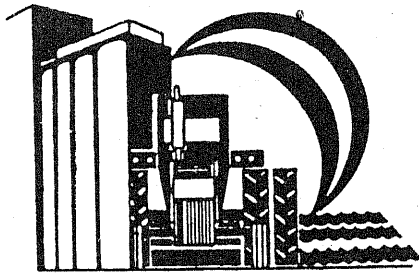


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THROUGH TUESDAY, DEC. 26, 1989

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Details inside!

Christmas '89 Church Schedule

Here's the listing of special Christmas Holiday services being planned by local churches this coming week:

ELKTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Dec. 23 - 7 p.m. Church school program
Dec. 24 - 7 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Dec. 31 - 3 p.m. Family Communion
Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve Service, special film sponsored by youth.

CASEVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Dec. 24 - 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Service
Dec. 31 - 6 to 8 p.m. Watchnight Service

CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH, Pigeon

Dec. 24 - 7:30 p.m. Sunday School Program - 10:30 p.m. Holy Communion
Dec. 25 - 9:30 a.m. Holy Communion
Dec. 31 - 7:30 p.m. New Year's Eve Service
Jan. 1 - 9:30 a.m. New Year's Day Service

ST. ROCH CATHOLIC CHURCH, Caseville

Dec. 20 - 6:30 p.m. Reconciliation Service 6:30
Dec. 24 - 6 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass
Dec. 25 - 9 a.m. Christmas Day Mass

ST. FRANCIS BORGIA CATHOLIC, Pigeon

Dec. 24 - 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass
Dec. 25 - 9 a.m. Christmas Day Mass

ST. PAUL EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH, Linkville

Dec. 20 - 7:30 p.m. Advent Service
Dec. 24 - 6 p.m. Children's Christmas Eve Service
Dec. 24 - 10 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Dec. 25 - 9:30 a.m. Christmas Day Festival Service
Dec. 31 - 7:30 p.m. New Year's Even Communion Service

ST. JOHN'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH, Berne

Dec. 23 - 7:30 p.m. Children's Christmas Eve Service
Dec. 24 - 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Worship Services
Dec. 25 - 10 a.m. Christmas Day Worship Service
Dec. 31 - 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Worship Services
Dec. 31 - 7:30 p.m. New Year's Eve Worship Service
Jan. 1 - 10 a.m. New Year's Day Worship Service

PIGEON RIVER MENNONITE CHURCH

Dec. 24 - 7 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN, CASEVILLE

Dec. 20 - 7:30 p.m. Advent Worship
Dec. 24 - 10:30 p.m. Sunday Worship
Dec. 24 - 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Dec. 25 - 10:30 a.m. Christmas Festival Service
Dec. 31 - 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship
Dec. 31 - 7:30 p.m. New Year's Eve Worship

TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH, Elkton

Dec. 24 - 10 a.m. Worship Service
Dec. 24 - 7:30 p.m. Children's Christmas Eve Service
Dec. 25 - 10 a.m. Christmas Day Song Service
Dec. 31 - 10 a.m. Worship Service
Dec. 31 - 7:30 p.m. New Year's Eve Communion Service

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Really eating up this holiday house!

By AMY HEIDEN

The members of Robert Reed's fourth grade class at Caseville Public School built a gingerbread house using their new math skills, along with a review of science lessons in color.

The fourth-graders learned how to figure areas, and then guessed how many graham crackers it would take to cover the house. They next learned about perimeters by figuring how many gum drops it would take to go all around the eaves of the house.

Figuring how many pretzels it would take to build the chimney wasn't as easy, because the pretzels weren't straight.

In their last science class, the class studied color and how the different colors were made from only three primary colors. They used this knowledge when the colored the roof with purple icing glaze. The glaze also gave small icicles hanging from the eaves.

Now that the house is finished, Mr. Reed's students are using it as the basis for a creative story—about anything they want as long as the house is a major character.

Caseville fourth graders use math to help celebrate Christmas



EATING OUT OF HOUSE & HOME: Here, proudly showing off their creation, is part of Rob Reed's Caseville "home-making" class. From left, James Baker, Sarah Orjada, Casey Williams, Audra Cilc and Corey Begg.

But this house isn't destined to last.

At the class party this Friday, the house will be eaten

-- from the rafters to the floor. Some of the kids are eager to consume their creation—but others aren't quite so sure. The kids all say they had

fun learning about areas and perimeters, seeing how the use of this knowledge will help in other areas of their lives.

AIW heads holiday help effort



HELPING HANDS: Allen and Starr pack boxes with presents and food items from under the 16-ft. Christmas tree, in the AIW Local's effort in Elkton. AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

For the first time, members of AIW Local 628 and staff members of Active Industries, Inc., Elkton, teamed up to provide food, clothing, and toys for 30 needy Huron County families.

Rose Allen, Local 628 vice-president and coordinator of the project, and Gary Starr, human resources manager for Active, said the joint project of providing some holiday cheer for less fortunate families has never been attempted in the Elkton plant's history. The project has been going on since Thanksgiving, they said, with money and food donations. "Everyone has been very generous, and we're very happy to provide food and toys for families who otherwise may not have much for Christmas this year," Starr said.

INSIDE: Holiday writing contest winners... plus HUNDREDS of kids' letters to Santa Claus!

Laker Junior High musicians take home 26 medals!

Laker Junior High School musicians garnered a total of 26 medals for their performance at the District III solo and ensemble festival held at North Branch Junior High School.

The medals were given to students who earned either a first or second division rating in either a solo performance or as a member of an ensemble. Performances were judged by specialists on the various band instruments on the basis of tone, intonation, technique, rhythm, and interpretation.

Medal winners were Jill Collison, two first divisions; Kris Southworth, two first divisions; Liesel Eichler, first division; Jennifer Maxwell, first division; Kim Sturm, first and second divisions; Amy Ackerman, first division; Jennifer Kretzschmer, first division; Gretchen Eichler, first and second divisions; Josh Salsburey, first division; Karl Swartzen-druber, first division; Haley Herford, first division; Nanette Avalos, second division; Paige Nelson, second division; Paul Shupe, second division; Beth Duffield, two second divisions; Julie Schulz, second division; Julie Winkel, second division; Meagan Duever, second division; Ben Sturm, two second divisions; and Angela Winkel, second division.

LAKE-CHANDLER

Frances Richmond, Opal Duffy, Joanna Beachy and June Farnum attended an Avon meeting at the Charmant in Cass City.



Laker Junior High musicians brought home the medals when they competed in Solo and Ensemble competition recently in North Branch. AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

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Friday is last chance to win \$5000!

Caseville VFW #8362 gets charter

ANOTHER LUCKY FINALIST! — Beth Schnitker of Sebawaing will try her luck this Friday as one of the Grand Prize finalists selected at Saturday's Adult Drawing, sponsored by the Pigeon Chamber of Commerce. Cathy Stoecle of Sebawaing was the lucky winner of a front quarter of beef, donated by Don Erla Foods of Pigeon, as the runner-up winner.

Other adult finalists, and the business places where their tickets were drawn, include Eleanora Trost of Pigeon, Pigeon Lumber; Clayton Esch of Pigeon, Pigeon Lumber; Mickey Shivley of Bay Port, McKenzie Jewelers; Kevin Ohrogge of Pigeon, Cooperative Elevator Co.; Donna Deming of Bay Port, J & B Pig.; Eldon Voelker of Pigeon, Orr's Drug Store; Dave Damm of Bay Port, Pigeon IGA and Vern Kasserman of Pigeon, Pigeon IGA.

The Grand Prize Drawing will be held this Friday, Dec. 22 at 8 p.m.



Cathy Stoecle, left, and Beth Schnitker, right, get winning hugs from Santa Claus.

The Caseville VFW Post 8362, that was formed in Dec. 1988 was presented their charter at the Dec. 8, 1989 meeting at the F.O.E. 3690 hall. The charter was presented to Commander Robert Howe by the Commander of District 10, Ted Denker.

The newly formed Ladies' Auxiliary of the Caseville Post were at the meeting to receive assistance in the organizing from Betty Hooten, District 10 Commander of the Ladies Auxiliary, and Senior Vice Commander Shirley Feirer.

Other visitors were Ron Amend, Senior Vice Commander of District 10; Rose Gallagher, Chaplain of Port Sanilac Post 8872; and Joe Feirer, member of Port Sanilac Post 8872.

Plans are being made to institute the Caseville Auxiliary sometime in February 1990.

After the meeting, a finger food lunch was served by Glenn Kirsch, Senior Vice-Commander of V.F.W. Post 8382.

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OBSERVATIONS BY CO-PUBLISHER MARK RUMMEL AND ANYBODY ELSE HE CAN GET TO WRITE 'EM!

THANKS TO ALL: My Mother's death this past Wednesday morning was a blessing in many ways, and our family is coping very well with the new lifestyle now needed. We'll have a complete, formal "Thank You" next week, but I would be remiss if I didn't make one general observation now: Thumb Area people are kind and caring.

At least 600 people visited the funeral home while family members mourned, and that consideration by friends, neighbors and others was truly appreciated. About three dozen floral arrangements were received, too, and they were (in a word) beautiful.

Everyone's friendliness was certainly appreciated — and won't be forgotten.

Some people have said it was sad that she died just before the Christmas holiday. We don't feel that way. She is far happier now, and would not have enjoyed this season at all.

Today, we're doing exactly what my Mom would have wanted: putting out our paper, doing our work. Normal, yet different...

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DESK-CLEARING: ■ Don't plan going to Italy to climb the Leaning Tower of Pisa soon. Rome Mayor Giacomino Granchi will close the famous 180-ft. tall tower from Jan. 7 to April 7, for safety reasons, during a \$108 million renovation project.

Bonnano Pisano started building the tower in 1173, and it began to tilt immediately as the ground shifted underneath. It's now 13 feet off the perpendicular...

■ Gift wrapping idea: You can buy uncut sheets of \$1 or \$2 bills from the U.S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing, for a special "final touch" to a very special present. A sheet of 32 \$1 bills — measuring 25 1/2" by 25 3/4" — costs \$47 by mail. You can order from the Bureau's Mail Order Sales, Room 602-11A, 14th and C Streets SW, Washington, D.C. 20228...

■ FAVORITE TOYS: As you can see from the Santa letters in this issue, Nintendo games are probably this year's biggest craze — again. But can you guess what's the national "number 2" toy? Barbie dolls are selling 20% better than last year, and Barbie sales will top \$600 million this year — Barbie's 30th year!

Other favorites are Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle items, L'il Miss Makeup and L'il Miss Dress Up dolls, Oopsie Daisy dolls, plus old favorites Betsy Wetsy and Baby Bubbles...

■ NOT ENOUGH TIME: This week's Ad Age magazine says one or more of the "big three" newsweekly magazines may be forced out of business in the next decade, as people don't have as much time to read them all. The story says Time and U.S. News & World Report are more likely to remain, while Newsweek may be most vulnerable to failure. All are doing well now, the story notes...

■ GOOD IDEA: An east coast athletic conference will pay colleges for TV rights to their games based on the academic performance of its athletes.

For instance, if 94% of athletes graduate this year, that school will get 94% of the average rate to be paid to all schools. If only 60% of the athletes graduate with their class, sponsors will only pay that school 60% of typical rates...

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EARLY DEADLINE: Because of the Christmas and New Year's holidays, please be advised that our deadlines for the next two issues are moved ahead.

Please have all stories and ads turned in by 9 a.m. this Friday (for Dec. 27 issue) and 9 a.m. next Friday (for Jan. 3 issue).

Thanks — and are you ready to write "1990" on everything?? Me neither!!

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WISH I'D SAID THAT: "The most important things in life aren't things!" (Karl Hertz)

Michigan Sugar's HUGE gift!

Plans for the 1989 season, 28,018 acres of beets were produced by Sebawaing district growers. Last year there were 27,103 acres produced.

Meanwhile, processing is continuing, Roche said, with "late January" as the probable completion time.

Crop payments are based on sugar content in the beets and sales revenue from sugar, beet pulp and molasses.

Michigan Sugar operates 4 factories in the Thumb and Saginaw Valley, in Sebawaing, Caro, Croswell and Carrollton.

Beet growers with average sugar content will receive \$27.50 per ton.

The \$45.18 million company total was \$9 million above last year's drought-shortened crop.

Dave Roche, Michigan Sugar vice-president-administration, said that company growers brought in 1,642,800 tons of beets, of which 524,700 tons were produced in the Sebawaing district.

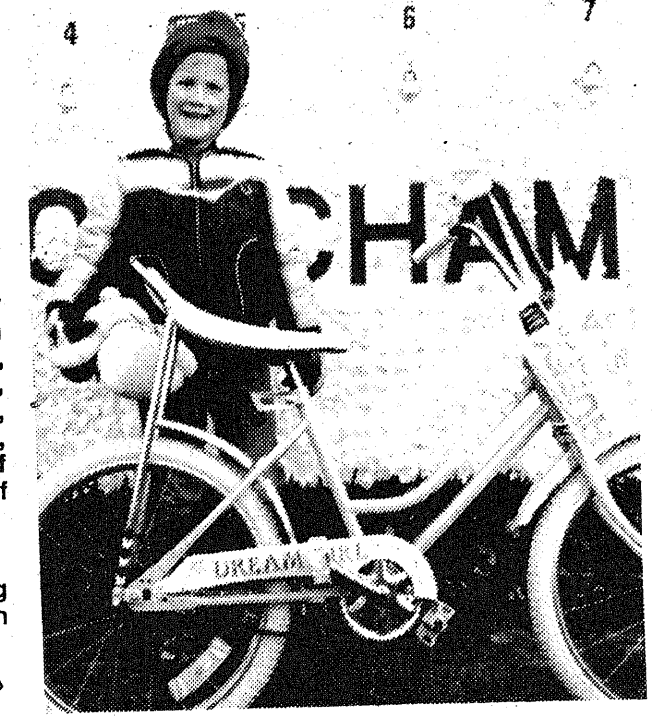
That's well above the 480,400 tons produced during the 1988 drought-year.

The sweetest part of the story, however, was the 19.1% sugar content rolled up by Sebawaing district growers. Roche said that officials believe it's the best sugar-content record ever produced, at least, no company records are available that surpass the 1989 sugar content mark.

The average for the entire company was 18.3%, the highest in more than 25 years.

No wonder he's smiling!

Money was Norm Christner of Pigeon. Other lucky teens were Brian Miller of Bad Axe, Karl Kern of Bay Port, Ryan Damm of Pigeon and Angie Wichert of Pigeon.



COLE ARMBRUSTER of Pigeon is all smiles as he proudly displays the bicycle he won during the final Kids' and Teen Drawing on Saturday, sponsored by the Pigeon Chamber of Commerce. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Armbruster.

Other toy winners on Saturday were Megan Duffy of Bay Port, Shelly McIlhargie of Pigeon, Kami Nibel of Pigeon, Jeremy Avalos of Pigeon, Jason Swartzen-druber of Bay Port, Brenda Gaeth of Bay Port, David Dillere of Bay Port, George Jensen of Elkton, Kelly Swartzen-druber of Bay Port and Brad Gettel of Elkton.

Grand Prize Teen Drawing winner of \$50 in Pigeon

Active Industries earns top honor

Active Industries, Inc., Elkton, recently was awarded the Pentastar Award, Chrysler Corporation's highest award for quality. Don Stern, Active general manager, said that out of Chrysler's 6,700 suppliers worldwide, only 167 had been chosen for the prestigious award this year. And Active was the only supplier of exterior sheet metal fabricators in the industry to receive the award since its inception in 1985.

The award is only given to those suppliers who have excelled in the crucial areas of quality, price, on-time delivery, and technology, Stern said.

SHOWN with the plaque awarded to the company is, from left, General Manager Don Stern, AIW Local 628 President John Blvens, and Plant Manager Paul Taylor.



As we see it

STILL the greatest story ever told!

And it came to pass in those days that a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. And this census first took place while Quirinius was governing Syria. So all went to be registered, everyone into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child.

So it was that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered.

And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And behold an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid. Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign to you: you will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger."

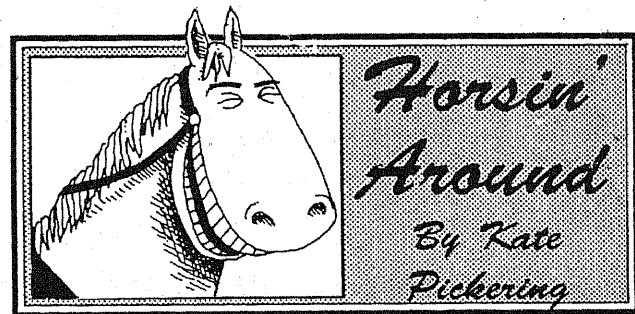
And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

"Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, good will toward men!"

So it was, when the angels had gone away from them into heaven, that the shepherds said to one another, "Let us now go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us."

And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger.

Luke 2: 1-17



CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS: What on earth is left to be said about Christmas? What aroma remains undescribed? Which sentiment has gone unexpressed? Which of the many wishes for good cheer and glad tidings are as yet unspoken? Any?

Is there anyone who is not familiar with that tingly feeling of anticipation prior to a gift-exchange? Is there anybody still who questions the power to "awe" that one little gift-wrapped package possesses? Who hasn't salivated like a Pavlov dog at the whiff of baking Christmas cookies, or the thought of a grandly laid Christmas Dinner table?

Are there any gift giving ideas that have not been blared at us from the TV, radio, or from the numerous pages of newspaper inserts and gift guides arriving daily in our mail? Are there any appeals for charitable giving that have gone unheeded? Any recipes we haven't tried, any surprises as yet unplanned, any children who have not chatted with Santa, any cards unsent?

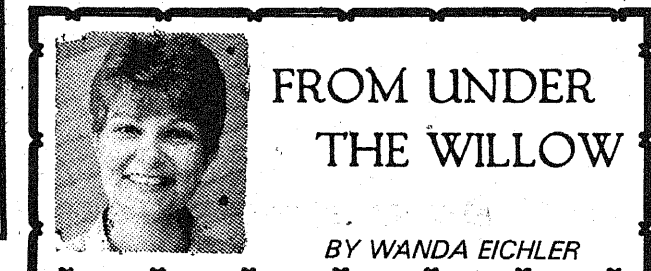
They say Christmas is for children, and I have to wonder - is that because adults have over-dosed on Christmas? Is it a commonly held belief that - in order to be magical - an experience must be new? Well, precious little of this Christmas-business is new to the likes of old codgers like you and me, right?

So how come it remains ever magical to me? Am I that big an incurable kid? Sure, every year I vow that I will never go Christmas-overboard again - that I'm too old, too crochety and too poor to get involved in all the very hard work that goes into a little Christmas fun. BUT - without fail - despite my sincerest efforts to be a jaded, cheap, humbug - by December 26th I have sent out 107 Christmas cards, bought 213 Christmas presents, attended 12 Christmas parties, sang along with dozens of Christmas choirs, eaten a barrel of Christmas candy, watched a month's worth of sappy Christmas specials - and somehow feel like there should be more . . .

"It can't be over! Not yet! Have I experienced every Christmas emotion? Have I tasted every Christmas flavor? Did we sing every Christmas song? Have I reflected on the true meaning of Christmas? Have I given thanks to God for the gift of Jesus . . .

... did I wrap Uncle Ted's "clapper?"

Merry Christmas EVERYBODY - With Love From Kate & Tex



Out in the barn on Christmas

The barn is a magical place at Christmas. Cold nights have forced the closing of doors and the sheep stay inside. Snow snaps underfoot as the shepherd approaches. Even before the door is opened, the sheep start to beller. They hear the footfalls and know that fresh water, crunchy grain and human companionship are coming.

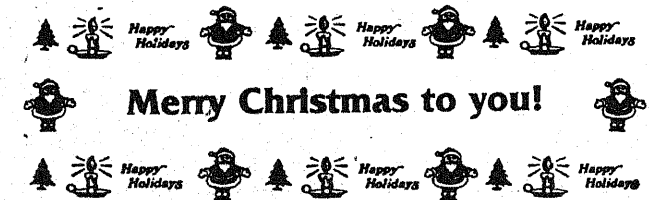
Back up the lane, the farmhouse is decked out for Christmas. Candles glow in the bay window each evening from sundown until bedtime. Lights twinkle across the porch. Holidays decorations and foods lighten spirits and delight appetites.

