

The Newsweekly's 1993 Christmas Wishes

Pigeon 2nd Grade: Mrs. Gardner

DEAR SANTA: Hope you have a Merry Christmas! Hope you won't get stuck on Christmas. I wish for Parquetry blocks.
Love, JOEL MILLER

DEAR SANTA:

I would like a Game Boy, a Nerf Gun. I want to go to all the states in the U.S. I would like to have a million dollars, own some cottages, have a big house, a big yard and a big tree house.
TROY LEIPPRANDT

DEAR SANTA: I would like you to make my brother and Grandpa better, so David will not have to wear glasses

and Grandpa will not have to limp on his leg.
Love, MELISSA GILBERT

DEAR SANTA: I would like Kitten Surprise, a quad-wheeler and Magic Bottle Twins for Christmas.
Love, KAYLA WERNER

DEAR SANTA: I have three gifts and they are:

roller blades, a bulletin board and a light for my room.
Love, JESSICA THICK

DEAR SANTA: I would like the Snardvark Game, a telescope, the Don't Go to Jail game and a microscope. I hope everyone has a good Christmas!
ERIC PITTS

DEAR SANTA: For Christmas I would like a Bow-Wow Boutique. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas!
LAUREN MCCORMICK

DEAR SANTA: These are my presents I want. I want erector set 2, a 22-caliber gun and ice bullets.
Your Friend,
A.J. SWARTZENDRUBER

DEAR SANTA: Merry Christmas! I would like new roller blades and a new bike. I would like a doll, but my Mom won't let me have one.
KELSEY MCCORMICK

DEAR SANTA: I would like a troll Barbaie, a Barbie pool, a Sega Genesis.
Your Friend,
REBECCA DUBS

DEAR SANTA: I only want three things: a Game Gear, with a game, a Dairy Farm set and ice skates.
CODY LEIPPRANDT

DEAR SANTA: I would like the Snardvark games. I would like a hamster. Where do you live? P.S. Please get my Mom a white fluffy doggie.
ASHLEY CLABUESCH

DEAR SANTA: I wish everybody gets what they want, but I want Penny Play Pen Set, roller blades, Trolls Barbie,

Sega Genesis and Barbie pool.
THERESA TORRES

DEAR SANTA: I have been a good boy. I want a Miami Dolphins hat. I want a TV and a Sega Genesis, Santa.
Your Friend, KYLE EDLER

DEAR SANTA: I hope you make it through the snow with your reindeer. If you do, I want a Sega Genesis and please bring a real football! I hope

you make it through the snow so you can bring us more toys to play with.

ERIC NIESCHULZ
DEAR SANTA, How's Mrs. Claus? Please help the people that were flooded by the Mississippi River. They need to rebuild their houses. And help the people in California, take some snow to them. And for me, I want a Game Gear.
Your Friend,
KAYCI BOUCK

PS: How are your reindeer doing?

DEAR SANTA, I want a bow and arrows, a stuffed animal, power tools, a NES and Sega Games. Is Mrs. Claus all right? I have been a good boy, I hope you can bring me a few of these presents.
I hope you have a Merry Christmas and happy New Year.
Sincerely, SCOTT HAGAN
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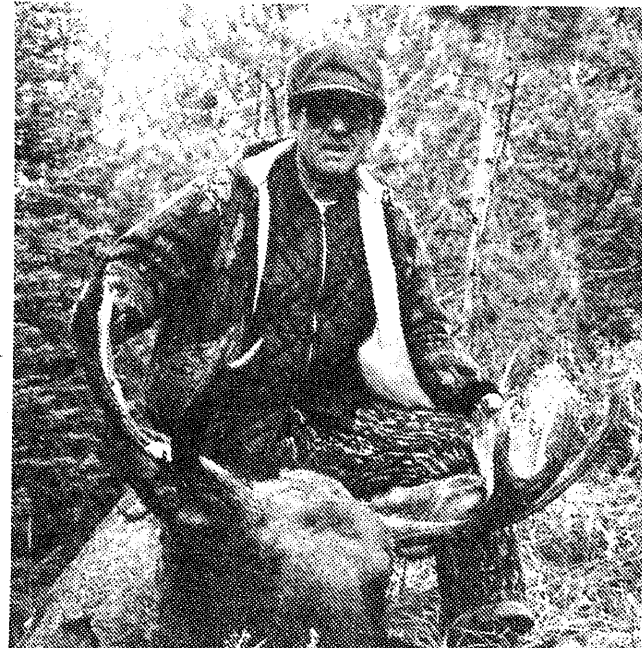
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Ron Heckman bags moose in Wyoming

The 1993 hunting season is history for many local hunters, but for Pigeon resident Ron Heckman, it will remain a memorable event.



PIGEON'S RON HECKMAN and his moose.

Heckman traveled to Jackson, WY in October to hunt moose. His trip was a success, with Heckman bagging a Shira Moose.

The planning process of the trip was as enjoyable as the trip itself, according to Heckman. The trip was the fulfillment of a lifelong dream for Heckman.

About two years ago, he attended a seminar held in Saginaw by the person who would be his hunting guide in Wyoming.

When it became apparent that a trip may be possible, he began regular contacts with his guide, then the logistics of applying for a license began.

Only 45 licenses are issued for the area in which the hunt would take place in Wyoming. After several delays by the Gaming Commission, Heckman was notified he was successful in the draw.

The fun of planning the actual trip came next. Heckman made contacts with the airlines, regarding rules on transporting firearms and the possibility of returning home with packaged game, etc.

Finally, the long-awaited departure date came on Oct. 13. Heckman left Tri-City Airport, then flew onto Cleveland, OH, Denver, CO and finally, Jackson, WY.

He was thrilled to spend time in Denver with approximately 50 hunters, all headed for various areas in Wyoming. Once he arrived in Wyoming, he was transported from the airport to the ranch.

Seven hunters made up the group he would live with for the next seven days. Out of the seven, Heckman was the only one hunting moose. Accommodations were unique, with running hot water and outdoor facilities. Meals were prepared by a camp cook.

Heckman's months of physical training paid off, as the

meat ready for shipping.

Even the bone was removed to make it lighter for transporting. Since Heckman already has a mounted moose head shot by his late father, Arnold Heckman, many years ago, he only brought the Antlers back to Michigan.

The remaining six hunters in camp were also successful in bagging six bull elk. "It was the fulfillment of a dream for me," said Heckman. "As I look back at the trip, I'm in awe of the whole experience I had."

M.A.S.T. plans several activities

Ministries for Adult Singles of the Thumb (M.A.S.T.) has several events planned for December.

There is a Christmas potluck with a white elephant gift exchange 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 25, at the Our Savior Lutheran Church, Bad Axe. For details, call Patty at 872-3253 or Ed at 269-6596.

A "Fun, Sun & Hawaii" party is planned for New Year's Eve. Details: Rosie, 658-8784.

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DEAR SANTA,
I wish that I would get the Real Power Tool Shop. I hope the poor get some food all over the world.
Your Friend,
CHASE WEBBER



Land for this year's Christmas.
BRYAN ANDERSON

DEAR SANTA,
Are your reindeer going roller blading this year? My baby sister moved to my house, so please deliver her gifts to my house.
I would like a three set train, a new sleigh for the snow and the three in one tournament table.
Love,
ADAM ARMBRUSTER

DEAR SANTA,
I want a Dr. Shockbike for Christmas. Also I want a lot of cards, especially baseball cards. But most of all I want to be with my dad, so, so, so much. I'm sure the rest of my family would too.
Sincerely,
KYLE STEELE

DEAR SANTA:
I want three things: I want a drum set. I want roller blades. I want a magic set.
DEREK SHETLER

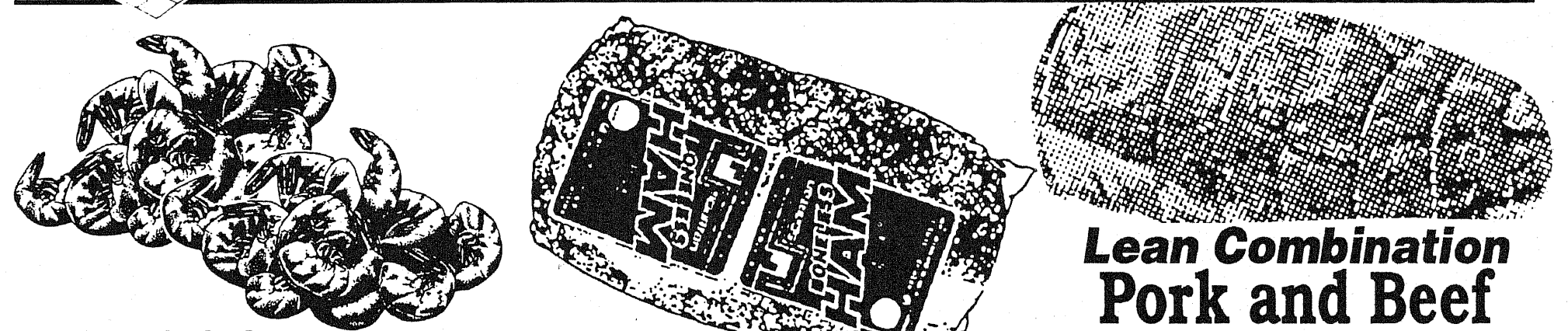
DEAR SANTA,
I wish the people in Somalia have a nice Christmas. I hope they have peace. I hope they have fun. I would like a Sega Genesis.
Your Friend,
LANCE SWARTZENDRUBER

Pigeon 3rd
Grade: Mrs. Gehrs

DEAR SANTA,
I want a 6x6, a Super Soaker 3000 and a Fast Trax.
ANDREW ROWE

DEAR SANTA,
How's the weather up there? It must be pretty cold huh? If you have been watching, you know we are making gingerbread houses. It was fun!
I would like a Polly Pocket, six rooms, roller blades and a kaleidoscope for Christmas. Merry Christmas and thank you!
KARIANNE YACKLE

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DEAR SANTA, How is Mrs. Claus? I would like a teddy bear for Christmas. Love, BRYNN FORMAN

DEAR SANTA, I will leave you a sled for Christmas and I would like Hollywood Barbie. Love, HEATHER MAXWELL

And, I would like roller blades. Love, AMANDA SPRAGUE

DEAR SANTA, How are you? I hope you are happy. I would like a set of Legos and a surprise. Love, JASON SMITH

Christmas? I want a space ship. Can I have a Ninja Turtle? Love, GREGORY PITTS

DEAR SANTA, How are you doing? Will you please bring me Legos. My sister would like a charm necklace. See you soon! Love, BRAD HAZARD

DEAR SANTA, How is Mrs. Claus? I want a surprise. I want you to come Santa. Love, JESSE TURNER

DEAR SANTA, Do you like cookies and Mrs. Claus? I would like a model for my brother called Eric. Love, CHRIS HEINTZ

DEAR SANTA, I'm going to leave you something different but you might like it, ok? If you have time I would like My Size Barbie. Love, LAUREN ROWE

DEAR SANTA, Mrs. Claus and Santa, I would like Roller Blade Barbie and something else, a doll. Love, RACHEL SWARTZENDRUBER

DEAR SANTA, I would like a few surprises. How is Mrs. Clause doing? Love, BEN WALSH

DEAR SANTA, This year I would like My Size Barbie doll and how are you and Mrs. Claus? Love, SHANNON DAMM

DEAR SANTA, How are you doing today? Can you bring me a special present? Love, BRODY BEACHY

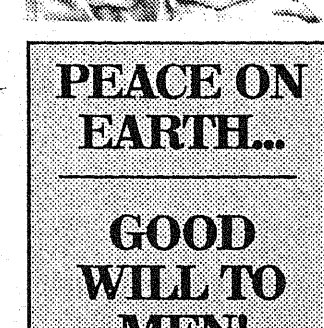
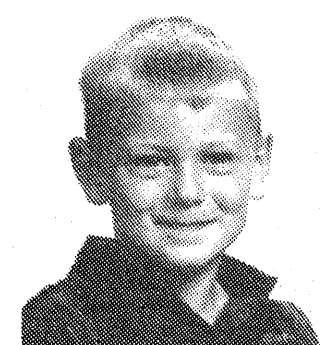
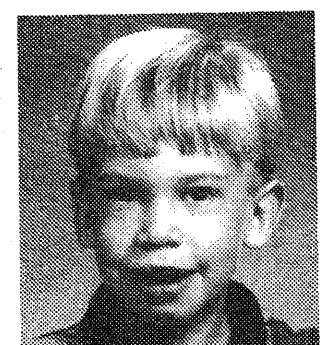
DEAR SANTA, I am going to leave you cookies and milk but I think the cookies are going to be shaped like reindeer. I would like New Born Baby. She is nice. Love, JANELLE EILE

DEAR SANTA, Would you like to bring a big surprise for me? I want a fire truck. Love, JORDAN GONZALES

DEAR SANTA, You are the best Santa I ever saw. That is why I like Christmas. Love, KAYLA WISENBAUGH

I am waiting for Christmas. I am excited. Have a merry Christmas. Love, KAYLA WISENBAUGH

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Thumb Area Obituaries

CARL E. LOEWE 1928 - 1993

Long-time community leader Carl E. Loewe, 65 of Port Austin, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 15 at his home, following a long illness. He was born March 1, 1928 in Hazel Park, son of the late Oscar P. and Philomena (Heyer) Loewe. He was united in marriage to Mary E. Everton on Aug. 13, 1949 in Detroit, and the family moved to Port Austin from Berkeley in 1963. He owned and operated the Village Butcher in Port Austin for 23 years and was active in many civic groups, including the Port Austin Village Council, Chamber of Commerce and Sewer/Water Authority. He was active in establishing the Scheurer Hospital Medical Clinic in Port Austin and served on the Scheurer Hospital Board. Survivors include his wife Mary, plus four daughters, including Mrs. Allen (Terry) Collision of Pigeon; and four sons, including Timothy and wife Betty of Linkville. Funeral services were conducted at St. Michael's Catholic Church of Port Austin on Saturday, Dec. 18. The Rev. Robert Shine officiated, with burial in the church cemetery. Knockout Funeral Home of Kinde handled arrangements.

