Caseville’s royal students...

CHosen AS Caseville’s Coming Home Prince was Gary Langley, while Princesses Kim Pittenger, senior; Missy Thick, sophomore, and Tyler Williams, sophomore.

In the rear are Eric Jones, senior; Stephanie Maurer, freshman; Kim Pittenger, junior; Mike Billke, junior; Mary Robert, senior; Gary Langley, junior; Jason Schulle, senior; Mandie Fritz, junior; Josh Powell, freshman.

Caseville Public School tries to beat the mid- winter blues by hosting a Coming Home Every year, and this year is no exception. This year’s Coming Home theme was “Eagle Power.” Activities during the week include a sign contest, daily spirit activities, and during Friday evening’s halftime, the 1992 Prince and Princess were crowned. Then following the games, a dance sponsored by the Student Council, was held in the school gym.

The club was in the front, left to right, Alex Boys, Bob Kordจัด, senior; Stephanie Maurer, freshman; Kim Pittenger, junior; Mike Billke, senior; Mary Robert, senior; Gary Langley, junior; Jason Schulle, senior; Mandie Fritz, junior; Josh Powell, freshman.

HURON SPENDS FOR ROADS

Huron County residents will see some new road signs, and motorists and emergency vehicles will find traveling in Huron County a little easier in coming years.

County Commissioners this week approved spending $35,000 for a road sign upgrade program, as first-year spending on the three-year project. Tentative plans are to spread costs over a three-year period, but commissioners have made no firm financial commitment for future years. The $35,000 will provide new signs at 350 county road intersections. In all, about 850 more local intersections will receive new signs.

Many of the signs in rural areas are made of wood and nailed to utility poles, sometimes several feet from the roadway, officials note. Some signs have faded badly over time.

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MAN CHARGED IN SHOOTING

A Huron County man is in custody awaiting charges on a shooting incident that occurred at 9:30 p.m. Sunday in Sebewaing that left one person injured.

According to Huron County Prosecutor Leslie A. Hagen, the shooting took place at a home in the village of Sebewaing, and a 27-year-old Sebewaing resident was arrested on suspicion of felonious assault.

The victim was taken to Bay Medical Center in Bay City for treatment, but was later transferred by helicopter to the University of Michigan Hospital.

A 17-year-old Sebewaing resident was taken into custody as a suspect and the alleged weapon was recovered.

“The investigation is still going on. There were people on the premises when it happened, and they all have to be contacted before any more information can be released,” said Hagen Monday. She could offer no more information at this time on the motive for the shooting.

The Sebewaing Police Department and the Huron County Sheriff’s Department are conducting the investigation.

According to Hagen, she hopes to issue charges against the defendants Monday afternoon.

This is the second shooting incident in nine months in this area. According to Hagen, the shooting occurred in the Huron County jail over the weekend.

CITY OF CASEVILLE PARK USER FEES OVERTURNED — FOR NOW...

Huron County residents might not see user fees after all at the Caseville City Park this summer. Beach goers should be able to enjoy this year because the controversial fee appears to be a dead issue, since a motion to continue it died on a 3-3 vote by County Commissioners this week.

The commissioners who voted to continue park fees were Robert Hogan of Bad Axe, Julia Heilig of Ubly and John West of Port Hope; those who voted “no” were Robert Devins of Caseville, and Chairman Martha Thuesen of Port Austin.

This summer the city spent $10,000 to construct toll booths at the Caseville Park, to collect daily charges for beach use. While this stands the fees for now, other proposals seeking park fees may come up for their approval.

HERITAGE/CRAFT FAIR FEB. 11

The next planning session for the proposed Thumb Area heritage/crafts cooperative is planned at 7 p.m. next Tuesday, Feb. 11, in USA High School Woodshop, according to Supr. William D. Dodge, who is heading up organizational efforts.

Eleven prospective members attended the first session in December, and Dodge says interest is growing.

Historic items from early fishermen in the area, including fish decoys, hunting and fishing items, crafts and sellers, are being listed and catalogued, Dodge stated.

Dodge hopes to develop a good retail sales outlet in the Western Thumb, and perhaps a mail order business as well. Rail potential crafts-people are in- cluded, and are the excellent ideas that were advanced for products and sales at the original meeting. Dodge said.

GETTYSBURG IN PLAY REGIONALS

Can today’s students write a “real” play? This year, Lake High School students Bill Blaske, Kristin Southworth, Greg Nimick, Danielle Hansen, Ben Lang, Neal Schiller, Tom Mocz and Heidi Schwengel put together to write a play called “Gettysburg.”

