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Scott Ourth swims distance!

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

Many people in the Thumb area didn't believe Scott Ourth of Pigeon would be able to swim from Charity Island to Caseville, and during the fundraising event Ourth admits he had a few doubts as well. Concentration, determination and encouragement from friends, however, resulted in success as the 26-year-old swimmer stepped on Caseville Beach 13 hours and 10 minutes after his departure from Charity Island at 7:30 a.m. last Saturday.

The marathon swim was a fundraiser for American Cancer Society.

"That was by far the most grueling thing I've ever done, but at the same time the most exciting. It was a true adventure," Ourth says about the experience.

Colder than anticipated water temperature, waves carrying Ourth to the north and problems with boats accompanying the swimmer almost presented insurmountable problems.

After swimming three miles, Ourth's body temperature dropped to 95 degrees and he was forced to get out of the water for 10 minutes to warm up. The swimmer sat in the sun and rubbed his hands together to stimulate blood circulation.

"My hands were numb, they wouldn't move," says Ourth.

He then reentered the water and again began stroking for shore guided by a Huron County Sheriff Boat.

At about the midpoint of the swim, a leak developed

in a boat piloted by Ralph Ross, Jr. of Caseville. Ross provided a special high-protein mixture for Ourth to drink through a tube during the swim.

Ourth thought the swim was over at that time because the Sheriff boat had to accompany Ross to shore and couldn't leave the swimmer unattended in the water.

A different Sheriff patrol boat was then called to the scene to take over for the deputies who were going off duty. Ross later returned from shore with a wet-suit top for Ourth who was again becoming dangerously cold.

"I have to extend my hand to the Huron County Sheriff Patrol," says a grateful Ourth. "Every one of those men on board those Sheriff's boats were congenial and jovial men and kept my spirits up and they kept me posted on the technical information. I've got to give all the credit to them for saving the project," he adds.

Another 12-minute stop then allowed Ourth to put on the wet suit to preserve body heat. He also ate a mixture of peanut butter, banana and honey at that time.

A current in the bay moving to the north at a rate of about two-three miles per hour, as well as three-foot waves, hampered the swimmer for most of the route.

Ourth says he prayed, thought of songs and concentrated on the rhythm of his swimming strokes to keep going.

"It was like autopilot. I just tried to detach myself from what was going on from the physical aspects of

it. Get your head out of the deal, let your mind do one thing and let your body do something different," says Ourth of his U.S. Marine Corps training which paid off during the swim.

The waves produced the biggest frustration, he says. Ourth compared the situation to having his face constantly slapped by someone, and being helpless to stop it.

A big surprise for Ourth was the crowd of about 250 people who greeted him at Caseville Beach as he finished the swim.

"I couldn't believe all those people were there," he says. "What happened on the beach sums up what kind of community we live in. The people all came together behind a good cause, the Cancer Society, and they were there with their money and their enthusiasm," adds Ourth.

American Cancer Society

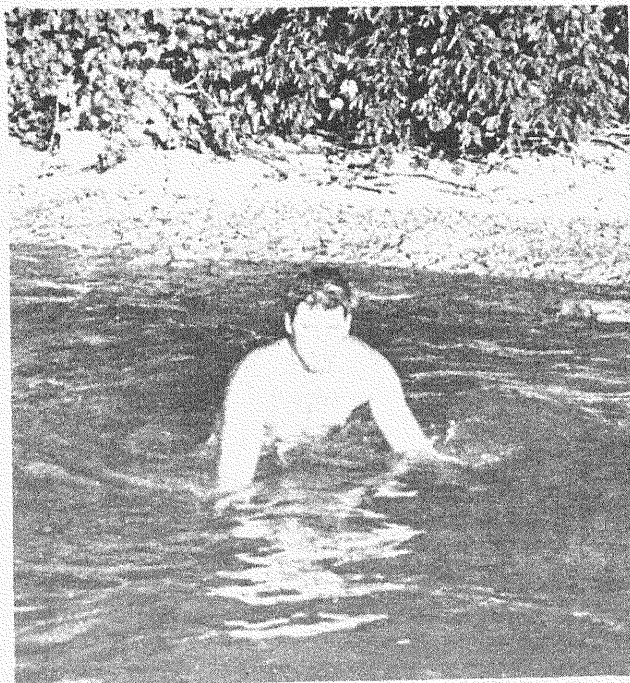
Area Representative Jeanne Gibson and Sally Beers of Sebawaing, head of the Huron County Chapter say more than \$1,000 was raised from contributions at the beach and some of the pledge sheets. They expect to have a much larger total when all donations are added up.

The two ladies spent the day on the beach taking donations and talking with people about the unique fundraiser. They say people began stopping at the beach to check on Ourth's progress as early as 9:30 a.m. People from as far away as Dearborn inquired about the activity, the Cancer Society representatives add.

Despite a sunburned and aching body after the swim, Ourth says he still plans to repeat the feat next year to heighten people's awareness of the work of the American Cancer Society.



WELCOMING COMMITTEE: A weary and sunburned Ourth is welcomed back to solid land at Caseville Beach, after completing the swim from Charity Island, above. **BELOW** from left, Sally Beers and Jeanne Gibson of the American Cancer Society wish Ourth "good luck" as he departs for Charity Island.



ROCKY START: Ourth gingerly wades into the water filled with sharp rocks from the shore of Charity Island at the start of his endurance swim.



WHO'LL BE QUEEN? Seven lovely local ladies are vying for the title of Miss Huron County Bean Queen for 1985, to be announced tonight (Wednesday) during this year's Huron Community Fair in Bad Axe.

Judges made their selection last Thursday night at the Franklin Inn, where more than 40 chaperones and parents enjoyed dinner prior to judging. Jim LeCureux, Huron County Cooperative Extension Agriculture Agent, coordinates this annual event.

The young lady chosen as this year's Huron County Bean Queen will compete in the state Bean Queen contest, to be conducted at Fairgrove during the Michigan Bean Festival

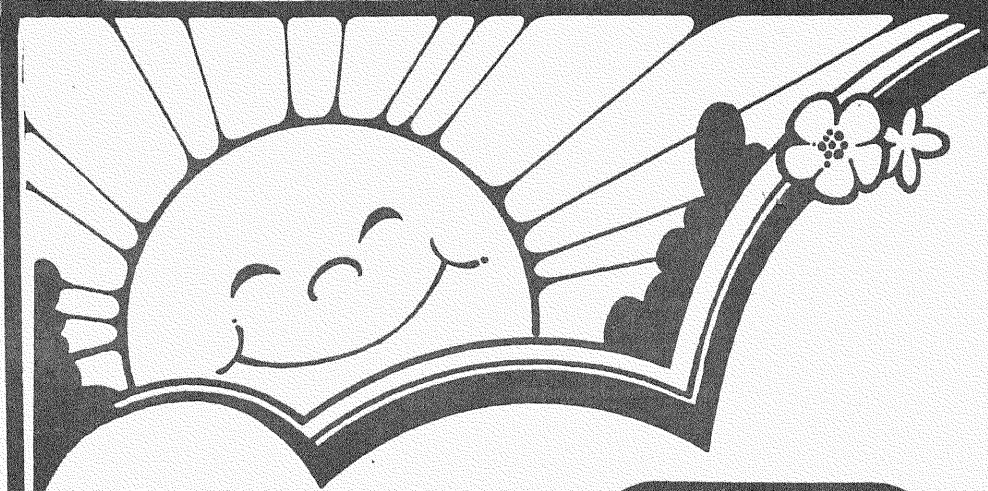
on Labor Day. The winner will represent the area during the coming year, and will receive gifts for her efforts promoting the dry bean industry.

Pictured with 1984 Bean Queen Sheila Nowiski, 21 of Bad Axe, at right front, are:

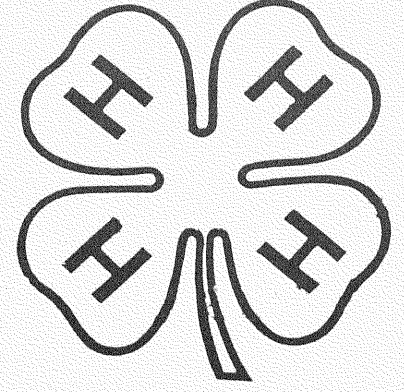
front row from left, Mary Thiel, 18 of Pigeon, Renee McKnight, 18 of Bad Axe, and Denise McBride, 18 of Caseville.

Standing in second row are, from left, Patsy Woycik, 18 of Ruth, Kathleen Sweeney, 20 of Ubyli, Tammy Elston, 19 of Unionville, and Ellen Ginther, 18 of Ruth.

The 117th Huron Community Fair runs through Saturday.



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FIRST LADY: Denise McLeod recently became Pigeon's first woman barber when she began cutting hair at Heckman Barber Shop. The graduate of Flint Institute of Barbering is a Harbor Beach native, and already has had customers from that Thumb area community come into the Pigeon shop. McLeod is qualified to perform most types of hair styling. The only service she doesn't provide is roller setting, she says. She and her husband live in Pinnobog with their one-year-old son Joey. Above, shop owner Ron Heckman watches McLeod at work. RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTO



Pigeon EDC helped Porky's open

There was another reason for the wide smiles on the faces of many of the folks shown on last week's Progress-Advance front page, at ribbon-cutting grand opening ceremonies at Porky's Dairy Barn in Pigeon.

Pigeon Economic Development Corporation President Carol Diener was on hand at the ceremony representing the EDC, which is in its second year of local investing in business possibilities. Porky's received a low-interest loan from

the EDC to help provide operating monies, due to be repaid in 12 months. In all, 41 investors have provided a total of \$43,500 to the Pigeon EDC in its first year of operation. Two loans totaling about \$14,000 have been made, but President Diener and other EDC members remind interested

persons that money is available for good, well-considered business expansion or start-up. "We've worked all year and gathered this money to use it for investment in local businesses," she says. "We're proud and happy to be able to assist Porky's Dairy Barn in opening, to help make Pigeon an even better place to shop and live."

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS, WE PRINT!
It's a Print Extra AP Style. Truth, justice Presses Stop the Galley. 30- Now is the time for Notebook.

OBSERVATIONS BY PUBLISHER MARK RUMMEL AND ANYBODY ELSE HE CAN GET TO WRITE 'EM!
WEEKLY ROUND-UP (WEAKLY...) -- Here are some tidbits we just knew you'd like:
■ Got a nice note this week from Francis Crawford, whose father and family chartered and founded Caseville. This 90-plus-year-old VNR (very nice reader) is doing well, but has great difficulty walking and standing and uses a wheelchair now, in his Kentucky home. "I cannot get into a car, so this house is the only territory for me," Francis reports. "My legs are not worth a plugged nickel. Otherwise, I am feeling fine."
■ Glad to hear from you, Francis!
■ Have you noticed how many "oldies" singers and groups are making "memory tour" concerts this year? It's an epidemic!
■ Rick Nelson, Freddy Cannon and The Contours are touring, and will be at the Bay County Fairgrounds Thursday, Aug. 15.
■ And, Dodge is presenting "The Liberty Tour" with The Association, Tommy James, The Four Tops, Mark Lindsay (former lead of Paul Revere and the Raiders) plus the original Spirit at the Saginaw Civic Center Thursday, Sept. 19.
■ Looking for something to do? Four railroad excursions are planned this fall by the Bluewater Michigan Chapter of the National Railway Historical Association. The Wine Festival Express leaves Saginaw Saturday, Sept. 7 on its way to Kalamazoo. Then, there's the Mackinaw Limited from Bay City to Mackinaw City (and Mackinac Island) on Friday, Sept. 20.
■ For overnight trip lovers, the Annie Rambler leaves Birmingham for Frankfort on Lake Michigan's shoreline Sept. 28-29, and a one-day pleasure trip on the Timberliner is set from Bay City to Grayling on Saturday, Oct. 5.
■ Fares start at \$49 per adult, and information is available by calling 1-800-292-7139 (or 895-5547 days). Sounds like fun to train lovers like us...
■ Speaking of fun, you can participate in Murder at the Grand, which promises to be "the most unusual and exciting weekend get-away trip of the year" at Mackinac Island's Grand Hotel Oct. 25-28. You're a witness -- and a participant -- in a murder play, all in fun. Call ATS Travel at 313-543-7954 for details.

POPULAR SOFT DRINKS? -- You think you know Coca-Cola is bigger than Pepsi-Cola in national sales, right? That's correct -- but what's America's third most-popular soft drink? Bet your guess was wrong. It's Kool-Aid! Coke sold 2.4 billion gallons in 1984 and Pepsi sold 1.8 billion gallons. Kool-Aid's right up there, with 840 million gallons sold last year. It owns 59% of the \$750-million-a-year powdered soft drink market and its popularity has spanned four generations. Kool-Aid started as "Fruit Smack" in 1922, and was reformulated as a powder in 1927 because inventor Edwin Perkins of Hendley, Neb., had trouble with transporting glass containers to customers. Kool-Aid was bought by General Foods in 1953 and the rest is history...delicious history...

WISH I'D SAID THAT -- If you wouldn't write it or sign it -- don't SAY it!

46 give blood in Elkton

A total of 46 persons donated blood Monday, during the Elkton Bloodmobile Drive coordinated with the American Red Cross. Coordinator John Champagne said 54 persons presented themselves to donate, and eight were deferred. Five persons were first-time donors. Special recognition and pins were earned by:
Three gallons: Gordon Stiretti and George Shepherd;
Two gallons: Ron Clark, and
One gallon: Gail Brown. Coordinator Champagne gave special thanks to Barb Krohn, Shirley Willis and other ladies of Elkton United Methodist Church for running the canteen during the day-long drive.

PERCY ROSS will return next week with his \$\$\$ news column. (He's taking a week off to count his money!)



CLEAN FUN: Butch and Nova Jean Miller inspect the results of a tee-pee and yard decoration job at their home in Pigeon by some of their friends while the Millers were gone last weekend. Miller says he has a good idea of who performed the decorations from the evidence left behind. Trees and bushes in the yard were covered by yards of toilet tissue in addition to the male and female dummies guarding the job on custom "seats" so familiar the Miller in his plumbing business. RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTO

Thumb Weekly News Round-Up

FM STATION FOR SEBEWAING?
Family Stations, Inc., has filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission to construct a new FM radio station to serve Sebewaing and the Western Thumb Area. The proposed station would broadcast from a tower just west of Bay Port Road, north of Stein Road in Fair Haven Township, with studios located in Sebewaing. The station would broadcast on 103.9 MHz with 3000 watts of power, from a 299-foot-tall tower. Call letters haven't yet been announced. More information is on file at the Sebewaing Township Library in Sebewaing.

NO THUMB REGIONAL PRISON?
Michigan will probably build the proposed regional state prison in Bay or Saginaw Counties, due to their greater populations, than anywhere in the Thumb Counties of Huron, Tuscola or Sanilac. That's the view of state Corrections Commission Chairman James Lincoln of Harbor Beach. He told reporters last week that state corrections people try to keep prisoners "...in an area near population centers where you get your customers from." Lincoln says the site adjacent to the Caro Regional Mental Health Center west of Caro isn't in the front-running for the proposed \$35 million, 550-bed regional prison. He expects it to be located near Saginaw or possibly in Bay County, where interest is more keen in gaining the 230 jobs the facility would bring. A final decision in this six county area -- including Huron, Tuscola, Sanilac, Bay, Saginaw and Midland Counties -- is expected later this year, following public meetings and inspection of possible sites.

CARO, SANDUSKY TO LOSE MESC OFFICES BY OCTOBER?
A cost-cutting move to save nearly \$3 million annually would close Michigan Employment Security Commission offices in Caro and Sandusky by Oct. 1, according to the state unemployment agency's director. Richard Simmons says up to 23 smaller offices statewide would be closed as the agency attempts implementing a new system where MESC claims are handled by mail. Unemployment check recipients would have to appear at MESC offices every two months, in the possible layoff of 181 staffers. Twelve workers at Caro and five at Sandusky would be out of jobs. The Bad Axe office, plus offices at Bay City, Lapeer and Port Huron, are not affected by the cost-cutting move, which will be formally decided by the MESC Commission later this week.

YALE RUBBER MAKES OFFER
Sanilac County's largest employer is offering to spend \$75,000 to help clean Sandusky's contaminated drinking water supply. Yale Rubber Company President Tony Rizzardi says the company plans to install a water filtration system because "it feels a responsibility to act to protect the health of the citizens of Sandusky...our family, our friends and neighbors." Rizzardi said Yale Rubber plans to rent a filter system and pay for its installation and operation until contamination problems are corrected. The state Department of Health has found low levels of trichloroethylene and dicloroethylene in four of Sandusky's drinking water wells. The industrial solvents may have come from Yale Rubber, but Rizzardi denies his company caused the contamination. Meanwhile, leaders of Yale Rubber workers' boycott of Sandusky merchants say most employees ended the embargo Saturday. However, a letter signed by 359 employees indicates at least some workers will continue the boycott, saying merchants or local government leaders called in state officials without giving the company a chance to help with the clean-up first.

LIGHTNING VICTIM IMPROVES
The medical condition of 17-year-old John Sullivan of Marlette has been upgraded from critical to serious condition, although he is still not fully conscious, after he and three other golfers were struck by lightning July 15 at Lansing. Sullivan has been transferred to Saginaw General Hospital for rehabilitation, to be closer to his family, after he and the other MSU golfers were struck during a junior tournament at the school's Forest Akers West Golf Course.

