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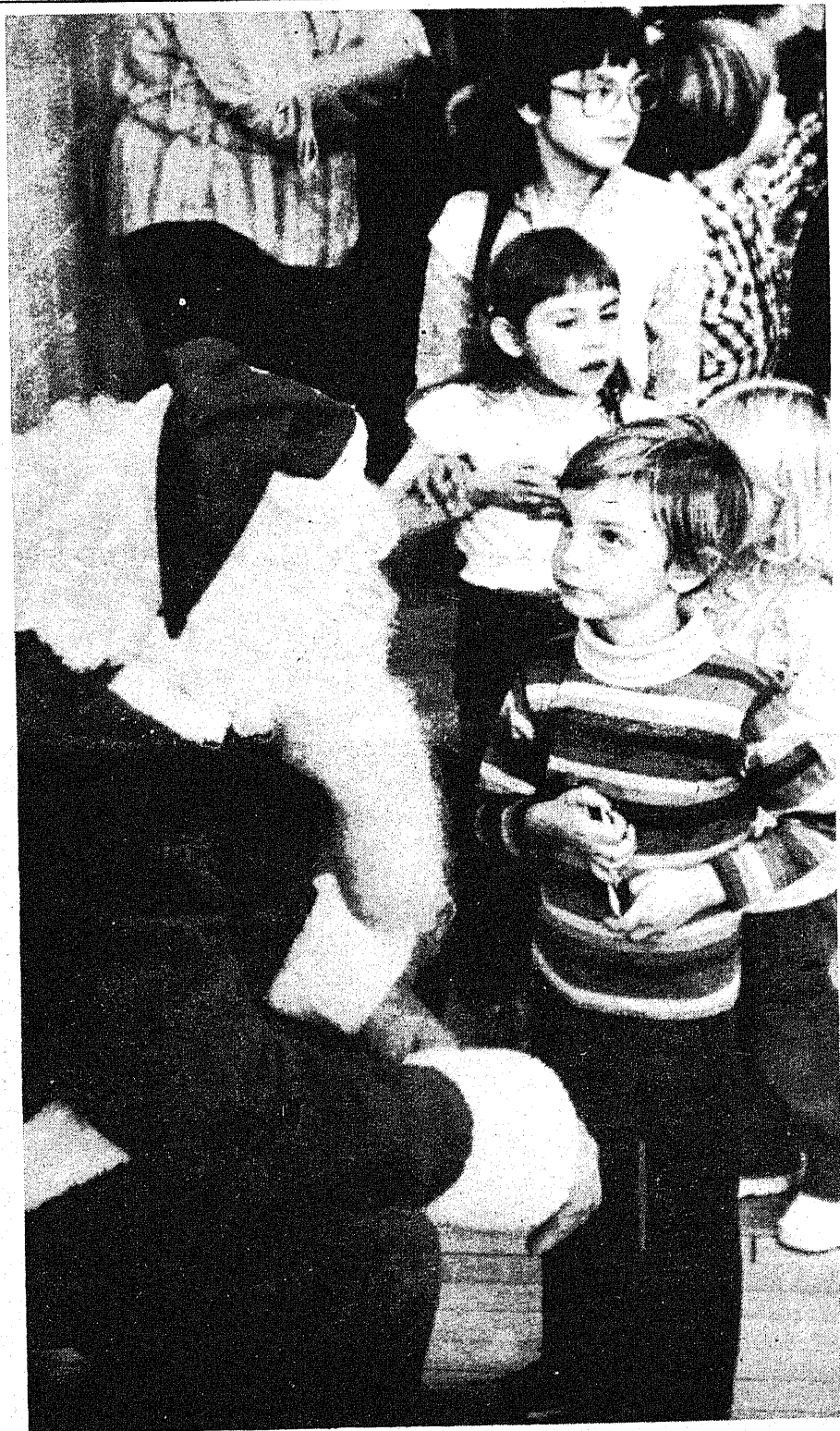
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## THE SKY'S THE LIMIT AT CHRISTMAS!

Adam Schweitzer is thinking sky-high thoughts as he considers what to ask Santa Claus for, during the annual Lunch With Santa sponsored Saturday in Pigeon.

Adam is the son of Dennis and Sue Schweitzer of Bay Port. He was one of 150 youngsters and adults who chatted with the Jolly Old Man in the event, sponsored by the Pigeon Chamber of Commerce and Pigeon Area Jaycettes.

AT RIGHT, Magician R.B. Woodward entertains with mystifying tricks during the lunch, at Pigeon Elementary School.



## Last chance for holiday writers!

Your favorite Christmas thoughts are needed this week!

Friday is the deadline for your memory of "My Favorite Christmas Present Ever," to be published in

next week's Christmas Edition of The Progress-Advance.

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## Caseville game Dec. 30

Players are being sought for the annual Alumni Basketball Game at Caseville High School on Friday, Dec. 30.

Ladies will play at 6:30 p.m., with men to follow at 8 p.m.

Odd-year graduates will wear light shirts, and even-years will wear dark. For information, contact George Bednerek at 856-2311.



**\$4,500 RICHER:** The Scheurer Hospital Auxiliary gave an extra-special gift to Scheurer Hospital this week - a \$4,500 gift toward the hospital's ultrasound diagnostic machine.

Here, Administrator George Desmarais accepts the big check from Auxiliary President Dorothy Young. The group raised funds in various projects during the year to make the gift possible.

RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTO

## Elkton bank to get facelift

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

The two-story Community Bank location in Elkton will soon become a remodeled one-story building, the Elkton Village Council learned last Tuesday.

Steve Stewart of Community Bank explained improvements including removal of the second story of the present building.

Bank business will be transacted in a trailer on bank property just south of the present building and the Elkton Civic Center. There will be no drive-up facility during the estimated 60-90 days required to complete the remodeling, Stewart noted.

**REVENUE SHARING:** A public hearing was conducted to discuss possible uses of \$24,000 in federal revenue sharing funds received by the village this year. Council approved using the funds to improve the water tower (about \$9000), purchase of a police car (about \$11,000) and sidewalk repairs (about \$4000). Exact amounts will be determined at the January Council meeting.

**HALLOWEEN PRANKS:** In response to a query by Councilman Fred Santos, Police Chief Duane Alexander noted Halloween vandalism incidents were investigated. Four juveniles were responsible, Alexander said, and the parents would be contacted in an effort to have the

youngsters repaint the damaged buildings.

**NEW BLADE:** At the suggestion of DPW Supt. Walt Forster, Council approved purchase of a new front-mounted blade for the village tractor, as well as a new salt spreader. The two items will cost approximately \$2600.

Forster noted the new blade and old salt spreader will be used for ice and snow removal of downtown sidewalks this winter.

The sidewalks will be cleared and salted in the morning prior to removal of snow from the streets. It was noted that merchants were responsible to clear sidewalks in front of their businesses throughout the day.

**DRETTMAN DRIVE:** Council members unanimously approved Santos' proposal to rename part of Mullen Street to "Drettman Drive" in honor of Active Industries owner Henry Drettman. The portion of Mullen Street for M-142 south to Clark Street will receive the new name. Mullen Street north of M-142 will remain the same.

The only business or residence affected by the name change would be Active Industries, noted Santos.

A public hearing on the matter will be conducted at January's Council meeting. If no objections are voiced, the street name will be changed by Village President Proclamation.



Elkton Community Bank...going topless





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## LJH Band earns high rating



LAKER BAND DIRECTOR WILLIAM DENBROCK is proud of the excellent evaluation received by musicians under his baton at the Junior High District Solo and Ensemble Festival at North Branch on Dec. 3.

Thirteen students received top I division ratings in 13 of 14 events entered. Junior High musicians who received I ratings shown here include: in front from left, Jim Laskie, saxophone solo; Julia Sturm, flute solo; Andrea Maust and Julie Leipprandt, each in piano solo and both in piano duet; Mari Kay Smith, piano solo; both Ann Henry, piano and flute solos; in back, Lisa Buschlen, flute solo; Carleen Kauffman, flute and piano solos; Jennifer Warren, flute solo; Dwight Soper, drum solo and Director William Denbrock.

## O-G students earn top marks

Students from Owen-Gage High School who earned honor marks from the second marking period are listed here, with an asterisk denoting "all A's."

**SENIORS:** Frank Abfalter, April Adams, Cindy Emmons, \*Sheila Engelhardt, \*Gary Erickson, Earl Harris, Alan Janke, Marschelle Levine, Joe Lopez, \*Glenda McPhail, \*Lynette Mickelson, Brenda Schwartz, Peter Sparks, Scott Thies, Cindy Thomas, Angie Thorp and Scott Wright.

**JUNIORS:** Bill Ashmore, Shelly Ellicott, Marcy Enderle, Karen Goslin, Reid Goslin, Dora Gussell, Jennifer Hellebuyck, Kathy Johnson, Karen Koch, Krendra Kretschmer, Tina Lopez, Dena McDonald, Kim Olszak, Trina Peters, \*Linda Retford, Bruce Riches, Charla Rockefeller and John Shope.

**SOPHOMORES:** Amy Draschil, Debbie Engelhardt and Ronald Good.

**FRESHMEN:** Janice Cummins, Steven Czap, Lisa Edwards, \*Cindy Enderle, Charlene Goslin, Barbara Hellebuyck, Shereen Kroll, Dave Laurie, \*Michelle McPhail, \*Sandra Miller, Tiffany Reinhardt, Jerry Stirrett, Terry Thorp.

**EIGHTH GRADERS:** \*Jane Billy, Marcie Draschil, Lloyd Fritz, Ellen Lyburner, Lynette Roberts.

**SEVENTH GRADERS:** Denise Anthes, Shirley Ashmore, Lisa Battisti, Paul Damm, David Erickson, \*Jody Fritz, Andrea Goslin, Heidi Jaworski, Jackie King, Andrea Mandich, Theresa Schwartz, \*Emily Weisenbach.

Raelynn Rocheleau, Susan Salcido, Gary Shemko, Jackie Stevens, \*Amy Thies.



**HONORED FOR SCHOOL** - Retiring Pigeon Elementary School Custodian Milton Damm was honored at a dinner hosted by his fellow workers for his 18 1/2 years of service with the Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port School District.

He was presented with a clock as a farewell gift. Damm, at right, accepts the gift from Laker High School custodian Jim Wilson.

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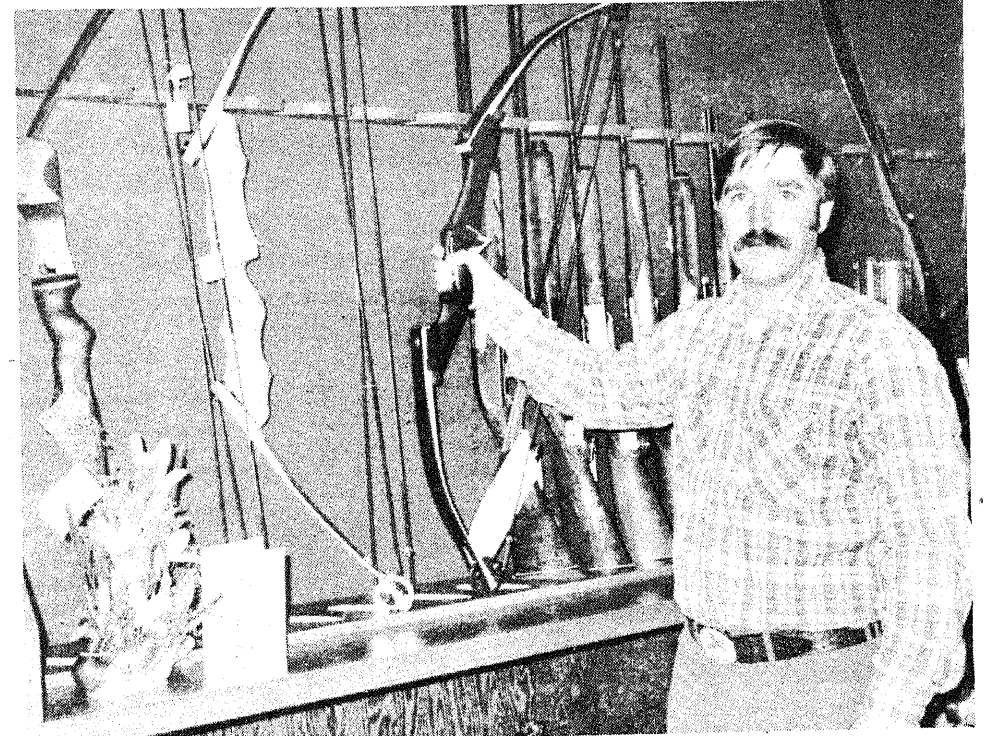
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**SPORTS STORE OPENS:** Field & Stream Sports invites the public to its Grand Opening this Friday and Saturday at 44 S. Main Street, Pigeon, in the former Niebel Grocery building.

Owner Dan Niebel will award a compound Darton SL50 bow, and refreshments will be served. The store offers sporting goods, firearms, athletic supplies, boots and apparel. New stock is being added daily, he says.

## Final sleigh rides Saturday!

Last chance! It was sitting (and standing) room only Saturday for the free sleigh rides through downtown Pigeon, and your final opportunity to try the free trip is this Saturday, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Adult and children's drawings are planned again Saturday, according to the sponsoring Pigeon Chamber of Commerce - part of Christmas shopping season in the community.

### ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS, WE PRINT!

It's a print Extra AP Style

Index Truth, Justice Stop the Presses Now is the time for Flash

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

**EXTRA EDITION** - Our neighboring friends at The Sebewaing Blade-Crescent did what very few newspaper people get a chance to do last week. Right after their regular Tuesday edition had been printed and mailed, the Blade crew learned that Sebewaing was earmarked for a \$225,000 state recreation grant for its ongoing marina-park program.

So they put out a one-day, four-page "Extra" edition, then mailed and delivered it to local subscribers. They scooped all the big papers (some haven't had the story yet) and did what every good paper's job is - to tell the story.

The closest we've come to a special edition in our six years at The Progress-Advance was a tan-colored "Extra" sheet inserted in our Jan. 1, 1981 issue - telling the Thumb Area the first word about the 1981 expanded Mexican bean contract. Things such as that take extra time and money, but that's newspapering!

I still remember how the publisher, managing editor and wire editor at The Times Herald in Port Huron each alternated in typing the 180-point headline words "Extra - Nixon resigns" in 1974.

And I remember running out on the street in 1973 at the Saginaw News for people's comments when Vice President Agnew resigned the year before, for an extra edition published then. But it really doesn't happen that often in this business. That's why those times stand out.

