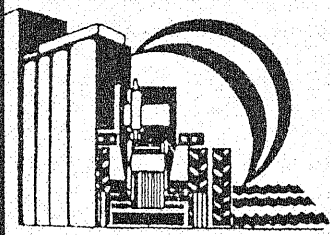


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THROUGH TUESDAY, DEC. 4, 1990

## Thumb Weekly News Round-Up

Bay Port-Caro-Caseville-Elkton-Fairgrove-Gagetown-Owendale  
Elkton-Bad Axe  
Pigeon-Sebewaing-Unionville-And All The Thumb

Children, teens and adults won prizes Sunday during the Pigeon Chamber of Commerce's 1990 Christmas kick-off drawings, on the way to a \$5000 prize drawing just before the holiday in the "Let's Wheel & Deal" contest.

JEFF SCHULZE of Bay Port won the children's bike, and other kids' toy prize winners were: David Gilbert, Chad Diebel, Brandon Damm and Jason Diebel, all of Bay Port; Josh LePage, Audreanna Wignall, Jessica Avalos, Benny Walsh and Michelle Osentoski, all of Pigeon, and Danny Travis of Huntington Woods.

TEEN WINNERS of \$10 in shopping cash were Stephanie Niebel and Jessica Seemann, both of Pigeon, Leigh Fluegge of Elkton; Nathaniel Schulze of Bay Port and Chris Munoz of Flint.

Pigeon Chamber President Rhonda Buehler says only youngsters between the ages of 12 and 18 may enter the teen contests, and others younger or older than those ages will be disqualified from future drawings.

BERT JACKSON of Pigeon won the right Saturday to enter the Dec. 22 Grand Prize Drawing for \$5000, when his key opened the lock in Pigeon's adult "Let's Wheel & Deal" contest.

Next in line was Dorothy Young of Pigeon, who chose from among the three big boxes on stage -- and picked the top weekly prize of a \$300 diamond ring, purchased by the Chamber of Commerce from Kent McKenzie Jewelers. Young didn't pick a \$100 charcoal grill or \$200 in Pigeon shopping money, as offered in the other two boxes.

Jackson's ticket was entered from Pigeon Motor Sales, while Dorothy Young's was submitted at Don Erla Foods.

Other finalists on stage Sunday, who earned \$10 in Pigeon Money, were Don Roestel (Pigeon Motor Sales), Kevin Bechler (McCormick Motors), Jennie McCain (Polewach Store), Beverly Walsh (Elftman Hardware), Clark Faist (Diener's Home of Fine Furnishings) and Sherri Kraft (Elftman Hardware), all of Pigeon; Veronica Garza of Elkton (Don Erla Foods), and Connie Gaeth of Bay Port (Elftman Hardware).

This week's drawings start at 4 p.m. on Saturday, following the mid-afternoon arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus. Free bean soup will be offered this Saturday, too, and many stores are open 'til 7 p.m. every night, now through Dec. 20.



BERT JACKSON of Sand Point is on his way to winning the \$5000 prize on Dec. 22, while Dorothy Young won a \$300 diamond Sunday.

### SAGINAW BAY GETS \$2.5 MILLION

The U.S. Department of Agriculture will provide \$2.5 million during the next five years for the Saginaw Bay Water Quality Demonstration Project, according to an announcement Monday by U.S. Cong. Bob Traxler (D-Bay City.) The project will attempt to reduce sedimentation, plus cut nutrient and pesticide input in Saginaw Bay and Lake Huron, plus tributaries, Cong. Traxler says.

Coordinating the effort is a USDA work group including the MSU Cooperative Extension Service and USDA Ag Stabilization and Conservation Service, and the Soil Conservation Service.

The project involves Counties of Huron, Tuscola, Saginaw and Bay, to help farmers and agribusinesses decrease the amounts of phosphorus in the bay, plus reduce ag pesticide contamination of ground and surface water, plus nitrate contamination of waters. The effort will work to renovate pesticide storage facilities, control erosion, conduct educational meetings and tours, make field demonstrations and improve public relations.

The Saginaw Bay Water Quality Demonstration Project area includes 535,200 acres, 95% of which is cropland.

"We need a coordinated, comprehensive approach to dealing with non-point source pollution," Cong. Traxler says. "This project is another element in an overall effort."

### B&E CRIME LEADS TO DEATH

A Tawas City man died Thanksgiving Day and a Huron County man is in custody, in connection with a breaking and entering at Agri Sales Inc., Sebewaing.

Sebewaing Police were doing a security check approximately 6:15 p.m. at the Union Street facility when the break-in was discovered and a suspect apprehended.

According to a report from Sebewaing's Assistant Police Chief Paul Klaus, Norman Ray Fairchild, 29, died from injuries sustained in a 60-foot fall from an elevator shaft at the facility. Fairchild was taken to Bay Medical Center, Bay City, where he was pronounced dead.

The arraignment of the suspect is expected to take place Tuesday afternoon.

### LOOKING FOR UNIQUE GIFT?

The thrilling days of yesteryear's coal mining industry in the Thumb are captured on video tape which is available for a reasonable price -- as a Christmas present for the person who has everything.

Nancy Katzinger of Unionville and Scott J. Myers of Videos by Scott, Sebewaing, have produced a tape on the Robert Gage Mine #10, known locally as "Big Chief."

The 70-foot grassy knoll two miles west of Unionville -- at the "Coalmine Curve" of M-25 -- marks the location of the Big Chief mine, which in its hayday was one of the most-productive mines of its size in the state.

For more information about ordering a video call Katzinger at 674-2169 or Myers at 883-2856.

### O-G STILL OFFERS 'AT-RISK'

The Owendale-Gagetown School District will receive a \$12,500 state grant to continue its program for "at risk" students.

The "at risk" program provides additional academic assistance and support for youths who come from dysfunctional families or have learning deficiencies, and is designed to focus on catching potential problems, said a spokesman for the school district.

Currently, there are five four-year-old students in the program, now in its second year.

In other business, Owen-Gage Board of Education members approved half-day sessions for Friday, Dec. 21, Friday,

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## St. John's Concert Sunday



GETTING INTO THE SPIRIT: The Senior Choir of St. John's Lutheran Church, Berne, will present a Sacred Christmas Concert this Sunday, Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m.

The choir, under the direction of Marian Rathje, will

sing a selection of traditional Yule favorites. The Junior Choir, under the direction of Elaine Schulze and Sue Sting, will also perform, according to Pastor Gorsegnor, who invites the public for Sunday's concert.



## Shop at the 10th Annual Yule Bazaar Saturday

Area residents are invited to spend Saturday, Dec. 1 browsing and shopping at the 10th annual Community Christmas Bazaar at the Laker High School gym from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Twenty non-profit area groups are participating in this community venture, featuring Christmas goodies, crafts, jewelry, raffles, free drawings during the day and a free door prize to be awarded at 2 p.m. One need not be present to win the

door prize.