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As we see it editorially

Farmers need #116, and lots more!

A short but fascinating story appeared last Sunday in a big-city paper, concerning a subject which most folks know little about — but which has a profound effect on our entire Thumb Area and state.

The Associated Press story explained more than 4.1 million acres of Michigan farmland have been enrolled in the 1974 Farmland and Open Space Preservation Act, known as Public Act No. 116. The unique program provides property tax breaks to farmers who don't sell their land for development for at least 10 years. It allows for continuation of agricultural uses for those who wish to do so.

Between 40% and 50% of all of Michigan's 9.8 million acres of farmland are participating in the program — and the heaviest enrollment is in Huron, Tuscola, Saginaw and Lenawee Counties. Most of the land involved is in the southern third of the state, experts say — and participants show their desire to keep farming by signing up and staying signed up, for periods as long as 30 years.

We all know of area farmers who are involved in "Act 116," but few people really know what else is involved. Here is a portion of what Dennis Conway of the state Department of Natural Resources explained last week, concerning this farmer-created law aimed to keep good farmland out of developers' hands:

Farmers may qualify for tax credits equal to the amount their property taxes exceed 7% of their household income — if they agree to keep using that land for ag purposes. In effect, farmers get back excess taxes paid on valuable land because they're not getting the full worth of that precious land as they use it in raising moderately-priced corn, wheat, bean and other crops.

Some enterprising farmers keep portions of their land nearest highways or nearest towns from Act 116. That's their right, too — although that very land usually bears the highest values of all their property. Plus, large tax penalties are incurred if land is taken from Act 116 prior to its contracted date. You can remove land from the program, but it's very expensive to do so.

Some people view Act 116 as a boondoggle for farmers, who already are "land-rich" and prosperous. Well, recent crop prices will prove that's exactly the opposite for nearly all farmers, locally and elsewhere.

In fact, Conway told the Michigan Environmental Review Board last week, the average tax credit in 1983 totaled \$3400 per farmer. Obviously, some received larger refunds, but others got less — or nothing, if they're not Act 116 participants. Just because their lands are valued at \$1800 to \$3300 per acre doesn't mean farmers are recouping that amount from these suppressed crop prices. In many cases, they're not.

And a \$3400 tax credit may be the only profit some farmers make in these marginal years — and it's not enough to go buy new equipment with.

Farming is a business, of course, but it inherently has many more than its share of risks attached. Commercial or residential development is fine, too, but we can't continue sacrificing our best farm land because it won't last forever.

Public Act 116 may sound like a get-rich scheme to some persons, but it's barely a survival "life preserver" for most people of the land. And farmers of late need a pretty big life preserver to weather these short prices and "get-poor" conditions.

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RECOLLECTIONS
 OF
By-Gone Days
 By GEORGE KEIM

DEAR EDITOR:
 So many things have happened in the last few weeks that I hardly know where to begin writing.
 Last Thursday, I took a bus ride to the Protzman Dairy Farm. I only knew one man on the bus and he sat 'way in the back. There were many people on the bus and because I was an older man, they let me have a seat.
 Well, they started out and went south. I couldn't figure out why they went south and I told them Protzmans lived northeast of town. But they wouldn't listen to me.
 When they got close to Owendale, I told them again they were going wrong, but I guess they thought this old man doesn't know anything.
 But finally the bus driver asked where the place was, and I told him it was on Maxwell Road about 9 1/2 miles north (of where we were!) and he got mad and said the fellow had told him wrong.
 Well, we finally got there. Bruce and Evelyn Protzman and their son Gary welcomed us and gave us a guided tour of their modern dairy farm which is full of computers.
 I could tell some of the people were from the city. One woman asked what a heifer was. Somebody told her it was a young female cow that never had a calf. Some didn't know that a cow needed hay and grain and others had no idea how they got the milk out of a cow.
 Protzmans have some calf hutches and one lady told her little boy they were little cowlets. I guess they almost thought they were at a zoo. Mrs. Protzman gave us some good well water to drink and one lady couldn't figure out how they could get

such good water out of their own well.
 When we went back to Pigeon, two of us men showed the driver how to get there.
 Then, I went to the tent at the school and got pancakes and sausages at the Youth For Christ supper. They were very good. Then it started to rain — and I don't believe I've ever heard a nicer sound than the rain on the roof of the tent. We surely needed a good rain and I don't believe anybody was angry because it rained.
 Well, I enjoyed the Farmers' Festival really much on Friday. My granddaughters helped me make ropes.
 My Dad had bought the machine more than 72 years ago, and taught me how to make them. I hadn't made any for 30 years, but it came back to me. I gave the ropes away and used up a whole ball of binder twine. One of them went to Arizona to hang up a flower.
 I had a lot of fun watching the pony pull, and just got there in time to get a chicken barbecue Saturday. I also enjoyed the nice parade Saturday.
 Then on Sunday, I enjoyed the community church service, with all the churches under the tent. I had dinner at the Dutch Kettle with Hugo Leipprandt, Ed Foster and Werner Licht. We talked until 3 o'clock; then I drove to Caseville and took a walk on the breakwall. Then I went home and took a nap!
 In Eccl. 5:12, it says, "the abundance of the rich will not permit them to sleep."
 Well, I'm not rich so I can sleep anytime real well.
 SINCERELY YOURS,
 GEORGE KEIM

Festival winners listed!

The following results of various Farmers' Festival activities have been announced. Any activity or event not listed may be brought in to The Progress-Advance for future publication.

GRAND PARADE: Grand Prize, Provincial House, Cass City; Mayor's Float, The Cooperative Elevator Co., Huron County Bean Queen; Horse Trophy, Mabel Sturm; Theme Float, The Shoe Cobbler; Farmers' Float, Ralph Limberger and grandson Matt Schaefer; Neighborhood Float, northeast block.

KIDS' PARADE: Floats — first prize, Tricia and Jason Armbruster; second prize, Scott Hebert (Club Scouts), third prize, Kim Sturm (fishing pond); Animals — first prize, Tiffany Maust (pink chickens), second prize, Kyle McIntosh (clown with dog), third prize, Amy Jarrett (with her dog); miscellaneous — first

prize, Deb and Rachael Sting, second prize, Alissa Kraft, Kelly Damm and Stephanie Kraft, third prize, Chad Sturm. Special recognition was given to the Pigeon Recreation Youth for their efforts in constructing their float entry.

FROG JUMPING: up to age five, Rachael Sting; age six to seven, Troy Steinman; eight to nine, Joel Zoellner; and 11 to 12, Tracy Steinman.

WINNING BUTTON NUMBERS: 1079 (for \$100), 372 (for \$75), 1037 and 665 (for \$50). Winners may pick up prizes at Thumb National Bank.

BEAUTIFUL BABY CONTEST: Girls, first — Twins Rebecca and Rachael Eden, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Eden; second — Angela Swartzendruber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Swartzendruber; Honorable Mentions — Rebecca Diebel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Diebel and Katie Schuette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schuette; boys — first, Adam Armbruster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Arm-

bruster; second — Cole Armbruster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Armbruster; third — Brandon Neal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Brad Neal; Honorable Mentions — Justin Gunden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Todd Gunden, Jonathan Clabuesch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hank Clabuesch and Chase Webber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Webber. About \$700 was raised, with profits to purchase additional park playground equipment.

KIDDY TRACTOR PULL: Class One — first, Bryan Kingsbury; second, Brian Collision and third, Ryan Carter; Class Two — first, Keith Forester; second, Cory Brandmair and third, Jeff Haley; Class Three — first, Jeremy Brakenberry; second, Greg Samczyk and third, Ryan Kuhl; Class Four — first, Jason Gaeth; second, Paul Shupe and third, Josh Neal; Class Five — first, Matthew Schulze; second, Chad Gascho and third, Trevor Gross; Class Six — first, Matthew Schulze; second, Tammy Smith and third, John Klosowski.

Named to Achievement Academy

Lori Diener, a 1985 Laker High School graduate, has been named a 1985 United States National Award winner in the area of Leadership.



Lori Diener

Diener is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Diener and the granddaughter of Mrs. Cleo Cain and Mr. and Mrs. John Diener, all of Pigeon.

The Academy selects USAA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors or other school sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy. The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability and recommendation from a teacher or director.

Service news

Staff Sgt. Theodore N. Thomas, whose wife Lisa is the daughter of Robert and Gail Ellis of Pigeon, recently participated in Global Shield 85, an exercise involving U.S. Air Force, Air Force Reserve, Air National Guard, Navy and Marine Corps Units and elements of the Canadian forces.
 Thomas is an air traffic control supervisor with the 2030th Information Systems Squadron at Wurtsmith Air Force Base.

SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF CASEVILLE TOWNSHIP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That a Special Primary Election will be held in Caseville Township on Tuesday, August 20, 1985.

Purpose: To fill a vacancy in the office of Caseville Township Trustee.

The Polls for the said Election will be open from 7 o'clock a.m., and remain open until 8 o'clock p.m., of the same election day.

Wallace Hart, Clerk Caseville Township

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Mandie's will truly be missed

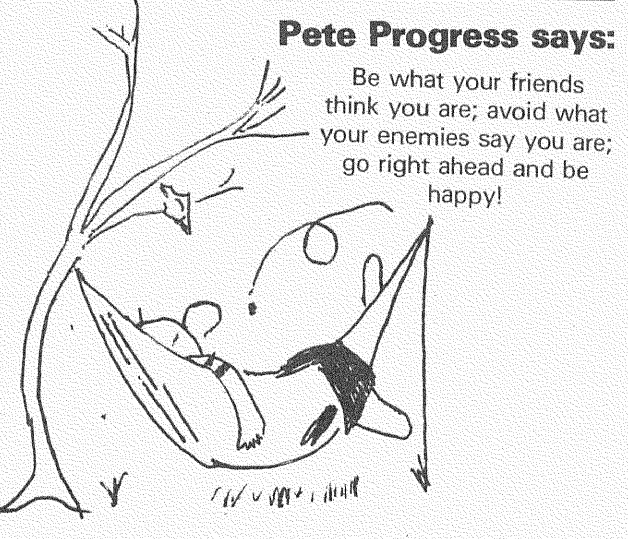
EDITOR'S NOTE: Our columnist, George Keim, expresses very well the feelings of many local folks in this special tribute to Mandie's Restaurant, the Bay Port landmark which closed last week. Owner Amanda "Mandie" Schuette loves meeting the people and cooking for them, but she says she's tired and wants some time off. She deserves it, but we're all poorer for it — and Bay Port has lost its best-known restaurant. Here are George Keim's feelings.)

Mandie's was one place where you could come as you were and go like you came. And if you couldn't take it, you'd better not give it.

I heard a lot of lies, but the people who told them didn't expect you to believe them. And if you would believe some of the stories, you'd have to be off your rocker! They always had good waitresses, and they soon found out we didn't mean all that we said at the round table. The air used to get so hot that some of us would get a fan to blow it out!

Mandie is a very good cook and was very reasonable with her prices. She and her restaurant will be missed in Bay Port.

I've been a steady customer there for the last 10 years, since my good wife passed away. I always went there for my noon meal, and always got my money's worth. But it was the fellowship that I had that helped.
 Anybody who lives alone will tell you that those four walls at home get pretty high and so I'm sure that Bay Port lost a lot when Mandie's closed. And I'm sure all her customers wish her the best of luck.
 I'm sure everyone also hopes somebody else will start a restaurant in town — so we not only can get a good meal, but also a good place to get together and visit.
 In Psalms 10:7, it says, "The memory of the just is blessed." Well, I'm not always just, but I'll always have blessed memories for Mandie's Restaurant in Bay Port.



Letters to the Editor

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Progress-Advance generally doesn't publish poetry, as most papers do not. However, the hard work of a local young lady in a stubborn field of sugar beets inspired this effort which we hope you'll enjoy, since it's so "in season!"

You look at your hoe and sigh to a slump
 "For the sake of the beets I must banish the weeds"
 You caress your hands and feel a sore bump.
 Then there in the middle you see the beet
 And once again do you repeat:
 "For the sake of the beets I must banish the weeds"
 With sudden force, hoe and plant meet.
 Nothing will stop you in your quest
 You chop those weeds with no thought of rest
 "For the sake of the beets I must banish the weeds"
 You dramatically chop the last weed with zest.
 Your hoe is sharp and cuts right through
 But NO! You chopped the beet out, too!
 "For the sake of ambition I have slaughtered my goal!"
 And you toss the beet to your neighbor's row."
 GINA GASKILL

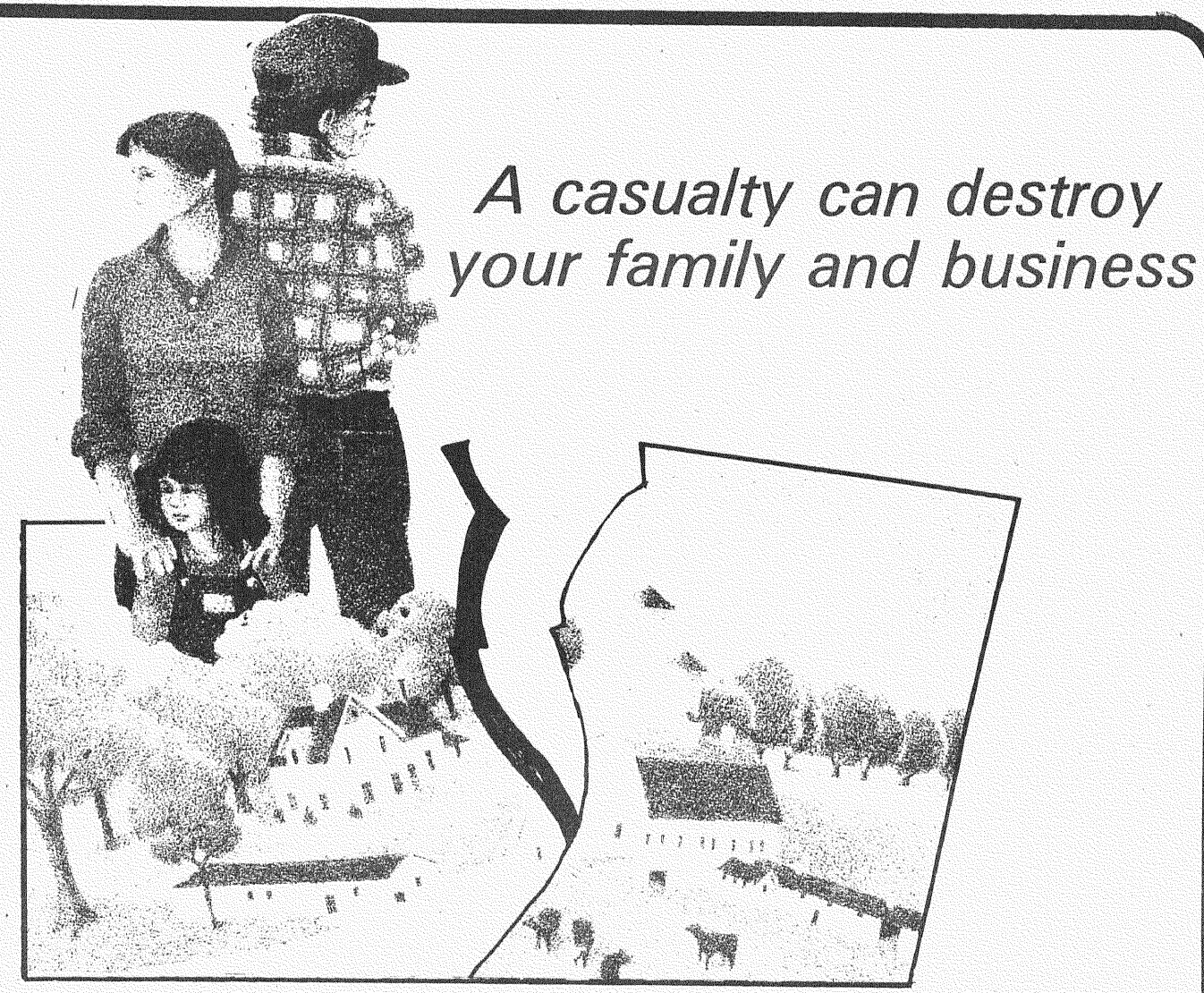
"To the Beet of Ambition"
 Feel the hot sun blazing down
 Your bent shadow shades the ground
 "For the sake of the beets I must banish the weeds"
 You say to yourself as you wipe your brow,
 "Here's to you, you go! darn weed!"
 You strike it dead and admire the deed
 "For the sake of the beets I must banish the weeds"
 This is the law unto which you heed.
 Six — no seven, all in a clump

Letters from our readers

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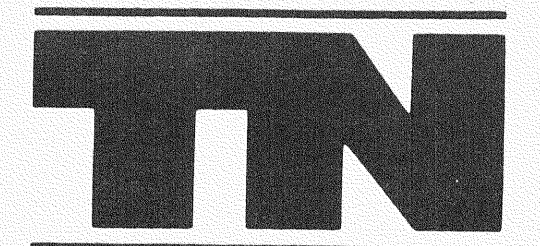
DEAR EDITOR:
 How would you like to live in a fish bowl?
 This is how every law enforcement officer is viewed. His every word or action is open to criticism. He seldom receives praise for doing a fine job, but always hears about every little incident, whether substantiated or not. Any discussion with a fellow officer or citizen is viewed as only visiting.
 Both the Caseville Police Department and Police Committee are continually

working with citizens to solve their problems. Most of us are good at giving vocal "advice," but never put forth the time, effort or money to make the community better or help provide activities for our young people so they are not running the streets and making minor disturbances.
 I wish to thank the Caseville Police Department for doing a fine job.
 Dolores Hartman, 6600 Main St., Caseville



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Local man finally meets siblings

Family reunited after 30-year separation

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

Family reunions for many people are occasions to gather with relatives and catch up on family news for the past year.

