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Bourne-Bristow parcel post bill which provides for experimental parcel post on rural routes only. Local delivery charges are 5 cents for first pound and 1 cent each additional pound or 15 cents for an 11 lb. package.

Pigeon schools have enrolled 223 pupils with 23 non-residents in the high school.

Twenty-three automobiles, containing about 80 Pigeonites, visited Bay City Thursday and took in the fair.

Leipprandt Bros. have just received a car of Kansas seed wheat and farmers are buying it in large quantities for seed. The car contained 1,251 bushels, the largest car of wheat ever received or shipped at Pigeon.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Staubus and children, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thiel and children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wenzel, Mr. and Mrs. B.D. Eddy and Mrs. Jas. McCafferty toured to shoreline by auto Sunday.

Gem Theatre, Pigeon—Saturday, W.S. Hart in "Traveling On," next Thursday and Friday, the big super special, "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court," 20 cents and 40 cents. - ADV.

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Methodist Church Sunday. Circuit Judge X.A. Boomhower ordered that smoking be stopped during court sessions and all meetings in the county courthouse to protect new linoleum and new seats in the court room.

Teachers at Caseville Public School for 1942-43 are superintendent, Mrs. Wanda Dillon, Bay Port, principal; Miss Margaret Watson, primary room and William Powers, middle grades.

Cross Lutheran Church members surprised their teacher, Otto Woelke, Sunday evening, on his 30th anniversary as teacher at the school. T.H. Buchholz was master of ceremonies. The six Woelke children sang several selections and many guests brought greetings, including Pigeon mayor Clifton Bailey.

Art Rathke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rathke, Pigeon and Charles Ulrich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ulrich, Bay Port, both 1972 graduates of Laker High School, have been recognized in the sixth annual edition of "Who's Who Among High School Students."

Winners of the summer's last bonus drawing sponsored by Pigeon Chamber of Commerce, were Cathy Dunn, Donna Behm, Diane Dubs, Kay Harsen and Clarence Knechtel.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Henne, Bay Port, were honored at a surprise 25th wedding anniversary party given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson, Pigeon.

Dennis Kern, Bay Port, son of Mrs. Elsie Kern and the late Clarence Kern, has accepted a call to be a teacher at Our Savior Lutheran School, Flint.

Keri King of Bay Port is studying in Australia for a year through Rotary International's Exchange Program. King is the first person ever to do so from the Thumb Area.

Roger Elston of Pigeon, an employe for 17 years at the Michigan Sugar Company, Sebawaing, has been named assistant agricultural manager of the Sebawaing District.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Diebel were honored Sunday, Sept. 5 with an open house for their 40th wedding anniversary hosted by their children and grandchildren.

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# Lake-Chandler news notes

By MILDRED BALLAGH  
Sept. 2-Chandler Presbyterian Guild will meet with Marvline Richards at 1 p.m. Dr. and Mrs. Stephen Beedle and sons, Joe and Gordie attended a family gathering at the home of Laura's sister, Max and Gary Smith in Belleville honoring their brother and sister-in-law, Ross and Jean Polando and children Stephen and Nick of Chandler, AZ.

Marjorie Orr and Ethel Fetting of Saginaw spent Thursday with their aunt, Florence Southworth.

Floyd Wilson and friend,

Lanetta Ross of Burton were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Wm. McBride and Fred. They had attended the Gilbert reunion in Caseville.

Weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Conkey were Burt and Carol Plausch of Midland.

Brad Hill, son of Steve and Lynn Hill of Port Austin Road celebrated his 5th birthday with his grandparents, Harold and Marion Laskie of Pigeon and Bea Hill of Elkton, also aunts and uncles. Ice cream and cake was served and Brad received gifts. Brad will attend

pre-school at the Tom Thumb Center at Sand Point.

Saturday visitors of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McBride were James McBride of Lansing and Dan McBride, Pigeon. Ken is recuperating from hip replacement.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ballagh and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ellis were Friday overnight guests of Bill and Jan Ballagh at New Lothrop. On Saturday they joined Fred and Mary Grunert of Three Rivers, Tony and Sally Lopez and family of Holt and Andy Ballagh at the home of Bill

and Annette Ballagh at Marshall, where the birthdays of Mildred Ballagh and Bill Ballagh III were celebrated.