New this year will be a gift wrapping service, offered by the First United Methodist Youth Group.

Luncheon food items, including your choice of homemade soups, pies and cakes, sandwiches and beverages will be served, starting at 11 a.m. Take-outs are also available.

The women of the First United Methodist Church, Pigeon, are the sponsoring organization for this annual event.

## Pigeon Chamber offers unique way to shop

Starting Jan. 1, 1991, there will be a new way to save money by shopping in Pigeon. It's a Pigeon Consumer Discount Card and they are available now at all Pigeon Chamber of Commerce members for a very small fee.

Pigeon Chamber President Rhonda Buehler is pictured here in a holiday setting with a handful of cards.

"A perfect holiday gift," says Buehler about the cards. "Whenever you need a small gift for a teacher, friend, employee or hard-to-buy for relative, a Pigeon Consumer Discount Card would be appreciated by anyone who would like to save money by shopping in Pigeon."

The Pigeon Consumer Discount Card promotion will kick-off Jan. 1, 1990 with all 24 merchants listed on the back of the card offering different specials each month of 1991. The specials will change each month, says Buehler, and will be published monthly in The Progress-Advance and The Thumb Blanket.

"A person could save hundreds of dollars by using his/her card throughout the year," she explains. A shopper could easily more than pay for the cost of the card the first time it is used to purchase items at a discount." Buehler adds that only a cardholder will be able to take advantage of a merchant discount — it will not be available for a shopper who does not have a card.

The person whose name is signed on the card is the only person who can use the card, adds Buehler, so each shopping member of a family will need to have his/her own card. But they are priced so inexpensively they are affordable for every member of the family.

The Pigeon Chamber of Commerce is hoping to raise enough funds from the sale of the cards to give them a good financial boost for the beginning of 1991. "The Pigeon Consumer Discount Card will be a benefit for everyone," Buehler concludes.

"The shopper saves money, the merchant increases business and the Chamber enjoys a successful fund-raiser."

## Club news

### ELKTON SENIOR CITIZENS

Fifty Elkton senior citizens were guests of the Elkton Elementary School for a Thanksgiving dinner on Monday, Nov. 19.

President Mike Renn extended a welcome to all and Elder Frank Ross offered the table prayer before the turkey dinner.

Following dinner Mrs. Laura Witsack directed both sections of the third grade as they presented a musical program. The Elkton seniors expressed their appreciation to Principal Ben Phillips, the cooks and staff.

A get-well card was signed for John Knechtel who is at the Huron County Medical Care Facility, Bad Axe.



PIGEON CHAMBER President Rhonda Buehler has a handful of Pigeon Consumer Discount Cards, which are now on sale from any Chamber member.

## Mutual Savings collects 'Toys for Tots'

All 28 offices of Mutual Savings Bank, including those located in Pigeon, Sebawaing and Cass City, will collect new and used toys for the holidays in a special program called "Toys For Tots."

Each branch will also be given funds to use towards holiday toy purchases.

The Marine Corps Reserve will distribute the toys to needy children in the areas where they were donated, according to Pigeon Branch Manager Suzanne Bivens.

New or used toys may be donated at all three local Mutual Savings locations during regular business hours between Nov. 26 and Dec. 21.



LOOKING FOR TOYS: Employees at the Pigeon branch of Mutual Savings are on the look-out for new and used toys for Mutual Savings' "Toys For Tots" program. Pictured from left are Patty Schulze, Donna Jacobs, Kathryn Mueller and Suzanne Bivens.

## Caseville gets U-M accreditation visit

Caseville Public School has received notice they will be visited by the University of Michigan Bureau of Accreditation and School Improvement Studies.

The purpose of the visit is to observe the school in terms of its compliance with the University of Michigan's Accreditation Standards. Consultants will study Caseville's annual reports from the past five years.

During the visitation, consultants will tour the building, visit classrooms and meet with teachers, counselors, library-media specialists, students and administration.

Four areas will receive

special attention this year during the evaluation: 1) the school's efforts to focus on student outcomes, including academic achievements; 2) the school's effort to improve student graduation rates; 3) the school's interest in adopting innovative teaching practices and 4) the school's commitment to providing professional development opportunities for teachers and administrators.

The visit by the University of Michigan will aid Caseville Public School to continue its improvement in such areas as curriculum, outcome-based goals and the school's continued dedication to school improvement.

## ROUND-UP from Front Page

Feb. 1 and Friday, April 19, to allow teachers time to work on school improvement plans.

### ELKTON YOUTH IN ACCIDENT

The 10-year-old son of Ronald (Jake) and Cheri Diebel of Elkton suffered a broken jaw and shoulder blade Friday, when a truck he and his father were repairing fell and pinned the youth underneath the rear axle.

Jason Diebel was taken to Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe, by Elkton - Oliver Ambulance, then transferred to Saginaw St. Mary's for treatment. He was released Monday. State Police said the elder Diebel and his son were working on a Ford Bronco in the family garage, with the truck's rear end supported by a jack. The elder Diebel had removed the hub from one side of the axle and when he pulled on the other hub to remove it, the jack slipped, causing the truck to fall on the youngster, who was pinned face-down on the concrete floor.

### COURT PROCEEDINGS

In 73rd District Court, (Huron County), Judge Karl Kraus recently heard the pleas of or passed judgment on:

■ Gary M. Wendling, 32 of Chesaning, pled guilty to impaired driving, following a recent incident on M-25 in Lake Township investigated by Michigan State Police; ordered to serve 10 days in Huron County Jail, pay \$490 fines and costs, attend rehabilitation program and loses driver's license for six months;

■ Shawn L. Noonan, 19, and Dennis J. Noonan, 42, both of Pigeon, were bound over to circuit court last week after preliminary examinations were waived, on charges of delivery of marijuana; Other charges in District Court were postponed to Feb. 7, 1991. Shawn Noonan, a female, was incorrectly identified in a recent edition.

■ Kurtis R. Hunter, 31 of Port Austin, guilty of driving with license revoked; five days in jail and \$200 fines and costs;

■ William J. Chateau, 29 of Warren, guilty of drunken driving, following a recent incident investigated by Huron County Sheriff's Deputies in Lake Township; 40 days in jail, \$690 fines and costs, ordered to rehab., and loses license for two years;

■ Larry S. LaFreniere, 31 of Roseville, pled guilty to impaired driving, following a recent incident investigated by Sheriff's Deputies on M-25 near M-142 in Fair Haven Township; \$490 fines and costs and loses license for 90 days;

■ James A. Schultz, 39 of Port Austin, guilty of driving with license suspended; three days in jail and \$100 fines and costs, and

■ Daniel L. Osentoski, 24 of Pigeon, pled guilty to impaired driving; \$490 fines and costs and loses license for 90 days.