For a Pigeon area man, however, a recent family reunion offered his first chance to meet some of his nine other brothers and sisters. The group was reunited after being scattered from coast to coast in the United States, as two sisters reside in California while one brother lives in New York.

In a series of events that rivals any Hollywood script, Marty Caverly became aware of brothers and sisters he never knew existed. The culmination of many phone calls between family members, who were strangers to each other, was a reunion of nine of the 10 brothers and sisters in mid-July.

The reunited group, including men and women ranging in age from 40-29 (and two sets of twins), was separated in early childhood. The children were removed from their natural mother's care by Shiawassee County Social Workers due to neglect or financial lack of support. That action was taken at the request of the mother's father after many of the children were left in his care.

The reunion, arranged by a sister of the group's natural mother, was understandably cause for concern on the part of the people involved. Fears about how a group of strangers who happened to be brothers and sisters would relate were soon put to rest, says Caverly.

"I was really nervous," admits Caverly about his feelings prior to the reunion. He noted the group's common background quickly broke down barriers of unfamiliarity.

"We just got together and spilled our guts out," he says. "No one tried to put on the dog."

Many of the reminiscences were unpleasant, notes Caverly who termed the reunion as "swapping war stories."

One happy result of the reunion for Caverly is acquisition of his own baby pictures for the first time in his life. The photos were given to the family group at the reunion by the oldest sister, who took possession of them when when the natural mother was placed in a nursing home some years ago.

Caverly says he wondered why his mother, who often could barely afford food, would buy baby pictures. An older relative then explained that 30-40 years ago photographers traveled door-to-door offering their services in the home of their customers.

Until the last several years, Caverly had no desire to attempt to contact his natural brothers and sisters. All the family members were adopted by other families, most in early childhood, and the Pigeon man didn't know what their situation was at the present time.

"I always figured I would mess up someone's life if I called them," Caverly explains about his earlier reluctance to explain the others. Even if he had the desire to talk to them, locating his natural family members would have been extremely difficult.

A series of unlikely coincidences resulted in the family reunion, Caverly says. His adoptive brother played a major part in reuniting three of the natural family members. One of Caverly's natural brothers and his adoptive brother both happened to attend the same wedding, and a comment was made about the "stranger's" physical resemblance to Caverly. After finding out Caverly was adopted, the natural brother strongly suspected he stumbled on one of his long-lost brothers. Although he was given Caverly's address and phone number, the brother was reluctant to contact him.

Meanwhile, the adoptive brother gave the natural brother's address to Caverly, who also refused to take the first step toward a reunion.

The deciding factor which resulted in Caverly getting together with his natural brother was a visit to that brother by one of the sisters. Upon learning about Caverly, the sister convinced her brother to arrange a meeting. After a call to Caverly, the sister and brother both traveled to Pigeon last October to meet him.

After that meeting, Caverly's wife Chris told friends about the unusual event, which stimulated the curiosity of her fellow worker, Kay McCain Nieschulz. A series of phone calls by Nieschulz to people with the same last name of the natural mother resulted in location of more of the brothers and sisters who were adopted children.

With only one exception, the reunion of the natural brothers and sisters caused no problem for the adoptive families. In fact, the adoptive families were also invited to the reunion and five sets of adoptive parents and one set of foster parents participated in the event.

I was around my natural mother the longest, about seven years," says Caverly. Because of that fact, he knew there were 10 children, although he believed he was the oldest. At the reunion he discovered he had two sisters and one brother older than he.

Caverly says he considers his adoptive parents as his father and mother. "I have no feelings for my real mother at all," he says. "I call them mom and dad, and refer to my natural mother by her first name. During his first seven years, Caverly was in and out of the county orphanage, depending on the marital status of his natural mother at the time. His "war stories" result from the period of his life prior to his adoption at age eight.

Caverly remembers sharing the orphanage with 20-30 other children who had enough food to eat, but new clothing was impossible because of the financial condition of



TOGETHER AT LAST were the brothers and sisters, many of whom had never seen their other natural family members.

Pictured here in front from left are twins June and Judy, Mary and Catherine. In back are twin Keith, Jim, Marty, Frank and Dave. Missing from the photo was twin brother Ken.

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the institution. He remembers when community people or organizations brought boxes of used clothing it seemed like Christmas to the children. He recalls, and they carefully cleaned up and put on their best behavior when they learned people considering adoption were visiting.

The orphanage environment was better, however, than most of the situations in which Caverly lived with his natural mother and stepfathers. On one occasion he was so hungry, he ate a jar of baby food intended for a younger sister. The terrified little boy then spent the entire night under the front porch hiding from his stepfather because he feared physical harm as the result of his action.

Caverly's adoption involves another series of fascinating coincidences. Across the road from where he resided with his natural mother, lived a lady who was visited each summer by her grandson. The two boys naturally played together and later became adoptive brothers when the Caverly family learned of the boy's situation and that he was eligible for adoption.

The adoption was successful and Caverly considers himself fortunate to become part of such a loving family. He became even more appreciative of that fact after hearing about experiences of some of his natural brothers and sisters. Many of their "war stories" resulted from situations in their adoptive families, Caverly says.

One of the most fascinating parts of the family reunion was learning of many similarities within the group. Three of the brothers, including Caverly, were involved in motorcycle accidents which resulted in serious leg injuries. One brother lost a leg in that manner, and Caverly nearly had the same thing happen. He was fortunate to undergo a new, experimental surgical procedure at the time which allows him normal use of the appendage today.

Another unusual reunion for Caverly occurred last year when he met with his natural father for the first time in 31 years. "He is a little old man just as nice as can be," Caverly describes his father. In another similarity, Caverly who works for Pigeon Telephone Company, discovered his father also worked for many years with a utility company.

While talking with his natural relatives, Caverly has been able to piece together some of the family history of his natural mother. Face-to-face meetings and numerous phone calls have resulted in pages of information in a notebook stored beside the telephone in the Caverly home.

With the reunion behind them, Caverly, his wife Chris and sons Jeff and Jody have a better concept of their roots.

EMU offers local scholarships

Eastern Michigan University's Office of Financial Aid has named six Western Thumb residents as recipients of the University's Regents Scholarship Awards.

Delores McArdle of Elkton, Shelly Wissner of Owendale, Lisa Drabek and Kathryn Murdock of Bad Axe, Michael Francomb of Sebawaing and Kevin T. Liberacki of Unionville have

each earned the \$1,500 award, which is renewable for four years and is the most prestigious award offered by the University. Recipients are required to have a grade point average of 3.75 and test scores of 24 on the American College Test or 1050 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test. Students must maintain a 3.5 grade point average at EMU to renew the scholarship. Additional awards will be announced at future dates.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL time is coming! See pages 11-13 in this week's Progress-Advance

News that COUNTS . . . from the COUNTY



from Huron County Clerk Helen Lemanski

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Week of July 29 James D. Kosinski & Connie S. Schmitt. Edward Harry Osantoski & Debbie Ann Essenmacher. Darren G. Catanacci & Jean M. Mason.

ASSUMED NAMES

Week of July 29 No. 4046 Harbor Marina, 3379 Pte. Aux Barques, Port Austin, MI 48467; By: Denny L. Queller, Judith M. Queller, 3379 Pte. Aux Barques, Port Austin, MI 48467; Filed: July 24, 1985.

No. 4047 Eastside Party Store, 706 E. Huron, Bad Axe, MI 48413; By: LeGault, Inc., Gene R. LeGault, President, 706 E. Huron, Bad Axe, MI 48413; Filed: July 24, 1985.

DISSOLUTION: The Corner Store, Ruth, MI 48470; By: Dennis & Karen G. n i s e r ; Filed: July 29, 1985.

No. 4048 The Corner Store, 4506 S. Ruth Road, Ruth, MI 48470; By: Michael P. Paruski, III, 7171 Atwater Rd., Ruth, MI 48470; Filed: July 29, 1985.

JUDGMENT OF DIVORCE

Week of July 29 Joseph W. Kappen -vs- Lori A. Kappen.



from County Register of Deeds Frances Holdwick

REGISTER OF DEEDS

July 24 - August 30, 1985 Lavern Volmaring and Mary Ann Volmaring to Gary W. Glaz and Dawn M. Stone, a parcel of land located in Section 29 of Sherman Twp. Paul I. Armstrong, Paul I. & Barbara L. To Farmers Home Administration, a parcel of land located in the City of Bad Axe.

Anna Sitts to Harold E. Small and Victoria M. Small, a parcel of land located in the Village of Bay Port. Harold E. Small & Victoria M. and Andrew H. Berry and Sally A., a parcel of land located in Section 36 of Bay Port. Raymond J. Janderewski and Martha V. to Max Wierzecki and Joan, a parcel of land located in Section 18 of Hume Twp.

John E. Brasseur & Dorothea M. to Arnold L. Barton & wife, a parcel of land located in Section 23 of Colfax Twp. Delphine H. Collison and Timothy R. Brown to Steve Pyykkonen, a parcel of land located in Section 1 of Fair Haven Twp.

Herman Schultz and Alice to Norman Schultz and Helen; a parcel of land located in Section 11 of Bloomfield Twp. Herman Schultz & Alice to Edwin Schultz and Helen; a parcel of land located in Section 11 of Bloomfield Twp.

Marion D. Crouse and Edith I. to Robert W. Hamlett and Mary Ellen; a parcel of land located in Section 33 of Gore Twp. Tryrus R. Mzyk & Agnes to Barbara J. Willis, a parcel of land located in the Village of Elkton.

Harold Smith and Berdene V. to John L. Even; a parcel of land located in Section 24 of Lake Twp. John A. Champagne and Jill M. to Bradley Lee Beachy; a parcel of land located in the Village of Elkton.

Bradley Lee Beachy to Vernon R. Beachy and Dorothy J.; a parcel of land located in the Village of Elkton. John Henry Snyder to Gregory J. Craig and Julie Jean; a parcel of land located in Section 16 of Lincoln Twp.

Eldon John Knoblock and Judith Ann Yausen to Lillian Ann Dolan; a parcel of land located in Section 36 of Port Austin. Theresa F. Godard to Rita R. Hunt and Marjorie A. Hunt; a parcel of land located in Meade Twp.

Frances J. Binder & Barbara M. to Thomas L. Wierschelsky & Susan; a parcel of land located in Section 31 of Dwight. L. Ouellette and Judith M.; a parcel of land located in Sections 24 and 25 of Port Austin.

Theresa F. Godard to Rita R. Hunt and Marjorie A. Hunt; a parcel of land located in Meade Twp. David Clifford Blashill to John D. Fitzgerald; a parcel of land located in Section 2 of Pigeon.

Robert L. Smith and Joyce A. to Walter C. Johnson & wife; a parcel of land located in Section 35 of Caseville Twp. Gerald R. Brown and Barbara J. to Frank S. Altor and Elizabeth; a parcel of land located in Section 8 of Sherman Twp.

James Henry Chesney and Annabell A. to Elizabeth J. Pariso & Ernest R.; a parcel of land located in Section 30 of Dwight Twp.

Supervised Probate: Publication and Notice of Hearing filed; Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed; Proof of Service by Certified Mail filed; Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail and by Certified Mail filed. Estate of Mary Jane Copeland, Deceased, of Harbor Beach - File 27,645 - Supervised Probate; Order of Discharge filed. Estate of Lillian I. Kramer, Deceased, of Sebawaing - File 27,705 - Supervised Probate; Inventory filed; Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed. Estate of Arnold O. Kramer, Deceased, of Sebawaing - File 27,706 - Supervised Probate; Inventory filed; Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed. Estate of Monica Ruth Conrad, Deceased, of Port Austin - File 26,660 - Supervised Probate; 3 Waivers and Consents filed. Estate of Susan Geiger, Deceased, of Ruth - File 26,808 - Supervised Probate; Inventory filed; Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed. Estate of Roman Uffig, Deceased, of Harbor Beach - File 25,987 - Inde-

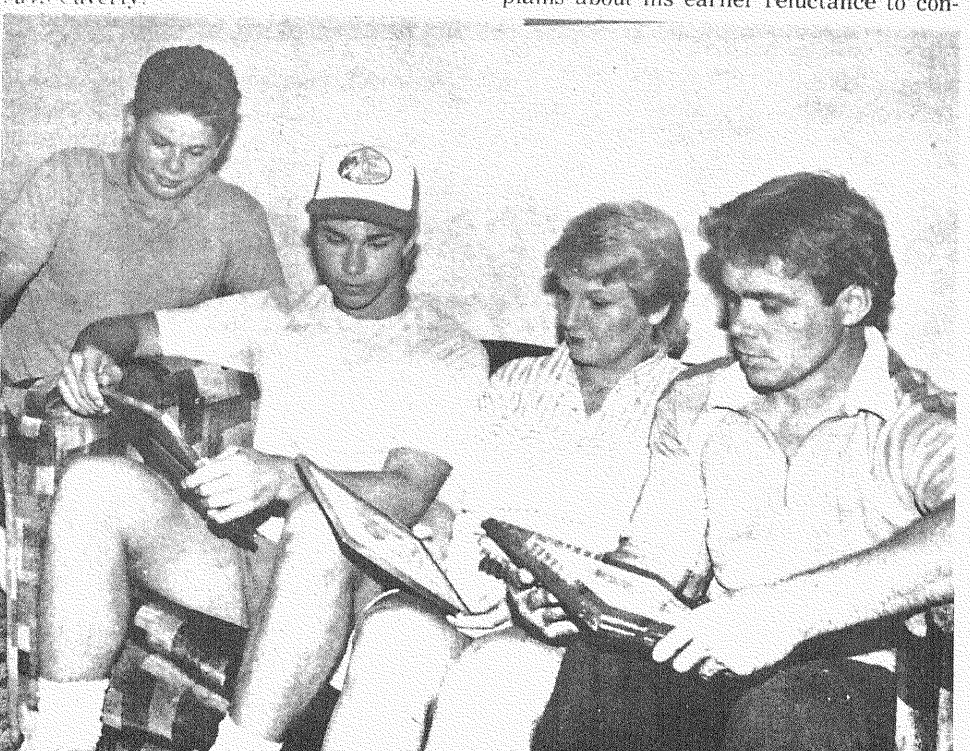
pendent Probate; Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed. Estate of Arthur A. Herman, Deceased, of Bay Port - File 27,341 - Independent Probate; Report, Petition and Order for Continuing Pendency filed. Estate of Jim Jelinek, Deceased, of Filion - File 27,800 - Independent Probate; Proof of Publication filed. Estate of Frank B. Murawski, Deceased, of Port Austin - File 27,795 - Independent Probate; Proof of Publication filed. Estate of Martin J. Pawlak, Deceased, of Harbor Beach - File 27,407 - Independent Probate; Certificate of Completion filed. Estate of Emeline V. Nolan, Deceased, of Bad Axe - File 27,712 - Supervised Probate; Inventory filed. Estate of Esther E. Whitehouse, Deceased, of Sebawaing - File 26,348 - Supervised Probate; Answer filed; Order of Adjudgment filed. Estate of Mae E. Koglin, Deceased, of Port Hope - File 27,809 - Inde-

pendent Probate; Certificate of Completion filed. Estate of Angus J. McIntyre, Deceased, of California - File 27,819; Petition and Order for Assignment, Estate Not Exceeding \$5,000 filed. Estate of Mary K. O'Connell, Deceased, of California - File 26,775 - Supervised Probate; Order Assigning Residue filed; Order of Discharge filed. Estate of Raymond J. Roggenbuck, Deceased, of Harbor Beach - File 27,639 - Supervised Probate; Notice of Presentation of Judgment filed; Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed. Estate of Howard Harris, Deceased, of Harbor Beach - File 27,567 - Supervised Probate; 13 Waivers and Consents filed; Bond of Fiduciary filed; Order Confirming Sale of Real Estate filed. Estate of Carl Fluegge, Deceased, of Sebawaing - File 26,879 - Independent Probate; Report, Petition and Order for Continuing Pendency filed. Estate of Ford Pariseau, Deceased, of Bad Axe - File 27,810 - Supervised Probate; Proof of Publication filed. Estate of Pearl E. Hohman, Deceased, of Owendale - File 27,812 - Independent Probate; Proof of Publication filed.

Estate of George G. Daily, Deceased, of Port Austin - File 27,816; Petition and Order for Assignment, Estate Not Exceeding \$5,000 filed. Estate of Rita Ann Maurer, Deceased, of Bad Axe - File 27,396 - Supervised Probate; 2 Waivers and Consents filed. Estate of William J. McNabb, Deceased, of Port Austin - File 27,495 - Independent Probate; Certificate of Completion filed; Income Tax Receipt filed. Estate of Mary Pohl, Deceased, of Harbor Beach - File 27,583 - Inde-

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BABY PHOTOS of Marty Caverly were viewed by the Caverly family for the first time several weeks ago.

