1983 was a year of building, growth and people

EDITOR'S NOTE: 1983 will probably be regarded as a year of improvement for Thumb Area communities. True, it was not as good as some years, but it was not as bad as some years. Local economies have made strides forward.

Growth and expansion in these flat economic times contributed to our choice for the story of the year. The Robert Rudder Cup is given to the individual who is a major contributor to the year's improvements. The award, given to Ed Weidman, is the same as the year's improvement award.

We hope this makes us ALL winners as 1983 ends, and 1984 begins.

THE THUMB'S TOP STORY FOR 1983: Millions of dollars in construction and expansion programs were announced, including Cable TV and Co-op Elevator sitios at Elkton, Pigeon-R-Us farrowing opera-

Co-Carriere Farm begins in Bay Port, Pigeon, Bay Port State Bank branch at Pigeon and Scheurer Hospital expansion.

JANUARY, 1983

JANUARY'S TOP STORY: Cable TV service is on the way to the Western Thumb, as Pioneer Cablevision of Caseville signs local franchises.

Meanwhile, the second such change in its 86-year history, the Progress-Advance switched from a Thursday to Wednesday morning publication.

Pigeon Area Jayceetalk marks 16 years of community service with special dinner Jan. 4 at The Lamplighter.

The Thumb bids farewell to Pastor Wayne Wentzel and family of St. John's Lutheran Church, Kilmanagh as they move to the Mt. Clemens area to pastor St. Peter's Lutheran Church.

Pigeon Village Council formally signs cable television franchise with Pioneer Cablevision.

Martin Randall, 68, is the first baby born in 1983 at Scheurer Hospital. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Randy (Cheryl) Sturm of Pigeon.

Longtime Pigeon insurance agent Russ Anderson retires. His State Farm insurance office will be taken over by his son, Dave Anderson.

Laker girls win first-place volleyball trophy following a 12-team Lakers Volleyball Invitational Tournament.

K.J. Capachieti of Thumb National Bank and Trust of Pigeon donated over $325 to send all 560 Thumb High School students to the 16th annual Shrine Circus in Saginaw.

Linda McGlothlin is elected the 1983 Pigeon Chamber of Commerce president, succeeding Pat Adalia. New incoming board members are Dave Geiger, Judy Nielson and Bill Weltzien.

Over 200 Thumb area farmers attend Huron County Bean Day. State Rep. Dick Allen (R-Fairgrove) of the 77th district was administered the oath of office on Jan. 12 by Chief Justice M. Mennem Williams.

Laker's sophomore Lisa Garza was chosen to attend the Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation International Leadership Seminar. These leadership seminars are the Pigeon Worth White Club and the Pioneer Junior Women's Club.

Three semi-trailer truckloads of Huron County beans left the cooperative elevator, Pigeon, to feed more than 2,000 families in Michigan's U.P.

Robert E. Roberts was named Outstanding Young Man and Pat Adalia is named Outstanding Young Woman at the second annual Winter Carnival Saturday dinner and banquet on Jan. 28 at the Pigeon VFW Hall. Also feted for their accomplishments are Outstanding Male Pioneer Professional Tony Loewer; Female Pioneer Professional Lorraine LePage; Male Educator Scott Siskel; Female Educator Gary Holmgren; Male Health Professional Phil Seemann; Female Health Professional Dennis Thede; Young Mother Toni Podolak; Young Farmer Dennis Fridley.


FEBRUARY, 1983

FEBRUARY'S TOP STORY: Summer lights brighten down at Elkton Co-op Farm Produce Co., manager, retiring with 27 years' experience.

Two Pigeon youths and an Elkton youth are charged with felony warrants in the Nov. 28 shooting spree which killed five cattle near Bay Port, Pigeon and Bad Axe.

Today . . . outside . . .

Continued COLD. Highs near 10; lows to 4

SAGINAW BAY: Cloudy, breezy, cold, 4° ice at shore

Thursday . . . Sunny, continued cold

Highs of 15; lows to 4

Friday . . . Cloudy, warmer

Highs of 15; lows to 4

Weekend . . . Snow and cold!

Up to 4 inches, lows to 2

what's inside ...

what's outside...

1983 in review . . .

