



## DATELINE: DeWitt

February 3, 1986

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*Kitty Korner*

**'ANNIE' TICKETS:** Reservations for tickets to see DeWitt High School's February performances of the lively musical, "Annie", can be made beginning today.

Call Band Director Jeff Kressler between 10 and 10:30 a.m. at the high school, 669-2240. Ticket price is \$4, with \$3 tickets for senior citizens and children age 12 and under.

The cast will give three evening performances of "Annie" - Wednesday, Feb. 12; Friday, Feb. 14; and Saturday, Feb. 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. "Tomorrow", "NYC", "Little Girls" and "Hard Knock Life" are among the popular songs in the show.

Leslie Philip plays Annie in the lead role; Jeff Croley is Oliver Warbucks; Sheri Ketcheson, Grace Farrell; Shonda Fowler, Miss Hannigan.

Lyn Kressler and Penny Rypstra are directing the music-drama students in the production; Jeff Kressler will provide piano accompaniment and direct the pit band.

**HOME TO AUSTRALIA:** For the first time in five years, Tricia Reust of Lehman Rd. revisited Australia, spending Christmas in her homeland. Accompanied by small daughters, Shirley, Jessica, and 3½-year-old Josie, whom Australian relatives had never seen, Trish flew from Detroit December 18 on the first leg of the 36-hour trip.

"When I go home, I lose a day," she explains. "The first time I came over, I arrived before I

of holding another spring arts and crafts show. Local interest is the key to holding a show or no-show.

Vendors who would like to participate, probably on the March 14-15 weekend, are invited to contact Jean Cook at the township hall, 482-1291.

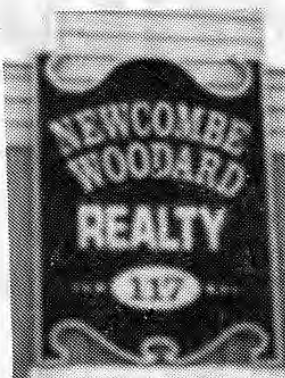
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**MRPA CONVENTION:** Area parks and recreation directors are attending the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association convention at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids today and tomorrow.

Marla Arney from the City of DeWitt; Jean Cook representing DeWitt Township; Michael Gray from Bath Township and Tony Sporer from Watertown Township are meeting with their peers from communities around the state to exchange ideas and find out what's new in the recreation field these days.

## STYLE SETTER

Bill Reed waited until the dead of winter before unveiling the beaver fur hat he brought back from his August trip to Alaska.



## NEW OFFICE OPENS



Gary Newcombe, left, and Timothy Woodard, right, have just opened downtown DeWitt's newest business - their Newcombe Woodard Realty office at 117 W. Main St.

## REALTORS CHOOSE DOWNTOWN SITE

Incorporating the Historic DeWitt design right into their business logo, Gary L. Newcombe and Timothy L. Woodard feel very much a part of the community. The two men have just opened Newcombe Woodard Realty in the heart of downtown DeWitt.

A local resident who graduated from DeWitt High School in 1963, Newcombe has been active in real estate out here for years. Licensed for 15 years and broker for nine years, he has been a member of the Re/Max Omni organization in Lansing.

He's a graduate of the Realtors' Institute, a Certified Residential Specialist and a life member of the President's Million Dollar Club. Since he was actively involved some years back in developing the original outline for the Historic DeWitt logo, Newcombe especially liked the idea of incorporating it into his fledgling business.

## Classes Have Some Openings

Dewitt Township will repeat the popular applique sweatshirt classes on Wednesday, February 5, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the township

30-hour trip.

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Denver, San Francisco and Hawaii were stops on the flight. "I've seen the Hawaii terminal five times," Trish says, "but I've never seen Hawaii."

They went directly to Leeton, Australia spending Christmas with Tricia's sister and brother-in-law, then driving for 2½ days to reach her parents' home near Brisbane. Between visits at the two locations, Tricia was able to see both of her brothers, her five sisters and many relatives and friends whom she hadn't seen in years.

The trip from Leeton through Sydney to Brisbane took them from bush country to tropical area. "It was lovely," the DeWitt resident reminisces, "because it was early summer there ... flowers were everywhere."

Jessica and Shirley have had plenty to tell classmates in first and third grade classes at St. Therese School since their return, what with swimming every day - either in the ocean behind their grandparents' Moreton Bay home or in the pool - and seeing the many sights in the "land down under."

Doug Reust joined his family for the final fortnight of their five-week stay and made the return trip with them.

**CHILD CARE:** The Learning Tree Child Development Center, under DeWitt Conservatory auspices, will begin a Friday and Saturday evening child care program starting this next weekend.

Children from 2½ to 12 will be cared for by competent personnel from 6 p.m. until 11:45 p.m. Youngsters will be able to take part in organized play activities and will receive an evening snack.

Call 669-8239 for further information.

**SPRING CRAFTS SHOW:** DeWitt Charter Township is trying to determine the plausibility

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before unveiling the beaver fur hat he brought back from his August trip to Alaska.



**WILLARD REED**

Made of handsome beaver pelts, the fur headpiece can be worn as pictured above or pulled down helmet-style and tied under the chin.



You can judge your age by the amount of pain you feel when you come in contact with a new idea.

appliqued sweatshirt classes on Wednesday, February 5, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the township hall. It is necessary to bring a sweatshirt and a zigzag sewing machine to class. Cost is \$5.

A few openings remain for the class. Call Jean Cook, 482-1291 for information.

The Beyond Cross-Stitch class for Wednesday, February 19, also has some openings left. Time is 6 to 9 p.m.; Cost \$7.

Other classes with openings include Tool Basket for Monday, February 17, and Phanny Basket, March 3 and 10.

### Crops Institute Is Scheduled

The Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service has scheduled a Crops Institute especially designed for the top farmer who wants to further improve his/her production and business management skills. The Institute will be held on Thursday, February 13, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Midway Motor Lodge located just west of Lansing.

A limited number of tickets for the Crops Institute are available at the Clinton County Cooperative Extension Office for \$9.00 each.

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Woodard, who grew up in East Lansing, will move his family in March from Haslett into a home on Webb Road near Prairie Creek Golf Course. Having been involved with land development and management for the past 15 years, he welcomed the opportunity to start a realty office in mid-Michigan.

A veteran of the Vietnam War, Woodard served four years with the U. S. Army paratroopers. In his off hours, he enjoys golf (good thinking on his part, locating on a golf course) and fishing.

Newcombe and Woodard are checking into the history of their office building, which they have reason to believe may be one of DeWitt's oldest standing structures. An antique church pew will seat clients in their waiting room and they plan to acquire more antiques gradually, adhering to the historic theme.

The two partners will continue their affiliation with the Greater Lansing Board of Realtors and its multi-listing service. Both are alumni of Lansing Community College.

## EXTENSION CALENDAR

### 4-H

February 3 ... Camp Counselors Training, 7:30, Smith Hall  
February 8 ... 4-H Teen Dance, Smith Hall  
February 9 ... Horse Benefit Clinic, MSU  
February 7 & 8 ... Clowning Workshop, Kettunen Center  
February 10 ... Fair Board Mtg., 8 pm, SCCR  
February 11 ... Crafts Workshop, 7:30 pm, Smith Hall

### AG

February 13 ... Central Michigan Crops Institute, 9:30 am-3 pm, Lansing  
February 20 & 27 ... Profitability in Sheep Production, 7:30 - 9:30, Ovid  
February 25 ... Swine Breeding Management for Increased Profits, 9 am - 3 pm, Fowler  
February 27 ... Pesticide Certification Day, 10 am, Smith Hall

### Family Living

February 3 ... Winter Class Carnival, 1-3, Smith Hall  
February 11, 18 ... "Eat, Drink and Feel Terrific"  
February 21 ... "New Look For Old Clothes", 1-3 pm  
... First Congregational Church



## TOWNSHIP MINUTES

After a lengthy and sometimes heated discussion, DeWitt Charter Township approved the first reading of an ordinance to allow such businesses as barber and beauty shops to operate in homes. A second reading is required for passage of the ordinance.

