It's Christmas Memories time in the Western Thumb!

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Damms have 'tree-ditional Christmas!'

The Bob Damm Family of Pigeon enjoys a special time at Christmas, as do most Thumb Area families.

Bob, his wife Karen and daughters Teri, Tammy and Christy decorate their holiday tree in old-fashioned style, using special ornaments, tinsel and lights with reflectors behind.

Each daughter adds an ornament each year which are just their own. For instance, oldest daughter Teri -- a freshman at Michigan State University -- just happened to add a green and white MSU ornament this year!

The family enjoys decorating their house on Berne Street for Christmas, preparing holiday goodies and sharing the love and friendship of family members.

Here, looking over their tree with manger scene beneath are, kneeling from left, 13-year-old Christy and 16-year-old Tammy. Standing at left is 18-year-old Teri, while Dad and Mom stand at right.

HEY KIDS!

Chat with Santa tonight: 453-2222

> **SEE PAGES 2 & 3 FOR DETAILS** IT'S FREE AND IT'S FUN. TOO!



Now you see it ... soon you won't. Demolition began Tuesday on this long-standing block of Pigeon stores, making way for the new Mutual Savings and Loan Association onestory, ranch style office at 75 S. Main.

Mutual site work begins

Demolition work began in earnest Tuesday for the eastern block of buildings on S. Main Street in Pigeon, as Mutual Savings and Loan Association begins work on its new one-story office

and drive-in complex.

The former Spence Jewelry building (recently Village Pizzeria), the former Mutual Savings office, the former Elsie's Coffee Shop location and two vacant sites are being razed for the new construction on the site bounded by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway tracks, S. Main and Nitz Streets.

Mutual is temporarily occupy-

ing the former Gamble toy store location at 87 S. Main, just north of the Pigeon District Library, as seen in extreme right in the photo. That toy store location will be renovated for business use or sale when the Mutual construction project is complete, expected in midspring.

Area Supervisor Les Shetler says the 2600-sq.-ft. project has a total value of about \$500,000. It will feature two drive-in windows, a night deposit box and something new -- a drive-up or walk-up automatic teller machine linked to the MagicLine system.

Hey KIDS!

Chat with Santa Wednesday night from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Santa Claus is taking time out from his busy toymaking work at the North Pole to answer your phone calls this Wednesday night ONLY from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. All you have to do is:

Call 453-2222

Tell him what you'd like for Christmas. It's fun! This



Pigeon Rotary gives \$3200



Pigeon District Librarian Roberta Richmond accepts a check for \$1200 from Pigeon Rotary Club President Bill Boyle, right, marking the first payment of a \$3200 club pledge toward the Library's expansion and renovation project. Club treasurer scott Meyersieck, center, looks on, after sign-

The club, which meets at noon each Monday at the Library, will earn the money for two future annual gifts of \$1000 each in community projects such as its annual chicken barbecue during the Pigeon Farmers' Festival and other events, Boyle says.

Service news

Staff Sgt. Theodore N Thomas, whose wife, Lisa, is the daughter of Robert K. and Gail Ellis of Pigeon, has been named outstanding non-commissioned officer of the quarter for the 2031st Information Squadron Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Mich.

The competition was bas-

ed on job knowledge, signifi-

cant self-improvement,

leadership qualities, ability

to be an articulate and

positive spokesman for the

Air Force, and other ac-

Thomas, an air traffic con-

trol technician, is a 1977

Airman Gregg L. Ropp, son of Mildred K. and Harold

G. Ropp of Pigeon has

graduated from the U.S. Air

Force fuels specialist course

at Chanute Air Force Base,

During the course,

students were taught pro-

cedures for receiving, stor-

ing and issuing petroleum

products. They also earned

credits toward an associate

degree through the com-

munity college of the Air

High School, Saginaw.

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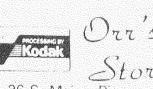
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The newlyweds are makficiated for the children of ling their home at 1630 W. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dast of Loran, Apt. 102, Monroe, MI Pigeon and Mr. and Mrs. 18161.

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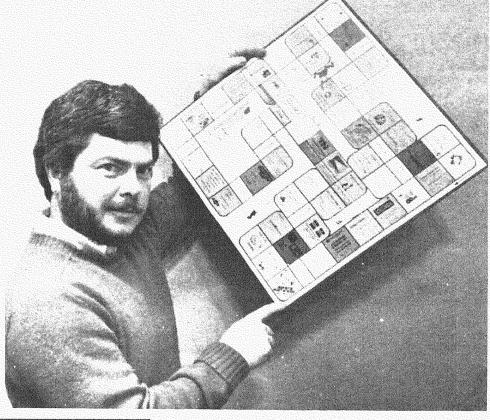
Pigeonopoly is here!

The Pigeon Chamber of Commerce and Pigeon Area Jaycees are selling the area's first "town" game, named Pigeonopoly.

Here, Chamber President John Walsh shows the game which features 47 local businesses and is played with Monopoly game rules.

The games are available for sale while 200 last at John Walsh CPA Office, at Kretzschmer Home Center and from any Pigeon Jaycee.

Proceeds from the sale of the games will go for community projects by both groups, Walsh says.



ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS, WE PRINT!

OBSERVATIONS BY PUBLISHER MARK RUMMEL. AND ANYBODY ELSE HE CAN GET TO WRITE 'EM!

ESSAY TIME -- Our seventh annual Christmas Memories Writing Contest is history. We've never gotten more entries -and we've enjoyed bringing you the winners, starting on Special thanks also go to Bay Port and Pigeon Elementary

Schools, where the students gave us essays and letters to San-

This most joyous time of the year should be celebrated with family and friends -- and in the church of your choice. Happy holidays, all.

EARLY DEADLINES -- Due to upcoming holidays, The Progress-Advance will observe these deadlines for our Dec.

NEWS COPY should be received by 12 noon this Saturday (and next Saturday), through the slot in our front door or via

AD DEADLINE is also 12 noon the next two Saturdays. Our copies will be available at 2 p.m. on newsstands Dec. 24 and Dec. 31, plus will be received as usual Wednesday mornings for our mail subscribers.

Finally, our office will be closed at 12 noon on Monday, Dec. 24 and Monday, Dec. 31 -- plus will be closed all day Christmas (Dec. 25) and New Year's Day (Jan. 1). PLUS, we'll be closed Wednesdays, Dec. 26 and Jan. 2, to give our workers two days off straight (something very unusual around here).

Merry Christmas!

A LOSS FOR THE AREA - I'm very sorry to learn Elkton isn't planning a summer festival this coming year. Volunteers are hard to come by, and the past quality weekends presented by the Elkton Jaycees (Strawberry Festivals) and last year the Community Club (Old Fashion Days) require a great deal of work.

We've worked hard helping promote those events during the past five years, and we're sorry they probably won't be repeated in 1985. That's too bad, because such events are a great source of community pride.

Can anyone offer an alternative for Elkton: And then pro vide the manpower to make it happen?

EXCELLENT MUSIC - Had the chance to hear the musical and vocal group 'Cornerstone' Saturday night. The Youth For Christ group is truly EXCELLENT! Organizers Jay and Pam Dubey, Dwight Gascho, Redford Maust and Ken Smeader of YFC deserve a super pat on the back for getting 17 area school kids together. And they're truly entertain-

P.S. "Cornerstone" would be a great back-up group for this summer's 12th annual Pigeon Farmers' Festival free stage show! (or new event in Elkton! Or both!)

NEW GIZMO -- As stated above, this column is being written into a new machine we can carry with us wherever we go (except maybe into the shower).

We're creating these words on a typewriter keyboard machine weighing four pounds, which needs no power cord -and is about the size of a box of Wheaties. After taking this little beauty to a Council meeting or elsewhere to write our stories, we plug it into our typesetter and dump the words from the mini-machine into the actual words you're reading

It's truly amazing! Four years ago, a million dollars couldn't have purchased such a machine. Now they cost several hundred...

but that's the way we learn to walk." (Karl Hertz) was and family by giving the flag to his son.

Chat with Santa Truth, justice Presses sebook Stop the Galley Through a special arrangement of the for Truth, justice Presses tonight: 453-2222.

Chamber of Commerce and Pigeon Area Javcees Santa Claus himself will be answering phone calls from area children tonight (Wednesday) night, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The special Santa phone line number is 453-2222.

for Christmas. Several children can talk with Santa on one call, if they wish, and there's no charge or obliga-The Pigeon Chamber and

telling him what they'd like

Jaycees are coordinating this special event to help bring a little extra holiday joy Children who'd like to talk

Santa's coming to Bay Port!

BAY PORT -- Santa Claus sent a representative to the November meeting of Bay Port Chamber of Commerce and announced that Santa will arrive in Bay Port at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 22, coming in on a bright, shiny red fire truck.

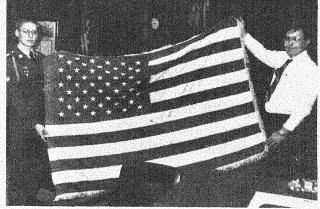
Santa will unload at Bay Port State Bank, offering nuts and candy for "all good boys and girls."

Other business discussed at the meeting concerned a new lighted sign, with changeable announcement lettering, to list various events and activities in the Bay Port community. The sign will face M-25 to announce coming events to local residents and travelers.

First steps were taken to "gear up" for the 1985 annual Bay Port Fish Sandwich Day -- the first Sunday in August -- which will be Aug. 4. Bay Port Publicist Henry Engelhard said that although no definite goal was set for sandwiches to be sold, the Chamber and other cooperating organizations are on record for a minimum of 6,000 of the tasty meals.

Discussion was also held on a new brochure, with upo-date information, featuring "Michigan Fish Town, where the "fish catches the fisherman," according to

The Chamber's January meeting will include the annual dinner, with details to be announced soon



SPECIAL GIFT: Pigeon Village Superintendent Bob Brown, right, displays the flag he received from U.S. Cong. Bob Traxler (D-Bay City) for beginning governmental ser-

Here, Brown presents it to his stepson, D. Wade Mallard, who returned home last Monday from more than a year's duty with the U.S. Air Force's 172nd Rapid Deployment Force airborne unit stationed in Fairbanks, Alaska.

The flag flew over the U.S. Capitol Building in Washington, WISH I'D SAID THAT - "It takes courage to stand alone," D.C., and Brown said he wanted to share his pride in country

.- Bay Port-Caro-Caseville-Elkton-Fairgrove-Gageto_ Thumb Weekly News Round-Up

HURON OKAYS RECORD BUDGET Huron County Commissioners have approved a 1985 budget of \$4.8 million -- including funding rises of more than \$90,000 each in the Sheriff's Department and a new county airport

land development program Commissioners last Tuesday okayed the budget, which required a \$500,000 transfer from the county's \$1 million fund balance. Last year, \$400,000 was drawn from that fund -which began when county revenues exceeded expenses five years ago and longer.

Major departments (plus 1985 increases) include: Board of Commissioners \$115,175 (up \$8760); Prosecuting Attorney \$97,500 (\$5675); Data Processing \$74,930 (\$45,730); Courthouse and grounds \$200,334 (\$6709); Sheriff's Department \$968,680 (\$94,930); County Parks \$67,000 (\$32,000); employe Blue Cross hospitalization insurance \$239,000 (up \$29,000), and employe Social Security \$128,000 (\$18,000) and Insurance \$49,000 (\$12,500).

Data processing is adding a new staff person and new equipment, while deputy wages account for most of the Sheriff's department jump. County parks increased funding to handle renovations at McGraw and Stafford County Parks and the new Bird Creek project, near Port Austin.

WOULD YOU BUY SOME LAND ...? If you've got some money to invest in real estate, has

Detroit Edison got a deal for you.

The utility firm is offering for sale portions of more than 7000 acres of Huron County land, in an area south of M-142 between Bad Axe and Harbor Beach. The power company had purchased the land about 20 years ago, to be used for power plant development for the expected Detroit to Port

The area is roughly bounded by Johnston Road on the east, Helena Road on the south, Tomlinson Road on the west and M-142. It is primarily in Verona, Bingham, Sigel and Paris

Huron County Commissioners are hoping the state Department of Natural Resources will purchase the land through the state's Kammer Land Trust Fund, for future recreational use. That decision will be made Jan. 9. That fund allows the state to acquire land for public recreation in areas where

land for such purposes is scarce, officials say. The property would be purchased over a three-year period. if the purchase is okayed on the state level, so the state can

afford the estimated \$7 to \$10 million price tag. NEW OWENDALE BUSINESS A new business is coming to Owendale, as Derek Tool Co.

begins operations in the former Paper Roll Corporation warehouse building at 7280 Main Street. The company, which produces tool and die parts for autorelated industries such as Saginaw Steering Geer, has been located in Caseville for seven years. Prior to that, owners

Dennis and Grace Goniwicha's business was located in Brighton.

The 4100-sq.-ft. vacant building is larger than the Caseville facility, which the firm has outgrown, and it's closer to the Goniwich'as residence on Moore Road, Owendale. Moving is expected yet this month.

SANILAC 4-H LEADER LEAVING

Diane Wood of Sandusky has resigned as Sanilac County 4-H Program Assistant, effective Jan. 2, to pursue another job in the area. She had been with the program since April 1980. A successor has not yet been named.

CASS CITY MAN DIES

Tuscola County recorded its 12th traffic fatality of the year last Saturday, when one man died and two others were injured in a two-vehicle crash east of Cass City. Roy Wagg, 81 of Cass City, died of injuries received when his auto collider with a vehicle driven by Robert Brinkman, 54 of Cass City. less than a mile from Wagg's home.

Wagg's wife, Freda, 81, was taken to Hills and Dales Hospital, Cass City, as was Brinkman. Both originally were reported in fair condition

TUSCOLA ADDING JAIL SPACE Tuscola County Commissioners have okayed an agreemen

with the state Department of Corrections to use new space at the Caro Regional Center to house criminals next month.

The use of a cottage at the new state prison farm being located there has been approved as a temporary facility for about 60 minimum security inmates. This will help relieve the county jail's overcrowded conditions of recent years, of-

INJURED PERSONS IMPROVING Dean Hadaway, 23 of Reese, has been discharged from

Saginaw St. Mary's Hospital, after his sugar beet truck tipped over on M-53 at Sebewaing Road. He suffered head injuries in the Dec. 10 accident, and his load of beets were removed from the south ditch on Sebewaing Road, east of

Jodi Metzger, 17 of Owendale, is improving after she was seriously injured in a one-car accident on S. Caseville Road near Broderick Road Dec. 9. She is reported in fair condition at St. Mary's Hospital, Saginaw, in the neuro-intensive care unit, suffering from head injuries.

PCB TRIAL COMING IN '86

Consolidated trials seeking damages against silo coating manufacturer Monsanto Chemical Co., of St. Louis, Mo., and two defunct silo companies are planned for Jan. 6, 1986 in Huron County Circuit Court.

Dale and Christine Schulz and Ronald and Bonnie Schultz all of Pigeon, had filed lawsuits seeking more than \$2 million in damages because products Monsanto made to coat their concrete silos contained the toxic chemical PCBs. They claim to have suffered health and business losses because of

The trial, similar to one earlier this year in which Roger and Valerie Haley, of Elkton were awarded \$810,000, is expected to last up to 14 weeks.

By GEORGE KEIM

entertainment. Jobs were

hard to get and if you were

lucky enough to have one, you'd get \$15 to \$20 dollars

On the farm, lots of fellows

worked for their board. I was

lucky enough to have a job

for \$25 per month, and I got

my pay every month. One

time my boss paid me with a

\$20 bill. I got some gas for

my car and broke it to pay

Gas was two gallons for 25

cents. One man asked me

where I got all that money. I

told him I got \$25 per month

Next Monday morning, a

young man came to see my

boss. They talked for a while

and I heard my boss tell him

he was too cheap and to go

away. I found out later he

had offered to work my job

for \$18. You don't find many

In Matt. 6:33, it says, "But

seek ye first the Kingdom of

God and his righteousness

and all these things shall be

Now that doesn't mean

those big farmers aren't

Christians, but in I Tim. 6:8,

it says, "and having food and

raiment, let us therewith be

content," so if we don't have

good friends and a comfor-

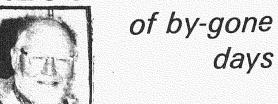
table place to live, we are

added unto you.'

people like that anymore!

As we see it editorially

'Glory to God,' the angels sing...



box social at our school. can Once in a while, some public remember, we farmers always had something to grumble about. When I was still quite young, my father was fireman at the Farmers' Elevator, now the Co-op Elevator in Pigeon.

The farmers would say "It's too wet" or "It was too dry" or the price of things they sold was too low and what they bought was too high... and they were right, too right. Now they say they are in as bad shape as when the depression was on.

Well, we older people feel that they are better off now, because back then none of us could afford to go to Florida or have a snowmobile or house trailer or go and play golf or get a new car every year or have a big tractor and farm 1000 acres of land.

I often wonder if the depression really hit, if we could take it like we did back then. Every farmer had only 80 to 120 acres of land. They had eight to 10 cows, some pigs and chickens and four horses. They still had a wood lot to get their wood from, and coal was only \$7 or \$8 per

We all had our own orchards and big gardens. The women all could bake their own bread and we all had our own potatoes and meat. Our a lot of property and have main entertainment was go- our things paid for, have ing to church and up town on Saturday afternoon or night. Once in a while, we'd had a pretty well off.



By Mavis Pechette

Things of Christmas

- M messages of greetings from friends far and near. E -- eyes aglow with expectation and excitement.
- R rush of busyness in preparation.
- R recipes, old favorites brought out year after year and Y -- Yule log blazing brightly in the fireplace.
- c Christ Child, the center of Christmans. **H** -- holly wreaths to decorate the doors and windows.
- R relaxation to enjoy the whole season. I -- icicles of tinsel on the tree and real ones hanging from
- s -- Santa Claus, the busiest guy around this time of year.
- T tons of goodies to eat! M - memories of Christmases past, celebrated with family
- and friends A - angels on high, announcing the birth of Christ to
- shepherds in the fields

s - stars twinkling brightly in the winter sky. All of these things help us to observe Christmas. There are so many other things that could be added -- creche, carols,

candy, bells, parades, pageants, the list goes on and on. Probably the most significant part of Christmas is gifts. For weeks (it seems like months), we've been beseiged with gift guides and ads. The stores are filled with shoppers. Everyone is looking for the "just-right item" for each person

on the list. Indeed, gifts are an important part of Christmas. The most important part of Christmas is the best Christmas gift we have. The gift of His Son that God gave to mankind is the reason we have Christmas. Through this gift, we have the promise of eternal life. We should try to keep that in mind as we give and receive gifts during the celebra-

The Christ Child was given in love. My wish for all at this holiday time is that we might share that love with one another. Have a merry Christmas!

