TOP THUNDER AREA - STORY OF 1989: After three dry years of drought, the 1988 crop was expected to be a "normal" year.

Crops yield well, with outstanding numbers reported for soybeans, sugar beets, corn, wheat, and oats. One long-time observer said of 1988: "It was a good year, but it will be a long time to catch up to where we were prior to 1986."

Recalling January, 1989

About 25 people met at the Village Hall in Elkin to discuss the possibility of establishing a youth center in Elkin. George Wilfleig is chairman of the committee studying the proposal.

Pigeon Village Council approved a request from Leroy Wurst, Dave Sorensen, and Gary Bearden of Huron Casting, Inc., to establish an industrial development district on 33 acres of property south of the foundry site. The first customer to build on the land may be the new Auto Molding firm established last year by Huron Casting to provide finishing work on some of its foundry products.

Maribeth Ann Bushey, formerly of Caseville, was admitted to the State Bar of Michigan as an attorney.

Steve Kauffmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gail Kauffmann, and Ron Beckett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Beckett, were named to the 1989 Lions of Michigan All-State Band.

Mrs. Emma Wing of Pigeon celebrated her 102nd birthday on Jan. 22 at the home of Edna Jackel.

The Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service confirmed what was already feared; that 1988's drought brought crop yields to the lowest level in recent years. Corn production was off nearly 40 percent from 1987, with a total of 112 million bushels. Soybean production was off about 11 percent, at 33.9 million bushels. Sugarbeet tonnage decreased about 18 percent with average yields of 16.5 tons per acre, the lowest since 1949.

St. John's Lutheran Church in Berne welcomed Pastor James Goresegnor and his family to the church and the Pigeon area. The Goresegnors hail from Wisconsin.

Neal Echler of Pigeon was elected President of the Pigeon Chamber of Commerce during the chamber's annual meeting.

New chairman of the Michigan Dry Edible Bean Production Research Advisory Board is Wes Edington, vice-president of retail sales at Cooperative Elevator Company of Pigeon. The Board was created under the Michigan Bean Commission law and is funded by grower and shipper assessments.

Tracy Stegeman spelled "foammil" and "zucchini" to become the new Lake Spelling Bee Champion. For her efforts, she was awarded a $50 savings bond, a trophy, and a dictionary.

January Deaths: Zelfa Scott, 85; Mary Bojin-Bahner, 76; Murial Morrison, 78; Sarah Doughty, 79; James Geelhoft, 55; Eileen Peterson, 55; Thomas Wolschinger; Alva Brown, 57; Andrew Baus, 83; John Pardy, 55; Arthur Gott, 72; Ethel Freesland, 82; Thomas Maurer; Margarette McCharmen, 82; Susan Young, 53; Chuck Herdman, 50; Emma Krafts, 85; Dale Davis, 56.

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A Year for Royalty: A statewide Bean Queen plus town winners in Pigeon, Elkin, Caseville and Bay Port...
Thank You For Your Generosity, Sincerely,
Dwight Gascho
Executive Director - Bluewater Youth For Christ
Try these ‘10-year Resolutions’

Starting this new 1980s decade is a marvelous time to make these resolutions. Many of you have had an even more exciting year and—by the time you read this—you’ll have enough for a trip or just to enjoy the warm winter days. So, get started today!

FOURTH: Spend two hours a week on your public library. This should be a part of each Saturday morning or every other Sunday. Why not a library volunteer? Why not you wish? May you want to take a long, good bath, go for a walk, or just do a good job. Look up your family of your plan, and then do it. It’s surprising, but it might be the best 150 minutes of your week.

FIFTH: Smile more. Remember, it takes more muscles to frown than to smile. Everyone will be happy to see you smile. This will help you and the people around you who are thinking of new ways to brighten his day.

SIXTH: Work out 15 to 20 minutes a day. This will help you feel better and add to your life expectancy. Good for both your body and soul.

SEVENTH: Call one of your special people. It’s easy to think of someone you haven’t seen or spoken to in a while. Who are they? How are they doing? Are you thinking of new ways to stay in touch with them?

As you also make new friends. Here are five excellent ways to start 1980 right or to start 1980 again. We know many of you are ready to try. All are guaranteed to make you feel better. Do you want to see a new you?

