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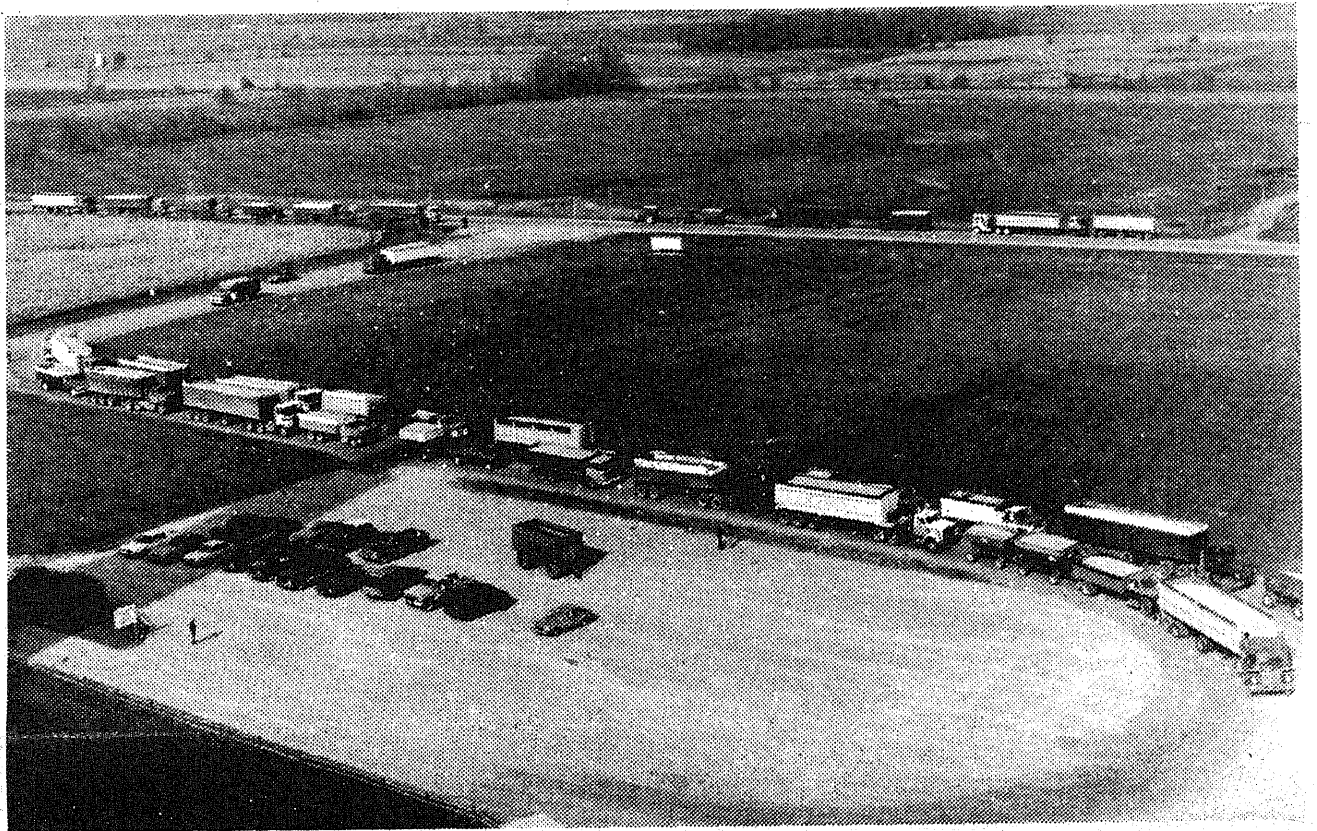
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"ISN'T IT WONDERFUL!!" That was one of the comments as trucks, trucks and more trucks bulging with corn converged on the Pigeon and Elkton Plants of the Cooperative Elevator this past weekend. Sue Gottschalk of the Co-op's Elkton Plant (shown here) said, "I can't even remember when we've had trucks lined up like this, and I've been here 10 years."

Wes Edington, vice president of retail sales at the Co-op, said over a million bushels of corn were unloaded from 2,500 trucks Thursday, Friday and Saturday. "They were bringing it in faster than we could unload it." The Michigan Sugar Factory in Sebawaing was closed to deliveries Friday, which meant farmers could concentrate on their corn harvest during the perfect harvest weather the Thumb experienced last week.

AMY HEIDEN AERIAL PHOTO



Voters face 2 proposals on Tuesday's ballot

Compiled & Written
By AMY HEIDEN

After many months of wrangling over school financing, Michigan legislators have finally come up with two financing proposals, to be voted on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

And how good either of the proposals are depends in large part on your spending habits, your income, where you live -- and which special interest group or expert you choose to believe.

