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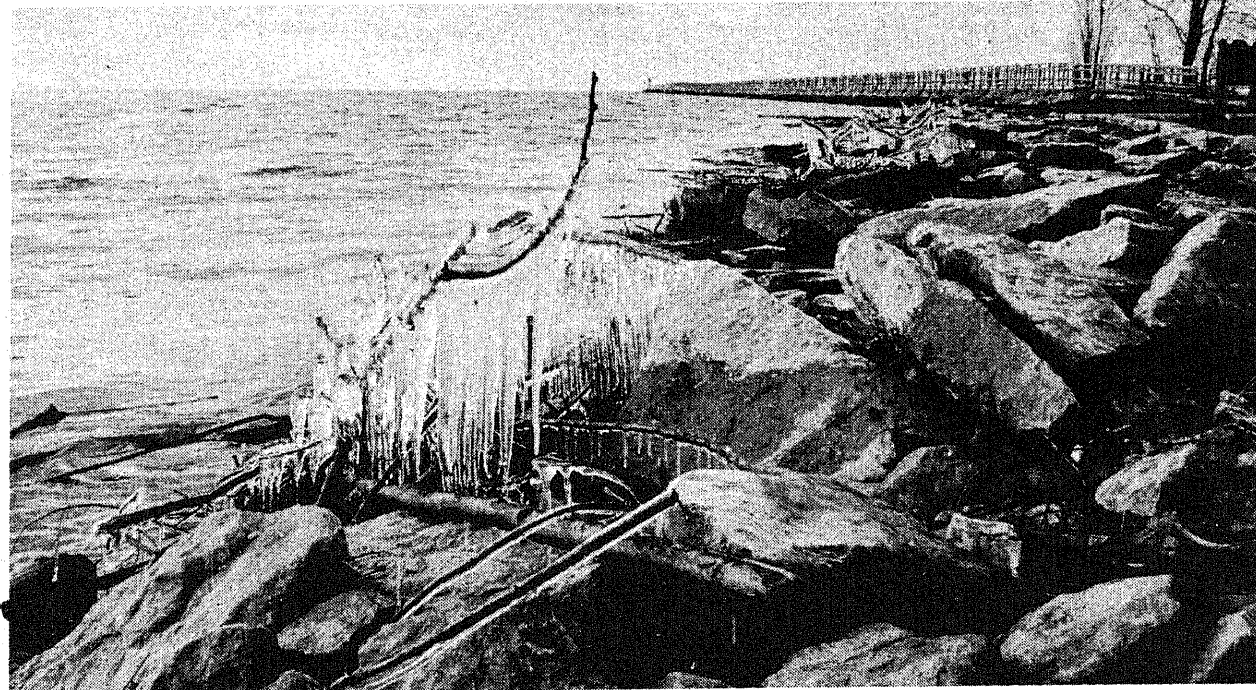
**A "CLASSY" TURKEY!** There was a new bird in school last week, as Laker Elementary Phys. Ed. Teacher Deb Sturm brought a full-grown turkey to Elkton Elementary School.

She raised four turkeys this year, and brought one to show children the bird up close. Most youngsters only see such birds on the center of Thanksgiving tables, not alive.

The turkey predicted its own fate for Thursday, when it said, "Gobble, gobble, gobble." It and its other three fellow birds will be "featured" at Thanksgiving meals at the Sturm house and others.

Here, kindergarteners in Trudi Lang's class are fascinated as they "meet" the bird.

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**THE ICEMAN COMETH:** Where boaters and swimmers romped only weeks ago, Old Man Winter is now leaving his mark.

Where green grass, farm crops and bright leaves were visible, now only brown, still earth remains.

Recent freezing temperatures created this natural sculpture

at the Caseville Harbor entrance, with the breakwall visible behind. The picture was taken just before this week's sudden (and early) snowfall.

Soon, ice fishermen will be busy on spots such as this, then spring will follow, and the cycle continues...

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## 35 groups at Laker High

### Community Christmas Bazaar Saturday

Area residents are invited to spend Saturday browsing and buying at the Fifth Annual Community Christmas Bazaar at Laker High School from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Featured items this year will include crafts, baked goods, quilts, jewelry and homemade candies from 35 non-profit groups.

A noon luncheon, beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the cafeteria, will offer homemade soup, sandwiches, pies and cakes, with take-outs available. Door prizes and free drawings will take place all day, according to First United Methodist Women of Pigeon, who are sponsoring the bazaar.

Participating groups include: Elkton United Methodist Sunday School, Faith Gospel, Pigeon First MYF, Bay Port Arts Fair Committee, St. John's Episcopal Church Youth Recreational Program, Pigeon Elementary PTC, Thumb Area Chapter Compassionate Friends, Right to Life, RLDS Church of Caseville, Con-Anon, Concerned Citizens of Caseville, Cross Luther League, Bay Port Summer Athletic Association, Activities Committee of Medical Care Facility, Extended Services of Medical Care Facility, RLDS Church of Owendale, Good Shepherd Lutheran Friendship Guild, Bay Port United Methodist Church, Townliners Extension, Pigeon First United Methodist Women, SERRV, Michigan Ave. Mennonite Women, Hayes United Methodist Women, St. Francis Altar Society, Linkville Lutheran Ladies Aid, American Cancer Society, Scheurer Hospital Auxiliary, Pigeon Chat 'n Chew Extension, Cass City Trinity United Methodist Women, Homemakers Hobby Club, Scheurer Hospital Employees, Alpha Delta Kappa, Pigeon Junior Womans' Club and Abundant Life Fellowship.



## Pilgrims and Indians share holiday table



**BAY PORT ELEMEN-**  
TARY students will have a taste of Thanksgiving today, as they bring their book learn-

ing to real life with a Thanksgiving Feast. Bay Port Elementary first grade "Pilgrims" will join the second grade "Indians," at a

table decked with turkey, pheasant and trimmings. The children helped with making cornbread and butter, popcorn and homemade jam

and let teachers Joanne Rummel and Faith McIntyre provide the main courses.

Pictured here are, clockwise from left, Anthony Rowe, Joleen McCain, Kim Elenbaum, Chris Kleinfeld, Steven Bruce, Michele Guardian, Nicole Lackowski, Mike Bolda, Denny Hydorn and Robin Vollmer. Teachers Joanne Rummel, left and Faith McIntyre, right, planned the project together.

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## Area obituaries

LEON BIXLER  
1931 - 1985

Leon Bixler, age 54, of Carmel, Indiana, formerly of Elkhon, died Monday, November 18, after a long illness. He lived in Indianapolis for the past 19 years and was a Claims Supervisor for several Indiana insurance companies. He was a member of Bethany Presbyterian Church, Ft. Wayne, Elks Lodge No. 13, Past President of Central Indiana Claims Association and a Korean War Air Force Veteran. Surviving are his wife, Shirley, one daughter, Mrs. John (Renee) Falcone, Indianapolis; one grandson, Jason; his father, Erwin Bixler, Elkhon; two brothers, Blanchard Bixler, Elkhon and Rev. Virgil Bixler, Ft. Wayne; two sisters, Bernice Bixler, Elkhon, and Mrs. Willis (Faythe) Ouach, Ft. Wayne.