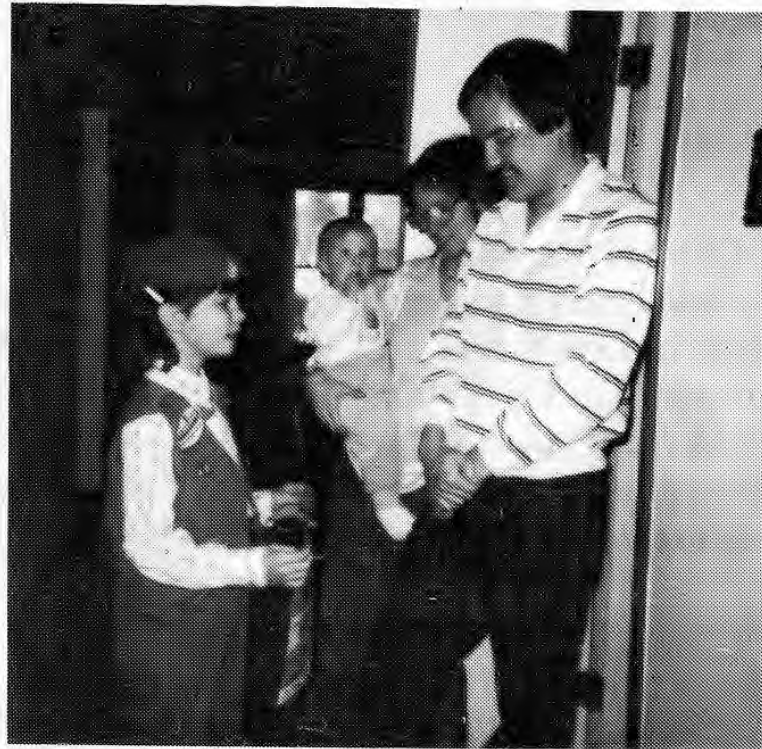
The first reading of another ordinance, which would permit township businesses to use flashing signs was also passed. Exceptions to the rules will be any red and blue flashing signs which motorists might confuse with emergency vehicles.

Trustees discussed the question of assigning one patrol officer to the county investigative squad and referred it back to the Public Safety Committee.

"We will have to watch township dollars very closely this year," Treasurer Catherine Reed emphasized, "since we will have \$11,000 less state monies than last year's."

The state has notified officers that projected township revenue from state sales and income tax will be about \$11,000 less than last year's.

## COOKIE SALE UNDERWAY



Uniformed Jenny Markey, 9, left, takes an order for Girl Scout cookies from her Appletree Lane neighbors, Diane and Ritch Richardson, while baby Leann looks on.

DeWitt Girl Scouts will continue taking orders for the annual Cookie Sale through February 9. The cookies may be ordered by contacting Ginny Hane, 669-3306, or Kathi Ruble, 669-9394.

"The cookies that make dreams come true" is the Girl Scout cookie sale theme this year, because scouts depend on proceeds from the sale of the cookies to fund many of their learning and growing opportunities.



## Perspective

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## Council Sponsors Reception, Classes

Demonstrations of wool spinning by Mary Rappuhn and loom weaving by Polly Matheson on Sunday, February 9, from 2 - 5 p.m. will highlight a reception for fibre and textile artists at the Clinton County Arts Council Gallery & Gift Shop, St. Johns.

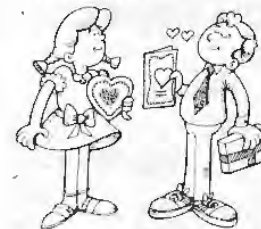
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## ALONG THE LOOKING GLASS

DeWitt Regional Chamber of Commerce will hold their regular monthly meeting at noon Tuesday, Feb. 4, at Foo Ying Restaurant.

DeWitt School Boosters Club meet Monday, February 3, at 7 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. The Boosters' marquee has been installed on the high school grounds near the Herbison Road entrance and awaits the arrival of letters in order to fulfill its visual mission.

A Valentine Dance will be sponsored Saturday, Feb. 15, by DeWitt Council 7237, Knights of Columbus, at St. Jude Church. The Back Road Riders will provide dance music from 9 to 1.



Presentation of dance tickets (\$11 per couple) at the door will automatically enter party-goers in the "Sweethearts Dinner for Two" contest. A \$15 dinner certificate for two at the Foo Ying Restaurant will be awarded.

Jeff Koets, son of Robert and Janet Koets, Longspur Dr., has been named to the Alma College dean's list for

outstanding academic performance during the fall term. A junior biology major, he graduated from DeWitt High School in 1983.

Students who achieve a 3.5 or better grade point average during a term while carrying a minimum of 13 credits, are named to the dean's list.

Clinton County Historical Society genealogists will meet at the archives, located in DeWitt Township Hall, 4700 Brook Rd., Monday, Feb. 3, at 7:30 p.m. David Johnson will speak on doing genealogical research at the State Library and on the materials available there.

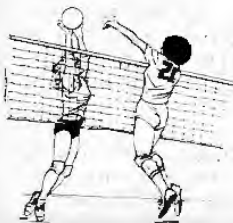
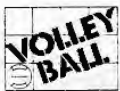
The archives are open to the public Monday through Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Green Thumb librarian Wilma Soule is willing to assist any visitors.

Women's Association members brought baby gifts for Operation

The state has notified officers that projected township revenue from state sales and income tax will be about \$11,000 less than when the budget was made up.

Trustees passed a resolution again this year extending the deadline for senior citizens, disabled persons, paraplegics and veterans to pay their taxes until March 1 without penalty.

Clinton County board chairman Roger Overway and Don Lowell, representing the Clinton Area New Development Organization (CAN-DO), gave a presentation explaining the corporation which has been formed to promote economic development in the county. CAN-DO steering committee members are giving similar programs for other townships and communities within the county.



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## Perspective

A big, mean lion met a monkey in the jungle. The lion pounced on the poor monkey and asked, "Who is king of the jungle?" The frightened monkey replied, "You are, O mighty lion." So the lion let him go.

The next animal the lion met was a zebra. He pounced on it and roared, "Who is king of the jungle?" The frightened zebra replied, "You are, O mighty lion." So the lion let him go.

The lion next met an elephant and asked the same question. The elephant grabbed the lion, twirled him around and threw him 50 feet. The lion picked himself up and huffed, "Just because you don't know the answer is no reason to get rough."

## DeWitt City P & R Volleyball Standings

### Week of January 24

Team	Record
Ball Movement	9-0
Plumbers & Pipefitters 1	8-1
The "A" Team	8-1
Notre Dame	8-1
Riverwood Rage	6-3
Gold Standard	5-4
Spartans	5-4
B. Makers	5-4
S. Balls	4-5
Tower Power	4-5
TGIF's	4-5
B. Busters	3-6
Bullets	3-6
Flying Dutchmen	3-6
Intercepts	2-7
B. Stokers	2-7
Ziel's Zappers	1-8
Plumbers & Pipefitters 2	1-8

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The exhibit featuring Fibre and Textile Arts will run from February 2 thru 28 with the Gallery being open Wed., Fri., Sat., & Sun. 1 - 5 p.m. Items on exhibit include wall hangings, framed weavings, hand spun and loomed scarves and shawls, rugs, blankets, and hand bags.

