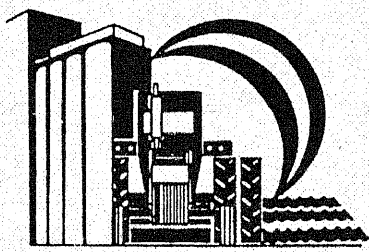


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Leipprandt resigns; Kohr named to replace

Smooth leadership change coming at Co-op

By RICH
 SWARTZENDRUBER

Cooperative Elevator Company based in Pigeon has experienced many changes in recent years, and another is scheduled for June 30 of this year.

At that time, Chief Executive Officer Ted Leipprandt will step down and current Marketing Vice President John Kohr will take up the reins as Co-op CEO.

At a recent meeting of the Co-op Board of Directors, Leipprandt's resignation was regrettably accepted effective June 30, according to Board Chairman Gerald Elenbaum.

The Board praised Leipprandt for his 26½ years of service and dedication to the cooperative system -- and for his community and personal contributions.

Leipprandt emphasizes he will continue to take an active part in Co-op management in cooperation with Kohr until his resignation takes effect.

"From this point forward I will still be active, but we will work together on anything we do," says Leipprandt about decisions made in a "co-management type" situation for the next six months.

NO SURPRISE: Although Leipprandt's resignation comes as a shock to many

people in the community, he has hinted his intentions to the Board and friends in the past few years.

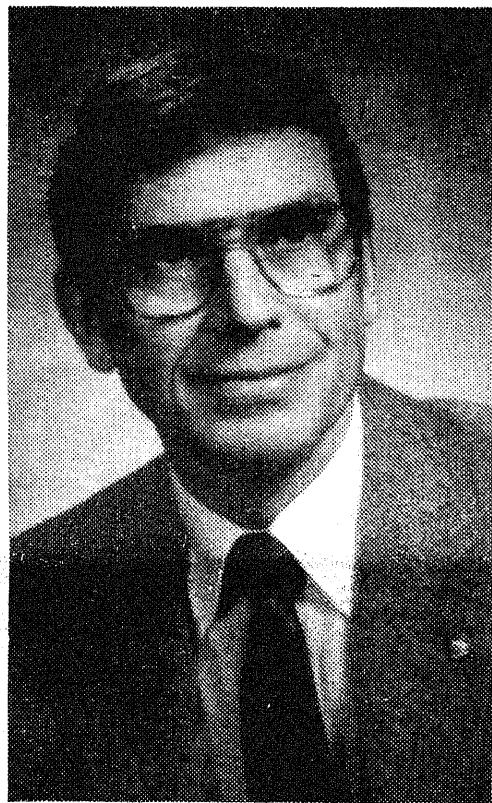
When he accepted the position of Co-op General Manager 12½ years ago, Leipprandt told the Board he wanted to evaluate his role after 10 years. At the end of those 10 years, Leipprandt was persuaded to stay on as CEO because Co-op was negotiating purchase of the Elkton Terminal then, Elenbaum recalls.

Leipprandt again delayed his resignation last year during planning and construction of storage domes at the Elkton Plant, the first of this kind in the Upper Thumb area.

Now, Leipprandt says, he feels this is the time to step down as Co-op CEO. He recognizes the economic crunch to many area farmers caused by last year's flood, but hopes to have bean contract disputes between buyers, Co-op and growers settled before his resignation takes effect.

WHY RESIGN? Leipprandt says he has no future employment or business plans. He explains his desire to resign is prompted by his philosophy about cooperative management.

"I've had a perception that in a cooperative system, if any individual stays in place too long, complacency sets in.



TED LEIPPRANDT
 Resigning after 26½ years

"Every 10-15 years in a cooperative system a management change can be made," says Leipprandt.

Management changes provide new ideas and direction and also gives employees the opportunity for advancement and promotion, he explains.

"It gives me a lot of satisfaction to know that we have many employees in the cooperative at this time that are capable of assuming new responsibilities and things will get done," declares Leipprandt.

"The continued cooperation of all the employees and our patrons has made my job much easier during the years," Leipprandt says.

COOPERATION: A positive working relationship among all Co-op employees is emphasized by Kohr as a key factor in his confidence in assuming the CEO position.

Kohr says Retail Vice President Wes Edington, Finance Vice President Bill Boyle and Operations Vice President John Williamson will play key roles in future management decisions.

"We've all cooperated 100% with each other and we'll continue that in the future. I wouldn't consider the position of CEO unless I



JOHN KOHR
 To become CEO June 30

had their full cooperation," Kohr stresses.

"It's not a one-man operation -- it's a team effort."

GOOD RELATIONSHIP: Kohr says he regrets seeing Leipprandt resign, pointing to an outstanding working

relationship between them, but quickly adds he has no doubts he can handle the job.

Kohr calls Leipprandt "probably the most understanding person you could work with."

"We didn't always agree

with each other's ideas, but we could always sit down and arrive at a workable solution," Kohr says, and adds, "I don't feel that I've worked for Ted. I feel like I've worked with him. I've always respected him as my boss, but considered him a partner."

BACKGROUND: Kohr, 46, says his 25 years of employment at Co-op Elevator is also important preparation for assuming the CEO's chair.

He joined Co-op as a bookkeeper after attending Northeastern School of Business. Kohr also served as temporary general manager of Co-op for three months after the resignation of Norman Schulze, and before Leipprandt was named manager.

"I've been here long enough that I realize what has to be done. I don't have any qualms about taking over," states Kohr.

SAME STYLE: Commenting on future changes in Co-op under his direction, the soon-to-be CEO says, "We just have to change with the time. If we see advantages of making a change, we will.

"That's what we've done here in the past under Ted's direction, and we'll continue to do that."

Although he recognizes problems in the current PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 24

At a glance...

COOPERATIVE ELEVATOR CO.

■ Cooperative Elevator Company operates grain and bean handling facilities in Pigeon, Sebawaing, Elkton and Akron. It began in 1915 as the Pigeon Cooperative Association, with customers and patrons from throughout the Thumb and Saginaw Valley Areas.

■ In 1986, the company had revenues of \$43.9 million and expenses totaling \$42.5 million -- leaving a net margin of \$1.34 million. Adding that margin "profit" to the capital reserve, the company has \$12.3 million in patronage refunds being "revolved" now and in future years to patrons and stockholders. A total of 40% of the \$1.34 million margin was paid back to patrons in cash and the balance will be revolved in future years.

■ The Co-op Elevator handled 6.02 million bushels of beans and grain in its 1986 year.

■ Beans were nearly one-third the Co-op's volume last year, at \$14.4 million. Grains totaled 29% of volume, at \$12.6 million, with fertilizer next at 8% for \$3.49 million.

Next are feed sales at 7.4% and \$3.2 million, petroleum at 6.6% for \$2.87 million, seeds at 4.7% of overall business for \$2.06 million, chemicals at 4% for \$1.77 million and other goods sold, for 8% and \$3.45 million.

■ Co-op Directors are Chairman Gerald Elenbaum, Vice Chairman Harold Gremel, Secretary Fritz Damm, and members Vincent Smith, Loren Finkbeiner, Wendell Maust and David Sting.

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INSIDE

BINGO! It's a favorite pastime for many local folks!

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 FOR ALL THE FACTS

Weekly bingo attracts players for 'night out'

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

With millions of frozen-feather snowflakes floating to the ground outside and the clock showing 6 p.m. on Friday night, a handful of people are scattered throughout the rows of tables at St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church's Fellowship Hall.

It's "bingo night," and earlybirds are already making preparations for the weekly activity with dreams of winning hundreds of dollars — and more realistic expectations of at least having a good time socializing with friends.

With the starting time still over a half-hour away, several dozen people pass the time by playing cards, reading, knitting and arranging their cards for play.

By the time the first number is called (a few minutes after 7:30 p.m.) most of the 80 people playing that evening have lined up their cards, plastic markers, link markers for the paper games) and placed various snacks and soft drinks within easy reach for the evening's activity.

The friendly chatter is hushed when the game begins, with the silence broken only by the steady mixing of the bingo balls, the regular announcement of numbers — and the soft click of the plastic markers on the hard cardboard cards as numbers are covered.

EARLYBIRD: Nancy Stanton of Bad Axe, one of the earlybirds at the tables 90 minutes before the first number will be called, talks about bingo as she prepares some of the 109 total cards she will play during the 2½ hours of legalized gambling.

Although she "only" plays between 21 and 36 cards during any one game, Stanton admits she usually plays more cards than just about all other players at the weekly game in Pigeon.

"Around here I usually play the most cards so I sit in the front and they can watch me," Stanton says, but quickly adds, "I'm not the slowest player."

SETTING THE PACE: The machine which mixes and selects the bingo balls contains a timer which paces the caller. The timer is set to match the pace of the slowest player, and tonight caller Russell Peters has the machine set at 18 seconds between selections.

While waiting to announce the selection, Peters takes the ball from the machine and holds it in the air so it can be read by anyone who can distinguish the small number.

SCAN: Checking and marking the numbers on more than 30 cards at the same time isn't as difficult as it sounds, Stanton says.

"You don't look at each number. You scan," she explains. As an example, if the number is 75, she runs down the correct columns looking only for 5s as a second digit.

STRATEGY: Although some people view bingo as strictly a matter of luck, Stanton confides she uses several strategies to increase her odds of winning some of the cash prizes. The bingo location she chooses in the Thumb Area and the number and type of cards she buys on any particular evening is affected by several factors.

If the number of numbers called to win the jackpot at a particular location is high, Stanton says her chances of winning over \$100 during the evening is increased. If the crowd is small, she usually buys a few more jackpot cards to further increase her chances.

JACKPOTS: In Pigeon, as many local bingo locations, a jackpot is offered during a special cover-all game, which requires special paper cards of a particular color. If all the numbers on a person's card have been called in the first 50 numbers called, that person wins a \$485 jackpot.

SWIFT SCAN: Bingo player Nancy Stanton scans rows of cards in hopes of spotting the number that has just been called.

Bordering the cards are the specialized equipment used in the weekly activity. In the dish at center front are hundreds of see-through, plastic markers for the hard bingo cards. The plastic chips contain a thin ring of metal so they can be quickly cleaned off the cards at the end of the game with the magnet. Chips which do not contain the metal ring are used on the free spots so they remain covered when the other markers are quickly removed.

The plastic bottles contain an ink used to mark the paper cards that are used once then thrown away.

