

DATELINE: DeWitt

April 6, 1987

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Kitty Korner

NEW ROAD SIGNS: Thanks to the initiative of Kurt Klemens, City of DeWitt administrative aide, travelers on US-127 bound for DeWitt will no longer be perplexed by the road signs which suddenly read, "South 27 to Charlotte & Fort Wayne" right where 127 goes into the new stretch of highway marked "US-27" - "I-69" or you-pick-a-number.

Since the completion of the highway segment through DeWitt/Watertown townships, which connects 127 with I-96 and ultimately westbound I-69, it has seemed confusing to have it named South US-27. And as you approach N. US-27 (Clare), the sign has no mention of upcoming DeWitt, but suddenly reads, "South-27 to Charlotte & Fort Wayne".

Klemens' handiwork in contacting the Michigan Department of Transportation will soon remedy that situation, thank heaven. MDOT has promised to erect new directional signs on US-127 within the next 30 to 60 days, which will properly inform oncoming traffic that the city of DeWitt is just ahead.

EASTER LILY SALE: DeWitt Breakfast Lions Club members are once again sponsoring their annual sale of Easter lilies. Since Easter is later this year, they won't have the problem faced in years with early Easters, when florists had to force the lilies into early blooming.

Chairman Jeff Martlew expects to have the

Shooks, Butts Head Top Ten

Senior class president Marcy Shooks has been named valedictorian for DeWitt High School's graduating Class of 1987. Kris Butts will be salutatorian.

Marcy, daughter of Wayne and Linda Shooks, N. Geneva Drive, was also nominated for the Good Citizen Award, which is presented annually by Lansing Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. She is one of 10 finalists for the DAR state award.

A National Honor Society member, Marcy placed seventh in the National French Competition and won first place in the senior division Voice of Democracy competition. She serves on the steering committee for Clinton County's Student Leadership

BABY CHICKS ATTRACT PRESCHOOLERS



Children at the Learning Tree Preschool had an exciting time, when teacher Joanne Currier picked up six newly-hatched baby chicks at Michigan State University and brought them to spend last week in the classroom.

Here, left to right, Andrea Gibson, Melissa Hoffman, Andy Pioszak and Laura Miller touch the fluffy yellow chicks. A light was placed over the glass enclosure to keep the chickens warm.

DeWitt Voters Approve Bond Issue For Schools

Some 840 voters made their way to the polls last Tuesday, and as a result, the \$3,980,000 bond issue was approved for the DeWitt School District. A new elementary school for kindergarten through second grades and a bus garage will be built near the high school.

Scott Elementary School will be used for grades three through

round out the planned additions.

Construction should begin later this year or next spring with completion scheduled in 1988. Unofficial vote count in Tuesday's election was 558-282.

Garrett Moves To New Post

DeWitt schools Superintendent Steve Garrett will leave July 1

Smith Retires From Library

Joan Smith retired on April 1, after working in the DeWitt Township Branch Library for exactly 14 years. She and her husband, Joseph, have sold their DeWitt Township home, preparatory to spending their summers in Northern Michigan and winters near Raleigh, NC.

Born in Brotton, Yorkshire, Northern England, Smith

this year, they won't have the problem faced in years with early Easters, when florists had to force the lilies into early blooming.

Chairman Jeff Martlew expects to have the lilies ready for delivery by April 15, the Wednesday before Easter. All Lion members are currently taking orders for the lilies, or to reserve your Easter lily plant, contact a Breakfast Club member, chairman Martlew at 669-9897, or Ken Schelb, 669-3406.

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MISCELLANY: Doris Powell has returned to her DeWitt Road home after spending six weeks in Alamo, TX. Where's Alamo? As far as you can go in Texas without being in Mexico, Doris says. And she did make five trips to Mexico during her stay. Doris was the guest of longtime friends, Ed and Doris Leedy, who winter in Alamo and return to Haslett for the warmer months. ... "How can words express how thankful I am for all the love, care, concern, thoughts, and prayers that people of DeWitt have shown to me and my family during my recent illness and recovery time? Thank you!" -writes Terri Mauro, who pens many a clever note to shut-ins herself.

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NOTES FROM ALL OVER: Marilyn Hiatt of DeWitt, a calculations clerk with the Department of Treasury, received \$510 for her suggestion to improve state government. Hiatt's idea was to change wording on the state income tax form. The two-line change will make it easier for taxpayers to understand, and is expected to save the state \$5,072 the first year. ... Twenty CYC young people from the Community of St. Jude parish raised \$287 with their recent 24-hour FOODFAST. They divided the money between Catholic Relief Services, the overseas relief and development agency of the U.S. Catholic Church; Cristo Rey Soup Kitchen and the Loaves and Fishes Shelter. ... DeWitt Business Association will have Michigan Rep. Gary Randall as speaker at their May 6 luncheon meeting at Foo Ying Restaurant.

Most people would agree the only thing worse than sick kids when you're well is well kids when you're sick.

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Democracy competition. She serves on the steering committee for Clinton County's Student Leadership Seminar. She has received varsity letters in cheerleading, track and cross country.

Kristine, daughter of Terrence and Jerilyn Butts, Turner Road, is a member of the National Honor Society, participated in the Student Leadership Forum, band, volleyball, and won all-league honors in both basketball and softball.

Other top ten academic students are: Greg Brya, son of Gary and Bonnie Brya; Toni Dennis, daughter of David and Constance Dennis; Chris Neubecker, whose parents are James and Karen Neubecker; Jennifer Russell, daughter of Jim and June Russell; Mark Schrauben, son of Lawrence and Marlene Schrauben; Scott Thomas, whose parents are Richard and Mary Thomas; Brad Wieferich, son of Henry and Susan Wieferich, and Ethan Yabs, son of Ed and Myrna Yabs.

"I kissed my first woman and smoked my first cigarette on the same day. I have never had time for tobacco since." - Arturo Toscanini

built near the high school.

Scott Elementary School will be used for grades three through five and the Fuerstenau Building will be converted to administrative, community education, and adult education use. The bond proposal will also provide needed renovation and upgrading in both middle and high schools. Fencing, playground improvement, practice fields, equipment and furniture replacement

DAR Selects Bath Student

Danielle Duncan, Bath High School senior, is one of 19 local students nominated for the annual Good Citizen Awards by Lansing Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. Students were selected for leadership, service, dependability, and patriotism.

Danielle, daughter of Dan Duncan of Wood Road and Sherrie Duncan of Lansing, is a member of the National Honor Society, Break Away with Teen Help, Varsity Club, yearbook, and Student Leadership Forum. She has earned varsity letters for cross country and spring track.

To New Post

DeWitt schools Superintendent Steve Garrett will leave July 1 to become superintendent of the Thornapple-Kellogg Schools southeast of Grand Rapids.

Garrett, 50, has been superintendent at DeWitt for the last seven years. Before coming to DeWitt, he had been at Coleman Community Schools and Hastings.

A graduate of Delton High School, Garrett has a master's degree in school administration from Western Michigan University. He has been working on a doctorate in curriculum and instruction at Michigan State University.

Singers To Give Lenten Program

The DeWitt Reflections will present a special Lenten program Sunday, April 12, at 7 p.m. in DeWitt Community Church.

The public is invited to attend. Phyllis Winter directs the singing group.



**NATIONAL
LIBRARY
WEEK**

APRIL 5-11

Michigan and winters near Raleigh, NC.

Born in Brotton, Yorkshire, Northern England, Smith attended Manor Street Senior Girls School at Stoke-on-Trent and came to the United States in 1947. She later attended workshops at Kettunen Center near Cadillac to earn her certification as a library clerk.

An avid reader and crafts enthusiast through the years, Joan has enjoyed her DeWitt library work. But with her husband retiring from Demmer Corp., she decided to retire too.

Smiths have six children - daughters Colleen Zeeb of DeWitt Township and her twin sister, Chris Smith, Raleigh, NC; Janelle Dowley of Okemos; Nikita Reich, of Raleigh; Richard Smith, Stephen City, VA, and Derith Smith, Traverse City. They also have eight grandchildren.

DeWitt Township staff members feted Joan at a luncheon before her retirement and the staff at Faye Hanson Memorial Library will take her out for an appreciation lunch on April 13.

"No one can make you feel inferior without your consent." - Eleanor Roosevelt.

Huhns Named Clinton County Award Winners

Anne and Mike Huhn of rural DeWitt are district winners in the 1987 4-H Michigan Awards Program. They are the daughter and son of Carl and Joan Huhn of Grove Road.