Additional demonstrations of various steps and techniques of fibre and textile arts will be presented during the month by artists from throughout area. Please call the Gallery & Gift Shop at 224-2429 during open hours for further information.

Plans are being made to invite area students to the Arts Council Center for demonstrations and workshops on preparation of fibres for weaving, including drop spindle and carding demonstrations by Jean Houston.

Drawing classes will also be held starting on February 20, and running for four weeks. Classes will be held on Thursday evenings from 7-9:30 p.m. at a cost of \$4 per class. Pre-registration is required by paying \$4 (cost of first class) at the Gallery. Beth Parker of St. Johns will instruct the class.

Materials needed include sketch pad, two #2 drawing pencils, gum (kneaded) erasers, chamois skin or wool for cleaning paper. Wood charcoal will be available at the Gallery, as will sketch pads. Pen and ink or fine markers in black may be used by those who wish.

## CITY OFFERS PARKS RECREATION CLASSES

**EASTER BUNNY MACRAME CLASS** - Register at City Hall before February 7. \$8.00 for (4) 2-hour classes to begin February 11. Pre-register and get supply list at City Hall for the cutest bunnies ever. Instructor: Marjean Pelkey, Phone 669-2441

**SWIMMING** - Adult Lap Swimming on Monday/Wednesday nights 8:00 - 9:30 p.m. at the DeWitt High School Pool. Fee will be \$1.00 per nite.

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willing to assist any visitors.

Women's Association members brought baby gifts for Operation Stork to their regular monthly meeting at St. Jude Church Thursday evening. After the business meeting, Sharon Shutes of Clinton Memorial Hospital presented a program on "Cancer in Women."

## 4-H PUBLISHES MICROWAVE MANUAL

A new 4-H publication, "The Microwave Connection" is now available for people interested in microwave cooking and good nutrition.

"The guide helps young people learn safe microwave techniques and principles of good nutrition", says Theresa Silm, Clinton County 4-H Youth Agent.

A member's manual is designed for 9 - 12 year olds, but the material can be used by any beginning microwave cook. The guide presents fun activities from snacks to a complete meal. Food preparation exercises and word games reinforce safe microwave usage and good nutrition.

A leader's guide is also available and provides additional information on microwave and nutrition concepts. Suggestions for working with young people, hints for organizing project meetings and extra recipes are included.

The manuals were developed and printed through a grant from the Allen Foundation to the Michigan 4-H Foundation. The Allen Foundation, based in Midland, provides funding to nutrition education and training programs.

Contact the Clinton County Cooperative Extension Service Office, 224-3288, for information.

Retirement: When the living is easy and the payments are hard.





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Happy Valentine's Day



### Kitty Korner

**COMPUTER SAVVY:** Four DeWitt High School seniors captured second place title and netted \$150 for the schools computer education program in a recent 10-school competition jointly sponsored by Ingham Intermediate School District and Touche-Ross, national accounting firm.

Kevin Boyd, Kevin O'Shaughnessy, Dave Prudden and Missy Ramirez accompanied DeWitt computer science instructor Richard Hawkins to the meet held in Mason. Forty students were allowed 2½ hours to solve four computer programming problems using computers.

DeWitt was in first place for a long time, Hawkins said, but was finally edged out by Okemos High School. Each of the 40 contestants received a box of disks as a prize.

Other high schools competing were East Lansing, Eaton Rapids, Grand Ledge, Holt, Leslie, Mason, Stockbridge and Williamston. Hawkins, who is vice president of the DeWitt Education Association, remarked that he was delighted with the DeWitt students' performance under pressure.

**NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY:** Selections to the 1986 National Honor Society ranks have recently been announced at DeWitt High School.

Joining the 20 members who remain from last year are seniors Monique Calder, Dana DeWitt, Scott Michael, Missy Oliver and Dawn Reynolds.

## COUNCIL APPROVES P&R MASTER PLAN

City council approval of the Parks and Recreation Committee's master site plan at Monday's meeting opened the way for P&R Director Marla Arney to apply for grant monies which would assist with local park improvements.

The comprehensive 80-page plan outlined just what additions may be slated for Riverside and McGuire Parks as well as smaller neighborhood parks, if grant money can be secured to help with the projects. Arney plans to apply to the Natural Resource Trust Fund, available this year, which might provide 75% aid with the city picking up the other 25%.

The plan cites Riverside park as "a key link in the beginning of a unique river oriented recreational corridor". A canoe and fishing dock on the west side of Bridge Street would enhance the area, as would renovation of the existing bike paths and pedestrian walkways on the east side.

Following the river theme, improvements to McGuire Park on West Main Street would include a picnic shelter, restroom facilities, ice rink and warming house, play apparatus and horseshoe courts. The existing Park and Recreation Building would be renovated to provide community room, warming house and restrooms.

A 1990 projection is Wilson Street Park, which would be a neighborhood park adjacent to Scott School and would provide recreation facilities catering to local neighborhood people including both children and elderly residents.

The master plan envisions work on McGuire Park for 1986-1988, and on Riverside Park in 1987.

## ALONG THE LOOKING GLASS

Lake Geneva Property Owners Association will meet Thursday, February 13, at 7 p.m. in DeWitt High School cafeteria.

The Association's annual meeting and elections will take place next month on March 12.

Chris Smith will be the guest speaker when DeWitt Lioness Club meets Thursday, February 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the DeWitt Memorial Building. In addition to speaking on Germany, she will prepare some German food.

Gunnisonville United Methodist Women have invited UMW members from Bath and Chapel Hill congregations to join them Ash Wednesday for a simple supper meal and program to initiate the Lenten season.

LENT BEGINS... **ASH Wednesday February 12**

A modern allegory film, "The Prodigal," will be shown at DeWitt Community Church Sunday, February 16 at 6 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

"Sweethearts Dinner for Two" contest. A \$15 dinner certificate for two at the Foo Ying Restaurant will be awarded.

Dick and Dorothy Keck are hosts for DeWitt Community Church's Valentine dinner to be held at Prairie Creek Banquet Center Friday evening, February 14. Paul and Amy Mulford are handling reservations; Gene Turcott, music; Susie Quinn, decorations; and Rob Klan background dinner music. Marge McGovney is coordinator.

### PTA to Meet February 17

The DeWitt Elementary PTA will meet Monday, February 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the Scott School cafeteria.

Donald Powell, elementary schools principal, will discuss Chapter 1, which provides funding for academic assistance to students with special needs. He will also introduce the schools' new reading consultant, Dorothy Durst.

Those who wish to sign up to help at the March 1st school carnival may do so at this

recently been announced at DeWitt High School.

Joining the 20 members who remain from last year are seniors Monique Calder, Dana DeWitt, Scott Michael, Missy Oliver and Dawn Reynolds.

Newly elected NHS junior class members are Julie Bengel, Darlene Bordui, Greg Brya, Kris Butts, Toni Dennis, Chuck Embs, Jeannette Erskine, Michelle Griffin, Carla Hammon, Cathy McKinnon, Eric Muscott, Chris Neubecker, Lynn Rice, Jennifer Russell, Mark Schrauben, Marcy Shooks, James Sparbel, Vince Super, Scott Thomas, Brad Wieferich, Beth Woodruff and Ethan Yabs.

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**LOOKING FOR PERFORMERS:** Tryout dates of February 24 - 25 - 26 are coming up fast for the fifth annual DeWitt Follies, which DeWitt School Boosters Club will sponsor next month.

Performers of whatever age are welcome to audition for director Ruth Uebberoth and assistant director Connie Toune, on any of those dates. Any song, dance or routine is eligible. Theme for this year's follies will be "Music from Around the World", which allows pretty wide latitude in choosing your musical selections.

Proceeds from the shows will go right back into DeWitt schools. The follies will be held at DeWitt High School auditorium on March 21 and 22.