FLORENCE F. TURNER 1901 - 1993

Florence F. Turner, 92 of Pigeon, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 14 at Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, following a two-year illness. She was born April 18, 1901 in Pigeon, daughter of the late William and Jerusha (Turner) McPherson. She married Leo Vincent Turner on Nov. 22, 1922 in Moosejaw, Saskatchewan, Canada. He preceded her in death on Feb. 6, 1967. Mrs. Turner had been employed at the Seonice Convalescent Home in Pigeon for 15 years before retiring in 1971. She was a member of the Scheurer Hospital Ladies Auxiliary. Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Glenn (Victoria) Turner, Pigeon; daughter-in-law Lorraine Turner, Troy; eight grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; three nephews and one niece. One son, Ronald Turner; one sister, Winifred Russell and four brothers, John, Neebett, Winifred and Jess McPherson all preceded her in death. Funeral services were conducted on Thursday, Dec. 16 at the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home in Pigeon. Rev. Steven A. Miller officiated with cremation following at the Sunset Valley Crematory in Bay City. Those planning an expression of sympathy may consider the Salam United Methodist Church of the Scheurer Hospital Auxiliary.

MARGUERITE H. SNIDER 1897 - 1993

Marguerite H. Snider, 96 of Clinton Twp., formerly of Sand Point, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 14 at St. John-Bon Secour Senior Community Center in Detroit, following a brief illness.

She was born Nov. 1, 1897 in Huron County, daughter of the late Joseph and Anabel (Kerr) Heaton. She was united in marriage to John H. Snider on June 22, 1917 in Elkton. He preceded her in death on May 17, 1968. Mrs. Snider was a member of St. John Episcopal Church, Sand Point. She is survived by two daughters and their spouses, Jeane (Wilmot) LeRoy, Clinton Twp. and Jacqueline (Arthur) Freeman, Leesburg, FL; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. One grandson, Robert Freeman and one sister, Hazel Prast, preceded her in death. The funeral service took place on Friday, Dec. 17 at 11 a.m. at St. John Episcopal Church, Sand Point. Rev. Ellen C. Rutherford officiated with burial in the Soulebury Cemetery in Elkton. The Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home of Pigeon was in charge of arrangements. Those wishing to extend an expression of sympathy may consider St. John Episcopal Church, Sand Point or St. Michael Episcopal Church, Grosse Pointe Woods.

GENIEVE MARIE COLBECK 1914 - 1993

Genevieve M. Colbeck, 79 of Caseville, passed away Sunday morning, Dec. 19 at Bay Medical Center, Bay City, following a short illness. She was born Jan. 12, 1914 in Detroit, daughter of the late George and Bernadette (Martinez) Brace. On Sept. 21, 1948 she was united in marriage to Victor Colbeck in Detroit. He preceded her in death Feb. 23, 1984. Mrs. Colbeck lived in Detroit until 1967 when the couple moved to Caseville. She was a member of St. Roch Catholic Church, the Fraternal Order of Eagles Auxiliary and the Caseville Retirement Club, and a past member of the Caseville Library Club. Surviving are two daughters, Jean (Mike) Hatch of Caseville and Kaye (Chuck) Colbeck of Milford; five grandchildren and her sister, Jean Dupuis of West Olive. A Funeral Mass will be conducted on Wednesday, Dec. 22 at 11 a.m. Fr. Dennis Kucharczyk, pastor, will officiate with burial in the church cemetery. A Parish Scripture Service will be conducted Tuesday, Dec. 21 at 7:30 p.m.

Other Thumb Area deaths

Donald McKim, 55, Dwight Township, passed away Dec. 15. Carl Loewa, 65, Port Austin, passed away Dec. 15.

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at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Caseville. Friends may call from 1 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and at the church from 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, until the time of services. A Memorial may be given to the Salvation Army.

ESTHER L. SCHECK 1910-1993

Esther L. Scheck, 83, widow of Pastor E. W. Scheck and a longtime resident of this area, died Sunday afternoon, Dec. 19, at Martin Luther Memorial Home, South Haven, following a brief illness. She was born March 16, 1910, in Chicago, the daughter of Carl and Martha (Schinke) Beutler. She was married to Rev. Elmer W. Scheck on Aug. 4, 1928, in Chicago. They lived at Beach where Pastor Scheck served St. Peter's Lutheran Church, and later the couple moved to Sebawaing where Pastor Scheck was assistant while his son, Rev. Elmer E. Scheck, was pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church. Pastor Scheck preceded his wife in death on June 26, 1983. Mrs. Scheck was a member of Immanuel Church, Sebawaing, its Ladies Aid, the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Valpo Guild and Mary Martha Guild. Surviving are two daughters and three sons and their spouses: Irene and Robert Laatsch of Bay City, Dorothy and Glen Hessler of Redwood City, CA, Rev. Elmer E. and Jackie Scheck of Milwaukee, Donald E. and Audrey Scheck of Aurora, CO, and Daniel and Barbara Scheck of Kalamazoo, 23 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, a half-sister, Hazel of Chicago and a half-brother, Ervin of Newton, IA. A brother, Carl Beutler, and a half-brother, August Beutler, preceded her in death. The funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 22, in Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sebawaing. Rev. Martin Hagenow will officiate with burial in the church cemetery. Friends may call at Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home, Sebawaing, from 2-9 p.m. Tuesday (today). She will lie in state at the church from 9:30 a.m. Wednesday until the time of service. Those wishing to offer memorials are invited to consider Immanuel Church.

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The Newsweekly's Thumb-Area Calendar

Tuesday, Dec. 21 - Caseville Historical Society Meets

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. with a change in location. They will be held at the Village Recreation Building on Clay Street, under the watertower. Members hope to increase their numbers to work on the acquisition of the Crawford House.

Tuesday, Dec. 21 - Owen-Gage school schedule

Christmas vacation in the Owen-Gage School District begins at the end of day and classes resume Monday, Jan. 3.

Wednesday, Dec. 22 - USA holiday schedule

Christmas vacation begins at the end of the day and classes resume Tuesday, Jan. 4.

Saturday, Dec. 25 - Christmas

Tuesday, Dec. 28 - Winter Family Picnic

Huron County Nature Center invites families to enjoy a winter picnic and hike at 12 noon. Participants should bring a meat to grill. Nature Center Board will provide drinks and dessert.

Thursday, Dec. 30 - Tuscola Commissioners meet

Because of the holidays, the second monthly meeting of the Tuscola County Commissioners has been changed to 9 a.m. from Tuesday, Dec. 28. Also, the annual re-organization of the board is scheduled for that date.

Saturday, Jan. 1 - New Year's Day

Sun., Jan. 2 - Feb. 6 - Free financial seminar at Wisner

A free six-part Financial Guide Seminar for singles and couples begins at Wisner United Methodist Church, N. Vassar Road, Wisner at 9:30 a.m. and runs for six consecutive Sundays. Details: 691-5555.

Tuesday, Jan. 4 - school resumes

Classes resume in the USA School District.

Wednesday, Jan. 5 - Financial aid meeting at USA

USA High School will host a financial aid meeting at the high

school cafeteria at 7 p.m. Bruce Goodburne, associate director of financial aid at Delta College, is the guest speaker.

Students (and parents) who plan to attend college or vocational school in the fall should attend, and learn the types of financial aid which are available, how to complete application forms and the financial aid process works.

Thursday, Jan. 6 - Financial Aid Workshop

Elkton - Pigeon - Bay Port "Laker" School District will host a Financial Aid Workshop 7 p.m. at the high school.

Monday, Jan. 10 - USA board meeting

Regular monthly meeting for the USA Board of Education will begin at 6:45 p.m. rather than at 7 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 10 - Financial Aid Workshop

Caseville Public School will host a Financial Aid Workshop 7 p.m. at the high school.

Monday, Jan. 10 - Scheurer Hospital Aux. meets

"Visitor's Day" will be the theme of the 1:30 p.m. meeting in the hospital classroom, with members encouraged to bring guests. The program will include a tour of hospital equipment purchased by the auxiliary of the hospital just west of Pigeon.

Tuesdays, starting Jan. 11 - Boating safety classes

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Sebewaing Flotilla, will host 12-week boating classes at USA High School. Classes start at 7 p.m. Details, call 375-2470, 673-4734, 269-6614, 674-8658 or 883-2843.

Calendar Deadline: Thursdays at 5:00 p.m.

Moravian Putz

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their own unique traditions, the Unionville Moravians share their Love Feast with the eating of a Moravian Sugar Cake and the drinking of hot chocolate.

Four couples will serve the feast, with the women attired in simple dress reminiscent of the early 1800s and the men wearing a simple vest over a white shirt.

"This signifies the emphasis on simplicity, which is one of reasons John Hus broke away from the Catholic Church in the 1400s and started the Moravian Church," explains Pastor Weavil, who carries a wealth of knowledge about church history.

Many women in the Moravian Church own their own traditional garb to wear at these special times.

The Love Feast itself is a Service of Song with most of the worship consisting of traditional Christmas Hymns. The Junior Choir will sing at the 4:30 p.m. service, as well.

The Christmas Eve service will also feature the giving of a trimmed beeswax candle to each worshipper, following a tradition started in 1741.

Because of the strong Lutheran tradition in the Western Thumb Area, the Unionville church has adopted similarities to Lutheran traditions and cordially invites people of all denominations to worship

Sebewaing winners:

Last week's Christmas Drawing winners are: Jim Fritz, Greg Fuerst, Heather Sprague, Ruthann Schumacher, Eva Goslin, Terri Sommer and Dave Good.

Merry Christmas!

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WEDNESDAY NITE MEN'S

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Porky's	25.5
FBI Guys	24.0
Paul's Serv/Mkt	24.0
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Trapper John's	17.0
High team series and game: Paul's Service 2441, Ed's Bar 851.	
High individual series and game: P. Goslin 596-234, 214, D. Roller 209, D. Kain 201, E. Kata 200.	

THURSDAY NITE MEN'S

Unionville 12/9	
Paul's Serv/Mkt	32
McAlpine Ins.	30
Roy's Serv.	29
Ed's Bar	28
Trapper John's	26
Trapper Jr.	24
Sebewaing Auto	23
High team series and game: McAlpine Ins. 2636-892.	
High individual series and game: L. Albrecht 600-225, D. Barrigar 571, J. Kata 229, E. Kata & D. Poole 212, M. Katzinger 200.	

THURSDAY A.M. LADIES

Gateway, Unionville 12/9	
Blazers	32 20
Country Ladies	28 24
Turtles	24 28
Merry Makers	20 32
High team series and game: Blazers 1320, Turtles 486.	
High individual series and game: P. Parsell 500-218	
Splits: M. Schwartz and B. Comment 5-7.	

MONDAY NIGHT LADIES

Unionville 12/13	
Amer. Legion Aux. 421	38.5
Schmidt's	28.5
Thomas Marine	28.0
Deisler's	17.0
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The Newsweekly's 1993 Christmas Memories

HER BROTHER CAME FOR CHRISTMAS

By **TERI HOLLAND, Sebewaing**

My brother Jim was in the Navy and stationed in Norfolk, VA. He called and told me he was coming home for the holidays. It was going to be a surprise for the rest of the family.

Christmas was at my sister Debbie's that year. I spent the night on her sofa—and when I awoke early Christmas morning, there was Jimmy in a sleeping bag, asleep under the tree.

I will never forget the looks on everyone's faces when they saw what Santa delivered.

The two gifts Jim brought home that I remember most was the electric can opener he handed me unwrapped and the ceramic goose he gave Deb, that she couldn't live without!

There were lots of joyful tears from Mom and the whole family had a special Christmas.

Now that Jim is gone from our world and living in a better place, I will remember Christmas 1987 forever.

It makes me smile to remember how happy we all were together that day and leaves a lasting memory in my heart!



A CHRISTMAS ENGAGEMENT GIFT

By **MILDRED KAIN, Fillon**

In December, 1942, the bashful young man whom I dated before he was inducted into the Army, was home on a brief Christmas leave.

So we could share more of that time, he asked me to spend Christmas Day at his family gathering. After dinner, he took me to a quiet corner, drew a small box from his pocket, removed a diamond ring from it and asked me to be his bride.

Guess what? I accepted! Our honeymoon was a trip to New Jersey, where he was stationed.

On June 12, 1993, we joyfully celebrated our 50th Anniversary with our three sons, two daughters-in-law and three grandchildren.

Upon reaching our 100th Anniversary on June 12, 2043 (????), we'll invite all residents of Huron County to be our dinner guests - if you remind us of this promise, OK?

CAROLING MAKES CHRISTMAS MERRY

By **GEORGE KEIM, Bay Port**

I went Christmas Caroling often when I was a young man, but one time six of us young people went caroling and stopped at 56 places! It was a nice evening and we

didn't get home 'til 2 a.m.

One old man said he heard us, but before he could get his pants on, we were gone! He said he thought he heard the angels singing.

