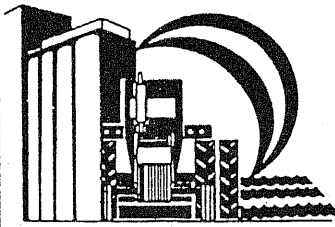


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Meyersieck becomes sixth funeral home owner

By AMY HEIDEN

In its nearly 90-year history, Pigeon's only funeral home has had only five owners, and a commitment to serving area families with the highest of standards.

And new owners Scott and Sue Meyersieck say they plan to continue that commitment at the newly-renamed Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home.

The Meyersiecks purchased the funeral home last month from Elmer and Joyce Bussema, who have owned the business since 1969. Bussema will continue to be active in the business, he says, working as he's needed.

"Joyce and I plan to stay here in Pigeon, and hopefully, we'll do some traveling and I'll catch up on my reading," he said.

The Bussemas will also use their new free time to enjoy their three grandchildren, he added.

Elmer and Joyce Bussema bought the funeral home in 1969 from Joseph Shetler, who had owned the firm since 1945.

They moved to Pigeon from the east Detroit Area in 1969, where he managed two different homes since graduating from Wayne State University in 1952.

Meyersieck joined Bussema at the funeral home in 1979, but their association goes back ten years earlier, when Meyersieck began working at the funeral home Bussema managed in the Detroit Area.

Meyersieck did maintenance work at the funeral home, and was employed there in full- and part-time capacities while he attended Wayne State.

LOOKING BACK: Meyersieck-Bussema's history as a funeral home goes back to 1900, when W.A. Schriber opened Schriber Furniture and Undertaking on South Main Street. Schriber owned the firm until 1928, when Loren Bates, son-in-law of Mr. Schriber, took over the business.

Joseph Shetler began working with Bates in 1927, and continued his association after Herman Winkel purchased the furniture and undertaking business.

Then, in 1945, Shetler and his wife Emma purchased the firm and the name was changed to J.O. Shetler Furniture and Funeral Director. Three years later, the firm moved to the site once occu-



NEW OWNER OF MEYERSIECK-BUSSEMA FUNERAL HOME, Scott Meyersieck, at left, stands at the new sign with his long-time associate, Elmer Bussema, who has owned the funeral home since 1969.

ried by J & B Plumbing and Heating, now Pigeon Chiropractic Clinic.

In 1950, the firm moved to the present location at 7436 Paul Street, and in 1953, the funeral chapel was added.

The Shetlers sold the funeral home to the Bussemas on Sept. 1, 1969, and the name was changed to Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home. Joseph Shetler continued to

be active in the firm until his death in 1973.

In 1972, an addition was built on the funeral home which enlarged the chapel, added a casket display room, flower room and garage.

The Meyersiecks plan no dramatic changes at the funeral home, other than some minor redecorating changes.

Sue Meyersieck will be more involved in the busi-

ness, especially in the office and helping with funeral services. They will continue to offer Forethought Pre-Need Insurance and the Medical Air Services Association memberships.

"We're eager and excited to be a part of this," Meyersieck said. "We've waited a long time for this. It's what we've been working toward for the last ten years."

Local chambers plan annual meetings

The Pigeon Chamber of Commerce invites its membership to the group's annual meeting this Thursday, Jan. 11 at for a 6:30 p.m. dinner meeting at Greenfields Restaurant, Pigeon.

On the agenda will be a Christmas 1989 wrap-up, plans for 1990 promotions and budget, Farmers' Festival 1990, elections of board members and more.

Retiring this year after years of service on the board are Janet Heckman, Debby McBride, Dennis Diener and Jim King, in addition to retiring President Neal Eichler.

Named to the board for three-year terms will be Joe Nicholl of Scheurer Hospital, Carol Henry of Cooperative Elevator and Sally Rummel of Thumb Publications.

State Sen. James A. Barcia will be special guest speaker for the Bay Port Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting on Monday, Jan. 15 at The Specialty House Restaurant, Bay Port.



STATE SEN. JAMES BARCIA

Laker Board ponders Thumb C 'no' vote

By AMY HEIDEN

The primary topic of conversation at Monday night's Elkton - Pigeon - Bay Port "Laker" School Board meeting was the denial of the district's request to join the Thumb C Conference, for athletic events.

In a meeting last week of Thumb C officials, three of the five schools seeking to join the TCC -- Bad Axe, Marlette and Deckerville -- were given preliminary approval to transfer from the Thumb B Association to the expanding TCC.

The other two schools which applied -- Lakers and Cass City -- were turned down by the TCC. The Laker Board has recently sought to join the TCC to better manage travel time, size of competing schools and competition.

UNEVEN NUMBER: Acceptance of the three new schools into the TCC would increase the number of conference members to nine -- Unionville - Sebawaing Area, Uby, Harbor Beach, Sandusky, Reese, Mayville plus apparent new members Bad Axe, Marlette and Deckerville.

Observers say the present nine-school TCC lineup is less desirable than an even-numbered league, to reduce "bye" games. Likewise, any decrease in the size of the Thumb B league would mean more non-league opponents, such as Harbor Beach, USA or Bad Axe.

While Deckerville would leave the North Central D League, the transfer of the other two schools from the Thumb B would leave that longtime league with six members: three Class B schools -- Caro, Millington and Vassar -- plus three Class C schools -- Lakers, Cass City and North Branch.

Laker Board members are puzzled by the denial of their application to the TCC. "I'm kind of concerned and disappointed with losing some of our longterm neighborhood rivalries," said Supt. Bob Drury. "I have nothing against the Thumb B. In fact, it's been a very stable league."

