

# The Weidman Messenger

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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### WE START OUT EARLY WITH POOR SPORTSMEN

Residents around the south end of Littlefield Lake are irate over the shooting of tame geese this past weekend.

Seems a small flock of four Canadian geese arrived and rested on the lake shore a while, then three of the four took off on their migratory flight south.

Presently one came to shore, crippled. Lake residents nursed the big bird back to health until it could swim and fly, and then it was joined by four other honkers.

The beautiful birds stayed on close waters and on the shore, and lake residents fed them and loved them and they appeared quite tame.

Late Saturday afternoon a man came along, saw the geese, stopped his car, hauled out his gun and started shooting the big birds on the ground. The geese were not afraid of people, and did not fly until the shooting began.

The "sportsman" killed two and hit one.

The incident took place in a well-populated area, very near residential buildings.

Littlefield Lake residents are understandably up in arms over the slaughter.

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Frances Tranbarger spied a bright, perky purple violet bloom in her lawn Sunday, Oct. 13.

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Howard and Olive Johnson of Fremont, Ohio, give us clippings from their local paper describing a running battle between their county auditor and the Ohio State Tax Board, over the latter's order to raise real estate valuation there by 30 percent.

The battle has been going on over a year, with the county losing, generally speaking.

But at least Sandusky County, Ohio, has county officials going to bat for the taxpayers.

We envy them.

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Edna (Kew) Bowein moved back home to Weidman last week, after living in Detroit since 1917. Welcome home, Edna!



JOHN REIHL

**89TH BIRTHDAY--**The children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren gathered at the John Reihl residence Sept. 29 to celebrate his birthday. Pot-luck dinner was served, with a beautiful cake, and ice cream. About 200 were present for the glorious day, and the family hopes to celebrate many more. The event was sponsored by the children of Mr. Reihl.

### MOTHERS CLUB ASKS FOR DONATIONS FOR HALLOWE'EN PARTY AT WEIDMAN SCHOOL

The Weidman Mothers Club is planning a Hallowe'en party at the school next Thursday, Oct. 31, for children of the area, hopefully to replace the "trick or treat" activities of small children here.

Donations of a bag of candy or a dollar are solicited, and either may be left at Mr. Howard's office at the Weidman School.

The party is planned for pre-schoolers through the fifth grade.

Donations should be in by next Thursday, Oct. 24.

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Mrs. Grace Pitts attended a Sunday school picnic at the Gilmore Church of Christ Sunday.

R.D. Sprague came home last Thursday afternoon after spending a month in St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. He was taken to CMC Hospital Friday night, where he was reported as coming along well the first of the week, although weak after minor surgery.

### CENTENNIAL FUND AUCTION SALE THIS SATURDAY NIGHT

The Beal City Centennial Fund people are staging an auction sale this Saturday evening, Oct. 19, at the K.C. Hall in Beal City, to help raise funds for next year's Centennial celebration.

The sale starts at 9 p.m., and promises good bargains and a lot of fun. Refreshments will be furnished.

Donations are solicited, and anyone with articles to give may call any of these numbers:

Charles Schmidt, 644-2195, Dick Schafer, 644-2271, and Jack Pung, 644-2162.

Old items are earnestly needed, but any and all articles except clothing are welcome.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Howard Johnson (Olive) and friend, Esther Delagrange, of Fremont, Ohio, spent last week at the Kit Johnson home here, to visit with Kit, who has been at the Medical Care Facility in Mt. Pleasant for some time.

### AREA TOWNSHIPS READY FOR ADOPTION OF CODE

Area township boards have been busy arranging for adoption of a building code, with most opting for the Uniform Code in lieu of the rigid and very expensive State Code, or BOAC.

Broomfield Township has decided to go it alone, adopting the Uniform Code, after consideration of joining other townships in joint administration.

Board members of six townships met recently at the Nottawa Township Hall to go over the options, with Vernon, Wise, and possibly Nottawa leaning to joint administration of the Uniform Code by several townships.

Gilmore was undecided; Sherman and Coldwater Townships will go together on the Uniform Code whether other townships join in or not, Lewis Bowen, Supervisor of Coldwater, said this week.

Both Coldwater and Sherman Townships already have township planning boards in action.

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At a special meeting Monday night, the Nottawa Township Board voted to accept the Uniform Building Code in preference to the rigorous State Code.