MANY PAGES WHERE WERE YOU WHEN THESE HAPPENED?

Laker Band Calendars here! . . . PAGE 5

START 1984 RIGHT: SUPPORT THE BAND

Huron Bean Day near . . . PAGE 6

JAN. 13 IN BAD AXE

The strange "Racoonhook" is sighted walking slowly near Michigan Avenue in downtown Pigeon, trying to find lodgment near the Grand Trunk Railroad tracks.

The schedule of Pigeon will be a three-week tour of Europe and Africa as part of the Michigan Agricultural College Band Program. Joining him on the trip will be Mr. Terry and Kent, both of Bad Axe.

Laker hostesses beauty at top of Thumb B League list and go over Sandusky, then lengthy game to Caro, placing them a half-game out of first-place in the Thumb B League.

Laker girls valley to 16-1 record.

A former Charles rider is rewarded with a first-place flag in the 15th annual International 500 Mile Sweepstakes Race on over Sandusky, then lengthy game to Caro, placing them a half-game out of first-place in the Thumb B League.

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FEBRUARY 1983

Laker's new golf team is named January by the Rolling Stones Queen by last year's queen Lisa Novak.

Huron County Sheriff Richard Stokes and Sgt. B.B. Woodruff present a Drinking and Driving Seminar to Laker High School students, in anticipation of the eftier drink driving laws that would go into effect April 1.

Five Laker BSOA students are honored at the Regional Competition of the Business Office Education Club in Flint.

Pigeon High School students provide the speakers for Community Action Day at St. John's Lutheran Church.

Laker volleyball team ranks eighth in the state in Associated Press poll.

Caseville High School student Chris Murdock qualifies as a finalist in the Associated Press state volleyball tournament.

A new church, the Abundant Life Fellowship, finds a home in Bad Axe, with Pastor Jim Miller leading the congregation.

The American Cancer Society Ski-a-thon was cancelled for 1983 because of the lack of snow, which forced elimina-

tions in several ski dates.

Two Laker seniors, Stilby Baur and Cami Gaskill, have been selected as representatives of the school's chapter of the National Honor Society, for scholarships awarded by the national organization.

FEBRUARY DEATHS: Ernest B. Moeller, 72; Claude Gilbert, 60; Joseph Wawrynko, 82; Elvira B. Miller, 83; Bob Steele, 67; Albertina Sturm, 78; Charles F. Timmons, 73; Walter Schorleve, 99; Ervin Weidman, 67; William P. Brundige, 83 and Stanley Ramsey, 60.

MARCH, 1983

MARCH'S TOP STORY: Three Caseville area cities are Michael, Shannon and Jeremy Holland — parishes in a March 22 house fire.

Three Caseville Country Restaurant of Caseville wins Broome- ball competition during the unsolderly annual Caseville Snow Ball.

The annual Sugar Beet Day at Casaile's Colony House brings in growers who this year's crop was far better than last year's, with growing and harvesting seasons practically perfect.

Forty-year-old Jamie McBride wins the Pigeon Cornhole Tournament $500 Shopping Spree in a final, taking a total of $450.20 worth of groceries at the checkout counter.

Casaile's Colony House owner Roy C. Woodruff will open a satellite operation on the Bay Port side of town, next to the Pigeon Post office and the Carson Hotel.

Pigeon Disciple farmer Robert Rudder receives a check for $316 from the Caseville Fraternal Order of Eagles Auxiliary, for the purchase of large print books.

Four Laker FFA Farmers enter the Michigan FFA competition at Michigan State University, following winners at regional contests.

Edward and Wen Pigg are elected president and secretary, respectively, of the board of directors of the Michigan Crop Improvement Association.

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Christmas made merrier for children

REASONS TO SMILE: In the last days before Merry Christmas, the last day to take the gifts of the Pigeon Force Xmas, several of the Pigeon Force members were visiting the children’s homes and Christmas parties. The Pigeon Force members distributed gifts to the children and helped to decorate the homes. The children were very happy with the presents and the decorations.

SAFE HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS GIVEN

Holiday party gives who want to creatively open the doors of gifts making (11th) and the two events, "The Great Pretender," an event of the National Club of Pigeon Force. The event was held on December 28th. The children were able to make their own decorations and gifts. The event was attended by the children and their families.

