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time in the Western Thumb!**

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*For Historical Society Museum*

## Pigeon oks 99-year depot lease

Pigeon moved one step closer to establishing a Historical Museum Monday night, when Village Council approved a 99-year allowing the Pigeon Historical Society to use the vacant railroad depot in the center of town.

The Historical Society plans to put a new wood floor in the building, at a cost of about \$1695, and will move its memorabilia there later this year. The group will pay \$1 per year rent to the village and will assume all insurance, utilities and upkeep on the 100-year-old building.

The lease can end on mutual consent of both groups, if the Historical Society would become inactive, said representative Marie Leipprandt. The Historical Society has 31 members and more than \$3200 in its treasury now, and plans landscaping and building upkeep this spring. Its artifacts are presently in storage, since the former museum location was torn down last July.

Historical Society members plan to apply for a state grant through the Michigan Equity Fund this fall, and may qualify for other aid, too, Mrs. Leipprandt said.

The group plans a fund-raising reed organ concert on Sunday, April 20 at the Laker Auditorium, featuring eight reed organs in the first such concert of its kind ever in the state. Other events, possibly during the Farmers' Festival, are being discussed.

**MORE HISTORY:** Society member Arthur Woelke described a possible project adjacent to the depot. He said a 16-foot by 24-foot log cabin has been offered to the Historical Society, and that is being studied at the depot site. Historical Society projects are being planned to coincide with Michigan's Sesquicentennial in 1987 if possible, Woelke said.

"It's nice to see such an enthusiastic group finally grasping this project," Village President Norris Diebel said, in recommending approval of the lease. "I guess the ball's in your

court now. I hope we can get something rolling that we all can be proud of."

The Society asked for \$1000 in Pigeon's next budget to aid in the restoration costs for depot improvements, and Council is considering the request.

**TOWER COLOR:** Gary Osminski of K. Don Williamson Engineers of Harbor Beach provided about two dozen possible colors for the new village water tower. Council is considering several possibilities and is looking for suggestions.

Osminski said painting the word "Pigeon" and drawing the village bird symbol on three sides of the tank will cost about \$2800 but should last at least 15 years. Council is considering the word and picture on two sides instead.

Some Council members thought the tank should be painted blue for water, green for the Laker School District or other colors.

The consultant also discussed the \$950 cost for a 26-inch by 28-inch bronze plaque to be placed on the new water system building, part of the \$870,000 project located west of Gettel's Implement Company on the west edge of Pigeon. Council plans to make color and style choices at their special Feb. 24 meeting to finalize the 1986 budget, due before March 1.

Water system work is slow now until spring, Osminski said, and tank erection should start in early spring. The iron removal system has arrived and is in storage.

Council voted to begin work to annex to the village the former John Swartzendruber land on which the water tower and reservoir building are being built.

**HIRE WIECHERT:** On a Police Committee recommendation, Council voted to offer parttime Police Officer Jeff Wiechert full time employment, beginning March 1. His pay would be \$7.50 per hour for a 40-hour week, with a 50-cent raise after a six-month probationary period.

The offer is higher than that offered Wiechert last month, since he has been offered full-time employment elsewhere.

Village Marshall Van Johnson said Caseville's police officer pay is the area's lowest at \$7.50 per hour, with Harbor Beach at \$8.25, Elkton at \$8.50 and Sebawaing at \$8.51. Elkton

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## New doctor is coming to Pigeon

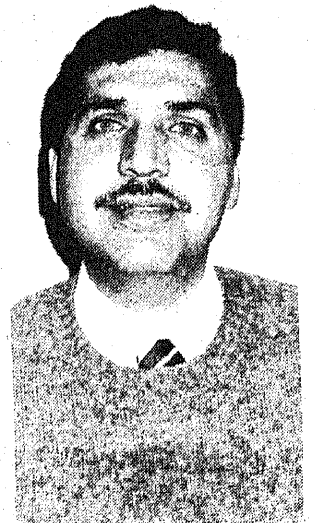
Yehia I. Elsafy, M.D. recently joined the staff of Pigeon, Sebawaing and Caseville Clinics.

Dr. Elsafy graduated from Ain-Shames University Medical School in 1971 and received certification in internal medicine from Cairo University in 1975.

After moving to the United States, Dr. Elsafy served an internal medicine residency at Wayne State University Hospital in Detroit from 1980-1983, then was staff physician and internist at Veterans Administration Hospital in St. Cloud, Minnesota from 1983-84.

Most recently, Dr. Elsafy returned to Wayne State University Hospital where he trained for one year in clinical nephrology, hypertension, hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis and kidney transplantation.

At the three Thumb area clinics, Dr. Elsafy contributes his skills as internist and specialist in intensive care; heart, respiratory and kidney diseases; hypertension, and diabetes.



Yehia Elsafy, M.D.

Now an American citizen, Dr. Elsafy enjoys swimming, tennis, biking, traveling and stamp collecting.

Adjustment to life in the Thumb area will not be the only change for the Caseville area resident. He plans to get married on Feb. 21.



**'WILLKOMMEN' - Scheurer Hospital sagt "Willkommen." For German-speaking residents the message is clear, but for all others, Scheurer Hospital says "Welcome."**

German or not, all friends of the hospital are cordially invited to spend an evening filled with German tradition at the annual Benefit Dinner, planned for Thursday, April 24 at 6:30 p.m. at Laker High School.

Pictured here is Dinner Chairman Dorothy Young, who is holding a Hummel figure entitled "Blessed Event," to be raffled off at the dinner. Raffle tickets are on sale at various business places, and may also be purchased at the hospital's front desk.

On the evening's agenda are an authentic German meal, a chorale performance of German favorites and the appearance of an Oompa Band with local musicians. More details will come as the event nears.

## Stepping down

Norris Diebel leaving Pigeon Village Presidency

The person who has guided Pigeon's government for the past 11 years is stepping down from public life with no regrets -- and plenty of ideas and plans, too.

Pigeon Village President Norris Diebel is not seeking reelection to the position he's held since March 12, 1975. He plans to spend more time fishing, visiting grandchildren with his wife Donna and pursuing other hobbies and enjoyments.

When Diebel conducts his final Village Council meeting, probably the March 10 session, he will conclude a family tradition of public service in Pigeon that goes back nearly 80 years.

His father, Frank Diebel, and his grandfather, J.N.O. Diebel both held village posts.

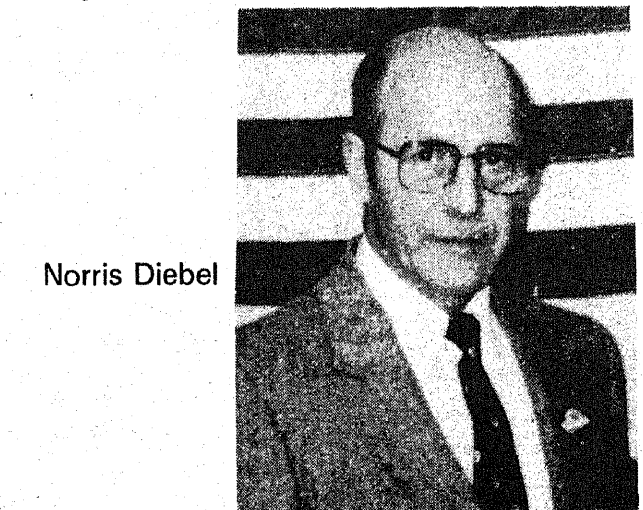
His grandfather became a Village Trustee in 1908 while he ran the family's lumber mill business. Pigeon was in its infancy, after incorporation just five years earlier, in 1903.

His father was a Village Trustee in 1921 and served as Pigeon's Treasurer in 1932. Frank Diebel continued his father's lumber business and ran a Chevy garage, implement dealership and repair center in the present location of the Co-Op Elevator office building.

"I didn't realize Dad and Granddad had served these terms," Norris Diebel said, until he consulted old village records. "I've just always been that way. I like getting involved."

"Everything I go into, I try to do my best," he says. Then, thinking some more, he continues with a laugh, "No, I really did it for the money."

**HUNDREDS OF MEETINGS:** Many people tire of village service after one or two terms. Council meetings are usually conducted only once each month, but meetings for nearly 12 standing committees consume several afternoons and nights of each week. And, Village Presidents are ex-officio



Norris Diebel

members of all standing committees, so Diebel has kept close touch with all aspects of government.

He was voted to a Council Trustee seat in 1971 and the people then serving have all retired from government since then. They included Lowell Kraft, Clarence Yenglin, Stan Shetler, Herb Neurath, Arthur "Bud" Luedtke, plus Clerk Eleanor Adams, Village President Dick Dast and Assessor Jerry Adams.

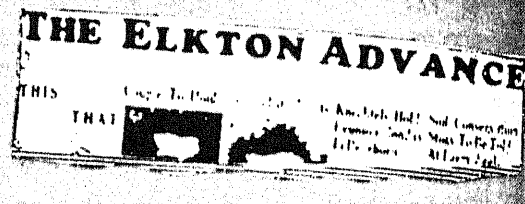
Dast resigned from his President's post and Diebel was appointed March 12, 1975, and has won election -- usually without opposition -- every two years since. "I was consider-

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SEE CENTER PAGES FOR 1986'S SWEETEST COUPLE HERE IN THE THUMB -- PLUS BACK PAGE LOVE LINES!



# The Past in Print...



## 80 YEARS AGO FEBRUARY 16, 1906

Elkton suffered the most disastrous fire in its history Monday evening when the business places of Herman Magdisohn, general merchandise; J.D. Clark, furniture; Mrs. Edley, millinery and William Fangman, groceries, were burned to the ground with losses estimated at more than \$30,000.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Oesch of Chandler Twp., a son last week.

Emil Gourke sold his farm in McKinley Twp. to Benjamin Bowman.

James Bright and Miss Lillian Loosemore were united in marriage Wednesday.

It is rumored that a couple of Pigeon citizens are thinking seriously of purchasing automobiles.

Henry Stortz has purchased the old Fred Lawrence farm south of Pigeon.

Jacob Schumacher bought the William Schultz residence in Pigeon.

## 70 YEARS AGO FEBRUARY 18, 1916

Mrs. Della Taylor, 30, formerly of Elkton, lost her life in a fire at Midland Wednesday. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wood, Elkton.

Oscar Cromer and Miss Mary Buerker, Winsor Twp., were married Wednesday.

Andrew Truemmer, Winsor Twp., is getting material on the ground for a new frame house.

It was 18 below zero in Pigeon Monday morning.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Henke Monday, a son.

James Spence and Ernest Paul, Pigeon, have taken the agency for the Regal automobile.

John Link, Port Huron, visited here this week. He was formerly a business man in Pigeon.

Alfred Henry is moving the house he purchased from A.E. Priesskorn at Caseville.

## 60 YEARS AGO FEBRUARY 12, 1926

Mrs. Ira Hiller, 67, nee Cordelia Commins, died Feb. 3 at her home in Oliver Twp. She leaves her husband, four daughters and a son.

An auto containing Mr. and Mrs. John Steinbach, Elkton and Miss Margaret Ruthig, Pigeon, skidded and overturned on the icy road east of Sebewaung Sunday.

Mrs. Steinbach and Miss Ruthig were injured.

NOTICE: Our prices on 2-year-old beef quarters are 13 and 14c per lb; on young cow beef quarters 9 and 10c per lb. Pigeon Beef Co. ADV.

Rev. H.W. Meuser of Pigeon Lutheran Church was speaker at the banquet of Pigeon Community Club Friday evening at Hotel

Heasty. Committee for the next meeting is Wesley Brown, J.B. Anderson, William Fahrner and H.O. Paul.

Dr. Sage, Caseville village president, states that he has no idea of giving up the fight for keeping the fire truck recently purchased by the village.

## 50 YEARS AGO FEBRUARY 14, 1936

A bad blizzard hit the area Thursday and by Saturday night many cars were blocked in the roads while the occupants found refuge in farm homes.

The Grand Truck train was held up seven hours in the Geiger cut, south of Pigeon. Road Commission plow crews worked night and day to open the roads.

