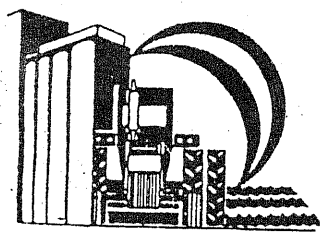


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Mock Trial Team heading for state finals... again

By AMY HEIDEN

In the past three years, the Laker Mock Trial Team has finished second, third, and fourth in state final competition. But this year, the team won't be satisfied with anything less than a first place—and the state championship trophy.

"We want to pick up that first place that's been missing," says team member Danielle Damen.

Damen and her nine teammates will travel to Lansing on Saturday, April 4 to test their skills against the best mock trial teams in the state.

They got there by virtue of their top four finish in regional competition, getting the nod from 11 of 12 judges, according to coach Lisa DiCamillo.

Will Eichler is the only member with previous mock trial experience, and he plans to put his experience to good use when he attends James Madison College at MSU. Liesl Eichler and Damen are hoping to become congressional pages, to see the legal and political systems up close.

"Will's got some experience, but the rest are defi-

nately well-coached," DiCamillo said.

Chad Daniels, now attending Central Michigan University and a former team member, Kevin Klaeren, a Laker instructor, Pigeon attorney Michael Otto, and DiCamillo are the coaches for the team.

"Being with the team helped me learn a lot about how the legal system operates," Damen said. And Rebecca Leipprandt believes her experience has helped her learn to "think on my feet."



HERE'S THE LAKER MOCK TRIAL TEAM, ready to go to State Finals: front, Rebecca Leipprandt, Michelle Pitcher. In the rear is Grant Herford, Will Eichler, Danielle Damen, Christa Keim, Russ Truemner, Phil Leipprandt and Liesl Eichler. Missing from photo is Ryan Stahl.
AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

Schools of choice for Lakers

By AMY HEIDEN

In response to a mandate from the State of Michigan, the Laker Board of Education Monday night approved a schools of choice plan, which allows K-5 students to choose which elementary center they'll attend.

But Laker officials don't expect the plan to be used by many students.

"Less than one percent of the school population in Wisconsin has taken advantage of schools of choice," said Board member Virginia Leipprandt, noting that state's program has been in effect for a year. "I don't think we're talking about a large number of people."

The schools of choice leg-

Pigeon says 'no' to variance

Pigeon Village Council approved a Planning Commission recommendation to deny a variance for a new parking lot across Hartley Street from Huron Casting, Pigeon's largest employer.

Company officials had sought to reduce the required curb area size from 25 feet from roadway to 13 feet, saying the reduction would save farm land.

Council members Monday night disagreed, saying zoning and planning requirements should not be overridden for convenience.

Huron Casting plans to add a 49-space parking lot to reduce congestion for workers and trucks using the casting plant.

islation requires that districts offering the same grades in more than one school building offer students and parents the choice of attending classes in a different school building.

The choice plan, formulated by a committee of district parents and school administrators, would allow students to apply every year by June 30 to attend any of the three district elementary buildings.

But some restrictions would apply, Laker officials said, in order that class sizes in the school buildings don't grow too large or become too small.

A maximum class size for each grade will be established by the choice committee, and once any available spots in each class are filled from another school building, the choice plan would be cut off for that year.

Once a child makes the transfer to a different school, he or she must stay there for the entire year, the committee said. At the end of the year, the student must return to the home school, based on this year's attendance, and must reapply again to attend the transfer school a second year.

"It could be possible that there would be no openings in a class (because of class size). Returning to the home school is the most fair way to eliminate any future problems," said Committee member Rhonda Buehler.

Laker Supt. Robert Drury explained that choosing to transfer shouldn't be a deci-

sion made lightly. "It's important to promote choice on the academic needs of the students or the abilities of the teacher instead of choosing an elementary because a babysitter is near," he said.

The choice committee will meet once a year to set a maximum class size for each of the elementary centers, Drury said.

MEAPs: High school counselor Duane Guenther presented this year's MEAP scores to the board. Some concern had been expressed before about low scores reported in other schools on the new math portion of the test, but Laker students scored above the state average, Guenther said.

And the scores on the math portion compare favorably with other schools in the area, he noted. (See the Laker Wave in this issue for more details.)

June 8 was set as the date of the annual school election. Two board seats will be up for grabs, with the terms of Board President Yvonne Bushey and Dr. Richard Lockard expiring. Both are expected to seek reelection.

No millage questions will be on the ballot, either.

But Drury expressed concern about the district's finances in the future, because of the property tax assessment freeze now in effect.

"The district faces a difficult situation because our operating costs will increase while assessments remain the same," Drury said.

"We can't operate for long if they freeze our income.

National Merit finalist...

Tricia Elston traveled to Flint this past weekend to compete in the regional volleyball playoffs.

The Lady Lakers might have lost, but Elston had another, different victory to celebrate anyway.

She recently learned that she has been named a National Merit Scholar, one of only 6,300 finalists nationwide for the prestigious award.

That group represents the top one-half percent of American high school seniors, said Laker High principal Lisa DiCamillo.

And she is one of only two students from Lakers ever named as a finalist, following Daniel Kraft's selection from the Class of 1975. He is now a lawyer in Saginaw.

Elston, the daughter of Roger and Patricia Elston of Pigeon, has kept a busy schedule the past year, balancing sports and academics and excelling in both.

She was a starter on the varsity volleyball team this year, and played basketball for the past three years, plus over her high school career found time to maintain high grades in advanced math, ad-



TRICIA ELSTON
National Merit finalist

vanced placement English, physics, Chinese, and computer classes.

She began her quest for the National Merit award by topping the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude test last spring, placing within the 99th percentile for all juniors in the nation.

Then in order to qualify for the title of National Merit Scholar, Elston had to fill

out more forms and write a multi-page essay describing her personal characteristics, her accomplishments and her goals, plus take another SAT exam.

As a National Merit Finalist, she could receive one of 2,000 available scholarships.

Some of her activities have included JV and varsity basketball, JV and varsity volleyball, varsity tennis, National Honor Society (three years), Cross Lutheran Church, Bible school aide and pianist.

High school awards include an all-A's medal (three years), earth science medal, biology medal, chemistry medal, Rotary Leadership Camp and 100% on MEAP Test score.

Scholarships earned include Board in Control from Michigan Technological University, Presidential Recognition Award from Albion College and Centralis Award from Central Michigan University.

Elston is undecided about her college plans, but she is considering Michigan Tech, Albion College and Purdue University, possibly in engineering or medicine.

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Band Shell gets \$500 boost from Detroit Edison Foundation

The first fund-raising efforts of the Band Shell Entertainment Committee of Pigeon paid off in a big way —

with the news Saturday that they have been awarded \$500 by the Detroit Edison Foundation.

According to Committee Chairman Neal Eichler, the band shell group has been seeking ways to help sup-

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The group's fund-raising efforts are now underway, with letters seeking financial patronage already sent out to residents with Pigeon addresses. Letters will also be sent out to residents in neighboring areas who will likely want to enjoy the Pigeon Band Shell this summer.

Anyone wishing to help support the efforts of the Band Shell Entertainment Committee may do so at the following patronage levels:

- FRIEND\$20
- CONTRIBUTOR\$50
- PATRON\$75
- BENEFACTOR\$100 and more

port the '92 Summer Concert Series of five concerts, which are now being planned.

The group has set a budget of approximately \$7,000, to pay the costs of bringing entertainment acts to the Pi-

geon stage. In addition to paying for the acts themselves, sound equipment expense as well as promotional dollars need to be taken into account.

The committee has been meeting regularly since last fall to set up this summer's entertainment and to organize a financial patronage system to help support this series.

They also contacted several Foundations which help provide funding to groups like the Band Shell Entertainment Committee.

Donations in any amount will be gratefully accepted, according to the committee and may be sent to: Pigeon Band Shell Entertainment Committee, P.O. Box 379, Pigeon, MI 48755.

Concert dates have been set for the weekends of June 13, June 20, July 18, Aug. 8 and Sept. 12. As soon as all the concert acts have been confirmed, the complete series will be announced.

Huron County Register of Deeds seeks re-election

Frances L. Holdwick of Harbor Beach, who has been Huron County register of deeds since 1980, will seek re-election for another term and will run on the Republican ticket in the August 4 primary.

Holdwick was hired to work in the register's office in 1978 by the late Robert Osborn. She was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Lorraine Maurer, who died while in office.

Since she began her first term as register, the office has undergone several changes in the record-keeping system. All records have been changed to microfilm, and within her latest term, all indexing has been computerized.



FRANCES L. HOLDWICK

60 Seconds: Jesus loves ME!

Among new ideas in the greeting card industry a few years ago was a "talking" or a "singing" card that speaks words or plays tunes. A tiny, flat battery inside the folded card plays an appropriate song, resets itself and plays again each time the card is opened.

If the Bible were equipped in that way, the song it would play might well be "Jesus Loves Me". That thought is the heart of the Bible message for each one of us.

If we read the Bible only casually, we may miss the main truth. We may simply be engrossed in the historical accounts, or the facts, or the literary excellence or the power and beauty of the Bible's words.

The Bible, ancient as it is, still speaks to us today, personally and individually.

Especially in this Lenten season we must meet Jesus in our Bible readings. He teaches us His Word, He tells us how to live, He gives us sound and sure promises. In the Bible we see His love, as we learn how He was born for us, how He lived, and how He died willingly. We also see how God the Father accepted Jesus' sacrifice, and how Jesus was raised again to life. We also see that because He lives, we shall live, too, in joy. Throughout eternity.

Entire community must help move Thumb Area forward



SEARCH FOR SOLUTIONS volunteers who met for three days last weekend are, from left, David Anderson, Carole Henry, Brenda Erla, Forrest Williams, Neal Eichler and Scott Maust. The event is sponsored for rural communities nationwide by Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc., to help small towns plan for stronger futures.

Look closely into the face of a child.

In that child's face, you will find a vision for the future — a way you want the world to be for that child when he or she grows up.

It is that type of "visioning" that communities also need to ensure a healthy future for the present generation and generations to come.

Learning how to create a vision for rural communities was the theme that took 18 Western Thumb Area residents to Chicago for an intensive workshop last week.

Twelve of the participants were involved in a five-day seminar which brought together 12 rural communities from across the United States as part of Pioneer Hi-Bred International Inc.'s innovative community development program entitled "Search Communities."

This first workshop will be

followed by two other five-day workshops planned in September, 1992 and March, 1993, each building on the skills learned at the previous seminars.

In addition to learning how to assess the needs of each participating community, identifying its strengths and weaknesses, the communities were able to learn and share with each other, under the guidance of a facilitator for each community and professional faculty members on staff of the "Search Communities" program.

The other six residents attended Pioneer's "Search for Solutions" program, a three-day workshop exposing participants to hundreds of ideas about community development from rural experts.

It was from that conference two years ago that sparked

Pigeon's strategic planning committee, a group that is looking to broaden its base locally to provide input from all interested residents in creating a "shared vision for the future."

"Probably the most important thing we learned," says Search team member Terry Sturm, "is that the community as a whole has to participate in planning for its future. It can't be the dreams of one particular group or one individual."

"The only way our community to really prosper is for ALL interested persons to have their ideas heard so that the dream of the future becomes a 'shared' dream."

The 18-member group represented communities and businesses from Pigeon, Bay Port, Caseville and Elkton and all who attended say they want to involve as many neighboring communities in the strategic planning process, because "no one small community can do it on its own."

The group met Monday morning for the first time since returning to Michigan last week and would like to share the tools they have learned with area organizations and individuals who want to help create a future vision for the Western Thumb Area.

The local delegation isn't going at the strategic planning process alone now that they are back home in their communities.

Pioneer Hi-Bred has made a commitment to these 12 "Search Communities" that they will provide 32 hours of technical assistance between now and September, to be used as needed.

In other words, Pioneer will provide expert assistance from their staff or another expert specifically requested by a community, either by telephone or in person — depending upon the needs



SEARCH COMMUNITIES leaders who met for five days are, front row from left, Paul Clabuesch, Rhonda Buehler, Sally Rummel, Janet Heckman, Naomi Wichert and Dwight Gascho. Back row, Scott Meyersieck, Bob Drury, Rob Steele, John Kohr, Jeff Leipprandt and Terry Sturm.

of the community.

So if a town is struggling with some issue or needs some technical help in conducting research, assessing needs or any other area, Pioneer will provide assistance AT NO COST TO THE COMMUNITY.

"Pioneer has made a huge investment in our area," says Naomi Wichert, who was part of the 12-member "Search Communities" team. "It makes us want to work even harder to take advantage of the resources they've given us."

Both the "Search for Solutions" team and the "Search Communities" delegation were able to share in the excitement last Sunday of viewing a Pioneer-produced video about Pigeon, which was made last fall when Pigeon was selected by Pioneer as a "Winning Community" — one of two communities so designated across the U.S.

The video will be available in just a few weeks for the local community to use as a marketing tool and "will be a real source of pride" to all residents, according to the Search team.

"It's such a valuable tool for us to have that you could not put a price tag on it," says Rhonda Buehler, one of the "Search Communities" team members.

Pigeon was also featured in several other Pioneer videotapes, including "We Believe" and "My Town," both of which will also be available for use as a marketing tool. There is no charge to the community for producing the videos and they are given free to Pigeon and the surrounding areas to use for promotional and motivational reasons.

All residents will have a chance to view these videos in a special Community Reception planned for a later date.

Thumb Weekly News Round-Up

JUNE 10 TRIAL DATE SET

A June 10 trial date has been set for Paul Douglas Dean, 41 of Bad Axe, on drug charges in what authorities are calling Huron County's largest-ever drug seizure. He stood mute during an arraignment last week on drug charges and was bound over for trial, with pre-trial examination Monday.

He is charged with possession with intent to deliver 225 grams or more but less than 650 grams of cocaine, possession with intent to deliver marijuana, and felony firearms, according to officials.

During the Jan. 30 search of a Sherman Township home on Ivanhoe Road, 296 grams of cocaine, 40 pounds of marijuana, \$28,000 in cash, drug paraphernalia, and several weapons were confiscated, with a total estimated value of \$124,000.

If found guilty, Dean could face a mandatory 20 to 30 years in prison for the cocaine charge, a mandatory two year sentence on the firearms charge, and a maximum of four years in prison for the marijuana charge.

SENTENCING FOR PIGEON MAN

Dennis Fox Jr., 33 of Pigeon, was sentenced to a minimum of two years to a maximum of four years for delivery/manufacturing of the controlled substance marijuana, in Huron County Circuit Court last week.

The sentence is to be served concurrently with another sentence he currently serving, and Fox was given credit for 52 days already served.

REGIONAL RECYCLER HIRED

Huron County Commissioners hired Susan Briggs of Ann Arbor as the recycling educator for the four-county area of Huron, Tuscola, Sanilac and Lapeer Counties, in action last week.

The position has a \$30,010 salary plus benefits and reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses.

Huron County is overseeing the regional recycling office, which will be located in the Huron County Building, Bad Axe. No date has been set when Briggs will begin work.

In other action, Huron commissioners made the following appointments: Gerald Millerwise, Sebewaung, was re-appointed to the Economic Development Corp. Board of Directors; Ralph Harder, Bay Port, and William Parrish of Kinde were appointed to serve on the Huron County Zoning Board of Appeals; and William Nugent, Bad Axe, was appointed to the Huron County Health Board.

Commissioners approved advertising for candidates to fill two Huron County Zoning Board of Appeals positions, and one Huron County Construction Board of Appeals position.

In other concerns, approval was given to apply to the Michigan Land Trust Fund and Michigan Recreation Bond Program for funding to renovate and improve Stafford County Park at Port Hope.

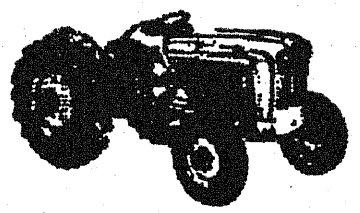
donated by the Rod & Gun Club, salads and much more. Live entertainment will be provided by Brian Alexander and the Engelhardt Trio. Up to 1000 people can be served, says leader Henry Engelhard.