PROPOSAL A would increase the state sales tax 1/2 cent, from four cents on the dollar to 4 1/2 cents, raising

about \$400 million for education.

Districts would be required to submit school improvement plans to the state, offer a core curriculum to students, submit a report to the local community each year, and be accredited.

PROPOSAL B would increase the state sales tax 50 percent, from four cents on the dollar to six cents, raising about \$325 million for schools. In addition, property taxes would be cut an average of 38 percent for homeowners across the state. School improvements plans

would also be required. The Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port School District will be effected by passage of either of the two proposals, as well as the taxpayers in the district.

Laker Supt. Robert Drury isn't entirely happy with either proposal.

"MY PROBLEM with Proposal A is that, generally speaking, it may create a problem in the future getting any additional millage we may need. The voters might say that 'we voted you extra money through the sales tax' and vote down any millage requests.

"Proposal B may help some residents, may hurt some, and depending on how much trust you have in the legislators, it may not do a whole lot of anything," Drury said.

SINCE THE LAKER District is out-of-formula -- meaning it doesn't receive any state aid because the district raises more dollars per students than their property taxes than the state guarantees -- the district would not receive any additional funds under Proposal A. The current 29.02 mills being levied now would continue, generating just

over \$3,154 per pupil.

IN CONTRAST, under Proposal B, Laker property taxes would drop about 42%, down from 29.02 mills to 17 mills.

The first nine mills of residential property tax and first 14 mills of commercial property tax would be put into a statewide fund for schools. Revenue raised from the statewide tax would be redistributed to schools districts to try to remove inequities in per-pupil spending in various districts. The 17 mills would never be subject to voter approval, but

each district would be able to ask for up to four additional mills from its voters.

FIGURES FROM THE Michigan Out-of-Formula Districts Association show that the Laker District would receive \$3,504 per pupil in the 1990-91 fiscal year if B passes. Under the current formula for the 1990-91 fiscal year, the district would receive about \$3,280 per pupil.

The proposal would constitutionally guarantee that

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Funding Per Pupil

SCHOOL DISTRICT	PROPOSITION A			PROPOSITION B			Funding Per Pupil		
	CURRENT	NEW	% REDUCTION	CURRENT	NEW	% REDUCTION	CURRENT	1993-94	1993-94
Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port	29.02	29.02	0	29.02	17	-41	\$3,179	\$3,409	\$4,157
Unionville-Sebawaing Area	35	35	0	35	19.4	-45	\$3,425	\$4,056	\$4,399
Owendale-Gagetown	41	41	0	41	23.23	-43	\$3,738	\$4,750	\$4,779
Akron-Fairgrove	33	33	0	33	17	-48	\$3,069	\$3,884	\$4,157
Caro Schools	33.5	33.5	0	33.5	17	-49	\$3,111	\$3,938	\$4,157
Cass City Schools	28.9	28.9	0	28.9	17	-41	\$2,726	\$3,440	\$3,976
Caseville Schools	17.76	17.76	0	17.76	17	-4	\$4,158	\$4,397	\$5,071
Bad Axe Schools	27	27	0	27	17	-37	\$2,567	\$3,234	\$3,817
Harbor Beach Schools	28.65	28.65	0	28.65	17	-41	\$2,787	\$3,369	\$4,037

* Not guaranteed. This is a liberal estimate of legislative funding decisions to be made in 1990. ** Guaranteed by constitution -- Source: Rep. Dick Allen

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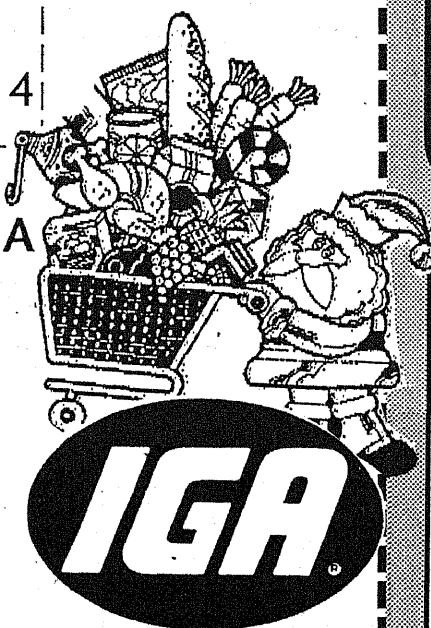
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THUMB AREA OBITUARIES

ARTHUR J. GETTEL 1900 - 1989

Arthur J. Gettel, age 89 of Jackson, formerly of Toledo, Ohio and the Pigeon and Bay Port area, passed away Oct. 23 in Jackson.