They will participate in the State Awards Assembly to be held at Michigan State University in conjunction with 4-H Exploration Days June 24-26. Each will compete for the honor of being chosen state representative in their area and winning a trip to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago, Illinois next November.

Mike, 16, was chosen as a district winner in wood science. He is a member of the Wooden Nichols 4-H Club and has been in 4-H for 7 years. He is planning to attend the 4-H Citizenship Shortcourse program in Washington D.C. and has also been selected to participate in the statewide "Your Future, A Better Idea" program at Ford Motor Company in Dearborn. Huhn, a student at St. Johns High School, is active in the F.F.A.

Anne, 19, was chosen as the district winner in Achievement. This is a category

PIZZA PARTY REWARDS READERS



Monday was Pizza Party Time in Lynn Jury's first grade classroom at Scott School. The pizza party was a reward to the class for 100 percent participation in Book-It, the project wherein every pupil read a certain number of books per month for four months and did a project on each book.

Pizza Hut provided free pizzas to classes who executed Book-It, and the Jury class and Karen Dolby's first grade were the two 100 percent rooms. Dolby's room had their pizza party the previous week.

Room mother Denise Dalman, left above, who picked up the pizzas in time for the noon luncheon, poured cups of pop, while Jury cut and served the wedges of pizza.



Along The
Looking Glass

Labino Glass
On Exhibit

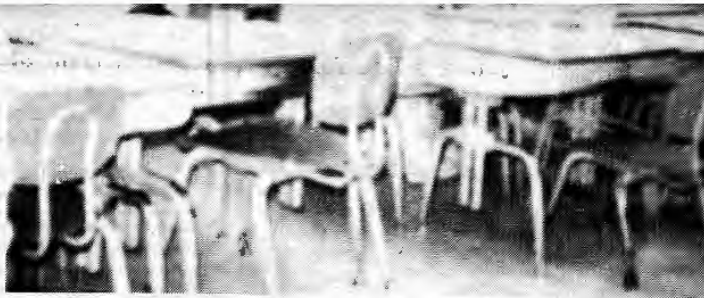
chosen as the district winner in Achievement. This is a category which recognizes her involvement and accomplishments in many areas of the 4-H program. A senior at St. Johns High School. She has been a 4-H'er for 9 years and is a member of the Wooden Nichols 4-H Club. Anne participated in the recent Culinary Arts Show at MSU, demonstrating her baking expertise, and in the March 29 - April 1 Michigan Capitol Experience in Lansing. She is a member of the 4-H Council and represented Michigan at the National Poultry Conference last November.

Preschool Story Hours To Begin

Faye Hanson Memorial Library will have a weekly story hour for pre-school children during April and May. Sessions will be held Wednesday mornings from 10:30 to 11 a.m. beginning on April 15. The weekly story hour will continue for six weeks.

Pre-schoolers, ages three to five years who are not yet attending school, may sign up for the story hour at the library. Librarian Helen Davis is in charge of the story-telling sessions.

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June 4-H Exploration Days To Observe Sesquicentennial

Young people can celebrate Michigan's 150th birthday at 4-H Exploration Days, June 24-26 at Michigan State University. The theme of the event is "Michigan in Motion", and several special activities are planned in recognition of Michigan's sesquicentennial.

Exploration Days is an annual, action-packed, three-day event that gives 4-H members opportunities to learn skills and increase their knowledge in a wide variety of topics. Learning options range from TV and radio production to veterinary science, commodity marketing, aerobic exercise, robotics, and food and nutrition.

Kids who attend 4-H Exploration Days have a lot of fun and meet many new friends from all over the state. A special night of entertainment during the event will feature the national touring comedy company "The Second City" and the L.A. Laker's and Michigan State's own Earvin "Magic" Johnson.

All participants in 4-H Exploration Days will receive a free T-shirt and spend three fun-filled days on the beautiful, sprawling campus of MSU. The registration deadline is May 1,

A cat went to Florida and saw a group of old cats sitting together talking. "That's not for me," he said and journeyed on. Soon he came upon a group of cats discoing. A little sadly he said, "That's not for me, either," and continued on. Then he spotted a cluster of mice swooping around on skateboards. "Ah," he said, "that's for me - meals on wheels."

Series Offered On Home Repairs

It seems like such a shame to have to hire someone else to make those small home repairs we all have around the house.

On April 13, 20, and 27, from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., the Cooperative Extension Service will be conducting a 3-week "You Can Do It" series at Smith Hall in St. Johns.

Come and learn how to repair lamps, and replace plugs. Learn to replace aluminum frame screens and make faucet and toilet tank repairs. Weather-strip, caulk, and weatherize your home. This is a "hands on" workshop, so come dressed appropriately.

The charge for this service is just \$2.00 and pre-registration is required. To pre-register, call the Cooperative Extension Service at 224-3288 by April 8.

Along The Looking Glass

Priscilla Circle, Redeemer United Methodist Church, will meet Wednesday, April 8, at 9:30 a.m. in Debbie Dowling's Herbison Road home. Harmony Circle will meet at 7:30 p.m. the same day.

Reva Frees will be hostess for Dorcas Circle's 1:30 p.m. meeting on Tuesday April 14. Faith Circle will meet on Wednesday, April 15, with Gail Richmond of Schavey Road. Blanche Crane, Stoll Road, will entertain Ruth Circle at a noon potluck dinner on Thursday, April 23.

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Cathy McKinnon, Matt Williams, and Jason Brewer were DeWitt High School's entry in the 1987 Citizen Bee regional competition recently held in Battle Creek. The Citizen Bee program tests knowledge in American history and government.

Matt Williams placed fourth at the competition and won a \$200 prize as well as the opportunity to compete in the state finals in Grand Rapids.

Labino Glass On Exhibit

"SPECTRUM - A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE EXHIBIT" of the glass artistry of Dominick Labino will be featured during the month of April at the Clinton County Arts Council Gallery & Gift Shop.

Fifty pieces of Labino's exquisite work on loan from Charles Strieby, renowned glass collector and long-time friend of Dominick Labino, will be the centerpiece of this exhibit of Art Glass and Photography. A reception for this very special exhibit will be held on Sunday, April 12, from 1-5 p.m. at the gallery with the public invited to come and view this outstanding collection of work.

An important part of this show will be the council's photography exhibit, including contestants and winners of the first annual photography competition. Winners in both color and black & white categories will be announced at the reception Sunday. The Gallery is open from 1-5 every day, with this show on exhibit throughout April. It is on US-27 at N. Clinton, St. Johns.



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BOOSTER CLUB OFFICERS: Newly elected officers of DeWitt Schools Booster Club are - Gary Brya, president; Audrey Fabus, vice president; Rosemary Fitzgerald, secretary; John Stone, treasurer, and Bob Elliott, member at large.

EASTER EGG HUNT: The 100 block of W. Main Street in downtown DeWitt will be blocked off from traffic Saturday morning, April 18, when DeWitt Business Association sponsors its annual Easter Egg Hunt from 10 until 11 a.m.



The Easter Bunny will keep an eye on things, as children up to six years of age hunt for eggs on the north side of Main Street and 7 to 12-year-olds check out the south side of Main Street.

There'll be Easter eggs galore, in addition to Easter candies and special plastic eggs containing gift certificates from DeWitt merchants.

SPRING PLANS: A new slate of officers were elected at the April meeting of St. Jude Women's Association. Bonnie Brya takes up the reins as president, assisted by Evelyn

Jim Kraft; second vice president, Ken Schelb; third vice president, Don Hengesh; secretary, Clay Parker; treasurer, Keith Davis. Doug Sirmons and Bob Ortwein were elected trustees for one year terms, John Spoelma and Mike McCurdy, trustees for two years. Tom Doyle is tail twister and Bill Reed, lion tamer.

ELECTIONS EVERYWHERE: Lake Geneva Property Owners Association also held their elections with Don Grant being retained as president. Dan Vartanian is vice president and Doug Ervin, treasurer. Isla Volkers is newly elected secretary. Rounding out the board membership are Bruce Schmackel and Bryan Baker.

A \$15 special assessment for association members was passed at the annual meeting.