Resident beware of "thin ice"

Michigan residents beware of the "thin ice" in ponds and lakes. Warmer weather has melted the ice in some areas, making it thinner. Residents are advised to be cautious around waterways. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) has issued several warnings about the dangers of thin ice in ponds and lakes.

Watch Here...

For community information you should know.

Deadline for publication is 5 p.m. Mondays.

Big After Christmas Clearance

5 Days - Dec. 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
- All Boxed Cards - Reduced 30-80%
- Best Sellers
- All Records and Cassettes
- Children's Books, Novelty Items

Community Book Store

Don't Miss Satow's Inventory Sale

Dec. 27 - 31

50% off

Any item not specially
automatically discounted 50%

We just received a new shipment of totes and sleepers! Too late to get them for Christmas, but they're in time for inventory clearance. These will be specially priced for this sale.

Sales ends at 12 noon Dec. 31

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Thumbs area clubs

BAY PORT WOMAN'S CLUB

The Bay Port Woman's Club held its Christmas dinner on December 27th. The club members enjoyed a delicious meal and participated in a raffle. The proceeds from the raffle will be donated to a local charity.

Oswego Woman's Club

The Oswego Woman's Club held its annual Christmas party on December 28th. The club members enjoyed a festive evening with music, food, and holiday decor. The club also held a silent auction, and the proceeds will be donated to a local charity.

SVS offers classes

Sapporo Valley State College in Oswego offers a variety of classes for the winter term, including art, music, and language courses.

Lawn Theme Club's Lido Torte.

Lawn Theme Club's Lido Torte is a popular event held during the holidays. The club members enjoy a delicious dessert and participate in a raffle.

Board to appeal transfer

The Board of Education has approved the transfer of a student from one school to another. The transfer process is handled by the Board and the Superintendent.

Observations by Publishers Trade Journal

Interest in Saving Money

If you have a last minute gift to make, consider saving money by purchasing a gift certificate from a retailer. Publishers Trade Journal provides a directory of gift card retailers.

Tape Available

The Tape is a valuable tool for recording and managing your music collection. Publishers Trade Journal offers a variety of tape products, including blank tapes and cassette decks.

First 1984 baby will be welcomed!

The first baby born in the year 1984 was welcomed by the parents in Pigeon Force. The baby was born on January 1st, weighing 7 pounds and 3 ounces.

Village candidates are ready

The village candidates are preparing for the upcoming election. The candidates are working hard to gain the support of the community.

Couple is recuperating

George and Ruth Wally of Maple Grove were involved in a car accident on December 22nd. They are recovering at home and are expected to make a full recovery.

In addition, the candidates are holding a series of town hall meetings to discuss important issues facing the village.

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As we see it editorially

High school dropouts are sorry now

by GEORGE KEM

You can't make a living by doing nothing, and most of the Christmas programs here were only good and never bad. It isn't the sort of thing that a teacher, in the ideal student, in the school, is likely to appreciate. It's too late to do anything about it.

Just 23% of dropouts surveyed left because of pregnancy, while another 13% left because of job offers and still 13% left because of poor grades. And it wasn't all because of bad grades, either. Nearly 3% said they had lost weight. And 3% said they had the most time to work. It's not always the case that those who drop out are the most time for work.

"People who drink to drown their sorrow knows how to swing!"

by KAM MCHOLZ

SOS Rectors:
The CASE OF THE Civil war sabers

Dear Mom and Dad,

Please send us $5

by KAM MCHOLZ

CMU Student

Laker band calendars available

by KAM MCHOLZ

CMU Student

Most January tasks are indoors!

Clabuesch wins pigeon letter

Jae Clabuesch, a freshman at Grand Valley State College, has been selected as one of the ten best athletes in the area. The announcement was made by the Athletic Director of the college.

End Year Sale

With the old

In with the New

20 to 50% off

Large Selection!


