



Walter T. Roach American Legion Post 182  
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### Scrap Steel from World Trade Center Disaster creates new warship – USS New York

It was built with 24 tons of scrap steel from the World Trade Center. It is the fifth in a new class of warship - designed for missions that include special operations against terrorists. It will carry a crew of 360 sailors and 700 combat-ready Marines to be delivered ashore by helicopters and assault craft. Steel from the World Trade Center was melted down in a foundry in Amite, LA to cast the ship's bow section. When it was poured into the molds on Sept. 9, 2003, "those big rough steelworkers treated it with total reverence," recalled Navy Capt. Kevin Wensing, who was there. "It was a spiritual moment for everybody there." Junior Chavers, foundry operations manager, said that when the trade center steel first arrived, he touched it with his hand and the "hair on my neck stood up." "It had a big meaning to it for all of us," he said. "They knocked us down. They can't keep us down. We're going to be back." The ship's motto? "Never Forget" (sent by Kelly Melton, Aux. Pres.)

### The Normandy Invasion-Heroes and Mme Simone Renaud-

[www.motherofnormandy.com](http://www.motherofnormandy.com) "...The August 7, 1944 issue of "Life" magazine included a photo of Mme. Simone Renaud placing flowers on the grave of **General Theodore Roosevelt Jr., founder of the American Legion**, who died of a heart attack five weeks after the D-Day landings....After that photo appeared Mme. Renaud was besieged with letters from the United States, requesting that flowers be placed on the graves of their loved ones buried in France...Personally responding to one request at a time, Mme. Renaud made it her life's work to deliver solace to families on the other side of the ocean ... And they are the guys Mme. Renaud spent her life threading deep into the tapestry of Normandy, forever connecting them to a time, place and people they made free." (Jeff Stoffer, American Legion Magazine, Dec. 2006, pp.22-27) *The complete story with all of the details of the ultimate sacrifices made by our men in uniform in the ensuing battles of D-Day is fascinating and informative to read. Our own Walter T. Roach who was killed by machine gun fire on October 13, 1918 is buried in Argonne American Cemetery at Romayne-seuse, Montfaucon, Meuse, France. Ed.*

#### **Legion Officers**

Commander - William Kruger  
Adjutant - Dan Heckman  
Vice Comdr. - Terry Fletcher  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Comdr., Newsletter - Bud Howard  
Sgt.-At-Arms - Leo McMillan  
Finance Officer - James Barker  
Service Officer - Murdo Wood  
Chaplain - James R. McGinn  
Historian - John Stoddard  
Trustees - Terry Fletcher, Bud Howard, Leo McMillan

#### **Auxiliary Officers**

President - Kelly Melton  
1st Vice - Tracey Ewalt  
2nd Vice - Membership - Lezlie Hauck  
Sec.-Treasurer - Tanya Mills  
Chaplain - Agnes Bradbury  
Historian - Joanne Howard  
Sgt.-At-Arms - Kim Brown  
Poppy Chairman - Staci Dailey  
Girl's State Chairman - Sheila Thurston  
Sunshine Chairman - Carol Fitzpatrick  
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#### **Sons of the American Legion Officers**

Comdr. - Bill Cunningham  
Adjutant - Bob (Red) Ward  
1st Vice Comdr. - Rick Cunningham  
Finance Officer - Dave Oistad  
Chaplain - Bart Cunningham  
Historian - Pat White  
Sgt. at Arms - Tim Ward

#### **Report From the Adjutant**

This is a reminder for the dozen or so members who have not yet paid their Legion dues for the current years. (As of January 1, 2007, we were mandated to raise the dues to \$30 per year with the great majority of that amount going to National Headquarters.) For convenience, you may send your check to me at 237 W. Jefferson, Pewamo, Mi., 48873.

With recent improvements completed at the club; (kitchen, bathrooms, carpet, etc.), our current project is the parking lot. A fund was started to pay for this undertaking and we are now moving on to the next step of the project; to get the base coat of the asphalt installed and put the finish coat on, hopefully in the spring. The cost for the parking lot will be approximately \$33,000. Your donations gratefully accepted!

Post 182 has also installed a backup generator so that in the event of a power failure the club maintains power and can safely serve meals. The money for the generator was derived from the 'reverse drawing' and from various club accounts. For those of you considering a donation to the club to continue and complete these various projects, it can be made to Jim Barker, Box 182, Hubbardston, 48845.

