

The BLADE-CRESCENT & The Progress-Advance

The Newsweek

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They're ready for back-to-school!



SISTERLY HELP — The four daughters of Steve and Patti Gremel of Bay Port help each other get ready for their first day of classes at Bach - Kilmanagh Lutheran School this year, the first year all four will be attending classes all day. There are lots of curls to make, clothes to tuck in and books to prepare, but the girls are happy to help each other. Shown from left are sixth grader Rebecca, 11 years old, fifth grader Jennifer who's 10, third grader Kimberly, 8, first grader Stephanie, who's 6 and sitting on mom Patti's lap. **MARK R. RUMMEL PHOTO**

Blade & Progress NEWS ROUND-UP

Recount in State Rep. race

A recount of the Aug. 4 Primary Election results in the 84th District State Representative's race between incumbent Dick Allen (R-Caro) and G.O.P. challenger Julia Heilig of Ubyly is underway in Tuscola and Huron Counties.

Heilig, who lost by 90 votes, requested the recount.

In Tuscola County, Allen edged Heilig out with 2,956 votes to 2,007 for a 949-vote margin, but in Huron County Heilig had 4,148 votes to Allen's 3,289 — for a 858-vote margin.

The resulting 90-vote margin is less than one percent, so Heilig said she wanted a recount of all precincts to assure accuracy.

Recounts of the Aug. 4 primary election are underway in one Huron County Commission District and in one township.

The commission recount is in District 6 where G.O.P. newcomer Glen Townley defeated incumbent Robert Witherspoon by a 17-vote margin of 555 to 538.

Also, there is a recount in Hume Township for the supervisor's seat between Don Schorsch and William Bambach, who received 94 and 73 votes respectively, and for the treasurer seat for Chester Barnski and Alice Graig, who received 120 and 104 votes respectively.

Completion of the is expected by Wednesday, said Huron County Clerk Helen Lemanski.

Tax property sales coming

Tax reverted properties in several southeastern Michigan counties will be offered for sale Wednesday, Sept. 9 in Saginaw. Bidder registration starts at 9 a.m., with sales starting at 10 a.m., according to the state Department of Natural Resources, which is coordinating the sales.

Tax-reverted lands in Huron, Tuscola and Saginaw Counties will be offered Sept. 9 at the Saginaw County Commissioners' Room 200 in the County Courthouse, Saginaw.

Sale catalogs with property descriptions are available at each County Treasurer's office, at DNR District and Regional offices or by contacting Gary Hartsuff, DNR Real Estate Division, P.O. Box 30028, Lansing, 48909, or 517/373-1250.

\$9.5 million Sugar plant expansion

By MARY DRIER

Michigan Sugar Company's Sebewaing Plant is due for \$9.5 million in capital investments during 1993 and 1994, which will add 120,000 tons of sugar beet production to the facility.

Sebewaing Township Board members last week approved an industrial facilities exemption for the company that provides a 50 percent tax break for 12 years on \$9.5 million worth of improvements.

The company plans to invest \$8 million in 1993 and \$1.5 million in 1994, says Township Supervisor Willet Oeschger.

The \$8 million portion would generate about \$18,000 in new taxes the first year, but the tax break would

reduce that amount actually paid to about \$9000, he says.

Although the township doesn't receive the full amount, the expansion is still a very positive move — especially for farmers, township officials say.

The exemption allows Michigan Sugar to make improvements that will create new jobs during the construction period, extend some factory jobs by 45 days and significantly increase sugar beet acreage, company officials say.

"The company has a beet-end and a sugar-end. On the beet-end is where they slice beets to make raw juice, and the sugar-end is where they boil it down to make sugar," Oeschger says.

"They plan to increase ca-

capacity in the beet-end of slicing and handling raw juice and pulp. They will build raw juice storage tanks next year."

The factory is in the process of installing a new pulp press, and will install a new defuser in 1993, to boost beet handling capacity, company officials say.

"The changes will allow us to increase our slicing capacity," says Factory Manager Lewis Zemanek. "We are targeting doing 5500 tons per day versus the current average of 4500 tons per day."

The equipment will provide more beet slicing capacity, but not add to the sugar-making portion of the plant — so part of the remodeling includes beet juice storage containers.

"The end result is we will build thick juice storage tanks and store the equivalent of 1000 tons a day in thick juice," Zemanek says.

The changes will allow the company to slice more beets, giving longer employment to campaign workers — and will allow farmers to increase beet acreage to provide the greater tonnage.

"The normal campaign will still have the 120-day target, and then we will have a 30-day thick juice campaign to boil and extract white sugar and molasses as a by-product," Zemanek says.

"This will increase the inner campaign force in 1993, but I don't know by how

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Michigan "By the Numbers" How many AIDS cases?

The number of reported cases of AIDS as of July 1 is stable in the Upper Thumb, according to figures from the Michigan Department of Public Health. The number of reported AIDS cases here are:

Huron County	2	Bay County	10
Tuscola County	1	Saginaw County	23
Sanilac County	1	Genesee County	83
Lapeer County	3	STATEWIDE	2965

County balance: \$1.49 million

Huron County's 1991 audit report shows the county's general fund balance for 1991 is \$1.49 million, up nearly \$30,000 from 1990. The report from the CPA firm of Hyzer, Hill, Kuzak & Company of Bad Axe shows the county is in generally good shape.

The entire county budget is \$6.8 million.

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Linzner sees worst cucumber season in 37 years

By MARY DRIER
Unseasonably cold temperatures this spring and summer are taking a big toll on various crops in the Western Thumb, including cucumbers.

Another first this year for the longtime cucumber producer is having to replant his early crop of cucumbers because a late May frost killed them all. The early crop of cucumbers was planted May 13 and 14. The crop was looking good but a hard frost on May 24 destroyed the crop.

Linzner says he had to replant his early crop about a week after the frost, and that he delayed planting his late crop to July 27 rather than planting it July 21. "This is the first time since I started raising cucumbers in 1955 that I lost a crop because of a spring frost," Linzner says. Then, he faced a double whammy of cool temperatures all summer long. "You need good hot days

and warm nights for cucumbers to grow," Linzner says. "We've only had about four real good days." When temperatures are cool, cucumber plants go dormant and stop producing.

Linzner notes overall production is about three weeks behind, and says he won't know the total impact until the end of the season, when he tallies the books.

The cucumbers Linzner raises go to the Eastern Michigan Vegetable Marketing Co. in Capac for distribution as fresh store produce.



KARL LINZNER surveys part of this year's cucumber crop, on its way to being turned into pickles. This is his worst growing year since 1955. MARY DRIER PHOTO

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Co-op Elevator recognizes workers for their efforts in \$1.8 million profit

By MARY DRIER
Employees are the backbone of any business and are often unsung heroes — but not at the Cooperative Elevator Company.

The company's workers and patrons helped the Co-op realize a \$1.8 million profit for the fiscal year 1992, which ended June 30. The Co-op's 110 employees are "Get The Job Done People" who were the focus of the company's annual report and meeting Tuesday, Aug. 25 at the Colony House, near Cass City. More than 1000 Co-op patrons attended. President and CEO John P. Kohr credited the company's success to its dedicated, knowledgeable and innovative employees, who believe that working together works.

"We ended the year with a bottom-line debt margin of \$1.79 million, which is comparable to the \$2 million we had last year," said Vice President of Finance Bill Boyle. "Cash dividends paid out totaled \$1.22 million, which is a 40 percent cash dividend on this year's profits." For the fiscal year, sales increased about \$1 million from \$61.17 million to \$62.09 million. "Our working capital increased by \$1 million, and

we have reduced our long-term debt from \$4.55 million to \$3.35 million," said Boyle. Equity ownership increased from \$14 million to \$15 million, and \$1.02 million was spent on capital improvements during the fiscal year. Kohr presented detailed results of each department and the part they played in the company's success. "The grain department handled a record volume this year in excess of 10 million bushels — the biggest year we've ever had," Kohr said. "Overall we upgraded services and information, and saw customers respond with record purchases."

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Caseville School hires 4

Caseville School Board has hired two teachers and two staff members for the coming school year, at the Aug. 24 meeting. Vickie DiMercurio of Saginaw will be a parttime math teacher. Michael Remar of Sebawaing was hired as parttime social studies and phys. ed. instructor, and will also be soccer coach. Sandra Goslee of Caseville was hired as parttime school secretary and Brigitte Schembre of Caseville was hired as a cook. The 1992 operational millage rate will be maintained at the 1991 rate of 17.9174 mills, which should generate \$1.4 million, according to Caseville Supt. James Stahl. The debt retirement figure was reduced by .08-mill to 0.71 mills, which should generate \$55,658. The Board also set June 12, 1993 as graduation date, set the current year tuition rate at \$900 per child and awarded bids for milk and bread to McDonald's Dairy of Flint and Schaefer Bakery of Lansing.

Week's weather watch

Partly sunny, storms chance	Warmer, storms likely AM	Partly cloudy, warmer	Should be warm and dry
72/50	76/58	75/55	79/62
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend

Court proceedings

In 73rd District Court (Huron County), Judge Karl Kraus last week heard the pleas of/ or passed judgment on;

- Vincent M. Staub, 22 of Caseville, pled guilty to no operator's license in possession; ordered to pay \$90 fines and costs;
- Jason C. Fullwood, 17 of Port Austin, pled guilty to no operator's license in possession; \$150 fines and costs;
- Patrick J. Cola, 18 of Caseville, pled guilty to no operator's license in possession, speeding and seatbelt violation; \$175 fines and costs;
- Stephen M. Vignesi, 22 of Kinde, pled guilty to conspiracy to commit malicious destruction of property, 4100 or less, following a June 12, 1991 incident involving Thumb Electric Cooperative equipment at Helles Road, Lincoln Township; ordered to serve 61 days in the Huron County Jail, pay \$200 fines and costs, serve one year's probation and make restitution of \$322.23;
- Michael J. Snider, 27 of Bay Port, pled guilty to impaired driving; 10 days in jail, \$500 fines and costs, one year's probation, ordered to attend counseling and has driver's license revoked;
- Elaine M. Keelean, 32 of Port Austin, pled guilty to driving with license suspended; \$217.20 fines and costs;
- John W. Rands, 23 of Cass City, pled guilty to driving with license suspended, following a recent incident investigated by Caseville Township Police; \$200 fines and costs and has car impounded;
- Brenda L. Vuillemot, 20 of Elkton, pled guilty to no operator's license in possession; \$90 fines and costs;
- Alan J. Demuth, 35 of Kinde, pled guilty to no operator's license in possession; \$90 fines and costs;
- Harold W. Sayers, 39 of Port Huron, pled guilty to impaired driving, second offense, following an Aug. 23 incident on M-25 near Gageton Road, Caseville Township, investigated by Huron County Sheriff's Deputies; 10 days in jail, \$500 fines and costs, 18 months' probation, counseling ordered and loses driver's license for 18 months;
- Margaret E. Krohn, 43 of Elkton, pled guilty to drunken driving; \$400 fines and costs, 12 months' probation, 10 hours community service and loses license for six months, and
- Jose C. Lopez, 21 of Pigeon, pled guilty to impaired driving; \$500 fines and costs and loses license 90 days.

In 71st District Court (Tuscola County) Judge Kim Glaspie recently heard the pleas of/ or passed judgment on:

- David L. Hall, 33 of Fairgrove, guilty of drunken driving and unlawful blood alcohol level; sentenced to 30 days in jail, \$620 fines and costs and 12 months' probation;
- James L. Woodbury, 51 of Midland, guilty of drunken driving and unlawful blood alcohol level, following a June 6 incident in Wisner Township; \$620 fines and costs, six months' probation and loses driver's license for one year;
- Carrie A. Walsh, 20 of Sebawaing, guilty of allowing person with suspended license to operate a motor vehicle; \$75 fines and costs, and
- Steven S. Weeker, 31 of Cass City, guilty of drunken driving; \$620 fines and costs, six months' probation and loses license for six months.