Funeral services were conducted at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, November 21 at the Lapert-Copeland Funeral Home, Indianapolis. His brother, Rev. Virgil Bixler, officiated with interment in Oakland Memorial Gardens, Indianapolis.

GEORG GRAF  
1933 - 1985

Georg Graf, age 52, of Pigeon, passed away Tuesday, November 19 at Huron Memorial Hospital, near Bad Axe. He was born April 17, 1933 in Yugoslavia, son of Konard & Sophie (Brunner) Graf, Sr. On February 19, 1955, he was united in marriage to Dorothy M. Metzger at St. John's Lutheran Church, Berne. He was a self-employed carpet installer and a U.S. Army Veteran.

Mr. Graf is survived by his wife, Dorothy M.; four daughters, Mrs. Brian (Catherine) Bursick, Sebawaing, Mrs. Keith (Karen) Stirett, Caseville, Mrs. Dale (Sandra) Harbin, Ft. Wayne, IN, and Carol Graf, at home; one son, Kenneth W. Graf, Saginaw; four grandchildren; his mother, Mrs. Sophie Graf, Sebawaing, one brother, Konard Graf, Jr., Sebawaing; and several nieces and nephews.

His father, Konard Graf, Sr., preceded him in death on September 26, 1984.

Funeral services were conducted from the Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, on Friday, November 22 at 1:00 p.m. Rev. Randall Schultz, pastor of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Caseville, officiated with burial in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Pigeon.

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

VIRGIL W. BRIMBERRY  
1905 - 1985

Virgil W. Brimberry, age 80, of Elkhon, died Sat., Nov. 23 at Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe.

He was born May 5, 1905 in Effingham, IL, son of the late Robert and Nellie (Wilson) Brimberry. He was united in marriage to Irene Brown on April 15, 1969 in Detroit. Mr. Brimberry moved to the Elkhon area in the 1940's where he owned and operated Brimberry Insulating Company for many years. He was also employed at Active Industries until retiring in 1974.

He was a member of the Elkhon United Methodist Church, Elkhon Senior Citizens, the Republican National Committee, past member of the Elkhon Rotary Club and a Life Member of Frank W. Hubbard Lodge No. 476, F. & A.M.

Surviving are his wife; one daughter, Mrs. Joyce Addison, Callahan, FL; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two step-sons, Donald and Richard Brown, Warren; two step-daughters, Mrs. Frank (Gerry) Gosdzinski and Mrs. Henry (Marilynn) Wisenbaugh, both of Bad Axe; nine step-grandchildren; one step-great-granddaughter; one brother, Emory Brimberry, Cathersworth, CA; one sister, Mrs. Wanda Peters, Effingham, IL.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m., Wed., Nov. 27, from the Elkhon United Methodist Church, Rev. James Kummer, pastor, and Dr. Francis Wilson will officiate with interment in Riverside Cemetery, Elkhon.

Masonic service was conducted at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. Arrangements were handled by Champagne Funeral Chapels, Elkhon.

LEONA A. KREH  
1913 - 1985

Leona A. Kreh, age 72, of Pigeon, passed away Monday, Nov. 25 at her home.

Mrs. Kreh was born in Caseville on Oct. 16, 1913, daughter of the late Twilton M. and Sarah Mae (Grigg) Heron. On Jan. 20, 1934, she was united in marriage to Bernard L. Kreh in Port Huron. He passed away April 24, 1983. She was an active member of the Kingston Wesleyan Church and a Sunday School teacher.

Mrs. Kreh is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Charles (Janet) Black of Crystal Lake, Ill.; four sons, Bernard L. Jr., of Caro, Frederick Gerald of Traverse City, Rev. Edward C. of Remus and Thomas A. of Cass City; 15 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; six sisters, Mrs. Milton (Isabel) Kreh of Pigeon, Mrs. Eva Grigg of Caseville, Mrs. Sara Mae Jamieson of Van Nuys, Ca., Mrs. Archie (Esther) Stirett of Caseville, Mrs. Calvin (Beatrice) Ankam of Pigeon and Mrs. Clyde (Barbara) Diller of Caseville; two brothers, Thomas Heron of Caseville and Clare Heron of Caseville.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, a grand-daughter, a sister and a brother.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, Nov. 27 at 1 p.m. from the Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon. Rev. Dr. Rudyard K. Fay, pastor of the Kingston Wesleyan Church, will officiate with burial in the Caseville Cemetery.

**MUSIC:** Caseville band director Robert Gulash reviewed the K-12 music program for the Board.

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## National VFW Commander visits

More than 130 persons representing eight Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts in mid-Michigan met national VFW Commander John Staum last Tuesday, during

the first-ever visit by a national VFW leader to the Thumb Area.

VFW Posts in Pigeon, Elkhon, Kinde, Sebawaing,

Fairgrove, Flushing, Port Huron and Detroit were represented at the Tuesday night banquet at the Pigeon VFW Hall. A national commander visited Fairgrove

four years ago, but none had ever come into this part of the Thumb, observers noted.

Cmdr. Staum noted he has already met with President Reagan, Vice President Bush, Secretary of State Schultz and other national leaders since taking the oath of office Aug. 23. The leader said he believes his whole life was planned for this one year of national prominence. "They all know about the power and strength of the VFW," he said of the leaders.

As part of a membership roundup to keep the VFW strong, the leader of 2.75 million men and women said lobbying must continue to preserve Veterans Administration hospitals and care facilities.

By coming to the Thumb Area, Cmdr. Staum said that proves "we're not unapproachable. The problem of the individual veteran is not too small -- and we're not too big -- to have compassion and care."



**State VFW Commander** "Bud" Jack, left, chats with Tip of the Thumb VFW Post No. 2236 Commander Ron Snider, Auxiliary President Phyllis Vollmer and national VFW Commander Staum.

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**FLYING HIGH** -- Cass City native Brewster Shaw, Jr., was to blast off Tuesday (last) night, on a seven-day space shuttle mission. Some papers (starting in his hometown) had listed confusing dates, but he and his crew will indeed be eating Thanksgiving dinner aloft... -- 30 --

**SOME RANDOM THOUGHTS** -- Just imagine what would have happened if a skunk or "possum or raccoon had meandered near those pilgrims and Indians back at the "first" Thanksgiving... The turkey may not have been the popular fellow he is this week!

**I'M UPSET!** Maybe you've read or heard about the vicious attack the Michigan State Chamber of Commerce is making on our own State Rep. Dick Allen (R-Fairgrove), over his "no" vote against an amended balanced budget proposal in Lansing last week. The State C of C even bought a full-page ad in Rep. Allen's hometown paper (Caro's Tuscola County Advertiser) criticizing him about the vote, plus other recent comments. They also got "statewide" coverage when the incident was written up in Thursday's Detroit Free Press.

Lawmakers don't always vote the way we want. Elsewhere in that same Advertiser last week, Rep. Allen himself explained his voting convictions in a letter to the editor. I think the State C of C has a lot of nerve, is vindictive, one-sided, one-issued and is being very unfair in this one case. Rep. Allen is a good leader and lawmaker, in our book, who generally tries to do the best he can. Concerning the State Chamber, I generally agree with fewer and fewer of their stands these days...

