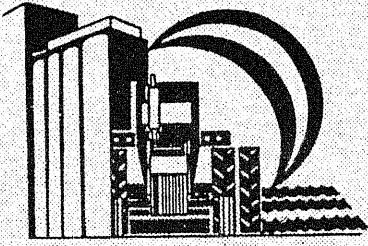


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## Pigeon Chamber hosts annual meet Monday

The Pigeon Chamber of Commerce will conduct its 1988 annual meeting at the tables of The Specialty House Restaurant, Bay Port, this Monday, Jan. 25, according to President Mike LePage.  
 Social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by a 7 p.m. dinner and business meeting. Deadline for reservations will be Friday, Jan. 22 at 12 noon. Please call Janet Heckman at the Village Hall, 453-2733 to make your reservation.

# Armbruster looks ahead -- not back -- after poisoning

Dave Armbruster does something now he's never done before while living his whole life in Pigeon -- his family locks the door to their house.

"We're wondering who did this, and why," the 29 year-old farmer says, as Michigan State Police and state ag officials continue investigating why 100 of Armbruster's 104-steer cattle herd died from poisoning last Sunday and Monday.

The past week has been the most horrible in his life, he says, but now Armbruster is looking ahead to spring time and a chance to again start raising a young herd, as well as field crops including sugar beets, navy beans, corn, wheat and a few oats.

**STEERS DIED QUICKLY:** Armbruster noticed some of his cattle appeared sick about midnight last Sunday night, Jan. 10. By dusk Monday, more than 90 had died -- ultimately to total 100 -- from what investigators say was an intentional poisoning of his herd. The insecticide Dyfonate, used to kill corn root-worms, and another insecticide, chlorpyrifos, were found mixed with the feed and silage Armbruster fed the cattle about 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

Armbruster does not use either of the toxic substances in his farming operations, and they are not normally found together in farm pest control work. Investigators say as little as "four or five pounds" of the insecticide were likely used -- and the ready-to-

market steers worth about \$80,000 lay dead in the feed area and barn.

**LOOKING AHEAD:** Anyone who knows Dave Armbruster realizes he's not going to be ruined or defeated by this setback, although he admits it will take "two years or more" to rebuild the herd.

"Oh, I can't understand why someone would do this, but you can't dwell on that. You've got to go on. There's plenty of other things to do," he said Monday.

Family members and friends pitched in Friday and Saturday to load four semi-trailers with the animal carcasses. They were shipped to an approved landfill in Belleville near Ann Arbor, as were several hundred pounds of contaminated feed. Investigators had completed that phase of their work, and Armbruster says he's got to have his barn further cleaned before it can be used again. The insecticides break down organically to harmless substances, authorities say.

**MIDWEST STORY:** The media exposure which exploded into the Armbruster barn spilled over into the house, where wife Laura and three-year-old son Adam watched -- and worked -- in bewilderment.

TV, radio, newspaper and wire service reporters called and visited the farm, usually to be greeted by a hospitable family still searching for answers.

**CONTINUING ON:** Taking his herd to a landfill was hard on Armbruster, but the move clears the way for the next phase for the

young farmer. "Oh, I suppose I could do something else, but, gee, I love farming. PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 4



**CARING FOR WHAT'S LEFT:** Pigeon Area farmer Dave Armbruster looks over these four beef cattle, all that's left of his 104-steer herd poisoned last week. Investigations are continuing into who and why the animals were killed.

# Living on welfare in Huron County isn't an easy life

By AMY HEIDEN

"Yeah, it's an easy life on welfare. Just sit back and let the state take care of you.

"People on welfare don't want to work anyway, they're just lazy."

We've all heard these statements at one time or another and probably believe them to be true.

"Not true," says Huron County Department of Social Services Director Stuart Capling.

"Sure, I imagine out there somewhere is a person who just doesn't want to work, but most people would rather work than draw welfare benefits," he says.

"Besides, General Assistance or Aid to Dependent Children grants aren't very big."

**FACTS AND FIGURES:** To illustrate, Capling gives these figures for a family of four receiving ADC and federal food stamps each month:

\$145	.....	for rent or house payment
\$308	.....	for personal needs such as cleaning supplies, paper goods, personal care needs (or just plain spending money)
\$32	.....	for basic heat
\$48	.....	for winter heat
\$28	.....	for other heat, and
\$23	.....	for other utilities
\$584	.....	GRAND TOTAL
		for a typical family of four, not including \$207 a month in food stamps.

"I really don't think people want to be on welfare. It's just not a good life. Could you live on that?" asks Capling.

**GRANT PROGRAMS:** In 1987, a total of 3,619 Huron County families received benefits from four different grant programs -- Aid to Dependent Children, General Assistance, Food Stamps, and Supplemental Security Income. Capling outlines two of the grant programs, ADC and General Assistance.

**Aid to Dependent Children** eligibility is directed toward the needs of the children involved and is based on certain income criteria.

Recipients' liquid assets cannot exceed \$1000, excluding equity in a car or truck.

The ADC caseload in Huron County in 1987 paid benefits to 589 families, up 61 cases from 1986, while General Assistance cases totaled 329.

**General Assistance** is generally meant for individuals or couples, and is much tougher to qualify for than ADC, since it is totally state-funded.

Capling says one person receiving GA benefits would draw \$262 from the state, along with \$87 in food stamps.

Capling says slightly over 1 in 10 persons in Huron County received benefits in 1987, barely up from 1986 levels.

"Our turnover rate in 1987 was 19.4 for ADC, meaning that we have opened enough cases to turn the entire caseload over in little over 19 months. That says to me that there's a lot of movement in the caseload, that people don't want to stay on welfare forever."

**"WELFARE QUEENS?"** Assistance Payments Supervisor Rick Burmeister refutes the notion that some women have more children simply to draw more assistance money.

"I have never seen a client that had a child simply to get more money. The expense of raising another child far outweighs any extra benefits the mother might get," he says.



STUART CAPLING

Burmeister points out a family of three adding a fourth member would get an increase of only \$106 a month. "If people are having kids to increase ADC grants, they don't have very many kids since the average family size in Huron County is 3.25," he says.

**TRAINING PROGRAM:** The DSS contracts with the Huron Intermediate School District and the Thumb Area Consortium to provide skill assessment and job training for clients. The skill judgments are conducted at Huron Area Skill Center near Bad Axe, to determine a client's job skills and interests.

"I think they come out with a better attitude when they find out they do have some skills to offer," says Capling. "Then we can tailor-make a training program for them."

**FEW JOBS:** Capling admits there "just aren't enough good entry-level jobs in the area. But there are always benefits to going to work. The client will always come out ahead, one way or another."

He says the grant programs are designed to encourage recipients to return to work.

"A large majority of our clients only need temporary help. We're a last resource for people absolutely down on their luck. Most of our clients have exhausted whatever unemployment benefits and have nowhere else to turn."

**MEDICAID:** Persons receiving assistance are also generally eligible for health care through Medicaid, the federally funded medical assistance program.

The typical welfare recipient locally is well below the federal poverty standard of \$8,738 for a family of three -- which was recently lowered, increasing the number who can receive Medicaid benefits.

This is particularly important due to the fact that more low-income pregnant women will be able to receive prenatal care, hopefully reducing infant mortality, experts say.

**BIG SHOCK:** If the average person lost his or her job, exhausted all unemployment benefits, and came to the DSS for benefits, "he or she probably wouldn't be eligible," Capling says.

"They would be shocked at how little they can own, or how little they can get in benefits," he adds. "The average guy would probably have a couple of cars, a snowmobile or boat, some money saved in the bank, maybe a piece of land and cottage up north."

"You can't have more than \$1000 in assets. If you want to PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 18

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## Library adds hours; will open Thursday nights

By AMY HEIDEN  
There's good news for patrons of the Pigeon District Library, as library operating hours will be extended to 40 per week from the present 30 hours — including a first-ever Thursday night schedule.

In addition to opening Monday, Tuesday, and Friday from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., the library will be open Thursday 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. beginning Thursday, March 3, says Librarian Naomi Jantzi.

"We feel being open in the evening will accommodate students and teachers who have after-school activities so that they can use the library," Jantzi says.

**FUNDING BOOST:** The new hours were made possible by an increase in funding from the Pigeon Village Council plus Winsor and McKinley Townships, library officials say.

"We're very pleased to have additional support from the townships. They've been extremely cooperative," said long-time supporter Ann Marie Clabuoch. "And Pigeon Village's approval last week greatly helped make this possible."

Due to the increase in the millage support from 2/10th of a mill to 3/10th of a mill by the village and townships, the library will also continue to be eligible for penal fines, and state aid totaling \$5000, Jantzi says.

Last year the library received \$26,645 in penal fines from Huron County, while only \$8000 was received from the state.

**WANT MORE HOURS:** She also says there have been a number of contributions by persons interested in seeing the library increase its operating hours, which were cut last year in budget-trimming moves, caused when falling land property values reduced the library's income.

**CRAFT SHOW?** "We also hope to hold a craft show again this year, if there's enough interest," says Jantzi. The craft show was not conducted in 1987 due to cost-cutting measures that included a 20% cut in the library operating budget.

She says more than 95% of pledges to the building fund were paid and no building fund monies were used for operational expenses in 1987.

The Library Board of Directors Thursday approved the expansions, and also voted to increase the book budget for the purchase of new books.

**LOW COST:** King says many parents don't realize the program is very affordable. Cost for one child per day is \$1 for each day the program is used.



PIGEON DISTRICT Librarian Naomi Jantzi opens the door to more hours at the library, including one evening a week for "night owls."

## Seeks Court of Appeals post

Huron County Circuit Judge M. Richard Knoblock has announced that he will seek nomination in the August Primary for election to one of 2 newly-created seats on the Michigan Court of Appeals, Second District.

The District is a 15-county area, including Huron, Tuscola, Oakland, Macomb, Genesee, Ingham, St. Clair, Bay, Midland, Lapeer, Shiawassee, Sanilac, Gladwin, Ogemaw and Arenac Counties.