From left Jody, Jeff, Chris and Marty Caverly compare the baby photos of father and sons.

Family reunion

DesJardins

The annual reunion of the Omer DesJardins family was held July 28 at the home of Secord and Ina McMullen on Sand Point.

A potluck dinner was followed by a meeting opened by President Merle Kaplan. A letter was read from Velma Armstrong of Arizona. Forty-five members and two guests were present. Prizes were given to the oldest, George Roberts of Bad Axe; youngest, Aaron Pearl of Bad Axe; coming the farthest, Mr. and Mrs. Robert DesJardins of Dillon, Mont.;

largest family, the Eugene DesJardins of Hamburg, N.Y. Other winners were Seth Hunter, Katie Murdock, Carmen Haldane, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Baker of Battle Creek.

The afternoon was spent in visiting, boat riding and picture taking.

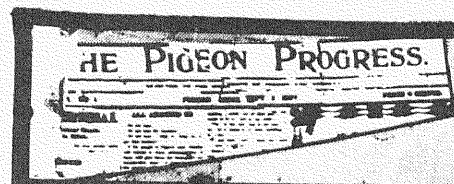
The 1986 reunion is set for the same time and place.

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The Past in Print



80 YEARS AGO
AUG. 11, 1905

The re-opening of the Hayes M.E. Church and dedication of the memorial bell will be held Sunday, with both afternoon and evening services.

Wheat and hay crops are the finest in years. Melvin Chase is the new mail carrier on Owendale R.F.D. No. 2, succeeding Fred Hutchinson, who resigned.

William Armitage, 61, an old resident of Caseville, died last Tuesday. Arthur White of McKinley Twp., threshed 48 bushels of wheat to the acre.

George Finkle is the new landlord of the Hotel El Indo at Owendale.

The P.O. & N. Railroad will run an excursion to Detroit on Sunday.

E.W.E. Bundscho, Pigeon, attended a meeting of the retail hardware dealers association at Saginaw yesterday.

70 YEARS AGO
AUG. 13, 1915

No cider this year on account of no apples or grapes. Otto Clabuesch, 31, formerly of Pigeon, died at Mt. Clemens. He was in the jewelry business and leaves five brothers, Henry, Fred, Ernest, Herman, Adolph and a sister, Mrs. John Dietzel.

The German Red Cross committee has secured an exchange professor at Harvard for a German lecture

on "Our Vaterland and the World's War" at the Pigeon German M.E. Church. Proceeds will go to the German Red Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ribble, Caseville, are the proud parents of a young son who arrived Sunday.

The Evangelical Sunday Schools of Owendale, Linkville and Winsor will have a picnic in the James Hinton grove on Friday, Aug. 20. There will be two ball games, tugs of war for ladies and men, races, contests and speeches.

60 YEARS AGO
AUG. 14, 1925

Alfred A. Wise, 86, a pioneer of Fairhaven, died at his home in Bay Port. He is survived by his widow, three daughters and two sons.

At a special election Tuesday, the voters of Pigeon, by a vote of 79 to 26, authorized the village council to borrow \$6000 to replace all the village wooden water mains with iron mains.

Ed Wise is the new proprietor of the Bay Port Hotel.

Members of the Pigeon Community Club are invited to be the guests of the Saginaw wholesalers and bankers at a luncheon Tuesday at the Hotel Heasty. A caravan of 25 cars will visit Pigeon on their second annual goodwill tour into the Thumb.

The hum of the threshing machine is heard at the

Quarry farm these days. Mr. Wideman threshed 600 bushels of wheat from 25 acres. The other grain crops are not all threshed yet.

Misses Pearl Fogle, Florence and Margaret Morse left Pigeon Saturday by auto on a trip to points in Wyoming.

Mrs. Alfred Sturm entertained six couples at a dinner Friday evening in honor of Miss Agnes Baur. Miss Baur received a number of gifts for her "hope chest."

50 YEARS AGO
AUG. 16, 1935

Miss Esther Jean Wiley, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. F.C. Wiley, and Jake J. Bolger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gottlieb Bolger, all of Pigeon, were married Aug. 10 at the home of the bride's parents.

Mrs. Jacob Bueschlen, 72, nee Amelia Rather, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Levi Beck, north of Kilmanagh. She is survived by three sons and a daughter.

The fifth triennial Homecoming at Elkton was attended by a large crowd of more than 4,000. The large parade of floats was the best ever. Chippewa Indians from Mt. Pleasant, in full tribal regalia, were popular entertainers with a pageant of Indian history, war dances and band concert. Dancing in the high school and opera house closed the day.

Miss Lucille Damm, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Damm and Raymond Kretzscher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kretzscher, were married at the home of the bride's parents.

Miss Meta Schulz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Schulz, became the bride of Arnold Buchholz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Buchholz, in a ceremony at Cross Lutheran Church Aug. 11.

40 YEARS AGO
AUG. 10, 1945

Pvt. Margaret Bergman, WAC, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bergman, Pigeon, has completed her basic training and is in her

last week in Medical Technicians School at Fort Oglethorpe, GA.

Marine Pfc. Morris Heck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heck, Pigeon, has been in two battles in the Pacific area, the invasion of Palau Island and Okinawa Island. He has been in service 16 months and is now in San Diego, CA. He expects to come home soon for a 30-day furlough.

Elcher's Cleaners is in the process of moving to their new plant on East Michigan Ave. The new plant is located on the former Smith Creamery property.

S/Sgt. Edward Henne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Henne, arrived at his home after serving 33 months in the Southwest Pacific as a paratrooper in the 503rd Infantry.

30 YEARS AGO
AUG. 11, 1955

Eugene Thomas, 7, son of Rev. and Mrs. Paul Thomas, pastor of Salem Evangelical Church, Pigeon, was severely injured in a bicycle-auto collision Saturday evening.

Erwin E. Meyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Meyer, formerly of Pigeon, was ordained as a minister in the Lutheran Church at rites performed Sunday at Trinity Church, Utica.

30 YEARS AGO
AUG. 11, 1955

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20 YEARS AGO
AUG. 12, 1965

More than 100 pieces, in-

cluding 62 full-fledged floats, made the Pigeon-Farm-Croby Festival parade Friday by far the biggest and best in the Thumb area in many years. Winning floats were St. John's Church of Berne, Werner's Farm Market, Oesch Shoe Store, Cross Lutheran Church and Consumers Power Co. An estimated crowd of 10,000 watched the parade and more than 4000 people were served barbecued beef and Pigeon baked beans at the Festival barbecue.

Harold W. Tremain, Pigeon, passed an exam to become a certified public accountant in Michigan. He is employed by Leppien, Moore & LaBreck, a CPA firm with its home office located in Pigeon.

Mrs. Frank Enderle, 82, Owendale, died Saturday. Survivors are two sons and two daughters.

Pigeon Motor Sales, Inc., earned the Chrysler Corp. Quality Dealer award for the third straight year. Leo Luedtke and E.J. Brunni accepted the award at a dinner at the Bella Vista Inn, Caseville.

First place winners in the three classes of the tractor pulling contest during the Pigeon festival were Robert McPhail, Owendale; Elson Baur, Unionville and Donald Schuette, Elkton.

40 YEARS AGO
AUG. 9, 1945

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Secord, Detroit, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary July 22 at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G.E. Wilson, Chandler Twp.

Elkton Community baseball team is leading the league with two wins in as many starts.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bouck moved into the home they purchased recently from Simon Hoffman.

The annual Voelker reunion was held Sunday, July 22 at Caseville County Park with 105 family members present.

35 YEARS AGO
AUG. 10, 1950

With the advancement of the Elkton Post Office from third to second class as of July 1, 1949, a board of U.S. Civil Examiners has been established to furnish current information to the community. Mrs. Elsa Friedrich is secretary.

Gerald Miller is one of eight teachers acting as counselors for two weeks at Sleeper State Park group camp.

31 YEARS AGO
AUG. 12, 1954

In observance of 50 years of marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thompson will entertain at a family dinner and open house for friends and relatives at their home Sunday, Aug. 15.

Elkton Rotary Club was host Aug. 10 to Fred J. Fenske, governor of the 220th district of Rotary International.

25 members of the Knechtel families were invited Sunday to the spacious home of Dr. and Mrs. L. Rawley, of Pontiac and had a potluck dinner at noon.

Elkton native marries at St. Francis Church

Miss Carolyn Marie Burzyck of Elkton became the bride of Robert Patrick McKinnon of Avondale, Ariz., on Saturday, July 20 at St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church, Pigeon.

Father Stanley Surman officiated at the double-ring ceremony which united the children of Mrs. Sophia Burzyck of Elkton and the late Leo Burzyck and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford McKinnon of Bay City.

Musical selections included "Evergreen," "A Time For Us," "Sunrise, Sunset," "Prayer of St. Francis," "The Wedding Song," "One Bread, One Body," "In Memory of Jesus," "Sacrament," "On This Day O Beautiful Mother" and "We've Only Just Begun." Soloist was Janis Buerker, accompanied by Julie Wolfram, both of Pigeon.

The bride approached the altar through a garden arch covered with greens and a mixed array of garden flowers. The main altar was

set aglow with golden candelabra decorated with mixed flowers in rainbow colors. The centered unity candle was also decorated with mixed flowers in rainbow colors. The parents' pew was marked by ribbon streamers nestled in a bed of greens, carnations and baby's breath.

Given in marriage by her brother, Leo Burzyck, the bride wore a traditional wedding gown in organza with beaded schiffli yoke and wedding band collar, silk venise bodice, victorian sleeves with a basque waist and circular flounced semi-cathedral train to complete her ensemble.

She wore a wreath made of imported silk and satin flowers accented with strands of pearls. The puffed edge veil of waltz-length, was secured by a rolled edge organza flower and petal spray with the veil enhanced by pearls scattered throughout. She carried a cascading bouquet of

red roses, white stephanotis, springer greens and baby's breath.

The bride and bridegroom presented a long-stemmed red rose with baby's breath to their mothers and a red rose to the Blessed Virgin.

The bride asked her sister, Barbara McIntosh of Elkton, to be her matron of honor. She wore an orchid matte taffeta gown with an off-the-shoulder bodice and apron effect ruffled trimmed skirt. To complete her attire, she wore an orchid straw derby hat turned up on the side and trimmed with a white plume feather and french veiling. She carried a cascade of flowing orchid carnations, red roses, baby's breath and lacy greenery.

Other attendants in the bridal party were bridesmaids Margaret Burzyck of Mt. Clemens, sister-in-law of the bride; Gail Bulla of Cass City, friend of the bride; Theresa Buteyn of Crystal Lake, Ill., sister of the groom and Karen Navock of Bad Axe, friend of the bride.

Junior bridesmaids were Tammy Timmons and Jennifer McIntosh, niece and god-child of the bride. The bridesmaids and junior bridesmaids wore dresses and hats similar to the matron of honor, in rainbow colors of pink, blue, yellow, aqua, apricot and orchid, respectively.

Flower girl was Susan McIntosh of Elkton, niece of the bride, who wore a miniature replica of the bride's gown and carried a petite bouquet.

The groom chose his A-line skirt. The attached flowing chiffon cape was accented at the neckline and bodice with pearls. She wore a corsage of yellow roses, baby's breath and light blue accents.

The groom's mother wore a blue street-length dress with a complementing corsage of yellow roses and baby's breath.

The newlyweds greeted 275 guests coming from Detroit, Ferndale, Centerline, Mt. Clemens, Clawson, Northville, Clio, Illinois and the local area at a reception at the Sebevaing Sportsmen's VFW Hall.

The bride is a Laker High School graduate. Her husband, a Manelona High School graduate, graduated

from Saginaw Valley State College and Ball State University. He is an instrumentation technician at Palo Verde in Phoenix, Ariz.

The couple enjoyed a seven-day Hawaiian cruise, followed by a three-day visit to Honolulu, and are making their new home in Avondale, Ariz.

Family reunion

The Harder annual reunion was conducted July 28 at the park on M-25, 2½ miles south of Bay Port.

Fifty family members attended from Fowlerville, Howell, Cadillac, Kalkaska, Midland, Detroit, Dearborn and Hong Kong.

Games were played and a potluck dinner was served.

Next year's president will be Lester Harder.

REGISTRATION NOTICE TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF CASEVILLE TOWNSHIP

Notice is hereby given that a Special General Election will be held on Tuesday, September 17, 1985.

Purpose of the special election is to fill a vacancy in the office of Caseville Township Trustee.

The deadline for registering to vote for the Special General Election is Monday, August 19, 1985 with the Caseville Township Clerk at 6767 Main Street, Caseville, Michigan, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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- Parcel 1: One and one-half story frame house with attached one-car garage, two-car garage, and two small additional out-buildings. Dwelling includes major appliances. Propane gas heat. Survey description to be provided by sellers.
- Parcel 2: The West half of the Southeast quarter of Section 29, Township 16 North, Range 10 East, Winsor Township, Huron County, Michigan, containing 80 acres of land, more or less; less Parcel 1 above of approximately one (1) acre. Parcel 2 includes two barns, silo, and machine shed.
- Parcel 3: The Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 16 North, Range 10 East, Winsor Township, Huron County, Michigan, containing 40 acres of land, more or less.

Bids may be mailed or delivered to office of Michael D. Otto, Attorney at Law, 7340 Michigan Avenue, Pigeon, Michigan 49755, on or before Thursday, August 23, 1985, and will be opened at said office on said date at 1:00 p.m. Bids will be received separately for each parcel or combined bid for all parcels may be submitted.

The Co-Personal Representatives reserve the right to accept or reject any bid. Persons who have submitted bids will be given the opportunity to raise their bid at the bid opening. A ten (10%) percent deposit will be required on any bid accepted. Abstract of Title will be furnished for examination and approval of buyer prior to closing of sale. Survey will be furnished if dwelling and farm buildings are purchased separately. Possession to be given after harvest of crops presently growing. Landlord's share of crops now growing are reserved to the Estate. Parcels may be sold on terms acceptable to the Estate. All sales subject to approval of Huron County Probate Court. Parties wishing to see dwelling may contact the Co-Personal Representatives after 10:00 a.m. daily.

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Pigeon man marries in Ohio

M. Gretchen Schmidt and David William Anderson, both of Findlay, Ohio were united in marriage on Saturday, Aug. 3 at 4 p.m. in a double-ring ceremony in the First Lutheran Church of Findlay, Ohio.

Pastor Clifford Miller officiated. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Engel H. Schmidt, Jr., Lafayette, La. and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Anderson of Pigeon.

Music was provided by organist Cheryl DeJong, sister of the groom. Escorted by her brother, Engel H. Schmidt, III, the bride wore a white chiffon gown with a bateau neckline and cap sleeves. The bottom of the skirt was trimmed with schiffli embroidery and continued into a chapel-length train. The headpiece was a crown of silk orange blossoms with a pearl trim and a fingertip veil scattered with pearls. She wore lace gloves and carried a bouquet of cymbidium orchids, sonya sweetheart roses, blue asters, astermeria and yellow status.

Kathi Schmidt of New Orleans, La., sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Judy Snow of Eatontown, N.J., Nancy Smith, sister of the groom of Caseville and Micheal Mihm of Detroit. Their dresses were blue satin peplum-style jackets over floor-length dresses with sweetheart necklines and spaghetti straps. They wore wrist-length gloves of white lace.

Best man was Guy Shevchenko of Champaign, Ill., friend of the groom. Other groomsmen were Paul Anderson, brother of the groom, Michael Law of Findlay, Ohio and Thomas Farver of Au Gres, friends of the groom.

Following the ceremony, the reception was held at the American Legion Hall, Findlay, Ohio.

After returning from their honeymoon in the Hawaiian Islands, the couple will reside in Findlay, where they are employed by Marathon Oil Co.



Mrs. David W. Anderson

Open House marks 50 married years

Carl and Alice Yackle of Pigeon will greet relatives and friends at an Open House this Sunday, Aug. 11 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Pigeon District Library, hosted by their children and grandchildren.

Married on Aug. 27, 1935, the Yackles have been lifelong residents of Pigeon, operating the Yackle Farm until retiring in 1977.

The couple's children and grandchildren are Carlson Yackle, wife Carole and children John and Gwen; Colleen Bittner, husband Ray and daughter Kelly Rae; Julie Ann Stroud, husband David and children Wendy, David and Duicie, all of Florida. A son James his wife Sheila and their son Kyle and another daughter, Sherrie Collis, all reside in Pigeon.

The Yackles ask that no gifts, other than those of love and friendship, be brought.

Bridal shower

Jackie Elliott was guest of honor at a bridal shower on July 20 at the Pigeon District Library, hosted by Kim and Inez Buchholz.

Shades of pink were used throughout the room with bud vases of pink carnations on each table. The bride-elect wore a corsage of white carnations with red rosebuds.

Forty-two guests attended from Flint, Kalamazoo, Bay City, Caseville, Pigeon and the surrounding area.

Jackie Elliott and Ted Lukomski of Livonia will be married Aug. 31 at Saint Boniface Catholic Church, Bay City.

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Local couples set future dates to wed



Vollmer - Scovill

David and Audrey Elaine and Russel Scovill of East Lansing. A Dec. 7 wedding is being planned by the engaged couple.



Trost - Banarigo

First Lutheran Church in Blue Island, Ill. will be the setting for the June 23, 1986 wedding of Wendy Lee Trost of Hazel Crest, Ill. and Frank Banarigo of Lansing, Ill.