But in the barn, there is only the sound of animals chewing grain as their warm breath steams the cold air. There is peace in the barn at Christmas. There is quiet among the bales of straw and hay. The woolly sheep and curled up cats and watching dog all witness Christmas in a gentler way than people do.

I go to the chores on the day before Christmas. On this day the manger holds mystery. I watch the sheep's muzzles crawl along the boards as they lick grain into their mouths and I try to imagine a tiny baby tightly wrapped against and cold and lying in a special manger spot. I imagine that the mother would hold the newborn while the father would clear the manger and the animals could eat. Then the hay and straw bed would be prepared again so the little cuddled one could sleep, while mother snoozed and father and animals kept companionable watch.

Out in a Michigan barn on Christmas Eve there is a sense of deep mystery. Perhaps the animals do talk on Christmas. Perhaps the angels do visit in the still of the night. Perhaps there is hope for peace on earth, for family farms and the land, for city neighborhoods, for the homeless and the addicted, for the lost and lonely, for the hungry.

Hope is born in the cold barn. The One who creates, redeems and sustains comes in humble surroundings. The One who parents and prods and pricks is of lowly origin. I throw down extra bales of hay for Christmas Day, check the rabbit's water bottle and head for the house. It is certain mystery, this tiny one born in a manger. Mystery begun in a Bethlehem stable and still found in a Michigan barn each Christmas.



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RECOLLECTIONS
Of By-Gone Days
BY GEORGE KEIM

DEAR EDITOR:

We don't or didn't have as much snow the last few winters as we used to have years ago.

In the years before they hauled the snow out of Pigeon, they used to push the snow into the middle of the street in town, and it stayed there till spring. Lots of times we used to have several warm days and it melted away.

It said in "60 Years Ago" in the last edition that merchants were supposed to furnish three hours of work and the village would furnish the trucks to haul it.

I don't know if that was the time during the Depression that there was a lot of snow, and there were a lot of people out of work, so a lot of us went up town and offered to work for 30c per hour. However, the merchants and other business men either shoveled snow themselves or put their clerks to work.

I saw several car dealers or their mechanics at work, so when we saw we couldn't have a job, we sat in the pool room and watched. It took all day and I know that if they would have hired us we would have spent it right away in the stores. Most of us would have bought gloves or new overalls.

It was hard to get work those days, and a lot of people had boys or some relatives in the city, and they came home.

One farmer had two sons-in-law and several children, and they came home and the old man had to feed 13 people every meal.

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Well, he said times were very hard and if he gave me my board, I could furnish by own clothes. Well, my Mother said if I helped Dad make brooms, which he was doing at the time, she'd see to it that I got enough to eat and wear. My Grandpa Keim used to make brooms for a living when he got old, and he managed to keep his machine.

Then, when the Depression came, my Dad made brooms to sell and I helped him. I could still make some because I still have the machine, but it would cost over \$600 to get started, so I just haven't gotten started at it again. In Proverbs 10:7 it says, the memory of the just is blessed, but the name of the wicked shall rot. Well, I'm not always just, but I do have some very good memories of some of the good times I've had, and everybody does some things in a lifetime that they wish they hadn't.

Sincerely yours,
GEORGE KEIM

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

'Tie-one-on' this holiday

Dear Editor:

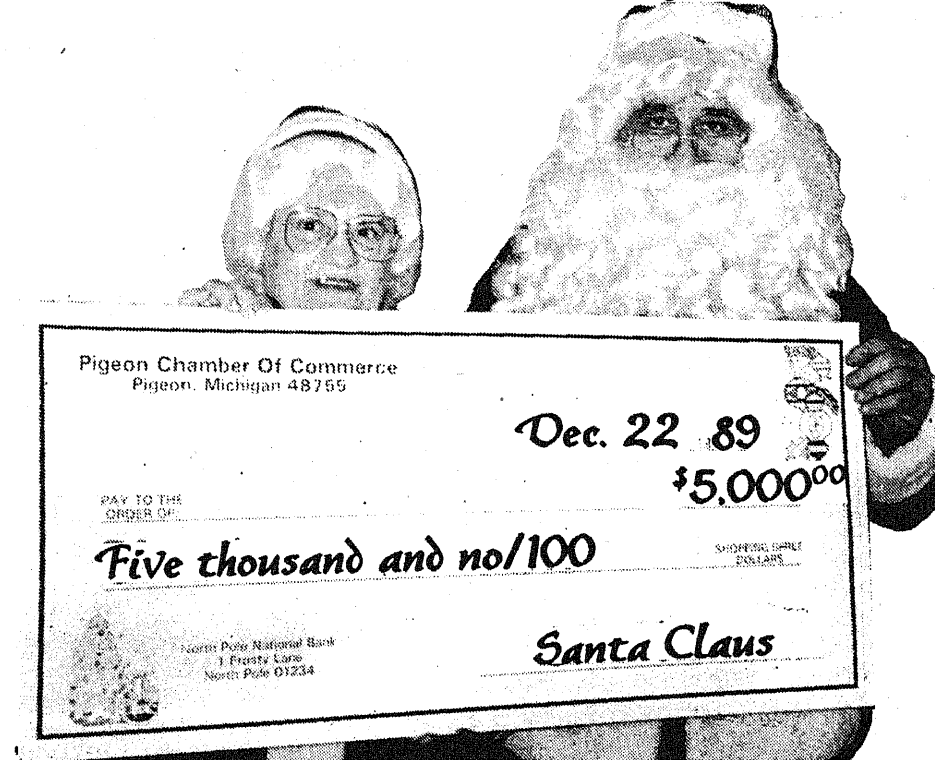
The Huron County Chiefs of Police Association and Common Ground urge you to give a new meaning to the phrase "tie-one-on" this holiday season.

Join us by tying a red ribbon on your car's antenna or mirror. If you don't have a red ribbon, you can obtain

one at the Michigan State Police Post in Bad Axe. We all hope you have a safe holiday season and remember, "Don't Drive and Drive!"

Sincerely,
DENNIS MITIN
Common Ground

Shop In Pigeon



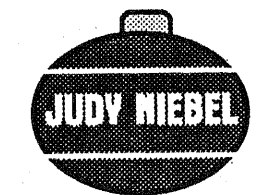
This Holiday Season and...

You Could Be The Winner Of A \$5,000 Christmas Shopping Spree

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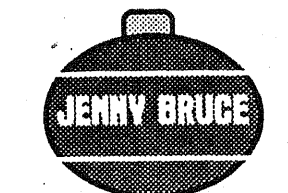
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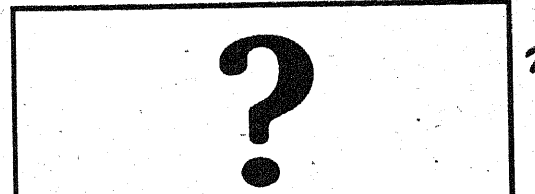


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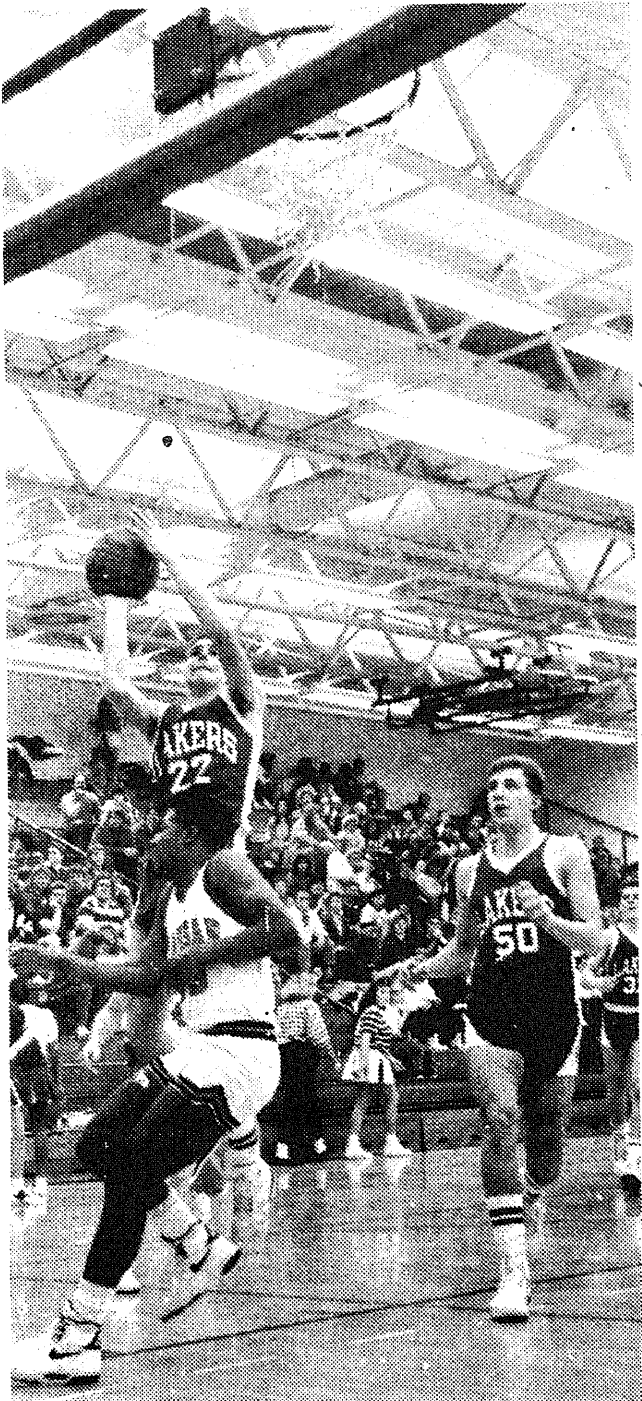
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LAKER WINTER SPORTS OF THE WEEK

Lakers stumble in two losses

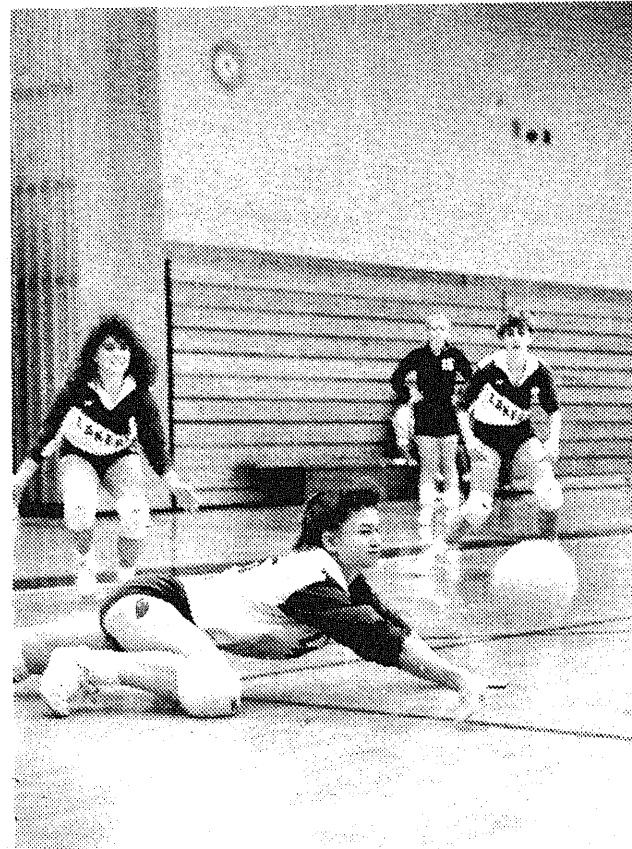


JUMPING JUNIOR! Laker junior Rick Dufty lays in a bucket over Vulcan defender Carlos Wilson as Brian Bushey trails the play.

By AMY HEIDEN
Fourth quarter scoring -- by the other teams -- made all the difference in the Lakers' losses last week.
A last-minute free throw by Uby's Howard Heilig gave the Bearcats a 46-45 victory over the Lakers Tuesday night. And 34 fourth-quarter points by Vassar players left the Lakers with a 80-66 loss Friday.
UBLY: Defense was the key to the Bearcats' win Tuesday night. The Lakers were held to only 25 points in the first half, with the Cats holding a one-point lead at the buzzer. The Green held their own in the second half, holding a 45-41 lead with three minutes left in the game, but two baskets by Uby's Cory Peruski and the free throw by Heilig put the Bearcats on top by the final buzzer.
Rick Dufty was the only Laker in the double digits,

with 10 points. Mike Keefer and Jeremy Esch each had nine points, and Bill McLellan chipped in with eight.
VASSAR: The Vulcans continued their undefeated season with the 80-66 victory over the Lakers. The first three quarters of the game found both teams scoring evenly, with the Vulcans enjoying only a four-point lead going into the fourth quarter.
Then the Vulcans started up a torrid scoring pace, running up a 16-point lead early in the quarter. The Lakers rallied to within three points, but 18 more points by the Vulcan team in the quarter were too much for the Green and White to catch up with.
Jeremy Esch led the Lakers with 19 points. Bill McLellan scored 16, while Mike Keefer had 11 points, and Rick Dufty had 10.

Laker girls have winning v-ball week



STRETCH! Tammy Smith dives to keep this ball in play as Laker teammates Lynn Roestel and Brenda Buschlen look on, during last week's action.

RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTOS

Eagles end 2-year losing streak in style with win over C-PS

By KATHY MEYER

Finally!
The Eagles got the satisfaction of a big win and snapped a 57-game losing streak Friday, the first win since Jan. 6, 1987, by defeating Carsonville-Port Sanilac 76-50. The Eagles rebounded to take the game after trailing 33-32 going into the second half.
Colby Cottick was the top gun for the Eagles, with 32 points and 13 rebounds; Don Smith chipped in 14 points, Jeff Brunn had 13 points, and Shawn Dunn had 10 in the win.

By AMY HEIDEN
The Lady Lakers ran up a quick 4-1 record in tournament play Saturday, as they took third place in the Goodrich tournament.
The Lakers first defeated Lincoln Park 15-8, 15-8, then defeated Holly 15-0, 15-3, downed Brown City 15-6, 15-3, and dropped Memphis 15-0, 15-7 to take first in pool play.

That first place pitted them against Port Huron Northern, who defeated the Green and White 11-15, 12-15. In the consolation round, Marysville fell to the Lakers 15-11.
Brenda Buschlen led the Lakers' play with 29 kills and 28 service aces. Tracie Henne had 26 kills, Sarah Bush and Tammy Smith each had 19 service aces.

DELIVERING CHRISTMAS CHEER! Volunteers drivers for the Caseville Community Christmas fund delivered Christmas baskets Friday to families and individuals all over Caseville. A total of 118 individuals, including 41 seniors, 12 foster care residents, and 34 families received the baskets, which included a new article of clothing for the adults and a new toy for any children in the family. Families also received a gift certificate to allow them to purchase enough food for a holiday meal.
Chairman Colleen Poisson says the number of families and seniors served by the fund increased significantly from last year. "Last year we had 19 seniors and 28 families receive baskets. This year we had 41 seniors



and 34 families. That's quite a big difference," Poisson said. Most churches and organizations in Caseville donated money or clothing, and most Caseville merchants helped with contributions.
HERE, Pat Newberry and Art Lipinski load a van with baskets of Christmas cheer for delivery.

HERE IS A SELECTION OF ENTRIES FROM CASEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL, ALL ANSWERING THE QUESTION:

"WHAT WOULD I LIKE MOST FOR CHRISTMAS?"

By DESTINY GUSTER, grade 9
A long time ago, when I was three, my parents died and now I live with my grandparents.
What I would like most for Christmas is for my mom and dad to come home and for one night the whole family be together as it should be.
It may seem impossible, but I know if I dream hard enough and believe with all my heart, one Christmas it will come true and the family will be together.
This is what I would like most for Christmas!

By ROBYN PLOE, grade 10
For Christmas this year I would actually like to meet the real Santa Claus. I've been hearing about this ole' jolly soul since I was about four years old. My mom always used to tell me if I was good and not naughty all year, maybe I could see Santa on Christmas Eve.
Well, to this day the closest thing I've seen to Santa Claus was an old fat man in a red suit with a fake beard sitting in the mall, handing out candy canes to screaming, squirmy kids. But in my heart, I knew that wasn't the real Santa. After awhile, I started to believe there never was a Santa Claus. Christmas just didn't seem the same after I knew there wasn't a real Santa.
As I've matured and gotten wiser, I now know that if I believe in something strongly enough, that it could actually come true.
So this Christmas I want more than ever to see the real Santa Claus. And if he doesn't come to my house this Christmas, maybe he is still too busy visiting with the other children that truly believe in him. Maybe he'll come next year. But however long I have to wait to see the real Santa, I think that if I keep believing in him, someday I really will see him.

By JANET UFFORD, English 9-10
What I would like most for Christmas is to be able to give everyone the Christmas present they deserve.
I would give all the homeless people some place safe to live. I would give starving people everywhere enough food for them to receive the nourishment they need. I would also find a way to cure the diseases that make so many suffer. For the lonely who have no one to love them, I would find them a companion. As for anyone else who is suffering in any way, I would give them the courage and the sense of hope that things will go better for them.
In doing this, I would be a lot happier person and I would have the ability to better spread joy and love to every person I meet.

come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord! How the shepherds of Bethlehem must have rejoiced when they first saw the newborn Babe... we wish their joy to you and yours!

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Want Ads 21 1/2
McCormick Motors 18 1/2
High team series and game: Village Barber 2267 (780), Butcher Block 2196 (785), Fink's Farm Equip. 2157 (726), Scheurer Hospital 745, Country Maids 728.
High individual scores: B. Heintz 504 (178), P. Taschner 500 (171), J. Otto 491 (188), T. Gnagey 478 (170), S. Buchholz 475 (180), J. Poisson 470 (185), A. Dubs 468, L. Hill 172, L. Welshans 174, P. Parrish 170, F. Otto 178, P. Nibel 162, S. Leipprand 186.
Splits converted: 4-5 H. Ruby; 3-10 M. Murdoch, B. Heintz, A. Dubs, T. Fields; 2-7 T. Gnagey, C. Poisson, W. Kovach; 4-7 L. Hill; 5-6 L. Hill, P. Nibel; 9-8 P. Parrish; 5-7 T. Gnagey; 7-8 L. Beedle; 6-7-10 P. Taschner.

Dec. 22-March 31, to promote winter tourism in the Caseville area.
A cash prize will be awarded and the winning fisherman will have his/her name inscribed on a trophy, which is presently displayed at Walsh's Gun & Tackle.
Fishermen must register at Walsh's Gun and Tackle or Walt's Restaurant, prior to catching their fish. Entrants have to register only once at either place. Mike Walsh will be in charge of weigh-in and measurement of all perch caught in the Caseville area during the contest period. Fish will be judged by weight and length, awarding one point for each 1/2-inch length and one point for each 8 oz. of weight.

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The Past In Print

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The Pigeon Progress and The Elkton Advance

90 YEARS AGO JAN. 5, 1900

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Schlucter are the proud parents of a girl which arrived Friday evening last.

Frank Bliss has opened his harness shop and is ready for business. He is located north of the railroad in Elkton.

A large number of our people stayed up late Sunday in order to experience the sensation of passing from the 19th into the 20th century.

The rooms in back of W.A. Schriber's building are being renovated and will be occupied by the Knights of the Loyal Guards as meeting rooms.

John Diebel received a young daughter as a Christmas present.

80 YEARS AGO JAN. 7, 1910

A number of young people from Snell School enjoyed a sleigh ride to Sebawaing Saturday evening where they went through the sugar factory.

The evening train to Bad Axe killed two valuable horses near Grassmere. They were the property of T.B. Sotham of the Grassmere farm.

New officers of the Berne Lutheran Church are August Stute, Charles Sting, John Strieter, Henry Meyer and William Rathje. There are 77 voting members and the financial report shows the society to be in a very prosperous condition.

