKS AT THE LIBRARY--Last week kids from the Weidman School were privileged to visit the Gladys Memorial Library here and choose two books each to take home and count their own. In silhouette above, Dianne Benn stamps the wrist of a Third-grader as he's about to leave with his books which are now all his own.

Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kavanaugh spent Thursday evening with Tillie Schafer. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grinzinger were Wednesday guests. Mrs. Schafer spent Sunday at the Bob Schafer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fedewa and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer spent Thursday with relatives around Westphalia and Pewamo.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Schafer and girls and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Schafer of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday with Louise Schafer.

Viola Schafer of Shepherd and Evelyn Malish of Mt. Pleasant spent Monday with Louise Schafer.

The Band Concert will be held this Thursday at 8 p. m. in the Beal City High School auditorium.

Kevin Yuncker celebrated his eighth birthday with friends Sunday.

A number from here attended the auction at Ed Faber's Wednesday.

The Beal City Antique Car Club was well represented in the Maple Syrup parade at Shepherd Sunday.

A nice crowd attended the K. C. breakfast Sunday morning.

Ida Tilmann and Mr. and Mrs. Al Tilmann attended the graduation of Mike Tilmann from Dentistry school in Ann Arbor Sunday.

Kitty Gross entertained company Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould visited Don Gould in CMC Hospital Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Goffnett called on Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Brown and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Ray Tilmann over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Schafer of Lincoln Park visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Schafer over the weekend.

Mrs. Harold Smith, Mrs. Harold Block, Dora Smith, Mike Gross, Ragolt Hauck, Joe Lawens called on Howard Schafer Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Tilmann spent a few days in Arizona.

Wesley William Wilson, son of William and Diane, was baptized at our church Sunday.

Dora Smith called on Mrs. Vada Block Sunday afternoon.

A number from here attended the Shepherd Maple Syrup celebration over the weekend.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bushree took Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips to Standish, for a nice ride and dinner. Friday was Mrs. Phillips' birthday, and her nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Valentine of Midland, took her a nice birthday cake and spent the afternoon and evening.



HERE'S HOW IT WORKS--The Hyrdo-Seeder grass renewal or planting machine of Russell and Jim Alwood. They were on the Messenger office-home grounds Saturday, shooting green-colored seedings on deep scars left by heavy trucks loaded with bricks and materials for our fireplace chimney.

DISCO DANCING LESSONS AT BEAL CITY HIGH SCHOOL

The Beal City Senior Class is sponsoring disco dancing lessons in classes, beginning Monday, May 8, at 7.30 p. m.

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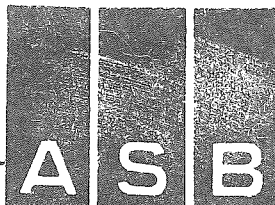
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The first service at this church was April 8, 1958, with eight attending. Their first hymn was "At Calvary".

Rev. and Jean Eldridge sang "How Long Has It Been?"; Steve and Nancy Starks and Carl Vander Heide sang; a friend of the pastor, Hosea Humphrey, sang "How Great Thou Art".

Pastor Eldridge gave thanks, and we went to the Weidman School for pot-luck lunch, served by the younger ladies of our church. (Thank you, ladies!)

Sunday evening a group from our church attended the Brinton Chapel for a hymn sing and film.

Local Items

Mrs. Verlia Wilcox attended a reception at the Bob Wilcox home in Mt. Pleasant Saturday. Sunday she attended a reception at the Baptist Church honoring Rev. Marvin Eldridge's 20th year as pastor. They enjoyed pot-luck dinner at the school here afterward.

Don Clark and Lela Whearett took Norma and Emma Middlesworth, Claribel Beutler and Edna Bowein to Shepherd for delicious pancakes and maple syrup and coffee, at the annual Shepherd Maple Syrup Festival. They spent a nice evening with Lela and Don.

Tuesday, April 25, Mrs. Edna Bowein went with a group of Seniors from Isabella County to the Gerber baby-food plant at Fremont. On the way they stopped at the Hardy Dam. It was a pleasant ride, with a nice lunch at Gerber's.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Pat Dillenbeck.

Mrs. Bertha Summers of Winston Estates, near Lansing, spent last week visiting her sisters, Nina Forbes and Gladys Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur spent the weekend at the Maple Syrup Festival at Shepherd, taking their trailer to stay in.

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Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Calkins of Newberry were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright. Wanda Haenke and her parents, Lewis and Irene Bowen, were in Mt. Pleasant Friday, where Lew is called on his doctor.

Ruth Teeter and family spent Sunday with her mother, Edna Teeter.

Fay Forbes and Bill Kount were near Cadillac trout fishing over the weekend. They reported cold weather and not too good luck. They returned home Saturday. Virgilene Forbes spent Saturday night with her daughter, Janet Leiter, and family near Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Strang and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Butts near Saginaw.

Weeekend callers of Tony Bartley included Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fields and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Fields and Don Lee, all of Grand Rapids. Evelyn remained a few days, returning home Wednesday.

Helen Strang and family were at Tri-Cities Airport Friday evening, where they met Larry on his return from Minnesota, where he has been in schooling.

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West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Bess Pfannes spent Monday afternoon with the Paul Coles and Velma.

Mrs. Orma Kripa and Steve and Joe Wood were supper guests of the Coles.

Paul and Lena Cole called at the Davis Clinic in Mt. Pleasant for blood tests last Tuesday.