(Gee, I wonder if that means THEY'LL write something mean about me now...?)

**STUPID IDEA:** While we're discussing stupidity, House Bill 4098 was passed Thursday in the Michigan House, allowing hunters in the southern Lower Peninsula to shoot deer legally with handguns. That same day, Michigan United Conservation Clubs sent out press releases heralding the "great day for the outdoor sporting public." And, MUCC notes, hunters "have long been allowed to take other game -- like rabbits, foxes and raccoons -- with handguns."

In the press release, MUCC Executive Director Thomas Washington is quoted as saying, "It means that we will finally have a handgun hunting season for deer in 1986." I don't oppose hunting at all, although I'm not a hunter. But I don't see where a season allowing handguns is good at all for our state. Reaction times and hunting methods are different with handguns than rifles or shotguns, and I fail to see why such handguns should be encouraged out in the field -- or anywhere, for that matter. -- 30 --

Can you believe Christmas is just 28 days away?!

**FACTS & FIGURES** -- Pioneer Cablevision is a well-run, growing cable TV company serving Pigeon, Elkhon, Caseville, Port Austin, Lake Township, Uly and other areas. Since they deal with franchises from various governmental bodies, the firm has to report twice annually or business.

Most small companies wouldn't like to have their figures aired publicly, but that's one of the requirements of franchises. As Pioneer reported to Pigeon Village Council this month, the firm in a recent six-month period had 299 basic subscribers in Pigeon, 188 of whom have premium channels, which resulted in six-month income of \$36,078. Subtract their programming fees (their payments for services like HBO, Cable News Network, etc.) of \$8614 plus property taxes of \$149, the company has net income of \$27,315 -- and Pigeon Village gets \$819 as its franchise fee (for letting the firm operate here, under village jurisdiction).

Most cable subscribers we know would never part with their service. Pioneer runs an extremely good selection of channels (more than any other local company does here in the Thumb) and are apparently well-liked, too... -- 30 --

**WISH I'D SAID THAT** -- "It's true when you coast, you don't stand still; yet the only direction you go is downhill!" (Karl Hertz)

Thumb Weekly  
News Round-Up

## BROWN RESIGNS AGING JOB

Thumb Area Commission on Aging Director Bob Brown has resigned from his post as Director, following continued complaints and questions about how the three-county organization is run.

Brown's letter of resignation is effective Nov. 29. He has held the post since September, 1982, when he replaced Ronald Cassie. Brown had been administrative assistant for 18 months. Nutrition Director Jean Graham last week was named interim director by the TACA Board.

Brown had been criticized in the Sandusky area for meal site location switches which include rental costs of \$900 and more per month. Sanilac County Commissioners are withholding their quarterly \$20,000 contribution to the agency, until a solution is worked out.

Region VII Area Agency on Aging is also looking through TACA's financial records, saying no fraud or embezzlement is involved, only poorly-kept books. Region VII Director Mohammed Kahn noted another \$54,000 in regional funding is being held up until the meal site and bookkeeping questions are worked out by the TACA Board.

Brown said he was caught up in the politics of the agency's operation in Sanilac County, not in Tuscola or Huron. He told reporters he feels like a scapegoat, but is relieved to be leaving the controversy.

## TUSCOLA OKAYS CONTROLLER

Tuscola County Commissioners last week unanimously approved hiring a county controller to be the chief accounting and administrative officer, an appointed post. The new employee, not expected to be hired until early 1986, will answer to the county board but will have discretionary powers in other areas.

Besides being the county's fiscal officer, his or her secondary responsibility will be personnel and overall management. Commissioner Chris Taylor (R-Caro) said, Pay range is expected to range up to \$40,000 depending on experience. A job description is now being formulated.

Some county officials noted they are uncertain if they will be directed by the new official, while others question whether the County Board will merely become a "rubber stamp" group for the controller.

## PRISON WANTED, OPPOSED

Depending on who and where the words come from, Thumb and Saginaw Bay area people want a regional prison near them while others loudly oppose such a possibility.

Vassar Township officials voted against allowing any prison built in their township, following receipt of a petition with 600 signatures opposing any such possibility. Also last week, Vassar City Council asked the state Department of Corrections to consider the old city landfill site for the proposed regional medium-security lockup.

Meanwhile in Bay County, a prison study committee voted 15-1 asking that the 548-bed facility be built in Bay County, following reports last week that only Tuscola and Midland County sites were still in contention for the prison. The state has now asked for a recommended site from the study group before Dec. 31, since no exact Bay County location is now being analyzed.

The regional prison, part of the state's plan to construct a half-dozen such lockups across Michigan, would serve Huron, Tuscola, Sanilac, Bay, Midland and Saginaw Counties. A location decision is planned early in 1986, state officials say.

## PRO BOWLERS TO SAGINAW

The Professional Bowlers Association is bringing one stop to its \$6.25-million 1985 tour to Stardust Lanes on Bay Road in Saginaw Dec. 2-8. The PBA event, first of its kind ever in Saginaw, offers prizes totaling \$125,000 organizers say.

Some general admission tickets for the Dec. 8 finals are still available, says Stardust Manager Bill Strike. The 56-lane house will welcome a national television crew to finals Saturday, Dec. 7, with top prize of \$20,000. Defending PBA champion Mark Roth is expected, as are Marshall Holman, Mike Aubly, Pete and Dick Weber.

## IT'S BUCKLE-UP WEEK

Huron County Sheriff Richard V. Stokan, his staff and the Michigan Sheriffs' Association are urging families to share time safely this holiday season during "All American Buckle-Up Week" now through Saturday.

"We in America have a tradition in celebrating the upcoming holidays, Thanksgiving and Christmas," Sheriff Stokan says. "This is when most families are traveling and set aside time to share together."

"Join with us by helping families traveling in a motor vehicle to buckle-up. Start a habit for life," the Sheriff asks. "Let's make buckling up a family affair. This will help insure you and your family many safe and happy holidays."

## COURT PROCEEDINGS

Michael Thede, 32 of Bay Port, was ordered Friday placed on probation for two years with the first 60 days to be served in the Huron County Jail by Circuit Judge M. Richard Knoblock. Thede was also ordered to perform 180 hours of community service and pay \$300 fines and costs, following his guilty plea on negligent homicide charges in a Feb. 9 pickup truck-pedestrian accident involving Clarence Erbsich, 57 of Sebawaing.

Pre-trial examination is set for Dec. 6 for Frank F. Konke, 17 of Caseville, charged in Huron County Circuit Court with resisting and obstructing a police officer. A not guilty plea was entered when Konke stood mute before Judge Knoblock last week, in connection with an Oct. 31 incident with Caseville Police Chief Jack Jensen.

Richard West, 21 of Warren, was sentenced to serve 11 days in the Huron County Jail and placed on two years' probation last week, plus ordered to pay \$300 fines and costs, by Judge Knoblock. He pled guilty to attempting to carry a concealed weapon, following a May 26 incident in Caseville involving a cane containing a hidden knife.