Huhn, Peckham Win Youth Talent Awards

Anne Huhn of DeWitt was one of the five grand prize winners in the 40th annual Mid-Michigan Youth Talent Fair held last week at Lansing Civic Center. The St. Johns High School

Angell Appeals Recall Petition

An April 27 court date has been set for a DeWitt Township trustee's appeal, asking Clinton County Election Commission to invalidate recall petitions filed against him. Bruce Angell II charges that the

Bible Seminar Slated Saturday

A Lenten Bible Seminar for laity and clergy will take place at Redeemer United Methodist Church this coming Saturday, April 18, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Dr. Paul L. Maier, renowned historical novelist and professor of ancient history at Western Michigan University, will be the guest speaker. In the morning session, "New Horizons in the New Testament," Dr. Maier will present fascinating data from ancient history and archaeology, which adds fresh dimensions to people and events in the bible.

Afternoon sessions will focus on "The Politics Behind the Crucifixion" and "The Resurrection Revisited."

Dr. Maier's works include the novels, "Pontius Pilate," and "The Flames of Rome," and "A Man Spoke, A World Listened," the biography of his late father, Dr. Walter A. Maier, founding speaker of radio's "The Lutheran Hour."

All State Band Goes To Orient

Four local students will travel to the Orient

CITY COUNCIL NOTES

Members of the DeWitt city council agreed Monday night to reschedule their second meeting in May to avoid a conflict with the annual Mayors Exchange Day. May council meetings will be held on Monday, May 4 and Wednesday, May 20.

The city hall parking lot will soon have asphalt paving. Council accepted the low bid of \$8,354 from Capitol Excavating & Paving of Mason to handle the job.

In other action, council members approved the purchase of word processing software for the city clerk's office, okayed an allocated budget payment of \$5,000 to Faye Hanson Public Library and voted to purchase a used one-ton Chevrolet pickup with snowplow for the Department of Public Works.



SPRING PLANS: A new slate of officers were elected at the April meeting of St. Jude Women's Association. Bonnie Brya takes up the reins as president, assisted by Evelyn Powell, vice president; RoseAnn Szczepaniak, secretary, and Pat Price, treasurer. Formal installation ceremonies will be held in May.

Meanwhile, plans are being laid for the annual Mother-Daughter Banquet, which will take place on Thursday, May 7. Committee members include new Veep Evelyn Powell, Ginny Ramirez, Georgette Theroux, Lois Blanchard, Pat Tingay, Joan Overway, and Cecilia Klepac. There'll be sign-up sheets in the church vestibule the two weeks after Easter; McDowell School of Dance performers will provide entertainment at the banquet.

KIWANIS PRIZE: The Kiwanis Club of DeWitt announces an addition to the prize list for the Second Annual Scramble Tournament set for June 20. A Ford Taurus LX - courtesy of Pat McCrackin Ford and the DeWitt Kiwanis - will be given for the first Hole-In-One scored on a selected Par Three hole during the Tournament!

All-men, all-women and mixed foursomes are welcome. For entry details and other information call Tim Woodard, Golf Chairman, 669-8153.

LEARNING TREE REGISTRATION: Fall registrations for the Learning Tree Child Development Center's preschool and day care programs are now being accepted. The licensed facility in downtown DeWitt offers a full range of child care options for youngsters ages 2½ to 12 years, from 7 a.m. until 6 p.m.

In addition to preschool, half or full day, drop-in and before/after school programs are available. A summer program will also be offered beginning June 1. Learning Tree is located at 115 N. Bridge Street. For further information, call 669-8239.

BREAKFAST CLUB ELECTS: New DeWitt Lions Breakfast Club officers for 1987-88 are: president, Hank Furman; first vice president,

winners in the 40th annual Mid-Michigan Youth Talent Fair held last week at Lansing Civic Center. The St. Johns High School senior won the Crafts Grand Award, a Mayor's Award, and was chosen Best of Classification winner for her clothing construction.

The talented young seamstress was recently named a district winner for her accomplishments in the 1987 4-H Michigan Awards Program.

Mark Peckham of DeWitt, who attends Our Savior Lutheran School, won a first place award in Engineering Science, Junior Division at the Youth Talent Fair. Mark also earned Special Awards from Olds Division GMC and MSU Agricultural Engineering.

God grant that I may walk upon the earth
And face the tasks which every morning brings,
And never lose the glory or the worth
Of humble service and simple things.

- Edgar Guest



Election Commission to invalidate recall petitions filed against him. Bruce Angell II charges that the commission has violated his rights by approving the petition against him.

Angell was named in a petition asking his recall and that of trustees Douglas Hammond and Charles Rademacher. Those of the latter two were declared invalid. A separate group is circulating petitions asking for recall of the remainder of the township board - supervisor C. Frank Mann, clerk Gregory Whitlock, treasurer Alta C. Reed, and trustee Michael Verlinde.

There is no such thing as a non-working mother.

All State Band Goes To Orient

Four local students will travel to the Orient in mid-June as members of the 1987 Michigan Lions All State Band. Alan Vance and Mary Willsey of DeWitt, Kristin Curtis, and Kent Love of Laingsburg are members of the 181-member band.

The band will perform in Hong Kong, Canton, and Taipei during their Orient tour, marching in the July 1 parade at the International Lions Club convention in Taipei, Taiwan. St. Johns band director Walter Cole directs the All State Band.

PTA TO MEET NEXT MONDAY

The DeWitt Elementary PTA will meet Monday, April 20, at 7 p.m. in Scott School cafeteria.

A representative of Clinton County Big Brothers/Big Sisters will discuss Project Torch, a personal safety program for children.

Plans for Teacher Appreciation Week, April 27 - May 1, will be discussed.

"It ain't bragging if you really done it." - Dizzy Dean.



Bell Committee Sells Stationery

A new Sesquicentennial product is available from the Watertown Township Heritage Bell Committee, according to Pam Porterfield, chairwoman for the group to save and resite the bell and cupola from Watertown Center (District No. 3) School.

Stationery carrying a line drawing of the bell and cupola, long familiar to people who passed the school at the corner of Clark and Francis roads, has been produced by the John Henry Company and is available for sale. Funds will support the project which is officially sanctioned by the Clinton County Michigan Sesquicentennial Agency.

For information contact Porterfield, Airport Road, 323-3655.

Salesmanship. A leading insurance agent explains how he lines up new business on the golf course: "I'm the best salesman in town because I know how to miss a two-foot putt by an inch."

New Dobson Film Series To Be Shown

Over 50 million parents have been inspired by Dr. James Dobson's "Focus on the Family" film series. Now, building on that nationwide groundswell of interest, Word Publishing and Focus on the Family, Inc. have released "Turn Your Heart Toward Home." In this bold new film series, America's most trusted family life expert brings his vast experience to bear on one of society's most pressing challenges, the protecting and strengthening of family relationships.

The first discussion-provoking film of this six-part series, "A Father Looks Back," will be shown at South DeWitt Church of Christ, 2931 Herbison Road, (the church building is located next to the DeWitt High School), on Sunday, April 26, at 6 p.m. The remaining five films will be shown May 3 through May 31 at 6 p.m.

Citing example after familiar example Dr. Dobson portrays the pressures today's parents are susceptible to. He reminds them of society's slide toward

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

DEWITT COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE - 12:45-2:00 p.m. at South DeWitt Church of Christ on Herbison Road. DeWitt Community Church, Redeemer United Methodist Church & South DeWitt Church of Christ. Sermon by Pastor Frederick Nose of Community Church



DEWITT COMMUNITY CHURCH

EASTER SUNDAY - Sunrise Service 7 a.m. & breakfast
9:45 a.m. Sunday School,
11 a.m. Easter Worship

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JUDE

WEDNESDAY, April 15 - Feature-length film, "The Gospel according to Matthew", 7:15 p.m.
HOLY THURSDAY - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper 7 p.m. Each household is asked to purchase and bring enough food to feed a family of the same size for one day. The Christian Service Commission will distribute the food to the needy immediately to allow for perishables.

CAR LEMON LAW NOW EFFECTIVE

Consumers in Michigan, who buy a new car and then have extensive problems with repairs, will have the opportunity to obtain another car. Under a 1986 state law, auto manufacturers are required to replace the car or to refund the consumer's money after four tries at repair, or after the vehicle is out of service for 30 days.

The "autolemon" law applies only to new cars purchased after June 25, 1986. The defect must have been reported to the manufacturer or dealer within either one year of delivery or within the warranty period, whichever is shorter. Leased, used or demonstration models are not included under this act. Defects caused by modifications to the car or by accidents will not be covered under this act.

