# Corunna High School Class of 1941



**Updated 7-4-2023** 



### CLASS OF '41

The Corunna High School class of 1941 recently met at Ponderosa in Caledonia Township for its annual get-together and lunch. Eleven class members were present. Seen here, front, I-r, are Albert Larsen, Blanche Rigling, Virginia Deitrick, George Claxton and Earl Graham. In back, I-r, are Lucille Sworthwood Benford, Dorothy Boursmith Darnell, Lorraine Serr Braid, Don Basso, Geraldine Hamill and Herb Smith.

#### **Laura Amon**



Laurence Looze Joseph Driver

Don Basso 1-2-1923 Deceased 4-23-2012

**Dorothy Osmer** 12-22-1973

#### Don Basso 1-2-1923 Deceased 4-23-2012

#### Donald D. Basso

Age 89, of Corunna, passed away Friday, April 20, 2012, in Battle Creek.

Funeral Services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, April 23, at Trinity United Methodist Church with Pastor Susan Kingsley officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery. The family will receive friends at Nelson-House Funeral Home from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. today.

Donald was born Jan. 2, 1923, in Owosso, the son of George and Minnie (Barinotti) Basso.

He graduated from Corunna High School with the class of 1941 and served in the United States Air Force. Donald was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church and a past member of the Kerr Travel Club.

He married Dorothy Osmer on Dec. 22, 1973, in Owosso; she predeceased him on April 2, 2012.

Donald was employed for 31 years by General Motors as a tool and die maker.

He enjoyed woodworking and loved to travel. Donald looked forward to time spent with family.

He is survived by his son David (Judy) Basso; sisters Joann Lott and Nancy Rathbun; brother Richard Vairo; stepdaughters Doris (Kendall) Lewis and Mary Ann Johnson; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; five step grandchildren; 10 step great-grandchildren.

Donald is predeceased by his son Gary Basso and his parents.

**Dorothy Osmer** 12-22-1973

# Aurelia E. Bauer Deceased



### **Dorothy Boursmith**



**Lester Darnell** 

Martha Brenner 7-27-1922 Deceased 2-28-2004

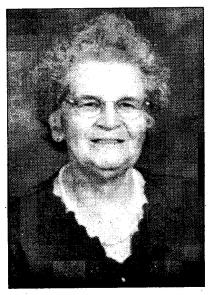


**Frank Martin Krhovsky** 



#### Martha Brenner 7-27-1922 Deceased 2-28-2004

#### **Frank Martin Krhovsky**



#### Martha J. Krhovsky

Age 81, of Owosso, died Saturday, February 28, 2004 at Memorial Healthcare.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 2, 2004, at Smith Family Funeral Homes, Corunna Chapel, Corunna, with Rev. Norman Beckwith officiating. Visitation will be held Monday March 1, 2004, from 2 to 8 p.m., with family present 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m.

Mrs. Krhovsky was born July 27, 1922, in New Haven Township, Michigan, daughter of John and Orpha (Foster) Brenner. She resided most of her life in the Corunna and Owosso area.

She married Frank Martin Krhovsky in Corunna. Mr. Martin predeceased her in death on December 31, 1996.

She graduated from Corunna High School and worked for Universal Electric (Magne Tek) in Owosso.

Mrs. Krhovsky attended Trinity United Methodist Church in Owosso, She was a member of Eagles Ladies Auxiliary, Owosso; Eagles Re-act; Owosso VFW Auxiliary; Owosso 600 Club and Owosso Women's Bowling Association. She loved to play bingo, do crossword puzzles and enjoyed watching TV soaps.

Besides her husband, she was predeceased in death by her parents, two sisters, one brother and one grandson.

Surviving are: son, John (Cyndy) Krhovsky of Owosso; daughter Sallie Krhovsky of Owosso; numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren; sister-inlaw Mary Brenner of Kalamazoo, and many nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Online condolences may be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneral-homes.com.

George Claxton 9-7-1922 Deceased 3-27-2018



Marion Bradley 4-28-1945

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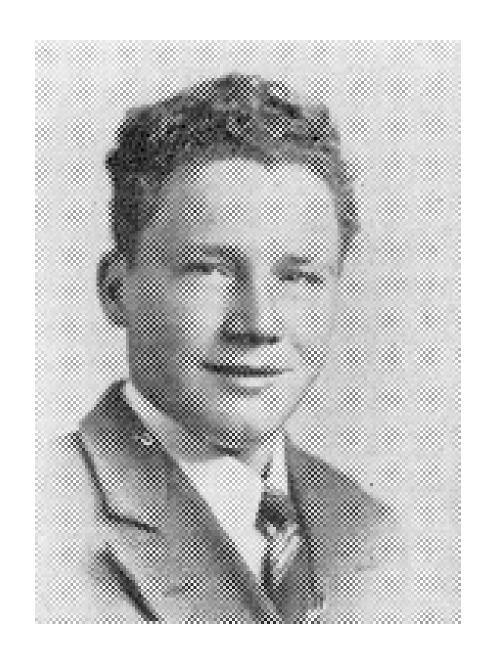
Mr. George Claxton, 95, born to William F. and Sylvia E. (Jeanjaquet) Claxton, Sept. 7, 1922, died March 27, 2018 in the Richard Roundebush Veterans Hospital in Indianapolis, Ind. Mr. Claxton married Minnie Bradley, April 28,1945 in San Jose, Calif. and they raised five children. Minnie died of cancer, Aug. 29, 1977 at the Midland Hospital in Michigan. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy where he was a Seabee, spending most of his time in the south Pacific in the seat of a bulldozer. He was employed for over 25 years as an electrician with The Dow Chemical Co. in Midland.

George and Minnie are survived by five children and their spouses, Danny (Margaret) Claxton of Carmel, Ind., Bruce (Judy) Claxton of Kremmling, Colo.; Judy (Donald) Rogers of Phoenix, Ariz.; Randy (Sally) Claxton of Greeneville, Tenn.; and Russell (Susan) Claxton of Essexville; 16 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren, and his long-time partner of 40 years, Marion Hess of Sanford. He was preceded in death by his brother, Eugene Claxton of Owosso; two sisters, Elenora Brands of Indiana and Atheline Hutcheson of Ypsilanti; and a half-sister, Donna Gene of Detroit. A father, friend of all who knew him, and a veteran.

Funeral services will take place at 2 p.m. Friday, March 30, 2018 at Ware-Smith-Woolever Funeral Home, 1200 W. Wheeler St., Midland. Seventy Donald J. Studebaker will officiate with committal services to follow in the Midland Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home on Friday from 1 p.m. until the time of the services. Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the Sanford American Legion Post #443.

Marion Bradley 4-28-1945

### **Edgar Cummings**



# Helen Diamond Deceased



### Catherine M. Fernette 1-19-1923 Deceased 12-23-1987

**Ervin F. Beich** 7-9-1943

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#### Catherine Mary Reich

Catherine Mary Reich, 64, 906 N. Chipman St., Owosso, died Dec. 23 at her residence.

Services were to be held today at noon from St. Paul Catholic Church with the Rev. Father Steve Thomsen officiating. Burial is to follow in St. Paul Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the St. Paul Catholic Church.

Born in Owesso on Jan. 19, 1923, she was the daughter of Alfred and Signe (Geddal) Fernette. She attended Corunna school and graduated from Corunna High School.

She resided most of her life in this

On July 9, 1943, she and Ervin F. Reich were married in St. Paul Catholic Church. Mrs. Reich was a member of the church, the altar society and the Daughters of Isabella.

Mrs. Reich was a homemaker and the past 15 years had worked at The Memorial Hospital, Owosso, in the housekeeping department.

Survivors include: Her husband, Ervin; two sons, William of Ann Arbor and Bruce of Toledo, Ohio; three daughters, Mrs. Al (Janet) Woods of Coldwater and Christine and Ann at home; one grandchild; one stepgrandchild; three brothers, Tom of Owosso, Arthur of Flushing and Charles of Corunna; and, two sisters, Mrs. Coriss (Margaret) Teachworth of Richmond, Va. and Mrs. John (Dorothy) Thiele of Corunna.

She was predeceased by two brothers and one sister.

### Earl Graham 2-10-1922 Deceased 12-17-2015

Jean G. Freel 2-9-1946

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#### **Earl Edwin Graham**

Age 93, of Owosso, passed away Thursday, Dec. 17, 2015, at his residence.

A memorial Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, 2015, at St. Paul Catholic Church with Fr. Michael O'Brien, celebrant. The rite of committal will follow at St. Paul Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation will be Wednesday, Dec. 30, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Mowen Funeral Home, William A. Scarlett Memorial Chapel. The parish rosary will be recited at 7 p.m.

Earl was born in Corunna Feb. 10, 1922, the youngest child of Duncan and Alpha (Murray) Graham. He was a graduate of Corunna High School. After graduation, Earl began working for Cadillac in Detroit. He left the factory and enlisted in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was called back into the Navy to serve during the Korean War as well.

When he returned after World War II, he met Jean Geraldine Freel in Jersey City, New Jersey. They were married at St. Paul Catholic Church in Jersey City Feb. 9, 1946. Jean preceded him in death on July 22, 2015. Earl and Jean remained in Jersey City and he was employed with Standard Oil, Sealtest Dairy and finally with the U.S. Post Office. He worked in the bulk mail service repairing and replacing damaged mail boxes. He later returned to Detroit with the Post Office, retiring in 1982.

Earl was a member of St. Paul Catholic Church, Owosso and the VFW Post 4005 of Corunna.

Those cherishing his memory include daughter Joyce Graham and son-in-law Lawrence Grabowski; and several nieces and nephews. The family extends a special thank you to nephew Robert Striggow for all of his assistance and support.

He was preceded in death by two sisters and four brothers.