At district competition on Jan. 25, this same student-written play received a “one” rating to qualify for regional competition at Auburn Hills Avondale High School.

Other schools in regional competition will be Avondale High School, Rochester High School, Ann Arbor Huron High School, Sterling Heights Stevenson High School and Southfield High School.

If this play is rated highly at regional competition, the theater students will qualify for state finals next year. Central Michigan University on Feb. 14 and 15.

The play has been receiving rave reviews from faculty, students and the public, following its performances, according to Lake Drama Advisor Mike Terrill.

People seem to be amazed at the quality of the play as well as the emotion appeal the student actors bring to the stage," he says.

The play follows the Stone family of Niles, MI and the impact the Civil War had on their life. The plot is based on the actual story of the youngest "Yankee" at the battle of Gettysburg, who actually grew up from Michigan.

The community is invited to one last "encore" performance of "Gettysburg" next Wednesday, Feb. 12 at 7 p.m. at Lake High School.

The answer to whether students can write a real play? A stunning YES!

What is being called the largest development in Huron County’s history has led to the arrest of a 41-year-old Indian Township man. More than the $124,000 in cash and materials were confiscated in the raid last Friday morning.

Joseph Dean of the Axe was arrested at a house on I-75 Sunday, after members of the Thumb Narcotic Unit, the State Police and the Huron County Sheriff’s Department searched the house and discovered drugs, weapons, money and other paraphernalia.

Arresting officers including Sheriff Mich- ael Cagge and Saio Police Police Commander Lee Churchill spent in the raid were: 225 grams, or 10 1/2 oz. of cocaine valued at over $35,250; 66 lbs. of marijuana valued at $90,000; $ cash totaling $28,000; and several handguns, long guns and a machine gun.

Huron County Prosecuting

Attorney Leslie Hagen said the warrants were served Friday afternoon, and charged with one count of possession with intent to deliver 225 grams or more, but less than one kilogram, possession of less than one count of possession with intent to deliver and a felony firearm charge.

If convicted, Dean could face maximum penalties of 20 to 30 years in state prison, along with a maximum penalty of four years on the marijuana charge, and a mandatory two years on the weapons charge.

Dean is scheduled to appear in the Thumb Circuit Court in Bangor at a preliminary examination in front of Circuit Court Judge Richard Knoblock Thursday morning, and is lodged in the Huron County Jail until then.

Several other people were at the I-75 Road raid, but were not detained or taken into custody, she added.

Huron County Executive Ron Hurlbert said that under a forfeiture law all the cash seized at the raid will be turned over to the Thumb Narcotic Unit and will be used to continue its investigations into illegal drug sales in the Thumb area.

The TNI also provides troops from Huron, Tuscola, Sanilac and Lapeer Counties.
As we see it...

Campaign against AIDS downplays abstinence

A lifetime reader and longtime friend vacationing in Florida passed along a viewpoint from the Naples Daily News, which bears repeating here. The writer notes, "As a student and as a college professor, I have been increasingly concerned about how we control the spread of AIDS, because they all fail to mention one solution to the problem of abstinence."

Dr. Norris adds, "As a group of panels, "All had impressive backgrounds, a clear understanding of how AIDS is spread, who is acquiring it and the need to focus on the lack of AIDS in the community.""

"No one spoke of abstinence as a solution until a minister brought up the subject. In fact, it was not that people did not want to advocate the use of condoms as the primary solution to a problem that is threatening the lives of our young people?"

"When panelists encourage the use of the condom... they will develop a generation of fermonticators and adulterers, lost in a cesspool of sex, unable to distinguish between right and wrong or explain why their marriages have fallen apart.

"How much better off our young people would be if they were taught to focus on the real danger and the physical. Not all young people will follow the advice, but many will...."

"What more can - or should be said?"

FROM UNDER THE WILLOW

BY WANDA EICHLER

BIBS AND PIECES

ANOTHER MILESTONE IN LIFE: Our one and only daughter is graduating from high school this week. This is the week of first driver’s licenses and "Non, you wouldn’t let me have the car to run upstairs, would you?

White Lies will be fully wheeling her way into our hearts (and drivers’ seats) her dad and I are remembering the plump little pink baby girl who yearned to catch the snowstorms of 1976. It’s amazing how quickly a precious bundle of baby turns into sweet sixteen.

Did she have any idea of what we were talking about. I hope. Nor was I expecting a flameout. Just a genuine professional style bride to haul along to mock trial competitions.