Officers of the Winsor School for the ensuing year are Sum Wurtz, George

Braun, William C. Soldan, and John Wurtz. Harvey Dutcher of Bay Port is the champion handler of the spear, having landed 377 pounds of perch Monday.

70 YEARS AGO JAN. 9, 1929

Representatives of Kinde, Bad Axe, Owendale and Pigeon met in Pigeon to go further into the question of a central power plant to furnish juice to a number of county towns.

Mrs. John Gettel, 82, died at the home of her daughter Mrs. Wesley Scheurer of Sebawaing. She leaves 12 children, Henry, Charles, Fred, Godfrey, Jacob, William, August, Mrs. Chris Finkbeiner, Mrs. Joseph Gruehn, Mrs. Gottlieb Volz, Mrs. Jacob Wagester, and Mrs. Scheurer.

Sol Schluchter has purchased the Bert Baur building, formerly occupied by Mrs. Gardiner's restaurant, and will have the grand opening of his grocery store on Jan. 17. Flour will be only \$10 per barrel. E.J. Gerby has purchased the building he now occupies with his jewelry store from George Anklam.

60 YEARS AGO JAN. 3, 1930

Rhea Haist became the bride of John Christner in a ceremony Tuesday evening performed by the Rev. F.W. Fall at the parsonage.

Former Michigan Governor Albert E. Sleeper observed his 67th birthday quietly at his home in Bad Axe. Mrs. James Leslie, 67, died at her home in Applegate. She the mother of Harry Leslie of Pigeon.

Greenview Hatchery at Caseville enlarged its capacity by installation of a Mammoth Electric Incubator and moved to a large building.

Ervin Trost and Walter

Buchholz went to Ssginaw where they will be employed.

Tressa, Frances and Irene Neibaur of Detroit spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Neibaur.

50 YEARS AGO JAN. 5, 1940

The fine general office building and super-service station of the Cooperative Elevator and Milling Assn. will have a formal opening Saturday. Souvenirs will be given to all visitors.

Mrs. Amanda Winter sold her place of business to Arnold and Raymond Heckman. The business will continue as a barber shop and tavern.

Arthur McIntosh, 83, of Lake Township, died at the home of his son in Detroit. He leaves four sons and a stepson.

Officers elected at the first meeting of the adult agricultural evening school are Walter Bedford, Stanley Murdoch and Richard Baur.

A recreation program for women will be held Tuesday night at the high school gym. Doris Ebert, W.P.A. leader for Pigeon, is in charge.

New officers of Pigeon Worthwhile Club are Mrs. B.M. Hamill, Mrs. Arthur Schumacher, Mrs. Harry McKay, Mrs. Walter Clabusch and Mrs. Vaughn Hudson.

40 YEARS AGO JAN. 5, 1950

Members of Cross Lutheran Church met at the church school auditorium Monday evening to honor Rev. and Mrs. E.G. Richey on their retirement after 48 years in the ministry, and to present them with a new automobile.

Fifty relatives and friends surprised Mr. and Mrs. Henry Elftman at their home on New Year's Day to help

them celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary.

Earl Maust left Sunday to teach Bible School in Baden, Ontario.

Relatives and friends surprised Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Kretzschmer at their home Dec. 30 in honor of their silver wedding anniversary.

Dolores Shetler, Leona Beachy, Delmar Eichler and Dale Shetler returned to Goshen College, Goshen, Ind. on Wednesday.

The new 1950 Dodge car went on display at J.E. Paul's Motor Sales in Pigeon.

30 YEARS AGO JAN. 7, 1960

A carload of beans, purchased with money donated in Huron County to the Christian Rural Overseas Program, started from Pigeon on its journey to help feed hungry persons in Poland. Taking part in the services were E.T. Leipprandt, Rev. Byron Chapman, Rev. Fr. Bernard Kirchner, Rev. Leland Penzien, and Rev. Donald King.

In its first year of operating under the primary election system in place of holding a caucus, Pigeon will not have a primary election since there is no opposition. Filing on the Republican ticket are Arthur Schumacher, Otto Woelke, Clare Dast, Leo Luedtke, Jr., Walter Sturm, Lorenz Clabusch and Don Brown.

A benefit party is planned for the family of Mr. and Mrs. John Heleski of Pigeon, who lost their belongings in a fire New Year's Eve, as the family was leaving the house to attend church.

Aaron Ruby, 79, died Dec. 31. He leaves his widow, three daughters, and two sons.

Clara Baier, 76, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Emma Buerker, Pigeon. She leaves her sister and two brothers.

20 YEARS AGO JAN. 1, 1970

More than \$1,000 worth of gifts were won by some lucky

Pigeon shoppers at the final Chamber of Commerce prize drawing. Winners were Gary Richmond, Lupe Flores, Mrs. Ewald Beyer, Mrs. Delmar Miller, Mrs. Reva Peterson, Clarence Swartzendruber, Don Roestel, Bob Kundinger, Albert Schulze, Gerald Elenbaum, Willis Yackle, Joe Ruth and Mrs. Harold Schulz.

Mrs. Lowell Kraft won the snowmobile given by the Pigeon Lions Club in the Christmas drawing.

Mr. and Mrs. John Christner will be guests of honor at an open house for their 40th Wedding Anniversary on Jan. 4 in St. Francis Borgia Hall, Pigeon, hosted by their children and grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Christner, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Diachenko and families and PFC Glen Christner.

Wesley E. Oeschger, 75, of Pigeon, died Friday. He is survived by two sons, Edward and Willet, and two daughters, Lucille and Alice.

Frank O. Henne, 75, died Dec. 25. He leaves his wife and three daughters.

10 YEARS AGO DEC. 27, 1979

Gwen Dutcher, a Laker High School junior, is this area's first regional winner in the Veterans of Foreign Wars Voice of Democracy Contest. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dutcher of Bay Port.

Mr. and Mrs. Rober Fluegge announced the engagement of their daughter, Kimberly, to Jeffrey Leipprandt, son of Mrs. and Mrs. Ted Leipprandt.

Wesley Weidman, 80, of Pigeon passed away at Scheurer Hospital on Dec. 22. He is survived by one son and five daughters.

Pigeon Rotary Club President Ed Eichler presented a check to Paul Soini to help crippled children throughout Huron County.

Jim Licht of Pigeon received a plaque as state winner of the Farm Bureau's Young Farmer Discussion Meet.

Thumb Kids' Letters to Santa!

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Your friend,
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DEAR SANTA,
I want a stereo, Nintendo, keyboard, skateboard, and a scooter. How are your elves? I hope that they are good. I have been good.

Your friend,
KRISTINE CHAMPAGNE



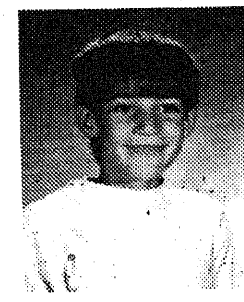
DEAR SANTA,
I want a china doll. I want a T.V. I want some jewelry. I want a bubble gum machine. I want a keyboard.

Your friend,
KIM KROHN



DEAR SANTA,
I want a Nintendo, and how is Mrs. Claus, and I hope you will give me a skateboard and a calculator, and an Atari, and some Legos, and a game and a robot, and that is all.

Your friend,
JACOB BOUVERETTE



DEAR SANTA,
I want Ninendo tapes like Zelda and Mario Brothers II and those motor cycles. I also want a calculator. And I have been good.

Your friend,
SHEILA STROZEKSI

DEAR SANTA,
I want a skateboard, Nintendo, calculator, and a set of markers. I will give Rudolph a carrot.

Your friend,
JUSTIN STANTON



DEAR SANTA,
I would like a stereo, and a calculator. How are you and Mrs. Santa Claus and the elves? I also want a Barbie doll. See you soon!

Your friend,
HEATHER LAPKA



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Holidays to you
and yours!

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to Santa Claus and all the helpers who assisted him at "LUNCH WITH SANTA" on Saturday, December 16. A special Thanks to Pigeon Worth While Club, Pigeon Lions Club, Pigeon Chamber of Commerce and Merchants who donated so generously. All 140 children enjoyed the festivities and your generosity!

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Many people hold what is known as calling hours, viewing, visitation, or a wake preceding a funeral. During this period, the body, in an open or closed casket, is present, and friends and relatives stop by to pay their respects. Often this is a time when religious or fraternal services are held. Viewing varies in length from several hours immediately preceding the funeral to a period of up to a week before the funeral. A period of one or two days for viewing is quite common. Often it is most convenient to have the viewing and visitation in a funeral home, however, there are alternatives. It may be possible to have the viewing in a church or large meeting place. If you choose an alternate place, you should talk to the funeral director so that he or she can make arrangements to transport the deceased to and from the funeral home.

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Anniversary

Lewis and Margaret (Weidman) Esch of Glendale, Ariz. will celebrate their 65th Wedding Anniversary on Dec. 25. They were united in marriage on Dec. 25, 1924 in Pigeon and resided in the Pigeon and Caseville areas until retiring to Arizona.

The couple have four children, Clayton Esch of Pigeon; Dody Eicher of Littleton, Colo.; Dwight Esch of Valley Center, Calif. and Marilyn Ludwig of Peoria, Ariz.; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Anniversary wishes may be sent to the couple at their home, 6620 W. Butler Dr., Apt. 32, Glendale, Ariz. 85302.



Mr. and Mrs. Dale Christner of Pigeon are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Karrie Joyce, to Gregory Scott Foy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Foy of Midland.

Engaged

Christner-Foy



The bride-elect is a graduate of Central Michigan University and is currently employed as an instructor at Great Lakes Junior College in Bad Axe. The prospective groom is a graduate of Valparaiso University and is employed as the Assistant Quality Assurance Manager at Active Industries, Elkton.

A March 10, 1990 wedding is being planned.

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Childbirth classes set Jan. 3-Feb. 7

Huron Memorial Hospital will be offering a six week class in Childbirth Education starting Jan. 3 through Feb. 7. The series will be held at the hospital from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. There is a charge for the program and is open to all pregnant women due before the end of April.

Classes will be based on the Lamaze method of breathing and relaxation techniques. The last trimester of pregnancy, nutrition, fetal development, the normal course of labor as well as variations, postpartum and newborn care, and infant CPR will be covered.

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Thanks a Million

By Percy Ross

You may write to Percy Ross in care of The Progress-Advance, P.O. Box 35000, Minneapolis, MN 55435. Please include your telephone number with your letter.

Legal counsel is better solution than divorce

Editor's Note: Mr. Ross' editor, Nancy Webber, is writing the column this week, as Mr. Ross is on the road for the approaching holidays, bringing his "Caring is Sharing" philosophy to readers across the country.

DEAR MISS WEBBER: My request is for \$400 to obtain a divorce. A year ago, I married a guy who was already married. His wife was supposed to get the divorce, but papers were sent to him saying it was never granted. He left me and my four children — without a forwarding address. I have since met another man whom I love, and we want to be married but can't, because of lack of money for my divorce. My children get along great with the new man in my life. We would all be very grateful if you choose to help us. — Mrs. L. T., Davenport, Iowa.

DEAR MRS. T.: You don't need money for a divorce — you need it for legal counsel. If the man you're supposedly married to now was never legally divorced from his first wife,

I believe that alone would void your marriage to him. It is my hope that the \$200 I'm sending will pay for an attorney to untangle your mess. Good luck and even better luck with the choice of men in your life. — \$\$\$\$\$\$

DEAR MISS WEBBER: Words alone can't tell you how much I love and appreciate my husband. We are in our 30s and both have full-time jobs. Since our wedding day 12 years ago, I've been diagnosed as one of the many women who go through PMS (premenstrual syndrome) each month. In my case, I have only one good week a month. My husband wants to go to Chicago to see Paul McCartney in concert. He has his ticket and motel room reserved, but in all actuality, his going will really put us in a financial strain. He really deserves a great time, but I know how I am — bound to nag him for the rest of his life that he spent money we really don't have. Would you please have Mr. Ross send him \$500 for gas, motel, food

and Door Co. He passed away in 1966 and Mrs. Hagan moved to Flushing, where

her only daughter resided. She has one daughter, Stannette; four grandchildren, twins Lyle and Lynnette, Mark and Renee and three great-grandchildren, Alicia, Adam and Chandra.

Through the years, she has been active in churchwork, Red Cross volunteer work did home nursing as a nurse's aide and served as secretary of the Fisher Body American Legion Auxiliary in Flint. In addition, she enjoys sewing, crocheting and quilting.

Mrs. Hagan now attends St. Roch Catholic Church, and says she enjoys the new friends she has made since moving to Caseville in 1985.

DEAR MRS. H.: Who are you kidding? Life is making sacrifices, and I don't know how you're willing to make any for your husband. I hope during your "one good week" you find the wherewithal to send him to the concert. Who knows — you just may feel good about your selfless decision for the remaining three weeks in the month. — \$\$\$\$\$\$

DEAR MISS WEBBER: Mr. Ross seems too good to be true! As for us, we are a young, happy family with two children, striving to make it on our own. My husband is a woodcutter and makes just enough to feed and clothe us and to put gas in the truck. Our little cabin with no electricity or plumbing is snowed in during the winter and early spring. Our only means to make it through the snow, to pack our food in over the last three miles of

road, is by horse. Our problem is that we need a saddle — the cost is \$200 for a used one. Gradually, we'll get ahead because we're really working at it. Would you help us get a step farther? — Mrs. C.M., El Rito, N.M.

DEAR MRS. M.: Chances are I'd be knee-deep in horse apples when Mr. Ross returns if I didn't help you, so it's my privilege to extend a helping hand. You're back in the saddle again, because our THANKS A MILLION check to get your beast of burden harnessed is on the way. Best wishes. — \$\$\$\$\$\$

DEAR MISS J.: Any advice I could dispense wouldn't come close to the value of having your immediate problem treated by a physician. As far as Mr. Ross goes, he simply, said by phone, "Tell that young lady to go for it," which translates to "His check is in the mail." — \$\$\$\$\$\$

depressed. Since September 1988, I have not had a menstrual cycle. This has caused facial hair and a bad case of acne, among other things. The competition among girls is so stiff these days, I feel even more self-conscious of my appearance. I'd like to see an endocrinologist, a doctor who specializes in hormones. The first appointment runs \$150 and I don't have the money. If you can help me begin to treat my problem, it would mean a lot to me. If not, I would appreciate any advice you or Mr. Ross may have that would lift my spirits. — Miss R.J., San Jose, Calif.

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Lake-Chandler Christmas-time news notes

Fred and Mona McBride returned from a Caribbean cruise, accompanying Dr. Walter McBride of Boca Raton, Fla., Mr. and Mrs. Jay Lee McBride of San Diego, Fla., Sally and Ed Williams and daughter Wendy of Midland.

90th celebration for Emma Hagen!

Emma Hagen of Caseville, formerly of Flint and Flushing, will celebrate her 90th birthday on Christmas Day with a family gathering.

Family and friends are invited to the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Frank and Stannette Malosky of Caseville, on Saturday, Dec. 23 for the celebration.

Mrs. Hagen was born Dec. 25, 1899 in Ann Arbor, then moved to Flint in 1919 where she was employed by the telephone company. She married her husband, Stanley Hagan on Sept. 24, 1922 in Arbor and the couple resided in Flint where he was employed by the Flint Sash

and Door Co. He passed away in 1966 and Mrs. Hagan moved to Flushing, where



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Special deliveries from Caseville Elementary School

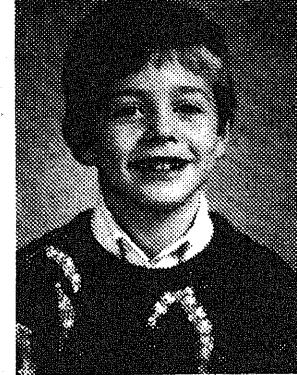
DEAR SANTA, How do you get down the chimney? I want a six foot doll that talks.

Love, JESSICA ROSS



DEAR SANTA, I want a ghostbuster and I want a mistletoe. I'll leave you tons of cookies.

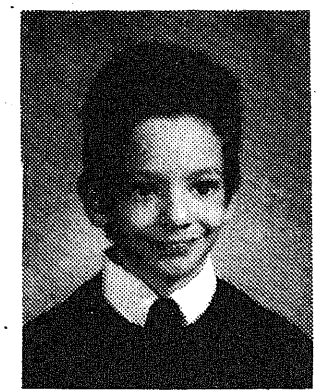
Love, MATTHEW KRAFT



DEAR SANTA, Are you having a good December? I would like the Nintendo Robot and I also would like Super Mario Brothers III

and a Bogolen puppet. Thank you Santa.

Love, JOHN VINCENT TRAPANI



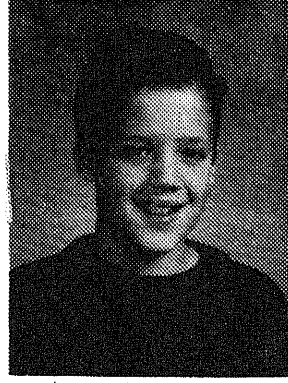
DEAR SANTA, I want a free flying airplane. I want a Ghostbuster Trap. How do you get through doors if you don't have a chimney?

Love, JOEY NICHOLL II



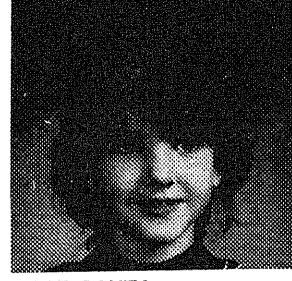
DEAR SANTA, I hope you're having a good December. So am I. There are a couple of things I want to ask you. First, I want a remote control car and an Nintendo, also a computer. P.S. I will leave some milk and cookies.

Love, JIMMY DUFTY



DEAR SANTA, I want a Barbie Ice Cream Shop. I would like my brother to get three more Nintendo games. Santa, don't forget to bring the chocolate this year.

Love, AMANDA MCCARTHY



DEAR SANTA, I wish my friend lived by me. I want to live in Florida.

Love, SHAWN CONNORS

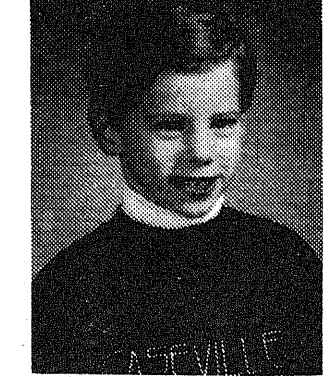


Thumb Kids' Letters to Santa!

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DEAR SANTA, I want a Nintendo, and I want a ring for my mom and I want a toy truck for my brother Mitchell.

Love, DREW WILLIAMS



DEAR SANTA, You're probably getting ready for Christmas. All I want for Christmas is Baby Bubbles and play dough.

Love, SARAH RUTH



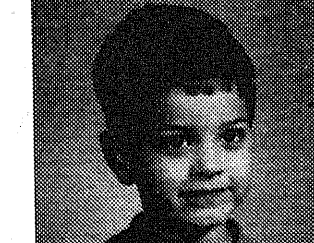
DEAR SANTA, I would like a ten-speed and good grades at school and a cat named Co Co and baby doll and Santa have I been good to mom and dad? I would like a snow suit and carnation, pink.

Love, ALICIA ANN WOOLFORD



DEAR SANTA, How do you get in my house? I don't have a chimney. I would like some new shoes.

Love, ANAND RAYTHATHA



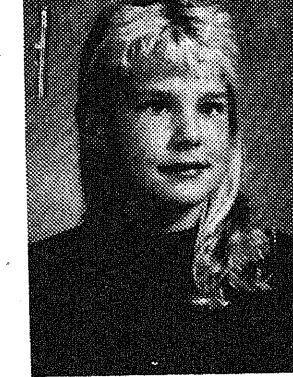
DEAR SANTA, I want sparkles. I want easy bake oven. I want Baby Bubbles. I would like to see Rudolph someday.

Love, MARISHA RAYTHATHA



DEAR SANTA, How are you? I'm fine. Has it been that cold? What I want very much is a very big trampoline. How is Dasher, Dancer, Prancer and all your deer? Say hi to Mrs. Claus for me! And I would also like everyone in the world to have a very nice time this year!