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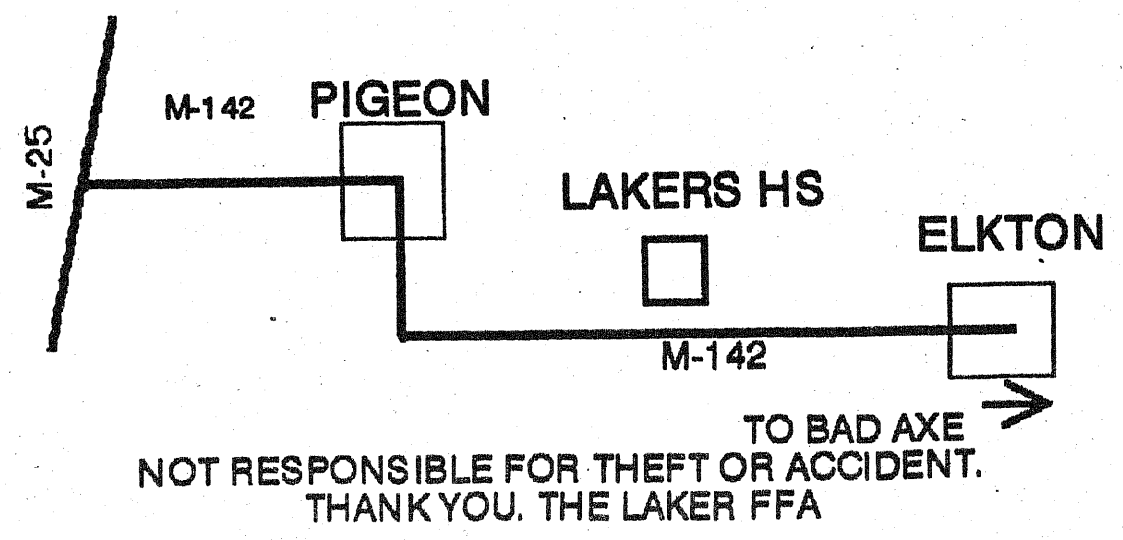


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DESK-CLEARING: So much to say, and so little space this week! We're truly "drowning" in news stories, photo ideas and tips. So, take our advice and turn in your future items early... so we have a chance to work on them in a timely manner!

- Welcome to Thumb Cellular, whose grand opening celebration is featured this week. Stop in Friday — you may win a free cellular phone or other prizes!
- This edition of The Laker Wave also has several fascinating stories and pictures, too. You'll know just about everything you need to know about the Laker School District if you do. We all should appreciate the effort put into this school paper by Duane Guenther and other administrators, teachers, staff and students — it's top notch.
- Rich Decker of Pigeon wins this year's award for spotting the first Robin — nearly three weeks ago in his yard! He was the first to notify us of this sure sign of spring...
- I certainly won't miss the political ads on TV with their stinging, half-true accusations and charges. We're expected to choose our nation's leader based on a five-second sound "bite" or one phrase... we deserve better!
- Congratulations to Bob Gulash and the whole cast and crew of Port Austin Community Players' "Odd Couple." Caseville's Gulash played a wonderful Oscar Madison and easily was seen relishing the role...
- Spring starts Friday (hoo-ray!)

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 WISH I'D SAID THAT: "In gambling, the surest way to end up with a small fortune is to start with a large one!" (anon.)

Bay Port Fish Fry Sunday!

Get your appetite ready, and help the Bay Port Chamber of Commerce raise funds for channel dredging, too!
 A Bay Port Fish Fry to benefit the public access dredging project is planned this

Sunday from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Bay Port Inn. Manager Eileen Allred says Whitefish, Perch, Herring, Smelt, Catfish and many more delicacies will be served, along with potatoes, baked beans

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Atherton dashes Lakers' play-off dreams

By AMY HEIDEN

The Lady Lakers have built a state-wide reputation in the past few years as a volleyball powerhouse, and have made it to the state's "final four" two years in a row.

But Saturday, their dreams of going to Kalamazoo for the finals for a third straight year were crushed by a finely-balanced Burton-Atherton team, who seemed able to deal with anything the Lakers could hand them.

Atherton advanced to the regional finals by defeating the Lakers 5-15, 12-15. Then they beat Bad Axe for the regional championship and the trip to Kalamazoo.

"It was their defense that beat us," Laker Coach Sue Frederiksen said. "They dug up some really good shots and they could turn it into an offense, because they could pass the ball so well," she said.

The Lakers served first in the opening game, and Kelly McLellan got two quick kills for the first two Laker points. But after an Atherton sideout, the Wolverines scored four straight points.

After another Laker sideout and point, Holly Esch spiked for the tying score. The teams traded sideouts again before Atherton scored three more points for the 7-4 score. The Lakers would score once more after Esch got the sideout on a tip.

They traded sideouts again, and when Atherton's Katie

Baumbach stepped up to serve, she quickly scored an ace. Six more points followed before the Lakers got the ball back on a block by Amy Mitin.

But the Lakers couldn't score and Atherton got the sideout and the final point on a block.

The second game looked to belong to the Lakers, as they raced out to a quick 7-1 lead. But then the Wolverines switched their tactics and scored four straight points.

Amanda Barry spiked the ball for a sideout and the Lakers scored three more points for the 10-5 lead.

Once again, though, Atherton came back scoring three points, two of them aces, to narrow it to 10-8. The Lakers scored again before trading sideouts.

With Stephanie Sasek serving, the Wolverines closed the gap to one point before a McLellan spike gave her team possession of the ball. Darlene Jaworski's block put the Lakers' final point on the board for a 12-10 lead.

But then Baumbach served two aces to tie the game and a bad Laker tip that went into net put the Wolverines on top for good. A couple of sideouts followed before Atherton clinched the game.

The Laker defense wasn't on top of the Wolverines, Frederiksen said.

"When they hit, we weren't digging the balls up well

enough to run a good enough attack off the net. We were shooting the ball too many times and freeballing it over too many times," she said.

"We said they were going to have trouble stopping our two hitters. They didn't stop either Holly or Kelly, they stopped the rest of our attack."

"In the long run, we made more mistakes on our side of the net than they did on their side," Frederiksen said.

Even with the loss in the regionals, the Lakers have had a successful season, she said.

"We started off slow the way we knew we would. I only had a couple of girls who could really pass. We were trying to run the 6-2 and found out in January that that didn't work, so we ended up switching to the 5-1, so overall we've had some major accomplishments for this year."

The 1993 edition of the Laker volleyball team is already taking shape, according to Frederiksen.

"Things look very good for next year. We've got a couple of people to replace and we're working on that."

Frederiksen will lose outstanding power hitter Esch to graduation, along with setter Sherry Stauffer, back row player Tricia Elston and Sherry Elenbaum.

But McLellan, already on recruiters' lists, is returning, as well as Barry.

Amy Mitin, Jaworski, Kim

Sturm and Lora Picklo will be likely starters, having made some crucial plays this season.

KELLY McLELLAN and Amanda Barry get up for the block against a hit by Atherton's Stephanie Sasek, in Saturday's regional playoffs. Atherton defeated both the Lakers and the Bad Axe Hatchets to win the championship.

AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

Last Week's Tourney Results

— Wednesday —

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Cass City 64 - Reese 48

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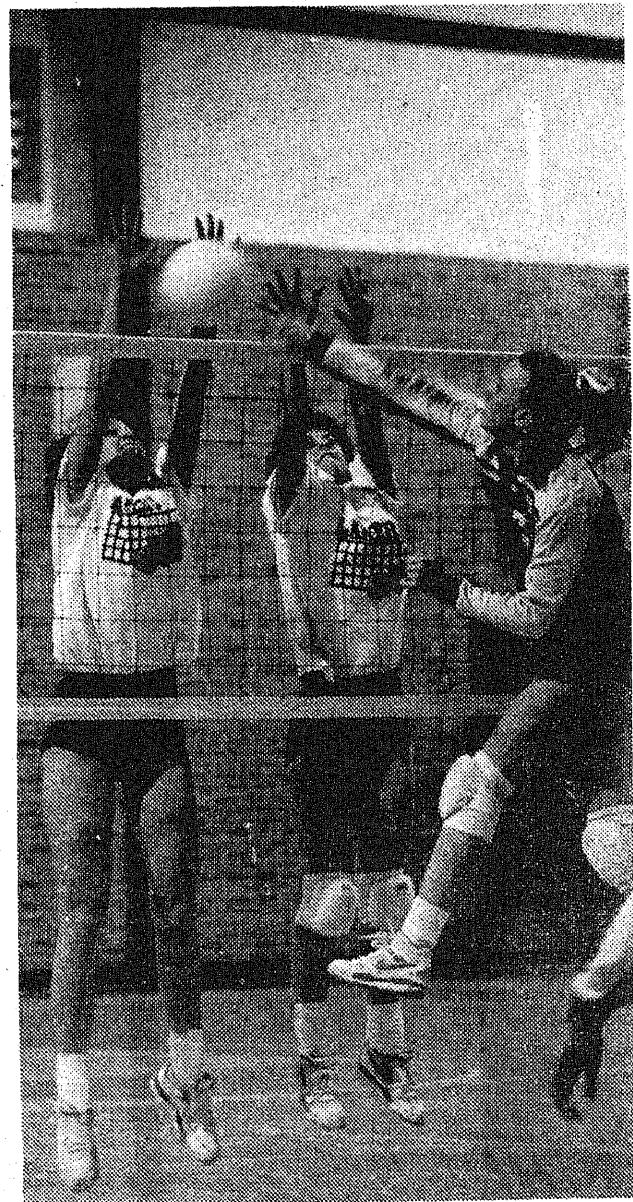
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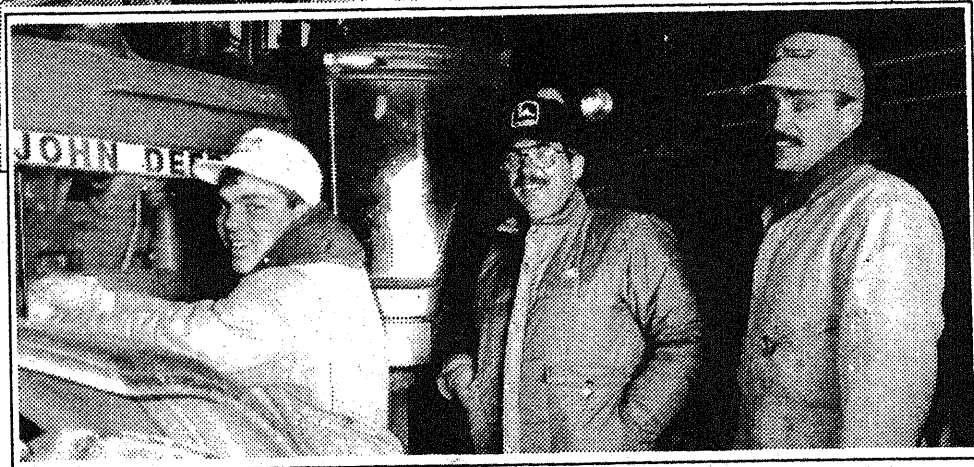
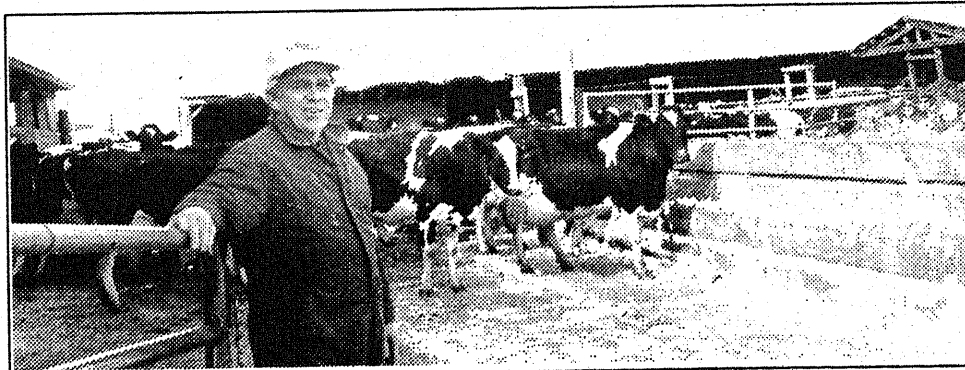
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Lakers basketball team wins twice

Nail-biting week brings District crown: Memphis next!

By AMY HEIDEN

There may not be a Laker fan around who has any fingernails left after the district basketball playoffs last week. After a surprisingly easy victory over intense cross-county rival Harbor Beach in the semi-finals, the Lakers got a scare from the Ubyl Bearcats in Friday's championship game. But they managed to stay alive to take home all the marbles—and their second straight district title—and continue their post-season play in the regionals against undefeated Memphis at Goodrich High School near Flint tonight (Wednesday).

LAKERS 77
HARBOR BEACH 58

When the Lakers and the Harbor Beach Pirates were scheduled to meet for the first time this season, the game was postponed by a snowstorm—and when they finally played, the Lakers won by two points. The second time they met, the Pirates won by four.

Last Tuesday's district playoff game, featuring the third contest between the two teams, was postponed, again by a snowstorm—and the Lakers won when the game was finally played.

But the winning margin was something no one would have expected, as the hot-passing, hot-shooting Lakers crushed the Pirates 77-58.

Detroit Piston Dennis Rodman once said that you can tell a great team by how they come out in the third quarter, and play at the end of the fourth.

And the Lakers proved that statement correct by out-scoring the Pirates 24-11 in the third period, leading by as many as 20 points and putting the game out of reach.

And the crowd knew the game was over when the Laker's leading weapon, Reggie Ignash, with only three fouls, went to the bench with four minutes left in the game and never returned.

Both teams came out with both barrels loaded in the first quarter, with the Pirates hitting the basket first. But the Lakers kept it close throughout, with help from Dave Geiger's strong inside play.

The Lakers got out to a 13-7 lead before the Pirates made a 6-0 run to tie it up with two minutes left. Ignash hit a couple of field goals before Keith Messing tied it up with a three pointer and a foul shot.

Neither team would score in the second period until two minutes had run off the clock, when Hilton Yopp hit a free throw, and Jason Krohn and Geiger scored.

After Pirate Brian Banker hit both ends of a one-and-one, the Pirates were within a point.

Then both teams had a couple of turnovers and Justin Maust let loose one of his long-range three point bombs for the 25-21 lead. Two more free throws by Todd Schelke brought the Pirates back, but a three-point play by Maust

put the Lakers on top. The first half ended with the Lakers leading 36-31.

The third period was simply an exhibition of Laker passing ability, something Coach Bill McLellan said his team had been working on every day.

"We've been stressing passing ever since we blew a second game to Valley Lutheran," McLellan said. "We're taking care of the ball a little better."

And it was a string of Ignash-to-Geiger-to-Krohn, or Esch-to-Yopp-to-Geiger-to-Maust, or Krohn-to-whoever-was-there-at-the-time passes that was a beauty to behold.

The Lakers were not only picking up their own passes, but passes from the Pirates as well.

The Pirates had only one field goal until less than three minutes remained in the period, so shook up they were. "If it weren't for the free throws we made in the third, we wouldn't have been in the game at all," Pirate Coach Joann Capling said.

The Pirates also found out that Ignash was not the only Laker capable of scoring, as junior Krohn found the basket for 26 points, making a variety of layups, perimeter shots, and free throws. Ignash and Maust each had 14 and Geiger chipped in with 12.

LAKERS 65
UBY 63

It's a safe bet to say Coach Bill McLellan's Laker team didn't expect to find themselves facing a 10-point third quarter deficit, in Friday night's thriller at Bad Axe versus Ubyl's Bearcats.

They haven't been in that position all season long. But this time they were facing five hot-shooting Bearcats in the district finals who were tossing down three-pointers and inside shots like there was no tomorrow.

But they once again proved Rodman correct, and hung on to edge the Bearcats, 65-63, in the real nail-biter of the week.

The Bearcats started their three-point bombing runs early, with their first three scores coming on treys by Phil Rohrer and Marc McKenzie. The 'Cats took a seven-point lead before Maust and Mike Keefe each sank threes to bring the Lakers within one.