RECOLLECTIONS

"Glory to God," the angels sang. "Praises to Christ, the newborn King. Peace be on earth, good will to men."

Here -- with the angels -- sing again!

"Glory to God," we all should sing! "Praises to Christ, our new born king. Peace be on earth, good will to men - good will to men.'

Roses and Thorns

By Mark Karls

How silently, how silently

Once upon a time a young Israeli was completing a long journey from his home in Jerusalem to Pigeon, Mich. As the Inited Airlines flight landed at the Tri City Airport that beautiful Sunday morning, the young Israeli hesitantly made the area who were expecting his imminent arrival. However, serted that the last taste happened in his "pre Christian as the other passengers were united with their friends and moved on, and as the security guards locked up the arrival young Israeli surprisingly discovered that apparently his friends were confused about his time of arrival.

A quick explanation from a bystander revealed that the the Israeli a ride to Bay City and dropped him off downtown. As he started walking east on M-25, he noticed a sign poin-

would be many there who would welcome his company, so he stopped in. The Intensive Care Unit was his first choice to visit, but he was denied entrance because the patients there were so critical that only close family members were permitted. As he was leaving that unit a patient was being wheeled out to the elevator to be taken down to surgery. When the patient passed, her eyes met his eyes of peace and she reached for him but merely touched the sleeve of his coat as she was wheeled by. Immediately a surge of power entered her body and she sat up, then stood up and began walking for the first time in months. Her excitement disrupted the whole unit. Figuring the Israeli to be the cause of this disruption, he was asked to leave the hospital.

Losing his bearings for a moment, the Israeli began wandering around town and thinking why he was asked to leave the hospital. He noticed a beautiful church along the way and absolutely knew that many of his friends worshipped there, but by this time it was into the afternoon and no one was around. He continued by several other churches, but each one was empty and no friends were in sight. Finally arriving back on M-25 the Israeli gathered his bearings and headed east to Pigeon.

pedestrian explained that the NFL play-offs were on television and people religiously were gathered with friends to devote themselves to supporting a favorite team.

Soon a car sped by, stopped at a red light and a young name. He merely replied, "You had to be Mary." She then got down to business and said, "Well, now that you know who As the se seemed not to notice her question and proceeded to talk about

and business and was totally caught up in what the young Israel was saying. He seemed to know exactly who she was and what she wanted. She was so hungry to hear more that she asked if she could go to Pigeon with him.

things she had suppressed for years.

found a man on his way to Bad Axe who could drop them off Israeli. in Pigeon. The man had little money of his own and he too became very hungry in listening to the young Israeli talk with him. Upon arrival in Pigeon, all three were very physically hungry but no one had any money to buy food. The man from Bad Axe knew there was a Christmas program that evening sponsored by the area churches at Laker High School with refreshments following, so he suggested they go there for some food.

They arrived just as the program had ended and in time for the food. Some people looked a little upset to see them come in from the outside and go directly to the refreshment table but no one stopped them. They filled up on all the goodies and soon the punch was gone. Since more people were waiting for refreshments, water had to be put in the punch bowls. The (WRITER'S NOTE: Upon completion of this article, I sat a condensate that others had been been bowls.)

The first person to take some of the red liquid was Rev Mark Karls of Salem United Methodist Church in Pigeon. The first gulp brought about a deep gasp from the reverend and he insistently demanded to know who spiked the punch. his way into the terminal not knowing really what to expect. Another person sampled the product and exclaimed that this but knowing that there were supposed to e many friends in was the best wine he had ever fasted but immediately in-

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There was no question about it. The wine had to be dumped gate and the airlines personnel went about their business, the Many watched as the bowl's contents were discarded in the sink. One person actually passed out at the sight.

The young Israeli then confessed to Rev. Karls that he was the one who spiked the punch. Noticing the new face in town, town of Pigeon was still some journey off and the best bet Rev. Karls soon discovered the young man was from would be to catch a ride into Bay City and hitchhike the Jerusalem, and even was born in Bethlehem of Judea So the highway to Pigeon. The bystander was very helpful and gave quick pastor invited the young man to the Salem church for the Sunday before Christmas to give the childrens' sermon and share about Bethlehem and Jerusalem. The young ting to the Bay Medical Center. The young Israeli knew there - Israeli plensingly accepted. Rev. Karls then quickly excused nimself to go judge a cookie contest at the other end of the

Having no place to stay in the area, the man from Bad Axe vited both the Israeli and Mary to stay with his friends. The Israeli got to know them quite well as they had all kinds of ime and interest for him. They had great times together and one of the best was a paper plate spaghetti dinner with all their friends at one of the bars on Bad Axe's north side. The young Israeli did not seem to mind being identified with the sinners, even eating with them, and they were always interested in gathering to hear him tell of deep insights about life and God.

Time had passed so quickly with his new friends that the young Israeli soon realized Christmas Sunday had arrived. He invited Mary and the man and all their friends to visit Rev. Karls' church in Pigeon for Christmas worship. They were all quite hesitant at first, but the Israeli encouraged them that church people are nothing to fear and that Rev. Karls seemed to be spiritually aware of God and his personal relationship with Him. So Mary, the man and their friends gladly accepted the invitation

As they entered the church the place was packed. One per-He passed by some very large and expensive homes along the road. He could not help but wonder if any of his friends resided there. It was very difficult finding a ride because the traffic was light and sidewalks were deserted. An isolated the shabby blue jeans and leather jackets of those in the front row, but most people were pleased with the new arrivals.

As the service began Rev. Karls came out in his flowing black robe and could not help but notice the unique group sit woman was pushed out the passenger door. She seemed ting directly in front of him. He looked a little perplexed and hardened and cold, but as the Israeli approached her, she seemed not to notice the young Israeli sitting with them. In turned on the charm and began to inquire all about the young fact he seemed to address all sections of the congregation man. After a short verbal exchange the young man said, throughout the morning service, except the section right in You must be Mary." She was shocked, not knowing how far front. The children's sermon was cancelled that morning and her reputation had reached, and inquired how he knew her the young Israeli never did get to share about Bethlehem and

As the service closed, Rev Karls moved to the rear to gree I am, do you also know my fee for a one-night stand?" He the people as they left. Since the young Israeli and his friends were sitting in the front, they were the last ones out. When Rev. Karls and the young Israeli finally met, the young He said he was on his way to Pigeon. She had not been in Israeli praised the warmth of the church and the spiritual Pigeon in some time but still had a few contacts there. By this awareness of the congregation and the sermon that said the time Mary had completely forgotten about her reputation truth and the choir that truly sang praise to God but he thought he was supposed to have a chance to share in the service and Rev. Karls never glanced at him once during the program. Rev. Karls immediately responded that with the hustle and bustle of Christmas, things get pretty crammed Mary was quite experienced at finding rides and soon and there simply was not sufficient time for the young

The young man replied that he understood, then left with Mary, the man from Bad Axe and all their friends On Christmas day the young Israeli was taken back to Tri

City airport by the man from Bad Axe and Mary, and all their friends came along too. As he departed to return to Jerusalem he hugged everyone who came and said, "My Father promised that whoever receives me receives Himas well. I will never forget your receiving me into your lives and homes and my Father is waiting in anticipation to show His gratitude for this. I am going to miss you, but rest assured that we will be reunited again someday. Bless you all."

young Israeli was sorry that others had been left out so he touched the punch bowls and immediately the limit of the typewriter and cried like a haby. I hope you understand touched the punch bowls and immediately the liquid turned a my heart. I certainly hope all of you understand the depth of

Seasons Greetings

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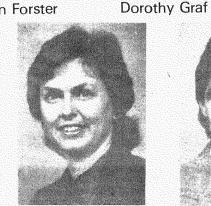




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Posing Santa, I'd like this and this . . with Santa!

OVER 60 area children gathered Saturday at the Pigeon Elementary School gym to enjoy a hot dog lunch, a magic show by R.B. Woodward and a visit with Santa as part of the annual "Lunch With Santa" program offered by the Pigeon Jaycees and the Chamber of Com-

AT LEFT, a young girl exchanges her gift list with Santa for a candy cane as dozens of children wait to visit with him and have their oictures taken.

COMMUNITY CAMERA PHOTO

you have any Rainbow and three horses. I have a I am eight years old. My Brite dolls, I would like sister, Nike. one, please. Also, I'd like one for my stepsister. My brother would like a Gettobuster and some tapes to go with it. My mom would like a baby sister, too. My

brother.

Michelle Smith



dad would like a baby

Dear Santa:

My mom had a baby boy. I want a radio. We

have two dogs, Mandy and Dear Santa Claus: I want a baby sister. If Nakna. We have six cats My name is Kathryn and

Dear Santa Claus:

choo-choo train, three mat-

chbox cars and a Air

leave a present! My ad

dad is the village manager Your friend, of Pigeon. My mom works Shawn for MariAnne. My grandma lives in Florida. My brother is in the Army. My sister is in California and married. What I want for Christmas is a Cabbage Patch Clubhouse. I have two Cabbage Patch Kids and I need a place to put them.

Your friend, Kathryn Anne Brown I want a jackknife, a Dear Santa:

I'm going to tell you what my family and blaster. We're going to especially me, want. My have a baby, so please dad would like a new wallet. My mom would dress is 2304 Gagetown like a book. My sister Rd., Pigeon. We were very would like new jewelry. My brother would like a Your friend, remote control car. I would Daniel Eichler like a transformer, Octomus Prune, a new He-Man figure, stomper water demon, matchbox cars, Hardy Boys books and Gl

> Your friend, Eric Maust



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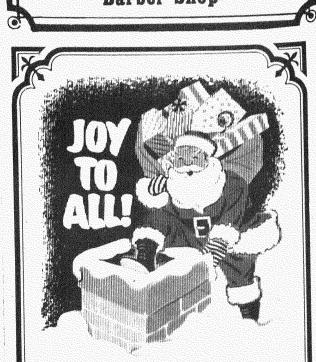
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Albert Eberly, left, receiv-16 years of employment at , at the end of the year.

Cooperative Elevator Co. ed gifts and recognition for Pigeon. He plans retirement

Babcock wins Hong Kong trip



vice Manager Matthew Babcock and his wife Mary recently returned from an all-expense paid trip to Hong Kong and China.

McCormick Motors Ser-

Babcock was awarded the grand travel award as the winner of a contest between Chevrolet service managers throughout the state of Michigan. The competition involved parts and labor sales over and above a set objective, according to Dave McCormick of McCormick Motors, Pigeon.

Babcock says he and his wife enjoyed the trip a great deal. The oriental people and communities created a very favorable impression, he

Here's hospital address for Pigeonite

Heckman spent Sunday in Hospital. Ann Arbor, visiting their

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ziel who is a patient at the dand Mr. and Mrs. Ronald University of Michigan Hospital, Ann

Friends wishing to send Street, Ninth Floor Room brother Wayne Lawrence, cards may send them to: 9444, Ann Arbor, MI 48109.

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Manager Ted Leipprandt at

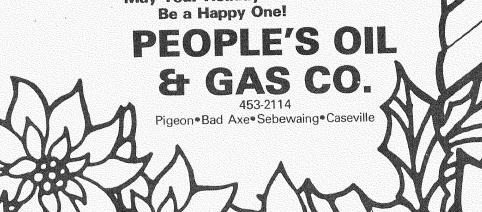
Saturday night's company

Christmas party.

For the past two years the response to our new program for the Christmas Season has been so good, we have decided to continue it again this year. Instead of giving out small gifts to our customers, we will contribute to certain service organizations that have Christmas programs for the needy in the communities where we do business.

It is because of your loyal patronage that we are able to do this so we feel this gift is from People's Oil & Gas Company and its loyal customers.

May Your Holiday Season Be a Happy One!



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To Each & Everyone From the Staff & Management of the



Co-op Elevator Co.



The Past in Print

Fire destroyed the Pigeon

Evangelical Church early

Monday morning. THe

are a total loss, estimated at

\$23,000, covered by \$12,000 insurance. The substantial

building was a brick veneer

with a stone basement and

pastorate of Rev. Charles

Elkton News: Charles

Heck is visiting his parents,

Mr. and Mrs. Heck over the

home of his father, John

Gascho; Miss Margaret Fox

of Lansing is visiting her

parents, Dr. and Mrs. H.J.

Fox; Etril Miller of Mt.

Elkton to Edward Gilnau,

Rodesiller

Clayton Eby.

Utica for \$10,000.



80 YEARS AGO DEC. 30, 1904

started Wednesday morning on a business trip to Gersugar beet industry.

James Garety, the hustling blacksmith at Owendale. has moved a residence house from Rescue to the village. Pigeon village council pro- a lantern when it was over- DEC. 28, 1934

ceedings: village marshal's turned, setting the straw on treasurer's salary \$10 for this year; clerk's salary \$30 \$1,500.

The lighthouses on the lakes have been closed for

moved his saw mill from near Tarry to 1½ miles east of Kilmanagh.

Michigan Bulletin of Vital DEC. 26, 1924 Statistics reports 19 deaths in Huron County for

Mr. and Mrs. John Doepker and Ruban Zimmer left Pigeon Monday for Woodville, Ohio, where they will visit for a few weeks. Louis Denner and Miss May Wilkie, two well-known

Sebewaing young people, were united in marriage last

70 YEARS AGO DEC. 25, 1914

Caseville Lodge F & AM installed the following officers: Neil McLean, Woodworth, Gordon Winholt, Robert Smith, William Wilson, A.D. Smalley, W.B. Young, Robert Adams and

rel -- Pigeon Elevator Co., with apparent safety. Geo. Wilfong, mgr. Adv.

William Baker, living one- Christmas vacation with his mile south of Elkton, was parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herdestroyed by fire Saturday man E. Henne at Bay Port. morning. Mr. Baker was bagging beans by the light of 50 YEARS AGO salary set at \$60 per year; the floor afire. Loss in grain and building will be about

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Diefenbach, Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Gregory and Mr. and Mrs. Chris Diefenbach, David Schweitzer has Pigeon, are spending the holidays in Detroit.

60 YEARS AGO

Dr. and Mrs. W.H. Sturm of Detroit are spending Christmas at the home of holidays; Raymond Gascho Mr. and Mrs. George of Remus is visiting at the

Yackle, McKinley Twp. Harold and Olin Oeschger, Kilmanagh, who are attending college at Naperville, are home for the holidays. Coming to the Gem Pleasant is visiting at the

Theatre, Pigeon: Thomas home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Meighan in "The Alaskan;" Miller; Miss Delores Eby of also Charlie Chaplin in Bay City is visiting her "Easy Street." Jan. 1-2. 10 parents, Mr. and Mrs. cents and 20 cents.

Methodist Episcopal congregatioin will have a watchnight service at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Ellicott, Rescue, entertained tioneering at Decatur, Ind. Sturm. There will also be about 84 friends Thursday games and refreshments. Bay Port News: Wildfowl

wedding anniversary. Paul Esch, Raymond mer.
Byler and Miss Leanna Mrs. Earl Graves enter-EMS school at Harrison-

40 YEARS AGO

Have you tried Blue Bird Bay is dotted with fish shan- Lydia B. Rather, 71, died at Flour -- selected from Kan- ties and perch are very plen- the home of Mr. and Mrs. sas hard wheat - cyclone tiful. Automobiles are driv- George Dunn, Pigeon. She is W.H. Wallace, Bay Port, flour, going at \$5.50 per baring over the ice on the bay survived by a son and grand-

Supt. George Carpenter of Pigeon Rural Ag High School announced that Adam Werle Warren Henne is home A barn belonging to from Albion College to spend of St. Ignace will fill the position of principal and science teacher at the school, beginning Jan. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Nijie Wideman, Bay Port, received a letter dated Aug. 28 from their son, Pvt. Ed Wideman, a prisoner of the building and all the fixtures

Archie Kauffman, who has operated an apiary one mile north of Pigeon for several years, sold his equipment to Leon Neeb of Caseville. Mr. was erected in 1909 under the Kauffman will move to St. Johns, where he purchased a

large apiary.
The home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heckroth, Caseville, was the scene of a wedding Sunday when their daughter Lela became the bride of Calvin Reibling, Elkton. Pvt. James L. Kreh of the

U.S. Marine Air Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Kreh, has been transferred to a base in the Pacific area.

30 YEARS AGO DEC. 30, 1954

Thomas Eden, 87, Lincoln Herbert Albrecht, Pigeon, is a recent graduate of the Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Reppert School of Auc-

evening in honor of their 25th rived home Friday after sail-sons. ing the lakes during the sum-

Miller, who are attending the tained her pedro club at her Bay Port home with a burg, Va., are spending their Christmas party Wednesday vacations at their homes in evening. Prizes were won by Mrs. John Gillingham Sr. and Mrs. Ada Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Pantelis and son Steve of



give and receive. Above all else, it's time for sharing!

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Sherrill Steinman Mary Kay Cosmetics Show in Grand Rapids on

Saturday Worthy Study Club met at Morgan. Taking part in the program were Mrs. Fred Watterworth, Mrs. Bert Braun, Mrs. Byron Groff.

20 YEARS AGO DEC. 31, 1964

Winners of \$1,293 worth of Christmas bonus prizes given by Pigeon Chamber of Kosinski, Port Austin; Richard Koehler, Phyllis Pitcher, Elkton; Mrs. Kenneth Yahn, Clarence Born, Donald Roestel, Martin Schuette and Wayne Dubs,

Mr. and Mrs. John Decker, life-long residents of the Pigeon area, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Dec. 19 at a dinner given by their family at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Decker. They have three children, eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Alfred Roberts, manager of the Cooperative Elevator Co. of Pigeon and Pigeon Cooperative Oil Co., has been elected chairman of the Michigan Association of

Wednesday evening, under the auspices of the Epworth League, the Pigeon Sold his 76-acre farm west of League, The Pigeon Sold his 76-acre farm west of League, the Pigeon Sold his 76-acre farm west of League Sold his 7

Martin McGee, 54, passed away Dec. 26 at his home in Elkton. He leaves his widow Martin McGee, Elkton, ar- four daughters and three

DEC. 31, 1974

the Greens" will be Sunday, Jan. 5 at Pigeon Elementary School grounds, Pigeon Area Jaycees will pick up Christmas trees in town on

St. John's Lutheran Church, Berne, has had a Chrismon tree (Christ's Monograms) for the past few years that has nearly touched the ceiling. The Chrismons have been made by Mrs. Alvin Rathje, Mrs. Art Luedtke and Mrs. Harold New officers were install-

ed at the December meeting of Elkton United Methodist Women, Mrs. Roger Haley, Mrs. Coulson Blair, Mrs. Emory Motz and Mrs. Bruce Krohn. The program was ner and Mrs. Mervin Snider.