The consumer has the following responsibilities for this law to be applicable.

--To report the defect in writing to the manufacturer.

--To keep copies of all work orders for repairs on the vehicle, including the dates and mileage at time of repair.

--To follow all require-

ALONG THE LOOKING GLASS

Past Master Earl Clark has been named Mason of the Year by DeWitt Lodge No. 272, Free and Accepted Masons, for his outstanding service and dedication to the craft.

Clark has been a member of DeWitt Lodge for 60 years and is currently Senior Warden. He has served the Lodge in numerous positions and on many committees.

Clark will be honored at a special meeting Wednesday, April 15, with a potluck dinner followed by a presentation and program.



An Alfalfa and Forage Production Workshop will be presented by the Cooperative Extension Service from 12:30 - 4 pm on Wednesday, April 15 at Smith Hall in St. Johns.

The Women's Group of Hope Lutheran Church will meet Monday, April 12

Community College substance abuse instructor for seven years.

Tom Rayner, of Pat McCrackin Ford, has earned master level membership in the 300/500 Masters Program for outstanding sales accomplishment in 1986.

Mike Kovacic, South Geneva Drive, was runner-up in the speech contest of the Farm Bureau Center Toastmasters Club annual spring speech and evaluation contest.

Fishing Weekend Slated For Kids

Taking kids fishing sounds great, doesn't it? The Michigan 4-H Youth program offers a weekend at Gull Lake (in southwest Michigan) teaching how to reel in those fish.

The program, called 4-H Leader-Youth Fish and Fishing Program, is to be offered at Kellogg Biological Station May 29th to May 31st.

The goal of the program is to involve 25 pairs of adults and youths from across

parents are susceptible to. He reminds them of society's slide toward humanism and the undermining influences of radio, television, films, and the press, which can only be counterbalanced by a loving home where Christian views are instilled from an early age.

A swelling majority of Americans sense the vulnerability of their own families and are willing to make all commitments necessary to preserve them. Dr. James and Shirley Dobson urge those individuals to get involved and return to the traditional values upon which families are best created and nurtured. "Turn Your Heart Toward Home" is a personally challenging film series that every parent should see.

One of the most difficult things to give away is kindness - it is usually returned.

THE CORNER GARDEN

--Plan the summer vegetable garden, flower beds, and landscape plantings now. Order seeds and plants either this month or next. When ordering, watch for helps in the cata-

logy of the same size for one day. The Christian Service Commission will distribute the food to the needy immediately to allow for perishables.

GOOD FRIDAY - Noon to 3 p.m., church open for private prayer/devotions; 6 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion including reading of the Passion and Communion Service.

HOLY SATURDAY - Easter Vigil Service beginning at 8:45 p.m., including Baptism and Confirmation of the catechumens.

EASTER SUNDAY - Masses at 9 and 11:15 a.m.

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

MAUNDY THURSDAY - Holy Eucharist 6:30 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY - Divine Worship Tenebrae 6:30 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY - Sunrise Worship 6:30 a.m. Breakfast 8 a.m. Festival Eucharist 9:30 a.m.

REDEEMER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MAUNDY THURSDAY Seder Meal & Holy Eucharist: 6:15 p.m.

LENTEN BIBLE SEMINAR with Dr. Paul Maier: Saturday, April 18 - 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE & BREAKFAST: 6:30 a.m. (North lawn of the Church) Sermon: "Resurrection Promises", Text: Luke 24:13-35, Pastor Harry R. Johnson.

CELEBRATION & WORSHIP: 9:30 a.m. - Easter Eucharist, Sermon - "Dancing in Victory", Text: John 19:40-20:3, 11:18, Pastor Harry R. Johnson.

EASTER EGG HUNT: 11:00 a.m. on the north lawn.

log. For example, seed catalogs should state if a tomato is resistant to one or more diseases. Scientists have been working for years to breed resistance and catalogs should show a

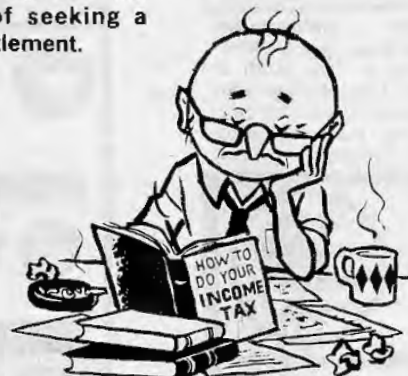
V, F, N, or T on some varieties. What this means is if a "V" is shown, the tomato is verticillium wilt resistant. "F" is fusarium wilt, "N" is nematodes, and "T" for

on the vehicle, including the dates and mileage at time of repair.

--To follow all requirements of the warranty, including any specifications about repairs being done by an authorized dealer.

--Possibly to participate in an arbitration effort.

If all of these conditions have been met, a manufacturer is required by law either to replace the car with a model of comparable value or to refund the full purchase price, less a reasonable allowance for the consumer's use of the vehicle prior to the first report of the defect. The decision on replacement or refund is the manufacturer's. If the consumer is not satisfied, he/she has the option of seeking a court settlement.



tobacco mosaic. Buy good seed, get good results.

--Check stored bulbs, corms, and tubers and stored garden produce. Discard any that have begun to mold or show signs of decay

The Women's Group of Hope Lutheran Church will meet Monday, April 13, at 7:30 p.m.

St. Jude parishioners held their annual Paschal Dinner on Palm Sunday afternoon in commemoration of the Passover Supper.

Robert Ortwein of Dartmouth Drive has been elected to the National Council on Alcoholism's Lansing Regional Area board of directors. Ortwein, a member of the DeWitt City Council, is a legislative health specialist for state Sen. William A. Sederburg, R-East Lansing, and has been Lansing

25 pairs of adults and youths from across



Michigan in the 4-H fishing projects. The attendees will receive information on how fish live, behave, and are managed; how to care of streams, and how to use tackle.

The total cost for the program is \$18 per person, including lodging, meals, bait, and equipment (if the angler doesn't have a favorite rod).

Program details and registration materials are now available at the Cooperative Extension Service Office at 306 Elm St., St. Johns.

Overheard: "No, honey, I don't want to learn how to run the washing machine. I'm sorry I learned how to run the dishwasher."

APRIL 15th INCOME TAX DEADLINE

The Shopping Guide DeWitt Edition April 13, 1987



DATELINE: DeWitt

April 20, 1987

Photos and Stories by Kitty Marriott
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Kitty Horner

LOCAL GENEROSITY: The recent weekend Tootsie Roll Drive rolled over the top once more, thanks to generous community support. Members of DeWitt Knights of Columbus Council 7237, who solicited funds for the retarded in downtown DeWitt, outside DeWitt Shop-Rite and Food City on US-27, thank their many generous local supporters.

The drive exceeded the council's goals of past years, netting more than \$2,100. Since 80% of the money is used locally, county programs benefitting will be the Special Olympics and Clinton County 4-H Horseback Riding for the Handicapped. The remaining 20% will go to the K of C state council for major statewide programs aiding the handicapped.

MIES REGIONAL FAIR HERE: The public is cordially invited to visit DeWitt High School gym next Saturday morning, April 25, and view top-notch products made by industrial education students from the five-county area - schools in Clinton, Eaton, Ingham, Shiawassee and Livingston Counties.

In the words of DeWitt High School industrial education instructor Ray Unger, who is chairing the Michigan Industrial Education Society regional fair at DeWitt for the second consecutive year, "We would like people to stop by between 8:30 a.m. and noon to see the excellent products resulting from hours and hours of student work."

recognition. Northwood, located in Midland, is a private, co-educational accredited college specializing in practical career preparation in business-related fields.

Susan, a 1981 DHS graduate, has been employed as a phlebotomist at Sparrow Hospital and is now enrolled in the Registered Nurse Program at Lansing Community College.

SPRING LUNCHEON: Agape Circle of DeWitt Community Church is sponsoring a Meijer Community Party with emcee Jack Robbins of WILS at noon on Friday, April 24 in the church Fellowship Hall.

Handling arrangements are circle members Vicki Kemp, Maxine Klan, Janice Nose, Michelle Allen, Sherry Markey, Marge Pierson, and Mary Lou Smith. Luncheon price is \$3 and proceeds will go the circle's missionary projects.