**ELKHON HONORED:** Members of the Carpenter - Dorsch VFW Post No. 6013 of Elkhon met Cmdr. Staum, during Tuesday's banquet. From left, Ken Young and Ed Bumhoffer chat with the leader.



**KEY TO CITY:** Pigeon Village President Norris Diebel, left, presents Cmdr. Staum with the "key to the city" of Pigeon.

Gary King named  
to grain position

Gary King of Caseville has been appointed to the position of Executive Vice President of the Michigan Grain and Agri-Dealers Association, according to Board of Directors President Donald Seidl.

King, who for the past nine years has served as Risk Manager for a group of large agricultural cooperatives in the Thumb, will oversee the Member Service, Public Relations, Educational and Legislative activities of the Association.

The MGADA, headquartered in Saginaw, traces its beginnings back to the early 1900s and now serves over 400 members conducting agriculturally related businesses in the state.



Gary King



## As we see it editorially

## Terrorism must stop, but how?

Every editorialist offers solutions to problems of small and large scales. It's easy to look over a situation, analyze it for several paragraphs and then determine a course of action sure to solve any difficulty.

Well, such pontification isn't possible -- or easy -- when it comes to fighting terrorism worldwide. As the hijackers of the Achille Lauro ship last month and now the "Malta jetliner" have proven, they prefer attacking unsuspecting, unarmed citizens of any country. Lately, the United States residents are being singled out for torture and often murder. Vacations and special outings turn tragic when such terrorists strike.

How can rational people react? What can be done to stop such insane terrorism? In short -- WHAT CAN WE DO TO RETALIATE?

Most of the terrorism comes from Libya and from displaced Palestinians. Lately, they've picked out Americans and Israelis for special treatment. And the airport in Athens, Greece should be barred from all foreign flight plans since Greece is proving it cannot properly guarantee safe passage for innocent travelers.

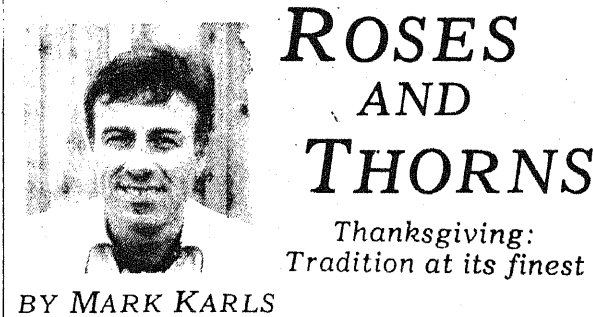
Israel showed last month how it retaliates, after three Israeli citizens were killed in Cyprus. Israel bombed Palestine Liberation Organization headquarters in Tunisia, killing 73 people. And, this past Sunday, Egyptian commandoes fought a handful of terrorists on Malta, and more than 60 people died, most of them innocent passengers.

Retaliation isn't the answer, but perhaps the promise of speedy "paybacks" would help. Ter-

rorists must know they'll be sought and hunted -- and they should never be allowed to leave any sanctuary they may find. More than 50 innocent lives were lost, but those terrorists didn't get what they wanted, either -- losing their lives in the process.

Our response must include cooperation with other countries tired of the treatment we receive. We must all work together to fight terrorism and to bring such madmen to justice. We must act firmly and quickly, and legally. Copying terrorist acts is no better than the original acts themselves.

But we HAVE to do SOMETHING...



## ROSES AND THORNS

Thanksgiving:  
Tradition at its finest

BY MARK KARLS

This is Junior's first year away at college. You have not seen your son since classes began in early September. Now the family is getting excited because Thanksgiving is around the corner and Junior will be returning home for the annual get-together of the relatives.

The week before Thanksgiving the phone rings and it is Junior calling. He seems a bit hesitant so you begin to tell him about all the plans for Thanksgiving and how excited everyone is. And he seems a bit more hesitant. So you ask him what is wrong. "Well," he says, "Bennie my roommate and I have some friends here in school who have relatives in Florida. These relatives have invited them to bring some friends down for the Thanksgiving break and we got asked to go. You know we've been working so hard all semester and we thought this would be a nice break for us. Is that OK with you?"

After a dreadful pause Mom breaks down with an emotional, "But Junior, we've always gotten together with the relatives at Thanksgiving."

Here is a tough decision. But in the interest of keeping peace in the family, Dad finally gives the approval for Junior to skip the traditional Thanksgiving get-together and vacation in the paradise of the south.

Thanksgiving Day arrives and your family attends the annual festivities at Grandma and Grandpa's. Everything seems to be going fine until Junior's little sister notices the spot at the table that Junior traditionally sits at and he is not there. In a mixture of emotion and disappointment she blurts out, "It's just not the same."

Indeed, it is not the same. And it never will be.

A sociologist was talking about family traditions. He called them family rituals -- things the family does almost the same way every year. He called such rituals to be the basis for what keeps families together.

At the top of the family ritual list I thought would be Christmas. I mean, families always get a tree, decorate it, put presents under it, sing around it, etc. Then stockings are hung over the fireplace. Each Christmas Eve night the kids do not want to go to bed because Santa will soon arrive. Early Christmas morning the kids pull the presents out of bed for the present openings. The presents are opened one by one around the family to avoid Christmas ending in three minutes with a free-for-all under the tree. Etc., etc., etc.

But this sociologist listed "Thanksgiving at the top of the family ritual list. His thesis was that we not only do the same things at Thanksgiving at the same place with the same people every year, but that the meal is always the same food and every year the same comments are made, like "Oh, this is marvelous dressing! What did you put in it?" To which an applicable answer would be, "The same thing we put in it every Thanksgiving!"

There is something to be said about rituals bringing a bonding power to any group. In the church we find that churches with a lot of ritual retain group cohesion regardless of the pastor or priest. People will still come even if the pastor is a real nerd -- because of the ritual, while churches with little or no ritual rise and fall on the charisma of the pastor.

A good number of Catholics have become disillusioned with the church since Vatican II because of the change in ritual. One such older man said, "It was hard enough when the Latin changed to English and other things changed. But the last straw was when our young assistant priest who has a beard that looks like a rat's nest finished wailing out some music on his guitar. He then asked us all to stand and give the person next to us a greeting kiss. Well, I stood and looked at the guy next to me and said if he tried to kiss me, he would get my fist down his throat!" His final analysis for no longer going to church was, "It's just not the same!"

A man was sharing about his wife's desire to spend a week every summer at Oceanside, N.J. The guy hated the place. There was nothing to do. There was nothing but the same shops, the same polluted and crowded beach, etc., etc. One day the man had the opportunity to speak at a conference in the Canadian Rockies. The conference provided a gorgeous cottage for accommodations in the mountains, overlooking a

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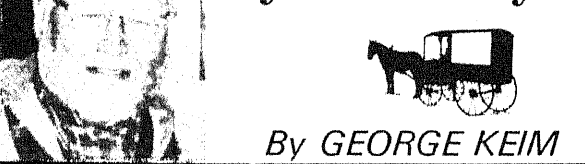
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## RECOLLECTIONS OF By-Gone Days



By GEORGE KEIM

Last week, Art Ebert and I were interviewed by The Bay City Times about the old Pigeon train depot where the Pigeon Historical Society is going to make its headquarters. They asked us all kinds of questions about what we remember about the old depot.