Ella Cain, Elkton, at a birthday dinner at the Lunch Bucket. Birthday cake was served later at the home of

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Children and

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RINGS

Paulette and Duane plan to wed

Tait - Brown

Mr. and Mrs. James Tait of Caseville and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Braun of Elkton announce the engagement of their children, Paulette Juliann Tait and Duane William Braun.

The bride-elect is a 1984 graduate of Laker High School and her fiance is employed at A. Reibling

A March 30, 1985 wedding is being planned.



It's a boy!

Jeff and Sally Schnake of Bay Port are the proud parents of a baby boy, born Friday, Dec. 7 at Saginaw General Hospital.

The infant weighed 5 lbs 14 oz. and measured 18 inGemmells plan Golden Wedding Open House



Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Gemmell

An Open House will be held in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Gemmell of Elkton, hosted by their children, on Dec. 30 at 2 p.m at the Elkton.

The couple welcomes their friends and relatives to at

December club news

WORTHY STUDY

group singing of Christmas carols, accompanied by Mrs. Morse Beach at the piano. Lola Tropea read several poems pertaining to Christmas from Ideal. Lola sang solos, "O Holy Night" and "I Saw Mama Kissing Santa Claus," which was dramatized by Ula and Orville Snider. Charades was directed by Mrs. Emma Potter. Mrs. William Dufty gave readings "Grandpa" and "At Christmas." Lola and Mrs. Dufty sang a duet, "Oh

How I Missed You Tonight. The program closed with the group singing, "We Wish You a Merry Christmas.

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Santa Come in

RUSH LAKE

The social hour began with

gave a report on the Huron O'Brien County Womens' activities.

> Gifts were exchanged. The January meeting will

The December meeting of the GFWC Pigeon Worth While Club met at the home

BAY PORT OFFICE

Rathje and Peggy Hartman accompanied by Pauline

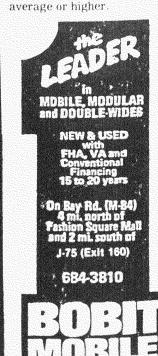
Donations were disbursed to the Pigeon District Christmas meeting in the Library, school band community welfare and Meals on

Kathy Clabuesch was selected to attend the Hugh Leadership

The next meeting will be Act 332 is available at the library. As you can see, a donation to the library can be very inexpensive considering the potential tax savings. The

Pigeonite on Dean's List at MTU

Kevin J. Laursen of Pigeon, a sophomore in isiness administration, has earned placement on the fall quarter's Dean's List at Michigan Technological



Brent L. McCumons of Caseville is one of five outstanding young business and professional men from this area who have been selected to visit Scotland as a member of a Rotary Group Study Exchange team from April 9 through May 21, 1985. Group Study Exchange is

viding travel grants for exchange of teams, within a two year period, between paired Rotary districts in different countries. More than 10,000 persons from 147 countries have participated in the program since 1965, according to GSE Chairman

As the end of 19l84 approaches and you are think-

ing of collecting receipts and

check stubs for tax returns.

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makes a \$200 donation. They

would receive a \$100 credit

on their state income tax

return, plus a \$200 deduction

on their federal tax return. If

they are in the 30% tax

bracket, they would receive

a \$60 benefit on their federal

return. The result is that the

donation of \$200 actually

costs \$40 as an out-of-pocket

expense. This example is

true up to a total of \$400 for

married couples filing joint-

ly. Complete donation infor-

mation under State Public

actual cost may be small but

the benefits to the library,

the community and you can

be very substantial.

DONATIONS

an educational program pro-

have three children, Eric, age 12, Tami, age 10 and Matthew, age seven. Since his graduation from Asbury Theological Seminary in 1978, he has served congregations in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. He will soon be completing his Doctor of Ministry degree from Drew University. His hobbies include skiing, sailing, golf and fishing.
While in Scotland, team

United Methodist Church. He and his wife, Marlene,

members will observe their

hosts' way of life, as well as

study the nation's economic,

social and cultural

"Brazil" by Wilbur Cross,

'Gramma's Stories and

Rhymes for Little Chris-

tians'' by Margaret Lang,

"Football. You are the

Coach" and "Basketball,

You are the Coach" by

Nathan Aaseng, "The Value

of Giving" and "The Value

of Adventure" by Ann

Adult Non-Fiction

Christmas'' by Karen Cure,

"A Family Čhristmas" by

Reader's Digest Association,

"Will Rogers, Film Star" by

Bryan B. Sterling, "Money

Angles" by Andrew Tobias,

"Seashore Life" by Andrew

Campbell, "The Revolu-

Lake-Chandler

By MILDRED BALLAGH

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Groff

of Essexville were Tuesday

overnight guests of Mr. and

Duftys and Groffs were

Fred and Mona McBride.

Wednesday dinner guests of

Cathy Stoeckle, team

leader of Avon, entertained

at a noon luncheon at the

Lamplighter Restaurant

Pigeon, on Thursday. Guests

were Caroline Deming

Katie McAlpine, Joyce Roth

William Dufty. The

tionary War" by Douglas

"An Old-Fashioned

Donegan Johnson,

McCumons readies for Scottish trip

McCumons, age 35, is characteristics through minister of the Caseville travel and discussions within

Story Hour on Dec. 22 from 1

to 2 p.m. Peggy Karl plans

games, a take-home craft

children. A filmstrip, "How

We Got Our Christmas

Saturday Story Hour is

held once a month at the

library. The specific dates

will be posted in the library

or watch your local paper for

The library will close at 3

p.m. on Christmas Eve, Dec.

24 and will re-open Thurs-

day, Dec. 27 from 9 a.m. to 5

Library hours on New

Year's Eve will be the same

as above, reopening on

The next Preschool Story

Hour will be Tuesday, Jan. 8

because both holidays fall on

The library staff wishes

everyone a Blessed

Christmas and a Happy New

Year, and appreciates your

Adult Fiction

Helen MacInnes, "Illusions

of Love'' by Cynthia Freeman, "The State of

Stony Lonesome'' by

"Ride a Pale Horse" by

patronage and support.

Thursday, Jan. 3.

Tuesday this year.

Customs," will be shown.

and Christmas stories for the

Pigeon District LIBRARY

Assume a married couple LIBRARY HOURS

District.

Accompanying the team will be Charles Kern, coowner of Kern's Sausages of Frankenmuth. He is a Rotarian who is represen ting Rotary District 631 Gov. Karl J. Leppien of Alma.

A similar team from Scotland was hosted in this area this past May and June.



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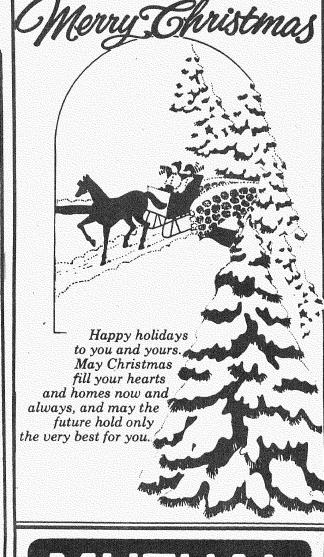
Caseville & Sebewaing Call this office for details 313-982-7391 In-Home Testing Available

It's a boy!

born to Clifford and Marie Maust of R#1 Box 11, Macon,

Miss. 39341 on Saturday,

A son, Jason Earl, was Jason's grandparents are Bay Port and Tom and Joyce Miller of Macon, Miss. Earl Maust of Sarasota, Fla. is his great-grandfather.



MUTUAL SAVINGS

Pigeon - 75 S. Main St. - 453-2900

Mutual Savings will close at 2 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 24, and also Monday, Dec. 31 at 2 p.m. so our employees can observe the holidays.



ONE CASEVILLE ROAD BAY PORT

A planned potluck dinner featured the December FARM BUREAU A planned potluck co A planned potluck chicken Eichler at the piano, entermeeting of the Worthy Study dinner was enjoyed by eight Club Thursday evening in members of the Rush Lake the home of Mona and Fred Farm Bureau group when McBride. Husbands were they met Dec. 13 for their

home of Fred and Mona uniforms, McBride. Mrs. Fred McBride led the group in the Pledge to the lag. Mrs. William McBride

Mrs. Roy Dufty led the discussion topic, "Promo- Guest Night at Pigeon tion and Advertising of District Library in Agricultural Projects" and February read the Fun Sheet.

be at the Roy Dufty's.

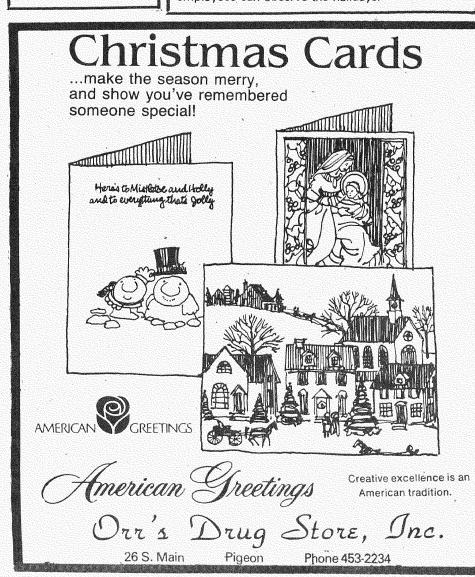
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Margaret Beadle is VFW winner

Beadle of Caseville High School handed in the winning essay during the 1984 Voice of Democracy essay contest, sponsored annually by the Pigeon VFW Post #2236 and ts auxiliary.

Coming in second and third place, respectively, were Shelly Ginter and Michelle Henne, both of Laker High School.

Pictured here are, from left. Phyllis Vollmer president of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary, handing certificates to Margaret Beadle and Shelly Ginter, and Bill Schuetz, commander of the VFW Post #2236.

Area high school students were invited to write essays on the topic, "My Pledge to America." The winning essay is presented below.

COMMUNITY CAMERA PHOTO



My Pledge to America

By MARGARET BEADLE

As I approached adulthood, I begin to realize the many decisions and responsibilities I will be facing as I practice becoming a good citizen. I pledge to make decisions to help my country develop and become a better place to live, for not only myself but for the many people around me. I realize there will be many standards and guidelines I will have to set for myself so I can become a better citizen. I also promise to learn why the government takes the actions it does on these issues and how each issue will affect the economy of

The first major responsibility I will meet is the right to vote. Voting is a difficult task. Going through the process of examining the good and bad points of a candidate for office and deciding which candidate will help better my country. I promise never to discriminate against a candidate because of his or her sex, color. creed or race. If the candidate is best for the position, he or she should be in that position.

If there is a need for change in my country, I will support that change only if I feel it will better the economy and society. I pledge to be anti-nuclear. The last thing America needs is to be involved in a nuclear war.

There won't be anyone left after the war to celebrate

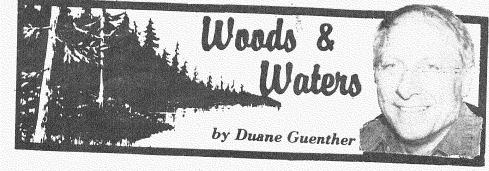
a victory because the entire world will be desolate. The American way of equality, individuality and freedom to do what one pleases under limitations of the laws are the best standards America has. These standards are just a few reasons why I love my country and the America way.

America allows me to be myself; therefore I pledge to stand up for America. If someone puts down my country, I'll defend her as I would defend myself if put in the same spot

America is not only a part of a continent, it is a part of me. If that dissident thinks America is such a bad country to live in, let him see the awful life the people that live in communist countries have. I would hate to have to be told where I can work and what I can stand for, morally and socially

The communist people have no rights at all. The communists' lives are full of suffering, whereas in the United States, we have many opportunities to fulfill our dreams. Of course, limitations are set, but they are only there to guide us in the right direction and protect us.

America is my homeland, the place I'll always be, and I pledge to be always loyal and give my fullest



Winter Grouse

Finding ruffed grouse can be as simple as -- knowing what food they prefer to eat -- and being able to locate it. Experienced grouse burstone have long beauty to be the state of the state hunters have long known that "Old Ruff" seldom ventures very far from food, that is, during normal fall weather. But Michigan's late grouse season is often plagued by snows and freezing temperatures of early winter, and grouse hunting methods take on a new

The rule of thumb is -- heavy weather will send birds into heavy cover. At the first biting winds of December, when the snow rattles off the stubborn oak leaves, they'll bunch up in the thickest part of the woodlot. Some of their favorite haunts will be the gnarled tangles of grape vines, tree-top blowdowns, thickets near young stands of aspens, or best of all, dense masses of evergreens. During this time they will forsake their food supply and opt for protection from the elements.

While they do not give up eating altogether, the one aspect of early winter that seems to affect their habits the most is snow. Cold temperatures also play an important role as free roosting birds will lose body heat and fat reserves at an alarming ate. But during the December portion of he season, snow is the most important key. My recipe for winter grouse hunting suc ess goes something like this. When early nows cover the ground, hunt the heavy over. If the ground is bare, the birds will

till be bunched up, but they will be centered round their food supply. In our area, this ould be serviceberry, birch, thornapple, spen, corn or their all-time favorite, gray ogwood. While these supplies may not look s plentiful as they did in the fall, the bushes e still covered with some of the withered

Another point to remember is that the iale grouse will usually pick out a drummig or mating area during the fall and renain there throughout the winter. Being ole to spot a good-sized drumming log next likely-looking food and cover habitat will sure hunting success

The Thumb area of Michigan is often 'erlooked as a suitable grouse-hunting gion. Because of this, grouse hunters are a rity, and that suits me just fine. While it's ie that our county does not have the acres aspens associated with prime grouse ver, we do indeed have small woodlots of ature hardwoods that are ringed with apes, raspberries, serviceberries and ay dogwood. Other areas nearby which, the way, sport good-sized public hunting ids, offer thick stands of evergreens, low irshlands and abundant food supplies. e only difference between the grouse ds of the north and our offerings is that 's tend to be smaller.

Vhen I moved into this area after being losed to grouse hunting in Gladwin Counit took me a few years to figure things Now after 20 years of chasing higan's number one gamebird in the imb region, I have developed a pretty d method. Each year I tramp the local dlots in search of the elusive grouse en I find him, I make notes, in one of the eral plat books I keep for this purpose ng colored pencils to indicate the time of

"The Thumb area of Michigan is often overlooked as a suitable grouse-hunting region. Because of this, grouse hunters are a rarity, and that suits me just fine. While it's true that our county does not have the acres of aspens associated with prime grouse cover, we do indeed have small woodlots...'

I've entitled "grouse tendencies." But the proof is in the pudding.

Last year, when an early December snow covered the landscape, a bright, cold Saturday morning found Lady and me heading south to the Tuscola County Line and a special spot marked in purple on my map. Briar, my English Setter, stayed at home as I found out years ago that a new snow renders a pointing dog almost useless. Lady was a good flusher and that's what would be needed on this day

I parked the car at the side of a gravel oad and within minutes, my dog and I were deep in a cedar swamp. We were heading for a little ridge that was loaded with gray dogwood and toppled cedar trees. The year before, this same spot had produced some excellent shooting. I had been saving this place all year, and felt a little flushed with excitement as we neared the rise.

This was drumming habitat, and snow or no snow, the birds would be scooting along the ground until they hit one of the windtoppled cedars that littered the area. There they would hole up until rooted out by my

The first blow-down produced three birds. Flushing wildly in front of the dog, they caught me by surprise and my first shot of the morning did little more than punch the crisp air full of 71/2 shot-sized holes. I vowed to be more prepared as Lady approached the next cedar tangle, but a similar incident took place. This time my excuse was that the birds found an escape route that kept a screen of cedars between them and my hastily-aimed gun barrel.

Lady and I moved 12 birds in two hours that morning, not because she was a great grouse dog or because we had stumbled on a hidden grouse preserve, but rather because chose to hunt the heavy cover this snowy December morning.

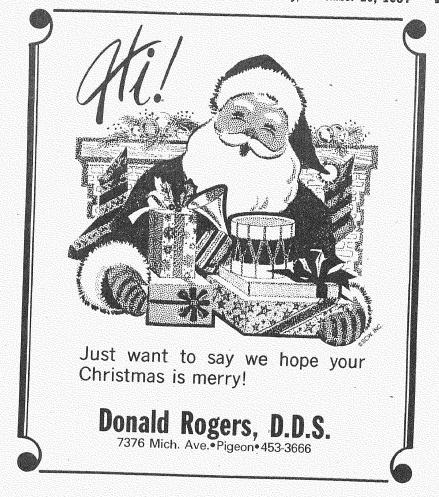
However, finding the birds was only half of the problem. The other was, that I had to

on, and the specific weather conditions, we put together a colorful map which NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING The Sebewaing Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Huron,

iscola, and Sanilac Counties will hold it's annual meeting, at the ome Office, located at 24 East Main Street, Sebewaing, ichigan, on Thursday, January 3rd, 1985 at 1:30 p.m.

Business will include the following: (1) Election of two (2) Direcrs, (2) Reading of annual reports, (3) Proposed amendments to e Corporate Charter and Articles to change from a Farm Mutual a General Mutual (Multi-Lines) Insurance Company, and (4) tranction of any other business that may come before the meeting.

Clemens Irion, Secretary

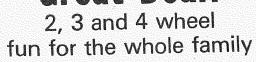


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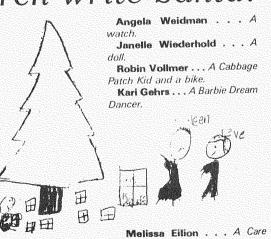
Pigeon children write Santa!