Love, ANNIE DRURY LUNDBERG



DEAR SANTA, For Christmas I want a shirt and a computer and a typewriter. How are you doing this year? I am doing good. Will you give me a present for Christmas? I like Christmas.

Your friend, ROBIN PRILL



DEAR SANTA, Can you please get me an Nintendo and a remote control car, and micro machines.

Thank you, MATT TAYLOR



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the heaven.
— Sir Walter Scott

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his proper
gift of God."
— I Corinthians 7:7

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"JINGLE BELLS, JINGLE BELLS, JINGLE ALL THE WAY...."

Comments from Elkton
Elementary's Second
Graders -- Mrs. Krohn



DEAR SANTA,
I want school supplies. I was
good this year. Are your elves
working hard? How is Mrs.
Claus? I want a china doll.
How are you doing? I want a
keyboard.
Your friend,
BRIDGET HALLOCK



DEAR SANTA,
I want a remote control car,
glue, calculator, bubble gum
machine, B.B. gun, and some
Legos, a light for reading.
Your friend,
JORDAN HERMAN



DEAR SANTA,
Thank you for last year's gifts.
This year I would like a key-
board, school supplies,
candy, scooter, Pretty Penny
Chatterbox. I have been very
good. I hope the elves and
Mrs. Claus are having a good
time! Have a Merry Christmas!
Your friend,
JESSICA WEIDMAN

Take time for a moment of thought... 60 Seconds WRONG TITLE FOR STORY?

One of the best-known stories Jesus told his disciples concerns the "certain man who had 2 sons", recorded in Luke 15. It is probably one of the best-known accounts in the Bible, how the one son asked for his inheritance and how he proceeded to lose it all through sinful, wasteful living and wild spending. We know it as the Parable of the Prodigal Son.

In repeating the story, we tend to overlook one of the most powerful sentences in the account. It is found after the wild-living son had prepared his apology and was on the way home. There we read that "when the son was yet a great way off, his father saw him".

Unknown to the wayward son, his loving father had been waiting for him, looking for him all the time. Day after day he must have peered down the road, hoping, praying that the son would appear. And when he did return, the father not only forgave him his sins, he clothed him in the best robe, put a ring on his hand, shoes on his feet, killed the fatted calf and ordered a great meal. "... my son was dead", he said, "and is alive again, he was lost and is found".

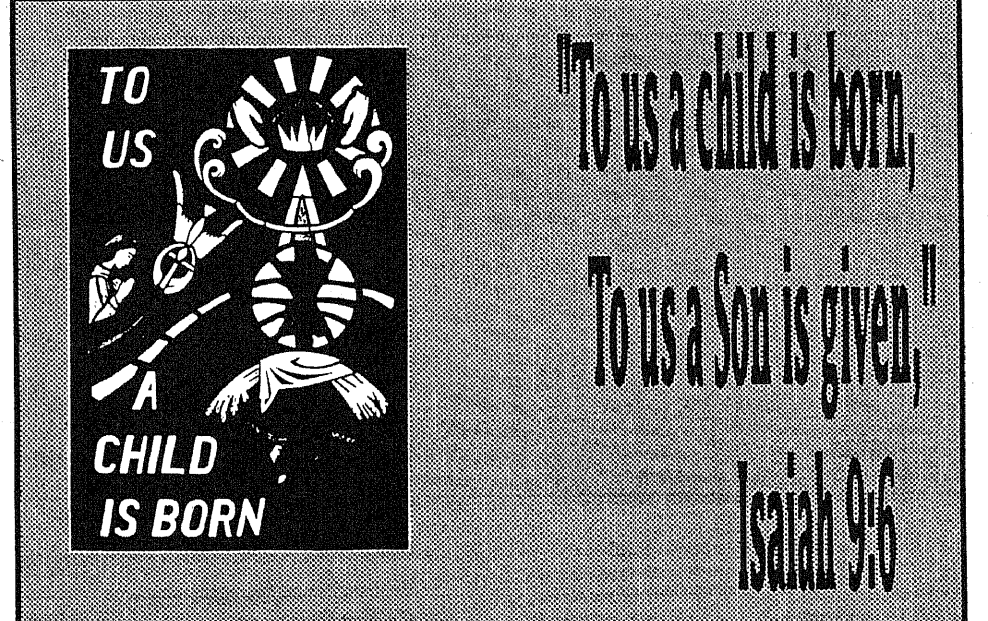
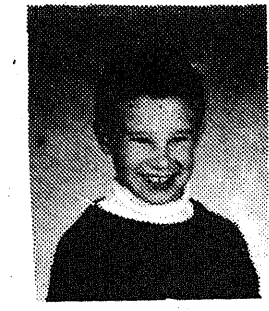
That's how it is with our loving heavenly Father. No matter how great our sins, no matter what evil things we have done. Our Father is also waiting for us—watching—and when he sees us turn toward Him—even from a great way off—He will be there to receive us and to welcome us back into His loving family.

"... come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy loaded. I will give you rest" ... Amen.

DEAR SANTA,
How is Mrs. Claus feeling? I
would like a new stocking for
Christmas. I have been very
good. How have your elves
been doing? I would like a
keyboard, and a new chalk-
board.
Your friend,
HEATHER CREGUER



DEAR SANTA,
I want a Nintendo and a
skateboard. I have been good.
And I want Nintendo tapes, a
little four wheeler, a B.B. gun,
and school supplies. A cat
and a dog.
Your friend,
ERIK ESCH



We invite you to celebrate with us the birth of this Holy Child, the Son of God

<p>TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH 130 High St. • Elkton W.E.L.S. Paul D. Schleis Pastor</p> <p>Sunday, December 24: -Children's Christmas Eve Rehearsal, 8:45 am -Worship Service 10:00 am -Children's Christmas Eve Service 7:30 pm</p> <p>Monday, December 25: -Christmas Day Song Service 10:00 am</p> <p>Sunday, December 31: -Worship Service 10:00 am -Bible Class 11:00 am -New Year's Eve Communion Service 7:30 pm</p>	<p>ST. JOHN'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL 7369 Berne Road • Pigeon W.E.L.S. Paul D. Schleis, Pastor</p> <p>Saturday, December 23: -Children's Christmas Eve Service 7:30 pm</p> <p>Sunday, December 24: -Worship Service 8:30 & 10:30 am -Children's Christmas Eve Service 7:30 pm</p> <p>Monday, December 25 -Christmas Day Song Service 10:00 am</p> <p>Sunday, December 31: -Worship Services 8:30 & 10:30 am New Year's Eve Service 7:30 pm Monday, January 1: -New Year's Day Worship Service 10:00 am</p>
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THUMB AREA OBITUARIES

MARGRETTA A. RUMMEL 1920 - 1989



Margretta Ann (Pryer) Rummel, age 69 of Sebawaing, passed away at her home Wednesday morning, Dec. 13, 1989, following an illness of 13 months. Mrs. Rummel was born Margretta Ann Pryer in Detroit on Easter Sunday, April 4, 1920, daughter of Dr. Roy Webster Pryer and Lucile (Strong) Pryer. The family moved to Portland, Mich., and Mrs. Rummel graduated from Portland High School in 1937 and from Michigan State University in 1941.

She and Walter J. Rummel were married on June 28, 1941, and they lived in Allegan, Chicago and Saginaw.

In 1947, Mrs. Rummel and her husband purchased The Pigeon Progress and Elkton Advance, and in 1951 became co-publishers of The Sebawaing Blade and Unionville Crescent. Mrs. Rummel taught first grade in Sebawaing Public School for 17 years, retiring in 1981. She and her husband edited The Michigan Lutheran for 16 years.

Surviving are Mrs. Rummel's husband, Walter of Sebawaing, three sons and three daughters-in-law, John and Mary of Frankenmuth, James and Dora Joanne of Sebawaing and Mark and Sally of Pigeon; seven grandchildren; her mother-in-law, Mary Rummel of Sebawaing; a brother and sister-in-law, William and Lucille Pryer of Portland; a brother and sister-in-law, Carl and Erma Rummel of Sebawaing, and a number of cousins, nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by one grandson, Matthew Rummel.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 16 from Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sebawaing. Rev. Martin J. Hagenow, pastor, officiated, and was assisted by Rev. Holger G. Cattau, pastor of Crown of Life Lutheran Church, Rochester Hills, and executive editor of The Michigan Lutheran. Burial was in Northlawn Cemetery, Sebawaing.

Friends wishing to offer memorials are invited to consider Immanuel Lutheran Church, Scheurer Hospital, the American Cancer Society or the American Diabetes Association. Arrangements were by Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home, Sebawaing.

PATRICK WILLIAM DUFTY 1955 - 1989

Patrick William Dufty, age 34, passed away Monday, Dec. 11, following an accident at the Elkton Plant of the Cooperative Elevator Company.

He was born Aug. 26, 1955 in Pigeon, son of Lowell and Janet (Whitcomb) Dufty. He was employed by Buchholz Transport of Pigeon at the time of his death. He had previously been employed at Peoples Oil and Gas Co., Pigeon and had farmed with his father. He was a 1973 graduate of Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port High School.

Mr. Dufty is survived by two daughters, Carrie and Kelly, at home; his parents, Lowell and Janet, Gotts Corner, near Caseville; three sisters, Mrs. Gary (Gwen) Summers, Grayling, Mrs. Terry (Jill) Shetler, Bay Port, Mrs. Todd (Lori) Wisenbaugh, Pigeon and his paternal grandparents, William and Alys Dufty.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, Dec. 14 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Sand Point. The Rev. John Mueller, pastor, officiated with burial in the Caseville Township Cemetery.

The Caseville chapel of Champagne Funeral Chapels were in charge of funeral arrangements.

Mr. Dufty's parents are accepting memorial contributions for an education fund for his children.

RAYMOND CONRAD DEERING 1940 - 1989

Raymond Conrad Deering, age 49, passed away Thursday evening, Dec. 14 at St. Luke's Hospital, Saginaw, following a lengthy illness.

He was born June 26, 1940 in Bay Port, son of the late William Conrad and Bertha Lucille (Wyman) Roeber. He married Joyce Marie Hebert on Feb. 10, 1962 at St. Roch Catholic Church in Caseville.

Mr. Deering has been employed at the Sebawaing Industries in Sebawaing as a tool and die maker for 15 years. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was a member of the Bay Port Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Surviving him are his wife, Joyce of Bay Port; one daughter, Mrs. Mark (Julie) LaPratt, Unionville; two sons, and daughter-in-law, David and JoBal Deering, Bay Port and Christopher Deering, Bay Port; three grandchildren, Janel and Brian LaPratt and Michael Linzner; his grandmothers, Mrs. Stella Wyman, Bay Port and Mrs. Molly Deering, Pigeon; two sisters, Mrs. Jerry (Linda) Poston, Armada and Mrs. George (Marjean) Harder, Bay Port and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral service was conducted Sunday, Dec. 17 at 2 p.m. at the Bay Port Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Elder Ervin A. Haley officiated with burial in the New Bay Port Cemetery.

CAROL (McCAIRNS) GRESHAM 1942 - 1989

Carol A. Gresham, age 47 of Detroit, passed away Thursday, Dec. 7 at Henry Ford Hospital, following a short illness. She was born Aug. 19, 1942 in Detroit, daughter of Phyllis McCairns and the late Neil McCairns.

She married Gerald L. Gresham on Jan. 13, 1979. Surviving are her husband, Gerald; two step-daughters, Pam and Chris Gresham of Detroit; her mother, Phyllis McCairn, Caseville; one brother, William McCairns, Pigeon; three sisters, Martha Majercyky of Dallas, Tex., Sharon Miller of Phoenix, Ariz. and Heather McCairns of Hawthorne, Nev.

A sister, Nancy, preceded her in death. Funeral services were conducted on Wednesday, Dec. 13 at the Frank J. Calcarerra Funeral Home, Detroit. The Rev. Tom Barbre officiated with burial in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Detroit.

HELEN I. KIJAS 1916 - 1989

Helen I. Kijas, age 73, of Caseville, passed away Sunday morning at her home following a long illness.

She was born Feb. 25, 1916 in Bay Port, daughter of the late George and Lovina (Einwacher) Stott. In 1944 she was united in marriage to Henry Kijas in Detroit. He preceded her in death on Dec. 18, 1985. Mrs. Kijas was a member of the Bay Port United Methodist Church. She is survived by her daughter, Willo Durban of Harrison; two granddaughters; four great-grandchildren and two sisters, Leona Dutcher of Bay Port and Willo (Jack) Mellon of Saginaw.

One brother, Elmer Stott; four sisters, Lavera Elkan, Nina Berry, Dorothy Oldencamp and Elsa Carlson preceded her in death.

Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday, Dec. 19 at 11 a.m. at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Caseville. Rev. Alger Lewis, pastor of Bay Port United Methodist Church, officiated with burial in the Caseville Township Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the Bay Port United Methodist Church or the Bay Port RLDS Church.

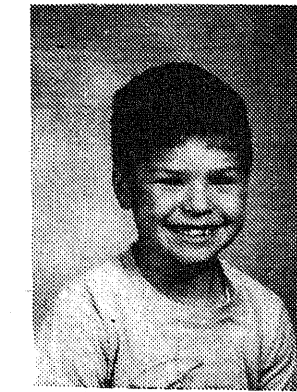
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Love, JEREMY LIGHT



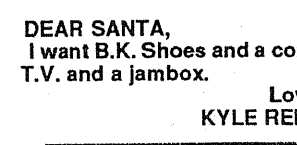
DEAR SANTA, I would like a remote control car, race track, Nintendo games, sun glasses, truck with dump box, ghetto blaster, and weight set.

Love, BLAINE BUCHHOLZ



DEAR SANTA, Merry Christmas! I have been a good boy. I want a new bike and Nintendo and weights.

Love, KEVIN KREH



DEAR SANTA, I want B.K. Shoes and a color T.V. and a jambox.

Love, KYLE RENN



DEAR SANTA, Merry Christmas! I have been a good boy. I want a remote control race car, Big Foot, a ghetto blaster, a new set of Doubles, and a new dog like Tiffy. I hope you get this note.

Love, KYLE BUCHHOLZ



DEAR SANTA, Merry Christmas! I have been a good girl. I want Barbies, Nintendo, and Skipper.

Love, HEATHER RENN



DEAR SANTA, I hope you don't have too many toys to make. I am 8 years old and I am in 3rd grade. My class and I have to make a letter to you. I would like a book of Little Mermaid, Little Miss Make-up, and flower making basket.

Love, CARRIE SCHUETTE

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Love,
ANGIE HUNT



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DEAR SANTA,
Merry Christmas! I have been a good girl. I want a Nintendo and Nintendo tapes. Some money, a telephone, and a TV.
Love,
AMBER NELSON



DEAR SANTA,
Merry Christmas! I have been a good girl. I want a radio and tapes.
Love,
MELISSA ANNE WINKEL

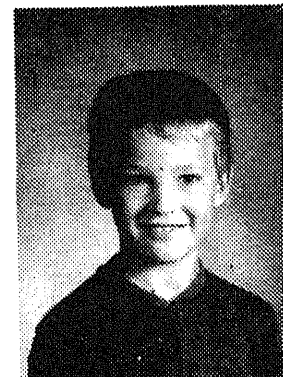
DEAR SANTA,
Merry Christmas! I have been a good girl. I want a Ghetto Blaster. I want a Nintendo. I want radio tapes.
Love,
JENNIFER IRION

DEAR SANTA,
Merry Christmas! I have been a good girl. I want Nintendo games, Ghetto Blaster, Platon shirts, New Kids on the Block tapes, 10,000 books, Video Driver, basketball, football, new bike, money, guitar, and microphone.
Love,
MATTHEW LEPAGE

DEAR SANTA,
My first wish is for my Grandpa to feel better and I'd also like some Skipper clothes and Dance Club Barbie. Thanks for coming over the other night. Please bring Caleigh and Sydney some nice things, too.
Love,
ASHLEY RASMUSSEN



DEAR SANTA,
Merry Christmas! I have been a good boy. I want new shoes and a remote control plane.
Love,
JOHN TROST



DEAR SANTA,
Merry Christmas! I have been a good girl. I want Jesus to come. And Bouncing Babies.
Love,
MOLLY HASTINGS

PIGEON DISTRICT LIBRARY

News And Notes

PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR

The Tuesday Preschool Story Hour on Dec. 19 will conduct a one-hour session from 9:30 - 11 a.m. Parents and children will meet together. Stories include "Garfield's Night Before Christmas" and "Bah! Humbug!" A special visit from Santa, and a party of punch and cookies will be served. Parents, don't forget your camera for Santa snapshots.

SENIOR CITIZENS FILM FEST

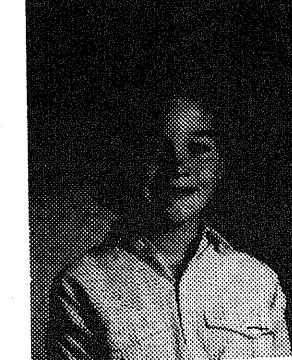
On Dec. 21 at 1:30 p.m., the feature films will be "Balloonatic" - with Buster Keaton as a nutty balloonist on a nature romp; "Numbers Start with the River" - depicts the quality of life in a small town in Iowa.

Letters to Santa!

DEAR SANTA,
Merry Christmas! I have been a good boy. I want a little hay bale, a little cornpicker, and a truck. Also a big grinder with one of the twirler things in it.
Love,
MARTIN STURM



DEAR SANTA,
I would like cross-country skis and my mom would like a long fur winter coat. My dad would like a briefcase. My sister would like some tapes. My brother would like a box of baseball. Merry Christmas!
Love,
DUSTIN FORSTER



DEAR SANTA,
Merry Christmas! I have been a good boy. I want a basketball, farm stuff, books, and a teddy bear.
Love,
AARON SHUPE



Also, "Norman Rockwell's World... An American Dream" presents the world of Norman Rockwell in all its beauty and simplicity. These films are open to all senior citizens in the surrounding area. So don't forget, bring a friend, and pass the word.

HOLIDAY POEM

Word for Christmas
By Edna L. Purguson
I Sought for Something New to Say
About the Joy of Christmas Day.
The Season's Inspiration Ought To Make My Words Profound, I Thought.
But It's Been Said So Many Ways -
In Poetry And Songs of Praise,
By Gospel Story - Paintings, Too,
From Towering Steeples.
Oh I Knew

I Had No Bright New Words to Say

About the Joy of Christmas Day.
So, "Merry Christmas" Everyone!
With Blessings May Your Cup O'er Run.

May All the Earth Heed Once Again
The Song of "Peace, Good Will to Men."

LIBRARY CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY

The Pigeon District Library will be CLOSED on Monday, Dec. 25 due to the Christmas holiday.
Regular hours will resume on the following day, Tuesday, Dec. 26. No preschool story hour on the 26th.

TAX TIPS

The newly published 1989 Tax Tips on Tape Facilitator's Kit is designed to offer community outreach strategies supporting the soon-to-be-available Tax Tips on Tape, Part II television series.
This series, now in its second season, represents a

growing concept in television programming. All eight episodes provide focused tax information to meet the specialized needs of six distinctly unique taxpayer groups. The programs are:

Persons with Disabilities; Direct Sellers; Sale of Your Home; Homeowners and Homeowners Association; For Tax Preparers: Collection Process; For Tax Preparers: Returns Processing; For Tax Preparers: Taxpayer Services; People with Second Jobs (Spanish Version). The Pigeon District Library encourages you to look at Tax Tips on Tape, Part II available to the public.