Rev. B. Hahn is the new pastor of Berne Lutheran Church. He comes from Milwaukee, WI, where he recently graduated from the seminary there.

Annual Pigeon village caucus was held Monday evening. The ticket includes Wellington Horlacher, Robert Spence, Mrs. Wes Brown, Henry Ruthig, H.B. Harder, Charles Sturm and Fred Clabusch.

Sharrard School News: Those having 100 in spelling for the week are Robert and Albertus Kipfer, Genevieve Miljure, Josephine Zaleski, Eva Kipfer, Edward Wiechert, Ina Pearl, Eileen Wolfe and George Gross.

Arthur D. Perry, 69, passed away Sunday at Caseville. Surviving are his wife, two daughters and two sons.

Frederick Ginter, 82, retired Elkton merchant died Saturday. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and a son.

FROM THE ELKTON ADVANCE FILES  
45 YEARS AGO  
FEBRUARY 13, 1941

New superintendent of Elkton Public School is Terrance Hood, Marlette. He replaces Earl S. Eidt, who has been superintendent for the past eight years.

Henry Kraft, 64, president of the board of directors of Pigeon Cooperative Elevator Co., died Feb. 11 while on vacation with his wife at Corpus Christi, TX. He is survived by his widow, a daughter and two sons.

Mrs. Lenore Romney was guest speaker at a combined meeting of area Rotarians and Rotary Anns Monday

night in Laker High School auditorium. Pigeon Rotary Club president Omar Shetler gave the welcome and program co-chairmen were Alvin DeGrow and Karl Leppien.

Four Laker High School band members, Jean Zurakowski, Deanna Bauman, Cheri Walsh and Jerry Stoelckle, were named to the fifth annual Greater Michigan All-Stars Bands.

About 50 hunters took part in the fox hunt sponsored by the Elkton Sportsmen's Club Thursday. They bagged two foxes.

The house on the Chris Ebert farm in Chandler Twp. was destroyed by fire Saturday evening. Cause of the fire is unknown. The building was unoccupied.

The Elkton School faculty and their guests were guests at a Valentine dinner party in the school cafeteria Tuesday evening. The dinner was served by the senior class assisted by the mothers.

35 YEARS AGO  
FEBRUARY 15, 1951

The Elkton Elks dined the Harbor Beach Pirates 43 to 28 Friday, Feb. 9 and won over Bad Axe Tuesday night, 34 to 30.

Final arrangements have been completed for the solo and ensemble festival to be held at Elkton Community School on Thursday, Feb. 22.

Announcement was made this week that majority stock in Thumb Publications Inc. has been sold by Walter Rummel to two former stockholders, Norman Curtis and Harry Klinger, and to Asel Collins.

My major goal is to see through the new water system to its completion and to see that it functions properly! I also would like to see some kind of a village beautification program, to promote our downtown business district and draw new business into our town. There are other goals, too.

Pigeon has an advantage in that we are financially sound. We have the majority of our streets curbed and paved and are ahead of most villages with our water and sewer systems. We also have an advantage with dedicated employees and good industrial facilities.

The major need is to get the new water system in service. I also feel we must promote our village and make it attractive to new business to keep our village growing. We must begin to address some of the high expenses to the village and see what we can do to bring them down!

Good question! I hope I have shown my faith in the village in the past four years by trying to give the residents and business owners a good working relationship with the village by voting for many progressive projects, which benefit everyone.

My major challenge will be getting the water system in place, and keeping the village running smoothly and staying within our budget. We must work to keep the confidence of the people in the village high. If we lose that, nothing can be accomplished.

Our challenge is for the village to continue to progress. All the ground work has been laid and we are at the crossroads. The level of cooperation between civic groups and council is at an all-time high and now we must choose our direction. Every village has a distinct personality as a result of its growing process. It's exciting to watch ours develop.

We have many interest groups in Pigeon that have strong feelings about the direction in which this village should go. It will be a great challenge to unify these groups in working toward a master plan or goal.

I feel the greatest challenge and responsibility of the village will be enforcing present village ordinances, which are currently neglected. I enjoy Council work and would like to be a trustee.

I look forward to the completion of and the transition from our present water system to our new facility. We must also be aware of possible revenue sharing cuts, and the impact that could have on our community.

The water system expansion is a major project, and should be watched closely, so everyone is satisfied and it's kept within budget.

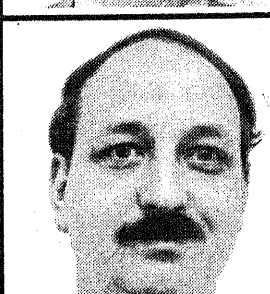
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**Something To Think About**  
JOHN A. CHAMPAGNE DIRECTOR  
**HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE**  
One fairly common misapprehension is that cremation, as opposed to burial, is a relatively modern method of disposition. In fact, they are both very ancient customs, dating from prehistoric times. There is evidence of cremation being practiced in the Stone Age in Eastern Europe and the Near East.  
The spread of cremation throughout the ancient world was rather general. Only a few cultures resisted the practice: The Egyptians developed the preservation of the body by embalming; the Chinese buried their dead; and Jews changed from cave and burial vault to earth burial.  
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McKey claimed he had lived in the tent for a month. Yet, inside the tent, the grass was still "green."  
After a month under canvas, the grass inside the tent would have withered to brown...  
The Village Of Elkton will be accepting bids for a Tractor, Loader and Backhoe. Bids must be returned by March 4, 1986 at 7:30 p.m. at which time they will be opened. Bid spec can be picked up at the clerk's office.  
Darlene R. Ginter Clerk

Meet the candidates				
Here are profiles furnished by David Geiger and John Schaefer, candidates for the Pigeon Village Presidency at Monday's Primary Election. And, the other six candidates are each seeking the three Trustee seats.				
	<b>David Paul Geiger</b> Age 44, self-employed, Shoe Cobler, Pigeon Post Office, Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home	1. What are your goals in seeking the Council for President's position?	2. What advantages and favorable qualities do you believe the Village of Pigeon has?	3. What problems or needs do you believe exist that Council could be addressing, if any?
	<b>John B. Schaefer</b> Age 33, trust officer, Thumb National Bank & Trust	4. Why should you be elected?	5. What do you see as the greatest challenge to the village during your upcoming term, if elected?	
	<b>Jim Armbruster</b> Age 35, parts man, Gettel Implement Co.			
	<b>Lynn K. Brown</b> Age 40, homemaker and part-time floral designer			
	<b>Mike Gehrs</b> Age 35, sixth grade teacher, Pigeon Elementary School			
	<b>Kenneth Licht</b> Age 48, retail store manager, Co-Op Elevator Co.			
	<b>David McCormick</b> Age 28, automobile sales and service, McCormick Motor Sales			
	<b>Timothy Tate</b> Age 32, qc foreman, Huron Casting, Inc.			

### Area school lunch menus

**Week of Feb. 17-21**  
**CROSS LUTHERAN**  
**MONDAY:** Tuna noodle casserole, lettuce salad, relishes, applesauce, bread and butter, peanut butter sandwiches, milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Tomato or noodle soup, toasted cheese or peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, apricots/pears, milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Stew, lettuce salad, peaches/pears, bread, milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Macaroni and cheese, green beans, fruit salad, bread, milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Hamburgers and fries, baked beans, relishes, applesauce, chocolate milk.  
**CASEVILLE SCHOOLS**  
**MONDAY:** Chili or chicken noodle soup, peanut butter sandwich or bread and butter. Ala carte: hamburger.  
**TUESDAY:** Pizza or hot dog.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Stew, biscuits, bread and butter, ala carte: ham sandwich.  
**THURSDAY:** Tacos with hard or soft shell, hot dog.  
**LAKER SCHOOLS**  
**Second choice all week:**  
**MONDAY:** Chili with cheese sandwich.  
**TUESDAY:** Chicken nuggets.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Piz-zaburger.  
**THURSDAY:** Golden chicken with buttered noodles.  
**FRIDAY:** Fishwich.  
**FRIDAY:** Fish sandwich or grilled cheese sandwich, peas and carrots or green beans.

## Thanks A Million

**DEAR READERS:**  
 Several weeks ago I printed a letter from Mrs. J.O. of Fort Wayne, Ind., who wrote: "Dear Mr. Ross: You know those dart games with the large targets? Well, I would like to have six of them (they're \$26 each). I want to paste pictures of my six divorced husbands on the targets and throw darts at them. My psychologist agrees that it would be good therapy for me, as I think of those wasted years."  
 I asked you, the readers, for suggestions and offered \$100 for the best response.  
 Here is a cross-section from the thousands of replies I received:  
 "Forget about your six ex-husbands. Go for number seven and marry the psychologist. He sounds as crazy as you are! — J.P., Savannah, Ga.  
 "I'm sending you a book of matches. Burn the buggers up and out of your mind for good. I know how you feel — I have three ex-husbands and they're all up in smoke now." — Ms. S.S., Staten Island, N.Y.  
 "Send me money for darts she pled/ I've six ex-husbands I wish were dead/ It's the other way around the six men said/ send us the darts and her picture instead." — Mrs. E.E., Levittown, Pa.  
 "Ex-husbands are like used teabags. Quit having a pity party and count your blessings. Forget about wasted years. Each day is a gift, and you are wasting that gift on self-pity." — E.L.N., Hollywood, Fla.  
 "Anyone who has been married six times should take the money they spend on a psychologist and buy themselves a good mirror. Then take a close look at the real problem." — R.A.O., Erie, Pa.  
 "The problem with living in the past... there's no future in it." — C.I.D., Gastonia, N.C.  
 "The enclosed check for \$26 is to purchase just one dart board! Your request for six is redundant. Place the photo of No. 1 on the dart board for Monday's husband. No. 2's photo for Tuesday's husband, etc., throughout the week. By Saturday night you will have finished with husband No. 6. On Sunday, your day of rest, get out of the house with the hopes of finding No. 7." — Mrs. J.P. W., Staten Island, N.Y.  
 "If Mrs. J.O. is as loony as she sounds, I can see why her six husbands are no longer around, and I'm no psychologist." — H.J., Sacramento, Calif.  
 "With knowledge and foresight, not anger and venom! You'll soon meet another and find 'seventh heaven.'" — H.G., Brooklyn, N.Y.  
 "More cold showers, less bridal showers." — H.S., Fort Lauderdale, Fla.  
 "Yesterday is a canceled check. Tomorrow is a 'promissory' note. Today is cash. Spend it wisely, so you'll have no regrets." — S.R., Eveleth, Minn.  
 "Enclosed is \$3.95 to purchase a bag of Kentucky Blue Grass Seed. Plant the seeds on one half of your yard only. Then, in the future, move your lawn chair when you think the grass is greener on the other side!" — Mrs. D.M., Baltimore, Md.  
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 "Perhaps you did marry Every Tom, Dick and Harry. You've now got six ex's. From Maine down to Texas. I know it sounds heartless, but you shall remain 'dartless.'"

NEW ADDRESS! You may write directly to Percy Ross in care of The Progress-Advance, P.O. Box 35000, Minneapolis, Minn., 55435. Include a telephone number, if you wish.

### It's a boy!

Sheryl and Martin Winger of Taylor proudly announce the birth of their son, Benjamin Martin, on Friday, Jan. 17, 1986 at 6:52 p.m. at Oakwood Hospital, Dearborn, Mich.  
 Benjamin weighed 8 lbs. 11 oz. and measured 21 1/2 inches long.  
 Maternal grandparents are Grace and Welland Herford of Elkton. Paternal grandparents are Betty Paielli and the late Jacob Winger of Lincoln Park. Paternal great-grandmother is Mabel Tobin of Sandusky. A 20-month old sister, Chelsea McPhee Winger welcomes Benjamin to their home.