These Pigeon Elementary School first graders have the right idea. They each wrote a letter to Santa requesting their Christmas wishes, and here's their list

Christina Kauffman . . .A Cabbage Patch Doll and My Little

Jami Walsh . . . A Dottie Dog and My Little Pony Stable. Donovan Maust . . . A Gobot

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Week of December 10

DISSOLUTION: Caseville Amuse ment Center, 6376 Main St., Caseville Michigan, By: Mary Alice Kowalewski Caseville, Michigan, Filed; 12-4-84. Center, 6376 Main St., Caseville, Mich No. 3905. Kanyak Paint, Body & Detail Shop, Sand Rd., Caseville, Mich-igan. By: Kenneth Kanyak, Caseville, Michigan. Filed: 12-4-84. and Debra S. Messing; a parcel of land located in Section 9 of Sherman Twp. Leland T. Schmucker to Richard No. 3906. Flo-Acres Farms, 5075 N Messing; a parcel of land located in Verona Rd., Kinde, Michigan 48445. By: Edward F. Kubacki & Cathy Ku-Sections 11 and 12 of Sand Beach Twp.
Walter J. Glaza & Wf to Mark Glaza;

backi, 5075 N. Verona, Kinde, Mich igan 48445. Filed: 12-7-84. No. 3907. Stone's Auto Sales, 676 S. Van Dyke, Bad Axe, Michigan 48413. By: Randy Stone, 344 Hubbard St., Bad Axe, Michigan 48413. Filed:

> County Register of Deeds Frances

> > Holdwick

parcel of land located in Section 30 of Wf; a parcel of land located in Section 3 Nell M. Kitchen & Wf to Nell Kevin

Kitchen & Wf; a parcel of land located in Section 16 of Hume Twp. Eric J. DeKeyser & Wf to William D. Schlegelmilch & Wf; a parcel of land located in Section 25 of Port Austin Twp. Federal National Mortgage As-sociation to Lynn R. Arnold and Debbie M. Arnold; a parcel of land located in Section 8 of Sebewaing Twp.
Agnes Tice to Agnes Tice and David
A. Tice; a parcel of land located in Sec-

tion 15 of Huron Twp. Frank LaFave & Wf to Janet M. chultz; a parcel of land located in the City of Bad Axe. Beatrice Clark to Billy C. Lester & Wf:

Pigeon File 27,478. Petition for Exemption from Michigan Inheritance Tax Pursuant to MCLA 205,202 (d) filed. 2 Affidavits in Support of Petition

> Deceased, of Port Austin - File 26,660 Supervised Probate. Waiver and Con-

Estate of Richard Easlick, Deceased, of Sebewaing -File 26,474 - Supervised Probate. Order Allowing Final Account and Assigning Residue filed.

Estate of Leona A. Pollum, Deceased, of Bad Axe - File 26,743
- Supervised Probate. Order Determining Heirs filed. Final Account of Personal Representative filed. Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail and by Personal Service filed. Estate of William D. Wisenbaugh Deceased, of Sebewaing - File 27,068 -Independent Probate. Inventory filed. Final Account of Personal Represen-

tative filed.

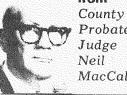
Estate of Anker M. Andersen,
Deceased, of Caseville -File 27,395 Supervised Probate. Objection to Inventory filed. Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Russell D. Amos, De ceased, of Port Austin -File 26,900 -Supervised Trusteeship. Bond of Fi-

Elizabeth Kramer to Kirt D. Peruski Estate of Lydia Albrecht, Deceased, of Pigeon - File 27,536 - Independent Probate. Proof of Publication filed. Order Determining Heirs filed. Estate of Florence A. Hazel, De-ceased, of Harbor Beach - File 27,544 -Supervised Probate. Petition for Com-

mencement of Proceedings filed. Testimony Interested Parties filed. Supplemental Testimony Interested Parties filed. 3 Waivers and Consents a parcel of land located in Section 27 of Bingham Twp.
Harold J. Deering & Wf to Poptonion, Inc.; a parcel of land located in Section filed Proof on Probate of Will filed Order Admitting Will to Probate and to Appoint Personal Representative. Bond 32 of Paris Twp. Poptonion, Inc. to Michael T. Cottick & Wf and Jerome M. Bouverette & Wf; a parcel of land located in Section 32 of of Fiduciary filed. Letters of Authority

Estate of Welda M. Henne, Deceased, of Sebewaing -File 27,551
-Supervised Probate. Will filed. Petition Paris Twp. for Commencement of Proceedings filed. Testimony Interested Parties filed. Supplemental Testimony Interested Parties filed.



Probate Judge Neil MacCallum

JUDGE OF PROBATE

Estate of Michael B. Krawczyk Deceased, of Port Austin - File 26,991 Independent Probate. Closing Statement filed. Proof of Service by Ordinary

Waivers and Consents filed. Certificate Estate of Clarence R. Wruble, of Opinion filed.
Estate of James O. Barth, Deceased, of Caseville - File 27,530 - Independent Deceased, of Harbor Beach -26,977 - Independent Probate. Cer ifficate of Completion filed.
Estate of Frank Tenbusch, Deceased Probate. Proof of Publication filed. Estate of E.J. Clabuesch, Deceased, of Pigeon - File 27,552 - Independent of Harbor Beach -File 27,243 - Independent Probate. Certificate of Completion Probate. Will filed. Petition for Com mencement of Proceedings filed. Register's Order filed. Acceptance of

Estate of Margaret B. Karg, De ceased, of Port Hope - File 27,554. Will filed.

of Bad Axe - File 27,520 - Independent Probate. Certificate of Completion fil-Estate of Otto Schulze, Deceased, of

ment filed. Estate of Clara Emma Townley Deceased, of Bad Axe - File 27,123 Supervised Probate. Report of Sale of Real Estate and Petition for Con or Exemption from Michigan In-peritance Tax Pursuant to MCLA firmation filed. Notice of Hearing filed tirmation filed. Notice of thearing filed.
Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.
Estate of George Schilke, Deceased,
of Port Hope - File 26,839 - Supervised
Probate. Proof of Service by Ordinary
Mail filed. 205.202 (d) filed. Notice of Hearing fil ed. Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail fil

Estate of Frederick Louis Sieland Deceased, of Caseville - File 27,397 Independent Probate, Final Account of Personal Representative filed. Estate of Charles H. Riddle, De

ceased, of Caseville — File 18,304 -Supervised Trusteeship, Bond of Fiduciary filed. Letters of Authority fil Estate of Donald S. Campbell, Deceased, of Bad Axe - File 27,476 -Supervised Probate. Order Closing

Estate of Clara K. Loeffler, Deceased, of Sebewaing -File 27,483 - Supervised Probate. Proof of Publication filed.

Estate of Dayton E. Grav. Deceased

of Bad Axe - File 27,485 - Supervised Probate. Proof of Publication filed. In-

ventory filed. Proof of Service by Or-

dinary Mail filed.

Estate of Munro S. Schultz, De-

ceased, of Bad Axe - File 26,064

Supervised Probate. Proof of Pub-

cation filed.

Estate of Carmel Grundman

Johnston, Deceased, of Port Hope - File 26,938 -Supervised Probate. Amended Inventory filed. First and Final Account

of Personal Representative filed. 6

Trust filed, Letters of Authority filed

Estate of Clarence V. Palach, Deceased, of Ruth -File 27,305 - Super

vised Probate. Order Authorizing

Settlement of Claim of Decedent's

State filed. Order Authorizing Settle

Hearing of Claims filed. Estate of Kenneth W. Stauffer, Deceased, of Elkton - File 27,509 - Independent Probate. Order Determining

Estate of Jennie Frey, Deceased, o Caseville - File 27,505 - Independen Probate. Order Determining Heirs filed. Estate of Margaret W. Lucik, Deceas-

ed, of Bad Axe - File 27,404 - Super vised Probate. Notice of Hearing filed Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed Estate of Thaddeus J. Seweryniak Deceased, of Port Hope - File 26,470



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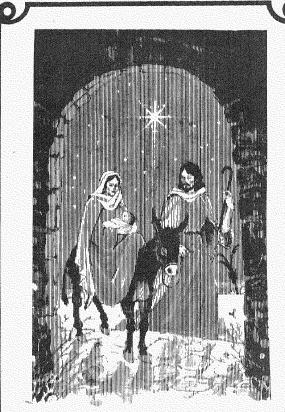


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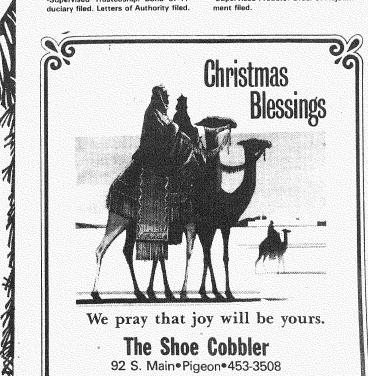
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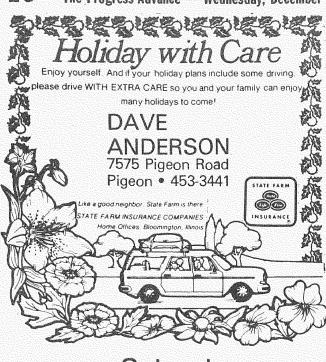
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School

Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Board of Education December 10, 1984

The meeting was called to order at 7:30p.m. at the Board Room by President Merlin

Members Present: Merlin Farver, Bruce Baur, Virginia Leipprandt, Yvonne Burhey, James Clabuesch, Richard Lockard, and Sid Smith Members Absent: None

A motion was made by Yvonne Bushey, seconded by James Clabuesch accepting the consent agenda. Motion carried.

The Board entered into a discussion relative to the effect that a Huron County Skill Center may or may not have on present ongoing high school programs. The main purpose of the discussion is to work out problems areas prior to sending students to the area

Board Secretary Virginia Leipprandt, Chairperson of the Curriculum Study Committee, gave a report of the December 4, 1984, meeting relative to the secondary curriculum study. The recent North Central Accreditation report is being reviewed along with suggested program improvements for the 1985-86 school year. The next meeting is scheduled for January 7, 1985.

Junior High Principals Ben Phillips made a presentation regarding special education of ferings in grades 7-12. It was indicated that there was an overload at the secondary special education level and by mandate of the Department of Education, an additional Dear Santaspecial education teacher may have to be employed.

Athletic Director Robert Drury went through the expenses encountered with outfitting and supporting the high school football program. The total outlay in equipment alone for the high school football program is \$24,000. He indicated one of the biggest expenses in preparation for each football season is the reconditioning of the protective pads and helmets, especially the helmet which has to meet national safety standards. He also informed the Board that an arrangement had been agreed upon between Harbor Beach, Bad Axe, Ubly, Unionville-Sebewaing, and Laker High School whereby the district tournaments will be rotated annually between Unionville-Sebewaing and Laker High School.

A motion was made by Sid Smith, seconded by Bruce Baur commending the Pigeon Lions Club and the Laker Athletic Boosters for each donating 500 to the Laker High School Football Lighting Fund. Motion carried.

The Board accepted with regret the resignation of Laker Cross Country Coach Denni Gaskill, Mr. Gaskill had been the Cross Country Coach for the past ten years. Board Secretary and representative to the Michigan Association of School Boards. Virginia Leingrandt, made a report on a recent MASB meeting of the state directors.

A motion was made by Bruce Baur, seconded by Sid Smith to go into an executive session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Motion carried. The Board reconvened at 10:10 p.m. with a motion by Bruce Baur, seconded by James

Clabuesch to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried. Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia E. Leipprandt, Secretary

Village Minutes

The regular meeting of the village council for the Village of Elkton was called to order by President Ropp at 7:30 p.m. Council members present B. Thompson, F. Santos, D. Fisher, T. Heck and C. Russell. Absent Neilan Hoffman.

With no additions or corrections the minutes stand approved as read. Motion by Santos supported by Thompson that the clerk will send a letter to Mr. Phil Neeb stating that the village recognizes that he owns the parking lot in the west alley.

Mr. Neeb asked for the letter stating the above. Motion carried. Trustee seats of Claren Russell, Neilan Hoffman and Fred Santos are expiring. Also, due to the resignation of former Pres. Haley the president must run for one year. Pet tions can be picked up at the clerk's office and must be returned by December 18, 1984. Motion by Russell supported by Fisher to approve payment of bills totaling 53031.38.

Ideas for revenue sharing were discussed. Several ideas included a study by an engineering firm to look at plans for an industrial park, a sewer cleaning truck, hiring a person to interest people and businesses to come in the village, storage building for equipment and sidewalk. A public hearing will be held on January 8, 1985 for Federal Revenue Sharing at 8:00 p.m. Elmer Ropp, Terry Heck and Claren Russell will meet with

Mr. John Ferris on several matters before the next council meeting. Terry Neck reported that the Community Club will not sponsor the summer festival next

Claren Russell read a letter from a visitor in our village that feels he was tickeded unfairly. He parked on the sidewalk which he has done for years and never ticketed. Other people were given warnings and he was given a ticket. President Ropp recommended that tickets be written for this offense in the future. Motion by Russell supported by Heck that the village reimburse his 55.00 ticket and change the ticket to a warning and a letter be sent. Roll call vote Russell-yea, Heck-yea, Fisher-nay, Santos-nay, Thompson-yea and Ropp-yea. Motion carried. A flag was donated to the village by Cal and Lela Reibling. Claren Russell asked Walt

Forster to check with the VFW to see if they were interested in handling donations of flags to the village in the future. Motion by Santos supported by Russell to join the Chamber of Commerce at a cost of

550.00 per year. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Elmer Ropp, President Darlene R. Ginter, Clerk



PIGEON WINNERS: Fourth weekly winners awarded Saturday during the Pigeon Chamber of Commerce's children's and adult drawings are shown here with Santa and Mrs. Claus. They are Branden Anderson of Bay Port, bike winner, and June Sturm of Pigeon,

\$100 shopping money winner. Other adult winners were Lenore Schwanitz of Pigeon for \$50 and Robert Faust of Owendale for \$25 in shopping

Children's toy winners were: Jason Gaeth, Anne Sturm, Gary McAlpine, Christy Abdalla, Michelle Osentoski, Jackie Karle, Tera Fritz and Brandon Eritz, all of Pigeon; Chancey Wolfe, Sunshine Rettelle and Nicholas Protzman, all of Caseville: Lauren Webber of Bay Port: Steve Kauffman and Jeff Haley, both of Elkton and Heather Clark of Bad Ave.

The final drawing is plann-

whole wide world except

Dear Santa:

Your friend, girls stuff.

Nate Brown

-Santa hears from more kids-

Dear Santa: I want a radio and a How are you? I'm fine. I How are you and your I've been good this year. jewelry box. How are you want Baby Skates doll and reindear? Have a merry I want everything in the doing? I'm doing good. I want skates and I want Christmas! I love you. How is Mrs. Santa doing? earphones. Hohoho! Merry

Sherry Kovach



How are your reindeer Dear Santa: doing? I want a puppy and

cat and a dog.

Love. Misty Karle

Love, ChristmasK!

Brandi Jean Gaeth

How have you been this Miss Santa Claus been?



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Elkton native named 'top secretary'

Linda Dufty, a 1963 graduate of Elkton High School, has been named Secretary of the Year by the Chippewa of Professional Secretaries International.

Ms. Dufty was chapter president from 1982-1984 and recording secretary from 1980-1982. She serves on Northwood Institute's Advisory Board for the secretarial department's curriculum and is also enrolled in Northwood's Busines Management external degree program. She and her two children reside in Midland. Ms. Dufty was selected as

the top secretary for 1984 among four candidates on the basis of educational advancement, certified professional secretary status, business experience, chapter activities, community involvement and recommendations from chapter members.

Selection of the Secretary of the Year was made at the chapter's November meeting. Ms. Dufty received a trophy and check for \$2.000 at the reception which followed the meeting.

Club news FLOWING WELL FARM BUREAU

The Flowing Well Farm Bureau group met in the Ervin Schlabach home for their December meeting. A potluck meal preceded the meeting.

There were 16 present for the meeting, which Harold Gregor opened with the Pledge to the Flag. Margaret Ginter led in singing Christmas carols, followed by a group of ladies who sang a Christmas number.

The Gregors were in charge of a musical program, Francis Wilson sang "O Holy Night." No business was conducted and each member was given a gift.

BAY PORT WOMANS' CLUB

The Bay Port Womans' Club met at the home of Mrs William Shaw of Pigeon for their Christmas meeting with eight members atten-

The ladies packed plates for shut-ins and had dinner The Lamplighter Restaurant, Pigeon.

The group returned to Mrs. Shaw's for a meeting and party with games and a gift exchange. Mrs. Shaw and Mrs. Opanasenko were prize winners.

The next meeting will be March 12 at the home of Mrs Ralph Baegert.

PIGEON LIONS

and guests met at Sherwoodon-the-Hill, Gagetown on Saturday, Dec. 8 for the club's annual Christmas Party.
President Dave Clabuesch

called the meeting to order and asked a moment of silence for the families of charter members "Doc" LaMere and Roy Lawrence, whose wife Bernice passed away. After the invocation, guests enjoyed a ham and chicken dinner.

Clabuesch reminded members to sell tickets for the Christmas Shopping Spree drawing, which will be Dec. 22 at the Pigeon IGA. Included on the program

were a gift exchange, headed by Santa's helpers Larry Moss and Jim Dunn. The next meeting will be Jan. 9 at the Pigeon VFW Hall. George Gardy will be

program chairman.

Area native promoted

Arthur H. Rathke, a native of Pigeon, now of Sterling Heights, has been named manager of Computer Integrated Manufacturing (CIM) Project at TRW's Steering & Suspension Division facility in Sterling

Heights. In his new position, Rathke will work with Division Information Services staff to implement CIM, which involves using computers to plan and schedule purchasing, manufacturing and delivery activities. Rathke's is the pilot program for the four-plant division

He joined TRW in 1981 as brief stint, was supervisor of the tool room in 1983.

He holds an MS in in-

serviceman

cars, trucks, off-highway vehicles and farm equipment. The division has manufacturing facilities in Michigan, Tennessee and North Carolina

Technological University. He is a member of Institute

Anyone wishing to send cards or letters to Pfc. Brian J. Witherspoon may contact him at: 375-70-9439 D. Company, Lst. S.T. Btln., Fort of Industrial Engineers, Engineering Society of Automotive Engineers and

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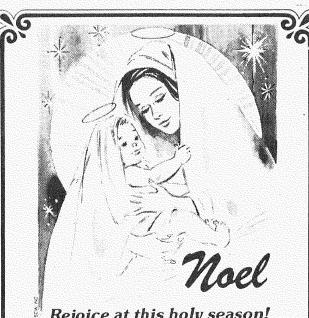
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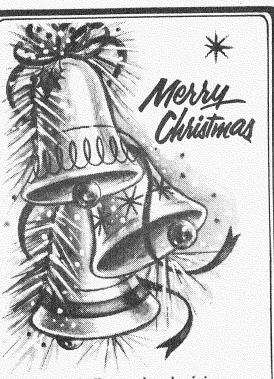
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Arthur H. Rathke



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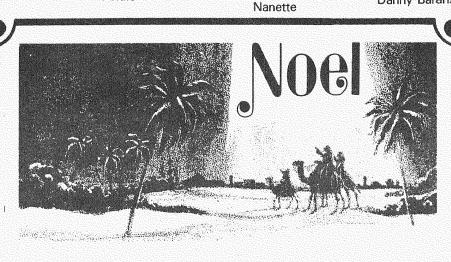
I hope you can get mom a big white teddy bear for Christmas and a glass case. Sarah wants dolls for Christmas. Can you give grandma some clothes and dad some pants? Grandpa Love, for you.