All The News That Fits

We Print!

by Mark Rummel



GOODBYE AND HELLO! — The Rummel Family has merged our two newspapers into The Blade & Progress Newsweekly, but it's done with a sad goodbye to two grand old dames. The Blade-Crescent was born to serve Sebawaing and Unionville back in 1954, from the former Sebawaing Blade and Unionville Crescent. I well remember my parents putting together The Blade on Wednesdays and The Crescent on Thursdays. I even got to help fold, address and mail them as a youngster who grew up in Sebawaing — after being born in Pigeon.

Over in Pigeon, 15 miles to the northeast, Ace and Harriet Collins merged their Elkton Advance and Pigeon Progress together into The Progress-Advance in 1955. I've been a reader of it since then, and helped print it at the Rummel-Collins-owned Thumb Web Offset Publications while a teenager. We're probably the best people to realize merging these two papers is our only course of action. My first published photo appeared in The Blade-Crescent in 1962, when I was at the tender age of 12. And my wife Sally and I have run The Progress-Advance through rain and shine since before we were married — we even came back to work after our wedding to put out that week's issue, before starting our honeymoon.

Now we've come full-circle. Sally and I bought The Progress-Advance from Ace & Harriet in 1978, while my Dad Walt Rummel and brother Jim Rummel bought The Blade-Crescent back from interim owner Robert Neuman's estate after his death in 1982. We've worked together between Pigeon and Sebawaing since then, but we've got to look ahead. In Sally's and my time here, in the past 15 years, 12 hometown weekly newspapers have ceased publishing within 90 miles of here — in towns like Kingston, Carsonville, Bad Axe, Sandusky, Essexville, Bay City, Reese, Akron and Imlay City. Some have merged, but most were closed outright.

We think the Western Thumb deserves better. Weekly newspapers are not a "big profit" business, but we HAVE to seize the opportunities available to us. By merging into The Blade & Progress Newsweekly at this time, not one staff person is being fired or laid off (we have more than two dozen full- and part-timers), no features or stories are being dropped, no offices closed. We're simply presenting one larger paper in place of two small ones for this entire area. We're giving you a bigger perspective and more to read. For advertisers, our 7,500 circulation base reaches more than 22,000 readers every Tuesday — more local circulation than the combined circulations of the Bad Axe, Caro and Bay City newspapers here. DOUBLE their circulation here, in fact.

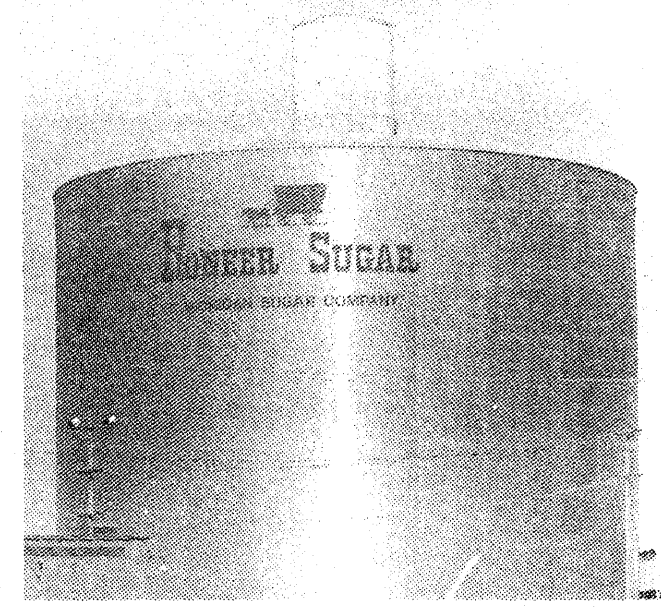
We've changed, but we wanted YOU to judge how much we're staying the same. What you found in the B-C last week or in the P-A last week still appears here. We've added a few features, but we STILL want to give you what you deserve: a well-packaged, informative, friendly, locally-owned newspaper. One that you can't WAIT to read every week. You're welcome to let us know how we're doing. After all, we're only here because nice folks like you keep reading us... — 30 — WISH I'D SAID THAT: "When we give it our all, we can live with ourselves — regardless of the results." (Zig Ziglar)

Beans down 35% from '91

Michigan Ag Statistic Service forecasts dry bean production at 4.03 million hundredweight (cwt), 35 percent below the 1991 crop. Lower yields in the 1992 crop are responsible for the decrease in production, the experts say. As of Aug. 1, forecasts yields at 1,300 pounds per acre, assuming normal weather conditions for the remainder of the season.

Sugar expansion

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many people yet. When the amount of slicing increases, other equipment additions will become necessary, such as adding another pulp pallet mill because more products will need palletizing, Zemanek adds. The \$1.5 million in 1994 improvements will provide a larger wet hopper for the beet handling system, plus more stone- and trash-catching equipment. "The equipment we have now will not handle the increased slice, so more efficient and larger equipment is necessary," he says. "We are looking at slicing 120,000 more tons of beets." A total of 475,000 tons of beets were sliced during the 1991 campaign.



THE HUGE storage tank at the Sebawaing plant of Michigan Sugar may get new storage "neighbors" in the expansion.

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2 men charged by TNU

Preliminary exams are scheduled Thursday for two 20-year-old Caseville men on charges for receiving and concealing stolen property.

Joseph F. Gaertner and Tood M. Bond were both arrested after an undercover Thumb Narcotics Unit (TNU) officer allegedly bought two stolen boat motors from them.

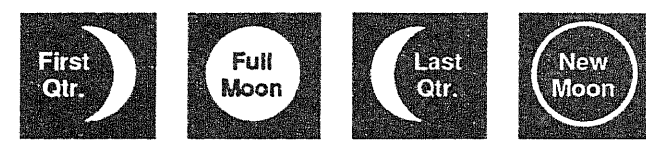
The men were arraigned Thursday in Huron County District Court before Judge Karl Kraus on two felony counts each of receiving/concealing stolen property over \$100.

Each count carries a maximum penalty of five years and/or \$2,500 in fines. Bond was set at \$3,000.

TNU officers were assisted by the Huron Sheriff's Department, the Michigan State Police, Caseville Police and the Fair Haven and Caseville Township Police Departments.

Thumb's sky calendar...

Moon phases in the coming month for the Thumb Area:



Within a half hour of sunset, try to spot Jupiter and Venus low in the western sky. The gap between the pair is now about 11 degrees apart. For best results, use binoculars.

Senior Meal-Site menu

The Sebawaing Senior Meal-Site, 970 Union St., welcomes all seniors, 60 years and older and their spouses. The Meal-Site is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. For reservations call Jenny Martens at 674-2205.

Activities — Monday, Sept. 7: CLOSED for Labor Day Tuesday, Sept. 8: Bingo - 10:30 a.m.

Menu — Wednesday, Sept. 2: Meatloaf, corn, mashed potatoes, cabbage & pineapple, slaw, fresh Honey Dew.

Thursday, Sept. 3: Baked Pork Chop, mashed potatoes, cucumber & tomatoes, applesauce.

Friday, Sept. 4: Hot Turkey Sandwich with gravy, mashed potatoes, carrot & raisin salad, Harvard beets, cottage pudding.

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They're queens... and they're cousins!

By AMY HEIDEN
Susan Engelhardt has had a pretty busy summer, with preparations for the Huron Community Fair, getting ready for school this fall, and competing in the Pigeon Farmers' Festival Queen and Huron County Bean Queen Contests.

She won the title of Bean Queen and was first runner-up in the Farmers' Festival contest.

Now she'll be competing in the Michigan Bean Queen contest in Fairgrove Labor Day weekend — seeking to join Carole Henry and Beth Ann Henry as Huron County Queens who've won the state contest in recent years.



Susan Engelhardt



Anissa Hornbacher

Engelhardt's cousin, Anissa Hornbacher, was first runner-up in both the Michigan Sugar Festival Queen and the Huron County Bean Queen contests.

Since Sugar Queen Kristy Adam will be out of town on Labor Day weekend, Hornbacher will represent Adam at the Bean Festival.

Engelhardt is the daughter of Orin and Frances Engelhardt of Kilmarnagh, and Hornbacher is the daughter of James Hornbacher and Patrice Gettel of Sebawaing.

The new Bean Queen will represent the bean industry at exhibitions and other events all over the state, explaining the importance of the bean industry.

Thumb Club News

CASEVILLE RETIREMENT CLUB

There were 95 members and guests Eleanor Forestand Ida Lathgest present for the Aug. 25 meeting of the Caseville Retirement Club.

President Ed White asked all to stand and greet their neighbors, then led in the Lord's Prayer before the potluck meal. The Pledge to the Flag opened the meeting.

Ed Reynolds was thanked for the "earlybird" goodies. President White asked for

volunteers for the Nominating Committee. Ray Gerrard gave details on the trip.

White reported meal-site dinners will be Sept. 15, also a Senior Ball at the Colony House on M-53 on Sept. 23. Tickets are available from Marion Fournier.

Celebrating birthdays were Marion Grunow, Isabelle Cameron, Mary Ellen Janes

and Bill Smith. Feted for anniversaries were Delmer and Doris Schuler (3 yrs) and Fred and Veronica Liston (46 yrs).

It was reported that Mary Bowman and Mildred Beadle are hospitalized at Scheurer, Gertrude Fisher is at St. Mary's and Jeanne Owens is having more tests. There was a moment of si-

lent prayer for member Paul Jessup who was buried today in Cary, IN. A memorial service will be held in Caseville in the future.

Ed Reynolds announced a Health Fair on Sept. 17 at Bad Axe Knights of Columbus Hall from 12 to 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

The 50/50 raffle was conducted by Bill Smith.

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The **BLADE-CRESCENT** & The **Progress-Advance**

The Newsweekly

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1. Why are The Progress-Advance and The Blade-Crescent merging?

A: Just as other progressive companies are choosing to do, the two locally-owned newspapers in the Western Thumb have joined forces to do a better, more complete job for more than 22,000 local readers through 7,500 weekly copies.

Think about it: school districts have been merging for more than 30 years, farm co-ops, banks and hospitals have merged too. We've all learned the "little guy" can't survive these days.

And this has happened before. The former Elkton Advance and Pigeon Progress were combined in 1955 into The Progress-Advance. The Unionville Crescent and Sebawaing Blade merged in 1959 into The Blade-Crescent.

2. We've lost our local newspaper!

A: No, you haven't. In fact, we believe this combination of talents helps insure a quality newspaper will continue to serve this area. None of the local features you've had in The Blade or The Progress are being dropped; we're just eliminating duplication.

3. Why are you doing this now?

A: We are fortunate that our recent past has found two nearby newspapers which are owned by one family, the Rummels. The fact that the Sebawaing and Pigeon newspapers — 15 miles apart — are owned by the same people means we've already been sharing some equipment, manpower and abilities for more than 14 years.

Everyone in business knows we all must try to be as efficient as possible these days. Many advertisers tell us "you've got a nice little paper" but choose to spend the majority of their advertising money in "bigger papers" since they think bigger is better. Michigan's two biggest newspapers in Detroit merged several years ago, to survive.

Now, we're one bigger paper — which will serve you better.

We all are thinking regionally these days, even though we may live in different small towns. We have much more in common — farming, tourism, business conditions, mortgages and so on — than we have differences. We watch the same sports teams and have many similar interests. That trend will continue into the 21st Century.