FIRST: Read one book chapter per day. You could start by taking one of the new books from the library or bookstores. You could even read a chapter from a book you’ve owned for years. Every day, read a chapter or two. If you read for 30 minutes a day, you could read six books a year. A lot of reading is a good way to start.

SECOND: Write one idea for a new career or a new project. You could use this idea to create a new career or a new project. You could even write a story or a poem about your new idea.

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The Gift of Hope

Hoping beyond hope is what one biblical text says about the topic. “Hope is not based on sight, but on faith in God, who is faithful to his promises.” The text says, “It is worth waiting for those things that are unseen, and it is worth waiting for those things that are hoping.”

DEAR EDITOR,

This is an open letter to the community:

You’ve expressed your pride in our community and Cooperative Electric Company as you continue to grow in the new era. We’d like to wish you a happy New Year, to wish you a happy New Year. The more we work together, the more we grow together. It’s the community’s way to say goodbye to last year.

RESOLUTIONS

By VANDA SZOKOL

MORE...

DEAR EDITOR,

The gift of hope is characteristic. It is one of the most powerful emotions that humans possess. They look up at the sky and say, “Thank you for the gift of hope.”

If you’re buying a gift of hope to others, you’re buying a gift of hope to yourself. It’s not too late to receive a gift of hope. It’s not too late to receive a gift of hope. It’s not too late to receive a gift of hope. It’s not too late to receive a gift of hope.

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THE PAST YEAR IN REVIEW

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Recalling MARCH, 1989

Jim and Gloria Lewis presented the Foyers Chamber of Commerce with a 2 x 12 American flag that they had hung from their home for the past year. Both the Lake View Basketball team and the GVHS Volleyball team won District titles. Both teams, however, lost in the round of regional play. A tough Battlin' Brutus stopped the basketball team's winning drive, and a scrappy Floor Nasty turned the volleyball team with a change of three-pointers.

Schrader Hospital initiated a new non-wearing policy for aluminum, steel, patents, and visitors.

The Lake Mack Trail Team captured a second place in the State High School Team Tournament. The team is coached by junior high assistant principal Dave Schreiber. Lake View went on to lose the championship game to the Class A state champion, Marcos.

Mr. Shauter was born in 1911. He has been an educator for 43 years, teaching English and history at Lake View High School.

John Shauter retired from teaching.

Shelter turns 90

The daughter and son-in-law of Gordon and Arlene Shauter moved from their home in a mobile home at 720 W. Third St. to a new residence in the country.

A 20th Century Christmas miracle..."A rural idyll slipping from an unknown source brings the following title: "One of the most serene scenes in all America's history was World War II."

The shelter has been in the family for four generations and is the home of Gordon and Arlene Shauter.

Mr. Shauter has lived in the same house for 44 years and is a member of the American Legion.

The shelter's owners, Mr. and Mrs. Shauter, are both members of the American Legion.

According to Mr. Shauter, the shelter has been in the family for over 100 years.

A small white building was dedicated as a home for the shelter.

The shelter is named after the shelter's owner, Gordon Shauter, and his wife, Arlene.

Peace on Earth

May you and your loved ones have a safe and joyous holiday season.

Dave Anderson

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The Past In Print
From the archives of The Pigeon Progress and The Elkton Advance

80 YEARS AGO JAN. 12, 1900

Standing in the Pigeon River is expected to be revived and his hopes are looking up.

The 1998 crop, which was higher than normal, was harvested and the winter months are expected to be mild. The river is expected to flow more freely than in recent years, providing a good water supply for the springtime.

70 YEARS AGO JAN 2, 1920

High School Alumni Affiliation

The class of 1915 and 1916 met at 2:30 p.m. to discuss the formation of a high school alumni association. The meeting was attended by a large number of alumni, including members from previous years.

50 YEARS AGO JAN. 13, 1970

Two men were killed in a car accident on Michigan Avenue.

40 YEARS AGO JAN 13, 1980

Mrs. C. W. Schell, 77, was the mother of two daughters.

30 YEARS AGO Jan. 14, 1980

Pigeon Panthers basketball。

As the Panthers continued their season, they improved their record. The team was led by senior captain John Smith, who scored 20 points in the last game against the rival school.

The message from the editor:

The newsletter from the Pigeon Progress and The Elkton Advance will be published soon. Stay tuned for updates.

Ski at Port Crescent!

"WE HAVE SNOW! Our trails are open."