Requests by members to rent the club for special activities can be accessed by contacting Leo McMillan. Fees and requirements are very reasonable and necessary. The club is for the convenience and comfort of its members and guests. With cooperation, the job gets done, the beauty of the facility is maintained and Post 182 can be enjoyed by all. (Dan Heckman)

*(This report has been condensed to fit the newsletter by the editor.)*

**Fish Fry Dinners Resume on February 23, 2007 serving from 5:00-7:00 p.m.** Because of the parking, it is a good idea to come early. You can't find a better meal anywhere else and the price is very reasonable. We have all of the wonderful trimmings including luscious desserts and it's all included in the price of the meal. **Dinners also served for the following six Fridays - March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 ending with Good Friday on April 6<sup>th</sup>.** Join your friends and enjoy a great meal. It's a fact, we have the best chef's in the country and that includes our ladies who bake our scrumptious desserts.

#### **Poem of a Soldier**

(The following poem was found on the body of an unknown American soldier who was killed in action in Italy (on foreign soil-wherever-it fits.)

"Look, God, I have never spoken to You  
But now I wanted to say 'How do you do.'  
You see, God, they told me you didn't exist,  
And like a fool I believed all this."

"Last night, from a shell hole, I saw your sky,  
I figures right then they had told me a lie.  
Had I taken time to see things you made,  
I'd have known they weren't calling a spade a spade."

I wonder, God, if you'd shake my hand,  
Somehow I feel that You will understand.  
Funny I had to come to this hellish place,  
Before I had time to see Your face."

"Well, I guess there isn't much more to say,  
But I'm sure glad, God, I met You today.  
I guess the zero hour will soon be here,  
But I'm not afraid since I know You're here."

"The signal! Well, God, I'll have to go,  
I like You lots, this I want you to know.  
Look! Know! This will be a horrible fight,  
Who knows, I may come to Your house tonight."

Though I wasn't friendly to You before,  
I wonder, God, if You'd wait at Your door.  
Look, I'm crying! Me! Shedding tears!  
I wish I had known You these many years.

"Well, I have to go now, God, good-bye!  
Strange, since I met You, I'm not afraid to die."

(Sent by Clare Cunningham, a veteran of the battles in Italy during WWII. See related article on p. 1)

**Annual One Hole "99 Par" Golf Tournament  
Get out your best "Winter Golf Demeanor" and meet at  
Post 182 on Saturday, March 3, 2007. Tee Time is 9:00  
a.m. and Tim Chartrand and crew will have all of the  
instructions and necessities ready for you**

### **Congratulations on Sixty Wedded Years**

Jack and Barbara Rogers Billings of Greenville, long-time members of Post 182, celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2006 at their winter home in Ruskin, Florida with their family. Their children are Rosemary Brunner of Greenville, Sara Garnett of West Virginia and Mike Billings of Washington. They have four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Congratulations may be sent to them at 128 21<sup>st</sup> Street Northwest, Lot 2, Ruskin, Florida, 33570. Jack and Barb are with us on every special occasion at Post 182 and we wish them good health, good times and joy in every day.

**Did you hear about the near tragedy at the mall? There was a power outage and twelve blondes were stuck on the escalator for over four hours.**

### **How to Fly the United States Flag**

1. The flag should be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously
2. The flag is never allowed to touch the ground or floor
3. When hung over a sidewalk on a rope extending from a rope to a building, the union stars are always away from the building.
4. When vertically hung over the center of a street, the flag always has the union stars to the north in an east-west street, and to the east in a north-south street.
5. The flag of the USA should be at the center and at the highest point when a number of flags of states or societies are grouped and displayed from staffs.
6. The flag should never be festooned, drawn back or up, in folds but always allowed to fall free.
7. The flag should be displayed at half-staff until noon on Memorial Day then raised to the top of the staff.
8. Never fly the flag upside down except as a signal of distress in instances of extreme danger to life or property.
9. The flag is never flown in inclement weather except when using an all-weather flag.
10. The flag can be flown every day from sunrise to sunset and at night if illuminated properly.