Well, there's a lot of things that took place at that depot where two train lines crossed, east-west and north-south. And there's a lot of things I could tell, too, about what I saw there.

The Grand Trunk ran four passenger trains a day and so did the Pere Marquette, plus each ran two freight trains. Sometimes both trains were in town at the same time.

They used to do a lot of switching and made some flying switches when the passenger trains came in. We used to watch the people get off and on the train.

The conductor used to put a little bench down so the people could step on the train. They used to unload all kinds of stuff, too, and the dray man would deliver it around town.

The Grand Trunk used to haul cream to Detroit and bring the empty cans back. Once in a while, people would ship eggs in 15-dozen crates.

My Uncle was in the hospital at Bad Axe once, and my Mother took me along to see him. Dad took us to the depot with the horse and buggy.

When we got on the train, a fellow came along the aisle selling candy and gum. My Mother told me that stuff wasn't good for me, but I

found out later that she didn't have the money.

Soon, the conductor came along and said, "Elkton, Elkton" and the train stopped. Then he said "Grassmere, Grassmere" and the train stopped again. Some people got off.

Next was "Bad Axe, Bad Axe" and the train stopped. We walked over to the old Hubbard Hospital and visited my Uncle. We had a bag lunch there.

When it was train time, we went to the depot, got on the train again and rode back to Pigeon. And Dad was there again with the buggy, to take us home.

I remember once during the war, a Marine Band came through on the train. They stopped and got off and played several numbers. It was so loud that the windows almost shook!

In Prov. 23:10, it says, "Remove not the old landmark." Well, that depot in Pigeon is about the oldest building in town. And to remove it just because it's old or somebody doesn't like it isn't very nice.

It should be able to be put to use. Pigeon isn't a very old town, but a lot of old buildings that might have been used have been knocked down.

When I was in Europe, I saw several buildings constructed in 900 A.D., that were still in use. In Holland, there was a place where the town hall was built in 1200 and is still in use.

Part of my house is over 100 years old and I know that unless it burns down or some young person gets the bright idea to tear it down, it could very well last another 100 years!

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KATHY SWARTZENDRUBER

## New arrivals

Dave and Tina Dietzel of Owendale are proud to announce the birth of their son, Christopher James, on Nov. 19 at Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon.

Their son weighed 6 lbs. 15 1/2 oz. at his birth. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Dietzel of Sarasota, Fla. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Kohl of Bay Port.

Christopher joins a brother, Eric and a sister, Jamie, at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Otto are the proud parents of a baby girl, Tracey Lee, born Thursday, Nov. 21 at Scheurer Hospital.

The infant weighed 6 lbs. 13 1/4 oz. and measured 20 1/2 inches long.

Her maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hamilton of Bay Port. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dale Otto of Bad Axe. She has a great-grandfather, Ervin D. Hamilton of Pigeon and a great-grandmother, Mrs. Gaeth in Sebewiang.

Advent service set

The Bay Port Community Advent Service has been planned for Sunday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m. at the Bay Port United Methodist Church.

Music will comprise most of the program and the public is invited.

## Scheurer Hospital notes

Patients in Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, on Monday, Nov. 25:

PIGEON: Master Aaron Eichler, Joseph Wroblewski, Mrs. Vernon (Elizabeth) Swartzendruber.

BAY PORT: Mrs. Arthur (Marjorie) Maust, Mrs. Russell (Helen) Sprague, Albertus Chioffi.

CASEVILLE: Dr. R.C. Dixon, Robert Duey, Mrs. Delia Rottman, Mrs. Stella Marvinetz, Mrs. Ann Valkoun, James O'Hara, William Ballagh.

SEBEWANG: Mrs. Dale (Diane) Sigmund, Mrs. Pearl Hallock, Mrs. Robert (Cathryn) Gross.

UNIONVILLE: Walter Hartner.

ELKTON: Mrs. Elton Herford.

AKRON: Master Chad Haag.

PORT AUSTIN: Mrs. Dwayne (Kimberly) Breuss, Mrs. Mary Ann Horetski.

BIRTHS: Mr. and Mrs. David (Kristina) Dietzel, Owendale, a son, Christopher James, on Nov. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Wade (Tamara) Bursick, Unionville, a son, Jack Lewis, on Nov. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Brent (Cathy) Stoeckle, a son, Derek John, on Nov. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael (Mary) Otto, Bay Port, a girl, Tracy Lee, Nov. 21.

## It's a boy!

Kevin and Nancy Buchholz of Pigeon are the proud parents of a son, Corbin Lee, born Sunday, Nov. 24 at 12:28 a.m.

The infant weighed 9 lbs. 5 oz. and measured 21 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Wissner of Sebewiang and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Buchholz of Pigeon. Great-grandparents are Marie Buchholz of Pigeon and Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Demo of Sebewiang.

Two brothers, Blaine, age four and Kyle, age two, await Corbin at home.

## DONATED WHEELS:

From left, Laker auto mechanics students John Olszak of Gagetown, Tony Harder of Caseville and Jerold Stein of Pigeon and instructor Dave Harmon look over a 1979 Cadillac donated recently received by the class. The car was provided by General Motors' Cadillac Division about two weeks ago.

The Laker class also recently received six motors and transmissions, as well as computerized engine control equipment from the GM Buick Division about two months ago.



# THANKSGIVING

## Celebrate With Thanks

May the bounty of good food and the company of close friends and cherished loved ones that you enjoy this Thanksgiving Day grow in even greater abundance in the coming years.

So that our employees may enjoy this special day of thanks with their family and friends, we will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 28, 1985. We will resume normal banking hours on Friday, November 29, 1985.

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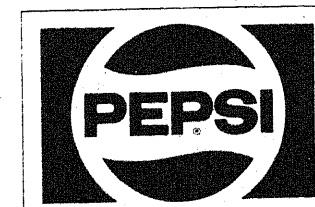
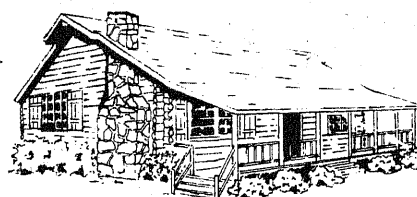
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## Our readers write . . .

Thanks, blood donors!

DEAR EDITOR:

A big "thank you" to the Pigeon community for your support at last Monday's American Red Cross Blood Drive. We had 85 donors present themselves, and had 69 pints of blood donated with 15 deferrals.

Persons recognized for donating four gallons or more are Alyce Kleinfeld, Paul Clabuesch, Wayne Miller, Jim Chalou, Art Pribe, and Maude Heck. Receiving their three-gallon pins were Robert Dast and Norm Nelson.

Recognized for donating two gallons were Nova Jean

Miller and Tom Armbruster. Donald Wichert and Don Roestel made their eighth contributions to each join the one-gallon club.