## Mike Keefe named to All-State team

By AMY HEIDEN

Mike Keefe's been playing football since he was two years old, and now, 15 years later, the Laker junior has earned the top award a high school player could wish for.

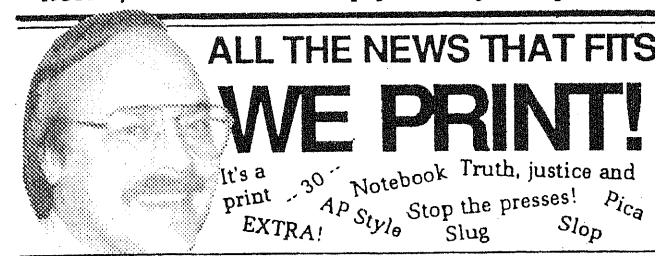
He's been named to the Class C All-State first team, selected by the Associated Press, because of his talents on the defensive line. Team-mate Reggie Ignash, also a junior, received an honorable mention on the All-State team.

Keefe, a 6'1" 195 lb.

junior, averaged 14 tackles a game this year, helping the Lakers to the Thumb B Association championship and a 9-1 record. He also racked up 38 solo tackles, 101 assists, two fumble recoveries, and one pass interception.

Keefe said his best game this year was the much-hyped contest between the Lakers and Harbor Beach, which the Lakers won 15-14.

"It was my most emotional game. For two weeks, I psyched myself up for it."



## ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS WE PRINT!

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

DESK-CLEARING: There's so very much going on here in the Western Thumb as December beckons, that here's a sample of what's coming to the surface of our desk:

■ Sunday's the big day for the annual Christmas Open House throughout Elkton, a fun shopping day you should attend. If my memory serves me right, the Open House first started in 1977, when several new businesses opened. It became an annual event coordinated by the former Elkton Community Club each year after that, and now is managed very well by the Elkton Chamber of Commerce.

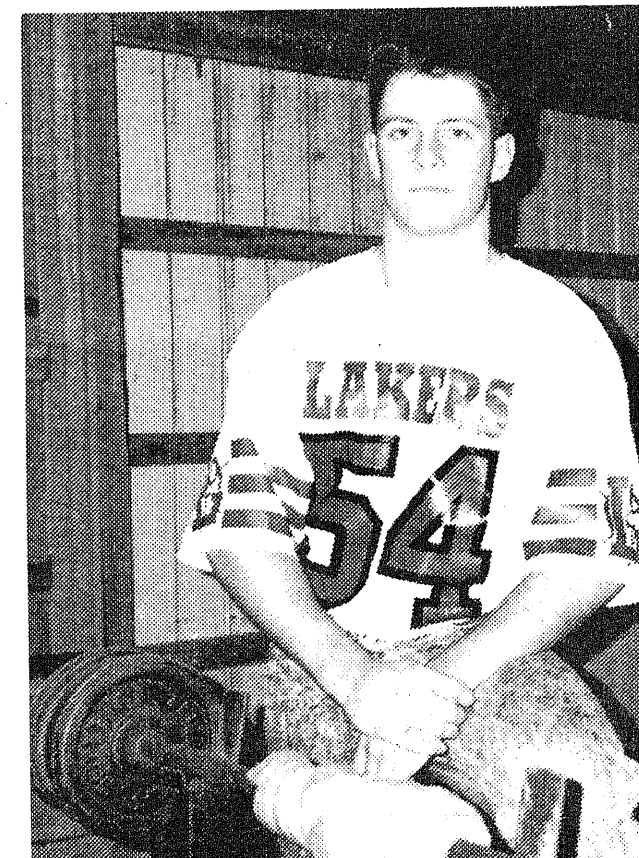
See our center pages for more information about this special one-day holiday sale and fun event!

■ WOW! We were truly impressed with last week's Laker Drama Club presentation of "Oklahoma." The casting was top-notch, performances (especially the solo vocals) were outstanding -- and Mike Terrill's group deserves lots of applause. We're sure you'll agree, if you saw one of the presentations -- and don't miss the next ones, if you didn't! Up next will be the kids' presentation of "The Velveteen Rabbit" and the musical "Grease" early next year...

■ While we're bragging up local schools, we'd like to invite everybody to Pigeon Elementary School's first EDUCATIONAL FAIR, this Thursday night from 7 to 8:30 p.m. It's a chance to purchase Christmas gifts including computers, games, books, tapes, software, educational toys and more. Children can win prizes, and entertainment will be furnished! Sounds like fun!

■ Finally, we want to get in a mention about our own 12th annual Christmas Memories Writing Contest. PLEASE put your pencil to paper (or typewriter to bond) and send us your recollections of "My Favorite Christmas Tradition." We'd like to receive all entries by Wednesday, Dec. 12 -- to be published in our Christmas Greetings edition of Dec. 19. Thanks, in advance, for your help!

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WISH I'D SAID THAT: "A facelift is something that takes care of a multitude of skins!" (Don Faupel)



Keefe said. "I think it was my best all-around game as far as offense and defense." Keefe had six solo tackles and 22 assists against the Pirates.

This season was Keefe's second as a varsity player, and next year, he and several other core players from

this year's championship team will be trying again for a title.

Until then, he'll be savoring the honor and satisfaction of having his efforts and talents recognized. "It's nice to get the award. I worked hard for all those years, and it's great to get the recognition," Keefe said.

## They're all winners!

Here is Jeff Schulze, front, the first week's bike winner in the Pigeon Chamber of Commerce's Christmas Drawing for kids. Also shown are the five youngsters and teens who won shopping cash in the first week.



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## Gifts-Santa-Food-Fun All Over Town! Sunday, December 2



Here's a view of Elkton's Main Street, looking southeast, across the railroad tracks. You can clearly see the old bandshell, no longer there, where musicians played concerts on Saturday nights, sometimes on Wednesday, too. The tall white building behind the bandshell is where McKenzie's Gift Shop stands today. The photo was taken about 1910, according to Don Weiss, whose collection of historical Elkton photos is extensive.

# Welcome To Elkton's Open House!



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**Oooooops...**  
An article in last week's Progress about the selections to the Thumb B League All-Conference should have said that Both Roestel received honorable mention.