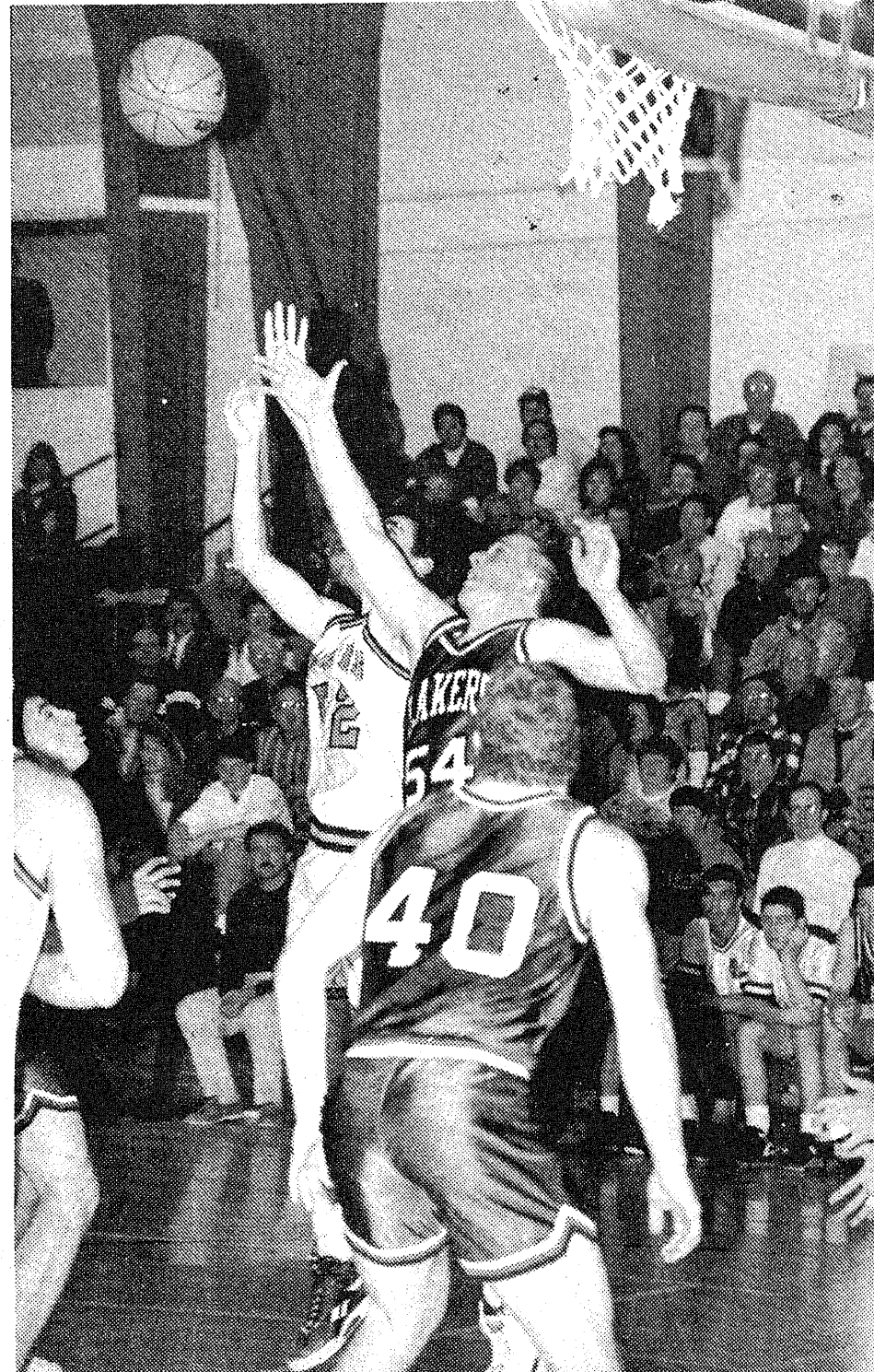
After a couple of free throws by Ubyl's Jeremy Faber, the Lakers were trailing 17-14 at the buzzer.

The Lakers stayed within a couple of points through the opening minutes of the second period, as the Bearcats continued to dominate the boards.

Krohn brought the Lakers back within two, and Geiger added two for the tie.

But Ubyl added a bucket at the buzzer for the two-point halftime lead.

The Lakers took a momentary one-point lead on a Geiger score before Scott Oberski sank another trey for Ubyl. Jason Ruthig and



I'LL TAKE THAT: Laker David Geiger and Harbor Beach's Brian Banker both hustled the rebounds, in the Lakers' semi-final victory Wednesday night at Bad Axe.

AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

McKenzie added two more treys and it looked like maybe the Lakers would be in trouble.

Eric Bezemek, who had a terrific night under the basket matching up with Geiger and Ben Krebs, gave the Bearcats a 12-point lead with less than three minutes left.

That big lead sounded a wake-up call for the Lakers, though, and they began hounding the Bearcats.

Jeremy Esch scored, then Geiger found his perfect spot under the basket, scoring eight straight points—and the Lakers were back in the thick of it, trailing by four at the end of the third period, after Rohrer took an in-bounds pass for an easy layup.

After missing some three-pointers earlier, Maust found his scoring touch again in the final period. He hit his second trey of the night early in the fourth, answering Oberski's trey. Keefe's score brought the Lakers within two, but Keith Hagen hit a free throw for the three-point lead.

Then Maust brought the Laker fans to their feet with a perfect trey, his third of the night, to tie it up at 59. And playing in his third district

finals in four years, Ignash let fly his own three-pointer with 1:20 left in the game.

"The first three I went for was in and out, and I said I'll wait a little bit and get open," Ignash said. "I just waited and it came."

Oberski scored again to cut the Lakers' lead back to one, but Ignash had found his touch and scored again. Oberski scored again with 15 seconds left—then disaster fell on the Bearcats.

Keith Hagen pulled down a technical foul and sent Ignash to the line for two

shots and more importantly, possession of the ball with 10 seconds left.

Ignash made one of his shots for the 65-63 final score, and the celebrating began as the clock ran out.

(Incidentally, Ignash finished the district finals three years ago as a freshman by sinking two free throws in the final seconds to give the Lakers a one-point win over Harbor Beach.)

"I think Ubyl played their best game of the year," McLellan said. "They did exactly what I'm sure they

wanted to do. They were patient, they went inside, outside and they hit their threes.

"I'm amazed we hung in there long enough to be in the ball game to win. They played a great basketball game. It's a tribute to us that we could hang in there that long."

All those three-pointers nearly spelled the Lakers' doom. "When you have that many guys knocking them down, you gotta hope somebody's going to start missing sooner or later," McLellan said.

Ignash was frustrated early, too, by the hot-shooting Bearcats.

"Our shots were really off all the way around. About all we could do about their threes was get in their faces, and we were in their faces."

They were really hot," he said. "They were outshooting us on the boards in the first half and they got about everything."

But the experience of the four seniors—Ignash, Geiger, Keefe, and Esch—finally made the difference in the end, McLellan said.

"Without the experience we had on the floor, I don't think we could have ever done it," Ubyl Coach Fred Ligrow said. "I think we won this game because nobody expected us to be in it, especially with a 12-point lead. This was probably one of the better games I've been involved with in a long time."

As expected by knowledgeable fans, Ligrow had a few tricks up his sleeve and his team was ready for the Lakers.

"We came over to their place and played everybody and lost by two, then they came over and we played only a few guys and lost by more," he said.

"So this time we played everybody and it was working, at least till the last two minutes of the game."

"I've got to give it to my kids, they played as well as they could possibly play," Ligrow said. "And the Lakers are a great team. I think they'll do well later in regionals."

Ignash led the Lakers with 18, followed by Geiger with 15 and Maust with 13. Bezemek was the top scorer for the Bearcats with 16 points. Oberski scored 14 and McKenzie had 13.



THE CASEVILLE JUNIOR HIGH Boys' Basketball teams had a good season. The seventh grade won six games and lost six. The eighth grade won eight games and lost four. Pictured here, top row from left: August Jones, Mark Prill, Jon Scepanski, Nick Budnerek, Kris Samborsky, Allen McLean, Tony Carson; front row, Aaron Britt, Jamie Gester, Jason Maust, Sean Booth, Joe Cile, Tony Cardillo. Absent from photo: Nathan Lenar. PHOTO SUPPLIED

Woods & Waters

Harbingers of spring

By DUANE GUENTHER



Have you ever heard the story of the chicken and the pig who were walking along the highway when they spotted a sign advertising "ham and eggs" for breakfast? "Isn't that great?" remarked the chicken.

"I don't think it's great at all," answered the pig. "Why would you say a thing like that," continued the chicken. "seeing a sign like that makes me feel like a movie star."

"Well, the way I look at it," began the pig, lifting a stubby rear leg to scratch himself behind the ear, "is that your part of the breakfast is just a passing fancy, while mine is a total commitment."

And so it goes with the harbingers of spring.

Last week, when the weather was balmy 50 degrees, nature seemed to pour out its heralds of the coming season. With each passing year, I put less and less faith in the timetable of the Vernal Equinox and rely more and more on the little messengers to foreshadow what is to come.

First it was the cardinal. He had been around the bird feeder for most of the winter, content to munch away at the oily sunflower seeds and preen himself on a nearby Scotch Pine branch.

However, the first warm day of March found him high in the same tree belting out a song familiar to all bird lovers - wit, wit, wit... chur-chur-chur.

I listened each morning for the softer sounds of the female. Their love duet is one of the most beautiful in the bird kingdom. Perhaps he sings a little too early, for we both listen hard and hear nothing from the opposite sex.

The peepers in the small

swamp across the street from our house have also been singing spring's praises.

The warming of the stagnant pool causes them to crawl forth from their muddy winter homes and fill the morning and night with a "hallelujah" chorus.

And the crocus beneath my

bird feeder are peeking their tender green shoots through the blanket of dead leaves which protected them from the heavy snows and freezing temperatures.

Each of these are presages of the season to come. Early arrivals, like scouts for a great army, they probe ahead and

find out if conditions are ripe for a full emergence.

But like the chicken in the story, their part is just a passing fancy. If the weather changes, like it did last week, all the cardinal has to do is return to his bachelorhood, the peeper can dip back into the mud, and the crocus can slip beneath its protective blanket of leaves.

Other harbingers are not so lucky. The great skeins of swans and geese that have piled into the seemingly barren farm fields of the Thumb are a different story.

Their emergence to the region, like the pig, has been a total commitment. Most have

instinctively flown hundreds of miles banking that there will be open water awaiting their arrival, and should a big freeze catch them unawares, the loss can be, and often is, staggering.

I love the springtime geese for they are a "bridge-burning" crew, staking their very lives on the fact that springtime is just around the corner, and calendar or no calendar, I throw my lot in with them.

The Canada geese are some of the most unique birds in existence. In a kingdom where the propagation of the species always belongs to the most fit and the males

service all of the available females, the goose finds one mate and joins for life.

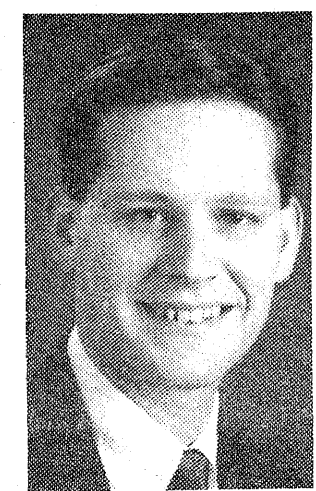
And springtime geese seem to know the hunting season is months away for they come in low and once they hit the water their honking reaches a tempo that could easily raise the dead.

The late snows may build against my garage door, and on some nights, the north wind causes me to grab for an extra cover, but my faith is reinforced, for I have caught a glimpse of springtime.

I have seen and heard the harbingers....

Bernhardt accepts National FFA post

Randy J. Bernhardt, son of John and Doris Bernhardt of Elkton, recently accepted a position with the National FFA Foundation in Madison, Wisc.



RANDY J. BERNHARDT

Bernhardt is one of six Regional Directors, which raise over \$4 million annually for the National FFA Organization. He works in 18 states throughout the eastern and southern states of the U.S.

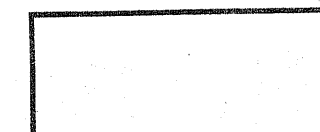
Prior to this position, Bernhardt was employed as an agricultural sciences instructor six years at the Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences in Chicago.

Ill. and two years at Washington High School in South Bend, Ind.

He also worked as a curriculum consultant for the University of Illinois, Champaign/Urbana, Ill. and for the Grundy Area Vocational Center, Morris, Ill.

Bernhardt earned a master's degree from the University of Illinois in 1991 and a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University in 1984, both in Agricultural Education. He is a 1980 graduate of Laker High School.

Bernhardt now resides in Madison, Wisc.



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90 YEARS AGO APRIL 3, 1902

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80 YEARS AGO APRIL 5, 1912

In township elections Monday, the question of bonding the county for \$100,000 to build a new court house was defeated by about 200 votes.

The Bedford Telephone Co. is stringing poles for a line to run from Caseville to Pinnebog in opposition with the Deedy lines. Bedford has many miles of line around Kinde and Port Austin.

Bay Port is quite a center for timber operations and five buyers, Saginaw, Bay City, Vassar and Unionville were scaling logs there Saturday.

John Gunden, Pigeon, returned from Iowa with a car load of horses which he intends to sell at auction.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. G.F. Wacker, Berne, a son last week.

Samuel Elsie sold his house in Pigeon to George Wilfong.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ballagh, Elkton, have purchased a fine farm near Guelph, Ont., and left Monday.

70 YEARS AGO APRIL 7, 1922

Thirty-one county automobile dealers have organized the Huron County Auto Dealers Association. Officers elected are Hugh Harder, Pigeon, J. Braun, Sebewaing, and William Hahn, Bad Axe.

Charles Dorsch, 59, died at his home in Winsor Township. He is survived by a wife, seven daughters and four sons.

Louis Eckstein, 67, died at his home in Pigeon, March 30. Surviving are his wife, three sons and three daughters.

See the Goodwear clothing man at Hotel Heasty, Pigeon, April 10-11. All-wool suits, made-to-order only \$26.50, regular \$40 and \$45 values. Save \$15.

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Daisie Harder, Vera Tibbits, Victor Leipprandt and Bently Gwinn, all students at the University of Michigan, are expected home this week for their spring vacation.

60 YEARS AGO APRIL 1, 1932

Elkton High School home economics class entertained the volleyball teams and

their wives at a chicken dinner Tuesday evening.

Elsie Henry of Mt. Pleasant and Aileen Henry of Pontiac spent Easter vacation with their father, Alfred Henry, at Caseville.

Roland Henne, Lansing, is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Henne, Bay Port.

Michigan farmers may each get a maximum loan of \$400 this spring from \$50 million in funds of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. The farmer must prove his need of funds to purchase seed, fertilizer, feed or fuel for machinery. Interest rate is 5 1/2% a year.

Lyman Elder, Pigeon, left Monday for Lansing, where he will attend high school.

Neighbors and friends gave Mrs. Theodore Goebel, Pigeon, a surprise birthday party. Pedro prizes were awarded to Herman Schulze, Mrs. Harold Goebel, James Anderson and Mrs. A.J. Nitz.

50 YEARS AGO APRIL 3, 1942

Individual consumers will register for sugar rationing in public school May 4-7. Each consumer will get either one pound every two weeks or three quarters of a pound every week and individuals may use their own rationing books.

Mrs. William Keehler, 73, the former Emma Goepfert of Bay Port, died at her home in Los Angeles, Cal. Mr. Keehler was in the merchantile business in Bay Port, associated with the late Charles Kinde.

Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Eidt, Elkton, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary with an open house Saturday.

Huron County Tire Rationing Board announced approval of certificates for 35 tires and 33 tubes for the last two weeks in March.

Area members of an advisory panel for county civilian defense volunteers include F.J. Eisengruber, Bay Port, chairman; Rev. A.A. Hahn, Bach, and Blythe Kellerman, Elkton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Otto and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Otto, Pigeon entertained 30 guests in honor of their sons, Donald and Milton, who were confirmed.

Cpl. Richard Frank, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Frank, Caseville, has received orders to return to the U.S. from Korea.

New officers of Pigeon VFW post are Glustav Guetlech, Henry Kohl, Clare Dast, Asel Collins, A.J. DeGrow, Werner Clabuesch, Dr. R.C. Dixon and C.H. Witkovsky.

New board members of Bay Port Baseball Club are John Dutcher, Jr., Jerry Dutcher, Jim Stahl, Ken Henne and Charles Gillingham, Jr. New manager is Victor Lukasiak.

Charles G. Schuch, 86, Bay Port, retired farmer, died Tuesday. He leaves two daughters and one son.

Morris S. Hamather, 68, Elkton, retired farmer, died Tuesday. Surviving are a daughter and son.

William C. Miller, 85, resident of Oliver Township for 56 years, died Monday. Surviving are two sons.

Bay Port, who retired after 31 years of service.

Cleason Dietzel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herklas Dietzel, Pigeon, is an honor graduate from Michigan State University with a Doctor of Philosophy degree in clinical psychology.