This year, the Port Crescent State Park is open for skiing. The park offers a variety of trails, including beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels. The snow conditions are excellent for a great skiing experience.

A one-mile trail through the forest with a ski lift at the top of the mountain makes this a popular destination. For more information, visit the park's website or contact the office.

Wish us a happy new year!
Engaged

BABISZEWSKI-WALLACE

The Progress-Advance - Wednesday, December 27 to Tuesday, January 2, 1990

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Recalling APRIL, 1989

Due to a clerical error by the Lake District's Blue line, no village election is needed seeking renewal of the 6.5-mil tax revenue originally planned for the levy's 12-year election.

Artistic Ventures, Inc., filho, was awarded Chrysler Corp.'s "Quality Insulation" Award for work during 1988.

The Village Council approved $12,000 in funds to be used to renovate the building at 17 N. Main for use as a possible Youth Center.

Lake Forest's HELLY SHABIBI-DUDDLESS and STEVE KAUFMAN both won First Division Ratings in the Salsa João and Ensemble competition at the University of Illinois.

The Village of Cassville established an Downtown Development Authority, naming wards Cassville residents to the board.

The Lehman Committee Council has published the second edition of the popular "Rent-to-Own Facts" brochure.

The brochure discusses the financial and other difficulties of purchasing a home.

Rent-to-own programs have been popular among some consumers; especially those who want to become home owners but cannot afford the high prices.

The brochure also covers the benefits of owning a home.

Sacramento-based "Rent-to-Own Facts" is available from the Michigan Consumer Council, 414 Holland Building, 106 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, MI 48933; telephone (517) 377-9247 for prices Inquire_blurred_inquiry(517) 377-9247.

Get your free copy by writing your name and address to the Consumer Council, P.O. Box 950, Port Huron, MI 48060.

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Holiday Spirits

Good cheer to all at this time of year! We wish you every joy! May 1990 bring you happiness and success.

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It's That Time Of The Year...

Is Our Wish To You!

We hope that 1990 proves to be a year filled with fun, good health and prosperity for you and your family. We appreciate your patronage this past year, and hope to continue to serve you...

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WOODS AND WATERS

The Christmas gift

By Duane Guenther

Brian drove the sleigh down the snow-covered road, the bright white moon hanging in the sky,

and the cold, crisp air bitting at his face. He

was glad to be out of the city, glad to be in the

country, where the air was clean and the stars

shone bright. He loved the peace and quiet of

the countryside, the sound of the wind in the

trees, the smell of the damp earth after a rain.

He loved the feeling of freedom that came

with driving a horse-drawn sleigh.

Brian had always been a farmer, ever since

he was a small boy. He knew the land well,

and he knew how to care for the animals.

He was proud of his farm, and he was proud

of his family.

His wife, Sarah, was standing beside him in

the sleigh, holding his hand. She was smiling

at the beauty of the night, and Brian could

see the love in her eyes.

He knew that they should be happy, that they

should be grateful for what they had. But

sometimes, things didn't work out.

Sarah had been pregnant for months, and

Brian was worried. He knew that it was a risk,

that there was always a chance that something

might go wrong.

But he was determined to do whatever it took

to make sure that Sarah was safe.

He drove the sleigh faster, determined to

reach home before the sun came up.

As they reached the farm, Brian knew that

he had made the right choice.

He was glad to be home, glad to be with his

family. He knew that they would be okay.

And he knew that he would do his best to

make sure that they were.

Brian closed his eyes and smiled, feeling

the warmth of the night around him. He

knew that he was exactly where he was meant

to be.

And he knew that he would never give up.

Brian's story is one of hope and

resilience. It is a story of love and

faith. And it is a story of the

power of determination.

Brian knew that he had a long road

ahead of him, but he was ready to

face it. He was ready to do whatever

it took to make sure that his family

was safe.

And he knew that he would do it.

Brian's story is a reminder that

things may not always work out the way

we want them to, but that doesn't mean

that we can't try. It means that we

have to try, and that we have to

believe that we can do it.

Brian's story is a reminder that

we are capable of doing great

things, if we are willing to

put in the effort.

Brian's story is a reminder that

we can overcome any obstacle,

if we are willing to try.

Brian's story is a reminder that

we can be strong, if we are

willing to be.

Brian's story is a reminder that

we can be happy, if we are

willing to be.

Brian's story is a reminder that

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