The odds preclude that, however, and no one at Pigeon has ever claimed that prize, organizers admit.

A \$200 prize is offered in the game to anyone who covers the entire card in 52 numbers, with the required number increased by one for each week the \$200 prize isn't won.

If no card is covered by the time the called numbers reach the progressive limit, the game continues until someone has all numbers on a card covered, they say. A \$150 consolation prize is then awarded to that person.

Other games offer smaller — but more numerous — cash prizes to people who "bingo."

ON THE MOVE: Stanton says she enjoys the "night out" but considers bingo a mild form of gambling. In the past she has played bingo at various locations in Huron County, Mount Pleasant Indian Reservation, Las Vegas and Sarnia, Ont., Canada.

The prizes and crowds are larger in Canada where she, husband Roger and fellow bingo player, Jean Maurer of Bad

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Bingo!

Axe, like to travel occasionally. Stanton notes she won about \$700 on a \$100 investment on one trip to Canada.

Stanton claims to have no superstitions or "lucky" numbers in bingo.

"I've hit so many different jackpots on different numbers, it makes no difference to me," she says.

She can usually be found at a bingo game in the area at least once per week and sometimes more often.

FREQUENT PLAYER: Angie Calabrese of Caseville usually plays bingo three times per week, but that is less than she played when living in St. Clair Shores before moving to the Thumb Area seven years ago.

She cites a love of gambling in many different forms as well as the opportunity to get together with friends at the weekly events as motivating factors in her presence at local bingo games.

She says the bingo cards are more expensive in the Thumb Area than in the city, but the games are more relaxed in the rural area.

"In the city (bingo) is more of a form of gambling. They're out for blood," Calabrese remembers.

Her approach to the game is different to Stanton's.

JUST LUCK: "Bingo is pure luck. There's no strategy involved. To me it's just a game of chance," she says.

RESULTS: Strategy or not, both ladies ending up in the losing column for the recent night they were interviewed, at least in terms of money.

Stanton invested \$24 in cards during the evening and ended up winning back \$6 with one bingo. Calabrese spent \$17 during the evening on cards and won \$5 for a bingo.

ADDING IT UP: Those amounts are close to statewide averages published by Charitable Gaming Division of the Bureau of State Lottery. In 1985, the nearly 13 million bingo players spent an average of about \$16 per game in weekly games.

An average of 246,000 weekly bingo players generated an average weekly profit of \$668,000 for the licensed organizations. The net profits generated in 1985 statewide from bingo amounted to \$35.7 million, state officials say.

LOCAL GAMES: Three locations in the Pigeon - Caseville offer weekly bingo games.

The local Knights of Columbus group sponsors bingo in Pigeon on Friday evenings, American Legion in Caseville on Sunday nights and Fraternal Order of Eagles in Caseville on Wednesday nights.

None of the Bingo Chairmen for the three local organizations would divulge the amount of funds generated by bingo, but all admitted bingo provided a significant share of that organization's revenues.

WEEKLY PLAYERS: Knights of Columbus Chairman Bryan Power estimates an average of about 60-65 players participate in games in Pigeon weekly.

Caseville's American Legion-sponsored games draw about 80 per week, according to Chairman William Beadle.

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Thumb Weekly News Round-Up

DEATHS DOWN IN 1986

Huron County recorded one-third fewer traffic deaths in 1986 compared with 1985, according to figures from Sheriff Richard V. Stokan.

In all, six persons lost their lives in traffic mishaps in 1986, down from nine in 1985. Drownings were up, five to one, but most other categories were lower than the past years, the figures show.

The traffic death numbers are down dramatically from 1984, when 14 persons died on Huron County roads. Sheriff Stokan attributes the lower numbers in 1986 to seat belt usage and more police patrols on area roads.

Accidental Death figures for Huron County show:

1985	1986	Traffic	Traffic
9	6	Drownings	1
1	5	Fire Deaths	2
2	0	Suicides	6
6	3	Farm Deaths	0
0	2	Murders	0
0	0	Miscellaneous	3
3	1	TOTALS	21
21	17	TOTALS	17

Listings of county births, deaths and marriages from Huron County Clerk Helen Lemanski will be available soon, according to her office.

NEW FM STATION COMING

Radiocom, Ltd., of Frankenthum has been granted the FM radio frequency of 101.7 FM, to serve Tuscola, Saginaw, Lapeer and Genesee Counties and the Thumb Area.

Radiocom, Ltd. is the owner of WKNX AM-1210 radio, also based in Frankenthum.

The new station will operate with the call letters WGMZ-FM and the slogan "GM — stands for Great Music." It will broadcast from a transmitter and 300-foot tower near Millington, with an on-air date expected to be in mid-1987, according to spokesman Dana MacVay.

WGMZ-FM are familiar call letters to Flint area radio listeners, in particular, "McVay says, "That was the name of Flint's first FM radio station, which went on the air in the early 1960s. That station became WCRZ-FM — "Cars 108" — several years ago.

'150th' MEETING JAN. 7

Interested persons are invited to the next meeting of the Huron County Sesquicentennial Advisory Committee, which is overseeing all observances of Michigan's 150th birthday celebration. The meeting is set for Wednesday, Jan. 7 at 7 p.m. in the third floor conference room of the Huron County Building, in Bad Axe.

Organizers say the meeting is important because it is the last local session prior to the official kick-off of the statewide 1837-1987 Sesquicentennial, to begin Jan. 23.

To be discussed are proposals for an agricultural museum or possible theme park, a children's choir, magic show, floats, publicity, festival family reunion and other topics. More information is available by calling 269-6431 in Bad Axe.

FIRST NATIONAL TO MERGE

First National Bank of Bad Axe's parent company, First of Huron Corp., has announced plans to merge with Alliance Financial Corp., owner of Dearborn Bank & Trust Company. No exact date is known, depending on regulatory hurdles to the proposed acquisition. No dollar amounts have been released thus far.

First of Huron Corp. is the holding company for First National Bank, a \$70 million national bank with offices in Bad Axe, Sebawaing and Harbor Beach, Alliance Financial Corp., Dearborn's holding company, had 1986 assets of \$238 million.

Eugene Weaver, Alliance's vice chairman, was an organizer of First National Bank prior to going to the Dearborn bank.

No customer changes are expected in banking services for First National customers. The company earned \$310,000 in 1986, officials say.

COUNTRYMARK GIVES NUMBERS

Countrymark, Inc., has released its final consolidated operating results for its fiscal year 1985-86, ending Aug. 31.

The company posted net income of \$558,000 on sales of \$834 million, says Finance Vice President Robert Werner. He called it a "difficult earnings year created by a weak grain export market, and less demand for supply items."

More details will be announced at Countrymark's Annual Meeting, set for Wednesday, Feb. 4 at the Toledo Masonic Auditorium. The company, headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, provides member co-ops throughout Michigan, Ohio and Indiana with wholesale purchasing, manufacturing and marketing services. It supplies various local elevator co-ops and has a retail facility in Gagetown.

MORTGAGE LENDERS NAMED

Several local financial institutions have been named as participating lenders in the Michigan Mortgage Credit Certificate Program (MCC), as recently announced.

They are: PIGEON — Mutual Savings & Loan Association, 75 S. Main; MARLETTE — First Federal Savings Bank & Trust, 2583 S. VanDyke; CARO — Great Lakes Federal Savings, 345 N. State; and Oliver Credit Corp., 441 N. State.

All have more information about "The Michigan Mortgage" lending plans as recently approved. More locations are expected to be added in coming months, organizers say.

COUNTY GROUPS NAMED

Huron County's Board of Commissioners is back in business, with two new members. Sworn in on Dec. 30 for the coming year were the six commissioners, District 1's Bruce Kuhl of Sebawaing, Dist. 2's R. Dale Wertz of Bay Port, Dist.

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Cass City hosts Ag Day Jan. 16

BAD AXE — Thumb Ag Day will be held from 9-4 Friday, January 16, at the Colony House, Cass City, with more than 60 commercial agribusiness exhibitors displaying product and services booths, according to Robert A. Johnson, Huron County Extension director.

Nationally recognized speaker, Ruth Ann Fowler, from Tampa, FL, will be the keynote speaker, giving a motivational speech on "How to Take Our Position Today and Make It Better Tomorrow."

Mini-educational sessions will be held in the Blue Room, on Farm Tax Update, Livestock Feeding, Financial Options, and Cropping Strategies for 1987.

The day's schedule includes: Commercial exhibits open from 9-1:30 and from 2:30-4.

Mini-educational sessions in the Blue Room will run from 9:30-12:30 and lunch will be from 11:30-1:30. The keynote speaker, Ruth Ann Fowler, will be on the program from 1:30-2:30.

There will be a small admission charge to cover expenses which include the lunch for everyone attending, Johnson explained.

Thumb Ag Day is sponsored by Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola Cooperative Extension Service.

Friends and parents in the Laker School District would like to show their support for the Laker Yearbook, the "1987 LAKONIA," have a unique way to do so this year — according to LAKONIA Advisor Linda Clabuesch.

The staff will list the names of interested persons in "Proud Parent" and "Friends of LAKONIA" listings, for a small charge. Interested persons may also enclose a small personal message, limited to 32 spaces in each line.

Deadline for submitting names is Monday, Jan. 19 at the high school office or by contacting Advisor Clabuesch at 453-2330.

LAKONIA support sought from the public!



The Past in Print...



80 YEARS AGO

JAN. 11, 1907

The American Society of Equity, a farm organization, is being formed in Huron County.

Mrs. Lawrence A. Notter, 27, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Richmond and a Caseville Twp. native, died in Arizona. She leaves her husband, parents, three sisters and four brothers.

Fahrner & Chapin have erected a lath mill on Sand Point. They expect to have a three months' run.

Owendale News: A.J. Hughes is contracting beets for the Caro sugar factory. Governor Warner's cheese factory is now making cheese every other day.

George Ginter of Elkton is clerking for the Wallace and Orr Co. Bay Port. Leippardt Bros. of Pigeon delivered to John Cole this week a new threshing separator and engine.

70 YEARS AGO

JAN. 12, 1917

Roy Damm, Winsor Twp., was unfortunate Monday in losing his right hand while operating a corn shredder at the William Bannick farm. It was necessary to take the hand off at the wrist.

Fred L. Woodworth, Caseville, has been appointed State Dairy and Food Commissioner.