**HOW BIG IS 180-POINT TYPE?** Since there are 72 points in a printing inch, a 180-point headline is about 2 1/2 inches tall. If you don't think that sounds big, measure any headline (top to bottom) in any paper. That's BIG headline type!

**CHOCOHOLIC UPDATE** - An anonymous reader writes, "Haven't you tried a Whitman's Semi-Sweet Chocolate candy bar? Don't you complain about American candy anymore until you've tried one." Signed, a Semi-Sweet Chocolate Fan.

Yes, we've tried them. Yes, they're okay. No, they're not as good as some others!

And, even the anonymous fan would have to agree they're hard to find! Semi-sweet bars aren't as common as milk chocolate or other candies. But I (and many others, apparently) think they taste better than milk chocolate.

And don't write about Baker's Semi-Sweet Chocolate, either. We've tried that, too - it's all right but not as smooth as some of the European goodies. And, as we've stated before, Nestle's semi-sweet Chocolate Chips are really good, but they're not as easy to handle as a bar is!

**BLUE DOLLARS?** - The government is looking for changes in U.S. currency - the first substantial improvements in more than 50 years. Today's color copying machines are causing Treasury folks to consider new ways of printing dollar bills.

Some ideas are: holograms (three-dimensional pictures which show different images from different directions. Maybe George Washington could wink?); brighter bill colors (blues, tints papers, etc.); and coded metallic threads (which banks could read).

Maybe money won't always be "just money."

**WISH I'D SAID THAT** - "Christmas time is when the world breathes a sign of belief!" (K. Kringle)

## Pigeon gives thumbs down for county waste plan

Pigeon Village Council members said an emphatic "No" to the Huron County Solid Waste Management Plan, during Monday's regular meeting.

"I think we all know what it (the county's plan) is; they're doing away with it (solid waste) here in Huron County," President Norris Diebel said. "I think they've botched that thing from the beginning," added Councilman Paul Walsh.

County officials are seeking approval by all municipalities for the plan, which includes the recent closure of the two in-county landfills. All solid waste is either taken from the county by private haulers to another site or are placed in the only remaining licensed landfill in the county, near Ubyly.

**WATER BILL SURVEY:** Village water customers will get a survey showing various trash and garbage collection options, when bills are sent in January. Council will offer three options, including direct-billing by private haulers for weekly pick-up, a village-wide contract (with village billing) weekly, and continuation of the present once-monthly service by village DPW workers.

Diebel said consideration should be given to laying off one worker or reducing millage by about one mill (equal nearly to the \$16,000 now spent by the village in monthly collection) to compensate for the expected higher charge for more service by private haulers.



**CHRISTMAS WINNERS** - Pigeon's Christmas drawing winners from Saturday include bike winner Robin Rathje, daughter of Bob and Cyndy Rathje of Pigeon and adult \$50 winner, Linda Gardy, both pictured above with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

Other adult winners were Ralph Niebel of Pigeon, \$25; Cindy Russell of Pigeon, \$15 and Bud Decker of Elkton, \$10.

Children's winners include: Steve McAlpine, Rachael Fritz, Steve Deming, Andrea Smith, Scott Smith, Jill Collison, Shawn Diebel, Eli Dale Binder, all of Pigeon; Lisa Hockmuth, Tammy Dillerec and Adam Nowak, all of Bay Port and Lisa Schubach of Elkton.

**WIN A PHONE!** Judy Niebel of Pigeon Telephone Co. tries out the old-fashioned (but brand new) telephone to be awarded to a lucky adult this Saturday during Pigeon's final Christmas '83 drawing at 4 p.m.

The firm donated the phone, valued at more than \$100, in the Christmas holiday spirit, according to Edwin Eichler of Pigeon Telephone.

Additionally, Pigeon Chamber of Commerce member stores will be open every night next week - Monday through Friday - until 9 p.m. for shopping convenience.

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## Laker bands plan concert

The Laker Junior and Senior High School Bands will perform a Christmas Concert on Tuesday, Dec. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Laker auditorium.

Tickets are available from any band member.

## Practical nurses to end program

Five local residents will be among the 31 Practical Nursing students completing the one-year program at the Bad Axe Center of St. Clair Community College.

Sandra McIntosh and Melanie Walker of Pigeon, Jeannette Haley of Elkton, Daniel Freeman of Bay Port and Deborah Arnoldy of Caseville are included in the 12th class to finish the Practical Nursing program at the Bad Axe Center.

The public is invited to attend the graduation ceremonies scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Bad Axe Junior High gymnasium.



As we see it editorially

Dairy bill doesn't solve problem

Many local dairy farmers are patting themselves and their lobbyists on the back for passing America's first-ever dairy support bill. Thanks to it, farmers in 1984 will be paid for milk they don't produce.

We've known about similar payment programs for grains, corn and other commodities in past years, but there's very little to be proud of in this new dairy bill. It just shows again that American consumers will be paying twice -- which is really nothing new.

Our nation has had a definite problem with dairy production in recent years. Consumers use far fewer products than dairy folks produce. So the government has hundreds of warehouses with millions of tons of surplus dairy commodities -- dry powdered milk, butter and so on. Storage costs alone are more than a million dollars daily.

Buying up that excess production has artificially kept dairy items priced higher to consumers than they might be. Rather than make a profit on volume in business, the target prices for dairy products -- bought by the government -- haven't encouraged production cutbacks at all. So consumers pay more for their dairy goods, while the government they're paying to watch out for their interests competes with them by reducing available supply.

Now, dairy farmers will be paid not to produce a surplus in the first place. The new law will provide a combination of payments for reducing herds, dairy products promotion and repeated reductions in price supports if specified production cutbacks aren't met. Seventeen of Michigan's 18 congressmen voted in favor of the subsidy package, knowing how popular it would be down on the farm.

But it's just more of the estimated \$30 billion taxpayers will pay farmers this year in government subsidies. That's more than total farm income of \$25 billion! A good idea hasn't become a realistic aid in solving the problem.

When subsidies were begun in the 1930s, they were designed to stabilize food prices and protect farmers against boom-and-bust cycles. But those were the days when America had 7 million small farms. Today, there are 2.4 million farms. And about 300,000 big operators account for 70% of farm production -- and 90% of farm income.

Now, our farm policies are a mess, pure and simple. It's time for a change. We must find ways to export more of our surpluses, as a

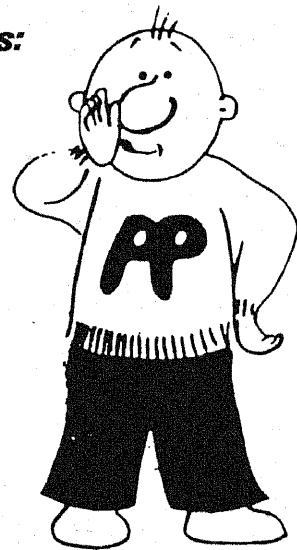
start. Fifty years of farm aid programs can't be dropped overnight, but we must try to wean farmers away from the government trough. Most would rather harvest a crop than a hand-out anyway.

Thankfully, the new dairy bill expires Sept. 30, 1985 -- when many farm aid programs come up for review and renewal. We'll know better if it helps reduce oversupplies or not by then -- and perhaps our intelligent U.S. Ag Secretary John Block can put a better idea forward. Lately, his costly plans have helped farmers -- but haven't directly addressed the problem of over-production and oversupply.

The 1985 expiration provides an excellent goal. It's a good opportunity to review and improve our farm program "crazy quilt" of subsidies. Let's hope they're changed, to better conditions both for American consumers and farmers.

Pete Progress says:

"Tis the season to be wishpering in Santa's ear!"



Your lawmakers...

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- SEN. DONALD RIEGLE, 263 Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510, phone 202-225-6922.
- REP. J. ROBERT TRAXLER, 1526 Longworth Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510, phone 202-224-3121.
- SEN. JAMES BARGIA, State Capitol, Room 127-A, Lansing, MI 48909, phone 373-1777.
- REP. DICK ALLEN, State Capitol, Room 220-2, Lansing, MI 48909, phone 373-0476.



Fore!

By Mavis Pechette

'Tis the season of gifts!

'Tis the season of gifts. The ads offer every item imaginable to be given as a gift. Newspaper ads, radio commercials and TV spots push products we never hear about other times of the year. And if no suitable object is found, there is always the gift certificate. This can be used to give something that can't be wrapped -- dinner for two, fresh fish, lawn mowing or babysitting.

At every turn we are urged to give gifts during this season. This is also a time for us to take stock of the gifts we have been given. Consider the talents (which are gifts) you have and what you do with them.

Our pastor asked what we are doing with our gift of education. He was pushing for more lectures, pointing out that if you can read, what better way to use than to read the Word of God. His talk started me thinking about that and other gifts.

We can share our gift of education by reading to others. Taking part in worship services is just one way. Patients in nursing homes enjoy hearing someone read the Scriptures to them. They also like to hear a newspaper and have discussions on events. Many magazines have stories that are fun to read to others. Even the youngsters in our lives enjoy having stories read to them.

Not everyone has a talent for reading and maybe the gift of listening is theirs. Our parents and older friends need a person to listen to them. We've heard the same stories over and over but, by using the gift of listening, we hear them one more time. Do we really listen when teen-agers talk? Whether family members or others, teens sometimes don't make much sense to us. Use that gift and find out what they really are saying.

Do you have some special ability? Are you musical? How do you use that talent? Don't just sing to yourself in the confines of your home. There are choirs in the area waiting to welcome you. Sing out in church so your neighbors may share the enjoyment of your talent. Help a Scout troop to learn about and appreciate music.

Maybe you have an artistic flair with paints. You thrill at what you can produce. Others would delight in sharing what you know and can do.

As part of your education you learned to write. Why not put that gift to use and drop a note to someone who would love to hear from you. It doesn't have to be perfect in form -- correct heading, salutation, complimentary closing and everything -- to bring happiness to that person. A simple, "Hi, thinking of you, bye" type of thing can do wonders for both of you.

Athletic ability may be your forte. You like to ice skate, shoot baskets, or spend a quiet afternoon holding a fishing pole. Not everyone can do those things. If you can catch a ball or swing a golf club, why not share that knowledge with another who cannot. Some folks have the talent of appreciating the skill and grace of talented athletes.

The gift of companionship can be shared. Just being with a lonely person take away the dreariness. Not everyone has that talent so if you do, why not use it?

There are many gifts given to people. We all do not have some talents. This is a good time to determine what ours are and then use them. It would be a tiresome world if we were all good cooks but no one could sing, or if we all were excellent speakers but no one listened. Consider your talents as gifts as we prepare to celebrate the greatest Gift ever given.

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RECOLLECTIONS of by-gone days



By GEORGE KEIM

DEAR EDITOR,

The other night Henry Brueggemann, Ed Foster, Terry Smith and I were talking about those nice horses that pulled the wagon on Saturday, hauling those children around Pigeon.

They were nice horses, but Henry and I drove just as nice horses and maybe even nicer ones through town and nobody ever made a fuss over them!

I often drove horses that belonged to different farmers through town. When I worked for Otto Rathje, I hauled sugar beets to a beet station located about where the Pigeon Clinic now stands. He had a nice team, one a black and one a bay.

We had a high-wheeled wooden wagon and hauled two to three tons of beets. Then I worked for the sugar beet farm just west of Pigeon and drove a team of dapple grey Percherons through town lots of times. We'd haul three tons of beets to a station where the Co-op Seed Plant now is.

Back then, people took as much pride in their horses (or maybe even more) than farmers do now with their big tractors. Something about horses is that you could talk to them and they understood you. And if they

didn't behave, you could give them a licking.

But if your tractor stops, you'd be crazy if you gave it a licking! Then, you could raise little horses, but who ever heard of a tractor getting a little one?

Those days, people knew each other's horses and when they got sick, the neighbors were concerned about them. People called their horses fine names. The mares were called Maude, Blanche, Mabel, Molly, Bess, Flossie and Queen, while the geldings were called Bill, Dick, Tony, King, Prince and Jim.

One time I came home from town and Blanche hitched to the buggy. She wanted to get home quick, so the last half-mile she ran so fast that when we turned into the lane, I stood on the side of the buggy -- and the seat and the whip flew out! And I wasn't even scared, but I was young and foolish at the time.

In Prov. 12:10, it says, "A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast, but the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel." So you see people that were righteous took good care of their horses and other animals.

SINCERELY YOURS,  
GEORGE KEIM



Dear Mom & Dad

Please send \$\$\$

By KAMI BUCHHOLZ  
CMU SENIOR

Ben making some careful observations lately -- granted one does not have to be "careful" when making observations!

How many times have you ever crumpled up a piece of paper and hurled it in another direction? Stop and think that the same purpose could have been accomplished if you had just ripped the paper to shreds.

Or how about making a bed? Why not just leave it messed up -- you'll just be sleeping in it again in a few hours anyway.

Listening to radio stations. How often do you zip a station as soon as a song you dislike fills the airwaves? Songs only last three minutes, but those three minutes seem like an eternity, right?

What about crossing off the days on a calendar? Do

you really think the days are going to go by any faster just because you cross them off?

How about when you're cooking that infamous TV dinner? Must you open the oven every five minutes to see if the dinner is still frozen? Why not just sit back and watch TV for a half hour, then check the dinner?

Are you one of those persons who asks what's inside a package before opening it? The quickest and easiest way to find out is to just open the package. Besides, whenever you ask will tell you the same thing I just did.

What do all these "careful" observations mean? Not much really, but each one points out how many times we do things merely out of habit.

Be sure to have a super week (see what I mean?)

Thumb Area obituaries listed for this week

REV. MAE SHUPE  
1898 - 1983

Edward L. Miller, age 90, of 131 N. Main St., Elkton, passed away on Wednesday, Dec. 7, at Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon.

He was born Nov. 10, 1893 in Oliver Township, son of the late John and Jane (Zoller) Miller.

He was employed as a plumber at the Elkton Hardware Co. and later by the J.R. Quinn Co. Mr. Miller was a World War I army veteran and a member of the Polar Bears who served in Siberia, Russia.

Surviving are two nieces, Mrs. Lloyd (Jean) Hostetler of Elkton and Mrs. Hazel Kosenko of Caseville and two nephews Etal Miller of Elkton and Jack Etzler of Bad Axe.

One brother, Albert and three sisters, Louise, Eva and Bertha preceded him in death.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Dec. 10 at 1 p.m. from the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton. Rev. Ronald Iris, pastor of the Elkton United Methodist Church, officiated with burial in the Riverside Cemetery, Elkton.