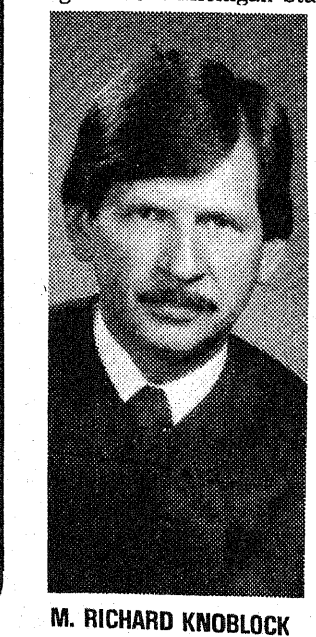
Knoblock, 44, has been a circuit judge for 9 years. He was raised on a farm in the Port Austin area and graduated from Port Austin High School in 1961. He received his bachelor's degree from Michigan State University in 1970 and his law degree from Wayne State University Law School in 1974. He is a member of the state bars of Michigan and Oregon.

Prior to his election to the Circuit bench in 1978, Knoblock was in private law practice and served for one year as a staff attorney with the Macomb County Legal Aid Bureau. He is currently serving on the executive board of the Michigan Judges Association, and is vice-chair of the Jury Instructions Committee.

Knoblock is a member of the State Bar Judicial Council and serves on the State Bar Standing Committee on Professional and Judicial Ethics. He is a member of the board of directors of Catholic Family Services of the Thumb Area and is currently serving as president.

Knoblock has served on the Court of Appeals as a visiting judge on numerous occasions, having participated in the decision of nearly 300 cases, in 100 of which he wrote the majority opinion. He stated that he feels his background and experience would be an asset to the Court of Appeals.

Knoblock resides in Port Austin with his wife and 2 children.



M. RICHARD KNOBLOCK

## Caseville Scouts make Yule merry for seniors

Caseville Scouting troops, including Brownie Troop 686 and Junior Troop 662 helped "make the season bright" for residents of the Oakwood Senior Citizens housing complex in Caseville before Christmas.

The scouts enjoyed Christmas caroling with the seniors and shared refreshments of cookies and cakes. "It was a time of sharing the Christmas spirit with others," says Troop Leader Barbara Hockin of Caseville. "The girls and senior folks really enjoyed themselves."

This was the first Scouting project in the Scouting year for Brownie Troop 686, who held their Investiture Ceremony just weeks before, on Nov. 24 at Caseville United Methodist Church.

Attending the ceremony were parents, grandparents and siblings of the proud Brownies.

Receiving her first year Brownie pin was Annie Lundberg and other Brownies earned their World Association Pins, including Kristin Hockin, Tracy Drury, Nicki Cielinski, Nicole Campbell, Sabrina Guster and Michelle Mohr. Troop leaders are Barbara Hockin and Debbie Guster.

Refreshments were served — Girl Scout cookies, of course!

## Laker Latchkey program off and running

By AMY HEIDEN  
Laker Schools' Latchkey Program has gotten off to a good start in Pigeon and Elkton, according to school officials.

Pigeon Latchkey supervisor Linda King says the children enjoy numerous activities each day after school ends — such as games, art projects, a movie once a week, or games in the gym.

"There's also quiet time for the kids to do their homework, or even take a nap if they want," King says. "We're very flexible. The kids can do pretty much whatever they want, under supervision, of course."

"And when the weather turns nice, we'll have outdoor recess," she adds.

**LOW COST:** King says many parents don't realize the program is very affordable. Cost for one child per day is \$1 for each day the program is used.

On a half-day of school, such as a teacher in-service day, the cost is \$3 per child. Parents are billed every two weeks and must provide a snack if their child wants one, with the school providing juice.

**EASY SIGN-UP:** "Even if the parent just wants to go shopping or they get caught out of town later than they planned, they can just give the school a call and the child can stay for Latchkey activities," says Fred Joles, elementary education director for the Laker District.

"This program is operated for the convenience of parents."

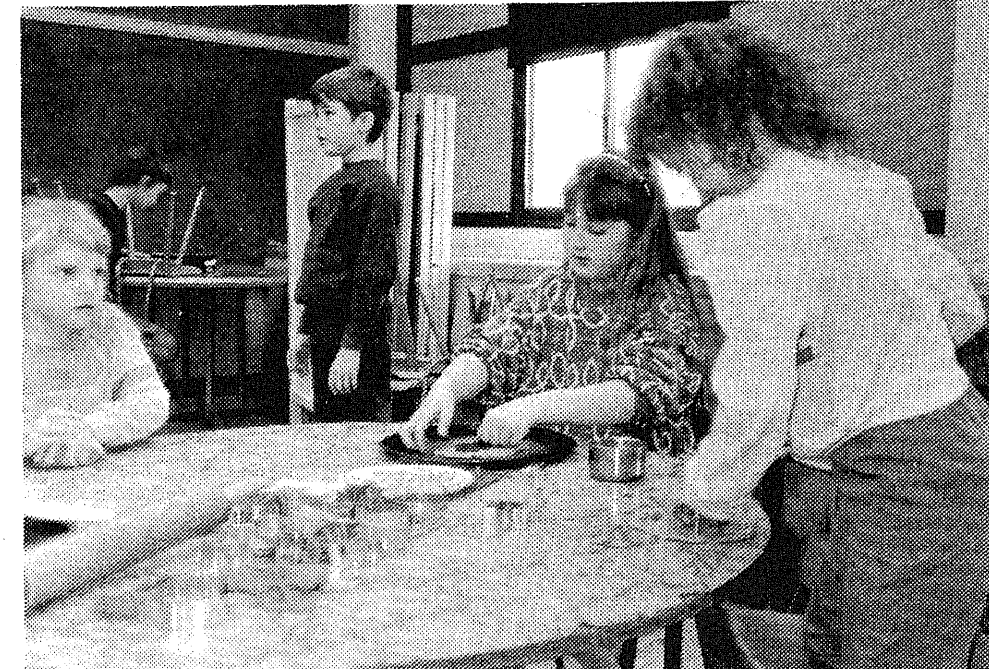
parents aren't required to sign their kids up for the program far in advance.

now participating want to stay for the program and didn't want it to end.

"Even if we don't finish out this school year with the program, we'll definitely start it again in the fall, hopefully with a morning program, too."

She plans to prepare a survey for Laker parents asking if and when they'd use the program. "We want the kids to enjoy their time here. It's an excellent program and a lot of fun for me."

"I thoroughly enjoy it and the kids do, too."



YOUNGSTERS WHO PARTICIPATE in the Laker Latchkey program enjoy such varied activities as arts and crafts, games and sports — and study time. As many as 20 have tried the new program in a single day.



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**COME JOIN US** — In recognition of our 10 years in operating your community newspaper, Sally and I are hosting a "Meet the Publishers" coffee hour next Tuesday, Jan. 26 at 4 p.m. at the Pigeon District Library — and you're most welcomed to come.

There's nothing formal or particularly structured about this get-together. We're just taking a particular time to give you a chance to ask questions, make comments or give criticism about what you do and don't like in The Progress-Advance.

It seems to us that people have definite feelings and attitudes about this and that, in any business. We believe in giving you a "written" invitation to have a cup of coffee with us and chat about your hometown paper.

No reservations are needed, but we hope you'll consider showing up. Or, please jot down a few words before that meeting (signed or unsigned) and we'll discuss those thoughts then.

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Sally and I plan to chat about what goes into putting out each Wednesday's paper, we'll have some samples (plant tours are no longer possible because of liability problems) — and we'd like to get to know you.

You're welcome to join us next Tuesday afternoon!

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**PROPERTY LOSSES AHEAD** — Word around the coffee tables and on the streets say ag land values will again fall, this time anywhere from 20% to 35% of present (already low) values.

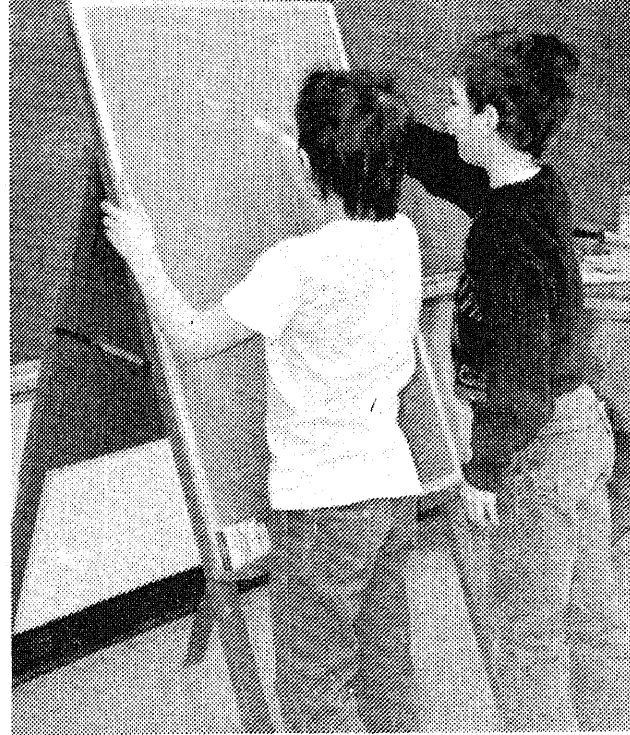
In Sanilac County, farm land values are down an average of 18.7%, for the third straight year of steep declines. Lots of people's nest eggs are disappearing right before our eyes...and it's not stopping yet.

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**LEARNED ELSEWHERE** — How many cars saw Cass City's wonderful "Story Time" display in the village park between Dec. 8-31? A whopping 12,720 autos, says John Haire in his Cass City Chronicle. And the display was WONDERFUL!

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**WISH I'D SAID THAT** — "We can't avoid growing old, but we CAN avoid growing COLD!" (Thanks, Darrell & Lynette)



THESE CHILDREN TAKE ON an artistic venture during their after-school program at Pigeon Elementary School last Thursday.

## Michelle Anklam benefit scheduled Saturday night

Are you a big fan of '50s and '60s music?

If so, plan to attend the adult fund raiser dance at the Caseville Rod & Gun Club on Saturday, January 23 from 8 p.m. to 12 p.m.

Organizer Bill Esch says that this is the final event in the fund-raising campaign to benefit the Michelle Anklam family. Food will be available, along with a cash bar sponsored by the Caseville Rod & Gun Club.