The engaged couple are the children of Hilmar Trost, Charlotte Trost, Betty Tate and Jim Banarigo. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Trost of Pigeon and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Kuhl of Sebawaing and the great-granddaughter of Pearl Diefenbach.

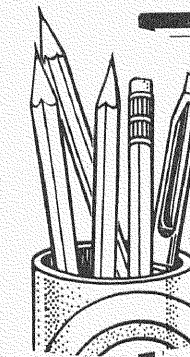
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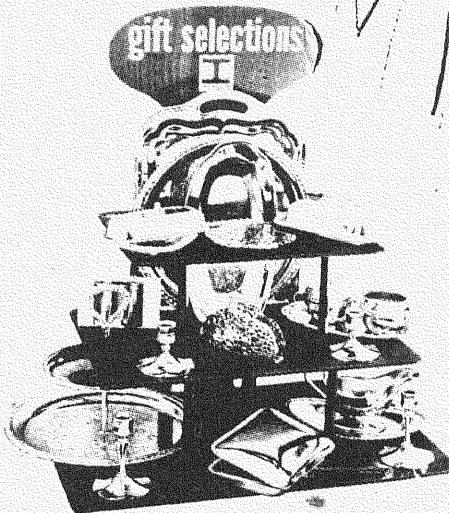
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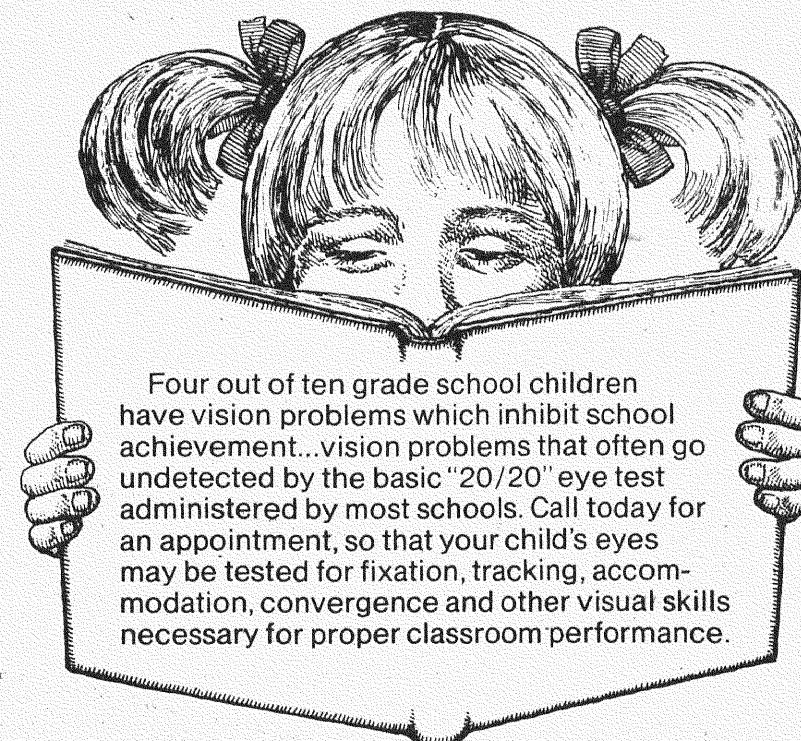
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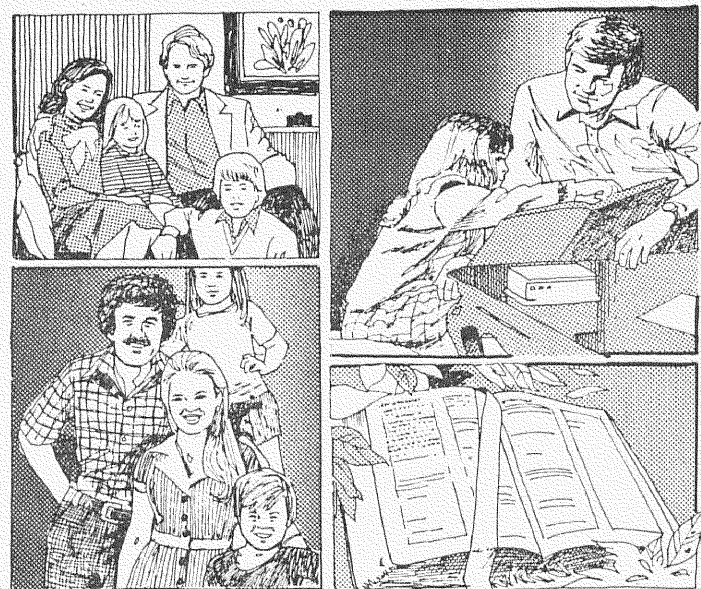
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship Hour 11 a.m.
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday 8 p.m. Adult Bible Study
- ABUNDANT LIFE FELLOWSHIP, 856-4949**
Pastor James S. Miller
Outdoor Sunday mornings, weather permitting, 10 a.m. on new premises.
Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m. & Wednesday, 7 p.m. in Community Bank basement
- FAIRHAVEN COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH**
Rev. Wayne J. Keim
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Prayer meeting
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
- MICHIGAN AVE. MENNONITE CHURCH, PIGEON**
Herbert Traver, pastor
Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service 7 p.m.
- PIGEON RIVER MENNONITE CHURCH**
Lake Yoder, Pastor
Kenneth Dietzel, Associate Pastor
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.
Evening Bible Study 7 p.m.
- ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, KILMANAGH**
Rev. Robert D. Pfaff
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Communion 2nd and 4th Sunday every month
- TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELKTON**
Wisconsin Synod
Rev. Paul Schleis
Church Service 10 a.m.
Sunday School 11 a.m.
Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the month
- GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH, CASEVILLE**
M-25 and Crescent Beach Rd.
Rev. Randall P. Schultz
Missouri Synod
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
Summer-Saturday Service 7:30 p.m.
- ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, LINKVILLE**
Missouri Synod
Rev. Ray H. Obendorf
Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
- ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, BAY PORT**
Wisconsin Synod
Rev. Philip K. Press
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Holy Communion on the First Sunday of the Month
- NEW SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH, SEBEWAING**
Wisconsin Synod
Rev. Jonathan Stern
Holy Communion First Sunday of the Month
Sunday Service 9 a.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
- IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH, SEBEWAING**
Missouri Synod
Rev. Martin Hagenow
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Sunday School 8 and 10:30 a.m.
- CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH, PIGEON**
American Lutheran Church
Raymond E. Orth, Pastor
Worship 9:30 a.m.
- ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, BACH**
Rev. Eric A. Lambart
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Communion first and third Sunday
- FIRST UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**
210 W. Butler St.
Bad Axe
Rev. Dann Keen
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Wednesday Nite Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

Pigeon minister leads TTLM vespers

Rev. Gordon W. Nusz will present the program for Top-of-the-Thumb Leisure Ministries Vesper service on Wednesday, Aug. 7 at 8 p.m. at the Caseville United Methodist Church.

Rev. Nusz is pastor of First United Methodist Church, Pigeon. He served at a Saginaw church before coming to this area five years ago. The Caro native is a graduate of Westmar College in Iowa and received his seminary training in Ohio at Union Theological Seminary.

The Vesper service will be highlighted with solos by Rev. Nusz. He has sung with choral groups and opera companies in Saginaw and Detroit and during his days at school. His wife Shirley will provide piano accompaniment during the Vesper service. Rev. Nusz will offer a short meditation based on Scripture.

TTLM President Raymond E. Orth is the worship leader for the evening. The time of refreshment and fellowship during the program will be hosted by members of Hayes United Methodist and Cross Lutheran Churches.

On Wednesday, Aug. 14, the Pigeon Mens' Community Chorus will be featured at TTLM Vespers. Lyle Shelter is director of the group, which offers a wide variety

Marks 94th birthday

Pearl Diefenbach recently celebrated her 94th birthday in the rose garden at Huron Medical Care Facility, where she is a resident.

Five generations were present for the celebration including Vernita Kuhl (daughter), Karen Baur (granddaughter), Kari Osentoski (great-granddaughter) and Michelle Osentoski (great-granddaughter).

Pearl said she was grateful for her many blessings and enjoyed seeing all of her family.



PEARL DIEFENBACH, with granddaughter Karan Baur (wheeling Pearl) and great-granddaughter Michelle Osentoski.

Evening clinics set

The Huron County Health Department has scheduled evening Immunization Clinics for the first Tuesday of each month and hours are from 9 to 11 a.m. and from 1 to 7 p.m.

Other regular immunization clinics include: Huron County Courthouse, every Tuesday, from 9 to 11 a.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m.; Harbor Beach Community House (library), first Thursday of each month, from 1 to 4 p.m. and Sebewaing Trinity United Methodist Church, third Thursday of each month, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Immunizations are provided free of charge for anyone two months old to 18 years of age. A parent or legal guardian must accompany the child. Parents are requested to bring their child's past record of immunizations.

For more information, call the Huron County Health Department at 269-6469.

Pigeon District LIBRARY CORNER

SUCCESSFUL FESTIVAL EVENTS

The staff of the Pigeon District Library wishes to thank all the persons who helped make the 11th annual Quilt Display a success, including persons who exhibited quilts and the ladies who served on the committee. Ninety-seven quilts were displayed during the three-day exhibit.

Appreciation is also extended to those who donated and purchased books during the annual Used Book Sale. Sales from the books amounted to \$402.77 and will be used to expand the collection in the children's room.

One hundred and five children and adults viewed the film "The Jungle Book" which was shown Thursday afternoon at the library, during Farmers' Festival.

READING PARTY HELD

A total of 123 children out of 172 who registered in the Summer Reading Program qualified to attend the party on Thursday afternoon, marking the end of the six-week program.

Readers who read a minimum of 10 books received a certificate of participation and earned a book bag.

Kindergarten and first grades had highest enrollment, with 23 and 34 children, respectively. Prizes were not awarded this year for the highest readers, rather games were played and prizes awarded to game winners. Amy Buchholz told the story "The Ant and the Elephant" to the 91 children who attended the party, with coincided with the program theme, "Readers of the Lost Ark."

The contents of the Treasure Chest was opened, which revealed the answers to the riddles that the

Sixty Seconds

God's Word Stands

READ 1 PETER 1:13-25 FOREVER, O LORD, THY WORD IS SETTLED IN HEAVEN. PSALM 119:89

In the days of the French Revolution, enemies of Christianity said to a peasant, "We will pull down your church steeples. Then you'll no longer have anything to remind you of God and your religious superstitions."

The peasant replied calmly, "But you will leave us the stars."

No one can tear down the stars. Neither can anyone destroy the Bible. Century follows century — there it stands. Empires rise and fall and are forgotten — there it stands. Storms of hate swirl about it — there it stands. Atheists rail against it — there it stands. Profane punsters poke fun at it — there it stands. Unbelievers abandon it — there it stands. Thunderbolts of wrath smite it — there it stands. Flames are kindled about it — there it stands.

The Bible is as eternal as its Author. God's Word will not pass away. We can lean our weight on it without risk. It will never crumble.

In the Word we come into the presence of greatness. The Word sweetens life. It is an armor plate against evil. It feeds the soul. It brightens the path. It sets the spirit ablaze.

It is God speaking to us, cleansing us, holding us, leading us into life eternal.

Lord, the Scriptures testify of You. Therefore help me to be a Word-lover and Word-keeper all my life. Let Your powerful Word grow in me and bring forth much fruit. Amen.

STORY HOUR GRADUATION

Parents of children who attend Story Hour who will enroll in kindergarten this fall are asked to re-register their child for the graduation party scheduled for Aug. 20 from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Registration forms are available at the library and need to be completed this week so plans can be finalized. Only one Story Hour will be conducted on this day for all children from both sessions.

PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR

"Safety" will be the theme for Story Hour on Aug. 13 with stories "Matches, Lighters" and "Firecrackers are Not Toys." "When I Cross the Street" and "Strangers." Flannelgraphs, fingerplays, songs and games are also planned for the 9 and 10:30 a.m. sessions.

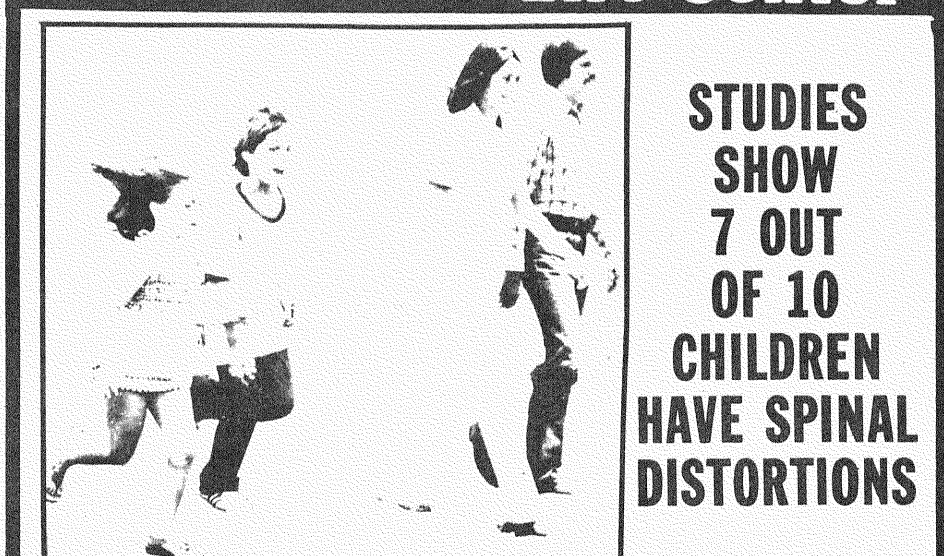
VCS set at Caseville

"Love is Living Light" through Vacation Church School at the Caseville RLDS Church from Monday, Aug. 12 through Friday, Aug. 16 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Classes will be in session for preschoolers age three to junior high age 14 or ninth grade. VCS children and their families are invited to a special Sunday evening program on Aug. 18 at 6:30 p.m. with cookies and punch served after the program.

To pre-register your child, call Rosey Herbert at 453-2108 or Ila McCallum at 375-4187.

Vanhoutteghem CHIROPRACTIC Life Center



STUDIES SHOW 7 OUT OF 10 CHILDREN HAVE SPINAL DISTORTIONS

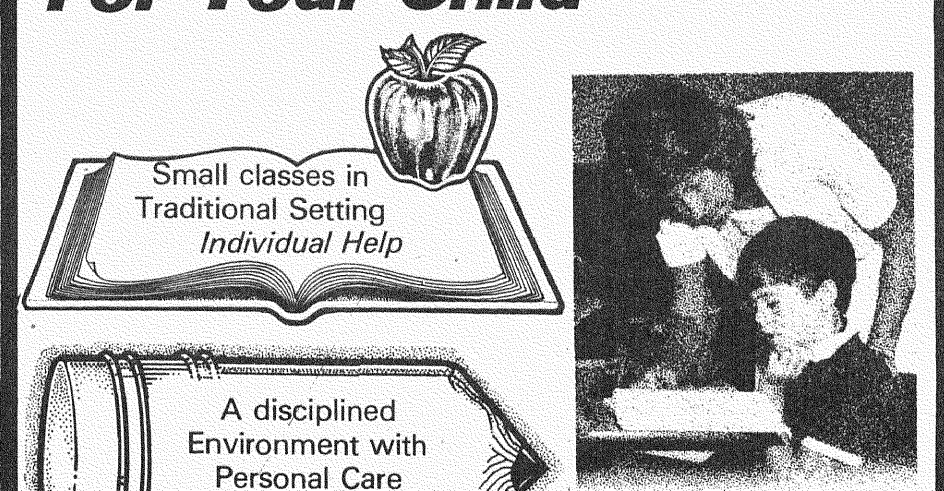
Attention should be given to a baby's spine and nervous system during infancy. Serious problems as subluxations, fixations, spinal curvatures, and other structural distortions can occur in a child's young life. It is in early childhood when they are most easily and effectively corrected, before the body has accommodated itself to such problems.

As the child grows older and more active, his body may receive more stress in a single day than most adults experience in a year! Bumps, jumps, twists, falls, etc., constantly subject his growing spine to the beginning of often serious (and just as often unnoticed) injury.

It is unsettling enough to think of the possible damage to the spine itself, but because the spine is the "housing" for the body's nervous system, the entire health of the child is at stake.

Vanhoutteghem Chiropractic Life Center
592 N. Port Crescent - Bad Axe, MI 48413
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Pigeon woman feted at convo for top cosmetic sales

DALLAS, TEX. — The spotlight was on Sherill L. Steinman of Pigeon, recently as she was honored for being one of the top saleswomen in the 150,000 member Mary Kay Cosmetics sales organization. Chairman of the Board Mary Kay Ash named Mrs. Steinman to the prestigious Court of Unit Sales, recognizing her efforts in leading her sales unit to annual retail sales exceeding \$450,000 last year. As a member of the Court of Unit Sales, Mrs. Steinman was awarded an expense-paid vacation to Hawaii.



Sherill L. Steinman

Approximately 6000 beauty consultants and sales directors attended the gala awards event, the climax of Mary Kay's national seminar.

Four consecutive three-day meetings were needed this year to accommodate more than 20,000 independent businesswomen arriving at the Dallas Convention Center for product and sales training, motivation, and recognition. This year's theme, "Applause, Applause," celebrates the company's 22-year tradition of recognizing women for their business achievements.