He was born and raised in the Pigeon/Bay Port area, son of the late Jacob and Louise (Brady) Gettel. He was a veteran of World War I and retired from the Autolite Corp. in Toledo and the U.S. Civil Service, which employed him on a Missile Base in Heath, Ohio. He was united in marriage to Florence Gray.

Mr. Gettel is survived by his wife, Florence; one daughter, Miss Janet Gettel of Albuquerque, N.M.; two grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Estelle Wagenschutz of Livonia.

Private interment was at the Toledo Memorial Park in Sylvania, Ohio. Arrangements were handled by the Great Lakes Cremation Society, Jackson.

Memorials may be offered in his memory to Vista Grande Villa, 2251 Springport Road, Jackson, MI 49202.

D. JAMES McGEE 1915 - 1989

D. James McGee, age 74 of Elkton, passed away Thursday, Oct. 26 at the Huron County Medical Care Facility.

He was born Feb. 10, 1915 in Meade Township at the home of his parents, the late Daniel and Elizabeth (McCormick) McGee. On Feb. 19, 1938 he was united in marriage to Jean McIlhargie at St. Felix Church, Pinnebog. She preceded him in death on March 25, 1986.

Mr. McGee lived in the Elkton Area most of his life and had been an employee of the Elkton Co-op Farm Produce Company from 1947 until retiring in 1977. He was a past member of the St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church, Pigeon.

Surviving him are four sons: Richard of Sarasota, Fla., Lawrence of Mt. Clemens, William of Elkton and Charles of Bad Axe; one daughter, Mrs. Larry (Grace) McCallum of Port Austin; six grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; one brother, Frank McGee, Elkton; three sisters, Mrs. Loretta McLellan, Mrs. Annabel Louks, Bad Axe and Mrs. Madalyn Krohn, Elkton.

A son, Jerry, two brothers, Martin and Vincent McGee and two sisters, Margaret Light and Winnie Dowde, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Oct. 28 at St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church, Pigeon with Rev. Fr. Ben Skornia officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were handled by the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton.

LOUIS LEE CHRISTNER 1920 - 1989

Louis L. Christner, age 69 of Pigeon, passed away Friday, Oct. 27 at Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon.

Mr. Christner was born on June 9, 1920 in Oliver Twp., son of the late Jacob and Mary (Bosbart) Christner. On May 15, 1948 he was united in marriage to Elmina E. Bender in Ontario. He was a member of the Pigeon River Mennonite Church and attended the Fair Haven Mennonite Church.

He is survived by his wife, Elmina E.; three sons, James L. Sebewaing, son and daughter-in-law John L. and Dorothy, Goshen, Ind. and Richard P., Mishawaka, Ind.; two grandchildren, Kerl and Scott; two brothers, Alvin, Phoenix, Ariz. and Ervin of Florida; five sisters, Alta Phiel, Grosse Pointe Farms, Elizabeth Swartzendruber, Pigeon, Marion Nafzieger, Archbold, Ohio, Margaret King, Sarasota, Fla., Dorothy Nafzieger, Pottsville, Ohio and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, William and Jess.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, Oct. 30 at the Pigeon River Mennonite Church at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Luke Yoder, pastor and Rev. Wayne Keim officiated with burial in the church cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the Scheurer Hospital, Fair Haven Mennonite Church or the Blue Water Youth for Christ.

Funeral arrangements were handled by the Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon.

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OTHER THUMB AREA DEATHS

John Young, 85, Caro, formerly of Bad Axe, passed away Oct. 23.

Irving Anderson, 70, Port Austin, passed away Oct. 24. Lucy Franzel, 91, Ubyly, passed away Oct. 24.

Charles Greyerbiehl, 81, Verona Township, passed away Oct. 24.

Norman Curcia, 64, Sebewaing, passed away Oct. 25. Peter Palitti, Huron Township, passed away Oct. 26.

Area school lunch menus

NOV. 1-7

CASEVILLE SCHOOL

NOV. 1: Nachos or fish sandwich.
NOV. 2: Grilled cheese or ham sandwich, green beans.
NOV. 3: Hamburger or hot dog, french fries.
NOV. 6: Pizza or submarine sandwich.
NOV. 7: Ham or fish sandwich, corn.

LAKER SCHOOLS

NOV. 1: Pancakes and sausage.
NOV. 2: Turkey chunks with gravy.
NOV. 3: Fish sandwich.
NOV. 6: Chicken nuggets.
NOV. 7: Turkey ala king with biscuits.