It's in the store

It's on Sale

Some early for

best selection


Next week is Christmas Eve, and we have some great deals on decorations and gift items. But be sure to check our sales ad in the newspaper and see if we have any special offers. Remember, we have a large selection of non-electric decorations, so you can't go wrong with any of them. We also have a great selection of gift items, so be sure to check them out. We have a large selection of gift items, so be sure to check them out. We also have a great selection of gift items, so be sure to check them out. We also have a great selection of gift items, so be sure to check them out. We also have a great selection of gift items, so be sure to check them out.
Farm borrowers will see more conservative credit in '84

Even though many ag

businesses won't have the

hassle of going through the

bank in 1984, it may be

more conservative credit

available for them this year.

"Lending trends for the past

four to five years have been

so tough that they have

forced lenders to tighten up,

"leading lenders are pre-

dicting," said one source. "So

lenders will try to be very

careful where and how

they grant new business loans.

Now made the bankers

at Midland National Bank

in this area more agilenly

about how to do business,

and how to do it efficiently and

effectively. They are trying to

get business as well as

careful with the business they

grant.

SOMEONE'S IN THE KITCHEN

As the nation's largest

cooperative extension service,

UCSC Cooperative Extension

Service is a great resource,

for additional information,

contact them at 557-0550.

In the Kitchen

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has more than 3,000 agents and

agents in all 50 states. It is one of the largest ag agencies in the

world. The USDA is responsible for the management of the

natural resources of the United States, including conservation

and science. The USDA is also responsible for the regulation of

foreign trade and the enforcement of food safety laws.

CRISP "BEEF" SALAD

3 medium carrots, peeled

and sliced thinly

1 medium cucumber, peeled

and sliced thinly

1 red bell pepper, seeded

and sliced thinly

2 tablespoons olive oil

2 tablespoons red wine

3 tablespoons apple cider

1 tablespoon honey

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon black pepper

1/2 teaspoon paprika

1/4 teaspoon onion powder

1/4 teaspoon garlic powder

1/4 teaspoon dried thyme

1/4 teaspoon dried rosemary

1/4 teaspoon dried parsley

2 tablespoons feta cheese, crumbled

3 hard-boiled eggs, chopped

1 cup crumbled bacon

1 cup chopped walnuts

1 cup shredded romaine lettuce

In a small bowl, combine the dressing ingredients. Drizzle over the salad ingredients and toss gently. Serve immediately.

OUT IN THE FIELD

Algeria: a soybean market?

The Algerian government is considering the possibility of importing soybeans, according to a recent report. The country currently imports most of its soybeans from the United States and Brazil.

Agronomist: "Algeria is a

large country, with a large

population, and it has a

strong commitment to

agriculture. The country

has already made

progress in soybean production,

but it is still dependent on

imports.

The government is considering

the possibility of importing

soybeans because it wants to

reduce its dependence on

imports and increase its

self-sufficiency in soybeans.

The country has a large

agricultural sector, with a

large amount of land

available for soybean

production. The government

is also working to increase

the productivity of its

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could help to increase

soybean production.

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Looking back at the 'highs and lows' of the year

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Laker sailors fell to their rival USA by losing the championship match in the state finals last Saturday. Harold Grondin Jr. of Southview is selected to represent the state in the National tournament of the U.S. Sailing Association. He will be followed by Mike Less of Elkins, whom did not advance to the finals.

Two Elkins sailors, "America" and "Mao" arrived for a regatta at the Southview Community Club and were challenged by a regatta at the Southview Community Club. Elkin sailors were selected as having the best of the season's races by the U.S. Sailing Association. They will sail in the final regatta at the Southview Community Club.

The Thoma area experienced a wet snowstorm in the season's last day of snow racing, creating a challenging course at the Elkin City Christmas Regatta. The highest honours were awarded to Diagrams, the only sailboat to have a string of wins in the regatta. Diagrams, captained by Joe Blank, is the highest honours winner. The Thoma area experienced a wet snowstorm in the season's last day of snow racing, creating a challenging course at the Elkin City Christmas Regatta. The highest honours were awarded to Diagrams, the only sailboat to have a string of wins in the regatta. Diagrams, captained by Joe Blank, is the highest honours winner.

The Elkin City Christmas Regatta took place on December 31st, attracting sailors from all over the state. The event was a success, with Diagrams capturing the highest honours. Sailor Joe Blank of Diagrams was named the best sailor of the regatta.