Mrs. Steinman joined Mary Kay Cosmetics as a beauty consultant in July, 1978.

Mary Kay Cosmetics, Inc., is an international manufacturer and distributor of premium skin, hair and body care products, cosmetics, toiletries and fragrances. Net sales in 1984 were \$277.5 million.

Lake-Chandler news items

By MILDRED BALLAGH

Mrs. Marty Majerczyk and children of Detroit spent a week with her mother, Phyllis McCairns, who returned from the hospital for a shoulder replacement.

Houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. Secord McMullen were Mr. and Mrs. Orville Baker of Battle Creek.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Ballagh were Mr. and Mrs. Gary Gascho and Laura of Challa, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. William Ballagh and sons Bill and Andy, daughter Lisa and friend Cory of New Lothrop.

Mr. and Mrs. William McBride spent several days with Bob and Audrey McBride at St. Helen, Corty LeClair of Tustin, Robert and Irene McBride, Clara and Elmer Laming of Standish and with Don and Judy Ahearn of Saginaw.

Phyllis McCairns and Heather had day guests on Tuesday, Mrs. McCairn's sister-in-law and former neighbor Ruth Oglesby and Millie Andrews of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ballagh spent a few days with their daughter, Mary, at Three Rivers.

Woods and Waters

By DUANE GUENTHER

Summer scourges

It was a typical, hot summer day. At a time when most people were still fast asleep, a perch angler slipped his boat's mooring lines from their evening's resting place and eased the craft away from the dock.

Once outside the "no wake" zone, he punched the engine's throttle and the boat leaped forward, bow pointed toward Charity Islands and the rich, perch grounds that lay a mile beyond. He arrived some 30 minutes later. The sky was hazy, the fish were uncooperative, and stripping off his hat and shirt, the angler found solace in small cooler that lay by his right hand.

A husband and wife parked their car along the lonely, two-track road. They stepped off the trail and headed for the nearby burned area that would provide the sandy soil and sunlight needed to grow wild blackberries. As compulsive wild berry pickers, they would not let this beautiful August day slip by. A few minutes later a patch was found and the berry picking team went about their business with sheer delight.

The fisherman and the berry pickers were about to run afoul with the notorious "summer scourges", and didn't know it. No, they were not to be attacked by a great white shark, or a group of marauding black bears. Rather, the angler was setting himself up as a potential victim of skin cancer, and the berry picker's wife was about to tangle with a heavy case of poison ivy.

Skin cancer is the most common form of cancer in the U.S. — and it's on the rise. Since outdoor-oriented people are frequently overexposed to sunlight, it's only natural that this group is likely to suffer the malady the worst.

Not all outdoor people get skin cancer because each person is born with a different tolerance for the ultraviolet rays which cause it. But dermatologists agree that overexposure to the sun is not good for anyone.

Basically, the sun's rays are made up of two types — the ultraviolet-B rays, which are invisible and have no heat, and the infrared rays, which cause the warmth you feel on a sunny day. On a cloudy, or hazy day, such as the one our angler experienced, the infrared is blocked out, but the ultraviolet rays still come through. The result will be a bad sunburn, and if you're on the water, like our fisherman, the ultraviolet exposure is intensified by reflection. The bad thing about ultraviolet rays is, like atomic radiation or X-ray exposure, the effect is cumulative. You can only absorb so much before trouble begins.

Our fisherman could have taken steps to prevent a sunburn, or eventual skin cancer.

First, he should have worn a hat and shirt even if he couldn't feel the warmth of the August sun. Covering the skin is the first step to prevention. If the heat of the day makes wearing clothes uncomfortable, the

next best defense is a good sunscreen preparation.

Most types on the market operate with a Sun Protection Factor number, such as Coppertone 15. In this case, the number 15 indicates a complete block and the "protection factor" means that you can be safely exposed to sunlight 15 times longer than if unprotected.

Apply it each morning you plan on being in the sun and, if you're active, you should replace it every three hours. Unfortunately, sunscreens are made with a cream base and if you get wet or perspire heavily, it will wash off.

If you're concerned about skin cancer, be alert for these danger signals: discolored skin areas that darken or spread; a sore that won't heal; lumps, bumps and scalliness; moles or dark spots that grow bigger or change color and have borders that are irregular.

The berry pickers could have prevented weeks of unpleasantness by learning a little bit about poison ivy. A good case of poison ivy will last about three weeks and doctors have no way to stop the process.

The rash that accompanies contact with the plant is caused by a sap called urushiol. This juice is so potent that one ounce can produce a rash on 28 million people.

Poison ivy is a hard plant to identify. The only constant characteristic is the leaves are three to a stalk. Other than that, they can be small or large, dull or shiny, light or dark green, saw-toothed or gentle lobed, and hairy or smooth.

If you once come into contact with poison ivy the best thing to do is flush the affected area with cold water. This will neutralize the urushiol and prevent it from sticking to the skin. Never wash with soap, for that thins the oil and causes it to spread. Plus, the scrubbing will irritate the skin.

August is a great time to pursue your outdoor interest, but keep an eye out for the summer scourges. They'll get you every time.

Outdoor bits and pieces

SUMMER FISHING CONTINUES to be good to excellent in most parts of the Thumb area. King salmon was fair during the past week, with the best bets being north of Port Sanilac, and near Harbor Beach. Lake trout catches were excellent at Grindstone City, and most boats returning to port during this past weekend reported good catches.

Walleye action has slowed around the islands between Sebawaing and Bay Port, but continued to be fair to good in the Charity Island vicinity. Saginaw Bay perch fishermen were finding good to excellent catches for eight to 13 inches between Big and Little Charity Islands and also about three miles straight out from Sebawaing.

AN ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP IS TRYING to coax a pair of American bald eagles into a more suitable nest than the unique roadside home they have occupied along U.S. 27 just north of Houghton Lake. Members of the Michigan Conservation Foundation and workers from the DNR climbed a 60-foot pine in Dead Stream swamp to clear branches and erect a nesting platform in hopes the birds will move in. The eagles' former home was located in the expressway median and was destroyed during a violent thunderstorm last month.

Michigan are available now, according to the DNR's Wildlife Division.

DNR studies show Michigan's deer herd has increased, setting the stage for an outstanding hunt this fall. Over-winter losses were minimal and fawn recruitment excellent.

The number of Hunter's Choice licenses will be valid for use during the regular firearm season from Nov. 15-30 and during the muzzleloader firearm season, Dec. 6-15.

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Scheurer Hospital notes

Patients in Scheurer Hospital on Monday, Aug. 5:

PIGEON: Myron Gunsell, Mrs. Luella Richmond, Louis Hanson.

BAY PORT: Walter Dell, Mrs. Henry (Blanche) Kleinfeld.

CASEVILLE: Mrs. Mark (Traci) Morton, Mrs. Amanda Richmond, Floyd Rahm.

ELKTON: Kathryn Beck.

OWENDALE: Conrad Niester.

SEBEWAING: Mrs. Edmund (Sandra) Champagne, Alfred Gainsforth, Alberta Gruehn, Clarence Witter.

BIRTHS: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph (Margaret) Nicholl of Caseville, a daughter, Danielle Sara, on Aug. 1.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL SPECIALS

and information is available in this week's Progress-Advance and will be included in the next two issues.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Caseville Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, August 13, 1985 at 7:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Township/Village Hall, 6767 Main Street, Caseville, Michigan 48725 to consider the following:

- (1) Application of William Goslee for a special use permit to use property 6024 Port Austin Road (Bella Vista Resort) as a Condominium Resort. The property is zoned B-1 Business; Conversion of said property to Condominium is permitted after issuance of a Special Use Permit.
- (2) Written comments can be mailed to the Township Hall prior to the aforementioned hearing date; said comments will be read into the public hearing record.

Caseville Township Planning Commission
Harold Lankey, Chairman

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CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF CONDITION OF Bay Port State Bank OF Bay Port, Pigeon in the State of Michigan, and its Domestic Subsidiaries, at the close of business on June 28, 19 85.

Published in accordance with a call made by the commissioner of the Financial Institutions Bureau pursuant to the provisions of Section 223 of the banking code of 1969, as amended.

ASSETS	Dollar Amounts in Thousands		C100	
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1. Cash and balances due from depository institutions:				
a. Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin ^{1,2} :			RCON 2122	571
b. Interest-bearing balances:			RCON 2077	NONE
2. Securities (from Schedule RC-B):			RCON 1990	2 535
3. Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell:			RCON 1320	600
4. Loans and lease financing receivables:				
a. Loans and leases, net of unearned income (from Schedule RC-C):	RCON 2122	5 792		
b. LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses:	RCON 3142	90		
c. LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve:	RCON 3128	NONE		
d. Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve (item 4.a minus 4.b and 4.c):	RCON 2146	5 702		
5. Assets held in trading accounts:			RCON 2146	NONE
6. Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases):			RCON 2145	320
7. Other real estate owned:			RCON 2150	292
8. Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies:			RCON 2150	NONE
9. Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding:			RCON 2155	NONE
10. Intangible assets (from Schedule RC-M):			RCON 2143	NONE
11. Other assets (from Schedule RC-F):			RCON 2150	132
12. Total assets (sum of items 1 through 11):			RCON 2170	10 152

¹Includes cash items in process of collection and unposted debits.
²The amount reported in this item must be greater than or equal to the sum of Schedule RC-M, items 2 and 3.

LIABILITIES	Dollar Amounts in Thousands		Mil		Thou	
13. Deposits:						
a. In domestic offices (sum of totals of columns A and C from Schedule RC-E):			RCON 2220	9 360		
(1) Noninterest-bearing ¹ :	RCON 6631	894				
(2) Interest-bearing:	RCON 6636	8 466				
b. In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and IBFs:						
(1) Noninterest-bearing:						
(2) Interest-bearing:						
14. Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase:			RCON 2800	NONE		
15. Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury:			RCON 2840	NONE		
16. Other borrowed money:			RCON 2850	NONE		
17. Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases:			RCON 2850	NONE		
18. Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding:			RCON 2910	NONE		
19. Notes and debentures subordinated to deposits:			RCON 3200	NONE		
20. Other liabilities (from Schedule RC-G):			RCON 2850	116		
21. Total liabilities (sum of items 13 through 20):			RCON 2948	9 476		
22. Limited-life preferred stock:			RCON 3282	NONE		
EQUITY CAPITAL						
23. Perpetual preferred stock:			RCON 3283	NONE		
24. Common stock:			RCON 3230	192		
25. Surplus:			RCON 3240	308		
26. Undivided profits and capital reserves:			RCON 3247	176		
27. Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments:						
28. Total equity capital (sum of items 23 through 27):			RCON 3210	676		
29. Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, and equity capital (sum of items 21, 22, and 28):			RCON 3300	10 152		
Memoranda - Deposits of State Money - Michigan:						NONE

¹Includes total demand deposits and noninterest-bearing time and savings deposits.

I, Kay Fortsch, Assistant Cashier, of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this report of condition has been prepared in conformance with the applicable instructions, and is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Kathleen M. Fortsch
SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO SIGN REPORT

We, the undersigned directors, attest the correctness of this report of condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the applicable instructions and is true and correct.

James V. Foster
Robert D. Young
Edward J. Sait
Directors

OP-OF-THE-THUMB LEISURE MINISTRIES

Wed., August 7 Music and Meditation Rev. Gordon W. Musz, First United Methodist Church, Pigeon.

Wed., August 14 Pigeon Men's Community Chorus, directed by Lyle Shetler

Time of fellowship and refreshment after program

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Last Day of Registration School Election

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF ELKTON-PIGEON-BAY PORT SCHOOLS, HURON COUNTY, MICHIGAN TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please take notice that the Board of Education of Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Schools, Huron County, Michigan, has called a special election to be held in the School District on Monday, September 9, 1985.

Take notice that the following proposition will be submitted at the special election:

TAX RATE LIMITATION INCREASE PROPOSITION FOR OPERATING PURPOSES. Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Schools, Huron County, Michigan, be increased by 4.5 mills (\$4.50 on each \$1,000.00) on state equalized valuation for a period of 5 years, 1985 to 1989, inclusive, for the purpose of providing additional funds for operating purposes (3.5 mills of the above increase being a renewal of 3.5 mills for operating purposes which expired with the 1984 tax levy and 1 mill being additional operating millage)?

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER WITH THE APPROPRIATE CITY OR TOWNSHIP CLERKS, IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1985, IS MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 1985. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5:00 O'CLOCK, P.M. ON MONDAY AUGUST 12, 1985, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION.

Persons planning to register with the respective city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' offices are open for registration.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Schools, Huron County, Michigan.

James H. Clabuech
Secretary, Board Of Education

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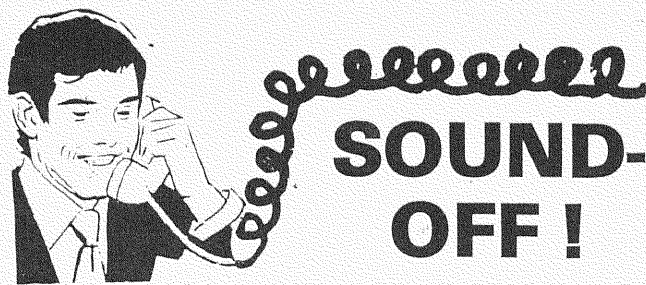
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EDITOR'S NOTE: Due to machine malfunctions, some persons were not able to contact the SOUND-OFF machine late last week. Please call or write your views for next week's edition if you couldn't get through then.)

This is to the person or persons who recently contacted SOUND-OFF on the west end of Pigeon. The supervised personnel (DPW) workers, before spraying weeds in that park, talked to qualified people from the Co-operative Elevator and were informed which spray to use and how much.

As you probably notice, the flowers are doing nicely. We, the supervised DPW crew, put our brains in gear before our mouths, with is more than I can say for you. Thank you, Jim Kohl.

Dear Think About It, We are very fortunate to have decent men among us still. These men had enough compassion to put a suffering and dying bird out of its pain. If the parents of the children who witnessed this would take the time to explain the meaning of compassion in such a situation, it would be a lesson well-learned.

So, a "thank you" goes out to you two wonderful men who had enough sense to do something about this poor dying bird, instead of sitting on your duffs watching it suffer.

And to the illegal hunter, there is no excuse for YOU!

Applause, applause to Dean Deming and the team at the Bay Port Parade. Those who complained and beefed should have helped the young man in his efforts as being chairman for the first time. Hindsight is always much better than foresight, isn't it?

I agree Pigeon is the most boring town around. Why don't they make something for us to do?

Obituaries & local deaths

ROLAND "STUBBY" ARTHUR STEWART 1913 - 1985

Roland "Stubby" Stewart, age 72, of Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin, formerly of Pigeon, passed away on Saturday, August 3, at Parkview Nursing Home, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

He was born May 17, 1913 in McKinley Township, son of the late Robert C. and Jeannette L. (Gotts) Stewart. He graduated from Flint Northern High School in 1931 and moved back to the Pigeon area to farm. He was a member of Hayes United Methodist Church.

Mr. Stewart is survived by one sister and brother-in-law, George and Irma Truran, Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin; one niece, Mrs. John (Janet) Cregar, Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin; one nephew, James Truran, Brazil, Brazil; two great nieces, Cami and Christine Cregar, Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin; and several other relatives.

Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday, August 6 at 11 a.m. from Hayes United Methodist Church, Rev. Randy Chamberlin officiated with burial in Caseville Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon.

JOHN S. FLORES

John S. Flores of Oxford, with many local relatives, passed away July 12 at his home in Oxford.

A World War II veteran and chief constable of Oxford, he leaves his wife, Nora; a daughter Susan; two sons, Marc and Jim Flores, all of Oxford; his mother, Angelina Flores of Pigeon; seven sisters, Angie Brown and Betty Trevino, of Flint, Margaret Flores of Bad Axe, Molly Osquera of Clio, Josephine Gutierrez of Pontiac, Janie Jodynak of Texas and Maria Bustos of Davisburg and four brothers, Tino Flores of Flint, Dave Flores of Elkton, Rich Flores of Lapeer and Mike Flores of Owendale.

His father, Antonio Flores, preceded him in death. Burial was at the Oxford Cemetery.

Harry A. Johnson, 42, formerly stationed in Port Austin, with relatives in Bad Axe, passed away July 9.

Jason L. Valentine, 5, of Fostoria, with relatives in Unionville, passed away July 14.

Harold Craig, 71, of Cass City, passed away July 28.

Dolores M. Cheek, 53, of Fairgrove, passed away July 27.

Valentine L. Wisneski, 77, of Bad Axe, passed away July 29.

Robert R. Roberts, 48, of Decatur, formerly of Bad Axe, passed away July 29.

Doris E. Baker, 82, of Caro, passed away July 30.

Jane E. Hahn, 89, formerly of Bad Axe, passed away July 31.

Edith H. Sheedy, 88, of Detroit, formerly of Bad Axe, passed away July 31.

Ellen McCormick, 72, of Cass City, passed away July 31.

Florence M. Osminski, 58, of Verona Township, passed away Aug. 1.

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Club news

ELKTON SENIOR CITIZENS

Elkton Senior Citizens met for the weekly potluck luncheon with 59 people present. Bernice Eick gave the invocation. Guest, Carrie Fisher was welcomed.