Andie

Love,

I have been pretty good All I would want this all year. I have helped year is a robot. For my mom with the dishes and mom I'd like carpeting and fed my dog. I'd like a Cab- for my dad I'd like a tool bage Patch Kid and if you set. For my grandma I'd have one for my sister, like dish cloths. I also wish Candi has been good too. all the children in the world My house is the one with to have a present for sugar cookies on the table Christmas too.

Your friend. Danny Baranski



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The wind was blowing, leaves were flying and the sky had that gray cast which is often seen in the fall, before the first snow flies.

I was walking up the hill where atop stood the bleak, dark red brick form so familiar to me — Mercy Hospital. As I entered the doors into the bustling lobby, I decided to visit the small chapel on the way to the bank of elevators, so noisily moving people to their various destinations.

The chapel was dimly lit, and the voitive lights seemed to glow very brightly from their stands near the altar. Several Sisters were kneeling in prayer or contemplation, as I entered a pew and placed the kneeling bench on the

It had been several weeks since I had heard that dread word CANCER and I remembered how stern the doctor had looked when he told me my Mother would not survive until Christmas. It was Dec. 24th. My prayers were many and my mother's recovery was always foremost. When I had finished, I returned to the center of activity and took that crowded elevator to the fifth floor.

I thought of the past year and all the sorrow and disappointments my Mother and I had faced, and I wondered, 'What kind of Christmas is this?

When I got to my Mother's room, with my arms full of presents, the Sister opened the door for me.

There sat my Mother looking as beautiful as ever, all dressed in her best robe. There was a cot in the corner so that I might spend Christmas Eve in the room, since Mom and I had no one else.

I dropped the presents on the bed and threw my arms around her and kissed her again and again.

There were tears in our eyes and she smiled and said,

Merry Christmas, darling? As I held her, I raised my eyes to Heaven and thanked God for the finest Christmas present I had ever had — the

gift of life for my beautiful Mother, at least for the pre-

Every moment was cherished and I'll never forget that gift, for my Mother passed away the following year.

'My favorite Christmas gift ever'

By MABEL BOTWRIGHT CLARK In my 82 years of life, I have had many sad memories and many happy memories. I would rather remember my happy ones, for God took care of my sad ones.

In time of trouble, we all help one another. I had a lovely familiy of two boys and three girls. In 1942 our son then, but his father passed away in 1959, was called to duty in the Navy. Christmas was coming and he planned on being home for Christmas dinner. So we prepared a nice big dinner. We waited and waited. It came to be 3 p.m. and no Charles yet. We thought his plans had been changed. We sat around our dining room table, had a prayer and ate

We had just finished and were cleaning up when in walked our son with a buddy. They had hitchhiked from Kinde with their packs on their backs, about 20 or more miles. So we all started over again. Whay a joyful day and din-

ner! They told me the meal was fit for a king, and that was my favorite Christmas gift ever.

'My Favorite Christmas Gift Ever'

By MILDRED (Mrs. Victor) KAIN For almost seven decades, I've eagerly anticipated and enjoyed Christmas seasons as times for family gatherings, warm messages from far-away friends and special outpourings of live, sharing and universal good will.

But just recently, I already received Christmas 1984 gifts that all the money in the world could not buy two new

grandchildren, my first ever! Little Adam was born to the Richard Kains a few weeks ago, and tiny Rachel arrived at the Gerald Kains a short time later. These two are surely the most beautiful babies

anywhere, even to my unprejudiced (?) eye! So, my Christmas toy started early this year with the gift of my first grano interenhance the holidays. May you also have a bless of Christia

Christmas memories are wonderful, and apparently lots of folks enjoy sharing them.

Excellent response has been the rule in the past six years we've conducted our "Christmas Memories Writing Contest" - and this seventh year is no

Nothing gets you into the holiday spirit more than sharing happy moments with others, as these nice people do to help brighten this Progress-Advance Christmas Edition. We've enjoyed reading and judging these essays!

Winners have been announced in three age categories, from among more than 100 entries received. They are:

AGES 46 & OLDER: tie for winner, Ronald McClumpha of Pigeon and Mabel Clark of Pigeon. Runners-up George Keim of Bay Port, Mildred (Mrs. Victor) Kain of Filion and Erma (Mrs. Glenn) Maust of Bay Port. AGES 20-45: winner Myrna Born of Pigeon. Runner-up Susan Damm of Bay Port.

AGES 14-19: four-way tie, Chris Gretch of Owendale, Colleen Kopack of Pigeon, Margaret Beadle and Brett Henke, both of Caseville.

'Favorite Christmas'

I've been around for quite awhile, so I don't know which Christmas meant the most to me. But on Christmas Day of 1918 or 1919, we lived in Pigeon. There was still a lot of flu around and times were pretty hard.

My folks let us children know there wouldn't be much for Christmas, although stuff was cheap then compared with today. But money was very hard to get. We never hung up stockings but put a plate at the table where we sat to eat. We always had some candy and peanuts and sometimes an orange. And if we had any presents, they were by our plates.

Well, on Christmas morning, we got up early. I did have a little toy at my plate and some candy and peanuts. Mother had a good breakfast of fried corn mush and beef

Dad went over to Oscar Paff's farm to borrow a horse to hitch to our surrey, to go to our Grandma Swartzendruber's place for dinner. When he got there, the horse he wanted was sick with the colic, but Oscar let him have a big work horse called Bell. She was so big he could hardly get her into the shafts. Well, we got loaded up and it was very cold. We didn't know anything about chill factors in those days, and when it was cold it just was cold.

We drove west of Pigeon on what is now M-142. The wind was from the northwest and very cold. We had side curtains on the surrey, but the wind was very cold, and Dad didn't like to make old Bell run too much because work horses don't trot like driving horses do.

We drove to the corner of Riskey Road and then south to Weale Road. There were a lot of trees and woods along the road, which helped some, but we were very cold when we got to Grandma's place. Uncle Dan Swartzendruber and his wife lived at Grandma's place and Uncle George P. Miller and Aunt Mary were there, too.

Grandma had a very good dinner. We didn't have chicken or turkey, but the mashed potatoes and beef gravy and baked apples and side dishes were so good that even if it was cold, it was worth the trip.

My cousins Floyd and Charlie Miller were there and my sisters were there. We played a little and about four o'clock we started home

The wind had gone down, so it wasn't quite as cold. On the way home, old Bell wanted to get home. It was almost dark 'til we got there.

Mother made fire while Dad took old Bell home. Grandpa Keim was staying with us at the time, but one of our neighbors had come over and got his dinner for him. We were tired, but happy.

Some time ago, I heard a woman say she's glad Christmas comes only once a year, because she just doesn't know what to get for her children. People do spend a lot over Christmas. I wouldn't want to

go back and ride an open buggy on a zero morning, but I'm glad I had those experiences. And even now, when a person gives me just a pair of

socks or some little gift, I appreciate love that's back of it that counts.

And to all my friends everywhere, I wish you a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

'My favorite (special) Christmas gift'

By ERMA MAUST Several years ago, I faced a siege of major surgery after Thanksgiving and just got home from the hospital before Christmas. So I had missed all the nice things that go with Christmas, like programs and the calendars that our local business people give out at Christmas time.

I saw Glenn had his lovely calendar hanging above his desk from the Co-op Oil Company and wondered if he had gotten me one, and he said, "No."

And since a calendar like that meant so much to me to have as a diary-record to write on each square information about each school when the teacher would call for placing reservations to visit our farm, I got my weak bones up and called Ralph Limberger at the gas station. I told Ralph I didn't like to be a beggar, but would he still

have a calendar left that I could use? Ralph said no, he had given them all out and no more were left.

Of course, I was saddened to think I had missed out on that goodie. So I thanked him and thought I would just pick up a big plain one in a stationery store when I'd be able to again go shopping. So I hobbled back to my bed and was listening to Family Life Radio when the dog began to bark and Glenn went to look out the dining room window. He said, "Oh, goodness, not again today! The gas man is pulling up to the house door

He had just filled up with fuel oil the day before, and poor Glenn could not imagine it needed filling again as his first thought hit his brain. But no --- here came the gas man just a'trottin' like Santa himself with a calendar for

So there he stood, telling us how Ralph had radioed him on the run and was searching to see if anyone had an extracalendar. The driver did, so Ralph told him to drop it off to

I was so embarassed I could have died to think the gas truck came to deliver a calendar to me, but in reality just loved it so much all year. Because each day when I wrote a new school coming to the farm, the kindness of Ralph became more of a blessing. That calendar was a 365-day gift that daily reminded me of a businessman who



CATEGORY: AGES 20-45

'Christmas isn't just gifts'

By MYRNA BORN I fondly remember the Christmas I received my first watch. It was a special gift, because we very seldom received expenseive gifts because of our large family. Now, many years later, I realize that gifts aren't the most important part of Christmas. It is the deeper, more meaningful memories and feelings we cherish most.

Christmas is a family time. I lost my stepfather, my mother and grandmother within a year and four months of each other. My grandfather died six years ago. Before that, no one in the immediate family died who was close to

Little did I realize this would change our family traditions. We no longer could go over to my parents' on Christmas Eve. Grandpa couldn't have us over, so we had to have him over to our house. We were always close, my grandpa and I. He was the special "father" image I clung to when my parents were divorced when I was only two years old.

Grandpa wasn't an old fashioned person -- he was a "neat person," as some would say. I remember all the times he bounced me on his knee and rode me around piggy-back clinging to his neck. Laughter rang through

the house, with Grandma shouting, "Not so loud."

I especially remember the last Christmas he was with us. He came out to our house with my brother-in-law and family who were staying with him, because he could no longer stay alone. The family Christmas party was going to be at his house because of Grandpa's health.

They were borrowing my electric roaster, chairs and card table. When they were ready to leave, grandpa took a glance over the house. As I recall now, it was like a last look (I won't be back to see it again look).

He died about two weeks after our party. It was like losing my mother all over again. Grandpa was like a father to me, and it seemed like I had no one left.

I now think back over the years and some of the best gifts were the memories of loved ones who gave so much of themselves to make us what we are. That kind of giving is the special love that God gave to us by sending His Son. Jesus, on that Christmas so long ago. ENGLICHER BERRINGER

ristmas Memories Contest!

No winners were announced in the 13 and under age group, but several of the more interesting entries are published throughout this week's Progress-Advance Christmas Edition.

Special mention should be made recognizing the students of Mary Kay Quinn's classes at Caseville High School. They submitted many entries. Honorable Mention 14-19 age winners from Mrs. Quinn's classes include Carrie Zollner, Richie Simpson, Tom Fibranz, Vicky Karle, Daniel Depner, Becky Dubey, Jeff Siegfried, Charles Morden, Carletta Sovey,

Jenny Krause and Julie Barton. Semi-finalists from Mrs. Quinn's group include Brenda Johnson, Chris Kopack, Tracy Bieri, Amy Conrad, Renee Simpson, Jeremy Steinman, Ron Warax, Pam Wolfe, Jim Steinman, Mike Henne, Lisa Bilkie, Paul Bieri, Sally Gembarski, Bridgett Meissner, Chris McLean, Cindy Eimers,

As we've said, we are happy to award cash prizes to first-place winners -and we're honored these people took time from busy holiday schedules to share some happiness with us all. Read - and enjoy these happy holidays!

Christy Jablonski and Troy Hartz.

'A time for giving'

By SUSAN M. DAMM

Christmas is a time for giving. Giving gifts, giving friendship and giving love.

I would like to make this letter my best Christmas gift I'm sure you have all seen the reports on the starving

people in Ethiopia. With Christmas nearing, now is the time to open our hearts to these people. If everyone in this community would go to their cup-

boards and donate a canned good, we could feed a lot of starving children and adults I believe the people of Pigeon and our area are kind and giving. Won't you please open your hearts to save a life?

Let's make this "PIGEON'S best Christmas gift ever." Let's give the gift of life! Anyone wishing to donate food may contact me at 656-7135 anytime, or at 10055 Weale Road, Bay Port.



CATEGORY: AGES 14-19

'Christmas in February? By CHRIS GRETCH

My Christmas memories aren't too far away to remember. In fact, it was only last year when I ended up having Christmas in February.

A couple of days before Christmas, my Grandma went into the hospital with cancer. She was really sick and ended up being there until the beginning of Febrary. My Grandpa wouldn't put the Christmas lights on or

open gifts until Grandma came home. Finally, when Grandma came home, Grandpa turned on the Christmas lights. The people who went by in their cars thought it was strange to have the lights still shining in

February. My family, aunts, uncles and cousins went to Grandma's house for a Christmas dinner. Mom and I went over early to help Grandma fix the Christmas duck. After we ate, Grandma and Grandpa opened the many

presents everyone bought for them. They were both very happy with their gifts. Even though Grandma won't be with us this Christmas, she will still be with us in our hearts. We loved her so.

'My favorite Christmas gift ever'

By COLLEEN KOPACK best. It takes so much thought and feeling to give someone a gift. All of my Christmases have been full of great joy and happiness.

If I have to choose which one I have liked best, I would say it was the Christmas when I was 10 years old. The whole year I had asked my mother to stop smoking and all I ever got in return was, "When the time is right."

It seemed as if the time was never going to be right for her to stop smoking. So, as the months went by, she still kept smoking.

December came and we were all in the Christmas mood. We woke up Christmas morning and after all the presents under the tree were opened, we were all thanking

My dad said, "Oh, we forgot one!" He pointed toward the upper branches of our Christmas tree. It was a card addressed to me. I opened it and read it aloud. The message was, "Colleen, well, the time is right. I have decided to stop my smoking and I am doing this for myself, not you. I only wish I would have decided to do this before now. Love, Mom.

I looked at her when I finished. She was looking at me. I was so happy. This present made my whole Christmas, and by this great gift, I also learned that gifts are not only material possessions. They come really from the heart.

'The best Christmas present'

By BRETT HENKE The best Christmas present I ever received was a

I was adopted by a single parent. When I was seven, my mother met my father. The man, Mr. Henke, was of medium height, full of muscle and wisom and he had short silver-gray hair

He was loving and kind, and he treated my mother and me as if we were fine china. He was the father I had always wanted. On the 20th day

of December, 1975, my parents were married, and I had received the father I always wanted.

'My favorite Christmas present ever'

By MARGARET BEADLE My family had just moved to a new town in the country. My dream Christmas present was a pony. I dropped hints and made it quite obvious that a pony would make my Christmas the best ever. I dreamt, slept and talked about

One cold winter day, my family piled into our station wagon and we went for a drive. We stopped at a local farm because we had to pick up my brother from work. As soon as the car came to a stop, I leaped out and ran to the corral

where the farmer kept his ponies. The farmer had a brown pinto pony named Mickey. He was the one I wanted. I begged my parents to get me a pony. They told me to wait and see if Santa Claus would

Finally, Christmas Day arrived. I rose out of bed and looked everywhere for my pony. He was nowhere to be found. I began to cry, saying, "Santa Claus forgot me." I said this because I had written Santa four letters telling

him how much I wanted Mickey. After we opened our gifts, my brother Roy left for about an hour. He loaded his motorcycle on the back of the truck and went on his way. I didn't understand why he was taking his prized possession - his motorcycle - in the truck.

As soon as he pulled into the driveway, I put on my boots and winter coat. He was pulling a large trailer behind the truck. I heard a whinny come from the trailer. I knew it was my pony! I ran up to my brother and gave him a big bear hug. He

had traded his motorcycle to the farmer for Mickey. As soon as Mickey was out of the trailer, I began riding him. I had to tell everyone about my beautiful pony . He was my pride and joy.

When it came time for bed that night, I pretended to go

- then snuck out to say "goodnight" to Mickey. I gave him some sugar cubes and a big hug.

This Christmas present was a gift from the heart. My brother gave away his prized possession so I could have the best Christmas present ever.

Christmas gifts all have special meanings. They are given to make the ones we love happy. As I think back to that Christmas, I remember it as my happiest ever. The memories only began at that Christmas. The rest of the vear, I enjoyed my pony. He became my best friend.

Santa gets lots of mail from kids!

Dear Santa:

Please bring me some

It is snowing very, very

Love,

Love

Eli Binder

Becky Smith

Dear Santa:

I love you very much. The thing I want the most tapes. You don't have to. is what you can find in How is Mrs. Santa doing? your bag. I am not picky. You have a lot of good Maybe I will see you. I boys and girls. Please bring often need a glass of water me a Chatty Patty. Is it at night. I love you very snowing at the North Pole?

Sunny Herford hard here. It is like a bliz-P.S. I will be at my zard! I hope you will make Grandma's and Grandpa's it here. in Florida.

Dear Santa:

My name is Kara Dear Santa: Langley. I'm'nine years old. I have been very good. Could I please have some toys for Christmas? I have made a list for you: My Little Pony stable, Cabbage Patch clothes, Cristle Barbie, Dream Dancer, Rose Petal dolls, Great Shape Barbie, Friend Bear or Funshine Bear and clothes.

Your friend.

Dear Santa:

I have been very good. I help mom wash dishes and help Jimmy with his homework. Jimmy is in kindergarten. I'm in third. Mrs. Gehrs my teacher. Mrs. Keena is Jimmy's teacher. Jimmy's six. I'm nine and I would like a Cabbage Patch Kid.

Merry Christmas,

Dear Santa: Please can I have a Cabbage Patch doll for Christmas and please can I have a game to play with for Christmas?

> Love, Gretchen Eichler



I have been a good boy. want He Man.

I am always satisfied what I get for Christmas. How are the raindeer? I hope they are having fun down there. I bet that you are busy. Are the elves playing jokes on you? Is Mrs. Claus making cookies? I love cookies. I will try to write back. Dear Santa: I have been very good this year. My sister wants a Care Bear for Christmas. Santa, will you please give me an Electric Football game and five He-man guys? I like Rudolph. He's my favorite reindeer.

Matt Pauley

Dear Santa: I was a good boy. Please give me He-Man guys and please give me four-

Nathan Schweitzer

Dear Santa:

wheelers

I would like a Cabbage Patch Kid for Christmas and a football. My sister wants Rainbow Brite for

Sarah Dietzel

I would like a Go Bot watch. My brother would like a He-Man guy. My dad would like some camera stuff. My mom would like some earrings for Christmas. We are going to visit our relatives in California. Is it cold up at the North Pole? Merry Christmas, Santa.

> Love. Jon Love

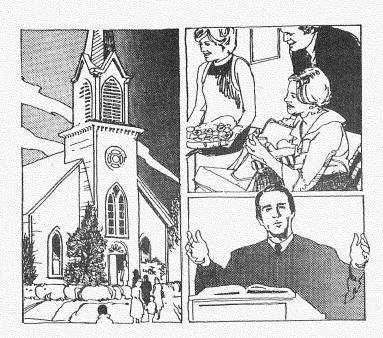
Dear Mr. Claus:

Here is a list of things my little sister wants: a Mickey Mouse talking phone, a pair of E.T. slippers and a Cabbage Parch Kild. Here is a list of things my big sister wants: high tops. Here is a list of things my mom wants: us to be happy. I

> Your friend, Mike Appley

Take your entire family to church this Christmas season!