4. What will The Blade & Progress Newsweekly cost?

A: Readers will continue to pay just 50 cents per copy — for a paper roughly twice the size of our former separate editions. A full year's subscription is just \$18 — about as much as one MONTH of cable TV. And they don't give you any local pictures or news. For distance subscriptions, the cost is \$26 a year, since Second-Class-Mail costs more to send further distances.

For advertisers, our rates are up — but we're STILL the most affordable newspaper sold in the Western Thumb. And we have nearly DOUBLE the circulation here of the Bad Axe and Bay City daily newspapers COMBINED!

5. How and where can I buy The Newsweekly?

A: Our new paper is published every Tuesday morning. More than three dozen local stores from Akron to Port Austin sell it, with more to come soon. It's available as of Tuesday noon in many of the bigger stores. Home-delivered copies will be in Post Office boxes Tuesday afternoons or home-delivered in Tuesday's or Wednesday's mail.

6. Who's in charge? How is this being set up?

A: Familiar faces are still responsible for their same jobs, for the most part. Mark Rummel is News Director, overseeing all content, with writing help from Publisher Emeritus Walt Rummel and writers Mary Drier, Amy Heiden and others.

Jim Rummel is Sales Manager, overseeing all advertising, with Lorraine Kuhl, Debby McBride, Marie Lupp and Pat Holland making day-to-day contacts.

Sally Rummel is Marketing Manager, overseeing general operations, promotions, circulation and special efforts. Hope Haley is Office Manager, overseeing customer contacts. Judy Koch is Production Manager, overseeing composition and printing.

7. Where can I turn in my news stories and photos? Do you still want them?

A: The same places and yes, we always want your news. Our Sebawaing office is still located at 236 N. Center Street, next to Pitcher's Ben Franklin, with Fran Davis, Lorraine Kuhl, Hope Haley, Mary Drier, Jim Rummel and Walt Rummel still ready to serve you.

In Pigeon, the same friendly staff is also ready to greet you at 7232 E. Michigan Ave., next to Eicher's Cleaners — Marge Kanaski, Deb McBride, Neila Collison, Amy Heiden, Sally and Mark Rummel.

And, yes, we DO still want your news stories, photo ideas and input. They tell us what YOU want in your hometown paper. Our deadline is Friday at 5 p.m., for Tuesday's paper — but we always appreciate items earlier than that.

A good newspaper is a reflection of its community. It should "mirror" events for, by and about local folks.

A community paper, after all, belongs to its community. We are merely the custodians of The Blade & Progress Newsweekly. We're carrying on the traditions established more than 103 years ago.

And we're also working to be sure the 21st Century still has a locally-owned, hometown newspaper strongly serving this vibrant area.

8. Why didn't you announce this before making the change?

A: We thought about that, but it made more sense to show you exactly what you'll be getting instead. This first issue will give you a good idea of how we want your paper to look every Tuesday. After all, actions can speak louder than words.

Besides, we're merging because of the necessity to maximize efficiency, to keep this company healthy That best serves the Thumb Area.

9. What's going to be in each issue?

A: Everything you see here, plus more. Besides a more complete round-up of local news stories and local pictures, which you've expected from our separate papers, we also have added the greatly expanded "Calendar" feature. It offers a chance to briefly outline upcoming events in the coming weeks and months. No other paper has anything like it — but others will probably imitate it soon.

We've brought back all The Blade-Crescent's favorite features, such as Walt Rummel's "Yarns From The Thumb," Hanswurst's "A Wahre G'schichte," Mary Drier's "Drier Humor," "Down Memory Lane" and the expanded "Community Calendar."

We've brought back all The Progress-Advance's favorite features, too, such as Mark Rummel's "All The News That Fits, We Print!" column, Wanda Eichler's "From Under the Willow," Mavis Pechette's "Fore!", Mildred Ballagh's "Lake-Chandler News Notes," Dorothy Diener's "Pigeon News Notes," "The Past in Print," "We're Asking YOU," "FYI features," "Achievements," "Pigeon District Library Corner" and Percy Ross' "Thanks a Million" — which is here to give YOU money.

Plus, the features you've expected from both papers are all continuing, too: George Keim's "Recollections of By-Gone Days," Kate Pickering's "Horsin' Around," Duane Guenther's "Woods & Waters" and "Outdoor Report," the expanded "Thumb Weekly News Round-Up," "News That COUNTS from Huron & Tuscola Counties," "The Ad Market" classified ad pages, our Editorial Pages, Church Page and more.

10. What's new?

A: After that whole list, we're not sure we'll have ROOM for new items, but we've got a thought or two.

The "Thumb Weekly News Round-Up" is being expanded because our surveys tell us you want last week's news summarized for you, this week's news explained and next week's news anticipated. That's what we're trying to do — to save you reading time.

The "Calendar" is also growing because it gives us a chance to announce your group's special event conveniently several weeks ahead of time. Plus, it lists all upcoming public meetings, too, for your information.

Our "Speak Out" feature offers an "electronic mail" chance to send letters-to-the-editor from your phone. Just call our regular phone numbers (883-3100 in Sebawaing or 453-2331 in Pigeon) after normal office hours (which are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.) Leave a short recorded message and we'll select the best ones of general interest to be published in our next issue. We'll print your name or initials and town, plus your comment. Often, as you can see from the first batch presented here, we'll add a response or answer — or find the answer for you.

Also new is our expanded Sports Coverage and "THUMB LIVING" Pages, helping you keep in touch with everything that's happening here in the Western Thumb. We've even got comics, too, because readers have asked for them.

11. Anything else?

A: We think the time has come for The Blade & Progress Newsweekly. We hope you think so, too.

No other newspaper summarizes, explains and anticipates for you. The "big papers" tell you what happened yesterday — but you miss news if you don't read every single daily issue. And, six of every 10 adults in the Upper Thumb don't subscribe to any single daily paper. More than 90% of local folks will be seeing our 7,500 weekly copies.

We're here to serve you — and do that. We want to stay as a welcomed guest in your home... and hope to add hundreds more homes as our coverage area increases.

Our commitment remains the same: to provide this area with the best possible newspaper. Choosing whether our family-owned company does it by producing two small papers or one larger, better paper is a decision we've made over the course of more than three years. But we're confident we'll be able to do a better job for you every Tuesday, through The Blade & Progress Newsweekly.

All you are asked to do is keep reading — and tell us what you think. As we've said, we're here to serve you.

We hope you're as pleased and excited about this new paper as we are!

Thumb Area Obituaries

SECORD McMULLEN 1904-1992

Secord McMullen, age 88 of Sand Point, passed away, Tuesday, Aug. 25 at the Huron County Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe after a short illness.

He was born Jan. 1, 1904 in Verona Township, son of the late Robert and Ellen (Mattice) McMullen. He was united in marriage to Ina M. Rapson, on Sept. 6, 1928 in Bad Axe.

Mr. McMullen attended Popple Rural School and farmed in Colfax Township until his retirement in 1970.

He and his wife moved to Sand Point and were winter residents of Port Charlotte, FL. He was a member of Colfax United Methodist Church, Elktion Senior Citizens, Huron County Farm Bureau and a past member of the Colfax Grange. Mr. McMullen enjoyed fishing and travel.

Surviving are his wife, Ina of Sand Point; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; two foster sons, Ralph Wellman of Flint and Lloyd Wellman of Lansing; two foster grandchildren and one foster great-granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Mrs. Stanley (Elaine) Shetter; six brothers, William, Robert, Percy, Ben, Cecil and Wilford and one sister, Mrs. Lee (Florence) Rapson.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, Aug. 28 at 11 a.m. from MacAlpine Funeral Home in Bad Axe. The Rev. Gregg Mayberry, pastor of Caseville United Methodist Church, officiated with burial in Colfax Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Colfax United Methodist Church or Caseville United Methodist Church.

CHESTER MANLEY 1918-1992

Chester William Manley, age 74 of Waterford, formerly of Elktion, passed away Monday, Aug. 24 at Huron Valley Hospital in Milford.

He was born March 9, 1918 in La Salle, son of the late William and Selma (Wilmsers) Manley. He was united in marriage to Katherine "Katie" Stipanovich on July 12, 1948 in Miles City, MT.

Mr. Manley moved to Huron County in 1964 with his family and settled in the Elktion Area. He later lived in Pigeon and the Caseville Area. In 1991 he moved to Waterford for health reasons and to be near his children.

He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Caseville and retired from the Michigan Sugar Co. in Sebawaing in 1980. He is survived by his wife, Katie; two sons, Larry Hill of Novi and Ronald (Marie) Hill of Commerce Township; one daughter, Virginia Langner of Escondido, CA.; eight grandchildren; a brother, Norman and his wife Patricia of Royal Oak and a sister, Helen Chesney of Royal Oak.

He was preceded in death by one son, Carey, in 1970.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Aug. 26 at 3 p.m. from the Champagne Funeral Chapel in Caseville. The Rev. James Duprey, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church officiated with burial in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Pigeon.

Memorials may be made to the family.

MARTHA HEWITT 1898 - 1992

Martha Hewitt, age 93 of Elktion, passed away Thursday, Aug. 27 in the Newaygo home of her daughter.

She was born Dec. 3, 1898 in Oliver Township, daughter of the late John and Magdalena (Gascho) Staekli.

She married Henry L. Hewitt on Dec. 3, 1919 in Elktion. He preceded her in death on Feb. 2, 1968.

She lived in Elktion all her life, recently moving to her daughter's home for health reasons.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Charles (Dorothy) Overley of Newaygo and Mrs. Venus (Arlene) Arnold of Loomis; two sons, Harold and his wife June of Caro and Henry and his wife Lila of Elktion; three brothers, Walter Staekli and his wife Dorothy of Elyria, Ohio, Andrew Staekli and his wife Helen of Chesterland, Ohio and John Staekli and his wife Augusta of Willoughby, Ohio.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Aug. 30 at the Champagne Funeral Chapel in Elktion. The Rev. Venus Arnold, son-in-law of Mrs. Hewitt, officiated with burial in Colfax Cemetery, Bad Axe.

HILDA (PETTY) HORN 1911 - 1992

Hilda Ellen (Petty) Horn, age 80 of Indianapolis, IN., passed away Aug. 7 at Methodist Hospital.

She was born Dec. 20, 1911 in Bay Port, daughter of the late Arthur and Martha Petty.

She married Gerald Friedrich Horn of Pigeon. He predeceased her on Dec. 21, 1985.

She is survived by two sons, James Gerald (Josephine) Horn and Richard Dale (Cindy) Horn, both of Indianapolis; four grandchildren; one great-granddaughter and two sisters, Elizabeth Anastasio and Evelyn Campbell.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Jean Ellen; one sister, Vivian Brown and one brother, Roland Obed Petty.

Funeral services were conducted on Aug. 11 in Indianapolis with burial in the Washington Park East Cemetery.

TERRY SMITH 1941 - 1992

Terry Dennis Smith, age 51, of Pigeon, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 26 at Saginaw General Hospital after a five-year illness.

He was born July 2, 1941 in Pigeon, son of the late Denson and Viola B. (Schultz) Smith. He married Gloria Jean Kopah on June 23, 1962 in Caseville.

Mr. Smith was employed as a journeyman plumber at Shetter Plumbing and Heating for 16 years. He also farmed in the Pigeon and Caseville areas with his brother.