Friday visitors of Mrs. George Southworth were Mr. and Mrs. Hal Brock of Marietta, GA.

Weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo McIlhargie were Craig and Marsha Brown and children, Cullen and Larkin of Grand Blanc.

Mrs. George Southworth, Bette Southworth of Elkton and guests Dorothy Wakefield of Adrian and Mrs.

Duane Southworth of Flint and Doris Leipprandt met cousins, Mrs. Wayne Anderson, Mrs. Vincent Smith,

Caseville and Mrs. Walt Forster, Elkton for a luncheon at Greenfields on Monday.

## THANK YOU

For Your Support In The Lake Township Primary Election. Your Continued Support Will Be Greatly Appreciated In The Coming November Election To Re-Elect Me.

Edward Koneczny  
Lake Township Clerk

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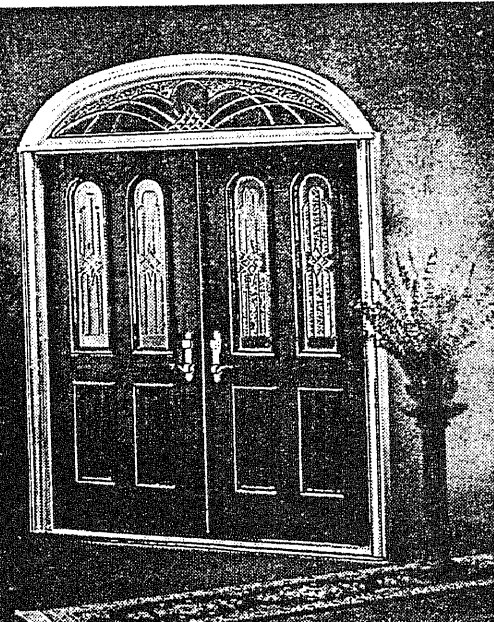
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# District Library Corner

## PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

The theme for the Tuesday, Sept. 1 Preschool Story Hour will be "Machinery" with the stories "Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel" and "Katy and the Big Snow."

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

Children from age three to five are invited to attend either the 9 or 10:30 a.m. sessions. A registration fee is required, per family per year.

## CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY...

The Pigeon District Library will be closed Monday, Sept. 7 for the "Labor Day" holiday. Regular library hours will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 8.

## FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Sally came home from her first day at school. "It was all right," she told her mother, "except for some lady named teacher who kept spoiling our fun."

Larry came home from his first day at school. "I'm not going back," he said. "Why not?" asked his father. "Be-

cause my teacher doesn't know anything," said Larry. "All she ever does is ask questions."

Elroy came home from his first day at school. "Nothing much happened," he told his mother. "Some lady didn't know how to spell 'CAT'; I told her."

This article was taken from the "696 Silly School Jokes & Riddles" by Joseph Rosenbloom. The book is available to check out at the library.

## NEW BOOKS

**ADULT NON-FICTION:** Times in Paradise by Colfax, Reflections Of A Palestinian by Tarbush, The Middle East In Review: 1984-1985 by Hameed, Quilts! Quilts!

Quilts! by McClun, American's Neighborhood Bats by Tuttle, How To Survive The Loss of a Child by Sanders, A Hummingbird In My House by Heidcamp, Advanced Home Wiring by Black & Decker;

Sewing With Knits by Singer, Decorating For Christmas; Creative Window Treatments; Bedroom Decorating by Home Dec. Inst., More Creative Sewing Ideas by Singer, For The Love of a Child by Mahmoody, American Country Christmas by Wilson, Trail of Tears by Ehle, Classic Patchwork & Quilting by Echols, Arts-

O'Christmas Tree by Leisura and Vanessa Ann's 101 Christmas Ornaments by Vanessa.

## SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

Each school day, nearly 22 million students are transported in 350,000 school vehicles nationwide. Thankfully, most travel without incident, but accidents can and do happen.

In the 1987-88 school year, 110 people in the United States were killed in school bus accidents (40 of them pupils). Of those 40 pupils killed, 30 died outside of the school bus while boarding or disembarking.