Marcy Shooks Named DAR Good Citizen for Michigan

Marcy Shooks, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Wayne Shooks of West Geneva Drive, has been named DAR Good Citizen for the state of Michigan. Each of 574 schools throughout the state nominated one student on the basis of leadership, service, dependability, and patriotism.

These students



TOWNSHIP MINUTES

SALARY COMMISSION

Five citizens were appointed to the Salary Commission at the April 13 DeWitt Charter Township board meeting. Named to terms expiring April 13 over the next five years were: Renee O'Brien, one-year term expiring in 1988; James Chapow, two-year term, expiring in 1989; Ed Fancher, three years expiring in 1990; Hubert Evert, four years expiring in 1991; Richard Kirvan, five years expiring in 1992.

Trustees approved \$363, which will allow three township emergency medical technicians - Kerry Barrows, Brian Barrows, and Robert White - to attend a May 29 - 31 EMS training seminar, which the Michigan Association of Ambulance Services and the Michigan Association of EMTs will be sponsoring in Battle Creek.

MOOSE DONATION

The township's share of the \$1200, which was approved for replacement of basketball poles and nets on the court near the township hall, has been cut to \$700, thanks to a \$500 donation for the purpose made by DeWitt Moose Lodge 2291 on N. US-27.

Following the second reading of the ordinance Monday night, the parcel of land on the northwest corner of Clark and Turner roads has been rezoned from multiple to residential and two-family dwellings. Discussion of a proposed traffic light at Clark and DeWitt roads was tabled awaiting further information from state highway and police departments.

Trustees approved the following purchases: \$292 for two hand-crank hose reels and some hose for the fire department; \$155 for four fire extinguishers for the police department, and \$600 for office supplies. The request of the Skyway Lounge, airport cafeteria, to transfer its liquor license from Paul Fershee, Sr., to Willis and Carol Linley was approved pending a favorable background check.

**Choir/Chorale
To Perform**

**Voters Reject
Salary Raises**

by between 8:30 a.m. and noon to see the excellent products resulting from hours and hours of student work."

Exhibitors from more than 50 schools will be bringing in and setting up their entries in the gymnasium Friday afternoon, preparatory to judging Friday evening. Students compete in 11 basic categories, covering a wide range of groupings in woodworking, drafting, graphic arts, and other areas. More than 400 entries were displayed in the fair here last year.

Again assisting Unger with arrangements for the Region 8 fair are Mike Soltysiak, DHS instructor in electricity, electronics and consumer auto classes, and Jim Jewett, industrial education teacher at DeWitt Middle School. Unger oversees industrial education, graphics, woodworking, and the high school yearbook. Soltysiak is 1987 recipient of the state organization's Regional Service Award for his assistance to MIES.

DHS students and teachers are eagerly awaiting the decisions of Friday's judging. Winners of top awards in the 18 regional fairs will move on to competition in the MIES state convention at Traverse City the following weekend.

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CONGRATULATIONS: Artist Madeline Brockway, Waxwind Drive, won an honorable mention for her watercolor, depicting Michigan's brilliant fall colors reflected in a quiet pool, in the Michigan Department of Natural Resources "Living Legends" art contest.

The contest was held in observance of Michigan's sesquicentennial. Madeline's watercolor is one of the 12 top entries, which contest organizers plan to reprint in a 1988 calendar.

Pat and Sharon McCrackin, West River Drive, are mighty pleased with their college students these days. Kevin has just been named to the dean's list for winter term at Northwood Institute and Susan recently passed her Licensed Practical Nurse state boards.

Kevin, who graduated from DeWitt High School in 1986, had to earn a 3.0 grade point on a 4.0 scale in order to achieve dean's list

leadership, service, dependability, and patriotism.

These students were tested on their knowledge of government and were asked to write an impromptu essay on heritage. Marcy, with her sponsor, Mrs. William Love, represented the Lansing Chapter at the state competition where she placed first among the ten state finalists.

The student finalists were all introduced during the convention auditorium program in Kellogg Center before Marcy's name was announced as state winner. She was presented with a DAR pin, plaque and check for \$150. The DeWitt lass also earned an honorable mention in the national DAR student competition.

Marcy has been active in school and community affairs while maintaining a 4.00 GPA. She is an accomplished pianist who plays in the DeWitt jazz band and accompanies local students in music competitions. She has earned seven varsity letters in track, cheerleading, and cross country. Marcy has an interest in drama and has performed in four school

Marcy Shooks

musicals as well as participating in the Christian Expressions group at Immanuel Community Reformed Church.

She is on the Clinton County Student Leadership Forum steering committee and is president of the senior class at DeWitt High School where she also was chosen homecoming queen.

Marcy was a member of the AYSO soccer team that represented the Capital Area in the Limfjords Cup in Denmark. She will represent DeWitt High School at the Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce Excellence in Education program later this month.

Marcy will pursue a pre-dental program at Western Michigan University, where she has been awarded an academic scholarship, in hopes of one day becoming an orthodontist.

"There is a time to let things happen and a time to make things happen." - Hugh Prather.

Choir/Chorale To Perform In St. Johns

Singers from Michigan's famous Interlochen Arts Academy near Traverse City will appear in concert at St. Johns High School, Monday, April 27th, at 7:30 p.m.

The performance is part of a five-day concert tour, April 26-30, that will take the Academy Choir and Chorale to several Michigan cities including Reed City, Coopersville, Grand Rapids, St. Johns, Howell and Pontiac. The annual tour is supported by the Michigan Council for the Arts under its "Outreach" program.

Led by director of choral activities Kenneth Jewell, the Academy choirs are winners of many state and national honors capped by a gold medal in the 1983 Great American Choral Festival. Members of the groups are between the ages of 15 and 19, and come from 14 states and 6 foreign countries including Canada, Italy, the Philippines, Saudi Arabia, the Virgin Islands and West Germany.

Voters Reject Salary Raises

DeWitt Township voters rejected salary increases for all elected officials in last Tuesday's special referendum; 1986 salaries will continue.

A five-member salary commission was appointed at Monday night's township board meeting (see Township Notes article), to avoid similar controversy in the future.

Residents had objected last fall, after Supervisor C. Frank Mann assumed duties of a full-time administrator who died, and trustees had increased his \$9,000 part-time salary to a full-time \$25,725. They also adjusted salaries of the township clerk, treasurer and trustees with 5 percent increases. The Tuesday vote leave salaries at the previous levels.

About 1,100 of the township's 7,200 registered voters went to the polls Tuesday, Clerk Greg Whitlock said.

Bike Safety Week
April 19-25, 1987



SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

By Stephen C. Garrett
Superintendent
DeWitt Public Schools

On behalf of the DeWitt Board of Education, administration, staff, and above all the students and future students, I would like to express everyone's sincere appreciation to the voters of the DeWitt School District for the strong support of the bond issue at the March 31 special election. Due to that support, DeWitt is able to move ahead to meet the facility needs of the District, especially at the elementary level.

This is a very busy time in the DeWitt Schools as we all work in preparation for the construction program. The attorney for the Board of Education is reviewing the contract with the architect firm of Wakely Associates, Inc. and the Board Facilities Committee is reviewing proposals submitted by construction management firms. The financial consulting firm of Stauder-Barch of Ann Arbor is preparing the materials needed to prepare bonds for the project and the necessary resolutions are being prepared and adopted. The tentative

ment directors of Michigan major universities in this search.

Not only is the DeWitt School District fortunate to have such a supportive community, but I believe



Stephen C. Garrett

that DeWitt should also take great pride in its schools and the excellent students we have. I would especially like to call the attention of the community to Marcy Shooks who has just been named D.A.R. Student of the Year for the State of Michigan; Steve Shipps who was named Swimmer of the Year for the State of Michigan; Steve Erb who was the Diver of the Year; Chad Daggy,

Photo Contest Awards Given

Winners of the First Annual Photo Competition sponsored by the Clinton County Arts Council were announced on Sunday, April 12 at an artists reception for the exhibit, "SPECTRUM - A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE EXHIBIT" of Photographs and Art Glass by Dominick Labino.

Best of Show went to Tom Karek of St. Johns with a waterfall in mossy woods. Black and White photo winners were - 1st place - Robert Sheap, St. Johns, of a big fir tree with convoluted trunk. 2nd - Charles Prikasky, Bannister, with "Tender Moments", a father's hand grasped by his infant son; 3rd - Robert Sheap with a technically fine shot of Multnomah Falls in Oregon; Honorable Mention - Mark Eifert of Mason with "Shore Acres" of twisted pine stumps.