Fly your POW/MIA flag with your US flag on Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, National POW/MIA Recognition Day and Veterans Day. For more info refer to [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org)

### **Who said that?**

**“He can compress the most words into the smallest idea of any man I know.”(Abraham Lincoln)**

**“He has no enemies but is intensely disliked by his friends.”(Oscar Wilde)**

**“He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire.” (Winston Churchill)**

**“I’ve had a perfectly wonderful evening. But this wasn’t it.”(Mark Twain)**

**“He inherited some good instincts from his Quaker forebears, but by diligent hard work, he overcame them.” (James Reston (about Richard Nixon))**

### **Just when you think there's no justice...A news article from a Florida Newspaper:**

"When Nathan Radlich's house was burgled, thieves left his TV, his VCR, and even his watch. What they did take was "a generic white cardboard box filled with grayish-white powder." (That, at least, is the way the police described it.) A spokesman for the Fort Lauderdale police said that it "looked similar to cocaine" and they thought they'd hit the big time.

But later Nathan stood in front of the TV cameras and pleaded with the burglars: "Please return the cremated remains of my sister Gertrude. She died three years ago."

Well, the next morning, the bullet-riddled corpse of a drug dealer known as Hoochie Pevens was found on Nathan's doorstep. The cardboard box was there too; about half of Gertrude's ashes remained. And there was this note: "Hoochie sold us the bogus blow, so we wasted Hoochie. Sorry we snorted your sister. No hard feelings. Have a nice day."

### **Notes from the Auxiliary President-**

We voted to send out of the Poppy fund a gift pack to Candace Mills Thomas who is currently serving in the Air Force over seas. The Legionnaires have paid Candace's dues and in thanks she has flown and dedicated an American flag on a B-1 Bomber in honor of our Legion. Tanya Mills has picked up a shadow box to display this flag. Rosie Peiffer emailed and said the flag had arrived. What a wonderful thing to do! This will be on display at Post 182. Hope you all get to take a moment to come up and see it. **(Kelly Ward Melton)**

**“Blessed are they who can laugh at themselves for they shall never cease to be amused.”**

Gale and Ginny Beardslee tell us that their Marine grandson Kyle Earl, 20, wounded in Iraq is recuperating in Texas, facing more surgeries, but doing well. His brother Josh, 18, is also serving in the Army in Iraq. Tony Ryckman, another Marine grandson is serving in Germany, with a brother presently serving state side. Our prayers are with all of these brave young men and their families as we pray for peace! Kurtiss Hawn, son of Vivian Hawn, is on his 2<sup>nd</sup> tour of duty in Iraq. Joshua Sheldon, grandson of Mary Caris and Irwin Skinner is on his 3<sup>rd</sup> tour in Iraq. God bless and Godspeed!

**Two guys from Michigan are sitting in a boat on Elk Lake fishing and drinking beer when all of a sudden Mike says, “I think I am going to divorce my wife – she hasn’t spoken to me in over six months.” Harry sips his beer and says, “You better think it over – women like that are hard to find.”**

**Congratulations and Happy Birthday wishes to Stan Osborne on his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.** The celebration was held at Post 182 on Saturday January 20, 2007 with a "wall-to-wall" crowd. And the 'music for dancing' was perfect. Does that surprise you? Many healthy, happy years, Stan.

### **60 Minutes Correspondent Andy Rooney**

As I grow in age, I value women over 40 most of all. Here are just a few reasons why: A woman over 40 will never wake you in the middle of the night and ask, "What are you thinking?" She doesn't care what you think.

If a woman over 40 doesn't want to watch the game, she doesn't sit around whining about it. She does something she wants to do, and it's usually more interesting.

Women over 40 are dignified. They seldom have a screaming match with you at the opera or in the middle of an expensive restaurant. Of course, if you deserve it, they won't hesitate to shoot you if they think they can get away with it.

Older women are generous with praise, often undeserved. They know what it's like to be unappreciated.

Women get psychic as they age. You never have to confess your sins to a woman over 40. Once you get past a wrinkle or two, a woman over 40 is far sexier than her younger counterpart.

Older women are forthright and honest.

They'll tell you right off if you are a jerk if you are acting like one. You don't ever have to wonder where you stand with her.

Yes, we praise women over 40 for a multitude of reasons. Unfortunately, it's not reciprocal. For every stunning, smart, well-coiffed, hot woman over 40, there is a bald, paunchy relic in yellow pants making a fool of himself with some 22-year old waitress. Ladies, I apologize. For all those men who say, "Why buy the cow when you can get the milk for free?"