### G. Robert Hasselback 8-26-1923 Deceased 7-1-1991



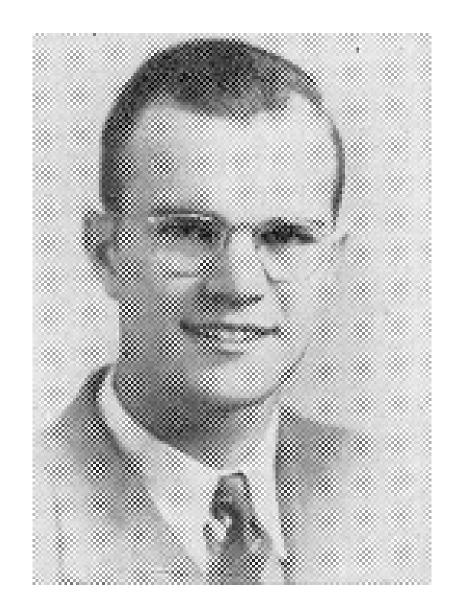
**Peg Chandler** 9-21-1947



# Wilbur Hawkins Deceased



#### Harry Hawn Deceased



Gertrude Kurylo 5-15-1948

### Harold Helms 12-3-1923 Deceased 10-6-1991



Clara Kroske 3-23-1949

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### Harold L. "Shorty"

Age 67, of Owosso, passed away Sunday afternoon, Oct. 6, 1991, a The Memorial Hospital, Owosso.

Mr. Helms retired in 1986, from Fisher Body No. 1, in Flint, after 18 years of service.

Services will be held at Jennings-Lyons Chapel, Owosso Wednesday at 2 p.m. The Rev Mark D. Miller will officiate. Burial will be in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens. The family will meet friends at the chapel today 7 to 9 p.m. and Tuesday 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

Mr. Helms was born in Pittsburg, Mich., Dec. 3, 1923, the son of Sylvester and Ada (Coon) Helms. He graduated from Corumn High School in 1941. He and Clara-Kroske were married in Angola, Ind., March 23, 1949.

Mr. Helms was a member of F.O.E. Aerie 851 Owosso and Shiawassee Dog & Gun Club. He was an active sportsman, enjoyed golf and ball.

Mr. Helms was the stepfather of Robert (Birdie) Wright of Owosso and Mrs. William (Sue) Turner of Gladwin; father of Michael (Cheryl) Helms of Florence, S.C., Mrs. Armando (Cindy) Rositas of St. Johns, Mrs. Linda (Rodney) Burkhart of Perry, Jeff (Debbie) Helms of Owosso, and Mrs. James (Leigh Ann) Smith of Corunna; 12 grand-children; two great-grandchildren; two sisters, Helen Wilson of Perry, Gladys Prout of Owosso; several nieces and nephews.

### Dick Hemenway 5-30-1924 Deceased 10-17-2010

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# Eleanor Mary Platt 3-22-1947

#### Richard Howard Hemenway Sr.

Age 86, died Sunday, Oct. 17, 2010, at Spectrum Health, Grand Rapids. He formerly lived in Stanton for 35 years.

Dick was born May 30, 1924, in Owosso, to Howard and Fern Matthews Hemenway and graduated from Corunna High School in 1941.

Dick was a Captain and pilot in the U.S. Air Force from 1943 to 1964. During the Korean War, Dick was awarded the Air Force's Commendation Ribbon for meritorious service as Flight Chief for the 51st Fighter Interceptor Group. In retirement, Dick worked for Ore-Ida Foods and the U.S. Postal Service and loved to spend time with his family and particularly enjoyed watching his children and grandchildren play sports. He also enjoyed watching football and playing bridge.

Dick married Eleanor Mary Platt, March 22, 1947, at Selfridge Air Force Base, Mt. Clemens. They were married 51 years before Eleanor's death in 1998 and had six children, nine grandchildren and three greatgrandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by his two younger brothers,



Gordon and Jack.

Dick is survived by his six children, Ricki (Chuck) Chowning, Robin (David) Petersen, Renee Hemenway, Richard (Kathryn) Hemenway Jr., Rebecca (David) Denney and Timothy (Jane) Hemenway; nine grandchildren, Sarah (David) Goldner and Christopher (Seidyl) Chowning, Richard. Timothy and John Hemenway. Sean (Gina) Denney and Olivia (David) Gilmore, Alison and Matthew Hemenway; three great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

In accordance with Dick's wishes, his body has been donated to Michigan State University; no visitation will be held. A memorial service arranged by the family will be announced at a later date.

The family suggests memorial considerations for White Pine Library, 106 E Walnut St., Stanton, MI 48888, or Community Ministries, Trinity United Methodist Church, 1100 Lake Dr. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506

The family is being served by Lake Funeral Home of Ionia.

# **Keith Hewitt Deceased**



#### Howard Hudson Deceased 2010

June ...



Joyce Kennedy 12-1-1922 Deceased 9-20-2009

**Glen Currie** 



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Glen Currie

#### **Joyce Irene Currie**

A lifelong resident of the Owosso area, died Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2005, at the age of 82.

The funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 23, at the Owosso Church of the Nazarene, with Pastor Rodger DeVore officiating. Burial will take place in Pine Tree Cemetery. Visitation at Nelson-House Funeral Home will be Thursday from 2 to 8 p.m., with the family present from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m.

Joyce was born Dec. 1, 1922 in Corunna, the daughter of Frank and Lillian (Maurer) Kennedy. She was one of seven children. She graduated from Corunna High School and in 1941, she married Glen Currie, also of Corunna.

Mrs. Currie was employed as a secretary by the Corunna Public Schools for 13 years and was active in various local organizations. She enjoyed doing crafts, but her first love was gardening.

Survivors include: Three children, Sandy (Ray) Crews of Pinckney, Mich., Phillip (Kathy) Currie and David (Tina) Currie of Owosso; three grandchildren, Angela (Dan) Taylor, Steve (Jen) Currie and Rob Currie; three greatgrandchildren, Jacob, Ben and Natalie; three sisters; and one



brother.

She was predeceased by her husband, Glen, in 1978.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Karmanos Cancer Institute.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.nelsonhouse.com

#### Geraldine Kroske 3-8-1923 Deceased 10-17-2017



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Robert Hamill 6-21-1945

#### Geraldine Amelia Hamill

Age 94 of Corunna passed away Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at Memorial Healthcare Center.

A funeral service will be held 11am Saturday, October 21, 2017 at Salem Lutheran Church with Pastor James Bare officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery. The family will receive friends at Nelson-House Funeral Home on Friday from 2pm to 8pm.

Geraldine was born in Detroit on March 8, 1923, the daughter of William and Sadie (Wainwright) Kroske.

She married Robert Hamill in Corunna on June 21, 1945. He preceded her in death on September 21, 1998.

Geraldine was a graduate of Corunna High School; Class of 1941 and attended Lansing Business School. Geraldine worked for Shiawassee County for 35 years and retired in 1989 as Office Manager at the Tax Description Office. She was a member of Salem Lutheran Church. Geraldine enjoyed entertaining family and friends; there was always an open door at the Hamill home. She loved to travel, would play cards anytime and she had over 40 years with the neighborhood euchre club.

Geraldine is survived by her sons, Robert Hamill (Tammy Bukovich) of Owosso, David (Rexine) Hamill of Peoria, Arizona and Thomas (Marcia) Hamill of Corunna; 7 grandchildren, Julie (Mike) Hayes, Scott (Lisa) Hamill, Teresa (Julio) Martinez, Ryan (Talia) Hamill, Lesley (Wade) Dishaw, Mary Hamill (Nic Keith) and Tommy (Linsie) Hamill; 13 great-grandchildren, Nick, Madison, Gisel, Ethan, Max, Sophia, Shannon, Toby, Noah, Jesse, Brandon, Blake and Hannah; sisters-in-law, Florence Hamill of Deckerville and Elaine Hamill; several nieces and nephews and many other loving family and friends.

She was predeceased by her parents; her husband; three brothers, Harold, Bill and Dick; and three sisters, Lela Escott, Clara Helms and Ruthie Reno. Memorial contributions are suggested to Salem Lutheran Church.

# Albert Larsen Deceased 9-19-2014

Lucille ...

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Lucille ...

LARSEN, ALBERT Sparta Albert Frederick Larsen, age 90, passed away peacefully at his home on Monday, May 19, 2014. Albert was a Navy veteran of WWII and was on the Minesweeper WMS 231. Albert had worked for the Railroad and Coit Avenue Gravel where he owned his own cement trucks. Albert retired from Columbian Storage as a diesel mechanic. He was a volunteer fireman and then Fire Chief for Algoma Township. Albert will be sadly missed by his loving wife of 70 years, Lucille; daughters, Janet and Rowland Beute, Marilyn and Thomas Knight, Marcia and Steve Carrick; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; one great-greatgrandson; sisters-in-law, Sally and Richard Coles, Hilda Larsen, Viletta Garlock; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held at the Funeral Home on Friday, May 23, 2014 at 1 PM. Interment Algoma Township Cemetery. Friends may meet the family at the Funeral Home on Thursday, 2-4 and 6-8 PM. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to Rockford V.F.W. Hessel-Cheslek Funeral Home, Sparta

### Ivan LeCureux 6-14-1923 Deceased 12-18-2004



Betty ... 2-17-1945

#### Ivan G. LeCureux

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Betty ... 2-17-1945

Age 81, of Owosso, passed peacefully into the presence of his Lord and Savior, Saturday, December 18, 2004, at Memorial Healthcare.

In his earlier years, Mr. LeCureux owned and operated his own farm and milk hauling business. Later, he was a mail carrier both in Owosso and Corunna for more than 20 years, retiring from the Corunna Post Office in 1986. In his retirement years, he was a valuable assistant to the Glardon family in their auctioneer business.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Wednesday, December 22, 2004, at Nelson-House Funeral Home, with Dr. Bob Johnston officiating. Burial will take place at Wilkinson Cemetery. Visitation at the funeral home will be this evening 6 to 8 p.m., and Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., with the family present from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m.

Mr. LeCureux was born June 14, 1923, in Owosso, the son of William and Edith (Pardonnet) LeCureux. He was a 1941 graduate of Corunna High School and had resided in the Owosso-Corunna area his entire life.

On February 17, 1945, he married the love of his life, Betty. Together they were members of the Countryside Gospel Chapel. Ivan was active in the Forgotten Man Ministry.

He enjoyed traveling and hunting, and was particularly fond of fishing the waters of northern Ontario. He was active with 4-H clubs, instructing in gun safety and softball. He was a well known umpire in this area and had served the MHSAA for more than 20 years.