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### WAYNE CHARNES BECOMING NATIONALLY KNOWN FOR WORK IN HUMANITIES

Wayne Charnes and his wife, Joan, are spending this week in Philadelphia, where Wayne is attending seminars and Joan is enjoying the sights of the historic city.

Wayne is becoming nationally known for his work in the fields of treating alcoholism and world poverty. He is now head of Human Aid, Inc., a non-profit organization dealing exclusively with alcoholism.

His working field covers Midland County, Reed City, Gladwin, and Roscommon. His clientele is referred for rehabilitation by the courts, and his organization is under funding by Health, Education and Welfare.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson, Jr. (Whit and Ann) of Grand Rapids were Saturday guests of their grandmother, Frances Tranbarger. Connie Skinner joined them at lunch.

## Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Alva Cummins returned home from the Edmore Hospital Monday.

Miss Debbie Sliter and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harrison and son were weekend guests at the Earl Oplinger home.

Mrs. Myrl Scott and Mrs. Don Schut and Steve were Saturday luncheon guests of Mrs. Nettie Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Cochran were Sunday dinner guests of the Gerald Losey family.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mr. and Mrs. Orrin First went to Rochester, N.Y., to visit their children, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Denslow, and Brenda and Mark. They spent from Friday till Monday with them.

Mrs. Florence Hoffman and Mrs. Cleda Navarre were guests of Mrs. Margaret Denslow and attended the Rotary Club dinner at the Mecosta Methodist Church last Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Friend and Susie Griffin of Ionia were Tuesday afternoon guests of Mrs. Flora Wood.

Mrs. Wood attended a bridal shower for Vickie Yunker at Beal City last Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Friend and Susie Griffin of Ionia were Monday callers of the Paul Millers. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wright were weekend guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Fuller and family spent Sunday at the Jim Thompson home. Bill Thompson attended a hay ride at the Wager home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wood were Friday evening guests at the

Thompson home.

Charles Fahnestock spent the weekend in Brighton. Mrs. Fahnestock attended the Barryton church Sunday with Mrs. Margaret Denslow.

The Busy Bees met with Mrs. Fahnestock last Thursday, with 18 ladies and one child present.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Thrush spent Monday with Mrs. Eva Denslow.

Mrs. Mabel Allen was a Sunday dinner guest at the Elwood Miller home. Their son George was also home for the day.

Ardis Merrihew visited her parents, the Charlie Loseys, Wednesday, on her way to Big Rapids. Mrs. Violet Oplinger was a Thursday afternoon guest. Harold and Ron Losey were Saturday visitors. Floyd Dutcher and Monroe Beckwith were Sunday dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman and Chad and Nancy Losey were Sunday evening callers at the Charlie Losey home.

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## Walker Creek News

Mary Loomis, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kinnunen of Ojibwa were Friday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family. Sunday dinner guests were her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ley, of Conklin. Sunday callers were Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Wright of Rockford and Mike and Rosie Gray of Mt. Pleasant.

Wayne Fifield and friend of Lansing were Saturday evening callers at the Clyde Emmons home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Dills of

Grand Ledge were Thursday afternoon visitors of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Loomis. Mr. and Mrs. George Loomis of New Era and Bessie Loomis were Saturday dinner guests. Evening visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Loomis of Lansing. Other callers during the weekend were Max Kimball of Barryton, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Loomis and Angela, and Virgil Loomis and boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lynch and boys of Watseka, Ill., and Henry Bruens of Milford, Ill., spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Orval Reed. Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moses of Mt. Pleasant were Friday evening dinner guests. Saturday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pyrratt and son of Big Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzy returned Saturday afternoon from a week's fishing trip on Drummond Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loomis and family spent the weekend in

Lansing, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wilson.

Mrs. Ethel Mae Monroe was able to spend the weekend at home, from the Medical Care Facility in Mt. Pleasant.

Stuart Voss and daughter, Angie, of Lansing and Mrs. Myrtle Rowe were Saturday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss and Stacey. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilmot were Sunday dinner guests. Sunday afternoon callers were Ralph and Beverly Flaughter.

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## NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Emily Wood returned home last Thursday, after spending some time at the Edmore Hospital. Roy and Ann Wood of Bay City were Sunday callers. Ruth Tudor and Grandma Tudor of Grand Rapids were also callers.