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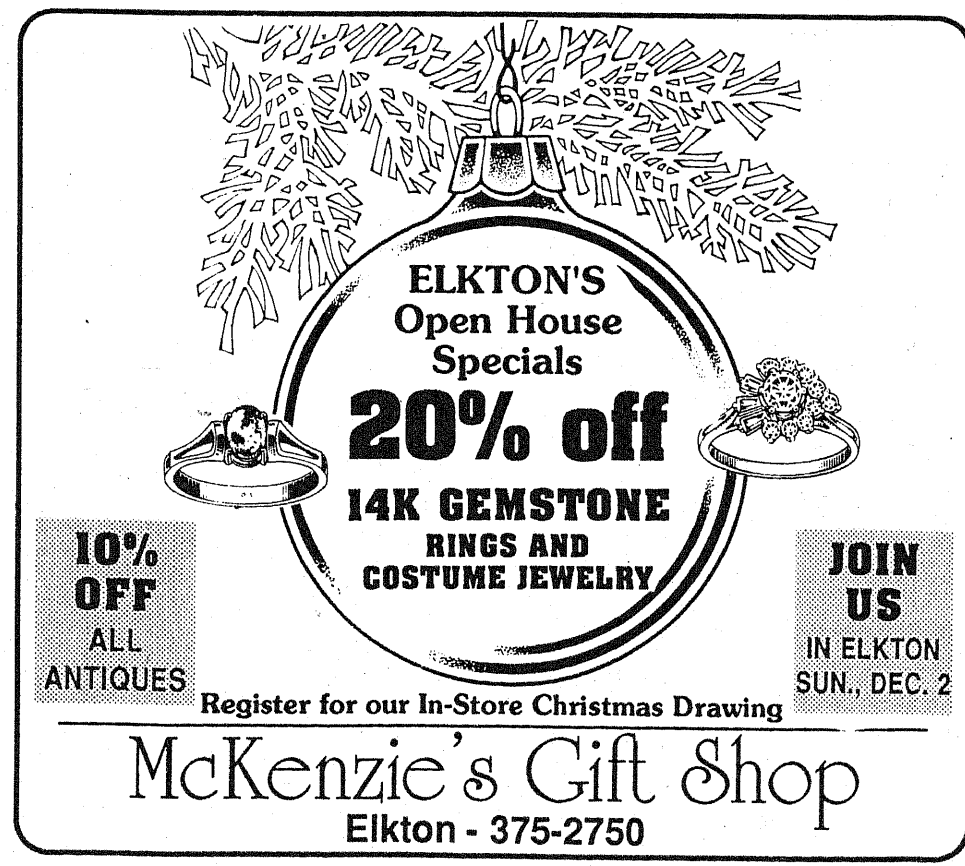
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# LJH students earn honor roll placement

The following Laker Junior High School students have been named to the honor roll for the first marking period, according to Craig Douglas, Laker Secondary School Principal.

In order to be listed on the honor roll, a student must have a G.P.A. of 3.0 or higher. An \* indicates those students who have achieved all "A's".

### EIGHTH GRADE:

Amy Ackerman, Heather Anderson, Fronda Ashmore, \*Brian Beachy, \*Eli Binder, Michelle Bolda, Jeremy Bouverette, Christine Brakenberry, Jeff Buchholz, Janet Cantrell, Sarah Champagne, Steven Corrion, \*Ryam Damm, Shawn Diebel, Tammy Dillreer,

Melissa Drabek, Carrie Dufty, Gretchen Eichler, Matthew Esch, David Flores, \*Jodi Forster, \*Brandi Gaeth, Vicki Gascho, Tory Geilhart, Jeremy Gnagey, John Graniello, Kristi Heinz, Grant Herford, Hayley Herford, Marla Herford;

Sheila Iseler, \*Matthew Keefer, \*Seema Kella, Nicole Kolar, Heath Krohn, \*Lindsay Krueger, Dan McIntosh, \*Jennifer Murdoch, \*Donald Osentoski, \*Matthew Pauly, James Purcell, \*Jennifer Smith, Benjamin Sturm, Karl Swartzendruber, Jeff Talaski, Todd Tate, Sara White, Shaun Wissner.

### SEVENTH GRADE:

Melissa Albrecht, Jennifer Arntz, Melissa Barry, Mike Bolda, Jeremy Brakenberry, Sarah Brooks, Donald Bucholz, Jamie Burkeen, \*Jill Champagne, Daniel Collings, \*Kristen Damm, Zachary Deming, Betsy Drury, Gretchen Duerer, Kari Errer, Danielle Flores;

Aline Foster, April Gamboa, Eric Gardy, Kari Gehrs, Nathan Gots, Melissa Guigar, Bryce Haley, Marla Haley, Meghann Haley, Jody Herbert, Joshua Herman, Brian Hewens, Chad Hundersmarck, \*Cristina Kaufman, Zachary King, Sarah Krebs, Janelle Krohn, Kyle Krueger;

Rebecca Lackie, Seth Maust, \*Susan McIntosh, Erin Nimtz, Mikkee Peyer, Allison Pirrett, Chad Santos, Brian Shaw, \*Jeffrey Smith, Kelly Southworth, Shawn Swartzendruber, Robin Volmer, Jamie Walsh, Angela Weidman, Janelle Wiederhold, Nicholas Wineman, Kurt Young.

### SIXTH GRADE:

\*Jacob Blakeney, Clint Braun, Cory Braun, Jami Buchkowski, Teresa Buchholz, Michelle Champagne, William Chubb, Bradi Clark, Jeffrey Collings, Samantha Corrion, \*Aaron Creguer, \*Kelly Damm, Chad Diebel, Jennifer Diebel, \*Christopher Douglas, \*Charles Dumas, Hans Eichler, Jason Eisillones, \*Kim Elenbaum, Sara Farver, Jason Forster, Melissa Fritz, Travis Funk, Brant Gnagey, \*Carmine Graniello, Elizabeth Greene, Jiemie Hallock;

Brandy Harmon, Kristin Hedley, Christina Helmuth, \*Adam Herford, Ryan Herford, Brandon Herzog, Deanne Jaworski, Kristine Jaworski, Shrikant Kamalapurkar, Brian Kasserman, Julie Kasserman, Chris Kleinfeld, \*Cheryl Krohn, Shelly Kula, \*Angela Lang, Nicole Leipprandt, \*Daniel Lewis, Stephanie Lorkowski, \*David Love, Joleen McCain, Stacy McCreedy, Becky

McIlhargie; Jennifer McKnight, \*Casey McLellan, Leann Murdick, Krist Nicholas, \*Matthew

# Pigeon folks enjoy Thanksgiving

The Townliners service group met Monday evening, Nov. 19 at the festive decorated home of Mrs. Alice Luedtke with 14 members present. Officer's reports were read and approved. New officers elected were president Verda Dast, vice president Betty Schulze, secretary/treasurer Ruth Hamilton. For the topic they were shown how to make boxes.

Kaylee Rae Licht, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Licht received New Life in Holy Baptism on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 22 at Cross Lutheran Church by Pastor Raymond Orth. Her godparents were Annie Kubacki and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Faist.