At the annual meeting of the Huron County Creamery Co. in Pigeon, the following officers were elected: Fred Trost, Herman Buchholz, H.H. Clabusch, J.R. Kennel. Directors are M.M. Weidman, Fred Elftman, Charles Sting, Henry Trost and Sam Wurtz.

J.E. Cramer has purchased the Charles Maier grocery stock at Pigeon and will take possession Monday.

60 YEARS AGO

JAN. 14, 1927

The Pigeon boys basketball team defeated Elkton at Elkton Wednesday evening by a score of 21-9. The girls team was defeated by the Elkton girls by a score of 15-10.

Rudolph Borne, 63, died at his home south of Pigeon on Jan. 6. He is survived by a wife and nine children.

James Lounsbury, 68, died at his home in Bay Port Jan. 12. He leaves his widow, three daughters and two sons.

County Sheriff John L. Hoffman has appointed three deputies: Herb Haist and Theodore Goebel at Pigeon and William Duffy at Owendale.

Mrs. William W. Parker Jr., 39, nee Mary Jane Hartzell, died Jan. 6 at her home in Grant Twp. She leaves her husband, parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hartzell and two daughters.

50 YEARS AGO

JAN. 8, 1937

Pigeon Worth While Club met with Mrs. H.O. Paul Tuesday evening. New officers elected are Mrs. Otto Gettel, Mrs. Gertrude Hamill, Mrs. Arthur Schumacher, Mrs. Leonard Leippardt and Mrs. Perry Allen.

Governor Frank Murphy has appointed Burr B. Lincoln of Harbor Beach as state agricultural commissioner.

Frank Walsh, 85, Brookfield Twp. pioneer, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Harvey Fullmer. He is survived by three daughters and a son.

William Lyon Phelps, of New Haven, Conn., and Huron City, celebrated his 72nd birthday on Jan. 2. Mrs. Elizabeth Lenaway, 47, a former rural school teacher, died in her Meade Twp. home. She leaves her husband and 10 children.

40 YEARS AGO

JAN. 10, 1947

William F. Leippardt, 66, lifelong resident of Winsor Twp., died at the home of his son, Oliver on Jan. 2. He leaves three sons.

Mrs. Elizabeth Wakefield, 70, Chandler Twp. pioneer, passed away. She is survived by her husband, John, and two sons.

Mrs. Christ L. Volz, 90, nee Angelica Schupe, died at her

home in Winsor Twp. She leaves four sons and two daughters.

New officers elected by Pigeon Worth While Club at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Harold Paul are Mrs. Eleanor Eicher, Mrs. Anna McLean, Mrs. Elizabeth Hamilton, Mrs. Daisy LaVictoire and Mrs. Vera DeGrow.

The Secretary of State's office at Lansing announced that there will be no half-year license plates for passenger cars this year. The steel shortage also scotched plans to resume issuance of the two plates for cars.

30 YEARS AGO

JAN. 10, 1957

Cleason Dietzel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Dietzel, Pigeon, is a member of the Dow Chorus of the Dow Chemical Co., Midland. The chorus consists of 100 male voices.

Miss Carole Wolfe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wolfe, Elkton, received her cap at the capping ceremony of McAuley School of Practical Nursing, Pontiac.

Five employees of the Owendale branch of Michigan Bean Co., division of the Wickes Corp., received gold pins for extended service with the company. They are Norman L. Wales, 40-year pin; Orville Eidt, 25 years; Thomas Pillsbury, 15 years; William Elssesser, 15 years; and William King, 10 years.

Thomas J. Swallow, 73, Caseville, died Jan. 6. He never married and is survived by a brother.

20 YEARS AGO

JAN. 12, 1967

Board of Directors of Pigeon Cooperative Elevator Co. announced the retirement of Alfred Roberts as manager effective July 1. Mr. Roberts will have concluded 41 years with the company. Norman Schulze will succeed Mr. Roberts as manager and Ted Leippardt will be assistant manager.

Area youth honored at state premier sugar beet growers at the 14th annual State Awards banquet include:

FFA winners — Charles Anderson, Caseville; James Yackie, Pigeon; Daniel Bach, Kenneth Fiebig and Robert Gregory, Sebawaing; and

4-H winners — Tom Armbruster and Larry Murdoch, Pigeon; Nancy Good, Gagatown, and Beth Brown, Sebawaing.

William E. Skinner, 63, Caseville, died Jan. 7. He is survived by his widow, a

daughter and two sons.

Mrs. Martha Richter, 86, Pigeon, passed away Jan. 9. She leaves her husband, Rev. Emil Richter, four daughters and a son.

Norman F. Kuhl, 57, Sebawaing, passed away Wednesday. Surviving are a son and three daughters.

10 YEARS AGO

JAN. 13, 1977

Honored as finalists in the Pigeon Area Jaycees' Outstanding Young Farmer project were Jim Yackie, Ralph Swartzendruber, Mike Eden and Don Schuette. Project chairman is Dave Dietzel.

Laker High School senior officers are Jeff Kreh, Ron Thiel, Cathy Elftman, Terry Swartzendruber, Dale Yoder, Jim Richmond and Steve Gnagey.

New officers of the Pigeon Chapter of Huron County Historical Society are Dryden Haist, Mrs. Eleanor Eicher, Miss Roberta Richmond, George Dunn and Mrs. Dryden Haist.

Pigeon Cub Scouts Den 1 who received bobcat awards are Danny Bouck, Mark and Jimmy Chapin, Charlie Edington, Mike Sturm, Jamie McBride and Todd Brown. Mrs. James McBride is den leader and Mrs. Lynn Sturm, assistant leader.

FROM THE ELKTON ADVANCE FILES

51 YEARS AGO

JAN. 9, 1936

The Elkton Independent basketball team will start the season when they take on Marlette Thursday, Jan. 16.

Friendship class of the Elkton Methodist Sunday School held a class party Saturday evening in the church house, beginning with a potluck supper.

44 YEARS AGO

JAN. 14, 1943

Dist. Supt. Gordon Philip of the Port Huron District of the Methodist Church, informed Clarence A. Mayhew, trustee of the Elkton Methodist Church, that he had assigned Rev. Ellis Hart of Capac to the Elkton and Grant charges.

Huron County's "Share The Ride" plan established by the County Council of Defense as part of the tire conservation program, is now in operation.

Elkton High School basketball team lost its first game in six starts to Bad Axe on the local court Friday evening, by the score of 30-27.

37 YEARS AGO

JAN. 12, 1950

A family gathering quietly celebrated the 50th wedding

anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George Alexander at a dinner in their home Sunday, Jan. 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Coote entertained 30 friends and neighbors Sunday evening in honor of Mrs. Coote's

mother, Mrs. Mary Jerome, on her 94th birthday.

Leon Bixler was elected president of the Elkton

Young Farmers class which was organized recently with 25 members.

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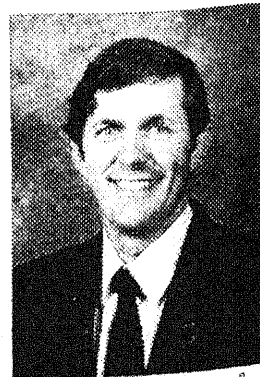


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Pictured at right are bingo workers who were awarded with plaques for their efforts. From left is LaVern Chiotti, a bingo worker and Past Grand Knight, Brian

Power, who heads up Bingo and Russ Peters, Bingo caller.

COMMUNITY CAMERA PHOTOS



HAPPY

100TH!

There aren't TOO many people fortunate enough to enjoy a full century of living, but Pigeonite Emma (Haist) Wing is one of them!

She celebrated her birthday, Dec. 28 with a family dinner and Open House for 172 people at St. Francis Borgia Hall, Pigeon.

Her parents were born in Canada and moved to Michigan when Emma was five years old. She lived on a farm in Huron County and married Daniel Wing on July 9, 1908. Together they lived in Huron County for all of their married life. Her husband passed away Sept. 9, 1932, and Mrs. Wing has three living children, Idella Jacket of Pigeon, Ray Wing of Sebawaing and Archie Wing of Port Austin.

One step-daughter, four stepsons, one daughter and two sons, four sisters and four brothers predeceased her.

She is a member of Salem United Methodist Church, Pigeon.



Baptism

Kayla Nicole Stein, infant daughter of John and Barb Stein of Gagetown, was baptized Sunday, Dec. 7 at St. Agatha Catholic Church, Gagetown.

Father Julius Spleet and Sister Nancy Aoyte officiated for the godchild of Marlene Woloszyk of Richmond and Jerold Stein of Pigeon.

A buffet luncheon celebrated the occasion at the home of Kayla's parents. A baptismal cake was made by the infant's aunt, Carol Stein.

NOTICE TO VILLAGE OF PIGEON RESIDENTS

The last day to register to vote in the Primary Election to be held on Monday, February 16, 1987, is January 19, 1987. Persons wishing to register may do so at the Village Clerk's office during regular business hours.

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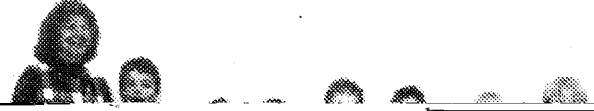
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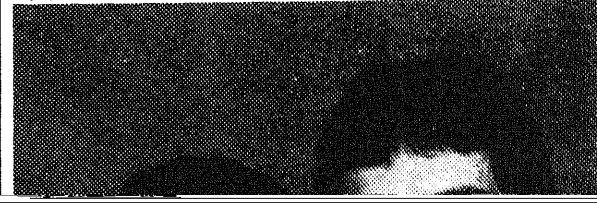
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SHOWER POWER — The students of Elkton Elementary School teachers Mrs. Colleen Krohn and Mrs. Faith Deming got together to celebrate the upcoming births of their teachers' babies with a Double Shower on Dec. 15. Both mothers-to-be were presented with pink and blue hand-tied quilts with the signatures of each student on the back. Cookies and punch followed the gift-opening.

PHOTOS FURNISHED



Ann Kersten to wed David Smiley



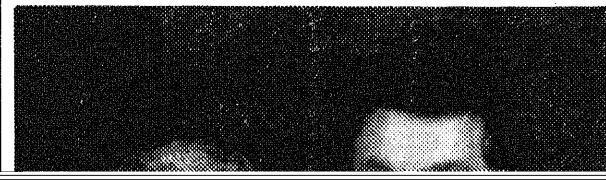
Club news

OWENDALE WOMAN'S CLUB

The Owendale Woman's Club held its Christmas meeting on Monday in the Village Hall, to pack fruit boxes for 18 members of the community.