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Sept. 26tf

FOR SALE--8x35 Mobile Home, 2 bedrooms, \$600. Crib mattress and sheet, \$6. 2 snack sets, glass, 8 cups, 8 plates, \$2.00. Can be seen at 5678 W. Jordan Road, Coldwater Lake. Phone 644-3967.

Oct. 17tf

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Oct. 3t6

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Oct. 3t4

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Oct. 10tf

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Oct. 17t1p

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Oct. 17t1p

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Oct. 17t1

LEGHORN PULLETS--For sale. Third house east of Woodruff Road, on Coleman Road. Mrs. Paul Cole, tel. 644-2088.

Oct 17tf

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

## Notice

### CHANGE OF TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING DATE

Notice is hereby Given, That the Sherman Township Board will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 22, at 8 p.m., changed from Saturday, Oct. 19.

The Tuesday meeting will be held at the Sherman Township Hall.

Oct. 17t1

TO GIVE AWAY--Mother cat and one yellow kitten. 330. West Main, Weidman. Tel. 644-3649.

Oct. 17t1

## the Churches

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH (1 Mile West of Weidman) Pastor; Marvin Eldridge, phone 644-3504.

Sunday School, 10 a.m.  
Morning Service, 11 a.m.  
Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday), 7.30 p.m.

Choir Thursday, 6.30 p.m.  
We enjoyed the representative from the Gideons at our church last Sunday.

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WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST Rev. Athel Lynch, Pastor, 2163 2nd Street, Weidman. Office phone 644-3336, parsonage 644-3441.

Church School, 9.45 a.m.  
Worship Service, 11 a.m.  
Sharing and prayer Thursday, 7.30 p.m.  
Pot-luck dinner third Sunday, 1 p.m.  
U.M.W., 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 3 p.m.  
Methodist Men, 4th Saturday, 5.30 p.m.

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ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH Broomfield: Located six miles south of Weidman on Coldwater Road.

Rev. Edwin Schmelzer, Pastor.  
Sunday School, 9.15 a.m.  
Worship Service, 10.45 a.m.  
Ladies' Aid meets on second Wednesday of each month.

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Rev. John A. Wright, Minister. Phone 644-3604.  
Sunday School, 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.  
Choir practice, 6.30 p.m.  
Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.  
Prayer Service Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith called on Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Cole on M-66 Sunday afternoon. The Coles are planning to spend the winter in the south.

## Obituary

### RUSSELL McCLAIN

Russell D. McClain of Clare died Oct. 13 in the Clare Osteopathic Hospital. He was 50.

He was born Oct. 23, 1923, in Sherman Township of Isabella County.

He was a member of the Clare Church of God. He had been employed as a custodian at CMU.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Stephenson-Doherty Funeral Home, with Rev. Charles Hilliard officiating. Burial was in Memorial Gardens at Mt. Pleasant.

He is survived by his wife, Betty; a daughter, Annette, at home; five sons, Paul of Mt. Pleasant, Dwight of Farmington, and David, Roger and Robert at home; three sisters, Mrs. Edwin Blach of Hemet, Calif., Mrs. William Cerney and Mrs. JoAnna Lettick of Clare; a brother, George McClain, Sr., of Barryton; and two grandchildren and other relatives.

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## SALE

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We need everything except clothing. Old-time items especially welcome. White elephant items welcome.



**NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK**--Is being observed at St. Joseph's Parochial School in Beal City. Science classes, under direction of Mrs. Jan Newman, have been working on a unit on food values, nutrition and meal planning. A survey taken in grades 4, 5 and 6 indicates that the most popular menu would consist of tacos or pizza, corn, celery and carrot sticks, ice cream, and chocolate milk. Sound good to you? Cooks at St. Joseph's are (left to right, above): Johanna Smith, Ann Simmer and Vera Neubecker.

## North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Brown and son spent Friday evening with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Aldrich, playing cards.

Mrs. Lois Knollenberg and boys of Rosebush and Tom Kennedy called on Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott and grandson, Casey, called on us Sunday, and took us for a color tour up north.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott and Mrs. Helen Alwood spent last Tuesday with John's sister, Mrs. Anna Kochensparger, near North Star. Mrs. Wanda Graham enjoyed lunch with all of them at Anna's home. They enjoyed the beautiful scenic drive, going down and coming back.

Mrs. Elvah Gott, Mrs. Helen Alwood and Mrs. Lena Cole attended the Merry Go Round Club at the home of Mrs. Clarence

Conley last Thursday. On the way back they visited with Velma Cole and enjoyed a glass of good cider.

Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Alwood and Heather visited at the Don Alwood home Saturday and had lunch with them. Mrs. Alice Brown called Monday.

Mrs. Helen Alwood and Cathy and Gwen Fairchild attended a 9th grade football game at the high school Thursday evening. Donny played on the team, against adversary Reed City. Friday night was Homecoming, and many from this area attended, and enjoyed the game, Queen's float, Mr. Yarrick's marching band, and fireworks.

Many friends and neighbors have stopped at the George McClain, Jr., home the past weeks to visit and try to say words of comfort. Saturday evening callers were Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Alwood and Heather and Jim Alwood.

Mrs. Zena Olger spent Sunday over night at the Dale Letson home in Mt. Pleasant. She had an appointment with her doctor Monday, and then planned to return home.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Alton Allen returned last Tuesday after spending two weeks with relatives in St. Louis and Wheeler.

Mrs. Claribel Beutler spent Sunday afternoon with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Downing, of Marion.

## Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Embrey of Mt. Pleasant are the proud parents of a baby son, born Oct. 7. He weighed nine pounds, two ounces, and has been named Jason Carl. He has two brothers at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug McArthur and Eric and Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur spent the weekend camping at Kalkaska.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Parker and family spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hulbert at Cheboygan.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Blackmer of Broomfield were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey.

Frank Durham of Bay City spent the weekend with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Brenay of Essexville were Sunday dinner guests.



**THE JUNIOR VARSITY CHEERLEADERS:** Left to right, Annette Schafer, Deb Coston, Karen Gruss, Char Garrett, Karla Miller, Judy Steffke. Patti DuVall is their advisor, and she is very proud of her girls.

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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

### AGGIES WHIP McBAIN IN BIG GAME THERE

The Beal City Aggies played an outstanding game against the strong McBain football team Friday night, knocking over the tough rival 41-8.

The victory gives the Aggies a record of 4-0 for the season thus far.

The Aggies now have a 5-0 overall record, and will play second-place Marion this Friday night in the Beal City High School Homecoming event.

Yea, Aggies!

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Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kremsreiter and son, Lee, went to Lake Leelanau to visit Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fox over the weekend. Dora Smith stayed with the children while they were gone.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rau are the proud parents of a baby girl, born Friday at CMC Hospital.

Gerald and Loretta Smith of Mt. Pleasant spent a few days at their cottage near Paradise, U.P.

Mrs. Tony Schafer spent Sunday with the Bob Schafer family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Michaletz of Chicago spent the weekend with Louise Schafer and Mr. and Mrs. John Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Proefrock and family of Reed City spent Sunday afternoon with Grandma Louise Smith.

Martha Ahler, daughter of the Ted Ahlers, died in Lansing last week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips spent Thursday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Vogel.

## In the Editor's Mail

Dear Jack (Bellows):

Received your letter. Thanks a lot for getting me some of those pictures of the White School. If you ever see Margaret Peacock Denslow, tell her she forgot to put Nile Bellows' name in the paper. He is standing between Ronald Cummings and Edwin Bellows. They must have missed him. There are a lot of Bellowses in that picture.

Floyd lives in Plainwell. His son, Dean, is married. They had a baby boy the 18th of September. Now Floyd is Grandpa.

We were up to LaVonna's last night, playing cards. It was her husband Bill's birthday. He had to retire, too, on account of his heart. I think I told you that Leo had to retire on account of his heart.

Does Edna Hampton still live in Weidman? Leo and I plan on going on a few weeks' vacation next week, want to see Nile and Marion, Marvel and Les, Beulah and Gordon Loomis--they live in Lansing. She used to be Beulah Sisco. She graduated from the eighth grade with me.

Will be seeing you one of these days. Love and best wishes,  
Your cousin,  
Bertha  
Petoskey

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Dear Connie:

So sorry I am late.

Have had a real nice summer, hot but nice, lots of rain. Everything grew like crazy. Had to mow the lawn a couple of times a week.

We enjoy the paper very much.

Maybe we will see you next summer.

Yours truly,  
Frank and Mabel Walz  
Lakeland, Florida

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST  
HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Momany of Big Rapids and Ann's brother-in-law and sister, the Don Swans, of Mt. Pleasant, were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mrs. Ruth Momany. Ruth gave them a batch of fruit jars she had in her basement.