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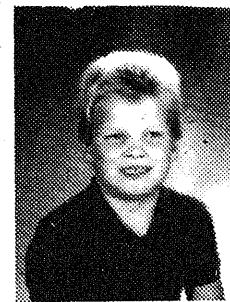
DEAR SANTA,
 I know you are busy, Santa Claus, but I've been thinking I want a car, a frog, and a Nintendo. Please bring me a remote control car and a toy reindeer with a red nose. I hope you are fine.
 Your friend,
BRIAN CHAMPAGNE



DEAR SANTA,
 I want a Pretty Penny Chatterbox, and a china doll, and school supplies. How are the elves doing, Santa Claus? I will leave milk and cookies and lots of carrots.
 Your friend,
AMBER GORANG



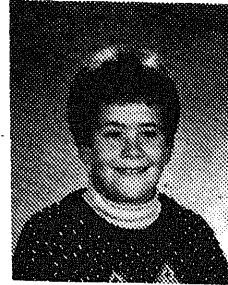
DEAR SANTA,
 I wish that I could have Robo Cop Car and presents for my sister and my brother too.
 Your friend,
JEREMY HILLER



DEAR SANTA,
 For Christmas I want an Atari with tapes, keyboard and I want Super Mario II.
 Your friend,
JEFF SHAW



DEAR SANTA,
 I would like to have a Nintendo, radio, skateboard, glue, calculator. How are your elves? I would like sun glasses. I have been good. I have been good in school. I have been good to my friend.
 Your friend,
MATTHEW REIBLING



DEAR SANTA,
 I want a keyboard and a calculator and school supplies with glue and crayons. I also want Pretty Penny Chatterbox. I have been pretty good. I hope Mrs. Claus is having a good time.
 Your friend,
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Girl Scouts name new field director

The Mitten Bay Girl Scout Council has named Betty Blair Field Director for Huron and Tuscola Counties.

Blair is a former substitute teacher and program director. In her new post as field director, she will be responsible for increasing Girl Scout membership, developing and managing Girl Scout programming, and promoting a positive Girl Scout image in Huron and Tuscola Counties.

She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in education in 1981 from Saginaw Valley State University, where she graduated summa cum laude, and her teaching certificate in 1988.



CO-OP OFFICIALS ATTEND - Farmers representing Cooperative Elevator Company, Pigeon, a member cooperative of Countrymark, Inc., were among 700 who attended one of series of five Annual Stockholders Meetings beginning Dec. 1 at the cooperative's Corporate Center just north of Columbus, Ohio. Cooperative Elevator Company attended the second meeting held in East Lansing, on Dec. 4. The meeting them was "Harnessing the Dream."

SHOWN HERE, from left, front row, are Bill Boyle, Gerald Elenbaum, Vincent Smith. Back Row, Terry Sturm, Daniel Balanski, Randall Baur, and David Stling. Cooperative Elevator Company was recognized at the meeting for being first in Agronomy Sales Increase, second in Supply Sales Increase, ninth in Supply Sales, fourth in Agronomy Sales, fifth in Grain Volume Increase, and ninth in Total Supply and Grain Volume. Countrymark Chairman Don Benschneider, Chief Executive Office Harry L. Ditty, and other officials reported the cooperative's sales volume for fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1989, of more than \$960 million with earnings of \$1.9 million. Chief Financial Officer Bob Werner noted that this is the company's fourth consecutive year of profitable operations and that long term debt to equity ratios continue to improve. Countrymark is a federated regional farm supply and grain-marketing cooperative providing products and services to 131 locally-owned member cooperatives, and 34 retail farm center outlets. Countrymark member cooperatives are located in Ohio, Michigan, and part of Indiana.

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Thumb club news

ELKTON WOMEN'S CIVIC CLUB

The Elkton Women's Civic Club met at the home of Virginia Carr on Thursday evening. President Theatta Picklo opened the meeting by reading a poem, "The Spirit of Christmas," by Robert Cassada.

Roll call was to bring a quilt, a recipe, or a pattern. Eleven members responded with some unusual and beautiful quilts to display.

During the business meeting, the treasurer, Rose Mae Krohn, reported that all our obligations have been met, pending any new projects. It was voted to make a donation to the "Lunch with Santa" project which is sponsored by Club 59.

The theme for the evening was "Amish Cooking and Quilting." Florence Southworth gave a short book review telling of the Amish way of life.

The Civic Club was organized in 1936. All through the years, the club has made scrap books of their activities. But for about three years, the books have been missing. It was with great pleasure that they were found. So the remainder of the evening was spent viewing the books and reminiscing.

The hostess, Mrs. Carr, served a lunch consisting of several kinds of pie with the

recipes taken from an Amish cook book.

The club will take a winter recess with the next meetings being held on April 5 at the home of Rosa Mae Krohn.

BAY PORT WOMANS' CLUB

The Bay Port Womans' Club's 13 members and one guest, Connie Wooster, dined out for their Christmas meeting, then met at the home of Donna Deming to pack plates for shut-ins.

Mrs. Deming had a Christmas favor designed and

made by her son, for each club member. She served snacks and punch.

A game of wrapping gifts with one hand by two people was enjoyed with Margaret Arsenault and Ann Herman as prize winners.

A contest of doubles was selected in the Christmas gift exchange.

Bay Port news items

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Williams of Lansing spent the weekend with their grandmother, Alma Stahl.

After dinner guests on

Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. James Stahl and Michelle, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Esch and family, Diana McGee and sons of Elkton.

ACHIEVEMENTS

The following Upper Thumb residents are listed as prospective December graduates at Central Michigan University:

PIGEON - James L. Binder, of 527 Camelot Lane, BS in Economics;

SEBEWAING - Joan L. Marotke of 30 East Sebewaing Street, MA;

CASEVILLE - Ronald L. Souva of 5999 Sand Road, BS in BA, Marketing;

ELKTON - William S. LePage of 5024 McKinley Street, BS in Ed, Political Science;

KINDE - Julie Theres Tibbits of 4870 Barrie Road, BS in Ed, Child Development; Pre-school;

BAD AXE - Judith K. Grigg of 508 West Huron, MA; James F. Hall of 212 West Huron, BS in Chemistry; Kimberly H. Klusmeier of 1585 Bad Axe Road, BS in BA, Marketing; Edward S.

Little of 314 West Huron, BA in Recreation;

FILION - Roger D. Farver of 1058 East Filion road, BS in BA, Finance;

PORT AUSTIN - Julie A. Taylor of 533 Grindstone Road, BS in Ed, Business Teacher Education;

OTHER THUMB AREA DEATHS

Doiothy Sankovic, 78, Fort Piece, Fla., formerly of Bad Axe, passed away Dec. 2.

Moody Wollenzien, 62, Sheridan Township, passed away Dec. 7.

Doris Werschky, 60, Sebewaing, passed away Dec. 10.

Alexander Pleiness, 82, Bloomfield Township, passed away Dec. 13.

Margretta Rummel, 69, Sebewaing, passed away Dec. 13.

Doiores Coates, 86, Bad Axe, passed away Dec. 13.

Adrian Roe, 89, Owendale, passed away Dec. 14.

Gertrude Hornbacher, 91, Sebewaing, passed away Dec. 15.

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Kris Deming earns doctorate

NATIVE EARNS DOCTORATE: Kris Carl Deming, a

1980 graduate of Caseville High School, recently

received a Doctorate in organic-analytical chemistry at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Ill. He studied under Dr. William H. Pirkle, professor of chemistry.



Deming is currently working for Abbott Laboratories, North Chicago, Illinois in the analytical services and method development department. He and his wife Judy live in Kenosha, Wisc. He is the son of Bill and -Ginny Deming, Caseville, and the grandson of Dorothy Deming, now living in Caseville.

Club news

CASEVILLE RETIREMENT CLUB

The Caseville Retirement Club business meeting was conducted Dec. 12, and the meeting was called to order by President Margaret Wilhelm with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge to the Flag.

Early bird goodies were from Sue Reynolds, Margaret Wilhelm and Elsa Kerr.

Welcomed back were Kay and Chuck Brevard. It sure was good to see you and the Hazel Simmons and Richard Groth. They have both been gone a long time, too.

The meeting was for monthly reports from Secretary Virginia Krieg, whose report was read and approved. Treasurer Norma Farver read her report, which was approved.

Last Saturday a group of retirees visited Auto World, and the report was that they had a great time at the nice place.

Martin Kelly and John Provotone had surgery. Martin was coming home the same day and John the next day. Another report was that Dwight Stroth was doing OK, too.

Birthdays for the week included Dec. 12 -- Sue Reynolds and Clara Nitz, 13th - Katy Galante, 14th -- Chuck Brevard, 15th -- June Poisson and Martha Weremüik, 17th -- Lou Vallance and 18th -- Paul Jessup and Helen Stillwell.

Special anniversary for Chuck and Kay Brevard, 50 years on Christmas Day.

PIGEON LIONS CLUB

The Pigeon Lions met at the Pigeon VFW Hall Dec. 13. President John Walsh called the meeting to order and 49 Lions responded to roll call. One guest, Dave Krohn, was introduced by Randy Elenbaum.

Lion Bill Weitzel reported that 130 people attended the annual Lions Christmas party at Greenfields Restaurant on Dec. 2. Music for dancing and listening pleasure was provided by "The Flashbacks" of Pigeon.

For signing up new members, Membership Growth Awards were presented to Lions Jim Lewis, Rob Steele, Kent McKenzie, and John Walsh.

Lion Orville Schuette reported that ticket sales for the annual shopping spree are going great. The drawing will be Dec. 22.

President Walsh presented Gladys Schuette, Wilma Kovach, and Irene Voxx with Christmas gifts and thanked them for the good dinners in 1989.

The next Lions meeting will be Dec. 27 at the VFW. Mike LePage will be in charge of the program.



35 YEARS AND STILL GOING STRONG! Gerald (Hap) Forster of Elkton was recently awarded his 35-year Service Plaque got his years of continuous employment at Active Industries, Inc., Elkton. Forster started with the company in 1954 as a production operator and stock chaser, and later became a truck driver for the company. Here, Forster receives his plaque from Active's general manager Don Stern.

Merry Christmas

SEATED: From Left To Right - James Foster, Rachel Zoellner. STANDING: Karen Phillips, Lori Schweitzer, Patty Diebel, Al Nixon, Joan Stalter. Missing: Jan Henne.

BACK ROW: From Left - Rana Harris, Kay Fortsch, Joan Stalter, Don Damrow. FRONT ROW - Mary Damm and Jylan Shope

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The Progress - Advance

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The Progress - Advance is pleased to offer here a selection of worthy local organizations who have a list of "Christmas Wishes" during the holiday season and all year long. While we are all busy




American Cancer Society
Huron County Unit
 The main focus of the ACS is to provide funds for research and education about cancer, and to help patients who have the disease. Volunteers are always needed, and donations are welcome.

SEND DONATIONS TO:
American Cancer Society
 c/o Sally Beers
 11911 Winter Road
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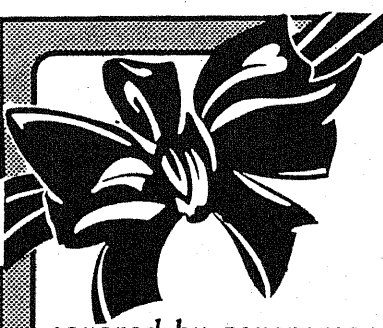
Caseville Food Pantry
 As with other local food closets, the Caseville Food Pantry is in need of non-perishable food items to supplement food provided through the Human Development Commission. Donations of food can be dropped off at St. Roch's Catholic Church.

SEND DONATIONS TO:
St. Roch's Food Pantry
 St. Roch's Catholic Church
 6925 St. Roch's Drive
 Caseville, MI 48725 • 856-4933




The Huron County Council for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect is a 60-member organization whose purpose is to promote programs that prevent child abuse, educate the public about the problems of child abuse, and raise funds for the Children's Trust Fund of Michigan and local programs.

HURON COUNTY CA/N COUNCIL
 1911 Sand Beach Road
 Bad Axe, MI 48413



Huron County Dept. of Social Services
Volunteer Services
 Funds donated are used for a contingency fund to buy items that are not covered by government funds, for emergencies. Monies are also used to send children to summer camp, Youth Haven near Jackson. Leftover money last year allowed some children to go to Bay Shore Camp.

SEND DONATIONS TO:
HCSS Volunteer Service
 1911 Sand Beach Rd. • Bad Axe, MI 48413
 Mary Ann Tenczer • 269-9201 Ext. 222



Bluewater Youth For Christ
 The purpose of the group is to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with Junior High and Senior High students in the school Districts of Elkton, Pigeon, Bay Port, Unionville-Sebawaing, North Huron, Bad Axe, Harbor Beach and Ubyly. The group has been active in Huron County for about 35 years. Donations are used for administrative purposes, such as office rent and supplies, payroll and insurance.

SEND DONATIONS TO:
Blue Water Youth For Christ
 Box 447 • Pigeon, MI 48755
 PHONE: 453-3239




Huron County Special Olympics
 The Special Olympics Program involves sports training and competition for the mentally impaired in Huron County. Approximately 100 area residents, from age eight through adult, fit this category in Huron County. They are involved in activities ranging from soccer, floor hockey, cross-country skiing, snow shoeing, basketball, track and field events and bowling. They compete locally and at state events. The program receives no state or federal funding and relies solely on donations and monies raised through fund-raisers. For more information about the program, persons may call the Huron Learning Center at 269-9274.

SEND DONATIONS TO:
 c/o Dale Hill
 131 Mabel Street • Pigeon, MI 48755

CHRISTMAS GIVING...

with the "hustle and bustle" of Christmas preparations, now is the time to find ways to help others who are less fortunate. Here is a thoughtful way to finish up your Christmas "shopping."




Pigeon Food Pantry
 Stocks a variety of non-perishable foods for distribution to families who may have a drastic loss of income or other family emergency. Donations of canned and boxed foods are always welcome, as well as money to purchase perishable foods. The pantry works with the Huron County DSS, but occasionally takes referrals.

SEND DONATIONS TO:
The Pigeon Food Pantry
 First United Methodist Church
 Pigeon, MI 48755




The Salvation Army
 In Huron County, the Salvation Army works through the Department of Social Services, using donations for supplemental needs for families receiving assistance. One example of a supplemental need is a refrigerator or stove for a needy family.

SEND DONATIONS TO:
The Salvation Army
 State Headquarters of Eastern Michigan Division
 501 Bagley Avenue
 Detroit, MI 48226



Friends For Life Hospice
 The Friends For Life is modeled after the Hospice concept. Volunteers go into the home of a terminally ill patient and help with a variety of chores, such as running errands; cooking meals, relieving the primary caregiver. Volunteers are always needed. For more information and to send donations, contact:

BARB KUBE
 945 McMillan Rd. • Bad Axe, MI 48413 • 269-8683



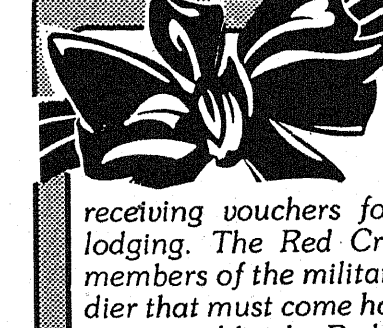
Bay Port RLDS Food Pantry
 This organization works through the Human Development Commission in Caro. The HDC provides some non-perishable items such as surplus cheese and powdered milk and provides grants to the pantry to buy food as it's needed. Like other pantries, it's intended for emergency use. Serves the Bay Port, Sebawaing, Owendale and Elkton area.

SEND DONATIONS TO:
RLDS CHURCH
 c/o James Dubs
 Bay Port, MI 48720
 or call 656-2772



Handi Riders 4-H Club
 The club offers horseback riding for handicapped youth. It's an educational experience and type of therapy that helps build self-confidence and muscular control. Walking volunteers are always needed for the one-hour session. Donations are used for training volunteers.

SEND DONATIONS TO:
HANDI RIDERS 4-H CLUB
 c/o Cooperative Extension Agent
 Room 104 County Building
 Bad Axe, MI 48413 • 269-9949



The American Red Cross helps whenever there is the greatest need, nationally and locally. A family burned out of their home will receive immediate help from the local chapter of the Red Cross, receiving vouchers for clothing, bedding, personal items, or lodging. The Red Cross also verifies family emergencies for members of the military, and arranges emergency leave for a soldier that must come home. Blood drives and CPR classes are also sponsored by the Red Cross. The local chapter of the Red Cross supports the work of the national organization, whose help was invaluable in natural disasters such as Hurricane Hugo and the San Francisco earthquake. But most donations to the Red Cross, unless earmarked for a national disaster, stay with the local chapter. Volunteers are always needed, and donations are welcome.

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Thumb Kids' Letters to Santa!

JINGLE BELLS, JINGLE BELLS, JINGLE ALL THE WAY...

Mrs. McLellan's Elkton Second Graders

DEAR SANTA,
How are you doing? I have been very good. May I have Little Miss Make-up and P. J. Sparkle and a stereo.
Love,
LINDSAY BARRY

DEAR SANTA,
How are you? I want Little Miss Make-up and Maxie Cheerleader.
Love,
SARAH ROUSTON

DEAR SANTA,
How are you? I like your toys. I would like a dune buggy and a race car.
Love,
DANIEL BOUVERETTE

DEAR SANTA,
I can not wait until Christmas. Can I have a Power Glove, Super Sprint, Pro-Am Super Mario Brothers II and Double Dual Skies? Merry Christmas.
Love,
JASON GETTEL

DEAR SANTA,
My sister said that she saw a reindeer. I want a car and a robot and a train.
Love,
DAN FRITZ

DEAR SANTA,
I can't wait until Christmas. I want the doll called Little Miss Make-up. I like school a lot.
Love,
ERIN GULASH

DEAR SANTA,
How are you? Merry Christmas. I love you. Happy Holidays! Winter adds up to fun. These are the things I want for Christmas a rabbit, Baby Dolly Surprise, My Little Pony Sparkles and Baby Bubbles.
Goodbye
Love,
GINA GRANIELLO

DEAR SANTA,
Merry Christmas! This is my Christmas list, remote control plane, race track, train, rocket, four wheel drive truck.
From,
KORY WIEDERHOLD

DEAR SANTA,
How have you been? What I want for Christmas is Baby Dolly Surprise, and a Baby Bubbles and a Copsy Baby and My Little Sparkle Pony.
From,
CINDY COLLINGS

DEAR SANTA,
How is Rudolph? I think it is going to get cold so please dress warm for your trip. P.S. I'm going to be the littlest tree in the play. This is what I would like for Christmas. A few pairs of warmer pants and a pedal car. I don't want to make too much trouble so that's all I want. Bye!

From,
WANDA HEBERT

DEAR SANTA,
How is Rudolph and the elves doing? Dear Rudolph I hope you will write me back. Here is my Christmas list, a long scary book, micro machines, Say No To Drugs Poster.
From,
DAVID HAZARD

DEAR SANTA,
I was a good boy and for Christmas I want a remote control race car, a musical Rudolph.
Your friend,
MATTHEW BRUCE

DEAR SANTA,
For Christmas, I would like a bunk bed for my doll.
Love,
MELISSA ROBERTS

DEAR SANTA,
I hope you have a good Christmas. How is Rudolph?
From,
JENNIFER PEYERK

DEAR SANTA,
How are the elves doing? I want a B.B. gun and a new bike.
Love,
DOUGIE ROBERTS

DEAR SANTA,
How is Rudolph doing? How is Mrs. Claus? Merry Christmas Santa and Mrs. Claus.
Love,
BRADEN BEACHY

DEAR SANTA,
How's Rudolph doing? I want a Slippery When Wet tape, Bon Jovi poster, Batman figurine and poster, ghost buster house. Merry Christmas.
From,
TREVOR THOMAS

DEAR SANTA,
I will be a good boy. Tell Rudolph to call me for Christmas. I want a \$1,000,000.00, RC10 Race Car, Double Dragon.
Love,
JOSH MURPHY

DEAR SANTA,
Here's my Christmas list. P.S. I play Mrs. Claus in the Christmas play. Here is my list. I want a pair of pants and sweaters. I really want a kitten.
Love,
KRISTI FOGARSI

DEAR SANTA,
Dress warm. I would like a golf bag, golf clubs, and golf balls.
From,
RYAN FRITZ

DEAR SANTA,
Dress warm on Christmas eve night. Here's something I would like, \$1,000.00, remote control car, zacks.
SCOTT HERFORD

Chandler Presbyterian ladies celebrate

CHRISTMAS PARTY
The Chandler Presbyterian Guild ladies entertained the Kinde Presbyterian ladies and guests at a Christmas party Wednesday evening. The Fellowship Hall was decorated in the Christmas motif. "The Christmas Story" skit was presented by several ladies and narrated by Pat Deuver. Games were directed by Pat Deuver, Mildred Bal-lagh and Alberta Nekson with prizes given. Baskets will be filled for shut-ins. Denise Arneson, newly-married, was presented with a money shower. Refreshments were served.