A short business meeting was called to order by President Linda Roe with

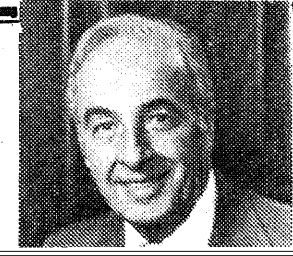
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animal crackers. I'd love to be able to give them each a box from time to time. We meet on



because at the time he was drinking three quarts of milk a day and insisted that's where he got all his energy. However, I finally convinced him to try it for a month. The change was so dramatic after the first month that he continued until it was all cleared

TED'S PLACE: CO-OPERATIVE ELEVATOR CO.

Recent rapid growth has created state's largest co-op elevator

EDITOR'S NOTE: Ted Leipprandt of the Co-op Elevator is known by many local folks as a volunteer, a worker, a good family man -- and an all-around nice guy.

Thumb Area people aren't the only ones who feel that way, apparently. MICHIGAN FARMER Magazine chose the Pigeon native as one of its two "Agribusinessmen of the Year" for 1986, as the enclosed story and photo from the July 5, 1986 issue show.

Special thanks to MF Editor Dick Lehnert for sharing these with Progress-Advance readers:



A farm community that has a strong local cooperative elevator should be "different" from one that does not. How might it be different? Would it be a noticeable difference?

Try this example. During the State Farm Management Tour in Gratiot County in 1983, a farmer in the crowd raised his hand to ask this question of one of the farm hosts. "This looks like cash grain country," he said. "But where are the grain storages? Where are the grain driers?"

The local farmer pointed across the fields and replied: "Over there." In the distance, we could see the tall silos of B & W Cooperative.

This year, in our search for candidates for Michigan Farmer's Agribusinessmen of the Year Awards, the name of B & W's general manager, Ron Stebbins, came up, and that example came to mind.

So we took a closer look. And, as we did, we found that other communities, too, have been greatly affected by top quality cooperative elevators. In the Thumb, for example, Cooperative Elevator Company, Pigeon, stands out.

So this year, as our Agribusinessmen of the Year, we are naming two. They are Ted Leipprandt, general manager of Cooperative Elevator Company, Pigeon, and Ron Stebbins, general manager, B & W Cooperative, Breckenridge.

The Michigan Farmer awards honoring agribusinessmen are now in their fourth year. When they were created, the intent was to recognize outstanding individuals who, while not farmers themselves, made farmers' lives better because of their work in their farm-related businesses.

This year's recipients uphold that tradition. It is undoubtedly true that the birth of cooperatives is in the hands of visionary farmer leaders. And good boards of directors—farmers involved in making policy—help them keep growing and reposing to farmer need. But the general manager? He's the one who keeps them financially attractive, competitive and, in the long run, solvent. He makes it run, day to day. And he's the real front-line public relations man whose actions decide whether membership will rise or fall, whether the co-op will gain farmers' trust and, ultimately, loyalty.

As the following two articles attest, Stebbins and Leipprandt have steered their large ships through some difficult times. Not only have they survived, they've been able to throw lifelines to others.

It would be nice to think that farmers who work within a cooperative enterprise live in a less harsh world than the rugged individualists who must provide for all their own needs, make all their own decisions.

It's hard to go it alone. The farmer who has a membership in a strong cooperative knows he has advisors he can trust. Knows that the prices he pays are fair and reasonable. Knows that no one is making excessive profits at his expense. Knows that the counsel he receives is not given to entice or trap him. Knows he has access to things, like grain driers and storage, that he might not be able to afford on his own farm.

And there is comfort in working together. The following articles suggest that, and perhaps help explain why Gratiot and Huron Counties have always had just a mite special reputations as farm communities.

BY DICK LEHNERT

Tall and soft spoken, Ted Leipprandt inspires confidence. He makes it seem as if managing the state's largest cooperative elevator isn't all that tough.

That, says Gerald Elenbaum, president of the board of directors of Co-operative Elevator Co., is probably what makes him a good manager. "He never feels threatened," Elenbaum said. "He can accept ideas from anybody and run with them. And he can relinquish responsibilities. It doesn't threaten him to delegate."

"He knows what a co-op is supposed to do and how it's supposed to work. And farmers trust him."

Elenbaum, a cash cropper and livestock feeder who's been on the

board for 15 years, calls Ted "an excellent leader. He's forever putting out feelers." There is no shortage of ideas in Pigeon, Elenbaum said, and the whole team—directors and all levels of management—share in the sense of achievement.

Part of the secret of elevator management success has to be in being fundamentally conservative dealing with other people's grain. A lot of elevators have taught their customers this the hard way. In Pigeon, they take no risks. "You know your costs and offer the best price you can. And you keep hedged, keep your position covered, every day," Leipprandt said.

In areas like bean marketing, where risk is unavoidable and there is no Chicago Board of Trade contract, you exert strong leadership so farmers get the best price they can and don't sell unwise.

You hire good people so you always know that everything's in order.

So it all feels quite natural. After all, you were born and raised on a farm but four miles from the elevator you now manage.

Leipprandt has been with the Co-operative Elevator Co. of Pigeon since 1958, when he joined up as a field man testing soil and making fertilizer recommendations to members. In 1974, he became general manager, a position he has held since.

In recent years, he has led the co-op during a period of rapid growth and some name changes.

"Until 1980, we were the Pigeon Co-operative Elevator," he said. "That year we bought the elevator at Akron. It was the first year of the Mexican bean contract and we needed a place to handle black beans." The name was changed to the Co-operative Elevator Company of Pigeon.

In 1982, the elevator at Elkton was purchased. And in 1985, a merger was made with the Sebawaing Farmers Cooperative, with which there was a large membership overlap. After that merger, the name was changed to the Co-operative Elevator Co.

More than just the named changed, Co-operative Elevator Co. emerged as the biggest elevator in Michigan, attuned to member service and leadership in the industry.

The challenge "Co-ops today face some tough conditions," Leipprandt said. "As times get tougher, the short term becomes more important. Farmers can't always afford to look at the long-term value of a cooperative."

"We keep reminding people of the value of co-ops, of the roots, of what the co-op meant to their fathers and grandfathers. But it still comes down to the bottom line. We must be competitive and we must be profitable at the same time." Part of the way it's done is by offering opportunity that might not exist elsewhere. The elevator has taken the lead in finding markets for "up-graded" products. One is in up-graded oats. While oats aren't a big deal, perhaps, they're usually worth 20 cents a bushel more at Co-operative Elevator Co.

A few years back, the co-op began an oat upgrading program, producing a uniform, dust-free white oat for folks in the foible-laden race horse business. The oats are graded for length, clipped of part of their fibrous coat, and fanned until they're dust-free. These oats are shipped east, where they sell for eight or nine cents a pound instead of three.

The co-op is also working on a similar program with upgraded, or

over-grade, light red kidney beans.

On a more significant scale, the co-op is the state's largest dry bean marketer, and what it does in price leadership makes a difference.

"We're members of Valley Marketing, which we helped start in 1978," Leipprandt said. In fact, he and Ron Stebbins at B & W Cooperative were the leading figures in the creation of that bean marketing co-op. That co-op now sells 35% of Michigan's dry bean crop.

"One of the major problems in marketing," Leipprandt observed, "is that farmers want to sell quickly when prices start to fall. This usually drives the price down." It seems to also assure that farmers are more likely to hit the bottom of the market than the top in their selling.

Last year, to help in that area, Co-operative Elevator started a navy bean pool in addition to its other marketing services. "The bean pool eliminates this quick sell when the market doesn't want beans," he said. Farmers get a part of the payment when they deliver the beans in the fall, but they delegate the selling to the co-op.

A brand name The co-ops also developing a brand name, North Country, under which it sells seeds produced by about 20 members who are foundation and certified seed growers. The seed processing and bagging plant is a co-op enterprise, and the co-op also sells the seeds for the members.

North Country is also the name on those upgraded oats.

Leipprandt says he thinks brand names may be the way to go. But, he adds, you have to be careful where you go.

Why not do further processing of dry beans, for example? That question is often asked. Why doesn't Michigan, which produces so many beans, do any processing beyond bagging them?

"If we processed all the beans we sell, we'd be the biggest bean canner in the United States by twice," Leipprandt said. "Would that really be the best way to invest our farmers' money? If we would process on a smaller scale, we would compete with those processors to whom we sell the rest of our beans. That's not good business either."

It's better to stick to things you do well, he says.

That means offering services close to what farmers need for their operations.

1,150 members The co-op has 1,150 members. To become a member, you have to do a certain dollar volume of business for two years. Then, you may buy one \$50 share of common stock, which gives you a vote.

Every customer shares in patronage refunds according to the volume of business each does with

the co-op, whether they are members or not. The policy has been to pay 40% in cash, the rest in allocated patronage payable in a 10-year revolvment. The co-op is up to date on that.

"We offer a 4% discount for cash. That applies to all who pay by the 15th of the following month. Those who miss payment get one warning letter. They must pay by the 31st if they are not to go on a cash-only basis."

The elevator does everything it can for its members' convenience. At the fueling station, an automatic self-serve dispensing system that works 24 hours a day, using the member's ID card, will soon be put into service.

The co-op ID card gets used at all receiving plants, too, where deliveries are much speeded and accuracy enhanced. The card, carrying the member's name and other information, is used to imprint scale tickets.

Earning loyalty All in all, Leipprandt thinks his co-op has made its mark on the community and earned the confidence of its members. As in Breckenridge, it is noticeable that grain driers and grain storage are at the co-op, not on the farms.

"We built to stay ahead of the farmers," Leipprandt said. "We think long lines are an insult to our customers."

"Many of our customers don't even shop around," he added. "They're convinced that our price is the best, or that they're going to buy from the co-op anyway. Farmers from this area will call up and say, 'I'm going to plant 200 acres of corn this year. Order my chemicals for me.' In some situations where the co-op hasn't yet gained the customer's confidence, they'll call and say, 'What's your price?'"

After the merger last year, Leipprandt's title went from general manager to chief executive officer. The management team took on vice-presidential titles. Wes Edington is VP-retail. John Williamson is VP-operations. John Kohr is VP-marketing. Bill Boyle is vice-president for finance.