MY CHRISTMAS LETTER

By **RICHARD WROBLESKI, teacher Immanuel Lutheran School, Sebewaing**

Giving of yourself so as to brighten up someone else's celebration of Christmas - that is what makes Christmas more complete for me.

About 20 years ago, I was moved by news reports of the poverty conditions in the Appalachian region of Kentucky. With the encouragement of my church's Couples' Club, I set out to conduct a toys/shoes/boots collection in the Sebewaing Area.

The community was most supportive. The students at Immanuel School were immediately involved in promotion, donations and Kentucky Carnivals.

Several seventh and eighth grade youngsters got to go along with their teacher as we personally delivered the items just in time for holiday giving. This project was repeated for several years with similar positive results.

Want to get satisfaction on time well spent? Get involved and serve others.

As the Babe in the manger said after He grew up: "Whatever you did for one of the

least of these brothers of mine, you did for Me." (Matthew 25:40)

SANTA DRIVES A '56 CHEVY!

By **ELYSE ROOK, Holly**

At the age of six, Christmas Eve was very special to me at Grandma and Grandpa Gaeth's house on E. Main St., Sebewaing.

My parents, Art and Dorothy Rook, told Doug, Anita and me, that they thought they heard "Jingle Bells" outside.

Suddenly, the door to the sunporch burst open with numerous "Ho, ho, ho's." I couldn't stop staring at his beard, black buckle boots and smiling, friendly, somewhat friendly eyes.

"Nope! This guy was the real Santa. And he stopped to see me!"

After a short chat upon his lap, he made a quick departure, leaving some candy canes and gifts for us three.

I stormed to the front picture window, longing to see the sleigh and reindeer. To my surprise, I remember screeching:

"Mom, Dad, Santa's getting into a '56 Chevy!"

I'm still confused... was it really him?

Note to Babe Schmidt: Was your entire family home for the Eve before Christmas in 1956? Just wondering...

THE HOMEMADE DOLLHOUSE

By **STACEY HOLLAND, Bay Port**

I have so many precious memories of Christmas, but that Christmas 14 years ago brings back the warmest feelings.

Our family wasn't the wealthiest, but on Christmas we always got what we asked for. That Christmas I asked for a doll house - the one 10 year olds dream about in store windows.

Well, I didn't get it. What I did get was a huge dollhouse made by my Mom and Grandpa with their love.

It must have taken forever to make, but forever I'll have it, and so will my daughter.

A SAD, BUT HAPPY CHRISTMAS MEMORY

By **JEANNETTE McDONALD, Owendale**

As Christmas approaches and we are in the midst of the Advent Season, I often think of my parents, especially my Mom, who for all the years we children were growing up, did so much for the family to make it a special Christmas - even though money was a scarce item.

I especially think of her very last Christmas, and the strength of her love for her

children.

Mom entered the hospital with a very weakened heart in December, 1985 and was very critical. Doctors told her family that her prognosis was not very good. One day her kidneys started to fail and we all thought this was it.

The doctor tried a new drug and it worked. She snapped out of that crisis, only to go into a coma another day. The family and pastor were called to the hospital. The evening came and I chose to stay with Mom while the family went home to rest.

While I sat in a chair beside her bed, I thought many thoughts as she lay so still.

She awoke, saw me sitting there and said, "What are you doing here? You should be home sleeping! (She realized I too was in need of rest, having had major surgery a few weeks before)"

"I am not going to die yet," she said. "You children aren't going to have such sad memories during the holidays."

She didn't. **We all were** able to spend Christmas with our children, with many visits to the hospital to spend the last few days with our dear Mother and Grandmother.

In January, 1986, she quietly fell asleep and we laid her to rest Jan. 11, in this a new year.

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We wish all of our employees and their families a Happy and Joyous Holiday Season

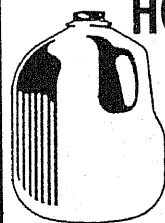
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FAMILY CIRCLE SHINES BRIGHTLY

By JILL LINDENBERG, Quanicasso

Every Christmas Eve our family would attend the candlelight services at church. I especially enjoyed forming a circle around the sanctuary and singing "Silent Night." Then we would continue the candle glow at home.

No one was allowed to turn on a light. Mom had candles in every room and we would get ready for bed by the warm glow of candles and the lights of the Christmas trees.

To this day, it is still my favorite part of the holidays and we have instilled the tradition in our home.

THAT "CHARLIE" TREE NEEDED LOVE

By JENNIFER WISSNER, Owendale (daughter of Kenneth and Susan Error)

My most memorable Christmas revolved around a tree, "Charlie Brown's Christmas Tree," or so it was dubbed by my older brother. The exact year remains unclear - perhaps 1970 or 1971. With only one photo of the event, it is a mystery.

My Dad had the wonderful idea that the top of a huge Douglas Fir would be the perfect Christmas tree for us. The

tree was huge - at least three stories high - with the problem being how to cut this "perfect tree."

We waited and waited for Dad to get around to cutting the tree until it was almost Christmas. The family gathered around the tree located in the front lawn of our neighbor, who had agreed that the tree needed to be "trimmed," as it was getting out of hand.

Up my Dad climbed the tree, saw and rope in hand. We watched patiently as he tied the rope to the top portion of the tree and balanced himself in the limbs of this huge tree - away he sawed.

The tree fell, the rope held, but either the rope was too long or the tree was shorter than anticipated. This beautiful Douglas Fir crashed to the ground, breaking the end-

MY MOST SURPRISING GIFT EVER

By ANNIE LUNDBERG, 7th Grade

I started writing about my family's Christmas traditions. Four pages later I decided that my family has so many traditions at Christmas that I could probably write a book. Because my teacher probably does not want a book I better just write about my most surprising gift from last year.

After we thought we were done opening presents my grandparents handed an envelope to my brother, sister, five cousins and me and said "open it."

Inside were pieces to a puzzle. We started putting it together, but with eight of us fighting over the pieces we

never did get it together. But we did figure out it was a picture of a Yamaha wave runner.

To end this story this summer out in the water in front of my house were two wave runners. Not tow pictures of wave runners, but the real things!

One thing about the tree, everyone commented on it at Christmas. It almost jumped out at you and said "Hello." One relative commented that the tree "looked like it wanted to hug you."

And so the tree was called a "Charlie Brown" Christmas Tree that our family will never forget.

When I looked in the big fenced-in area, I saw the most beautiful girl pups. We walked into choose a puppy and all of them were jumping around and chewing on our shoelaces. The Airdale we

chose was so cute. While we were carrying our puppy to get it registered, we saw her huge mother and father. They were very tall and looked tough. The lady told us that our dog's grandparents were championship show dogs. We could see our puppy was coming from a good background.

We couldn't figure out what to name her until about a week later. We finally named her Victoria but we called her Tory for short.

I loved my dog up until the day she died about a year and a half ago. This tragic accident happened in June a couple of days before school was out and a week or so before she would have turned two years old.

My brother was bringing her into the house when she ran out into the road. I was the only one to see her when she got hit by the car. It shoved her to the other side of the road. She died about a half an hour or so later.

My family got a new dog, though, about 10 months ago.

His name is Anton and he's a very wonderful Airdale. But the memories of Tory will never be taken from me.

magic snow from the North Pole so it did not melt. The foot prints were not the size of my dad's boot, so I thought it was really Sant's footprints. A couple years ago I asked my mom how she did it. She took flour and made it kind of wet and put it in the fridge for awhile and made it cold and took my grandpa's old boots and made foot prints. That was my best Christmas time ever.

MY FIRST DOG

By DANIELLE LENAR

The day I got my first dog was wonderful. My mom, brother and I were riding down to stay with a friend in Detroit.

We stopped by a kennel in Flint where my mom had gotten her first Airdale. We met a nice lady that took us to where the puppies were.

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MY CHRISTMAS TO COME

By KATIE LISOWSKI, 7th Grade

This Christmas is going to be a totally different and totally special one. First of all this year my mom got remarried and we have a whole new family, complete with nine people.

It will be our first Christmas together and it should be fun and interesting. Also it should be very special for all of us. It is going to be fun and special because we are going to Florida for Christmas week and celebrating Christmas there.

Spending so much time together may get quite hectic or even very frustrating, but we are a family now and sometimes that's what it's all about. I hope that next year this year's Florida trip will be my favorite Christmas memory. I

also hope that our "new" family will have many more happy memories together.

together. But that Christmas we did not argue about anything. Like every Christmas we were going to my grandparents' house after church. We were the last to arrive at my grandparents house. We were all hungry, so we ate a little before we opened all of our presents.

Then we all gathered in the living room so we could open all of our presents. Normally we would have argued about who got the best presents, but this time no one said anything about whose gifts were better.

This may not seem like much of a Christmas present but if you could spend one holiday with my family you would know why this seemed like a great Christmas present!

My funniest Christmas was when there was no snow in Michigan. I was so disappointed. We were going to South Carolina for Christmas. The farther south we drove, the colder it was. When we got to Charleston, South Carolina, there was eight inches of snow!

We took pictures of palm trees with snow on them. I was so happy that I was going to have a white Christmas after all!

The best Christmas present I've ever received was when my whole family forgot about all of their problems and got along for this one holiday, Christmas!

You see my family doesn't get along when we are all

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also hope that our "new" family will have many more happy memories together.

WHY I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS CHRISTMAS

By Sarah Ruth, 7th Grade

I'm looking forward to this Christmas because I'll be going to my grandma and grandpa's house. All my aunts, uncles and cousins will be there too.

We'll all eat dinner at the same time. A little while later we'll go in the garage and try to break a pinata. After that we play games, hang out and talk.

If the kids are lucky, my Uncle Ron will come out and chase us around with snowballs. If he catches us he'll dunk our faces in the snow. He usually does catch us.

Later on my brothers and I will go to my dad and step mom's house in Otsego. We'll spend time together until the end of Christmas vacation.

THE BEST CHRISTMAS PRESENT EVER

By ALICIA WOLFORD, 7th Grade

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THE CHRISTMAS I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO

By AMBER STIRRETT, 7th Grade

This is the Christmas I'm looking forward to. We're going down to Florida. My dad, two brothers, step-mother, three step-sisters, one stepbrother and I are all going down to Florida.

We're driving all the way down. The day we get there, we get to look around the hotel, Port Orleans, where we are staying and swim.

We get to leave the 21st of December and coming back on the 29th. We also get to skip school on the 21st and the 22nd.

I think this is one Christmas I'll never forget!

MY BEST CHRISTMAS TRADITION

By MATTHEW BEDNOREK, 7th Grade

My family has many Christmas traditions, but there is one that is my favorite. It is when my whole family gets together and makes a whole bunch of food on Christmas Eve and Christmas day. Some of the food we make is cookies, fruit, vegetables, jello and meats.

The special thing is that we all get together. We do things like watch movies, talk and eat. But the one thing the kids always do is ask the parents if they can open one present on Christmas Eve. Usually the begging works. Then the parents make all of the kids go to bed. The next morning, whoever

is up first, which is usually me, goes and looks around at all the presents.

Then that kid goes and wakes up a parent and asks if we can wake everyone up. The parent usually asks, "What time is it," and if it isn't too early everyone gets up and we have another happy Christmas.

THE BEST CHRISTMAS PRESENT

By JENNIFER GREEN, 7th Grade

The best Christmas present I ever got was when my aunt and my mother got along after years of fighting. They had been fighting all the time, even before I was born.

See, I hadn't ever heard anything nice about my aunt before, but I always wanted them to get along. I was now six, and it was time to go to my uncle's house for Christmas dinner.

When we got there my aunt was at the door waiting for everyone. As soon as we walked in the door, my aunt hugged my mother. It looked like my mother hugged back. After they hugged the whole room lit up with joy and it looked beautiful.

Still to this day I don't know if they did it for me or the family. For all I know they could have done it for themselves. But I'm happy they finally got along.

TO GRANDPA'S HOUSE WE GO

By RYAN HERRIN, 7th Grade

This Christmas I will be going to my grandpa's house. I don't really want to go because we went to his house this Thanksgiving day but it might be fun to go. We will leave on the 22nd of December and go to Galesburg, IL.

On the 21st, we will open the presents we have at home but most of the presents are at my grandpa's, DARN!

We have to go because my grandma died a while ago. I'd really like to go to Aspen for one of my presents. Oh well, I will go and try to have fun.

CHRISTMAS EVE

By HOWIE BEDFORD, 7th Grade

Every Christmas Eve all of my family gets together and celebrates Christmas. We all

go to my Aunt Coleen's and have a party.

First we eat, then we wait for awhile, then the kids beg the parents to open the presents. Finally they let us. My Uncle Bob hands out the presents and we open them.

After that we stay for awhile then go home. When we get home we get some cookies and milk out for Santa Claus then go to bed.

I usually wake up in the middle of the night and see what Santa got me. Then I wake up my brother and sister and we all go into my room with our presents and stay up for awhile then go to sleep.

The next morning we wake up our parents and open our presents under the Christmas tree.

THE GREATEST CHRISTMAS

By LEAH RAYMO, 7th Grade

Guess what! Santa Claus is coming to town! If the legend of Santa Claus had not been told, I would not have been able to trick my family into

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 thinking I was Santa Claus! I had gotten a red sweatshirt and red pants for an early Christmas present. So, I thought that I could pretend that I was Santa.

I stuffed my belly with a pillow, wore my mom's black boots, used a pillow case as my sack, wore my cousin's Santa hat and used cotton for my beard and hair.

When it was finally Christmas morning I got my costume on and went into the living room. With my pillow case filled with presents, I unloaded the bag, watching carefully, hoping to find my present.