John Hamilton and Lonie Bennett of Denver, CO, spent Wednesday through Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hamilton. Spending the Thanksgiving holidays also were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hamilton, Andrea and Anthony of Rockford. They visited with Same Guster.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Otto entertained for Thanksgiving dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hamilton and family of Rockford, Mr. and Mrs. David Ruernhamer and family of Frankenmuth, John Hamilton and Tonie Bennett of Denver, Co. and Mrs. Marilyn Otto of Bad Axe.

Otto, Matthew Prill, Brian Radomski, Marcie Rathje, Kristin Reibling, Kristi Rosenthal, Jason Schultz,

Mrs. Meta McGee of Sterling Heights was a Thanksgiving guest of her brother, Adolph Buchholz and their relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hales of St. Louis, MO. with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Stodola and Joe of Jenison were Thanksgiving and weekend guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Loren Elftman. Other guests Thanksgiving Day were Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kuhl and family of Sebawaing and Mr. and Mrs. David Elftman.

Elmer and Myrna Born entertained Sunday for their family. Guests were from East Lansing, Sunfield, Caro, Quanticasee, Sebawaing, Owendale and Gagetown and Pigeon area.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Deming entertained for Thanksgiving dinner their son, Timothy and wife and Dorothy Deming and grandson of Bay Port.

Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kleido were Mr. and Mrs. Don Verheaghe of Essexville, Donny Verheaghe, Debbie and Dawn, Steven Gullian and Darrell Verheaghe all of Bay City.

Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rathke were their son, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rathke, Pamela, Kristie and Mark of Sterling Heights, Pastor and Mrs. Ernst Henkelmann. Mrs. Mike Heinz and sons

Christina Sexton, Sara Stein, Troy Steinman, Jenni Swartzendruber, Marci Swartzendruber, \*Joel Tate, Rebecca

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Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Collison and Fred had Thanksgiving Day guests, Mrs. Florence Hoffman, Mrs. Helen LeDuc of Floral City, Fla., Mr. and Mrs. Dale Collison, Jill and Brian. Mrs. Gene Sattler and Beth Ann of Bay City spent the weekend.

Spending Thanksgiving weekend in Milford with Mr. and Mrs. John Smith were their children, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, Jimmy and Benjamin.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sauer of Springfield were Thanksgiving weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Rathje. On Sunday they attended the morning services at St. John's Lutheran Church in Berne where their grandson was baptized.

On Saturday, Albert Schuette and families were guests at the wedding of Randy Schuette and Amy Lovejoy at the Methodist Church in Cass City. The

Tennant, Andrea Toner, Tera Torres, James Trost, Scott Walsh, Jimmy Wheeler, Rebecca Whittaker, Eric Zarnke.

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Thanksgiving Day and weekend guests of Albert Schuette were Mr. and Mrs. Cary Marsh and Amy of Stevensville, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Marsh and Chad of Utica, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Crump, sons Benji and Jeff of Hemlock. They were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Clare Schuette and sons of Cass City, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Schuette and family and Randy Swanson of Uby on Thanksgiving Day.

Mrs. Ann Schuette was a Thanksgiving Day guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schuette and family in Auburn. She spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. James Bridges in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Stevenson of Pigeon were godparents for Nicholas Alexander Katterman at the Hale Lutheran Church on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Becker of Detroit, were weekend guest of her parents, Pastor and Mrs. Ernst Henkelmann.

# Thumb Area Obituaries

## ELIZABETH MARIA LUEDTKE 1889 - 1990

Elizabeth "Grandma" Luedtke, age 101 of Pigeon, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 21 at Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon. She was born in Woodlake, Minn., daughter of Edward and Hulda (Otto) Hinz, on Feb. 4, 1889. On June 30, 1915 she was united in marriage to Leo Theodore Luedtke in Woodlake, Minn. He preceded her in death on Dec. 23, 1975.

Leo, a teacher, and Elizabeth started their married life together in Tawas City. In 1918, they moved to rural Pigeon, where they raised their family of three children and enjoyed a 60-year marriage. Elizabeth was devoted to her husband, family and church, St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Berne. She was a faithful and long-time member of St. John's Church Choir, Ladies Aid and Womens' Society. To her last days, she remained an example of faith and an inspiration to all who new her, according to her family.

She is survived by two sons, Leo Luedtke Jr. and Arthur (Bud) Luedtke, both of Pigeon and her daughter, Mrs. Don (Verona) Dast, also of Pigeon; eight grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two children, Carl and Erna; one great-grandson, Scott; seven sisters and four brothers.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Nov. 25 at 2 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, Berne. Rev. James A. Gorseger, pastor, officiated, with burial in the church cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church.

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

## ANNE C. MILLER 1911-1990

Anne C. Miller, age 79 of Saginaw, passed away Oct. 18 at Saginaw Community Hospital.

Anne C. Christner was born April 16, 1911 in Huron County. She had worked at the Bancroft Hotel as a waitress for many years and prior to her retirement had been the chief cook at Holy Cross Lutheran School.

She is survived by two brothers, John and Bill Christner, both of Pigeon and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20 at Wakeman Funeral Home, Saginaw. Pastor Harold F. Krach officiated.

## WALLY C. JOHNSON 1941 - 1990

Wally C. Johnson, age 49 of Caseville, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 21 at Bay Medical Center, Bay City, after a three-week bout with cancer.

He was born June 15, 1941 in Detroit, son of the late Ray and Estelle (Knysz) Johnson. He was united in marriage to Bernetta Langley, Caseville, in June, 1964. She preceded him in death on May 29, 1971. He married Barbara Hanes on June 21, 1975 in Caseville.

Mr. Johnson moved to Caseville with his parents in 1955. After his father's death, he and his mother operated the Riverside Bar, Caseville, until they sold it in 1975. He was employed at Michigan Sugar Co., Sebawaing, working there since 1969.

Mr. Johnson was a member of St. Roch Catholic Church, Caseville, and was vice president of Local 261 at Michigan Sugar Co. He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Caseville; a charter member of the Knights of Columbus, Caseville/Pigeon; a past member of the Caseville Fire Department and a pyro-technician displaying fireworks for Caseville and several communities.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara; five children, Lisa (Scott) Thels, Caseville, Sandra Johnson, Naperville, Ill., Brenda (Thomas) Sattler, Marine, Calif., Ray Johnson, West Palm Beach, Fla. and Jeremy Johnson, at home; one grandson and one brother, Stephen (Judith) Johnson, West Bloomfield.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Nov. 24 at St. Roch Catholic Church. The Rev. Fr. Richard Meyette, pastor, officiated with burial in the Caseville Township Cemetery. Champagne Funeral Chapel, Caseville, was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

## JOAN D. CIESLINSKI 1933-1990

Joan D. Cieslinski, age 57 of Caseville Twp., passed away Friday, Nov. 23, at St. Mary's Medical Center, Saginaw.