Winners in an essay contest sponsored by Caseville Legion Auxiliary were Shelley Burdick, 12th grade and Gina LeBlanc, 11th grade. Honorable mention went to Mitchell Guster and John Burdick.

Harry W. Teuscher, 64, Pigeon, passed away March 29. Surviving are his wife, four daughters and one son.

Woman's Civic Club will observe its 35th anniversary at a guest night in Elkton Civic Center. Mrs. Dale Faist is program chairman and hostesses will be Mrs. William Krohn and Mrs. Lester Alexander.

30 YEARS AGO APRIL 5, 1962

Construction of a \$45,000 addition to Cross Lutheran School, Pigeon, will begin soon. Theo Heine & Son, Pigeon, have been awarded the general contract. Building committee includes Wendolin Clabuesch, George Mohr, Fred Renn, Norman Schulze and Arthur Woelke.

Honor students of the graduating class at Caseville High School are Janet Nimitz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Nimitz, valedictorian and Vicky Dormey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Dormey, salutatorian.

Kenneth Lee Turner, son of Rev. and Mrs. Richard Turner, Bay Port, was accidentally drowned April 3 in Wild Fowl Bay near his home. He is survived by his parents and one sister.

Victor O. Hoppe, 67, passed away March 30. He leaves two daughters.

Mrs. Edna Moore, 70, Winsor Township, died April 2. She leaves three daughters and one son.

20 YEARS AGO APRIL 6, 1972

American Oil Co. named Herbert Neurath, Pigeon, as new agent in the area, replacing Charles Carrington,

10 YEARS AGO MARCH 25, 1982

Alan Licht, Luke Orth and Gerald Elbing, all graduates of Laker High School, graduated from Michigan State University's Institute of Agricultural Technology on Friday, March 19.

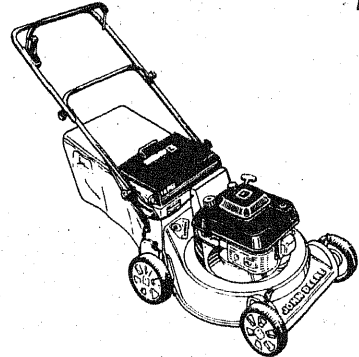
Laker High School senior Lori M. Kain has received a Merit Scholar Award from Wayne State University. The award is based solely on academic merit and covers four years tuition. Kain qualified for the award with her 3.94137 grade point average.

Koegel Ring Bologna \$1.59 lb.; Fresh Cube Steak \$1.99 lb.; Bulk Pork Sausage 89 cents lb.; Fame Cake Mixes 69 cents; Kraft Shredded Cheddar Cheese 79 cents 4 oz.; Final Touch Fabric Softner \$2.99 96 oz. at Pigeon IGA - ADV.

New officers for the Laker FFA chapter 1982-83 school year are Steve Tait, treasurer; Dawn Schuette, secretary; Mike Licht, reporter; Bob Gemmel, vice president; Brian Henry, senteniel; Larry Englehart, president and Ben Maust, parliamentarian.

Turkey Drums 49 cents lb.; Boneless Chuck Roast \$1.38 lb.; Betty Crocker Brownie Supreme Mix \$1.29; Gorton Fish Portions \$2.29 2 lbs.; Navel Oranges \$1.19 dozen at Fluegge Foods - ADV.

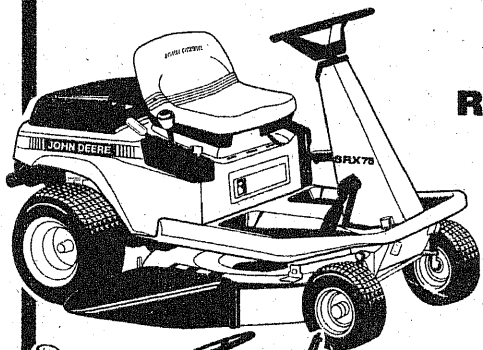
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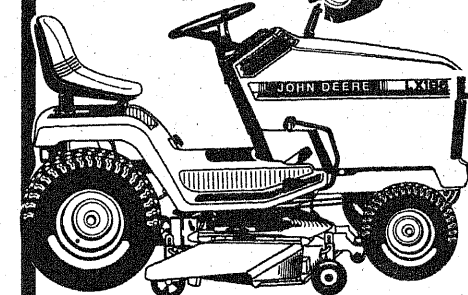
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The Laker Wave

LAKER HIGH STUDENTS TAKE PART IN CAREER DAY

On Wednesday February 26th, 26 professional from the surrounding area spent the morning with students from Laker High School explaining different aspects of their jobs.

The Career Day was conceived by Laker High Principal Lisa DiCamillo and held in conjunction with a teacher in-service day. The Career Day was the first portion of a "Career Awareness" Program that finds its roots in the Pigeon Rotary Club. Later activities will include "career shadowing", a process where students will follow professionals during a regular day at work.

The Activity began at 8:15 A.M. with student assembling in the auditorium. A short welcome by Principal DiCamillo and Student Council President Mike Keefer prefaced an opening statement by the keynote speaker Kathy McGee of Flint. Kathy, a graduate of Laker High School and presently a coach and teacher at Powers High School in Flint, spoke to the students on how to develop a career plan.

The students were then dismissed and allowed to visit 3 of the 21 careers that were offered for the day. Twelve of the 21 careers



Laker High Principal Lisa DiCamillo, speaker Kathy McGee and Student Council President Mike Keefer.

were represented by Laker graduates, and the other 9 were conducted by people familiar to the students and the area.

The objective was to give students a close up look at the necessary qualifications, duties, responsibilities and working conditions of a variety of careers.

While it was impossible to satisfy each and every student's needs, the career list was developed from publications whose expertise lists those jobs which are "hot" and those that are "not". Other determinations came from students requesting job information over the past several years.

It is interesting to note the swing in career styles that has taken place over the years. Once an industrial directed nation, America is now moving towards service orientation and all of the careers presented, except the military services, were of the service variety.

A short follow-up survey given to the students the next day found over 70% feeling the day was a "great idea", and more than 85% indicated that the presenters knew their "stuff". Plans for other career activities are currently underway.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE . . . TO EARN THAT PASSING GRADE!!

Each day brings you closer to the end of the school year. If you're on top of your subjects, that's great. But if you're not, each day sees you falling further and further behind. There seems no way out.

But if you want to pass, you can. If you want to, you can begin in the very next paragraph. It's up to you.

MAKE A LIST.

First, make a list of all your subjects. Start with the one you have the lowest grade in. List the teacher's name and grade that you think you have.

Now, note the ones that you absolutely need. Some of you might need to get your diploma. Others, you might need to enter college or an apprenticeship.

Finally circle the subject that you would most like to improve in. It may be the one that you are closest to passing. It may be your lowest subject.

For this subject, decide why you are not doing better than you are. Opposite the subject, write the reason. It may be that you think the teacher is too hard, or the subject is boring. Or it could be that you have not handed in assignments, or have skipped too many classes, or just don't care. It's important that you are honest with yourself.

If you and the teacher do not get along, or the subject is boring, this is not going to change. Why let it cause you to lose a credit?

Work at the subject on your own. Borrow a friend's notes. Get caught up. Find out what assignments you need to complete.

In fact, as unpleasant as it might seem, talk to the teacher. Let him know that you want to pass and are willing to do make-up work. With him, develop a realistic schedule for completing these assignments.

This type of attack will also work for those who have simply let themselves fall behind. KEEP TRYING!!

Those of you who just don't understand needn't give up either. Go back to previous tests and assignments. Regardless of whether

you understand the answers now, write them out again.

Then go to see the teacher. Go over the questions and answers. Have him explain them to you again. Have him give you similar questions. Write complete answers for these and then go to see the teacher again.

Follow these steps with all your subjects. If you do, you will pass with flying colors. I mean it!!!!

MEAP SCORES ARE RELEASED

During the past month, MEAP test scores have been sent home to parents of 4th, 5th, 7th, 8th, 10th, and 11th grade students. On February 27th, Superintendent Drury held a district-wide informational night to help parents understand the scoring and reporting methods used by the State Department of Education.

The statewide results form this past fall's MEAP Test show every indication that the State has raised expectations. The tougher tests that the student must take reflect a need for each and every school within the state to take a good look at their curriculum.

While the scores Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port student received may have looked a little low when first viewed, later information indicated that "overall" our your school system again scored well above the State's averages.

Below, is a graph that indicates EPBP's test score in comparison with state averages. The percentiles refer to those students who received a "satisfactory score" as determined by the State of Michigan:

MATH SCORES			
	4th Grade	7th Grade	10th Grade
E.P.B.P.	39.6%	42.6%	26.5%
STATE	36.3%	32.0%	18.7%

READING SCORES			
	4th Grade	7th Grade	10th Grade
E.P.B.P.	37.4%	41.7%	46.1%
STATE	34.7%	29.9%	38.7%

SCIENCE SCORES			
	5th Grade	8th Grade	11th Grade
E.P.B.P.	90.4%	69.9%	73.6%
STATE	69.4%	53.5%	40.3%

WATCH OUT FOR THE . . . MONEY FOR COLLEGE SCAM

If you have been following the news, in both the newspaper or on TV, you may be aware that a "Money for College Scam" has been hitting our state with a fever pitch. Individuals, some unscrupulous, are advertising scholarship and financial aid services that guarantee results. However, these services come with a price tag, and some of those can be rather high.

A syndicated columnist recently answered a reader's letter and commented that the \$450.00 price tag they had paid for such a service may have been a tad too high. He claimed that there are many on the market for as little as \$65.00.

To the unsuspecting parent, especially one with a child ready to embark on their college career, \$65.00 may sound like a deal for guaranteed results. What the parents do not know is that the money which is guaranteed usually comes from free government programs or in the form of loans which everyone qualifies for.

The next time you receive a letter in the mail from some sort of scholarship research agency or financial aid agency, remember the letter is usually coming from a middle-man who is not an expert in the financial aid field. These people are generally buying services from some-

one who has access to a data base of scholarship information and then adding on their commission, usually set at what the traffic will bear.

Financial aid and scholarship information is free to everyone who contacts high school counseling or college financial aid offices. Many, like Laker High School, have their own data base full of scholarship information and will match your child's profile and provide an average of 30 scholarships that you can qualify for. However, there is a difference between us and the agencies who mail the letters.

First our services are ABSOLUTELY FREE!!!! And second, we will honestly appraise each scholarship and tell you if you have a chance of receiving it or not.

Some important facts to remember: Scholarship and financial aid monies are not easy to come by. You either have to have a high GPA, outstanding test scores, a connection with some benevolent organizations, or be strapped financially. Hard work and diligent searching will produce the necessary rewards, not some research company who promises guarantees for \$39, or \$69, or even \$450.



Mrs. Love's Elkton fourth graders recently put on a play called "Welcome to Historical Hysteria." The students recently were required to read biographies

of famous Americans. They then dressed up as these Americans for the play. Pictured here are Stacey Kreh and Joel Helmut dressed up as the Wright Brothers.

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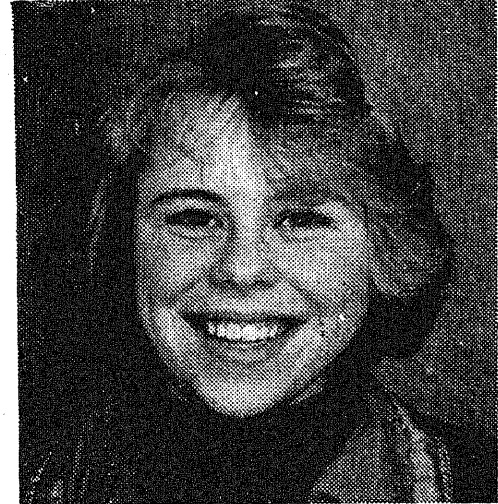
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LAKER HIGH SELECTS MARCH STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Theresa Kranz, daughter of Jean and Kenneth Kranz of Bad Axe, has been selected as Laker High School's March student of the month.



Theresa, a sophomore at Lakers, is a consistent honor roll student, a member of the Laker National Honor Society, A Peer Helper, and a team member in basketball, volleyball, and softball, winning the most determined award in basketball and the most improved award in softball last year.

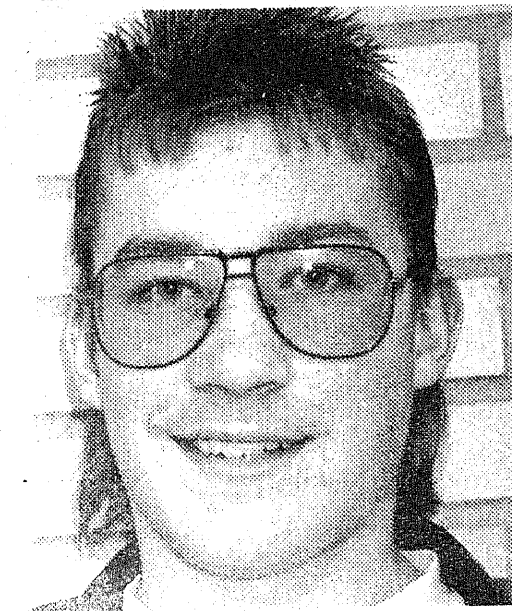
Theresa loves sports, swimming and babysitting and is very active in her church. The students and staff at Laker High School join in congratulating Theresa Kranz, Laker High School's March Student of The Month.

LAKER HIGH STAFF PICKS MOST IMPROVED STUDENTS

In an effort to recognize students from the entire student body, the Laker High School teaching staff has instituted an award program for students who have shown high levels of improvement over the past several weeks. This honor will be given to two students monthly, and will focus on all four grade levels at the high school.

This month, the Most Improved Award goes to April Sting, sophomore daughter of Mary and Kevin Sting of Bay Port, and Rick Champagne, junior son of Valeria and Dennis Champagne of Elkton.

The Laker High Staff offers their congratulations to April and Rick. Keep up the great work!!!!



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

By Laker High Principal Lisa DiCamillo

Laker High School was fortunate to have the North Central team visit on February 17th, 18th, and 19th. The NCA visitation team was pleased with the progress the Laker teachers and administration were making on the five goal areas. The five goal areas include:

1. Student performance will improve through increased parent participation in school functions.
2. Standardized test scores for all learners will improve.
3. Positive school attitudes will improve for the overall student body and especially for "at risk" students.
- 4 & 5. Students will improve basic mastery of reading and writing skills.

The NCA team noted the professionalism of Laker High staff and appreciated the hospitality they received while visiting Lakers. Parents, merchants in the downtown areas and students shared the Laker spirit. Thank you to all who helped make the visitation a success.

Success in Laker country needs to be recognized in another direction. The Laker Band Boosters successfully put together a Variety Show on Sunday, March 1. A near capacity crowd watched many talent acts entertain.

We were even fortunate to have an Alumni

Band come together just for this event. It looks as though the Alumni Band will be meeting on a regular basis! The Variety Show raised \$884.00 for the benefit of the Laker Band program. We appreciate the generosity of the audience.

In addition many thanks can be directed to the Band Boosters for organizing the event. We are already looking forward to next year.

Congratulations are in order to the Laker Mock Trial team. In regional competition at Grand Rapids, the team earned 11 out of 12 judges votes. The team competed against teams from Big Rapids High School, Troy High School and two Grand Rapids Schools—Forest High Northern and Union High.

As a result of their finish, the Mock Trial team will advance to State competition in Lansing on April 4. The 1992 team members include Will Eichler, Liesl Eichler, Russ Truemmer and Krista Keim as attorneys. Grant Herford, Danielle Damen, Becky Leipprandt, Phil Leipprandt are witnesses. This year's alternates are Michelle Sieman and Ryan Stahl.

The students were coached by Chad Daniels, CMU student, Kevin Klaeren, a Laker teacher, Pigeon Attorney Mike Otto and Principal Lisa DiCamillo. Keep up the super team work and good luck at State Competition.

A library technology study group consisting of Laker Board Member Virginia Leipprandt, computer specialist Dave Wineman, Librarian Eileen Gayari and Laker High Principal Lisa DiCamillo ventured to Southfield High School on Thursday, March 5. The purpose of the trip was to study the Southfield High School library's focus on technology.

The group was taken on a tour of the facility and were encouraged to see how technology has changed the library for student use. The study group was excited by the various uses of technology and what those uses can mean for Laker students. It was definitely a worthwhile trip.

In closing, please look for Laker students to be participating in two commercial spots of TV. One commercial will involve Jeremy Esch, on the use of safety belts. This commercial is being done in conjunction with a county-wide Safety Belt promotion in Huron County. The second commercial is sponsored by SADD, the Sheriff's Department and Channel 5.