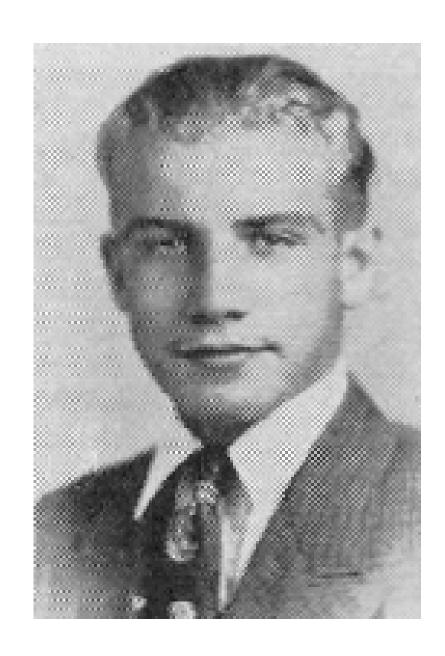
Survivors include: his wife of 59 vears. Betty: two sons, Walter (Kerry) LeCureux of Owosso and Norman (Deb) LeCureux of grandchildren, Owosso: six Jennifer (Dan) Monforton, James (Elizabeth) Rock, Alicia (Gabriel) Rex. Laura (Brian) Lewis, Janeen (Rich) Harsh and Phil LeCureux; eight great-grandchildren; brother, Orville (Fern) LeCureux of Owosso: brother-in-law, Lorne Millar of Ontario, Canada; several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents.

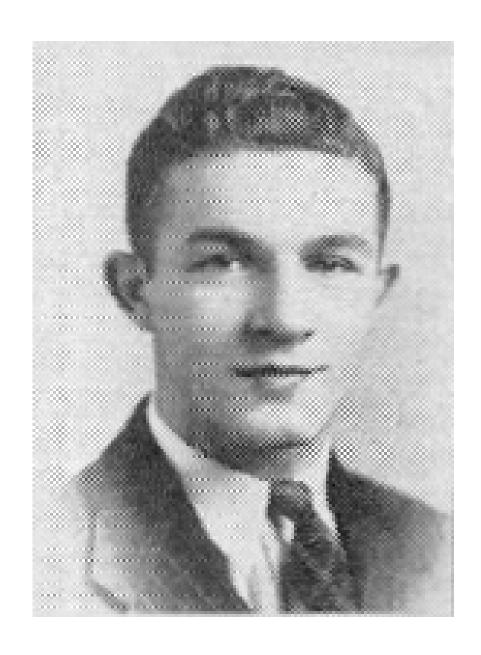
Memorial contributions may be made to the Ivan G. LeCureux Memorial Fund.

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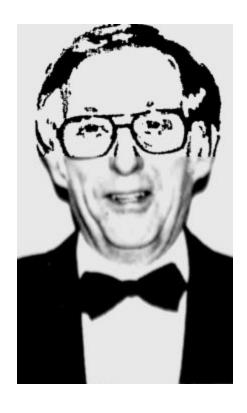
R. D. Maurer Deceased



# Frank McCulloch Deceased



## Frederick J. Miller Deceased



Evelyn ...



Virginia Naylor 8-11-1922 Deceased 5-1-2017

**Jerome Dietrich** 

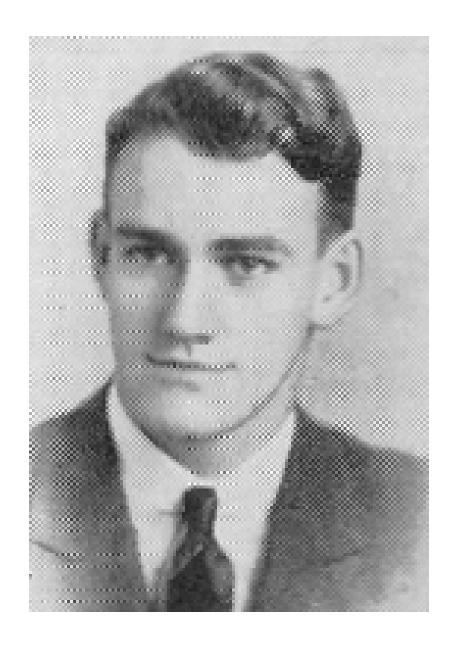


#### Virginia Naylor 8-11-1922 Deceased 5-1-2017

**Jerome Dietrich** 

Mrs. Virginia Dietrich (Naylor) age 94 of Marne entered eternal life with the Lord on Monday May 1, 2017. She was preceded in death by her parents Sam and Mary Naylor and husband Jerome F., brother PFC Clifford "Bud" Naylor, son-in-law Terry Kamps, grandson David Momber. She is survived by her children; Jerome D.(Laurel) Dietrich, Charles (Chris) Dietrich, Fred (Tricia) Dietrich, Carl (Jennifer ) Dietrich, Marilynn (Dick) Momber, Janice Kamps, Steven Dietrich, twenty one grandchildren, twenty great grandchildren, three great great grandchildren, in- laws Mary and Ray Tusch, Joan Dietrich, many nieces, nephews and cousins. She was an alumni of St. Mary's Mercy Central School of Nursing. She graduated in 1947 and retired as a registered nurse at St. Mary's Hospital as a charge nurse after 30 years of service. She also jointly operated the family fruit farm with her husband Jerome. Virginia was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and friend to all. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Thursday 10:00 am at St. Joseph Wright Church where she will lie in state one hour prior. Her family will receive visitors Wednesday 2-4 and 7-9 pm at the Arsulowicz **Brothers Remembrance Mortuary, 3525** Remembrance NW where a Rosary will be prayed at 7:00 pm. Interment St. Joseph Church Cemetery in Wright. Virginia's family wishes to thank the staff at Yorkshire Manor and Spectrum Health Hospice for their loving care. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Spectrum Health Hospice, St. Joseph Church, Wright or a charity of one's choice.

John R. Prout
Deceased 5-29-1944 WWII
Buried Plot A Row 40 Grave 38
Ardennes American Cemetery
Neupré, Belgium



#### Maxine K. Reid



### Blanche A. Rigling 3-4-1923

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## K. Jean Ritter Deceased

Frank A. McBride (39)



Joyce Sawyer 10-25-1923 Deceased 12-4-2017

Robert J. White 11-3-1942

#### Joyce Sawyer 10-25-1923 Deceased 12-4-2017



Robert J. White 11-3-1942

Joyce S. White, age 94 of St. Johns, formerly of Owosso, passed away Monday, December 4, 2017 at Hazel Findley Country Manor in St. Johns. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am Friday, December 8, 2017 at Watkins Brothers Funeral Homes, Jennings-Lyons Chapel in Owosso. Pastor Deborah Grazier will officiate with burial to follow in Oak Hill Cemetery, Owosso. Family will receive friends at the funeral home Thursday from 2-4 & 6-8 pm.

Joyce was born October 25, 1923 in Vernon to the late James and Myrtle (Gilbert) Sawyer. She attended Corunna High School, graduating in 1941 as class Valedictorian and later also attended Michigan State College. On November 3, 1942 she married Robert J. White in Corunna and together raised 4 children. Joyce and Robert co-owned and operated Whites Bakery in downtown Owosso for over 40 years. They each had their pilot's license and hosted 4 foreign exchange students over the years: Ingrid Stahmer of Germeny, Anja Jansen of the Netherlands, Britt-Marie Nordlund of Sweden and Herta Beck of Germany. They also took in multiple foster children.

Mrs. White was a member of the Owosso First Congregational Church, UCC, past member of Zonta and enjoyed needlepoint, knitting and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her 4 children: Jimm (Lillian) White of Farmington Hills, Sharron (John) Blanchett of Owosso, Michael (Carla) White of St. Johns, Mari (Ken) Hanes of Molt, MT; 11 grandchildren: Deborah (Sean) Malone, Elisheva (Laurent) Blum, Lisa Shapiro, Juli Shapiro, Carrie Blanchett, Julie Blanchett, Jerome (Lindsay) White, Joshua (Priya) Emerson, Karen (Corey) French, Kimberly Little, Keith (Andrea) Hanes; many great grandchildren; nephew, Roger (Cindy) Bingham and niece, Phyllis Bingham.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Robert in 2002, and her great grandson, William Allen.

### Dorothy Schlitts 11-5-1923 Deceased 8-9-2010

Roy J. Murray

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When Dorothy Marion Schlitts was born on 5 November 1923, in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States, her father, Rev. William P. Schlitts, was 25 and her mother, Laura Baldwin, was 23. She lived in Venice Township, Shiawassee, Michigan, United States in 1935 and Corunna, Shiawassee, Michigan, United States in 1940. She died on 9 August 2010, at the age of 86.

Roy J. Murray

### Lorraine Serr 8-8-1923 Deceased 2-1-2022

Robert Braid (42) 6-15-1947

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Robert Braid (42) 6-15-1947

Lorraine Braid passed away Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2022, peacefully surrounded by her family.

Funeral services will take place at 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 7, at Nelson-House Funeral Home with the Rev. Todd Evans officiating. Burial will follow at Fremont Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 9 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6, at the funeral home.

Lorraine was born March 8, 1923, to Joseph and Julia Serr on State Road in Corunna. Her siblings were Jerome, Lucille, Carlyle and George. She graduated from Corunna High School in 1941. As a freshman, she worked as a waitress. In her senior year, she started working at Corunna Bank and was a bank teller until her retirement in 1971.

She married Robert Braid on June 15, 1947. Throughout their marriage, she was very involved with the farm, often running errands, hauling wagons and delivering food. Robert died in 1986. She was an active and loving mother to Edward and Thomas. She was a room mother for her kids during elementary school. She was active in the Lemon School PTO and was instrumental in the annex of the country school to Corunna. Some of her various activities were serving on the Durand Vernon Ambulance board for 10 years, the class reunion committee since 1941 and distributing polio vaccines throughout Shiawassee County. She served on the Pleasant View Auxillary, Township Land Use Board and the Corunna Educational Scholarship Board. She also won the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Shiawassee Chamber of Commerce in 2006.