### Couple marks 40 married years



Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Weiss

Harvey and Donna Weiss of Pigeon will celebrate their 40th Wedding Anniversary this Sunday, Feb. 16.  
 Harvey Weiss and Donna Danks were married in 1946 at Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon. Their attendants were Ruth Hamilton, Verda Dast, Leona Wise, Arlene Mohr, Jack Danks, Robert Weiss, Vernon Ricker and Bill Mohr.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Weiss have three daughters, Mrs. Michael (Connie) Eden of Bay Port, Mrs. John (Lori) Smith of Pigeon and Patti Weiss of Pigeon. A son, James, passed away in 1952. The couple also have five grandchildren.

### By PERCY ROSS

Mr. J.P. W., Staten Island, N.Y.

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 News of Home & Family

### Pigeon DISTRICT LIBRARY

#### PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

Stories about "Lions" will be featured this Tuesday, Feb. 18, including "Andy and the Lion," "How to Scare a Lion" and "Dandelion." A special film, "The Lion and the Mouse," will also be shown. It is a cartoon interpretation of an Aesop Fable that shows size alone doesn't determine how helpful a person can be.  
 Also planned are fingerplays, games, songs and the playing of musical instruments.  
 All children age three to five are invited to attend either the 9 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. session. Annual registration is required.

**SENIOR CITIZEN FILM FESTIVAL**  
 Senior citizens are invited to the monthly Film Festival held the third Thursday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the AV Room.  
 Films scheduled for Feb. 20 include "The Island of Hawaii," "Free Show Tonight," presenting American medicine shows of the 19th and early 20th century and "Railway With a Heart of Gold," the story of the non-conformist railroad buffs who run an historical Narrow Gauge Slate Carrier in Northern Wales.  
 Admission is free.

#### CIRCULATION REPORT

Circulation material was up 847 items during January, compared to last year. A total of 7,126 pieces were loaned, including 1,567 adult books, 617 junior adult books, 103 toys and 3,635 videocassette tapes, 29 AV equipment and five 16mm films.  
 Overdue fines amounted to \$153.70 and \$253.95 was brought in by the copier.  
 Four Preschool Story Hour sessions were conducted with 256 children attending. Five children celebrated birthdays: Stephanie Braun, Eric Swartzendruber, Mandy Shoup, Greg Yackle and Matt Taylor.  
 Two Saturday Story Hour sessions were conducted for kindergarten through third grade with a total of 12 children attending.  
 Fifty new registrations for January were recorded: nine from Winsor, one each from McKinley and Colfax, 14 from Caseville, seven from Fairhaven, two each from Brookfield and Lake, 10 from Oliver, three each from Chandler and outside the area.

#### PARENTS' COFFEE HOUR

On Tuesday, Feb. 18 Parents' Coffee Hour will feature Rev. Brent L. McCumons, pastor of Caseville United Methodist Church, who will speak on "Beautiful Scotland -- Its People and Their Way of Life." He spent seven weeks in Scotland with five other men from Rotary International District 631.  
 Story Hour parents may attend either the 9 or 10:30 a.m. session.

#### SATURDAY STORY HOUR

Featured stories on Saturday, Feb. 15 at 1 p.m. in the AV Room will be about Valentine's Day, including "The Valentine Mystery," "A Valentine Fantasy" and "A Sweetheart for Valentine."  
 Also planned are a song and games and special take-home project.  
 Children in kindergarten through third grade are welcome to attend.

### Bucholtz-Smith wed

Linda Mae Smith became the bride of Terrance Robert Bucholtz, both of Caseville, in an early evening ceremony conducted Saturday, Jan. 25 at the Caseville Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.  
 Performing the nuptial vows was Elder Olson McCallum.  
 The bridal couple are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smith of Kinde and Ms. Audrey Bucholtz of Bad Axe and John Bucholtz of River Rouge.  
 Steve and Wanda Bouverette of Caseville sang "Eternity."  
 The bride, escorted to the altar by her parents, wore a satin wedding gown and carried a bouquet of white carnations accented with a red rose.  
 She asked her sister, Cindy Smukala of Port Austin, to be her maid of honor, wearing a blue floor-length gown and carrying a bouquet of blue and white carnations. A friend, Gina Gillis of Caseville, stood up for the bride as an attendant. She wore a dusty rose gown similarly styled to the maid of honor's and carried pink and white carnations.  
 The groom chose a friend, Ed Krieg of Caseville to be best man and asked his brother, Jerry Bucholtz of Elkton to also attend him.  
 The mother of the bride wore a blue floor-length gown with a complementary blue corsage. The groom's mother wore a pantsuit with a blue corsage.  
 The newlyweds greeted 75 guests in the church basement following the ceremony.  
 They are making their new home in Caseville.



Mr. and Mrs. Terrance Bucholtz

### Recovering

Word was received that Donna Molinaro of Texas is recovering now from brain surgery.

She will be in the hospital for at least one more month, and would welcome cards and letters. Her address is: Wilford Hall Hospital, Ward 8A, Lackland Medical Center, Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Tex. 78200.

### Service news

Marine First Lt. James A. Riehl, whose wife, Karen, is the daughter Herb and Doris Gettel of Sebawaing, recently reported for duty with Third Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro, Calif.

A 1977 graduate of Dondero High School, Royal Oak, he joined the Marine Corps in December, 1981.

### ELECTION NOTICE

The Primary Election for the Village of Pigeon will be conducted on Monday, February 17th, 1986, commencing at 7:00 AM and continuing through 8:00 PM, in the Village Hall located on 29 South Main Street. For the purpose of electing partisan candidates for the offices of:

Village President	Village Trustee (Three Offices Open)
Assessor	Treasurer
	Clerk

R.B. Brown, Jr.  
 Superintendent and Clerk  
 Village of Pigeon

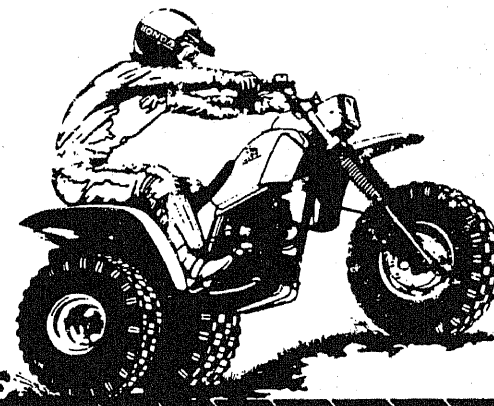
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The day for Cupid to appear.  
Now love is something more sincere  
Than just a Valentine;  
For in your Church you're taught to heed  
The cry of anyone in need,  
By doing some unselfish deed;  
And that's true love's design.

So long as we love we serve;  
so long as we are loved by others... we are indispensable; and no man is useless while he has a friend.  
—Robert Louis Stevenson

"My little children, let us not love in word... but in deed and in truth."  
—1 John 3:18

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| <p><b>TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, SEBEWAING</b><br/>Rev. Lawrence Brooks<br/>Sunday School 9:30 a.m.<br/>Worship Service 10:45 a.m.<br/>Evening Service 7 p.m.<br/>Wednesday Mid-week Service 7 p.m.</p> | <p><b>ASSEMBLY OF GOD, BAD AXE</b><br/>Rev. Daniel Meddaugh<br/>Sunday School 10 a.m.<br/>Morning Worship 11 a.m.<br/>Sunday evening 7 p.m.<br/>Wednesday family night 7 p.m.</p> | <p><b>REORGANIZED CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS, OWENDALE</b><br/>Elder Walter Dubs<br/>Early Worship 10 a.m.<br/>Church School 10:10 a.m.<br/>Preaching Service 11 a.m.</p>   | <p><b>MICHIGAN AVE. MENNONITE CHURCH, PIGEON</b><br/>Herbert Troyer, Pastor<br/>Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.<br/>Sunday School 10:30 a.m.<br/>Evening Service 7:00 p.m.</p>  | <p><b>ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, BAD AXE</b><br/>Fr. Mark Jenkins<br/>Sunday Worship 11 a.m.<br/>Sunday School 11 a.m.</p>   | <p><b>ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, BAD AXE</b><br/>Fr. Mark Jenkins<br/>Sunday Worship 11 a.m.<br/>Sunday School 11 a.m.</p>  |
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## Spring concerts set

Two musical concerts are planned for this spring in order to provide more opportunities for Thumb Area residents to enjoy the arts. These events are sponsored by the Music Committee of First United Methodist Church of Pigeon.

The first concert will be Sunday, March 9 at 3 p.m. featuring the Faculty String Trio of Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant. The trio consists of violin, cello and piano.

The second concert will be Saturday, April 26 at 7 p.m. The Detroit Children's Choir, a select choir of 30 elementary school children directed by Mrs. Janet Lee, will present a choral concert.

Both of these events are open to the entire community. A donation will be received at the door at both concerts, and a meet-the-artists reception will follow each concert.

## Churches host film series

A film series entitled "Strengthening Your Grip," a group of six films designed to offer an alternative to today's lifestyles, will be shown at area churches on upcoming dates.

The series speaks to Christians about making the right choices in a world which abounds with changes, too many choices and moral uncertainty. The films are based on the best-selling book of the same title, authored by Pastor Charles R. Swindoll, senior pastor of the First Evangelical Free Church in Fullerton, Calif.

Film 1, entitled "Priorities: Freedom from the Tyranny of the Urgent" will be shown Sunday, Feb. 16 at Pigeon River Menonite Church.

Film 2, entitled "Aging: Refusing to Shift Your Life into Neutral" will be shown Sunday, Feb. 23 at Michigan Avenue Menonite Church.

Film 3, entitled "Leisure: Attention All Workaholics (and Churchaholics)" will be viewed Sunday, March 2 at Salem United Methodist Church.

Film 4, entitled "Godliness: The Perils of Hothouse Christianity" will be shown Sunday, March 9 at Pigeon River Menonite Church.

Film 5, entitled "Attitudes: Choosing the Food You Serve Your Mind" will be shown on March 16 at Michigan Avenue Menonite Church.

Film 6, entitled "Authority: Hope for a Talk-Back Fight-Back World," will be shown on March 23 at Salem United Methodist Church.

Films will begin at 7 p.m. and last between 40 and 52 minutes.

## Sixty Seconds

### A cause for optimism

**READ ROMANS 8:28-39**  
We know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28

The story is told about a father who came late for his son's Little League baseball game. He did not know the inning or the score.

He saw his son sitting on the bench and called out to him, "What's the score?" The little boy said, "Dad, the score is 25 to nothing."

"Who's winning?" the father asked.

The little boy replied, "I don't know; we haven't been to bat yet!"

That's real optimism! Christians have cause for optimism. St. Paul, writing under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, gives us the blessed and beautiful assurance that all things work together for good to them that love God.

When problems pile up at the office, the shop, or in the home, we can be optimistic because we know that God loves us.

He proves His love in so many, many ways. He gives us positive blessings—our home, our family, our friends, our church.

As we struggle with sorrow or suffering, Christ is with us.

Often we feel desolate, devastated, or depressed. Then we remember that all things work together for good.

The Gospel of the cross is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes.

The cross is proof positive that God loves us.

Our heavenly Father, we thank You that You are on our side. We thank You for the optimism Your Gospel brings to our lives. Amen.

## Cross hosts 'Day of Prayer'

World Day of Prayer will be observed in the Pigeon area on Friday, March 7 at 7:30 p.m. at Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon, with the presentation of a Lenten concert by the Thumb Cantate Chorale.

The Chorale will also perform the concert a second time on Sunday, March 9 at Unionville Moravian Church at 7:30 p.m.

The Chorale will sing a two-part concert with psalm and general text anthems in the first set, followed by Lenten and Easter texts in the second set. Some of the works being performed are "An Easter Chant" by Gordon Young, "God's Son Has Made Me Free" by Grieg-Overby, "In Thee, O Lord" by Jane Marshall, "When I Awake" by Ronald Nelson and "Gloria Be To Him" by John Frederic Peter, a Moravian composer.

## Owendale RLDS holds meet

The Owendale RLDS held their financial business meeting Sunday, Jan. 26 at 10 a.m. The service was opened by Branch President Walter Dubs. The hymn "O Jesus Giver of All We Enjoy" was sung by the congregation, with prayer given by Tom Craig, counselor to the Branch President.