She was born June 19, 1933 in Bay City, where she was united in marriage to Eugene Cieslinski on June 2, 1951 at St. Hyacinth's Catholic Church. In 1968 they moved to Caseville with their children.

Mrs. Cieslinski attended St. Roch Catholic Church, Caseville and had many hobbies including her grandchildren, writing and reading.

She is survived by her husband, Eugene and four children Diane (Keith) Wiechert, Donald (Rebecca) Cieslinski, Linda Dufty and Dale Cieslinski, all of Caseville and six grandchildren.

Mrs. Cieslinski was preceded in death by her mother, Helen (Greskowiak) Cichocki and brother, Ronald Cichocki. A funeral mass was conducted 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 26 at St. Roch Catholic Church. The Rev. Fr. Richard Meyette, pastor officiated.

Memorials may be given in her memory to the family or church.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Champagne Funeral Chapel, Caseville.

## CLARENCE R. LUTZ 1916-1990

Clarence R. Lutz, 74 of Sebawaing, died Sunday morning, Nov. 25, at Huron Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe, following a brief illness.

Mr. Lutz was born Jan. 13, 1916, in Brookfield Township, son of the late Herman J. and Mary L. (Kundinger) Lutz. He married Luella T. Nitz on May 14, 1939, in Bach.

Mr. Lutz was a farmer in the Sebawaing Area for many years. He also had been employed by Sebawaing Gas & Oil Co. for several years before retiring 10 years ago. He was a life member of St. John Lutheran Church in Kilmanagh, a member of the Lutheran Layman's League, the Lutheran Darball League and the Agriculture Stabilization & Conservation Service for many years.

Surviving besides his wife, Luella, are a son and daughter-in-law, Ronald C. and Arloia Lutz of Sebawaing; a daughter and son-in-law, Marilyn and Bruce Baur of Bay Port; six grandchildren: one great-grandson; a brother, Roland Lutz, Saginaw and several nieces and nephews. A brother, Arnold Lutz, preceded him in death in 1987.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 am, Wednesday, Nov. 28, at St. John Lutheran Church in Kilmanagh. The Rev. Jeffrey Walsh officiated, with burial in the church cemetery in Sebawaing.

Memorials may be made to St. John Lutheran Church or the American Heart Association.

## ANNABEL WURTZ 1904-1990

Annabelle Wallace Wurtz 86 of Sebawaing, died Tuesday morning, Nov. 20, at Tendercare Home, Cass City, following a brief illness.

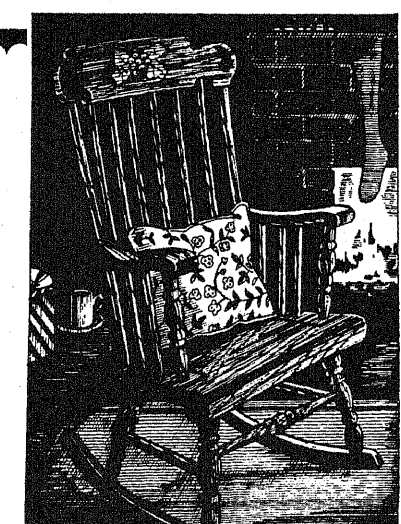
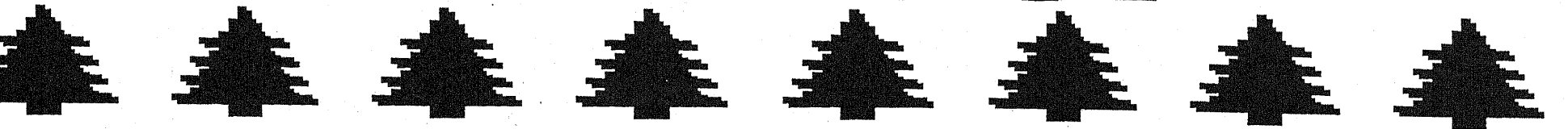
She was born March 20, 1904, in Bad Axe, the daughter of William J. and Agnes (Richmond) Steadman. Mr. Steadman had been Huron County drain commissioner for many years.

She had lived in Pigeon prior to moving to Sebawaing more than 20 years ago. She was a member of Order of Eastern Star Chapter #477 of Philadelphia, PA, since March 26, 1946.

Surviving are one son, Timothy Jon Wurtz of Naperville, IL, two sisters, Mrs. Hugh (Agnes) Monroe of Elkton and Mrs. Nathalie Armbruster of Bay City, two brothers, Bruce Steadman and William Steadman, both of California, and several nieces and nephews.

One brother, Garfield Steadman, and two sisters, Helen Valpey and Myrtle Steadman, all preceded her in death. Cremation followed her death, and there was no visitation or funeral service. Arrangements were by Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home of Sebawaing.

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## Thumb Area Deaths

John Sigmund, 81, Sebawaing, passed away Nov. 17.  
Carson Fleming, 92, Harbor Beach, passed away Nov. 17.

Grace Smith, 60, Verona Township, passed away Nov. 17.

Antoinette Sheldon, 85, Bad Axe, passed away Nov. 19.

Louise Segan, 73, Midland, formerly of Bad Axe, passed away Nov. 19.

Annabel Wurtz, 86, Sebawaing, passed away Nov. 20.

Stanley Cartier, 67, Cladwin, formerly of Uby, passed away Nov. 19.

## Elkton news

Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Alice Bedford were Bob and Esther Bedford of Marion, Ind., John and Eileen Bedford of Grand Rapids, Kent and Bonnie Garcy, Lansing, Neil Bedford and Gerlinda Melchiori, Ann Arbor, Andrea Melchiori, Kalamazoo and Beatrice Stange, Bay City.

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Sunday Service 10:00 a.m. • 856-3925

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3703 Main St., Akron  
For Pastoral Care 691-5614  
Sunday Worship 10 am • SS 11 am

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
— BAD AXE —  
Rev. David McLane  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Morning Worship 11:00 am  
Sunday Evening 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening Bible Study  
and Youth Service 7:00 pm

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
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Rev. John Dearing

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SUNDAY: 9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship Service  
6 pm Sunday Night Worship  
WEDNESDAY: 7:00 pm Bible Study

**BAD AXE 1ST PRESBY-  
TERIAN CHURCH, BAD AXE**  
Pastor David Dively  
Service 10:00 am • Nursery Prov.  
Sunday School 11:00 am

**BAY PORT UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Alger T. Lewis  
Sunday Worship 9:30 am  
Church School 10:30 am

**CALVARY BAPTIST  
CHURCH, CASEVILLE**  
Pastor James Duprey  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Worship Service 11:00 am  
Evening Service 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study  
& Prayer Meeting 6 pm

**CASEVILLE UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Greg Mayberry  
Sunday School 9:00 am  
Nursery 10:15 am  
Sunday Worship 10:15 am  
Bible Study 6:00 pm

**CHANDLER PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH - ELKTON**  
Filion Rd. - Rev. Matthew Arneson  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

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**COMMUNITY WESLEYAN  
CHURCH - 5171 WHALEN ST.**  
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Pastor DeWeerd Smith  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am  
Sunday Evening 7:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening 7:30 pm

**COLLING CHURCH OF  
THE NAZARENE**  
Colling Road & Dickerson  
Unionville - Rev. William Burdine  
SUNDAY: 10:00 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Morning Worship  
7:00 pm Evangelistic Service  
WEDNESDAY - 7:30 p.m.  
Mid-Week Prayer/Praise  
1st WEDNESDAY EACH  
MONTH - 7:30 p.m. N.F.M.S.