GOD SENDS THE GIFT OF HIS LOVE FOR US ALL TO SHARE



H ecember has become the grand Finale of the year, When festive gatherings are planned; The season of good cheer. No matter what you celebrate According to your creed, The holidays commemorate A joyous time indeed, When you're invited to renew Your faith without delay; Your House of Worship urges you To enter there and pray. While some light candles with a prayer And others deck the hall, Throughout this season that we share God's love will bless us all

True love's the gift which God has given Sir Walter Scott

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hath his proper gift of God.' - I Corinthians 7:7

— Gloria Nowak

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FAITH BIBLE RAPTIST CHURCH Corner M-25 and Haist Roac Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Preaching 11 a.m. Sunday Evening 6 p.m. Wednesday Mid-week 7 p.m

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Other samplins' from Santa's mailbox

Dear Santa:

I've been good this Christmas and I have a list to give you. You can pick any kind of toy you want to aive me. Here's my list to give me: Rainbow Brite doll, Cabbage Patch Kid, roller skates and Bake-It oven and clothes.

> Your friend, Shelly Finkbeiner Dear Santa:

Dear Santa:

was good all year. So I get I have a sister. She is lots of presents, right?!! I nine. My mom loves bowl-hope so. I'd like a Mandy ing. My dad works on a doll, a sleeping bnag and farm. Here are things I anything else you can think might want: T.F., Gobot of Is it cold at the North and GI Joe plane. Pole? It's not snowing Your friend, here. I have to go now.

Ralph Brakenberry Please bring me my pre-

Christmas is for

all of God's children

Unto us a Child is Born; unto us a Son is given, Isaiah 9:6

Christmas honors the birth of a Child who divided history

God had intervened before in history. Moses, as a baby east

into the Nile River and guarded by his sister, was God's

Soon after His birth, Jesus was marked for death by a

God wanted this Child to be the Rescuer of all people from

Moses' birth was hidden from the world. But with Jesus it

The world heard the news of His birth from angels, who in

Our children are gifts from God. Jesus is God's special

This Child, God's own Son, would be odedient to Him unto

Yes, Christmas is for children - all God's children, young

Born of a woman, born under the Law, He fulfilled the Law

Dearest Jesus, Holy Child, son of God, our Brother dear,

we thank You for becoming one of us and for giving us a place

Child-given as a gift to all fathers and mothers, all people and

essence repeated what Isaiah has said: "Unto us a Child is

into two parts: the time before and after His birth.

yrant, but was watched over by Mary and Joseph.

rescuer of Israel from slavery in Egypt.

born; unto us a Son is given" - God's Son.

for all and paid the price for the sins of all.

in the family of our heavenly Father. Amen.

he dread slavery of sir

death, even death on a cross.

sent. Bye!

Liesl Eichler

How are you? I'm fine. I

also want Face and Hannibal Ewoks, Knight Rider, pants, shirts, sweater

Dear Santa Claus:

I want lots and lots of presents for Christmas. What I want the most is: Little Pony Shower and Cabbage Patch Doll. My mom and dad would like a you some cookies and Dear Santa:

I am eight years old. I for Christmas, but the have brown hair and I'm in thank you for all the gifts thing I want most is for third grade. I would like there to be peace Crystle Barbie, Poochie everywhere, no more and a Barbie car. I live 5830 Berne Road. I have five people in my family. Your friend,

especially my family. Your friend,



Dear Santa:

I would like lots of things

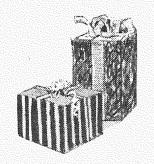
fighting! One thing I would

like is to have a pony! I

love everyone in the world,

I want some toys and other things for Christmas. I want some He-Man guy equipment, GI Joe guys, equipment, transformers. I Mickel Jackson and leather

> Your friend, Norman Christner



My Little Pony Stable, My sattelite for the TV. My sister wants a ghettoblaster. My brother would like a 12 speed bike. Santa I am going to leave Your friend,

Dear Santa:

First of all, I want to you brought me last year. Again this year I have been very, very good boy, as usual and I ask that you bring me these things. I want a jack knife, telescope, a brother, Brian, has been science set and a remote control car. That's all for now, Santa.

Your friend,

Dear Santa: Hi! Just a short list. This is what I want for

ing up my clothes and making my bed. Also, I have been setting table clearing table and doing lots of other things. My clean his room. This is what he wants: Dukes of Hazzard walkie talkies, plow and four-wheel drive tractor. Thanks for other

Christmas: Cabbage Patch

doll, hat and scarf set, earr

ing tree and Dream

Your friend, Jill Collison



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bottles and cans for the Pigeon Elementary School Pigeon District Library fund drive. Call an elementary student or deliver them to the school on Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 3:30. Thank you. Signed, the Pigeon Elementary Parents and Teachers for

To the person or persons responsible for the theft of two emergency lights from two parked cars on Paul Street Saturday night in Pigeon: do you know why we will arrive on a bright and have them? If you stop and shiny fire truck, as sponthink about it, they are to sored by the Bay Port warn you we have an Chamber of Commerce. emergency and need to get Kids, come see Santa.

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happen to you as a patient if the crew gets tied up in traffic. Please return them, with

Brenda B., happy 18th birthday. Love, your ECSSA friends. Have a good year.

/

A "long distance call" was just received from Santa. He is loading his bag with a good supply of bags of nuts and candy. Saturday, Dec. 22 is the day, at 1 p.m., that he will arrive to make his headquarters at the Bay Port State Bank. Due to the uncertainty or snow, Santa

Knechtel's Market

This ad good Wed. Dec. 19

thru Saturday, Dec. 29.

Annabelle, Audrey, Vern and John

wish each of you a Happy Holiday

HAVE A VERY 🛨

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Extra Large

I'd like to invite the people of Pigeon and surrounding area to come to Elkton and see what a beautiful, lit-up town is on display for all the people to see. We've very proud of our town. Thank

The Pigeon Area Jaycees wish to thank Clare Swartzendruber for the tree, Damm's, Inc., for the lot and Kretzschmer Home Center for the lights for our community Christmas tree. We appreciate your help!

I thought the Christmas program at Pigeon River Falls Church, Va. Mennonite Church was ex cellent on Sunday night Everyone did a wonderful job. You could tell that a lot of work went into planning

Scheurer Hospital notes Patients in Scheurer Samczyk, Mrs. Geraldine

Hospital on Monday, Dec. Steinman, Ms. Pauline PIGEON: Mrs. Anna Sitts, Dast, Mrs. Lorena Thick, Mrs. Timothy (Sandra) Mrs. AnnaMarie Ginther.

Swartzendruber, Carl P.

Carolyn Price earns R.N. certification

Carolyn Price has been notified that she has passed her Michigan State Board Exam as a Registered

She graduated this year with a B.S. degree from University, Rochester

She is currently employed at the Northern Virginia Mental Health Institute in

Price is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Krohn of

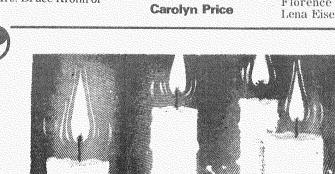
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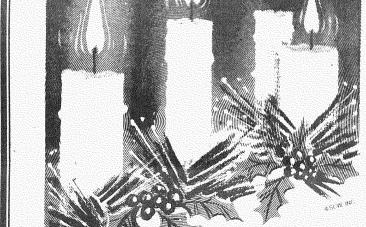
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BIRTHS: Mr. and M William E. (Lisa) Ka Caseville, a son, Willia Johnhoward, on Dec. 17. LONG-TERM UNI David Banda, Oscar Beh Mrs. Mollie Deering, M Alice Diebel, Mrs. Mart Dressler, Charles Fri Mrs. Dora Gettel, Jo Knight, Mrs. Helen Jede Floyd Langley, Andre Mischung, Mrs. Mab Morlock, Preston Murdoc Mrs. Leta Osborne, M Viola Peterson, Earl Ra son, Mrs. Lena Schillir Mrs. Dorothy Shaw, Mi Florence Wolfram, Mi Lena Eisengruber.





Good health, good cheer to you this Yuletide.

The management & staff wish you & yours a very Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

We will be closed Christmas Day

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Merry Christmas



The Hair Shoppe

Top left to right: Mary Furness, June Winchester, Pam Roestel, Mary Motz, Con-

Santa gets lots of mail from kids!

Dear Santa Claus:

Dear Santa:

How are you and your Dear Santa: reindeer? I'm fine. I want a lots of things this year. I hope you don't have any trouble finding my house. ing fun. Merry Christmas!

Vicki Gascho



I'm trying to be good for the toys I want. I want Big Foot and the sled too. I want a pump bb gun, BMX bike and a controlled tank,

Ronnie Bruce



WLEW invites listeners

Radio Station WLEW located at 92.1 on the FM dial, will present Handel's ''Messiah'' on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24 at 10 p.m.

This is the 48th annual performance of the choir, which now boasts 350 voices singing to a sell-out audience of 5.000 at the Stone Church.

I would like a Barbie doll How are you and Mrs. and a crayon box. How are Claus doing? I want Baby your reindeer? I am have- Alive.

Your friend, Kari Swartzendruber



How is Mrs. Claus? I want He-Man and doing good. I would like a Skeleton.

Travis Sprague eleven days to Christmas.



How are you and Mrs Claus? And how are your reindeer? And I want lots

Shawn Diebel

Dear Santa:

How are you and Mrs. Claus? I want Big Foot and the Pole sled. Merry Christmas.



The regular meeting of the McKinley Township will be held Thursday, Jan. 3, 1985 - 1:30 at the Herman Rathke Home, 6764 Berne Rd., Pigeon, Ml.

Signed, Chuck Leipprandt, Clerk

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Jennifer Smith

Tammy Dilleree



From left to right: Mary Schuette, Jan Lenda, Sandy Hyzer, Jan Jolly, Debb

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SEASON'S GREETINGS From our staff - to your home





Sales & Service Staff: Top left, seated: Judy Smith, Mary Thiel. Standing: Dale Wertz, Dave McCormick, Jim McCormick, Gene Hamilton.

Body Shop Staff: Top right: Mark Smith, Paul Langlois,

Parts & Service: Lower left: Matt Babcock, Jeanne McGraw, Pinky Oesch.

Body & Service: Lower right photo: Left to right: Bill Fitzpatrick, Randy Snieckowski, Duane Baur, Clark Faist, Dennis Chandler. Missing from photo Mark Gettel.





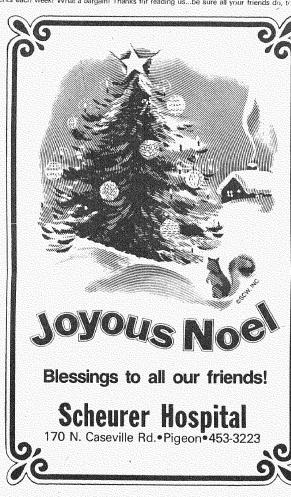
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Cards are special part of Christmas

Send Christmas Cards?"

isn't the theme of your 1984 home. in your Christmas issue.

awfully disappointing. If I into Scrouge note from my favorite high attitude. Think about the

school teacher and family in real reason you are sending PA, or that very favorite that card, smile with cousin who seems more like remembrances past, ada sister, or that dear aunt out dress that card and note to in California, or even from one you care for. It means a my own two sons at college lot. at Kalamazoo, my during Do you know the delight in during pre-Christmas activi- a child's eyes when he or she

receives a card especially Christmas cards are a for them or a teenager tradition. Did you know that receiving a card from that they were invented in 1875 by secret admirer, or the elder-Louis Prang of Roxbury, ly getting a note from a dear Mass.? He engraved a batch friend they may not have of very special cards and seen for 20 or 30 years, or a

Blessings

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I realize this topic of "Why They sold so swiftly he made another batch to sell at

Christmas Writing Contest, Christmas cards, to me, but I hope you will publish it are as much a part of this joyous holiday season as are Have you ever thought of the gaily lit trees, the you send Christmas decorated cookies, candycards? Habit, everyone else making, shopping. So what if does, or do you really send they cost 20 cents to mail? them with the proper My friends and family are thought in mind? Over the worth that for that one day of years, we've been receiving the year we keep in touch. fewer and fewer cards at I admit, all this pre-

holiday time. I realize that holiday preparation has many of our tight budgets become so commercial. With can't take the added strain of TV ads, magazines and postage and cards, but to newspapers pushing holiday stop sending Christmas even before Halloween is cards . . . to me that would be over, it's enough to turn us didn't receive a card and Don't take it out on your

she never failed to send a with only a few stray cats for this holiday. company. To me, she had the true meaning of Christmas. I

it's worth every penny.

young husband, bashfully will miss that card this mailing a card to his wife of season as you see, she pass less than a year when he ed away. I remember he knows he will see her across with a smile. A lovely the dinner table. It is worth memory, don't you agree?

it, believe me. You see, for Why do I send Christmas the past 25 years, I have cards? I think I have touched been seeing those smiles, on many reasons but the those happy faces for work main one, is by mailing in a post office. Believe me, cards to our loved ones, we I recall an elderly lady day of that tiny Baby, long who lives alone out in the ago in Bethlehem, who came country and each December, into this world for all of us.

I hope and pray the card to her rural carrier and Christmas card tradition myself, properly addressed never stops. It's too much of and stamped showing her a link to our daily lives, and appreciation of previous ser- the one custom of everyone's vice. She couldn't really af- favorite holiday, CHRIST ford it, for she lived in a tar mas. Let's keep Christ and paper house very meagerly, His love in our hearts during

Jeannette McDonald

(over 56) and two rockets, and a flowergirl.

Your friend, Kevin Jantzi Dear Santa:



Dear Santa:

My favorite gift is a GoBot. How is Rudolph and how are the other reindeer? I've been a good little boy.

Donnie Osentoski

Dear Santa: Please may I have a doll or a Rainbow Brite?

Sarah Champagne

Hike Santa Claus. I want I would like a stuffe a rough Rider, a remote unicorn and a game an control car, truck or tank, lots of presents and som four Hardy Boys books reindeer toys and one do

From Sarah E

I would like Snak Mountain, a game please a book and please, a sled Mark Wisnesh

Dear Santa:

I would like Baby Need a Name and Rainboy Brite. Santa, have I bee good? Is Rudolph OK? hope you're happy! I lik



Dear Santa:

Last year my favorite thing I got was a bike Maybe this year would be better. I hope this time maybe I will get something nice like a GoBot.

My favorite thing is My have a sticker book and Hi-

Kristi Heintz

snow a lot. I would like a

Bobby Orr

of pie left on Fazzal's plate contained knockour drops. Miss | would like a doll. Is

From,

Elementary children fill Santa's mailbox!

Dear Santa: How are your reindeer? I gun. want a My Little Pony and

How are you doing?

would like a krims and

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Jim. Fran. Metta, Alice, Margaret,

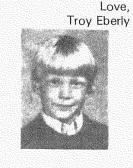
Betty, Betty Ann, Karen, Kevin & Kurt.

Our very best wishes for a warm,

24 S. Main Pigeon 453-3456

happy holiday season.

the game Operation. Your friend, Jennifer Collins



I want a Big Foot and a pool sled and a fourwheeler

> Love Trevor Henne



How are you and Mrs. Claus? I hope you have a good Christmas. But I do

not know what I want yet. Love, Micque Partlow Dear Santa:



Dear Santa: How are you doing? want a lot of gifts this year. Have a Merry Christmas.

Jeremy Gnagey



How are you doing up at the north pole? This is what I want, a Preemie and a radio.

Michelle Bolda



I want a four-wheeler and a Big Foot. Have a merry Christmas.

> Love, Jason Sears



How are you doing at the North Pole? This year want a big remote control boat and a Big Foot.

Gary Chandler



How is Miss. Claus? want a BMX bike and Big Foot and the sled.

Love





May the peace of that blessed night be with you and yours. We're wishing you much joy!-

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How are the reindeer? How is Miss. Santa? I want a Care Bear, a Cabbage

Your friend, Carolyn Bollenbacher



I've been good this year. want good things this year. How are you and Miss Santa Claus?

> Your friend, Heather Anderson



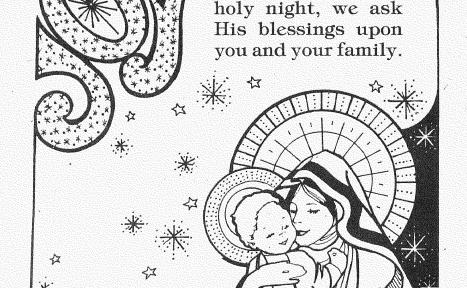
How are you and Mrs. Claus? I hope you can find are house. And I want a lot of toys too. I hope you do not get lost. And Merry Christmas.

Jenny Murdoch









As we recall that

Inspector Gordo's Minute Mystery THE CASE OF THE

Pudgy Playboy It was the steadfast ambition of American toothpaste model Bette Ellen, "the girl with the million-dollar smile," to acquire a corner of the wealth of Far Easteran playboy Abka Dear Santa:

Ungraciously, the pudgy Fazzal was more bewitched by food than amour. So Bette was compelled to rest her charms Little Pony. Please can and exercise her wits. Over a table creaking with silver serving dishes the deter- Ho Cherry O game?

mined adventuress stared darkly as Fazzal shoveled a crab At 8:30 p.m., a waiter entered the suire and served the dessert - blueberry pie surmounted by avocado sherbert - and

Fazzal gulped nearly all the dessert before mouthing a I like Rudolph. This massive belch. Eyes rolling, he toppled off the chair. Fifteen minutes later Bette's urgent call for help fetched Christmas it is going to Inspector Gordo, a guest in the hotel.

Bette admitted him to Fazzal's suite. She was able to smile computer game. bravely, a flexion which not only demonstrated her wonderful pluck but also displayed her dazzling white teeth to full advantage. She opened her baby blue eyes wide and pointed. Fazzal lay on his back, burping drowsily. Gordo reported the incident to the local police. "The piece Dear Santa:

ellen said she ate all of her before passing out, and so a test

Rudolph going to lead this What about Fazzal's jewels, stolen while the pair were unconscious?" asked the chief of police.

Christmas tree. I would like "That question is one for Miss Ellen," replied Gordo. "She a game.

was unquestionably in on the robbery.