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**SPONSOR SEMINAR:** Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Clinton County will hold an information seminar Wednesday, February 26, at 8 p.m. in St. Jude Catholic Church, to explain the definite need for volunteers to become Big Brothers and Big Sisters in the DeWitt area.

St. Jude's Large Group Renew Committee and Knights of Columbus Council 7237 are co-sponsoring the seminar. There'll be an opportunity to ask questions about the Big Brothers - Big Sisters program with refreshments following.

All area residents are cordially invited to attend.

Today's society will ignore almost any form of public behavior except getting in the express line with two extra items.

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### School Board Accepts Report

DeWitt Board of Education accepted the report of state-appointed fact-finder Russell E. Price at a special January 30 meeting, but non-teaching school employees expect to continue contract negotiations.

Recommendations of Price, who was appointed by the State Labor Board, favor the school district. Support personnel school employees would like more favorable provisions for part-time employees including bus drivers. While full-time employment begins at 27½ hours a week, many members work only four or five hours daily.

The association had asked extension of medical benefits to 20-hour-a-week employees, which would cost about \$21,000 yearly. Price recommended the board's proposed 4.5 percent wage increase and not the 5.5 percent requested by the employees' association.

He refused to recommend two extra personal leave days or an

additional holiday for association members, instead suggesting that regular part-time employees receive pay for six holidays that occur during the part of the year they work.

### 4-H Leadermete Planned at MSU

Today, February 10, is the deadline for 4-H leaders to register for the "New 4-H Leadermete" February 28 - March 2 at Michigan State University.

Highlights of the 1986 4-H Leadermete will be recognition of outstanding 4-H leaders and local programs, round-table of discussions and a wide variety of 4-H project skills sessions.

"Leaders can sign up two sessions in such areas as family folklore, computers, careers, stress, environmental issues, heritage gardening, microwave cooking, photography and club development," says Theresa Silm, Extension 4-H Youth Agent.

Contact the Extension office, 224-3288, for information.

be shown at DeWitt Community Church Sunday, February 16 at 6 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Filmed in Seattle and against spectacular background scenery in the state of Washington, the film examines the gradual spiritual and emotional breakdown of an American family. The cast includes Hope Lange, John Cullum and John Hammond.

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Redeemer's Men's Club will sponsor their annual Sweetheart Dinner Friday evening, February 14, at Mijo's featuring a program from the Michigan State Police Department.



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Members of DeWitt Council 7237 Knights of Columbus will hold their regular meeting Thursday, February 13, and installation of first degree candidates. An installation ceremony for second and third degrees will be held Sunday, February 23, at the DeWitt retreat house.

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Dorcas Circle of Redeemer United Methodist Church will meet Tuesday, February 11, at 1:30 p.m. in the W. Howe Rd. home of Ava Merrill.

Priscilla Circle meets at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, February 12, with Peggy Brewster, Turner Road, and Harmony Circle meets the same day with Janet Davis, Wellman Road.

Mary Vandermark will be hostess to Faith Circle in her S. Geneva Dr. home Wednesday, February 19 at 7:30 p.m.

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## DEWITT RESIDENT GOES TO LIBERIA

A DeWitt lass fulfilled a dream she'd had since high school, when she spent two months in an African mission compound this past fall.

Bobbi Ann Mull, who graduated from DeWitt High School in 1982, flew to Monrovia, Liberia September 30 under auspices of DeWitt Community Church and the Sudan Interior Missions (SIM). The attempted coup of the Liberian national government, which closed borders and airport, lengthened her stay to December 3.

Bobbi Ann, who had taken cosmetology through Clinton Intermediate School District's shared-time program during high school, is employed as a full-time cosmetologist at Meijer's Okemos store. She was able to utilize this experience, plus business management classes she has taken at Lansing Community College, while serving in the mission field.

After flying from New York, Bobbi Ann stopped in Holland to visit friends she had made on a previous trip to Europe in 1984, then arrived in Monrovia after brief stops at Casablanca and Freetown, Siera Leone. The ELWA (Eternal Love Winning Africa) compound at which she stayed is 12 miles from the capitol city of Monrovia.

The compound, Bobbi Ann explained, was composed of a business office, radio station, maintenance department, 45-bed hospital, and an American accredited academy for the mission children.

Traveling abroad for SIM as an SST (Special Short Term person, who fills a special need for a certain amount of time) Bobbie spent six weeks as a business office assistant and two weeks in the hospital accounting department. Her work included everything from computer input and file research to photo copying and typing.

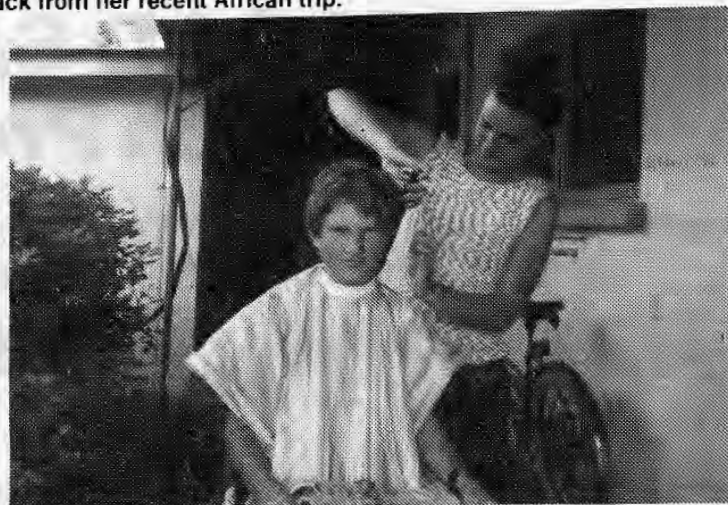
That was her 8 to 5 job. Outside of office hours, she often took her beautician's scissors to trim and style the heads of other mission residents.

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## AFRICAN ARTIFACTS



Bobbie Ann Mull, right, and her mother, Marge Mull look over some of the art pieces fashioned by Liberian natives, which Bobbie Ann brought back from her recent African trip.



In her spare time, Bobbi used her talents as a beautician for other mission compound residents. Here, she handles a haircut for Peter Manning, 13, son of Dr. and Mrs. Ed Manning.

## COUNCIL REPORT

After hearing Austin Knapp's report on bids received for the proposed city hall expansion, council members asked for a written statement from the DeWitt Building Authority chairman, outlining the bids and pinpointing why they were so much higher than architects' estimates.

Bids received from six contractors at the January 22 bid opening ranged in price from \$442,400 to \$519,700. The DBA had hoped to handle the big remodeling project for \$275,000.

In other actions, council approved the Parks and Recreation master plan as presented and agreed to a basic assessing service contract with Manitron Corp. (formerly APTS) through June. A proposed contract with CAN-DO (Clinton Area New Development Organization) was tabled until it can be presented to the Downtown Development Authority.

An ordinance which concerns using weapons and hunting within the city limits, was not passed at the second reading, but sent back for revision.

that was her 6 to 5 job. Outside of office hours, she often took her beautician's scissors to trim and style the heads of other mission residents.

It was really an international experience, Bobbi Ann pointed out, because missionaries living in the compound were from Canada, Northern Ireland, Australia, England and Germany as well as the United States. She was surprised to find a large percentage of the missionaries to be Michiganders - among them, of course, the Edward Manning family of DeWitt.

ELWA village is about the size of one of our subdivisions, Bobbi said, with fairly modern buildings. Surrounding the compound are native homes, pole structures with mud walls and corrugated zinc roofs. Working alongside mission personnel in all areas are Liberian counterparts, who receive salaries as they learn the various jobs.