"I'd like to continue participation in the Thumb B if it stays the same," Drury said.

He also noted that final decisions on the transfers are expected by respective TCC school boards later this month.

"We'll continue to push for admittance to Thumb C. As far as I know, they considered size, proximity and comparable athletic programs, and I'm not so sure we miss out on any of those areas."

Persons familiar with the schools and persons involved say the Laker strength in football, basketball and volleyball during the past dozen years may have caused some current TCC members to vote down the Laker request. Likewise, Cass City is a strong competitive school regularly.

Laker Athletic Director Duane Guenther is also puzzled by the TCC denial. "I don't know what criteria they used (to decide). The only thing I have to go on is what appeared in one of the papers last week, stating three or four things -- close proximity of schools, size, sports programs and athletic competition."

"And I feel in each one of those things, we did measure up."

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ELKTON MAN DIES: Sebawaing Ambulance and Fire Department personnel work to remove Hart Haire from his pickup truck, following its collision with a semi-tractor trailer truck about three miles east of Sebawaing at 7:27 p.m. last Wednesday. Haire was pronounced dead on arrival at Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe. Sheriff's deputies said he was eastbound on Sebawaing Road east of Gettel Road when the vehicle collided with the westbound semi-truck driven by Richard Bellow, 20 of Detroit, carrying rolls of steel. Bellow was treated and later released, from Detroit Receiving Hospital.

DUANE CONSIDERS "OLD CLOTHES" - SEE PAGE 11

Three churches share their faith 'on paper'

By AMY HEIDEN

There are many different ways of witnessing a faith in God, and the three Thumb Area Mennonite churches are working together on a unique method of witnessing their faith.

Fair Haven, Michigan Avenue and Pigeon River Mennonite churches are cooperating on the publication and distribution of a tabloid paper called "Together," which is mailed bi-monthly to all postal patrons in Caseville, Pigeon, Bay Port and Elkton.

Although the paper is laid out and printed by a national organization in Virginia, the

center pages and the back page are devoted to local news and stories from the three churches.

As stated on the back page of the premier issue, the central message of "Together" is "that Jesus is our source of meaning and hope in life."

Rich Swartzendruber, former news editor of The Progress-Advance and a member of Pigeon River Mennonite Church, is the local editor of the publication.

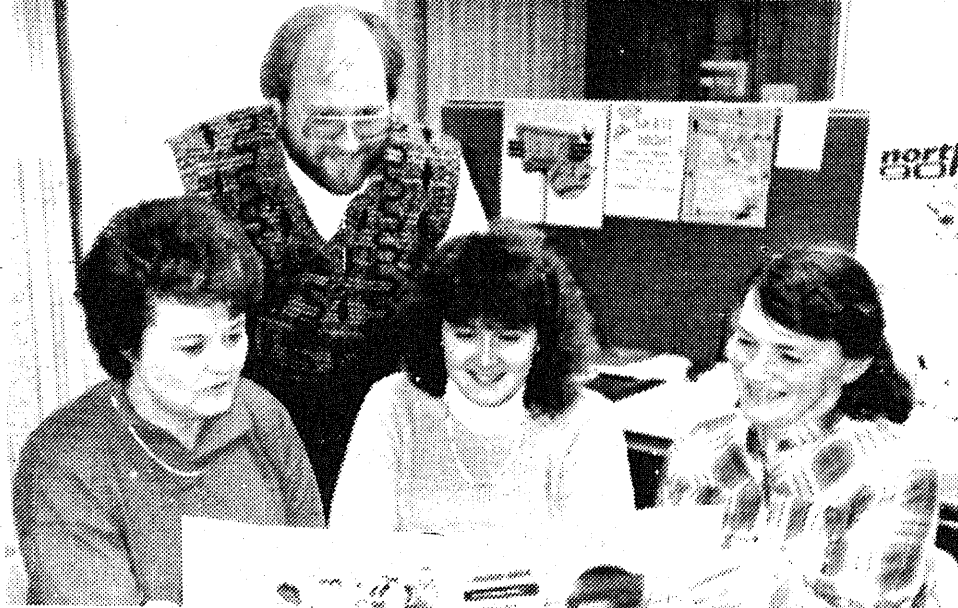
He is aided by an editorial committee, one from each of the three churches, who provide ideas for stories for the local pages. Currently, Arlene Ginger-

ich of Fair Haven Church, plus Starla Eigsti and Louise Swartzendruber, both of Michigan Avenue Church, comprise the editorial committee.

Rich Swartzendruber says the publication is designed not only to get some Christian literature into local homes, but to "let the community get to know us better."

"Our slogan is 'our family is your family.' We hope people will find it interesting and inspirational."

The newspaper, with different local pages, is also used by other denominations in other states, but Swartz-



LOOKING OVER the premier issue of "Together" is the editor, Rich Swartzendruber, and the editorial committee of Louise Swartzendruber, Starla Eigsti and Arlene Gingerich. AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

druber says the paper hasn't been seen in Michigan before. The pastors at Pigeon River, Luke Yoder and Ken Dietzel, received a packet of information about the publication, and presented it to the other churches.

Because the national editor, Eugene Sauder, is Gingerich's brother-in-law, the decision was made to give the paper a try as a way of witnessing their Christian faith.

"The paper has some very good graphics, and I like the way it's put together, but the important thing is not what it looks like. We hope people will read the articles and we hope they'll find it interesting," Swartzendruber says.

The paper is a way of witnessing, but Swartzendruber says the Mennonite churches aren't trying to get readers to change churches.