Elder Ervin Haley of the Bay Port RLDS, also a counselor to the District President, brought greetings from the District, then turned the meeting over to Walter Dubs.

The minutes from the Nov. 24 meeting were read by Secretary Evelyn Haley and were accepted as read.

Walter Dubs asked each of the department heads for a report, each telling of their 1985 highlights.

The budget was discussed and accepted by the congregation. Old and new business was also conducted.

The meeting was adjourned and the congregation sang "As Saints of Old Their First Fruit Brought." Benediction was given by Elder Ervin Haley.

A potluck lunch was served at the conclusion of the meeting.

Services are conducted each Sunday with Sunday school at 10 a.m. followed by worship at 11 a.m. The church is located five miles south of Elkton and anyone is welcome to worship there.



Rev. Larry Elenbaum

## Native visits Kilmanagh UM

Former Pigeon native Rev. Larry Elenbaum will speak at Kilmanagh United Methodist Church this Sunday, Feb. 16 during the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

Elenbaum is the son of Ralph Elenbaum and the late Marian Elenbaum.

Rev. Elenbaum, his wife and three children now live in Beaver Falls, Pa., where he serves the local Presbyterian church.

Host pastor is Rev. Bob Kersten.

## Pigeon folks visit

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dast were Mr. and Mrs. Luther VonDaggenhausen and girls of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Dast and children of Bay City, Dennis Dast of Saginaw was a visitor during the week.

Frank Shetler of Goshen, Ind. has been spending the week with Mrs. Lydia Teuscher and other relatives.

The Just-A-Mere Farm Bureau group will meet Thursday at 8 p.m. with Mrs. Ann Schuettle.

Spending the weekend at their farm in Lachine were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schulze.

Mrs. Oscar Kurzer of Caseville was a Sunday visitor of Mrs. Mabel Clark. Afternoon visitors were Mrs. Cheryl Abbe and children of Elkton.

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**LOTS OF LOVE FOR EVERYONE!**

Mrs. Lydia Schember, age 91, of Elkton, shares a Valentine kiss with one of her many great-grandchildren, Adam Erika Ramento, two years old, of Waipahu, Hawaii. Adam is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Randy (nee Debbie Schember) Ramento, now residing in Hawaii. Mrs. Schember had 11 children and scores and scores of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren, but her family says she always has enough love to go around!

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**Valentine Love Lines**

Turn to Page 28 for the Sweetest Page in this week's edition!

**Thumb club news**

**ELKTON SENIOR CITIZENS**

Thirty-two members attended the Feb. 4 meeting at the Elkton Civic Center. Kay Walker gave the table prayer. With the Gemmells in charge of music, "America" was sung and the Pledge to the Flag given. The Birthday Song greeted Fern English and Hal Conkey. The Anniversary Song was sung for Earl and Mamie Kasserman. Group singing followed. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Get-well cards were signed for Marie McGee and Jim Hoffman.

Several meetings participated in the open reading program by reading jokes taken from papers and books.

Mike Renn advised the Senior Citizens Movie shown at the Pigeon District Library are well worth attending and are shown on the third Thursday of each month. The next series is for Feb. 20 at 1:30 p.m. Ray English reported that the Civic Association members had met and that the annual report was posted at the Civic Center.

Beulah Motz entertained with several piano selections. The program ended with a tape recording of "How Great Thou Art," played by Clayton Gemmel. Edna Wakefield will be in charge of next week's program.

**Ed Oeschger earns award**

Ed Oeschger, CLU of Bar Port, local agent for Farm Bureau Insurance Group has earned the National Quality Award and the National Sales Achiever Award for the high quality of his life insurance sales program.

The awards, two of the most prestigious in the life insurance industry, are national honors reserved for agents who maintain high production levels and superior standards of client service.

Both awards are presented by the National Association of Life Underwriters in conjunction with the Life Insurance Marketing and Research Association.

Oeschger, a five-time recipient of the National Sales Achievement Award and 11 times a National Quality Award winner, is a member of the Saginaw Association of Life Underwriters. He is part of an agency force of 45 Farm Bureau Insurance agents, serving over 300,000 Michigan policyholders.

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**WOODS and WATERS**

By DUANE GUENTHER

**Sammy**



The phone rang. "You still looking for a Black Lab?" the voice questioned from the other end. "I sure am," I answered expectantly. It was as simple as that. A couple days later, Samantha Jo, Sammy, for short, showed up at our back door, and the house hasn't been the same since.

Sammy was four months old when we got her. Although her former owner claimed she was the "runt" of the litter, her graceful frame, already carrying 25 pounds of pent-up energy, blocky chest, and slender nose were the markings of a well proportioned hunting dog. It didn't take long for her to become part of the family, and despite the ravings of Sweetie, she even spends time inside the house, a definite "no-no" with previous hunting hounds.

For anyone not familiar with Labrador Retrievers, they are one of the most gentle dogs of the hunting breeds. Intelligent, even tempered, and extremely hardy in severe conditions are their 3 strongest traits. Because of this, they make good house pets, excellent seeing-eye dogs for the blind, and tremendous retrievers for waterfowl hunters.

Sammy is already developing a personality of her own. Like most retrievers, she likes to chew. I momentarily forgot about this the first night and kept her in my storage shed. The next morning, my brand new LawnBoy mower was minus the handle on the starter rope. She had amused herself that night by chewing through the cord, and I found the rubber handle, 2 days later in her straw bedding. A quick trip to the grocery store, and the purchase of a rawhide chewing bone has helped eliminate the problem. Once she reaches maturity, the chewing habit is usually discarded.

Although Sammy is going to be a swell house dog, her main role in our family will be that of a hunting retriever. She will be just the right age for her initial training this summer and her first hunting season this fall. Looking at her, sprawled beside my chair while I write these lines, I can't help but think of another Lab I had the pleasure of knowing. His name was Gus, and with his build he would have been just as much at home in the center of the defensive line for the Chicago Bears as he was in the bow of my brother's duck boat.

Gus was everything a hunter could want. Friendly, and willing to please, he was a perfect gentleman when sitting in the duck boat. However, once in the water, he swam

like Johnny Weismueller and had the patience of Job when it came to searching out a downed duck. I remember one time when my brother Lyle pulled one of his famous over-the-shoulder shots at a departing mallard and we both groaned when the bird crumpled and fell in a pocket of heavy marsh more than 75 yards from the boat. Lyle gave Gus the line and sent him after the duck. We waited, and waited, and waited some more, but Gus never returned. After a good 15 minutes, Lyle became so concerned he was ready to take off after the dog. Just then, out of the thickest part of the cattails came Gus. A big, fat, drake mallard in his mouth, and the prettiest dog smile plastered all over his face. And before he died, he performed that same feat many, many times.

Knowledgeable dog men say a Lab is one of the easiest dogs to train. For the most part, all you have to do is teach them a few basic control commands and they take care of the rest. They retrieve instinctively and sometimes can be ruined by force training.

A friend of mine gave me a sure fire way to train a retriever. His method, which he claims works everytime, is to go jump shooting with a young dog. At the first opportunity, the trainer tries to knock a duck down over shallow water. As soon as the duck hits the water, the trainer unloads his gun and sits down. Then, and this is the important part, the trainer should do absolutely nothing until the dog retrieves the bird. No matter if it takes all day, the trainer should not move or talk to the dog. Sooner or later the dog will plunge in the water to get the duck. When he brings it back to his master he should lavish as much praise as possible upon the dog. The results will be a perfectly trained retriever.

Hard to believe? I've never met a dog man who lies! Have you???

**Elk census taken-Sports clubs sought**

**Thumb area OUTDOORS**

The DNR has just completed a winter census of Michigan's elk herd and reports that it is very close to the census of last year which numbered 940 animals. The winter census was concentrated over a 600-square mile area of prime elk range, and was conducted by a 60-man census team from the DNR.

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The DNR's Wildlife Division is looking for chartered sports clubs with 6 members or more to participate in

raising Ring-Necked Pheasant chicks as part of the Department's Cooperative Sports Club Pheasant Program.

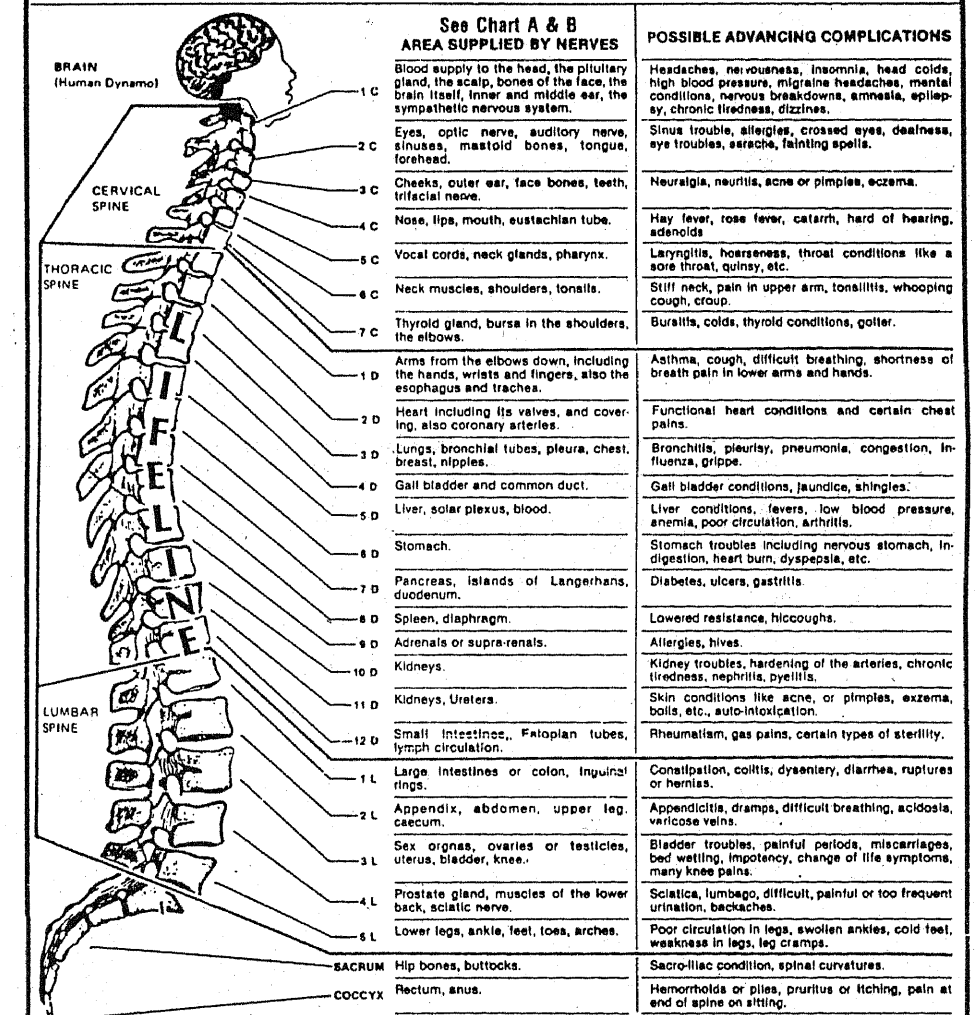
Last year, 29 clubs participated, raising more than 17,000 birds, and the DNR hopes their interest and participation will continue again this year.

The DNR will donate up to 30,000 day-old pheasant chicks to clubs, which in turn, will be required to provide all food and materials necessary to maintain the birds in a healthy condition for at least 12 weeks before they are released.

The chicks will be delivered during May, and birds must be released no later than 15.

Interested in learning how to catch Saginaw Bay Walleyes? Then you better put February 17 on your calendar. That's the day that Babe Winkelman, a well-known television personality, will put on a Walleye seminar on Saginaw Bay Walleye fishing at Bay City Western High School. Winkelman, producer and stars in a syndicated TV series, "Good Fishing," which is shown locally every Saturday at 12:30 pm on WEYI-TV, Channel 25. Tickets are priced at \$5 and can be purchased in advance at Frank's Bait and Tackle, Essexville-Hampton Community Education, or from any Saginaw Bay Walleye Club member.