We really appreciate the work of Sgt. Brent Woodward in these two efforts.

Parents, do not forget the end of the card marking period is Friday, March 20. Report cards will be mailed on Monday, March 30.

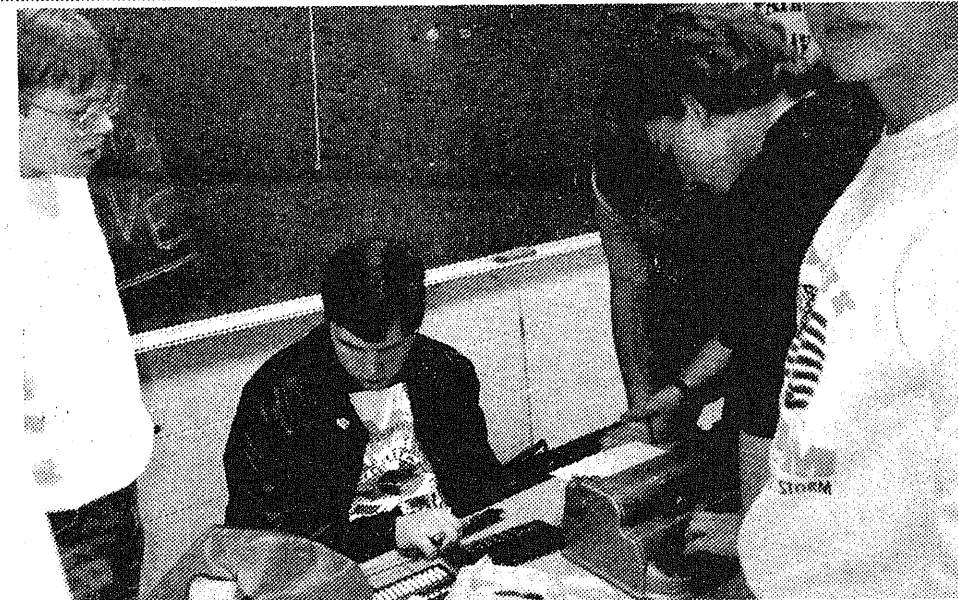
JR. HIGH STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Greg Young, a senior at Laker High School, recently addressed members of Mrs. Jimkoski's English class and gave a presentation on instruments he uses to assist him in his daily school

activities. Greg is legally blind, but with the help of his teacher consultant, Joanne Zang, and some modern technology, is able to achieve in the regular classroom.

Greg and Mrs. Zang explained and demonstrated his abacus, talking calculator, Perkins Braille, and some braille textbooks. Students were given the chance to interact with Greg, as well as use some of the instruments themselves. While all the items were of interest, the talking computer was the highlight of the morning's presentation.

Greg will graduate in June from Laker High School and plans to attend Delta College, majoring in computer programming.



SELECTION PROCESS FOR TOURNAMENT SITES

This year, the announcement of tournament sites for girls volleyball and boys basketball caused quite a stir. In volleyball, with a district site at Bad Axe a mere 13 miles from Lakers, our team was sent to Mayville, and at the same time Sandusky was sent to Bad Axe. That decision made many people scratch their heads.

And in boys basketball, with 3 gymnasiums in the area which seat over 2,000 fans, Bad Axe High School was given the site with only enough seating to handle 1,200 to 1,500 people.

Who makes the decisions concerning end of the season tournaments that involve our high school? This question, and many similar ones, are fired at the Athletic Director each and every year.

Here is a concise summary of information which the Athletic Department hopes will answer some of the concerns loyal Laker fans may have.

The administration of all high school athletic tournaments are controlled by the MHSAA Representative Council. This is a body of 27 individuals which is made up of superintendents, principals, athletic directors, coaches, board members, and staff members of the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

The Representative Council formulates the general plans for MHSAA Tournaments each year and is assisted by two Committees, one from the UP and the other from the Lower Peninsula. These Committees arrange the details of tournament administration, select District and Regional Centers, and assign com-

peting schools to the various Tournament Centers. A special committee is appointed to assign officials.

Any member school, (both Laker High and Laker Jr. High are such schools) may recommend people for the Tournament Committee each year and members serve a two-year term. The only qualification is that the person be an administrator. Members for the committee are appointed by the Representative Council.

This year, there were 128 boys basketball district sites and 32 regional sites. This sport is used for an example as it is the largest revenue source for the MHSAA. Once the site has been selected, the school will appoint a tournament manager (usually the athletic director) who will supervise the tournament.

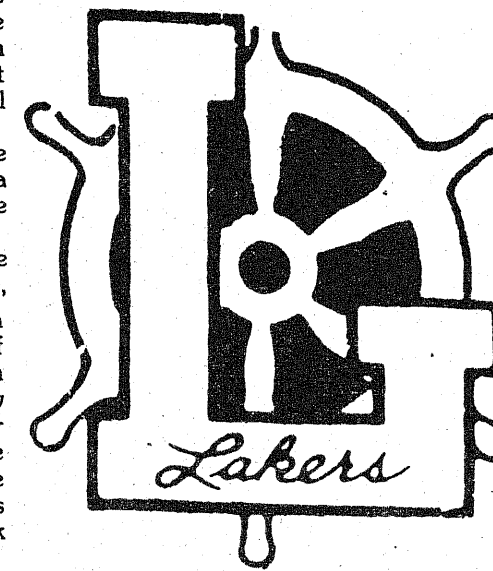
The teams are already assigned, as are the officials. The tournament manager will hold a draw to see who plays who and then will issue tickets for pre-sales.

While being selected as a tournament site gives you a definite home-court advantage, high schools profit by the selection also. Each year, every member school is sent a packet of tournament site applications for every sport in which a tournament is held. The school may apply for any or all of these tournament. Laker High School has historically applied for all the tournaments that we are able to host. These include Boys and Girls Basketball, Golf, Cross Country, Volleyball, Softball, Baseball, Track and Tennis.

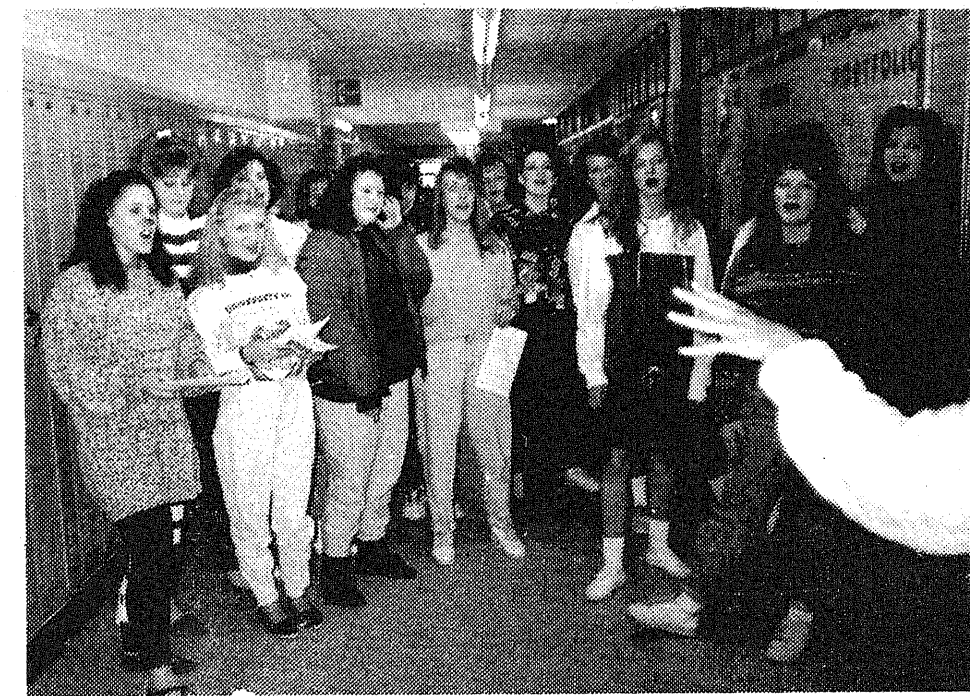
Once the tournament is over the proceeds

(ticket sales) are divided between the host site and the MHSAA. The host school may deduct from the gross receipts the following: cost of officials, and the amount paid to scores and time keeper. The balance is divided as follows; 33% to the host school; 67% to the MHSAA.

Generally speaking, selection committees will rotate the tournament sites to give each and every school a fair and equitable chance at hosting a tournament.



LAKER HIGH CHOIR SERENADES . . .



Strains of "Going to the Chapel" were radiating through the hallways last week as the Laker High School Choir put their show on the road. Tired of the confines of the choir room, Director Annie Eichler roamed the halls with her troop, much to the delight of students and staff.

Questions for the Superintendent

BY LAKER SUPT. ROBERT DRURY

Many times I get asked the question, "I thought that the profits from the Lottery were used to help run our schools?" This is a true statement, but it is not the whole truth. I would like to highlight some statistics from the Michigan Department of Education relative to the effect of Lottery money on financing public education within our state.

By law, all Lottery profits must go into the State School Aid fund to help support K-12 education. In 1989, Lottery profits totaled an estimated \$460 million, representing 17 percent of the school aid fund.

The school aid fund was created under the Michigan Constitution to furnish state aid to school districts. Unfortunately, by far the largest recipients of this fund are in-formula districts, or those districts that derive revenue on a per pupil basis. Our district is not within this category. Payments to in-formula districts from this fund are based on a formula by law.

The chief contributor to the School Aid Fund is the state sales tax. Michigan law requires that 60 percent of all state sales tax receipts go toward education. In 1989, this represented approximately \$1,560 million, or 58 percent of the School Aid Fund. Again the

largest recipients of this money are in-formula schools. The States General Fund also earmarks money for education. Again in 1989, the General Fund contributed \$504 million to the School Aid Fund.

Revenue from cigarette, liquor, and other taxes is also deposited in the School Aid Fund. About 1.56 million children attend public school in one of Michigan's 562 school districts.

Statewide, a large portion of the operating money for school districts comes from local property taxes. Statewide, about 53% of the total cost of public education is raised through local millage elections. The remaining 47% is provided by the state School Aid Fund as well as some money from the Federal Government.

While Lottery profits represent 17% of the State's contribution toward public Education, these profits provide only 7% of the total cost of educating Michigan's children. In fact, if the Lottery were the only source of state funds for education, these profits would operate the schools in Michigan for just 11 days per school year.

LAKER JR. HIGH COUNSELOR - CLAUDETTE SMITH

Academic Track is gearing up for the first meet on March 10, 1992 at Cass City. Laker Jr. High has always had trouble getting eighth graders to participate and this year is worse than ever. Our students have so many activities they are finding that choices are necessary. We realize it is difficult but, we do need the eighth graders' experience to do a lot of winning.

Parents, please encourage your eighth grade student to include Academic Track in their schedule. The Laker Jr. High staff wants to keep that winning spirit alive.

The Midwest Talent Search results are in. A senior in high school with a score of 400 is able to take tests to waive college classes. Laker Jr. High had 8 students score at a level of 400 or above on the math portion of the test. All the students did very well, and should be proud of their performance. The eight scoring 400 or above were: Jacob Blakeney, Matt Buehler, Jeff Collings, Aaron Creguer, Chris Kauffman, David Love, Andrew Lockard, Joel Maust.

These students qualified to take college courses at Delta College this summer if they wish.

We are planning the field trips and we want all Laker Jr. High students to attend. The students need to be especially well behaved so

they do not accumulate points. The point system will keep some students home while the others are enjoying the trips. Good luck to all!

The MEAP scores were sent home and an informational meeting was held on February 27, 1992. Many questions were answered at

LAKER SOPHOMORES VISIT SKILL CENTER

Two weeks ago, 102 sophomores split into two groups and spent a part of the morning visiting the Huron Area Skill Center. The visit was a follow-up of a mandatory skill center meeting for all tenth graders during the Career Day held in February. Its intentions are to expose each and every Laker High student to the course offerings and facilities available within our county.

The students were met by Skill Center personnel, divided into four interest groups and given a chance to view, close-up, three to four classes while they were in session. Students talked with teachers and Skill Center students to deepen their understanding of the facility.

Sophomores will be allowed to register for Skill Center classes this spring.

LAKER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

By Richard Pauly, Principal

With Spring rapidly approaching and the weather beginning to improve we realize that our school year is 75% completed. Although we only have one marking period left it is likely the busiest time of the year for our students and staff.

The continued academic success of our students is still the top priority at Laker Jr. High School. Parents and guardians can expect report cards to be sent out (via mail) on March 30th. I recommend that any concerns that arise from these reports be directed to the Jr. High Office.

Before discussing our upcoming activities, I would like to reflect on a few of our past accomplishments. This year's Spaghetti Dinner was by far the most successful ever. I again would like to thank all parents who volunteered services and made desserts that evening. I also appreciate the community support we received in this endeavor. Proceeds from this event will help defray costs for our field trips.

The Laker Academic Track team enjoyed a very successful start to their season on Tuesday, March 10 at Cass City. The girls volleyball team is also in the midst of a fine season. Our Jr. High Band made another excellent showing on February 29th at the District competition in Marlette.

Mr. Guenther and the entire administration staff addressed many concerned and interested parents on this year's MEAP results at a meeting held on February 27th.

On Thursday, March 19, Laker Jr. High will engage in its final visitation for the Michigan Accreditation Program. It is our hope that after this visit we will be fully accredited by the State Board of Education. Our staff has put many long hours into this effort. We want the very best education possible for our boys and girls.

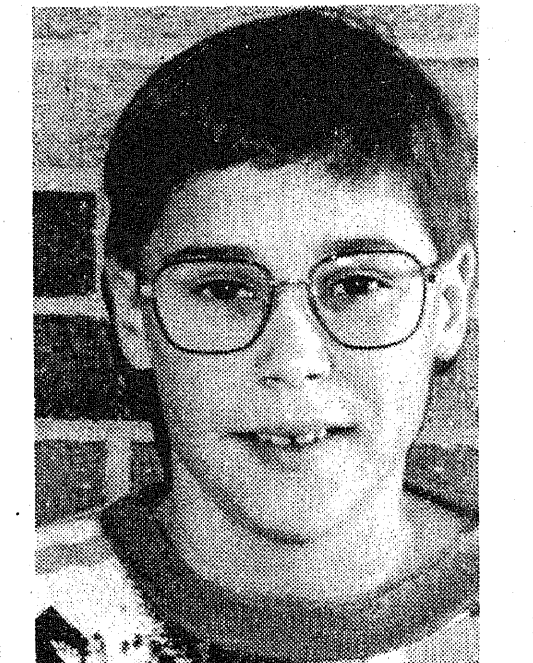
As always, if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at school or at home.

Dates to Remember

- March 19MAP Visitation
- March 20End of 3rd Marking Period
- March 24Bad Axe at Lakers Academic Track Meet
- March 277th Grade Field Trip to Lansing
- March 31All Star Academic Track Testing at Bad Axe
- April 3All Star Academic Track at Lakers
- April 37th Grade Field Trip to Lansing
- April 6-10Pleasure Boating Classes at L.J.S.
- April 13-20Easter Break

LAKER JR. HIGH PICKS STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Joel Salsburey, sixth grade son of Annette and Larry Salsburey of Elkton, has been selected as Laker Jr. High's March Student of The Month.



Joel is a consistent honor roll student, has a good sense of humor, is polite, and very thoughtful of the rights of others.

The students and staff of Laker Jr. High School join in congratulating Joel Salsburey as their March Student of The Month.



Around the Elementary Centers...

PIGEON AND BAY PORT ELEMENTARIES TODD BIGGER, PRINCIPAL

We survived the winter. It was mild, and overall it was nice. We marked one snow day. This means that we are not in a position to make up any snow days at the end of our school year.

Hang up the skates, the skis, the memories. The longer days, the warmer weather, the chirping birds, the croaking frogs, all will be welcomed with wide open arms.

I would like to recognize the special efforts of our Pigeon P.T.C., and our Bay Port P.T.O.. The Bay Port carnival in February was a huge success, as was our May 6, 1992 "Fun-Night" for grades K-5 at Pigeon Elementary. Carnival chairman Calvin Maust, and "Fun-Night" chairman Amy Gruhn are to be commended (along with their support team) for two very successful programs for our children. A special thank you to the many parent volunteers who make these programs go.

Also, a special thanks to P.T.C. President Cheryl Elenbaum, and P.T.O. President Carol Stein for directing all of the yearly programs. We would be lost without you.