Club news

PIGEON LIONS CLUB

The Pigeon Lions heard Richard Everts speak on "Speech and Hearing" when 45 met at the Pigeon VFW Hall on Wednesday, Oct. 25. Lion President John Walsh called the meeting to order. Forty-five Lions responded and one guest, Buck LePage, was introduced.

President Walsh announced the region meeting at Deckerville on Nov. 7 and Leader Dog Day at Rochester Dec. 6. Christmas Party Chairman William Weitzel announced the Lions will meet at Greenfields Restaurant Dec. 2 for their annual Christmas Party.

Three new Lions were installed by Past Governor Roy Lawrence: Kenneth Clark, Capt. Dave Lewis and Richard Decker. Richard Everts joined the Pigeon Lions by transfer from the Caro Lions.

Program Chairman Harold Weidman introduced Everts, who also tested members on their hearing and listening skills.

The next meeting will be Nov. 8.

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Also check out the policies to see whether you've specified any particular settlement option, that is, the manner in which insurance proceeds are to be distributed to your beneficiary. You may want to, for reasons of your own, but as a general rule try not to lay down stipulations so stringent that

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An hour in the life of . . . a blood donor

By AMY HEIDEN

With recent disasters such as Hurricane Hugo, the San Francisco earthquake and the chemical plant explosion in Texas, the demand for blood for injured people has never been stronger.

Add to that the seasonal shortages that constantly plague the Red Cross, and you find the Red Cross is having its own disaster.

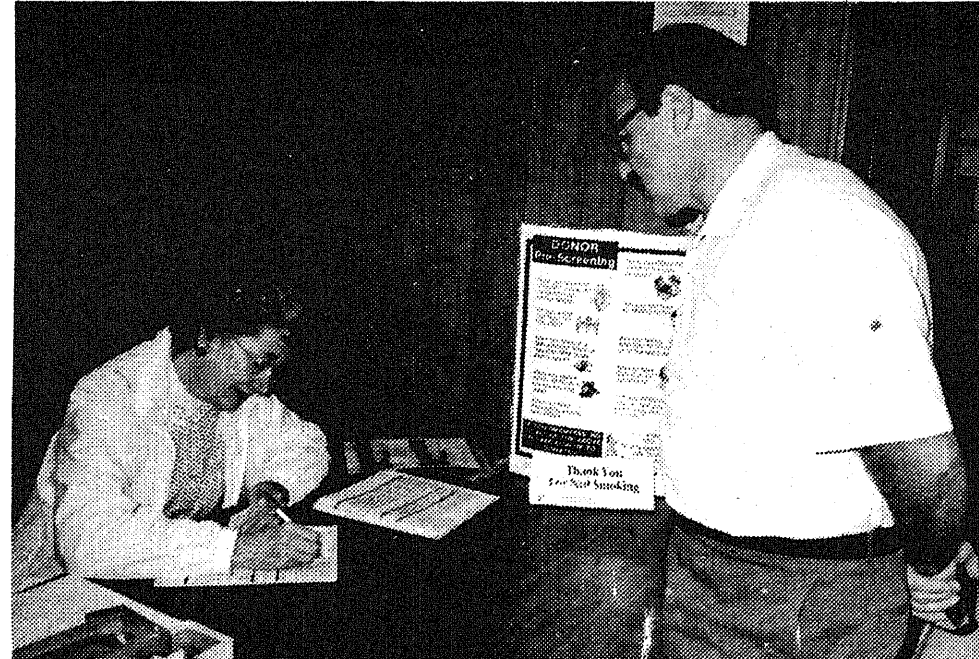
The Red Cross knows the regular cadre of donors will respond to a blood drive in the community, but it always tries to encourage new donors to share their precious blood. Some who might give, though, have some doubts about the whole procedure.

TO HELP THOSE who might not know what the procedure entails, we followed Bob Bursick of Elkton through his blood donor

experience at the Elkton Civic Center last week.

Only about 30 people donated in Elkton last week, according to John Champagne, area coordinator. Members of the Elkton Missionary Church volunteered their time to help the Red Cross and helped in the initial screening and by donating cookies and beverages.