Surviving are his wife, Gloria; four sons, Todd of Essexville, Troy of Bad Axe, Terry E. and Jeffrey, both at home; one grandson; two brothers, Vincent and his wife, Joyce of Caseville and Richard and his wife, Coy of Grand Blanc; four sisters, Wilma D'Anna of Ferndale, Mrs. Melvin (Kay) Adams of Birch Run, Mrs. Douglas (Diane) Honaker of Pigeon and Sharon Hartz of Caseville and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one son, Timothy Lee.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. at Salem United Methodist Church in Pigeon. The Rev. Stephen A. Miller and the Rev. Wayne Keim officiated with burial in Grand Lawn Cemetery in Pigeon.

The Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, was in charge of funeral arrangements.



DOROTHY McLAREN 1922-1992

Dorothy M. McLaren, 70 of Akron, died Saturday morning, Aug. 29 in Tendercare Nursing Facility, Cass City, following a lingering illness.

Miss McLaren was born in Akron on April 1, 1922, and lived her entire life in the Akron Area.

She was a member of Wisner United Methodist Church. She was a jigsaw puzzle enthusiast and at the time of her death had an estimated 300 jigsaw puzzles in her collection.

She also enjoyed knitting, crocheting and maintaining her home.

Surviving are two brothers and sisters-in-law, Richard McLaren and his wife, Janice, of Akron, and Kenneth and his wife, Jeannette, of Unionville, four nephews and one niece.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 1 in Wisner United Methodist Church. Rev. Mark A. Karls officiated and interment was in Wisner Cemetery. Briggs-Trenergy Funeral Home of Akron was in charge of arrangements.

Friends wishing to offer a memorial are invited to consider Wisner Church or their own charity of choice.

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Scenic lady golfers honor leaders at annual meeting

The ladies of Scenic Golf and Country Club held their annual meeting, conducted by President Marie Kantarian. A moment of silence observed the memory of Rita McGregor, long-time member and valuable contributor to the Women's Division of Scenic.

During the meeting a donation to Scheurer Hospital was made as a memorial.

Lois Anderson and Lois Drury, tournament committee, presented awards.

Club champion for the 25th time is Edna Dutcher with Jeanette Rowe being the runner-up. First flight winner is Eunice Binder followed by Erlene Melisko.

Koz Hoeh won the honors in Second flight and runner-up is Donna Osentoski. Winning in the Third flight is Grace Janik with Loretta Rollo the runner-up.

The Handicap Tournament was won by Mrs. Dutcher and Mrs. Melisko was the runner-up.

Bridge chairman Terri Grosberg presented the season prizes. Virginia Pacific had the high single day score and also claimed the top season award. She was followed by Flo Robinson and Wanda Smith.

Pinochle prizes for the year went to Doris Strauch, Rita Gogola and Elaine Bauss. Share the wealth prizes were won by Mrs. Bauss, Car-

men Kauffold and Mrs. Melisko.

Dody Yahn of the golf committee announced winners for the previous week. Play of the day was Low Net Score and prizes went to Lillian McLean and Mrs. Binder in First flight, Mrs. Hoeh in Second flight, and Harriet Collins in Fourth flight.

Scotch Doubles was the play of the day this week. The team of Cozy McCormick and Mrs. Binder was the winning team with Mrs. McLean and Mrs. Gogola in second place.

On a tie-breaker, third place went to Shirley Keating and Mrs. Robinson. Mrs. Anderson had a chip-in.

Mrs. Osentoski and Sylvia Kelsey presented a slate of officers which was elected.

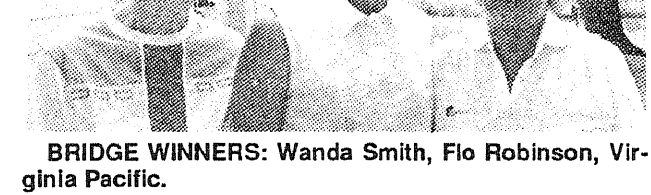
Mrs. Kantarian will serve as president for another year. Vice-president will be Elaine Tindall. Georgina Kreh will be secretary and Marilyn Esch will fill the position of treasurer.

Up-date on card winners: Pinochle winners on Aug.

11 were Audrey Yochim and Mrs. Osentoski.

August 18 winners were Mrs. Gogola and Mrs. Yochim. And on Aug. 25 Mrs. Keating, Mrs. McLean, and Helen Trailer had high scores.

At the bridge tables on Aug. 18 Cole Lambert and Marian Winfield were winners. Mrs. Lambert repeated as a winner on Aug. 25 and was joined by Mavis Pechette and Sylvia Friedman.



BRIDGE WINNERS: Wanda Smith, Flo Robinson, Virginia Pacific.



PINOCHLE WINNERS: Doris Strauch, Rita Gogola, Elaine Bauss.



GOLF WINNERS: Koz Hoeh, Donna Osentoski, Erlene Melisko, Eunice Binder, Loretta Rollo. Mrs. Melisko was also named Handicap Tourney runner-up.

Class Reunions



THE CLASS OF 1947 of Sebawaing High School met Aug. 15 at Annabelle's Restaurant, with 19 class members and 16 guests attending.

Pictured here are class members, front row from left: Deloras (Gaeth) Eiftman of Pigeon, Joan (Stock) McColley of Sun City, AZ, Della (Stahl) Marotzke of Sebawaing and Marlon (Neumann) Trieber of Bay City; middle row, Ray Kaatz of Ventura, CA, Ken Schramm of Saginaw, Betty (Roanisch) Luther of Unionville, Irene (Laskowich) Boltzman of Sebawaing, Dorothy (Simon) McCreeley of Unionville, Elaine (Hornbacher) Buchholz of Pigeon and "Red" Reinhold of Sebawaing; top row, Dick Abbott of Mason, John Kroll of Sebawaing, Dr. Bob Hartman of Milan, Chuck Bush of Denver, CO, Bill Kundinger of Linwood, Martin Haag of Gibraltar and Sam Lupp of Sebawaing.

Pigeon High School Class of '57 celebrates 34 years

The 34 classmates of spouses of the Pigeon Class of 1957 held its 34th reunion at the Knights of Columbus Hall on July 25.



Donna (Truemner) Moeller welcomed everyone and gave the table prayer. At reunion time it was noted the class had no deceased members.

The committee for the reunion was Delores (Baur) Voelker, Beverly (Squires) Simmons, and Donna (Truemner) Moeller. A reunion is planned for five years.

Pictured are, front row: Betty (Eiftman) Wisneski, Lois (Haist) Dewald, Michael Wellman, Delores (Baur) Voelker, Beverly (Squires) Simmons, Carol (Jean) Kelson.

Middle: Lynn Sturm, Jim Christner, Ron Heckman, Ron Elenbaum, Donna (Truemner) Moeller, Phyllis (Schmidt) Little.

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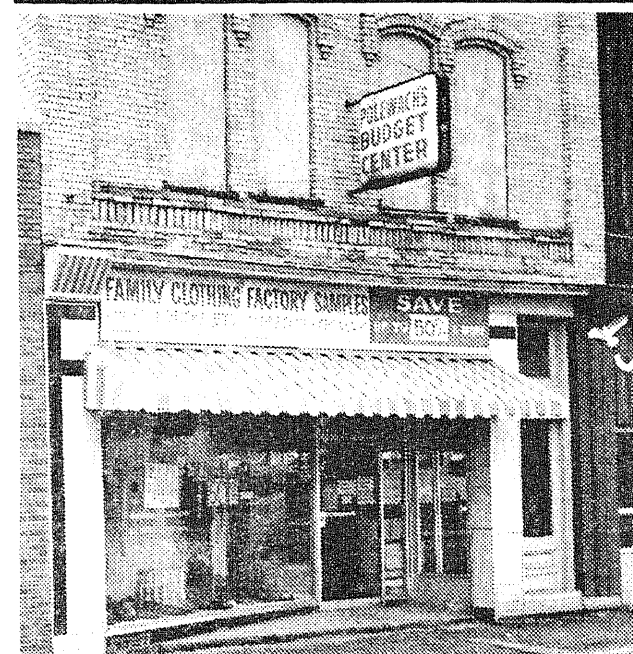
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Sixth annual Woods-N-Water News Outdoor Show at Eastern Michigan Fairgrounds, Imlay City. Howard Shelley, longtime outdoor host, among speakers.

Sunday, Sept. 13 - Scheurer Golf Tournament

The Scheurer Hospital Auxiliary Golf Tournament begins with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. at Scenic Golf and Country Club, Pigeon. All proceeds benefit Scheurer Hospital. To register, contact Eunice Binder, 527 Camelot Lane, Pigeon.

Sunday, Sept. 13 - Grandparents' Day



THE CASH REGISTER RANG for the last time on Saturday at the Polewach Budget Store in Pigeon, as the retail landmark closed its doors for business, citing a number of changes in the retail climate for its demise.

Employees from the Budget Store will be relocated to the main Polewach Store on South Main St. and Jerry Priebe, a representative of Polewach's, Inc., headquartered in Sandusky, said a new Budget Center will likely be located in the main Polewach Store. The Budget Store opened in 1967 as the former Fahrner Clothing Store location was purchased from Mrs. Maude Fahrner.

SPEAK OUT!

The Blade & Progress Newsweekly invites you to participate in our new SPEAK OUT! column, offering you a chance to give us your opinions, views, compliments, comments and criticism on topics of general interest. All calls must include caller's name and phone number, but we'll use initials only if you wish. We reserve the right to edit submissions.

Call our regular business phones after normal Monday-Friday hours of 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and selected comments will appear here next week.

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Jerry Jensen, Post Commander, Michigan State Police Post, Bad Axe:

We wish to remind your readers that Operation C.A.R.E., Combined Accident Reduction Effort, will be in effect nationwide from Friday, Sept. 4 through Monday, Sept. 7 for the Labor Day holiday.

The Michigan SAFETY BELT BLITZ II is in effect. State law enforcement agencies will place special emphasis on the enforcement of safety belt and child restraint laws during the current period, now through Sept. 7.

Buckle-up to increase your protection in a crash, and to avoid a traffic ticket.

Police will be giving special Pizza Hut coupons to motorists as a reward for buckling up. Please drive carefully, buckle-up and help us reduce traffic

crashes, our #1 killer.

J. B., Bay Port: Why is it that downtown Bad Axe's streets project is taking so long, while it appears Pigeon's is almost half done? It seems like Bad Axe's work has been going on all summer.

We don't know the whole story, but let's not decide until all the work is done. The torn-up streets in Bad Axe are rapidly being completed. Let's hope all tie-ups are short, for everyone's sake.

K. In Sebewaing: I don't like your paper publishing the names of people who are arrested for drunk driving. I know they shouldn't do it, but if they pay the fine that should be enough punishment.

If even one person acts more responsibly because their name MIGHT be published

after they break the law, we think that's reason enough for printing the names of drinking drivers who are caught. It IS against the law, remember, and innocent people may be hurt... or killed.

appreciate the support and comfort knowing our people have the best possible medical care.

Bill In Pigeon: I wish school would start after Labor Day. It's still summer. It doesn't make sense to start for a day or two and then get days off.

Whatever schedule is used requires 180-plus days of school. If classes don't start before Labor Day, they'll go on longer than early June before summer vacation starts.

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Fall Sports Preview

Meet The 1992 Fall Sports Teams From Lakers, USA & Caseville

Laker Teams Ready For Challenges Of New Season

By AMY HEIDEN

Opposing coaches may look at the 1992 edition of the Laker Varsity Football Team and gloat.

After all, the ever-tough Lakers lost the likes of Reggie Ignash, Mike Keefer and Scott Fisher—all powerhouse runners and scorers.

But those coaches also know better than to underestimate a Bill McLellan-coached team.

Even though McLellan says that this year's team is in a "wait-and-see situation" as to starters and potential stars, he has enough returnees to build a winning team around.