"We encourage people to stay in their church, and if someone's not involved in a church, they're welcome to come to our churches," Swartzendruber says.

Future local articles in "Together" will focus on various members of the churches, and Swartzendruber says that an explanation of Mennonite doctrine will be coming, too.

"All three churches want to be seen as people who can relate to others," Swartzendruber says.

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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY:

With a great sense of appreciation, I am pleased to announce the establishment of the Meyersieck - Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, Michigan. Equally important and significant is the announcement of the retirement of Elmer J. Bussema, Proprietor of the Shetler - Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, since September of 1969.

I want to extend my appreciation to Elmer Bussema for the opportunity to succeed him in an excellent tradition of funeral service that Joseph Shetler envisioned important for the communities of the Northwestern Thumb.

I would like to offer my best wishes to Elmer in his retirement. I trust and pray that the blessings of the Lord will be upon him as he enters this new and exciting part of his life.

Best wishes and enjoy your retirement!

scott Meyersieck

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St. John's Kilmanagh LLL marks 40th year

40 years of community and church service is just the beginning for St. John's Lutheran Church of Kilmanagh, whose Lutheran Laymen's League Chapter is celebrating its 40th anniversary. The group, founded in 1950, regularly supports "The Lutheran Hour" radio program and the "This Is The Life" TV ministry, notes Richard Kern, a long-time member.

FUND-RAISING: The club serves a sauerkraut and sausage supper each November as its major annual project. The income helps support the radio and TV ministries, Kern notes. "We also help support the LLL Rose Bowl float with an annual gift, and co-sponsors radio station VOHM in Japan," he adds. A Lutheran Hour memorial is giving in honor and re-

The St. John's - Kilmanagh Lutheran Laymen's League's major fund-raiser is a sauerkraut & sausage supper each fall

membrance of any congregation member's death, and the St. John's LLL purchases Advent and Lenten devotional booklets for congregation members, too. **SPECIAL PROJECT:** In 1976, the Kilmanagh congregation celebrated its 100th anniversary.

The purpose of our club is the same as that of the International Lutheran Laymen's League: "bringing Christ to the nations."

"Working through a club, you can accomplish that goal in a larger way, and by working through the fellowship with other members, it can be great fun, too," Kern adds.



HERE are some of the longtime members of the St. John's Lutheran Church - Kilmanagh Lutheran Laymen's League Chapter.

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OBSERVATIONS BY CO-PUBLISHER MARK RUMMEL AND ANYBODY ELSE HE CAN GET TO WRITE 'EM!
WHAT A GIFT: Bob Myers has run the Lapeer County Press for more than three decades, and he's just sold that quality county-wide newspaper to Capital Cities/ABC for several million dollars. But Myers does everything in a big way. He shared a "good-bye" bonus with 45 staffers last week, totaling \$400,454. The average was \$8988 per person, ranging from \$91 for a newly-hired parttimer to \$73,000 for the composition foreman of 26 years. The newspaper business is definitely bigger and more profitable in Lapeer than anywhere else around the Thumb, to be sure...

LOOKING AT OTHER TOWNS: ■ Au Gres, Caseville's "neighbor across the bay," has added 1000 boat slips, 400 condominium campsites, dozens of condominium units, a golf course and a mini-amusement park... all in the 1980s decade...

■ You're in for a treat if you'll be in Novi this Saturday and Sunday. It's time for the sixth annual "Nuts About Chocolate Festival" at the Novi Hilton, to benefit the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan.

The Kidney folks call it a celebration of chocolate, in the form of truffles, candies, cookies, chocolate pop, baked goods, ice cream and bars. Dozens of exhibitors will offer samples, chocolate demonstrations and door prizes — including a 10-pound Nestle chocolate bar. For details, call Aretha Perry at 1-800 482-1455...

■ And in Sault Ste. Marie, those folks at Lake Superior State University have come up with the 1990 "Dishonor List of Words" which are so annoying they should be avoided in this new year.

Topping the list was "outstate Michigan," which implies "that Detroit is Michigan and the rest of the Michigan land mass is out of the state," wrote Yvonne Carlson of Ludington. Other disfavored phrases include "political strongman" (which has no purpose combining political science and weight lifting...), "ethics bill," "drug czar" (should be "anti-drug czar," "rush hour" and "minor emergency clinic."

SEND 'EM YOUR CARDS: Local nice-gal Linda Clabuesch showed us a helpful way to help 35 abused and unwanted Nevada children help themselves.

St. Jude's Ranch for Children in Boulder City, Nev., is seeking used Christmas cards, to be "recycled." The children make new Christmas cards by cutting the pictures off the used ones people send the school, and gluing the images onto new backing. Then the school sells the final product. The children at the school make money, the school gains operating funds, garbage dumps don't fill quite so quickly... and scenes from many beautiful cards are enjoyed a second time, notes staff member Tom Budd. Students recycled about 10,000 cards last year, and could use three times that many this year.

You can send your used Christmas cards (no other holidays, please) to St. Jude's Ranch for Children, P.O. Box 985, Boulder City, Nev. 89005. (And thanks, Linda, for the tip...)

WISH I'D SAID THAT — "Whoever wants to reach a distant goal must take many small steps." (Helmut Schmidt)

Jan. 21 Fellowship night includes singing groups

Area residents are invited to attend an evening of fellowship and music when four Christian musical groups perform on stage at Laker High School on Sunday, Jan. 21 at 7 p.m.