The final event of the season was the Elkin City Christmas Regatta, held on December 31st. Sailor Joe Blank of Diagrams was named the best of the season.

School menus

Laker School

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Laker School's menu offerings include a variety of dishes for both lunch and dinner. Students can choose from a selection of options for a well-balanced meal.

The New Year is here! May it bring you health, success and all the happiness you so richly deserve.

Scheurer Hospital

January 1, 1984

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year!

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January 1, 1984

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year!
Saying farewell to another year with a look '83

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the Pigeon Community Center for those who wish to enjoy a night of bowling and dancing. A special feature of the evening will be the presentation of awards to all of the community's outstanding young people.

The Pigeon Community Center is located at 123 N. Main Street. For more information, please contact the Pigeon Chamber of Commerce at (989) 948-5555.

POCAHONTAS LAKES HUB –Underwater Skiing, boating, fishing, and other water activities will be enjoyed by all. A special attraction will be the Pigeon Lake Underwater Ski Show, featuring water skiers from across the United States.

Pigeon Lake Village - A new shopping center located on the north side of Pigeon Lake. It features a variety of stores, including clothing, electronics, and home goods.

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Hope it’s the best ever! 
Lauren’s Pharmacy, Inc.

In December when the tilt of the earth’s axis reduces the angle of the sun’s rays, the days become shorter and the nights longer. The sun’s rays are spread over a larger area, which makes them less intense. This results in colder temperatures, snowfall, and the need for more clothing. The days are numbered as we brace ourselves for the upcoming winter months.

SNOW

Large amounts of newly-fallen snow, coupled with strong winds, can turn the beautiful winter landscape into a raging snowstorm, making it nearly impossible to grind our civilized world to a halt and even inflicting death.

A snowy day, pretty, yet either get out before it comes, or you might as well stay in. There’s more work waiting to be done than you can imagine. Even if the snow doesn’t last long, the strong winds will surely make it worse. Keep your eyes on the weather forecast and be prepared for whatever the winter throws your way.

The snowfall is an excellent opportunity to practice your survival skills. You can never be too prepared for the unexpected. Whether you’re out in the wilderness or just enjoying a day in the backyard, being aware of the changing weather conditions can be a life-saving skill.

SNOW TRICKS

To get the most out of your winter activities, remember these tips:

- Dress in layers: Wear a base layer, an insulating layer, and an outer layer to keep warm.
- Stay hydrated: Keep a thermos of hot tea or cocoa close by.
- Use a headlamp: It’s essential for navigating the snowy landscape.
- Use trekking poles: They help you maintain balance on slippery surfaces.
- Keep a shovel handy: You never know when you might need to dig out your car or a friend’s.

Snow can be a beautiful and peaceful experience, but it’s important to be prepared and stay safe.

A place to stay:
- Warm and Cozy: Enjoy the comfort of your home with a warm fire, a hot beverage, and a good book.
- Winter Getaways: Consider a ski resort or a cabin in the woods.
- Winter Festivals: Check out local events like ice festivals or snowman building contests.

Snow brings a unique beauty to the world, and if you’re prepared, it can be a wonderful experience. Remember to stay safe and enjoy the winter wonderland.

St. Clair County Junior High School

The Village of Elton will be accepting bids for snow clearing for the winter ending February 29, 1984. Bids will be awarded on January 3, 1984. Bids must be in the clerk’s office by 7:00 pm.

The village reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
Christmas through the eyes of a child!

Dear Santa

Christmas stories - Children in St. Paul's Nursery Class, Chandler, were thrilled to receive two brand new books from Mr. and Mrs. Robert Neff, after hearing them tell stories about Santa Claus. The children were surprised and excited to receive the books, and were eager to read them at home. Mr. and Mrs. Neff were overjoyed to see the children's反应 to their gift and thanked them for their thoughtfulness.

Dear Santa

Coloring Contest winners announced

The Progress-Advance staff is pleased to announce the winners of the 1983 Progress-Advance Coloring Contest, sponsored by area merchants.

Anchorage, IN - Twelve winners have been selected in the 1983 Progress-Advance Coloring Contest, sponsored by area merchants. The winners were chosen from a pool of 200 entries, with the top 12 receiving prizes.