Here's an update for you. Nowadays 80% of women are against marriage. Why?

Because women realize it's not worth buying an entire pig just to get a little sausage!  
*Andy Rooney is a really smart guy!*

### **Jack Spencer in VA Hospital in Saginaw**

Our good friend and regular visitor to Post 182 recently had a health setback which required a lengthy hospitalization. Leo McMillan, John Gooding and Tim Chartrand made the trip to visit him armed with a box of goodies for the holiday season, and since have made a number of visits. Jack welcomed them warmly, but has need of further treatment. He welcomes your cards and letters which may be sent to:

**Jack Spencer  
Veteran's Medical Center  
1500 Weiss Street  
Saginaw, Mi. 48602**

### **Chinese Proverbs**

Foolish man give wife grand piano: wise man give wife upright organ.

Baseball is wrong: man with four balls cannot walk.

Man who drive like hell, bound to get there.

Man who walk through turnstile sideways going to Bankok.

Thanks to the generosity of the Legionnaires of Post 182 for their generous donation to the new Hubbardston Community Center. The SALS matched that donation (for sports equipment) and the organizers of the Community Center are so grateful. We all know the torture we have to endure when satisfying the requirements of inspectors. Every bit of help is so very much appreciated as the building is readied and organizations get set up.

### **Bet you can't read the following without smiling - grinning or laughing!!!!**

**No. 1** - It was mealtime during a flight on Hooters Airline. "Would you like dinner?" the flight attendant asked John. "What are my choices?" John asked.

"Yes or no," she replied.

**No. 2** - A flight attendant was stationed at the departure gate to check tickets. As a man approached, she extended her hand for the ticket and he opened his trench coat and flashed her. Without missing a beat, she said - "Sir, I need to see your ticket not your stub."

**No. 3** - A lady was picking through the frozen turkeys at the grocery store but she couldn't find one big enough for her family. She asked a stock boy - "Do these turkeys get any bigger?" The stock boy replied - "No ma'am, they're dead."

**No. 4** - The cop got out of his car and the kid who was stopped for speeding rolled down his window. "I've been waiting for you all day," the cop said.

"Yeah, well I got here as fast as I could." When the cop finally stopped laughing, he sent the kid on his way without a ticket.

**No. 5** A truck driver was driving along on the freeway. A sign comes up that reads - Low bridge ahead. Before he knows it, the bridge is right ahead of him and he get stuck under the bridge. Cars are backed up for miles. Finally, a police car comes up. The cop gets out of his car and walks to the truck driver, puts his hands on his hips and says - "Got stuck, huh?" The truck driver says, " No, I was delivering this bridge and ran out of gas."

**The quote of the month is by Jay Leno:** With hurricanes, tornados, fires out of control, mud slides, flooding, severe thunderstorms tearing up the country from one end to the other, and with the threat of bird flu and terrorist attacks, "Are we sure this is a good time to take God out of the Pledge of Allegiance?"

Congratulations to Adjutant Dan Heckman and Julie for being selected as "**Family of the Month**" for Pewamo

**KC Council 8071 for January, 2007.** We find that most of our very active members are typically involved in numerous community organizations and volunteer projects. It goes back to the old adage, **“If you want a job done, call a busy person.”** They know the value of time and will always find the time to help in a good cause.

**Bernita “Billie” Cunningham**, age 80, died on Thursday November 30, 2006 at her home. She was born September 5, 1926 in Hubbardston, the ninth and youngest child of Edward and Georgia Gilleo Herald. Billie graduated from County Normal in Stanton in 1945 and taught in area schools until her marriage. Albert returned from service in the Pacific in WWII after three years and they were married on May 29, 1948 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. Albert died on November 11, 1989.