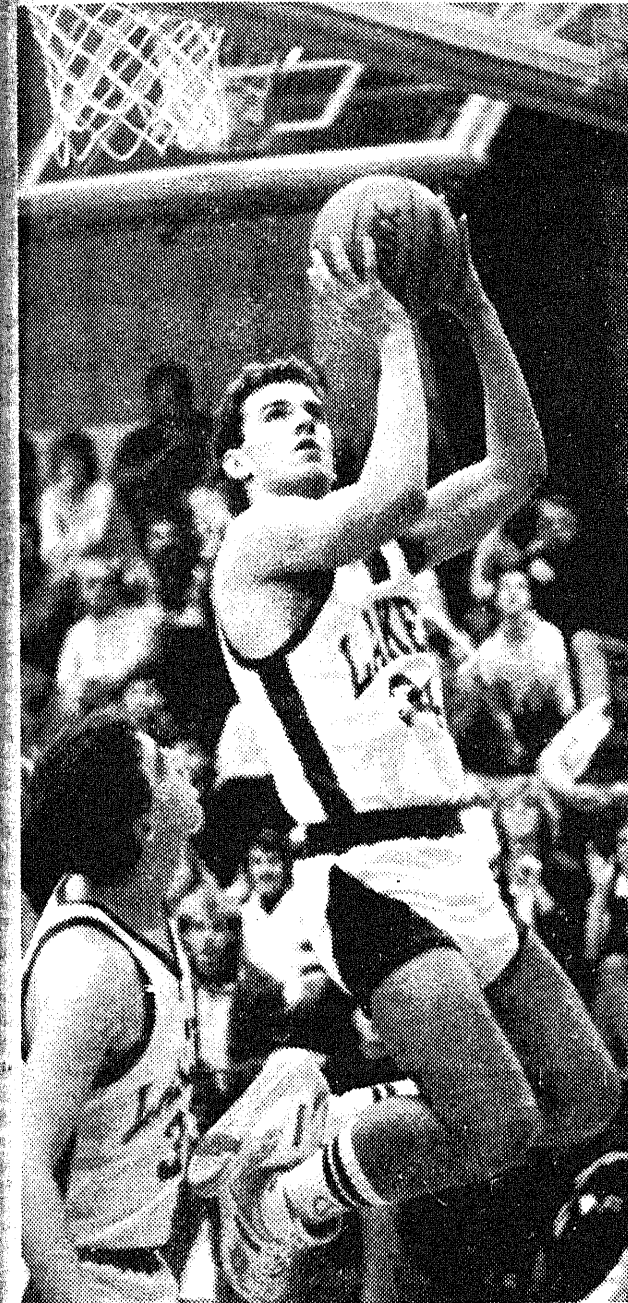
Boyle and Leipprandt work closely together to create a continuously updated five-year plan. "It's our 'bible,'" Leipprandt said. "This year, we look back as far as 1982 and as far ahead as 1990. We set up a budget and spread sheets and plan everything as well as we are able."

Perhaps good testimony to what life is like at Co-operative Elevator is this: One of Ted's sons, Jeff, now works for the co-op as a farm consultant. Ted and wife Peg have four adult children. When not working with grain and beans, Ted's hobby is fruit. He manages a three-acre orchard, "just to keep a toe in farming."

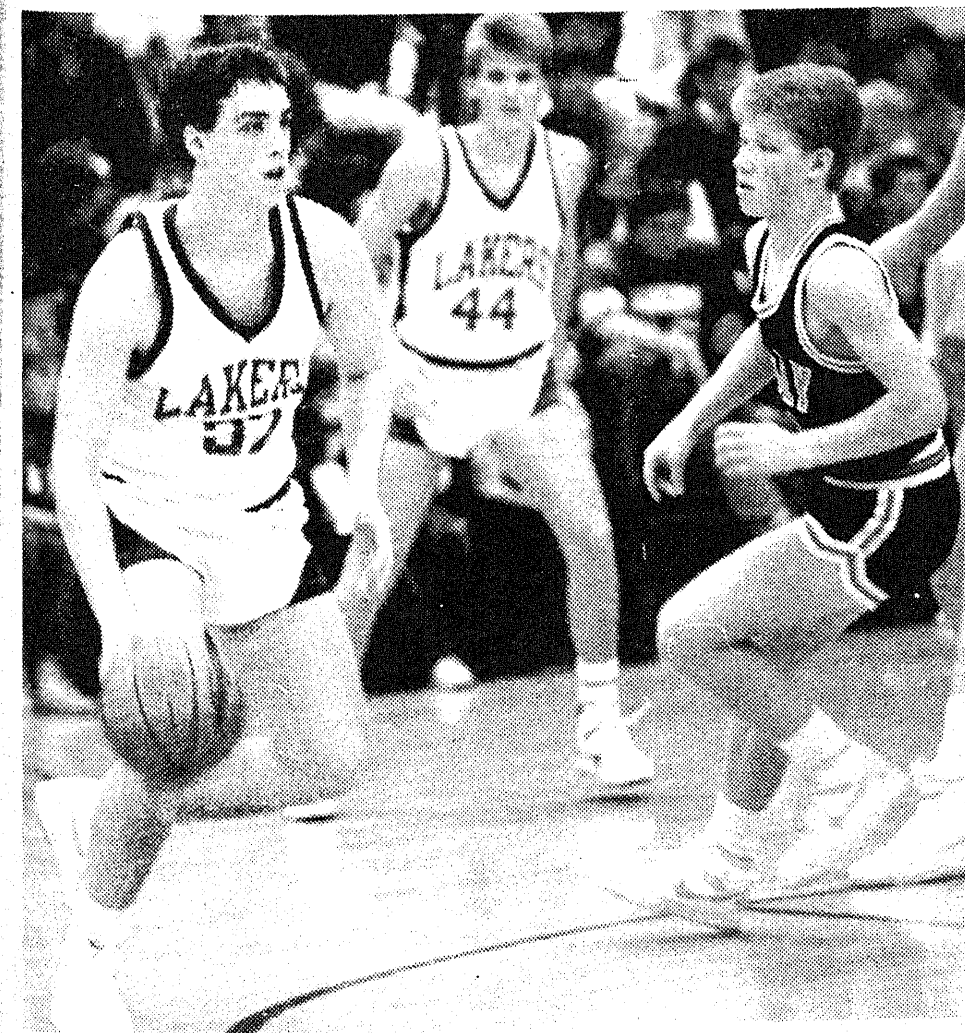
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sports of the week

Lakers edge Bearcats in holiday hoop thriller



FLYING HIGH: Laker Tom Beer leaps for the basket with two of his 18 points despite an Ubyly defense designed to prevent him from scoring.



PRESSURE RELIEF: Laker senior Jim Warren, with ball, and sophomore Kendall Wertz, center, each hit double digits to take some pressure off top Laker scorer Tom Beer.

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER Ubyly suffered its own version of the post-holiday blues in a 62-59 defeat at the hands of the Laker basketball team last Tuesday on the Bearcats' home floor.

Ubyly Coach Fred Ligrow blamed a case of third quarter blahs for Ubyly's loss of momentum in the second half after leading, 35-30 at the intermission.

"We played passive defense and didn't attack on offense. We're lucky it was only a three-point game the way we played that third quarter," Ligrow said.

The Laker squad took advantage of the Ubyly mental lapse to narrow the margin to 44-44 going into the final stanza, but more importantly seized the momentum for the remainder of the game.

Paul Elenbaum hit a short jumper just seconds into the fourth quarter to give Lakers the lead and the team didn't trail again in the contest.

CLOSING IN: Ubyly battled back from a 59-53 deficit in the final minutes to cut the lead to 60-57 at :26. Laker sophomore Kendall Wertz, however, sealed the Bearcat's fate by hitting both ends of a one-and-one just two seconds later.

Both teams lit up the scoreboard early with few rebounds to fight over. The holiday lull didn't affect the shooting touch of players as the ball anything aimed at the basket seemed to fall at both ends of the floor.

The Bearcats posted a

19-18 first quarter lead and stretched the margin to nine points midway through the second quarter. A full-court Laker press helped cut the lead to one point, but Ubyly hit two consecutive buckets just before the halftime buzzer.

LEADERS: Tom Beer led Laker scoring with 18 points, despite being constantly shadowed by a box-and-one Ubyly defense. Jim Warren hit 17 points and Kendall Wertz added 15 to take the scoring pressure off Beer.

Ubyly's 6'5" Joe O'Mara led all scoring with 30 points, while teammate Paul Mazure tallied 11.

"He's a tough player to stop. They're going to go him a lot," commented McLellan about O'Mara.

He also praised Warren, Wertz and Paul Elenbaum (eight points) for taking advantage of the Ubyly box-and-one defense aimed at cutting down Beer's scoring.

"That's what we're going to have to do or we'll see that box-and-one all the time," observed McLellan.

GENERALLY HAPPY: Except for a slight pressure letdown in the second half and some misses on key free throws, Ligrow said he was generally happy with his team's play.

"We rebounded well. We shot well. We played a good game. We just didn't hit the free throws at the end when we needed them," Ligrow said.

Ubyly was 5-9 from the free throw for 55%, while Lakers crained 12-17 for 70%.

Ligrow praised the Laker squad saying, "Lakers are a good ball club. We've been giving up 50 points all year and they scored 62 tonight."

JVs WIN: Mark Kretschmer scored 15 points and Tom Ziel added 10 (all in the first half) as the Laker junior varsity defeated Ubyly, 39-33.

FRESH WIN: Coach Joel Leipprandt's freshman team added to a Laker clean sweep over Ubyly with a 41-37 victory. Billy McLellan paced fresh scoring with 21 and Brian Bushey added 17.

V-ball tourney titles evade Lakers in early season play

The Laker volleyball team started off the season with some success in a pair of holiday tournaments, but bowed out before the championship game in each event.

Last Saturday at the Laker Invitational, the Green and White squad was eliminated in the first round of the elimination tournament by Unionville-Sebawaing by scores of 13-15 and 8-15.

Lakers earned a spot in the playoff by notching pool play victories over Millington (15-5, 15-12), Bullock Creek (15-5, 15-8), Cass City (15-2, 15-11) and Sandusky (15-4, 15-9). Lakers split with

Saginaw Eisenhower by scores of 14-16 and 16-14.