While the National Highway Safety Administration reports that school buses are four times safer than family cars. They would like you to know a few tips. nYou or another adult should accompany kids to the bus stop.

■ Teach your children such elementary traffic rules as crossing only at corners and green lights. ■ If your child drops something, teach him to wait until after the school bus has left to go pick it up. ■ Whether your child walks, is driven, or rides a school bus, make sure he knows the route to and from school and his address and phone number.

## PRESCHOOL GRADUATES

The following youngsters will continue their learning, moving on to kindergarten following Preschool Graduation on Tuesday, Aug. 18:

Jeremy Avalos, Michael Yoder, Brianna Gascho, Katie Deming, Arthur Litos, Jeremy Miller, Clifton Bumhoffer, Jana Gunden, Kirk Yackle, Katie Licht, Michelle Smith, Ryan Badgerow, Heather Maxwell, Jim Langley, Shane McNamara, Jennifer Krohn, Brandon Lang, Alec McCormick, Justin Essian, Jason Cook, Jackson Maust, Mitchell Yoder, Andy Sting, Dan Sting, Chris Oeschger, Yvette Wissner and Justin Yoder.

# Anniversary

## Mr. & Mrs. Lester Weidman

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Weidman celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with a dinner at Greenfields, Pigeon.

The dinner was hosted by their children and grandchildren, Mark and Kathi Weidman, Jessica and Dan, Caseville; Michael and Amy Weidman and son, Hans of Chicago, IL; John and Jacky Weidman and daughter, Jocelyn of Highland Park; Jim Weidman of Spring Arbor and friend Dawn Foster of Parma. Other guests were, Mickie Diebel of Adrian and Lois Hunt of Detroit, attendants at the wedding.

The Weidmans, Les and Donna, were married in Detroit on June 14, 1952.

## Pigeon news

Kyle, Katie and Nathan returned to their home in Freeman, S. Dakota after spending 3 1/2 weeks with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartzendruber.


Mr. and Mrs. James Dutcher of Warren were Sunday guests of her mother, Mrs. Ann Schuette.

Mrs. Betty Jean Thomas of Canton was a weekend guest of her mother, Mrs. Walter Hartman.

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Dr. Norman Vincent Peale told of a store clerk who helped an elderly woman with her shopping, then summoned a taxi for her when a rainstorm struck. Apparently she told her family about the clerk. When the shopper's son, Andrew Carnegie, needed a sales manager several years later, he remembered the kindness shown to his mother. He sought out that clerk, who made a successful career for himself.

The point is NOT that helpful clerks are likely to meet relatives of famous people, but that people who succeed are often those who give more than required or expected.

It's not the "That's not my job" or "See Department ABC about that" crowd. It's the "givers" who go beyond their "responsibilities" and who "do the extra task".

Somehow, the "givers" still find time to phone a lonely person, to write a note to a bereaved, or who call on the ill.

The world is full of people who need a boost, or an assist. They are our "test" to see how we respond.

If we want "good measure, pressed down . . . running over", there's a way to get it. In Luke 6 we are told that we are measured by the same gauge that we use to measure others.