Winners with color photos 8x10 and smaller were: 1st - Martha Louise Shirtum, Lansing, with "Ethereal Beauty", a sharply focused close-up of a dewy flower, almost abstract in design; 2nd - Theresa Erschens,

ALONG THE LOOKING GLASS

Robert Ruiz was one of four Adrian College students recently inducted into the Michigan Eta chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta. A junior majoring in sociology and Spanish, he is a 1984 graduate of DeWitt High School. His parents are Clio and Ramona Ruiz, Manchester Drive.

Alpha Kappa Delta is an international honor society in sociology. Induction is based on scholarship and interest in sociology. To be eligible, a student must have earned a 3.0 grade point average overall and a 3.0 grade point average in sociology courses.

Jeff Koets, son of Robert and Janet Koets, Longspur Drive, was among the 193 graduating students, who received diplomas Saturday in Alma College's centennial year commencement program.

Koets, a 1983 DeWitt High School graduate, earned his bachelor of science degree in biology.

Alma College is a private, liberal arts college founded by Michigan Presbyterians in October 1886, two weeks before

The DeWitt Elementary PTA will meet Monday, April 20, at 7 p.m. in Scott School cafeteria.

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Marylou Arquette is handling reservations for DeWitt Newcomers & Friends' monthly Lunch For A Bunch. Lunchers will meet at noon on Friday, April 24, at Houlihan's in the Lansing Mall.

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Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Erin K. Stephens, daughter of Kathleen M. Belanger of DeWitt, has been promoted to her present rank while serving with Naval Security Group, Kunia, Wheeler Air Force Base, Hawaii.

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Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Neil E. Spaulding, son of James E. Spaulding of DeWitt, has completed the Advanced First Term Avionics (Aviation Electronics) Course.

During the 26-week course at the Naval Air Technical Training Center, Willington, Tennessee, Spaulding studied airborne communications, fire control systems, anti-submarine warfare systems, mathematics,

DeWitt School Board News

The Board of Education authorized the administration at Monday's regular meeting to request admission to the Ingham County League. An additional sixth grade section, which will make five sections instead of the present four, was approved due to enrollment.

DeWitt Administrators Association has filed a request to negotiate its contract with the Board of Education. Clayton Parker, Thomas Rippey, Terrie Stevens and John Stone are candidates for one vacancy on the board, which is to be filled at the June 8 annual school election.

Repair and renovation of the football field was approved. The Laingsburg firm of Barks Landscape Co. will do the work for \$17,350. Other expenditures authorized include a lawn tractor with mower from Hengesbach Tractor Sales, Portland, \$3,395; 400 stacking chairs, Valley School Supply Lansing, \$4,912; filing cabinets, lab stools and folding tables, Doubleday Bros. & Co., Kalamazoo \$2,208; Middle

are being prepared and adopted. The tentative date for the sale of the project bonds has been set as May 12.

As all this is going on the Board of Education must also prepare for the superintendency search. This is a major job for the Board and an important one that will take many hours of Board members' time. The school district will be working with the Michigan School Board Association and the consortium of place-

Foods Service Meeting Planned

Any persons or organizations considering serving food on a temporary basis in connection with a carnival, circus, public exhibition or similar transitory gathering in Clinton County, are invited to a special meeting on Monday, May 4.

The meeting will be held at Capitol Federal Savings Bank, 301 N. Clinton, St. Johns, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. It will cover information regarding screening, license fees, food protection, and sanitization methods.

Cooperation is doing with a smile what you have to do anyhow.

who was the Diver of the Year; Chad Daggy, State Champion Wrestler; to the following students who were named to the Capital Circuit Academic All-League: Marcy Shooks, Kris Butts, Greg Brya, Brad Wieferich, Ethan Yabs, Chuck Embs, Jennifer Russell, Beth Woodruff, Rod Leppala, Darlene Bordui, and to all the DeWitt students who have worked so hard to excel. Congratulations!

TV SERIES

A new 4-H television series, "Blue Sky Below My Feet - Adventures in Space Technology", will be released soon. The 3-part video/film series which links space technology to the everyday interests of boys and girls age 9 to 12, is being offered as an educational program of Michigan State University through the Clinton County 4-H Youth Program. Blue Sky is designed for use with 4-H clubs and special interest groups, schools, and other youth organizations.

lowy flower, almost abstract in design; 2nd - Theresa Erschens, DeWitt, with her photo of the Grand Hotel porch after rain; 3rd - Jeanne Houston, St. Johns, with "Three Geese"; Honorable Mention - Robert Sheap with a night close-up of a screech owl.

With color photos larger than 8x10, the winners were 1st - Charles Coletta, "Glass Trio" of crystal goblets in rainbow reflections; 2nd - John Wagner, East Lansing, with "Big Mac", an aerial photo of the Mackinac Bridge, a seaplane and sailing craft; 3rd - Robert Sheap with "Feeding Monarch" of vivid dahlias with a Monarch butterfly; Honorable Mention - Martha Louise Shirtum with "Little Grey", a close-up of a playful kitten.

These winning photographs and all other entries may be viewed at the Clinton County Arts Council Gallery, US-27 & N. Clinton, St. Johns, between 1-5 p.m. every day. This exhibit continues throughout April.

College founded by Michigan Presbyterians in October 1886, two weeks before the Statue of Liberty was first dedicated.

Marine Cpl. Brian J. Brownfield, son of Kenneth R. and Darlene K. Brownfield of DeWitt, recently returned from a six-month deployment to Okinawa, Japan with 1st Battalion, 8th Marines, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

During the six-month deployment, Brownfield participated in training exercise Bear Hunt 1987.

A 1983 graduate of St. Johns High School, he joined the Marine Corps in June 1983.

Committee Recommends New Jail Proposal Go to Voters

If the recommendation of a special committee of Clinton County board of commissioners is accepted, voters may see a ballot proposal this fall for a new jail.

Reporting to the board, the special committee suggested placing a millage request before the voters. Their recommendations included the following: the jail should be built on a site of 30 to 40 acres; jail capacity should be 100 cells; two commissioners should be appointed to negotiate purchase of property for the new jail; the issue should be put on the ballot in September or October this year.

The present jail is overcrowded and the county spends thousands of dollars each year boarding inmates in jails in other counties or communities. Last year voters narrowly rejected a ballot proposal for a new jail.

communications, fire control systems, anti-submarine war fare systems, mathematics, physics, electronic theory and the operating principles of digital and analog computers.

A 1982 graduate of DeWitt High School, he joined the Navy in January 1986.

Examining a patient with ear trouble, the doctor looked around for the appropriate instrument with which to check him. Unable to find it, he buzzed the receptionist and asked, "Have you seen my auroscope?"

"No," came the answer. "What sign do you come under?"

\$4,912; filing cabinets, lab stools and folding tables, Doubleday Bros. & Co., Kalamazoo, \$2,208; Middle School musical instruments, Marshall Music, Lansing, \$2,582; optical light boxes and power supply boxes for Middle School science, Ann Arbor Scientific, \$1,509.

Additional items from the board meeting agenda are covered in Superintendent's Corner on these pages.

CHURCH NEWS

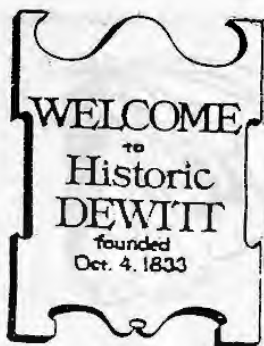
Youth Sunday will be observed at the Catholic Community of St. Jude on April 26.

The Religious Education program will hold an open house from 10 to 11 a.m. and the Middle School CYC members will assist in the celebration of the 11:15 a.m. Mass.

Practice for the First Eucharist celebration will be held at the church on Tuesday, April 28, at 4:45 p.m. The solemn celebration of First Eucharist will take place on Saturday, May 5.

"The Christian Clowns" will be the featured program at Redeemer United Methodist Church's Mother Daughter Banquet on Friday, May 1, at 6:30 p.m.





DATELINE: DeWitt

April 27, 1987

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Kitty Korner

DEADLINE FOR NOMINEES: Today, April 27, is the last day on which nominations may be turned in for the 1987 DeWitt Citizen of the Year. For information on the program, call DeWitt City Hall, 669-2441.

Nominations should be submitted in writing, 100 words or less, stating specific reasons why the candidate is being nominated. The person nominated need not be a DeWitt city resident and there is no age limit. The nominee, however, should have made significant contributions to the city's betterment either individually or through organizations.