Lorraine was a long-time member of the Shiawassee County Fair Board, starting in 1942, and won several honors throughout her years of service. She served as the head of the Grandstand Committee for several years and was awarded the member of the year in 2005. She belonged to the Neighborhood Country Gals Extension group and thoroughly loved playing cards with friends and family.

She is survived by her children Ed and Alice Braid and Tom and Sandy Braid; grandchildren Rob (Betsy) Braid, Julie (Brian) Vyskocil, Mike (Laura) Braid, Tom (Danielle) Braid and Ashley Dunbar; great-grandchildren Cassidy, Ainsley and Delaney Braid, Shelby and Kelsey Vyskocil, Ava and Aubrey Braid and Kenzie and Clayton Braid; and sister-in-law Joann Bradford.

She was preceded in death by her siblings, loving husband, and birthday twin Geri Hamill. She will be dearly missed.

The family would like to thank Lorraine's loving caregivers and Hospice for the care she was given during her illness.

Memorial contributions are suggested to The Shiawassee County Fair or Corunna Public Schools' Educational Foundation Scholarships.

## Robert Sleeseman Deceased



#### Herbert Smith 11-23-1923 Deceased 7-12-2014

#### 65th Anniversaries



DONNA AND HERBERT SMITH

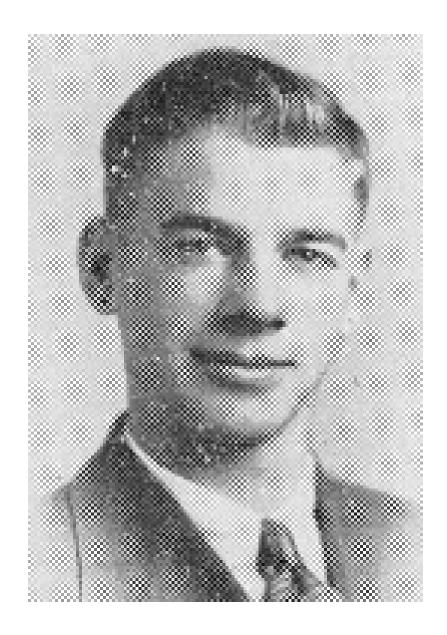
### Mr. and Mrs. Herbert (Donna) Smith

Herbert and Donna (Vaniman) Smith celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on Thursday.

The couple was married on Oct. 20, 1946, in Ovid.

They have resided in New Haven Township their entired married lives. The couple has three children, Val (Jim) Ritter of Byron, Van (Wendy) Smith of Owosso and Cindy (Brad) Kelley of Ovid. They have two grand-daughters and five grandsons, two great-granddaughters and 12 great-grandsons.

Donna Vaniman 10-20-1946



#### Herbert Smith 11-23-1923 Deceased 7-12-2014



Donna Vaniman 10-20-1946

#### Herbert Glen Smith Jr.

Age 90, of Owosso, passed away Saturday, July 12, 2014, at his family farm.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 15, 2014, at Salem Lutheran Church with Pastor James Bare officiating. The family will receive friends at Nelson-House Funeral Home today from 2 to 8 p.m.

Herbert spent his life working the family farm along with driving school bus for Corunna Schools. He was a New Haven Township Trustee for many years and a deacon for his church. He also sold seed corn and soybeans for many years.

He was a 1941 graduate of Corunna High School and a life long member of Salem Lutheran Church. He married Donna I. Vaniman Oct. 20, 1946.

Herbert enjoyed tending to the family farm, vegetable gardening, watching sports and "meetings" at the coffee shop. Most of all he loved spending time with his family; especially his grandchildren and great- grandchildren. Herbert is survived by his wife Donna; children Valerie (James) Ritter, Van (Wendy) Smith and Cindy (Brad) Kelley; grandchildren Troy (Dana) Smith, Trent (Lesley) Smith, Jaime (Ryan) Arndt, Brad (Tonia) Ritter, Darik (Melissa) Hebeler, Gabrielle (Jowa) Wildes, Joseph (Kate) Hebeler; 17 great-grandchildren with one on the way; brother Lee Smith.

He was predeceased by his sister Margaret.

## Corabelle Spore Deceased



#### **Dorothy Stanton**

**No Picture** 

**Robert Sherman** 

## Max Sutton Deceased





### Max Sutton Deceased

#### Max Burton Sutton

Age 74, of Corunna, died Saturday, August 10, 1996, at his home.

Mr. Sutton retired after 45 years as an agent with Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

Services will be held at Smith Funeral Homes, Kribs Chapel, Corunna, Thursday at 1 p.m. Visitation will be today 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m., with the family present.

Norma ...

### Bessie Sworthwood Deceased

**Robert Kellogg** 



### Lucille Sworthwood 5-18-1922 Deceased 2-3-2015

Lyle Benford 3-15-1947

### 5-18-1922 Deceased 2-3-2015



**Lyle Benford 3-15-1947** 

Lucille Irene (Sworthwood) Benford

Age 92 of Owosso passed away Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at her home.

Funeral services will be held 2:30pm Friday, February 6, 2015 at Nelson-House Funeral Home with Pastor John Walworth officiating. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Friday from 12:30 until the time of service.

Lucille was born in Owosso Township in Michigan on May 18, 1922 to Lester and Mildred (Spitler) Sworthwood. She graduated from Corunna High School in 1941.

She married Bion Keith Hewitt on December 30, 1944. He died on March 5, 1945. She then married Lyle Benford on March 15, 1947.

Lucille started working at Bell's Variety Store in Corunna in 1940 while still in high school. She then worked in production at Redmonds in Owosso and as a bookkeeper for Sworthwood Auto Sales from 1943-1945. She worked as payroll clerk for 2 years for Union Telephone in Owosso and as a deputy clerk in the Shiawassee County Clerk's Office for 4 years. Over the next few years, she worked at several different companies in the positions of bookkeeper, accountant and office manager in the Bad Axe, Holly Milford and Saginaw. She went to work for Means Stamping Company in Saginaw as a controller in 1957 and retired from there in 1973. After retiring she worked part time for several companies in Saginaw until 1975.

Lucille was a member of the Saginaw Business and Professional Women's Club, and the Saginaw Chapter of American Society of women Accountants. She enjoyed sewing, reading, traveling and spending time with her family.

After retirement, Lucille and her husband Lyle lived in Florida for 10 years before returning to Owosso.

Lucille is survived by a sister Nancy Ann Hunter, sister-in-law Barbara Sworthwood, a brother-in-law Dave Valliant, brother-in-law and sister-in-law Herb and Carla Benford and many nieces and nephews.

Lucille was predeceased by her parents her husband in 2011, a brother Dale Sworthwood, a sister Norma Valliant, brothers-in-law Richard and L. James Benford, sisters-in-law Nancy Moore and Lois Pacyniski.

Lucille Thomas 10-13-1022 Deceased 8-23-2009



... Hromek

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When Lucille Marie Thomas Hromek was born on 13 October 1922, in Michigan, United States, her father, Sylvan Clement Thomas, was 65 and her mother, Sarah "Sadie" Louise Bowden, was 31. She lived in Corunna. Shiawassee, Michigan, United States in 1930 and Corunna, Corunna, Shiawassee, Michigan, United States in 1940. She died on 23 August 2009, in Cupertino, Santa Clara, California, United States, at the age of 86, and was buried in Fair Oaks, Sacramento, California, United States.

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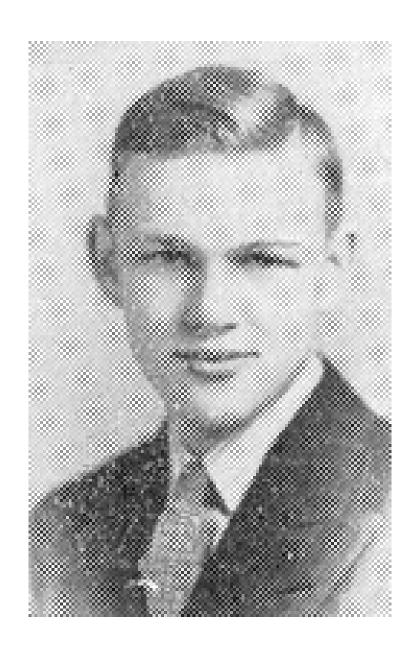
# **Steve Toth Deceased**



### Virgil Yerrick 4-29-1924 Deceased 8-5-1986



**Grace L. Thornton** 8-30-1947



#### Virgil Yerrick 4-29-1924 Deceased 8-5-1986

### Grace L. Thornton 8-30-1947

#### Virgil Yerrick Jr.

Age 62, of 312 N. Walnut St., Vernon died Tuesday, Aug. 5, 1986 at University Medical Center, Ann Arbor.

Mr. Yerrick was employed 27 years at Marsh Monument Company and also 7½ years as the Director of the Shiawassee County Veterans Affairs Office.

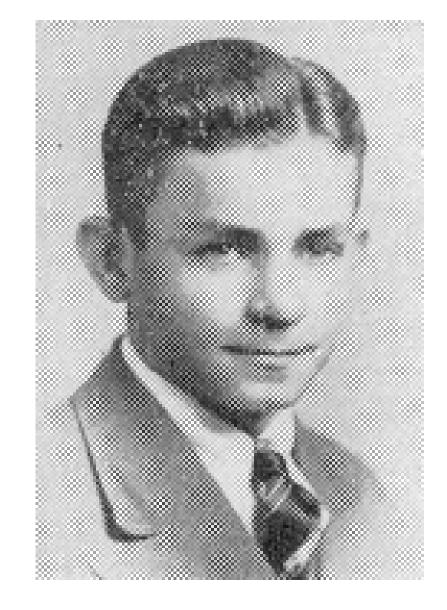
Services will be held at the Kribs Colonial Chapel, Corunna on Friday, Aug. 8, 1986 at 11 a.m. Rev. Homer VanBuren will officiate. Burial will be in Fort Custer National Cemetery, Battle Creek. The family will greet friends at the chapel from 7 to 9 this evening and Thursday 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Those planning a memorial expression may wish to consider the Corunna V.F.W. Memorial Fund or the American Heart Association of, Michigan.