JAMIE LYNN VIERS

Jamie Lynn Viers, age 3 months, 10 days passed away suddenly Friday, Dec. 9, 1983.

She was born Aug. 29, 1983 in Bay City, daughter of James Thomas and Kay (Lorentz) Viers of Pigeon.

She is survived by her parents; five brothers, Michael Viers of Port Austin, Brian Ignash at home, Michael Ignash at home, Isaac Viers of Port Austin and Curtis Viers of Port Austin; one sister, Amy Viers of Port Austin; paternal grandparents, James A. and Mary Viers of Caro; maternal grandparents, Norman and Ila Lorentz of Sebewaing; paternal great grandmother, Ruby Stallard Viers of Hayside, Virginia; several cousins, aunts and uncles.

Funeral mass will be conducted Monday, Dec. 12 at 11 a.m. from St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church, Pigeon. The Rev. Frs. Michael Wolf and Theodore LaMarre will officiate with burial in the church cemetery.

Arrangements were handled by Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon.

DARLENE E. HILLER  
1959 - 1983

Darlene E. Hiller, age 24, of 326 Gageton Rd., Pigeon, passed away on Saturday, Dec. 10, at Huron Medical Care Facility, Bad Axe.

She was born Nov. 19, 1959 in Bad Axe, daughter of Mrs. Alvertia (Armstead) Hiller and the late Durelle Hiller. He preceded her in death Dec. 6, 1972.

She lived in Huron County all her life and attended Laker High School. Miss Hiller was a member of the Pigeon River Mennonite Church.

Surviving are her mother, Alvertia Hiller of Elkton; three brothers, David, Cecil and Gary all of Elkton; seven sisters, Mrs. Lester (Beverly) Bivens, Harbor Beach, Mrs. Dale (Phyllis) Blackstock, Elkton, Mrs. Kenneth (Janet) Hallock, Pigeon, Sherry, Shelly & Karen of Elkton and Sharon of Jackson; Maternal grandfather, Cecil Armstead of Bad Axe and her guardians Harvey and Mabel Swartzendruber, Pigeon, 18-nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 11 a.m. from the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton. Rev. Luke Yoder, pastor of the Pigeon River Mennonite Church of Elkton, officiated with burial in the Verona Township Cemetery, Verona.

Area-wide deaths

Concluding as of Friday, Dec. 9

- Lary Parker, 23, of Cass City, passed away Nov. 28, 1983.
- Henry Knoll, 70, of Clinton Township, with relatives in Unionville, passed away Nov. 28, 1983.
- Robert A. Barrigar, 58, of Saginaw, formerly of Caro, passed away Nov. 28, 1983.
- Ida M. Starr, 82, of Snover, passed away Nov. 29, 1983.
- Armand McBurney, 100, formerly of Cass City, passed away Nov. 30, 1983.
- Althea P. Barry, 68, of Caro, passed away Dec. 1, 1983.
- Robert Millard, 61, of Gaylord, formerly of Cass City, passed away Dec. 1, 1983.
- Almeda Partio, 74, of Akron, passed away Dec. 2, 1983.
- Emma C. Shall, 69, of Silverwood, formerly of Bay Port, passed away Dec. 3, 1983.
- Basil E. Bigham, 64, of Cass City, passed away Dec. 3, 1983.
- Hugh Webb, 75, of Cass City, passed away Dec. 3, 1983.
- Joseph M. Kramer, 40, of Gaines, formerly of Sherman Township, passed away Dec. 3, 1983.
- Melva M. Sowlowski, 74, of Saginaw, formerly of Fairgrove, passed away Dec. 3, 1983.
- Melba M. Hall, 76, of Caro, passed away Dec. 4, 1983.
- Elmer E. Grills, 69, of Harbor Beach, passed away Dec. 4, 1983.
- Burnette R. Zellman, 78, of Harbor Beach, passed away Dec. 4, 1983.
- Gertrude M. Krueger, 69, of Harbor Beach, passed away Dec. 4, 1983.
- Eisa (Minnie) Sowden, 94, of Cass City, passed away Dec. 4, 1983.
- Mary Yaroch, 88, of Port Austin, passed away Dec. 5, 1983.
- Harvey Lamoreaux, 80, of Cass City, passed away Dec. 5, 1983.
- Floyd E. Ryan, 72, of Akron, passed away Dec. 5, 1983.
- William R. Rolston, 70, of Greenleaf Township, Sanilac County, passed away Dec. 5, 1983.
- Cecilia M. Rollin, 78, of Harbor Beach, passed away Dec. 6, 1983.
- Esther Tiffin, 75, of Hesteria, California, formerly of Ubyly, passed away Dec. 6, 1983.
- Edward L. Miller, 90, of Elkton, passed away Dec. 7, 1983.
- Alvin G. Richards, 74, of Harbor Beach, passed away Dec. 8, 1983.

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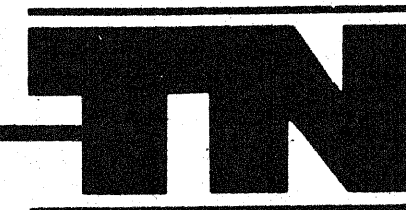
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## Agriculture must convince public of its power: Kindinger

Agriculture has to get over its perception that it amounts to "only two or three percent of the population" and has to build the right story and tell the right people that "we are a force to be reckoned with."

Paul Kindinger, who was appointed director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture just six weeks ago, told that to a large farm audience Saturday at the annual Thumb Ag Day, held in Cass City High School.

"We have to tell our story to everybody who sits down to eat three times a day, and we have to convince them of agriculture's power every time they walk into a store, or buy food, or take time to eat," he continued.

Kindinger declared that there is a need to build a common bond, and to deal with the people we think we're in conflict with. "To defuse such feelings of conflict, it's necessary to find our common areas, to discover that common bond, and then build unity with them - the meat cutters, the truck drivers, the implement servicemen, and all the others - because when we realize we're all part of agriculture, then we discover that there are a lot more of us than the few we know as being actual farmers, he continued.

"When we see agriculture in that total perspective, then we'll recognize that we are part of a huge, vital and necessary industry," he concluded.

Featured topic of Thumb Ag Day was farm financing, how it will be done in the 1980s, and where the money will come from.

Bill Burkhart, MSU agricultural economist, told his audience that financial planning and operations are becoming increasingly important so rapidly that they rate as high or higher than production research and planning.

How to finance farming operations is becoming so competitive and so vital that outside consultants, who are fully acquainted with all phases of financing, must be engaged to show the borrower the best deal available. "You have to be sharp," he said, "you have to know how to apply for money, where to go for the best deal, you have to know how to appraise the terms and you have to have tremendous expertise."

The money market is changing constantly, and so bankers too, must be able to supply the best financial plan available, and provide the most dependable source of funds at the lowest rate for the borrowers.

Burkhart traced events of the past two decades, which included overproduction of farm products, a soft export market, worldwide depression and double-digit interest. Those conditions affected farm income so tremendously that farmers "had to substitute borrowing for cash flow" and gave government "the largest role in farm operations that it has ever played." Through those years use of credit expanded greatly, and consequently, so did the growth of debts.



**BUSY PLACE:** ABOVE, Cass City High School's gym was packed with more than 50 exhibitors during Thumb Ag Day Saturday.

**AT RIGHT:** State Ag Director Paul Kindinger chats with State Rep. Keith Muxlow (R-Brown City) during lunch Saturday.

While farm credit soared for years, Burkhart said that the U.S. "is looking at a possible reduction in total farm credit in 1983 for the first time in 30 years."

Sources of farm-loans have been changing, with federal banks providing more and more money for real estate - up to 43% of the total in 1983 - with corresponding withdrawing from the field by commercial banks. Insurance companies, too, are reducing their participation and individuals lending real estate money are also declining. The speaker added that in Michigan, individual participation in supplying real estate money is "much bigger" than in other states.

Net farm income for 1983 will be up about 23% over last year, Burkhart told his audience, which is "good news" when coupled with reduced inflation and lower interest. That trend will probably continue into 1984 to 1992, he suggested.

With most of PIK payments not in force for 1984 - although wheat will be - Burkhart said that a result will be increased farm production next year and beyond, so that farm production will continue to outstrip export needs. That trend will continue in 1986, so that financing will play a more and more important role than research or production.

The economist said the deregulations of activities of the financial market "gives us many new opportunities to borrow money" and an even greater "host of new investment opportunities." The deregulation is helpful both to borrowers and lenders.

The fast-changing regulations and resulting new plans and programs "give credit users the almost insurmountable task of keeping up" with the changes, and "learning to determine how they can use new programs in their farms or businesses," the speaker pointed out.

Where will the money come from in the years ahead, he asked, and said that commercial banks and all other financial institutions will become more competitive and will have to stay that way, which means excellent opportunities for borrowers.

Burkhart tossed out a number of terms and names - "innovations for the 80s," he called them - and said that while credit users may not have heard of them up to now, some or all of them will become familiar in the years ahead. He named "blended rate loans," "financial leases," "secondary markets for real estate," and "venture capital."

"Staying sharp," for borrowers and lenders, is becoming more and more difficult, but it's vital, and "it will pay off," he concluded.



Laker FFA winners named



Tracy Tageson

Barry Maust

Tracy Tageson was recently named "Student of the Month" in the Laker Future Farmers of America for the month of October.

She received this award for her work on the full CROP Drive. Some of her tasks included making radio announcements, meeting with CROP officials, and assisting the CROP committee in many other preparations for the CROP Drive.

The September "Student of the Month" was Barry Maust, who was recognized for his work in the FFA concession stand.

Some of his work included taking inventory of the stand, working at the stand during football games, teaching students how to use the popcorn machine and other necessary jobs.

### Thumb Grain MARKETS

at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 13

White Wheat . . . bu. \$3.17

(Up 3 cents from last week's \$3.15)

Red Wheat . . . bu. 3.17

(Up 3 cents from last week's 3.15)

Corn . . . bu. 3.10

(Down 11 cents from last week's 3.12)

Soybeans . . . bu. 7.47

(Down 26 cents from last week's 7.28)

Oats . . . bu. 2.15

(Down 5 cents from last week's 2.20)

Rye . . . bu. 3.00

(Unchanged from last week's 3.00)

Morex Barley . . . bu. 2.80

(Down 5 cents from last week's 2.85)

Navy Beans . . . cwt. 24.00

(Unchanged from last week)

### Sugar beet checks mailed

Thursday, Dec. 15, will be a great day in the Thumb and Saginaw Valley, the day that first payment sugar beet checks are mailed from the Michigan Sugar Company.

Based on a \$24 per ton initial payment, the company will send out \$33,808,368, based on 1,408,692 tons of beets delivered to four processing factories, at Sebewaing, Caro, Carrolton and Croswell.

At the Sebewaing plant, payments will be based on about 400,000 tons of delivered beets, which means checks will amount to around \$9,600,000.

While \$24 per ton is the "average" initial payment, individual farmers will receive varying amounts based on actual sugar content of their own beets.

The payment is the same as in 1982 - \$24 compared with only \$19 for the first payment in 1981. In 1980 the initial payment was \$28.51.

Payments are in relation to sales of sugar, pulp and molasses throughout the marketing year.

Total amount paid per ton of 1982 sugar beet was \$35.72.

Slicing operations at the Sebewaing plant have been going "extremely well" so far, according to Davis Sunderland, vice president of agriculture for the company. Storage conditions are very good, he added, stating "we are optimistic over every phase at this time."

## Fishermen to benefit from \$225,000 Sebewaing marina

A county park-and-marina, to be located at Sebewaing, passed a big hurdle last Thursday when the Sebewaing project was adopted by the Michigan Land Trust Fund Board in Lansing, to be submitted to the Michigan Legislature on Jan. 15.

Final approval of the list and fund allocation must come from the Legislature, according to Ed Hagen, staff assistant to the fund board, who made the announcement.

The board's recommendation was to fund land purchase for the Sebewaing park by supplying up to 90% of fair market value, to a maximum of \$225,000.

That initial amount would be used to purchase the property, but park and marina development and facilities would cost at least \$400,000 more, so the total project would cost in the area of \$600,000 to \$700,000, according to County Commissioner Bruce Kuhl, who has been working on the project since 1982.

The Sebewaing proposal was one of 44 approved by the Land Trust Fund Board last Tuesday, with total funding of \$16.2 million, Hagen said.

Once the Legislature approves, a grant agreement is sent to the local governing body where the application was initiated, which in this case was the Huron County Board of Commissioners. When the grant agreement is completed, the contract between the State of Michigan and Huron County is signed, and land acquisition can begin.

A county park in Sebewaing has been a long-time dream, since this area of the shoreline is the only long stretch in Huron County that does not have a good park facility. The first shoreline park along the west side of Huron County on M-25 is located at Caseville.

A park in the Sebewaing area would complete a solid string of parks, reaching from the west shore, all around the Saginaw Bay and Lake Huron shorelines to the

Sanilac County border on the east.

Last winter Kuhl and Sebewaing Village and Chamber of Commerce officials, together with local supporters, began meeting to investigate the possibilities of a county park, and to help promote the coming "Walleye boom" in fishing.

Kuhl and the local residents met with the Huron County Road Commission and Huron County Board of Commissioners on several occasions, stressing the growing importance of fishing in recreational plans all along Saginaw Bay. Kuhl undertook the task of ferrying a pre-application through the Commission, which gave it full initial approval. Once that body approved the pre-application, Kuhl took it to Lansing, and served as contact person for the project.

At the time a Sebewaing delegation appeared before the Huron Commission, a petition, signed by more than 650 Sebewaing residents, requested the

park and pledged support.

So far the precise location of the proposed park has not been pinpointed, as there are a number of suitable sites, including an 18-acre parcel owned by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, between Miller Street and Saginaw Bay. Other locations will be considered before the land will actually be procured.

When the pre-application was made, the area was simply described as "west of Sebewaing." Some offers of private property have been made, which could well be the nucleus for later expansion.

When the delegation made its application to the County Commission, they stressed the growing importance of fishing throughout Saginaw Bay. The application stated that the natural fish population provides one of the broadest varieties of fish species of any water in the Midwest, and that the Bay is ideally suited to support large populations of fish.

In addition, the five

Walleye rearing ponds around the perimeter of the Bay - with the nearest at Fish Point, just two miles to the southwest - there is full expectation of huge Walleye populations drawing in more

sports fishermen, than had ever been accommodated here before, and creating jobs for many retail and service businesses that will grow and expand from visiting sportsmen.