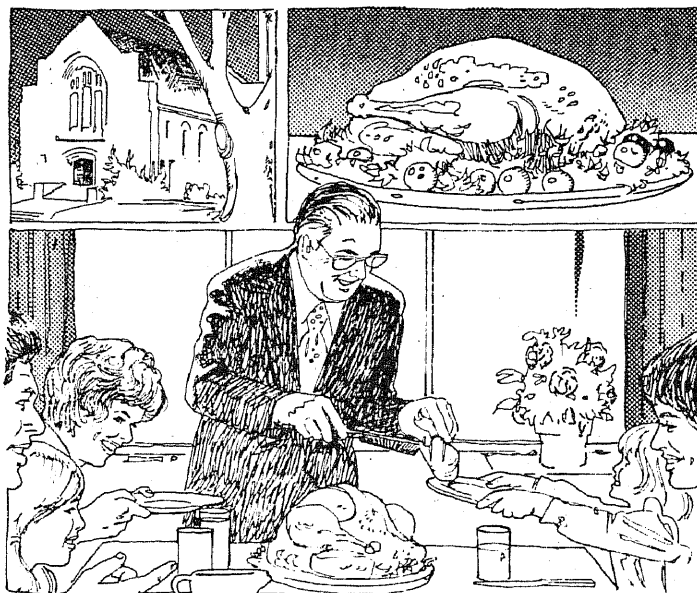
Anne Orth, Terry Kauffman, Ella Mae Diachenko, Ken Clark and Betty Schweitzer came as first-time donors.

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## ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE THIS SUNDAY AND EVERY SUNDAY

## LET'S GIVE THANKS FOR ALL THE BLESSINGS THAT WE HAVE



We don't appreciate our health  
Until it's here no more.

And anything we've known as wealth  
We manage to ignore.

We take advantage of our friends  
With selfishness and greed,

But then we try to make amends  
If ever we're in need.

And when it comes to loved ones dear,  
Whom we've relied upon,

We often hurt them while they're here,  
Then grieve when they are gone.

So let's be thankful for the things  
The Lord saw fit to give:

The blessings that His goodness brings,  
As long as we shall live.

— Gloria Nowak

Good health and  
good sense are two  
of life's greatest  
blessings.

— Publilius Syrus

"Oh that men would  
praise the lord for his  
goodness, and for his  
wonderful works to the  
children of men."

— Psalm 107:8

## THESE AREA CHURCHES WELCOME YOU TO JOIN THEIR SERVICES

**ST. FRANCIS BORGIA**  
CHURCH, CASEVILLE  
Fr. Bernard Skornis  
Saturday Evening Mass 6 p.m.  
Sunday Masses 8 and 10 a.m.  
Weekday Masses 8:15 a.m.  
Confessions Sat. 5-5:30 p.m.

**ST. ROCH CATHOLIC**  
CHURCH, CASEVILLE  
Fr. Theodore LaMarre  
Saturday Mass 5 p.m.  
Sunday Mass 9 a.m.

**ST. FELIX CATHOLIC**  
CHURCH, PINNEBOG  
Fr. Theodore LaMarre  
Saturday Mass 7 p.m.  
Sunday Mass 11 a.m.

**CASEVILLE UNITED**  
METHODIST CHURCH  
Rev. Brent McCumons  
Sunday School 9 a.m.  
Nursery 10:15 a.m.  
Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m.  
Early Service 8:30 a.m.

**FIRST UNITED**  
METHODIST CHURCH, PIGEON  
Rev. Gordon W. Nusz  
Sunday Worship 9:15 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
Nursery Provided

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CHURCH, SEBEWAING  
Rev. Lawrence Brooks  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

**SALEM UNITED METHODIST**  
CHURCH, PIGEON  
Rev. Mark Karls  
Church School 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Service 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Service 7 p.m.  
Wednesday Mid-week  
Service 7 p.m.

**BAY PORT UNITED**  
METHODIST CHURCH  
Rev. Randy Chamberlin  
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Church School 10:30 a.m.

**HAYES UNITED**  
METHODIST CHURCH  
Rev. Randy Chamberlin  
Sunday School 10 a.m.  
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

**KILMANAGH UNITED**  
METHODIST CHURCH  
Rev. Robert Kersten  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

**OWENDALE UNITED**  
METHODIST CHURCH  
Rev. Zina Bennett  
Sunday School 10 a.m.  
Worship Service 11 a.m.

**GAGETOWN UNITED**  
METHODIST CHURCH  
Rev. Zina Bennett  
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

**REORGANIZED CHURCH**  
OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER  
DAY SAINTS, BAY PORT  
Elder Ervin Haley  
Church School 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
1st & 3rd Wednesday  
7:30 Prayer Service  
3rd Sunday Each Month  
"Child Emphasis Day"  
10 a.m. Crafts  
11 a.m. Jr. Church

**REORGANIZED CHURCH**  
OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER  
DAY SAINTS, OWENDALE  
Elder Walter Dubs  
Early Worship 10 a.m.  
Church School 10:10 a.m.  
Preaching Service 11 a.m.

**REORGANIZED CHURCH**  
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DAY SAINTS, CASEVILLE  
Elder Olson McCallum  
Morning Worship 10 a.m.  
Preaching Service 11 a.m.

**ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL**  
CHURCH, SAND POINT  
Fr. James Sorenson  
Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.  
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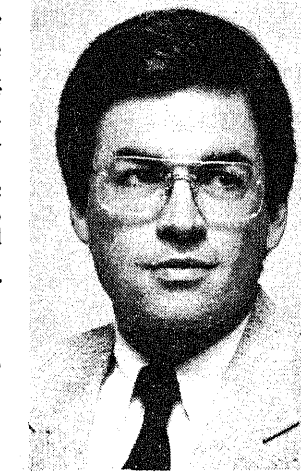
Elkton UM  
hosts speaker

Rev. Karl Wolfe, pastor of the Ypsilanti First Free Methodist Church, will speak on "Great Thoughts of the Christian Faith" on Sunday through Thursday evenings, Dec. 1-5 at 7 p.m.

Providing special music will be Dale and Floris Wertz, Karen Wolfe and Dale and Debi Ackerman. A nursery is provided for small children.

Ohioan speaks  
at Interfaith  
Prayer meet

Erin Campbell of Ohio, who ministers with her husband in starting new churches throughout the U.S., will be speaker at the Tuesday, Nov. 26 Christian Interfaith Fellowship Prayer Breakfast at the home of Willet and Sylvia Oeschger, 3825 Caro Road, Sebewaing. Coffee and fellowship begin at 9 a.m. and free babysitting is available by calling Lori Joles at 883-2076.



Rev. Karl Wolfe

## Men invited to breakfast

All men of the community are invited to attend the monthly Community Mens' Breakfast held at First United Methodist Church on Wednesday, Dec. 4 at 7 a.m. Following the pancake and sausage breakfast, the men will join in singing, and then will hear a devotional message by the Rev. Fr. Ben Skornia, pastor of St. Francis Borgia Roman Catholic Church.

