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The Cass County Community of the France Park Cliff Dwellers, France Park at 7 p.m. in the . Bring your own chairs; admis-

lore: Civic Players will per- show tunes as part of the series from 7-9 p.m. at

: The Pastoral Counseling County is sponsoring a pizza to 7:30 p.m. at Happy Burger from the event will benefit the eling Center.

The Twelve Mile Saturday ast will be held from 7 to 10 ve Mile Community Building. red by the Cass County ssociation.

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◆ OBITUARIES

Edna Irene Conn

Edna Irene Conn, 82, Rt. 2, Logansport, died at 1:15 a.m. Saturday in the home of her daughter at 2215 Otto St.

Born Oct. 1, 1913, in Logansport, she was the daughter of Harley and Minnie Homburg Benner. On April 11, 1934, she was married in Logansport to John Williams Conn, who died March 19, 1992.

Mrs. Conn, a homemaker, was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, where she had formerly sung in the choir and taught Sunday school.

She was a member of Clinton Township Extension Homemakers Club and the Farm Bureau.

She was an avid bridge player, enjoyed playing solitaire and liked to cook and bake for neighbors and friends.

Surviving are one daughter, Carolyn R. Beauchamp, Logansport; one son, Phillip R. Conn, 3675E Cass County Road 325N, Logansport; nine grandchildren, John Walker, Pat Richason, April Walker, Phil Walker, Nancy Walker, Beth Beauchamp, Angie Beauchamp, John Conn and Edith Conn; and two great-grandchildren, Austin Richason and Cameron Conn.

One brother and two sisters preceded in death.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday in McCloskey-Hamilton-Gundrum Funeral Home, with Pastor Mack Goeglein officiating. Burial will be in Shideler Cemetery, Logansport.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday in the funeral home, where there will be a Church Council service at 6:30 p.m. Monday.



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Roy J. Hawkins

Roy J. Hawkins, 76, of 901 E. Main St., died at 11:35 a.m. Saturday in Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis.

Born June 12, 1920, in Vermilion Grove, Ill., he was the son of Roy West and Edith Nixie White Hawkins. On Aug. 13, 1983, in Indianapolis, he was married to Wildarose McCarter, who survives.

The retired owner and operator of Hawkins Commodities, Mr. Hawkins also was a former feed salesman in northern Indiana.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, having served during World War II.

A life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #3790 and a member of the American Legion Post #60, he was an avid gin rummy player.

Also surviving are one son, Michael Hawkins, Lafayette; one daughter and son-in-law, Ann and Gerald Hanna, Delphi; three stepsons and stepdaughters-in-law, Michael and Caye McLochlin, Duluth, Ga., Pat and Judy McLochlin, Kokomo, Greg and Cindy McLochlin, Carmel; four brothers, Forest Lincoln Hawkins, Vista, Calif., Kenneth Herbert Hawkins, Bridgeforn, Ill., Bert Morris Hawkins, Cedar City, Utah, and Jack Marvin Hawkins, Branson, Mo.; two sisters, Old Mae Hutchins, St. Paul, Minn. and Gladys Edith Fitzsimmons, Danville, Ill.; and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, step-grandchildren and stepgreat-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday in McCloskey-Hamilton-Gundrum Funeral Home, with the Rev. Mike Brown officiating. Burial, with military graveside rites, will be in Mount Hope Cemetery.



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Student Drops Out Of To Care For Five Relat

◆ Unusual Father's Day

DALLAS (AP) — When 12-year-old Gabriel won third place for his tornado-in-a-bottle science project, Eugene Helm IV jumped to his feet and erupted in joy.

The four other children roared, too. Then, wanting to be part of the action, 11-year-old Randy looked at Eugene and blurted, "I'm almost finished with MY science project!"

Just months before, Gabriel — a bully at school who wore gang-style clothes — would laugh out loud when handed back a failed assignment. But here he was on stage, gripping a trophy and basking in the applause, while Eugene beamed from the audience.

"You could see, ME, like a proud father," Eugene said, shaking his head incredulously.

In fact, Eugene is not the father of these five children — three boys and twin girls. He is their uncle.

And therein lies a very unusual Father's Day story — the story of how Eugene Helm IV became an instant father, putting aside his own dreams to embrace five children whose lives had been too harsh to harbor dreams.

Just a year ago, Eugene was a 25-year-old college student in Chicago, thinking of little else than organic chemistry, his job as a pharmacy assistant at a drugstore and his fiancée, Taneen.

His mother's death last July changed all that: It left homeless the five grandchildren she had been raising.

Quite honestly, Eugene hadn't given the youngsters much thought. He had come to Dallas to bury his mother and be on his way. He figured the kids — boys aged 7, 11 and 12 and 4-year-old twin girls — would be farmed out to relatives or foster care.

No one could blame him for going back to Chicago. He was a college student pursu-



Eugene Helm IV sits and his five nieces and nephews in the Dallas apartment. He lege to care for the

"Son," his father arrived, "I want you yourself."

He did. He was school's student c National Honor Socie

When he saw the nieces and nephews turn his back.

He called his father considering dropping the five kids.

"Your mom would said quietly