The setting is surprisingly picturesque, Ms. Mull remarked, since Liberia is situated on the West African coast. The compound apartment which she occupied faced the ocean. Papayas, bananas and coconuts grow on trees inside the compound and native children often sell fruit to make money. When Bobbi Ann arrived, the temperature was in the mid-80's and reached the mid-90's later in her stay as the dry season neared. Humidity usually was in the 90 - 95% range.

One Saturday Bobbi Ann accompanied some of the missionaries on a day trip to a native village, where the grass-roofed houses were more primitive than those near the compound. "We traveled by van 65 miles northeast," Bobbi said, "then into the jungle on a two-lane road, which became one lane; then we walked back through the rubber forest to reach the village in Bong County.

"We walked on logs across marshy areas... the vines hanging down reminded me of Tarzan movies.

"The SIM people had warned me not to leave my heart in Liberia," Bobbi reminisced, "but I think I left a piece of it there anyway."

"The Liberians have a saying 'Take time' that sums up their philosophy, she continued. "They always have time for a smile and 'take time' with you."

a beautician for other mission compound residents. Here, she handles a haircut for Peter Manning, 13, son of Dr. and Mrs. Ed Manning.



Nancy Manning, far left, and Bobbi, far right, posed with the Boykai family, when they visited the village of Salala in Bong County.

Liberian culture is interesting too, she said. "Their outward means of accomplishing a task may be different, but basically they're striving for the same goal we are." And the people in various situations "react much like their American counterparts...for instance, in the village everyone shunned the town drunk...and the college kids coming home felt they had outgrown their parents..."

Bobbi Ann is the only one of Ron and Marge Mull's three children who has traveled abroad for the missions. After serving in the U.S. Navy for 10 years, Mike Mull is stationed at Chesapeake, VA. He and his wife Tessie have three boys. Ginger Mull Holzhausen and her husband Jeff, an Army captain, took their two small children to Hanau, Germany last October to begin a three-year tour of duty.

Bobbi Ann says simply that her African experience "confirmed that Christ is in my heart always. You don't get a missionary attitude from going there, but from knowing Christ."

The attractive young SST missionary has

and hunting within the city limits, was not passed at the second reading, but sent back for revision.

## Clinton County Extension Has New Director

Giles L. Roehl, of Windom, Minn., will begin his duties February 15 as the director of the Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service in Clinton County.

Roehl received two degrees in agricultural education from the University of Minnesota, a bachelor's degree in 1957 and a master's degree in 1970.

many slides of her sojourn in Liberia. Since she has been back home on W. Washington St., Bobbi Ann has relived her African mission experience by showing her 1½-hour slide presentation at the interdenominational DeWitt Community Church and to audiences in various homes.

## EXTENSION CALENDAR

4-H

February 10 - Fair Board Meeting, 8 p.m. SCCR

February 11 - Crafts Workshop, 7:30 p.m., Smith Hall

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February 13 - Central Michigan Crops Institute, 9:30 - 3:00, Lansing

February 20 & 27 - Profitability in Sheep Production, 7:30 - 9:30, Ovid

## FAMILY LIVING

February 11, 18 - "Eat, Drink and Feel Terrific"

February 21 - "New Look for Old Clothes", 1-3 First Congregational Church.

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## DATELINE: DeWitt

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669-3385

### Kitty Korner

**EASTER LILIES:** Members of the DeWitt Breakfast Lions Club are already taking orders for Easter lilies to be delivered in time for Easter again this year. Price for each lily plant is \$7.00.

To reserve your Easter lilies, contact any Breakfast Club member. Or call Easter Lily fundraising chairman Ken Schelb, 669-3406, or assistant chairman, Wally Marriott, 669-3385.

**BAHAMAS/LAS VEGAS:** DeWitt Evening Lions Club members are talking up their Travel Raffle and busily selling tickets for the same.

The tickets at \$10 each offer three big travel prizes: 1st prize - Bahamas, 7 nights, hotel and air travel for two; 2nd prize - Las Vegas, 3 nights, hotel and air travel for two; 3rd prize - Toronto, 2 nights, hotel and train travel for two.

Drawing date, will be March 18 at 9 p.m. at Prairie Creek Golf Club. If you would like a ticket, get in touch with Gary Gillespie, 669-9566, or any member of the Evening Lions Club.

**HATS OFF!:** To the spirited cast of "Annie" who presented one whale of a show at DeWitt High School last week. From the orphanage scene at opening curtain to the touching candlelit finale, each and every one of the young actors and actresses gave a sparkling performance.

There's no point in listing names because all of the cast members seemed perfect for their various roles; even Sandy handled the role of the noble dog with aplomb. Co-directors Penny

### GROUP TO MEET

Clinton County Historical Society will meet Thursday, February 20, at 7:30 p.m. in the Capitol Federal community room 301 N. Clinton, St. Johns.

Guest speaker Norman Rowley will discuss the Civil War and wear an Army uniform of that period. The public is welcome to attend.

service following at 6:30 p.m.

Community of St. Jude parishioners began their fourth semester in the RENEW program last week. The weekly small group meetings in the homes are focusing on Discipleship for the six weeks of Lent.

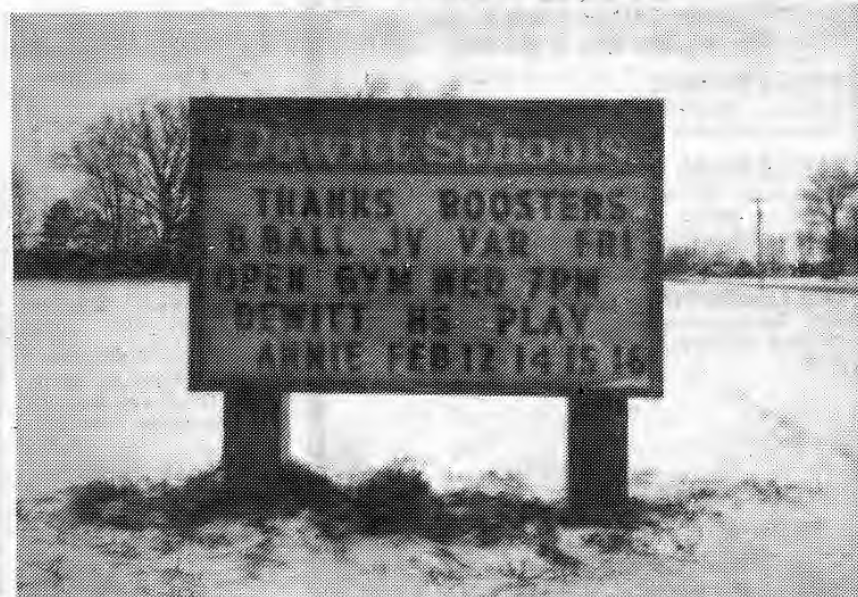
The RENEW large group committee is sponsoring an event next week, to which the entire community is invited: a presentation by Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Clinton County. The program takes place at 8 p.m. Wednesday evening, February 26.

A Tuesday evening Lenten Mass will be held at 7:30 p.m. each week of Lent, and station of the Cross devotion will take place each Friday at 7:30 p.m.

The parish Paschal Dinner is scheduled for Sunday, March 23.

**DISPLACED HOMEMAKERS:** Diane Cranmer of Sage Lane is directing a new tri-county program to help displaced homemakers become economically self-sufficient.

## NEW MARQUEE



The very first message to appear on the new marquee on high school grounds thanks DeWitt Schools Booster Club for underwriting installation of the signboard.

After the marquee itself was completed, Boosters had to wait a bit longer for arrival of letters to place on the board. Erected on the high school grounds facing both east and west bound traffic on Herbison Road, the sign now tells passersby about pertinent current events occurring at the schools.