Mr. Yerrick was born in Caledonia Township on April 29, 1924, the son of Virgit and Foryst Gail (Jakeway) Yerrick Sr. He had resided his entire life in Shiawassee County. On Aug. 30, 1947, he and Grace L. Thornton were married in Angola, Ind. Mr. Yerrick was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Navy. He was a life member of the Corunna V.F.W. Post #4005, past Post Commander of Corunna V.F.W. #4005, past Shiawassee County Council Commander, past Ninth District Commander, member of the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans and the Durand Sportsmen.

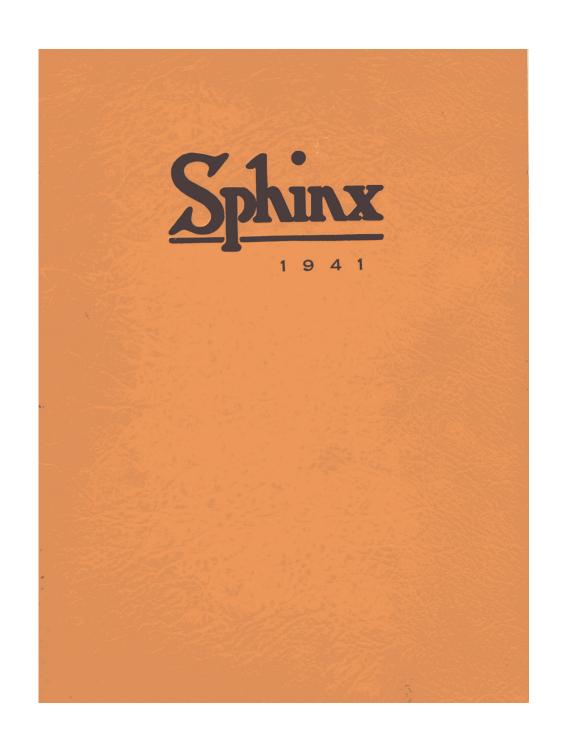
Survivors include his wife, Grace; three sons, Tim of Adrian, Darryl of Kalamazoo, Brian of Vernon; ten grandchildren; his mother, Mrs. Foryst Gail Frazier of Corunna; four sisters, Audrey Flagg of Gladwin, Marjorie Corden of Lansing, Ruth Trowbridge of Lansing, Marlene Pierce of Cheboygan; several nieces and nephews.

Jerry Zruna 11-3-1923 Deceased 6-11-1991

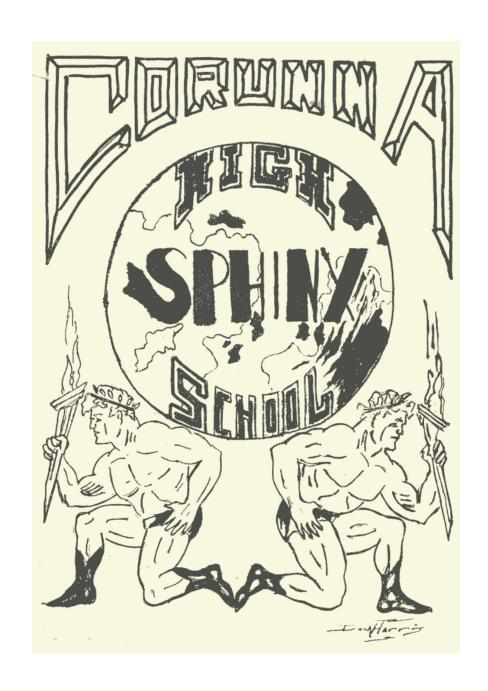


Janis Jakeway 1947





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#### NORMAN DUNN



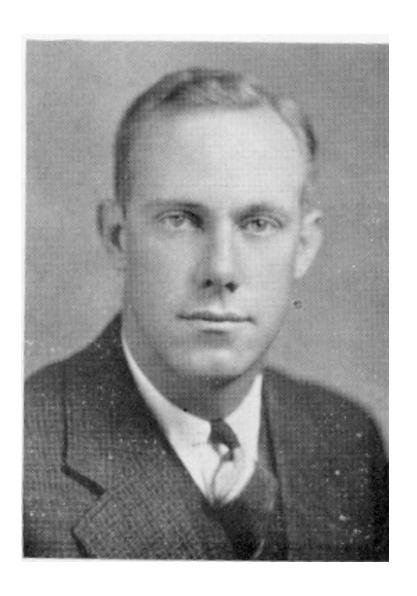
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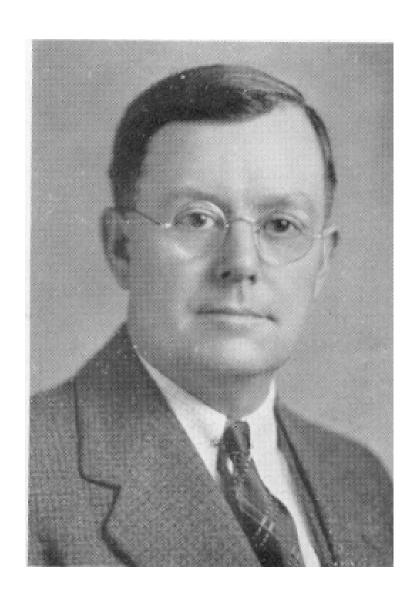
"Oh, he stands high in all the peoples' hearts"
—William Shakespeare



**Earl R. Lancaster Superintendent** 



Ralph L. Stull Principal



# THE SCHOOL BOARD



Fred Serr Lowell Bouck

James Quayle Nelson Kincaid

Ray Gellatly Russell Olmsted

# THE FACULTY



Standing (top row, left to right): Mr. Stull, Mr. Dunn, Mr. George, Mr. Bouck, Mr. Dean, Mr. Parker, Mr. Boursmith.

Standing (second row, left to right): Miss Myers, Miss Ross, Miss Olds, Miss Ogle, Miss Van Elroy, Miss Hopkins, Mrs. Heckman.

Seated (left to right): Miss Bronson, Mrs. Silkworth, Miss Peacock, Miss Morrison, Mrs. Yellinek, Miss Lane.

# STUDENT COUNCIL



Standing (left to right): Mr. Lancaster, Jack Coakes, Clem Sellers, Willie Bernat, Bill Nolph, Joe Carland.

Seated (left to right): John Prout, Keith Hewitt, Lucille Sworthwood, Stan Bocek.





# LAURA AMON

Always ready to help Glee Club—1, 3, 4 Hobby Club—2 Library—3, 4

#### AURELIA BAUER

She will succeed.

# DON BASSO

Good boys love their sisters, but so good have I grown, that I love other boys' sisters as well as my own.

ny own.

Band—1, 2, 3, 4

Junior Play
Senior Play
Sphinx Staff
Student Council

# MARTHA BRENNER

She's a quiet girl. Glee Club—1, 2, 4 Library—3, 4

# DOROTHY BOURSMITH

# GEORGE CLAXTON

A girl who will always succeed. Just like the rest of the gang. Glee Club—1, 2, 3, 4
Girl Reserves—3, 4
Safe Driving Club—3
Hobby Club—4

# DOROTHY STANTON

A penny for your thoughts. Gym-1, 2

Reporters' Club—3 Hobby Club—4



#### EDGAR CUMMINGS

#### EARL GRAHAM

Say, girls, maybe it's his com-1'll not say much: I'll think more, plexion so fair, but ah! could it be his curly red hair? Hobby Club—3 Gym.—3 Softball—3 Archery Club—4 Safe Driving Club—4

#### HELEN DIAMOND

#### BOB HASSELBACK

I'll find a way or make one.
Glee Club—1, 2, 3, 4
A Capella Choir—1, 2, 3, 4
Opertat—1, 2, 3, 4
Girls' Trio—2, 3, 4
Student Council—3
Junior Play
Senior Play
Annual Staff
Class Treasurer—4 Class Treasurer—4 Band—3, 4

# CATHERINE FERNETTE WILBUR HAWKINS

She's loads of fun. Hobby Club—1, 2 Librarian—2, 3, 4 Camera Club—2, 3 Girl Reserves-3, 4

Be silent and safe. Silence never betrays you.

Hobby Club—1, 2, 3

Baseball—3, 4 Safe Driving Club-4

#### HARRY HAWN

# KEITH HEWITT

Just the quiet type. Hobby Club—1 Safe Driving Club—2, 3 Track—2, 3, 4 Varsity Club—3, 4

KEITH HEWITT

None but himself can be his parallel.

Band—1, 2, 3, 4

Glee Cl—1, 2, 3, 4

Quertel—1, 2, 3, 4

A Capella Choir—2, 3, 4

Boys' Quartette—2, 4

Student Council—2, 4

Varsity Club—3, 4

Junior Play
Senior Play
Band Quintet

Vice-president Senior Class Vice-president Senior Class

# HOWARD HUDSON

| Mischief shines in his eyes, | I like work when it is far away. | Hobby Club—1, 4 | Hobby Club—1, 4 | Photograph—2 | Basketball—3, 4 | Baseball—3, 4 | Football—4 | Senior Play | Archery Club—3, 4 | Senior Play

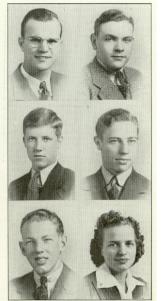
HAROLD HELMS

#### DICK HEMENWAY

# JOYCE KENNEDY

But can't we all live for something?
Glee Club—2
Football—2, 3, 4
Basketball—2, 3, 4
Baseball—2, 3, 4
Track—3, 4

She and gloom are no relation.
Sphinx Staff
Senior Play
Home Ec. Club—1
Etiquette Club—1
Hobby Club—2, 3
Operetta—1
Photography—4
Archery Club—3, 4
Girl Reserves—3, 4





#### GERALDINE KROSKE

There's just something about her.
Glee Club—1, 2, 3, 4
A Capella Choir—1, 3, 4
Dramatics—1 Junior Play
Senior Play
Senior Play
Girls' Trio—4
Archery Club—4
Annual Staff
Senior Class Secretary

#### R. D. MAURER

Never trouble trouble, till trouble r. troubles you. Hobby Club—1. 2, 3, 4 Band—8, 4

# ALBERT LARSEN

Full of fun and ambition. Hobby Club-1, 2, 3, 4

#### FRANK McCULLOCH

What? No girls in heaven.
Well, then just leave me here.
Dechate—1, 2, 8
Hobby Club—1
Giec Club—2, 8
A Capella Choir—2, 8
Varsity Club—3, 4
Junior Play—3
Senior Play—4
Sphinx Staff

#### IVAN LECUREUX

It isn't words that count, but actions.