Laker Coach Francie Novar said her team was hot and cold during the tournament. She pointed to ineffective serving and inability to handle USA tipping as key factors in Laker's loss to USA.

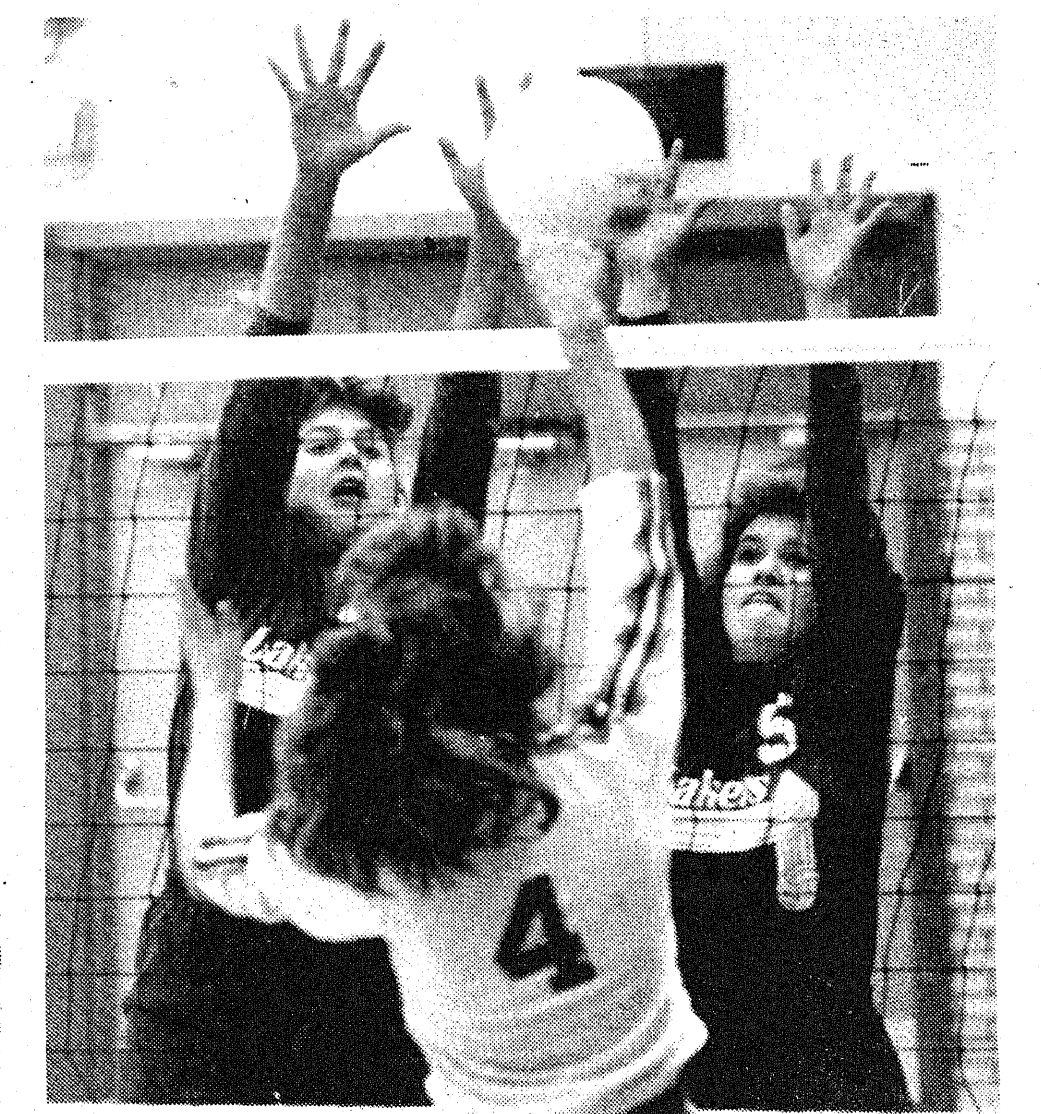
Saginaw Douglas MacArthur defeated Bay City All Saints in the finals to earn the Laker Invitational Championship.

Earlier in the week, Lakers advanced to the semi-finals of the Carrollton Tournament before being eliminated by Mount Pleasant on Jan. 3.

Lakers earned a perfect record in pool play with victories over Saginaw Arthur Hill (15-2, 15-3), New Lothrop (15-3, 15-8), Clio (15-3, 15-8) and Swan Valley (15-4, 15-12).

In the playoffs, Lakers defeated Bay City John Glenn (15-9, 15-8) and Freeland (15-9, 15-12) before bowing out.

The 10-2 Lakers will travel to the Portage Invitational this Saturday in search of more valuable experience before a rematch with USA on the Patriot court on Monday, Jan. 12.



BIG BLOCK: Laker spikers Julia Sturm, left, and Kristi Laceski, right, team up to block an attempted spike by Kelley Sebert of Millington.

Pigeon news

Mr. and Mrs. O.L. Eidt of Sand Point were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Eidt of Sebawaing at a family Christmas dinner on Sunday, Dec. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. O.L. Eidt spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. William Parker and family in Clawson. Mr. Eidt called on Lena Hedley in Pigeon on Thursday.

To My State Farm Life Policy-holders...

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TUESDAY: Spaghetti and meat sauce.

WEDNESDAY: Pancakes and sausage.

THURSDAY: Hot ham and cheese.

FRIDAY: Turkey rice soup, fishwich.

CROSS LUTHERAN

MONDAY: Macaroni and cheese, green beans/relishes, cherry dessert, bread and milk.

TUESDAY: Big Macs, fries, baked beans/relishes, applesauce, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Stew, lettuce salad, pineapple cake, bread, milk.

THURSDAY: Chicken/dressing, mashed potatoes, corn, bread, milk.

FRIDAY: Half day of school. No lunch.

WOODS and WATERS
By Duane Guenther

Move for perch

So it's plain and simple. If you want to catch more perch; get off your duff and start punching holes.

It starts in late December, amid crystal clear, freezing nights that tighten the ice on Saginaw Bay, and ends 2 or more months later — when the warm spring days turn the ice to honeycomb and the wind-driven waves break it into a floating jumbled mass. In between, souls, restless with cabin fever, prob the vast, white, desert-like environment of this great body of water in search of the elusive piscatorial species lurking beneath the frozen mantle.

The sport is misnamed "ice fishing", and annually, some non-fishing cartoonist will satirize the event by depicting a hapless, frozen-footed boob, sitting in front of an ice bucket in hopes of catching a cube or two. In reality, ice fishing, and in this area especially ice fishing for perch, is viewed by many as the ultimate winter sport.

Outdoor experts have lamented for years that there really is no art to the art of perch fishing through the ice. Moreover, its general appeal to fishermen of all ages, the easy access to fishing spots, and the low cost to outfit oneself for perch fishing tend to give onlookers the impression that all who participate are successful. To my knowledge, there is no greater misnomer in all of the outdoors.

Ice fishing for perch has its novices and experts, but along with this, it also has those who catch fish, and those who don't. And believe me, those that do are in much fewer numbers than those that don't. Since I am one of those who "don't", a couple of years ago I decided to do an indepth study on catching perch through the ice. The results, while not meeting the research criteria of statisticians, proved to me beyond a doubt that all successful ice fishermen have one thing in common, a wanderlust.

For my study, I selected 2, (without their knowledge) renowned perch fishermen; one is young, the other is old; one is wealthy, the other is relatively less wealthy, at least in relationship to the first. One hand makes all of his fishing gear, and sports the latest in clothes and other ice fishing paraphernalia, while the other fishes with a jumbled array of hand-me-downs and cast offs. Both are Russian hook fans and fish with 2 poles, making sure they keep at least one lure in the

water at all times. Each are also very secretive. Fishing away from the crowds, they keep their movement, when catching fish, to a minimum, therefore not telegraphing their success and not drawing an inquisitive crowd. And finally, (I'm positive this is the secret to success) they both are nomads on the ice; moving from spot to spot, punching hundreds of holes, or fishing someone else's, until they locate the perch.

Biologists tell us that perch, generally all of the same size, form schools and swim in search of food. When you are lucky enough to get a school below you the action can be furious, and your results rewarding. The secret to perch fishing therefore, is to get over one of these schools. This can be done 2 ways. One, you spud a hole through the ice and settle down to wait for the fish to swim by. Most ice fishermen use this method. The other, is to spud a hole and fish it for 5 minutes, no longer if you are not getting any bites, and then move to a new location and spudding another hole, fish for 5 minutes more.

One of the main reasons that so few people use this last, but most effective method, is that it is just plain hard work. A snowmobile and a power auger will make the job much easier, but many of the experts, my 2 research guinea pigs included, feel that while the perch is not a particularly wary fish, the noise and commotion of these mechanized marvels will send them finning away.

So it's plain and simple. If you want to catch more perch, get off your duff and start punching holes. The more holes you fish, the greater your chances of catching the wily perch.

As for me, I don't like ice fishing in the first place, so if you find anything in this article that will help you catch more fish; drop off any excess at my place — filled if you please ...