Gospel musicians comprising the group "Journey" from Pigeon River Mennonite Church, plus Bluewater Youth for Christ groups "Covenant" and "Cornerstone" will be joined by a junior high singing group "Salt Company" during "An Evening of Song."

In addition to music, organizers plan a refreshment and fellowship hour follow-

ing the concert. "It will be a great evening of musical entertainment and a chance for fellowship," invites Bluewater Youth for Christ Director Dwight Gascho.

Area churches have been very supportive of the event, adds Gascho, by having cancelled their Sunday night services for Jan. 21 so that church-goers can attend the concert.

A free-will offering will be taken to help defray expenses, Gascho adds. Any other funds will be used to benefit the junior high age Campus Life Ministry. The public is cordially invited.

Thumb Weekly News Round-Up

WERTZ HEADS HURON BOARD

Huron County Commissioner R. Dale Wertz of Bay Port was elected 1990 Chairman of the County Board last week, following a 10-ballot voting tie with 1989 Chairman Robert Witherspoon of Port Hope. Board members in past years had rotated the chairmanship among senior members, according to tradition. Wertz says top priorities this year will include informing the public about the new user fees and charges recently approved among most county agencies, plus improving communications among county officials.

Wertz presided over the meeting as Comm. Robert Hogan of Bad Axe was named Vice Chairman for the coming year. The county's five main committees this year are:

- ADMINISTRATIVE & LEGISLATIVE — Jean Talaski of Harbor Beach and Witherspoon;
- BUILDINGS & GROUNDS — Hogan and Bruce Kuhl of Sebewaing;
- FINANCE — Talaski and Martha Thuemmel of Port Austin;
- PERSONNEL & SOCIAL SERVICES — Hogan and Kuhl, and
- PUBLIC SAFETY — Thuemmel and Witherspoon.

HURON SETS \$5.83 MM BUDGET

Huron County Commissioners last week approved a \$5.83 million budget for 1990, a quarter-million dollars lower than the 1989 final budget of \$6.08 million. Commissioners Martha Thuemmel of Port Austin and Jean Talaski of Harbor Beach put together the spending plan, which provides a new capital improvement budget. The improvements would provide funds to replace windows, carpeting or other furniture in county buildings. In all, about \$220,000 was transferred from the county's 1989 contingency budget to 28 departments which had exceeded their '89 budgets. Largest of these is the \$104,010 figure from the Sheriff's Department and jail, but Sheriff Michael Gage noted income exceeding that figure will be returned to the county for housing prisoners from revenues earned but not yet received.

COURT PROCEEDINGS

In 73rd District Court (Huron County), Judge Karl Kraus heard the pleas of or passed judgment on:
■ John T. Gee, 27 of Monticello, Ind., pled guilty to driving with license suspended, following a recent incident in Sebewaing Township investigated by Michigan State Police; \$150 fines and costs;
■ Richard P. Heine, 33 of Pigeon, pled guilty to indecent exposure, following a Sept. 28 incident in Bad Axe, investigated by Bad Axe Police; sentence deferred to Jan. 26, and
■ Jarrett L. Pearson, 17 of Kinde, pled guilty to impaired driving; ordered to pay \$470 fines and costs, attend rehabilitation program and loses driver's license for 90 days.

Recycling TIPS

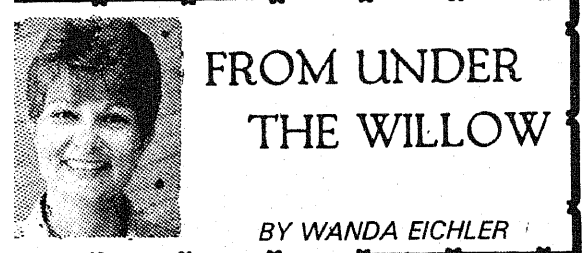
1. The average American family of four throws away about 50 pounds of trash weekly.
2. That adds up to 160 million tons of trash thrown away by Americans every year.
3. Where does it go? 80% to landfills, 10% is incinerated or burned, and 10% is recycled.

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As we see it 10 new skills for a new age

wspaper people often look forward — and — as a new decade dawns. It's a time to der what has changed since the second-last digit rolled over, and to decide if things are r or worse than they were 10 years ago. If we're lucky, this is a time to forecast lies ahead in the new years upcoming. TODAY put together a list of 10 skills we ricans will all need during the 1990s. Some actual, some are funny — but all give us s to think about. You might guess many deal computers or new technology. If so, your s is right. all face MORE computers, MORE miniaturin, MORE changes to consider in these 1990s. ve've made it through the '80s, and — with everence (and a little luck) — here are some s we'll need to help survive the 1990s, as re-d in the national newspaper: row another hand. Or at least become ambi- rous. You have no choice. How else are you g to drive, talk on the phone and fax material your car seat all at the same time? (Transla- more car/machinery gadgets are coming.) you've always been a good squinter, you're ck. Almost everything, including TVs, will be ng smaller in the '90s. Get an eye exam. ou will have to learn a new sport: football.

- The real football. Soccer, as we call it. If you continue to think Diego Maradona is a South American wine, you'll be the laughing stock of any cocktail party. Learn everything you can about soccer (football), now that the U.S. team will be in World Cup competition.
4. Beat the biological clock. Learn to apply "Retin-A" without friends figuring it out!
 5. You can no longer boldly boast of being a computer illiterate. If you do, you won't be able to bank, shop or even play with your kids. If you don't know who the Super Mario Brothers are, it's already too late for you.
 6. Now that the Japanese own most of Rockefeller Center, can their language be far behind? Learn it fast. Use it often. Impress your friends. Buy an office building.
 7. All garbage is not created equal any more. You will need to relearn your materials. Plastic, for instance, is not paper. Recycling will no longer be a choice, but a standard.
 8. Learn to withstand higher temperatures. Thanks to the greenhouse effect, summer (and winter, spring and fall) is getting warmer. Slop on the sunscreen.
 9. Save money by becoming more self-sufficient. Take the "I-can-fix-the-toilet-in-less-than-15-minutes" course at your local skills center or community college. Follow it up with "Rewiring-your-home-on-your-lunch-hour."
 10. A tough one. Relearn to have fun at parties without alcohol. Which of course means the art of conversation has to be relearned. Suggestion: Talk about toilet repair...