Pigeon and Bay Port fourth graders shared in the annual presentation of "The Kids On The Block" program. This fantastic presentation is brought to us by three talented volunteers from the Huron County Intermediate School District. The puppet presentation is based on the idea of accepting the differences among individuals.

Several handicaps are shared, and first person narratives add to the life like situations. The many hours of training for this presentation is well worth the time.

The Child Abuse and Neglect (CAN) council is also involved in a special program that will be experienced soon at Pigeon and Bay Port Elementaries.

The program is called "Bubbylonia" and stresses good touch and bad touch, and the reporting procedures that your children should use. This program is presented to second grade students throughout the county. Again, a special thank you to the CAN Council, and the group of actors and actresses who bring this sensitive issue to the surface.

Pigeon and Bay Port Elementaries experienced an assembly on Friday, March 13, 1992. What a pleasure it was to have Steve Wallace present his music, accompanied with humor and stories. The Elementary Aged Program was a real special event, and helps at a drawn-out time of the year.

Kindergarten round-up is scheduled for Tuesday, March 17, 1992. This round-up is held at Pigeon Elementary and is for students who will be attending Bay Port or Pigeon kindergarten during the 1992-93 school year. The sign-up time is 5 P.M. - 6:30 P.M. in the Pigeon Elementary gymnasium. All paper work is to be completed by 7 P.M. Next year's program will be held in Bay Port. Parents are asked to bring the student's health records and birth certificate.

This program is not for kindergarten students. Students whose birth dates are after July 1, 1992 will be recommended for readiness testing.

The third marking period Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for the 25th, 26th, and 27th of March.

Pigeon kindergarten parents will be invited for Tuesday, March 24, evening conferences, and Wednesday, March 25, afternoon conferences.

Bay Port kindergarten parents will be invited on Thursday, March 26, 1992 for afternoon and evening conferences.

Parents of students in grades 1 - 5 will be invited to Wednesday afternoon, Thursday afternoon, or Thursday evening conferences. There will be no afternoon school on Friday, March 27th.

Pigeon and Bay Port kindergarten parents are to watch "The Weekender" for exact days of kindergarten for the week of March 23.

The Pigeon and Bay Port students will be dismissed at noon each day of conferences (March 25th, 26th, and 27th).

The Thumb National Bank "Bank Savers" program at Pigeon and Bay Port Elementaries has been a great success. Between the two schools there are already over \$2,200 placed into individual savings accounts (and drawing interest). What a great learning tool. Thank you Thumb National!



Every week Elkton fourth graders read to kindergarten students. The activity reinforces the importance of reading.

CHECK OUT THESE WAYS TO END THE HOMEWORK HASSLE

Homework is for kids, not for parents. In his book, Ending The Homework Hassle, family psychologist John Rosemond talks about the ABC's of homework for parents.

"A," he says, "stands for all by myself." The key here, says Rosemond, is to provide your child with a private place to do homework. This tells kids that homework is their responsibility.

The kitchen table may be the homework spot. If so, schedule homework time when you can be out of the room.

Parents have a responsibility to see that the homework spot has the tools your child needs to do the job. There should be paper, pencils, pens, and a dictionary.

"The child should be able...to do his homework without leaving the security of his cozy little homework place," Rosemond suggests to parents.

"B" stands for "Back Off." As Rosemond explains, "you, the parent, stay out of the child's homework unless the child asks you to get involved." It's best to get involved only for two reasons.

The first is when your child is stuck and has tried his hardest. The second is because homework is complete and your child wants a parent to check it over.

"C" stands for "Call it Quits at a Reasonable Hour." Set both a starting and a stopping time for homework. Of course, the stopping time can be extended when there's a special project due or when your child is studying for an important test.

Upcoming Dates:
 March 12.....Two hour delay for School Improvement
 March 20.....Marking period ends
 March 25, 26, 27..Parent/Teacher Conf. - school will dismiss at 12 noon, no lunch served.
 March 28.....Elkton PTO School Carnival 6-9 p.m.

Pictured here from left to right are Brittney Harbini, Josh Rosenthal, Danny Bouverette and Carrie Champagne.

ELKTON STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Stephanie Braun is a fifth grader in Mrs. Portman's class. She is the daughter of Edward and Colleen Braun. Stephanie's hobbies are running and dance. She has two pet dogs named Spud and King. Her favorite school subject is math and she enjoys vacationing on Mackinac Island. Someday Stephanie hopes to be a nurse.

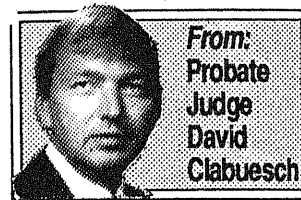


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Bay Port students have fun with a snowman!

News that COUNTS from Huron County



HURON COUNTY PROBATE COURT March 4 - 11

Estate of Ernest Edward Zinger, Deceased, of Uby. File: 29,137. Petition and Order for Assignment, Estate Not Exceeding \$5,000 filed.
 Estate of Venra Clancy, Deceased, of Bad Axe. File: 29,677. Supervised Probate, Order filed.
 Estate of Vanica C. Ornowski, Deceased, of Port Austin. File: 29,723. Independent Probate, Report, Petition and Order for Continuing Pendency filed.
 Estate of Kathryn Ann Carter, Deceased, of Kalamazoo. File: 30,303. Supervised Probate, Amended Inventory filed.
 Estate of Blanche J. Potts, Deceased, of Caseville. File: 30,417. Independent Probate, Inventory filed.
 Estate of Esther E. Whitehouse, Deceased, of Sebawaing. File: 26,348. Supervised Probate, Garnishee Disclosure filed.
 Estate of Paul D. Shields, Deceased, of Caseville. File: 30,201. Independent Probate, Certificate of Completion filed.
 Estate of Alois F. Duda, Deceased, of Harbor Beach. File: 30,561. Independent Probate, Order Determining Heirs filed.
 Estate of Sophie K. Duda, Deceased, of Caseville. File: 28,574. Supervised Probate, Order of Discharge filed.

Estate of Esther K. Hodapp, Deceased, of Elkton. File: 30,584. Independent Probate, Will filed. Petition for Commencement of Proceedings filed. Testimony Interested Parties filed. Supplemental Testimony Interested Parties filed. Register's Order filed. Acceptance of Trust filed. Letters of Authority filed. Claims Notice filed.
 Estate of Lillian C. Lange, Deceased, of Port Hope. File: 30,548. Independent Probate, Order Determining Heirs filed.
 Estate of Glen A. Thomas, Deceased, of Harbor Beach. File: 30,097. Independent Probate, Receipt of Distributive Share filed.
 Estate of Gerald Stephan Radlinski, Deceased, of Bad Axe. File: 28,675. Supervised Probate, Annual Account of Personal Representative filed.
 Estate of Lucille E. Walker, Deceased, of Port Hope. File: 30,065. Independent Probate, Report, Petition and Order for Continuing Pendency filed.
 Estate of Margaret H. Kretzschmer, Deceased, of Bad Axe. File: 29,383. Supervised Probate, Nunc Pro Tunc Report of Sale of Real Estate and Petition for Confirmation filed. Waiver and Consent filed. Nunc Pro Tunc Order Confirming Sale of Real Estate filed.

Estate of James J. McDonald, Deceased, of Bad Axe. File: 28,343. Supervised Probate, Annual Account of Personal Representative filed. Petition for Return of Monies paid to Secured Creditor filed. Petition for Authority to Pay Priority of Claims of Estate Pursuant to MCLA 700.192(1) a & b filed. Petition for Fiduciary fee filed. Petition for Payment of Claims Allowed Under MCLA 700.192 filed. Petition for Attorney Fees and Affidavit in Support of Petition filed. Objections to Statement and Proof of Claim filed by Terra International, Inc. filed. Notice of Hearing filed. Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.
 Estate of Blanche Anderson, Deceased, of Elkton. File: 29,499. Independent Probate, Final Account of Personal Representative filed. Closing Statement filed.
 Estate of John Nicholas, Deceased, of Gagelton. File: 30,045. Independent Probate, Report, Petition and Order for Continuing Pendency filed. Amended Inventory filed. Proof of Mailing filed.
 Estate of Walter E. Bucholz, Deceased, of Bad Axe. File: 30,230. Independent Probate, Certificate of Completion filed.
 Estate of William M. Mellich, Deceased, of Bad Axe. File: 30,057. Independent Probate, Report, Petition and Order for Continuing Pendency filed.
 Estate of Esther K. Hodapp, Deceased, of Elkton. File: 30,584. Independent Probate, Notice of Appointment and O'Duties of An Independent Personal Representative filed. Proof of Service by Certified Mail filed.



MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS Week of March 9

Raymond P. Maurer and Mary Beth Pirl.
 Lawrence D. Smith and Elizabeth A. Smith.

HURON COUNTY ASSUMED NAMES Week of March 9

NO. 5514 SHORT STOP, 4404 Main Street, Port Hope, MI 48468. By: Boogie's Place, Inc., 4404 Main Street, Port Hope, MI 48468. Filed: 3/4/92.
 NO. 5515 GORETSKI AUTO, 8715 Line Street, Port Austin, MI 48467. By: Kevin Goretzki, 2045 Grindstone Road, Port Austin, MI 48467. Filed: 3/4/92.
 NO. 5516 "HERITAGE FARMS", 1093 South Bay Port Road, Bay Port, MI 48720. By: Marion Jay Shetler and Marlene G. B. Shetler, 7059 Michigan Avenue, Pigeon, MI 48755. Filed: 3/4/92.
 NO. 5517 HAGEN FARMS, 140 Atwater Road, Uby, MI 48475. By: Dennis M. Hagen and Shariene B. Hagen, 140 Atwater Road, Uby, MI 48475 and Ernest J. Hagen, 660 Morrison Road, Uby, MI 48475. Filed: 3/5/92.
 NO. 5518 THE GREEN THUMB - LANDSCAPE & NURSERY, 8552 Jefferson, Port Austin, MI 48467. By: George F. Hawkins, 8552 Jefferson, Port Austin, MI 48467. Filed: 3/6/92.
 NO. 5519 ELKTON DENTAL, 33 North Wright Street, Elkton, MI 48731. By: Leszek Sulanowski DDS, PO, 1808 Brentwood, Troy, MI 48068. Filed: 3/9/92.

NO. 5520 HILL'S RIVERSIDE BAR, INC., 6540 Main Street, Caseville, MI 48725. By: Darlene M. Sarvis, 8846 Pte. Charity, Pigeon, MI 48755. Filed: 3/10/92.
 NO. 5521 DIMENSION BUILDERS, 1850 Morrison Road, Uby, MI 48475. By: Thomas Ruthko, 1850 Morrison Road, Uby, MI 48475. Filed: 3/10/92.

DISSOLUTION

SHORT STOP, 4404 Main Street, Port Hope, MI 48468. By: Dennis Wilkowski and Connie Wilkowski, Filed: 3/4/92.
 DIMENSION BUILDERS, 5181 Uby Road, Uby, MI 48475. By: Roger G. Hunt. Filed: 3/10/92.

HURON COUNTY ASSUMED NAMES CO-PARTNERSHIPS Week of March 9

NO. 965 K.C. ENGLHARDT & ASSOCIATES, 5110 Candoro Road, P.O. Box 130B, Owendale, MI 48754. By: Kenneth G. Engelhardt and Connie L. Engelhardt, 5110 Canboro Road, Owendale, MI 48754. Filed: 3/4/92.
 NO. 966 COUNTRY FOLKS, 805 South Van Dyke, Bad Axe, MI 48413. By: Lee Voss, Leigh Voss, Bobbi Voss, Robin Voss, Delord, MI 48729 and Ronald Voss II, Cass City, MI 48726. Filed: 3/9/92.

JUDGMENTS OF DIVORCE

Rosemary Herbert -vs- Dennis Keith Herbert.
 Katherine Ann Rowe -vs- Jeffrey A. Rowe.
 Robert G. Wiese -vs- Elizabeth A. Wiese.



HURON COUNTY WARRANTY DEEDS March 4 - 10

Mary Ellen Apley to Leo H. Parker and Laura E. Thomas L. Ruttko and Salie B., a parcel of land located in the City of Bad Axe.

William L. Strum and Margaret, James E. Strum and Donna M. to Mark R. Karr and Kimberlyn J., a parcel of land located in Hume Twp.
 George R. McGee and Hazel M. Fee to Dwein G. Berubus and Gladys J. Berube, a parcel of land located in Goro Twp.

Robert E. Gorr and Loretta J. to Sam M. Agostino and Marsalina, a parcel of land located in Lake Twp.
 Beverly J. Bruce to Janel L. Metzger and Robert E. Mayworm, a parcel of land located in Section 16 of Colfax Twp.
 Jack A. McGill and Ann to Steven M. Fulgham and Deborah L., a parcel of land located in Lake Twp.

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NOTICE - ANNUAL MEETING and BUDGET ADOPTING MEETING FOR FAIR HAVEN TOWNSHIP

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Annual Meeting for Fair Haven Township will be held on Saturday, March 28, 1992 at 1:00 p.m. at the Fair Haven Township Hall, Bay Port, MI.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that there will be a SPECIAL MEETING of the Fair Haven Township Board immediately following the adjournment of the Annual Meeting at the Fair Haven Township Hall, Bay Port, MI on Sunday, March 28, 1992.

The purpose of this Special Meeting is to adopt the proposed budget for the 1991 - 1992 fiscal year and for other business that may be brought before the Board at this meeting. DATED: March 2, 1992.

KAREN M. CSANYI - Fair Haven Twp. Clerk

ELKTON-PIGEON BAY PORT SCHOOLS Huron County, Mich.

FILING DEADLINE FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION POSITIONS

A candidate who wishes to seek a position on the Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port School Board must file a nominating petition and an Affidavit of identity no later than 4:00 p.m. on MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1992. The number of valid signatures required is 20.

The Annual School Election will be held on Monday, June 8, 1992. Two positions on the Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port School Board will be filled at the election. Both positions are four year terms ending June 30, 1996.

Petition and Affidavit can be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port School, 6136 Pigeon Road, Pigeon, Michigan. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

JANE L. CHRISTNER - Secretary
 Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Board of Education

We appreciate it!

McKINLEY TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The McKinley Township annual Board meeting will be held at the Township Hall located on the corners of Caseville and Crown Roads on Saturday, March 28, 1992 at 1:00 p.m.

D. CHARLES LEIPPRANDT
 Clerk

NOTICE

Appointment of members to the following boards will be made by the Huron County Board of Commissioners:

HURON COUNTY CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS - 1 Member

HURON COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 2 Members

Persons interested must submit a letter of intent to the Chairperson of the Huron County Board of Commissioners, County Building, Bad Axe, MI 48413, no later than March 26th.

CHANDLER TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, March 28 at 1:00 p.m. at the Chandler Township Hall.

BILL RENN
 Twp. Clerk

Caseville Township
ANNUAL BOARD MEETING

Will be held SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 1992 at 1:00 p.m. in the conference room of the CASEVILLE VILLAGE/TOWNSHIP HALL, 6767 Main Street, Caseville.

The budget hearing for the 1992/1993 fiscal year will also take place at this time.

ROSE MARIE SPIES - Clerk

Bowling

GUYS AND DOLLS

Dubs-Smith 30
 Parrish-Irion 24
 Seemann-Fiebig 22 1/2
 Heintz-Ritter 22
 *Gunden-Henne 21
 Cusimano-Bailey 19 1/2
 Hundersmarck x2 19
 *Hazzard-Grosberg 19
 Eibling-Smith 19
 Beachy-Weidman 14

Incomplete
 High team series and game: Seemann-Fiebig 1992 (739), Gunden-Henne 1958 (739).
 High individual scores: LADIES-P. Parrish 517 (185, 176), A. Hazzard 482 (167), A. Dubs 484 (176), B. Heintz 481 (190), A. Eibling 471 (181), M. Henne 468 (210), J. Beachy 465; MEN-D. Rapson 622 (249), R. Heintz 610 (231, 213), B. Parrish 555, J. Gunden 545, F. Hundersmarck 517 (201), L. Smith 504 (206).
 Spills converted: 3-7 E. Fiebig, R. Eibling, G. Smith, R. Heintz; 3-10 N. Cusimano, A. Eibling, A. Hazzard; 9-10 R. Smith; 4-7 A. Hazzard; 2-5-7 J. Dubs; 2-7 E. Gunden; 5-6-10 M. Henne; 5-10 J. Gunden.
 5 Consecutive Strikes: D. Rapson.