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January 28, 7:30 p.m.—DECKERVILLE COMM. SCHOOL Library

January 29, 1987, 7:30 p.m.—PECK-ELK TOWNSHIP HALL

NEW TOURS FOR 1987

January 31: THE BUTLER DID IT-Film

February 8-12: LAS VEGAS

February 27 & 28: MYSTERY TOUR

March 9-13: LAS VEGAS

March 11-26: THE HEART OF TEXAS

March 14: ICE CAPADES

March 19: BUILDERS HOME FURNISHING-FLOWER SHOW

April 1: EVITA: Birmingham Theatre

April 4-12: STARS OF THE LAWRENCE WELK SHOW

April 3-12: GOLDEN ISLES OF GEORGIA

May 16-30: IRELAND-ENGLAND-SCOTLAND-WALES

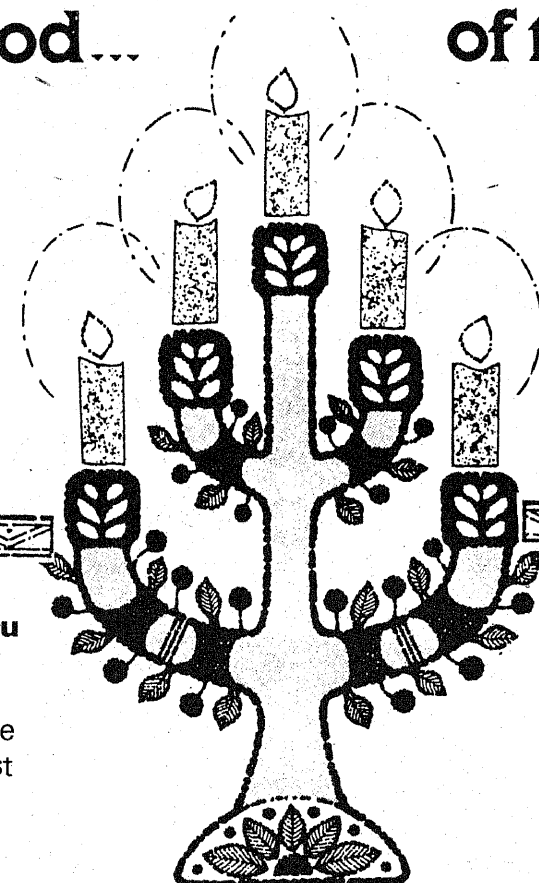
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MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS Week of December 29

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JUDGMENTS OF DIVORCE Sandra L. Schramski vs. Dale A. Schramski Cindy Sue Smukala vs. Keith Edward Smukala

ASSUMED NAMES NO. 4298 MORGAN AUTO SALES, 3015 W. Kinde Rd., Kinde, MI 48445. By: David R. Morgan, 3010 Linwick Rd., Kinde, MI 48445. Filed: 12/26/86

CO-PARTNERSHIPS NO. 815 MEINHOLD LAND PARTNER-SHIP, 1811 S. Van Dyke, Bad Axe, MI 48413. By: Richard Meinhold, Bad Axe:

MORE COURT NEWS ON PAGE 21 OF THIS EDITION!

NOTICE TO MCKINLEY TOWNSHIP TAXPAYERS:

I will collect taxes at my home, located at 8457 Richmond Road on Fridays, December through January.

G. Wayne Henne Township Treasurer

Pigeon District Library

LIBRARY HOURS

The Pigeon District Library will be open 30 hours per week, effective Jan. 1, 1987.

New hours are Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR

The theme for the Jan. 13 Story Hour will be "Fairy Tales" with the stories "The Story of the Bremen Town Musicians," "Thumbelina" and "Hansel and Gretel." Exercises, fingerplays and songs are part of the activities for the children. Also planned are a special filmstrip and a flannelgraph story.

Children from age three to five are invited to attend Story Hour at either the 9 or 10:30 a.m. session. Annual registration is required.

CHECK THIS OUT!

Books are still our main line of business, but today's libraries offer so much more.

Many lend slide projectors and film projectors, videotapes and 16mm films. Most have a reference hot line to answer questions. Others lend children's toys and art prints.

Now you can even check out an instant camera from the library. The Pigeon District Library has cameras on loan for use at home, on vacation or at school. It is a Polaroid Sun 660 Autofocus Instant Land Camera.

SENIOR CITIZENS FILM FESTIVAL

Senior citizens are invited to the monthly film festival each third Friday of the month (note the change from Thursday) at 1:30 p.m. in the community room of the Pigeon District Library. Films set for Jan. 16 in-

clude "Island of the Tradewinds," a 24-minute film that follows the tradewinds that led Captain Bligh and Cook to their discovery of the indescribable loveliness of the South Seas, "Scandinavia," a 25-minute travelogue and "Spirit of the Wind," a 26-minute film about sailboat racing on inland lakes.

ADULT COFFEE HOUR

Mrs. Barbara Neuman, Huron County Extension Home Economist, will be guest speaker at the Tuesday, Jan. 20 Coffee Hour Program at the Pigeon District Library. She will present "Take Heart in the Kitchen," a talk on how to reduce fat in your diet. The first session will be conducted at 9 a.m. and the second one at 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Story Hour sessions are conducted at the same time as the Coffee Hour. The public is invited to attend the Coffee Hour.

TAX FORMS AVAILABLE

Michigan Individual Income Tax forms are now available at the Pigeon District Library. Many federal income tax forms are also available, free of charge.

The library also has audiocassettes and videocassettes from the Internal Revenue Service available to help patrons prepare their federal income tax forms.

NEW FEE FOR STORY HOUR

The Pigeon District Library will charge \$4.00 per family for the 1986-87 year of Preschool Story Hour, effective Jan. 1. Starting July 1, a charge of \$5.00 per family will be made for the 1987-88 year.

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PLEDGE PAYOFF!

Pigeon District Library recently received the final payment in the \$1,000 pledge from Pigeon PTC to the library. The pledge, spread out over three years, was fulfilled by money raised from bottle drives by Pigeon Elementary students.

P.D. Librarian Roberts Richmond, back left, accepts the final installment of the pledge from Pigeon PTC President Linda Keefer. Looking on are Pigeon Fourth Grade teacher Jeannine Ehrlich and her hard-working students.

The pledge to Pigeon District Library was made in recognition of the value of the facilities used by many of the Pigeon Elementary classes.



Lake-Chandler news

Helping Frank and Lydia Ross celebrate their 62nd wedding anniversary on Christmas Eve and guests on Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Saylor of Grand Blanc, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Saylor III and children Ian, Sara, Katie, Emily and Mrs. Paul Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ross and Angela of Mt. Morris, PFC and Mrs. George Brown of Alabama, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Eimers and children Andrea, Lee and Beth Ann of Unionville, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad McIlhargie of Elkton, Mr. and Mrs. Delos Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Karl and sons John and Andrew and Lana Harris and Willeta Ferguson of Caseville. They received calls from another son, Frankie of Pennsylvania, from a daughter, Erlene and Jay of Esty and John Saylor of Connecticut.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Dell and sons Rick and Brice spent the holidays with their daughter Tammy and Cliff Cook of Union Lake. They all were Christmas Eve guests of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Himmel in Royal Oak.

YOUR PROGRESS-ADVANCE covers Gotti's Corner too! Call 453 2331 for delivery

Postal exam set

SAGINAW — Applications for an examination for the position of rural carrier for Area 2 of US Postal Service will be available starting January 12, and closing date for applying for an examination will be at the close of business at 4:30 pm Friday, January 16.

Area 2 Post Offices are at Pigeon, Sebawaing, Unionville, Bay Port, Elkton, Akron, Caro, Caseville, Cass City, Clifftord, Deford, Fairgrove, Frankenmuth, Gagetown, Kingstun, Mayville, Millington, Owendale, Reese and Vassar.

The examination will establish a register of eligibles for future hire in Area 2, according to T. Gary DeVar, MSC manager/postmaster of Saginaw. The examination may be taken only once for each hiring area, and only one application per individual may be filed for the entire area. General age requirement is 18 years of age with no maximum age limit.

Local news

Holiday visitors of Dale and Carol Reilly were Mrs. Anne Schultz of Port Hope, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Schultz of St. Clair Shores, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Schultz of Albuquerque, N.M.

On Sunday, Dec. 28 a family get-together was held at the Reilly home with Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Reilly of Livonia, Andy Reilly of Huntington Woods, Mr. and Mrs. George Munger and George of St. Clair Shores, Mr. and Mrs. Dan DiCristofaro of Burnsville, Minn., Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Gietzen of Macomb Twp., Mr. and Mrs. Larry Zatkoff and son of St. Clair Shores, Patrick and Mark Reilly of Elkton and Colleen Reilly and John Chagnon of Port Austin and Matt Reilly of Port Austin.

When the items were sold, nobody else wanted the picture, so she bought it for just a few pennies. Taking it home, she began to clean it and polish the glass. As she took it apart, a paper fell out.

It was the man's will. In it he stated that all his wealth should go to the one who loved his son enough to cherish and obtain that picture. The legacy of heaven and

Parents to hear Mitin about drugs

A drug awareness seminar for all interested parents will be offered on Thursday, Jan. 22 from 7-8 p.m. in Laker Junior High Library.

Dennis Mitin of Huron County Mental Health Department's substance abuse program will provide individuals with facts about drugs, according to Laker Junior High Counselor Todd Bigger.

For more information on the meeting, contact Bigger at Laker Junior High by calling 453-3131.

Sixty Seconds Legacy of love

READ JOHN 14:15-26

If a man love Me, he will keep My words; and My Father will love him. John 14:23

The story is told of a wealthy man who lost his wife when their only child was young.

A housekeeper was hired to take care of the boy, who lived only into his teens.

Heart-broken from this second loss, the father died a short time later.

No will could be found, and since there were no relatives, it looked as if the state would get his fortune.

The man's personal effects, including his mansion, were put up for sale.

The old housekeeper had very little money, but there was one thing she wanted.

It was a picture that had hung on a wall in the house. The photo was of the boy she had loved and nurtured.

When the items were sold, nobody else wanted the picture, so she bought it for just a few pennies.

Taking it home, she began to clean it and polish the glass. As she took it apart, a paper fell out.

It was the man's will. In it he stated that all his wealth should go to the one who loved his son enough to cherish and obtain that picture. The legacy of heaven and

the inexhaustible riches of God's love belong to all who trust and love His Son.

Those who humbly acknowledge their sinfulness, look to Christ as Savior, and freely give Him their love will themselves never be separated from a fathomless love!

Lord, keep us over in Your boundless love. AMEN.

Prayer Meal set next Wednesday

The Elkton Prayer Breakfast will conduct its Wednesday, Jan. 14 meeting at the Elkton Civic Center at 9 a.m.

Guest speaker will be Rev. Larry Brooks of Trinity United Methodist Church, Sebawaing. Leading praise and worship will be Debi Ackerman.

Free child care is available at the Elkton United Methodist Church. All area women are invited.

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Lake-Chandler news

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McBride and family of Tawas spent several days with their grandparents, Fred and Mona McBride. Other Christmas guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dennis McBride and children Gretchen and Garrett of Caseville. Friday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hill and family, Laura and Traci of Clarkston.

Mrs. Nellie Kreh, Mr. and Mrs. William Gotts, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Gotts, and children Marcie, Nathan and Ashley were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Turner and family of Deckerville. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Er-

rer and family Ray, Kami and Keri of Elkton, Mr. and Mrs. John Dallas and daughter Nichole of Ruth.

Spending several days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Snider were Mr. and Mrs. Al Wenzel and sons Aaron and Matthew of Freeport, Ill. and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Amiss of East Lansing, celebrating with a Christmas dinner Saturday evening.