"God Bless America" was sung and the Pledge to the Flag given. The Birthday Song was sung for Ina McMullen, Mae Coote and Joe Torres. The Anniversary Song was sung for the Phil Walkers. Group singing was led by Harold and Bea Grogan.

It was reported that Dorothy Carty and Glen Wakefield are still hospitalized.

August committees are: set-up, Emma Morley, Mildred Dietzel and Florence Southworth; clean-up, Edna Wakefield, Catherine Protzman, Kay Walker and Bill and Mary McCarty.

Program Chairman Della Trudgeon last week asked members to bring in small items of sentimental value, and this week she asked members to explain the object's importance, then displayed the items on a table for all to view.

Ardis Gemmill will have Lion exchange students visit as the program. Vegetables and flowers were given away in a drawing.

By DOROTHY DIENER

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Laich of Livonia were Friday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Eidt of Sand Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Eidt were Sunday callers of Mrs. Margaret Fritz of Owendale.

Mrs. John Diener and Mrs. Dennis Diener, accompanied by Mrs. Francis Schmitzer of Sebewaing, attended the Pink and Blue shower for Mrs. Sherrie Brietenborn at the Munger Fireman's Hall on Thursday. Other local people who attended were Mrs. Lucille Elbing, Mrs. Helen Nimitz and Mrs. Arthur Nimitz.

Andrea Meese of Sachare, W. Germany arrived last Thursday to spend a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rathke.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Collison returned home Saturday after traveling through the western and northern portions of Michigan, including a trip to the Fairview Mennonite Relief Sale over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Strackler of Ontario spent the weekend with Mrs. Mary Ropp. On Saturday they attended the Fairview Mennonite Relief Sale.

Pastor and Mrs. Ernst Henklemann entertained for supper on Friday Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rathke and their guest, Andrea Meese of W. Germany, in celebration of the Rathke's anniversary.

Visiting Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bergman were Gene Bowan of Hayward, Calif. and Carol Fruchey of Monroe.

Mr. and Mrs. David Vollmer, Mr. and Mrs. Darin Lubeski and Mrs. Amanda Strauch attended the Strauch reunion at Portage Lake at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milford Hofh.

On Saturday Mrs. Elsie Kern attended a birthday party for her sister, Emily Krause in Reese and visited other friends and relatives in the area. Mrs. Ella Ziel accompanied her to visit her daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. John Tohlhoff in Reese.

Area couple marries in July ceremony

Bad Axe Free Methodist Church was the site of wedding vows spoken between Robin Sines of Bad Axe and Ben Phillips of Elkton on Saturday, July 20.

Rev. Harvey Fry officiated at the double-ring ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Rees of Filion and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Phillips of Sandusky.

Rachelie Jack Guza and Richelle Cook, both of Bad Axe sang "Suddenly," "Our Love," "Can't Fight This Feeling" and "Doubly Good to You," accompanied by Pete Herrington of Bad Axe on the organ.

An arrangement of lilies, alstroemeria and springer were centered on the communion table. Bouquets of orchids and sword fern adorned the pews on the bridal aisle.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a pear-ganza gown designed with a square neckline and short flutter sleeves that could be worn on or off the shoulder. The gown featured pearl beaded motifs on the entire bodice down to the fitted waistline. The full skirt was completed with a tiny leaf pattern made of venise lace that encircled the hemline and chapel-length train. She wore a matching pear-ganza bridal hat that featured venise lace and pearls surrounding the crown with tiny silk flowers and pearl sprigs on one side, completed with a rolled edge fingertip veil.

Susan Latham of Steger, Ill., sister of the bride, was chosen maid of honor, wearing a daphne rose gown of matte taffeta featuring sweetheart necklines with a diamond shape opening in the back and short shell sleeves. They were completed with a wide peplum at the fitted waistline with the peplum at the back waistline being slightly wider. She carried a bouquet of alstroemeria and stephanotis.

The informal arrangement also featured camelia foliage to add to its casual charm. She wore a headpiece of white satin leaves highlighted with alstroemeria buds and silk forget-me-nots.

Included in the bridal party were bridesmaids Lisa Theis of North Carolina, sister of the groom, Sharon Flannery of Bad Axe and Jan Champagne of Ubyly, friends of the bride, all dressed identically to the

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The groom asked a friend, Todd Bigger of Pigeon, to stand up as his best man. Other groomsmen were Roger Phillips of Lansing, brother of the groom; Richard Pauly of Pigeon, friend of the groom and Greg Sweet of Sandusky, friend of the groom. Seating guests were ushers Roger Phillips and Richard Pauly.

The bride's mother wore a slate blue georgette street-length dress and a corsage of cymbidium orchids with accents of misty slate blue to match her ensemble.

The groom's mother wore a beige and rose georgette street-length dress with a lace yoke, accented by a corsage of cymbidium orchids with accents of pink.

Following the ceremony, the couple greeted 200 guests at a reception at Sherwood-on-the-Hill, Gagetown, who attended from Bad Axe, Filion, Kinde, Port Austin Sandusky, Elkton, Pigeon, Detroit, Lansing, Georgia, Connecticut and Illinois.

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The bride is a graduate of Western Michigan University and is a teacher at the North Huron School District. Her husband, also a WMU graduate, serves as principal of Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker Junior High School.

The newlyweds left for a short trip to northern Michigan and are making their new home in Elkton.

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Mr. and Mrs. LaVere Killinger and Mrs. Mabel Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Killinger and family of Reese enjoyed a week's camping at Glennie. On Saturday they attended the wedding of Mrs. Clark's grand-niece in Glennie.

Mrs. Loetta Radabaugh of Bay City was a weekend guest of her mother, Mrs. Mabel Clark. On Sunday they attended the Grigg reunion in Caseville.

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Swartzendruber, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dressler, Mr. and Mrs. John Bruce and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Stevenson spent several days camping at Rifle River Recreation Park in Lupton.

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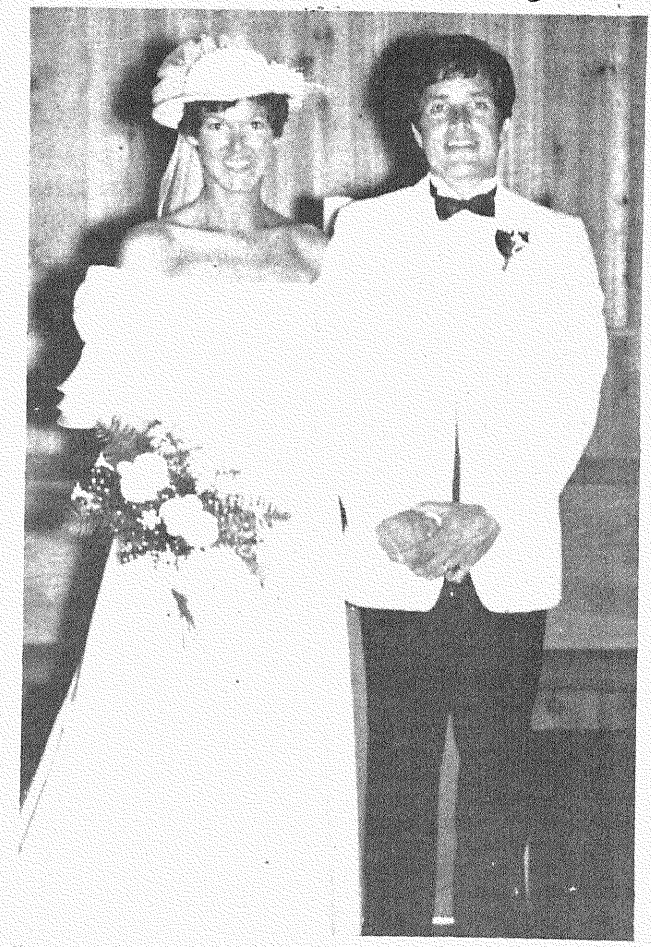
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sports of the week

Elkton favored to win WTWSL playoffs

STANDINGS

Elkton Merchants	13-0
Pigeon IGA	11-4
Ty's/Thumb Hardware	10-4
Unionville Merchants	8-7
Sebewaing Concrete	7-7
Sebewaing Merchants	7-8
Bay House Sports	6-8
Country House	3-12
Bay Port Merchants	0-14

GAME RESULTS

Country House 3
 Pigeon IGA 18
 Lori Maust belted a home run and single to pace IGA hitters, while Judy Ruthko tripled, doubled and singled and Sharon Deering and Karen O'Mara each doubled and hit a pair of singles. Maureen Walsh doubled and singled to lead Country House batters.

Country House 3
 Unionville Merchants 17
 Heidi Rockefeller belted a triple and three singles to pace the offense for the winners.

Country House's Pattie Rowe tripled and singled in a losing cause.

Bay Port Merchants 0
 Elkton Merchants 24
 Bernie Morneau led the Elkton hit parade with a home run followed by Kaye Swaistyn with a double and two singles and Jody Craig with a double and single.

Unionville Merchants 4
 Ty's/Thumb Hdw. 6
 Unionville pitcher Alice Vermeersch and Ty's hurler Dianne Schafer held all hitters to just singles in the game.

Elkton Merchants 16
 Bay House Sports 5
 Elkton was paced by Kim Haldane with a pair of home runs, a double and single, and Renee Rice with two doubles and a pair of singles. Carrie Damm homered and Robin Smith tripled and singled to lead Bay House.

Elkton hurler Renee Rice allowed only two singles to earn the shutout.

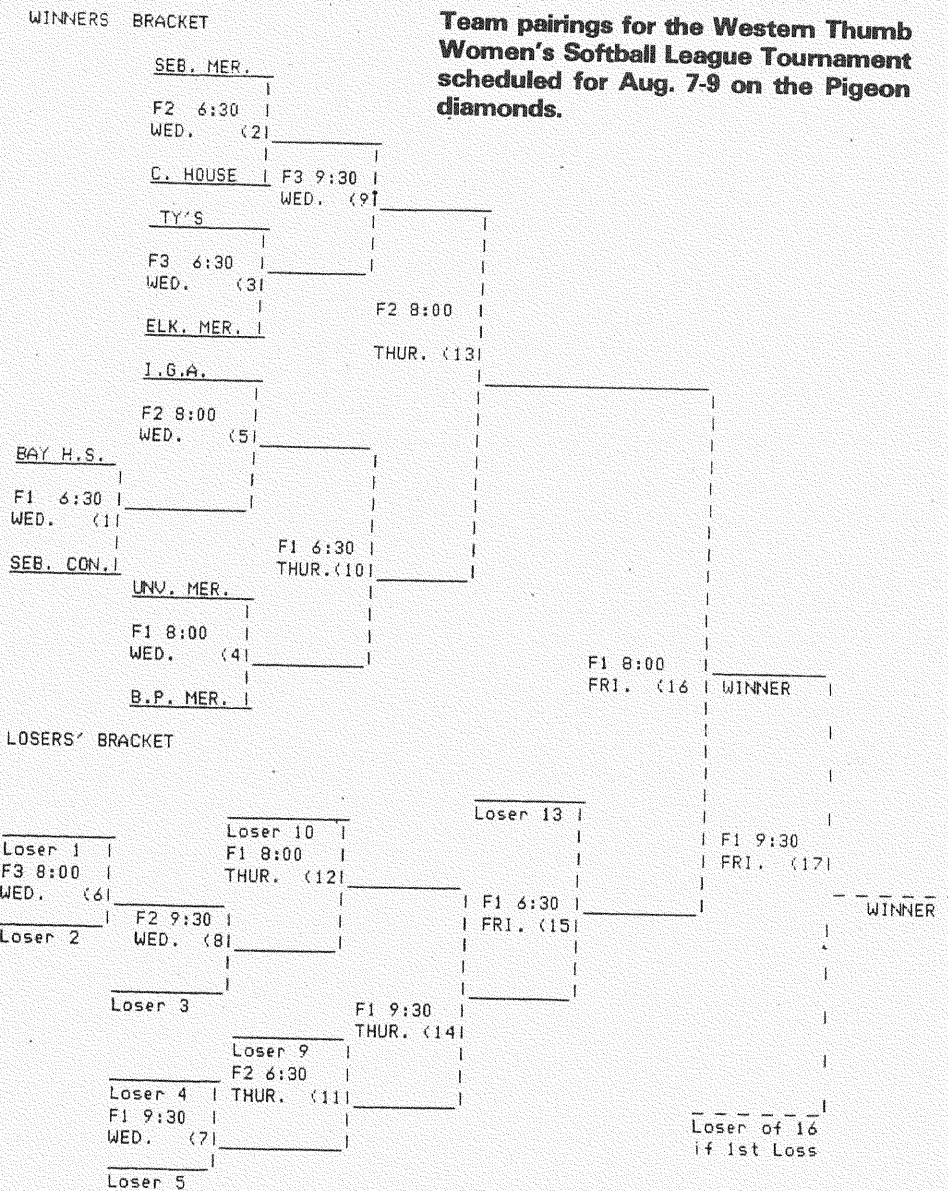
Bay House Sports 2
 Sebewaing Merchants 4
 Sara Law homered, tripled and singled and teammate Marlo Stibel tripled for Sebewaing.

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IGA PLACED SECOND in the Rapson tournament last weekend. The runners-up defeated Emerick Trucking, Elkton Merchants and Romzek Insurance before bowing to tournament champions, Little Caesars of Port Huron.

Bay House has held to four singles by Sebewaing pitcher LeAnn Schnitker.

Ty's/Thumb Hdw. 7
 Pigeon IGA 4
 Ty's put together an attack of singles to claim the victory in nine innings. Trudy Schember tripled and hit a pair of singles.



Team pairings for the Western Thumb Women's Softball League Tournament scheduled for Aug. 7-9 on the Pigeon diamonds.

Thumb golfers win tourney

A quartet of Huron County golfers earned the championship trophy in the woman's division of the third annual Teen Ranch Golf Tournament at the Vassar Country Club on Saturday, July 27.

Marty Murdoch of Bay Port, Peggy Leipprandt of Pigeon, Edna Dutcher of Caseville and Marilyn Esch of Sebewaing posted a four-under-par score to earn new golf bags and trophies for winning the event.



WINNERS of the Teen Ranch Tourney pictured with golf pro Wally Armstrong are, from left, Edna Dutcher, Marty Murdoch, Marilyn Esch and Peggy Leipprandt. PHOTO SUPPLIED

Dutcher also won the longest drive competition in the woman's division of the contest.

The tournament featured PGA pro Wally Armstrong who conducted two clinics and played one hole with each foursome during the event.

The tournament will go toward hiring a new counselor/therapist for the boys at Teen Ranch.

In high school All-Star game

Gridders aim to impress coaches

All-State High School football players Eric Bushey of Lakers and John Shope of Owen-Gage were among 80 gridders who displayed their talents in the fifth annual East-West all star game at Michigan State University.

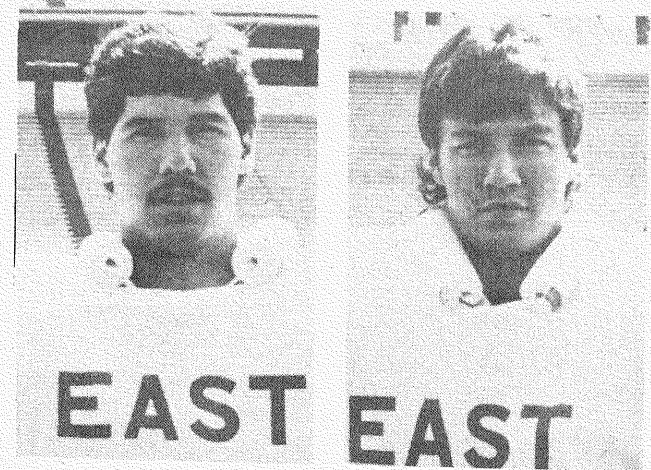
Bushey says many players in the contest wanted to impress their future college coaches, so a high level of intensity was maintained in the game.

"It was a great game although the outcome wasn't what I wanted it to be," says Bushey about the 14-0 victory for the West squad.

Bushey and Shope both played for the East team, and rotated into the game on a regular basis. Bushey played in the defensive line, while Shope centered the ball on offense so they were not on the field at the same time.

Bushey will attend Central Michigan University on a scholarship this fall. He says football practice is slated to begin next week at the Mount Pleasant campus.

Shope plans to play football at Saginaw Valley State College this fall.



Eric Bushey John Shope Local resident named to Dean's List

Philip McArdle of Pigeon has been named to the Dean's List at the DeVry Institute of Technology in Columbus, Ohio.

Electronics Engineering Technology program, has a 3.3 GPA.

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Plenty of fish and fun served up in Bay Port



BEAUTIFUL BABIES who polled the most votes in the fundraising activity are: from left, Allissa Forman and her mother Tonda, and Jeffrey Schnake with mother Sally.



ABOVE: Bill Lakish of Caseville is honored for buying the 25,000th Bay Port fish sandwich.

AT LEFT: From left Audrey Henne, Sam Murov and Olin Gunden man the fryers full of fish for sandwiches.

BELOW LEFT: This humorous entry was sponsored by Bay Shore Plumbing & Heating.



HORSING AROUND: Carol Stoeckle and her son Adam clown around with this miniature horse in the Fish Sandwich Parade.

Family reunion

The annual Leitch and Haley Reunion was conducted July 14 at the Caseville Park. Potluck dinner, children's games, euchre tournaments, horseshoe tournaments and bingo were enjoyed by all.