While Ignash last year did most of the scoring in his position as quarterback, using the option play, second-year quarterback Jason Krohn will take to the air more, much as Jeremy Esch did two years ago.

Although Krohn didn't start last year, he saw plenty of

action and should be an offensive threat.

"Offensively we should have a pretty good mix. We'll throw the ball and run the ball both," McLellan says.

Krohn will have several good receivers to catch his passes, as senior Scott Herbert returns at split end and John Klosowski returns as tight end.

Junior receivers Mike Ignash (Reggie's cousin), Ben Krebs and Brian Gebauer also should see plenty of playing time.

"We have a lot of running backs that can catch the ball," McLellan says.

The biggest change from last year's team is the interior lines, both offensively and defensively.

The 1991 team earned a reputation as physically imposing and tough to push around.

This year, Dan McBride is the only returning offensive lineman and Bob Blome, the

team's unofficial cheerleader and morale booster, is the only returning defensive lineman. Kendal Truemmer started at defensive end last year, but his season was cut short with a knee injury.

"We'll be doing more stunting defensively because we're a little less experienced.

"Last year we had linebackers that had played for three years. Now we have new linebackers and it'll take some time to work with them," McLellan says.

McLellan will have plenty of opportunities to test his team, as they've got a pretty tough schedule.

His guess is that Harbor Beach, Lakers' cross-county perennial rival, will have the toughest team in the area.

But the Lakers will also meet Frankenmuth, whom they beat last year in the regional semi-finals.

Unionville-Sebewaing should also have a good team

because of their returning starters, McLellan says.

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USA QUARTERBACK BILL NIETZKE fires a pass to receiver Matt Kauffold in last season action. Kauffold graduated in June, but Nietzke comes back to lead the Pats.

Patriot Footballers Are Hoping To Repeat Last Year's Winning Ways

The 1991 Patriot varsity football team turned in the best overall performance in the school's history — culminating in the Red, White & Blue's first-ever appearance in a playoff game. But 14 team members graduated last June, and Coach Tim Travis notes he'll miss their talent and experience.

"We lost some good players on both sides of the ball," he says. Gone this season are stand-outs Mike Ertman and Matt Kauffold in the backfield and Lucas Weber, Paul Crumm, Brent Vermeersch and Chad Hout-hoofd from the defensive roster.

"We're still juggling with who'll be filling those spots," says Travis, "but we've got some experience coming back and some new players who are learning fast."

Returning to the starting lineup is quarterback Bill Nietzke, who packs a lot of offensive experience, power and potential. In front of him will be well-seasoned linemen Chris Czubachowski and Jared Kotenko. Senior Chad Liberacki and junior Greg Eremia will return to their cornerback duties, and Paul Wiese comes back as a hard-nosed middle linebacker.

Liberacki and Eremia also will bring a lot of speed to the backfield, and sophomore Jeff Ertman is working hard to fill his brother Mike's

old position. "Jeff is just a sophomore," says Travis, "but don't expect him to play like a sophomore. He's big, strong, has good speed, and he's learning fast."

The 1992 Patriots will pack a real offensive punch, and their defense, a traditional USA strongpoint, should compare well with anyone else in the Thumb.

The Pats will have to be at their best through the whole schedule if they hope to repeat post-season play this year.

The '91 Patriots were 7-2 for the season and 7-3 for the year. Harbor Beach won the TCC crown with a 6-0 record, while USA took a close second with a 5-1 mark.

"The league is going to be tougher than ever," Travis says. "Harbor Beach will be very good again, while Uby and Deckerville are improved over last year. Sandusky is also going to field a good team this year, so I hope we can just stay the same as last year. We'll be ready defensively, but building a strong offense could take a while."

"We'll just take it a game at a time. We've got high hopes, but we still have to build our confidence. But there aren't any weak teams on our schedule, so there'll be a lot of close games and a lot of good football."

The Pats begin the season with a non-conference tune

up against Lakers Saturday, September 5 at Cartwright-McCormick Field in Unionville. It should be one of those close contests Travis pre-



LAKERS WILL MISS REGGIE IGNASH, shown here gaining ground against the Marlette Red Raiders last season. Despite the loss of Ignash, Mike Keefer and other experienced starters, the '92 Lakers have plenty of talent and pride.

USA PATRIOTS FALL SPORTS



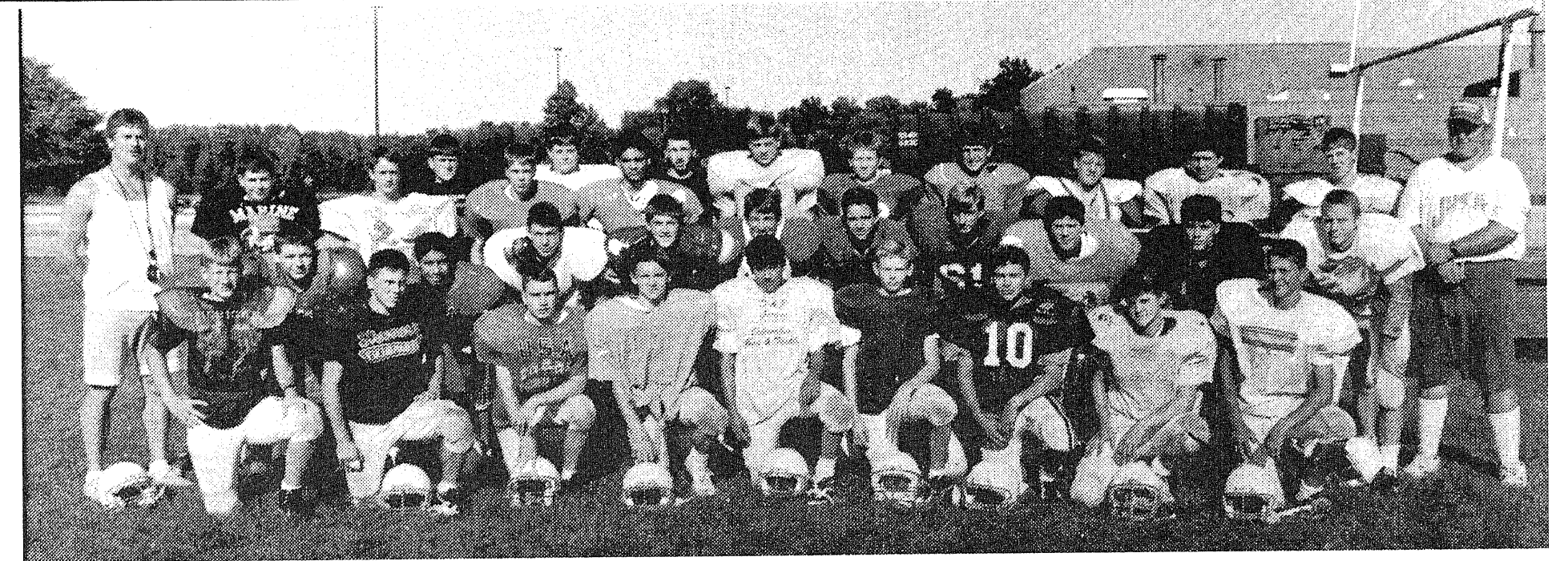
MEMBERS OF THE 1992 PATRIOT VARSITY FOOTBALL team include, front row, from left, Greg Eremia, Nathan Groth, Jamie Wildner, Brian Kuhl, Tony Sokol, Jim Reithel, David Kinney, Chad Liberacki, Aaron Yenglin, Ryan Finkbeiner and Larry Smith. Back row, from left, Coach Tim Travis, John Brenner, Jerod Reige, Paul Wiese, Andy Zagata, Ben Prime, Chuck Burrows, Bill Nietzke, Jason Achenbach, Jeff Ertman, Chris Czubachowski, Jared Kotenko, and Asst. Coach Gary VanSumeran.

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MEMBERS OF THE PATS' JV FOOTBALL SQUAD are, front row, from left, Brian Dell, Chad Mead, Tim Beringer, and Mike Mascorro. Back row, Scott Jahr, Matt Rievert, Jody Nitz, Brian Nieschulz, Marc Geiger, Lance Ainsworth, Arden Becker, Jack Thompson, Josh Selbel, and Asst. Coach Ron Engelhardt. Missing from the photo is Aaron Eurich.

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Now village, fire and ambulance officials will honor Keyt at a special memorial service during the AutumnFest. The service is set at 12 noon this Saturday, at the downtown Village Park across from the Village Hall.

Elktion President Barb Thompson says after her welcome, Rev. Deweerd Smith of Community Wesleyan Church will lead the crowd in a prayer. Then the Laker Band will play "Stars and Stripes Forever."

Lt. Col. James Schmalzter of Selfridge ANG Base will be the keynote speaker, then the Selfridge Honor Guard will fire a 21-gun salute.

"We wanted to honor Lt. Col. Keyt's memory because we as a community shared in the loss," Thompson says. "We're all proud of the men and women who serve in the Armed Forces, and want them to know we support them."

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5-7:00 P.M.	Quilts & Collectible Hobby Show	Hitching Post
7:00 P.M.	Sally Doerr Dancers	School
7:30 P.M.	Crowning of Senior King & Queen	School
7:30 P.M.	Crowning of Teen Queen	School
1-9:00 P.M.	Log Cabin	Park

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

8:00 A.M.	Flea Market	Park
All Day	3 On 3 Basketball	Up Town
All Day	Co-ed Volleyball	Park
10-5:00	Quilts & Collectible Hobby Show	Hitching Post
10-3:00	Pie Social	Civic Center
10:00 A.M.	Wood Carving Display	Pavilion #1
11:00 A.M.	Parade Grand Marshal	
	Mr. & Mrs. Phil Wiederhold	Main Street
11:00 A.M.	Thumb Two Cylinder Club	Park
12:00 P.M.	Memorial Service	Up Town
12:00 P.M.	Elktion Chamber Firemen Barbecue	Firehall
12:00 P.M.	Huron County Sheriff Safety Display	Park Entrance
12:00 P.M.	Horse Shoe Tournament	Horse Shoe Pit
12:00 P.M.	Muzzle Loader Shooting & Encampment	Park
12:30 P.M.	Candy Drop	Back Field
1-9:00 P.M.	Log Cabin	Park
1:00 P.M.	Pitching Contest	Park
1:30 P.M.	Lawn & Garden Tractor Pull	Park
2:00 P.M.	Kids Tractor Pull	Park Diamond #1
1-4 P.M.	Kid Games	Youth Center
4:00 P.M.	Puppet Show	Youth Center
5:00 P.M.	Bingo (Elktion Lioness Club)	Civic Center
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

8:00 A.M.	Flea Market	Park
9:30 A.M.	Church Service	Tennis Court
9:30 A.M.	Sunday Breakfast	Pavilion #2
9:30 A.M.	Auto Show	Picnic Area
12:00 P.M.	Pitching Contest	Park
12:30 P.M.	Police & Obedience Dog Exhibition	Tennis Court
12:30 P.M.	Huron County Sheriff Safety Display	Park Entrance
1-5 P.M.	Log Cabin Open	Park
1:00 P.M.	Baseball Game	Back Field
12:00 P.M.	Mud Volleyball	Volley Pit Signup 11:30
1:30 P.M.	Pushcart Races	Diamond #1