HERE'S HOW THE PROCEDURE WORKS:



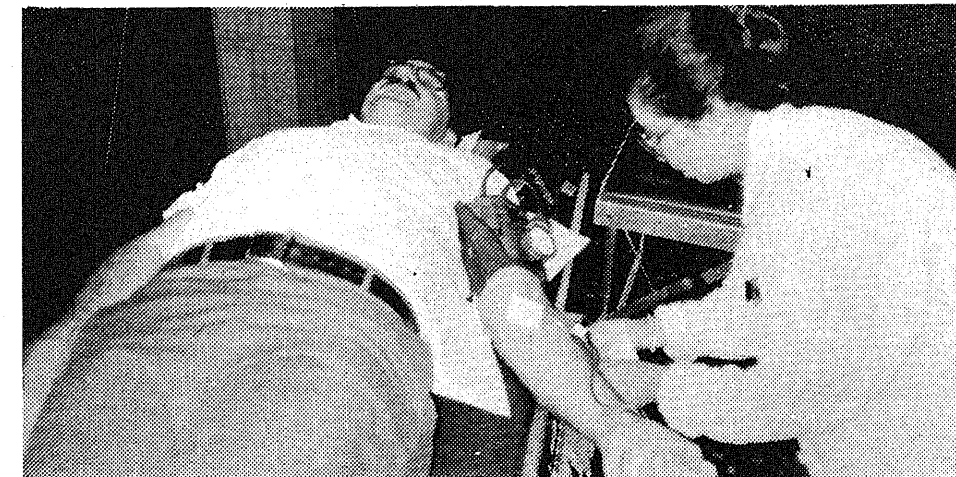
1. Theatta Picklo checks Bursick's identification and address in the first step of the donor process.



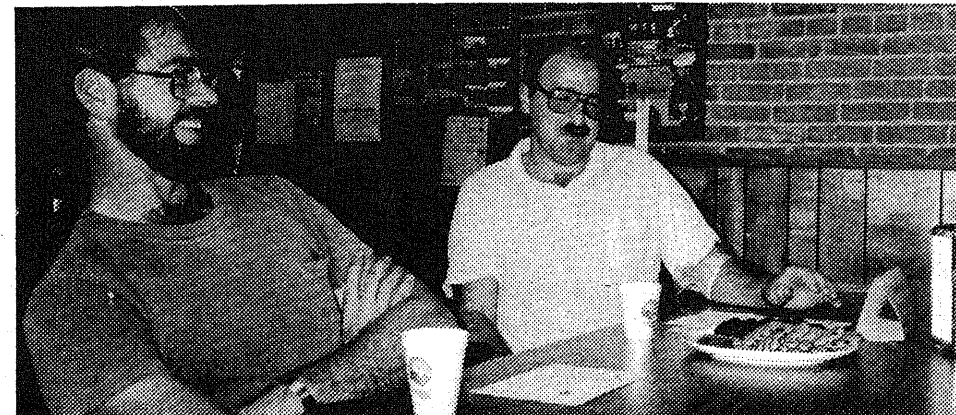
2. The next step in the process is to get the potential donor's blood pressure, temperature, and pulse. Here, volunteer Fay Ignash checks Bursick's vital signs. "An elevated temperature could mean an infection, and a high blood pressure reading could mean the donor will be rejected," Ignash said.



3. In the drop of blood drawn from Bursick's pricked finger falls to the bottom of the solution in ten seconds, his hemoglobin (iron) count is sufficient to be a donor. Here Barbara Browne, R.N. of the Wolverine Region of the Red Cross, pricks Bursick's finger for the small sample of blood. Browne also verified Bursick's answers to the screening questions.



4. Once Bursick was accepted as a donor, he collected a pint bag which would hold his blood donation. Ming Bandy, R.N. then picked out the perfect vein in his arm, scrubbed the area thoroughly with a Betadine solution, then inserted the needle into the vein. Alternately squeezing and releasing a small stick forces the venous blood to flow into the collection bag where it's checked often by the nurse. The process takes about 20 minutes, and the bag and its contents weigh 600-640 grams when full. Bandy said a healthy donor could share his or her blood six times a year with no ill effects. Each pint of collected blood is carefully screened for AIDS, hepatitis, and other diseases before it is ever used. The blood can be transfused as whole blood, or broken down into its two main component parts, plasma and red cells.



5. Bursick and fellow donor Al Bumhoffer enjoy some cookies and juice after donating. A snack is the final step in the donating process, to replace some of the blood volume lost in the donating process, and to build up blood sugar.

Senior News UPDATE

CASEVILLE RETIREMENT CLUB

A total of 113 members of the Caseville Retirement Club met Oct. 24 for their weekly meeting.

The meeting was called to order with the Lord's Prayer and Pledge to the Flag. Thanks were extended to Rose Morosini and Billie Lakatos for bringing "early-bird goodies."