The three member selection committee is composed of Jean Newman, Katie Verspoor and Medeline Brockway. Final selection will be based on the nominee's qualifications and contributions, not on the number of nominations submitted or total numbers of signatures per candidate. People are encouraged to re-submit names of persons nominated previously but not selected. Letters of nomination can be dropped off at City Hall, 414 East Main Street.

The person selected as DeWitt's 1987 Citizen of the Year will be honored on Monday, May 11, at Michigan Week Mayor's Exchange activities. The Citizen of the Year award was begun here in 1982 to honor individuals who had contributed their time and talents to the City.

Previous Citizens of the Year have been: Bertha Lennemann, 1982; Arthur Newman, 1983; Clarence...



contests and helped the DeWitt Panthers reach their fifth-place finish.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Colleen Zeeb and Stephanie Knapp will represent DeWitt Cooperative Preschool, Inc., on May 1 and 2, when the Michigan Council of Cooperative Nurseries holds its annual spring conference at Kellogg Center, East Lansing.

Knapp earned the state group's annual Distinguished Merit Award at the 1985 convention. She is preschool teacher for DeWitt Cooperative.

Zeeb is the cooperative's incoming president. Taking office with her in June for the next year will be vice president Terrie Bruchmann; treasurer Penny Byelich, and assistant treasurer Holly Scott.

RETIRE IN DEWITT: Does it surprise you that DeWitt and St. Johns are listed among the...

Three Juniors To Attend June Leadership Programs



Jason Brewer



Sarah Drake



Matt Bailey

Three juniors at DeWitt High School will share Boys State and Girls State honors this year. Matt Bailey and Jason Brewer will attend Boys State leadership program at Michigan State University from June 18 to 24. Sarah Drake will take in the Girls State program on the campus of Central Michigan University the week of June 13 - 21.

DeWitt Schools Booster Club is sponsoring one student to Boys State and one to Girls State. DeWitt American Legion Post 379 is sponsoring a student to Boys State.

Boys and Girls State programs are handled under auspices of the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary respectively. They enable students to become closely involved with government by going through the electoral process themselves, setting up state and county offices and participating in the various functions of governmental units and posts.

Exploration Days To Offer Varied Skills Opportunities

It took Phineas Phogg 80 days to go around the world, but Clinton County young people will have the chance to do it in two days....without leaving Michigan.

"Around the World in 48 Hours" is one of the 200 educational options that will be offered during 4-H Exploration Days, June 24-26 at Michigan State University.

More than 3,000 4-H members from around the state attend the event every year to improve themselves and learn new skills. Sessions cover subjects ranging from animal science to aerobic dancing to astronomy.

Participants get a firsthand look at college life by living in MSU dormitories, eating in dorm cafeterias and going to classes on and around campus. In "Around the World in 48 Hours", participants will explore their community...

their time and talents to the City.

Previous Citizens of the Year have been: Bertha Lennemann, 1982; Arthur Newman, 1983; Clarence Furstenau, 1984; Willard Reed, 1985; and Orla McGuire, 1986.

BENEFIT AUCTION: The congregation of Hope Lutheran Church is holding an auction to benefit Hope Lutheran Daycare and Preschool on Saturday, May 9. The auction will begin at precisely 11:03 a.m., according to Dian Silvey, administrator of the daycare program. Doors to the DeWitt Middle School cafeteria will open a bit earlier by 10 a.m., to allow the public time to browse and view the items and services being offered for sale.

Featured items in the benefit auction will include: one week in a condominium at Gulf Shores, AL; a sailing weekend for two on Lake Michigan; a game dinner for six; two used cars - one from Pat McCrackin Ford and one from Bill O'Shaughnessey Chevrolet. In addition, there'll be gift certificates from stores, restaurants, theaters and a wide range of other goods and services.

The auctioneer will be from Lon Canum Auctions, St. Johns, and concessions will be available for refreshments. Prospective shoppers, who have questions about the auction, may contact the church office, 669-3930 or Dian Silvey, 484-1928. The church initiated the Christian daycare center, in addition to its preschool, last January.

SWIMMING HONORS: Dave Shipps, DeWitt High School junior, added to his string of swim honors early this month, when he took a third place medal in the 200 freestyle at the Junior Olympic National East competition in Orlando, FL.

Attending the meet as a member of the Golden Serpents Swim Club of East Lansing, Shipps swam in four individual events and three relays. He came in tenth in the 100 freestyle.

The son of David and Kendra Shipps, East Geneva Drive, Shipps last month was named Swimmer of the Year for the second consecutive year in the Class B state swim finals held at Eastern Michigan University. There, he won both the 200 freestyle and 100 freestyle

RETIRE IN DEWITT: Does it surprise you that DeWitt and St. Johns are listed among the most promising Michigan communities in which to retire? Grayling, Petoskey, Oscoda, Traverse City, Holland, Ludington, and Manchester are also on the favored list.

In his newest book, "Retirement Edens: Outside the Sun Belt," Detroit native Peter Dickinson does not give Michigan the "excellent" retirement rating that he bestows on many other states outside the Sun Belt, including New Jersey, Oklahoma, and Wisconsin's Madison and Green Bay. However, the author, who wrote "Sun Belt Retirement" a few years ago, has now found numerous communities across the country, which he cites for their fine retirement qualities. Mid-Michigan's DeWitt and St. Johns are on that select list!

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

I would like to thank the DeWitt Business Association for having the Easter Coloring Contest. I am so happy that I won 2nd place in my age group.

I am saving up for something special and this helps a lot! My youngest sister came first in her age group and she could not stop jumping up and down! It was fun coloring all those pictures.

Thanks again.

Shirley (and Josie) Reust

EXTENSION CALENDAR

- May 1 ... Caring Farmers Fun Night, 7:30 pm
Pilgrim Methodist Church
May 13 & 14 ... 4-H Spring Leader's Meeting,
13th at 1:00; 14th at 10:00 am or 7:00
pm; Extension Office Conference Room
May 15 ... Caring Farmers Fun Night, 7:30 pm
Pilgrim Methodist Church



Mud is just dirt and water until it's mixed with little boys.

cafeterias and going to classes on and around campus. In "Around the World in 48 Hours", participants will explore their communities ties with other countries, visit international restaurants and stores, and meet with new U.S. citizens.

Other international options at Exploration Days include a sesquicentennial look back at the pioneers who settled Michigan, Oriental paper crafts and genealogy.

Young people 12 years old and older who are interested in attending 4-H Exploration Days should contact Kathy Love at the Cooperative Extension Service Office or call 224-3288 by May 1.

County Group Elects Officers

Clinton County Genealogists elected the following slate of officers for the coming year: chairman, Barbara Van Velsor; vice chairman, Dorothy Cressman; secretary, Maralyse Brooks; corresponding secretary, Janet Snyder, and treasurer, Janet Tiedt.

The Genealogists maintain an archival library at the DeWitt Township Hall, 4700 Brook Road, one block south of State Road. Hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday

through Wednesday. They would like to extend the hours open and need volunteer librarians during the extended time.

Anyone interested, please contact Alta Reed at the township offices, 482-1291, or Arlene Lounds, 224-7807, after 6 p.m. The genealogists meet the first Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Capitol Federal community room, St. Johns. All meetings are open to the public.

SESQUI VIDEO

A half-inch VHS videotape introducing the Michigan Sesquicentennial is available to Clinton County residents from the Historical Commission/Sesquicentennial Agency, 321-1746. Call

now to schedule it for your meeting.

The tape, produced and donated to Clinton County by the Michigan Travel Bureau, is also available from the Bureau in half-inch Beta and one inch commercial size.

ALONG THE LOOKING GLASS

Lori Zuzelski of Grove Road was among 23 4-H teens, who recently completed a training course to prepare them to become 4-H camp and/or trip counselors. They will now staff six different camps and one-day excursions later this year.

The five session training program was designed to help interested teens become more aware of the interests, skills and abilities of younger members, gain planning activities and events, learn to help others build self-confidence in learning new things, and build their own confidence in providing leadership for a group of young people.

The final session was a first aid training session, designed to prepare counselors for special medical situations and to give them practical experience.

Laingsburg Lions have scheduled their 1987 Springtime Festival for May 7, 8, 9 and 10. Included will be a carnival, flea market, parade, food and raffle with cash prizes.