Arrival of cold weather interrupted electrical work on the marquee; once that is completed, the sign will be lighted in conjunction with driveway lights on the school grounds.

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#### PROGRAM COVER

Unger and his graphics arts class looked like it should garner another award in state competition.

And what would a musical be without music? Jeff Kressler, of course, and the talented pit band set the lively tempo for "Annie." Playing in the pit band were Traci Ruiz, Lisa Koelsch, Deanna Bailor, Rhonda Levine, Kevin Boyd, Tom Smith, Jennifer Meister and Mark Rosendale.

Broadway couldn't have done it better!

**LENTEN LINEUP:** "A Time for Renewal" is the theme for Hope Lutheran Church's midweek Lenten services. Utilizing a new "Come as you are" schedule this year, they are encouraging everyone to stop by on their way home from work "for dinner or whatever."

A light soup and sandwich supper is being served each Wednesday evening during Lent from 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. with a worship

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Cranmer, well-known in DeWitt as president of DeWitt Public Schools Foundation, is director of the YWCA Displaced Homemaker Program, which has recently been funded by a one-year grant from the Michigan Department of Labor.

Reporting that there are an estimated 80,000 to 90,000 displaced homemakers in Michigan, Cranmer explains that they are usually middle-aged or older women from various economic and cultural backgrounds who have lost their unpaid jobs as homemakers. Whether the cause is divorce, separation, death or disability of a spouse or loss of public assistance, they are women who have been pushed, suddenly and late in life, over the line into economic distress.

Cranmer, who has been informing community agencies about the new program, plans to work closely with existing agencies in Clinton, Eaton and Ingham counties in making referrals, so that persons needing assistance can gain maximum benefit from area programs.

Displaced homemakers, she says sympathetically, are persons caught in the middle- in the middle of family structures abruptly altered by divorce, death or disability - in the middle between the prime working years and retirement, yet lacking marketable skills for employment.

YWCA  
of Greater  
Lansing



Director Cranmer points out that the Displaced Homemaker Program, originally established in 1978, currently has 12 funded programs in Michigan. Since 1979 these programs have provided job readiness and placement assistance to some 3000 women.

Any woman interested in assistance from the Displaced Homemaker Program should call Cranmer at 485-7201 for an appointment.

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#### LEADERS MAY TAKE PHOTOGRAPHY CLASS

Clinton County 4-H leaders and prospective leaders interested in photography are invited to attend the "Bring Your Skills Into Focus" workshop March 5 at the Brass Bell in Chesaning.

Don Wishart, Iowa State University 4-H information specialist, will provide technical instruction in the use of photographic tools and Kodak educational materials.

Reservations are due February 24. Contact the Cooperative Extension Service office at 224-3288.

The workshops are made possible by a grant from the Eastman Kodak Company to the Michigan 4-H Foundation.

Blessed are they who have nothing to say and who cannot be persuaded to say it. - James Russell Lowell.



## SCHOOL BOARD OKAYS TWO BIG PROJECTS

DeWitt Board of Education moved forward on two major projects at last Monday's meeting, voting to improve the school district's elementary facilities and implement a community education program.

The board agreed to choose an architect and financial consultant to again review facility needs and develop a proposal to submit to the public. While a facilities needs committee had rejected the idea of building a new elementary school, suggestions were made to add a gym and remodel Scott School cafeteria and make other improvements on all school buildings.

Public meetings were held in December and January to solicit input from local citizens. Turnout at the meetings was light, but there appeared to be a strong consensus to improve elementary facilities.

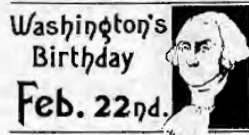
Following the May 1985 recommendation to the Community Education Task Force, board members moved Monday night to initiate a community education program by filling the position of director of community education.

Superintendent Steve Garrett hopes to have the new administrator start work on the program in April so that community education classes can be offered for 1986-87. Recommended salary range for the new director would be in the \$28,000 to \$34,000 bracket based on qualifications and experience.

## TOWNSHIP MINUTES

One DeWitt Township police officer will be reassigned to the Clinton County investigative unit, as a result of council action at Monday's meeting.

Working in conjunction with the Clinton County Sheriff's Office, the local policeman will cover assignments involving DeWitt



A youngster, on the morning after a snow, knocked at the door of a home and volunteered to shovel off the walks. The price agreed upon was one dollar.

Soon he came to the door again. "There's three of us," he said,

## Along The Looking Glass

Freshman Tim Miller is among the 186 Alma College students named to the dean's list for fall term. Students must achieve a 3.5 or better grade point average to be named to the dean's list.

The son of Noel and Rosemary Miller, Rambler Rd. and a 1985 DeWitt High School graduate, he plans to take pre-engineering courses at Alma College.

Clinton County Historical Commission will meet Tuesday, February 25, at 7 p.m. in DeWitt Charter Township hall.

Wacousta Elementary School is one of 20 Michigan schools nominated by the State Board of Education for special recognition as one of the state's most outstanding schools. Wacousta and the other Michigan schools will now be entered in a new national program to cite, outstanding elementary schools; national winners will be announced in June.

Dog licenses may be obtained at DeWitt Township hall until February 28. Proof of a

DeWitt Business Association members will hold their regular noon luncheon meeting at Foo Ying Restaurant Wednesday, February 19.

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## FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA WEEK

Clinton County Township Officers Association has scheduled an April 16 meeting at DeWitt Charter Township Hall.

The organization consists of elected township officers within the county.

Other meetings will be held in September at Victor Township hall and November at the county courthouse in St. Johns.

Earning at least a 3.6 semester average, Central Michigan University sophomore Marc A. Judge of DeWitt was one of 15 Clinton County students named to the fall semester honor list at CMU.

The Women's Society of Hope Lutheran Church held their annual Mother & Daughter banquet last Monday evening, February 10.

## SCHOOL BOARD NEWS

An improved telephone system is in the DeWitt School District's immediate future, as a result of school board action February 10 accepting the bid of General Telephone Electronics to provide that service.

Total cost will be \$33,459 to be financed over a three-year period. Improved equipment is expected to reduce monthly telephone costs and provide a pay back to the district in 3 or 4 years.

Board members also approved a benchtop autoclave for the high school science department at a cost on \$2610 and three baritone horns costing \$1875 for the high school music department. The autoclave, used to sterilize materials and equipment provides a safer environment when sterilizing than a pressure cooker.

The board authorized the Lansing firm of Freeman, Smith and Associates to conduct an engineering study of the ventilation systems

## PERSONNEL IN SERVICE

Marine Sgt. Kenneth Wicker, son of Larry and Dawn Wicker, Herbison Rd., has completed the Non-commissioned

at the high school and middle school; cost of the study is not to exceed \$2500.

Revisions to the current athletic policy were adopted, changing the number of competitions to the Michigan High School Athletic Association limits; removing the mileage limitation, and allowing practice Labor Day evening for those teams which have contests that week.

Personnel action included welcoming Annette Nowicki to the food service staff and approving the following non-staff coaching assignments: J.V. baseball, Sam Dalman; J.V. tennis, Bill Childress; 4th/5th grade basketball, Mike Seifert; assistant track coach, Tom Mauro.

The board extended congratulations to the computer team of Missy Ramirez, Dave Prudden, Kevin Boyd and Kevin O'Shaughnessy and advisor Richard Hawkins on their second place finish in regional computer programming competition. They also wished DeWitt's Quiz Bowl team luck in the upcoming state competition at Alma. The team, consisting of seniors Kevin Boyd (captain), Chris Heightchew, Kevin O'Shaughnessy, Steve Pingston, Tom Smith and junior Rob Gillespie

junction with the Clinton County Sheriff's Office, the local policeman will cover assignments involving DeWitt Township.