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**Dessert Table:** Pumpkin pie, pecan pie, lemon meringue, applesauce cake, cherry pie, apple bake, homemade bread, banana bread, pumpkin bread, pumpkin muffins, corn muffins, fruit-cake, rolls, cinnamon raisin bread.

Advance  
Reservations  
Requested



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## A Thanksgiving Message

Today, the traditional day of counting blessings taken for granted throughout the year, we give our thanks for the blessings we enjoy as citizens of a free democracy.

We are grateful for the freedoms which we often take for granted... the right to choose our religious faith... to elect those who govern and the obligations of the governed to guide... to criticize and even condemn those who misuse their official responsibilities.

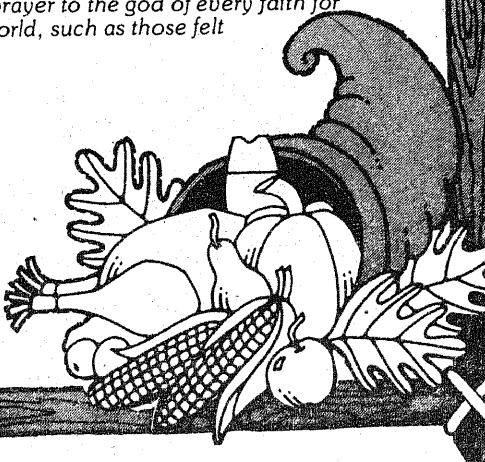
As a nation and a people, we're grateful for the beautifully rich soil we are blessed with and the means to produce food to feed not only ourselves and our allies, but also the hungry throughout the world.

We send our wishes, hopes and prayers that next year, on this day and every day, we can be thankful for the blessings showered on those less fortunate... the presence of the dignity of man among the poor... the return of love, decency and morality into the hearts of the powerful... the enlightening of the minds of those who oppress... and the returning of peace to this currently troubled world.

On this day of family unity, as we relax from the food which has filled our bodies, we offer a prayer to the god of every faith for unity, love and blessings in the world, such as those felt within our homes this day.

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Thanksgiving Eve service  
unites three Pigeon churches

A Community Thanksgiving Eve Service will be conducted at First United Methodist Church in Pigeon on Wednesday evening, Nov. 27 at 8 p.m.

This is the 21st year that Salem United Methodist Church, Michigan Avenue Menomonic Church and First United Methodist Church have sponsored this union service in the community. All are welcome to attend

and begin the Thanksgiving holiday in the spirit of thankful workshop, according to the pastors. A nursery will be provided for families with very young children.

Included in the service will be the singing of traditional Thanksgiving hymns, prayers and readings of thanksgiving, sharing from laypersons in the community, the reading of the Scrip-

tures and a sermon by the Rev. Herbert Troyer, pastor of Michigan Avenue Menomonic Church, entitled "What Is Your Response?" A combined choir has been formed to sing two anthems for the service. Wanda Eichler, choir director at First UM, will direct the choir.

An offering for the Western Thumb CROP Drive will be received.

Cross plans  
Fair and  
Bake Sale

A Christmas Fair and Bake Sale will be conducted at Cross Lutheran School on Thursday, Dec. 5.

The public is welcome to attend between 11:45 a.m. and 2 p.m. Many low-cost crafts, candies and baked goods will be available.

Proceeds will go to the Cross window fund and the school library. Matching funds are available from Lutheran Brotherhood.

## THANKSGIVING

Worship at the church  
of your choice this Thanksgiving

**KILMANAGH LUTHERAN**  
Thanksgiving Day, 9:30 a.m.  
**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN, CASEVILLE:**  
Wednesday evening, 7:30 p.m.

**ST. FRANCIS BORGIA, PIGEON:** Thanksgiving Day, 10 a.m.  
**CROSS LUTHERAN, PIGEON:** Thanksgiving Day, 9:30 a.m.

**PIGEON RIVER and FAIR HAVEN MENNONITE:** Thanksgiving Evening, 7:30 p.m.

**ST. ROCH-CASEVILLE UM-ST. JOHN'S, SAND POINT:** Wednesday evening, 7:30 p.m. at St. John's.

**ST. FELIX, PINNEBOG:** Thanksgiving Mass, 9 a.m.

**FIRST UM, SALEM UM, MICHIGAN AVE. MENNONITE, PIGEON:** Wednesday evening, 8 p.m. at First UM.

**BAY PORT, CASEVILLE and OWENDALE RLDS CHURCHES:** Wednesday evening, 7:30 p.m. at Owendale.

**ST. JOHN'S, BERNE:** Thanksgiving Day, 10 a.m.

**ELKTON MISSIONARY, ELKTON UM:** Wednesday evening, 7 p.m. at Elkton Missionary.

**KILMANAGH UM, HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC, SEBEWAING:** Wednesday evening, 7:30 p.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church.

Sixty  
SecondsGod, the  
gift-giver

READ MICAH 5:11-15

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Micah 5:2

Christmas on Thanksgiving Day? Sounds like it, doesn't it?

We're getting kind of used to the idea in a cultural way, what with Macy's parade on Thanksgiving Day and the pre-Christmas sales the day after.

Well, there is a correlation also in a spiritual way.

Both days have a message that includes truths about rulers, the Redeemer, peace, gifts of God, dwelling securely, and other themes calling for thankfulness.

Thanksgiving Day usually centers more around the physical than the spiritual.

We're grateful for the gifts of nation, peace, prosperity, family, friends. But all of these find their true significance in God's greatest gift to us—His Son Jesus Christ.

It is through God's revelation in Bethlehem's King that the rulers of the world can be led in the way of justice and peace.

It is because of Christ that we know whom to thank for all we are and have.

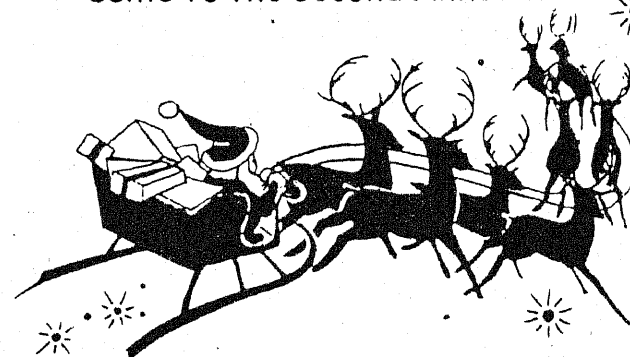
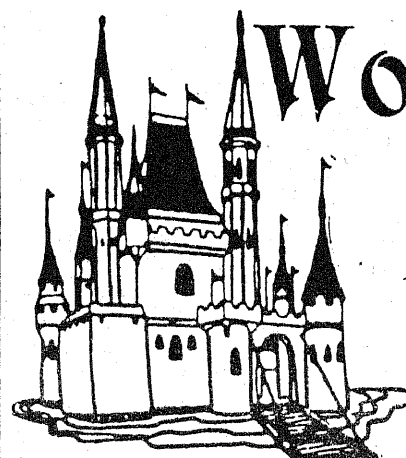
By the coming of the Child of Bethlehem we know God as our loving Father and the Giver of every good and perfect gift.