It’s a new world out there for young women these days. Our sixty sixiex has her designs on a profession (and the guy she’ll marry, we’ll guess)

THE PIGEON RIVER GUGGLES bennis your skills. It bubbles and cackles in the dark blue open spots of water where the ice can’t form. Yet most of the river is covered with thin ice enough to support even an adult skier.

We’ve been enjoying cross country skiing on the Pigeon River this winter. Several dustings of snow on the last week have produced ideal conditions on tracks that door down and to the river.

The trails at Sleeper State Park have been a joy, too. Quiet and close to nature, a once-around-the-loop jaunt keeps one warm and appreciative of the marvels that is a Michigan winter.

It’s hard to describe the stillness of the woods and river in winter. Almost mystical, marked with white snow, sparkling ice and lots of animal tracks along the river, the woods call the skier to a journey in the deep.

I LEFT IN KERRY for a few days, I spent some time talking to people from the Heartland states. Once again I came back to Michigan with a clear slate in my mind.

KANSAS town all about towns where there’s only a gas station and a church. Everything else is gone and so are the people. Both the destruction of the Heartland population shifts that are moving people into the eastern states and the growth of the Heartland’s population. Western counties, the drylands and plains ar

RECOLLECTIONS...of By-Gone Days

BY GEORGE KEIM

Letters from our readers...

Why no mention of Black History Month?

DEAR EDITOR:

This is to regards to your article in the Jan. 26 issue on page nine, column two, en titled "Special Month." I find it deplorable that you did not mention the month of February as Black History Month in your heart and in your mind.

Since 1976 there has been a Presidantial Proclamation of February as an official Black History Month.

In fairness and well that it is noted that February is National Cherry Month, National Children’s Dental Health Month and American Heart Month, but I feel it is important that we re-emphasize the children and community members to recognize that Black History Month is not just for the ethnic groups and they need to be aware of and he interested in the contributions to our great country.

Greatly appreciated the communi
city that The Progress-Advance provided a chance to send your voices in the Pigeon Village Library.

Barbara Weidman

(EDITOR’S NOTE: The letter is reprinted in response to news that was subsequently published in the Pigeon Village Library.)
ELKTON SENIOR CITIZENS

The Board of Mike Renn welcomed 37 members and guests, Dorothy Woodward and Judith Asher, to the Jan. 28 meeting of the Elkton Senior Citizens. Welcomed back after being absent were Chuck and Mary Willis and Rita Dunn.

Ray English led in the Lord's Prayer before the potluck dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis were in charge of music and the afternoon session was opened with the singing of "America" and the Pledge to the Flag.

Mrs. Asher from the Huron County Health Department gave an informative talk on the breast and cervical cancer screening program.

Minutes of the Jan. 21 meeting were read and approved. Set up committees for February will be Millie Renn and Alvena Walder. Cleenwill be Clayton and Ardis Gannell, Effie Ranges, Emily Podlaskowski and Mary Day.

Ray and Beasly Pursley will present next week’s program.

TIP OF THE THUMB AUX.

#14-67, VFW

The January meeting of the Tip of the Thumb Auxiliary #14-67 VFW was called to order on Jan. 28 by President Phyllis Vollick at the VFW Hall.

Chaplain Eleanor Trout read the opening prayer, followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. National General Order #3 and Michigan Messenger were read. Several flyers pertaining to the following events were read.

The District 10 meeting Feb. 9 at Inlay City, at which time Department President Ferne Jack will make her official visit.

The National President’s visit to Michigan will be April 7 with a banquet planned for April 8 at the Corp. Neti W. Reid Post #2356 at 6 p.m. in Rossville. A Testimonial Dinner Dance honoring State President Ferne Jack at the Vintage House, Fraser, on Saturday, March 14 at 6 p.m.

The group voted to set Feb. 15 as the date for a Potluck Fun Night with the Post at 6 p.m.

Members decided to have a Craft Show on April 11 from 9 a.m. with Beth Schmitt hosting the event.

Chaplain Trout read the closing prayer and the meeting adjourned to reopen on Feb. 15 at 7:30.

CASEVILLE RETIREMENT CLUB

The Caseville Retirement Club had their monthly potluck dinner and meeting on Jan. 27 with 111 members in attendance. New member Carolyn Ryon was welcomed into the club.

Vice President Mike Scally conducted the meeting in the absence of Ed White. Any

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Baby Grand Piano Duet concert set

Lakotas of the travel committee gave final details on the Cabin Fever Breakout in Michigan to those who will be attending in February. He also told about the trip planned to Ohio on April 7 and 8 to Amish Acres and the Campbell Soup factory tour, with lunch planned at Tory Pack’s.