In other action, trustees approved the second reading of ordinances on a Uniform Building Code, allowance of signs with flashing and blinking lights, and permission for beauty and barber shops to operate in residents' homes.

Streetlights for Boichot Road between Northcre st and Stoll also got the council's nod of approval, as did the \$300 purchase of a new portable generator light for the fire department.

Get someone else to blow your horn and the sound will carry twice as far. -Will Rogers

## DeWitt City P & R Volleyball Standings

### Week of February 7

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Ball Movements	15-0
The "A" Team	12-3
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Riverwood Rage	10-5
Spartans	8-7
B. Makers	8-7
Tower Power	8-7
TGIF'S	8-7
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B. Stokers	3-12
Zief's Zappers	3-12
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to shiver on the walks. The price agreed upon was one dollar.

Soon he came to the door again. "There's three of us," he said, "and we can't figure out how to divide a dollar. Could you make the price 75 cents, instead?"

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Sign in New York fish market: Eat fish and quit beefing.

## WEEKEND BASKETBALL PLAYERS



You won't read the scores in any of the daily or weekly papers, but the Saturday morning basketball games sponsored by area parks and recreation departments are mighty important to 350 youngsters and their families.

A goodly number of local families set aside Saturday mornings during the 8-game season to get their boys and girls, ages 7 - 16, to one of six locations for the weekly games which are played between 9 a.m. and noon.

Volunteers coach the 37 teams of aspiring players from Bath, Bath Township, DeWitt, DeWitt Township and Watertown Township. Games are played at Fuerstenau School (in the photo above), DeWitt Township Hall, Bath elementary and middle schools, Wacousta gym and Watertown Township gym.

Most teams will finish their season by February 22 with March 1 the last week of play. An end-of-season potluck in March will conclude this winter P&R program.

## IN SERVICE

Marine Sgt. Kenneth Wicker, son of Larry and Dawn Wicker, Herbison Rd., has completed the Non-commissioned Officer Leadership Course. Wicker graduated from Eastern High School in 1981 and joined the Marine Corps the same year.

In addition to participating in close order drill and rigorous physical fitness program, Wicker studied personnel administration, Marine Corps history and traditions, military courtesy and the principals and techniques of effective leadership during the course at the Marine Corp Air Station, Yuma, AZ.

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Marine Cpl. Brian J. Brownfield has been promoted to his present rank while serving with 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, NC.

The son of Kenneth and Darlene Brownfield, Francis Rd., he joined the Marine Corps in June 1983 after graduating from St. Johns High School.

"Hey George. The paper says the ice melted at last night's hockey match. The game started under a foot of water, and things got steadily worse until the water was seven feet deep."

"Wow! What did the coach do?"

"The only thing he could do. He took out the first string and sent in the subs."

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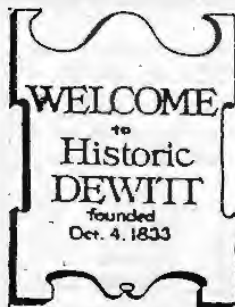
## Revamp Clothes For New Look

Revise, Revamp and Recycle is the name of the game when it comes to saving money on clothes. On Friday, February 21, Marlene Warmhoff, MSU Specialist, will be in St. Johns to teach how to turn an old wardrobe into today's latest fashion.

The class will be held from 1:00 - 3:00 pm at the First Congregational Church in St. Johns. There is a \$1.00 registration fee for the class and pre-registration is required. To pre-register call the Cooperative Extension Service Office at 224-3288 or call 669-3663 Ext. 229 by Wednesday, February 19.

Senatorial cocktail - just one, and you wind up speaking from the floor.





## DATELINE: DeWitt

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Photos and Stories by Kitty Marriott

### Kitty Horner

**NAME CHANGE:** Members voted the other night and now it's official - henceforth DeWitt Newcomers will be called DeWitt Newcomers and Friends.

Members thought it necessary to change the name because many of them aren't really newcomers to DeWitt anymore. They may join when they are "new kids on the block", but the organization is such an enjoyable, fun-type group that newcomers have found they don't want to leave it, after they have become "old-comers."

So don't be confused. Newcomers will still be welcomed with open arms when they move into the community, but the "Newcomers & Friends" name change allows them to remain members just as long as they want.

**FOLLIES AUDITIONS:** Tonight, tomorrow night and Thursday evening, February 24-25-27, are audition nights for the fifth annual DeWitt Follies. Time is 7 p.m. in DeWitt High School auditorium.

Elementary and middle school students are encouraged to be present for auditions Monday night - tonight. High school students and adults are asked to attend Tuesday and Thursday evenings, if possible.

Directors Ruth Ueberroth and Connie Toune have been pleased with the ideas presented for acts to date. These include an elementary class doing the Super Bowl Shuffle, some Irish dances and renditions of "Three Little Maids Are We" from the Mikado, "Wouldn't It Be Lovely?",

### Kevin Boyd Scholarship Finalist

DeWitt High School senior Kevin Boyd is a 1986 merit scholarship finalist, the National Merit Scholarship Corporation has just announced.

Finalists consist of one-half of one percent of all students in the country, who took the PSAT/NMSQT examinations in the fall of 1985.



## MTA AWARD



### VALLEY FARMS PARK CAN BE RESERVED NOW

DeWitt Charter Township is now accepting reservations from township residents for 1986 at Valley Farm Parks.

Fee scale is \$25 for the shelter or \$30 for shelter and pavilion with electricity. A \$10 refund is given if the area is left clean and undamaged.

Not included in a reservation are restrooms, horseshoes, one ball diamond and volleyball.

DeWitt Charter Township's senior citizen program won the first annual Service Innovations Award presented by Michigan Townships Association at MTA's January 30 convention held at the Westin Hotel, Detroit.

Catherine Reed, right, DeWitt Township treasurer who accepted the award at MTA's 33rd annual convention, and Jean Cook, left, township Parks and Recreation Director, admire the plaque.

The plaque states that DeWitt Charter Township received the 1986 Township Excellence Award in Service Innovations for its senior citizen program "in recognition of excellence in innovative community program development and contributions to education in township government."

Reed, who has guided the project's growth, notes that the township has incorporated a number of programs under the senior citizen umbrella. A senior citizen person has been on

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"Music from Around the World" is the theme for the '86 follies. Joan Embs is pianist for the auditions and Terry Gartside will again play organ selections introducing the follies program. Vic Toune is to be the master of ceremonies.

Follies dates are March 21 and 22.

**CONCERT BAND:** Thirty people now compose the fledgling DeWitt Community Concert Band and they meet faithfully to practice each Wednesday evening at 7:30 in the DeWitt High School band room.



Director Patricia Keilen Jackson acknowledges that the concert band is progressing nicely, but more members would still be welcomed. Local musicians age 17 and older who play any instrument are urged to come to the practices and join the band.

Spring is the group's target date to begin public concerts. Anyone who would like to arrange for a concert band performance may call Jackson at 1/875-2137.

**PTA CARNIVAL:** Parents and teachers of DeWitt Elementary PTA are busily preparing for the Saturday, March 1, fun-day which they hope can become an annual event.

Chairing the community program, billed as a "Disneyland Review", are Lynne Horn, second grade instructor Lucy Missimer, Joyce Spangler

### KEVIN BOYD

In early May, the National Merit Scholarship Corporation will announce the names of merit scholars.

Kevin, who is a member of the National Honor Society and DeWitt's Quiz Bowl team, is the son of Marilyn Boyd, Westview Ct., and the late Jim Boyd.

and Sue Quinn. They and many others are working on food and games to entertain all ages.

A puppet show entitled "Kids on the Block" and based on the theme of children's differences will be presented at intervals throughout the afternoon. The menu will include hot dogs, chips, cookies, coffee and other beverages.