**HELP FOR SHELLY:** Michelle Anklam of Pigeon is a victim of Crohn's disease, an inflammatory bowel disease which affects her digestive system. Her disease in the past has been severe enough to warrant hospitalization and has forced her to receive nutrients intravenously through a catheter.

Presently, she is eating solid food and cutting back on her medication with her doctor's approval. She is still very active in school, where she is on the Laker Junior Varsity Cheerleading squad and in other programs.

**ALL DONATIONS:** Esch says all funds raised through the dance would be donated to the Anklam family to cover any medical expenses not covered by insurance, and to cover travel and lodging expenses for Michelle's mother Karen, when Michelle must be hospitalized.

## Thumb Weekly News Round-Up

**HURON DEATHS FALL IN '87**

The year 1987 marked the third straight year of declining numbers of persons killed in traffic or other accidents, according to figures compiled by Huron County Sheriff Richard Stokan.

In all, 12 persons died in the county during 1987, down by nearly one-third from the 17 deaths recorded in 1986. And, the 1987 figures are just over half the 21 accidental deaths reported in 1985.

Five persons lost their lives in traffic accidents in the year just past, and one drowning was reported. Three deaths classified as suicides were counted and three other "miscellaneous" deaths were recorded for 1987, Sheriff Stokan's office says.

No murders were reported in any of the past three years. Huron County accidental deaths for the past years show:

Type of death	1987	1986	1985
Traffic	5	6	9
Drownings	1	5	1
Fire deaths	0	0	2
Suicide	3	3	6
Farm deaths	0	2	0
Murders	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	3	1	3
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>21</b>

**458 HURON BIRTHS IN '87**

Huron County recorded 458 births in 1987, up more than 10% from the 410 births reported the year before, according to County Clerk Helen Lemanski.

Deaths last year totaled 294, down slightly from 298 in 1986. Marriages were also down slightly, to 247 from 301 the year before. And, divorces were up nearly one-third, at 135 in 1987 from 99 in 1986. Mrs. Lemanski's figures show.

Overall figures compiled for 1987 are:

Type of statistic	1987	1986	1985
Births	458	410	518
Deaths	294	298	285
Marriages	247	301	320
Divorces	135	99	100
Passports	135	127	NA
Gun Permits	115	128	NA
Notary Commissions	88	113	NA

**TUSCOLA SEEKS 1.5 MILLS**

Tuscola County's Board of Commissioners last week voted to seek a 1.5-mill increase for four years during a special election on Tuesday, April 5.

Citing the loss of about \$500,000 in federal revenue sharing funds, Michigan's largest State Equalized Value decline (at 17%) for farmlands, plus a projected third straight year of dropping land values, the county says the millage is needed to avoid deficit spending. And, Commissioners say, Tuscola has the lowest county millage in Michigan — at 4.2 mills.

Similar operational requests have been turned down by Tuscola voters three times since 1978. The Board last month had discussed a two-mill request for operations, but instead reduced the requested amount to 1.5 mills.

**TEC RAISES RATES 3.65%**

Customers of Thumb Electric Cooperative can expect a 3.65% hike in their energy bills as of today, says TEC Manager Michael Krause. The average increase should be \$2.36 a month, he says.

This is TEC's first increase to cover what are termed "internal costs" since December, 1984, despite "substantial improvements in transmission and distribution systems, resulting in a 30% increase in interest expense" for the Uby-based rural utility.

TEC serves nearly 10,000 member customers in rural Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac Counties.

**COURT PROCEEDINGS**

Huron County District Court Judge John Schubel last week heard the pleas of or made determinations in cases involving:

- Joseph P. Stinson, 22 of Kinde, pled guilty to impaired driving; \$450 fines and costs and driving license suspended for 90 days;
- Michael L. Frost, 37 of Sebawaing, pled guilty to larceny, less than \$100, following a Dec. 31 incident at a Sebawaing grocery store involving two bottles of alcohol, investigated by Huron County Sheriff's Deputies; \$100 fines and costs;
- Randolph D. Wood, 31 of Lapeer, pled guilty to having an unlawfully tagged deer, as part of the DNR "sting" operation in November in Grant Township; \$100 fines and costs;
- Walter L. Shantz, 52 of Gageton, pled guilty to impaired driving; \$450 fines and costs and license suspended for 90 days;
- Patrick J. Simmet, 23 of Sebawaing, pled guilty to furnishing alcohol to a minor, following a Dec. 25 incident in the Village of Sebawaing; \$100 fines and costs;
- George M. Behm, 44 of Pigeon, pled guilty to impaired driving; \$450 fines and costs and license suspended for 90 days;
- Chris J. Bolger, 79 of Sebawaing, pled guilty to impaired driving; \$450 fines and costs and license suspended for 90 days.

**STILL NO M-24 EXTENSION PLANS**

A public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 23 in Lansing to discuss the proposed extension of M-24 northward through Caro to Unionville, connecting with M-25 for greater Thumb Area access.

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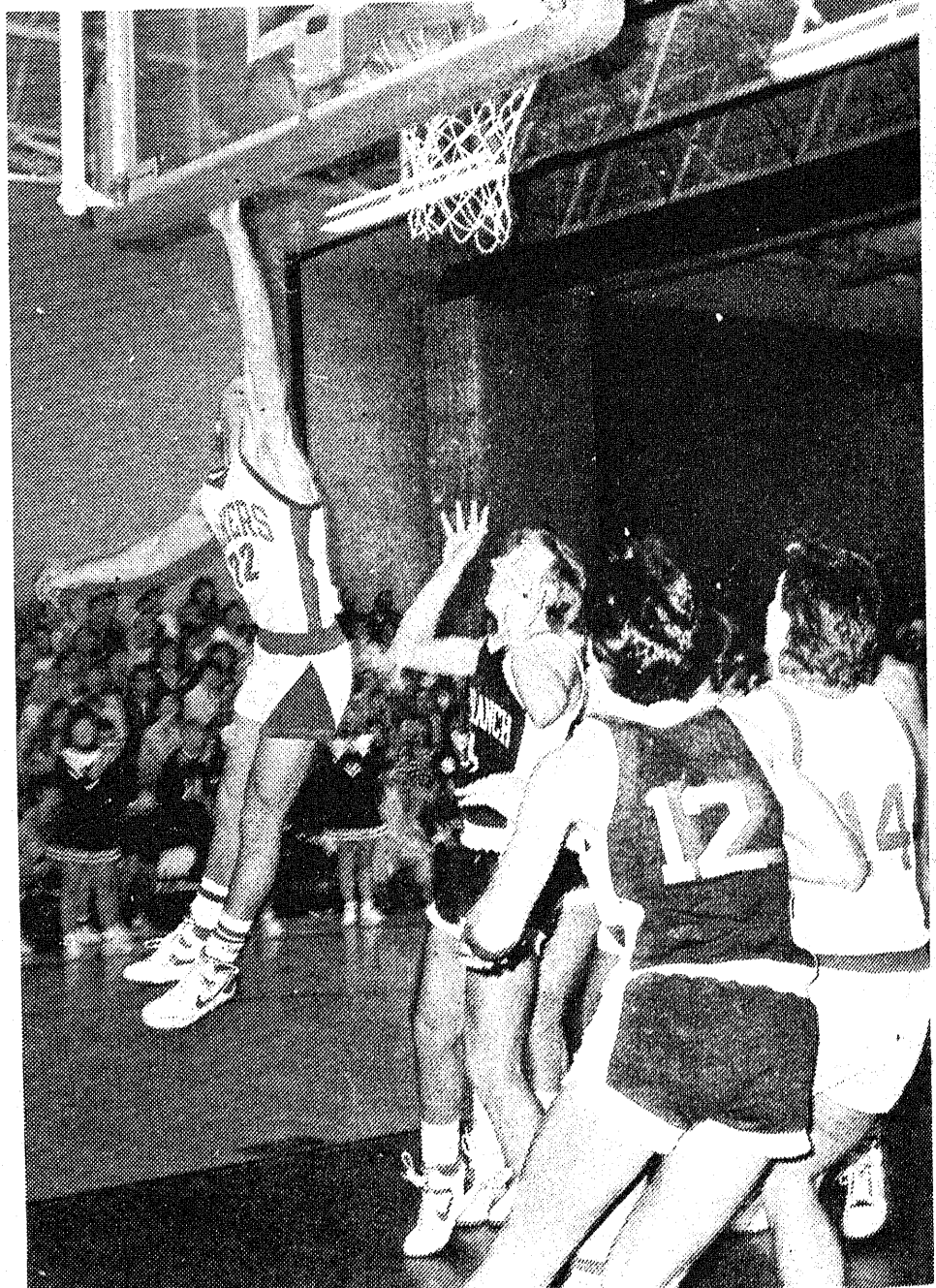
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sports of the week

Lakers, North Branch mix like oil and water Green Machine comes out on top!