Those celebrating birthdays are Heleno Bura, Veronica Libson, Dorothy Gogola, Ed White and Lucy Piciure. Louis and Maxine LeDuc celebrated their anniversary.

It was reported that Henry Zakrow was in surgery on Jan. 29 at St. Mary’s Hospital and that Marge Heckman is recuperating at home.

PIGEON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Pigeon Historical Society met Jan. 27, 1992 at the Pigeon Village Hall with 13 members present.

Vice President Iva Brown opened the meeting with the Pledge to the Flag.

The Nominating Committee presented the slate of officers for the coming year to be elected at the annual meeting in March. Membership for the 1991-92 year numbered 50.

The Artistic Committee has begun making plans for displays to be shown during the summer.

The meeting closed with the members sharing some of their personal historical items.

The annual meeting of the Pigeon Historical Society will be Monday, March 30, 1992. The public is invited to attend.

PIANISTS Pam Duley and Mindy Sutherland are rehearsing for their upcoming Baby Grand Piano Duet Concert on Sunday, Feb. 16 at 7:30 p.m. at Lakeview School, sponsored by Baywater Youth for Christ. The concert time was incorrectly reported in last week’s edition.

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Bay Port Girl Scouts hold Flag Ceremony

Bay Port Girl Scouts held their annual "Flag Ceremony" on Wednesday, Feb. 11, at 7 p.m. Some 250 Girl Scouts and their parents attended the ceremony, which was held at the Bay Port High School auditorium.

Mrs. Floyd Cillman and President of the Bay Port PTA, Mrs. Marjorie Cillman, were on hand to present the flags to the Girl Scouts. The ceremony was also for the dedication of the new auditorium. Mrs. Cillman presented the flags to the Girl Scouts, and they were joined by their parents and other guests.

Pigeon folks visit and travel

The Pigeon Community is planning a trip to the Great Smoky Mountains this spring. The trip will include a visit to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, which is one of the most beautiful areas in the United States. The trip will also include a visit to the nearby city of Gatlinburg, which is known for its vibrant atmosphere and many attractions.

'Odd Couple' coming to PACP

The Odd Couple is coming to the PACP (Pigeon Arts and Cultural Programming) on Friday, March 6. The play will be performed by a local theater group, and it promises to be a fun and entertaining evening.

Local skiers ski for ACS

Local skiers are raising money for the American Cancer Society's annual Ski for Sight event. The event takes place on March 10 at the Bay Port High School. Skiers will be Skiing down the slopes and raising money for a good cause.

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Woods & Waters

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SUMMARY

A page from the 1992 Woods & Waters magazine, featuring articles on outdoor activities, nature, and wildlife.

OUTDOOR REPORT

Fishing seasons are set for the past weekend: land of anger and the frozen feet, fishing, winter. The ice fishing enthusiasts, especially those of the region, were generally expected and exciting. However, some enthusiasts reported great success on their first attempts.

PRESCHOOL STORY: "COUNTRY CAT"

The theme for the Tug and Trackers Preschool Story will be "Valentine's Day" and "Catching the Country Cat." This year's story will be "Catching the Country Cat." Despite the challenges, children will enjoy the stories and activities, and will learn about the importance of protecting wildlife.

FILM FEST

The Pigeon District Library is showing a film to the public on February 9th from 1 to 3 p.m. The film will be "The Last Snow of the Fall Season."

FUTURE DREAMS

When young people start to make their decisions about the future, school officials say, the children's dreams and aspirations will shape their lives. The Pigeon Township School District is one of the few districts that have implemented a "Dream Day" program.

VALIENTE FACTS

The community, in conjunction with United States Fish and Wildlife Service, has marked the occasion of the 200th anniversary of the Pigeon Township District Library. The Library is planning a series of events and activities to commemorate this milestone.

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Longtime member of the Michigan United Methodist Church, where she taught Sunday School and was a church pianist. She was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Church and was a member of the church.
Sen. Barcia explains Dem primary plans

LANSING—State Senator James Barcia, D-Day City, announced that individuals who wish to vote Democratic will be able to declare that party preference when they go to the polls during the 1992 Primary.

"The same-day party declaration for Democratic voters is a result of change in the state Democratic Party rules," Senator Barcia said.

"The Republican Party is expected to make a decision soon on whether to adopt a similar same-day declaration rule", he added.

Primary voters must be registered by February 18.

Rep. Allen favors open state G.O.P. primary


The two lawmakers are co-sponsors of legislation by Michigan Republican House members which calls for the elimination of the closed primary system in Michigan. House Republicans twice last week failed in their attempts to discharge from committee the legislation that would allow residents to vote without having to declare a party affiliation.

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