### USA SNAPSHOTS

A LOOK AT INTERESTING NATIONAL STATISTICS

#### Sugar dreaming, eating

Americans will eat and drink less sugar next year, the USDA says. Sugar consumption is dropping because soft drink manufacturers are increasing their use of artificial sweeteners and cheaper sweeteners, often made from corn. Five years of sugar consumption is shown here (pounds per person):

YEAR	POUNDS PER PERSON
1980	83.7
1981	79.5
1982	73.8
1983*	71.0
1984*	68.0

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Agriculture

# SPRING NEEDS

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# The Past in Print



## 80 YEARS AGO DEC. 18, 1903

At a Hirschberg & Son store, Pigeon: fancy articles, toilet sets, shaving sets, manicure sets, sterling silver novelties, ebony, cloth and hair hat brushes, hand mirrors, perfumes, clocks, watches, silverware of every description, work boxes, albums, mechanical toys and toys of every kind; black and colored dress goods in dress and skirt lengths; most complete line of hankies, embroidered, hemstitch, and lace-trimmed scalloped handkerchiefs at 10c, 15c, and 25c; men's and boys clothing and furnishings, holiday neckwear, mufflers, suspenders etc. The only one-price store in the county.

A horse belonging to Abe Steadman, while tied on Pigeon's Main Street, became frightened and ran away Monday.

Two sleigh loads of Elkton school children drove over to Pigeon yesterday afternoon.

The harness shop of Bewick and McAllister and blacksmith shop of L. Don-dineau at Elkton were destroyed by fire Monday morning. The fire started in the harness shop and loss is about \$2,500.

## 70 YEARS AGO DEC. 26, 1913

Mrs. Bernhart Fahrner, an old and highly respected resident of Kilmanagh, died Monday. Funeral will be held at the Evangelical Church Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Bueschlen, Mr. and Mrs. Christian Otto and Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Bueschlen, Pigeon, left Tuesday for Hamburg, Ont., where they will visit for several weeks.

Vel. Curran, Caseville, sold a fine driving horse to Robert Richmond, McKinley. Consideration \$200.

Miss Edna Lee, who is attending school at Alma, is spending the holidays at her home in Bay Port.

A number of Bay Port young people attended the box social and entertainment at the Schnell school Friday night.

Hustle your rags around before spring. 12c a square yard for hit and miss rugs, rag rugs at 15c yard; for carpet weaving contact Simon D. Gnagey, Bay Port.

Ruben Frank, Caseville, is home from M.A.C. for the holidays.

## 60 YEARS AGO DEC. 28, 1923

Paul Foster passed away at his home south of Pigeon.

He is survived by his widow and family.

Come to the oyster stew at the Hayes Church Monday evening, Dec. 31. Weenies and coffee will also be served.

Chris Muentener was the winner of the huge toy baby Packard car in the drawing Monday afternoon at Hirschberg's store in Pigeon. The committee in charge of the drawing, Herman Buchholz, August Rathje and William Steadman, saw that it was conducted in a fair and logical manner.

Mrs. Otis Fellows, Miss Agnes Baur and Walter Baur of Lansing, Paul Baur of Detroit, Otto Baur of Albion, and Gilbert Baur, Owendale, spent Christmas at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Baur.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Gettel and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wes Scheurer and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gettel, Sebewaing and Miss Laura Gettel, Detroit, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Wagester, Pigeon, Sunday.

## 50 YEARS AGO DEC. 29, 1933

A large crowd attended the Community Christmas Tree program Friday night in Pigeon. Pigeon Lutheran Church band played and there was community singing. Rev. G.F. Wacker, Berne, addressed the crowd and packages of nuts and candy were given to the children. On Saturday 48 packages of food and sweets were delivered to the needy, firemen and church groups.

David Schluchter, 77, Elkton, died Thursday. He leaves a widow, five daughters, Naomi, Alma, Cora, Lydia and Elva, and two sons, William and Joseph.

Mrs. Moses M. Weidman, 45, the former Laura Minnie Eichler, died Dec. 21 at her home near Pigeon. Besides her husband, she leaves six sons, Ervin, Leland, Howard, Raymond, Harold, Glenn and one daughter, Eleanor.

George Smith, McKinley, leaves today for Chicago.

where he will be employed. Mrs. Elsa Copeland and daughters of Detroit and Miss Meta Clabuesch of Pigeon, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clabuesch.

William Henne and Albert Haist, Saginaw, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Schumacher and Mrs. Laura Haist, Pigeon, over Sunday.

## 40 YEARS AGO DEC. 24, 1943

Young men from this area who will leave Dec. 31 to report to Fort Sheridan, IL for active duty in the armed forces include Victor Lukasiak and Charles Carrington, Bay Port; Clayton Diebel, Pigeon; Gerald Irion, Sebewaing; accepted by the Marine Corps, Arnold Sting, Bach; accepted by the Navy, James Stahl, Junior Charles Stahl, Bay Port; Adolph Rathke, Herbert Bitner, Elkton; Anthony Arriaga, Pigeon.

Ladies of the Pero Club enjoyed a Christmas dinner at Defords, Caseville, then went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Schember where they were guests of Mrs. Royal Richmond. Prices went to Mrs. Charles Fisher, Mrs. Mary Dast, Miss Frances McIlhargie, Mrs. Christine Tetreau and Mrs. Charles Heck.

Michael Brandel, 73, a building contractor formerly of this area, died in Saginaw. He built many barns around here. He leaves his wife, a son and daughter.

Christmas meeting of Pigeon Worth White Club was held at the home of Mrs. Ernest Clabuesch with Mrs. H.O. Paul as co-hostess. Program was in charge of Mrs. Harry Leslie, Mrs. Clifton Bailey and Mrs. Henshaw.

## 30 YEARS AGO DEC. 25, 1953

Ward H. Clabuesch will be ordained Dec. 27 in All Saints Episcopal Church, Pontiac. After service in the Navy, Mr. Clabuesch graduated from M.S.C. and General Theological Seminary, New York.

After his ordination, Rev. Clabuesch will remain as Curate at All Saints Church.

Officers installed by Caseville Lodge F. & A.M. are Jess Hoy, George Nienstedt, E.T. Leipprandt, Allan Kerr, Ralph Steinman, Charles Leipprandt, Claude Dufty, Nicholas Dormey, John Stolzman, Edward Kobylski, Harold Marshall, Edward Williams and Bruce Leipprandt.

Arnold Gaeth, Bay Port, won a bike in the children's drawing Saturday afternoon in Pigeon, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. Adult winners of the grand prizes were Mrs. Clare Dast, Mrs. Earl Schafer, Jean Schulze, Pigeon; Mrs. Earnest Heasty, Caseville and Mrs. Milton Fritz, Elkton.

Robert P. Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Bean, Bay Port, now stationed in Korea, has been promoted to rank of Corporal in the armed forces.

## 20 YEARS AGO DEC. 26, 1963

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Byler, the former Agnes Gunden, Pigeon, will observe their 50th wedding anniversary at an open house Sunday at Michigan Menonite School. They have one son, eight daughters and 40 grandchildren.

Patricia Weaver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Weaver, Elkton, graduated from Mercy Central School of Nursing, Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn A. Carrington, the former Leila Waters, Bay Port, will observe their golden wedding anniversary with an open house Sunday at Bay Port Methodist Church. They have four children, nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mrs. Barbara Jantzi Zehr, age 100, died Dec. 19 at her home in Pigeon. Surviving are one daughter and one son.

Winning cash prizes in the final drawing at Elkton, sponsored by Elkton merchants, were Robert Tait, Judy Fritz, Marilyn Renn, Mrs. Dolores Weiss, Gus Bitner, Dale Ackerman, Mrs. Dan Dietzel, Carl Griggs and Mrs. Don Allen.

Winners of bicycles in the final drawing sponsored by Pigeon Chamber of Commerce were Lorraine Killinger and Philip Klein, both of Pigeon.

## 10 YEARS AGO DEC. 27, 1973

Mrs. Norman Cramer, 69, the former Alvina Wachner, Kilmanagh, died Dec. 17. She leaves three sons and six daughters.

Boyd E. Eicher, 62, former High bowler for week

High bowler for the week is Helen Guster, who bowled a 521 series of individual games of 237, 193 and 191.

She bowls in the Saturday Night Mixed League at Biff's, Kinde.

Other bowlers with a 550 series or higher include: Sue Arnott 575, Biffs; Wanda Sorrell, 562, Biffs; Audrey Zinger, 567, Biffs; Dody Yahn, 598, Pigeon; Joycelyn Blome, 560, Pigeon; Jan Deering, 553, Pigeon; Mary Ann Kubacki, 551, Charming and Judy Ostrander, 578, Bad Axe.

## Pigeon businessman, died Dec. 19 in Los Angeles, Calif.

Survivors are a son and daughter.

Mrs. Leone Webber Allen, 53, Caseville native, died Dec. 11 in Detroit. She is survived by her husband, Russell, two sons, a daughter, mother, Mrs. Mabel Morlock, Pigeon and two brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Pikkor, Pigeon, are winners of first prize, a four-day trip to Disney World in Florida, sponsored by Pigeon Chamber of Commerce in this year's Christmas drawing. Winners of cash prizes were Carl Danks, Nadine Barbret, Gertrude Gettel, Helen Damm, Dora Killinger, Mrs. Loren Elftman, Mrs. Ruth Fritz, John Swartzendruber, Del Bloomfield and Mrs. Gerald Elston.

Marjorie K. Elftman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Elftman, Pigeon, and Melvin R. Kuhl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Kuhl, Sebewaing, were married in Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon, by Rev. Ernst Henkelmann.

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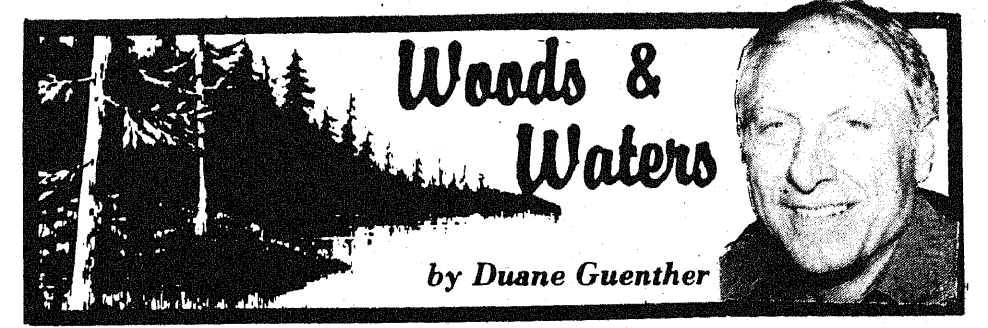
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**Early ice**

Ice fishermen are gregarious folks. On any given winter weekend, it's not unusual to see hundreds or even thousands of people crowding together on the ice of Saginaw Bay with hopes of catching a few fish. But today was different. As I nosed my car into the empty, makeshift parking lot located at the water's edge, my elderly fishing partner for the day let out a whoop.

"What'd I tell you," he cackled, "Not a soul out there."

This was December and the freezing temperatures of the last few nights had covered the flimsy skim of slush that changed the protected portions of the Bay to the first real ice of the season. My friend was right when he told me earlier that morning we would be one of the few parties on the ice that day.

"Most people wait until it (the ice) gets so thick that you can drive a truck on it," he had said.

We unloaded our fishing sleds, and with them in tow, picked up our spuds and headed for the edge of the ice.

"What about the thin ice?" I asked my mentor.

"Just got to be careful," he said with a smile. "Just got to be careful."

We walked the first 100 yards cautiously. Spread out like a patrol in Viet Nam, we both picked at the ice with our trusty spuds. The ice was an inch to two inches thick and seemed uniform wherever we checked. Moving out further, we came to a dark spot in the ice.

"This is a good hole," my friend announced, "We'll fish here." Holes were easily spudded, and without bothering to rig a seat, we dropped to our knees and presented our offerings to the fish. The action was instantaneous! As soon as the Russian hooks were lowered into the water a hungry perch would latch himself firmly to it. Before long our feet were hidden by floppy fish.

"Let's move on a bit," my partner instructed. "Nothing but little ones here."

We moved another 20 yards, and the same thing happened. Only this time the fish were a little bigger.

"What makes them bite so good?" I asked innocently.

"Not really sure," my friend answered honestly. "I think it has something to do with the ice, but I don't know for certain. They just seem to be hungry at this time of the year."

That fishing trip happened quite a few years ago, but the importance of fishing the early ice has stuck with me ever since. Each new season finds me anxiously checking the shoreline with hopes of catching that first ice perfectly. It isn't that easy.

Varying temperatures, along with winter winds, raise havoc with the formation of

new ice. In order to have a covering that is safe, it's necessary to have several evenings of freezing or sub-freezing nights. It is also best to have windless nights, but if the ice gets a thin covering, it can stand a pretty stiff blow before it breaks up.

Early ice can be extremely dangerous, and should be fished with caution. Most of the areas that I hit early in the season are shallow and relatively close to shore. While a fall through the ice might cause a little discomfort, it usually will not be life-threatening.

Fishing on this type of ice calls for a good spud. While its main use is for opening holes, it is also very valuable as a probe to constantly check the thickness of the ice. Make sure your spud has a rope or leather thong attached to the handle, which can be looped around your wrist. An ice spud can easily slip out of your hand when it suddenly breaks through the ice. If you should fall through the ice, the spud can become a life-saving friend. Either wedging it across the hole to keep you from falling through, or to dig into the ice as you pull yourself out.

One of the bonuses of early ice fishing is the simplicity of your equipment. Besides a spud, all you need is a five-gallon plastic bucket and a couple of poles. Most of the fishing activity will take place close to shore and will be readily reached by foot. You couldn't take a snowmobile if you wanted to, but each year finds a couple of people who don't believe that and end up with an expensive machine on the bottom of the Bay.

It is felt that the spawning perch who seek the shallow water during this time of year get a sense of security by the solid covering that is above. That, coupled with the fact that there is plenty of oxygen and limited mechanized traffic above, adds up to hungry fish that are willing to hit most any kind of lure.

While most die-hard ice fishermen have their own special hook riggings that assure them success, many work these shallows with minnows to get the fish to the hole. Once there, the action is so fast that using a bare Russian hook works as well as anything. Modern hooks have an artificial fish eye in back of the barb. If this annoys you, and it is made of glass, a squeeze with a pair of pliers will disintegrate it and leave the hook bare. If you like the eye, you might try one of the soft plastic kind that is now on the market. Life-like, they are gaining a nice reputation.