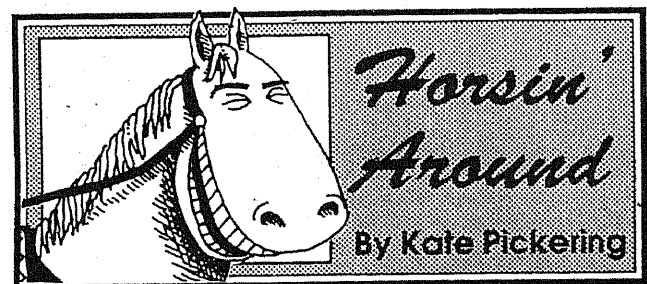


FROM UNDER THE WILLOW

BY WANDA EICHLER

Rabbi, is there a blessing?

name is Motel (pronounced MAH-TUHL) and he is the in the wonderful musical, "Fiddler on the Roof." oughout the play we learn that Motel has wanted a new ng machine and toward the end of the musical, his n comes true. Everyone comes to admire the machine, vflanged thing in the modest village where "Fiddler" at. n the rabbi of the town comes and when he does, Motel s up from the sewing machine and says reverently, bi, is there a blessing for a sewing machine?" ta Claus blessed me with a new sewing machine this stmas and everytime I've sat down to play with it (puter lights and memory, preprogrammed stitches!) or ally sew something, Motel's words have been echoin y head, "Rabbi, is there a blessing for a sewing ma- e?" rely there must be a special relationship that we humans lop with the machines that we learn to master and use. n tune with machines, some people give their cars an names, a sign of seeing that car as more than tran- sation of the practical kind. Of course, there are frustra- : with machines. The sugar beet harvesters that break n at five minutes before sundown with one round the "he hot water heater that clunks out while the family s being done before a trip or the computer that erases ae data (because we tell it too!). These situations are rating! and large though, machines like my new sewing ma- e are a vast improvement on their replacements and a ome addition to our lives. This machine doesn't eat the ds and form a knotted mess at the beginning of seams ry old machine did five times out of ten. It stitches ly with no skips, even when it zigs and zags and gets y. I haven't even explored the world of buttonholes on ew machine. There are seven of those, all easily sible with the push of a button and the changing of a



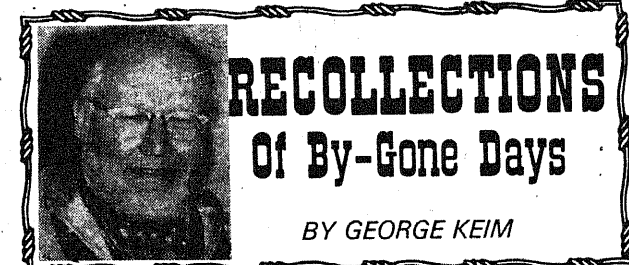
Horsin' Around

By Kate Pickering

LES MISERABLES

Over the holiday season, I was fortunate enough to have the opportunity to travel to the Fisher Theatre in down- town Detroit to attend a matinee performance of the smash Broadway musical "Les Miserables." The play, based on the book of the same name by Victor Hugo, is set in revo- lutionary France. There is no dialogue, only music - a pop opera of sorts - but it's all in English, and quite easy to understand. The sets were intricate and elaborate, the cos- tumes very authentic, and the story quite powerful and moving, to say nothing of the tremendous talent of the many performers and the orchestra. The audience was comprised mainly of educated, well- to-do types, all elegantly dressed - though I'm sure less extravagantly for the matinee than perhaps for an evening performance. All were quiet, very well mannered, and as silent as death throughout the four hour ordeal. The only noises emitted from the audience assembled there in the darkness, were gasps of horror when an appropriately hor- rifying point was made, or chuckles of laughter during an amusing moment on stage. The play (that is by means of tempo, set design, lyrics and costumes) worked very hard to make a couple of important points, and to relay - throughout the duration - a very central message: the horrors of injustice, but most specifically, the horrors of the injustices of the idle rich, and the consequences suffered therein by the dirt poor. Well, it is easy enough to get lost in the splendor and majesty of the entire performance, to fall in love with a new "show tune" or two, or to be awed simply by the beautiful Fisher Theatre itself. Yet - that "eat the rich" message - being pounded out fiercely and mournfully, over and over by the attractive, youthful performers - simply could not be missed or misinterpreted. That's why I was dismayed as the people in the audience - who appeared to be very moved by the plight of the "poor" on stage - took no notice of the homeless indigents on the sidewalk as they exited the theatre. Of course it is probably an all too familiar sight for those who dwell in the city, so they take no more notice of them than I would of a manure covered Holstein grazing in the field. But, what do I know? Perhaps I committed the graver evil - for I took notice of them, yes, yet I took no more action, nor made any more effort than anyone else who passed them by, heading for the comfortable cars which took them back to their com- fortable homes. So who - therefore - is actually the "Less Miserable?"