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# SOUND-OFF!

Bring your sweetheart to the Soup and Sandwich Supper this Friday, Feb. 14 at Laker High School, 4 to 7 p.m. Tickets good from last week and available at the door.

Thanks Jaycees for the swell teen dance. We had a great time and the DJs were great. Do it again soon. Sorry the grown-ups didn't support your other dance.

For Fred's information, Scott H. is not Herb. Thank you for YOUR information, not ours.

It's a shame Caseville does not honor its elderly. It would

be so nice if when pulling up to the pump to have their tank filled or have some repair work done on their car, they could receive a senior citizen discount. It should be called greenville, not Caseville. It was these older people who built this town and paved the way for these businesses.

What is taking place in our society? Does the baseball diamond, or football field or basketball court mean more than the love and respect of family companionship? When a coach drills, drills and practices students until 7:30 disrupting supper hours and com-

pletely ruining the routine of home, after students have looked at teachers all day long?

Happy birthday to the old 7-11, Shelly C. and Susan K., from the new 7-11.

Happy 21st birthday Wimpy, from Guess Who.

Attention fourth, fifth and sixth grade girls, interested in cheerleading: There will be a cheerleading clinic at Pigeon Elementary on Saturday, March 8 from 1 to 4 p.m. Come and join the fun.

Laker Athletic Booster Club meeting will be held Monday,

Feb. 17 at Laker High School, during the North Branch Laker game. Thank you.

On Saturday, March 16, the Junior Class at Laker High will be having a bottle drive. We appreciate your help and hope you'll save your bottles. If you have any questions, contact the High School office or any Junior Class member. Thank you.

I was also at teen dance and disagreed about who should run it. I know why you want F. to run it. We don't need that. Maybe the Veterans should work with the Jaycees to lower the rent so we can have more of these.

There is no secret formula, nor do we have something special other than good, hard-working students that strive for achievement. When we moved our junior high school to the new building in 1979, we felt that for once we could follow a student's progress in the same locale in all grades, seven through 12. This tracking of our students includes the academics and all extra-curricular activities. Another ingredient contributing to our success goes to our teachers and coaches.

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They will advance to competition at the 1986 State Leadership Conference in Detroit in March. Eight other members will also attend workshops and leadership training events at the conference.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER**  
Being #1  
by HARRY BRUNET  
LAKER SCHOOLS  
SUPERINTENDENT

This past week Mark Haney, sports editor for The Tuscola County Advertiser, wrote a very flattering editorial about our Lakers. I use the term "Lakers" because his article refers to our athletic teams.

In his article he makes reference to "It must be something in the water." In essence, he is saying we have what every school strives for, a total program. For this broad a compliment, we are indeed very proud. What Mark has not witnessed is our overall concern for total programs in academics, music, forensics, FFA, art, etc. Hopefully, we are offering a variety that will bring out the best for all of our students.

Mark is a sports editor. Therefore, his column was based upon our athletic accomplishments. For outsiders looking in at the Laker athletic program, we are sometimes envied, revered and on occasions, disliked. When you equate the size of our school (1,400) competing schools ranging from 600-1,000 more students, one might say, "What are they doing there?" Mark is not the only one who has recognized our total program. A year ago representatives of the Millington athletic department spent a full day going over our programs and how we do it.

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# BOWLING

**ELKTON THURSDAY NIGHT LADIES**

Ron's Party Store	14
Elkton Co-op	11
Ty's Bowling	10
Knechtel's Market	10
Bud's Bar	10
Town Edge Farms	10
Elkton IGA	8
Sally's Ceramics	7

High individual scores: Knechtel's 651, Sally's Ceramics 1830.  
High team scores: Knechtel's 551, Sally's Ceramics 1830.  
Splits: 4-5-7 L. Sosnoski; 2-7 M. Error, R. Stephenson, J. Rokicki; 5-7 J. Rokicki.

**ELKTON MONDAY MENS' LEAGUE**

Ackerman Farms	21
Elkton Petroleum	19
Elkton 'n That	18
Don's Barber Shop	17
Bud Light	17
Thumme Insurance	13

High team scores: Elkton Petroleum 930, Bud Light 2475.  
High individual scores: L. Rosenthal 210, D. Deming 539.  
Other 200 games: J. Knechtel 208, E. Buschlen 204, S. Hurlburt 204, D. Deming 204, J. Bernhard 202.  
Other 500 series: J. Knechtel 537, S. Hurlburt 519, J. Bernhard 518.  
Splits: 3-10 W. Forster, J. Knechtel, J. Jaworski; 9-10 G. Willoughby; 3-6-7-10 J. Jaworski; 4-9 D. McAlpine.

**FRIDAY NIGHT MENS' LEAGUE**

Co-op Elevator	23
Active Food	18
Caseville Fruit Market	13
Silver Dollar	12
Albrecht Auction Service	12

High team scores: Silver Dollar 2546 (815-810), Active Food 2486 (811-867-800), Co-op Elevator 2414 (815-810).  
High individual scores: C. Deering 584 (237), D. Dubs 564, C. Basinger 557 (237), C. Kauffman 542, D. Deering 537, R. Graf 528 (237), M. Swartzendruber 522, J.D. Gunden 519, R. Damm 515, D. McAlpine 506, D. Reed 500.  
Splits: 2-7 A. Gies; 3-10 B. Miller; 6-8-10 L. Albrecht; 3-10 L. Henne.

**GUYS AND DOLLS**

*Dunn-Seemann	15
*Roestel-Strauch	12
*Kretzschmer-Thiel	10
*Beachy-Woldman	10
*Gunden-Rapson	9
*Eibing-Roestel	9
*Heintz-Hundermarck	8
*Dubs-Smith	7
*Krohn-Morin	5
*Caverly-Pipe	3

High team scores: Dunn-Seemann 1929 (696).  
High individual scores: MEN - J. Dunn

**WEDNESDAY NITE LADIES LEAGUE**

Village Qwik Stop	20
Haist Flowers	17
Thumb National Bank	16
Miller High Life	15
Ralph's Tavern	14
Varty's	13
Damm's	12
Bay Port Construction	10
Bay Port State Bank	9
Huron Excavation	9
Pigeon Inn	6
Vollmerer Realty	3

High team scores: Miller High Life 2373 (814-822), Village Qwik Stop 2257 (763), Haist Flowers 2214 (808), Thumb National 766.  
High individual scores: J. Abbott 530 (191-178), D. Yahn 539 (191), J. Klein 499 (200), D. Bollenbacher 511 (215), C.S. Damm 463 (225), J. Wieschulz 511 (201), K. Stirett 175, J. Lubeski 192, D. Kehr 186, J. Steinman 483 (175), D. Kuck 453, R. Sweeney 468, K. Murdoch 480, C.J. Damm 497 (178).

**PIGEON THURSDAY NITE LADIES**

Pigeon Co-op	17
Want Ads	17
Brighton Metal	15
J & B Pkg.	15
Rapson Foster Care	15
Fink's Farm Equip.	13
Scheurer Hospital	11
Village Barber & Styling	11
Pigeon Auto Supply	11
Lee's Landscaping	9
Gary's TV	9
McCormick Motors	2

High team scores: Brighton Metal 2296 (804), J & B Pkg. 2279 (865), Village Barber 2277, Want Ads 824.  
High individual scores: E. Gunden 560 (212-185), P. Nibel 511 (187), S. McLean 510 (189), A. Lackie 503 (180-177), W. Kovach 490, D. Maust 484 (200), B. Pokanz 484 (171), E. Rounds 479, H. Collins 477 (180), S. Buchholz 475, J. Poisson 468 (170), L. Welshans 465, W. Rapson 179, A. Albrecht 173, P. Parrish 172, L. Smith 171, M. Ropp 170, T. Dressler 170.  
Splits: 5-10 J. Wolfram, C.L. Dubs, D. Brauster; 3-10 J. Wolfram, A. Albrecht; 4-5 J. Shepherd, P. McCormick, A. Goronowicz; 2-7 P. Nibel; 5-6 L. Welshans; 5-6-10 A. Buschlen.  
Five consecutive strikes: S. McLean.

**TUESDAY CLASSIC LEAGUE**

Carling	20
Arlen's Duck Inn	17
Kretzschmer HC	17
Osentoski Ford Tractor	15
Pigeon Inn	15
Steinman Agency	14
Pigeon Lumber	13
Dutch Kettle	13
Ralph's Tavern	12
Pioneer Cablevision	13
Bob Smith Builders	11
Active Food	7

High team scores: Steinman Agency 2774 (962-955-857), Arlen's Duck Inn 2650 (908-884-858), Carling 2468 (850), Osentoski Ford Tractor 2460, Kretzschmer HC 921.  
High individual scores: R. Eibing 604 (221-215), L. Roestel 590 (222), M. Gehrs 562 (202), L. Smith 559 (203), J. Avalos 549 (222), H. Ropp 540 (214), B. Laikie 234, S. Dubs 210, R. Renn 207, B. Armbruster 207, R. Baker 205, D. Schafer 203, R. Thiel 202, B. Smith Sr. 202.

**MONDAY MAJOR LEAGUE**

Brighton Metal	15
*Pigeon Lanes	12
Carling	11
Bay Shore Collision	10
*J.O. Wurst Tiling	10
J & B Pkg.	9
*Damm's Inc.	9
Bay Shore Realty	8
*Walsh Packing	5
Pigeon Motor Sales	4

\*Incomplete  
High team scores: Carling 2586 (874-861-851), J & B Pkg. 2463 (859), Brighton Metal 2447 (870), Bay Shore Realty 859.  
High individual scores: G. Murdoch 600 (210-202), D. Parrish 576 (206-202), H. Blome 562, W. Henne 542.



## CAR WASH OPEN AT PEOPLE'S

Car wash customers in Pigeon finally have a new place to "come clean." People's Oil & Gas at Nitz and S. Main has opened its new car wash bays on the south side of the Shell Oil products building.

The do-it-yourself wash and rinse system includes a heated washing area, owners say.

Other improvements and new services are planned at the station, to be announced as completed.

RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTO

## Bowler of the week

The Thumb Area Womens' Bowling Association Bowler of the Week for Jan. 20-26 is Lisa Gordon, with a 579 actual series.

Gordon bowls for the Thursday Night Twilighters at Bad Axe Lanes.

Other 500 and higher series bowled were: Dody Yahn 575, Pigeon Lanes; Judy Ostrander 574, Bad Axe Lanes; Lois Selby 573, Dorothy Sweeney 567 and JoAnne Morell 565, Charmont, Cass City; Norine Lemanski 560, Bad Axe Lanes and Lottie Pavalowski 551, Crazy Horse, Ubyly.

## PUBLIC HEARING - REVENUE SHARING

Public hearing on Federal Revenue Sharing opened at 8 p.m. The meeting was opened to guests. Randy Haley recommended that the money be spent on the development of The Box Factory property that the village is in the process of purchasing. With no further recommendations from the public, a motion was made by Fisher supported by Santos to transfer \$33,500.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing to the General Fund to purchase the property from New Century Bank, Thumb, Charred.

Motion by Fisher supported by Santos to approve the General Fund, Federal Revenue Sharing, Major Streets, Local Streets and Debt Retirement for 1986-87. Carried.

Correspondence was ready by the clerk from Glenn Idings, thanking the village for flowers sent upon the death of his father.

Resolution by Fisher supported by Stirett to support FHA funding for subsidized housing from correspondence from Mr. Bill Breaky. Carried.

A complaint was voiced on the delivery trucks at the two party stores obstructing traffic in the village. No action was taken on the matter. Council felt there was nothing that could be done at this time but police will give warnings to trucks when parking incorrectly.

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Barlene R. Ginter, clerk

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sports of the week

Eagles edge North Huron in overtime thriller

By RICH SWARTZENRUBER  
The ghetto blaster was cranked up and a happy flock of Caseville Eagles were singing, "Let the Good Times Roll" after last Friday's 64-59 overtime victory over North Huron. With the important win Caseville pulled to within a half-game of first place Kingston, and edged a half-game ahead of third-place North Huron.