Billie was a former very active member of the Post 182 Auxiliary, the Parish Council, the church choir and worked many elections at North Plains Township Hall. She was a Charter Member, volunteer of the year and most faithful member of the Hubbardston Area Historical Society. She was proud to be Irish and never missed a chance to celebrate her Irish Heritage. Billie is survived by seven children, Rick (Barbara) Cunningham of Grand Ledge, Mike of Titusville, Fla., Tim (Marsha) and Denny Cunningham of Portland, Julie of Charlotte, North Carolina, Bill (Barbara Blanchard) of Hubbardston, Lori (Randy Riley) of East Lansing; 10 grandchildren: also one sister, Betty (Dave) Colorado of Arizona. Billie’s funeral was December 5, at 3:30 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Church. The church was filled to overflowing, the bright and beautiful musical selections were of her own choosing; and her family and friends celebrated her life in “Billie” style with laughter, stories, tears and memories. Memorial contributions may be made to the Hubbardston Area Historical Society at Box 183 Hubbardston, 48845 or to the new Hubbardston Community Center. We mourn the loss of “one special and very good friend.”

### **Celtic Farewell**

May choirs of angels lead you into Paradise;  
And may the martyrs come to welcome you,  
To bring you home into the holy city,  
So you may dwell in New Jerusalem.  
May holy angels be there at your welcoming,  
With all the saints who go before you there,  
That you may know the peace and joy of Paradise;  
That you may enter in to everlasting rest.  
*(Sung to the tune of Danny Boy)*

**Like a shepherd He feeds His flock and gathers the lambs in His arms, holding them carefully close to His heart, leading them home. (Isaiah 40:9)**

**Patrick L. McKenna** (Kcirtap Annekm)  
Age 84 died peacefully at home on January 6, 2007 surrounded by the love of his family. He has now been re-

united in Heaven with God and his beautiful and beloved wife Helen to enjoy their eternal dance. He was born October 17th, 1922 to George and Margaret McKenna, in Hubbardston, MI where he attended St. John the Baptist Shool and continued his secondary education at Lansing Community College. He was a World War II veteran, having served as an MP in the Philippines. He was a very dedicated and loyal employee of General Motors, Oldsmobile Division, for over forty years. He was a devout Catholic and loyal member of Holy Cross parish. God gave him such a unique gift of making everyone he touched feel special and loved. He loved life and enjoyed many activities including: family (he loved his girls), church, sports (especially Notre Dame), and was an excellent craftsman, mechanic and musician. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus Richard Council 788, American Legion Post 182 and VFW Post 701. He was a very loving, gentle and caring father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle, son and friend. He was preceded in death by mother and father; wife of fifty-eight years Helen; daughter Suzanne; three sisters and five brothers. He is survived by his five daughters Colleen (Steve) Hubble, Julie (Dave) Shay, Kristine (Jim) Wagner, Patricia (Patrick) Ley and Laurie (Rob) Corwin; eleven grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren with 2 on the way; two sisters and four brothers. The Funeral Mass was celebrated Thursday at 11:00 am at Holy Cross Catholic Church with the Reverend Father Maurice Hayes as celebrant. Rite of Committal followed in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. The family received friends and relatives on Wednesday, January 10th at Palmer Bush and Jensen Family Funeral Homes, Delta Chapel 6020 West Saginaw. Knights of Columbus Richard Council #788 service followed by the family tributes. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: Memorial Masses at Holy Cross Church or St. Mary Cathedral and Sparrow Hospice Services. We would like to express our sincerest thanks to Dr. Mark Ensberg, Dr. Michael Brown and the staff at Ingham County Medical Care Rehabilitation Center for their loving care and support. We are so blessed and proud to have had you for our father; you gave us the gifts of laughter and silliness with your Irish wit. Dad, we will always love you with our whole hearts, minds and souls. You and mom will always be our "Sunshine"!

**“Like the warmth of the sun and the light of the day, may the luck of the Irish shine bright on your way!”**

**But most of all remember!  
A good friend is like a good bra. Hard to find, supportive, comfortable, and always – close to your heart**



**Kyran “Joe” McCrackin**, 83 died at his home on Blackmer Road on January 20, 2007 , just four months after he lost his wife Irma Koivu, whom he married on February 14, 1953. He was the only son of John William and Josephine Marie Welch McCrackin of Sheridan. Three children: Mike (Jan McCrackin), Maureen (Dave Helman) and Tom (Debby) and 10 grandchildren remain. Also surviving are four sisters: Mary (Jim) Cotter, Patricia (Hib) Wood, Billy (Jack) Proctor and Sister Marie Kathleen (Peggy). Always a good neighbor, he had a special friendship with many. A man of many and diverse talents, he especially loved being an auctioneer, and as his father predicted, he was good at it. He loved his family. He loved “Send Me One Dozen Roses,” and always requested it played by his cousin, Ray Burns. He’d listen, hum along and smile. A man of few words, he didn’t miss a thing, always had a “pop” available for his friends when they stopped by. He was a great “visitor.” He was an “Old Style quiet Irishman” who noticed everything, mulled it over and was thoughtful in his musings. He was very proud, but low-keyed about his family and their achievements. He was buried from St. Mary’s Church in Carson City at 11:00 a.m. on January 23, 2007. Our condolences to his family. God rest him gently in peace.