1st Prize

Ages 5-8

Artist: Jackie Hunt, Pinegrove

2nd Prize

Ages 5-8

Artist: Sherry Schmader, Pinegrove

3rd Prize

Ages 9-12

Artist: Tim Goodale, Goodale

Lots of holiday visiting in Pigeon!

By Dorothy Diner

"It was the week before Christmas, and all through the town..." Mrs. Elizabeth Jones was busy preparing for the holidays with her family. She had been looking forward to this time of year for months, and was determined to make it special for her children and grandchildren.

With the help of her husband and children, Mrs. Jones decorated the house with lights, garland, and ornaments. She also baked cookies and pies for her family members to enjoy. The children were excited to help decorate and were thrilled with the end result.

On Christmas Day, the family gathered together to open presents and enjoy a special meal. Mrs. Jones was delighted to see the joy on everyone's face as they拆开了礼物 boxes and shared a meal.

"It was the most wonderful Christmas ever," Mrs. Jones said. "I can't wait to do it all again next year!"
Summer events bring memories

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Pigeon has accepted an invitation to St. Clair’s First United Methodist Church.

Three employees of Pigeon’s Department Store are recipients of the $1,000 grant from the church’s education program.

The grant, which is given to support the educational needs of people in the community, will be used to help fund the church’s educational program, which includes a Sunday school and a Bible study for adults.

Newly crowned Elkton Strawberry Queen Casey Chappell, right, poses proudly for her official portrait, following her coronation during the June festival. At left is runner-up Connie Gaskill of Oceola, while 10th Queen Rebecca Rolly is in center.

Caseville plans alumni game

Former Eagle players are being sought for the annual alumni game during Caseville High School alumni weekend

The game will be played at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday in front of the school. All alumni and friends are invited to attend.

The annual alumni game is a tradition at Caseville High School and a great way to reconnect with old friends and support the school.

As an added bonus, the school will hold a silent auction of items donated by local businesses and individuals. The proceeds from the auction will be used to support school activities and extracurricular programs.

The Caseville High School alumni game is a great way to enjoy a game of football, support the school, and reconnect with old friends. Mark your calendars and come out to support the Eagles!
Taking a look at '83

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School Plumbing & Heating
7232 E. Michigan - Pigeon - 481-3809
From The Glenn Schaefer Family

Pigeon Library gifted with $100 check

John Walsh, EPA
24 G Ave - Pigeon - 481-3809

Huron Casting, Inc.
7900 Harbour - Pigeon - 481-3809

Club notes

ELEKTRON
The Elks' Christmas Party, with Supervisor Ron Barbour as Emcee, was a huge success. The Elks and their families enjoyed a delicious dinner and a great variety of entertainment, including music, games, and a raffle. The proceeds went to the Elks' Charities and local community groups.

Huron Casting, Inc.
7900 Harbour - Pigeon - 481-3809

Berne fire is August 'top story'

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AUGUST'S TOP STORIES are a good example of the tradition of community involvement and volunteerism that is such an integral part of our community. The Pigeon Library is a vital resource for the community, offering a wide range of services and materials to meet the needs of all ages. The Pigeon Fire Department is always ready to respond to emergencies, ensuring the safety and well-being of our community members. The Pigeon Community Center provides a variety of programs and activities for both adults and children, fostering a sense of community and connection.

Reading the most books during Pigeon Library's Summer Reading Program is Tiffany Mays, Robert Kaszynski, Peter Bonke, Susie Brown, Dan Wise, and another participant in our community. The Pigeon Community Center's Summer Camp is a great opportunity for children to learn new skills, make friends, and have fun. The Pigeon Lion Football team is a true community effort, with players, coaches, and volunteers all working together to achieve success.

Terri and Warren Lewis, owners of Pigeon Chamber of Commerce, have organized a wine tasting event to benefit the Pigeon Library. The event will feature a variety of wines and appetizers, with proceeds going to support library programs and services.

Kraft, Inc.
1320 N. Canaveral Rd.
Pigeon - 481-3809

Service news
Pete and Carol Di Salvo, owners of Di Salvo's Auto Repair, are experienced mechanics who can handle almost any repair or maintenance job. They are known for their excellent customer service and attention to detail.