Hobby Club—1
Glee Club—2. 3, 4
Operetta—3, 4
A Capella Choir—4

# FREDERICK MILLER

A great man—he admits himself.

Hobby Club—1, 2, 4

Glee Club—2, 3

Gsym—3

Band—3, 4

Track—3, 4

Intramural Softball—3

Archery Club—4

Intramural Baseketball—4

Intramural Baseball—4

# VIRGINIA NAYLOR

# BLANCHE RIGLING

VIRGINIA NAYLOR

She looks quite but \_\_? ? I'll continue to siggle as long Glee Club—1, 2, 3 Library Club—8, 4 Home Ec. Club—8

Archery Club—4

JOHN PROUT

A maker of friends and a retainer of friendships.

President of Senior Class

BLANCHE RIGLING

continue to siggle as long as I live.

Glie Reserves Reporter—4

Etiquette Club—2, 8 Home Ec. Club—1 Hobby Club—2, 8 Gym—3

Archery Club—3

Archery Club—3

Archery Club—3

Archery Club—3

Archery Club—4

Operetta—1, 2

A maker of friends and a retainer of friendships.

President of Senior Class Glee Club—1, 2, 3, 4
A Capella Choir—1, 2, 3, 4
Operetta—1, 2, 3, 4
Boys' Quartette—3, 4
Secretary of Class—2
Hobby Club—1, 2
Basketball—1, 2, 3, 4
Varsity Club—3, 2, 4
Secretary of Class—2
Secretary of Class—2
Hobby Club—1, 2
Basketball—1, 2, 3, 4
Secretary of Club—3
Stage Manger Janior Play—8
Secretary of Class—9
Secretary of Class—9
Secretary of Class—9
Secretary of Club—1
A Cappling Manger Janior Play—9
Secretary of Club—1
A Cappling Manger A maker of friends and a retainer

MAXINE REID Light-hearted and gay. Glee Club—1, 3, 4 Reporters' Club—2

#### JOYCE SAWYER

The force of her own merit makes her way.

Reporters' Club—1
Glee Club—1, 2, 3, 4
Band—1, 2, 3, 4
Annual Staff—1, 4
Debating—1, 2, 3
Junior Play—8
Scholor Play—8
A Capella Choir—4
Band Quintet—4



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# DOROTHY SCHLITTS

They succeed who believe They succeed who believe they can.

Glee Club—1, 2, 3
A Capella Choir—1, 2, 3
Band—1
Operetta—1 Junior Play—3 Library—3 Hobby Club—4 Girl Reserves-4

# HERBERT SMITH

HERBERT SMITH

The happy, good-natured friend
of everyone.
Hobby Club—1
Glee Club—2
Basketball—2, 3, 4
Baseball—2, 3, 4
Operetta—2
Reporters' Club—3
Varsity Club—4
Track—4 Track—4
Senior Play—4
Sphinx Staff—4

#### LORRAINE SERR

# CORABELLE SPORE

Always the same happy girl, and She looks safe and sound, but so so is everyone's pal.

Reporters' Club—1, 2, 3

Dramatics—1, 2

Home Ec. Club—1

Brown Mapor Band—3, 4

Cheer Leader—3, 4

Always the same happy girl, and She looks safe and sound, but so does gunpowder.

Home Ec. Club—1

Reporters' Club—2, 3

Hobby Club—3

Cheer Leader—3, 4 looks safe and sound, b does gunpowder. Etiquette Club—1 Home Ec. Club—1 Reporters' Club—2, 3 Hobby Club—3 Cheer Leader—3, 4 Safe Driving Club—4

#### ROBERT SLEESEMAN

It isn't work that worries meit's women.

Hobby Club—1
Safe Driving Club—2
Reporters' Club—3
Varsity Club—4

#### MAX SUTTON

Hold that fort, I'm coming.

Basketball—1, 2, 3, 4
Glee Club—1, 2, 3, 4
Band—1
Football—2, 3, 4
Baseball—2, 3, 4
Track—2, 3, 4
A Capella Choir—2, 3, 4
Varsity Club—3, 4
Boys' Quartette—4

#### BESSIE SWORTHWOOD

urprises come in little packages.

Glee Club—1

Hobby Club—2, 4

Safe Driving Club—3

# STEVE TOTH

"I'm growed up, almost."
Hobby Club—1, 2, 3, 4
Track—3
Varsity Club—3, 4

#### LUCILE SWORTHWOOD

As busy and efficient as the proverbial bee.

Home Ec Club—1
Glee Club—1
Student Council—1,
Operetta—1
Hobby Club—2, 4
Junior Play—3
Archery Club—3, 4
Safe Driving Club—3
Senior Play—4
Sphinx Staff—4
Cirl Reserve Treasurer—4
Gym—3

Student Council Secretary—4
Sphinx Staff—4
Cirl Reserve Treasurer—4
Gym—3

# LUCILLE THOMAS

# JERRY ZRUNA

A quiet lass; there are few who low the treasures hid in you.

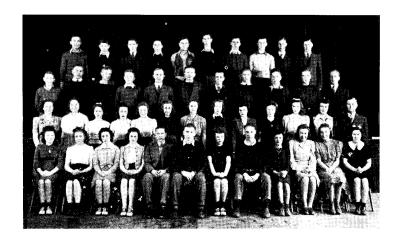
Etiquette Club—1
Reporters' Club—2, 3
Hobby Club—4

True to his word, his work, and his friends.

Glee Club—1, 2, 3, 4
Band—2, 3, 4
Operetta—1
Hobby Club—4

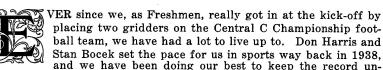


# **JUNIORS**



# **OFFICERS**

President		the second of the	Stan Bocek
Vice-president			Jim Hickey
Secretary	100		Corrine Woodcock
Treasurer			Don Harris
Advisor		Section 18 Ave.	Mr. Stull



tarnished in sports and other fields. Maybe to list a few names such as Wayne Tibbet, Bill Leader, Bob Neal, Dub Harris, Walt Swan, Jim Hickey and Willie Bernat may convince scoffers, if any there be, that we haven't done so badly.

This year was the occasion of our first major class presentation before the school and community. "Calm Yourself," a farce-comedy, produced under the direction of Mr. Dunn, provided not only an excellent evening's entertainment for the enthusiastic audience, but brought into evidence some very real dramatic ability among the members of the cast. In addition to Marjorie McBride, who was our school's dramatic-reading representative at the district oratorical contest, Ella Stevens, Mary Jane Currie and Jack Coakes seem to be unusually well equipped for the histrionic art, and with another year's experience should make the Hollywood starlets sit up and take notice.

But after all, we do have classes, too, and with serious students like Roberta Porterfield, Marjorie McBride, Jack Coakes and Eugene Derr to uphold our ambitions in this field, we modestly admit that we feel the Seniors are justified in their belief that they are leaving the future reputation of Corunna in safe and capable hands.

# **SOPHOMORES**



#### OFFICERS

President	Floyd Brands
Vice-president	Bill Francis
	Jim Fraser
Secretary	Bruce Allen
Treasurer	
Advisor	Mr. Dean



AVING recovered from the somewhat bewildered emotions inevitable among Freshmen, the Class of 1943 has this year entered whole-heartedly in the activities of Corunna High School. Indeed, it has been whispered in some quarters, that a few of us are even over-zealous in this department but let that pass as rumor.

We were proud to have on the football team such intrepid players as Jim Fraser at left tackle; Bill Francis at center; and Bruce Allen at quarter-back. Of these, the latter two will undoubtedly add to our prestige on the field next year.

In basketball Bob Schlitts, Lee Shipman, and Jack Hemenway did themselves proud breaking into the headlines occasionally, and as they all improved tremendously toward the end of the season, we may expect to hear more of them next year.

Bill Nolph and Clem Sellers were our representatives in Student Council; and Clem and Bruce Allen struggled nobly for the Annual's cause.

Dorothy Hilden, Jean Turner and Betty Tissot keep us up to date with the activities of the Music Department and Band, and Waheba Fattal ably represented us in the operetta.

But to squelch that afore-mentioned rumor, on the academic side we feel sure that students like our President, Floyd Brands, Lois Devereaux, Betty Tissot, Wendell Bush and Norma Sworthwood can be depended upon to keep the torch of knowledge burning.

As we march forward to take our turn at being upper-classmen, we offer congratulations and our sincere good wishes to the Seniors who have set us so worthy an example.

# FRESHMEN



# **OFFICERS**

President	Kenneth Price
Vice-president	Joe Carland
Secretary-Treasurer	 Minnie Loper
Advisor	Mr. Bouck



OON after the Class of 1944 entered the portals of Corunna High School as full-fledged freshmen, we were invited by the upper-classmen to attend that time-honored social event known as "Initiation." As usual the upper-classmen took the upper hand as we were led fast and furiously

event known as "Initiation." As usual the upper-classmen took the upper hand as we were led fast and furiously through the traditional paces. No casualties resulted, however, and no entangling alliances were made, as the bachelors, in spite of leap-year, refused to take very seriously the rather reluctant proposals of their dictator-appointed girl friends. Indeed, before the evening was over we Freshmen unanimously agreed that we had the better of the bargain, for we all thoroughly enjoyed the party and dance staged for us by the veterans.

One really sad event of cur year has been the loss of our President, Kenneth Price, who was injured in an automobile accident and has since been in the hospital. We all hope that by next year he will be able to be with us again. In the interim our genial Vice-president, Joe Carland; our versatile Secretary-Treasurer, Minnie Loper; and our Advisor, Mr. Bouck, have held the reins of our progress.

Next year we will move upstairs to the big assembly room, and although we may occupy their places, we know it will take a lot of growing in every way, before we can attain to the stature of the departing Seniors.