During the holiday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. William McBride and Fred were Mr. and Mrs. Bill (Dana) McBride and children Rocky and Tracy, Barbara and Don Bruce and sons Justin, Mat-

thew and Timothy of Elkton, David and Sheila McBride and son Ryan, Bad Axe and Heather McBride.

Spending the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo McIlhargie were Cyril of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Brown and son Cullen of Grand Blanc and Pam of Saginaw.

Dr. and Mrs. James Carter and sons Jimmy and Jeff of Kalamazoo were Christmas weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Heckroth. Christmas guests were Mr. and Mrs. Alan Heckroth and family of Caseville, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Witzke of Port Austin.

Spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kuhl, were Mr. and Mrs. John Steiner and children Susan, Michael and Sherri of Port Wayne. They were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Elenbaum of Mayville.

Larry Gross of Belleville spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gross. Christmas guests were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gross and children Tiffany, Tara, Trevor and Troy of Essexville, Ron Gross of Port Hope, Diane Gross and friend of Bad Axe, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Gross and children Adam and Sara, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Gross and sons David and Scott of Caseville.

Beatrice Stange of Bay City spent a week with her sister and husband, Walter and Alice Bedford.

Carol Young of Detroit spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rae Young. Other Christmas guests were Mr. and Mrs. Rae Young of Columbiaville, Mr. and Mrs. Don Young, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Edler and Kyle of Pigeon, Mr. and Mrs. Don Young, Jr. of East Lansing.

Dr. and Mrs. Stephen Beede and sons Joe and Gordon

By MILDRED BALLAGH

News that counts

from HURON COUNTY

MARCH
 March 9 - MEA/NEA vs Caro Community Schools, bench/civil, 3 days.
 March 16 - Brandt vs Volmering, jury-civil, 3 days; Walsh vs Candell, jury-civil, 2 days; Ruhl Farmers Elevator vs Van Sickle, jury-civil, 2 days; Erbisch vs Thada, jury-civil, 3 days.
 March 18 - Divorce Trials: Edwards vs

Edwards, 1 day; White vs White, 1 day; Cubitt vs Cubitt, 1 day; Hey vs Hey, 1 day; Woolner vs Woolner, 1 day.
 March 23 - Gornowicz vs Michigan Chemical Company, jury-civil, 6 weeks; Messing vs Michigan Chemical Company, jury-civil, 6 weeks; Chappel vs Michigan Chemical Company, jury-civil, 6 weeks; Elkton Co-op vs Chappel, jury-civil, 6 weeks; Tetreau vs Elenbaum, jury-civil, 1 week; Bender vs Swartz, jury-civil, 1 week.
 March 30 - Poirier vs Johnson, jury-civil, 3 days; Atkins vs Thumb Adver-

Area OUTDOORS

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service recently showed its fangs when it comes to illegal baiting during waterfowl season. In a recent Midwest case, a judge found 21 individuals and 2 hunting clubs guilty of hunting waterfowl over bait. As a result the hunters lost their hunting privileges for 3 years, the clubs were closed down for 2 years and more than \$5,000 in fines were assessed.

Last year's spring turkey hunt was the most successful on record, and yet, the DNR recently announced they will offer 1,000 more permits, and open more land for this year's hunt. To hunt turkey in Michigan, hunters must have a permit. The application deadline is February 1, and are available from license dealers plus some DNR offices. A hunter must pay \$9.85 for a hunting license and \$3 for an application. If the hunter is unsuccessful in the draw, the \$9.85 will be refunded. During last year's spring turkey hunt, 2,361 gobblers were bagged.

Ice fishing got on the upswing during the past week. Perch began hitting along the shore with a better than average regularity. However, the size continued to be small, and anglers had to work to find them. Meanwhile, on the other side of Saginaw Bay, fishermen are really getting into Walleyes. Both tip-ups and jigging have been successful, with fish in the 3-pound range being the average. Fishermen have long tried to figure out the reason for the absence of Walleyes on this side of the Bay during the winter. Some say the normal migratory pattern is in a counterclockwise direction which takes them to the Charity Islands during the fall and then they continue down the west side of the Bay during winter, to be positioned at the river mouths near Bay City during the early spring. Whatever the reason, most anglers consider themselves very lucky to hit a Walleye during ice fishing season.

BOWLING

MONDAY MAJOR

Bay Shore Collision 7
 George's Bar 5
 Pigeon Motor Sales 5
 J & B Pigs 4
 Pigeon Lanes 4
 Bay Shore Realty 4
 Walsh Packing 4
 J.O. Wurst Tiling 3
 Brighton Metal 3
 Damm's Inc. 2
 Qwik Stop 2
 Millers 2
 High team scores: George's Bar 2703 (958-905), Walsh Packing 2644 (936-858-850), J. O. Wurst Tiling 2488 (892), Millers 2485 (870), Bay Shore Collision 2461, Pigeon Motors 880, Roger Koch 585 (244), N. Benitez 558, B. Anthes 555 (204), V. Smith 551, S. Schulze 209, R. Fluegge 209, R. Gunden 208, T. Kula 206, T. Koch 203, D. Parrish 201.

GUY'S and DOLLS
 Gunden-Rapson 36
 Elbing-Roestel 32
 Roestel-Strauch 26
 Christner-Henne 24
 Kretzschmer-Thiel 23
 Heintz-Hundersmarck 23
 Cusimano-McCrimmons 23
 Krohn-McCrimmons 23
 Dunn-Seemann 22
 Dubs-Smith 20 1/2
 Dietzel-Elenbaum 19
 Beachy-Weidman 16
 High team scores: Beachy-Weidman 2341 (800), Christner-Henne 813.
 High individual scores: MEN - D. Dietzel 567 (204), D. Parrish 564 (234), L. Smith 552 (212), J. Gunden 546, H. Weidman 526 (202), L. Roestel 520, J. Dunn 518, D. Rapson 517, R. Elbing 515; WOMEN - E. Gunden 519 (200-184), B. Heintz 504 (193), A. Dubs 475, J. Beachy 471, J. Kretzschmer 462 (203).
 Splits: 5-6 G. Smith; 9-10 E. McCrimmon; 5-10 L. Morin, M. Roestel, J. Kretzschmer; 4-5 R. Seemann; 3-5-10 R. Thiel; 2-7 R. Elbing; 3-10 M. Caverly, E. Beachy, D. Cusimano, D. Strauch (2), Turkey Winners: Heintz-Hundersmarck 2343 (809).

TUESDAY CLASSIC LEAGUE

Ralph's Tavern 12
 Dutch Kettle 11
 Steinman Agency 10
 Osentoski Ford Tractor 9
 Kretzschmer HC 9
 Arlen's Duck Inn 9
 Coors 8
 Pigeon Lumber 8
 Active Feed 7
 Pioneer Cablevision 5
 Bob Smith Builders 4
 Pigeon Inn 4
 High team scores: Arlen's Duck Inn 2673 (907-893-873), Pioneer Cablevision 2575 (920-867), Dutch Kettle 2505 (888), Ralph's Tavern 2478 (884), Coors 866.
 High individual scores: M. Albrecht 586 (213-201), M. Bergman 584 (224), H. Schuette 575 (227-201), J. Gunden 564 (216), D. Schulz 557, R. Elbing 554 (246), L. Smith 542 (210), T. Eckel 205, R. Snider 203, J. Lackie 200.

FRIDAY NIGHT MENS' LEAGUE

Co-op Elevator 7
 Caseville Fruit Market 4
 Active Feed 3
 Pigeon Lanes 2
 Silver Dollar 2
 Albrecht Auction Service 1
 Co-op Elevator 2553 (861-876-816), Caseville Fruit Market 2517 (876-816-825), Active Feed 2512 (825-860-827), Albrecht Auction Service 2501 (890-823).
 High individual scores: D. Schulz 600 (237), C. Basinger 566 (200), R. Nowaczyk 547, D. Ropp 542 (206), M. Swartzendruber 534, T. Gunden 533, D. Reed 531, H. Ropp 531, T. Swartzendruber 528, I.D. Gunden 522, H. Trost 511.
 Splits: 3-10 E. Shepherd, O. Reed; 5-7 G. Deering; 6-7-10 H. Ropp.

Scheurer Hospital notes

Patients in Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, on Monday, Jan. 5:
 SEBEWAING: Mrs. Harold (Ruth) Mammel, Mrs. Martha Schnepf.
 PIGEON: Mrs. Bernice Morrison, Mrs. Douglas (Myrtle) Peterson, Mrs. John (Dorothy) Diener, Mrs. Donald Dulcia.
 BAY PORT: Miss Angela Sprague, Mrs. George (Esther) Baur.
 CASS CITY: Master Alex Stahlbaum.
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Wertz and Krohn replaced longtime commissioners Calvin Reibling of Elkton and Ronald Knoblock of Port Austin, respectively, whose terms expired Dec. 31.

Newly-elected Chairman Jean Talaski gave committee assignments at the Jan. 2 reorganizational meeting of the County Board, including:

FINANCE, WAYS, MEANS, APPROPRIATIONS & GRANTS -- Thoms (chairman listed first) and Wertz;
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POLICE BLOTTER NEWS

■ An undetermined amount of damage was done to an auto owned by Lee Steinman of Pigeon, which was destroyed by fire about 9 p.m. Dec. 28. Fire possibly started in the electrical wiring on McCormick Road north of Kinde Road near Caseville. Caseville Firemen responded.

COURT PROCEEDINGS

In 73rd District Court, First Division (Huron County), Judge John Schubel recently heard these pleas and made these determinations:

■ Michael Miziko, 33 of Akron, pled guilty to fishing without a license, sentenced to three days in the Huron County Jail, served concurrently with present sentence, after investigation by a DNR officer.

■ John J. Fitcher, 23 of Sebewaing, Donald Santhony, 30 of Caseville, both pled guilty to drunken driving; \$400 fine and costs plus 90 suspension of driving privileges for 90 days.

■ Brett Henke, 17 of Caseville, pled guilty to shoplifting, \$100 or less, from a Bad Axe business on Dec. 7; fined \$75 plus costs.

■ Arthur Engelhardt, 41 of Sebewaing, pled guilty to reckless driving, following a Nov. 16 incident in Owendale investigated by Owendale Police; \$200 fines and costs.

■ Joan Heron, 25 of Elkton, pled guilty to impaired driving; \$400 fine plus loss of driving rights for 90 days, and

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