HOW DID GORDO KNOW? ANSWER ON PAGE 33 The second second

Jodi Wisneski

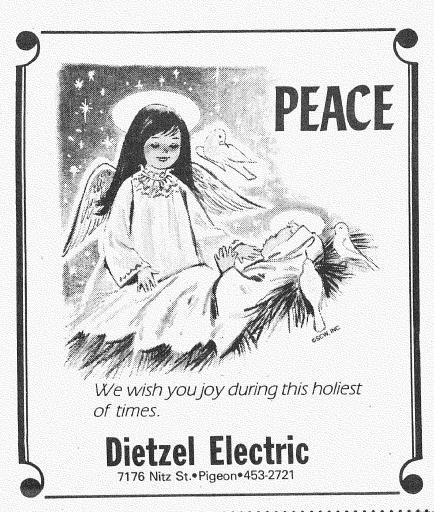
St. John's girls take second

The Girls' Basketball Team of St. John's Lutheran Church and School, Berne, earned the Consolation Championship in their recent tournament play.

The team lost its first game to Christ-Bethany of Saginaw 22-17, then won its next two in the double-elimination tournament -- 24-19 over Bay City Mt. Olive and 27-12 over St. John's of Bay City, in the eight-team tourney.

Coach Al Selbig said the team's 68 points in three games was the highest total in four

Team members shown with their trophy are, front row from left, Tracy Roestel, Angie Schaaf, Lynn Roestel and Kristin Krohn. Second row includes Joan Birsching, Kami Rathje, Beth Roestel and Heather Clark, with Coach Selbig standing in rear. COMMUNITY CAMERA PHOTO



Happy Holidays

From the staff-management at Bay Port State Bank



Bay Port Office: Bottom row: Doris Liversedge, Marilyn Miller, Valerie Prich Middle row: Amy Bushey, Jalaine Kundinger, Karen Richmond, Rachael Zoellner, Ron McClumpha. Top row: James Foster.



Pigeon Office: Left to right: " Mary Jo Schmidt, Kay Fortsch, Mary Damm.

For our staff to enjoy the holidays with their families we shall be closing at 1 p.m. on Christmas Eve Day and at 3 p.m. on New Years Eve day.



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NIGHT MENS' LEAGUE

B. Chappel 512.

High team scores: Don's 2691 (904).

(208-201), D. Deming 557 (224), B. McGee

526 (204), F. LePage 539 (20), M. Krueger 561 (200), R. Diebel 549, T. Wills 532, G.

Ackerman 521, F. Maxwell 519, H. Siewert

515, K. Thumme 507, G. Willoughby 503

(205), M. Errer 480 (222), D. Schuette

191, P. Podloskowski 172, C. Kilgus 171.

Splits: 4-5 M. Avalos, J. Kasserman; 5-7

A. Knechtel; 4-7 B. Wills; 5-7-9 C. Kilgus. Duffie's Tavern

Ty's Bowling . Elkton Co-op

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National Bank 2131, Bay Port Shell 750	Osentoski Ford Tractor 2526 (902)
High individual scores: P Shenk 188 D	Kettle 2501 (854), Pigeon Lumber

Yahn 508 (184), P. Roestel 179, M. Ropp Osentoski Equipment 2454. 505 (179), R. Sweeney 478. Splits: 3-10 A. Elbing, J. Blome; 4-5 L. Santos, G. Finkbeiner; 5-10 P. Sears, D. Yahn, A. Eimers, L. Rathje; 5-7 A. Krenz, R. Sweeney; 5-6 M. Harder; 6-8-10 J. Klein: 3-9-10 R. Clark.

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(191), B. Anklam 512 (177-176), H. Collins 482, E. Guster 478, C. Poisson 477, Splits:3-9-10 H. Strong; 5-6-7 M. Mein-

inger; 3-10 L. Albrecht. MONDAY

	MAJUK LEAGUE
	Damm's Inc
	Carling
	Pigeon Motor Sales
	J.O. Wurst Tiling
	*Brighton Metall
	J & B Pig
	Henke Equipment 26
	*Pigeon Lanes
	Wildfowl Bay Resort
	Walsh Packing
	Bay Shore Collision
	Scheurer Hospitall
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,	High team scores: Carling 25
	(1884-884) Henke Fauinment 25

(902-851), Pigeon Lanes 2530 (941), J.O. Wurst Tiling 2502 (934), Damm's 877, High individual scores: 642 (247-213), T. Bigger 599 (220), Randy Damm 583 (236), Todd Gunden 581 (236), J. Dunn 570 (222), W. Wozniak 559 (218), H. Schuette 553 (206), M. Swartzendruber 552 (213), R. Graf 540 (203), N. Castor

PIGEON THURSDAY

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	Lee's Landscaping
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	Gary's TV
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ractor 2526 (902), Dutch (799-784), Huron Distributing Brighton Metal 2216 (778), McCo Motors 2207 (773). High individual scores: L. Smith 628

(241), G. Steinman 571 (210), H. Schuette (222-179), M. Ropp 561 (201-19! 571 (209-206), M. Bergman 555 (234), D. Gunden 556 (196-191), S. Buchholi (187-178-174), D. Deming 485 (17 Rapson 547 (207), W. Otto 544 (220), Randy Damm 542 (205), R. Killinger 541, Otto 476 (182), P. Niebel 475 (17) H. Ropp 218, C. Anklam 203, H. Carpenter Albrecht 470 (172), S. McLean 467 (W. Kovach 463 (179), W. Rapson 1 Dressler 170.

Splits: 3-5-10 5-7 3-10 E. Rounds. 5-6 3-10 A. Albrecht, 5-10 A. Newm Basinger; 5-7 C. Otto, 4-7-10 A. L 4-5 E. Turner, W. Rapson; 3-10 H. Ri

FRIDAY NIGHT High individual scores: R. Deibel 532 MENS LEAGUE (193), D. Sweeney 521 (192), T. Wills 528, Active Feed . Caseville Fruit Market .

Splits: 3-10 D. McIntosh, T. Gorkowski,	Silver Dollar
B. Blunt, L. Lowe, T. Wichert (2); 2-5-7 T.	Albrecht Auction Service
Wills; 5-7 D. Sweeney, S. Kubiak.	Co-op Elevator
	Pigeon Lanes
ELKTON MONDAY	High team scores: Active Fee
MENS' LEAGUE	(886-882-840), Pigeon Lanes
This 'n That	(834-932-806), Co-op Elevator 82
Don's Barber Shop	High individual scores: J.D. Gun
Thumme Insurance	(235-214), D. Dunn 581 (207), C.
Elkton Petroleum	556, R. Killinger 536 (203), L.
Bud Light	536, T. Sears 532, E. Shepherd
Ackerman Farms	Ropp 507, H. Ropp 502, R. Damm

Pool league MENS' TRAVELING

Split: 3-10 M. Swartzendruber; 5

High individual scores: D. McAlpine 588 Shepherd; 2-7-8 L. Albrecht; 4-5

Splits: 3-10 T. Wills, H. Siewert; 2-9 T.	MENS' TRAVELING
Wills; 5-7-9 B. Pawlowski.	Pop's Place
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ELKTON THURSDAY	Bluewater Inn
NIGHT LADIES	Bay Port Hotel
Knechtel's Market	June & Fargos
Ty's Bowling	Sportsmans' Bar
Sally's Ceramics	Duffie's Tavern
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Elkton IGA	
Ron's Party Storeo23	WOMENS' TRAVELIN
Town Edge Farms	Bay Port Hotel
Bud's Bar	Riverside Bar
High team scores: Ty's 1777 (693).	Pop's Place
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Bluewater Inn

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sports of the week

Lakers demolish Broncos

SWARTZENDRUBER
Playing a good team that

"We came out with the idea of putting them away in the third quarter," McLellen

Bushey each a has something to prove can said after the game. be very depressing, as the North Branch Broncos found out last Friday night at Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port

The Lakers hammered the hapless Broncos 76-35 to prove to themselves they can

The Green and White cagers wanted to prove they can maintain a lead throughout the game, after allowing Marlette to rally from a seven point deficit to send the game into overtime last Tuesday night. The for a team with a big lead. Lakers then regrouped to claim a 69-65 victory in the extra three minutes of play.

The Broncos were steamrolled by Lakers from the opening tip-off, as the Green Hoop Machine piled up an 18-4 first quarter lead and stretched it out to 34-14 by halftime.

Subs from the Laker bench dominence as Coach Bill

Buck LePage took charge of the Laker offense in the first half as he canned 13

points by the midpoint of the game. Scott Rosenthal then shouldered the offensive responsibility by netting 16 points in the second half to take game scoring honors with a total of 22.

some things because it's ear-

said about the unusual tactic

LePage added seven Marlette knotted the score maintained the pattern of points in the final two at 59-59 when Brian Hirsch quarters to finish with 20 for hit a bucket with nine

HELLO-O-O BUCKET: Laker Scott Rosenthal renews his acquaintence with the basket

his way to scoring 22 points against North Branch.

RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTOS

Bushey each grabbed eight rebounds in the game.
No Broncos hit double

That plan was executed to perfection as his "starting digits as Scott Lampere led five" returned to action at North Branch scoring with the beginning of the second half. Lakers outscored the OVERTIME SCARE: Lakers

Broncos, 24-8 in the third didn't display that "killer inquarter to ice the game. The Green quintet brushed opened a 38-31 halftime lead up on their full-court press over Marlette, only to see the early in the second half with Red Raiders charge back in an aggressive attitude usualthe fourth quarter to tie the ly displayed only when trailgame at the end of regulaing on the scoreboard. 'We wanted to work on

Marlette used a full-court press to pressure Lakers at ly in the year," McLellan the beginning of the game and take a 16-12 lead into the second quarter.

The Green Machine's offense started clicking in the second stanza as they poured in 26 points to 15 for the Red Raiders, Lakers cooled off in the final quarter to score only five points after each team scored 16 points in the third period.

McLellan cleared the bench the game. Ron Dubs con- seconds remaining in the

Scott Rosenthal and Todd Rosenthal and Eric Schember each scored four points in the overtime period and Bill LePage added a pair of free throws for the Laker

> The Laker defense tightened up to allow only three Marlette field goals in the overtime period.

Rosenthal again paced Laker scoring with 23 points, followed by LePage with 13 and Schember with 12.

Hirsch supplied the fireworks for Marlette with 20 points and teammate J.D. Ritter added 14.

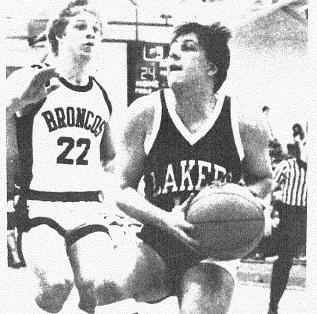
STANDINGS: Lakers, Vassar, Cass City and Imlay City are all tied for the Thumb B Association lead with 2-0 records, while Caro, Bad Axe, North Branch and Marlette are all deadlocked

Laker's overall record now stands at 2-1, as they prepare for their game at Imlay City this Friday.

JVs WIN PAIR: The Laker unior varsity squad also boasts an undefeated league record of 2-0 after victories over Marlette and North Branch last week.

Tom Beer notched 12 points last Tuesday to lead the junior Lakers to a 47-35 victory over Marlette.

On Friday, Jim Warren paced a Laker JV scoring atfack with 10 points in a 49-36 victory over North Branch. With the two consecutive victories, the Laker Junior





BREAKING: Bill LePage stops his drive and coils to launch a jump shot over Bronco Dan Griffin.

Leipprandt has yet to taste squad rolled up two more victories last week.

On Tuesday, the Laker Freshman team downed

defeat as a coach after his Lakers were Kevin Wissner with 19 points, followed by Chris Deering with 17 and Dean Roestel with 11.

Wissner again topped Laker scoring with 13 points, followed closely by Roestel



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MATCH SUMMARY: 98

bacher (L) outpointed

Carlos Torres (V); 112 lbs.,

Dan Swartzendruber (L)

pinned Wilbert Lyles (V); 119 lbs., Scott Bruener (V)

won on a void; 126 lbs., Tim

(V) pinned Joe Haley (L);

155 lbs., Rick Wise (L) and

HONORED ATHLETES: Laker athletes recently honored at a student assembly in-

ABOVE: From left are Most Determined Angie Herford, Most Improved Beth Ann Henry,

AT RIGHT: In front from left, freshman honorees Most Improved Brian Kohl, Most

In back, JV award winners Most Determined Lenny Wing, Most Improved Ray Deering

Most Valuable Rhonda Baur and Girls' Junior Varsity Coach Gordie Murphy.

clude these junior varsity and freshmen award winners.

REJOICE

Valuable Jeff Sturm and Most Determined Kel Hill.

and Most Valuable Brad Krohn.

other cards or letters should he sent in care of Saginaw St. Mary's Hospital.

student. They are selling candy bars to fund the the Broncos 76-36 on their Wizard of Oz. Many Laker students entered the "What There was a dance following

IN THE KNOW...

. . AT LAKER HIGH SCHOOL By CONSTANCE ABDALLA and C.L. DRUMMOND

Thanks to all of you who Christmas Means to Me," a the game, sponsored by the signed the card on the main contest sponsored by a local sophomore class. newspaper. A check will go bulletin board in the high to the winning school. school for Jodi Metzger. Any The wrestling team beat

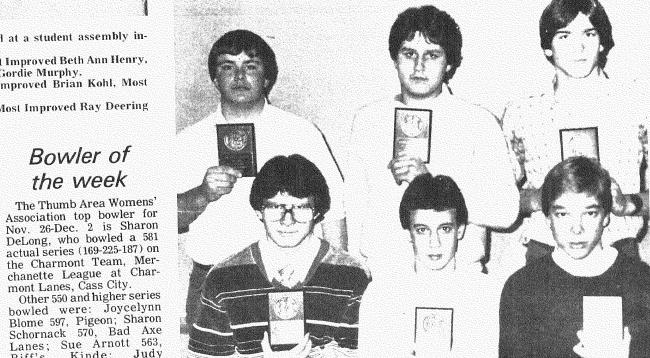
Vassar last Wednesday on Parents' Night and they will If you get a craving for chocolate, look for a drama this Wednesday.

shopping is done.

Christmas vacation begins Dec. 21 and will last until

Jan. 1. Have fun! Less than one week until Christmas, the countdown for late shoppers begins. Congratulations to those whose The basketball team beat

Have a very Merry



TBA names top girls' cagers

Ethel Gunden Bea Harwood

named to the First Team Vassar. along with Marcia DeLoren-Long of Marlette.

Imlay City, Sandy Taylor of

Honorable Mention was ly, Tracey Galsterer and

Mena Christmas

Bonnie Schulz, Dan Rapson, Carol & Dennis Diener

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City; Thonda Thomas of Marlette: Brenda Ruhlman

of North Branch, and Renee Schiefer of Vassar. Coach Tom Dillabough of the Thumb B Champion Caro Tigers was named Coach of

20 at 7 p.m in the gym, will include grades k-6.

TEST RESULTS

The results of the PSAT testings are in. Anyone wishing to find out the results may contact Mr. Gruezke. Students are asked

A HOLIDAY PARTY FOR 4th GRADERS

How would you like to attend a Christmas Party that has been a tradition for 15 years? Most of the fourth graders at CPS would, and th<u>is</u> year they may.

for fourth graders only. The reason for this, as stated by Kiwanis member Bill Goslee, is, "This way we generally can get most of the students in the school at a party. We found fourth grade to be a good grade because not many kids move away in

The highlights of the party are a visit from Santa, who

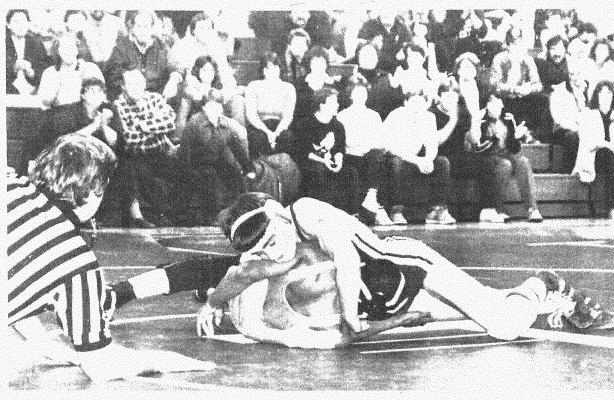
Laker grapplers grabbed a Mark Cobb tied; 167 lbs., share of the Thumb B lead Jim Mcdowall (L) outwith a 44-26 victory over pointed Bob Green (V); 185 Vassar in their league lbs., Rob Macdowall (L) outpointed Paul Whitney (V); Rick Norey's squad was 198 lbs., Tim Patterson (L) cheered on by family members at the match pinned George Hill (V); Heavyweight, Pat McArdle which honored parents of the (L) pinned Robert Garrison

pin Vassar

THIS WEEK: Lakers host lbs., Robby Sears (L) won on Caro on Wednesday a void; 105 lbs., Mike Bollen- (tonight) for a Thumb B match. The starting time is slated for 6:30 p.m.

TWIST AND SHOUT: Tyler (L) outpointed Matt Laker Dan Swartzendruber Terburgh (V); 132 lbs., Dan (on top) twists Vassar's Mead (V) pinned Leland Wilbert Lyles on his way to a Pratt (L); 138 lbs, Dave pin in their match as the Johnston (V) pinned Gary referee checks the action Abdalla; 145 lbs., Rob Maier closely.

RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTO



Caseville School **IN THE NEWS**

By GAIL GEMBARSKI and VICKI GOSLEE

will bring all of the children a present, and a luncheon.

CONGRATS TO ... Mr. Gulash and his

junior and senior high bands were announced in sixth and vocal classes for their hour. Congratulations go out to the seventh grade for hav-Christmas concert. ing 95% of their classmates , Sally Gembarski for dressed up. Juniors came in her achievement at JH Solo second with 45% and eighth Ensemble for being the only

JH musician to receive

has had four years of varsity

and five years of JV ex-

perience. The team is made

up of 10 eighth graders and

eight seventh graders. He

plans on a learning-filled

year teaching fundamentals.

Kathy Beachy took over as

Junior High cheerleading

advisor. It is her first ex-

perience as advisor but she

had been a cheerleader in

CHEERS FOR

KATHY!

high school

George Bednorek for

medal. Good work on your H The seventh grade was treated to an early lunch for one week, starting Dec. 13. beginning his second season coaching the junior high boys' basketball team. He

UPCOMING . . .

DRESS-UP DAY

WINNERS NAMED

The results of the Wednes-

day, Dec. 12 Dress-Up Day

grade came in third with

Dec. 20: Elementary Christmas Program at 7:30 p.m. in the gym. Dec. 21: Boys' basketball

at Port Hope.
Dec. 24 - Jan. 2: No school, Christmas vacation! YOUNGSTERS

PRESENT YULE PROGRAM

"Stars Over Christmas" is the theme of the elementary grade's Christmas program, which will describe how Christmas was celebrated in different countries during different periods, according to Kindergarten Teacher Mrs. Scepanski.