New officers for 1989-90 are President Margaret Wilhelm, Vice President Betty Smith, Secretary Virginia Kreig and Treasurer Norma Farver.

Birthdays celebrated were for Virginia Kapcia, Viola Hall, Hazel Oldford, Dotty Douglas, Jessie Alward, El-

sie Stroh, Phyllis Cormendy and Marge Heckman.

Anniversaries were observed by Russell and June Poisson, Ray and Louise Gerrard and Fred and Nig Withey.

Hospitalized is Helen Balenger and recuperating at home are Joe Garant and Angeline Schulte.

Chuck and Betty Pudney were set to entertain on Halloween with special music and members were asked to come up with unusual costumes.

The group extends their condolences to the family of Steve Prisby.

ELKTON SENIOR CITIZENS

The Elkton Senior Citizens met at the Elkton Elementary School for a special meeting on Oct. 24.

Principal Ben Phillips extended a welcome on behalf of the school. President Mike Renn responded with thanks for the turkey luncheon served to the seniors.

A moment of silence was observed for departed member Homer Motz. Frank Ross offered table prayer which preceded the luncheon.

Following lunch, fifth grade students directed by Laura Witezak presented several musical selections. Guest Karen Gardner then enter-

tained with vocal solos, accompanying herself on the guitars or using tapes.

The Oct. 31 meeting was scheduled at the Elkton Civic Center as usual.

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They attend 'BRAT' workshop

Linda Shevchenko Fritz of Owendale and Evette Shevchenko Curtis of Bad Axe recently returned from a special weekend workshop and seminar Oct. 20-22 in Denver, concerning overseas alumni affairs. Fritz and Curtis had attended the Baumholder American High School in Baumholder, Germany.

The weekend workshop was hosted by OVERSEAS BRATS, a non-profit association of Americans who went to high school overseas. The event attracted 85 people representing 35 overseas high schools. Participants were instructed on how to organize their respective alumni groups. Overseas BRATS is looking for all overseas high school alumni. One of the free services OVERSEAS BRATS offers is information about overseas students' individual high school alumni groups. Readers should detail when and where they went to high school overseas and what year they graduated from school. Locally, information should be mailed to Linda Shevchenko Fritz, Owendale, MI, 48754.

classmates, plus it provided overseas alumni the opportunity to network and share experiences.

Among the informative sessions was the guest appearance of House Armed Services Committee member Cong. Patricia Schroeder. OVERSEAS BRATS is looking for all overseas high school alumni. One of the free services OVERSEAS BRATS offers is information about overseas students' individual high school alumni groups. Readers should detail when and where they went to high school overseas and what year they graduated from school. Locally, information should be mailed to Linda Shevchenko Fritz, Owendale, MI, 48754.

SPECIAL ELECTION

To the qualified electors:
WINSOR TOWNSHIP
County of Huron, State of Michigan
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1989

AT THE PLACE OR PLACES OF HOLDING THE ELECTION IN SAID CITY/TOWNSHIP AS INDICATED BELOW, VIZ:
Winsor Township Hall, 29 S. Main St., Pigeon, MI

For the purpose of voting on the following two proposals to amend the Constitution of the State of Michigan:
PROPOSAL A
A Proposal to increase the Sales/Use tax from 4¢ to 4 1/2¢ Per Dollar and Constitutionally Dedicate Funds For Local Schools
The proposed constitutional amendment would:
1) Constitutionally dedicate to schools:
a. 1/2¢ increase in sale/use tax;
b. Current statutory revenue sources, including lottery profits;
c. Increased share of existing sales/use tax (51% to 68%) to substantially replace annual school appropriation.
2) Distribute dedicated funds to school districts as provided by law.
3) Activate increased statutory penalty to deny 100% of state funds to schools not adopting core curriculum and improvement plans.

Should this proposal be adopted?
PROPOSAL B
A Proposal to Increase the Sales/Use Tax from 4¢ to 6¢ Per Dollar, Reduce School Property Taxes, Set Permanent School Operating Millages Not Subject to Voter Renewal, and Constitutionally Dedicate Funds for Local Schools.
The proposed constitutional amendment would:
1) Constitutionally dedicate to schools:
a. 2¢ increase in sales/use tax;
b. Current statutory revenue sources, including lottery profits and some cigarette/liquor taxes;
c. Increased share of existing sales/use tax (51% to 75%) to substantially replace annual appropriation.
2) Reduce property taxes in most school districts. Replace school taxes with permanent statewide millage (9 mills on residential/farm; 14-mills on business) plus non-voted local millage not subject to voter rollback. Limit voter-approved increases to 4 mills.
3) Set per-pupil funding guarantees subject to change by law requiring 2/3 vote.
4) Activate increased statutory penalty to deny all non-guaranteed state funds to schools not adopting core curriculum and improvement plans.