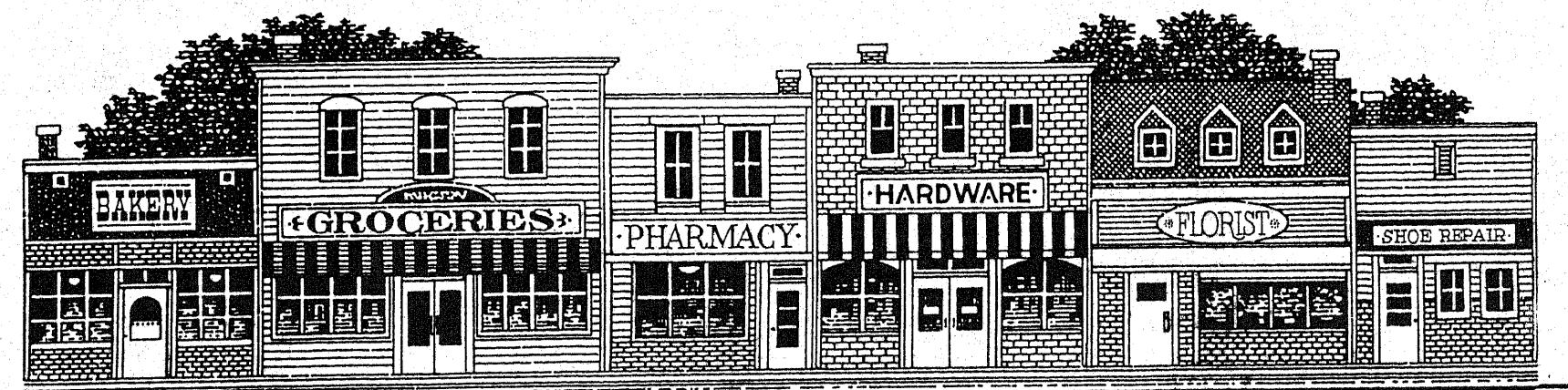
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Huron Youth Center sets New activities, programs

By AMY HEIDEN

In rural areas such as the Thumb, there's often a lack of supervised activities for teens and younger children. But the Board of Directors of the Huron Youth Center are making plans to change that, with plans for twice-monthly dances, after-school and Saturday afternoon activities.

Lee Jaworski, the new vice-chairman of the Board and the mother of three teen-age daughters, knows the trouble kids can get into when they're unsupervised and have nothing to do.

So she and other members of the board are busy making plans to open the center a couple of days a week for supervised after-school and Saturday activities.

"Things are really rolling along now," Jaworski says. "We have some really enthusiastic board members and they're all adults who're really interested in kids."

The youth center is gearing up for more and more use after nearly three years, tens of thousands of dollars and hundreds of hours of renovation, repair and remodeling.

The Center is the brain-child of Elkton resident and Michigan State Trooper George Willoughby, who envisioned the Center as a place where youth could come for supervised recreation and other programs.

The Center has some equipment now, such as games, a pool table and Ping-Pong table, but much more is needed, Jaworski says.

"We really need tables and chairs because if we have a program there, the kids have no place to sit," she says. "We also need shelves and cabinets for storage."

And of course, cash donations are always welcome to help pay the gas bill and purchase games and other materials when they're needed.

Local folks interested in seeing the Youth Center succeed have already donated over \$7,000, Willoughby says.

Jaworski says she'd like to see the Youth Center open a couple of days a week after school for supervised activities, and plans are underway to possibly show a movie on Saturday afternoons and hold a teen dance at night.

"Our kids need some organized activities. We want parents to know this won't be a hangout place. The kids will be supervised," Jaworski says.

The Board plans to involve local schools in planning, as they seek area art students to paint murals on the walls.

"We want to get the kids involved right now because it's their youth center and they've got to make it work," Jaworski says.

"This is a youth center for youth of all of Huron County. We think it will have a snowball effect, that once kids get involved, more and more will come."

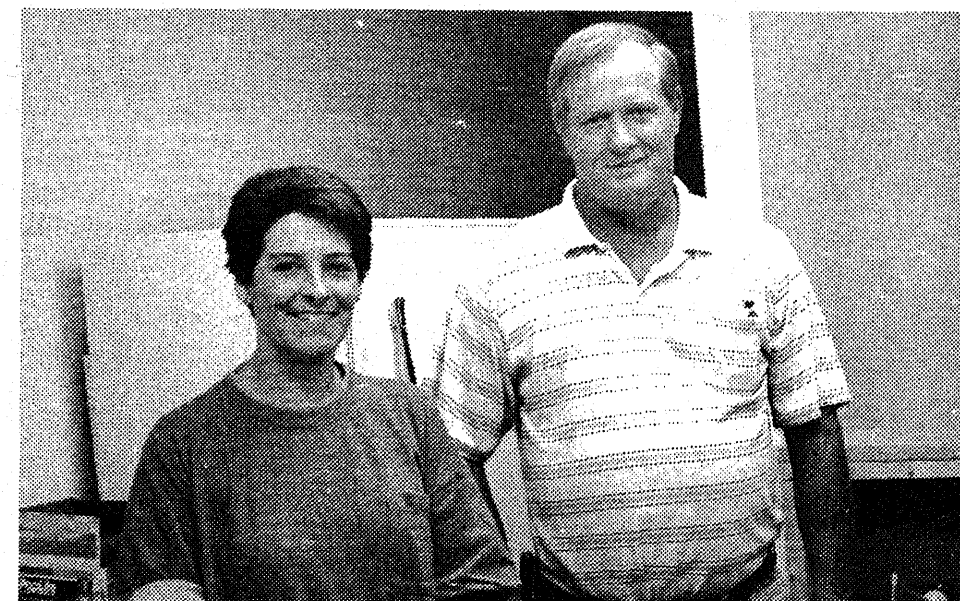
But to make any type of programs work, dedicated volunteers are needed, she says.

Jaworski is hoping parents will get involved so they can have some input into what programs are offered.

Volunteers are especially needed during the AutumnFest weekend—as the Youth Advisory Board will be selling hot dogs, pop, chips and nachos during the AutumnFest 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament, and then sponsoring a teen dance, both on Saturday.

To volunteer for the Saturday activities, or to make a longer-term commitment, folks can call Jaworski at 375-4169.

To make a donation, checks can be mailed to Board Treasurer Shirley Nichols, P.O. Box 284, Elkton, MI 48731.



Lee Jaworski, left, and George Willoughby are working to provide supervised youth activities at the Huron Youth Center.

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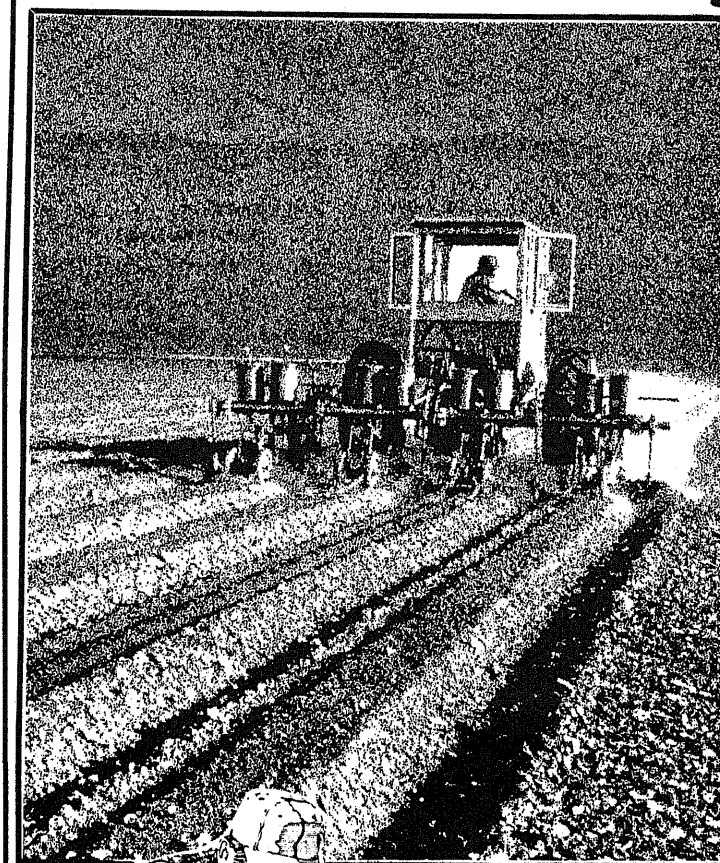
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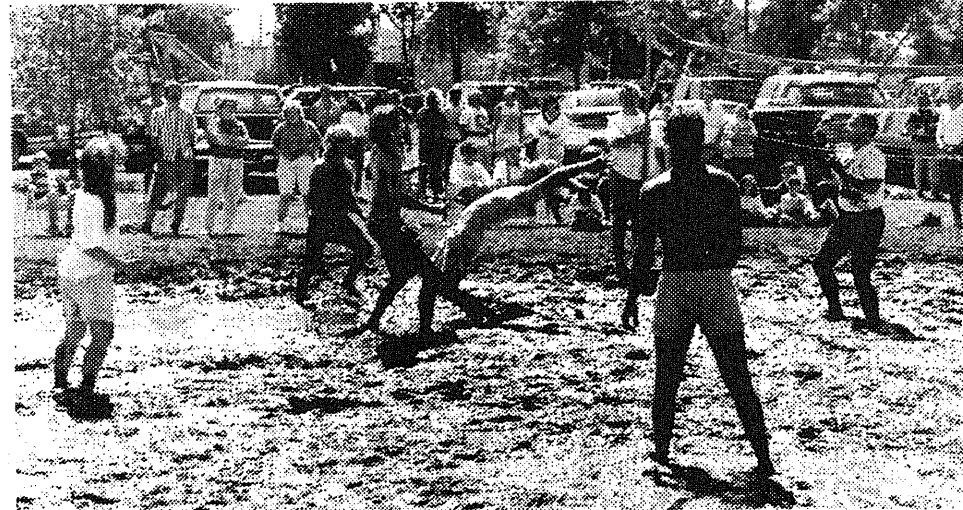
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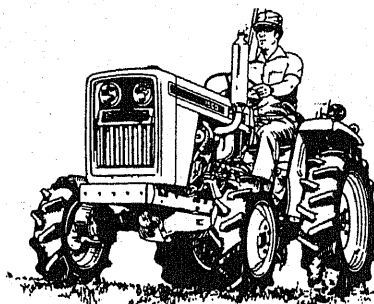
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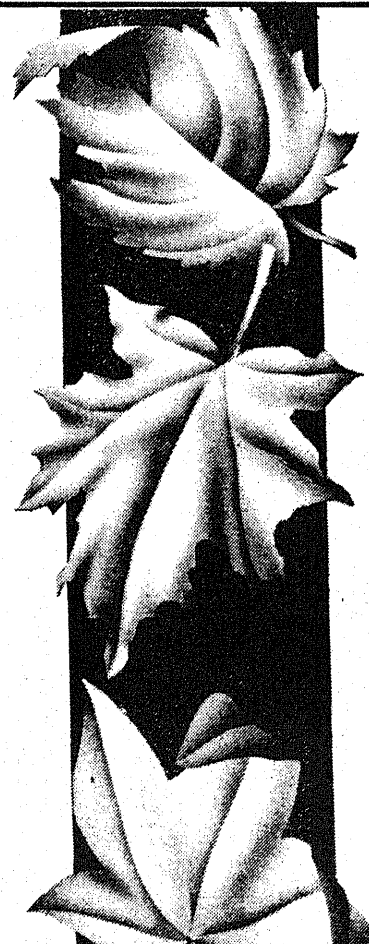
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They're inviting local residents to gas up the lawn and garden tractor and bring it on over to the AutumnFest celebration this Saturday at 1:30 p.m. and test it against the mini-humiliator provided by the Thumb Tractor Pulling Association.

After all, the smaller cousins of the big farm tractors can do a bit of pulling when need be, and here's the chance to find out just what kind of "pull" your tractor has.