By TIM BLAKENEY
By the time the varsity game started Friday night, the small North Branch gymnasium was nearly filled to capacity. While the spectators sat rubbing shoulders, so did the players on the court. The fans didn't mind the closeness as those wearing green sat together on one side and those wearing blue sat together on the other side. It was on the court where the Blue and Green did not mix well. The rubbing of shoulders caused friction and as a result, both teams went to the free throw line early in a tough, physical game. It seemed as though the gym was too small for the two teams and one had to go. Actually, both teams were

in second place at the same time and neither wanted to step down. When push came to shove, the Lakers stood their ground, upsetting North Branch, 59-48.
KEL HILL SCORES BIG
Big 6'7" Kel Hill stood out in the little gym, scoring four field goals in the first quarter to get the Lakers going. The Lakers maintained the lead throughout the first period. In the second quarter, North Branch took the lead twice. Hill produced the last tie of the game just before the half with the free throw shot. Kevin Wolfram gave the Green and White the lead for good on a fast break assist from Jay Anthes, who picked off a Bronco pass. Still just

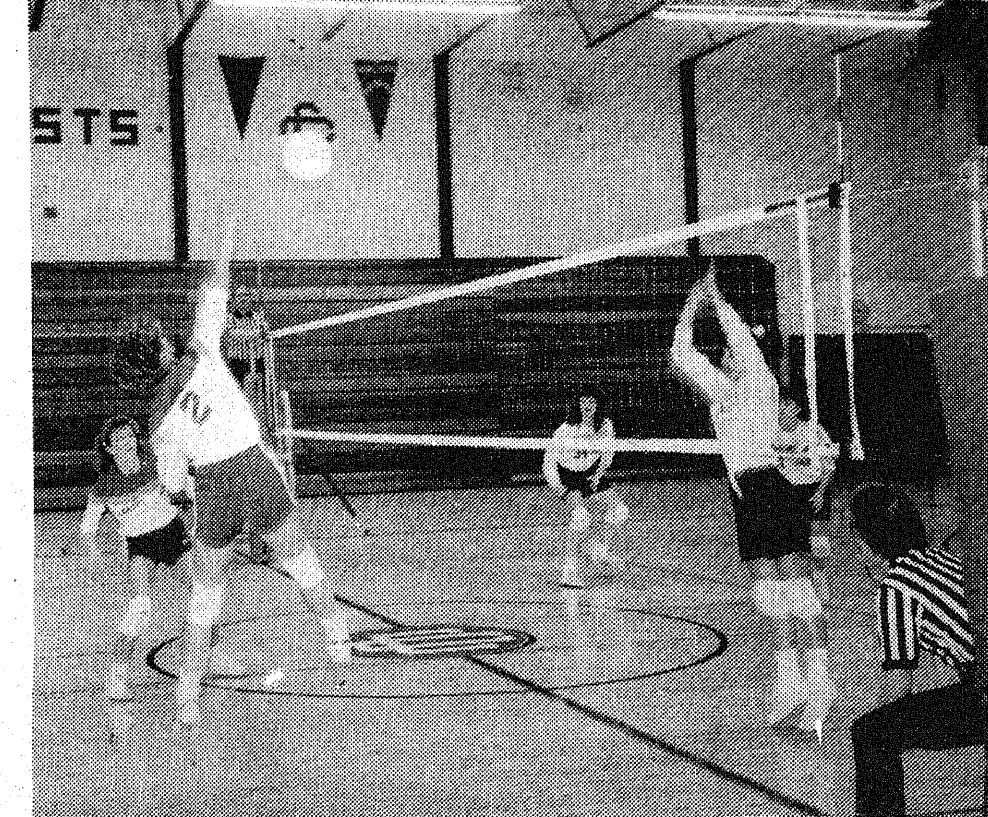


UP FOR TWO POINTS: Laker player Dean Roestel almost hits the glass as he tries a short jump shot during Friday night's 59-48 victory over the Broncos at North Branch. Coach Bill McLellan's squad is at 3-1 through Monday.

A 'bad day' for Lakers and for beaten Cass City spikers

By TIM BLAKENEY
Usually when an athletic team says that they have had a bad day, it is after they have been defeated by another team. Laker Volleyball Coach Vickie Rothfuss said, "They didn't play up to par. They (the team) admitted it themselves." They did not play anything like the team that finished second twice and first once in the last three tournaments. Even though the Lady Lakers did not play up to their potential, they still came out victorious over Cass City last Thursday night. Not only did they win on a bad night, but they took the first three games out of five.
FIRST GAME: In the first game, Cass City could only get six points. The score was 8-6 when Lakers got the side out with an unreturnable

spike from Connie Schulz. The next three points came with Jackie Ginter serving. After losing the serve, Ginter got it back by tapping the ball over the net when the Red Hawks were looking for a set-up. Lisa Buschlen served up the last four. To get the final point, Ginter gave a quick set to Schulz for the kill.
ONTO GAME TWO: Game Two was not as easy. Lakers found themselves behind 1-8 before Brenda Buschlen stepped up and served seven in a row to tie the game. Such a comeback was more than what Cass City could handle. They only got one more point after that. Final score was 15-9. Cass City did all they could to play more than three games, but they fell short 15-13. The Red Hawks had a 5-0 lead when Tracie Henne got the Lakers going with a hard hit kill. She then served



RETURN TO SENDER: Brenda Buschlen (2) returns the ball to a waiting Cass City team, during last week's victory over the Raiders.

minutes in the game, the Green Machine had a 12-point lead, but Coach McLellan still could not relax. He used a time-out to give his players a rest and tell them to concentrate on the free throws. Lakers went to the one and one line three times after that time out. When the final buzzer sounded, the Broncos were shoved down to third place.
HIGH SHOOTERS: High shooters were Kendall Wertz with 16, Kel Hill 14 and Paul Elenbaum 8. Earlier in the week the Lakers beat Uby 71-56. Wertz scored 14, Hill 13, Elenbaum 12, Sturm, Anthes and Roestel had nine each.
JAYVEES: The jayvee team beat Uby 43-31 and lost to North Branch, 63-26. Top gunners for the two games were Bill McLellan with 22, Brian Bushey 17 and Marc Hill 7.
FRESHMEN: The freshmen defeated Uby 52-36 and the Broncos 43-35. Dan Gonzales

Grapplers place at BA meet

By TIM BLAKENEY
At the Bad Axe Hatchet Invitational, three Laker grapplers placed third and one placed fourth. J.D. Talaski, at 119 pounds, placed fourth. Frank Shively at 126 pounds, 138-lb. Wes Russell and 145-lb. Kevin Trummer all placed third. Dale Muether joined the team last Monday and picked up two wins in the 58-lb. class. Shawn Parrish scored a win.

Thumb area standings

Table with 2 columns: Thumb B Association and North Central D League. Rows list various teams and their win/loss records.

When the 43 members of the Pigeon Rotary Club set their minds to reaching a goal, they push themselves until that goal is met. At least that's what has happened since June when Pigeon Rotarians pledged to raise \$25,000.00 over a three-year period to aid Rotary International in its goal of raising \$120 million. That is the

Club news

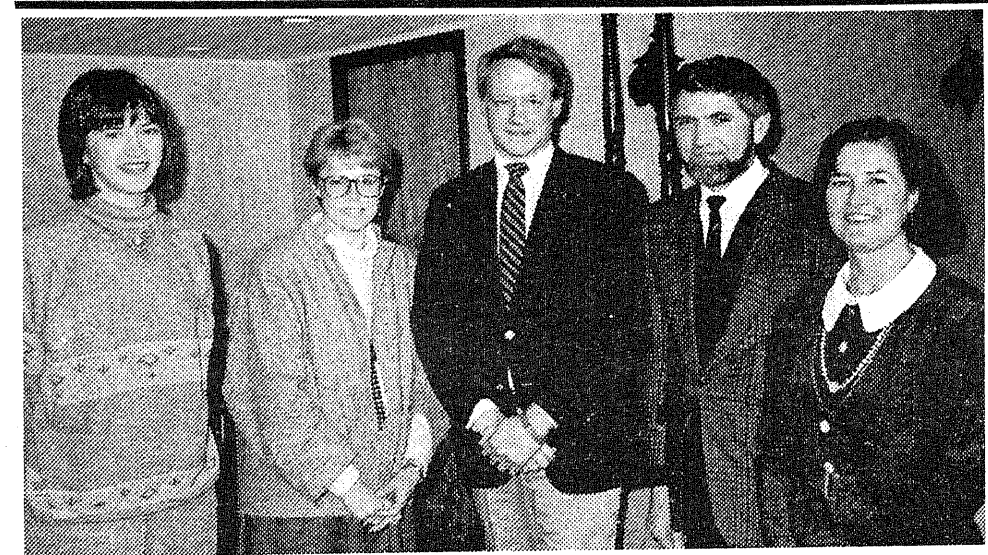
ELKTON SENIOR CITIZENS
Forty-one members and guests were present for the Jan. 12 meeting of the Elkton Senior Citizens. Guests were Ray Schweitzer, Helene Fietzer, Ida Thompson, Marilyn and Harold Renn, Bessie and Roy Furness and John Knechtel. Members Alice Bowles and Elizabeth Schelke were welcomed back after long absences. President Mike Renn announced that 27 blood pressures had been taken prior to the meeting. Clayton Gemmell offered the table prayer prior to the potluck dinner. Harold and Beatrice Gregor led in singing "God Bless America." The Pledge to the Flag was given to open the afternoon meeting. The Birthday Song was sung for Edith Lackie. "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" was sung in honor of the wedding anniversary of Marilyn and Harold Renn. Elkton seniors have been invited to use the Elkton Elementary School for indoor exercise at specified times during the winter. Program chairman Sherman Day introduced Ray Schweitzer, who presented a program of vocal and instrumental music. Edna Wakefield will chair the program for the Jan. 19 meeting.

estimated cost to vaccinate 60 to 70 million children of developing countries against Poliomyelitis, more commonly known as "polio." According to Joe Maust, Jr., local chairman of "PolioPlus," Pigeon Rotarians have already dug into their pockets to raise \$20,000.00, and the group still has 2 1/2 years remaining to reach and surpass the \$25,000.00 goal. Says Pigeon Rotarian Scott Meyersieck, "By no means does this club

intend on being content with the monies raised thus far, just six months into the campaign. To the contrary, the thrust to surpass the goal is anticipated with great zeal!" Every day an estimated 750 youngsters will be crippled by polio and another 75 will die. At year's end, 250,000 or more children will be crippled and another 25,000 would have died. Poliomyelitis, a viral disease, is spread by contact

with objects, food or water contaminated with excreta. The disease travels rapidly through the gastrointestinal area and spinal cord, destroying nerves in the cord itself. This can lead to varying degrees of paralysis and sometimes death. More than one million Rotarians from 160 countries are making a financial commitment and/or contributing time and effort to assist in the immunization effort.

Rotary International is striving to control polio worldwide by 1985. "Every child can be protected for just 12 cents," says Dr. Harry Farris, PolioPlus committee chairman of the Bay City Rotarians, who have raised more than \$52,000 from their 120 members. For further information or to contribute to PolioPlus, contact Joe Maust, Jr. or other Pigeon Rotarians.