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We are dedicated to providing our customers with the best service and products possible. We carry a wide range of equipment for your landscaping and construction needs. Our knowledgeable staff is always ready to help you find the right equipment for your project.

Mental health meet
The monthly meeting of the Mental Health Service is scheduled for Wednesday, May 3, at 7 p.m. at the Pigeon Community Center. The meeting is open to the public and is a great opportunity to learn more about mental health issues and resources in our community.

Joy in the New Year
Osentoski Equipment
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We will be open Dec 21 & Closed Jan 2.
ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE THIS SUNDAY AND EVERY SUNDAY

CELEBRATE THE NEW YEAR BY REMEMBERING WHAT IT MEANS

The arrival of the new year is imminent, and it is time to reflect on its meaning and significance. This is the time to remember the blessings and challenges of the past year, and to make plans for a brighter future. It is also an opportunity to renew our commitment to our faith and our community. Here are some ideas for how you can celebrate the new year:

1. Attend the Church of Your Choice: This Sunday and every Sunday, you can celebrate the new year by attending the Church of your choice. Whether it is a traditional church or a contemporary house of worship, the experience of worshiping with others can be a refreshing reminder of the power of faith and community. So, plan to attend the Church of your choice this Sunday and every Sunday.

2. Reflect on the Year: Take some time to reflect on the year that has passed. Consider the ups and downs, the successes and failures, and the lessons learned. This reflection can help you to appreciate the blessings of the past year and to prepare for the challenges of the new year.

3. Set Goals for the New Year: As the new year approaches, take some time to set goals for the year ahead. Whether it is personal goals, professional goals, or community goals, setting goals can help you to stay focused and motivated.

4. Serve Others: Use the new year as an opportunity to serve others. Whether it is volunteering at a local charity, helping a friend in need, or simply spreading kindness to those around you, serving others can be a rewarding way to celebrate the new year.

5. Give Thanks: In the midst of the new year, take some time to give thanks for the blessings of the past year. Whether it is family, friends, or community, the people in your life are a gift to be cherished.

By celebrating the new year in these ways, you can remember the significance of the occasion and make the most of the opportunities that the new year has to offer.

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Year's events become memories to look back on

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SEPTEMBER 1984

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Hoping the New Year will be filled with joy for you!

Lee's Landscaping

Chrysler Fifth Avenue

TIME TO WISH YOU

HAPPY NEW YEAR

If wishes come true, all our friends will have a great year!

Ben Franklin

Ron, Judy, Randy and Jeanette

Lee's Landscaping

Pigeon Motor Sales, Inc.

4746 Michigan - 483-3621

Pigeon Lions name winners

The Lions Club of the Village of Pigeon selected Ben Franklin for their first place winner in the Lions Club Scholarship Contest.

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Noel

May this coming year be a time of happiness, joy and lasting peace for you.

J&B Plumbing & Heating

Ralph HARDER, Big. Bng.

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HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Happy New Year to all our friends and family!

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Chrysler Fifth Avenue

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1983 -- the Year in Review

SOUND-OFF!

Call 463-2223 anytime day or night to record your SOUND-OFF. Leave information and opinions regularly on the "The Progress-Advance...in review" for the year 1983.

We are interested in your opinions...and we want to hear from you. Call anytime day or night and record your comments. We will read them during the news round-up on the air.

Perhaps call for reservations, assure seats for dinner. To ask and answer questions, simply listen to the message board.

Thank you for your participation in 1983.

CELEBRATE THE NEW YEAR PRIME UP WITH PRIME BEEF DINNER

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30

Reuben chicken or beef, lima beans, green bean casserole, rolls, and dessert.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31

Dinner special: crab, shrimp, meat loaf, vegetables, and dessert.

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Reuben chicken or beef, lima beans, green bean casserole, rolls, and dessert.

The Lamplighter
Restaurant & Bake Shoppe
Open 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Closed at 3:00 p.m. Monday & Tuesday - November

Laker Lookout

GOOD JOB, GUYS!