Organizer John Smithers said the contest will be broken down into horsepower classes, with classes for tractors with six to 10 hp, 10-13 hp, and 13-20 hp. Engines can be stock this year, he said, but next year, modified engines may be allowed.

Lawn and garden tractor pulling used to be a popular sport in the Thumb, Smithers said, and offering a contest at AutumnFest may be a way to bring it back.

"Down in Chelsea, they have competitions lasting all day long," Smithers says.

AutumnFest Community Worship Service is Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

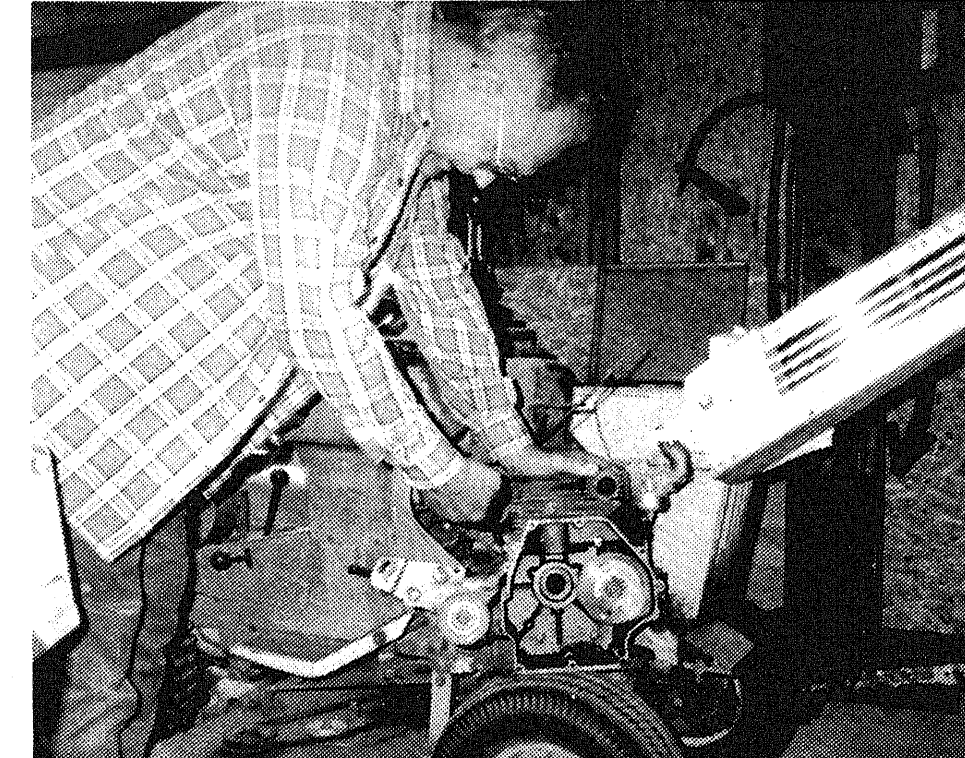
Pastor Sang Yoon Chung will be leading the Community Worship Service, during AutumnFest, on Sunday, Sept. 6 at 9:30 a.m.

The service will be held at the tennis courts in Ackerman Park, and following the service, the youth of the Elkton United Methodist Church will serve a pancake and sausage breakfast.

Rev. Sang is the newly-installed pastor at Elkton United Methodist Church. Other churches helping with the service include Community Wesleyan Church and Elkton Missionary Church.



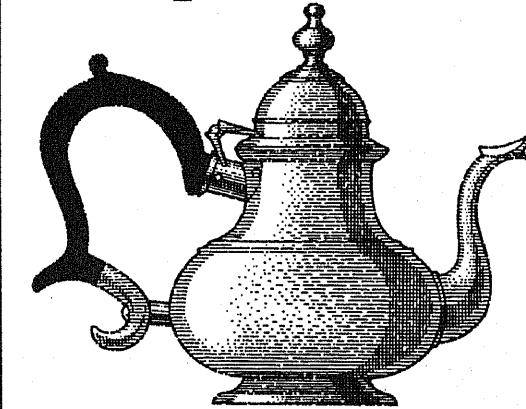
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JOHN SMITHERS WORKS on a lawn and garden tractor in preparation for the new tractor pull, set for Saturday, September 5 at Elkton's AutumnFest.

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By AMY HEIDEN

Jodie Bruce has a lot of fond memories of her year as Elkton's Teen Queen, and says she's grateful for being selected. She's represented Elkton is a couple of local parades, riding on the village's gazebo float.

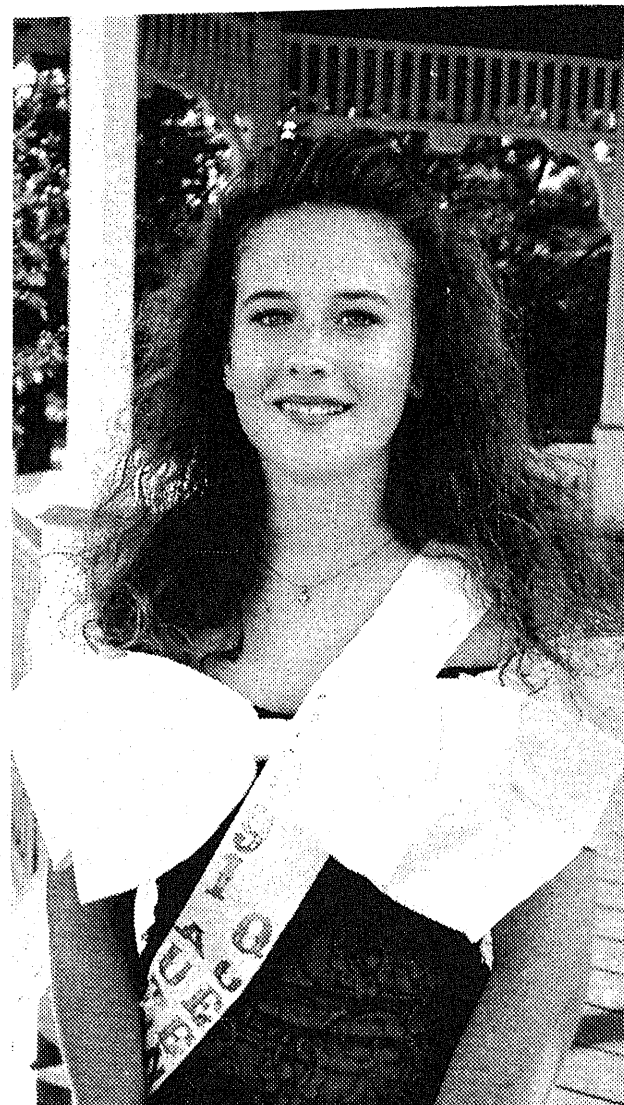
"I've gotten to meet a lot of new people in the past year," Bruce, 15, said.

She'll be a sophomore this year at Laker High School, and enjoys competing in basketball, where she plays guard, and in track, in which she competes in the mile and two-mile runs.

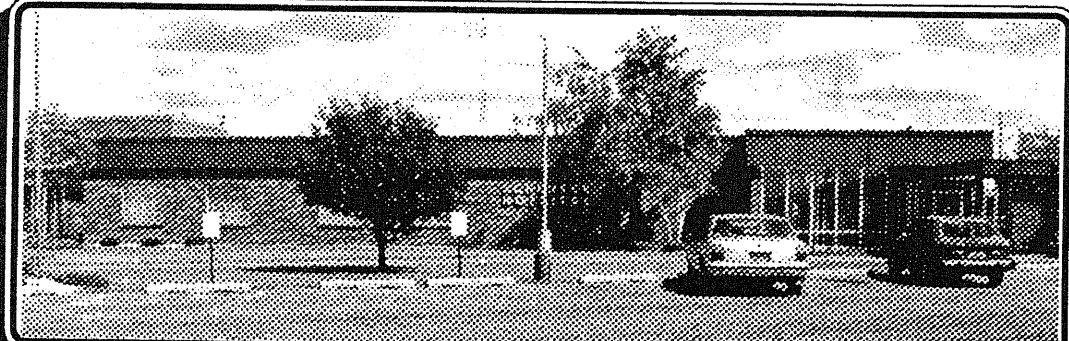
Looking ahead, Bruce hopes to become a special education teacher.

"My sister Julie is a teacher and I really look up to her," she said.

Bruce is the daughter of John and Jenny Bruce of Pigeon.



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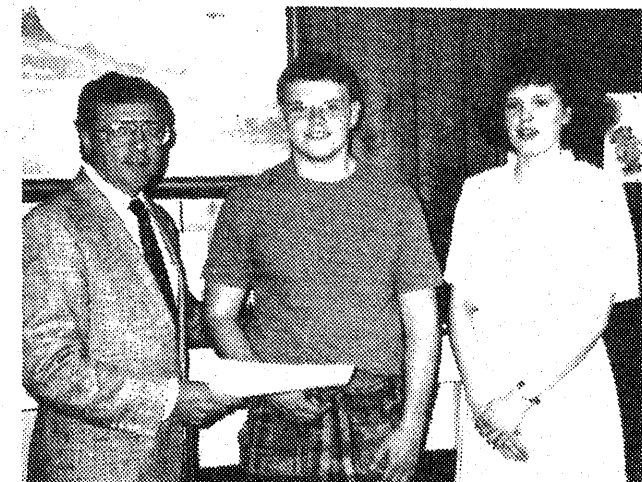
As freshmen students pack their suitcases to begin their college experience, a Laker graduate, an Akron-Fairgrove grad and one from Caro High will include scholarship money from the Education Employees Credit Union in their satchels.

Tricia Elston, a 1992 Laker grad and valedictorian of her class, Danielle Salgat of Akron-Fairgrove and David Lipar of Caro were selected for \$500 scholarships out of 126 applicants received by the EECU Scholarship Selection Committee.

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EECU CHAIRMAN MARK HOERAUF presents Caro High grad David Lipar and Laker valedictorian Tricia Elston \$500 scholarships to further their educations. Missing from the photo is Danielle Salgat. PHOTO FURNISHED