Merry Christmas

While bells are ringing through the night
And glowing candles shine so bright,
Our wishes warm come to pray,
"Peace and love this Christmas Day!"
Wishing you much happiness this holiday season.

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Mrs. Krebs' First Grade - Elkton

DEAR SANTA,
Have a good Christmas. I want a Barbie and a puppy and a kitchen set.
Love,
ERICA HALEY

DEAR SANTA,
I like you. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Here is my list Jar Bear Bike, watch, baby doll, puppet.
From,
TRISHA CLARK

DEAR SANTA,
I've been a good boy. For Christmas I would like a Nintendo and a Double Dragon tape.
Love,
COREY MENO

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Lake-Chandler news items

By **MILDRED BALLGACH**
Sunday, Dec. 24: 7 p.m.: A Christmas Eve candlelight service will be conducted at the Kinde Presbyterian Church. Join in Christmas carols, special music and a Christmas story at this family-oriented service.
Scott McBride of Miami, Fla. spent a couple days with his mother, Carole and husband, Don Leipprandt.

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HUME TWP. Weaver Road, Krum acres, lot 34, 100'x145'05L468
RUBICON TWP. 2 lots just south of Port Hope05L461
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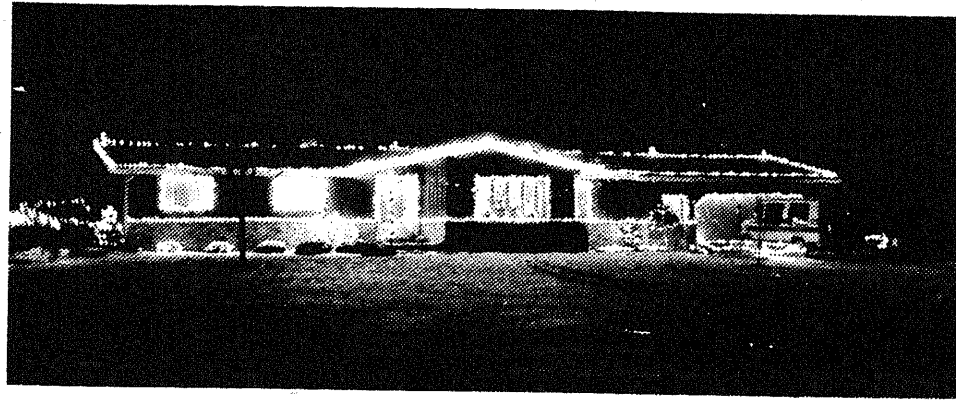
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Merry Christmas

And best wishes for a happy holiday season. May you and yours enjoy the fun and friendship that make this time of year so special. It has been our pleasure to serve you over the past year and our sincere wish to serve you even further in the coming new year. You are special to us and your needs are our number one priority. Merry Christmas!

From Gus, Linda, Terry And Employees.
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LEE & JEANNE Swartzendruber's house near Bay Port features many white and multi-colored lights, as this nighttime picture shows. Local Christmas watchers say more lights are decorating houses this year than in many previous years.
AMY HEIDEN PHOTO



Pigeon folks get ready for holiday visiting!

By DOROTHY DIENER
*May the Christmas Season
Be a time of miracles
And may all the days
Of your New Year
Be bright with joy...*

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ohlrogge had as weekend guests, their son, Kevin Ohlrogge, from Warren.

Scott and Vicky Buchholz of Lakewood, Calif. are spending Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Born and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Buchholz in Elkton. On Saturday, Mrs. Frank Deming and son Tom went with the Family Support group to Cobo Hall, Detroit, to view Christmas scenery and decorations.

Mr. and Mrs. John Diener and Mrs. Dennis Diener paid their respects to the family of Mrs. Doris Werschky at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebawaing on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Trowbridge and family of Warren were weekend guests of his mother, Mrs. Elsie Trowbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sattler and Beth Ann of Bay City were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Collison. On Saturday they helped their nephew, Brian Collison, celebrate his birthday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Col-

lison. On Sunday evening, Mrs. Floyd Collison and Fred attended Beth Ann's Christmas Program at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Bay City. Mr. and Mrs. John Diener visited Mrs. Dorothy Leppprandt at the Huron Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Geer and family of Monroe were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dast. On Saturday night they attended the Frank Diebel Christmas gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Decker in Bay City.

Darold Verheghe and Christopher of Essexville were Thursday visitors of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kleido and Connie.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Dumay and Mrs. Winston of Pinnebog were Pre-Christmas supper guests on Friday at the home of Mrs. Viola Schuette.

Mrs. Frances Richmond spent several days last week in Traverse City, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Michael Dorenkamp and Benjamin.

The Shoreline Blend Sweet Adelines quartet entertained residents in Scheurer Hospital's Long-Term Unit on Thursday.

Robert Buerker returned home last week after being a patient at St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mohr attended the Christmas program of their grandchildren, Shannon and Kariann in Caro. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mohr.

From there they attended the Christmas Program of their grandchildren in Lansing and were guests of Wallace and Marian Hart on Sunday.

Pressure helped re-start harbor work

Public pressure was part of the reason the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers reversed the decision to stop dredging 10 Saginaw Bay harbors and others around the Great Lakes.

The Corps decided to reinstate the dredging after "a re-sounding surge of mail" flooded Congressmen's offices, says Corps spokesman Mike Perrini. The Corps had announced in January it would no longer dredge harbors where less than 25,000 tons of commercial goods were moved annually — meaning harbors of Bay Port, Caseville, Port Austin, Sebawaing and others would not be eligible.

Dredging is scheduled this summer in Bay Port Harbor and the Saginaw River, but Corps officials say there is no guarantee the dredging will continue in future years. Total annual cost is \$8.9 million to dredge 24 state harbors this coming year, officials say.

Dredging is important in small harbors because water levels have dropped more than two feet since 1986 in Lakes Huron, Michigan, Erie and St. Clair. Plus, sediment on the lake bottom and shifting sand makes some harbor uses difficult or impossible, especially recreational boating.

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To vie for five Bean group seats

Ten candidates have been nominated for 5 seats on the Michigan Bean Commission and their names have been sent to Governor James Blanchard for consideration and appointment.

In each case, the Governor will select one of two for each position, and they will serve a three-year term.

In Huron County, Commission Member Bill Renn of Pigeon has served the two terms allowed under the Bean Commission Law and is not eligible for re-appointment.

Nominated by Huron County growers were Jack Sturm of Pigeon and Michael Baranski of Port Austin, one of whom will receive the Governor's approval.

Two new grower positions have been created, with the first covering Eaton, Ingham, Clinton and Shiawassee Counties.

Nominated for that area were Gary Pruden of Charlotte and George Thorpe of Sunfield.

In the Bay, Arenac, Mecosta and Midland County area, Tom Schindler of KawRawlin and Dave Clarke of Colemand were nominated. One of them will be appointed.

Kendall English of Breckenridge is finishing his first term as grower-representative from Gratiot County, and he was renominated for possible appointment. Also nominated for Gratiot County was Dale Weburg, also of Breckenridge. One of them

will receive the Governor's appointment. Among shipper's representatives, Commission Member Jim Ostrowski of St. Johns will retire, having completed his permitted two terms.

Selected by the MBSA to represent shippers are Ted Leppprandt of Pigeon and Bruce Wymmer of Breckenridge. One of them will receive the Governor's appointment.

Lake-Chandler news items

By MILDRED BALLAGH
Nice talking to you, Clara! Andrea Richmond is home from Alma College for the holidays.

Phyllis McCairns, William and Shirlene McCairns attended the funeral of their daughter and sister, Carol (McCairns) Gresham, respectively, in Detroit on Wednesday.

Mrs. Breck (Sharon) Miller of Phoenix, Ariz. and Heather McCairns of Nevada were recent visitors of their mother, Phyllis McCairns.

Gary and Gwen Summers of Graying spent a few days with her parents, Lowell and Janet Dufty and attended the funeral of Gwen's brother, Pat on Thursday.

Thumb Kids' Letters to Santa!

JINGLE BELLS JINGLE BELLS JINGLE ALL THE WAY...

Mrs. Pauly's Second Grade - Bay Port

DEAR SANTA, How old are you? How is Mrs. Claus? How are the elves? I like Christmas. It is my favorite season. How are the reindeer? I watch a lot of movies about you. How do you deliver all those presents in one night? I like you. Can I please have a bow and arrow and Nintendo games and a Pizza Hut Maker. I want Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles the most. The action figures.

Your friend,
BRANDON ELENBAUM

DEAR SANTA, My name is Jason Diebel. How is Mrs. Claus and how is Rudolph the reindeer and elves? For Christmas I want a T.V., a radio, an Nintendo and a new bike and Nintendo tapes. Are the elves working hard on the toys. I hope they are.

Your friend,
ERIC ALLEN

DEAR SANTA, How are you? How is Mrs. Claus. How are all of your reindeer, especially Rudolph? I have been very good this year. Can I please, please, please have a T.V. boom box and some earrings. If I don't get any more things I'll understand because the T.V. boom box is a lot. Oh! How are the elves? I am seven years old. Oh! And by the way Merry Christmas.

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Local folks put pencils and pens (and computers!) to paper -- and tell "What I'd like most for Christmas"

"What I Want For Christmas"

By PATRICIA OUSLEY, Caseville
Age group 18-54

I've been trying for the past couple of weeks to think of a Christmas memory to write about. Then one night after we put our tree up, my daughter and her boyfriend were "snooping and shaking" presents I had put under the tree early. I happened to mention to him that I could always trust her NOT to peek at the unwrapped gifts of hers hidden in my room.

She got a funny grin on her face and I said, "WHAT is that smile for?"

She said, "You remember when I was younger and you had a babysitter for me while you worked? We used to take a sharp knife and very carefully open the presents under the tree and then re-tape them so you wouldn't know! Then on Christmas morning I would act surprised at my presents!"

Here all along I thought I had an excited daughter who just couldn't wait for "Santa" to arrive so she could get up and open all her gifts!

Now that I think back, maybe that was the reason one Christmas morning I had to beg her to get up at 11 a.m. to get the gift opening over with... SHE already knew what she was getting!

Merry Christmas, Becky and Mark! Love, Mom.

"The Greatest Gift of All"

By WENDY NEVERS, Farmington Hills

As I struggled to fill out my annual Christmas list, I paused for a moment to open a Christmas card which I had just received. It was an especially pretty card. It pictured a brightly illuminated star in the sky, shining upon a field with three lowly lambs. The lambs were so peaceful and innocent looking. They seemed to stare, wide-eyed, up toward that heavenly star as if they knew its symbolism and significance.

This brought about a wish in me, to be removed from this materialistic society; to be out in the fields with those lambs. In a way, I longed to share the feelings which were whispered through the air on that magical night which we now call "Christmas."

It is after these thoughts that I opened the card. Inside was the familiar phrase, "Peace on Earth, goodwill to men." But this time, this trite message had so much more meaning to me.

As I put away my pencil and unfinished Christmas list, I remembered all of the unsettled and tragic things which happen around us and affect each person everyday.

By recalling this morning's newspaper, I realized that all of these turmoils and troubles, great and small, are as varied as the falling snowflakes which arrive at this time each year. I realized that in the time, alone, which I took to think about my Christmas list, there were many people who were beaten, raped or killed; people who were suffering in every sense of the word, every imaginable aspect. I felt a powerful appreciation growing inside of me.

I also felt the need to express this feeling of appreciation. I thanked God for my simplistic life and its annoying little problems. I thanked Him for not giving me problems which I have seen others afflicted with. And, I thanked Him for being there, when I had problems which I did not think I could get through.

In a round-about way, I realized that Jesus, the most blessed and sacred gift a person could ever receive, is mine and everyone's forever.

But "Peace on Earth" and also peace of mind, will always be at the top of my Christmas list. That card, surprisingly alike yet unlike the others, had truly made me think. But in essence, that is what a Christmas card is meant for in the first place.

P.S. I am from Farmington Hills and am Tammy Damm's roommate and friend at Michigan State University. I submitted this short story at the request of the Damm family. Out of a thousand different ideas running through my mind, this was the one which I chose.

"What I'd Like Most For Christmas"

By GINA APLEY, Pigeon
Age group under 18 years

Christmastime is a time for giving and sharing. The one thing I'd like the most for Christmas is for my family and friends to be happy. I would like my family to be together to celebrate this special holiday with me.

In our home, my mother taught my sister and I that it is not what you receive for Christmas, but it is the love and happiness you give which are important. I never realized just how right my mother was until last Christmas, when we thought my grandfather, the true hero of Christmas, wouldn't be with us to celebrate the holiday. Then all of our Christmas wishes came true, because he was there with his Christmas spirit and joy in his eyes on Christmas day.

That is why I want my family and friends to be able to be happy and thankful on Christmas for the things they have -- not for what they receive.

"Change of Plan"

By LYNNE MAYES, Port Austin
Age group 18-54

Life is funny. For the past four months I THOUGHT I knew exactly what I wanted for Christmas 1989: a remodeled living room/dining room, resplendent with new uncracked dry wall; tight new Andersen windows to shut out icy North winds and best of all -- yards and yards of fresh, clean carpeting, not matted down by 20 Christmases past.

None of those wishes has come true. Yesterday I cried; the day before I pounded my fists against the crumbling dry-wall; last week I threatened to bomb the worn-out rooms.

Today, December 7, 1989, I rearranged my priorities. Today's headlines announce that 15 families in Canada will be hearing the news, "Your daughter has been shot by a madman." Christmas will never again be a carefree, jubilant holiday for those 15 devastated families!

I've revised my Wish List. What I really want for Christmas is for my two lovely daughters, my new new sons-in-law, plus my two wonderful sons to burst into that shabby but memory-laden living room and shout, "Hey, Mom, we're home! Christmas can begin!"

"A Tinker Toy Memory"

By GEORGE KEIM, Bay Port
Age group 55 & more experienced

I have lived a lot of Christmas, and I don't really know which one to write about. But I remember very well how we children used to look through the Sears Roebuck and the Montgomery Ward catalogs at the Christmas toys and wish we'd get a few of them. One thing I looked at was Tinker Toys, those little wooden building pieces that are still available today.

I looked at the price of them and saw they were 85 cents per set, and I believe I even prayed for them. Those days people often sent for their Christmas things and I hoped so much that my folks would send for some. But 85 cents was as hard to get as \$8.50 is today and my folks were always hard up. My toys were few and far between.

Well, a big pack came from one of the mail order houses and I heard a rattle in it. Well, I knew my little sister had a rattle in the pack. I just couldn't hardly sleep that night and I got up on the first call. I had to wash my face and put on my shoes and get dressed fully, and then I went in the kitchen, and here sure enough was a box of Tinker Toys with my

name on it! Boy, was I ever happy and of course I had to eat breakfast before I dared to play.

Well, I was eight years old when I got them and I played many an hour with them until I was over 12 years old. I still have them all except no. 6 is broken -- and the kid who broke it is now a great-grandma. I don't think I could still play with them, but I think as far as toys are concerned, they were the best toy I ever got.

As I said, my parents weren't very rich. They always said that we got something, even if it was just a little thing. My grandmother Swartzendruber was still living on the farm where George Swartzendruber now lives on Geiger Road.

One Christmas day it was very cold and we were supposed to come up there for dinner. We lived in Pigeon at the time. We had a car but no antifreeze in it. But we had an old surly so Dad went to Ocer Pfaff and borrowed a big horse to go up there.

It was very cold and we covered up real well with comforter; out of the bed and started up there. It was only seven miles. There wasn't much now on the ground, but the wind was very cold and of course we didn't have a heater and old Bell didn't like to trot very well. The roads were only gravel

and some didn't even have gravel on them, and I thought I'd freeze to death.

Well, we finally got there and Grandma had a very good dinner -- very good chicken and gravy and baked apples with walnuts in it. We stayed till four o'clock and then started home. The wind had gone down and it wasn't near as cold. It was dark when we got home and Dad took the horse back. Mother had a good supper and bed seemed very good that night.

I could write a book on my Christmases, but let us never take Christ out of Christmas.

Thanks for reading

The Progress-Advance

"What I'd like most for Christmas"

By ERMA MAUST, Bay Port
Age group 55 and more experienced

When you are lying under the white covers of a hospital bed, looking into the hall at a lovely, decorated Christmas tree, and thinking of the PROGRESS-ADVANCE wishing for their readers to tell the secrets of their hearts by revealing what we'd like most for Christmas, I hope it is not a selfish wish, but I'm going out on faith that tomorrow my orthopedic surgeon with all of his specialized training will be replacing my problem knee with a total knee replacement.

After 4 years of pain that could be a most blessed Christmas gift if I could again walk without wishing I did not have to take the next step.

Do want to thank everyone who has cheered me on to face the surgery. With my new Christmas present, I hope, I will be able to walk as fast as Johnny and Susie when they come to visit our farm in the Spring.

See you all when the trees are in blossom and the baby animals are arriving.

HERE IS A SELECTION OF ENTRIES FROM CASEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL, ALL ANSWERING THE QUESTION:

"WHAT WOULD I LIKE MOST FOR CHRISTMAS?"

By JILL MILLER, grade 10

This year for Christmas I would like most to have my grandmother back. I can still remember her coming to our house at Christmas time wearing her red Santa hat with white fur surrounding her face. I was very young at the time, but I do remember that whenever she held me in her arms, I could feel love all-around me.

My Grandma was my best friend as a child and was there when I wanted to laugh, talk, play or solve a problem. I think about her often and I hope she thinks about me, wherever she is. I would like to see my Grandma again someday. MERRY CHRISTMAS, GRANDMA!

By ROBERT RUIZ DE CASTILLA

At first I thought about writing about the video game I want for Christmas, called the Lakers vs. Celtics, but the more I thought about it, the less I liked it, so I thought about the sweater I wanted. I later figured out that wasn't the gift I would like most.

I went through my whole list and every time I turned down the gift I thought was the gift I wanted the most.

Finally, I found out what to write about. It is the gift I ask for every year -- that my family is healthy and happy and that it will stay that way.

By STEPHANY ZLOTKOWSKI, grade 9

I wouldn't want a stereo or a car, I wouldn't want to travel far. If you want to know what I would want, just give me a second and I will start.

Fighting and yelling is all I see, I just wish people would be filled with glee. Somebody talking about somebody else, Really not caring how they would have felt. I want everyone to try and be happy, Start doing it before Christmas, make it snappy.

Just smile a little, That's all you'll need, To make someone happy indeed.

Well, I told you my wish, Please make it come true, Then there will be peace Between me and you.

Merry Christmas



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"WHAT WOULD I LIKE MOST FOR CHRISTMAS?"

By MARK MORDEN
Grade 10, Caseville High School
I would really like a new fourwheeler, one that runs great and doesn't need to be fixed everytime I ride it. It would also have to take a beating and keep running like new. I think the one would have to be the new 1990 Suzuki LT250 Quad-racer, because it is fast, has a great suspension, and is liquid-cooled, single cylinder two-stroke, that puts out over 246cc of power. That's what I'd like most for Christmas.

By DAN DUFTY
Grade 8, Caseville School
The only things I would like for Christmas is a weight bench and clothes.

By BOBBY SAMBORSKI
Grade 9, Caseville
What I would like most for Christmas is -for everyone to be with their family and for me to get some Air Jordans
-for everyone to be happy and safe and for me to get a pair of headphones
-world peace
and for me to get a CD player
-stop poverty
and for me to get a VCR
-for everyone to be treated equal
and for me to get a Porsche
-for everyone to have a Merry Christmas
and for me to hopefully get this stuff.
Happy Holidays!

By TONY KANYAK
Grade 8, Caseville School
I'd like a brand new Ford Mustang GT. It would have to be red or black. I want one because they're fast. They do about 144 mph. And they have power. I would drive all over when I get it and pick up my friends. The first place I would go is Saginaw, then Lansing, and Detroit in one day. Then I would come home and park it till tomorrow.