Bath United Methodist Church will

State University students, who earned perfect 4.0 grade point averages for the 1987 winter term. Willson is a junior in teacher education; Simmons, a senior in social work.

Calvary Baptist Church members are inviting friends and relatives to the Wood Road church for special "Friend Day", Sunday, May 3. Senior pastor Ted Jameson has invited DeWitt Township members to be his special guests that day.

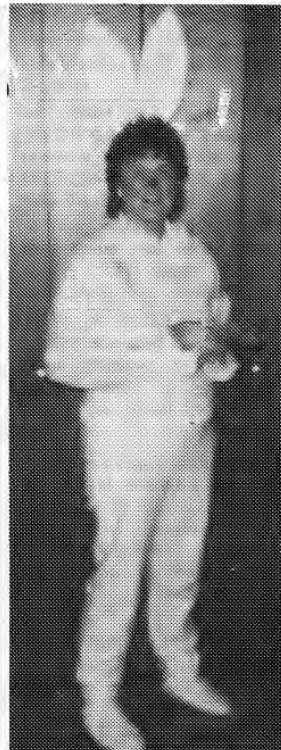
The church invites anyone in the community to attend the services. Sunday School is at 9:45 a.m. and Worship Service at 11 a.m. An open house and reception will follow at noon.

Altar boys at the Community of St. Jude held their annual dinner and awards night Friday, April 24.

Carob, Cocoa Nutrients Vary

Many health-conscious people substitute carob candy for chocolate. Is this a truly more healthful choice?

If you're making the substitution to



Husband: "I've found this great job. Good salary, free health and accident insurance, paid holidays and coffee breaks."

Wife: "That's wonderful, dear!"

Husband: "I knew you'd be pleased. You start on Monday."



saturated than cocoa butter. This means that some carob bars contain more saturated fats than many chocolate bars.

Does substituting carob candy for

Cwafty Wabbit

"We never know what you're going to do next!" exclaimed delighted senior citizens the Tuesday before Easter at the weekly nutrition luncheon held at St. Jude Church, when coordinator Pat DeYoung greeted them in her Easter Rabbit costume.

Pat donned bunny attire again Wednesday, - and startled a few DeWitt drivers - when she drove around the area, visiting and dropping off Easter baskets at the homes of several of her senior shut-ins.

DBA EASTER BUNNY

A Harvey-sized Easter bunny checked with kiddies and adults along Main Street Saturday morning when DeWitt Business Association sponsored its annual Easter Egg Hunt for children up to 12 years of age.



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Careful Handling, Common Sense Can Eliminate Salmonella Problems

TV's "60 Minutes" recently brought to our attention the issue of bacteria in poultry. As we all know, bacteria are everywhere. Salmonella is a common food-borne bacteria in the U.S. Salmonella bacteria are generally found in animal foods. The most likely reason is due to the mechanical processing used in the poultry industry to remove internal organs. If the industry were to return to doing this process by hand, the cost of poultry would increase substantially.

Food preparers can avoid salmonella food poisoning from poultry by using proper food handling and preparation techniques. Cleanliness and heat are the two strongest weapons against salmonella.

1. Always rinse poultry off under cold running water before any further handling is done.

2. Cross-contamination among meat products must be prevented. DO NOT cut up stewing meat, and then proceed to stuff a chicken without cleaning up the utensils, cutting surface, or anything else which came in contact with the beef.

3. Clean hands before handling poultry.

4. A thoroughly clean and sanitized plastic cutting board is a MUST, when cutting or stuffing poultry. Just rinsing a cutting board that has been used to prepare other foods is NOT SUFFICIENT. Scrub the board with a

Methodist Church will hold a family-style Swiss steak dinner Saturday, May 9, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children 10 and younger.

Scott Michael, son of David and Mary Michael, West Geneva Drive, has earned his first varsity letter as a member of the Kenyon College swim team. A 1986 DeWitt High School graduate, Michael is a freshman at the Gambier, OH college.

The Lords swim team completed the season by winning an unprecedented eighth consecutive NCAA Division III title. Michael was part of the winning 800-yard freestyle relay team in the recent North Coast Athletic Conference Swimming and Diving Championships.

A family style fish supper will be served by Wacousta Masonic Lodge 359 on Friday, May 8, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Take out dinners are available at a reduced price. Location is Wacousta Road, 2½ miles north of Grand River.

Kimberly C. Willson of DeWitt and Patricia A. Simmons of Laingsburg were among Michigan

if you're making the substitution to decrease the saturated fats in your diet, the answer is NO. Though unprocessed carob powder is lower in fat than cocoa powder, both powders are mixed with saturated fats and additional sugar when they are made into solid candy.

The label on carob candy may state that vegetable oils are used, but these are usually palm kernel oil and coconut oil, both of which are more highly

Does substituting carob candy for chocolate have any health benefits? Carob contains no stimulant, whereas cocoa contains theobramine, which is similar to caffeine in its effects. Most chocolate candy bars contain about as much stimulant as 12 oz. can of cola.

There are also differences in the nutrient composition of carob and cocoa powders. However, the amount of any of the nutrients in candy

carob does have a distinct flavor, however, so it may take a bit of imagination to believe you are eating chocolate.

When cooking with carob powder, remember that it has more sugar (48%) than cocoa powder (5%), so you will need to reduce the amount of sugar in recipes when substituting carob powder. You must also remember to lower the oven temperature by 25 degrees to avoid burning the carob.

that has been used to prepare other foods is NOT SUFFICIENT. Scrub the board with a scouring pad and hot soapy water. Bleach is recommended but dish soap may be used to clean the cutting surface. Rinse the board with very hot water. The cleaning procedures for cutting surfaces should also be applied to utensils used to prepare poultry.

5. It is important to wash hands thoroughly after handling poultry and before touching other foods.

6. Thorough cooking of poultry will destroy salmonella. Cook poultry to 165° fahrenheit (measured at thickest part of the bird - the thigh, away from the bone - to get the most accurate reading). When cooking poultry parts, check that no pink color remains in the muscle.

7. Stuff a bird JUST PRIOR to cooking. Do not overstuff the bird or the proper temperature to destroy salmonella will never be reached in the center of the stuffing. Stuffing the night before should NEVER be done. When stuffing sits in the cavity of the chicken, the salmonella bacteria will use the carbohydrates in the stuffing to grow. This can cause a great amount of bacteria in the stuffing - possibly more than can be destroyed by cooking.

8. Salmonella bacteria grows best at temperatures of 50 to 110. It is important to hold chicken at 40° fahrenheit or below.

9. Storage of fresh poultry should be limited to 1 or 2 days in the refrigerator. Frozen poultry can be stored up to 1 year at 0° F without deterioration in quality. Freezing prevents growth, but does not destroy salmonella, so it is important to handle poultry with all the precaution described above after freezing also.

Salmonella poisoning will cause flu-like symptoms for most of us. However, when contaminated foods are eaten by the young, the elderly, or person under the care of a physician, the effects can be more severe, and can even cause death.

There are many ways that home food preparers can contribute to overall food safety and provide their families with safe, nutritious and tasty meals.

Study Questions Sugarless Foods

Do diet pop and other sugarless foods and drinks help you keep your weight under control? Maybe not, according to a recent British study that suggests that aspartame (NutraSweet or Equal), the sugar substitute used by the soft drink industry and in other reduced calorie foods, may increase feelings of hunger and decrease feelings of fullness.

In experiments that had groups consume water, a glucose solution or an equally sweet aspartame solution, the aspartame subjects were left with a residual hunger that resulted in increased food

consumption.

Another study of 78,000 older women, reported in "Preventive Medicine," found that women who used sugar substitutes gained more weight faster than those who did not use artificial sweeteners.

One reason for this may be that using artificial sweeteners may cause us to be lazy about watching our overall food intake. Consuming foods with artificial sweeteners may serve as an excuse to allow us to eat other high calorie foods.

A moderate amount of sugar, when combined with a variety of other foods in the diet, has

not been proven to be harmful. The key is to keep sugar intake moderate.

If you think sugar-sweetened soft drinks are too high in calories and drinking diet pop encourages you to eat more, how do you keep calories under control and still enjoy a refreshing beverage? Try ice cold water with a lemon slice or sprig of mint, bottled water, club soda or a cup of hot water.

Most people turn to pop out of habit. By making other drinks readily available, you can learn to adjust your taste to prefer non-sweet drinks.

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