I said, "Ho, Ho, Ho! Merry Christmas!" When my cousins came in, they freaked! They were scared of me! My whole family laughed.

My older cousins knew it was me, but they pretended it was really Santa Claus. My three younger cousins started screaming. Then one of them finally told me what he wanted for Christmas.

As the day went on, I felt very proud and knew how the Santa at the mall must feel.

IS THERE A SANTA?

By JIMMY DUFTY, 7th Grade

I've heard a lot of stories about Santa and I am writing to see if the stories are true.

See, every Christmas I get all the stuff that I want. The problem is: I stay up to see if I can

get a look at Santa Claus, but I always fall asleep before he comes.

My mom said that the sandman comes and waits till Santa is just getting ready to come down the chimney and then he sprinkles me with sleeping mist and I fall asleep. But, the next morning when I wake up I have gotten all the presents I asked for. So, my question for you is: "Is there really a Santa?"

MY FAVORITE TIME AT CHRISTMAS

By RACHEL HELMS, 7th Grade

My favorite time at Christmas is being with my family. Every year on Christmas Eve we have a tradition at our house. All my aunts, uncles, cousins and grandparents come over and we open presents.

We also eat many different kinds of food. For an example last year we had clams, cookies and other kinds of food that everyone brought.

Then on Christmas Day after we open presents at our house we head over to great aunt Caralea's and uncle Peanut's house. We also have presents and many kinds of food.

That's one reason I like Christmas, cause I'm with the people I love.

MY CHRISTMAS TRADITION

By JENNIFER LORD, 7th Grade

Every Christmas I stay home until Christmas Day is all over then, after Christmas I go to my grandma's in Westland. The day I get to my grandma's I open my present and then we go to my aunt's and I give my cousins their presents and they give me mine.

I have a great Christmas every year thanks to my family. Even though I do the same thing every year it seems like it gets better every year.

MY HAPPIEST CHRISTMAS EVER

By Brian Lord, 7th Grade

The Christmas when I was six years old I came downstairs at 5:30 and my mom and dad weren't up. So we ate breakfast and when my parents got up we opened a lot of presents.

When we were all done we got ready to go over to my family's house. Then we went

to my grand mother's house to eat dinner and it was good.

Then we went home to play with our toys and went outside to play in the snow. That was my happiest Christmas ever.

MY 1993 CHRISTMAS

By MATT TAYLOR, 7th Grade

We're just staying home for Christmas. Hopefully my Uncle Steve, Joe and Paul will come for Christmas Day. Sometime we're going downhill skiing at Crystal Mountain with my relatives for two days. I hope to have a lot of fun there.

My friend Ryan is coming up two days after Christmas and we hope to go ice fishing, sledding and ice skating. I'm still wondering what I'm getting for Christmas.

THE FUNNIEST CHRISTMAS EVER

By SHAWN CONNERS, 7th Grade

Two years ago at my Aunt

Coleen's we had a party like every year. My Uncle Bob got me a box of underwear for Christmas.

After I got home from the party, I saw that my mom had some people over. About an hour after I got home we were all in the livingroom.

Marie Kanyak was looking through my presents that I got at my Aunt Coleen's and found my underwear. She passed them out to everyone and we put them on our heads and took a picture.

MOST MEMORABLE CHRISTMAS

By WILLIAM MADISON, 8th Grade

My most memorable Christmas was in 1991. I received stuff, but it is memorable because it was the last Christmas I spent with my grandpa. I miss him very much.

MOST MEMORABLE CHRISTMAS

By MARY ROTH, 9th Grade

Ring! Students cheering in every hall announced the last day of school before Christmas break.

During the previous week, students and teachers filled

the air with a joyful mood. No one showed signs of unhappiness. Everyone had the anticipation of getting out of school, including me.

I remember anxiously watching the hands of the clock while wood chips flew from the band saw. When the bell rang, I quickly took off my safety glasses which had left red marks on my nose and around my eyes.

I zig-zagged through people on the way to my little orange locker - realizing I had no homework. I grabbed my coat and walked to the science room.

My mom was there because she is the science teacher. Mom asked me if I had any homework. I cried out, "No!" My mom laughed and said, "Good, let's go home and pack our bags for Florida!"

"All right, dude," my sister said as she stood by my mom. "I can't wait to see Nana," I exclaimed as we crawled into our car.

On the way home, all my sister Kristen could talk about was when we were going to be able to go swimming. I said that it might be too cold but my sister insisted that she would try to swim anyway.

When we got home, I was surprised to see my dad fully packed and ready to go.

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"Holy cow, Dad you're already packed?"

My dad said, with a gleaming grin on his face, "Yes, as a matter of fact, I am."

"Man!" said my sister. "Well, don't just stand there, hurry and pack. We can leave tonight if you hurry," my dad said.

About a half an hour later we were ready to go.

"All set everyone?" my mom said. "Yep," I said.

"Head 'em out, then," said my dad. My sister and I were too excited to sleep until it got dark and we couldn't stay awake another minute. My mom and dad traded off driving the truck throughout the night.

We didn't stop very often on the way down, so we made good time. It was a long ride but one and a half days later, wide awake and very happy, we pulled into Nan's driveway.

I enjoyed swimming and sunbathing on the warm beach and shopping at the mall and flea markets. I had an orange or a grapefruit every day.

Ten days passed quickly and it was time to repack. We hardly had any room left in the truck.

I wasn't looking forward to the ride home the next day. It got noticeably cooler every time we stopped on the way home.

We arrived home two days before school started again. All too quickly I heard the familiar 8:30 bell.

CHRISTMAS MEMORY

By TONY CARDILLO, 10th Grade

My memory of Christmas will be the most peculiar story you have ever heard. It all started one morning.

I had just been awakened from my deep sleep and I had finally realized what I wanted the most for Christmas; it was a transformer, called Star scream. All it really was, was a jet that transformed into a robot that stood 12 inches high.

The only flaw was that it cost \$39.99, and that was a bit expensive, but I had a plan. The plan was to ask everyone in my family for that toy. I figured at least one person in my family would buy it for me.

I asked everyone for one, praying that someone would buy it for me for Christmas. **Christmas came** along and it was almost time to open gifts. I was praying and praying until I could pray no more. Finally the time had come.

I began unwrapping the first gift, and guess what, it was a box of underwear. I grinned and said thanks for the gift.

With all hope gone, I began to unwrap the second gift. As I looked at the gift, my eyes glistened like diamonds, my heart throbbed with joy. I was overwhelmed. It was the best day of my life.

I got what I wanted, but part of my family gave me strange looks, but I didn't care. I got what I wanted. I began to unwrap my third gift and it

was the toy, and so was the fourth gift, and fifth and even the sixth was the toy I wanted. I was shocked! I didn't think I would even get one, more or less get five. In the end, it all worked out, four were returned and I received different gifts.

That is a Christmas memory that I will never forget.

CHRISTMAS MEMORY

By JOE CILC, 10th Grade

The things that I love most about the Christmas Season are the Christmas carols. They relate a message about Christmas and tell how it came about.

As a child, Christmas was the most wondrous time of year. A celebration of angels, people and earth. All of this activity is because of the newborn King. A King who loves us all. He is God's only son.

Born in an outdoor stable, this small baby boy would eventually die to save us.

Still today, almost 2000 years later, we celebrate the birth of the Lord.

The Christmas lights, the music, the hayrides and other festivities all tie together to make the season more joyous than any other.

The sharing of gifts and the open hearts we possess during this time all dance in my head just like the sugarplums on 'The Night Before Christmas.'

Christmas is a wonderful time and I hope it never changes.

CHRISTMAS MEMORY

By MICQUE' PARTLOW, 11th Grade

Christmas is the time when children lie awake at night and dream of Santa and his elves hard at work in the North Pole.

It's the time of year that the worst thing people can think of is crowded malls and busy streets. It's the time of glistening lights, carolers and sparkling white snow.

Christmas is the time when we all know that we should forgive and forget. It's a time to be thankful that there are wonderful people in the world and realize how much we have.

It's a time to see how lucky we really are to be living in a world with so much good instead of only seeing the bad. I think that these are the most special things about Christmas time. I really believe that if we tried as hard

to make ourselves happy and to make others happy as we do at Christmas, this world would be a very different place.

CHRISTMAS MEMORY

By MISTY McCORMON, 11th Grade

My favorite Christmas memory was the Christmas when my church youth group did a play called "The Christmas Story."

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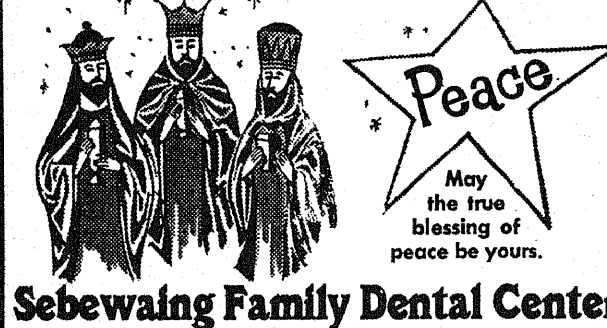
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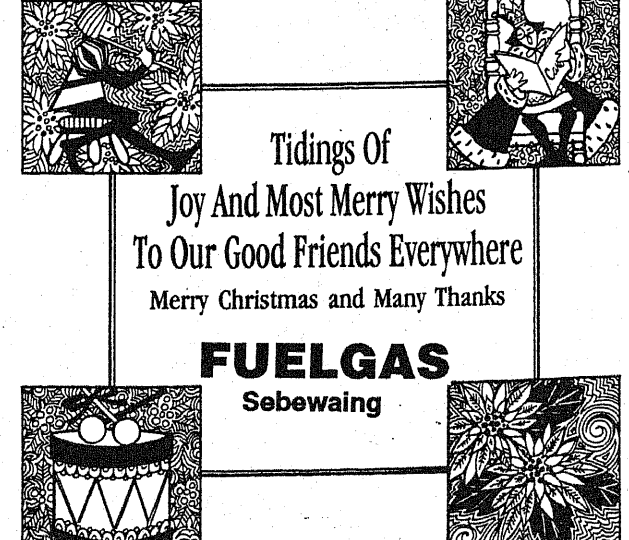
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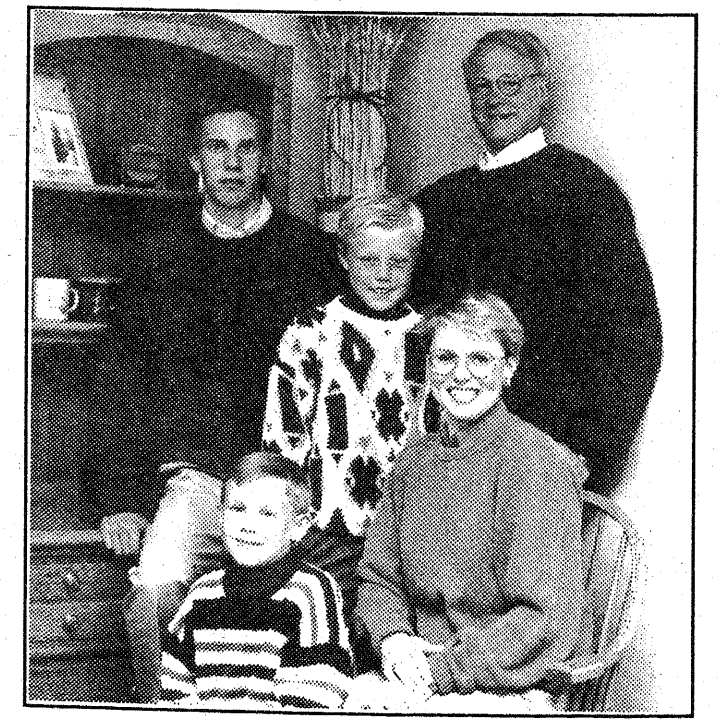
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It was a play about a church youth group which was putting on a play about the first Christmas for their church. It was a story of a poor family with many children, basically not good, who got into trouble and were always dirty.

They wanted to try out for the play at their church because they thought they could do as good a job as anyone else. Everyone thought the play would be a total flop and the first Christmas wouldn't mean anything to them.

Well, everyone was wrong and it was a great play. The kids were respected and did a nice job. It was a funny play because they messed up but it didn't matter.

I will always remember this play because I had to make a complete fool of myself. I was the youngest and I was mean.

At the end I got to run down the aisle (in church, run!) I had to trip and fall, stand up and yell at the top of my lungs (in church) "Onto You A Child Is Born!"

I fell, started laughing and then yelled. Everyone said it was funny and I had fun. That is my favorite Christmas memory.

CHRISTMAS MEMORY

By STEPHANIE MAUST, 11th Grade

One of my favorite Christmas memories is of the Christmas of '92. That was the year I learned that Santa Claus would only leave presents at

my house if I left cookies and milk out for him and his reindeer.

I came home from school that day and told my mom we needed to make some extra cookies for Santa so I could get my presents.

She decorated some cookies especially for him and before my two brothers and I went to bed we put a plateful of cookies and a big glass of milk next to the Christmas tree.

CHRISTMAS MEMORY

By JOSH POWELL, 11th Grade

My favorite Christmas memory was in 1981. I was five years old.

I got up early that morning and walked out to the living room. I saw two red hound 50's. I ran to my brother's room and woke him up.

We both went to get my parents up so we could ride the bikes. My dad pushed them outside and we rode for hours and hours.

And that's my favorite Christmas memory.

CHRISTMAS MEMORY

By JODI ANCZEWSKI, 12th Grade

Last year's Christmas was fun. I remember that my whole family was together.