Our basketball team dominated the Eastern Caroline Counties. The boys basketball team has been selected to the state tournament and will play for the state title. The girls basketball team has also been selected to the state tournament. The Lady Lakers have been selected to the state tournament.

CHEER!

The cheerleaders have been selected to the state tournament. The Lady Lakers have also been selected to the state tournament.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Subsidiary Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac Counties will hold its annual meeting at the office at 24 East Main Street, Huron, MI. On Thursday, January 6th, 1984. At 8:00 a.m. Business will include the election of the president, a report of the past year and the appointment of three new directors.

After Christmas Sale

Our annual Christmas Sale ends Friday, December 23rd. Visit us today to take advantage of our special deals.

News that COUNTS... FROM THE COUNTRY

The National Stock Exchange of Chicago, for example, is one of the largest and oldest exchanges in the United States. The concept of "counting" is credited to ancient Chinese farmers who kept track of their livestock. The term "counting" has been used ever since to refer to the process of tallying items or values.

Kuhns get CMU diplomas

Benjamin and Linda Kuhns have received diplomas from Calvin Christian College and Theological Seminary. They completed the required courses and graduated in May.

We hope the Snow Party you attend this weekend is as enjoyable as the one we had last year.

Agrie Farm Center
411 W. Street
Ph.: 620-2580

GOOD LUCK '84

"Good luck '84" is a popular phrase used to wish someone or something well. It is often used at the beginning of a new year or in conjunction with good wishes for the future.

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DECEMBER, 1982

DECEMBER'S TOP STORY: Record cold temperatures grip the Midwest, and heavy snowfalls leave the Thumb Area with more accumulation in December than in all of winter, 1982.

Mark Wiederhold of Elkton is the $900 winner in the second annual Progress-Advance "Big Rock Contest." His 210-pound deer was the biggest of the year.

Ken Erner of Owendale earns his master electrical technology license.

Free sleigh (or wagon) rides are a highlight of "the good life in Pigeon at Christmas," sponsored by the Pigeon Chamber of Commerce.

Who's responsible for the "body by the garage?" Inspector Gerda's Minute Mystery gives the answer each week.

Stil Henn and Don Rooden, both of Pigeon, are candidates to replace Gerald Eichbaum as the local representative on the Michigan Bean Commission. Gov. Blanchard will choose one of the two men soon.

Duo and Viole Voelker of Pigeon are honored by their family for 40 years of marriage.

LOOKING BACK: 1982 is "Miss Caseville"

Lisa Novak crowns 1983 winner Sandy Johnson during the Caseville Snow Bonanza. The Caseville High senior also was crowned Caseville Homecoming Queen this fall. Free pizza, pop and coffee are served to hundreds of people during Elkton's annual Open House on Sunday, Dec. 4. The Elkton United Fund tops its $330 goal, President Phyllis Tamblyn said, with communities wide gifts.

Community Bank of Elkton will have a major remodeling effort started soon, which will remove the second story from the brick building.

Magician R.B. Woodward entertains 150 youngsters at the annual Lunch With Santa program sponsored by the Pigeon Area Jaycees.

Field & Stream Sports opens at 4 S. Main Street, Pigeon. Dave Niebel is owner and he features all types of sporting goods.

Pigeon says "no thanks" to the county solid waste management plan, and plans to consider waste pickup changes after Jan. 1.

State Ag Director Paul Kindinger finally makes it to the Thumb, as he speaks to a large crowd at Thumb Ag Day at}

Pigeon

HAPPY NEW YEAR

MEAT & CHEESE TRAYS MADE TO ORDER

- COUNTRY FRESH, 1/2 Gal. Round Carrot 
- Ice Cream $1.79

GAL. JUG Wisk $0.99

30¢ Off Tony's Pizza & Free Samples of Pepsi & Tony's Pizza Friday & Saturday.

1 LITER BOTTLES Reg. & Diet, Assorted Flavors  
Faygo Pop 4/1.00

SPECIALS GOOD THRU SATURDAY, DEC. 31, 1983

Western Steak

- $1.79 LB.

CAINS, 1 lb. $1.59

Potato Chips $1.59

BONELESS Ham $1.53

KOEGEL'S Ring Bologna $1.59

City Chicken $1.69

FAME Semi-Boneless Ham $1.18