WELCOME VISITORS: Exchange student Sabine Lammens, left joined Pigeon Rotarians in welcoming her parents to the United States at a special reception conducted at The Sandpiper Restaurant, Caseville, on Sunday evening. From left are Sabine Lammens, Sue and Scott Meyersieck, and Wilfried and Magda Lammens, of Torhout, Belgium. This is the Lammens' first visit to the United States, where their daughter has been an exchange student for six months.

Thumb Weekly News Round-Up

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Primary discussion topic will be an update of a 10-year improvement plan Michigan Department of Transportation calls "Transportation 2020" - a program state officials use to set construction priorities over the next decade. According to Senator James Barcia, MDOT officials recently met with him, Representative Dick Allen, and Tuscola County Economic Development Commission Director James McLoskey. At that time, MDOT administrators stated there were "no immediate plans for this extension," but approximately \$3 million has been scheduled for improvements at both ends of the proposed corridor. For more information regarding the upcoming hearing, contact Senator Barcia at 373-5208.

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Advertisement for a dance event: "Dance To Your Favorite 50's & 60's Tunes And Let The 'Flashbacks' Entertain You At An Adult Fund Raiser Dance Saturday Evening, January 23rd At The Caseville Rod & Gun Club. Refreshments Available - Dancing From 8:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m. Admission \$5.00 At The Door. Enjoy Your Friends, Dance To The Oldies But Goodies, And Donate To The Michelle Anklam Family Benefit. Sponsored By The Caseville Rod & Gun Club." Includes a graphic of a couple dancing.

# The Past In Print

From the archives of  
The Pigeon Progress and The Elktion Advance

## 90 YEARS AGO JAN. 21, 1898

At 1 o'clock Tuesday morning, the Village of Caseville was startled by the cry of fire, the Hotel Canaton being all ablaze. The entire building with its contents was consumed. The loss is estimated at \$3,000 with \$800 insurance.

Those who intend to attend the masquerade ball Feb. 4 in Pigeon, should leave their order for masks at Leipprand Bros. store.

**Pigeon Markets:** Wheat No. 1 Red or White, 84c bushel; oats 21c to 25c bu.; corn in ear 15c bu.; beans 60c bu.; eggs 16c doz.; hay \$5.50 to \$7 per ton; clover seed \$2.75 bu.

A slight addition was made to the post office last Saturday, which will be a great advantage to the public.

## 80 YEARS AGO JAN. 17, 1908

Wallace Stone and Lime Co. has purchased the old Elmer farm, for the purpose of having a quarry.

J.J. Murdoch of McKinley Twp. has purchased the building occupied by E.W.E. Bundscho's Hardware and owned by the Joseph Schluchter estate. Consideration \$3,300.

Pontiac, Oxford & Northern Railroad trains leave Pigeon going north 12:15 p.m. and 8:43 p.m. and going south 7 a.m. and 2:50 p.m. F. H. Carroll, general supt., Pontiac, Adv.

Fred Hutchinson will load beets for the German American Sugar Co. in the Elktion territory this coming week and later on the Pere Marquette west of Bad Axe.

## 70 YEARS AGO JAN. 18, 1918

Announcement was made by the state food administrator that county administrators are being instructed to survey their counties for the purpose of ascertaining the amount of sugar stored by private families. Any person having more sugar than a 60-day supply is required to inform the county.

A dark cloud was cast over Caseville Saturday when it was learned that the grim reaper had again entered into our midst and taken from us Mrs. Capt. Stevens, 90.

## 60 YEARS AGO JAN. 20, 1928

Another dance at Owendale, Thursday evening, Jan. 26, Pariseau's Orchestra.

Mr. and Mrs. James Maharg, Grant Twp. pioneers, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Jan. 9. They cut a five-story wedding cake. They were married in 1878 and came to Cass City from Caro on the stage coach.

At a meeting of the directors of the People's Oil & Gas Co. on Friday, it was voted to pay a semi-annual dividend of 10 percent.

## 50 YEARS AGO JAN. 21, 1938

Harry McKay purchased the plant and business of the Pigeon Lumber & Supply Co. and took over the property Friday.

Henry F. Trost of Elktion obtained the largest yield in 1937 from the Michelite bean, a new white variety originated at the Michigan State College farm crops department.

He received a bushel of seed from MSC last spring, and harvested 62 bushels of beans in all, for a 41 bushel per acre yield. The average for the new seed was 25 bushels per acre statewide.

## 40 YEARS AGO JAN. 16, 1948

Two Bay Port men have a hobby growing faster than they expected. Otto F. Schmidt and Henry E. Deering have more than 300 minks on their "mink farm."

Exactly 33 years after he became cashier and a member of the board of directors of Pigeon State Bank, President Ernest Clabuesch announced that his son, E.J. Clabuesch, was elected cashier and a member and secretary of the board at the group's meeting Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Dietzel and son left Pigeon for India, where Mr. Dietzel will spread the Gospel as a missionary.

## 30 YEARS AGO JAN. 16, 1958

Oswald Lumppp, Elktion, is celebrating his 25th year of business at Elktion. He is owner of the Elktion Lumber and Tile Yard.

Fred W. Cooley began duties as rural mail carrier for Owendale on Saturday. Pancake Supper Jan. 23, Pigeon High School. Adults \$1.25, children under 12 years 50c. Adv.

Penny Night at Bad Axe Roller Rink on Wednesday. Admission one 1929 penny. Adv.

## 20 YEARS AGO JAN. 18, 1968

Bay Port is attempting to continue receiving its railway depot service, which has been scheduled for takeover by the agent in Pigeon, according to Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Co. officials. The depot has not been losing money, although revenue has dropped 50% since 1965.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hoepner, educational missionaries of the Methodist Church, will speak Sunday at

the Salem EUB Church in Pigeon.

Army Private First Class Kenneth Fisher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fisher, Caseville, has been assigned as a cannoner in the Infantry's 5th Artillery Division near Phuoc Vinh, Vietnam.

The Lakers basketball team beat Frankemuth 66-73 to stay atop the Thumb B League standings with a 6-0 record. Leading EPB was Terry Heck with 28 points, while Gary Buschlen added 18 more.

## 10 YEARS AGO JAN. 19, 1978

Barbara and Louise Dixon, daughters of Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Dixon, Pigeon, will be featured pianists at the Sunday afternoon service at Pigeon United Methodist Church, dedicating the new baby grand piano. The piano was given in memory of Edward Sturm by his family. Barbara Dixon is an assistant professor in the music dept. at CMU and Louise is a member of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

Orville Schuette became sole owner of the Pigeon IGA Foodliner Monday, when he purchased the interest of his former partner, Joe Ricker. Peter Leneway, 87, a Chandler Twp. native, died Jan. 11 in Cass City. He is survived by five sons, four daughters and 14 stepchildren.

New drive-in banking facilities were opened Tuesday behind Thumb National Bank & Trust Co. in Pigeon as part of the bank's on-going remodeling program.

**FROM THE ELKTON ADVANCE FILES**  
57 YEARS AGO  
JAN. 15, 1931

At a special election of taxpayers of District 1, Oliver Twp. today, it was voted to construct a new \$60,000 school building at Elktion by a vote of 135 yeas and 37 nays.

Elktion Farmers Elevator will sponsor a dinner, program and educational exhibit Jan. 24 at the Elktion M.E. Church dining room. D.

N. Protzman is in charge of tickets.

Elktion Study Club met Thursday, Jan. 8 at the home of Mrs. N.G. Anderson. Papers were given by Mrs. Stressman and Mrs. Kurrie. Mrs. E. J. Ramseyer assisted the hostess with refreshments.

## Area school lunch menus

### Week of Jan. 25-29 CROSS LUTHERAN

**MONDAY:** Tacos, relishes, fruit salad, bar, milk.

**TUESDAY:** Hot dogs/chicken patty, fries, baked beans, applesauce, milk.

**WEDNESDAY:** Ham and scalloped potatoes, green beans, raisins, bread, milk.

**THURSDAY:** Egg McMuffin, hamburger, applesauce/peaches, milk.

**FRIDAY:** Stew, lettuce salad, relishes, pears, bread.

### LAKER SCHOOLS

Elementary alternate choices daily: pizza and chicken nuggets. Secondary alternate choices daily: nachos supreme, chicken nuggets, ravioli.

**MONDAY:** Big Mac.  
**TUESDAY:** Submarine sandwiches.

**WEDNESDAY:** Turkey and gravy over noodles.

**THURSDAY:** Ravioli, vegetable soup.

**FRIDAY:** Sloppy joes and chips.

## Square Dancers meet on Saturday

The Town and Country Square Dance Club will meet Saturday, Jan. 23 at Cass City High School from 8 to 11 p.m.

All square dancers are welcome to hear club caller Harry Longhouse.

## Diabetes help group forms at Scheurer

Scheurer Hospital's Community Relations Department is starting a support group for diabetic persons of all ages and their families.

The group's organizational meeting is set for Tuesday, Feb. 16 at 7 p.m., in the Hospital Conference Room.

The group will try to obtain current information and to exchange ideas and concerns about diabetes, says Community Relations Director Frank Francomb.

Various members of Scheurer's health care team will participate in the meetings at various times.

Anyone is welcome to attend at any time. Interested persons should call the Hospital in Pigeon at 453-3223 or Caralea Reed at 453-2102.

**MENS' MIDWEST**  
As of Jan. 13

Colwood Bar ..... 9  
Ralph's Bar ..... 8  
Ty's Lounge ..... 7  
Ed's Bar ..... 6  
Pigeon Inn ..... 6  
Gagetown Inn ..... 5  
Bud's Bar ..... 4  
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**Pool leagues**

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Elvis Presley's time, because I like his music.

Mary McIlhargie  
PIGEON



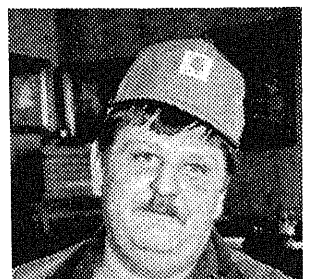
Back in the Civil War era, because I think it's interesting.

Patty Schulze  
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Abe Lincoln's time, because he was an interesting person.

Amy Csanyi  
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Back in Ben Franklin's time, because it would be neat to invent stuff.

Al McBride  
PIGEON



I'd be in President Coolidge's time, because everything was prospering.