## Come Visit Our Geological Display-



Our thanks go to Mr. William Strickler, Mr. Thomas Knapp and Mr. William Brown, local Geologists, for their contributions of different cores of sub-surface formations, fossil and reef materials, and information on surface and sub-surface formations of our State of Michigan, indicating various oil zones. Please stop in and view this display.

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**BEAL CITY CHEERLEADERS TAKE HONORS:** The cheerleader squads of the Beal City High School took honors at a Michigan state cheerleading championship contest Oct. 5 at Northwood Institute. Cheerleaders from all over the state competed. The Beal City Varsity squad took a First in their division, while the Junior Varsity took a fourth in theirs. Shown above is the Varsity squad, left to right: Top row, Kim Gruss, Kay Brickner, Jean Bossch. Bottom row, Cathy Tilmann, Jan Clevenger, and Tracy Wilson.

## Obituary

### MRS. FRANCIS PHIPPS

Funeral services for Mrs. Emma Phipps, widow of Francis, were held Sunday, Oct. 6, from the Gilmore Church of Christ, with burial in the Gilmore Township Cemetery. George Getchel officiated.

Emma Shilling was born June 29, 1895, in Gilmore Township, and died Thursday evening, Oct. 3, 1974, at the Pleasant Manor Nursing Home in Mt. Pleasant, after a long illness, at the age of 79 years, three months and four days.

She was the daughter of John and Sarah Stamm Shilling, and was a lifelong area resident.

She was a member of the Gold Leaf Rebekah Lodge No. 208, the Gilmore Church of Christ, and the Gilmore Grange.

She was united in marriage Dec. 13, 1913, to Francis Phipps, who preceded her in death in 1961.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Mildred Renner and Mrs. Lucille Brown, both of Farwell; and Mrs. Gertrude Jackson of Saginaw; two sons, Warren of Farwell and Hubert of North Branch; and 25 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren;

Also one brother, George Shilling, of Lake, and many other relatives and friends.

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## In the Editor's Mail

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I'm fine and happy, and am keeping active and enjoying life.

Our weather here is turning towards fall, but we still have nice sunshiny days.

I get letters that Mom is getting along fine and is always in a very happy mood.

Will try to see all of you next year again. Can't keep me away!

Take care. Love,  
Rosalie K. Winn  
California

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To the Editor:

Since it is impossible to thank each and every one involved, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who helped with the benefit dance held in our behalf.

A special thanks to Clare Myers and Red Nartker and their families for planning it, and the work involved; Pepsi Cola Co. for the pop; Merlene Koutz for donating the use of his tent; Gary Acton and his Country Gentlemen for the music; Jack and Marion Howell, Lloyd Edwards, and Harold Post for their music;

Those who furnished tables, food, etc.

Thanks to the many, many people who attended; also thanks to those who were unable to attend but donated anyway.

We deeply appreciate the many kindnesses shown us. May God bless you all.

The Arthur Meyer Family  
Shepherd

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### BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 15 1/2 TABLES IN PLAY

At the regular Thursday afternoon card party of the Beal City Senior Citizens last week, there were 15 1/2 tables of pepper in play.

Hulda Stevens won high-score prize for the ladies, with Ruth Gallagher second. Kitty Gross won low.

Will Lawens won first prize for the men, with Jack Cotter second and Floyd Dutcher low.

Wilbur Reiner won the pepper prize. Albina Rau drew the door prize.

The committee served cookies and coffee for refreshments.

The next card party at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City will be Thursday afternoon, Oct. 24.

Everyone everywhere is invited.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST  
HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY



**Cindy Hutchinson**

THE LYLE HUTCHINSONS, of Weidman, announce the engagement of their daughter, Cindy, to Ronald Barz, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Barz, Beal City. The bride-elect is a senior at Beal City High School. Her fiancé, a 1974 graduate of Beal City High School, is presently employed at Card Construction Co. A November 23 wedding is being planned by the couple.

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## Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Oral Bunting and Blaine Stansell took a trip last week through the Upper Peninsula, to Copper Harbor and back.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Bunting, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Bunting and Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Rayborn of Bel-ding spent Sunday with their father, Oral Bunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Gostola and Paul of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold.

Miss Alliance Cook was hostess for the Lutheran Ladies' Aid at the church last Wednesday.