By AMIE CIESLINSKI
Age 12 1/2
The best Christmas is when we'll get up and have hot chocolate and we sit around the tree. Then we listen to Christmas records, and stand under the mistletoe. When it is time to open presents, my Dad always pretends to be Santa and hands out presents, one by one to each of us.
But what I like most is watching my family opening gifts from me and watching the expressions on their faces, and if it is a smile, I feel real good. I guess I like giving just as much as receiving. I also love receiving. I also love sharing my joy on Christmas Day.
P.S. Love you, Santa. Were you watching me every minute?

By MACHELLE HENNE
Grade 11, Caseville High School
I want a Nintendo set! I spend a lot of time at my house and after a while, television gets boring. I like to play video games and in the winter there is no place to go and play video games.
I am still a little kid at heart. Hopefully it will keep me home more often so I won't get into trouble - more trouble than I always get myself into.

By MANDIE FRITZ, grade 9
For Christmas I would like a colored television with cable. Because the television I have now is black and white and it doesn't work too well and doesn't have cable. If I got a new television, I could watch cable stations in my bedroom instead of in my brother's bedroom or in our living room where my mom is usually watching television. Televisions usually cost large amounts of money, but if I got a new one it would be a great investment.

By BRANDY PLOE, grade 12
I'd like snow and candy canes, ornaments and mistletoe, holly, pine trees, sugar cookies and pretty packages tied with red ribbon.

I'd like the footprints of reindeer on my rooftop on Christmas Day and stockings overflowing with stocking stuffers. I'd like Christmas carolers on my doorstep and the sound of silver bells on a clear winter day. I'd like to sit in bed on Christmas Eve and have my mom read "Twas the Night Before Christmas" to me. I'd like to be younger and able to feel the excitement and anticipation of waiting for Santa Claus to arrive.

By TERRI POWER, grade 12
I haven't asked for anything for Christmas this year. I've finally realized that Christmas is more than the wanting and giving of gifts. It's the time to get-together with family to share old memories. When I sit down at the table on Christmas morning, I am very thankful to have a family to share Christmas. That's what I want most for Christmas "to be with my family and most of all for everyone to have a Merry Christmas!"

By MICHELLE CONNERS, grade 11
What I'd like most for Christmas is a trip to New York and back. I would like to go there to see my friend Rob, whom I haven't seen in months. It wouldn't be the best gift I could get because I really miss him.

By HOLLI McCRIMMON, grade 9
... is a pair of ice skates. Then I could glide across a shimmery pondlike a sailboat setting out upon the lake on a cool, summer morning. Early in the morning I would sharpen the blades and get all my friends and we could go skating for the entire day. Then I could start training for the Olympics and that would be the most exciting thing in my entire life. But for now, I think I will be happy with a shiny new pair of ice skates.

By BECKY OUSLEY, grade 12
What I'd like most for Christmas would be for my whole family to come home from Las Vegas, Nev. to spend the holidays. My Grandma moved to Nevada a few years ago, and she doesn't get to come home for Christmas very often. My aunt and uncle and their children moved to Nevada this past summer and this will be the first Christmas that we haven't been together at some point over the holidays.
If I had the money to send to them and have them come home, I'd send it, just so I could have our whole family together for Christmas.

By TERI CASSADA, grade 12
I would like a Christmas tree
Bound in tinsel and lights,
Surrounded by my family,
Talking and laughing most of the night.

I would like to have snow
Falling softly on the ground,
While we open presents and eat
And then lazily lie around.

But what I'd like most on Christmas Day
Is to show my family I love them
In a very special way.

By JODI POWER, grade 12
I'd like to have all of my relatives home for the holidays. It has been quite some time since our whole family was together.

Just to be able to see everyone's faces and talk to them would be exciting. I can't remember the last time we were together. I know that this wish will probably never come true, but it is my wish for Christmas.

Thumb Kids' Letters to Santa!

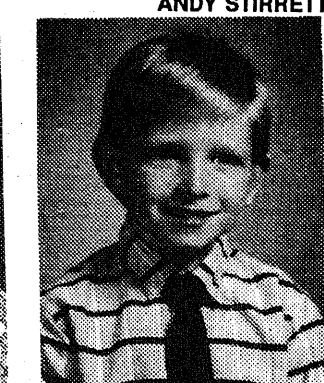
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Caseville students write their Wish Lists

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Love,
JENNIFER DUFTY



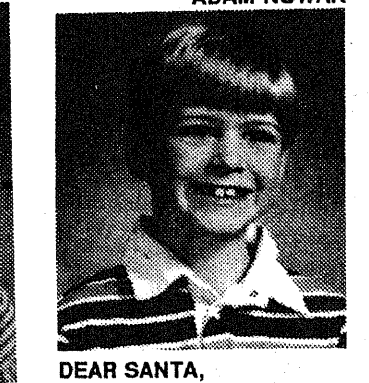
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Love,
ANDY STIRRETT



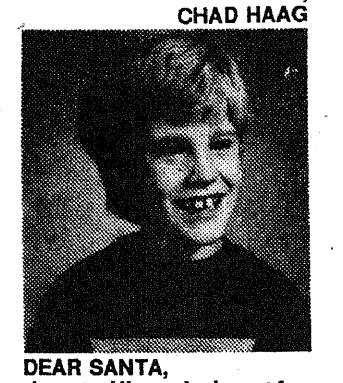
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Love,
DANNY HOCKIN



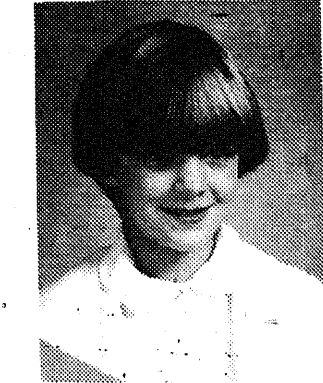
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I want Bad Dudes Nintendo tape. I want more snow - 10 feet! How can you give the presents to the kids?
Love,
ADAM NOWAK



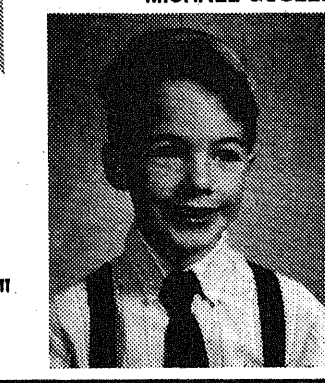
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I want a pack of turtles. I want the power glove. Santa, please bring Rudolph. I'll give you milk and cookies. Santa, bring the elves for me.
Love,
CHAD HAAG



DEAR SANTA,
I want gym shoes. I would want some clothes. I don't have a chimney.
Love,
ANGELA BOUVERETTE



DEAR SANTA,
I want a Ghostbuster. I want a calendar. I want a dinosaur. How do you get down the chimney?
Love,
MICHAEL GOSLEE



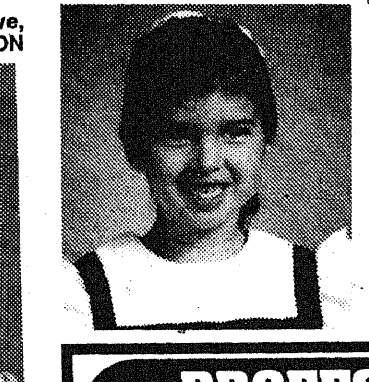
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Love,
MARY BEDFORD



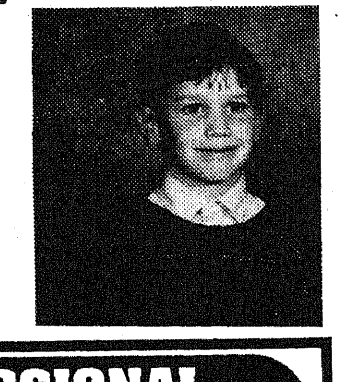
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I want Little Miss Dress-Up. I want Little Miss Make-up. How do you get down the chimney? But I love you, Santa.
Love,
MICHELLE McCRIMMON



DEAR SANTA,
I want P.J. Sparkles, an Easy Bake Oven, some jeans, too. Do reindeer fly?
Love,
MICHELLE OSENTOSKI



DEAR SANTA,
I want a Nintendo. I want four games. I like you, Santa. You're my best friend.
Love,
JOSHUA BUSCHBACHER



"To us a child is born,
To us a Son is given,"
Isaiah 9:6

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Thumb Kids' Letters to Santa!

"JINGLE BELLS, JINGLE BELLS, JINGLE ALL THE WAY...."

Mrs. McLellan's Second Grade - Elkton

DEAR SANTA, Santa, please can I have P.J. Sparkles? Santa, how is it at the North Pole?
Love,
STEPHANIE SIEWERT



DEAR SANTA, There are a lot of children in the world, but please bring me a present. I'd like a double dare game, a P.J. Sparkle doll and things like that.
Love,
LORA ACKERMAN



DEAR SANTA, I want a color T.V. and Nintendo. I was good.
Love,
BRYAN BLACKSTOCK



DEAR SANTA, How are you doing at the North Pole? I would like a stereo, a skate board, and Duck Hunt.
Love,
Josh Rosenthal



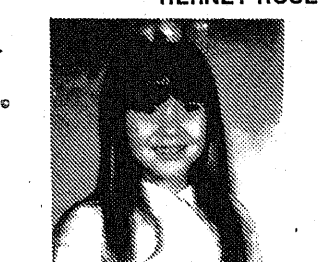
DEAR SANTA, I would like a skateboard, glue, a football, and a remote control car. I've been good this year.
Love,
JEFF



DEAR SANTA, I like Christmas very much. I like whatever you give me. Your presents are the best. Ho Ho Ho Merry Christmas!
Love,
JULIE CHAMPAGNE



DEAR SANTA, Please get me a calculator, Nintendo, head phones, glue, stereo, bike, kitten, puppy and a motorcycle.
Love,
TIERNEY ROSE



DEAR SANTA, I want an army set and three more things, a power glove with a Nintendo and one more thing a stereo.
Love,
PAT HERON



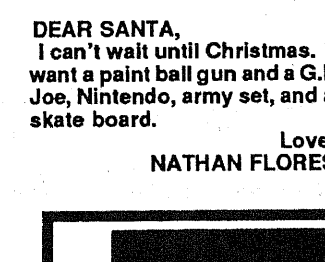
DEAR SANTA, How are you? You are my friend. I want a G.I. Joe. I want a bike, an A.I.F. like your toys so Ho Ho. I got a tree. It is nice.
Love,
GARY HALEY



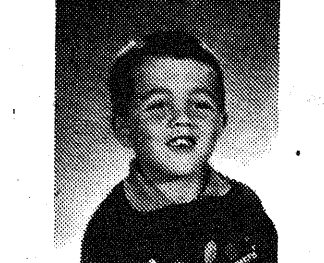
DEAR SANTA, It is snowing up here. We are getting ready. I want Betsey Wetsey, kitten, and things for the kitten and a bow.
Love,
LINDSIE BROWN



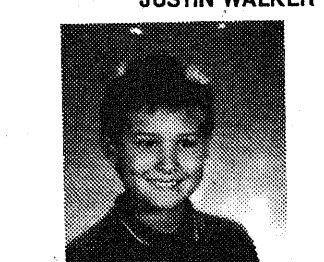
DEAR SANTA, I can't wait until Christmas. I want a paint ball gun and a G.I. Joe, Nintendo, army set, and a skate board.
Love,
NATHAN FLORES



DEAR SANTA, I want whatever you give me. Please give me a Nintendo and power glove.
Love,
SCOTT CARR



DEAR SANTA, How are you? I would like Nintendo, Spiat Gun and a remote control 4x4. Thank you.
Love,
JUSTIN WALKER



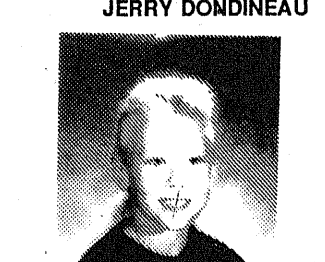
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Love,
NATHAN FLORES



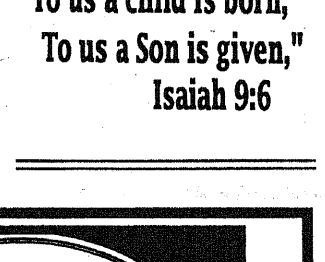
DEAR SANTA, I would like for Christmas P. J. Sparkle. And I would like a Barbie.
Love,
STACEY SMUKALA



DEAR SANTA, We were making a thing. It was funny. Can I have a Nintendo and some G.I. Joes, and a dune buggy?
Love,
JERRY DONDINEAU



DEAR SANTA, How are your elves? I want Nintendo.
Love,
JONATHON FRITZ



"To us a child is born,
To us a Son is given,"
Isaiah 9:6



Thumb Kids' Letters to Santa!

"JINGLE BELLS, JINGLE BELLS, JINGLE ALL THE WAY...."

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DEAR SANTA: Bring me a Big Foot remote control.
Love,
JAMIE STEIN

DEAR SANTA: I love you. Please bring me a good Nintendo.
Love,
PETER VOLLMER

DEAR SANTA: How are you? How many Elves do you have? I thank you. I want some Barbies and a set.
Love,
LINDSAY HERZOG

DEAR SANTA: How are you doing? I am doing fine. This is what I want for Christmas...a bouncing baby.
Love,
ASHLEY ANN FRITZ

DEAR SANTA: How are your elves? I want Nintendo.
Love,
JONATHON FRITZ

DEAR SANTA: How is Mrs. Claus and the Reindeer?
Love,
HOLLY WEBSTER

DEAR SANTA: How are you? I want boots.
Love,
JENELL MURBICK

DEAR SANTA: How are the reindeers and how is Rudolph? Please bring me a Miss Make-Up. Merry Christmas,
Love,
CHERYL NAST

DEAR SANTA: Would you please bring me a remote control tractor?
Love,
COREY OESCHGER

DEAR SANTA: I love you. I want a Ken. I love Rudolph, Santa. I love you, too.
Love,
LISA STALTER

DEAR SANTA: I love you. How is Mrs. Claus? How is the reindeer and Rudolph?
Love,
TRISTA

DEAR SANTA: Would you please bring me Scrabbles? I love you!
Love,
JENIFER SANCHEZ

DEAR SANTA: Please bring me a P.J. Sparkles. I love you, Santa.
Love,
KIM GAETH

DEAR SANTA: How are Mrs. Claus and how are the reindeer? How are Rudolph and the Elves? I want to have a life brite.
Love,
ERIC GAETH

DEAR SANTA: Please bring me a remote XXXXXXXX (Santa can't make this out)
Love,
JAMIE FIEBIG

DEAR SANTA: How is Mrs. Claus? I hope that your Reindeer are fine. I wish that me and my baby can have a couple of toys.
Love,
JACLYNN STEELE

DEAR SANTA: I want two Barbies, and my sister wants two Barbies, too. How is Mrs. Claus?
I love you, Santa.
From MICHELLE CHIOTTI

DEAR SANTA: Please bring me a remote control tank. Love,
CHAD MITCHELL

DEAR SANTA: How are your reindeer and Rudolph? I want a Lost and Found. Merry Christmas.
Love,
RENAY BRIGHAM

DEAR SANTA: How old is Rudolph? I want a Nintendo Tape. I want tag team wrestling. Can I please have the Nintendo tape?
Love,
RYAN TONER

DEAR SANTA: I want a Transpander. I love you.
Love,
CHRIS MAUST

DEAR SANTA: Please. I want to have a Barbie. Thank you. Love,
CASSIE SCHNAKE
Have a Merry Christmas.

DEAR SANTA: How are the reindeer? I would like a disc.
Love,
ERIC GUNDEN

DEAR SANTA: How is Rudolph and will you please get a disc of Babys. I you get me it, I want to please you.
Love,
KELLY SWARTZENDRUBER

DEAR SANTA: I love you. Please bring me a G.I. Joe base. Love,
B. J. JOLLIEMORE
I love you.

DEAR SANTA: I will give you a present. I would like a writing Book.
Love,
ERIC BRUCE

DEAR SANTA: I would want a P.J. Sparkles and a Miss Make-Up and a Miss Dress-Up. I love you.
Love,
EMILY SNELLER

DEAR SANTA: I like a Nintendo gun. Please can you get a gun?
Love,
JORDAN GRUEHN

DEAR SANTA: I love you. You can bring me anything you want.
Love,
SARAH YOUNG

DEAR SANTA: Please tell Rudolph that I love him.
Love,
BILLY THICK

DEAR SANTA: I love you. You can bring me anything you want.
Love,
SARAH YOUNG

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WOODS and WATERS

By Duane Guenther

Hunting in Michigan...



Man is a hunter and throughout history hunting has played a large part in his development process. Anthropologists estimate that hunting has been man's foremost occupation for over 99% of the time of his existence on this planet. Michigan is no exception to this rule and although there is evidence of man in our State as early as 12,000 years ago, he did not drop his bow and take up the plow until well into the 1600's in fact that early.

When those daring French explorers threaded their way through the maze of waterways until they found the Great Lakes. The natives they encountered were practically in the stone age. Except for some arrow tips of native copper, almost every hunting or working implement was made of stone. However, these natives had a fairly comfortable life because of 2 reasons: First they lived in a land filled with wild animals, and lakes and streams were loaded with fish; Second, even though their hunting weapons were very crude, they made up for it by becoming excellent hunters.

Those first native Michiganders were blessed with an abundance of moose, elk, deer and bear in the large game category, plus all the small game animals and birds we have in the state today, and even a few that have become extinct. They hunted all the species with great stealth and cunning, along with some great ingenuity.

Larger animals, such as the bear, were killed by smoking them out of their dens, or catching them in deadfalls. Moose, deer and elk were surprised in the water and taken while swimming, or hunted during the winter-time where running in deep snow was nearly impossible. These same animals were sometimes driven into makeshift corrals and even hunted at night by using a torch and birch bark shield to hypnotize the animal while the hunters approached on foot or by canoe.

When the white man began to take over Michigan, he hunted for existence much the same as the native Indians. However, with firearms, his task of collecting animals and birds was much easier indeed. The Indian was quick to adapt and sometime in the early 1700's he, too, had access to the firearm. This implement, Hunting camps sprang up in the northern portions of our state, and railroad hunting cars were seen on almost every siding. Outdoor articles began to appear in local newspapers and on the national scene, hunting and fishing magazines were produced with monthly regularity.

Game laws, seasons, or bag limits were not yet in existence and hunters used their own moral values to determine what, or how many animals or birds they took. The woods reverberated with the sounds of rifle and shotguns, and it was probably the limited population of hunters that saved most wildlife from total extinction.

Around 1875, a group of sportsmen from the Grand Rapids area came together to form a club that differed from the hunting clubs prevalent during this period. The Michigan Sportsmen's Association, as it was then called, was made up of people concerned with the commercial destruction of wildlife and approached the state legislature to do something about it.

It was a long, hard battle, but finally in 1887 the State of Michigan created an office entitled state game warden. Now, almost 350 years since the first white man set foot in Michigan, and slightly more than 100 years since the first game law was enacted, Michigan still has its hunters. Only the reason for hunting has changed. Or has it?

Woods and Waters

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This Week's Progress-Advance ...

OUTDOOR REPORT

The 1989 firearm deer season proved to be a safe one, according to figures recently released by the DNR. Twenty-nine hunters were shot, four of them fatally. The major cause of these accidents is the careless handling of firearms. While 29 may seem to be a large number to the non-hunter, one must realize that more than 750,000 persons participated in the hunting season. Of the 4 hunters who were killed, 2 were shot when the gun's trigger caught on something, 1 was mistaken for game, and 1 was careless about handling his firearm.

DNR officials feel that 2 hunter safety laws contributed to a 60% drop in hunting accidents in Michigan since 1977 — the hunter orange law in 1977, requiring hunters to wear a blaze orange cap or vest, and the implementation of mandatory hunter safety training in 1971.

The DNR recently issued some bad news for people who like to keep wild animals as pets. Beginning January 1, permits to take animals from the wild as pets will no longer be issued in Michigan. Persons who currently are in possession of this annual permit will be notified by December 31. They then will have until March 1 to return the animal to the wild. The only exceptions to this rule will be those who obtain a Game Breeder license or have a rehabilitation permit to keep the animal.