George Keim  
BAY PORT

In President Lincoln's time, because he was a fair man.  
Bob Tate  
PIGEON

## Maust visits Middle East

Barry Maust spent his first semester of his college sophomore year in the Middle East.

Two weeks were spent in Egypt studying the culture and archeology of the area. The next 10 days were spent in Jordan where Barry and the group of 35 students toured churches and visited families.

In Israel he studied seven weeks at a Biblical institute including Biblical archeology and geography, as well as taking an in-depth look at the current issues of the Middle East. He reports that a two-day camel trip into the desert was very interesting.



During his stay in Israel, Maust had a week of service in a town in the Occupied West Bank. He worked with an institution call "The House of Hope," a peace center. His time in Jerusalem was a New Testament experience -- Bethany, Mount of Olives, Gethsemane, City of David, Hezekiah's tunnel.

The next two weeks were spent in Europe studying in Greece and Italy, followed by a vacation in Switzerland and Germany, before returning to Harrisonburg, Va.

Barry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Maust of Bay Port.

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## United in marriage

Renee Kathleen Koch of Bad Axe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Koch and Dennis Paul Bergman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bergman, were united in marriage on Saturday, Dec. 26, 1987 at 3:30 p.m. at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Bad Axe.



Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bergman

Roger Heintz with scripture readings by Rev. Raymond Orth, before an altar decorated with white poinsettias. Gary Krause, vocalist, sang "O Perfect Love" and "The Lord's Prayer," and the congregation sang "O Father All Creating." Alan Majeska was organist. Given in marriage by her

father, the bride approached the altar wearing the wedding gown of the groom's mother, which was of hand-clipped Chantilly lace over satin, featuring a molded bodice fashioned with a Sabrina neckline, long tapering pointed sleeves and a bouffant skirt of tiers of lace and silk illusion. The bride wore her mother's crown of lace and seed pearls which was secured to a silk illusion fingertip veil. She carried red silk roses, pine and sparkled baby's breath, arranged into an arm bouquet. The flowers were tied with antique lace and rose red streamers. Complementing the bride's attire was an heirloom lavalier with pearl drop and diamond.

Dianne Koch, sister of the bride, of Cincinnati, Ohio, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Judith Bergman, sister of the groom, of Phoenix, Ariz.; Raylene Koch, sister of the bride, of Bad Axe; Erin Stephenson, cousin of the bride, of Cincinnati, Ohio and Nancy Easton, cousin of the groom, of Oxford. The maid of honor and bridesmaids wore floor-length gowns of red taffeta with full circular skirts and matching Chantilly lace trim at the "V" neckline and forming the sort pouff sleeves. Their headpieces were halos of red tulle, sparkled baby's breath and silk holly leaves and they carried silk colonial bouquets of miniature carnations, red sweetheart roses and variegated holly. The flowers were shaped into a symbolic wreath style, in keeping with the holiday season.

Randy Easton, cousin of the groom of Oxford, was best man. Groomsmen were Mark Bergman, brother of the groom, of Harrisonburg, Va.; Craig Stephenson, cousin of the bride, of Cincinnati, Ohio; Ronald Bergman, brother of the groom, of Cincinnati, Ohio and Donald Bergman, brother of the groom, of Maineville, Ohio. The ushers were George Taylor, friend of the groom, of Bad Axe and Steven Sampier, cousin of the bride, of Sanford. The bride's mother was attired in a winter white dress of sheer georgette with a pleated skirt and lace overlay, complemented by red accessories and a keepsake corsage of red miniature carnations, white sweetheart roses and holly. The groom's mother wore a knit dress of blue and black, complemented by black accessories and a keepsake wrist corsage of white miniature carnations and sweetheart roses, with silver and blue accents. Following the ceremony, a reception dinner was held at The Franklin Inn of Bad Axe for 250 guests. The newlyweds then left for a one-week honeymoon trip to

### CPR class set

Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, will offer a basic Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) course for the general public, beginning Thursday, Jan. 21.

The class will meet for two weeks, Jan. 21 and 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the hospital classroom.

The class is open to anyone who wishes to earn a Life-Saving certificate in CPR. There is a fee for the class.

For registration and information, contact the Scheurer Hospital Community Relations Department at 453-3223.

Niagara Falls and Toronto, Canada, before returning to their new home in Lake Orion.

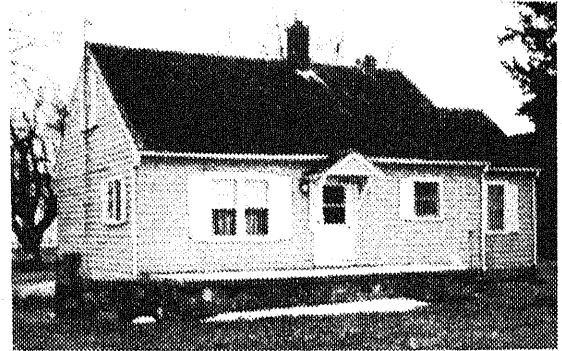
The bride attended Laker High School and Delta College and is a legal secretary at Katsoulos, Carniak, Carniak & Trigger, P.C., Rochester. The groom attended Laker High School and is employed by James Mouch & Sons Excavating, Oxford.

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## Vincent Smiths mark 40 years

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Smith



At their wedding 40 years ago

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Smith of Caseville recently spent a weekend at the Bavarian Inn Motor Lodge in Frankenthum, a gift given to them by their children to celebrate their 40th Wedding Anniversary.

The former Joyce Henne and Vincent Smith were married Jan. 17, 1947 at Hayes United Methodist Church, Pigeon.

Their children are Cynthia Wagner of Northville, Patricia Walsh of Pigeon and Denson Smith of Caseville. They also have six grandchildren.

### Library Club sponsors trip

The Caseville Library Club will sponsor a bus trip to Jacobson's in downtown Saginaw on Thursday, Jan. 28.

The bus will leave the Township Hall parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and will return at 5 p.m.

For more information, call Betty Beedle at 856-2371 or Phyllis Love at 856-2129. Space is limited, and the fee charged will include lunch.

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## Pigeon folks visit

By DOROTHY DIENER

Enjoying a Saturday visit with their son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rathke, Pamela and Kristine in Sterling Heights were Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rathke.

On Saturday the staff of Cross Lutheran School was entertained for supper and fellowship at the home of Dennis and Cindy Englehard of Unionville.

The Sunday Night Study Group of Cross Lutheran Church met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Sturm with eight couples in attendance. Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Elder. Discussion was on "Persecution-Martyrdom."

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Collison and Fred were Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sattler and Beth Ann of Bay City.

Mrs. Elmer Schuette visited Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taschner in Sebewaing.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Rathje traveled to Saginaw on Tuesday to the home of Professor and Mrs. Randall Rathje and family to celebrate Randy's birthday.

Mrs. Ada Binder was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Binder and family.

Mrs. Ann Schuette, accompanied by Mrs. Marion Kumaus, visited Sunday with their sister-in-law, Mrs. LaVerna Kumaus in Sebewaing.

Mrs. Amanda Strauch and Mrs. Elsie Kern visited Mon-

day with Arnold and Alice Reinholdt in Sebewaing.

Wednesday guests of Mrs. Elsie Trowbridge were Mrs. Clara Nitz and Mrs. Strobel of Saginaw.

Mrs. Walter Hartman spent Sunday with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Champagne and family near Kinde.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rathje and family of Yale were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Rathje. They celebrated Jim and his son Kyle's birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. Meldrum Baerwolf spent Sunday with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Armstead in Snover.

## Lake levels decline

Water levels in Lakes Huron - Michigan for the last month of 1987 were 21 inches lower than one year ago, and about one inch below November, 1987.

That was the report of Detroit District US Army Corps of Engineers, which showed sudden, continuing drop of Great Lakes water levels.

The December mean was still about 11 inches above the long-term average, but 23 inches below the alltime December high which occurred in 1986.

The December, 1987, was 43 inches above the alltime December low, set in 1964.

Lake levels are expected to continue their seasonal decline into February, and by June, 1988, the lakes are expected to be about seven

## Hospital Care List

Patients in Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, on Monday, Jan. 18:

**PIGEON:** Carl Dast, Manisha Raythatha, Hattie Decker.

**CASEVILLE:** Wallace Hart, Baby Laura DeSloover.

**BIRTHS:** Born to Mr. and Mrs. Larry (Rebecca) DeSloover, a daughter, Laura, on Jan. 14, 1988.

inches below what they were in June, 1987. By June the levels are expected to be 18 inches below the alltime high for June, which occurred just one year earlier.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Elkton Elementary School by President Bruce Baur.

Members present: Virginia Lepprandt, James Clabuesch, Paul Clabuesch, Bruce Baur, Dr. Lockard and Sid Smith.

Members absent: Yvonne Bushey.

A motion was made by Paul Clabuesch, seconded by Sid Smith accepting the consent agenda. Motion carried.

A motion was made by James Clabuesch, seconded by Virginia Lepprandt accepting the bus bids as per recommendation of the Transportation Committee, calling for the purchase of four buses with an International chassis and a Blue Bird body. Motion carried.

The Board entered into a discussion regarding the state equalized value for the 1988-89 school year. No action taken.

The Board entered into a discussion relative to AIDS and the AIDS curriculum as proposed by the Department of Education. No action taken.

A motion was made by Paul Clabuesch, seconded by Virginia Lepprandt accepting the resignation of James Quackenbush as English/Spanish teacher. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Virginia Lepprandt, seconded by Sid Smith accepting the cook's 1987-88 salary and contract agenda, calling for a 6.5 percent salary increase for the remainder of this school year. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Virginia Lepprandt, seconded by Dr. Lockard accepting the request to extend Linda Deschger's leave of absence for the remainder of the current school year. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Jim Clabuesch, seconded by Virginia Lepprandt to adjourn the meeting at 9 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
James H. Clabuesch, secretary  
Board of Education

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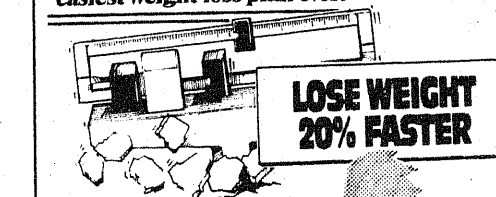
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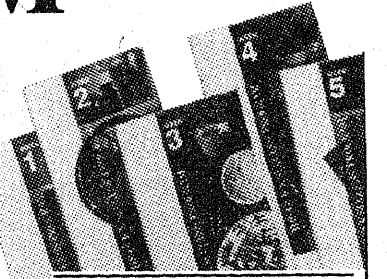
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This is for two women at the Social Services Building in Bad Axe: I hope you enjoy your paycheck each week. It's a gift, because you sure don't deserve it. You do absolutely nothing for Social Services and Child Abuse. If you did, you'd follow up on certain children in particular. I know for a fact school officials in a nearby town are highly upset with these cult people's children. If you knew what was going on and followed up as you're supposed to, you'd find out.