Callers of Mrs. Nettie Crowley last week were Mrs. Bob Cook and Mrs. Paul Lueder.

Mrs. Bob Cook visited her sister, Miss Mary Richardson, Saturday, at the Medical Care Facility in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Flaughner and Richard Flaughner called on the Ray Flaughners Sunday.

Mrs. Ursula Knapp and Mrs. Ron Flaughner's cousin from Germany visited at the Ron Flaughners' home. She has been touring the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Flaughner visited the Roy Silvernails in Grand Rapids Sunday, and were much interested in his collection of antiques.

Mrs. Donna Deboid and baby visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Larson, Sunday.

Mrs. Ella Cox and Mrs. Lulu Courser were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Leona Courser.

Mrs. Frank Haupt was hostess to the CMB Club Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Heckert are the parents of a new baby girl, April Joy, born Sunday at CMC Hospital.

Mrs. Blanche Carr attended the wedding of her grandson, Rodney Simmer, and Miss Barbara Sisco Friday evening at St. Joseph the Worker Church in Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Carr of Saginaw called on me Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Plank and sons of Wheeler were weekend guests.

The Doyle Planks visited Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bridget Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell McDonald and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Courser were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Courser and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook.

Mrs. Nettie Baker attended a family gathering for Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lynch and family of Watsego, Ill., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orval Reed, Friday evening. She was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bugby, and they visited Mrs. Katherin Gillie in the Medical Care Facility at Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike McGion of Corunna were Sunday guests of Mrs. Kate Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hines have remodeled their garage, for his folks to live in this winter. They moved in Saturday.

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## West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

We are very glad to hear that Albert Geasler is very much improved, at CMC Hospital, and expected to be home the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ewing of Vassar were Saturday dinner guests of her parents, the Paul Coles. The Ewings left Wednesday on a trip to Florida. They will go to Washington, D.C., to visit their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Ewing, and their son, Russell Ewing, both in the service.

Callers Saturday at the Paul Cole home were Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Pfarness and Miss Debbie Marino.

Miss Marino and Frank Miller are spending the week at the Tony Masachuk home.

Miss Bobbie Worth and Darrel Worth spent the weekend with their parents, the Robert Worths. Bobbie stayed most of the time with her Grandma Geasler.

Mrs. Beula Wixson and Lena Cole had cider made last Wednesday.

Winter is nearly upon us.

Monday visitors of the Paul Coles were Miss Ruth Border and sister, Mrs. Beulah Wixson.

Velma Cole went to her doctor in Mt. Pleasant last Tuesday. She and her parents were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Allbee.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sloan were Saturday guests of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler. George Cornell and son, Jimmy, were Sunday visitors.

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## Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Visitors here Monday were Don Schafer and daughters, Jossie and Heather, and Lynn Schafer and son, Brian.

Bill and Bob Schafer helped Lawrence Lee by taking his dock out and his pontoon from the lake this past Thursday.

Lynn Schafer visited Judy Schafer Tuesday evening.

Wayne and Ruth Sherlock visited here Tuesday evening. Eddie Sherlock spent Sunday night and Monday with Grandma and Grandpa Schafer.

Robert Schafer is the proud owner of a new car.

We called on George and Virginia Bader Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith treated his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith, to a fish supper

Friday evening, at their home here.

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ors present. The November meeting will be with Marilyn Fosberg on Tuesday, the 14th. Due to deer hunting season, the annual bazaar will be held at that time.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen spent Saturday with their daughter and husband, the Wilbur Fletchers, and helped put siding on their garage. Wilbur and Connie are the proud owners of a new Ford, purchased last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Moon and David of Battle Creek called on me Friday and Saturday evening. They were spending the weekend at their trailer on Grass Lake Road, doing some duck hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. George Holland and family of Grand Rapids spent Saturday evening with her mother, Jane Fields, and uncle, Tony Bartley.

Mr. and Mrs. Hausker called on Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Strang and girls were in Kentucky a few days last week.

Mrs. Teeter had some of her family Sunday at dinner, including Mr. and Mrs. Harley Teeter and family of Clare and the Earl Place family.

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## Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter  
Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Baker were their son,

John, and wife of Grand Rapids. Ken and Oraulea called on her eye doctor in Saginaw Friday. Flossie Forbes' granddaughter, the former Donna Faulds, of

near Detroit, spent the weekend with her.

The Merry Go Round Club met Thursday with Cleo Conley, with 17 members and two visit-

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