PIGEON MONDAY MAJOR LEAGUE

Greenfields 28
 Osentoski Farm Equip. 25
 Bay Shore Collision 26
 Lee's Landscaping 21
 Village Qwik Stop 18
 Pigeon Lanes 18
 J.O. Wurst 18
 Damm's Inc. 17
 J & B Plumbing 15
 Real Estate One 14

High team series and game: Lee's Landscaping 2504 (884), Damm's Inc. 2490 (800), Greenfields 2419 (860), Osentoski Farm Equip. 864.

High individual scores: R. Babiszewski 605 (211, 210), C. Basinger 550, V. Smith 549 (233), J. Eckel 212, M. Lange 214, J. Beyer 203, O. Murdoch 200.

PIGEON WEDNESDAY NITE LADIES

Bay Port Construction .. 26
 Pigeon Auto Supply 22
 Gumbly's 21
 Bay Port State Bank 20
 Varty's 19
 Pigeon Telephone 18
 Cloud of Dust Ceramics 16
 Dodge Girls 13
 Bittersweet Flowers 13
 Damm's 12

High team series and game: Cloud of Dust Ceramics 2265 (808, 785), Dodge Girls 2224 (764), Pigeon Auto Supply 2116.
 High individual scores: A. Gotham 556 (196, 186 172), D. Yahn 508 (177, 172), L. Rolto 495 (181), P. Maxwell 487 (180), L. Wolfram 190, R. Albrecht 186, G. Finkbeiner 181, L. Dast 176.
 Spills converted: 5-8 R. Stoeckl, D. Yahn, P. Voelker, K. McCueen; 3-10 R. Stoeckl, C. Damm, L. Dast, A. Eichler; 4-5 G. Finkbeiner, Eichler; 3-10 P. Voelker.

TY'S SUNDAY NITE ROLLERS

Ty's Lounge 15
 Souletown Farms 14 1/2
 Finkbeiner Farm Equip. 14
 Hitching Post Inn 13

This 'n' That Party Store 13

Co-op Elevator 13
 H & H Insulation 8 1/2
 Osentoski Equip. 5

High team series and game: Ty's 1953 (673).
 High individual scores: LADIES—L. Polega 482 (188-179), 98 pins over average in series; B. Krohn 187, S. Hyzer 180; MEN'S—G. Willoughby 510 (193), J. Jaworski 510, D. Deman 507 (165), D. Polega 504, P. Gayari 498, D. Schuette 480, R. Finkbeiner 181.
 Spills converted: 5-7 D. Mansfield; 4-5 S. Hyzer; 2-7 J. Young, D. Polega.

TY'S GRANDPAS AND GRANDMAS

Schember-Williams 25
 Gayari-Wichert 22 1/2
 Krohn-Klosowski 17 1/2
 Rosenthal-Smith 15

High team series and game: Gayari-Wichert 2043 (722).
 High individual scores: LADIES—J. Rosenthal 183, B. Wichert 498; MEN—W. Willoughby 547 (214), T. Wichert 534 (211), K. Schember 524.
 Spills converted: 5-6-10 M. Smith; 2-7 J. Klosowski.

PIGEON FRIDAY NIGHT MENS'

Berkley Industries 31
 Active Feed 31
 Co-op Elevator 24
 Don Erla Foods 23
 Albrecht Auction 10

High team series and game: Berkley Industries 870.
 High individual scores: B. Stahl 528 (201, 213), J.D. Gunden 527, E. Shepherd 512 (210), R. Nowaczyk

50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. William Chubb



Former Sand Point summer residents Mr and Mrs. William Chubb, now of St. Petersburg, Fla., celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary recently in St. Petersburg. Elizabeth (Betty) Videan and William (Bill) Chubb were married March 21, 1942 in Detroit. They were long-time residents of Sand Point before moving to Florida. The couple has two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. James (Carolyn) Sturdy of Farmington Hills and Mr. and Mrs. James (Betsy) Campbell of Rochester and three grandchildren. Their celebration was attended by members of the wedding party: Mr. and Mrs. George Kessler of Roscommon, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Case of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Chubb of Marysville, Roy Chubb of Caseville and many friends and relatives from Caseville and Florida.

Thumb Area Arts Council sets organizational meet

The newly-formed Thumb Area Arts Council is sponsoring a public meeting in USA High School cafeteria at 7 pm Thursday, March 19. Purpose of the meeting is to inform the public concerning the Arts Council's purpose and the contributions and opportunities it can provide to the area. Council members and leaders will answer questions to provide information as to what will be implemented down the line.

"An important part of the meeting is the Arts Council's concern about public commitment to the project," said one of the council leaders. "Without public support and commitment the project cannot succeed, so the Council extends its warmest welcome to every community in the Thumb to become part of the Thumb Area Arts Council." Bring a friend, Council members invited, and hear what we think will be a very

pleasant experience. "Let's do something nice for ourselves", he concluded.

Service news

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class David L. Forster, son of Gerald A. and Phyllis J. Forster of Elkton, recently reported for duty at Naval Station, Long Beach, CA. The 1978 graduate of Laker High School, Pigeon, joined the Navy in June 1978.

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Obituaries

DR. MAURICE G. SORENSEN 1918-1992

Dr. Maurice Gunnard Sorensen, age 74 of Elkton, well-known local physician, passed away Monday, March 9, at the Huron County Medical Care Facility near Bad Axe, after a long illness.

He was born Jan. 18, 1918 in Kenosha, Wis., son of the late Maurice and Nellie (Jensen) Sorensen. At age five, he moved with his family to Detroit. He was united in marriage to Irmagard Scholz on April 24, 1943, in Detroit.

He graduated summa cum laude from Northwestern High School in 1935. He declined an appointment to Annapolis, and attended Wayne State University Medical School, receiving his degree in 1943.

After spending two years in a urology residency in Detroit, he was inducted into the Army and served as the head of Urology at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. Shortly after his discharge from the service in 1947, he moved with his family to Kinde and started a family practice.

Dr. Sorensen went to Detroit in 1954 to continue his education. He returned to Huron County in 1956, settling in Elkton with his office in Bad Axe, and semi-retiring in 1984.

He was a member of Cross Lutheran Church of Pigeon and the American Medical Association. His interests included music and the arts. He was the first chair cello player in the Scandinavian Symphony Orchestra of Detroit. He was a World War II Army veteran.

Surviving are his wife, Irmagard; twin sons, Dr. Kent of McMinnville, Tenn., and Dr. Philip and wife Jacqueline of Lansing; his daughter, Mrs. Galen (Ingrid) Ebert of Almont; three grandsons; and a sister, Ellen Haukedahl of Park Forest, Ill.

Funeral services were conducted on Thursday, March 12 at 2 p.m. from Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon. Rev. Raymond Orth, pastor, officiated with burial in the church cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Huron County Medical Care Facility or Cross Lutheran Church.

Arrangements were handled by Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton.

ROBERT J. HOFFMAN 1930 - 1992

Robert J. Hoffman, 62 of Caseville, passed away Friday, March 13, at Wyandotte General Hospital following a short bout with cancer.

He was born Jan. 17, 1930 in Cincinnati, OH., son of the late Robert and Mildred (Keller) Hoffman. He was united in marriage to Rosemary Kennedy on Nov. 15, 1969 in Southgate.

Mr. Hoffman moved to Michigan in 1954 and to Detroit in 1955. He had been employed at Commercial Die in Detroit as a die maker for 19 years and at Forge Die in Farmington for 20 years. He retired on April 12, 1991 due to health reasons.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman have had a cottage in Lake Twp. since 1976 and planned to retire there this year.

He was a member of St. Pius X Catholic Church of Southgate, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Caseville, and attended St. Felix Catholic Church, Pinnebog.

He is survived by his wife Rosemary; two daughters, Diane (Joe) Bruorton of Hanahan, SC and Gail (Fred) Mauhaus of Wyandotte; his son Robert of Riverview; three grandchildren; a brother, Larry (Rosalyn) Hoffman of Manchester, KY and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral mass was conducted Monday, March 16 at 11 a.m. from St. Felix Catholic Church. Sr. Mary Ellen McDonald and Fr. Richard Meyette officiated, with burial in the church cemetery.

Arrangements were handled by Champagne Funeral Chapel, Caseville.

PAUL JOHN GARASCIA 1924 - 1992

Paul John Garascia, 67 of Caseville, passed away Sunday morning, March 15, at St. Luke's Hospital, Saginaw.

He was born July 16, 1924 in Detroit, son of the late Ambrose and Maria (Cucchi) Garascia. He was united in marriage to Cora B. Mattice on Aug. 1, 1953 in Detroit.

Mr. Garascia lived in Madison Hts. until 1972. He lived in Canton until 1976 when he moved to Lake Twp. after retiring from GM Hydromatic after 34 years of service.

He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Caseville, Tip-of-the-Thumb VFW, Pigeon, a World War II Army veteran, a past member of Knights of Columbus and attended St. Roch Catholic Church, Caseville.

Surviving are his wife, Cora; two sons, Michael of Auburn Hills and Joseph of Caseville; a daughter, Lisa Garascia of Caro; two granddaughters, Mandy and Brittany and a sister, Mary (Glenn) Schmidt of Imlay City.

Two brothers, Joseph and Charles preceded him in death. A funeral mass will be conducted on Wednesday, March 18 at 11 a.m. from St. Roch Catholic Church, Caseville. Rev. Fr. Richard Meyette, pastor, will officiate with burial in the church cemetery.

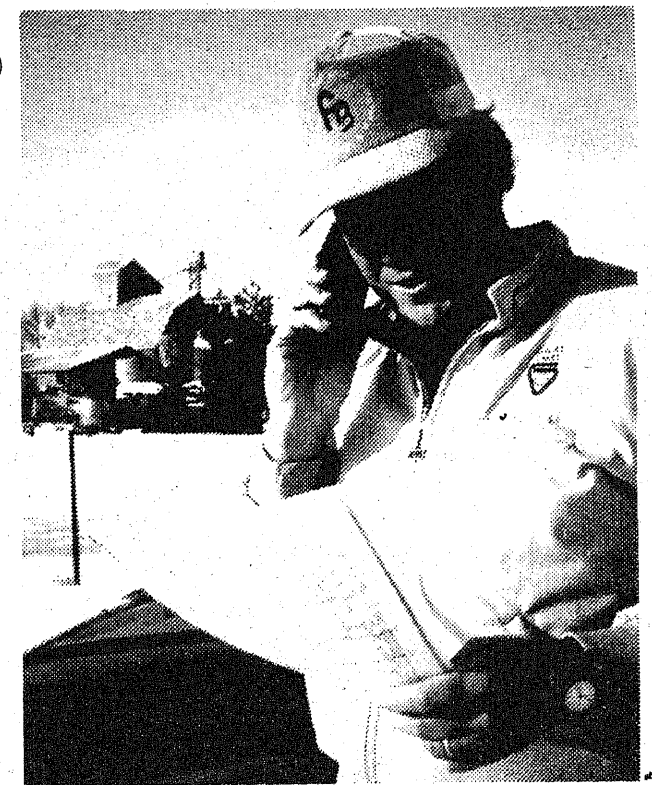
Friends may call at Champagne Funeral Chapel, Caseville on Wednesday, March 18 at the church from 9 a.m. until the time of service. An Eagles service was set for Tuesday at 5 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the family.

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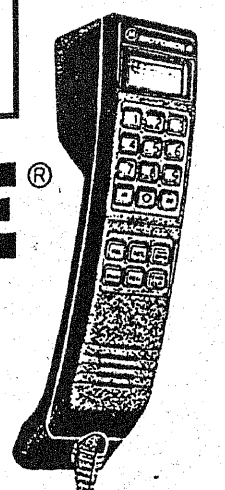
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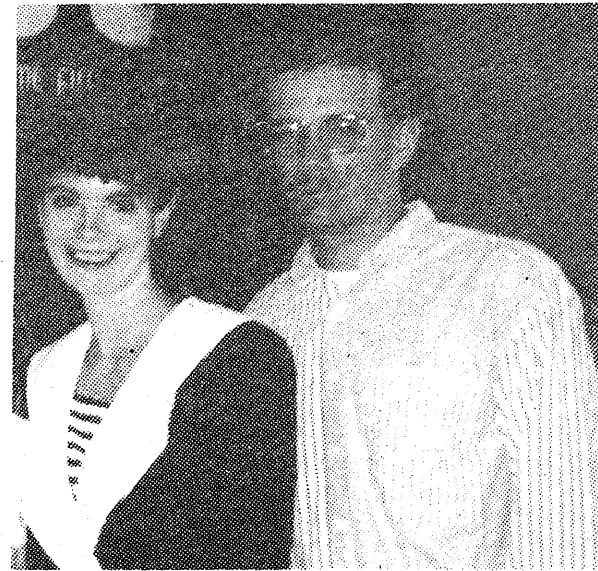


Baur - Heitzman

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Baur of Bay Port and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Heitzman of Grand Rapids are pleased to announce the engagement of their children Rhonda Lou and Daniel Richard.

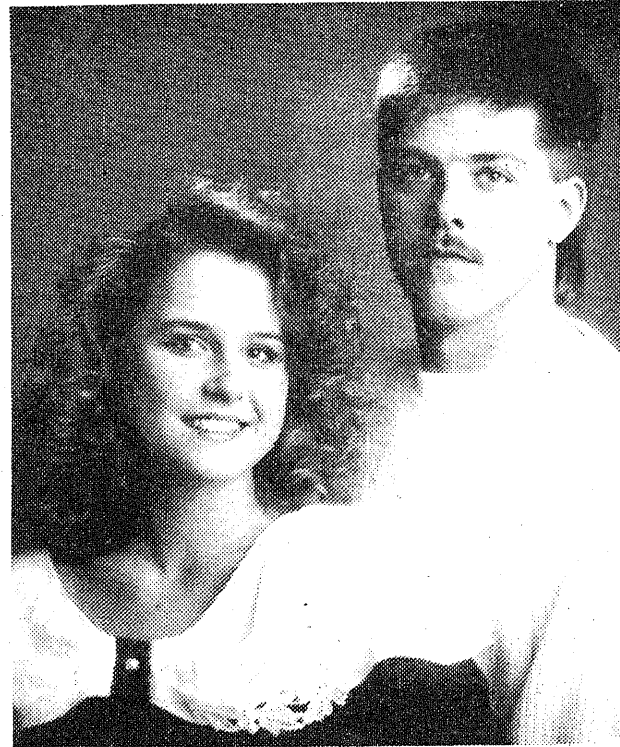
Rhonda and Dan are 1991 graduates of Grand Valley State University, where they are currently pursuing masters degrees in education. Rhonda teaches special education in Grandville Public Schools. Dan is a special education teacher in Northview Public Schools.

The couple will be married on July 25 in Grand Rapids.



McCallum - LeLacheur

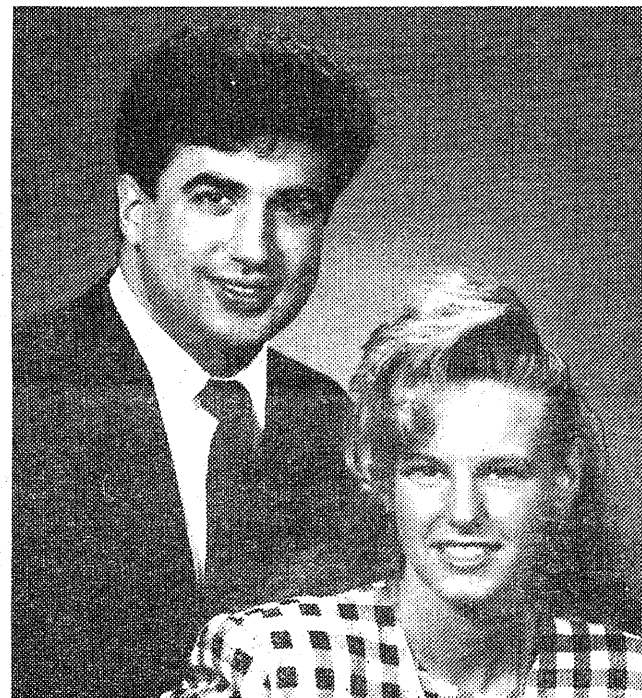
Olson and Ila McCallum of Owendale announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Lee to Keith LeLacheur, Sheppard Air Force Base, TX. He is the son of Robert LeLacheur, Panama City, FL., and Gail Ernst, Tallahassee, FL. A May 23 wedding is planned.