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RECOLLECTIONS Of By-Gone Days

BY GEORGE KEIM

DEAR EDITOR:

When I was going to the Country School, I had a pen holder that had 1940 on it and I thought that was sure a long time from now. But now there aren't many people around who were there when 1940 was over 20 years away. Back in those days we had to write full arm movement or the Palmer Method. We had to learn to write with a pen and ink. Everyone in school had to have a pen and a bottle of ink and a smooth paper tablet. It used to get so cold in the schoolhouse over night that the ink used to freeze. We had a place in our stove to set our ink bottles to-thaw out. I never was very good at writing with a pen and ink. I used to do the best I could, but the teacher once told me that my writing looked like a chicken with dirty feet walking on a clean board. Some kids had stub pens. Those didn't work too badly. There used to be several at the post offices and people used to fill their fountain pens at the post office. Some kids still had slates and I had a couple slate pencils, but the teachers did oppose slates because they said they weren't sanitary. When fountain pens came out, the teachers didn't let us have them because they said we had to learn to write first with pen and ink, then we could use fountain pens. Once when I had to go to town to write my examina- tion, I took my sister's fountain pen along and the teacher in charge said if we ran out of ink she had a bottle at her desk. So from then on, we could use a fountain pen. I got one for a Christmas present and I still have it. If you were lucky enough to- have one, we boys liked to put it in our outside coat pocket, but unless you watched it real close, some- body would swipe it. So I always carried it in my in- side coat pocket. If you had one even that you didn't use, you were "in style." Those ball pens we have now used to cost around \$15.00. But now they give them away and if you want to buy one, it will cost only about 25 cents. My grandfather told me he used to write with a goose feather and they used to call it a quill. Some people were very good writers and if you have some legal papers, such as an abstract to your farm, they sure have some very nice handwritings. Things sure are different than they were. Most of us older people can remember when chewing gum in school was about as far as you could go and if you got caught at it, the teacher used to make you throw it into the wastebasket. In Eccl.12:12 it says, "And furthermore my son, be admonished of making merry books. There is no end and much study is a weariness of the flesh." Well, school wasn't too hard for me. I had very few books when I was a boy, but now I've got 100 times more than I'll ever get to read. Because of my age, I go to sleep before I get much read. SINCERELY YOURS, GEORGE KEIM

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PIGEON DISTRICT LIBRARY

News And Notes

PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

The Preschool Story Hour theme for Tuesday, Jan. 16 will be "Farms" with the stories "Big Red Barn," "On the Farm" and "Heartland." Exercises, fingerplays, flannelgraph and a song, "Farmer in the Dell" will be part of the scheduled activities. Children from age three to five are invited to attend either the 9 or 10:30 a.m. session. A registration fee is required per family.

SENIOR CITIZEN FILM FEST

The Pigeon District Library feature films for the Jan. 18 Senior Citizen Film Fest will be "Scandinavia," a glimpse of the midnight sun, fertile lands, picturesque fjords and uninhabited highlands; "Two Tars," a Laurel and Hardy film about two sailors on leave who go for a joy ride in the country but encounter a massive traffic jam en route; "New

Boys," a Canadian School's arduous canoe trip raises the issue of preparing youngsters for adulthood. These films are open to all area senior citizens, who are also invited to bring a friend.

YOUR RIGHT TO KNOW

The Pigeon District Library has booklets on file, "Your Right to Know," a citizen's guide to the Open Meetings and Michigan Freedom of Information Acts and the Employee Right-To-Know Act. Three enacted laws have a particularly significant impact on how government operates. Both the "Open Meetings" law, the "Freedom of Infor-

mation" Act and the "Bullard-Plawlecki Right to Know" Act are designed to strengthen and protect the right of all Michigan citizens to know what goes on in government.

This booklet outlines the major provisions of those three laws. Copies of the laws are also included for more specific reference. This information proves useful to citizens interested in learning more about their rights under the laws as well as to public officials, organiza- tions, agencies and de- partments who must comply with the requirements of the Act. The "Your Right to Know" booklet is on file at the li- brary.

OVERDUES

The Pigeon District Library reminds everyone that now is the time to take care of 1989 overdue fines and to start "fresh." Did you know that the most overdue book fine was calculated at \$2,264? It was checked out in 1823 and returned in 1968 by the borrower's great-grandson.

Here is a little poem about overdues.
What do I do?
What do I do?
This library book is 42 Years overdue.
I admit that it's mine
But I can't pay the fine.
Should I turn it in
Or hide it again?
What do I do?
What do I do?

IT'S 'SNOW WONDER

Most snow crystals have six sides. Billions and bil- lions have fallen to earth no two have ever been seen to be identical. The shape of the crystals depends on the air temperature. In colder air, needle and rod shapes form. Complicated shapes form in warmer air.

TAX FORMS

It's the tax season and the Pigeon District Library now has Federal Tax Forms for patrons to pick-up as needed. Only a small amount arrived, but the li- brary says more forms are on the way.