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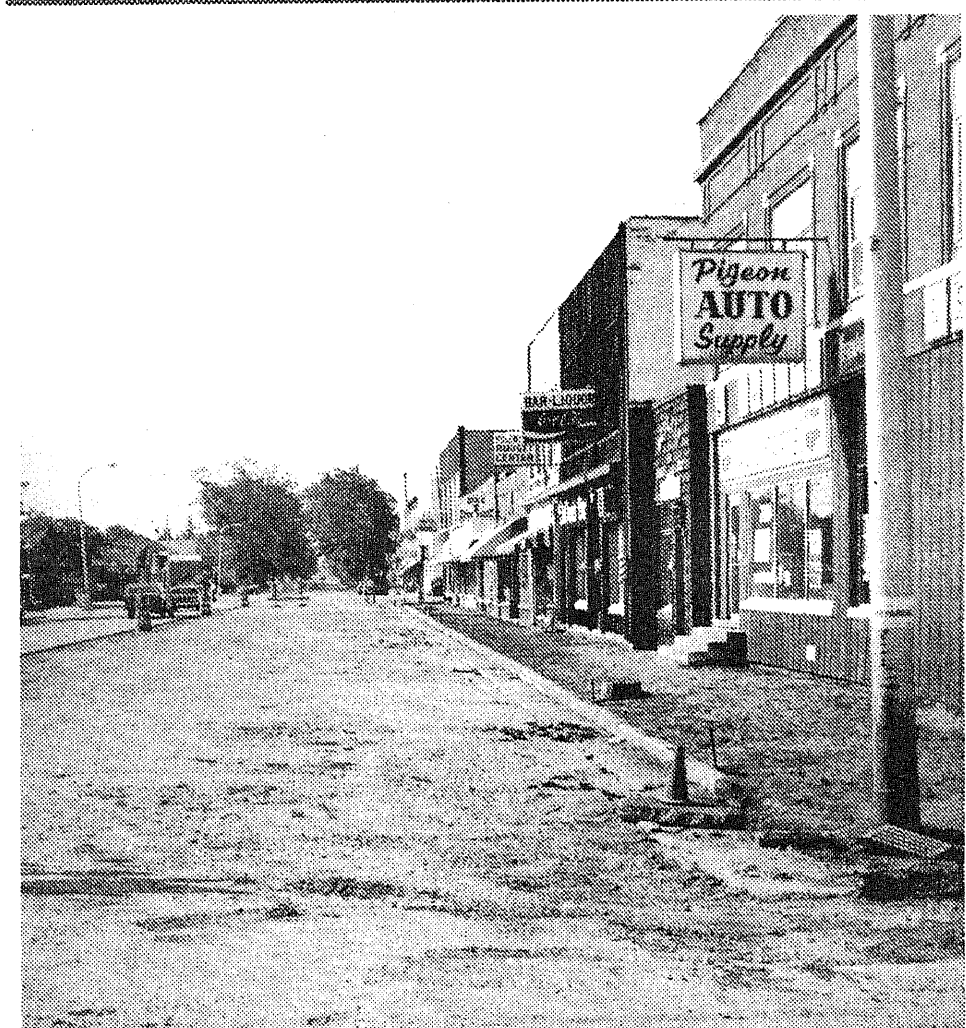
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## FYI: Pigeon roadwork update



WORK IS PROGRESSING ON PIGEON'S MAJOR ROAD REBUILDING and sidewalk project, as workers from PTI Construction continue to chew up pavement and sidewalks. Village Clerk Janet Heckman said the Jacobs Company of Scottsville hopes to begin the brickwork on sidewalks this week, after workers from Pigeon Telephone install conduit for wiring for the streetlights.

HERE, roadway and sidewalks have been removed from the west side of S. Main Street downtown, exposing soil that's been paved over since the early 1900s. "Folks haven't had to walk on dirt sidewalks in Pigeon since probably 1903" when the village was incorporated, one observer said.

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HURON TRANSIT CORPORATION LOCAL ADVISORY COUNCIL:

1 Member to represent the senior citizen population of Huron County and Region VII Area Agency on Aging.

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD:

1 Member to fill vacancy, term expires 12-31-92

THUMB AREA TRANSIT CORPORATION:

2 Members

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

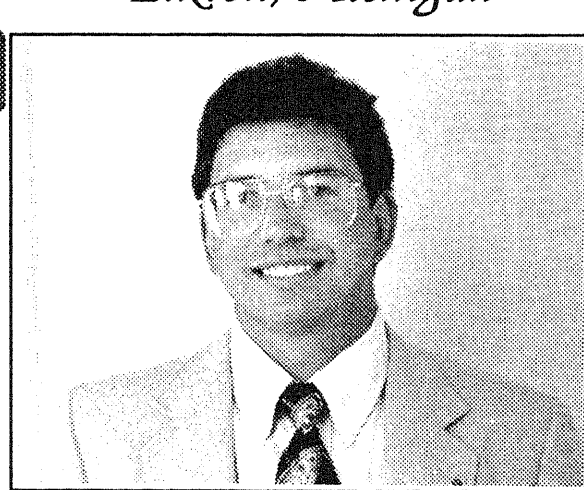
3 Members

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES:

1 Member

Persons interested must submit a letter of intent to the Chairman of the Huron County Board of Commissioners, County Building, Bad Axe, MI 48413 no later than September 18th.