This year, don't wait until the ice gets two feet thick before you decide to get in a little ice fishing. Watch the shoreline for the hardy souls that get in the early fishing. As soon as they're out there, you know the ice is safe and the fish are in. If you want the action, be ready for early ice.

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# Juszczyk-Scheuerlein pledge lives in marriage

Kimberly Marie Scheuerlein of Washington, Mich. and Robert Joseph Juszczyk of St. Clair Shores united their lives in marriage in a mid-afternoon ceremony on Saturday, Dec. 3 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Utica.

Rev. Schwandt performed the double-ring ceremony for the children of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Scheuerlein of Caseville and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Juszczyk of St. Clair Shores.

Red poinsettia plants and red and white carnations with Christmas holly decorated the wedding altar.

Providing special music was vocalist Thomas Montgomery, who sang "The

Lord's Prayer" and "Benediction."

Escorted down the aisle by her father, the bride wore a gown of white satin with a cathedral train edged with imported embroidery. The bodice was covered with tiny seed pearls. Her illusion net veil was attached to a satin hat covered with seed pearls, with a turned up brim. She carried a cascading bouquet of silk white roses centered with red poinsettias and Christmas holly.

Standing up for her sister was matron of honor Jeanine Konesko of Saginaw. She was gown in a Holly Berry red dress of taffeta with an overskirt of soft organdy. A ruffle attached to the side encircled the bottom of the dress. She carried a white satin muff with a cascading bouquet of silk roses and poinsettias with Christmas holly.

Bridesmaids were Linda Scheuerlein of Bay City, cousin of the bride, Kim Stoback of Utica, a friend of the bride and Laura Scheuerlein of Washington, sister-in-law of the bride. They were attired identically to the matron of honor.

Flowergirl was Jennifer Balko of Owosso, cousin of the bride, who was dressed identically to the bridesmaids, in miniature.

Best man for the groom was his twin brother,

The newlyweds greeted guests at a reception at the Club Monte Carlo in Utica. Following a two-week wedding trip to Freeport, Bahamas, the couple is residing in Washington, Mich.



Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Gunden

# Gunden-Good married in Virginia

Barbara Sue Good and Rodney Edward Gunden were married Nov. 26 at Weavers Mennonite Church near Harrisonburg, Va.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Good of Route #5, Harrisonburg, Va. He is the son of Goldie Gunden of Pigeon and the late Leon Gunden.

Luke Yoder, Pigeon, performed the ceremony. Music was by Phyllis Yoder, Janice and Diane Good, all sisters of the bride and the Singing Messengers Quartet.

The bride was given in marriage by her parents.

She wore a white formal length gown of poi-soie over taffeta with French embroidered lace and a veil. She carried an arrangement of peach rosebuds and miniature white carnations.

Maid of honor was Linda Lehman of Harrisonburg, Va., a friend of the bride. She wore a formal length apricot gown and carried flowers that matched the bride's.

Bridesmaids were Phyllis Yoder of Pigeon, sister of the bride and Julie Shenk of Harrisonburg, Va., friend of the bride. Their gowns and flowers were identical to those of the matron of honor.

Best man was Gerald Hershey of Pigeon, friend of the groom. Groomsman were Dale Yoder and Darrel Yoder, both of Pigeon, friends of the groom.

Ushers were Eddie Good, brother of the bride, Roger Gunden, brother of the groom, Lee Gascho and Lyle Gascho, cousins of the groom.

A reception was held at Shady Oaks Fellowship Hall. After a wedding trip to Nashville, Tenn., the couple is at home in Pigeon, where the groom is a self-employed farmer.

The bride attended Eastern Mennonite College and Saginaw Valley State College.

## Thumb area club news

**FLOWING WELL FARM BUREAU**

Flowing Well Farm Bureau met in the Clayton Gimmel home on Dec. 8 for a meeting and potluck supper.

Following the meal, the business meeting was opened with the Pledge to the Flag led by Harold Gregor. Jean Hostettler led in several Christmas carols. Fifteen members answered roll call with "A Joke." Virginia Ackerman read the minutes of the last meeting in the absence of the secretary.

Some members told about their most exciting Christmas from the past. Beatrice Gregor played Christmas selections on the piano. Harold Gregor read a poem entitled "The Old-Fashioned Sleigh-Ride." Aleta Wilson had charge of the "Fun Sheet."

## State Rep. Allen will visit area

State Rep. Dick Allen (R-Fairgrove) will be available to meet with citizens at both Pigeon and Sebawaing on Tuesday, Dec. 20.

Allen will conduct public office hours at the Pigeon Village Hall from 12 noon until 1 p.m. and at the Sebawaing Village Hall from 2 to 3 p.m.

Earlier in the day, he will meet with 115 government students at the Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Schools.

## Hospital notes

**Patients in Scheurer Hospital, on Monday, Dec. 12:**

**PIGEON:** Mrs. David (Margaret) McCormick, Reinhold Bannick, Earl Aytte, Charles Rayford Carr.

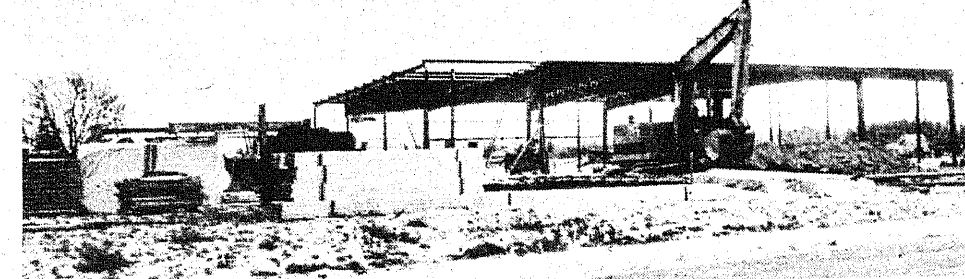
**CASEVILLE:** Clarence Perry, Mrs. Floyd (Evelyn) Langley, James Wolfe, Miss Rachel Whittaker.

**ELKTON:** Mrs. Eva Wisenbaugh, Mrs. Helen McIntyre.

**BAY PORT:** Raymond Deering.


**SEBEWAING:** Mrs. William (Susan) Bell.

**BIRTHS:** Mr. and Mrs. Donald (Deborah) Boyce, Kinde, a girl, born on Dec. 1.



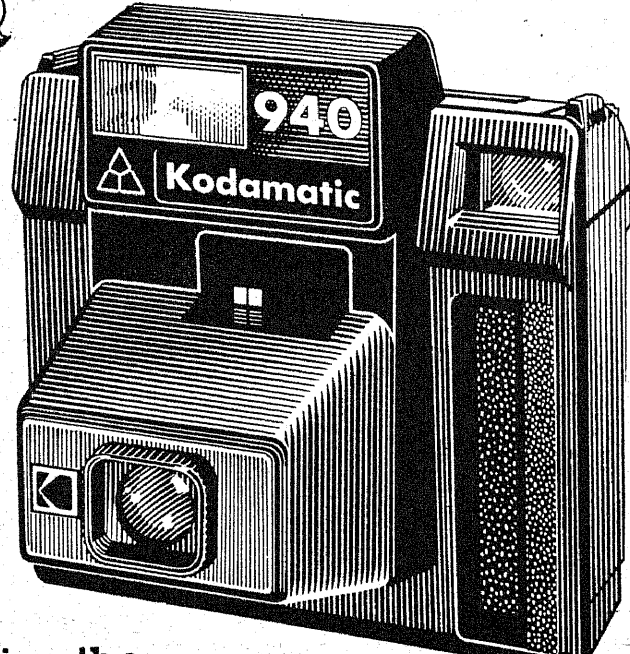
**McCORMICK BUILDING:** Construction work is progressing well on the new McCormick Motors building, at the southwest corner of M-142 (Pigeon Road) and Caseville Road in Pigeon. Steel girders are going up now, with construction to be completed early next year.

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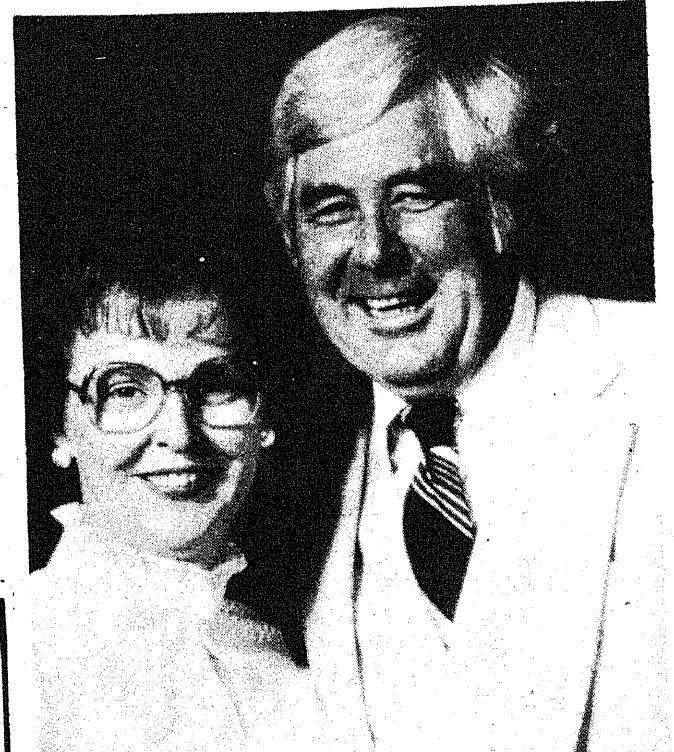
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**Local couples mark anniversary dates**



Mr. and Mrs. Bud McDonald

Bud and Jeannette McDonald of Owendale will celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary on Monday, Dec. 26 with an Open House hosted by their children, Darren, Mark of Kalamazoo and Dena, who resides at home.  
The Open House will be in the Owendale School Cafeterium from 1 to 5 p.m. for friends and relatives.  
Airman 1 (E.M. (Bud) McDonald of Wichita Falls, Tex., son of the late Richard and Anita McDonald of rural Gagelown, and Jeannette Faust, daughter of Mrs. Bertha nee Faust Kisner of Pigeon and the late Paul Faust, were married in a Christmas wedding at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Linkville by Pastor Eugene Vetter. R.L. Bauer was organist and vocalist was Jeannette Ziehm.  
Attendants were Duane and Jeannine Ziehm, Barbara Faust Werth, Eleanor McDonald Either, Allan and Roy McDonald, Duane Holland and Arnold Jedele. Flowergirl was Peggy Faust Stanczyk and Barry Ziehm was ringbearer.  
Accept for 13 months spent in Korea in the service, the McDonalds have resided in Owendale for all of their married life.

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Mr. and Mrs. Donald Blome

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Blome celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Sunday, Nov. 27 with their family at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Frank Enderle of Owendale.  
Donald Blome and Joan McArdle were married Nov. 29, 1958 at St. Felix Catholic Church, Pinnebog.  
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**LAKER CHEERLEADERS:** From left, Coach Lisa DiCamillo, varsity honorees Tammy Ginter, Susie Emerson and Melissa Dietzel; JV honoree Sue Monday for most improved. JV Cheerleaders honored (but not pictured), most valuable Jody Metzger and most spirited Shelly Roestel.

## Thumb area club news

### PIGEON WORTH WHILE

The December meeting of the Pigeon Worth While club was held at the home of Lucile Clabuesch, as it has

traditionally been the past few years.

Jan Stoeckle and Linda Herman from the Spice and Kitchen Shoppe, Bad Axe, were the program for the evening. They discussed the

many spices and herbs in use today and their origins.

The club noted that the fall fashion show was a successful event, and members voted to give a \$100 donation to the library.

President Mary Jane Voelker mentioned that club meeting dates will appear in the Laker band booster calendars.

Virginia Thiel of the Community Welfare Committee reported that they have selected a family with four children to buy clothes for this Christmas season.

A candidate, Craig Kimmel, has been selected for the Hugh O'Brien Seminar, which the Worth While Club co-sponsors. The seminar will be held next summer.

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5. Neutral colors like grey or amber tone down a too-pink complexion.

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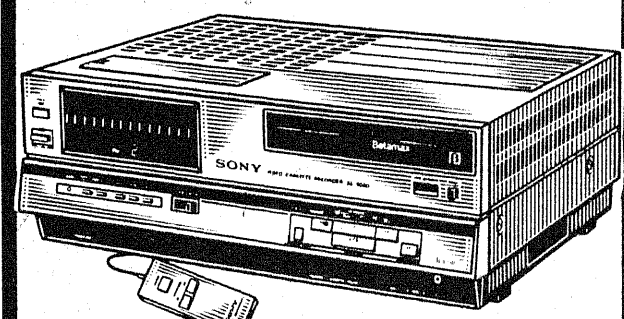
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## Elkton native in "Who's Who"

Carrie L. Hurlburt, a senior at Northwood Institute in Midland, will be included in the 1984 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." Hurlburt was included among the students selected on the basis of academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extra-curricular activities and potential of continued success.

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Roseann Seemann was the hardworking chairman of the Laker Community Christmas Bazaar this year, along with the able president Gerry Klein and the many others who made it so successful. We are considering the use of the gym for next year, and we thank everyone who took part.

The Christmas lights in Pigeon look really good, but there aren't enough of them. We hope more are added in the future, to keep the town moving and looking better.

A great big "thank you" needs to go to the Pigeon Village DPW crew, who keeps the sidewalks clean of snow at the Pigeon District Library. How many library patrons have said thank you to the crew?

To GNIH, 625 Orr: What a bore! On Dec. 19, you'll be 44! The Four Ps in Pigeon hope you'll have many, many more!

I'm calling to complain there isn't a way to help people who have lost their home in time of fire. Why don't they do more, such as organizations and church groups? This is really needed. Reach out to somebody who needs your help.

The Interfaith Council of Church Women of the Pigeon area would like to publicly thank MariAnne Dast, who donated the beautiful

pointsettias to our Meals On Wheels people. We're sure they helped make their Christmas more beautiful.

Once a year we senior citizens should be able to use our Laker gym for the Christmas bazaar! It was a crying shame how we were squashed together last Saturday, in the dining room.

I hope a number of people have noticed the beautiful wreaths on the front of the Damm's Implement building. I think it adds much to the decorations on Pigeon's west end.

A number of salad bowls were taken from the Library

to know where people go with their sleds and snow dishes?

I won a prize last week at the Pigeon children's drawing and I'd like to say thank you for it. I hope Santa is listening, so he sees how good I am (I'd like more toys, too).