Achievements



Janet Lynn Renn, daughter of Terry and Joanne Renn of Pigeon, has been awarded an Associate Degree in Business from Baker College, Owosso. She is a recent graduate from the Business Administration (Accounting/CIS) program. A 1987 graduate of Laker High School, Renn is employed by Ajax Stamp Company in Caseville. Baker College is an inde- pendent, co-educational

Club news

AMER. LEGION JEAN POST, CASEVILLE

The American Legion Jean Post Auxiliary meeting opened the 1990 year with a meeting on Jan. 3, led by First Vice President Marie Darby, in the absence of President Dorothy Fogle. Members joined hands and recited "The Lord's Prayer." Secretary Eileen Tait read the minutes of the last meeting. Treasurer Dorothy Beadle gave the financial report. Thank-you notes were received from Mr. D. DeWitt, Steven Batzer, Chuck Tait, Kathy Tait Henderson and a Christmas note from Lillian Peterson Metz. The upcoming Red Cross Bloodmobile on March 22 was announced. It was also noted that: ■ New banner and flag are being purchased. ■ Sunny Acres hostesses for the month are Velma Meyers, Dorothy Beadle, Marion Parent and Norma Farver. The meeting was closed by Darby and prayer was led by Mildred Beadle, acting chap- lain. More members are encouraged to attend the next meet- ing on Feb. 7.

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Your first name and initial (if joint return, also give spouse's name)
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AUTOMOTIVE

FOR SALE: 1979 Dodge Pickup, 6 cylinder, stick. New exhaust and brakes. Good tires, fair body, \$1000. 1981 Chevy Monte Carlo: V-6, air, PS/PB, PW, cruise. New tires and exhaust. Excellent shape, \$1800. Phone: 674-2454, evenings. 39-40cn

FOR SALE: 1979 Ford Mustang, 2 door. Sale by sealed bids accepted until 10 a.m. January 24, 1990. Seller reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Contact Dave at 674-8731. 39-40cn

1980 DELTA 88 OLDS: 305, V8, PS/PB, AC. Runs good, \$750. Call: 883-3566. 39-40p

FOR SALE: 1985 F-150 4X4, 300 Six, 4 speed, 54,000 miles. Call 883-3974, after 5 p.m. 39-40cn

1984 BRONCO II: V-6, 5 speed, cruise, tilt, sunroof. Good tires, brakes, \$5500 or best offer. Call after 6 p.m. 883-9520. 39p

COMING EVENTS

Annual **SOUP SUPPER**
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 Serving from 4:30pm
SOUP-SOUP-SOUP
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 Chicken Noodle - Bean
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 ADULTS \$3.50 TAKE-OUTS AVAILABLE
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GARAGE SALES

ELKTON FLEA MARKET - Open Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Main Street. Antiques, crafts, Watkins, Avon, baked goods, videos, jewelry and coins. 29-32cb

GIFTS & CLOTHING

FULL MOON SPORTS, Downtown Sebawaing has Michigan State Spartan T-Shirts \$5.99 ea; Sweatshirts \$9.99 ea. 39cn

Ad Market

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

FOR SALE: Bunk beds. Call: 883-2671. 39p

FOR SALE: General Electric Washer and Dryer. Good condition, \$300. Upright freezer, \$400. Brand new Whirlpool Freezer and Refrigerator with ice maker, \$300. Air conditioner, \$200. Call: 656-2081. 29-30cb

FULL-SIZED BED, mattress, chest of drawers, vanity, \$100. Call: 674-2613. 39p

NATURAL GAS Water Heater: Like New! \$50.00. Call: 883-3566. 39-40p

LOST & FOUND

FOUND: Cocker Spaniel on S. Beck Street, Sebawaing. January 1, 1990. Identify and pay for this ad. 883-3100. 39-40p

LOST: Sebawaing Area, January 4th or 5th. Pontiac Bonneville Wire Wheel Hub Cap. Call: 883-2716. 39p

Ad Market

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE: Craftsman 8" table saw. Phone: 656-7147. 38-39p

FOR SALE: 2 bowling alley work benches with iron legs, each 12 ft. long. Call 883-3196 after 6 p.m. Willard Kuhl, Sebawaing. 38-39p

VHS VIDEO MOVIES, \$8.00 each or 2 for \$15; Atari computer games and programs. Jewelry, toys, gifts and much more at wholesale prices. Elkton Flea Market or phone 453-2110. 29cb

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FOR SALE: Snowblade W/ Controls for 4 wheel drive Pickup. Call Dennis Reames after 6 p.m. 674-2560, Unionville. 39p

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- Snow Blowers
- Camcorders
- TV's
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Happy 16th Birthday **JAY** Guess Who? 39cn

MARGE KANASKI
 Hope Your Day Was Lots Of Fun, 'Cause We Know On Saturday You Turned **41!**
 —from us!

Happy 16th Birthday **MICHELLE**
 GO - 4 - IT
 ON JANUARY 8 YOU'VE GOT THE LICENSE TO CELEBRATE!
 LOVE - Mom, Dad, Shawn, Jason and Lisa 39p

HAPPY 18TH BIRTHDAY ANGIE
 WE LOVE YOU Mom, Jim, Mark, Rick, Nancy, Michael, Jeff, Tara and Grandma Hackman 39p

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MY DEEP THANKS and appreciation to the many Friends and Relatives who were so good to me while I was in Scheurer Hospital and after I returned home. For calls and cards, food and flowers, gifts and well-wishes, I thank you. Thanks, too, to the Pastors, Doctors and Nurses who did so much for me. May God bless you all. Mary Rummel, Sebawaing. 39p

DEAR PTO, Thank you very much for the wonderful gift. I've been giving it quite a bit of use. It fits perfectly. J.L. 29cb

A Special Thanks
 to the ambulance crew and staff at Scheurer Hospital. My thanks to Pastor Gorseger, relatives, friends and neighbors for their phone calls, prayers, visits and cards while I was a patient at St. Luke's Hospital...
ADOLPH EINHARDT

THANK YOU to all the people at the Senior Meal-Site for the many things at Christmas time and all through the past year. Also thanks to all the men who helped with the Shuffle Board, making, moving, donations. Bless you all.
 Jenny Martens 39p