The 26-26 halftime tie, and 57-57 deadlock at the end of regulation indicated how evenly matched the two teams are, although much of the game saw a significant margin in the score.

North Huron threatened to blow out Caseville early as the Warriors rushed to a 14-3 lead in the first five minutes of the game. But the Eagles settled down and chipped away at the lead and eventually overtook the visiting Warriors just before the intermission.

In the third quarter, North Huron came out a little flat, while an inspired Caseville defense contributed to a 30-37 lead with six over six minutes remaining in the fourth quarter.

The Warrior's tasted success with a full-court press and slashed the margin to just three points in just 90 seconds with four quick steals and layups.

The officials played a big role in the game as Caseville starters, Ray Johnson, John Winkler, Dave Simet and Pete Delmotte all fouled out in regulation time. On the North Huron side, Bill Case, Mike Chaplinski, Mike Fisher and Ken Jimkowski were also sidelined with five fouls.

At the free throw line, Warrior Coach Richard Fawcett didn't like what he saw as his players went to the line 22 in the fourth quarter alone, but earned only seven shots. Compounding the problem was the fact that 11 of the missed shots were the front end of one-and-one opportunities.

Overall, North Huron was 15-35 from the line for 43%. Eagle shooters netted 10-17 fourth quarter free throws and scored five of their seven overtime points from the line as well.

Reserves played a key factor in the game, especially during the three-minute overtime period. Caseville's 5'10" Bruce Langley was mismatched with North Huron 6'7 1/2" center Joe Byrne in the jump ball to tip off overtime.

"Their reserves beat us. They played well," said Fawcett after the game. His emotionally drained Caseville counterpart Randy Bingham agreed, "Some of the Caseville reserves waited all year and didn't get much playing time, but they were ready and tonight they came through."

One such player was Matt Kraus who finished the game with just six points, but contributed five consecutive points for the Eagles in the second quarter to begin the Caseville comeback after the Warriors' early lead.

Johnson, who entered the game with a 17.7 point scoring average, netted just one point in the game, but Simet took up the slack with 22 points. Pete Delmotte fired in 13 points and Bruce Langley added 10.

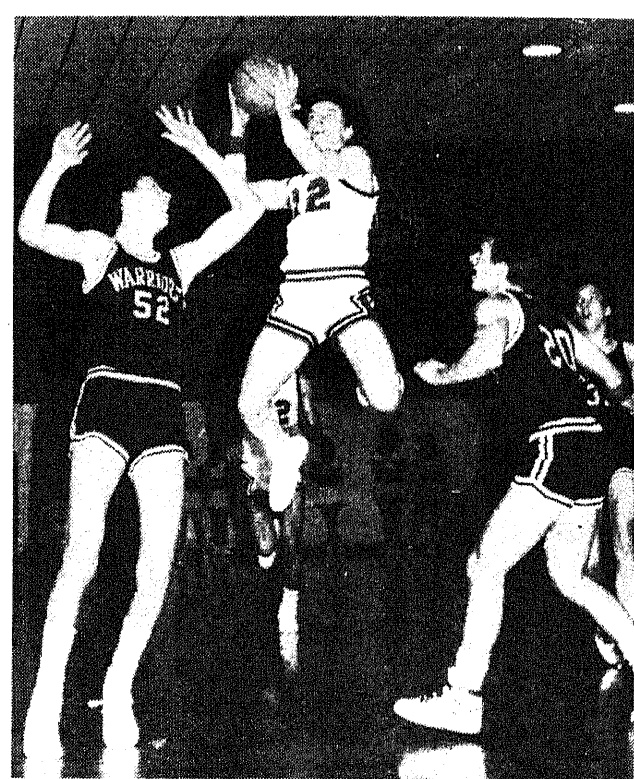
Case led North Huron scoring with 18 points and Joe Byrne contributed 12.

The loss was a disappointing start to an important three-game stretch for North Huron, which also includes Deckerville and Kingston this week.

"Our goal (prior to the game with Caseville) was to win the next three games and be in control, but you don't always meet your goals," noted Fawcett.

Caseville also must face those two North Central Thumb D League contenders yet this season. This week the Eagles travel to Peck on Tuesday before returning home on Friday to host Carsonville - Port Sanilac.

Caseville will then close out the season by traveling to Deckerville the next Friday, then host Kingston on Friday, Feb. 28.



FLYING HIGH: Ray Johnson (12) finds room for a shot between North Huron's Joe Byrne (52) and Bill Case (20), but the Eagle guard was held to one point in the game.

**STARS WAR:** The Eagles overpowered the Port Hope Blue Stars, 64-56 last Tuesday.

Johnson burned the nets with 29 points, while fellow guard Tony Seagraves added 10. Front-line players Simet, Delmotte and Winkler contributed outstanding rebounding to the Caseville victory.

Tim Murphy and Todd Brown each scored 10 points for Port Hope.

**JVS SPLIT:** The junior Eagles were humbled, 64-38 by North Huron despite 17 points from Jeff Siegfried.

The Caseville jayvees fared better at Port Hope with a 32-19 victory. Siegfried and Scott Kelly each netted eight points to pace the junior varsity offense in the game.

Lakers stretch lead in TBA hoop race

By RICH SWARTZENRUBER

Lakers gained a little more breathing room in the Thumb B hoop race with a narrow victory over Marlette last Tuesday, while second place Cass City was upended by North Branch, 53-36.

After trailing the Red Raiders 25-23 at halftime, and 40-37 after three periods, Lakers outscored visiting Marlette, 22-14 in the final stanza to earn the win.

Tom Beer tossed in 24 points to top Laker scorers, while Todd Schember hit 11 and Chris Eby tallied 10.

A box-and-one defense held Eby to a pair of points during the first three periods, but the Laker scoring leader shook loose for eight in the final stanza to spark the Green and White comeback.

Marlette was led by Mike Fishell's 12 points. Jim Fleming scored 11 and Brad Moore netted 10.

The Red Raiders missed the services of 6'5" center Tim Harbin because of an injury.

**RESCHEDULED:** Lakers contest with North Branch slated for last Friday was postponed until Monday, Feb. 17 due to weather conditions in the North Branch area.

**THIS WEEK:** On Tuesday, Lakers were scheduled to travel to Imlay City, before returning home to host Caro on Friday.

**JVS WIN:** Brian Kohl and Paul Elenbaum each netted 10 points to lead the Laker junior varsity squad to a 45-26 victory over Marlette.

**FROSH ROLL:** With the loss of three Marlette starters to illness, the Laker freshman team scored virtually at will in a 91-34 victory.

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Lakers keep volleyball tourney trophy at home

Michigan Lutheran Seminary surprised the number-one rated Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port volleyball team with a pair of game victories but the Green and White spikers bounced back to win the championship of the 18-team Laker Invitational Tournament last Saturday.

After losing to MLS 12-15, 11-15 in pool play to qualify for the single elimination portion of the event, the home team bounced back to earn 15-7, 15-9 victories when the two teams met again in the finals.

In other pool play games, Lakers defeated Mayville, 15-2, 15-2; Merrill 15-4, 15-3;

Yale 15-8, 15-12, and Galdwin 15-1, 15-2.

In the tourney single elimination, Lakers downed Caro 15-1, 15-4 and Henry Ford II of Detroit 15-6, 15-2 to earn a shot at the championship against Michigan Lutheran Seminary.

Senior Brenda Baker again led the team with 48 points, pounded 113 attacks including 70 kills, and added seven blocks and 18 saves.

Shelley Ritter served up 46 points and contributed 124 kill assists.

Junior Julia Sturm nailed 71 attacks with 48 kills and added 21 saves and 12 blocks.

Other top Laker servers were Cathy Wurst with 41 points, Kriste Lasceski with 34 points and Lisa Buschlen with 17 points.

Lakers are now 55-4 overall and 5-0 in league play.

Monday night, Lakers pounded North Branch 15-2, 15-0, 15-1 for their fifth straight Thumb B victory.

Baker served up 14 points and pounded 15 attacks including 10 kills. Cathy Wurst served for 13 points.

Setter Shelley Ritter contributed nine kill assists while Jackie Ginter added five kill assists.

**JVS WIN:** The Laker junior varsity upended the Broncos 15-1, 16-14 and lost a practice game 12-15.

The jayvees will also host a 16-team JV tournament this Saturday at Laker High.

The Green Spiking Machine blanked Bad Axe 15-0, 15-2, 15-3 in last Thursday's league contest.

Baker pounded 14 kills in 18 total attacks. Ritter served up 10 points and set up 11 kill assists.

Sue Kersten pounded five kills in eight attempts, while Julia Sturm chipped in five attacks with four going for kills. Lasceski served for 14 points in the match.

Last Monday, Lakers won three straight games with Caro without the services of setter Shelley Ritter and hitter Kriste Lasceski, who both suffered from the flu.

Sophomores Jackie Ginter and Lisa Buschlen shared setting duties in the 15-2, 15-8, 15-10 wins over the Tigers.

Baker served up 13 points and added 17 attacks (11 kills) and five blocks. Julia Sturm pounded 11 attacks (8 kills) and added 11 digs.

Buschlen recorded 11 points and 14 kill assists, while Ginter added 11 kill assists and five points.

He's sure it's something in the Laker water!

(EDITOR'S NOTE: We here at The Progress-Advance are sometimes accused of showing too much favoritism toward our local schools.

This was written by Tuscola County Advertiser Sports Editor Mark Haney in the Caro paper's Jan. 29 issue. We reprint it, with his permission, to show our readers how others view Laker Schools. We advise you to see Laker School Supt. Harry Brunet's related column, too, on Page 22.)

By MARK HANEY

There must be something in the water. After all, plants flourish in the northern Thumb, so why shouldn't the children? Farmers in the towns and areas surrounding Elkton, Pigeon and Bay Port are among the most productive in the state, so why shouldn't they produce children with equal success?

So it must be in the water. I can't figure any other reason for the size that seems to roll out of the halls of Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port High School, like wave after wave lands on the Bay Port beach.

The Lakers rolled through the first six games of the Thumb B Association basketball season unbeaten, with only Friday's game with Cass City standing between Bill McLellan's crew and a perfect first half of the league campaign.

And this isn't the best group in Laker history. The best is yet to come. And the best just keeps coming...and coming down the hallway. The Laker junior varsity is big, with players standing 6-foot-4 and 6-foot-5 who can run and jump. There is a freshman team in the wings with similar size and nearly equal talents.