I'm sick and tired of football on TV. First it was college, now pro and who knows what's next? If the couch potatoes who watch this garbage would spend half that time reading a book and the other half talking to their families, they'd improve the world. But they don't, or won't.

Where are some good sledding hills in the Elkton or Pigeon areas? We moved here recently and would like



**LIFE MEMBER:** Melvin "Pete" Dutcher of Caseville

was presented a Life Membership in the Albert B. Jea American Legion Post No. 543 last Wednesday, during the Caseville Post's monthly meeting.

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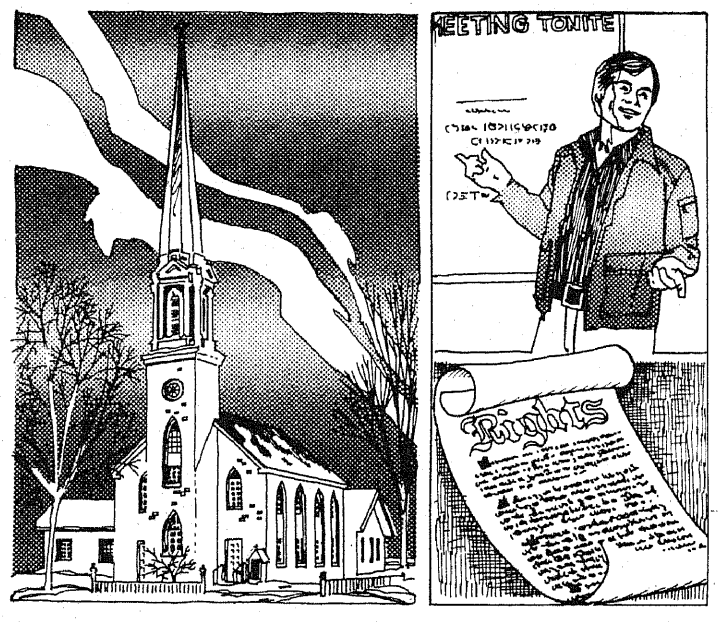
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— William Lloyd Garrison

"Pray...that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all men have not faith."  
— II Thessalonians 3:1, 2

The concept of human rights is something that we hear much about, being used as a yardstick by which we measure the governments of other nations to decide if they are worthy of our help and support. However, we speak of the absence of these rights as though we ourselves have never had to be concerned about them; and yet throughout our history wars have been fought and amendments added to our Constitution in order to secure them for our own citizens. We must remember that these rights will continue to be ours only if we are willing to do whatever is necessary to maintain them. So take an interest in your government and pay attention to what is happening at all times. Above all, go to your House of Worship, which you have the right to choose; and pray that our human rights, including this one, will remain intact for us to enjoy through all time to come.

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### Pigeon chorus performs

The Pigeon Area Chorus will present its fourth annual Christmas Cantata, "Thou Shall Call His Name Jesus" by Lanny Wolfe and Don Marsh this Sunday, Dec. 18 at 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon.

The chorus is directed by Bill Rupprecht and accompanied by Pam Dubey. Soloists are Maria Schumacher, Nancy Rupprecht and Connie Eden, Floris Wertz and Rev. Mark Karls, Cheri Diebel, Dave Jarvis and Rev. Gordon Nusz.

Narrators for the cantata are Rev. Don Patterson, Ken Dietzel and Diana and Jim Seley.

The cantata includes some new songs and also some familiar Christmas songs woven into the cantata. The chorus hopes the cantata will make a very meaningful preparation to the Christmas season.

The free-will offering for the performances will go to the Meals-on-Wheels program.



**HOLIDAY SINGERS** - Members of Caseville area churches will perform a Christmas Cantata, with three concerts scheduled before Christmas on Wednesday, Dec. 21 at 7:30 p.m. St. Roch Catholic Church will be the site of the first concert this Saturday, Dec. 17 at 8:15 p.m. On Sunday, Dec. 18, the choir will sing at the Caseville United Methodist Church at 7:30 p.m. Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will host the final concert on Wednesday, Dec. 21 at 7:30 p.m. Tim Braum is director, with readers from each church acting scenes from the Nativity. Carole Anderson is pianist.



### Living together in love

Read Matthew 22:34-40

I entreat Euodia and Syntyche to agree in the Lord. Philipians 4:2.

Days immediately preceding Christmas can get pretty hectic. In our home nerves can be frayed, everybody can be on edge at one time or another.

There is still so much to do: cookies to bake, packages to wrap and deliver, shopping to do, carols to be sung, basements to be cleaned.

Under such tension Christmas can become a family disaster instead of a time for joy.

What caused Euodia and Syntyche to disagree, Paul doesn't say. What is important is that Paul directs them to the source of agreement when he pleads with them to "agree in the Lord."

Of course, that's where it's all for all of us.

Jesus himself settled the greatest of all disagreements: man's rebellion against God.

He did that when He came at Bethlehem that He might eventually go to the cross to die for our sins.

This truth should not be overlooked in the hustle and bustle of all our other Christmas preparations.

Not only does Jesus forgive all our disagreements, all our sins, but He gives us the power to live in love and harmony.

Even more: When someone in our circle of relationships offends us, we have power to forgive that person in His name.

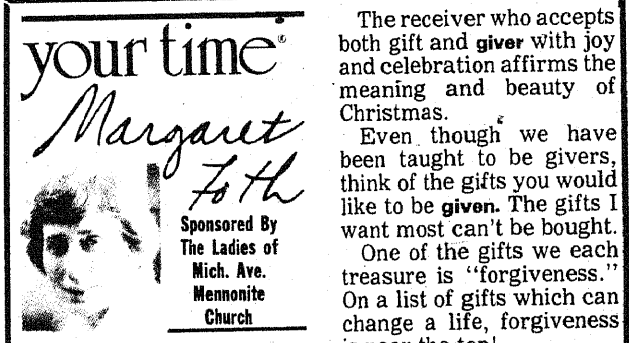
Lord Jesus, help us to live in peace with one another, for You are our Peace and have made us one with God. Amen.



### UW honors 4 residents

Four Western Thumb area individuals will be among the chairpersons honored at the United Way of Michigan's Campaign Achievement Celebration **Letters to Editor**

All letters to the Editor must be signed with a name to ensure authenticity. Deadline for publication is 5 P.M. MONDAYS.



### Christmas Is Receiving

For as long as I can remember, the focus at Christmas was on "giving." My parents tried to teach me to be a giver. At school and at church we were taught to give. How to give, how to be generous, how to give thoughtful, meaningful gifts, keeping within your budget while giving—even on "giving yourself" with your gifts.

But a gift always demands a receiver as well as a giver.

How does one receive gifts meaningfully? Is there a way of receiving a gift which multiplies the joy of both giver and receiver?

When I think of my favorite receivers, I see first of all little children. Their eyes sparkle and their feet dance and their hands reach for the package! No question as to whether or not they want a gift!

A child takes a gift with such anticipation and such obvious delight. No hesitation, questioning value, or comparing it with last year's gift. They don't make mental calculations as to how much you paid for it, or what you are expecting in return.

They tear the paper recklessly, in a hurry to see the gift. And soon they are busily putting together, trying out, or hugging tightly, your gift. Your gift is received. And then we try to teach them the conventions of "thank you" and adding "I love you!"

I also knew a grown woman who was a beautiful receiver of gifts. A child's drawing, balloons and jelly beans, or a valuable book, alike, drew from her delight and thanks and obvious valuing of the gift. She knew that to accept and value the gift was to accept and value the giver. No one listening could ever gauge the monetary value of a gift from the profusion of her thanks—and that was because she had learned that gifts cannot be measured.

The receiver who accepts both gift and giver with joy and celebration affirms the meaning and beauty of Christmas.

Even though we have been taught to be givers, think of the gifts you would like to be given. The gifts I want most can't be bought.

One of the gifts we each treasure is "forgiveness." On a list of gifts which can change a life, forgiveness is near the top!

But the truth is, many of us find that it's a gift we do not know how to accept. "I can never forgive myself—ever say, and that is the truth. One man was telling me his story: "While I was talking on the telephone, my little boy ran out the door. He was killed by the truck backing out our driveway!" The middle-aged man concluded, "I can never forgive myself!" The last words are the key to understanding his bitterness, his withdrawal from friends, his harsh judgments on others, his loneliness such shattering experiences where we cannot receive forgiveness. We cannot forgive ourselves for mistakes in the past. Like the friend who explained her refusal: "I got all mixed up when I tried to make a little speech, so I'm not going to try again." Many continue to punish themselves for the sin of long ago, refusing to accept the forgiveness offered.

Who can give the gift of forgiveness? God forgives, and we—men and women forgive each other. But that is not the sum total of forgiveness. Each one must forgive her or himself.

Love is also a gift to accept. I'm not sure I can explain it—rather I know I can't.

One teacher I knew said, "I cannot tell you what love is, but I know it is not less than creative caring, concern." And each of us can add to that list from personal experience. When did we know we were loved?

Who would turn away from love? Many times we refuse love because we are afraid it may be too costly. Love will call for love. We'd rather be uninvolved—not held accountable. Many of the sad stories of our times tell of being afraid to love and to be loved.

As with tangible gifts or the gifts of forgiveness or love, we cannot separate giving and receiving.

Be a joyful receiver this Christmas!

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### Christian group hosts speaker

Alberta Justin of Bad Axe will speak at the Christian Interfaith Fellowship Breakfast on Thursday, Dec. 15. She is the wife of Horseshoe Acres Calvary Church Pastor Stewart Justin. She speaks to various groups, teaches Bible studies and ministers in music.

Christmas cookies will be shared and those attending are asked to bring their favorites to the meeting.

Coffee and fellowship begin at 9 a.m. at the home of Willet and Sylvia Oesthger, 3825 Caro Rd., Sebewaing.

Babysitting is available by calling Lori Joles at 883-2076.

### Public invited to cantata on Sunday

The public is invited to a Christmas Cantata at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sebewaing, on Saturday, Dec. 17 at 7 p.m. The special program is sponsored by the Thumb Area American Cancer Society.

There is no admission charge and a free will offering will be received to benefit the Thumb Area American Cancer Society.

Refreshments in the church fellowship hall will follow the concert.



# Laker Honor Society inducts 28 new members

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER  
 The Laker Chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 28 new members in a ceremony conducted last Thursday at Laker High School.

Saginaw Valley State College President Jack M. Ryder was the featured speaker. He commended the Thumb area and Lakers in particular for the quality of students produced. "The difference between



**THE NEW NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY** members pictured here include: in front from left, seniors, Jennifer Gayari, Kenneth Hurley, Jeff Lawrence; juniors, Connie Abdalla, Paul Baker, Daniel Bouck, Eric Bushey, Lori Diener and Melissa Dietzel; middle row, Lisa Drabek, Gina Gaskill, Stephen Gayari, Brenda Hill, Linda Hurlburt, Karim Kimmel, Kelly Kimmel, Cynthia Kish and Susan Kohr; back row, Valerie Kranz, Tracy Kropp, Delores McArdle, Daniel Ritter, Colleen Stahl, Christine Steinman, Karen Trost, Cindy Winter, Shelly Wissner and Honorary Member Eric Hoerschelmann, exchange student from Germany.

lower and higher animals is the thumb," noted Ryder in comparing the animal kingdom to Thumb area educational systems. "People can be intelligent, but if they don't have a sense of values, that gift is wasted." "The kind of students that come from the Thumb represent the values that our society is all about," Ryder added. Although noting that Laker has produced effective results in the past 25 years, he referred to the National Education Commission Study, "A Nation at Risk," as evidence that our society needs to raise our level of excellence. This emphasis must be demonstrated throughout all occupations and professions, not just in education, added Ryder.



Dr. Jack Ryder

**PIGEON DISTRICT Library Corner**

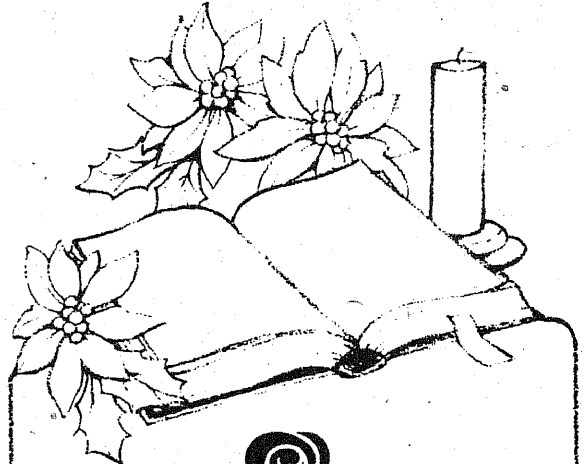
**FILM FESTIVAL**  
 A Film Festival on Saturday, Dec. 17 at the library will feature the films, "The Best Horse," "Phillip and the White Colt" and "Coyote Family, beginning at 1 p.m. for approximately one hour. All early elementary age children are invited to attend.

**PRESCHOOL PARTY**  
 The Preschool and Parents Christmas Party will be Tuesday, Dec. 20 from 9:30 to 11 a.m., with one session only. Rev. Mark Karls will conduct the program and Santa Claus will provide surprises for the children. Parents are asked to each bring one dozen cookies.

**HOLIDAY HOURS**  
 The Pigeon District Library will be closed on Dec. 24, 25 and 26 in observance of Christmas. The library will also be closed on Dec. 31, Jan. 1 and 2 for the New Year Holiday.

**APPRECIATION DINNER**  
 The Pigeon District Library Board of Trustees acted as hosts for the eighth annual Christmas Smorgasbord at the library community room on Monday, Dec. 5.

The boards of Chandler, McKinley, Winsor, Oliver, Lake, Fairhaven and Caseville Townships, officers of the Village of Pigeon and guests were present for a 7 p.m. dinner. Also in attendance were members of the Pigeon District Library Contribution Committee and their guests. Preceding the meal, an invocation was given by Charles Leipprandt. Chairman of the event was Mrs. John Eichler, president of the Library Board of Trustees. Mrs. Bruce Krohn was in charge of distributing the centerpieces as prizes.



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## Our Michigan Kitchen By Mr. Jean Charest

### Christmas!

Christmas. What does this word mean for you? Peace? Goodwill? Security? Hopefully you see yourself surrounded by flushed, happy faces at a table groaning with delicious things you have made for your family and friends? Or do you imagine a season of neuroses and hangovers? If it is the last that you envisage, you will be relieved to hear that our modern Christmas is but a shadow of what it used to be. Christmas was the morning of a festival that stretched over 12 days: New Year's Day was the afternoon, and Twelfth night was the evening.