**CROSS LUTHERAN  
CHURCH, PIGEON ELCA**  
Raymond E. Orth, Pastor  
Sunday Worship  
8:30 am and 10:45 am  
Sunday School 9:45 am

**ELKTON MISSIONARY CHURCH**  
Rev. Larry Saltsbury  
WORSHIP HOUR: 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Worship Hour 11:00 am  
Adult Bible Study - Wed. 7:30 pm  
Sunday Evening Service 7 pm

**ELKTON UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Jim James  
Morning Worship 9:30 am  
Sunday School 10:45 am  
Jr. High & Sr. High Youth 6 pm  
Evening Service 7:00 pm  
Wednesday Prayer Service 7 pm

**FAITH BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Lynn A. Randall  
Corner M-25 and Haist Road  
Sunday School 10 am  
Morning Preaching 11 am  
Sunday Evening 6 pm  
Wednesday Mid-week 7 pm

**FAIR HAVEN  
COMMUNITY MENNONITE  
CHURCH**  
Rev. Wayne J. Keim  
Sunday School 10:30 am  
Morning Worship 9:30 am

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Family Church  
325 N. Center, Sebewaing  
SUNDAY  
10:00 am Morning Worship

**FIRST MISSIONARY CHURCH  
OF BAD AXE**  
Pastor Howard Turnbull  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Sunday Worship 11:00 am  
Sun. Evening Worship 7:30 pm  
Wednesday Evening Adult  
Bible Study 7:30 pm

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH, PIGEON**  
Rev. James P. Schwandt  
Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:15

**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN  
CHURCH - Caseville**  
Missouri Synod  
856-4850  
M-25 & Crescent Beach Rd.  
Pastor John F. Mueller  
Sun. Worship 8 am & 10:30 am  
Sunday School 9:15 am

**HARVEST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
3409 Akron Road, Akron  
Rev. Don Miller 674-2785  
SUNDAY  
10:00 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Sunday Service  
7:00 pm Evening Service  
WEDNESDAY  
7:30 pm Service

**HAYES UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH**  
Rev. Alger T. Lewis  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Sunday Worship 11:00 am

**HOLY FAMILY CHURCH**  
Rev. Fr. Stanley Surman  
8370 Unionville Rd., Sebewaing  
MASSES: 7:00 pm Saturday  
8:00 am & 10:00 am Sun.

**HORSESHOE ACRES CALVARY  
CHURCH, BAD AXE**  
Rev. Stewart L. Justin  
Sunday Worship 10:00 am  
Sunday School 11:00 am  
Evening Service 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Night  
Bible Study 7:30 pm

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH,  
SEBEWAING**  
Missouri Synod  
Rev. Martin Hagenow  
Vicar Wayne Huibner  
Sunday School 9:15 am  
Sun. Worship 8 am & 10:30 am  
Radio Broadcasting 10:30 a.m.  
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**KILMANAGH UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. George Lewis  
SUNDAY  
9:30 am Sunday School,  
10:45 am Worship Service

**KINDGOM HALL OF  
JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES**  
1276 Pigeon Road Bad Axe  
SUNDAY  
10:00 am Bible Lecture  
11:00 am Discussion of  
"The Watchtower"

**MICHIGAN AVE. MENNONITE  
CHURCH, PIGEON**  
Herbert Troyer, Pastor  
Morning Worship 9:30 am  
Sunday School 10:30 am  
Evening Service 7:00 pm

**MORAVIAN CHURCH**  
2711 Cass, Unionville  
Rev. Olaf Andersen  
9:15 am Divine Worship  
10:30 am Sunday School  
6:30 pm Youth Fellowship

**NEW SALEM LUTHERAN  
CHURCH WELS, Sebewaing**  
Corner of Grove & 5th Sts.  
Rev. Keith Siverly  
SUNDAY  
9:00 am Divine Worship Service  
10:15 am Sunday School  
THURSDAY  
7:00 pm Worship Service

**PIGEON RIVER MENNONITE  
CHURCH**  
Luke Yoder, Pastor  
Kenneth Dietzel, Assc. Pastor  
Morning Worship 9:30 am  
Sunday School 10:30 am  
Sunday Evening 7:00 pm  
Evening Bible Study 7:00 pm

**REORGANIZED CHURCH OF JESUS  
CHRIST OF LATTER  
DAY SAINTS, BAY PORT**  
Elder Ervin Halsey  
Terry Brown - Associate  
11:00 A.M. Church School  
11:00 A.M. Morning Worship  
(3rd Sunday Each Month)  
10:00 A.M. Crafts  
11:00 A.M. Junior Church  
Providing Food Pantry

**REORGANIZED CHURCH OF  
JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER  
DAY SAINTS - CASEVILLE**  
Elder Dennis Abbe  
Morning Worship 10:00 am  
Preaching Service 11:00 am  
PHONE: 453-2284

**REORGANIZED CHURCH OF  
JESUS CHRIST OF  
LATTER DAY SAINTS,  
OWENDALE**  
(5 Miles South of Elkton)  
Delores Gardner, Pastor  
Early Morning Worship 10:00 am  
Church School 10:00 am  
Preaching Service 11:00 am

**SALEM UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH, PIGEON**  
Rev. Steven Miller  
Church School 9:30 am  
Morning Service 10:30 am

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST,  
UNIONVILLE**  
3302 Bay St  
Pastor Hans Killius  
SATURDAY  
9:15 am Worship Service  
11:00 am Bible Study for All Ages

**ST. FRANCIS BORGIA  
CATHOLIC CHURCH, PIGEON**  
Fr. Bernard Skornia  
Saturday Evening Mass 6:00 pm  
Sunday Masses 8 & 10:00 am  
Weekday Masses 8:15 am  
Confessionals Sat. 5-5:30 pm

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN  
CHURCH, KILMANAGH**  
Missouri Synod  
Rev. Jeffrey B. Walsh  
Sunday Worship 9:30 am  
Sunday School 10:30 am  
Holy Communion 2nd &  
4th Sunday Every Month

**ST. JOHN'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
8271 Crescent Beach Road  
Sand Point  
SUNDAY  
9:00 am Worship