The program, set for Dec.

AVAILABLE

The party is sponsored by the Caseville Kiwanis and is

The squad consists of six together while the Vikings' worked smoothly. The Eagles were outscored 5-18 eighth graders: Renee Simpson, Sally Gembarski, Carletta Sovey, Christy Jablonski, Becky Dubey and Jenny Schultz and eight seventh graders: Charlotte Bieri, Teri Cassada, Kristen short by three points. Hermanson, Brenda Lapka, Becky OUsley, Brandy Ploe,

Jodi and Terri Powers.

EAGLES Akron-Fairgrove came from a 9-11 first quarter deficit to outscore Caseville 16-8 and take a 25-19 lead into the lockerroon. Sophomore Bruce Langley led the Eagles with 17 points and Matt Kraus tossed in 13 points, but it wasn't enough and Caseville was defeated

A-F DEFEATS

EAGLE CAGERS LOSE TO A-F

Caseville Varsity Cagers lost a 14-5 half-time lead and fell 34-37 to Akron-Fairgrove. The Eagles' offense couldn't put anything in the third stanza. Caseville almost pulled off a comeback in the last quarter by outscoring A-F only to fall Junior Dave Simet led CHS with 10 points and Ray

Johnson hitting eight points.

NURSERY STUDENTS VISIT

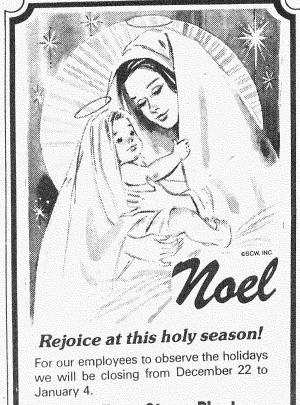
The Tom Thumb Nursery School visited the high school library on Dec. 12 for a story of "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer'' read by Librarian Mrs. Ignatowski. They also enjoyed Christmas cookies and juice.

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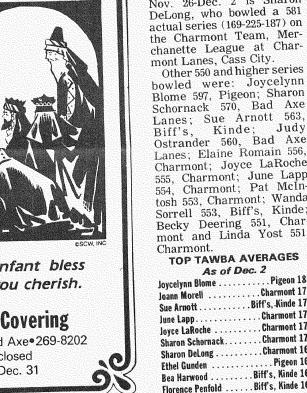
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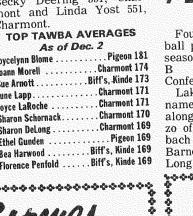
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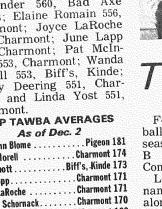


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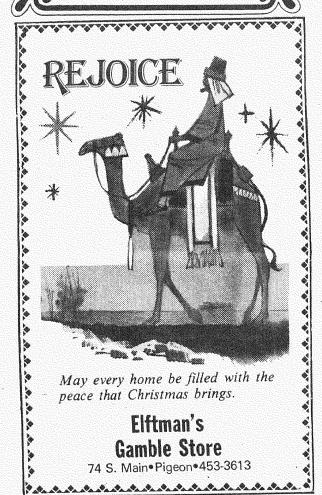




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Thumb Area obituaries for the week

CHARLES F. BARTH, JR. 1906-1984

Charles F. Barth, Jr., 78 of Saginaw and Sand Point, passed away Sunday, Dec. 16 at Saginaw General Hospital following He was born Oct. 27, 1906 in Milwaukee, Wisc., and attend-

ed the University of Michigan. He was united in marriage to Adeline Lierman on April 22, 1931. He had been employed by General Motors for 39 years, the last 36 in Saginaw. He retired from Saginaw Chevrolet Service Parts in 1969.
Mr. Barth was an active member of St. John's Episcopal

Church and had served as Junior and Senior Warden, Vestryman and and had held various offices and committee members in the Diocese of Michigan, also serving as a delegate to the National Episcopal Church Conventions. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of Scheurer

Hospital, Pigeon, a member of the Germania of Saginaw, the Saginaw Country Club and the B.P.O.E. No. 47. He is survived by his wife, Adeline; two daughters, Jane Barth of Collegeville, Pa. and Susan Langhorne of Atlanta, Ga., and three grandchildren, Patricia, Charles and Paul

Langhorne. Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 18 at St. John's Episcopal Church, Michigan at Hancock Streets, Saginaw. The Right Rev. H. Coleman McGeHee and Rev. Charles Stuart officiated, with entombment in Oakwood

Mausoleum, Gratiot Road, Saginaw. The family requests that memorials be made to the Rexford C.S. Homes Fund of St. John's Episcopal Church or the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan Retired Priest's Fund.
Case Funeral Home, Saginaw, handled arrangements.

LAWRENCE P. O'CONNELL 1921 - 1984

Lawrence P. O'Connell, age 63, of Brookfield Township, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 12 at Hills & Dales Hospital

He was born Dec. 1, 1921 in Owendale, son of the late Cornelius and Lydia (Rothe) O'Connell. On Nov. 24, 1945 he was united in marriage to Irene H. Katnik in Gagetown.

Mr. O'Connell is survived by his wife Irene H.; one son, Michael J., Naples, Maine; two grandchildren; four sisters, Mrs. Lillian Haug, Port Huron, Mrs. Margaret Felix, Pontiac, Mrs. Eleanor Burt, Pontiac, and Mrs. Florence Weir, Berkley; two brothers, Leo O'Connell, Owendale, and Robert O'Connell, Bloomfield Hills. Several nieces and nephews. Two brothers preceded him in death.

Funeral Mass was conducted at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 15 at St. Agatha Catholic Church, Gagetown. Rev. Fr. Julius Spleet officiated with burial in the church cemetery. Arrangements were handled by the Shetler-Bussema Funeral

DOROTHY E. KNOLL 1914 - 1984

Dorothy E. Knoll, age 70, of Sebewaing, passed away Thursday, Dec. 13 at her home.

She was born Sept. 27, 1914 at Elkton, daughter of the late John and Flora (Harder) Bittner, She married Ralph Knoll who passed away in 1960. She was an active member of St John's Lutheran Church, Kilmanagh, where she was a member of the Ladies' Aid and the Widow's Club.

Mrs. Knoll is survived by cousins, Raymond and Mary Nimtz, Caseville; two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Mildred Yutzi, La Mesa, Cal., and Mrs. Lucille Bittner, Arizona; one nephew, Gerald Yutzi, California.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, Dec. 17 at 1 p.m. from the Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon. Rev. Robert Pfaff, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, Kilmanagh, officiated, with burial in the church cemetery

THUMB AREA DEATHS

Janet (Craig) Thomas, 87, of Hauward, Calif., passed away Sept. 5 Rev. John J. Meyer, 85, of Fairgrove, passed away Dec. 4 Jack D. Donovan, 27, of Caro, passed away Dec. 5. Ann C. Hellyer, 92, of Detroit, formerly of Hume Township, passed away Dec. 7. Emery L. Budd, 72, of Swartz Creek, with relatives in Caro, passed away Dec. 7. Roy N. Wagg, 81, of Cass City, passed away Dec. 8. Katie M. Mudge, 92, of Cass City, passed away Dec. 8. Myrtle Murphy, 91, of Cass City, passed away Dec. 9. Laura E. Jacuqes, 53, of Caro, passed away Dec. 9. Nathan M. Reeves, 74, of Caro, passed away Dec. 9. Laura B. Armstead, 83, of Whittemore, formerly of Huron County, passed away Dec. 9. C. Thressa Johnston, 90, of Gagetown, passed away Dec. 11. Jacob S. Clor, 75, of Sand Beach Township, passed away Dec. 12. Lawrence P. O'Connell, 63, of Brookfield Township, passed away Dec. 12. Georgia E. Ellis, 72, of Cass City, formerly of Kinde, passed away Dec. 12. Edward H. Hessler, 71, of Sebewaing, passed away Dec. 13. Angeline H. Branskie, 79, of Port Austin, passed away Dec. 13.

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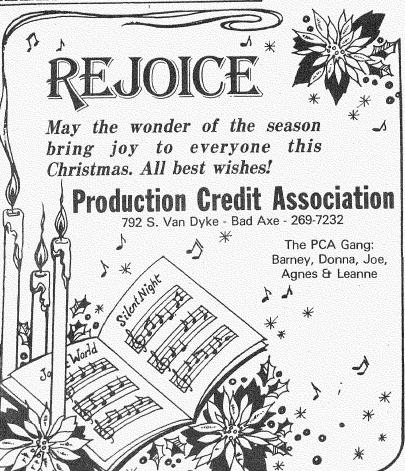
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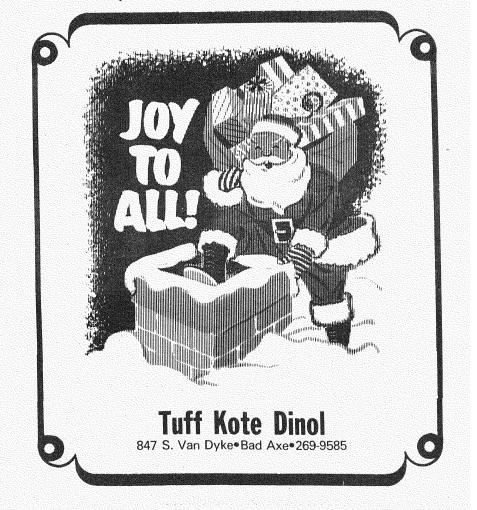


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type of philanthropy is important so those organizations can continue their good as I do f

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There's something in have given healthy sums to your money. Those who your style. When I have it to share, I'll do it your way. --Mrs. N.P., Detroit, Ml.

DEAR MRS. P.

I've wondered about those who criticize my style of

''anonymous'' when giving flowers, gifts, cash on birthdays and anniversaries' Ill bet they sign their names It's great we live in and delight in the pleasure

I also wonder if they hide in another room when their I appreciate your giving to children open their gifts on those fine charities. Your Christmas morning? I'll bet they enjoy the thank-yous, smiles, hugs and kisses just

Perhaps they're keeping My giving, however, is tabs on their "anonymous contributions for entry at the need a helping hand and Pearly Gates. I'll take my generally have no one else to thanks while I'm here on

The above letters are ex amples of some negative and positive responses I receive concerning my philanmoney. I started our thropy. As you can see, there business from our own sav- is some controversy regarings. If it's successful, you ding my method and style of

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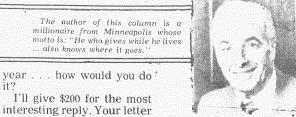
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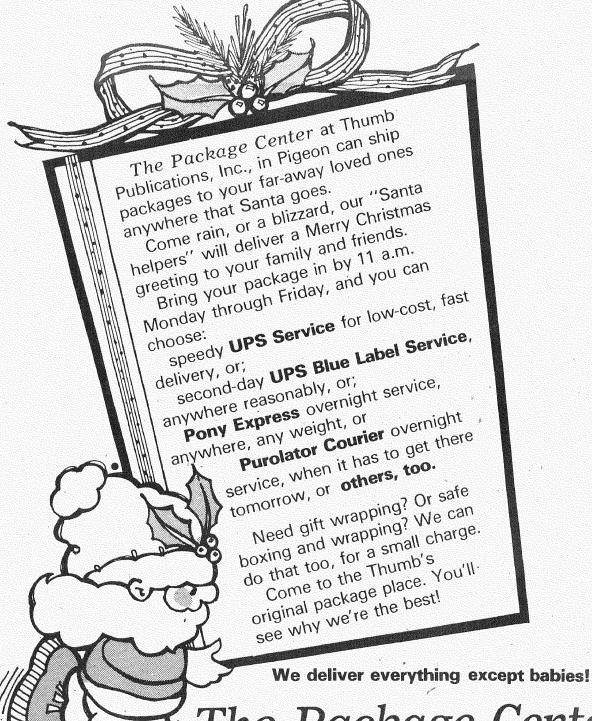
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her parents, Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. Richard Pionk for

Floyd Collison. On Sunday the fifth birthday of their they attended Mrs. Amanda granddaughter, Shannon.

Schuette.

Kern.

#420 F & AM The annual installation of officers of Winsor Lodge #420 F & AM was held Dec. 10 at

By DOROTHY DIENER

family gathering with their

Sunday were his daughters,

Mrs. Beverly Simmons of

Caseville, Mrs. Deanna

Bergman of Saginaw, Mrs.

Virginia Fribranz, Mrs.

Wilma Deming of near Bay

Port, his granddaughter

Mrs. Dorothy Deming and

Mr. and Mrs. Herman

Rathke returned to their

home on Wednesday after

spending Tuesday with Mr.

and Mrs. Arthur Rathke and

Pamela in Sterling Heights.

On Tuesday they attended

the Christmas concert given

by the Rochester Communi-

daughter Beth Ann of Bay

Mrs. Louann Sattler and Millington.

are members of the band.

his great-grandson Travis.

father, Wilmer Squires on

Enjoying a Christmas

Winsor Temple, Pigeon. Prior to the installation members and friends gathered for a potluck din-

Honored guests and installing officers were Kenneth Bolton, Worshipful Senior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge F & AM of Michigan; Thomas C. Cross, Worshipful Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge F & AM of Michigan; John Orr, Past Master Master of Winsor Lodge and John Melson.

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Newly installed officers are Worshipful Master William Diebel, Senior Warden Ronald Snider, Junior Warden Robert Towler, Secretary Floyd Henne, Senior Deacon Dale Melson, Junior Deacon Dan Campbell, Stewards Lester Fogle and Russell Allen Tyler John Flint

The coming year was dedicated to learning, growing and sharing in the manner befitting a worthy brotherhood of men, and pledges of support were given by members of the local affiliated bodies

ELKTON UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Mrs. Myra Sparks, pastor of Owendale Methodist Church, presented a new dimension on the Christmas story as she showed slides with commentary of the Holy Land at the December meeting of the Elkton UM Women in the Fellowship Hall on Monday evening. She also told the story of

"The Littlest Angel," and favored with a vocal solo, 'Oh, God, Stand By Me." Program leaders were Mrs. Keith Carr and Mrs.

Robert Dubey. Chris Blair and Steve Kauffman favored with an instrumental duet, accompanied by Mrs. Calvin Kauffman on the piano. Mrs. Hudson Hedley presided and offered the meditation period. Mrs. Richard Fritz had charge of devotions. Rev. Ron Iris installed

newly-elected officers in a ceremony which emphasized the purpose of United Methodist Women. Officers are President Mrs. Clifford Weidman; Co-Vice Presidents Mrs. John Blair and Mrs. Ralph Lackie; Secretary Mrs. Dennis Weidman, Treasurer Mrs. Robert Dubey, Secretary of Program Resources Mrs. Dale Ackerman; Chairman of Christian Personhood Mrs. Richard Fritz; Christian Social Involvement Mrs. Bruce Krohn; Supportive Community Mrs. Ervin Schlabach; Membership Mrs. Arnold Russell; Christian Global Concern Mrs. Mervin Snider; Local Church Responsibilities Co-Chairpersons Mrs. Ray

A Love Offering was taken for Chelsea Nursing home. Meetings will resume Feb.

Heckroth and Mrs. Max Rit-

Holidays mean visiting in Pigeon Errer's 90th birthday open Mrs. Frieda Heintz enter- entertained on Saturday in house at Cross Lutheran tained for a Sunday pre-Christmas dinner, her Suzanne Schuette, a stu- brothers and sister, Mr. and

dent at CMU, is home for the Mrs. David Stecker of Sebewaing, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin holidays with her parents, Licht and Mr. and Mrs. Ray-Mr. and Mrs. Elmer mond Licht. Having Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Rathje on Thursday, Dec. 13 with 22 were Tuesday guests of Prof. members and two guests of

Randy and Mrs. Rathje and the St. John's Lutheran family in Saginaw. In the evening they attended the Church, Kilmanagh, Ladies basketball game at Lutheran tions with a Christian glow Seminary, Saginaw. Visiting with his brother skit, Christmas carols and and wife, Mr. and Mrs.

Christmas bingo. In charge Howard Jarvis on Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jarvis of Bay City. Esther Haag and Mrs. Elsie Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Gemmell of Elkton were Kern attended the funeral of Sunday afternoon visitors of ty Band. Arthur and Debbie her cousin, Louis Reinert at Mrs. Laura Jimpkowski. An

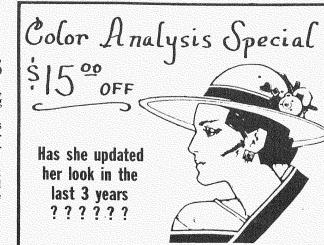
evening caller was Mrs. Iva Andrews of Owendale Mr. and Mrs. Mike Tereck honor of their daughter Brenna's second birthday. were the Harold Schulzs Mrs. Elizabeth Markel and Amanda of Kinde, Ned and Barb Zagorski and cousins Bret and Tara.

Businessmens' Association held its Christmas gathering at Al's Restaurant, Harbor Beach, Monday evening.

Steve McIlhargie, Todd Adams and friend Jamie Koate of Flint were Sunday guests of Mrs. Frances Rich mond.

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season opener, the Caseville Eagles have been grounded with a pair of losses last week in North Central D League action.

In a defense struggle, the Eagles established a 14-5 lead at halftime against Akron-Fairgrove last Friday night before they bowed out,

Neither team could find the mark as Caseville scored seven points in each of the first two quarters. The Vikings were even colder with only a pair of points in the first period and three in the second stanza.

the third quarter when Akron-Fairgrove took the advantage by outpointing the Eagles 18-5 after the midpoint. The lead proved to be overwhelming to Caseville who came up short on their comeback bid. Dave Simet netted 10

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at halftime. Kingston continued to pull away in the second half to claim the win.

Eagle Coach Randy Bingham credited Kingston with a fine performance. He added that one key to the Cardinal victory was their rebounding dominance.

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the hunters.

accompanying him, suffered The largest of the 10 bulls

After early success in their the opening period and streteason opener, the Caseville ched the advantage to 41-17 NCDL basement with 0-2 and then came up on the records. Carsonville-Port Sanilac and Peck each sport 2-0 league marks to claim

> the top spot. THIS WEEK: The Eagles were scheduled to host Owen-Gage on Tuesday night, then travel to Port Hope on Friday.

> JVs LOSE: The junior Eagles followed the varsity example by dropping a pair of losses last week.

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and then came up on the short end of a 47-37 decision to Akron-Fairgrove on Fri-

Matt Krause led Eagle JV scoring against Kingston with 10 points, and added 13 in the contest with Akron-

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