Lots of fishing action on the Bay over the past weekend has signaled that the winter ice fishing season is officially here. The cold snap over the past several days has thickened the ice for safe travel. Scattered reports of good catches of perch from all along the shoreline prove that the fish are there and just waiting for the holiday hordes of anglers to find them.

Walleye fishing on both the Tittabawassee and Saginaw rivers has picked up over the weekend, but ice conditions on the Saginaw were anything but perfect.

COMMISSION ORDER CFI-117.87 (Under authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended) CLOSURE OF STURGEON FISHING IN THE GREAT LAKES AND CONNECTING WATERS DURING SPAWNING SEASON

Under the authority of Act 230, Public Acts of 1925, as amended, being sections 300.1 through 300.5 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the Natural Resources Commission, at its September 11, 1987, meeting, ordered, that for a period of five years, it shall be unlawful to take sturgeon from the Great Lakes and the connecting waters during the months of May and June. This order supersedes the previous order entitled "Closure of Sturgeon Fishing in the Great Lakes and Connecting Waters During Spawning Season" effective April 1, 1983, and given number CFI-117.83. This order shall take effect November 1, 1987, and shall remain valid through March 31, 1992.

Marlene J. Fluharty, Chairman
Natural Resources Commission

Barbara McLeod, Commission
& Legislative Liaison

Gordon E. Guyer, Director

Commission Order - CFI 115.85 (Under the authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended)

Walleye And Sauger Size Limit

Under the authority of Section 1 of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended, being Section 300.1 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the Natural Resources Commission, at its meeting on August 10, 1984, ordered that the walleye and sauger size limit shall be 15 inches on all waters, including the Great Lakes and connecting waters, except Lake Gogebic, Big Manistique Lake, Lake Erie, Lake St. Clair and the Detroit and St. Clair rivers for a period of five years beginning January 1, 1985, through March 31, 1990. This order supersedes the previous order entitled "Walleye and Sauger Size Limit", CFI-115.82.

Harry H. Whiteley, Chairman
John M. Robertson, Executive Secretary
Countersigned: Ronald O. Skoog, Director

Department of Natural Resources, Box 30028, Lansing, MI 48909

Commission Order - CFI 131.87 (Under authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended)

Order To Restrict Spearfishing Season

Under authority of Act 230, Public Acts of 1925, as amended, being sections 300.1 through 300.5 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the Natural Resources Commission, at its September 11, 1987, meeting, ordered that for a period of five years in the Lower Peninsula it shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take any species of fish with a spear or bow and arrow, from any waters north of Highway M-72 during the month of April, or south of Highway M-72 and north of Highway M-46 from April 1 through April 15, all dates inclusive.

This order supersedes the previous order entitled "Order to Restrict Spearfishing Season" effective April 1, 1983, and given number CFI-131.82.

This order shall take effect November 1, 1987, and shall remain effective through March 31, 1992.

Marlene J. Fluharty, Chairman
Barbara McLeod, Commission & Legislative Liaison
Countersigned: Gordon E. Guyer, Director

Department of Natural Resources, Box 30028, Lansing, MI 48909

COMMISSION ORDER - CFI-112.87 (Under authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended)

Open Seasons And Catch Limits On Pike, Walleye, Sauger And Muskellunge

Under the authority of Section 4, Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended, being 300.4 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the Natural Resources Commission, at its October 10, 1986, meeting, adopted the following order to become effective April 1, 1987, and remain valid for a period of five years until March 31, 1992. This order supersedes the order of May 17, 1985, CFI-112.85.

It shall be unlawful to take the following named species except within the open seasons and daily limits as prescribed below:

Open Season: On walleye, sauger, northern pike, and muskellunge (including tiger muskellunge)

Region I: All Upper Peninsula waters including the surrounding Great Lakes and connecting waters not otherwise closed to fishing shall be from May 15 through March 15.

Regions II and III: All Lower Peninsula waters except the Great Lakes and connecting waters not otherwise closed to fishing shall be from the last Saturday in April through March 15.

Regions II and III: The Great Lakes and connecting waters shall be open year around; except that muskellunge in Lake St. Clair, and St. Clair and Detroit rivers may be taken only from the first Saturday in June through December 15 of each year.

For the purposes of this order, all drowned river mouth lakes such as Manistee Lake, Lake Macatawa and Muskegon Lake are considered as inland waters and are subject to inland water regulations.

Daily Catch Limits: Statewide limits shall be five (5) singly or in combination for largemouth and smallmouth bass, walleye and sauger and northern pike; the daily catch limit on muskellunge is one (1) (including tiger muskellunge) except that the daily catch limit on Lake St. Clair and the Detroit and St. Clair rivers shall be six singly or in combination for largemouth and smallmouth bass, walleye, sauger, and northern pike when the catch includes at least one walleye or sauger. And except that the daily catch on Lake Erie shall be 10 singly or in combination for largemouth and smallmouth bass, walleye, sauger, and northern pike when the catch includes at least five walleye or sauger.

For the purposes of this order the boundary between the Detroit River and Lake Erie is defined as an east-West line touching the southern most tip of Celeron Island.

O. Stewart Myers-Chairman
John M. Robertson-Executive Secretary
Countersigned: Gordon E. Guyer-Director

Department of Natural Resources, Box 30028, Lansing, MI, 48909

Commission Order - CFI 121.86 (Under authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended)

Size Limit On Bass

Under authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended, (being 300.1 through 300.5 of the Michigan Compiled Laws) the Natural Resources Commission, at its meeting on October 11, 1985, set the size limit on smallmouth and largemouth bass at 12 inches for a period of five years beginning January 1, 1986, through March 31, 1991, on all Michigan waters including the Great Lakes and connecting waters.

This order supersedes the previous order entitled "Size Limit on Bass", dated July 11, 1980, CFI-121.81.

Thomas J. Anderson, Chairman Natural Resources Commission
John M. Robertson, Executive Assistant
Countersigned: Ronald O. Skoog, Director

Department of Natural Resources, Box 30028, Lansing, MI 48909

COMMISSION ORDER CFI-111.88

(Under authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended)

STURGEON SPEARING SEASON--STATEWIDE

Under the authority of Act 230, Public Acts of 1925, as amended, being sections 300.1 through 300.5 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the Natural Resources Commission, at its September 11, 1987, meeting, ordered that for a period of five years it shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take sturgeon by means of spears from the inland waters of this state, except during the month of February of each year.

This order takes effect April 1, 1988, and shall remain in effect through March 31, 1993.

Marlene J. Fluharty, Chairman
Natural Resources Commission

Barbara McLeod, Commission
& Legislative Liaison

Gordon E. Guyer, Director

COMMISSION ORDER CFI-103.85

(Under authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended)

GEAR RESTRICTIONS FOR STREAM FISHING DURING SALMON AND STEELHEAD RUNS

Under the authority of Section 1 of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended, being Section 300.1 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the Natural Resources Commission, at its August 10, 1984, meeting, approved the following gear restriction for a period of five years beginning April 1, 1985, through March 31, 1990. This order supersedes subject order of July 11, 1980, CFI-103.80.

Double or treble pointed hooks exceeding 3/8 inch between point and shank and single pointed hooks exceeding 1/2 inch between point and shank may not be used on any stream except St. Mary's, St. Clair, and Detroit rivers before May 15 or after August 31 of each year.

Harry H. Whiteley, Chairman
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The Advisory Board, research arm of the Michigan Bean Commission and

Michigan Bean Shippers Association, plans research goals in cooperation with Michigan State University.

Greg Varner, director of research for the Board, said the group reiterated its support for development of new varieties of Great Northern and Pintos, that are more

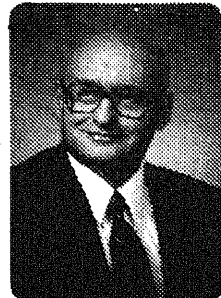
adaptable to Michigan growing conditions than those available now.

"New varieties of Northern and Pintos that could be grown successfully by Michigan producers, could represent some real opportunities," Varner added.

The Board has met with representatives of MSU and State Rep. Tom Hickner, D-Bay City, Dick Allen (R-Caro)

and Gary Randall (R-Elwell) about securing additional

support for the research. Other priorities the group has identified include the need for an earlier season Navy Bean and improved Kidney and Cranberry varieties.



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ANOTHER GREAT decorated house even includes a "Merry Christmas" banner, shown above.

CG Aux. celebrates Christmas

Thirty members and spouses attended the Annual Christmas/Awards Banquet of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 15-07 of Sebawaing. The banquet was held Dec. 2 at the newly remodeled Bay Port Hotel. Following the meal, Santa Claus made an appearance, distributing candy and gag-gifts.

Commander Glenn Faist with the National Commodore's Award for outstanding contributions to the 1989 Courtesy Marine Exam program. James Ravel received the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Service Award for Operations. Coast Guard Station Saginaw River donated U.S. flags, and search and rescue equipment, consisting of towlines, goggles, sunglasses and rigging knives.

These awards were presented to the following members: Ed Fibranz, most SAR missions and hours as skipper; Shirley Mixon, most SAR missions as crewman; Connie Fibranz, most hours on SAR missions as crewman; George Willoughby, most public education and member training missions and hours as instructor; Dale Nixon, most public education and member training missions as an aide; James Ravel, most public education and member training hours as an aide; Glenn Faist, most public affairs missions; and Myra Rathje, most public affair hours.

Re-elected Commander James Ravel, Vice-Commander Edward Fibranz, and newly appointed Staff Officers for 1990 were sworn in by Division Captain Glenn Faist, and Captain (elect) Albert Plaehn.

BOATING CLASSES START JAN. 9

"Boating Safety and Seamanship" classes will be held at the USA High School cafeteria starting Tuesday, Jan. 9. This will be a 13-lesson class, lasting 10 weeks. Call 375-4159, 269-6614, 674-2966, or 823-8581 for more details. We encourage all boaters or prospective boaters to attend. Learn the rules of the road, weather, radiotelephone, aids to navigation, piloting, boat handling, marlinpike seamanship, safety and legal requirements, and more.

Woman's Bowler of the Week

The Thumb Area Women's Bowling Association Bowler of the Week for Nov. 26 through Dec. 2 is Denise Sweeney with a 562 actual series.

Denise bowls for the team of Bad Axe Tire on the Early Thursday Night Ladies League at Bad Axe Lanes.

Thumb Kids' Letters to Santa!

"JINGLE BELLS, JINGLE BELLS, JINGLE ALL THE WAY...."

Caseville students write their Wish Lists

DEAR SANTA, How are you? I would be pleased if you would bring me a Ten-speed, a computer, a typewriter.

Your friend,
AMBER STIRRETT



DEAR SANTA, How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? For Christmas I would like a drum set please. I would also like an electric guitar. The biggest thing I want is love from you and my family.

Love,
MATTHEW BEDNOREK

Church schedules

ST. FELIX CATHOLIC, Hewleton
Dec. 24 - 8:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass
Dec. 25 - 11 a.m. Christmas Mass

CHANDLER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Dec. 24 - 11 a.m. Worship Service

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Kinde
Dec. 24 - 9:30 a.m. Worship Service
Dec. 24 - 7 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

OWENDALE AND GAGETOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES
Dec. 24 - 8 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at Gagetown UM

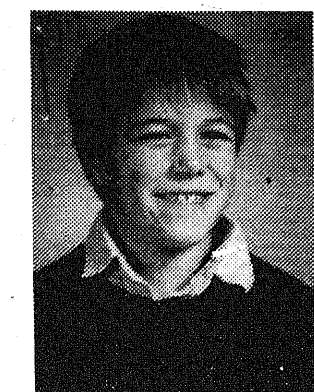
Kids on the Block tape. Merry Christmas!

Love,
KATIE LISOWSKI



DEAR SANTA, How are you doing. I wish you a happy Christmas. I would like a hammer for my dad and a pair of shoes for my mom and a drawing kit for me.

Love,
ADDAM BOUVERETTE

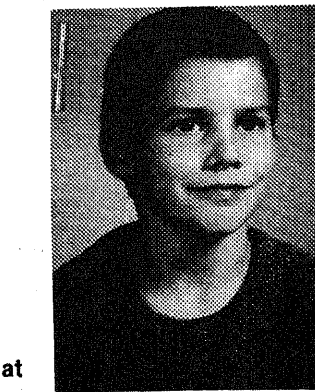


DEAR SANTA, How is your December? I hope you have a great Christmas! I don't really want much for Christmas. Maybe just a New

Love,
MATTHEW BEDNOREK

DEAR SANTA, I've seen you before. You are nice. You probably know what I want for Christmas Santa. All I want for Christmas is my dog to be better. Her name is Sam.

Love,
MARK LISTON



DEAR SANTA, I would like ice skates and swirl a paint. I also would like a Barbie house. I hope you have a nice Christmas.

Love,
JANDI NICKERSON

DEAR SANTA, I hope you get cookies and milk, Santa. And I will put carrots on the T.V. and Santa I wish I could get a drum set.

From,
JASON SUSALLA

DEAR SANTA, How are your reindeer? Oh, I want for Christmas a star stag.

Love,
MICHAEL HOCKIN

DEAR SANTA, How are you today? I'm well. I would like a toy Wee Hreen for Christmas.

Love,
RYAN SCHULTS

DEAR SANTA, How are you? I am fine. I would please like a bike and a watch. Do you have your Christmas stuff up? We do!

Love,
HOWIE BEDFOR



DEAR SANTA, Are you getting ready for Christmas? I am! I only want a Garfield.

Thank You,
JEREMY HAMILTON



DEAR SANTA, How are you? I can't wait until Christmas. I want Little Miss Dress-up for Christmas. How is Rudolph?

Sincerely,
RACHEL HELMS



DEAR SANTA, For Christmas I want people to have a good home with a fireplace to keep warm so they don't freeze and give people food who don't have none.

Love,
JORDAN



Thanks for reading The Progress-Advance

PIGEON VILLAGE COUNCIL Monday, December 11, 1989

The regular meeting of the Pigeon Village Council was held on Monday, December 11, 1989. President David Geiger called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Eichler, Fluegge, Gehrs, Smith, Pobanz and Licht. Also Present: James Kohl, Van Johnson, Neil Libka, LeRoy Wurst, Gary Bendray and Janet Heckman.

A motion to approve the minutes of 11/13/89 was made by Pobanz and supported by Fluegge. Carried.

A motion to approve the Police Report for November was made by Eichler and supported by Smith. Carried.

A motion to purchase a Pump for Well #3 in the amount of \$1,202 was made by Fluegge and supported by Pobanz. Carried.

A motion to hold Public Hearing was made by Eichler and supported by Licht. Carried.

Purpose of Public Hearing was to act on a request from Huron Casting to Transfer an Existing IFT Certificate to Axis Machining.

A resolution offered by Gehrs was supported by Fluegge to grant Huron Castings request to transfer certificate. Carried.

A motion to approve the Accounts Payable for November was made by Smith and supported by Pobanz. Carried.

A motion to appoint Ken Licht as Deputy Clerk was offered by Pobanz and supported by Eichler. Carried.

Discussion by members followed with regard to debris on residents' property in the Village. Council will be looking at different methods of approaching the matter. Previous contacts have not seen any improvement to properties.

A motion to close meeting and go into Closed Session to discuss Real Estate was made by Eichler and supported by Pobanz. Carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Fluegge and supported by Pobanz. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Heckman, Clerk



ST. CLAIR COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

It is now possible to receive an Associates Degree or to earn credits to transfer to a 4-year college by attending St. Clair County Community College classes to be held in Bad Axe.

The following classes will be offered this winter in Bad Axe beginning the week of January 8, 1990.

Course Number	Section & Title	Sem. Hrs.	Day	Time	Instructor
DAY CLASSES AT THE HURON AREA SKILL CENTER					
ENG 102	B1 English Composition II	3.0	T/F	8:30 a.m.-9:45 a.m.	Riegle
HIS 175	B History of Michigan	3.0	F	10:00 a.m.-12:45 p.m.	Galligan
PSY 220	B1 Human Growth and Development	4.0	F	9:00 a.m.-12:50 p.m.	TBA
PSY 225	B1 Adolescent and Adult Psychology	2.0	F	9:00 a.m.-12:50 p.m.	TBA
SPC 101	B Fundamentals of Speaking	3.0	W	8:30 a.m.-11:20 a.m.	Pietscher, J.
EVENING CLASSES AT THE HURON AREA SKILL CENTER					
ACCT 212	B1 Principles of Accounting II	4.0	T	6:15 p.m.-10:00 p.m.	TBA
ART 122	B Art/Western World II	3.0	W	6:30 p.m.-9:20 p.m.	Hanson
AST 105	B1 Introduction to Astronomy	3.0	TBA	TBA	Snyder
BIO 205	B1 Microorganisms and Man	4.0	M	6:00 p.m.-8:50 p.m.	TBA
BIO 205	B2 Microorganisms and Man	4.0	M	6:00 p.m.-8:50 p.m.	TBA
BUS 150	B1 Principles of Business	4.0	Th	6:15 p.m.-10:00 p.m.	TBA
BUS 153	B1 Introduction to Business Law	3.0	M	7:00 p.m.-9:50 p.m.	TBA
BUS 181	B1 Professional Selling	3.0	W	7:00 p.m.-9:50 p.m.	TBA
DP 101	B1 Microcomputer Applications	4.0	T	6:15 p.m.-10:00 p.m.	TBA
DP 110	B1 Principles of Data Processing	3.0	TBA	TBA	Stank
ED 101	B1 Introduction to Careers in Teaching	3.0	Th	6:30 p.m.-9:20 p.m.	Pietscher, K.
ENG 101	B1 English Composition I	3.0	T	6:30 p.m.-9:20 p.m.	Riegle
ENG 102	B2 English Composition II	3.0	Th	6:30 p.m.-9:20 p.m.	TBA
MFT 111	B3 Machine Tools	3.0	T/Th	6:00 p.m.-8:50 p.m.	Main
PS 101	B1 Introduction to Political Science	3.0	W	7:00 p.m.-9:50 p.m.	Pietscher, K.
PSY 240	B1 Psych./Adjustment and Mental Health	3.0	Th	6:30 p.m.-9:20 p.m.	TBA
RD 050	B Basic Reading Skills	3.0	W	6:30 p.m.-9:20 p.m.	Riegle
RD 075	B Study Skills - Videotape Course	1.0	TBA	TBA	TBA

TUITION: Residents of Community College District \$37.00/Sem. Hr. Residents Outside Community College District \$58.00/Sem. Hr.

REGISTRATION: Staff from St. Clair County Community College will be available at the Huron Skill Center on Wednesday, January 3, 1990 from 2:30 to 7:30 p.m. to assist you with course selections and registration. ALL FEES MUST BE PAID AT REGISTRATION.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SET UP AN APPOINTMENT CALL THE HURON AREA SKILL CENTER AT BAD AXE 269-9284.

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Brian 10

Love, Mom, Dad & Jill

Birthday Wishes Are On Their Way To A Cute Little Boy On His 10TH BIRTHDAY

We wish all our relatives, friends and neighbors a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Fran & Ray Bolzman

Happy 48th Anniversary Julie and Clifton Witkovsky

On December 23

May You Have Many More

We wish to thank everyone who helped make the benefit dinner and dance for Julie Miller so wonderful. The response and community wide support was greatly appreciated. So many people were involved in numerous ways, words cannot express our gratitude or reach each one individually. Sincere appreciation and thanks also for the additional donations received during and after the benefit. The love and caring shown us will never be forgotten. God bless you all...

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FREE!! Guinea Pig. Was family pet. Good with kids. Excellent Christmas gift. Call 883-2076 after 4 p.m. 36cb

FOR SALE: Bird feeders. Never need repairing, \$10. Call 883-3897, Ken Volz. 36cb

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Unionville Action Committee
 Unionville Community Association

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FOR RENT: One, two and three bedroom apts., rent starts at \$273.00 and includes heat and many extras. For more information or an application call Sebawaing Terrace Apts. at 883-3570. Equal Housing Opportunity. 23tfn

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