Haldane - Parrish

Mr. and Mrs. Garry McKellar, Gagetown and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haldane, Bad Axe announce the engagement of their daughter, Tonya Sue to Shawn A. Parrish, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Parrish, Owendale.

The bride-elect attends Saginaw Valley State University and is employed at Greenfields Restaurant, Pigeon. The groom attends Delta College and is employed at Huron Casting, Inc., Pigeon. A May 2 wedding is being planned.



Kretzschmer - McGathy

Charles and Geri Kretzschmer of Owendale announce the engagement of their daughter, Mardi Jo, to Charles Scott McGathy, son of Charles and Sue McGathy of Sebawaing.

The bride-elect is a 1988 graduate of Cranbrook-Kingswood High School in Bloomfield Hills and attended Ferris State University and Arizona State University. She is a licensed insurance agent and a representative for Senior Care Insurance.

Her fiancé is a 1982 graduate of USA High School, and attended Delta College and Oklahoma University. He owns and operates Hurricane Beach Shop.

A July 4 wedding is planned.



Kunisch - Pechette

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kunisch of Sebawaing are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Ann, to Louis James Pechette, son of Mrs. Mavis Pechette of Caseville and the late Frank Pechette.

A September 19 wedding is being planned.



Edler - VandeMark

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Edler of Sebawaing announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Marie, to Brian Edward VandeMark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce VandeMark of Unionville.

The bride-elect is currently attending Delta College and the prospective groom is employed by CMI Equipment and Engineering in Au Gres.

An Aug. 14, 1993 wedding is planned by the couple.

New arrivals . . .

David and Lisa (Popham) Beachy announce the birth of their daughter, **Katie Elizabeth**, on Friday, March 6 at Bay Medical Center, Bay City. She weighed 9 lbs. 2 ozs. and measured 20 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Robert and Brenda Popham of Kinde. Paternal grandparents are Roy and Audrey Beachy of Elkton.


Maternal great-grandparents are Anna Mae Popham of Kinde and Leah Grove of Gladwin. Paternal great-grandparents are Gertrude Clark of Bad Axe and Benjamin Beachy of Harrisonburg, VA.

Katie was welcomed home by her sister, Leanne, age 3 1/2.

Larry and Annette Prich of Sebawaing announce the birth of their son, **Devin David Prich**, born Thursday, March 5. Devin weighed 6 lbs. 5 ozs. and measured 19 inches long at his birth at Bay Medical Center, Bay City.


Maternal grandparents are John and Sharyn Rockfeller and paternal grandparents are George and Dorothy Prich, all of Gagetown. Great-grandparents are Lester and Donna Fritz of Pigeon and Mae Rockfeller of Gagetown.

Devin was welcomed home by his sister, Nashia, age 4.



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PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

The theme for the Tuesday, March 24 Preschool Story Hour will be "Spring" with the stories "Spring Snowman" and "Springtime Bear."

Exercises, flannelgraph, a song and fingerplay will be part of the activities planned for the children.

SENIOR FILM FEST

Senior citizens are invited by the Pigeon District Library to a Film Festival on Thursday, March 19 at 1:30 p.m. in the community room.

Featured films are "American in Paris" and "Little Rascals" so patrons are urged to bring a friend.

HOBBY AND CRAFT SHOW

Registration is being taken

now for the Pigeon District Library's Hobby and Craft Show set for April 7-11, during National Library week. The theme is "Your Right To Know-Librarians Make It Happen."

Patrons wishing to sell items are asked to present during the show. A volunteer committee will be present to watch over the show and greet guests.

SECOND BUS FOR TOUR

Visit the "Heart of Indiana Amish Country-Shipshe-wana" on May 6 and 7 with a group that will leave from the Pigeon District Library.

Due to the large demand a second bus has been added, but approximately 20 seats are left to fill. These seats must be filled before it can be part of the tour. For more information call 453-2341.

AMERICA IS READING

There are signs of an in-

crease in reading in America. Almost half of Americans, particularly young people, say they expect to read more in the future than they do today, and only a handful expect to read less.

The Gallup "Mirror of America" Poll also shows a dramatic increase in the amount parents are reading to their children.

Thirty-one percent of those parents regularly read to them when they were young learned to read before age six, only 12% of those whose parents did not read to them learned to read before age six.

Of those whose parents read to them at age two or younger, half, 47%, acquired reading skills before age six.

Those who were regularly read to before age three now report reading an average of 21 books per year; those whose parents did not read to them at an early age now report reading an average of only 12 books annually.

Ten percent of those parents did not read to them say that reading is difficult for

them; only 3% of those whose parents read to them before age three say that reading is a problem for them.

The average American spends 34 minutes a day reading a newspaper, 14 minutes a day reading a magazine, 44 minutes reading books for work or school, and 23 minutes reading a book for pleasure.

In contrast the average American spends two hours and 38 minutes daily watching TV, and an hour and 56 minutes listening to the radio.

Other findings are the average home in America has 154 books. In fact, only 16% of Americans say they have fewer than 20 books. Best of all, 59% of Americans have a library card!

This poll information came from the "Branching Out" newsletter.

In 1991, over 58,938 books, magazines, and audio and video cassettes were checked out from the Pigeon District Library. At this time, patrons

are busy registering their library cards. If you don't have one yet, go to your local library and fill one out.

Hoop Camp coming here June 8-12

All those young basketball junkies looking to improve their hoop skills this summer will want to mark their calendars right away for the 10th Annual Laker Basketball Camp.

This year, organizer Joel Leipprandt has decided on June 8-12 as the week for camp, to be held at Laker High School from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., for boys and girls ages 8-13.

Campers should bring their own lunch for the day-long program and wear comfortable clothes and shoes.

Leipprandt has been holding the clinics at Lakers since his graduation from college, and he has some great credentials.

He graduated from Laker in 1978, and was captain of the 18-3 team that was the Thumb B Champs. He was

named All-Conference, All-Area and All-State Honorable Mention, then went on to play ball in college for three years. He finished his final year at Spring Arbor College, where he was captain of the national runner-up team.

Now he's teaching math at Ionia High School, and coaches the league-winning junior varsity team. He also coached the varsity team for two years, leading them to two district championships and a league championship.

Leipprandt will have plenty of talented coaching assistants on hand, including Paul Beachy, Mark Weidman, Gordon Murphy and others.

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Caseville Arts Council sets '92 agenda

The Caseville Community Arts Council has a full schedule of events planned for 1992 and invite local residents to support membership in the organization, according to President Mrs. Virginia Nicholl.

The group's first venture in 1992 was a special membership discount price for members who viewed the Port Austin Community

Playhouse's production of "The Odd Couple," which was shown the weekends of March 6-8 and 13-15.

Other upcoming events include:

■ **"The Timberland Chordsman,"** Sunday, May 17 at 3 p.m. at St. Roch Catholic Church. A performance by the Saginaw Bay chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement

of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America. Ticket prices include special discounts for children and an hors d'oeuvre reception after the performance.

■ **"Multi-media Art Exhibits,"** Friday through Sunday, July 17-19 at the Bella Vista Inn's Florida Room. Student and adults alike will display art exhibits in a variety of media.

Says Chairman Pete DeBruyne, "We are expanding and improving every year."

■ **"Broadway Review,"** Friday, Aug. 7, 7 p.m. Kathy Wagner, Richard Ridenour and Dale Schriemer return by popular demand to perform at the annual CCAC dinner theater, at the Bella Vista Inn. Ticket prices will be announced soon.

■ **"Geritol Follies"** bus trip

on Saturday, Sept. 26 to Toledo, Ohio. The renowned group tours the U.S. each year and hail from Toronto, Ont., There are only seats for 46 people on the bus, so sign-up early, according to organizers.

■ **"Dancing With the Bill Denbrock Big Band,"** Saturday, Nov. 7, 7 to 11 p.m., Bella Vista Inn. Due to the success of the 1990 dance,

the CCAC is offering a repeat performance.

■ **"Phantom of the Opera,"** November, Masonic Temple, Detroit. Tickets to Andrew Lloyd Webber's famous musical performance includes bus fare, a matinee tickets and perhaps a light meal for a Saturday or Sunday of excitement.

Tickets will be available soon, with confirmed costs, dates and times to be announced.

Members of the CCAC are offered first chance to attend all events, before they are offered to the general public, members say.

Persons interested in learning more about the CCAC may contact Membership Chairman Karen Peter by writing her at P.O. Box 785, 7068 E. Park Dr., Caseville, MI 48725.

Anyone who would like additional information about the Arts Council or who would like to volunteer their time with the organization may write the CCAC at P.O. Box 1344, Caseville, MI 48725 or call President Nicholl at 856-3454.

Club news

JUST-A-MERE FARM BUREAU

Just-A-Mere Farm Bureau Group met at the home of Mrs. Viola Schuette on Thursday, March 12.

Don and Donna Wheeler were guests. Mr. Wheeler is the Laker FFA Advisor, who spoke about FFA mentioning the advantages of belonging to FFA. They said it is good basic training for those who go on to college in agricultural service. Many receive scholarships by belonging to FFA.

The members also receive many awards on local, state and national levels.

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Thank You Everyone

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The team won the Laker JV Early Bird Tourney, the Goodrich Tourney, the Carrolton Invitational, the Laker JV Invitational, the Bad Axe Invitational, and the Harbor Beach Invitational. Plus they were second in the Mitten Bay Classic and third in the Pioneer Sugar Invitational.

Pictured are the winning team members. Front, Theresa Kranz, Carrie Kasserman, Michelle Bolda. In the middle row is Julie Schulz, Jenny Murdoch, Nicole Kolar, Keri Fisher, Joy Rathje, Tracy Macdowall, Becky Farver. In the rear is Karl Gardy, Kim Wiechert, Trisha Rosenthal, and Jenny Smith. Missing is Shelly McCain, Heather Fisher and Coach Dale Grifka.

AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

Ondrajka back at Chiropractic office

Patti Ondrajka is once again at the Pigeon office of Songer Chiropractic.

Ondrajka worked at the office previously, and has recently finished six months of special office training in order to serve clients more efficiently.



PATTY ONDRAJKA

She recently finished a KATS Management Seminar in Chicago, focusing on office management and communications, and finished a Creative Concept seminar on basic and advanced insurance. She also spent six months training at Dr. Songer's office in Bay City.

Ondrajka will act as office manager, insurance processor, receptionist and appointment secretary at the Pigeon office.

"There'll be one face that everyone's familiar with at the office now," Ondrajka said.

Songer Chiropractic also will be offering expanded hours. The office is open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; 3 to 7 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; and Saturday 1 to 4 p.m.

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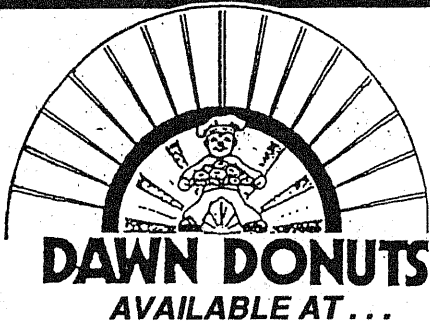
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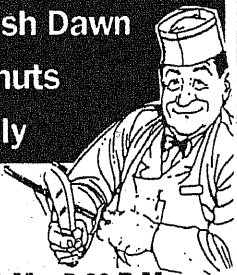
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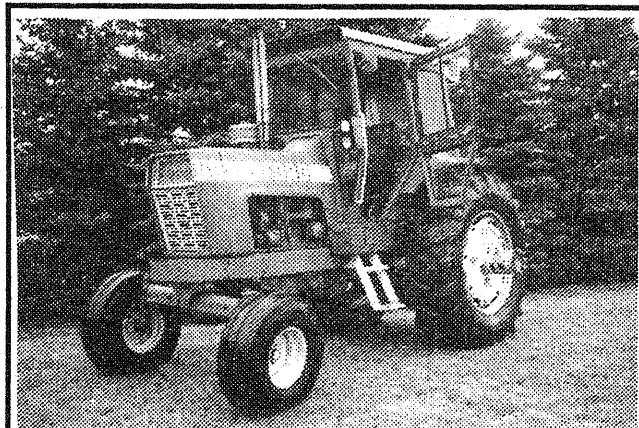
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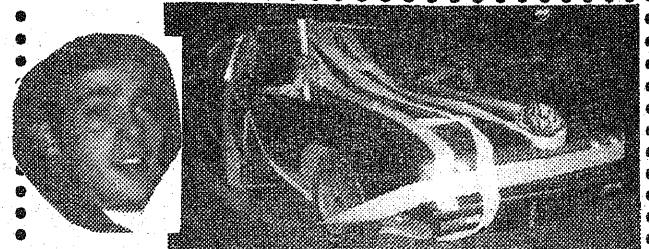
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Wanted: Photos of past Postmasters

Bay Port Post Office marks 120 years of service

The Bay Port Post Office is looking to commemorate its 120-year history with a special photo collection of all the postmasters who have served the Bay Port Area since its beginning on March 19, 1872.

Postmaster Sara Urband would like to see a permanent display of photographs in the lobby of the Bay Port Post Office and is asking anyone with information to call the post office at 656-3951 or write to 805 Promenade, Bay Port, MI 48720.

Dora L. Lighthhead served

as Bay Port's first postmaster, when the Ora Labora Post Office was moved to Bay Port on March 19, 1872. Located on the eastern shore of Saginaw Bay, the village of Bay Port was founded in 1851 by Carl Heisterman and was called Geneva for Geneva, Switzerland.

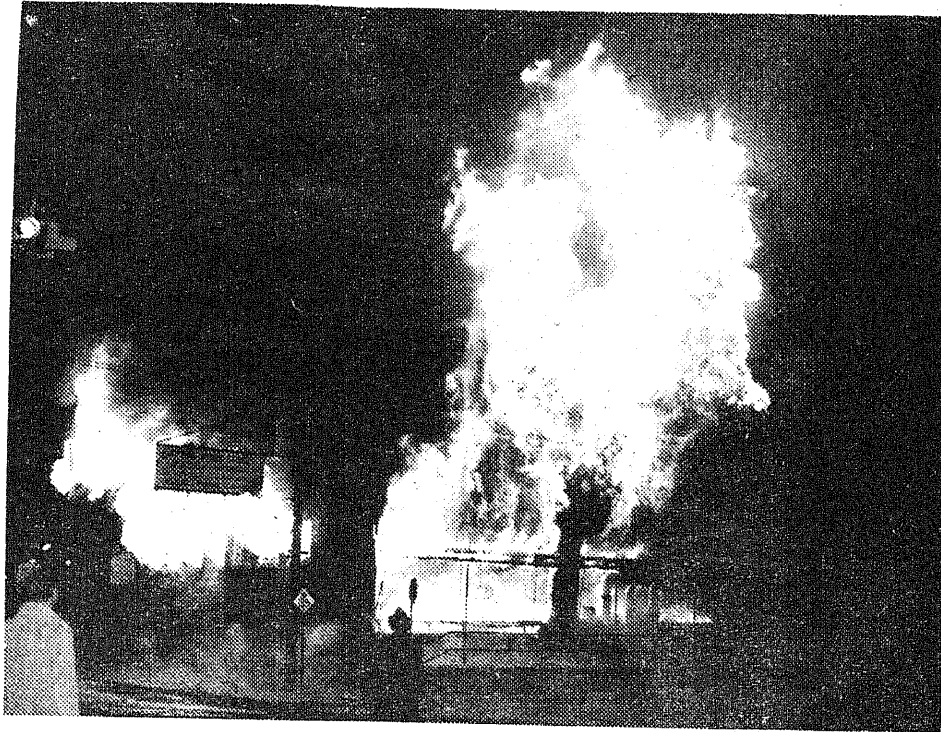
Later the name was changed to Wild Fowl Port, because of its location on little Wild Fowl Bay.

The original Bay Port Post Office was destroyed in a fire in January, 1956. The fire started in the neigh-

boring Wallace & Morley Company store and soon spread to the post office. It was visible from 15 miles away.

All the stamps and mail were saved, and a temporary post office was set up in a vacant barber shop. The make-shift post office opened on Monday morning after the fire, without a single day of business lost.

The current post office building was dedicated soon after, but the exact date of that ceremony is unknown. The layout of the building



had been approved on May 8, 1957.

Anyone who could help Postmaster Urband with photo information is invited to contact her

NEITHER RAIN, NOR SNOW, NOR SLEET — NOR FIRE could stop the commitment to service by the Bay Port Post Office, when it was leveled during Bay Port's big fire in January, 1956. Not even one day's service was lost, and community supporters built a new building in record time.

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