How come? How can the EPBP Board criticize someone for the way the message was sent, when their faculty members send out letters to recent graduates, asking them to register and vote for the millage, sending absentee applications and instructions presumed to be at the school's expense? Signed, Concerned.

I agree about not getting as much snow as we used to. I remember one winter in 1899 when it was the worst ever.

I can't believe 20 and more people live together, above their "church" building. Because their "religion" permits this, it's okay? Are government officials scared or too lazy to check this out?

Why do some people, like Post Office and state workers, get Martin Luther King Day off, but no one else does? Either it is or isn't a holiday, I think.

I have to hand it to the Laker Board of Education. They invoke the freedom of information act to get the information they need to stop Mr. Feger from issuing the information to the voters of Lake Township, as to why their taxes are increased. This is nothing but intimidation on their part.

What makes them so nervous

about informing the voters of the facts? Do they insist on keeping the voters ignorant? There must be another way to solve our problems. Thank you.

This is Ruth Schultz and I would like to report we've seen a robin out here on the 13th of January. Thank you.

Why aren't the tennis courts flooded for ice skating this winter? According to many local people I've spoken with, there's considerable interest. The village taxes that we pay should be more than enough to pay for a chapone.

Besides, our kids need something more to do on nights and weekends than cause trouble and TP things.

Does anyone know how to keep a couch or chair from moving, creeping on a linoleum floor? Please answer in SOUND-OFF.

Youth Basketball time change will be 9-11 from now on. Dates to remain the same. 3, 4, 5 and 6 grade boys all welcome.

The Laker High Band Boosters are sponsoring the Bob Olson Big Band at the Laker Student Center Wednesday, Jan. 20 from 7:30 to 9:30. There is a small donation and tickets are available at the door.

Please come and bring a group of friends for enjoyable listening and dancing. Thank you, signed Laker Band Boosters.

Last week my daughter came home and said she didn't make it to the Skill Center until 12:30 because of some immature seniors who were throwing food on the bus. Now she says they don't have much time to eat so they take it on the bus.

My suggestion is: give the kids a little more time to eat and they

won't have to take their food on the bus, so none of this would happen.

It's terrible what Jimmy the Greek Snyder said about blacks last week. Doesn't he know we're all equal in God's sight, and that performance isn't based on a person's skin color?

The only people making money this time of year is the Post Office, delivering all those bank

statements and dividend announcements. And, for all the postage banks have to pay, you know who ends up paying it in the end.

I agree about too many handicapped parking spaces. If they were used, that would be one thing. But almost always they're empty and unused, causing other people to walk or drive further away.

## Farm meetings coming soon

With commodity prices gaining only slightly in recent months, farmers in the Thumb are trying to obtain information about which crops to choose for production in the coming season.

Farm programs all around the state are often including topics such as alternative crops and alternative production techniques to equip farmers with as much information as available while they pick-and-choose for 1988.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 10 will offer the biennial MICHIGAN DRY BEAN DAY at the Civic Center in Saginaw, with emphasis on such topics as:

- What's Down the Road;
- Growing Beans for a Profit;
- Alternative Production Techniques;
- Tillage Techniques;
- Weeds - Seeds - Diseases - Bugs;
- Plus reports from Canada, Nebraska, North Dakota and domestic marketing and promotions, with trends in the retail market and "what growers need to know."

On FRIDAY, FEB. 12, two days later, Huron County Extension Service will stage CROP DAY, using the topic,

"ARE THERE ALTERNATIVE CROPS?"

Jim LeCureux, agricultural agent, will give perspective, yield data and basic economics, and there will be extensive information on soybean production and herbicide and further material on soys, by Extension agents, Michigan Soybean Association executive director and MSU crops and soil specialists.

A panel of Huron and Saginaw County soybean farmers will stage a panel on "What Works for Me." In the afternoon, Larry Copeland, MSU crops and soils specialist, will give a talk on guidelines for higher oat yields.

The program will close shortly after 3 pm with a wrap-up and concerns on alternative crops. There is a small registration for participants.

Other earlier events will be staged in January, including:

- "Managing for the Future," at Huron Intermediate Skill Center, on Thursday, Jan. 21, and continuing through Feb. 25, weekly from 12:30-4 p.m.
- There is a charge for the Managing series. The cost includes speakers.

## New member joins Elkton Lions Club

The Elkton Lions Club held its annual Christmas Party on Dec. 12 at The Hitching Post Inn with 25 members and their wives and a guest in attendance.

Special guest was Past Governor Ed Good and his wife, of Owendale. He spoke about their recent trip to the Orient and his experience of being Governor the past year. Good also installed the newest member of the Elkton Lions, Jerry White, who was sponsored by Lion Donald Weiss.

Following the ceremony and dinner, members and guests spent the evening playing cards and visiting. Arrangements were made by Lions Fred Maxwell and Delmer McAlpine.



NEWEST ELKTON LION: Don Weiss, right, installs Jerry White as the Elkton Lions Club's newest member, center, as Past District Gov. Ed Good and guests look on.

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## Date coming for ACS Ski-a-thon



SKING FOR CANCER RESEARCH in 1987 were Fran Davis, Florence Liken and Marie Liken.

The Huron County American Cancer Society has scheduled its 1988 Ski-a-thon for Sunday, Jan. 31 at The Castaways, on M-25 south of Port Austin, according to Mrs. Sally Beers, chairman.

Registrations will be taken from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and skis will be furnished for participants not having their own equipment. Forms may be picked up at local schools or by calling Mrs. Beers at 883-3272.

## X-country skiing offers family fun

Wintertime in Michigan means a new season of wind, ice, below-freezing temperatures and lots of snow. But winter doesn't have to mean an end to outdoor exercise and family fun.

4-H program leader Lowell Rothert encourages families to take time for winter exercise and fun through cross-country skiing.

"There are so many individual and family benefits for anyone who participates in this sport," Rothert says. "Other winter activities tend to emphasize individual action instead of family togetherness, and few sports of any kind provide the cardiovascular exercise that cross-country skiing does."

Cross-country skiing is an increasingly popular activity for people of all ages. According to Dennis Hansen, author of two books on the sport, it's an activity that can be regulated by the individual.

"Skiers can take their time and enjoy a leisurely afternoon on the trail, or they can exert themselves to a greater degree and really work on becoming physically fit," Hansen points out. "It's an easy sport to get involved in because the equipment needs are very basic."

Boots, skis and poles are the only pieces of equipment needed to begin skiing. As a skier progresses, he or she may want to invest in certain types of boots, skis or outerwear.

Michigan is an especially good place for cross-country skiing. Numerous trails, many within 50 miles of each other, allow avid skiers to spend the day on several courses, instead of only one.

For more information about the cross-country skiing publication or any part of the 4-H leisure education project, contact the Huron County Cooperative Extension at 269-9949.

## FOA makes personnel changes

Two changes in personnel at First of America — Thumb, in Sebewaing and Caseville offices, were announced this week by James A. Krause, president and chief executive officer of the company.

Thomas A. Kreh of Pigeon has been promoted from commercial loan officer at the Bad Axe office to assistant vice-president and transferred to the Sebewaing office.

Maxine A. Kauffold of Sebewaing has been named branch officer and branch manager and transferred to the Caseville Office. She had previously been branch officer at the Uby Office.

Thomas Kreh was born and raised in Pigeon, son of the late Bernard and Leona Kreh. He was graduated from Laker High in 1973 and from Central Michigan University in 1977, where he received his BA Degree in business administration in the area of finance.

He started with the company as a management trainee in January, 1978, while it was Community Bank, then NewCentury and now First of America, work-

ing in Bad Axe, Elkton and Kinde before coming to Sebewaing.

He was promoted to loan officer in 1984. He is married to Brenda Greyerbiehl and they live in Pigeon. They have twin daughters, Kim and Kari, 5, and a son, Jeremy, 3. Kreh's hobbies involve hunting and competitive sports and coin collecting.

Mrs. Kauffold is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Herb Lorentz, and she

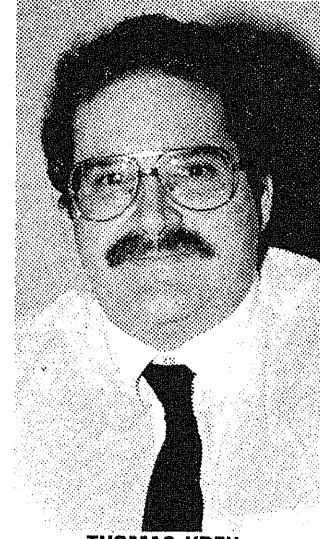
was graduated from Sebewaing High in 1968. She began her banking career in 1968, working for Farmers and Merchants State Bank in Sebewaing.

She was promoted to operational and management duties after the bank became part of First of America and then joined NewCentury staff as manager of the Uby office and in charge of business development.

She has earned a retail banking diploma from Delta

College. Mrs. Kauffold is now in her Caseville management assignment.

She is married to William H. Kauffold of Sebewaing, who is associated in Kauffold Insurance Agency with offices in Sebewaing and Caseville. Their children are William II, Angela and Matthew Kauffold.



THOMAS KREH



MAXINE KAUFFOLD

## Tom Thumb fun night Saturday

This Saturday at 7 p.m. is the time for the Family Fun Night sponsored by Tom Thumb Preschool of Caseville, sponsors say.

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## WELFARE IN HURON COUNTY

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be eligible to get benefits, then you'll have to sell some things."