The exact date of Christ's birth is disputed. But the early church found it convenient to take pagan festivals and convert them to Christian celebrations. Thus our Christmas is a relic of the notorious Saturnalia, an orgy of licentious junketing which took place in Rome at the winter solstice to celebrate the returning sun, and to which many of our customs relate directly. It was, for example, a time of peace - no wars were declared or fought; temples were decked with evergreens; everyone exchanged gifts (the commonest being candles representing the sun) and men dressed up in animal skins and women's dresses - a custom that continued into the Middle Ages as masking and mumming and developed into the modern Christmas pantomime.

The origins of our traditional Christmas dinner, however, are found not in pagan Rome but in medieval year, was patterned with periods of fast and feast: Feast days were designed to be ritual celebrations of gratitude and joy, to be kept solemnly, as it says in the black book of Edward IV, "with all such good stuff an conde to be gotten." The two greatest festivals were Easter (following the six weeks of Lent) and Christmas (coming after the four weeks of Advent). What we suppose to be special Christmas fare was in fact standard ceremonial feast-day food. For over 500 years the same dishes were featured not only at celebrations of the great church Holy Days but also at coronations, at marriages, and at enthronements of bishops, whatever the season.

One of the main points of Christmas was for the rich to dispense hospitality to the poor. Indeed, dispensing hospitality was the duty of the king and nobility, whose function it was to keep open castle. For example, in 1248 Henry III had Westminster Hall filled with poor people who were fed for a week, and Edward IV had his tables covered from 10 in the morning until 10 at night, open proclamations were issued all over the country, and people were entertained not only to "good stuff" but to music, masking and general conviviality.

In the 16th century Thomas Tusser wrote: Good bread and good drinke, a good fier in the hall, Braune (head cheese), pudding and souse, and good mustard withall, Biefe, Mutton and Pork, shred (mince) pies of the best, Pie, veale, goose and capon and turkey well drest, Cheese, apples and nuttes ioly Carols to here, As then, in the country, is compted good chere.

In order to make certain that your friends and family remember this Christmas pleasantly why not make your own Christmas cake. Here is a recipe for White Fruitcake which I first made almost 20 years ago.

- WHITE FRUIT CAKE**
- 1/2 c. dark rum
  - 1/2 c. raisins
  - 1/2 c. sultanas
  - 1/2 c. galleed mixed fruits, diced
  - 3 red glaceed cherries, halved
  - 3 green glaceed cherries, halved
  - 1/2 c. butter or margarine
  - 1/2 c. sugar
  - Pinch of Salt
  - 3 large eggs
  - 1 t. vanilla
  - 1/2 t. ground nutmeg
  - 2 c. flour
  - 1 T. double-acting baking powder
  - 1/4 c. chopped walnuts or pecans

In a bowl combine dark rum with raisins, sultanas and all the glaceed fruit, and let the fruit soak for at least six hours, or overnight.

In the bowl of an electric mixer combine the butter - well softened, sugar and a pinch of salt and beat the mixture for 10 minutes. Beat in the eggs, one at a time, one teaspoon vanilla and the ground nutmeg.

In another bowl sift together the flour and baking powder. Stir the flour mixture into the butter mixture, 1/4 at a time. Drain the fruits in a sieve set over a bowl and add the rum to the batter. Dry the fruits on paper towels and in a bowl toss them with 2 T. flour. Shake the fruits in a sieve to rid them of excess flour and fold them into the batter with 1/2 c. of nutmeats. Pour the batter into a well buttered baking pan, 12x4"x3" and bake it in a preheated 375° oven for 10 minutes. Reduce the oven temperature to 325° and bake the cake for 40 minutes more, or until it is well puffed and golden.

Let the cake stand for 10 minutes, turn it out on a rack, and let it cool completely. Set the rack over a shallow pan, spread sugar frosting over the cake, and decorate the cake with glaceed fruit, if desired.

- SUGAR FROSTING**
- 1 large egg white
  - 1/4 c. confectioner's sugar
  - 1 T. lemon juice
  - 1/2 c. softened butter
  - 1 c. packed brown sugar
  - 3 eggs
  - 1/2 c. sifted all-purpose flour
  - 1 t. baking soda
  - 1 t. ground nutmeg
  - 1 t. ground cinnamon
  - 1/2 t. ground cloves
  - 1 jar (12 oz.) blackberry jam
  - 3 T. buttermilk
  - 1/2 c. golden raisins
  - 1/2 c. chopped walnuts

Here is what we call a Jam Cake and although it is not an ultra-white cake you will find it to be ultra-easy.

- JAM-CAKE**
- 1/2 c. softened butter
  - 1 c. packed brown sugar
  - 3 eggs
  - 1/2 c. sifted all-purpose flour
  - 1 t. baking soda
  - 1 t. ground nutmeg
  - 1 t. ground cinnamon
  - 1/2 t. ground cloves
  - 1 jar (12 oz.) blackberry jam
  - 3 T. buttermilk
  - 1/2 c. golden raisins
  - 1/2 c. chopped walnuts

Preheat oven to 350°. Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition. Combine flour, baking soda, nutmeg, cinnamon and cloves. Add flour mixture alternately with jam and buttermilk to batter mixture, beating well after each addition. Stir in raisins and walnuts. Pour into greased and floured 9" tube pan. Bake until wooden pick inserted in center is withdrawn clean, 55 to 60 minutes. Unmold immediately onto wire rack. Cool.

- POWDERED SUGAR GLAZE (for Jam Cake)**
- 1 c. powdered sugar
  - 2 T. milk
- Mix until smooth

**FRUIT BREAD PUDDING**  
 At our house we enjoy puddings at Christmas and we specially appreciate lighter puddings. This pudding may be made with many different kinds of fruit: you may want to experiment with your own favorite. It is one of the loveliest of party desserts. The bread mixture must stand in the pan at least 3 hours before baking.

- FOR CARAMEL:**
- 8 oz. homemade-type bread
  - 1 c. rich milk (4%)
  - 1 c. light cream
  - 4 large eggs
  - 1/2 c. light brown sugar
  - 3 T. dark rum
  - 1/4 c. white sugar
  - 1/2 c. boiling water
  - 1/4 c. pitted cherries or berries
  - 3/4 c. mixed glaceed fruits or sliced
  - 1 c. stewed dried apricots
  - 3 T. whiskey

Caramelize an 8x3" deep aluminum baking pan. Cook 1 c. white sugar in a heavy skillet until dark brown. Turn off the heat. Add boiling water, then cook it until it is a heavy syrup.

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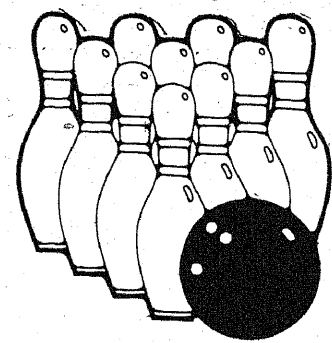
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**Basinger Poultry Farms** ..... 11  
 High team game and series: Diener Electric 1735 (620-572), Gr-Green Farms 1712 (558-561-593), Town & Country 1710 (554-598-558).  
 High individual scores: V. Doyle 534 (213-183), S. Erer 482, L. Bartman 469, B. Pobanz 195, L. Kain 170.  
 Splits: 5-7 L. Muhme; 2-7 B. Ankiam, D. Basinger, L. Bartman; 4-5 C. Deming; 3-10 G. Reibling, G. Zimmer; 5-10 D. Deming, C. Haag, J. Deitzel; 5-6 G. Henne, Z. Ross, D. Gotts; 2-8 G. Henne.

**CLASSIC LEAGUE**

June & Fargos	40
Osestoski Ford Tractor	34
Gary's TV	32
Carling	31
Steinman Agency	28 1/2
Dutch Kettle	27
Osestoski Equipment	26
Pigeon Lumber	24 1/2
Active Feed	24
Bob Smith Builders	24
Kretschmer HC	23
Clark's Refrigeration	22

High team game and series: KHC 2678 (969-896), June & Fargos 2666 (908-903-855), Gary's TV 2610 (908-876), Clark's Ref. 2594 (890-855), Dutch Kettle 2481 (851), Steinman Ins. 2467, Osestoski Ford 897, Carling 867.

**WEDNESDAY LADIES**

Huron Excavation	37
Miller High Life	34
Bay Port Shell	32
Bay Port State Bank	29
Bay Port Construction	27
Cloverleaf Egg Ranch	26
Haist Flowers	24
Damm's	22
Mary Kay Cosmetics	22
Thumb National Bank	20
Henne Farms	20
Varty's	20

High team game and series: Miller's 2360 (795-812), Huron Excavation 2228 (784), Bay Port Construction 2247, Thumb National Bank 2235, Mary Kay 788.  
 High individual scores: D. Yahn 598 (224-191-183), J. Blome 560 (210-183), D. Deming 544 (204-183), P. Shenk 500 (180), G. Finkbeiner 475 (186), P. Kuhl 465 (174), N. Wichert 510 (179), K. Murdoch 192, J. Abbott 173, G. MacDowall 170.  
 Splits: 5-6-10 D. Bouverette, H. Strong; 4-5-7 D. Bouverette, L. Krolm; 5-6-7, Finkbeiner, C. Dubs; 3-10 C. Finkbeiner; D. Dunn, B. Ankiam, J. Blome, D. Fuerst; 5-7 J. Steinman, P. Shenk; 2-8-7 J. Steinman; 4-5 P. Roestel; 2-7 T. Coagey, A. Krenz, K. Murdoch; 5-10 V. Duffy.

**THURSDAY NITE LADIES LEAGUE**

J & B Pig	39
Fink's Used Equip.	38
Want Ads	34 1/2
Scheurer Hospital	34
Brighton Metal	32
Huron Distributing	32
Lee's Landscaping	28
Gary's TV	25
Pigeon Co-op	24 1/2
McCormick Motors	20 1/2
Peoples Oil & Gas	18
Lenz Canvas	10 1/2

High team game and series: J & B Pig 2233 (770).  
 High individual scores: E. Gunden 557 (210-189), P. Niebel 537 (178-178-181), S. Buchholz 506 (215), D. Deming 498 (171), M. Rupp 487 (183), P. Parrish 486 (172), F. Otto 482 (187-178), G. Smith 481 (174), A. Albrecht 481, B. Pobanz 475 (181), D. Basinger 470 (223), E. Rounds 460, F. Behm 172.  
 Splits: 6-7-10 D. Carpenter; 2-7-8 D. Geyer; 5-7 B. Johnson, I. Shepherd; 2-7-8 M. Murdoch, M. Ruby; 4-5 D. Deming, L. Tait.

**MAJOR LEAGUE**

Brighton Metal	36 1/2
Pigeon Motor Sales	31 1/2
J.D. Wurst Tiling	29
*Pigeon Lanes	28
J & B Pig	28
Carling	27 1/2
Scheurer Hospital	26 1/2
Bay Shore Collision	21
*Wildowl Bay Resort	20
Damm's Inc.	20
*Walsh Packing	19
Henke Equipment	17

\*Incomplete

High team game and series: Brighton Metal 2691 (915-899-877), J & B Pig 2678 (954-886), Carling 2566 (889-877), Wildowl Resort 2557 (942), P. Motors 2473 (859), Henke Equip. 2461 (900), Wurst Tiling 893, Bay Collision 856.  
 High individual scores: L. Swartzendruber 607 (230-202), B. Parrish 590 (211), M. Swartzendruber 583 (248), R. Klein 582 (211), J. Gunden 562, J. Damm 553 (210), D. Wolsians 552 (210), O. Murdoch 551, T. Bigger 550 (213), T. Damm 547 (232), T. Kula 541, J. Wurst 224, P. Pantelis 204, G. Deering 200.

**GUYS AND DOLLS Position Night Sunday, Dec. 18**

Roestel-Strauch	29 1/2
Dubs-Smith	27 1/2
Abbott-Adams	26
*Elbing-Roestel	24
Pipe-Ware	23
*Blome-Gunden	21 1/2
Kroh-Morin	21 1/2
Beachy-Weidman	20 1/2
Dunn-Parrish	19
Heck-Mallory	19
Roestel-Rosenthal	17
Kretschmer-Thiel	11 1/2

\*Incomplete

High team game and series: Blome-Gunden 2129 (727-727), Dunn-Parrish 2053 (725-701), Dubs-Smith 2012 (724).  
 High individual scores: MEN - J.D. Gunden 579 (205), D. Parrish 574 (222), K. Heck 566 (220), L. Smith 549 (206), G. Dubs 545 (202), B. Blome 530, J. Dunn 529 (207), B. Thiel 517, G. Kigas 507, M. Rosenthal 507, D. Krohn (202); WOMEN - J. Blome 541 (209-174), G. Smith 499 (197), J. Rosenthal 493 (173), E. Gunden 479, D. Strauch 466 (178), S. Heck 465 (183), M. Roestel 173.  
 Splits: 5-7 J. Adams, R. Elbing; 4-7-10 J.D. Gunden; 5-6-3-10 K. Heck; 4-5 P. Parrish; 3-10 D. Ware.  
 Dec. 4  
 High individual scores: MEN - L. Smith 638 (223-214-201), B. Parrish 604 (208-203), A. Abbott 565 (203-200), R. Thiel 561, J.D. Gunden 547 (210), G. Kigas 547 (212), J. Dunn 547, F. Strauch 546, J. Adams 525, Law. Roestel 511, D.

**FRIDAY NIGHT MENS' LEAGUE**

Pigeon Lanes	35
Caseville Fruit Market	32
Active Feed	29
Co-op Elevator	27
Silver Dollar	24 1/2
Albrecht Auction Service	20 1/2

High team game and series: Active Feed 2513 (909-808), Co-op Elevator 2400 (850), Caseville Fruit Market (893).  
 High individual scores: C. Basinger 585 (214), J.D. Gunden 569 (215), E. Shepherd 556 (206), M. Swartzendruber 525, D. Dubs 520, J. Schaff 516 (203), D. Rupp 512, R. Damm 504.  
 Splits: 5-6 L. Albrecht; 2-7 C. Cole; 3-10 J. Reed.

**WOMENS' TRAVELING**

Riverside Bar	74
Pop's Place	65
June & Fargos	63
Scenic Bar	61
Star Bar	57
Duffie's Tavern	56
Sportsman's Bar	54
Bay Port Hotel	50

## Our Michigan Kitchen...continued

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Pour the syrup into the baking pan and tip it in all directions so that it is well covered. If the syrup is too thin to stay on the sides, put the pan over the flame a moment. When caramel is hard, fill with the bread mixture.