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN  
CHURCH, BERNE**  
Wisconsin Synod  
Pastor James Gorsegnor  
Worship Services  
8:30 and 10:30 am  
Sunday School 9:30 am

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN  
CHURCH, LINKVILLE**  
Missouri Synod  
Rev. Ray R. Ostendorf  
Morning Worship 9:30 am  
Sunday School 10:30 am

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN  
CHURCH, UNIONVILLE**  
Rev. Paul Stohlmann  
SUNDAY  
8:00 am Divine Worship  
9:15 am Sunday School  
& Bible Classes  
10:30 am Divine Worship

**ST. PETER  
LUTHERAN CHURCH,  
Columbia Corners**  
Rev. Gary R. Groth 674-2922  
SUNDAY  
9:30 a.m. Worship - Communion  
1st Sunday of the Month  
10:30 am Sunday School  
Every Age Welcomed  
THURSDAY  
7:00 pm ELCA Bible Study  
2nd Thursday of Month

**ST. PETER LUTHERAN  
CHURCH, Bach**  
SUNDAY  
Rev. Robert Clancy,  
Pastor  
10:00 am Worship Service  
9:00 am Sunday School  
& Bible Class  
1st & 3rd Sundays  
Holy Communion

**ST. ROCH CATHOLIC  
CHURCH, Caseville**  
Saturday Mass 6:00 pm  
Sunday Mass 9:00 am

**TRINITY EVANGELICAL  
LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Elkton  
Wisconsin Synod  
Rev. Eugene Andrus  
Sunday School 8:45 am  
Church Service 10:00 am  
Holy Communion 1st & 3rd  
Sundays of the Month

**TRINITY UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH  
SEBEWAING**  
Rev. Lawrence C. Brooks  
SUNDAY  
9:30 am Sunday School  
10:45 am Worship Service

**UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH AKRON • 691-5134**  
Rev. Michael Ingersoll  
SUNDAY  
9:45 am Sunday School  
10:45 am Worship

**UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Mary F. Neil  
Owendale - Sunday  
10:00 am Church School  
11:00 am Morning Worship  
Gagetown - Sunday  
9:30 am Morning Worship  
10:30 am Church School

**UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH, Unionville**  
Rev. George Lewis  
SUNDAY  
9:15 am Worship Service  
10:15 am Sunday School

**UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH, Wisner**  
Rev. Mark Karis • SUNDAY:  
9:15 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Morning Worship  
Study And Growth Groups  
Tuesday Evenings at Homes,  
Thursday Evenings at Church

## ARC takes Pigeon native on the road . . .

You can take the young man out of the Thumb Area, but you can't take the hometown out of the young man.

Pigeon native Dale Killinger has been mixing his love of people, public performances and serving the Lord during the past three years while working backstage with the Christian performing group ARC -- and his job has taken him throughout the U.S. and around the world, too.

"I can't count all the states we've been to," Killinger said last week, during a Thanksgiving weekend visit to his parents' home. "It's been great. I love this type of ministry. I've seen things I've wanted to all my life."

Killinger presently serves as Office Manager for ARC, based in Allegan. For the past year, he has been responsible for all concert booking, scheduling performances and serves as right-hand man to Chris Ward, ARC director.

His first two years involved work as lighting technician for the group. There was plenty to do in setting up and overseeing up to three performances a day, but he enjoyed the challenges.

"An ARC means the transfer from one source to another. I personally have to agree with that. It's sharing Jesus Christ through ARC and making the arc transferring power from one person to another," Killinger says.

"Personally, I've been able to grow up out in the world, dealing with kids, faculty members, administration and with Christians like Campus Life.

The 25-year-old Killinger has seen three ARC groups form and "graduate" in that time. The group presently includes 13 young people from throughout the U.S., between the ages of 18 and 28.

They travel in a 15-passenger van and a moving truck to handle equipment and lights.

ARC started 10 years ago

when Marv Hollenbeck began as producer and Chris Ward as director created the group. ARC members must individually fund their participation, and each one-year commitment starts in June with lots of summer practice.

Killinger, too, must support his participation. He thanks the many Thumb Area backers who assist him, saying, "I know this is where God wants me to be."

"When we're on the road, we work as a team. There's no ego trips. Everybody pitches in. We're not a dozen or so individuals, we're one group."

His favorite part of working with ARC has been the three-week visit to West Germany, where the group played mostly at U.S. military bases.

ARC members include four vocalists, two drummers, keyboard player, plus lead, rhythm and bass guitars.

Backstage, workers handle lights and sound. The group can give three presentations -- a high school concert, Christian contemporary and a sacred music performance.

Killinger felt called to help three years ago when ARC performed locally, as sponsored by Bluewater Youth For Christ. "My choice was either to leave with them Saturday night or come back to my regular job Monday morning. I went with them."

"I've loved it from day one," Killinger said with a smile.

"My Mother even knew I was leaving, because she packed my suitcase.

"It just proved to me that God answers prayer. It's his timing, not ours."

Killinger, a graduate of the Laker High Class of 1984, hopes his future will include some type of youth ministry, but he's content with his ARC work now.

While on this swing back home through the Thumb, ARC will perform at Port Hope High School, North



ARC technician Dale Killinger gets into a vehicle he is used to traveling in as a member of ARC's road crew.

Interested persons may get more information about hosting an ARC performance by calling 1-800-422-4383.

## Sixty Seconds

### The Crib, The Cross, The Crown

"The prophets have inquired and searched diligently for this salvation, those who prophesied of the grace of God to you". 1 Peter 1:10

In this Advent season we again hear of the volumes of prophecies about Christ in the Old Testament. One Bible scholar described 332 prophecies that were fulfilled in Christ. That many prophecies, with so many details, simply could not happen by mere chance.

The Advent season brings to mind the 3 C's of Christmas -- the Child in the Crib, the Son of God on the Cross and His Crown that becomes ours through faith in Him.

So, even in the coming joy of Christmas and the Child in the Crib, the pain of the Cross already lurks in the background. They're both necessary for the recognition of the Crown, that will be ours as we share our lives, our minds and our hearts with Him.

JESUS, SAVIOR, IN THIS ADVENT SEASON, KEEP OUR EYES ON THE CHRIST OF CHRISTMAS. AMEN.

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Locally, ARC will be performing this Sunday, Dec. 2 at 7 p.m. at Elkton United Methodist Church. A free-will offering will be taken, and the public is invited.

The group still has some open dates. Dec. 3-7. Inter-

### Bay Port RLDS hosts Hymn Sing

The Bay Port RLDS Church welcomes the public to an Advent Community Hymn Sing this Sunday, Dec. 2 at 7 p.m.

Special musical guests will be Dale and Floris Wertz of Bay Port.

Refreshments will follow the hymn sing.

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