What was really memorable was that my boyfriend bought me a 14kt gold rope chain. I wear it all the time.

I remember what my parents got all of my brothers. It was weird.

Every year we go by who's the oldest or youngest to open presents. When it came to my brothers, they all got the same thing... a tool box and tools to go with it.

They always took my dad's and did not return them.

CHRISTMAS MEMORY

By MISSY THICK, 12th Grade

My fondest memories of Christmas was when I was little.

It was Christmas Eve at grandma's with all my relatives from my dad's side. I was so loud and obnoxious, always running, never sitting, nagging everyone about opening presents.

The sweet tender smell of turkey, goose, potatoes, stuffing and all that good stuff filled the whole house.

I would never eat all day so I could fill up on dinner. I, of course, just had to have the wishbone, every year.

By the time gifts were all opened I was whining to go home. The rides home I remember clearly. My brother and I sat in the back seat looking up into the stars and saying "There's Santa Claus. He's headed for our house."

When we got home, I always begged to open at least one present. "No, go to bed or Santa won't come" So I did, or so they thought.

The excitement of each Christmas Eve was too much for me. I lay awake anxious to

open presents. At the crack of dawn I'd be running around telling everyone to get up. I'd get ready to tear into the first present and mom would make me wait until she to the camera and some coffee.

I always knew what I was getting because I snooped in my mom's closet before Christmas.

After presents were opened and all the wrapping was picked up, we'd go to my grandma's with my mom's side. We'd have another turkey dinner.



CHRISTMAS MEMORY

By JEREMY JENSEN, 12th Grade

Christmas Eve, bored and alone. Wondering what to do, who shows up but Tony Kanyak. He had his dad's pickup and was wanting to do something too.

We decided to go for a ride. Tony and I traveled all over roaming Caseville and Pigeon. We talked about nothing really, shared our views about the world.

We stayed out past midnight. We decided to do it again next year.

CHRISTMAS EVER

By TYLER WILLIAMS, 12th Grade

It was not snowing and it wasn't even cold; my family and I were in Florida visiting my grandparents.

We were so happy to be with them for Christmas that we didn't mind there not being any snow on the ground.

It seemed like Christmas just because we were with family and having a good time giving and receiving gifts.

After visiting with my mom's mom and stepdad, we went to visit my dad's parents. They were so glad to see us; it was so fun to be with

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The Newsweekly's 1993 Christmas Memories

them on the day after Christmas, that it didn't even seem like the day after Christmas. These are my most memorable Christmas memories because they include my family at my favorite time of the year, Christmas.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

By TERRI LaFONTE, 12th Grade

A memory I have happened when I was 11 years old. My mom baked a batch of Christmas cookies and she made up five or six different colors of frosting.

We had three cans of candy decorations. Once my mom had everything set up on the table, my brothers, mom, dad and I all sat around as a family and decorated the cookies.

That year I can remember how my whole family enjoyed drinking egg nog and decorating our Christmas tree together.

That Christmas stands out in my mind the most because it's the last time I remember my whole family being in the Christmas spirit together.

MOST MEMORABLE CHRISTMAS

By ANGELA BLACKBURN, 12th Grade

My most memorable Christmas ever had was the Christmas of '92. It wasn't because of something I received that year but it was something I

lost. A month previous to Christmas I lost a very special person, my great grandma.

That Christmas of '92 was the first one that I didn't get to spend the whole day listening to my great grandma's favorite stories of her Christmas' when she was a child. No matter how many Christmases go by, the one person I will never forget on that day is my great grandma Hazel.

MOST MEMORABLE CHRISTMAS

By TINA KRUEGER, 12th Grade

My most memorable Christmas was the Christmas of 1989. Because I had a new family member that was going to be there. It was my new little sister.

She was born in April, not actually on Christmas, but she was new for all of us. When Christmas came and it was time to open presents, she didn't have a clue as to what was going on.

This year should be wonderful, too. She's four now and can't wait until Christmas is here to tear into everything.

CHRISTMAS MEMORY

By KEVIN GETTEL, 12th Grade

The sun was beating down on the sidewalk. The asphalt was beginning to melt, sticking to my shoes. Santa Claus peered down

from his sleigh, high atop the Piggly Wiggly grocery store. I couldn't quite place Christmas in Florida; it just wasn't meant to be like this.

There were more lights on the houses than I had ever seen in Michigan; they even spiraled up the palm trees, but there were no real Christmas trees. The few they had for sale on the side of the road came in on a truck with a Michigan license plate.

The temperature dropped to 36 degrees that night; there was a hint of snow, yes snow, in the air.

I sat at the window and watched the flakes fall, only to melt as they touched the ground.

At least somebody made an effort, but I still missed the white Christmas I had always taken for granted.

MOST MEMORABLE CHRISTMAS

By STACEY MEISSNER, 12th Grade

My most memorable Christmas was last year. A week before Christmas there were three big presents behind the Christmas tree.

There was not a name on any of the tags, so my mom, sister and I kept on wondering whom they were for. My dad knew whom, but wouldn't tell.

A couple of times I tried to pick them up to shake them, but I still couldn't tell what was inside. I thought the waiting time was over when

Christmas morning arrived. I was wrong.

We went to my grandma's house to have dinner. We were there most of the day. When we came home, we opened our presents. Of course, my dad had to make the three presents the last one to be opened.

He put them down right in front of me and said, "Go ahead, open them." I couldn't wait any longer.

Anticipation of seeing what was inside got the best of me. I tore the paper off the first one. I read the box and I knew my dad had bought me my stereo.



CHRISTMAS MEMORY

By LORI LORD, 12th Grade

In the summer of 1982, my family and I moved into this extremely large house. Everyone had his/her own room.

We had a huge kitchen, a breezeway that connected to the garage, an enclosed front porch where we would be putting up the Christmas tree and a really nice family room.

Christmas came and we were supposed to put the Christmas tree up after school. My mom had warned us before that our Christmas would not be too wonderful this year because we had just bought the new house.

I did not care because our house was a huge present and this truly was a great house.

Christmas Eve came around and we were mvery excited. We tried to get our mom to let us open one Christmas present on Christmas because all of our parents were opening their presents (after that year we finally got to make this a tradition as it still is today).

The morning of Christmas I woke up about 6 am. I went to the front porch to look at the presents and Wow! Was I surprised at all of the presents that I saw.

The whole entire front porch was filled with presents. This Please turn to Page 32

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As we celebrate the spirit of friendship and good will throughout the world, we'd like to extend our special greetings to those of you whose friendship we hold so dear. May your holiday season be truly blessed.

Sebewaing Light & Water Department

The Newsweekly's 1993 Christmas Wishes

Bay Port 1st Grade: Mrs. Rummel

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
Will you please let the elves give me a pony for Christmas.
Love,
LINSEY SWARTZENDRUBER

DEAR SANTA,
Toys are fun to play with. I love you.
Love,
KELSEY ALEXANDER

DEAR SANTA,
Do you see polar bears up north? Can I get a present too? I will make you some cookies.
Love,
JANA GUNDEL

DEAR SANTA,
How has Rudolph been doing and the other reindeer too?
Love,
CHRISTOPHER HARDER

DEAR SANTA,
I love you, Santa and Rudolph too.
Love,
KAYLA ALEXANDER

DEAR SANTA,
How are you doing? I hope you are doing good. I would like a dog please. Make it a baby dog.
Love,
LAKON WILLIAMS

PS: A real dog

DEAR SANTA,
I want a bee bee gun for Christmas. My address is 23 Bay Port Road, Bay Port, MI. 48720.
Love,
MICHAEL YODER

DEAR SANTA,
I have been good since last Christmas, but I want a new bike. What do you want?
Love,
AMANDA CHIOTTI

DEAR SANTA,
Will you get me, if you can, a horse and a stable, too. Santa I love you.
Love,
LAUREN GARDNER

PS: A real horse!

DEAR SANTA & MRS SANTA,
I'm going to have some cookies with you. I want a Barbie doll.
Love,
JAMIE MENZEL

DEAR SANTA,
I want a Sega Genesis. How is Rudolph the red nose reindeer? I will leave some milk and cookies.
Love,
CHRIS OESCHGER

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
How are you doing up north? I hope you are having a good time. Could you please give me the McDonald thing.
Love,
RACHEL SWARTZENDRUBER



DEAR SANTA,
Do you live near the ice? I wonder if you ever see any seal breathing holes?
Love,
JUSTIN YODER

the way to my house.
Love,
MICHAEL TERRIAN

COURTNEY FRITZ
PS: Tell the elves to get my mom a cow cup.

your elves that I want a radio control monster truck.
Love,
MITCHELL YODER

are any bears.
Love,
JONATHAN MAUST

DEAR SANTA,
Please give me another dog. I know what I want for Christmas. I want a new skateboard, a Nintendo and six electronic games. Thank you.
Love,
MIKEL HARDER

DEAR SANTA,
Would your elves please make some GI Joes. I hope you know

I know your real name. How are you and Mrs. Claus. What I want for Christmas is a new dog and cat. Can you get me a toy too?
Love,
BRIANA GASCHIO

DEAR SANTA,
Has Rudee been sick lately? I will help if you need a hand. I will tell you how to get to my house. You go down 142. It is in the woods. There are lots of woods around it. If you could get me a Turbo Master truck I would be happy. Thanks.
Love,
JACKSON MAUST

DEAR SANTA,
Could your elves make some Barbies. I just wish I was with you and Mrs. Claus. And I could be with both of you at Christmas.
Love,
BRIANA GASCHIO

DEAR SANTA & MRS CLAUS,
I hope you have a good and happy Christmas. I know what I want for Christmas. I want a toy.
Love,
AMBER

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I will get you something from mom. I need something for three adults and four children and Rachel.
Love,
RACHEL BARRERA



DEAR SANTA,
My doll bed and my sister's doll bed are broken. Would you please tell the elves about it. Could two elves make two beds.
Love,
NICOLE LANCASTER

DEAR SANTA,
Did you polish your sled? I want to go to the North Pole. Then I want to see a cave to see if there

DEAR SANTA & MRS CLAUS,
I hope you have a merry Christmas. I love you and Rudolph.
Love,
JOSHUA ELENBAUM

Cross Lutheran School, Pigeon, 1st Grade: Mrs. Bauer



DEAR SANTA:
I would like a farm set. I would like a Game Boy. I would like a kitten that purrs and I wish I had a puppy that barks and please give something to my Mom and Dad and Jeremy.
Love,
JUSTIN ESSIEN

DEAR SANTA:
I wish I had a Western Barbie and a rabbit and I wish I had a puppy that purrs and please give something to my Mom and Dad and Jeremy.
Love,
KATIE MARIE LICHT

DEAR SANTA:
I would like a GI Joe set and a farm set, and I would like a Game Boy tape and a Super Nintendo. I will give you some sugar for your reindeer!
Love,
JEFF MICHAEL OTTO

DEAR SANTA:
Please, can you get my Mom a star? And please, get my Dad a pack of peanuts, and please, get my brothers a bag of candy and please, get me a pack of Gak.
Love,
MICHELLE SMITH

DEAR SANTA:
I want a Talk Boy for Christmas. Could you bring some potholders for Mom and a workshirt for Dad? Jesus loves you.
Love,
PHILIP FIBRANZ

DEAR SANTA:
Will you bring a puppy? Will you bring perfume for Mom? Will you bring a shirt for Dad and a glass princess, waterbaby and Gak?
Love,
ADRIENNE IRION

DEAR SANTA:
I have been a good girl this year. I would like some Gak and Crystal Princess and a Mermaid Skipper and a Waterbaby and Splatt! Would you bring my Dad something and my Mom and my sisters?
Love,
SYDNEY RASMUSSEN

DEAR SANTA:
How's the reindeer? How's Rudolph? I would like Gak and new roller skates because my other ones are too small. I also want Western Barbie. I think she's real pretty. Also, answered. That's all. Thank you.
Love,
EMILY KING



Thank You!

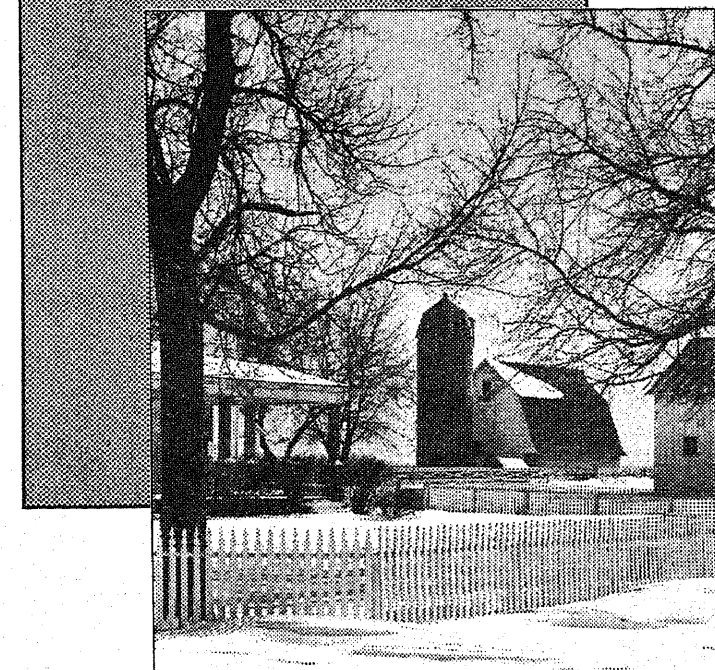
"Christ"mas is a very special time for families throughout our service area. A time for rejoicing for the birth of Christ, a time for giving and for sharing, a time that extended "families" get together to celebrate this festive holiday. We are truly fortunate to live in a rural setting and be associated with agriculture. It is good to be close to nature where we understand and respect God and His love for us. Let us go forward in the New Year with a promise to love our neighbors, respect and care for our environment, concentrate on educating our children, care for our elderly, and individually be a constructive instrument for society.