We also called on my sister, Mrs. Helen Allbee.

Mr. and Mrs. Masiwchuk returned home Tuesday after several days spent at Comstock.

Mrs. Annette Bridgett helped Lena Cole with some house cleaning last Tuesday.

Mrs. Elinore Hamilton Warner had surgery at CMC Hospital Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bess Pfannes visited his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pfannes, of rural Harrison, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Masiwchuk spent several days in Detroit. Mrs. Maggie Boger isn't feeling very good. She has a very bad cold these days. Paul and Lena Cole called on Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa Saturday evening. Mrs. Mabel Bearse will have

surgery at CMC Hospital soon. Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa called on the Paul Coles Sunday evening. Mrs. Beulah Wixson spent several days in St. Louis and Flint, with her family.

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FIREMEN'S AUCTION ONE OF THE BEST

The annual Firemen's Auction Sale at Weaver's Tavern Saturday night was declared one of the best ever held. Weaver's was packed solid with onlookers and bidders for a goodly array of articles for the auction.

Proceeds from the sale are used for improvement of fire-fighting equipment at the fire barn in Weidman.

The Firemen say they are very grateful to all those wonderful people who donated so many good things to sell, and also to everyone who bought them--at good prices.

Firemen worked about three hours Sunday morning cleaning up at Weaver's, after the capacity crowd's stay the night before.

Cash counted Monday came to \$1,444.45, with \$155.50 yet to be collected.

It was one of the best auctions the Firemen have had yet. The bake sale was enormously popular, as usual, with a good assortment of items snapped up.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bain of Traverse were Sunday afternoon visitors of the Richard Touchinski family.

SCOUTS HELP CLEAN UP WEIDMAN AREA ROADSIDES

Tuesday and Wednesday last week, local Scouters helped clean up Weidman.

Tuesday, Cub Scouts in Den One from Pack 3692, picked up litter along Airline and School Roads.

Cubs participating included Jeff Ash, Shawn Dent, Joe Geasler, Ricky King, and Chris Benn, with leader Frank Benn.

Wednesday, Brownie Scouts from Troop 970 picked up litter along Parsons, Bridge and Main Streets in Weidman. Brownies participating included Wendy Sanford, Julie Miller, Christina Rescoe, Theresa Reynolds, with leader Linda Reynolds. Accompanying the Brownies were Brad Reynolds, Kitty Benn and Chris Benn.

Litter appears especially bad this year. The Scouts urge everyone to help clean up our area.

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Thursday, April 27, Mrs. Edna Bowen went with a group of Seniors to see the Play, "The Little Foxes," at the University Theatre in Mt. Pleasant. They were treated after the play to pie and coffee at Sambo's.

WORK BEES SCHEDULED AT SHERMAN CITY CHURCH

Two work bees this weekend are scheduled at the Sherman City Church, which was saved from deterioration last summer with final work scheduled for this spring.

The work bees will be this Friday, Saturday and Sunday, with inside work the main job. A second coat of paint will also be applied to the outside.

The old ceiling will be taken off and replaced with material as nearly like it as possible.

Most of the tin-coated walls can be salvaged, it's figured, with some sanding, brushing and repainting. There is some varnishing to be done.

Rev. Pell, who gave his first sermon in the old church, will speak at Memorial Day services to be held there this year. He is now retired, and lives in Grand Rapids.

All able-bodied men and women in the area are urgently invited to take part in this renovation work.

Pot-luck dinners will be served.

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Norma and Emma Middlesworth had dinner at Sambo's in Mt. Pleasant Saturday.

Editor's Column

By Connie

OH LOVELY SPRING

Last Saturday the real spring busted out all over our place.

Our woods hepaticas showed the glorious multi-colored delicate blooms in profusion in our wild-flower garden; by the old neglected rock garden, Dutchman's britches busted out in full flower; and our little lawn violets were suddenly there, in bursts of solid purple color, all over the place.

That's besides the regular flowers in gardens; daffs were in full bloom, along with hyacinths; the chives are suddenly lush and usable. (I put some of them in the baked beans I sent to the Firemen's Auction Saturday evening, instead of a touch of onion as usual.)

Ah, lovely spring.

(Even if it did turn stinkin' cold Saturday night and we had frost and freezes. I covered my pet rhubarb plant's nice green leaves with a heavy blanket and hoped for the best.)

Anyhow, we're green and growing, no matter how we may have to bundle up at times.

Oh lovely spring.

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WE HAVE WONDERFUL KIDS IN THE WEIDMAN AREA

Last week I had occasion to meet umpteen groups of variously-aged young folks of the Weidman area, and we're featuring some of them in this issue.

During all of my encounters with the kids, I found them unfailingly friendly, polite, considerate (I'm a couple-hundred years old, to them!), and thoroughly delightful.

A few years back this area was troubled by one particular gang of teenagers who called themselves "the Weidman Gang", and we had some doings with 'em, I can tell you.

But they're adults now, thank goodness, and we have a new crop of youngsters coming up who appear to be just plain adorable, naturally friendly and helpful kids.

We're dedicating this issue of the Messenger to them.

Bless 'em. And keep 'em.

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NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Clara Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith took Clayton home for a few hours Saturday. He enjoyed being outdoors in a chair at his son's home. Clayton's four little great-granddaughters, the Jerry Smith girls, called on him also. Other callers were Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Hall and son Glenn and Gusta Green and Cecil Harrington.

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