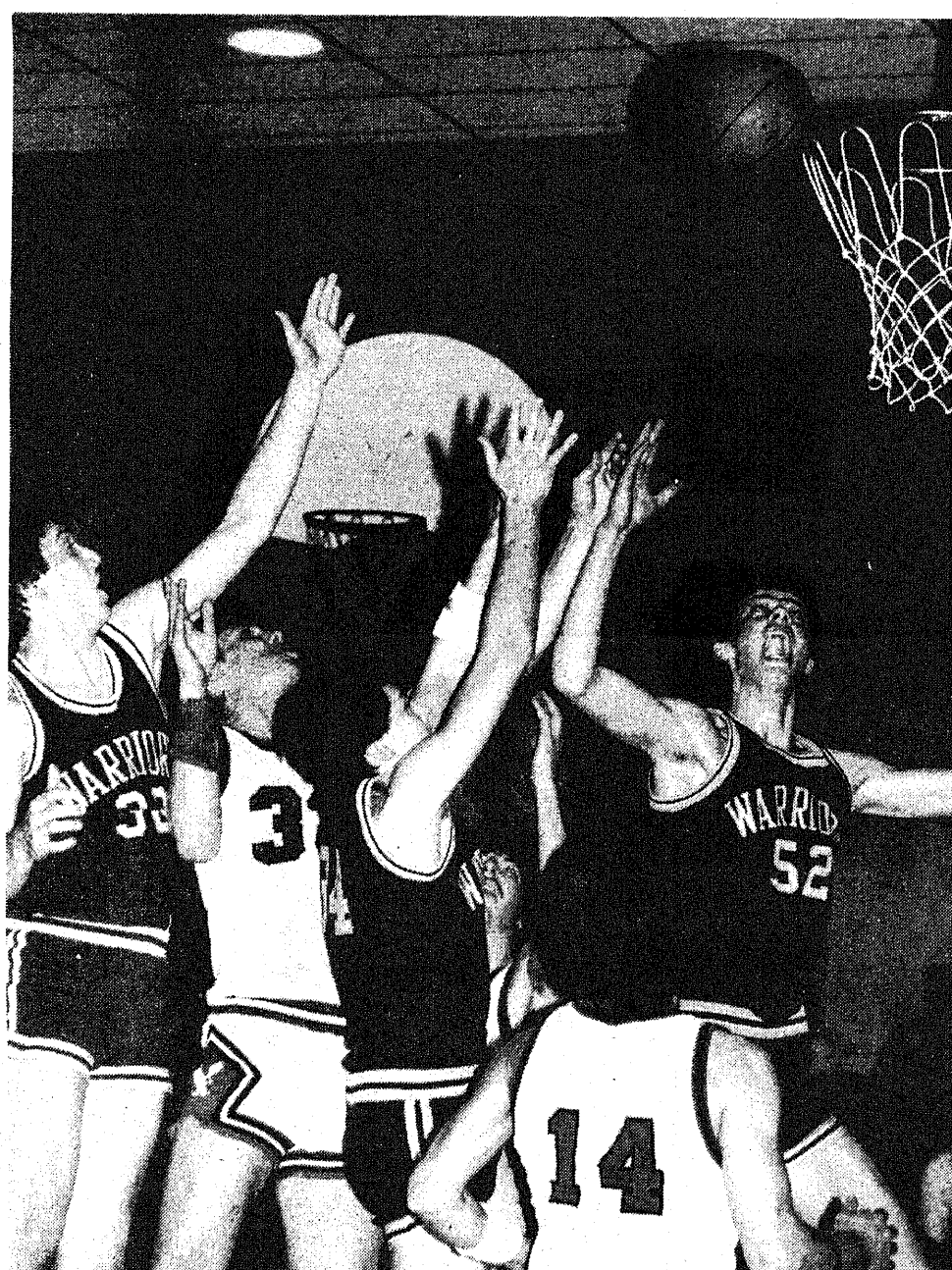
They just keep coming up with these big, talented people. And I want to know why. "You know they are going to be good players," said one opposing coach. "They are all gym rats because they play all the time in those little schools up there. And you know they'll be well coached. But do they have to be so big too? I just don't understand how they manage that."

In this business, we call that "a program." Laker High has a program. Some schools simply are known as a program in certain sports. Frankenmuth is a program, especially in basketball. Capac and Caro have programs in cross country, USA has programs in boys' basketball and track. Marlette has programs in boys' basketball and boys' track. Cass City has a program in boys' basketball.

Simply put, being a program means the school consistently turns out good athletes in these events, partly because they are winners and they attract good kids and partly because they teach the young people the proper way to play or perform in the sport.

Lakers, however, is becoming a total program. Each fall the Lakers are the team to beat in the Thumb B in football and one of the favorites in girls' basketball. Each winter the Lakers are listed among the favorites in boys' basketball. Irene Green's volleyball squad is rated as being "college level" compared to everyone else in the Thumb. As if that wasn't enough, the Lakers stand out as leaders in baseball and softball too.

Yeah, the Lakers give up some sports here and there. They aren't strong in cross country or track, golf or wrestling. But try finding a Class C school that doesn't surrender something here and there. The athletic pool simply isn't that large. That size, however, is the puzzle. I don't understand how any school can continue to turn out 6-foot-3, 215-pound players with such regularity. Doesn't the talent pool ever decline? Don't they ever get a batch of midgets up there? I swear, it must be in the water.



SANDWICHED: Caseville's Pete Delmotte (second from left) fights for a rebound with Warriors Greg Szymanski (32), Mike Fisher (34) and Joe Byrne (52) as Eagle Tony Seagraves (14) looks on.

Tagged fish worth cash for area anglers

Saginaw Bay fishermen can win prizes of \$100 to \$500 this fall, when they return tags found on Bay perch and catfish.

Fisheries Biologist James Diana and state Department of Natural Resources personnel have put yellow metal tags on about 6500 perch and catfish in the Bay this year.

Information provided as these tags are returned will help Diana and his colleagues study the fishes' life-cycle processes.

On Sept. 30, a drawing will be divided into three categories from among all returned tags:

**Perch:** \$500 grand prize, open both to commercial and recreational fishermen;

**Catfish:** \$200 prize for recreational fishermen only, and

**Catfish:** \$100 prize to commercial fishermen only.

To qualify for the perch prize, anglers must return the yellow tag found on any perch they take, along with the date, location and water depth information. Also

Area Hoop Standings

Thumb B Association

Lakers	9-0
Cass City	7-3
North Branch	6-3
Vassar	6-4
Marlette	4-6
Caro	4-6
Bad Axe	2-7
Imlay City	0-9

North Central Thumb D League

Kingston	10-1
Caseville	10-2
North Huron	9-2
Deckerville	9-3
Peck	5-6
Port Hope	4-8
OwenGage	2-10
CPS	2-10
Akron-Fairgrove	1-10

Interfaith Hoops Standings

Division I

Cross Luth.	5-0
Campus Life	4-1
Elkton U.M.	2-3
Bay Port-Hayes U.M.	1-4

Division II

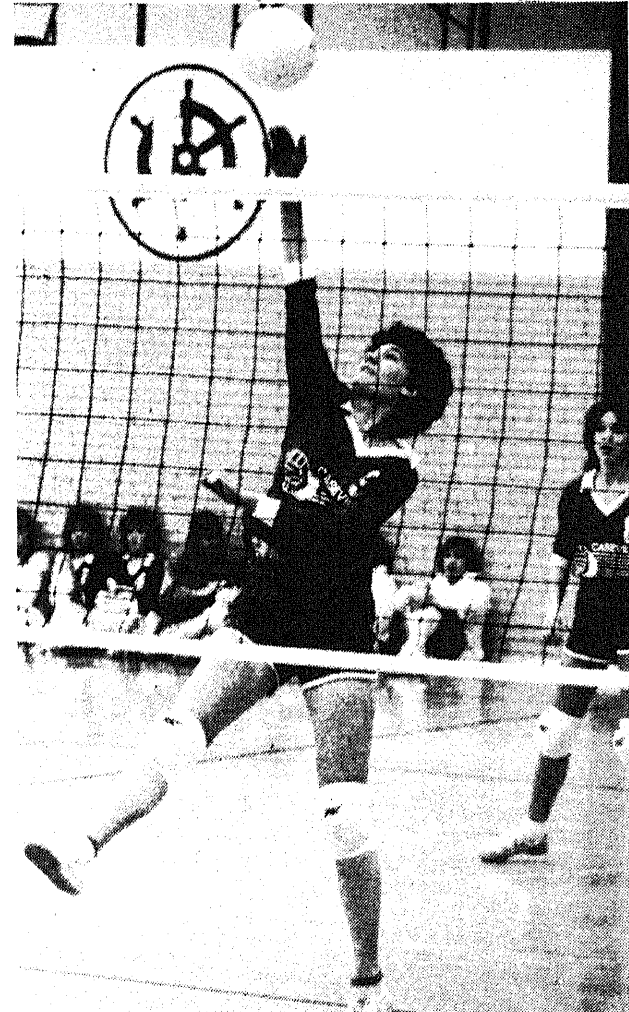
Elkton Missionary	4-1
Pigeon River Menn.	3-2
St. Francis	1-4
Pigeon First U.M.	0-5

**GAME RESULTS**  
Bay Port-Hayes ..... 67  
St. Francis ..... 49  
Scott Smith hit 28 points to lead Hayes to its first win of the year. Kevin Damrow tallied 14 and Jeff Leipprandt added 10 for the winners.

St. Francis was led by Tom Torres with 19 points and Rob Gonzales with 14.  
Cross Luth. .... 83  
Pigeon River ..... 67  
Kent McKenzie netted 28 points, Don Schulz fired in 20 and Mike LePage added a dozen to help Cross keep its record unblemished.

Game scoring honors were earned by Joel Leipprandt with 38 points, while Pete Basinger added 12 for Pigeon River.

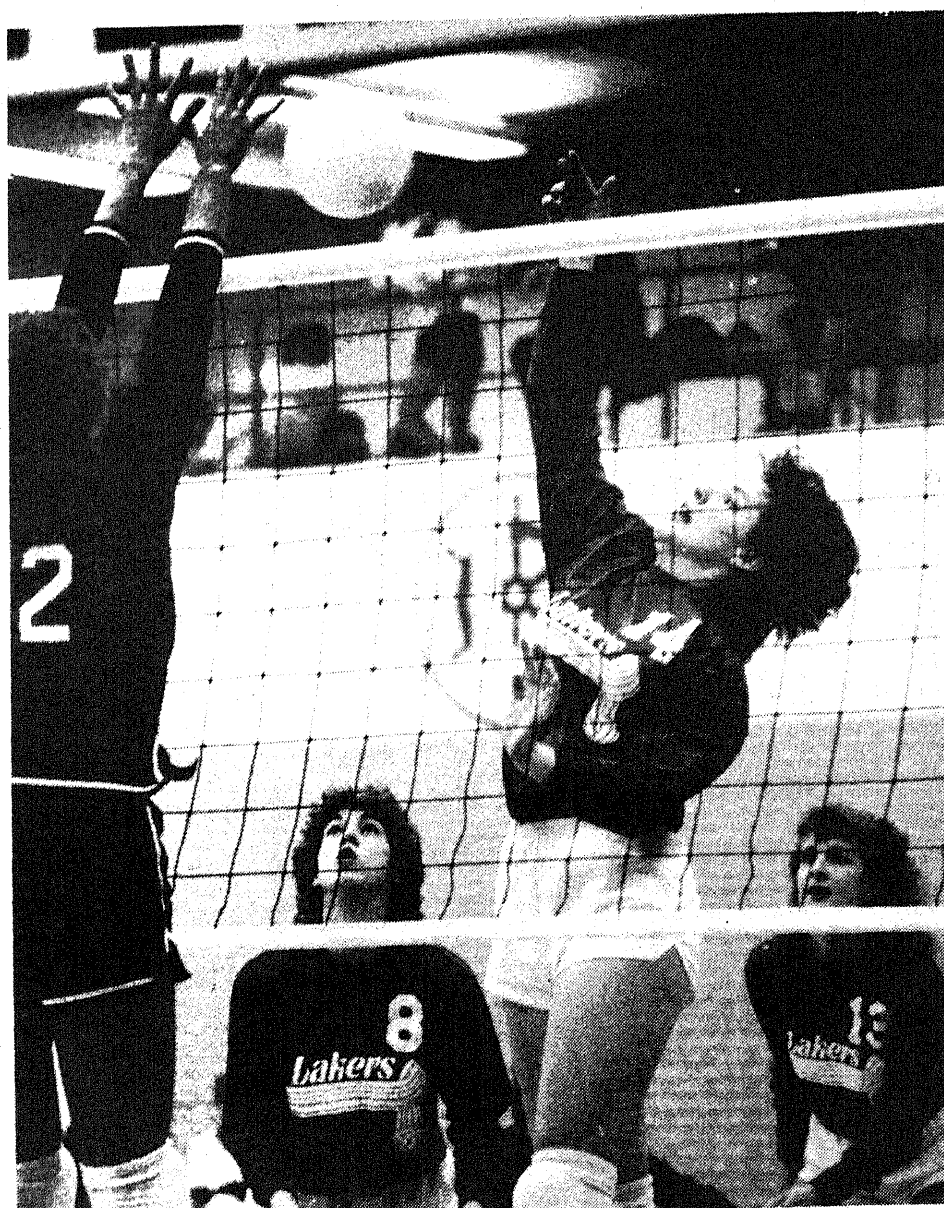
**THIS WEEK:** On Thursday, Feb. 13:  
LAKER HIGH: Pigeon First U.M. vs. Elkton U.M. at 7 p.m. followed by Elkton Missionary vs. Bay Port-Hayes.  
LAKER JR HIGH: St. Francis vs. Cross Lutheran at 7 p.m., followed by Pigeon River Mennonite vs. Campus Life.