During this Christmas season, your employees and directors of Cooperative Elevator Co. wish for you a very Merry Christmas, and a joyous and prosperous New Year.

John Kohr



John Kohr, C.E.O.



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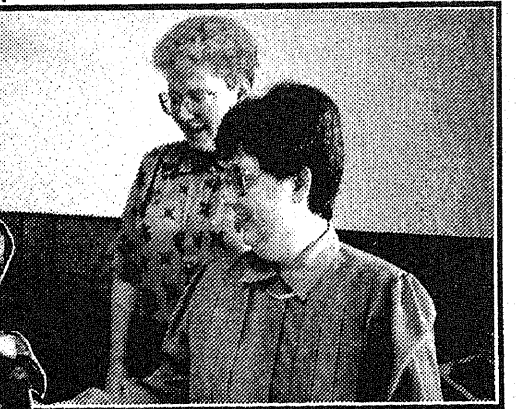
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OUR ADVERTISING/MARKETING DEPARTMENT: Salespersons, Amy Gruehn, Marie Lupp, Lorraine Kuhl and Sally Rummel, Marketing Manager. Missing from photo Jim Rummel, Advertising Director.



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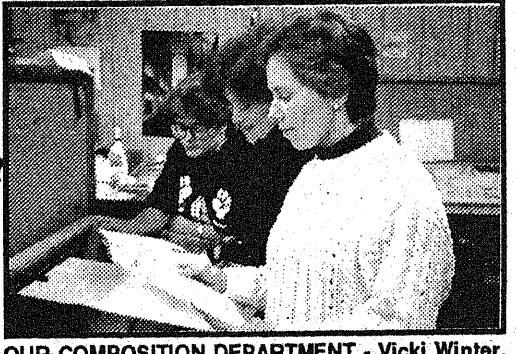


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Our Offices Will Close
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She hopes for a 'white Christmas' while in U.S.

By SALLY RUMMEL
 Nobody is dreaming of a "White Christmas" more than Brazilian exchange student Paula Carvalho, who is waiting to see her first snowfall! Seventeen year old Carvalho, who is spending her senior year at USA High School, is the fourth "daughter" of the Jim and Betty Comment family of Unionville. While she admits to being a little homesick this holiday season, she is excited about her first winter in the U.S., because Brazil is now in the middle of summer. "December through March is our summer season," says Carvalho. "Even in June and July, our winter season, the temperatures are mild like autumn here. We never have snow." Back home she would be enjoying a Christmas Eve outdoor barbecue at her grandmother's house. This year, she will visit Jim Comment's parents in Gagetown where they "treat her like part of the family," according to Betty Comment. Carvalho says many of the Christmas traditions are the same across the continents, noting that children love Santa Claus here and "Papai Noel" in Brazil. Families have Christmas trees in Brazil, too, although



CHRISTMAS EXCHANGE: Brazilian Exchange student Paula Carvalho exchanges a gift with her American "sister" Laura, age 17. SALLY RUMMEL PHOTO

they are almost always artificial and a lot smaller. "We don't decorate outside with lights like you do here," Carvalho says. "I think the lights and decorations look really pretty." In addition to a vacation from school over the holidays, Carvalho is looking forward to spending a few days with a Brazilian girlfriend who is an exchange student in St. Johns. "I'm sure we'll have lots of

Pigeon Library News

PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

No Preschool Story Hour will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 28, due to the holidays. Story Hour will resume on Jan. 4.

HOLIDAY HOURS

The Pigeon District Library will close this Friday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve at 1 p.m. The library will be closed on Christmas Day, Dec. 25. Regular hours will resume on Monday, Dec. 27, Tuesday, Dec. 28 and on Thursday, Dec. 30. The library is closed on Wednesday, Dec. 29 and will close early on Friday, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve at 1 p.m. The library will be closed on New Year's Day, Saturday, Jan. 1, 1994.

VIDEO RENTAL SPECIAL

The Pigeon District Library will have a special holiday video rental. All videos are half-price during Tuesday, Dec. 21 through Friday, Dec. 31.

GIFT CERTIFICATE

The library now has a gift certificate for video rentals "for the person who has everything" or the kid who

adores the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle series. Details: 453-2341.

BOOKMARK WINNERS

The Pigeon District Library held a special drawing and Bookmark Contest during the annual Children's Book Week Nov. 15-20.

Justin Essian of Pigeon was the drawing winner and he chose a book from a selection of good reading materials. Bookmark winners were second grader Jeffrey Schnake of Bay Port, who designed a "Books are Magic" bookmark and fifth grader Corey Oeschger of Bay Port, who chose "Harvest Knowledge by Reading Books."

day decorations, refreshments, and seeing the new carpeting and computer software demonstrations.

Drawing winners were Terry Allen, Erica Allen, Zack Allen, Angie Osen, Teresa Osen, Mark Fibranz, Philip Fibranz, Marie Leipprandt and Joleen Karl.

WINTER BEGINS

Winter begins on Tuesday, Dec. 21 (today), so give winter a big welcome. The winter solstice is when the earth is tilted in such a way that the North Pole is as far away from the sun as it ever gets.

This will mark the beginning of winter in the northern hemisphere.

OPEN HOUSE SUCCESS

Fifty patrons enjoyed a Christmas Open House on Friday, Dec. 3, enjoying holi-

Season's Cheer

Thank you for brightening our season and your year with your friendship and support.



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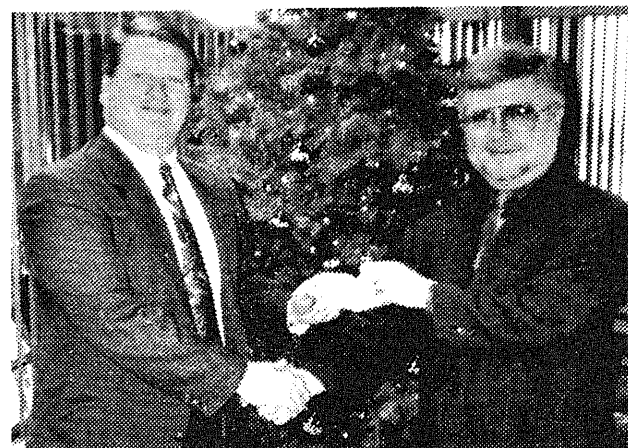
All of us here wish you and yours a wonderful holiday season.

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Dave Dillon, Owner
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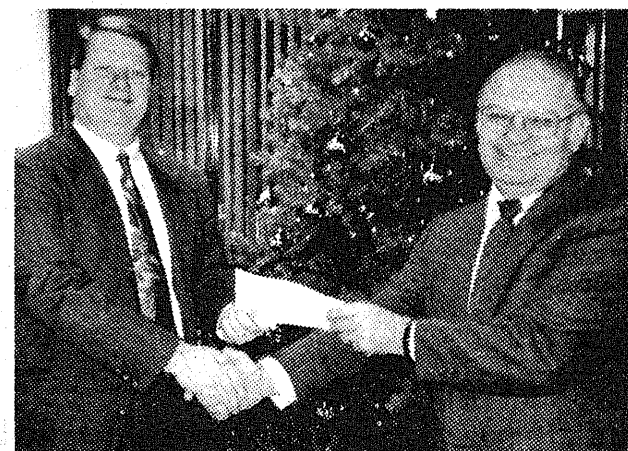


HOLIDAY DONATIONS: Above, Mike LePage, representing the Winsor Township Fire Dept., accepts a check in the amount of \$360 from Pigeon Lions Club Treasurer John Walsh, to be used for the firemen's traditional "Baskets of Cheer." A Pigeon tradition spanning many decades, the "Baskets of Cheer" will be delivered Thursday, Dec. 23 to over 50 needy families or those in need of "cheer."

Below, LePage accepts a \$200 check from Nelson Binder, representing Thumb National Bank's donation to the firemen's "Baskets of Cheer" project.

The Winsor Township Fire Dept. will gratefully accept any donations to help cover the costs of the 1993 baskets. Instead of canvassing area businesses, the firemen are hoping businesses and individuals who are interested in helping with the project will send a check to the Pigeon Village Hall, 29 Main St., Pigeon, MI 48755.

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 And all through the town, Every creature was happy, Not one with a frown. Go ahead and celebrate, With total zest. And for the holidays, We wish you the best.

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 In this holiest of times, we are again warmed by His gifts of love and hope.

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Christmas Blessings
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Brinkman Family is very grateful this Christmas

By Bob & Betty Brinkman, grandparents, Unionville

A big thank-you to all our friends, neighbors and family for their prayers, support and donations which Jamie and his family received during his bout with leukemia and his bone marrow transplant.

Three months after a life-saving bone marrow transplant, 20-year-old Jamie Brinkman is back home with his family in Pentwater, Mich. Diagnosed with leukemia in January, he fought back with his one chance for survival. The battle is won, but the war will continue on for at least two years as his immune

system returns to normal. He will continue to travel back to Detroit Harper Hospital as well as Muskegon Hackley Hospital on a weekly basis for several months to come.

His progress has been remarkable and his attitude extremely positive. This has been possible due to your continued prayers and support. A special thank-you to the

businesses in our surrounding area that allowed us to place canisters in their stores. This has assisted Jamie and his family substantially with their huge financial burden. God bless you all!

From Our "House" To Yours,

Wishing all of you a safe and joyous holiday season. Our greenhouses will be blossoming full of springtime beauty for you on Opening Day, May 1, 1994.

See You Then,
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Come All Ye Faithful

Blessed are they who share the magic and wonder of Christmas. As the holidays unfold, may you and your loved ones enjoy its divine spirit and infinite joys.

Extending to you our best wishes for a wonderful Christmas Season.

HURON CASTING
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Huron Health Dept. celebrates 100 years of home nursing

Huron County Health Dept.'s Home Care Division provides skilled nursing care, home health aides, speech, physical and occupational therapy, a wound/ostomy nurse specialist and medical social workers. Pediatric nurse practitioners are on staff for consultation.

Members of the Huron

County Health Department are joining home health care nurses across the country — marking 100 years since Lillian Wald founded community health nursing in New York City in 1893.

Wald was responding to the needs of the population at greatest risk in our society by nursing the sick of all ages in

their homes. She also provided instruction to reduce illness and promote health.

In contrast with this humble beginning, the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta, GA., reports that now on any given day 1.2 million Americans receive some medical care at home.

Home health nurses from the Huron County Health Department fill that need in Huron County and upper Tuscola County, HCHD officials say.

The local program began in the 1930s, when public health nursing was started by a Sanilac native, Elba Morse, RN., as a Red Cross nursing service. In 1937, a health department with staff and services was organized.

Since that time, public health personnel in this area and in other rural health departments traditionally played a dual role — providing preventive services such as immunization programs, but also providing home health care.

The role of nurses from the very beginning included care of sick people in their own homes.



HOME HEALTH CARE Nurse Brenda Kuhl, R.N., with client Helen Hood of Bay Port. "I sure appreciate everything they've done," Hood says. "Home Health Care made it possible for me to leave the nursing home."

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City of Harbor Beach.

Karen Ann Rippi, Lonnie Edward Shagena, Cheryl Lynn Prill and Sheila Key Henderson to Evira Merlino Schneider; a parcel of land located in the Village of Uby.

James L. Christner to Arthur G. Feinhold and James L. Simmet; a parcel of land located in Section 9 of Sebewaing Twp.

Michael A. Tundo and Sonia T. to Albert George and Margaret; a parcel of land located in Section 13 of Lake Twp.

Maxine B. Slawik Trust to Michael Joseph Slawik and Cynthia Marie; a parcel of land located in Cassville Twp.

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DIETZEL TRUCKING at 9993 Evelyn St., Reese, owned and operated by Dale A. Dietzel filed Dec. 9, 1993.

THE CRAFT HOUSE at 196 N. State St., Caro, owned and operated by Lota F. Hartel filed Dec. 13, 1993.

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NO. 7008 VALLEY PRODUCTS 2593 Sand Beach Rd. Bad Axe, BY: Richard Booms Constance Booms 2581 Sand Beach Rd. Bad Axe, FILED: Dec. 13, 1993.

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NO. 7010 DONS CONSTRUCTION 2225 S. Bad Axe Rd. Bad Axe, BY: Donald M. Griffin 2225 S. Bad Axe Rd. Bad Axe, FILED: Dec. 14, 1993.

NO. 7011 DENEEN ENTERPRISES 308 N. Port Crescent Bad Axe, BY: Roy Deneen, Jr. 285 Scott Rd. Bad Axe, and Roy Deneen, Sr. 308 N. Port Crescent Bad Axe, FILED: Dec. 13, 1993.

NO. 7012 A & B SALES CO. 4478 Sand Rd. Caseville, BY: William Calabrese 4478 Sand Rd. Caseville, FILED: Dec. 14, 1993.

DISSOLUTION: OUT OF THE WOODS 104 E. Spring St. Port Austin, BY: Robert B. LaBelle FILED: Dec. 14, 1993.

Baptism

Elizabeth Dorothy Fischer, daughter of William and Catherine (Mroccek) Fischer of Eau Claire was baptized on Sunday, Dec. 5 at St. Gabriel's Catholic Church in Berrien Springs by the Rev. Joseph Weller.