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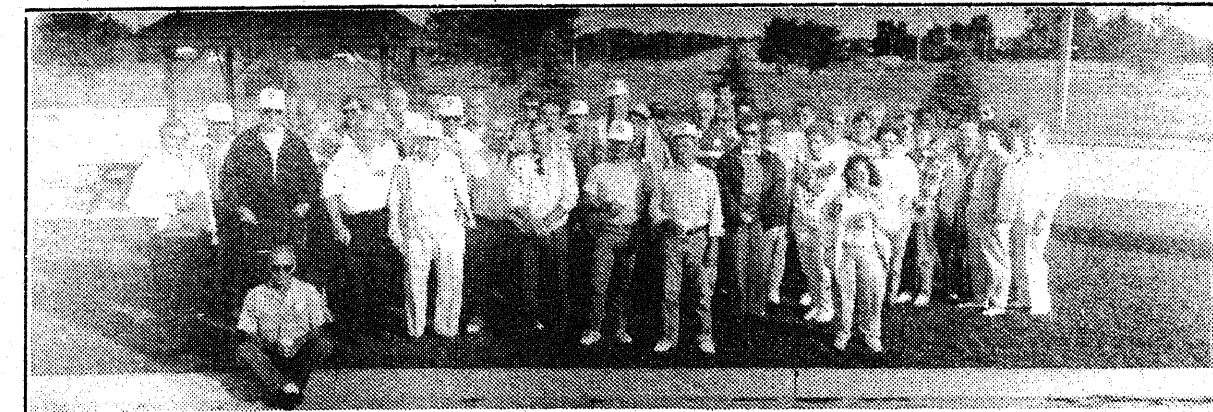
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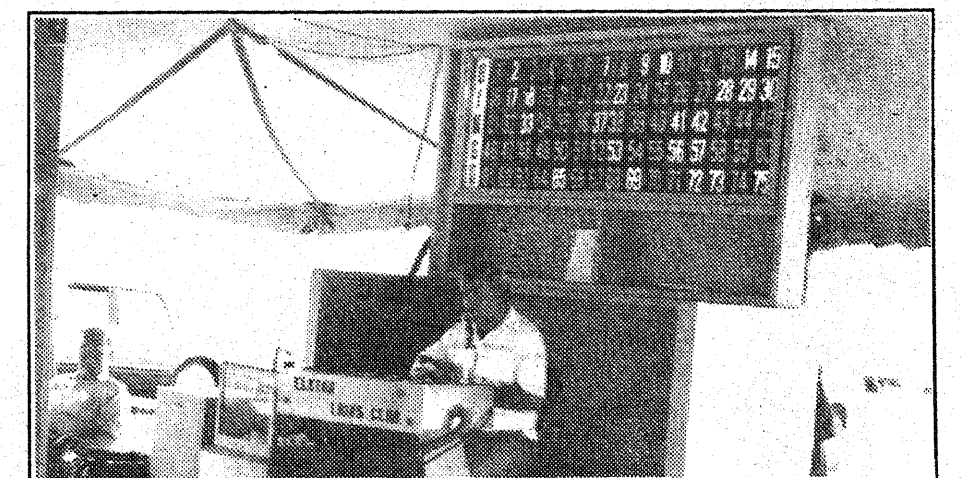
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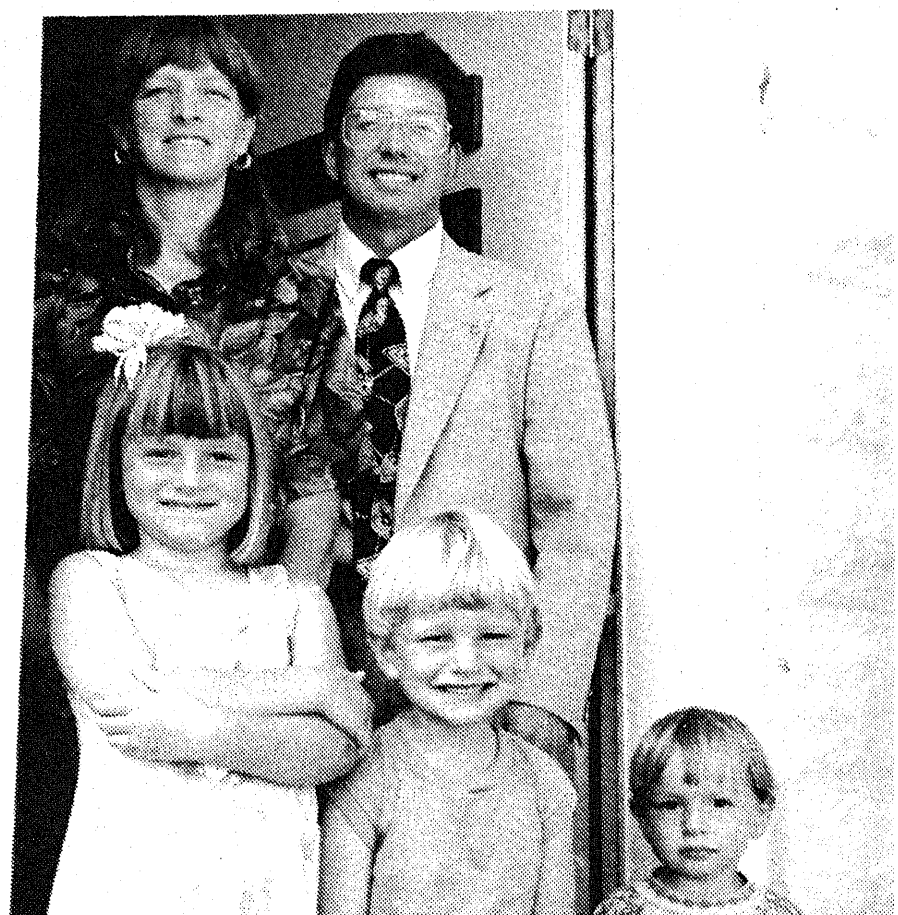
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One teammate pushes for speed, while the other steers the cart out of the way of the other contestants on the 150-ft. straight course, Wiederhold says.

Entrants will be required to have their parents permission to compete, he said. Registration starts at 1 p.m. in Ackerman Park, and the races get underway at 1:30.

Trophies will be awarded to both teammates of the top two teams.

Other entrants will receive a gift certificate from Suds Yer Duds in Elkton. Sponsors from all over town have donated for the extra-large trophies, Wiederhold said.



JUSTIN WIEDERHOLD gets set to push as his cousin Kory Wiederhold steers and displays one of the trophies to be awarded at the Inaugural Pushcart Races during the AutumnFest celebration.

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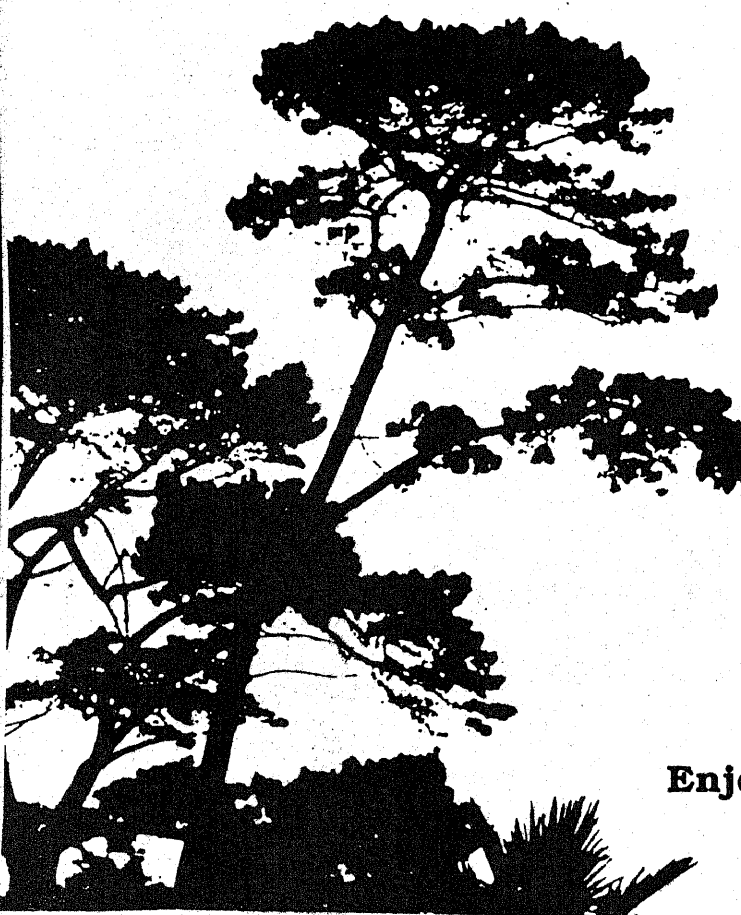
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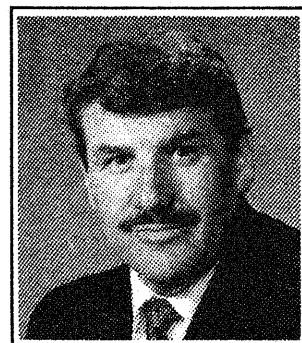
Check out these wheels



THE ANTIQUE AUTO SHOW at AutumnFest continues to be a popular event, with large crowds enjoying the sparkling, shiny cars and music from the 50's and 60's. Organizer Arnie Russell said over 150 cars are expected for this year's event. Participants are awarded dash plaques and there's no entry fee to bring a car, Russell said. The auto show, sponsored by the Thumb Area Antique Auto Club and the Elkton Chamber of Commerce, starts at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 6.



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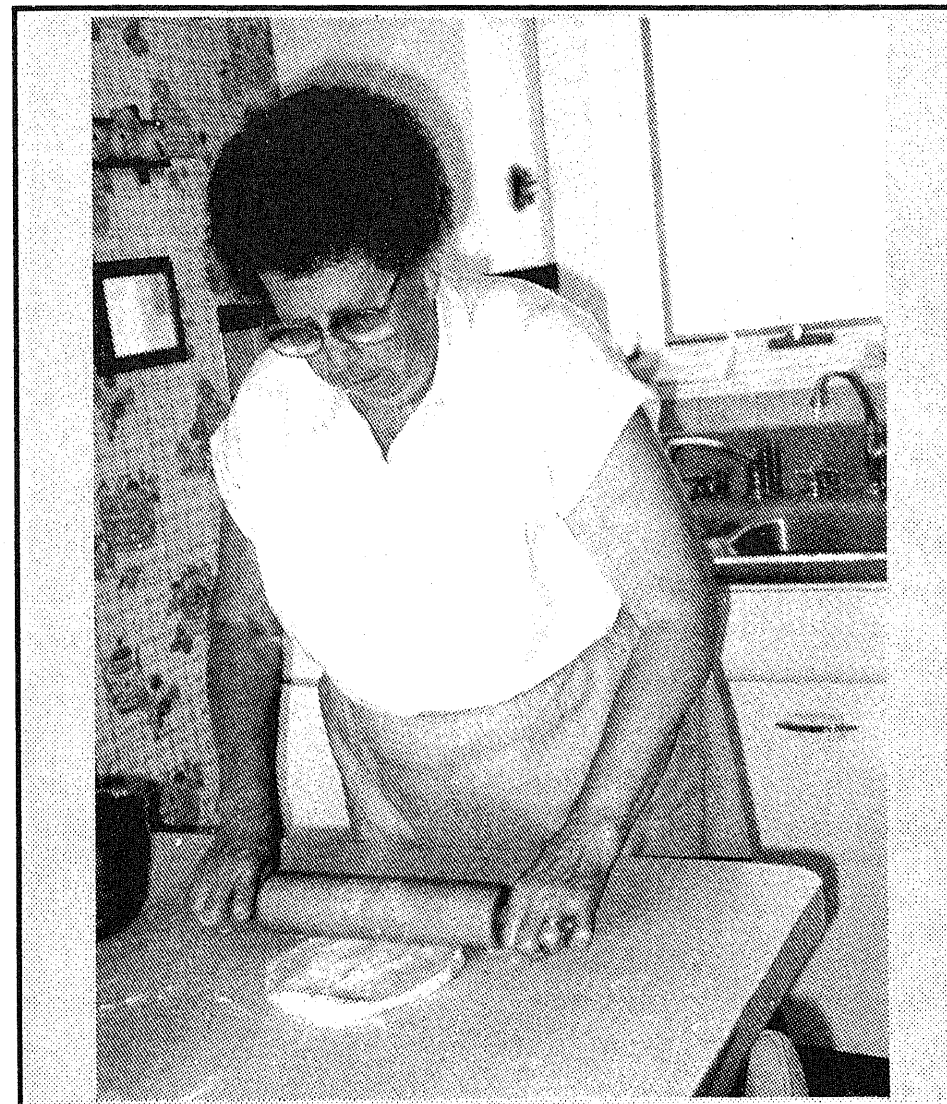
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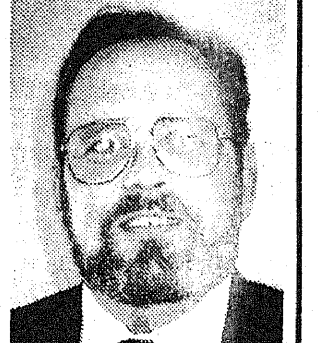
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