**CAN EXEMPT PROPERTY:** There is a provision for people who own property that was offered for sale before they applied for benefits. The department can exempt the property for nine months from being counted as an asset, with the owner signing a repayment agreement.

If the land is sold within nine months, the owner must reimburse the state from the proceeds of the sale for any benefits received. But if the land is not sold within the nine-month time limit, the equity in the property will be counted against the client and the case would be closed, denying any more benefits.

"We have people coming in and saying 'I paid taxes, I'm entitled to assistance.'"

"Not everyone is entitled. You must be eligible. We don't have any latitude in determining eligibility," says Burmeister.

**SOCIALLY DISABLED:** Burmeister admits there is a small

core of people who are always receiving welfare benefits — which he estimates at about three percent of the total caseload.

"We call some of them 'socially disabled,' meaning they have never had a good role model for a work ethic. Many of them drop out of school as soon as they're able, they don't have any work history."

"They might never be able to hold a job. And of course, there are those who simply can't work, such as some handicapped persons," Capling says.

"There are very few receiving assistance who simply won't work. There's a difference between 'won't' and 'can't.'"

**COMPLAINTS AND FRAUD:** Capling says the DSS, at 1911 Sand Beach Road just east of Bad Axe, often receives complaints that someone is receiving benefits unfairly.

"Only one person in the past three years has identified himself when they call to complain about someone else," he notes.

When the department investigates these complaints, it usually turns out — in 95% of the cases — the person receiving benefits has already reported any change in earnings or status to the DSS.

"The other five percent are hard to prove since the complainant did not provide enough information and did not identify themselves so that the complaint could be followed up."

"We just ask that the complainant talk to us, identify themselves, and give us enough information to investigate properly," Capling says.

Of the 14 cases of suspected fraud referred in 1987 to the statewide Office of the Inspector General, which investigates fraudulent claims, only six cases were found to have any merit and those clients are paying restitution.

"It's difficult to put one over on the department. This county is too small for that," says Capling.

**NO CADILLACS:** "There aren't any welfare Cadillacs anymore. Maybe in the big cities were someone will make claims under several different names, but not here," Capling says.

"The myth of the 'welfare queen' or the 'welfare Cadillac' is just that — a myth."



RANDIE CLARK answers questions at the DSS front counter.

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## News That Counts From



**from Huron County Clerk Helen Lemanski**

**ASSUMED NAMES**  
Week of January 11

NO. 4515 PITCHER'S BEN FRANKLIN, 244 N. Center, Sebewaing, MI 48759. By: John Jay Pitcher, 244 N. Center, Sebewaing, MI 48759. Filed: 1/7/88

NO. 4516 MALLORY'S FLOWERLAND, 221 N. Center, Sebewaing, MI 48759. By: Brent Stoockle, Cathy Stoockle, 11251 Sebewaing Road, Sebewaing, MI 48759. Filed: 1/7/88

NO. 4517 MICHIGAN DIRECTORY COMPANY, 7557 W. Pigeon Road, Pigeon, MI 48755. By: Willis M. Henry, 7557 W. Pigeon Road, Pigeon, MI 48755. Filed: 1/11/88

NO. 4518 THUMB DISTRIBUTING CO., 621 E. Huron, Bad Axe, MI 48413. By: Roy Densen, Inc., 621 E. Huron, Bad Axe, MI 48413

NO. 4519 HIRSHIG ENTERPRISES, 1815 Pte. Aux Barques, Port Austin, MI 48467. By: Linda G. Hirschberger, 1815 Pte. Aux Barques, Port Austin, MI 48467. Filed: 1/11/88

**DISSOLUTION: PITCHER'S BEN FRANKLIN, 244 N. Center, Sebewaing, MI 48759. By: J.C. Pitcher, Madelyn Pitcher. Filed: 1/7/88**

**DISSOLUTION: MALLORY'S FLOWERLAND, 221 N. Center, Sebewaing, MI 48759. By: Carol Mallory Hughes. Filed: 1/7/88**

**DISSOLUTION: POLAR SOLAR, 553 Main, Kinde, MI 48445. By: Leonard Kalka. Filed: 1/11/88**

**CO-PARTNERSHIPS**  
Week of January 11

**DISSOLUTION: VOLT FARMS, 6191 E. Huron Line Road, Minden City, MI 48456. By: Herbert Volt, Fred Volt, Dale Volt. Filed: 1/7/88**

**NO. 829 VOLT FARMS, 6191 E. Huron Line Road, Minden City, MI 48456. By: Dale Volt, Herbert Volt, 6191 E. Huron Line Road, Minden City, MI 48456. Filed: 1/7/88**

**JUDGMENTS OF DIVORCE**

Linda Lee Bucholtz vs Wilford Emil Bucholtz

Daniel A. Glaza vs Deborah S. Glaza

April Leah Nicholas vs Bryan Robert Nicholas

**from County Register of Deeds Frances Holdwick**

**WARRANTY DEEDS**  
January 6 - 12

George D. Beadle and Jeanette E. to Ben A. Halek and Marian W., a parcel of land located in Casewille Twp.

Vera B. Andrews to Cecil W. Workman Jr. and Barbara D., a parcel of land located in Lake Twp.

Wilfred L. Coulston and Alvanetta to Frederick Karg and Kathy, a parcel of land located in Section 36 of Bloomfield Twp.

Robert C. Girstenschlager and Brenda Faye to Perry Wolschleger and Carol, a parcel of land located in Section 13 of Sand Beach Twp.

Shirley M. Leichte to Anne Scovic, a parcel of land located in Lake Twp.

Bad Axe Industrial Development Corporation to Aaly Toot & Bushing, Inc., a parcel of land located in Section 30 of Verona Twp.

Gary E. Doering and Rebecca R. to Dennis J. Holdwick and Maryrose P., a parcel of land located in the Village of Kinde.

Cass City State Bank to Gary Robert Labor, a parcel of land located in Section 34 of Sheridan Twp.

L. Jack Rochefort and Jean E. to Jerry L. Rochefort and Donna L., a parcel of land located in Hume Twp.

William C. Ender and Anna to Arthur E. DeMott and Betty J., a parcel of land located in Gore Twp.

Betty DeMott to Edward M. Almas and Patricia L., a parcel of land located in Gore Twp.

Stanley Kowalik to Daniel A. Franzel and Mary Ellen, a parcel of land located in Section 23 of Bingham Twp.

James C. McLean and Kay M. to

**from County Probate Judge David Clabuesch**

**PROBATE COURT**  
January 7 - 13

Estate of Laura M. Lenzer, Deceased, of Bad Axe, File 28,488, Supervised Probate, Appearance Filed, Codicil Filed, Order Filed

Estate of David Lee Hahn, Deceased, of Sebewaing, File 28,704, Independent Probate, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail Filed

Estate of Celia Talaski, Deceased, of Port Hope, File 28,785, Supervised Probate, Petition for Commencement of Proceedings Filed, Testimony Interested Parties Filed, Supplemental Testimony Interested Parties Filed, Publication Notice Filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail and By Personal Service Filed, Proof of Publication Filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail Filed

Estate of Norma J. Richards, Deceased, of Port Hope, File 28,544, Independent Probate, Certificate of Completion Filed

Estate of Bernita G. Uphogrove, Deceased, of Port Austin, File 28,788, Will Filed, Affidavit of No Estate to Probate Filed

Estate of Leonard J. Spanks, Deceased, of Port Austin, File 28,783, Supervised Probate, Petition for Commencement of Proceedings Filed, Testimony Interested Parties Filed, Supplemental Testimony Interested Parties Filed, Publication and Notice of Hearing Filed

Estate of Walter R. Shelton, Deceased, of Bay Port, File 28,790, Independent Probate, Petition for Commencement of Proceedings Filed, Testimony Interested

Parties Filed, Register's Order Filed, Acceptance of Trust Filed, Letters of Authority Filed

Estate of Irene M. Teirau, Deceased, of Bad Axe, File 28,789, Independent Probate, Will Filed, Petition for Commencement of Proceedings Filed, Declaration of Trust and Designation of Personal Representative Filed, Testimony Interested Parties Filed, Supplemental Testimony Interested Parties Filed, Register's Order Filed, Bond of Fiduciary Filed, Letters of Authority Filed, Claims Notice Filed

Estate of Emily Walsh, Deceased, of Pigeon, File 28,384, Supervised Probate, Annual Account of Personal Representative Filed

Estate of Albert Fred Frank, Deceased, of Harbor Beach, File 28,545, Supervised Probate, Order of Discharge Filed

Estate of Nina Marie Brewer, Deceased, of Sebewaing, File 28,734, Independent Probate, Publication and Notice of Hearing Filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail Filed

Estate of Henry A. Schmitt, Deceased, of Uby, File 28,794, Will Filed, Affidavit of No Estate Filed

Estate of Lena C. Hedley, Deceased, of Casewille, File 28,795, Will Filed

Estate of Ross W. Hedley, Deceased, of Casewille, File 28,796, Will Filed

Estate of Gertrude T. Koraleski, Deceased, of Kinde, File 28,763, Supervised Probate, 6 Waivers and Consents Filed, Order Admitting Will to Probate and Order Appointing Personal Representative Filed, Acceptance of Trust Filed, Letters of Authority Filed, Proof of Publication Filed

Estate of Edward Dekoski, Deceased, of Ruth, File 28,773, Supervised Probate, 5 Waivers and Consents Filed, Order Admitting Will to Probate and Order Appointing Personal Representative Filed, Acceptance of Trust Filed, Letters of Authority Filed, Proof of Publication Filed

Estate of Mae E. Eddy, Deceased, of Kinde, File 22,897, Supervised Trusteeship, Annual Account of Trustee Filed, Waiver and Consent Filed, Order Allowing Account Filed

Estate of Iva Weston, Deceased, of Bad Axe, File 28,778, Supervised Probate, Proof of Publication Filed

Estate of Pauline Mayer, Deceased, of Bad Axe, File 28,778, Supervised Probate, Proof of Publication Filed

Estate of Raymond Earl Olshove, Deceased, of Harbor Beach, File 28,783, Independent Probate, Proof of Publication Filed

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