Thanks to everyone who attended the Open House honoring me on my 90th birthday. Thanks for the cards, well-wishes and those who came from many miles, the Detroit area, Kalamazoo, Rockford Ill, Oscoda, Midland and those from the local area.
 — GOD'S BLESSING —
John Shetler 29p

WANTED

WANT TO RENT: FARM LAND in the Elkton, Pigeon, Bay Port, Owendale area. Call: 453-3503. 11-tfn

URGENTLY NEED DEPENDABLE PERSON to work without supervision for Texas Oil Co., in Thumb area, we train. Write W.D. Dickerson, Pres., SWEPSCO, Box 961005, Ft. Worth, TX 76161. 39p

MANY PEOPLE deserve our heartfelt thanks for their comforting sympathy in the unexpected loss of our beloved wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister and aunt, Doris Werschky. To all those loving friends, relatives, and neighbors, thank you for your support, prayers, food, flowers and memorials. Specific people need mention because of their loving kindness - Pastors Stohmann and Hagenow, Dr. Ray, Sebawaing Ambulance Crew, St. Paul's students, their parents, and staff, Liz Ewald, the Juengels, and Immanuel Church for use of their facilities. Your outpouring of gifts represent the tremendous amount of love and respect that you held for Doris. Her kind words and loving hugs will truly be missed, yet remembered. The family of Doris Werschky is truly grateful. May God bless you. 39cb

WANTED

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THREE BEDROOM apartment, Pigeon. Appliances furnished. No pets. Call Carol 453-3941. 29-30cb

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WE'RE ASKING YOU



BRENDA BUSCHLEN ASKS:
Have you made any New Year's Resolutions? What are they, and how good are you at keeping resolutions?



No, I have given up making resolutions because I've broken too many in the past!
LISA DICAMILLO,
 Pigeon



Yes, not to get in any fights in my senior year. I think I'll be able to keep my resolutions.
MIKE RODRIQUEZ,
 Caseville



Yes, to find a good teaching position, preferably in math. I hope I am successful in keeping my resolution!
AMY McBRAYER,
 Sebewaing



Yes, it is my tradition to try to lose weight. I'm pretty good for usually a couple a months!
DICK PAULY,
 Pigeon



Yes, to bring my grades up and not to get into any more car accidents. I am pretty good at keeping my resolutions.
TINA HEINTZ,
 Pigeon



Yes, to drive slower and to keep out of trouble! I'm usually terrible at keeping them!
JEFF SWARTZENDRUBER,
 Bay Port

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Lake-Chandler news notes

By MILDRED BALLAGH

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Protzman were Mr. and Mrs. Al (Lynn) Retlewski and children Bonnie, Greg and Evie Sue of Cadillac, Mike and Pat Keefe, Vera Jamison, Charlotte Holzworth, Hurbert Schook, Rose Snavely, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Protzman and sons Nick and Kyle, all of Caseville.

Bette Southworth spent Christmas weekend with her son Michael and son Bradley in Lansing. Her other grandson, Lieut. Sean Southworth of the Air Force, California, was also visiting his father.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Neil of New York spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Reibling. Friday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kuhl of Elkton.

Dick and Marsha Fritz and sons Steven and Michael of Oshkosh, Wisc. spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fritz and Onalee Ewald.

Mr. and Mrs. William McBride and son Fred spent a few days over Christmas at the Jerry McBride home at Lake Orion.

Mr. and Mrs. Cal Reibling returned home to Bradenton, Fla. after visiting relatives here. They spent Christmas with their daughter and family, Sid and Nancy Holodnick and family.

Dick and Cathy McBride spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McBride.

Bruce and Evelyn Protzman, their daughter Lynn Retlewski and family, Bonnie, Greg and Evie Sue of Cadillac, Mike and Pat Keefe spent Tuesday at Auto World, Flint.

Mrs. Bette Southworth, Mrs. George Southworth, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leipprandt and daughter Julee of Pigeon and Mr. and Mrs. Duane Southworth of Flint met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wakefield in Adrian for a belated Christmas gathering.

Christmas Eve guests of Mrs. Fred Ewald were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Fritz and sons of Oshkosh, Wisc., Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fritz and her daughter Jackie of Elkton.

Jerry and Judy McBride of Lake Orion were Friday overnight guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William McBride and attended

the wedding of Judy's cousin, Sharon Young Bad Axe.

Fred McBride spent New Year's Day with Mr. and Mrs. David McBride and sons of Bad Axe.

Mrs. Lynn Retlewski and children Bonnie, Greg and Evie Sue returned home to Cadillac after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Protzman.

Mr. and Mrs. Reid Southworth of Atlanta, Ga. spent Friday and Saturday with their grandmother, Mrs. George Southworth. On Saturday Mrs. Southworth entertained the family at Greenfields in their honor.

Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Philip Leipprandt and sons of Caseville, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leipprandt and daughter Julee of Pigeon, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Southworth of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Southworth and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Leipprandt and daughters, all of Elkton.

Raymond Errer, a student at Michigan Tech University at Houghton, spent Christmas vacation with his parents, Ray and Tonda Errer.

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Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Licht and Michael spent a week over Christmas in Florida with their son and brother, David Licht. Mrs. Ada Binder, with Debbie and

Eli and Becky Binder, helped David Gilbert celebrate his birthday on Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gilbert, Bay Port.

Mrs. Marion Kumaus and Mrs. Ann Schuette visited Sunday with Mrs. Lucy Peruski at the Four Seasons Health Center in Bad Axe.

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