Should this proposal be adopted?
ALSO ANY ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS OR PROPOSITIONS THAT MAY BE SUBMITTED.
THE POLLS of said election will be open at 7 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8 o'clock p.m. of said day of election.
Dianne Kehr
Township Clerk

SPECIAL ELECTION

To the qualified electors:
CHANDLER TOWNSHIP
County of Huron, State of Michigan
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1989

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Glenn Iddings
Township Clerk

SPECIAL ELECTION

To the qualified electors:
MCKINLEY TOWNSHIP
County of Huron, State of Michigan
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1989

AT THE PLACE OR PLACES OF HOLDING THE ELECTION IN SAID CITY/TOWNSHIP AS INDICATED BELOW, VIZ:
The Corner of Caseville and Crown Rds. McKinley Twp. Hall.

For the purpose of voting on the following two proposals to amend the Constitution of the State of Michigan:
PROPOSAL A
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D. Charles Leipprandt
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This week's PIGEON DISTRICT LIBRARY CORNER

PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

"Balloons" will be the theme for the Nov. 7 Preschool Story Hour with the stories "Up Goes Mr. Downs" and "Benjamin's Balloon." Exercises, fingerplays, a flannelgraph, a song and a game of "Simon Says" will be part of the activities scheduled for the children. Children from age three to five are invited to attend either the 9 or 10:30 a.m. sessions. A registration fee is required, per family per year.

THE VANISHING LIBRARY

You walk by one morning and wow! The library's vanishing right in front of your eyes. Why? It seemed like a nice place. Even though you never went there. Plenty of people did. They came and went, with books and cassettes and magazines. Mothers with their kids. And students. And working people. So what happened? Maybe people like you out-number the others. Andy maybe the library folded waiting for you and

your crowd to come around. So what are you waiting for? The library's still in business, with books, magazines, cassettes, films, classes. And whatever you need to get your head into shape. So why shortchange yourself? And kill a good thing. **YOU'VE GOT A RIGHT TO READ — DON'T BLOW IT!** (By the National Book Committee Inc.)

TAKE A POETRY BREAK

Experts tell us that regular reading aloud strengthens a child's reading, writing and speaking. And one of the main ways a child learns is

by imitation. By the time a child is two years old, his vocabulary includes 300 words. The parent is the primary role model for the learning of language. 1. Read to them when they are young. 2. Avoid dull moments, make a message sparkle. 3. Make the reading brief enough to whet the appetite. And how does poetry fit in? Poetry must be heard to be fully savored. Poems can make you laugh, tell stories, send messages, share feelings and start you wondering. Parents have long known the value of Mother Goose rhymes and lullabies. There

is no better way to introduce language to your child! Repetition is begged for. As the child grows, longer verse can be introduced. Dr. Seuss delights in rhyme. School-age children keep Shel Silverstein's "Where the Sidewalk Ends" and "Light in the Attic" checked out continuously. So make poetry a regular part of your read-aloud time. There is a large collection to choose from. So don't forget the poetry books — they're full of laughs, messages, feelings, wonder and stories.

Thanks for reading

The Progress-Advance

POEM

By **SHEL SILVERSTEIN**
Listen to the **MUSN'TS**, child
Listen to the **DON'TS**
Listen to the **SHOULDN'TS**
The **IMPOSSIBLES**, the **WON'TS**
Listen to the **NEVER HAVES**
Then Listen close to me —
Anything can happen, child,
anything can be.

From The Ground Up

'How dry I am!'

By **ED HUTCHISON**

If bushes or trees could talk, they would be crying, "How dry I am!" Indeed, the Thumb's normally wet Indian Summer has been unusually dry this year, creating a life-threatening situation for certain outdoor plants. At peril are young or newly-planted trees and shrubs (evergreens, especially) because their roots are not mature

enough to search far for ground moisture. This is unfortunate because plants generally fared well this summer and a mellow, moist autumn would have further strengthened them for the winter and the 1990 growing season. Winter is a trying time for these plants, but not because of the cold. **WHAT MAKES THE** sea-

son difficult is moisture becomes increasingly difficult for the roots to absorb as the ground gradually freezes. Evergreens lose moisture on bright, windy winter days and this moisture can seldom be recovered, especially if there is no snow cover and the ground has frozen to the frost line (42 inches down). Trees and shrubs that drop their leaves in the fall lose less moisture than ever-

greens and are at somewhat less risk because of this.