Godparents are Karrie Fischer of Canton and David Mroccek of St. Joseph.

Grandparents are John and Elizabeth Mroccek of Kinde and Paul and Dorothy Fischer of Caseville.

Great-grandparents are Dorothy Fischer of Port Austin and Robert and Frieda Hyzer of Caseville.

After Mass, a dinner party was held at Elizabeth's home for her godparents, grandparents, great-grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Elizabeth was born Nov. 9, 1993.

In 1966 the federal government recognized the importance of and need for home care and passed legislation enabling financial support, HCHD officials say.

Huron County Health Dept.'s Home Care Division provides skilled nursing care, home health aides, speech, physical and occupational therapy, a wound/ostomy nurse specialist and medical social workers. Pediatric nurse practitioners are on staff for consultation.

Client requests are as unique as the individuals receiving assistance.

One home care nurse tells about a terminally-ill patient's wish to see his horses in the barn. The nurse's last duty was to help him with his visit.

Home visits usually involve two basic types of services: home nursing care and personal care services, officials say.

Home nursing care visits can occur on a daily or periodic basis.

They are provided by licensed registered nurses, and services include changing dressings, drawing blood for lab tests, monitoring blood pressure, and administering prescribed medications and injections. Physical, occupational and speech therapy are also offered.

Personal care services involve bathing, dressing and meal preparation. Home Health Aides providing these services are supervised by licensed registered nurses.

Home visits are reimbursable by a third party payor, or private pay on a sliding fee schedule.

After launching the home health care movement 100 years ago, Lillian Wald continued to promote and expand the service nationwide.

At her suggestion, in 1909 the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. organized a Visiting Nurse Department in New York City. The firm then contracted with the city to furnish services of visiting nurses, and by 1912, 589 metropolitan nursing centers had been established.

Today, although the services have greatly expanded, home health care nurses continue to show the caring dedication first introduced by Wald 100 years ago, officials say.

And here in the Thumb, their goal continues to be to provide quality service, health promotion, illness prevention and to minimize the effects of illnesses in their community.

Today, although the services

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Woods and Waters

by Duane Guenther

Fishing therapy

Being laid up in the hospital for several weeks this fall was bittersweet.

On the one hand, it was a good chance to play hooky from work and have a legitimate excuse — but on the other, it made me question deeply my former thoughts on immortality.

The future suddenly became as near as the next morning... and I would smile smugly when each succeeding dawn arrived.

I suppose, then, it was only natural when I was directed to a fancy clinic in Phoenix, AZ., for a second opinion of the foreboding news I would phoney my buddy Fred in Flagstaff to see what he had up his sleeve.

"Come on over," was his immediate reply. "We'll scout out north and try to catch a couple of trout on the Colorado River while you're here."

I was not completely sure I could handle the rigors of

present fishing in the backwash of Glen Canyon Dam.

My four-week hospital stay had reduced my fighting weight by 30 pounds and the scar I sported on my stomach looked like I had been in the short-strawed cadaver used in a remedial surgery classroom.

But the mere thought of wading a line in the famous Marble Canyon stretch was more than I could bear, and I readily accepted.

We left Fred's house at 6 a.m., pointing the lumbering Suburban up Highway 89 towards our final destination: Lee's Ferry.

Fred's 14-foot trailered Starcraft followed behind like a well-behaved puppy. The girls, who were tagging along to gab as well as fish, had packed a picnic lunch and were now snuggled in the back seat watching the darkened desert flash by the truck's windows.

Hot black coffee kept Fred and me awake — that, along with our private thoughts of fighting rainbows — and the miles soon drifted by.

We reached the river by mid-morning and after loading the boat with fishing gear, lunch and a couple of lawn chairs, our foursome headed upstream to some of Fred's fa-

vorite fishing spots.

The Marble Canyon region of the Colorado was once famous for its king-size Rainbow trout.

Years of stream destruction due to the building of Glen Canyon Dam, and overfishing by zealous anglers from around the world, have reduced the population of large trout drastically.

However, recent efforts by federal, state and local conservation groups have brought fishing respectability back to this famous river.

The scenery was magnificent. Pink granite and sandstone walls jutted skyward from their foundations of schist to block out all but the noonday sun.

When it did break over the rim, the water's choppy surface sparkled like the brilliance of a thousand diamonds.

Vegetation was scarce, made up mainly of scrub willows growing near the water's edge. Sandbars occurred every so often, deposited by flood waters from side canyons.

We stopped often to fish deep pools with heavy jigs. I would have liked to don waders and unlimbered a fly rod, which is what most fishermen use on this stretch, but the 4-mph river flow and my

present condition did not warrant such a foolish idea.

I barely had the strength to cast the weighted jig, and after flipping the lure a few dozen times, my incision would hurt so much that I would drop the rod and sit for a spell to watch the others fish.

JoAnn caught the first fish. I should have said landed, for Fred had hooked it and then lovingly passed the rod to his wife's hands.

It was a beautifully colored Rainbow, bright as a new dime with a splash of the spectrum painted on its side.

I saw many more from my perch on the boat bow as we sped from one hole to the next — but by noon there was still only one fish on the

stringer.

We had lunch on a beautiful sandbar where Fred and JoAnn often pitched their tent for an overnight stay. The air was cool, but the desert sun soon warmed us into stripping off our Polar-Plus jackets... and we soaked it up eagerly.

After the sub sandwiches and chips had disappeared, we hiked along a canyon trail and found some Indian petroglyphs. I secretly wondered if the security of the canyon walls and the beauty of the river had captivated these ancient carvers as much as it had me.

All of a sudden, I didn't hurt any more.

It must have been the therapy of fishing.....

Santa Letters... from everywhere!

DEAR SANTA: Can you get me a Sega Genesis and two games for it and a small TV?

YOUR FRIEND, BRADEN JAHR

DEAR SANTA: Is Mrs. Santa Claus doing good? Are the elves and reindeer doing good, nine reindeer, including Rudolph? I love Christmas.

LOVE, CHRISTOPHER DIETZEL

DEAR SANTA: Since I was born in 1990, my Grandma Jeannette has helped me write to you every year.

Since last year I have a new baby sister, Becky Ann, who is four months old. She would like a musical toy. I would like a Baby Doll that takes a bottle and wets so I can pretend and be like my Mommy, when she takes care of Becky.

I will leave carrots for your tired reindeer and some cookies for you.

KATELYN McDONALD

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Season's Greetings
May love, peace and contentment be yours during this holiest of seasons.
Bruce W Kuhl
Huron County Commissioner

'Twas The Night Before Christmas
Let this holiday be one worth waiting for. Wishing you and your children the joys you deserve.
Lindy's Sales Quanicassce

HO-HO-HO!
Wishing you lots of happiness and love this Christmas for you and your family...
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DEAR SANTA:
I was very good this year. I help my Mom and my Dad on the farm. I want Baby All Gone and the Barbie Dream Wedding Gift Set and Barbie Starlight Bed and Stamp in Horse and Barbie Set and Hollywood Hair Barbie.
Your Friend,
JULIANNE RICHMOND

DEAR SANTA:
I would like a toy airplane and a toy set of Pirate legos and a black semi-truck.
Your Friend,
CLIFTON BUMHOFFER

DEAR SANTA:
Prett 'n Me, a doll house, a new Barbie.
From,
JILL SWARTZENDRUBER

DEAR SANTA:
I want a stuffed animal, a drum, a race car, a real puppy, a football and a puzzle.
DANIEL STING

DEAR SANTA:
I would like a football, crisis cross crash, a real puppy and a cat.
ANDREW STING

NO PIC
DEAR SANTA:
I would want dinosaur toys, two packs of 12 pencils, Sega CD and a Jurassic Park CD, including a TV, lots of dinosaur books.
Your Friend,
STEVEN KILLINGER

DEAR SANTA:
I would like a Walking Horse with a remote control, a motor home for Barbie, Paint and Dazzle Barbie, a baby doll and some Barbies. Thank you very much. I'm trying to be a good girl.
Love, Your Friend,
COURTNEY FINKBEINER

DEAR SANTA:
I want a doll that is called Sally Secrets, a stuffed cat (an orange one), Polly Pockets Castle and Barbie furniture.
MELISSA GORSEGNER

DEAR SANTA:
I would like a red eight-dualer tractor, a red disk to pull behind it and a black semi.
Your Friend,
ALEX STAHLBAUM

DEAR SANTA:
I would like an Attack Pack, Tobie, and some flash cards so I can win our math take away game.
Your Friend,
JASON COOK



Have A Very Merry Christmas



Season's GREETINGS

Hope the holidays are stuffed chock-full of good things. And we hope you stop in and hang out with us for a while. We'd love to see you!

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Attorney at Law
Sebewaing

MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the holiday be as good to you as you've been to us.

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Merry Christmas

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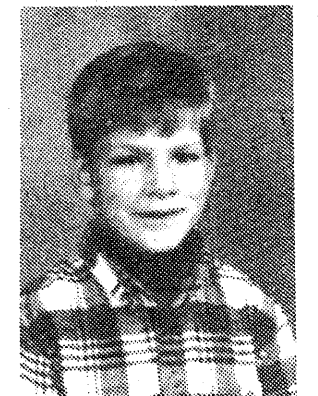
DEAR SANTA & MRS SANTA,
I would like a kitten. I would like a black puppy.
Love, **JENNIFER TARDIFF**

DEAR SANTA CLAU,
Please bring me the All About Cats book.
Love, **CHERLYN SINN**

HI SANTA,
I would like a pony and a remote control car. Thanks.
Love, **JAMES ROBINSON**

DEAR ST. NICK,
I want you to bring me a nurf blaster.
Love, **NAYTHAN BOWERS**

St. Paul Lutheran, Unionville:
Mrs. Engelhard



DEAR SANTA CLAU,
I would like to have roller blades and roller skates.
From **BRYAN HADWAY**



DEAR SANTA CLAU,
I would like some roller blades and dolls and real diapers and baby bottle.
Your Friend, **SANDRA GEIGER**

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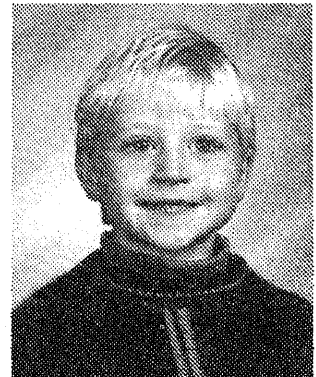
DEAR MR & MRS CLAU,
Please bring me a brother and sister. I also want a srench tool shop.
Love, **JOSHUA SMITH**

DEAR ST. NICK,
Please bring a super nintendo and a tonka power tool shop.
Love, **DEREK LIXIE**



DEAR MR & MRS CLAU,
Please bring me a real dirt bike, a gun and real hand cuffs. I would also like a Tonka power tool shop and a real walkie talkie.
Love, **DEREK LIXIE**

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me four desks. I



want to grow up and be a teacher.
From, **BRANDON LANG**

DEAR MR & MRS CLAU,
I want a micro mini city. I also want to go to school more.
LUKE QUINN

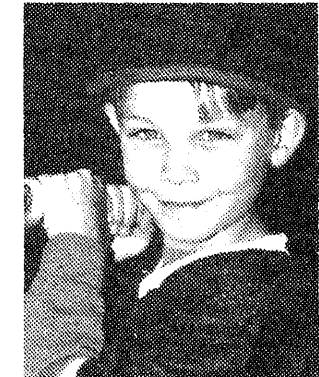
HI SANTA & MRS CLAU,
I hope I get a Barbie Power Wheel. I wish my grandma would



feel better. Could you lend me a reindeer?
Love, **JUSTINE SCHEMBER**

DEAR MR & MRS CLAU,
I'd like a rock book and a real robot.
Love, **HANNAH GRATES**

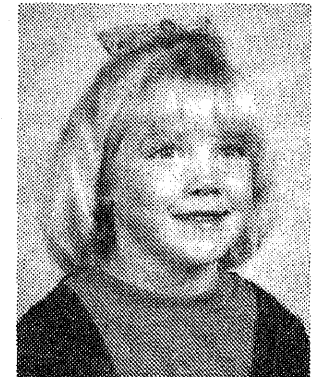
DEAR KRIS KRINGLE,
This Christmas I want a brown



pony, a power tool shop and the book All About Cats. Also please stay a little bit and talk to my dad.

From, **KELLY ROSS**
PS: How can your reindeer fly?

DEAR SANTA,
I wish for a black horse and a
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He placed his order for skates to Santa... 95 years ago!

By WALT RUMMEL

This is a Christmas story of a 6-year-old boy who lived in the small town of Gera in Saginaw County, back there in 1898. His family operated a general store in that era before chains came along, when every store was a family store.

Those were the days when trains chugged daily from town to town, when it was the railroad line that connected towns, before roads were smooth and hard and before the age of the automobile.

The boy, Art, knew all the salesmen who brought their wares and samples from Saginaw, 10 miles to the west, to show them to Art's father in the hopes of selling him merchandise for the store.

One day a salesman from Smart & Fox Wholesalers, Saginaw, left a pre-addressed order envelope in the Gera Store. Jokingly the salesman told young Art that he could place an order with Santa Claus, just as easily as Art's father could order from Smart & Fox.

Art had longed for a pair of ice skates ever since the weather turned cold and ditches and swales in the land around Gera had frozen over. So, young Art wrote Santa, telling him he would really use a pair of ice skates. He mailed the letter in the tiny postoffice that was housed in a corner of the store.