# ITIES





# LIBRARY



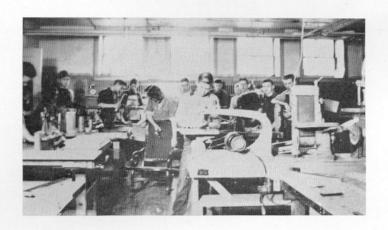


ORUNNA High School has every reason to be proud of its adequate library facilities and its efficient library staff. Under the direction of Miss Ogle, the 2,300 volumes ranging from primary texts to reference material, have been catalogued under the universally recognized Library of Congress system.

Working with Miss Ogle is a staff of eleven girls who are thus afforded an opportunity of learning library routine through actual experience. Some practice in book-mending is also provided by an N. Y. A. fund for that purpose.

Both the students and teachers want to express their appreciation to Miss Ogle and her staff for their ever ready co-operation and valuable suggestions.

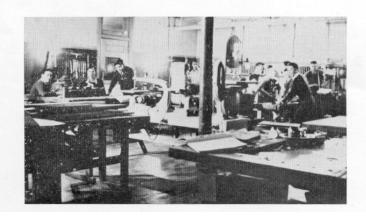
# HOBBY CLUB





GREAT variety of interests characterize the activities of Hobby Club, which is sponsored by Mr. George, our instructor in Shop. During a typical work period students may be found putting the finishing touches to articles as diverse as ship-models, photographs, or the bows and

arrows which are used in Archery Club. Collectors items range from coins and cartridges, to stamps, match-book folders, and poems. If you have a hobby, however unusual it may be, you are quite likely to find a fellow-enthusiast among this diversified crew.



# HOME EC. CLUB

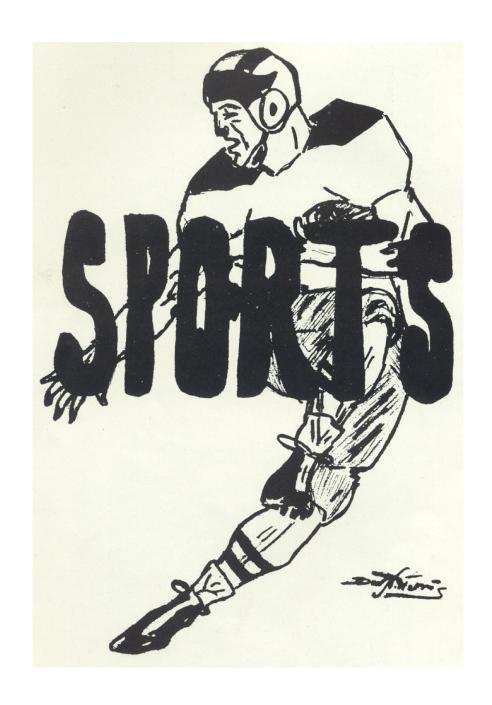


HE Home Ec Club, composed of both first and second year girls meet once a week in the pleasant, homey department room. In such an atmosphere, under the direction of Miss Morrison, the girls increase their social contacts and add to their class-room activities in the arts and crafts of home-

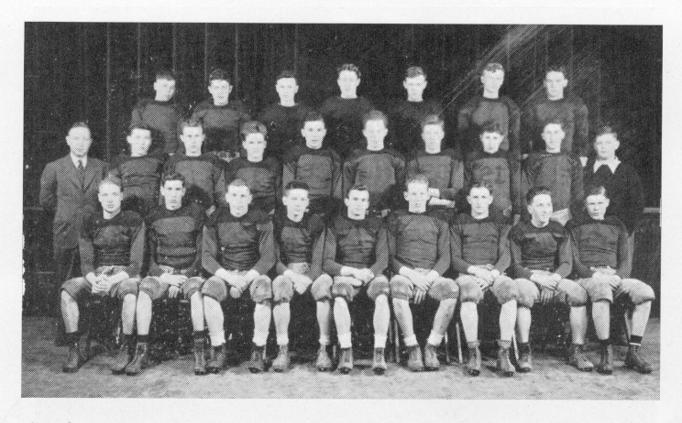
making. During the first semester the girls worked on individual projects of hand-craft, and during the second semester they are making a quilt-top to be used in the department.

# THE ANNUAL STAFF





# FOOTBALL



Standing (top row, left to right): Naylor, Francis, Boursmith, Seward, Yerrick, (Dub) Harris, Allen.

Standing (second row, lef't to right): Coach Parker, Shipman, Nolph, Neal, Butcher, Jack Hemenway, Helms, Leader, Sellers, Manager (Dick) Hasselback.

Seated (left to right): (Don) Harris, Norcross, Bocek, Hasselback, Sutton, Hemenway, Graham, Bernat, Swan.



NDER their new Coach, Mr. Parker, the Cavaliers during 1940 enjoyed one of their best gridiron seasons in years. The team was made up of a good number of veterans who showed the value of their experience throughout the schedule by winning five out of eight games played.

The Cavaliers opened the season at Elsie where they were beaten 7 to 0. After winning from Chesaning 6-0, the Orange-Blacks dropped an encounter to Ovid, downed Perry, were beaten by a series of flukes by St. Paul's, and wound up the season by licking Owosso B, Durand and Fulton by big margins.

There were two big events of the 1940 season. The Cavaliers played two night games and won them both. The Chesaning Indians fell before the Horsemen and the Owosso B's were hung out to dry on

the goal posts to the tune of 19-6.

Five Seniors will be missing from the ranks of the Cavaliers next year. They are Captain Max Sutton, Dick Hemenway, who were both All-Conference men. Earl (Dunk) Graham, Bob Hasselback and Harold (Shorty) Helms. However, there are some very good boys left: Stan Bocek, Don Harris, Bill Francis, Willie Bernat, Bob Neal, and our promising Sophomore quarter-back, Bruce Allen.

# SEASON'S RESULTS

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# BASKET BALL



Standing (left to right): Coach Parker, Frank McCulloch, Don Harris, Dick Hemenway, Max Sutton, Harold Helms and Dick Hasselback.

Seated (left to right): Herbert Smith, Bob Schlitts, Jim Hickey, Leighman Shipman and Earl Graham

LTHOUGH the student body got all hepped up when the Orange-Blacks beat the Chesaning Indians 32-26, the Cavaliers did not meet with the success encountered during the football season. After that, Coach Parker's charges dropped eight straight games. The second and final win

for the Cavaliers came when they drubbed St. Paul's 25-7, but from that game on, even in defeat, the cagers were a changed team, and they illustrated a sportsmanship and will-to-win that is found only in a team that really deserves to win.

Our center, Bob Hasselback, was rewarded for his fine team play throughout the year, by being chosen for the all-tournament team by the Argus-Press. High point man of the year was Hasselback with 110 points. Herb Smith and Max Sutton ran second and third respectively, with 69 and 63 points. The following are Seniors this year: Hasselback, Sutton, Smith, Graham, McCulloch, Hemenway and Helms.

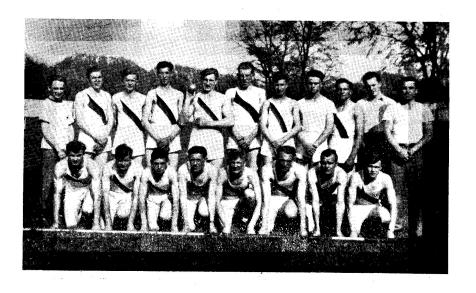
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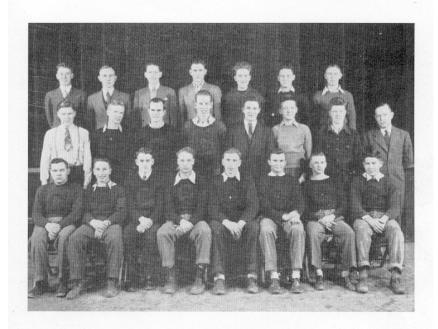
RACK COACH LYLE BOUCK seems to have what it takes to turn out a good track team every year. Last year the Corunna stars won every meet before going to the State and Regional Meets, and the team this year looks very promising in spite of the rather inexperienced material which

showed up for practice. Veterans from last year include Stan Bocek, Don Harris, Max Sutton, Steve Toth, Harry Hawn, Dick Hemenway, Walter Swan and Lip Ellis. Our first meet was an inter-class event which the Seniors won by 2½ points. The Juniors scored 40 and the Sophomores 23½ points.

Our first trip away from home was the triangular meet at Owosso on April 24th. With Swartz Creek, Owosso B's, and Corunna competing, the well-balanced Corunna team captured first place with 82 points. Swartz Creek came in second with 231/2 points, and Owosso B's ended with 12½ points. With this as a starter, Coach Bouck is looking forward to the best season he has ever had at Corunna.

Two Juniors on this year's team, in 1940 made history at the State Track Meet at Lansing, where Don Harris ran the 440 yard dash in 53 seconds, and Stan Bocek heaved the shot-put 45 feet, 7% inches. Both Stan and Don came home with "Gold Medal" awards for highest merit. As we go to press word comes that Stan again came through for Coach Bouck and the Cavaliers by topping the state record for the shot-put by 214 inches at Mt. Pleasant on May 3rd. No wonder Coach Bouck is all smiles these days.

# VARSITY CLUB



# **OFFICERS**

President	Stanley Bocek
Vice-president	Max Sutton
Secretary	John Prout
Treasurer	Don Harris

HE purposes of the Varsity Club, which is sponsored by Coach Parker, are four-fold: To promote good citizenship through cleanliness and fair play in athletics; to raise the general standard of athletics through friendly competition in inter-school meetings; to maintain a better standard of

scholarship among athletes; to assist in the advancement of the ideals of Corunna High School. Any person having won a major award in Athletics in Corunna High School is eligible for membership in this organization.