A blonde goes to the post office to buy stamps for her Christmas cards. She says to the clerk, “May I have 50 Christmas stamps?” The clerk says, “What denomination?” The blonde says “God help us. Has it come to this? Give me 6 Catholic, 12 Presbyterian, 10 Lutheran and 22 Baptists.”

### Calendar of Coming Events

February 23-	First Fish Fry Dinner	5:00-7:00 p.m.
March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	Fish Fry Dinners	5:00-7:00 p.m.
March 11	St. Patrick’s Day Party-Post 182	
	Irish Dinner and Trimmings	12:00-3:00 p.m
	Hubbardston Irish Dancers-	3:00 p.m.
	Dancing Music Provided	4:00-8:00 p.m.
March 3	Annual “One Hole” Golf Tournament-	9:00 a.m.
April 6	Good Friday Fish Fry Dinner	5:00-7:00 p.m.
May 13	Mother’s Day Breakfast	8:30-11:30 a.m.
May 26	HAHS Annual “Irish Stew” Dinner & Election	
	Parish Hall-	11:30-3:00p.m.
May 27	Salute Veteran’s Graves	10:00 a.m.
May 27-28	Flea Market & Food-Community Center- both days	
May 28	Annual Memorial Day Celebration	all day
	Chicken Dinner at Tuscan Lodge	11:00-1:00p.m.
	Hubbardston Irish Dancers	Noon
	Garden Club Plant Sale-Celtic Path	-all day
	Hamburgers Post 182	Noon till sold out
	Memorial Day Parade	1:30 p.m.
	Tractor Pull at Post 182 following parade	

### WD 40 - Who Knew?

Water Displacement #40. The product began from a search for a rust preventative solvent and degreaser to protect

missile parts. WD-40 was created in 1953 by three technicians at the San Diego Rocket Chemical Company. Its name comes from the project that was to find a “water displacement” compound. They were successful with the fortieth formulation, thus WD-40. The Corvair Company bought it in bulk to protect their atlas missile parts...The basic ingredient in WD-40 is fish oil. It does almost everything: cleans stainless steel sinks, untangles jewelry, cleans shower doors, lubricates gear shift and mower deck lever, restores and cleans padded leather dashboards, vinyl bumpers , removes spray paint from cars and trucks, removes all traces of duct tape, removes squeaks from furniture, lubricates fan belts, cleans roo racks on cars, keeps bathroom mirrors from fogging, camouflages scratches in ceramic and marble floors, removes grease from stoves, removes road tar and grime from cars and it even keeps rust from forming on your saws and tools. I think we all need a case of WD-40 on hand.

### Chili Cook-Off Winners

On Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> the super chili chef’s of the area met to make and test their culinary talents. The winners were: 1<sup>st</sup> – Bill Dailey – Carson, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Penny Peiffer-Hubbardston, 3<sup>rd</sup> –Donna Paton - Pewamo. Judges were: Cindy Howard, Joe McMillan, Charlie Cunningham, Jim Ward and Greg Cook. The quality of the chili was so good, the judges were hard-pressed to determine the winners!

“Dull women have immaculate houses!”

The “Gleaners” who do wonderful work in the area were recipients of a charitable donation by the SALS organization as the holidays determined the numerous needs in the surrounding communities. Right on SALS!

“If we are what we eat, then I am easy, fast, and cheap!”

Thank you to Terrence Burns of Dimondale for the \$100 donation for the children’s Christmas toys in memory of his sister Mary Sue Burns and his wife Vicki who died within three weeks of each other last fall from Cancer. You made our job easier, Terry and the kids loved the party.

Bud Howard  
6851 East Carson City Road  
Sheridan, Mi. 48884