The remedy is simple and should begin now: Water at weekly intervals until late November, or until rainfall is once again plentiful and frequent. Shoot for one inch of water each week.

WATER SHOULD BE applied gently and slowly so it soaks through the dry surface of the soil and moves down to the roots. Flooding the surface is wasteful because much of the water will run off and at best, moisten only the top six inches.

This slow approach is easy to achieve. One way is with a root feeder that funnels water about 30 inches deep through its hollow tube. Another is to let the hose or sprinkler run

slowly in the root area for several hours.

YET ANOTHER IS with a bubbler, a plastic hose-end device that breaks up the flow of water with internal baffles. The new types of soaker hoses that ooze water from countless pores are NOT effective because they deliver water too slowly, given the current challenge of moistening a very dry soil base.

The root area, incidentally, is the area that extends from the trunk or central stems to just beyond the reach of the outermost branches. That could be a circle two feet in diameter for a young rhododendron or juniper to a circle eight feet across for a young pine or spruce tree. The point is that the root area goes well beyond the trunk or stem.

Begun now, this routine restores ground moisture and gives the roots renewed impetus to grow. They'll grow as long as the soil temperature is at least 40 degrees, a condition that usually prevails in our area through mid-November. **ANOTHER WAY** to help evergreens combat winter dryness is with an anti-desiccant sprayed on the foliage. This is a wax-like material that slows down the loss of moisture, yet allows the plant to breathe. One popular and widely-available brand is called Wilt-Pruf. Two applications (November and again on a warm day in January) are necessary to get the best protection. Please follow the label directions carefully because the material dries based on the right combination of temperature and sunlight.



HOSE-END "BUBBLERS" ARE a good way to restore moisture to dry soil.

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FAIR HAVEN TOWNSHIP
County of Huron, State of Michigan
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1989

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Fair Haven Township Fire Hall

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Karen M. Csanyi
Township Clerk

SPECIAL ELECTION

To the qualified electors:
OLIVER TOWNSHIP
County of Huron, State of Michigan
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1989

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Oliver Township Hall

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Robert D. Krohn
Township Clerk

SPECIAL ELECTION

To the qualified electors:
CASEVILLE TOWNSHIP
County of Huron, State of Michigan
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1989

AT THE PLACE OR PLACES OF HOLDING THE ELECTION IN SAID CITY/TOWNSHIP AS INDICATED BELOW, VIZ:
Caseville Village/Township Hall, 6767 Main St., Caseville, MI 48725

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Rose Marie Spies
Township Clerk

Car/deer accidents on the rise in state

With two million deer roaming public and private land in Michigan — the state's largest deer herd in years — motorists face increasing danger from car-deer accidents.

According to Michigan State Police, nearly 43,000 car-deer accidents occurred in the state in 1988, the highest total ever recorded for a single year in Michigan. These accidents last year injured 1,758 persons and caused two deaths. In Huron County last year, the total was 578 car-deer accidents with 35 persons injured.

Tuscola County recorded 728 auto-animal accidents, resulting in 37 injuries.

TO HELP REDUCE the growing number of car-deer accidents, Farm Bureau Insurance is offering Michigan motorists a car-mounted warning device that helps keep deer off the roadway. The animal warning device, about the size of a thumb, mounts on the front of a

vehicle and is activated by onrushing air. The device emits an ultrasonic frequency, inaudible to humans, that alerts deer and usually stops them in their tracks before they cross roads.

THE DEER ALERT device is available from Farm Bureau Insurance agents and county Farm Bureau offices throughout the state at a much-discounted price. The warning device starts working at 30 mph and alerts animals up to 1/4 mile away. Pets in the car are not affected by the signal, according to the manufacturer.

Although Michigan's deer herd is the second largest of

any state in the nation, sheer numbers are not the only reason for the increase in car-deer accidents. The accidents are also related to the heavy traffic volumes found mostly in southern Michigan, even though deer population is higher in the north.

THE DNR ALSO reports that most car-deer accidents occur on paved local roads, within the driver's home county. Most happen at night, when it is difficult to see deer.

Tests indicate that the Sav-A-Life deer alert device is at least 80% effective in keeping animals off the road and away from approaching cars.

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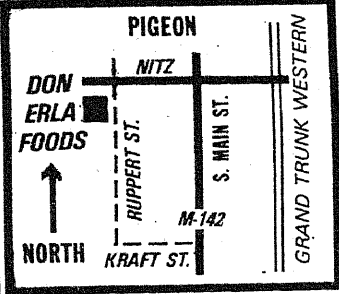
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