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# AutumnFest

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And at 12 noon, a special memorial service for Lt. Col. Roy Keyt will be held at the park across Main Street from the Village Hall.

The muzzleloader shoot and encampment starts at Ackerman Park, along with the popular horseshoe tournament.

The children can scramble for some candy at the Candy Drop at 12:30 at the park, and the Huron County Sheriff's Safety Trailer will be on display all day Saturday and Sunday.

The pitching contest gets started at 1 p.m. at the park, and the lawn and garden tractor pull begins at 1:30 p.m. The smaller kids can try their luck on the pedal tractor pull at the park, too, at 2 p.m.

At the Youth Center at 4 p.m., organizers have plan-

ned a puppet show, and from 1 to 4 p.m., kids can try their luck at many Kids' Games at the Center.

The Elkton Lioness Club is sponsoring bingo at the Civic Center beginning at 5 p.m., and along with the Teen Dance at the Youth Center starting at 8 p.m., there'll be a polka dance at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday's events start with the flea market, and the Community Worship Service at the tennis courts in Ackerman park at 9:30 a.m. The service will be followed by a pancake and sausage breakfast sponsored by the youth at Elkton UM Church.

The Antique Auto Show will attract plenty of visitors, starting at 9:30 a.m.

The pitching contest begins again at noon, and Ron Forster will be demonstrating dog obedience and police work at the tennis courts at 12:30.

There's also mud volleyball at noon, with signup at 11:30, and the new pushcart races start at 1:30 with registration at 1 p.m.

Wrapping up the weekend is the Robert Dubey 16th Annual Invitational Golf Tournament at Century Oaks Golf Course.

The winner of the utility shed and child's playhouse from the Elkton Lions club will be drawn Monday afternoon, and the winner of the beautiful baby contest sponsored by the Elkton Lioness Club will be announced.

## LJH Football practices start

Laker Junior High has announced that football practices for seventh and eighth grade boys will begin on Monday, August 31 at 3:30 p.m.

Participants must have a physical and an Athletic Code Book Permission slip on file before you can participate.

Persons with questions should contact Coach Jack Tyler at 375-2794.

# Wanda Eichler's "Back To Camp"

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That was the summer that I pulled at least one camper to safety at the waterfront. All the careful training that Red Cross had instilled into my being came to bear quickly when a youngster couldn't quite make the pier while performing what we called "the swimming test." A cramp or exhaustion set in and this kid, grateful when the ordeal was finally over, had to be pulled out of the water.

I sewed my wedding dress at Camp Lucerne. "I'll never forget you working on your dress at the end of the swimming pier," one friend reminded me this weekend.

"Lucy, do you really remember that? I don't," I told her as we reminisced about summer camp days in 1968.

Then, too, I had to remind Jerry and Betty Sherman who were the camp caretakers about the chapel window. All summer in 1968 Jerry worried about how he would get the chapel window cleaned for our wedding. He solved the problem by sending his nephew, Frankie, up a ladder on the day before the wedding. Frankie's mission was to clean the outside of the giant picture window. Somebody had the same idea this year, for when I walked back to the grove of pines behind the window, the outside glass shone just as clean as it did on our wedding day in 1968.

Our 10-year-old Peter found his way to the waterfront quickly. Most kids are attracted to Lake Lucerne's sandy beach, canoes, raft, and pers. I decided to don my swimsuit for a quick swim while

Ed and Peter canoed a bit. I had forgotten what a refreshing

swim a small, spring fed inland lake can provide.

Pete soon joined me on the raft and we enjoyed a short swim while Ed waded and chatted with friends from years ago. The stay was too short and we had to leave before we'd shown Peter all of the camp. Sometimes we don't get to touch the past. We don't ever get to see the old places and spaces. This was a precious time of touching the special summer place of my growing up days.

Back to camp—that's where we went for one short day. Back to camp.

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