There'll be a variety of games - football toss, cake walk, roll-a-score, chip toss, cookie walk, and velcro ball toss, as well as a facepainting booth, helium balloons and other colorful goodies. A preschool game room will offer a fish pond, bean bag toss and sucker tree. Tickets will be bargain-priced at 5 for \$1.00

In addition to the quilt handmade by PTA member Barbara Roso, door prizes will include a food processor, flower arrangement from McComb's, Sam's Kitchen gift certificate, pizza from Tommy's Pizza and Spartan Trivia games.

The owner of a bakery was closing up shop on a stormy winter night when a man came in and asked for two sweet rolls. The baker was amazed that anyone would come out in weather like that for just two rolls. "Are you married?" he asked.

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May will mark the third anniversary of "Meals on Wheels" in the township and senior citizen nutrition lunches are served Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week at DeWitt Township Hall.

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**ADULT CO-ED SOFTBALL LEAGUES** - Anyone interested? Please let me know! Marla Arney -669-2441.

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## CITY COUNCIL NOTES

Discussion of ways to trim costs of the proposed city hall building project occupied a large portion of Monday evening's city council meeting. DeWitt Building Authority chairman Austin Knapp and architect Robert Freeman of Freeman, Smith & Associates outlined some cost-cutting possibilities.

A few of the options, Knapp said, include eliminating the basement which was to provide badly needed storage space, going to a flat roof which is not as attractive aesthetically and changing to forced air heating system.

Since council reaffirmed its intention of staying within the earliest price estimate (\$275,000) at the Monday meeting, the DBA and architect will try to achieve both goals - staying within the financial parameters and acquiring the space needed by city hall and police staff.

Knapp expects to call a special meeting of the authority this week. Members, in addition to Knapp, are Dan Bourbon, Rudy Borr and Henry Theroux. Fifth member Doug Twiss resigned when he became fire chief.

In other action, council members reviewed the water agreement with DeWitt Township and made some recommendations. Administrative aide Bob Peterson, city engineer Orla McGuire and Wayne Verspoor, liaison person from the Sewer and Water Committee, will now go over the contract with township delegates.

Council had voted last month to hook into the DeWitt Township water system and utilize the township's water storage tank near the middle school.

## EXTENSION CALENDAR

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February 24 - Horse Council, 7 p.m., SCCR

February 25 - Camp Counselors Training, 7:30, Smith Hall

February 28 - Leadermete, MSU

AG

February 20 & 27 - Profitability in Sheep Production, 7:30 - 9:30, Ovid

February 25 - Swine Breeding Management

## DEWITT QUIZ KIDS



DeWitt High School's Quiz Bowl team is getting in a few practice sessions in the Guidance Office before they compete in the quarter finals March 8 at Alma College.

Left to right are Rob Gillespie, Kevin Boyd, Kevin O'Shaughnessey, Matt Williams and team coach Frank Deak (both standing), Steve Pingston and Chris Heightchew.

Deak asks the question and the student who knows the answer hits the buzzer in front of him, lighting the buzzer's panel. Speed is every bit as important and accuracy, Deak says; Quiz Bowl participants can't afford to hesitate.

The DHS team was victorious over Perry 105-75 in the first round and beat Breckenridge by a score of 320-20 on February 15.

## BIG BROTHER/SISTER SEMINAR WEDNESDAY

Many local youngsters badly need the support of a Big Brother or Big Sister, so all area residents are invited to attend the information seminar on

## Dairy Nutrition

The Clinton County Cooperative Extension Service is holding an advanced Dairy Cattle Nutrition Seminar

## Along The Looking Glass

Clinton County Arts Council held its monthly meeting Thursday evening at DeWitt Conservatory of Music and Dance.

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The DeWitt American legion post will hold a dance Friday, March 14, in DeWitt Memorial Building. Cost is \$6 per person, \$12 per couple.

Dance proceeds will go to the post's building fund. Any eligible veteran who joins the post that evening will receive a \$4 discount on his first year's dues.

For details, contact any legion member or Rodger Brown, Post Commander, at 669-3661 after 6 p.m.

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Newcomers and Friends will hold their Lunch-for-a-bunch Thursday noon, February 27, at Houlihan's. Contact Chris Belknap by Tuesday, February 25, for reservations.

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Clinton County Historical Commission will meet Tuesday, February 25, at 7 p.m. in DeWitt Charter Township hall.

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February 25 - Swine Breeding Management for increased Profits, 9 - 3, Fowler

February 27 - Pesticide Certification Day, 10:00, Smith Hall

#### FAMILY LIVING

February 24 - "Eating Healthy", 5 week series, Holy Trinity Parish, Fowler, 1 - 2:30.

The difference between gossip and news is whether you hear it or tell it.

#### BIG BROTHER/SISTER SEMINAR WEDNESDAY

Many local youngsters badly need the support of a Big Brother or Big Sister, so all area residents are invited to attend the information seminar on Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Clinton County to be held Wednesday evening, February 26, at 8 p.m. at St. Jude Catholic Church.

Co-sponsors of the seminar, which will offer an opportunity to ask questions regarding the Big Brother/Big Sister program, are St. Jude's Large Group Renew Committee and Council 7237 Knights of Columbus.

Refreshments will be served.

#### Dairy Nutrition

The Clinton County Cooperative Extension Service is holding an advanced Dairy Cattle Nutrition Seminar, March 4 from 10 - 3 p.m. in Smith Hall in St. Johns.

To register for this class, call the Clinton County Cooperative Extension Service, 224-3288, or 669-3663 Ext. 229 by February 28.

will meet Tuesday, February 25, at 7 p.m. in DeWitt Charter Township hall.

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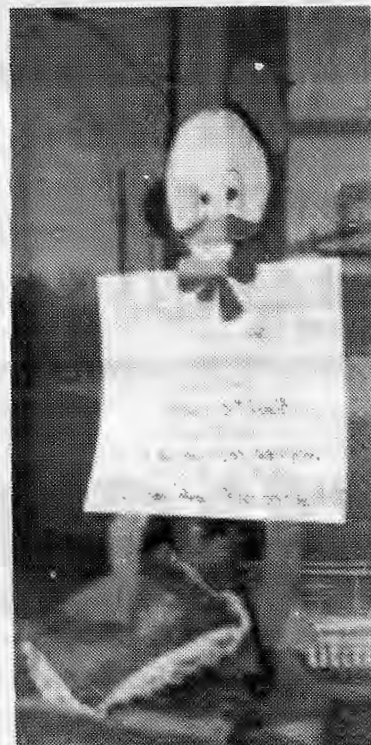
Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Daniel J. Tierney recently reported for duty at Naval Air Station Chase Field, Beeville, TX.

Tierney, who joined the Navy in 1968, is the son of Katherine Tierney, Manchester Dr.

#### PTA DISNEYLAND REVIEW



The attractive quilt and matching pillow, handmade by Barbara Roso for the first annual DeWitt PTA Carnival, are on display in DeWitt Hardware's window under Donald Duck's watchful eye. The "Disneyland Review" will be held at Scott School Saturday, March 1, from 2 until 6 p.m.



A slender young woman with a pinched face and granny glasses played the violin almost every afternoon on 57th Street in New York last summer.

She was an arresting figure as she fiddled before a music stand. Her hair fluttering in the wind, she stared at her book of music - usually Mozart - and played and played. She never took here eyes off the music, even when passersby dropped coins into a small cup fastened to the stand.

As she was packing up the stand one day, she was asked how she happened to be a street musician. "I'm not," she said quietly. "It's just that I'm going to a professional violinist, and I have to practice from three to four hours a day. I decided that I might just as well pick up a few bucks while I'm doing it."