Myrtle and Karl Gebauer had the largest family present. Dorothy and Norman Leitch came the longest distance, from Maine. Youngest in attendance was Hillarie Ann Biery, and Bill Haley was oldest in attendance.

There were no deaths or marriages with two births recorded - Sara Anne Walz on Sept. 11, 1984, and Hillarie Ann Biery on March 27. Horseshoe winners were Kerry Snider, Fred Schneek, while Sue Hayes and Brian Hand were euchre winners.

Barbara (Leitch) Hayes' family was in charge this year, with the family of the late Harry Leitch for 1986.

ACS Golf Tourney set

The American Cancer Society Golf Tournament date has been set for Sunday, Aug. 11 at Scenic Golf and Country Club, Pigeon.

Sponsored by the Huron County Unit of ACS, the event is open to all golfers over 18 years of age. In the mens' section of the tourney, four-player teams will compete in scramble, best-ball handicap, or open divisions. Women will play best-ball handicap or open. The local winners of scramble and handicap will advance to the Michigan ACS Tournament Sept. 7-8 at Boyne Highlands.

An entry fee entitles each player to golf, dinner and a chance at prizes. Local businesses and professionals are donating prizes so all entry fees go to ACS to be used in the fight against cancer.

Entry forms are available at Huron County golf courses. For details contact the Scenic Pro Shop at 453-3550.

Scenic Notes

By MAVIS PECHETTE

The ladies of Scenic Golf and Country Club played "Name Your Score" and six of them shot exactly the score they named.

Winners of the event were Rita Gogola, Betty Shetler, Barb Binder, Lois Drury, Mavis Pechette and Marian Cypher. Mrs. Cypher had a birdie to help her attain her score and Carrie Gaiera had a chip-in.

Seven tables of bridge were in play. Hazel Osterhoudt had the highest score, followed by Vi Hunter, Jennie DeBoer, Marie Beach, Mary Arlock, Helen Kolowich and Marian Rathje.

On Friday the Thumb District Golf Association met at Verona Hills for the final competition of the season. The ladies of Scenic finished in first place in the eight-team league. SGCC was represented by Edna

Dutcher, Dody Yahn, Mavis Pechette and Peggie Leipprandt. Mrs. Dutcher, with a score of 78, was medalist for the day. Cathy Mezo of Sandusky and Gayle Blackstock of Verona Hills each shot 93. Ninety-five was the score registered by Mary Rabideau of Cass City and Ann Bienda of Sandusky. A birdie and a chip-in were registered by Mrs. Dutcher and Harriet Richards of Cass City. Mrs. Blackstock also had a birdie and a chip-in was recorded by Sophie Kilborne of Vassar. TDGA Fun Day will be Aug. 16 in Sandusky.

FINAL TDGA STANDINGS

Scenic	65.5
Cass City	62.5
Vassar	55
Sandusky	51
Verona Hills	47.5
Gagetown	28.5
Elkton	16
Caseville	10

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THURSDAY, AUG. 8
 *England: Battle of Flowers, Jersey, Channel Islands. First held in 1902a to mark the coronation of Edward VII and Queen Alexandra, this event is not so much a battle as a parade of floats displaying thousands of flowers.

FRIDAY, AUG. 9
 *Presidential Resignation Anniversary. Under threat of impeachment, Richard Nixon resigned the U.S. Presidency, under threat of impeachment as a result of the Watergate scandal. Nixon became the only U.S. President to resign.

SATURDAY, AUG. 10
 *Herbert Hoover: Birth day. Born 1874. Hoover was the first U.S. President born west of the Mississippi River, and the first to have a telephone on his desk. Died Oct. 20, 1964.

SUNDAY, AUG. 11
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Thumb Weekly News Round-Up

LOCAL SWEETNESS CONTINUES
 The Thumb is known for two kinds of sweetness, although ownership of one sweet manufacturing company is about to change hands. Besides "natural" beet sugar processing plants at Sebewaing, Caro and Crosswell, main elements of the man-made sweetener aspartame are made at the Harbor Beach plant of G.D. Searle Co., which is being bought by chemical giant Monsanto Company of St. Louis, Mo. The \$2.7 billion deal includes the Harbor Beach plant that produces the chemical phenylalanine, which is shipped to another Searle plant near Chicago where aspartic acid is added to form aspartame, marketed as NutraSweet and Equal. Local employees won't be affected by the acquisition, says plant manager Tom Bowerbank. The Harbor Beach facility employs 140 people. Monsanto's buyout of Searle should be completed by late fall, officials say.

WATERVLIET SAYS "NO"
 Owendale-Gagetown Public Schools Superintendent Ronald Erickson was one of three finalists for the superintendent's position in the Watervliet School District, but the 48-year-old education veteran was not picked for the post. Erickson, O-G Superintendent since 1975, had said previously he hoped to return to his hometown area with the job change. Bruce Watson of Whittemore-Prescott Schools, was chosen for the Watervliet job instead.

NEW MINISTER IS NAMED
 Rev. Zina Bennett has assumed pastoral duties of the Owendale and Gagetown United Methodist Churches. Previously, he had served in the Deckerville and Minden City churches, and also has served four Upper Peninsula parishes during his 31-year career. Rev. Bennett, 60, had served at Caseville United Methodist Church in his first assignment in 1954. He and his wife Betty Lou have already moved to the area. He replaces Rev. Myra Sparks, who had served both churches for five years. She has accepted a position in Hudson.

NEW SANILAC ECONOMIST
 Katherine Hale of Sandusky is the new Sanilac County Cooperative Extension Service Home Economist. A former teacher at Marlette High School, she begins her duties Aug. 19. A Sandusky native, the 27-year-old Hale is married and has two children.

POLICE BLOTTER NEWS
 ■ A former Unionville resident died Friday night when his car went out of control in Tuscola County and hit a tree stump. Gregg Vermeersch, 29 of Holt, was found about 2 a.m. Saturday after his eastbound auto left Hoppe Road west of Sheridan Road, struck a stump and rolled over several times. Vermeersch was thrown from the vehicle and may have been crushed by the car, according to Tuscola County Sheriff's Deputies. He was employed as a driver for the Michigan Asphalt Company in Lansing.

■ Coast Guard divers and the Bay County Sheriff's Department were still searching early this week for the body of William Krause, 28 of Bay City, who fell out of a boat last Thursday night in Saginaw Bay. He was reported missing about 10 p.m. near the Kawakawin River beach. ■ Fair Haven Township firemen were assisted by Sebewaing firefighters July 28 at a cabin kitchen fire about 1 p.m. in the Rose Island area. Damage estimates and owner's name were not available, but paint thinner and other combustible items apparently caught fire. Damage was confined to the kitchen area, according to Scott Steele of the Fair Haven Department.

■ Bernard Thiel, 46 of Pigeon, was southbound on Sturm Road near Berne Road about 6:30 p.m. July 27 when his vehicle left the road and entered the west ditch. He was taken to Scheurer Hospital for treatment, but was not seriously injured. His vehicle was heavily damaged, according to police reports. ■ A 12-year-old Unionville youth was injured about 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon after his bicycle collided with a car on M-25 east of Oak Beach Road, between Caseville and Port Austin. Mark Harbee was struck by a car driven by Norbert Gadzinski, who was uninjured. Harbee was taken to Huron Memorial Hospital for treatment.

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Pigeon Lumber zone change turned down

A request from Pigeon Lumber and Supply Company to rezone a parcel on Paul Street from residential to commercial to allow construction of a kitchen showroom and warehouse space was denied Monday night by the Pigeon Village Council.

About 40 citizens attended the public hearing on rezoning that strip of land just west of the rear of Pigeon Lanes and the Dutch Kettle restaurant. Most spoke against the proposed warehouse space, saying it would bring more trucks and traffic onto residential Paul Street.

After the meeting, Pigeon Lumber's Don Dast said his firm must do something on a large scale soon to remedy its space shortage. He is required to buy in larger quantities now than in the past, and needs storage space next to or across from the present 7311 W. Michigan location.

Dast said his firm may be forced to move elsewhere if no additional space is secured. "We don't want to leave downtown, of course, but we may have no alternative," Dast said.

Pigeon Lumber owns a large commercial parcel of land facing W. Michigan Avenue measuring 18 inches from the Dutch Kettle building west to within four feet of Dr. Donald Rogers' dental and Town and Country Hair Styling building. The front portion is now zoned commercial, but it alone isn't large enough for Pigeon Lumber's needs, Dast says. The firm also owns the westernmost half of the rear portion of that parcel, which faces Paul Street. It has been zoned residential, but is too small to allow construction of a house, according to zoning standards. The council vote was 4-2.

Pigeon Village Zoning and Planning Commission member Art Priebe said his group recommended the switch to commercial for the property, to allow growth in an orderly fashion. "We're trying to maintain a certain area for our business growth, along with our industrial growth, but you don't want to intermix too much. You're going to have to learn to give up some things to gain some things," Priebe told nearby residents.

Village President Norris Diebel said business growth should be encouraged. "Every time you turn a business down or push him out," it raises your taxes, Diebel said. "When business stops growing, your taxes are going to go up very fast. You have to have (growing) commercial interest in town to keep your property values up."

Paul Street neighbors Mrs. William Shaw and John Walsh spoke opposing the commercial designation, noting heavy bike and pedestrian traffic around nearby Pigeon Elementary School and elsewhere.

In other action, Council allowed demolition of the former parsonage at First United Methodist Church, to allow parking lot construction. Also, Council placed the Spence property on Hartley Street west of Pigeon Manufacturing to residential.

Scheurer Hospital was given temporary permission to erect a sign showing where the business office is, from Bliss Street, to be placed on a village sign post.

The Michigan Democratic Agriculture Committee's existence was acknowledged, as requested by group President Vern Kretzschmer of Pigeon and Bay Port.

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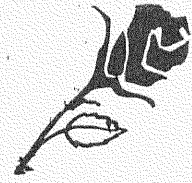
Dast is personally responsible for more than 60 centerpieces and will also work on the convention's final evening's President's Ball.

Earlier this year, Dast attended the International World Master's Floral Design School in Vienna, Austria. She was one of 80 from the U.S. to attend the exclusive school, the instructors of which have all won previous acclaim for their accomplishments in the floral world.

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Roses AND Thorns



By MARK KARLS

Restoration, Part III

This week I would like to give a book report that enlightens last week's article. Gerald Gascho approached me a month ago after the evening service at Pigeon River Church and said that I just had to read this book. The book was quickly consumed a few days later and it put into words what I really felt to be the power of restoration.



Superintendent's Corner

A millage election

By HARRY BRUNET
LAKER SCHOOLS
SUPERINTENDENT

Perhaps the most distressing part of our profession is the need to hold an election to raise funds for school operation. In some school districts, a millage increase comes very easily. This is not the case with our voters.

Each time, we have to work extremely hard to get a renewal passed. This past June, we asked our voters to approve one additional mill plus the renewal of 3.5 mills. This request was soundly defeated.

In previous articles, we have attempted to inform all Progress-Advance readers of the average school millage for a school of our size which does not receive state aid. This average is 25 mills for school operation.

This past year, our millage was 18.75 mills. We are quick to point out that we can operate our school well below the state average because of the district's high property values, a point we have referred to in previous articles.

Farm and resort property are the two areas that have boomed in valuation. During this rapid rise in property values, our Board of Education has taken the increases into consideration.

Let's look at the Laker millage request for the past few years:

1973	18.5
1974	20.5
1975	20.5
1976	22.0*
1977	19.5
1978	18.75
1979	15.53**
1980	15.75
1981	18.75
1982	18.53
1983	18.75
1984	18.75

*Highest
**Lowest

Over this time period, the largest tax levy was 22.0 mills in 1976. The next four years the operational request was reduced, with the lowest occurring in 1979 at 15.53 mills. These listings clearly indicate that we have not been constantly coming back asking for increases. As the property values went up, we either lowered our request or maintained the status quo.

Why are we asking for one additional mill? The overall valuation of the school district has been tapering off. No longer are we seeing an increase of \$10 million to \$15 million per year.

With the leveling effect of district values, the one additional mill would be used to maintain our existing programs. We do not want to get into a deficit situation.

As I stated in our opening paragraph, the request for millage through a vote of the people is difficult. It places all who are associated with education in a defensive role.

Each day that school is in session, we are on display, starting with the early morning bus runs to the last activity in the evening. Our programs in academics and extracurricular are always in the forefront.

If we were failing to provide in these areas, then I wouldn't blame the voters for rejecting a millage request. This, however, is not the case.

The Laker graduate is and has been an achiever, whether he or she attends college or enters the world of work. Fortunately, our students have positive attitudes, which reflects in their academic achievements.

QUESTION: What is the state equalized valuation for the Reese Public Schools?

RESPONSE: Latest Michigan school district statistics indicate that Reese has \$101,092 state equalized valuation per student, ranking 64th in the state. The Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Schools has a state equalized valuation per student of \$137,524, ranking 25th in the state.

The Reese District is made up of portions of five townships. The Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port District is made up of all or parts of 11 townships. It is the overall size of our school district that creates our high property value.

All we ask is that you place yourself and your property values in a comparable situation to the Reese Schools, and you will come up with five more mills for school operation purposes. The Reese taxpayer is also paying 2.15 mills for debt retirement.

The book is entitled "Beyond Forgiveness" and is written by Don Baker, the senior pastor of a large church in Portland, Ore. It is only about 100 pages in length and is easily read in about 1½ hours.

One day Don had received a phone call from a pastor in another city. This pastor happened to be the same pastor under whom one of Don's assistant pastors had previously served. In this former church were two women who finally confessed to having extra-marital relationships with this assistant pastor. It had ruined both marriages and both husbands were hungry for revenge by exposing this assistant pastor among other things. In fact, the two men were planning to leave shortly for Portland to expose things personally.

Now how do you react to such a phone call? Obviously you check to see if the facts are correct. Good people can still relay incorrect information. So Don got the telephone numbers of the two men. Then Don related the information to his senior assistant pastor (not the one in question) and the two called these husbands together to verify the facts. And the facts were true.

Then Don and his senior assistant called the assistant in question into the office and shared what they had heard and asked if these facts were indeed correct. The assistant broke down and among the tears confessed to having affairs with 10 women in the past 13 years of ministry. After denying any affairs in the present church, he broke down again and confessed present affairs.

What do you do? The man was a super effective pastor in other areas. He had been a pastor for 25 years. He had a wife and teenage children. Not even they had known. It seems in this pastor's counseling that he over-identified with the problems of female counselees and took upon himself the role of protector, comforter and guide -- i.e., he became the husband these women wanted and needed. And this led to other things.

Normally a church would avoid confrontation and ask this pastor to quietly leave. Over the next few weeks people would notice this pastor not around anymore and start asking questions. Somehow word would get out that this pastor had experienced problems that required his leaving. All kinds of rumors would surface and the church would split over issues -- real or contrived -- simply because no one really knew the facts and no one was allowed in on the final decision -- a real can of worms.

This is where the book comes alive. The perspective of that church was that a comrade had been wounded in battle. We are fighting spiritual warfare everyday and marital unfaithfulness is an effective weapon utilized greatly by the enemy on key spiritual leaders. This gives a clearer idea of how to react to such a situation.

Secondly, the book pointed out that the church is the only "army" around that rejects its wounded. Every other army surrounds its wounded with special care and nurture within its own environment until that wounded person can be restored back to his/her proper and productive position.

After this assistant pastor confessed his sin to his wife and family, certain things needed to happen. First, his wife accepted the confession and established a commitment for his restoration. It took awhile for her to realize all that this meant, but she was willing to put hard work into this. This probably was the most important and pivotal factor in his restoration.

Next the assistant really wanted to be restored. This is vital! Many times you come across sin (even among pastors) and the sinner really does not want to change. If this be the case, then all is helpless at this point (Note: not hopeless, but helpless). There is much wisdom in why restoration is so absolutely difficult -- it separates those who really want it from those who sort of want it but also want the sin.

If this man still wanted his cake and the eating of it at the same time, then this story would have been just like all the others -- the pastor leaves in mystery and silence and the church splits. But he really wanted to be restored so much that he was willing to follow several guidelines offered by the church board.

First, he needed to confess this sin publicly. Obviously not all sins need public confession. In fact the only people who need to be confessed to are the people who were affected by the sin. But in the case of this pastor, word was coming from his former church and soon it would be all over Portland and everyone in the church would be affected by it. Therefore, in this case the assistant needed to confess the sin before the church. He agreed to do it and it was done the following Sunday evening to a packed house.

Next, since he really wanted to be restored, he agreed to remain in this church. Some in the church were not mature enough to handle this, but most were and they realized the healing power of restoration by having it happen among the people where he stumbled.

Other guidelines were agreed to be the assistant pastor to attain total restoration. Among these were to relinquish all ministerial tasks because he was no longer qualified to be a pastor by Biblical standards (i.e., "be the husband of one wife" really means to be a "one woman man" -- which now disqualified him from ministry). In addition he was to submit to counseling under a psychiatrist in the congregation. A businessman in the congregation offered him employment for the restoration period. And the board of the church would constantly monitor his progress in hopes that one day he would be again qualified for the ministry and be fully restored back to his rightful and productive position in life.

The restoration period lasted 26 months. It was very difficult and many times painful. But the experience was priceless. To establish the Biblical basis and specifics on reactions of the people, I recommend to you the book . . . a good message on right thinking.

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