SO HE GOT HIS SKATES

Two days later came a box, addressed to the boy and it contained the much-sought skates. Art's father didn't believe in Santa, so he picked up the phone—then a brand new communication device—and phoned Salesman Fox in Saginaw, asking if he had made a mistake.

The salesman assured the storekeeper that the gift to the boy was no mistake and the salesman read him the Santa Claus letter.

That was 95 years ago this week—and the fulfillment of the boy's dream and the magic of ordering from a wholesaler to stock a general store remained in his memory throughout his life.

FASCINATED BY STOREKEEPING

Young Art found the store business so fascinating that he "never got it out of his blood."

Even in the years just after the turn of the century, young Art was awestruck by the choices available in country stores at Christmas time.

"Christmas dinner meant goose for most German families—a memory from their European background—with plenty of stuffing, which the housewives made from scratch," he often recalled.

There were no seasoned bread or croutons on store shelves in those days and few had ever heard of cranberries. So, housewives made do with tart apples, like Northern Spies, with raisins for a fruit stew that "cut the grease of the goose."

Not many people bought squash or potatoes, because they raised those crops themselves. There were leaf lettuce and celery from Florida and from Michigan hothouses, and the Gera store handled oranges and bananas that came by train from Saginaw. Bananas were on the stalk in a burlap-covered frame to protect them against frost.

Two trains chugged into Gera daily, from Saginaw to the west and from the east, on their return trips. Fresh bread arrived each morning, from Wolfarth's Bakery in Saginaw, a

company that specialized in unusual rye breads for the holidays.

Baking was a big job for most housewives in the early days of this century, Art recalled. The Gera store received two carloads of spring wheat flour for breads each autumn. Flour came in bags, 24 1/2, 49 and 98 pounds in size, and two of the big ones made a barrel. Many families laid three or four barrels in store each fall.

Art recalled one family that regularly bought five barrels—nearly 1,000 pounds of flour. "They had a big tableful of hungry kids," he recalled.

King Midas and Seal of Minnesota were the two main bread flours, and Bluebird from Frankenthuth was the best-known pastry flour.

FAMILY BAKING WAS BIG

Art recalled that the store sold 15 to 25 drums of honey each fall—at 50 pounds each—and storekeepers scrambled to buy the sweetener from area beekeepers. Molasses and "brown" syrup came in barrels with a heavy-duty pump to get the sweeteners out and into the customers' pails and jugs.

Lebkuchen and spruengerli cookies and the popular fruit

bread, stollen, required candied fruits and peels, and spices, so the store handled them all. They were not packaged in those years, but lemon, orange and citron peels came in bulk and were handled by the chunk.

Currants and raisins arrived in wooden boxes, and powdered and brown sugar came in 100-pound, lined burlap bags. Granulated sugar—the white kind—was packed in 350 pound drums.

Whenever clerks—or young boys—weren't busy loading shelves or waiting on customers they were expected to "earn their wages" by "weighing up" the bulk foods into small bags.

Those years were before checkouts, and clerks stood behind their counters while customers stood or sat on tall chairs on the "public side," reading off their list of wants. The clerks listed the articles and prices on a two-paper sales book, with an original and carbon copy. Then clerks scooted around, gathering up the customers' choices and finally tallied the total price.

"When we were kids, the housewives often took the salesbooks out of our hands and added them up to double-check whether we had the right total," Art said. Not until then did the

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DOWNTOWN SEBEWAING looked far different at the turn of the century than it does now. This photo shows the intersection of Main and Center Streets, looking to the southwest. The former Catholic Church steeple is visible... as is lots of snow!



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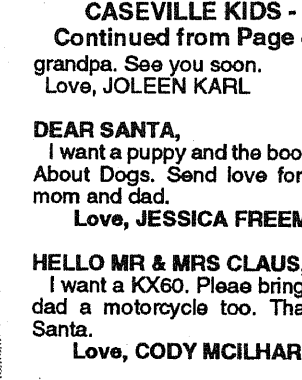
Wishing You A Blessed Christmas

This holiday season, may you enjoy spending time with your family, friends, and loved ones, and may you keep the true meaning and joy of Christmas close to your heart. Thank you for letting us serve you this past year.

Marv & Lori, Clarence & Kevin

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The Newsweekly's 1993 Christmas Wishes



CASEVILLE KIDS -
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Love, JOLEEN KARL

DEAR SANTA,
I want a puppy and the book All About Dogs. Send love for my mom and dad.
Love, JESSICA FREEMAN

HELLO MR & MRS CLAUS,
I want a KX60. Please bring my dad a motorcycle too. Thanks Santa.
Love, CODY MCILHARGIE

DEAR MR & MRS CLAUS,
I would like a black horse and I would like a brown puppy too.
Love,
KATHERINE ANN COLBY

HI SANTA,
How are you? I would love to have Troll Barbie. I also want grandma to feel better.
Love, AMANDA PLONTA

Pigeon 3rd Grade: Mrs. Gehrs

DEAR SANTA,
Would you please give the people in Somalia and Honduras some food, clothing and a home for them to live in. I think Christmas is for giving not getting. Say hello to Mrs. Claus and Rudolph for me! Will you get me a present please.
Your Friend, ALISSA FORMAN

DEAR SANTA,
I would like a lot of snow for a fort. And I would like some snap roller blades. Last of all I want a Treasure Troll. And then I wish for the hungry, Merry Christmas Sincerely, KARA WEITZEL

DEAR SANTA,
How are you doing? I'm doing great. I want a super nintendo tape, Game Gear, poster, and a basketball. I hope it snows for Christmas. I hope there's peace in Somalia. Merry Christmas!
Your Friend, JON LePAGE

DEAR SANTA,
How are your reindeer doing? I'm doing good. How are you doing? I want a Game Gear and a race track. I want a Sheg poster and drums. I hope it snows for Christmas. I hope you give the poor people a present and peace on earth.
Your Friend, JOSH LePAGE

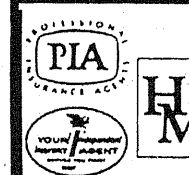
DEAR SANTA,
I would like it if you could bring me a Sega. How are Mrs. Claus and the reindeer? Santa, I would like a Lego set also.
Your Friend, CHAD SCHULZ

DEAR SANTA,
I want a race car and peace on earth. How is Mrs. Claus doing? I hope you have a nice Christmas.

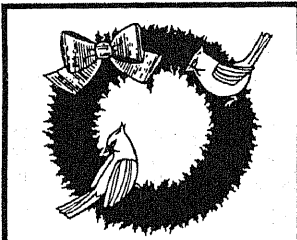
DEAR SANTA,
How is Mrs. Claus, the elves and the reindeer? I hope they are all fine. I sure am! I would like a Polly Pocket, a Ken doll and peace on earth (especially). Please get my brother, Ben a BB gun. Please get my brother, Nick an engine. Please get my mom and dad something too. I mean you don't have to, but it's a nice idea. Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas!
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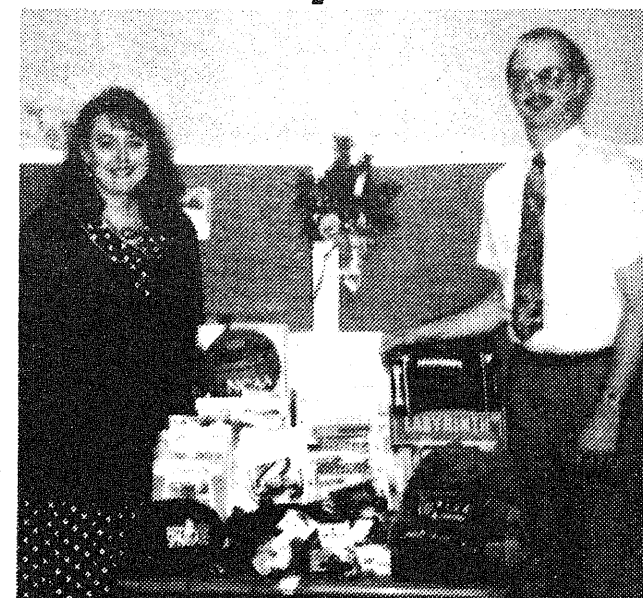
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Thumb Cellular donates to Toys for Tots

Thumb Cellular has donated Christmas gifts to the Toys for Tots programs in Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac Counties. The gifts have a value of \$300, with each county receiving a variety of items valued at \$100.

"We at Thumb Cellular feel strongly about supporting our community," says Paul Picklo, cellular manager. "This is our way of making



SHOWN ARE Thumb Cellular's Catherine Gross, presenting toys to Huron County Social Services' Volunteer Services Coordinator Mike Sutherland.

sure all children have a gift at Christmas." Susan Woern, Volunteer Services Manager for Tuscola County Department of Social Services, and Chairman of the Tuscola Toys for Tots campaign, agrees.

"One of the most rewarding things about working for Toys for Tots is listening to the stories of the volunteers as they tell how elated and excited the children are. Many of these children would not otherwise have Christmas."

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Free financial seminars start Jan. 2 at Wisner

Two Certified Public Accountants, James Roller of Weinlander-Fitzhugh in Bay City and John Neuman of Dow Chemical Co. in Midland, are teaching the free six-part course "Financial Guide For Singles And Couples" at Wisner United Methodist Church, beginning Sunday, Jan. 2.

The course is based on their training and on four books by financial counselor Larry Burkett, says Pastor Mark Karls. They have designed the course to encompass all ages from young adults through retirees and have based the course on Biblical as well as financial principles, he says.

The course is open to the public free of charge at the church on North Vassar Road in Wisner. It is divided into hourly sessions meeting at 9:30 a.m. on six consecutive Sundays from Jan. 2 through Feb. 6.

For more information call 691-5555.

Boating classes coming next month

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Sebawaing Flotilla, will host 12-week boating classes beginning Tuesday, Jan. 11, at USA High School. Classes start at 7 p.m.

The class is open to area residents over the age of 12. There is a charge, which is payable at the first class. For details, call 375-2470, 673-4734, 269-6614, 674-8658 or 883-2843.

Santa visits Bay Port



SANTA CLAUS TOOK 126 children on his knee and posed for a holiday photo with them when he visited Bay Port last Saturday for his official Christmas visit.

Each child received a bag of peanuts and candy from Santa, and also enjoyed punch and cut-out cookies. Several Bay Port area residents brought new and gently-used toys for the children.

Santa's 1993 visit was sponsored by the Bay Port Chamber of Commerce, with lots of help from Santa's "helpers," including Mary Rose and Joyce Moore. All the activities took place at the Fair Haven Township Hall.

HERE, Bay Port twins Kayla and Kelsey Alexander sit on Santa's lap Saturday while their mother, Libby, looks on. PHOTO FURNISHED

How Christmas was then... 95 years ago — Thumb holiday mem

customers pay for the groceries, unless they had brought in eggs or butter which gave them a credit to pay for the groceries. Each bag of sugar or spices or raisins or currants was weighed separately, then tied with a string. "We got strict instructions from our dad on how to tie the string so we wouldn't use more than we needed," Art told. "Once around the long way and once around the short way, and if you do it right it won't open up," Art's dad used to instruct him.

Nuts needed to be weighed up, too, and there were many varieties: Walnuts, Brazils, peanuts, almonds, pecans, filberts and mixed nuts, plus locally-grown tasty hickory nuts. Salted peanuts arrived about 1900, Art recalled, in a big drum, and you could buy them "three pounds for a quarter."

Commercial Christmas cookies were not shipped to the rural areas because most women baked their own.

While "boughten" Christmas cookies were scarce, Christmas candies made up for it. Even country stores had 20 to 25 kinds, all in wooden pails, sitting in the aisles. Customers walked along the pails, occasionally stooping down to "sample" a likely prospect. Clerks trailed along dutifully, shoveling selected candy into paper sacks with a small scoop.

Chocolate drops, which are still made, and coconut bonbons were most popular, and Schust Bakery of Saginaw produced a peanut brittle that old-timers can still remember. Schust's also made chocolate creams and strawberry and raspberry-filled creams that were packed in five-pound boxes.

COUNTRY STORES BECOME TOYLAND

For Christmas gifts, the adults usually bought clothing for each other, the men often selecting dresses for their wives. Sometimes a wife bought a box of 25 or 50 cigars for her husband. The brands included Hemmeter Champion or King Edward, San Felice or Banker's Choice, or Red Ruby cigars at 5c each. If the wife really loved hubby she might pick R.G. Duns. They were 10c.

It was the toys that turned the regular country store into toyland, and no storekeeper ever gave thought to "bringing out the toys" before Thanksgiving time.

The store sold drums and dolls, wagons and skates and sleds, and a few mechanical toys like the "Balky Mule." When Art was a boy, the battleship "USS Maine," was a popular pull toy, mounted on wheels. He recalled a monkey that climbed a fat spring, drawn tight between the sole of his shoe and his outstretched hand.

He also remembered a favorite, the magic lantern, which used glass slides with painted pictures. And the source of light? In Art's day the light came from a candle flickering in front of a small polished reflector. Later models used small alcohol or kerosene oil lamps, the light magnified with a reflector.

When Art was in high school his father gave him an almost-unbelievable invitation—to go with him to Chicago to order Christmas tree ornaments, dolls, china dishes and toys, through Butler Brothers. Most of those articles were made in Germany. Games were few—checkers, domino and lotto—and there was lots of tinsel in gold, bolts and sold by the yard marimbas, horns, slide trombones, still-famous Hohner Harmonicas, and a few mechanical toys like the "mouth organ."

Every boy wanted a jack-most boys had one, too.

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