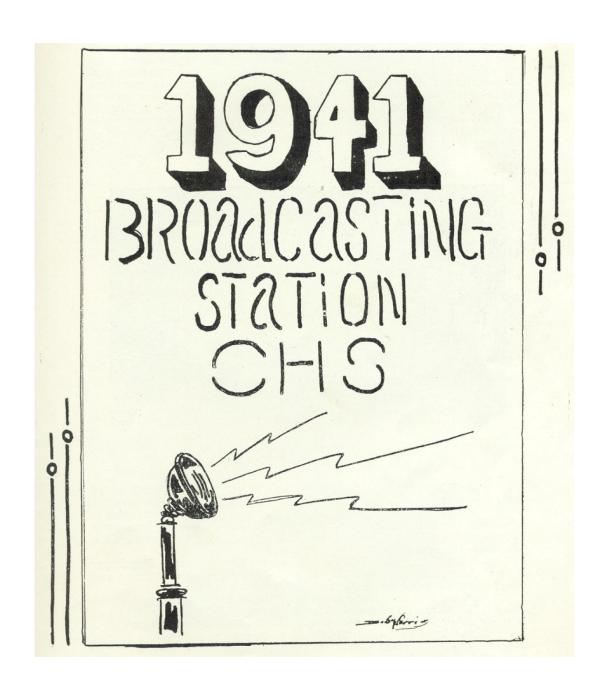
# ARCHERY CLUB



RCHERY CLUB is a comparatively recent activity which opens up a new field of sports to both boys and girls. During the Fall and Spring, Archery Club meets out of doors under the direction of Mr. Dunn. Many students own their own bows and arrows; the school supplies others and the targets.

Last Fall most attention was given to the form and posture necessary for accuracy and skill in shooting. This spring actual target practice and hitting the bull's eye is the objective.

This sport of romantic tradition involves exact co-ordination of mind, muscle and nerve. Its execution in proper surroundings is one of the most graceful of all sports from a spectator's viewpoint.



# A CAPELLA CHOIR

"You are now listening to the 'Nightingales'—the A Capella Choir—broadcast from Station C. H. S. Today's program brings you a short review of the year's activities under the direction of Miss Julia Ross. During the year we have had the pleasure of providing entertainment for various social organizations of the city. In January we presented a short operetta, 'The Grasshopper,' at St. Charles, and we are looking forward to their return visit. We were also hosts to the A Capella Choir of Durand on February 12th. These activities represent only our independent projects, of course, because like all good children of a happy family, we may also be found taking part in all the activities of our parent organization—the Glee Club."



# GLEE CLUB

"The 'Silver Throated Harmony Aces' bring you another hour of entertainment over Station C. H. S. Your announcer, Ella Stevens.

"Today's program brings you a review of this year's activities under the direction of Miss Julia Ross. Our first public appearance was made in Assembly on December 18 when the entire Glee Club presented a Christmas program.

"During the month of March we presented an operetta "The Gypsy Rover,' the proceeds of which are to be used for buying new music and other equipment for the department.

"On Sunday afternoon, May 5th, a Vesper Service was held at the Church House in observation of National Music Week, and on May 1st, with six other schools, we took part in the Music Festival at Perry.

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"It has been said that 'Music hath charms to soothe the savage breast.' Without admitting to the charge of savagery, certainly the members of the Glee Club have found that singing together produces a special feeling of unity among a group of people, and it is with this feeling exemplified that members of the Glee Club say, as in one voice, 'Thank you, Miss Ross!'"

# BOYS' QUARTET



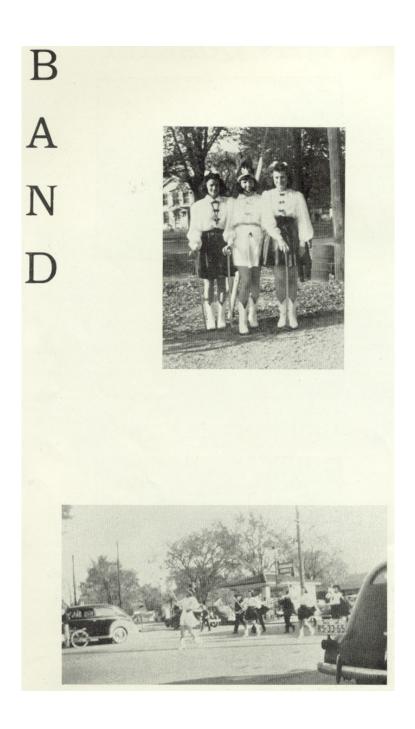
First Tenor	John Prout
Second Tenor	Max Sutton
Baritone	Keith Hewitt
Bass	Jack Coakes

"This is your Sphinx announcer for Station TRA-LA, bringing another and the last of the fifteen minute programs presented by the Boys' Quartet of Corunna High School, for in June three of the boys will graduate and leave only Jack Coakes as a sturdy 'Bass' on which to build another foursome next year. Best of luck, boys."

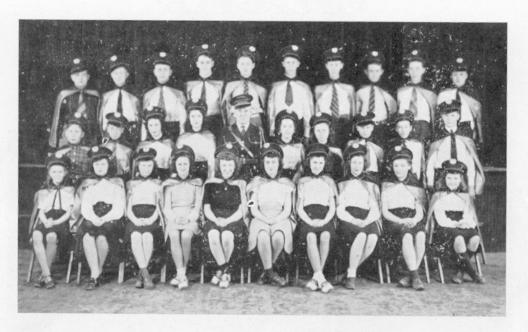
# GIRLS' DOUBLE TRIO



Some folks prefer the "Andrews Sisters," and some the "Four Modernaires," but we students at Corunna High think our Girls' Double Trio is the tops in entertainment, and we are not alone in our opinion, for accompanied by Miss Ross, their director, they have been asked to sing at many social events during the past year. They also opened the afternoon session of the Shiawassee County Teachers' Institute, held in Owosso, where their rendition of the modern and difficult composition, "Trees," received most enthusiastic applause.



# BAND



Director

Mr. Keith Dean

# MEMBERS

Don Basso
Dorothy Boursmith
Lawrence Brown
LeRoy Brookhouse
Joe Carland
Jack Coakes
Joan Coutts
Mary Jane Currie
Gertrude Davis

Eugene Derr Helen Diamond Herbert Diamond Henry Dvorak Gladys Elkins Joyce Heckman Keith Hewitt Micky Kribs Nan Kribs

Dick LaHaine
Fred Miller
Betty Morse
John Prout
Joyce Sawyer
Robert Schlitts
Betty Tissot
Helen Zruna
Jerry Zruna

# DRUM MAJORS Lorraine Serr

Marjorie McBride

Corrine Woodcock

# **OPERETTA**

"THE GYPSY ROVER"

by

Mary Hewes Dodge and John Wilson Dodge



# CAST OF CHARACTERS

Meg, Rob's foster mother Zara, Belle of the Gypsy Camp Marto, Meg's husband	Mary Jane Currie Keith Hewitt
Sinfo, in love with Zara	Jack Coakes
Rob, afterwards Sir Gilbert Howe	John Prout
Lady Constance Lord Craven	May Sutton
Sir George Martendale	Ivan LeCureux
Nina	_ Phyllis Matthews
Captain Jerome	Robert Schlitts
Sir Tony Lyon	Wayne Tibbets
McCorkle	Junior Edwards
Servant	LeRoy Brookhouse
Director	Miss Ross



HE GYPSY ROVER is an operetta built around the character of Rob (John Prout), later known as Sir Gilbert Howe. Having been kidnapped by his nurse, Rob spent his boyhood among the gypsies. Inevitably, complications present themselves when Lady Constance, visiting the gypsy

his boyhood among the gypsies. Inevitably, complications present themselves when Lady Constance, visiting the gypsy camp, falls in love with Rob. His serenade to her provides Rob with an opportunity of displaying his not inconsiderable musical ability. Restored to his original identity and title, Rob, as a successful composer, woos and wins the Lady Constance.

Excellent performances by the entire cast, the bits of comedy provided by the gypsies, and the colorful costumes all added to the enjoyment of the evening.

# SENIOR PLAY

"ONE DELIRIOUS NIGHT" by Harry Calbert



# CAST OF CHARACTERS

Lilly Clark	Joyce Kennedy
Lefty Daggs	Keith Hewitt
Mrs. Martha Arnold	Joyce Sawyer
Hannah	
Patricia Arnold	Jean Ritter
Sally Winfrey	Gerry Kroske
Dick Delray	Don Basso
Freddie Fenwick	Herbert Smith
Paul Hammond	John Prout
Colonel Delray	Frank McCulloch
Mavis Jordan	Helen Diamond
Dr. Green	Dick Hemenway
O'Brien	
Director	Mr. Dunn

# JUNIOR PLAY



"CALM YOURSELF"



ITH such an oddly assorted company as a chronically complaining husband, an artist, a handsome widow, and a social climbing mother gathered for a week-end under one roof, anything is liable to happen, and before the final curtain of "Calm Yourself" both players and audience find

themselves badly in need of the title's prescription. Ella Stevens, as her husband's boss, shows us the dual nature she's been concealing all these years. Jack Coakes proves strong enough to survive the shock of his daughter's elopement, and Mary Jane Currie and Marjorie McBride give convincing demonstrations of the feminine wiles they consider legitimate for capturing the attention and affection of the elusive males.

# OUR "STAN"



The members of the Varsity Club, in recognition of his high achievement, his clean sportsmanship and fine personal character, cordially dedicate this page of the 1941 Sphinx to their President, Stanley Bocek.



# APPRECIATION

To Mrs. Silkworth, instructor of English on the faculty of our High School, and advisor to the Sphinx staff, we wish to express our sincere thanks for her splendid co-operation, advice and help in the preparation of this book, which we believe is better and more complete than any previous issues.

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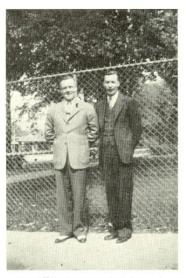
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Keith: "Why, Adam, of course. He furnished the spare parts for the first loud-speaker."

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Voice: "I don't know it."

Sentry: "Proceed, American."

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Virgil: "Step on it, Kid."

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Fond Mother writing to her son in military service: "I hope that you have now learned to get up punctually every morning so that you do not keep the whole battalion waiting for breakfast."



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# **CLASS OF 1941 REUNITES**

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Corunna High School's class of 1941 met at Ponderosa recently for their annual get-together. Those attending were George Claxton, Herb Smith, Earl Graham, Albert Larsen, Blanche Rigling Cesal, Virginia Naylor Dietrick, Dorothy Boursmith Darnell, Geraldine Kroske Hamill and Lorraine Serr Braid.

"If you refuse me," he swore, "I shall die." She refused him. Sixty years later he died.

# **End**