ABOVE: Caseville's Michelle Stahl stretches to pound an attack as teammate Amy Bennett (8) looks on.

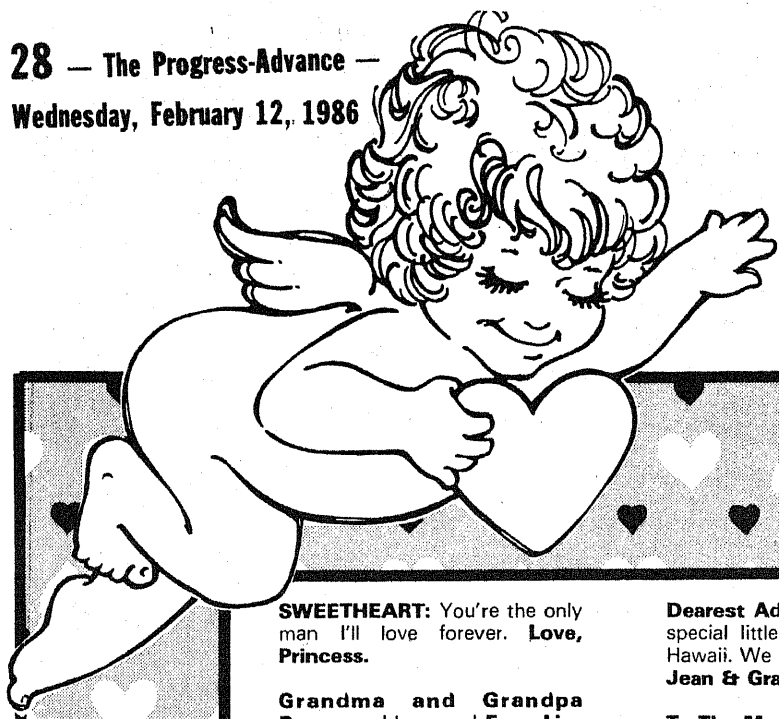
AT LEFT: Laker junior Julia Sturm tips a ball over the outstretching hands of a Mayville defender as players from other teams watch the action while waiting for their turn on the court.

RICH SWARTZENRUBER PHOTOS



RAPID RETURN: Laker Sue Kersten drives the ball over the net as Yale's Shannon Clement (left) attempts a block. Looking on are Lakers Brenda Baker (8) and Shelley Ritter.

# Valentine Love Lines... to the one you love!



**SWEETHEART:** You're the only man I'll love forever. **Love, Princess.**

**Grandma and Grandpa Bussema:** I love you! **From Lisa Marie.**

**LADY:** We are the BEST, none better you'll see, entwined together—always we'll be. **KNIGHT**

**Hi Mommy & Daddy Swartzendruber:** A Valentine message to you—I am so thankful that God chose you for my parents. Although I'm only 3 weeks old—I know great parents! **LOVE YOU, A.J.**

**Brad:** I love you with all my heart. **Forever, Lisa.**

**Troy:** I'll always love you no matter what. Love ya, **Becky.**

**Show Man:** I love you more! **Your little girl.**

**Dwayne:** You're very special. Happy Valentine's Day. Love you—**Krista.**

**RandiJo:** Happy Happy Valentine's Day to my favorite riding pupil! Ride 'em Cowgirl! **XXOO Aunt Catherine.**

**Happy Valentine's Day** Joely. From your **Family.**

**Ron:** We don't always tell you as often as we should, **THANKS** for everything you do— to make life better for us! Happy Valentine's Day! **J.R.R.R. & C.**

Happy Valentine's Day John & Frank. From **You Know Who.**

**From A.C. to H.C.:** Happy Valentine's Day. I Love You!

**To Grandpa L:** Your #1 to all of us. Love, from **The Heckman's.**

**Bruce:** Happy Valentine's Day, **Doll!** To our best buddies, Love, **XXOO Con & Re.**

**To Grandma H.** Thanks for being near when we needed you. Have a special day. Love, **The 3 H's.**

**To C.K.** You light up my life. Thanks for being special to me! Love, **R.H.**

**To My Foster Family—B. C. & RE:** A Very Special Happy Valentine's Day Wish! Love, **Cat.**

**Ronda, Randy, Ryan:** You're each very special! So please stay that way. Remember we love you! Happy Valentine's Day! Love, **Mom & Dad.**

We love you Matt and Becky. **Grandma & Aunt Pat.**

**To My Lady:** Every time I think about you baby, it blows my mind. Happy Valentine's Day. Love you more... **Chubby Buddy.**

**Gram Fritz:** Happy Valentine's Day! Love, **Mark, Vicky and Kelsey.**

**Dearest Adam:** You are a very special little Valentine in sunny Hawaii. We Love You! **Grandma Jean & Grandpa Ed.**

**To The Man I Love,** with all my heart. **Rachel.**

**Dear Dicky:** Be my Valentine, Love, **MGK.**

**Danny,** Be my Valentine today and everyday. Love You, **Rosie.**

**Rich:** 3 years! I love You. **Vicki.**

**King, Kim, Kelly or Shelly,** who will it be? Love, **Queenie.**

**Todd:** Even though you're shy, please be my Valentine. **Gail.**

**Carissa Joi:** Happy Valentine's Day. I love you. **Aunt Tina.**

**To The Queen Of Practical Jokes (and you know who you are darling!) Love and Kisses,** Smoochie Woochie, Lovey Dovey and all that other mush! **Happy Valentine's Day Denice!** Love, **The Regress-Advance Bunch.**

**Kim Dufty:** Last year you said you loved me, to stay the way I was. I stayed the way I was, and now you say you hate me. Happy Valentine's Day. **Mike Shivley.**

**George:** We'll be happy all our lives. Love you— **Holly.**

Happy Valentine's Day, SLM, JAM, ADM, EJMI Love, **SCM**

**Remember** the pain at windy Moraine! Be there and beware.

**Sarah and Andrew:** You're so sweet and funny, you deserve a day that's really a honey! Love, **Ovidia.**

**Tonja:** You put an arrow through my heart. Love, **Norm.**

Happy Day Grandpa Fritz! Love, **Tammy & Tiffany.**

Happy Day Granny! Love, **Tammy & Tiffany.**

Happy Valentine's Day to my huggable sweet bears, Jeremy and Kyle. Love, **Ovidia.**

**Happy Valentine's Day** to my honeys—**Roger, Tammy & Tiffany!**

**Happy Valentine's Day** Betsy, Tracy, Scott, Annie, Stephanie and Katie from **Grandma & Pappa.**

**Hugs & Kisses** to someone very dear to me. Love you so much! **J.K.**

**Hugga Baby:** Love you bunches and bunches, love, **Hugga Bunny.**

**To The Greatest Mommy Ever:** Happy Valentine's Day From **The Worst Daughter Ever.** (Hee—Hee!)

**Stupid Polock:** Seasons come, and seasons go, my love for you will always grow! **Muffin.**

**To The Man I Love:** Loving you has filled my days with dreams just made for two, and I know that our tomorrows will make all those dreams come true. With all my love, **Sunshine.**

**Happy Valentine's Day** Jeremy, Sandra, Joshua, David, and Ashly. Love, **Grandma and Grandpa Hazard.**

**The 5 K's and Wendy:** We Love You! **Mom & Dad.**

**Grandma & Grandpa Haist:** Happy Valentine's Day. Love, **Jennie & Stuart.**

**Happy Valentine's Day** to our Fort Lauderdale girl. **Mom & Dad, Dennis, Cathy & Darrin.**

**Alphy:** my love's with you across the miles. **Michigan Bound.**

**NRN:** Greetings from the farm. Love, from **Your Country Girl.**

Happy Valentine's Day Birthday Grandma! Love, **Josh & Jamie.**

**Grandpa:** you spoil us and Grandma makes us mind. we love the both of you, please be our Valentine. Love, **Kitt, Bo and Vinny.**

**Grandma Barb:** Roses are Red, Violets are Blue, It's Valentine's Day and We Love YCU! **Kath, Buck, Drew.**

**Mr. R: it's Valentine's Day, let's take a roll in the hay! Mrs. R.**

Happy Valentine's Day PaPa. Love, **Jamie & Josh.**

**Jim Damm:** We love you very much! **Sue, Brandon & ?**

**Lori:** You are very special to us. Love, **Kevin & Ashley.**

**Ashley:** you are a real sweetheart to us. Love, **Mommy & Daddy.**

**Happy Valentine's Day** Grandma Adkins. We love you very much. **Cory and Shana.**

**Doug:** Roses are Red, Violets are Blue, I just couldn't live with anyone but you. Happy Valentine's Day. **I love You Very Much!**

**Happy Valentine's Day** Grandma and Grandpa Fritz. We love you ver y much. **Cory, Shana, Adam and Mandie.**

**Roses are Red,** Violets are Blue, chicken farmin' ain't bad and neither are you! Love, **Mummal**

**To The Printing Mexican:** So Glad You're My Progress Partner! From—**The Other Printing Mexican!**

**Bay Port Staff:** My Hair Is Falling For You! **Mr. Clean.**

**Turtle:** Let me in your shell. I love you. **Sonny.**

**Ma & Pa** Du we love you! **Your oldest Daughter.**

**PFC L.O.** I Love You and Miss You. Love, **Your Artist.**

**Olive You Two Gas!** Love, **Your Mom.**

**I Love You** little Herbie. Love, **Henrietta.**

**Dan:** Be My Valentine today and everyday. Love Always, **Brenda.**

**PaPa & Grandma:** Happy Valentine's Day & I Love You! **Randi.**

**Linda:** We still love you even though we won't accept your "collect" calls. Happy Valentine's Day! **Mom & Dad.**

**Dave, Brian, Rusty, Don, Troy:** Cookies are coming! Happy Valentine's Day! **Sid & Betts.**

**Carolina:** Thought of chocolates, but know you would enjoy this more! Happy Valentine's Day, Carrie. **Mom & Dad.**

**Dad:** Happy Valentine's Day, to the best Daddy anywhere! Love, **Jared.**

**Daddy:** I love you even though I can't talk. **A.J.**

**Papa & Oma:** Happy Valentine's Day! I Love You, **Jared.**

**Jodi:** Please Be My Valentine, now and forever. Love **Tweety.** 'Lizard': Happy Valentine's Day! Love, **Your Two Pests.**

**Daddy:** I wike you to wock me to sweep. **A.J.**

**Grandpa & Grandma Hurd:** We love you! Love, **KJ & KJ.**

'Miami': Happy Valentine's Day, Love **Two Nuisances.**

**To The Man I Love** With All My Heart. **Racheal.** **Mr. Applebee:** You're loved more each day. Happy Valentine's Day. **Mrs. Freddie.**

**Mom & Dad:** You're the bestest! We love you! **KJ & KJ.**

**Grandpa & Grandma:** Happy Valentine' Day to Grandpa & Grandma across the road. **R.,N., & A.J.**

**Duffy:** From paw to paw Happy Valentine's Day. **Magic.**

**Mom:** thanks for the nine-month ride. **A.J.**

**Nancy:** All my love to the new mother. **Rich.**

**Kristopher & Pooh Bear:** Happy Valentine's Day, Love, **Nicer.**

**Toe Texans & Alamo Texans:** Love Ya!, **D.D.D.K.W.**

**Bugs:** Let's swap candy bars sometime. **Snuggs.**

**Happy Valentine's Day** to our favorite people in Port Austin. **Nancy, Rich & A.J.**

**To L.T.C.U. Day Girls:** Thanks for all the booties. You are the dearest and the sweetest. **Happy Valentine's Day. K.L.**

**CAPTAIN CALIFORNIA...** Roses are Red, Violets are Grey, we checked on your boat and the tarp's still O.K.! **Slowell's Gals.**