For the bread mixture use only the best homemade style bread (we usually use Murphy's). Remove the crusts from 8 or 9 slices of bread and cut into the tiniest cubes, almost crumbs, then put 1/4 of it in the mold with 1/4 of the chosen fruit. Repeat this until all fruit and bread are used, ending with a layer of bread. Beat the milk, cream, eggs, sugar and rum together and pour over the bread. The liquid should come almost to the top; add 1/4 c. of light cream if necessary. Let stand 3 hours. An hour before serving, set the mold in a pan with a little hot water and bake at 325° for 1 hour. Turn upside down on a serving platter. Put the whiskey in the pan and melt the caramel over the flame, then scrape it over the pudding.

Variations of this pudding are many. **Orange Bread Pudding:** Use one cup orange juice instead of the milk, 1/2 c. of sliced sugared orange peel for the fruit and add 2 T. of grated orange rind.

This recipe will easily serve 8.

## Thumb Outdoor Report: Good deer year

By DUANE GUENTHER

A summary of the 1983 deer season shows that it was the ninth best firearm deer season in Michigan history. It was estimated that hunters took a total of 119,000 deer during the 16-day season.

"That's more than twice the average firearm deer harvest of only 10 years ago," says George Burgoyne, deer specialist for the DNR.

Estimates of the 1983 firearm deer season harvest, based on the DNR's traffic survey, include, in the U.P., 18,400 antlered deer and 1,600 antlerless deer; 44,500 antlered and 12,500 antlerless deer in the northern lower peninsula, from a line across at Muskegon

and 25,110 antlered and 16,700 antlerless deer in southern Michigan. The greatest drop in the harvest was in the northern lower peninsula where the 81-82 winter was toughest and where the largest reduction had been planned.

**THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT IS LOOKING** for ways to support the conservation of birds and animals not protected by federal laws. It has been pointed out that hunters and fishermen across the country already pay millions of dollars a year in excise taxes on their gear and on state licenses and permits, with the money going to government conservation programs.

The Department feels that it is time for other outdoor lovers to ante-up.

To get this money, the Interior Department is considering asking Congress to impose federal taxes on goods used by bird watchers, wildlife photographers and others who look at nature but don't hunt it.

The goods would include birdseed, bird houses, bird feeders, backpacking equipment, binoculars, wildlife books, camera film and motor homes.

It's time that Americans who do their hunting with binoculars instead of shotguns be given the opportunity to shoulder part of the financial responsibility for conserving fish and wildlife.

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 3. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of each age group.  
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**ELKTON THURSDAY NIGHT LADIES**

Sally's Ceramics	37 1/2
Knechtel's Market	36
Elkton Co-op	30 1/2
Ty's	26
Town Edge Farms	26
Elkton IGA	25
Ron's Party Store	18
Bud's Bar	9

High team game and series: Ty's 1761 (636).  
 High individual scores: Diana Schaff 479 (171), D. McKenzie 198, J. Garrick 181, D. Keyworth 179.

**ELKTON MONDAY MENS' LEAGUE**

Don's Barber Shop	52
Thumme Insurance	45
Ackerman Farms	43
Elkton Petroleum	39
Bud's Bar	38
Varty's Automotive	35

High team game and series: Varty's 972, Don's 2575.  
 High individual scores: F. LePage 246 (550), B. McPine 594 (211), F. Santos 556 (217), J. Radomski 544 (202), D. Deming 542, J. Koschki 537, J. Lachie 533, C. Weidman 520, W. Schaefer 513 (211), E. Rupp 508, K. Thumme 502 (222).  
 Pizza winner: Varty's (155 pins over average).

**ELKTON TUES-WED. LEAGUE**

Bud Light	64
Ty's Lounge	54
Pabst	37
Elkton IGA	34
Schubach Farms	33
H & H Insulation	30

High team game and series: Ty's 2618 (898), B. Farver 582 (205), T. Wills 547, E. Karl 544 (201), B. Chappel 500, S. Kubiak 200.  
 Pizza winner: Ty's (221 pins over average).

**ELKTON SUNDAY MIXED DOUBLES**

The Newcomers	21
Shoreline Snowplowing	20 1/2
Fink's Used Equipment	18
Miller Lite	15 1/2
H & H Insulation	14 1/2
Huron Chevrolet	13 1/2
Ty's Bowling	13
McBride Drain Tile	12

High team game and series: Miller Lite 675, Shoreline Snowplowing 1898.  
 High individual scores: B. Wills 503 (183), T. Wills 500 (212), J. Jaworski 524 (201), D. Deming 507, S. Hyzer 464 (172), M. Hyzer 480, J. Liston 497 (182-178), C. Finkbeiner 475; D. Schuette 175.

## Lakers defeat Broncos, 62-53

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

Lakers opened the 1983-84 Thumb B basketball season on a winning note with a 62-53 victory over North Branch.

The Green Machine outscored the Broncos 19-10 in the second quarter to take a commanding 35-24 halftime lead.

The visiting Lakers rebounded well on the offensive boards, enabling them to get a lot of shots in the lane, according to Laker coach Bill McLellan.

Control of the lane helped the Green and White squad gradually build the lead throughout the third quarter. The Broncos, trailing by 16 points in the final period, narrowed the margin after the game was out of reach.

North Branch was whittled for 25 fouls while trying to compete with Laker's superior physical strength. The Green Machine was cited for only 10 fouls in the game.

Laker shooters failed to take full advantage of their opportunities at the foul line. They converted only eight of 23 attempts for a meager 35% from the charity stripe.

"I'd like to get a little better from the free throw line. That's where you win the close ball games," McLellan noted after the game.

Scott Rosenthal paced the Laker attack with 20 points and 11 rebounds. John Rathje added 14 points and 10 rebounds.

The Broncos were led by Allen Manville with 15 points.

The Laker JVs earned a 74-56 victory over the junior Broncos in the preliminary game.

Mike McArdle led the JVs with 19 points. Twins Ron and Rob Irion scored 16 and 14.

The Laker Freshman team dropped a 47-40 decision to North Branch.

Freshman scoring was led by Mike Ewald with 10 points, Lex Miller with nine and Tom Beer with seven.

Lakers were scheduled for two road games this week. They meet Harbor Beach Tuesday night in a non-conference game, and travel to Caro Friday for a Thumb B contest.

## Laker Look-out

By MELISSA BIVENS and TINA DANNIS

**CONGRATS!**

The Laker Chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 28 new members last Thursday, Dec. 8 at 10 a.m. New inductees include: Jeff Lawrence and Ken Hurlay, Juniors - Connie Abdalla, Paul Baker, Dan Bouck, Eric Bushey, Lori Diener, Melissa Dietzel, Lisa Drabek, Gina Gaskill, Steve Gayari, Brenda Hill, Linda Hurlburt, Karin Kimmel, Kelly Kimmel, Cynthia Kish, Susan Kohr, Valerie Kranz, Tracy Kropp, Delores McArdle, Dan Ritter, Colleen Stahl, Chris Steinman, Karen Trost, Cindy Winter, Shelly Wissner and honorary member Eric Hoerschelmann, exchange student from Germany.

**COLLEGE IS GETTING CLOSER!**

About 20 parents attended a financial aid workshop presented on Thursday, Dec. 8.

Duane Guenther, guidance counselor, discussed with parents of college-bound seniors the means by which a student's education may be financed.

Among the subjects discussed were scholarships, grants and loans. He also explained how to fill out the financial aid forms.

**POOL LEAGUES**

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## Pigeon residents visit and travel

By DOROTHY DIENER

Monday evening visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Creger were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bruce of Elkton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Diener attended the funeral last Thursday morning of Mrs. George Koch at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing.

The Townliners Extension group held their annual Christmas Dinner on Friday evening by entertaining their husbands for dinner at the Franklin Inn, Bad Axe. They met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schulze afterwards for entertainment and a gift exchange.

On Saturday evening Mrs. Dave Auernhammer of Frankenmuth entertained for dinner in honor of the birthdays of her husband, Dave, her father-in-law Ruben Auernhammer and her father, Eugene Hamilton. Among guests were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Otto.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rathke attended a Christmas Concert presented by the Rochester Community Band at Rochester Adams High School last Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rathke and Kevin Ohlrogge are band members.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Deming spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. William Kellingbeck in Midland.

Weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Colison, were Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sattler and Beth Ann from Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dean and children were Friday and Saturday visitors of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Dean in Crosswell.

Phil McArdle of Central Michigan University and Tony McArdle of Saginaw were weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe McArdle.

On Saturday, Mrs. Elsie Kern attended the memorial

service for Clark Fox at Christ Lutheran Church, Birch Run. She also visited Mrs. Christina Kern, a patient at St. Luke's Hospital, Saginaw.

Alvin Rathje visited Wednesday with Henry Siewert at Provincial House, Cass City.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Trost attended the ordination and installation of their daughter, Lou Ann, as associate pastor of First Lutheran Church in Carlisle, Pa. on Dec. 4. Her sisters Julie and Elaine of California also attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dast visited Sunday with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lothar VonDaggenhausen and granddaughter in Davison.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Stalter and Mrs. Iva Swartzendruber left to spend the winter in Sarasota, Fla. Mrs. Swartzendruber will stay with her mother, Mrs. Rachel Gunden.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wertz have left to spend the winter in Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Evan Houthoofd of Sandusky visited Sunday with Mrs. Clara Bernard.

Merry Christmas from Mrs. Diener: "Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto us is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:10, 11.

Miss Marie Mohr of Birmingham was a weekend guest of her mother, Mrs. Anna Mohr.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Swartzendruber returned home after a two-week visit with their children, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Swartzendruber and family and Dr. and Mrs. John Weier and family in South Dakota.

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**'84 winter carnival coming!**

Dates for the 1984 Winter Carnival have been set, and the Pigeon Area Jaycees and Jaycettes invite all area residents to mark Thursday through Sunday, Jan. 26-29 on their calendars.

Scheduled for the four-day snow event are broomball games, snowmobile races, a Thursday evening Talent Show, Friday night Teen Dance with music by "The Sound Machine," Saturday night Outstanding Young Men and Women Banquet with dancing to "Out of the Blue," a Craft and Merchant Demonstration and more.

The Winter Carnival Committee is now looking for broomball teams, snowmobile entries, sponsors for area outstanding young men and women, nominations for outstanding young men and women, aged 18 through 35, entries for the talent show, and participants in the second annual Craft and Merchant Demonstration.

Anyone wishing to sign up for these events may contact Sally Rummel at 453-3329, Randy Elenbaum at 453-2439 or Doug and Rhonda Buehler at 453-3308.

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**Christmas Eve observance**

**Jaycettes sponsor candle lighting**

On Christmas Eve the Jaycette chapters of Pigeon, Elkton, Sebawaing, Bad Axe, Cass City, Port Austin and Harbor Beach will join Jaycee women chapters across the nation in lighting candles of remembrance for those who died in Lebanon and of hope for peace in the year to come.

"The Michigan Jaycee

Auxiliary District 6 Chapters are encouraging all residents of Huron County to join with them on Christmas Eve in a silent demonstration of remembrance for those who have died in Lebanon," a spokeswoman said. They are asking that the citizens of Huron County place a lit candle in their windows that night, so that the voices of this community

can unite in a silent prayer for peace in the coming year, while remembering those fallen in Lebanon in the name of freedom."

The Jaycee Auxiliaries of Huron County are a young woman's leadership training organization, claiming over 110 members in seven local chapters. Each will have the candle of peace lit in their windows on Christmas Eve.



By AILEEN SIMET and JERRY WINKLER

**Caseville School in the news**

**CASEVILLE HONORS FALL ATHLETES**

Caseville High School honored its athletes at the Fall Sports Award Banquet on Monday, Dec. 5.

Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Coach Lee Ann Kundinger began the program by introducing her players and handing out certificates. Players receiving certificates of participation were Tina Bieri, Erin Barton, Kristen Nevin, Yvonne Miller, Gail Gembariski, Michele Ballard, Melissa Henne, Brenda Geiger, Brenda Cilc, Roseann Strozski, Tracy Bieri and Manager Tina Konke. Michele Ballard was voted "Most Improved" and Tina Bieri was voted "Most Valuable."

Varsity Girls Basketball Coach Randy Bingham introduced his team and handed out awards. First year -- Julie Barton, Kim Colgin, Brenda Johnson, Chris Bar-

ton and Michelle Stahl; second year -- Chris Kopack and Gela Kretzschmer; third year -- Aileen Simet and Michelle Simet. Managers Kim Madej, Sally Gembariski and Statistician Vicky Goslee were also recognized. The team selected Michelle Simet as "Most Improved" and Aileen Simet as "Most Valuable."

Golf Coach Joe Nichol presented first year awards to Brian Gembariski, Carl Brunni and Matthew Kraus. A second year award went to Peter Delmotte and a third year award went to Gary Miller. Senior Daniel Murdoch was presented with a fourth year award. Gary Miller was chosen "Most Improved" and Daniel Murdoch was selected "Most Valuable."

Football Coach Jerry Winkler and Assistant Coaches Mike Grapp and George Bednorek wrapped

up the program by handing out awards to the football team. First year -- Bruce Langley, Steve Pyc, Ray Johnson, Doug Engleman, Tony Bowers, Kevin Engleman, Tony Seagraves, Roger Sarver and Mike Mohr; second year -- Pat McKenna, Greg Langley, Darrel Smith, Bob Siegfried, John Winkler and Dave Simet; third year -- Dan Osentoski, John Lapka and Brian Gembariski; fourth year -- Jerry Winkler, Wayne Simmons, Dan Murdoch, Jon Beadle and Shawn Sarka. Managers Brian Smith, Jerry Langley and Nelson Bond were recognized along with Statisticians Margaret Beadle, Brenda Johnson and Carl Brunni.

The coaches chose Shawn Sarka as the recipient of the Tony Dubey Inspirational Award. The team chose Bob Siegfried as "Most Improved" and John Lapka as "Most Valuable."



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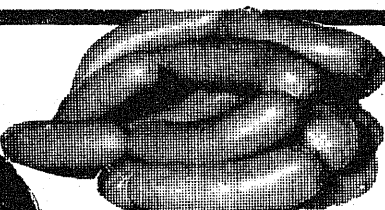
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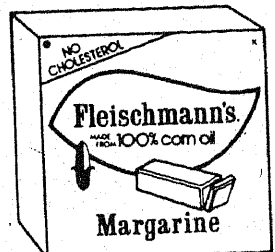
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