Thanks, God, for every gift we receive from You, especially for the gift of Your Son, Amen.

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A CRAFT BAZAAR AT THE  
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**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1**  
11:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

Christmas decorations, Wreaths, Quilts,  
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## The Past in Print

### 80 YEARS AGO

**DEC. 1, 1905**  
Dedication of the new Pigeon Cross Lutheran Church will take place Sunday.

John J. Campbell is installing a steam heating plant in his drug store at Pigeon.

Pigeon's photographer, W.B. Freeland, was in Detroit a few days this week.

James McCafferty and family have moved from Palms to Pigeon.

Christian Fries, who has had charge of the Albert Kleinschmidt farm the past year, is to move to Pigeon.

Mr. Kleinschmidt will manage the farm.

Martin Myer, Harvey Dutcher, Alex Wise and Edward Deming, Bay Port, left Saturday for Duluth where they expect to work in a fishery.

Berne School News: The bad weather Tuesday kept 50 scholars away from school. There were only 24 present.

John Platzeck and Suisa Ulrich are welcomed as new scholars.

Orega, the one-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kraft, McKinley Twp., died Tuesday.

### 60 YEARS AGO

**DEC. 4, 1925**

William Heck and Miss Emma Steinman were united in marriage on Thanksgiving Day at the home of the bride's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Steinman, Chandler Twp.

Frederick William Menzel, 62, dropped dead while working around his home near Kilmanagh. He is survived by a wife, a son, three daughters and his mother.

The village of Bach will soon have electric lights and power, due to the activity of the newly organized Bach Community Club.

Pigeon High School News: Students who received all A's for November were Anton Kraft, Amanda Elbing, Florence Moeller, Leona Geiger, Eva Moeller and Hedwig Buchholz.

Gem Theater, Pigeon, presents "Don Q. Son of Zora," with Douglas Fairbanks at his best, Sun., Mon. Tues. at 7 and 9 p.m. Admission 20c & 40c. Adv.

Quarry News: George Chesney, Leonard Bauer and C.C. Shrock held the lucky numbers on the Thanksgiving goose drawing.

### 50 YEARS AGO

**DEC. 6, 1935**

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Trost Sr. celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home south of Pigeon on Wednesday.

Mrs. James Foster, 60, nee Myrtle Patterson, Pigeon, passed away Nov. 30. She leaves her husband, a son and a daughter.

Ernest Clabusch, president of the Pigeon State Bank, announced today that the bank has set aside \$50,000 for government insured and modernization and credit loans.

This will provide private capital for home building and general property improvement and assures those who intend to build, buy or refinance that there will be funds available locally.

Miss Mary Hartman, Bay City, became the bride of Joseph Wolfram, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wolfram, Pigeon on Nov. 30.

The Bay Port girls' basketball team won their first

game of the season Nov. 22, from Uby, 22-15.

### 40 YEARS AGO

**NOV. 30, 1945**

Louis A. Davis, 71, passed away at his home near Pigeon. He is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Newman, Pigeon, will observe their 60th wedding anniversary with an open house on Sunday, Dec. 2.

"Don't Keep Him Waiting," a three-act comedy, will be presented by the Pigeon High School senior class on Dec. 7 at the school auditorium. Cast includes Pete Belding, Robert Carpenter, Audrey Kraft, Norma Gwinn, Reginald Batzer, Eileen Schulze, Shirley Guisbert, Loren Hoppe, Harold Damm, Phyllis Thiel, Edna Lange, Helen Lange and Jack Buerker.

Dr. E.C. Beck, professor of English at Mt. Pleasant College, was guest speaker at the Monday noon meeting of Pigeon Rotary Club.

Pigeon Worthwhile Club met at the home of Mrs. Carl Barnhart with Mrs. Otto Gettel as co-hostess. Papers were given by Mrs. Harry McKay, Mrs. P.L. Fritz and Mrs. Walter McLean.

**30 YEARS AGO**  
**DEC. 1, 1955**

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Pobanz, Pigeon, observed their golden wedding anniversary Sunday with a family dinner at Blue Water Inn, Caseville. They have three daughters, a son and nine grandchildren.

Frederick Wierchert, 76, Chandler Twp. native, died while waiting for ferry transportation across the Straits of Mackinac. He had been deer hunting in the Upper Peninsula with his son. Surviving are two daughters and four sons.

Olin Louis Hinton, 61, died at his home in Bay Port. He leaves his wife and a son.

Mrs. Flora Maholland, 66, nee Flora Richmond, Pigeon, died Sunday. She was a retired school teacher. Surviving are two brothers.

John William Wilson, 72, Elkton, passed away Wednesday. He leaves two sisters and two brothers.

**20 YEARS AGO**  
**DEC. 2, 1965**

Delbert Andrew McAlpine, 27, Elkton, was killed in a

traffic accident near Owendale Friday. He is survived by his wife, his mother, Mrs. Iva McAlpine, Elkton, six sisters and two brothers.

Mrs. George Cleaver, 72, formerly of Caseville, died Nov. 24 in Royal Oak. She leaves two daughters.

An open house will be held this weekend at the new total electric home of Mr. and Mrs. John Ginter in Elkton. John operates with his father, Kenneth, Ginter Electric in Elkton.

The Laker basketball team opened its season Tuesday night by winning a non-conference game with Sebewaing 87 to 66. Scoring for the Lakers were Dale Ackerman, Mike Alexander, Dennis Thiel, Jim Krohn, Dave DeGrow, Bob Pobanz, Mike Krause, Mart McArdle, Dave Anderson, Mark Carr, Don Haist and Ron Damm.

**10 YEARS AGO**  
**DEC. 4, 1975**

A cornerstone laying service was held Sunday morning for the new gymnasium of St. John's Lutheran School at Berne. Among items placed in a copper box inside the cornerstone were a Bible, the St. John constitution and other church papers, The Progress-Advance newspaper and a set of Bicentennial coins.

Recent strong winds did considerable damage to construction on the south wall of the new gymnasium.

William G. Young, 78, of rural Pigeon, died Dec. 2. Survivors are a son and a daughter.

Herman E. Taylor, 53, Pigeon, died Nov. 25 at Veterans Hospital, Battle Creek. He leaves his wife, six sons, two daughters, his mother, Mrs. Eralm Taylor, Ralph M. Richmond Sr., 75, Bay Port, passed away Nov. 29. He is survived by 4 sons.

Mrs. Harriet Walton, 96, Pigeon, passed away Nov. 28. She is survived by a son.

**FROM THE ELKTON ADVANCE FILES**  
**45 YEARS AGO**  
**NOV. 21, 1940**

Rod Dew is moving his grocery stock from the Kinde building to the new Schiele building in Elkton.

Mrs. Fern English was named new president of the Thumb Association OES at the 44th annual meeting held at Gagetown.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stauffer and family have moved to their farm home in East Oliver Twp.

Earl S. Eidt has been named community manager for the 1940 Christmas seal campaign in Elkton, it was announced today by the Michigan Tuberculosis Association.

### 40 YEARS AGO

**NOV. 22, 1945**

Fire of undetermined origin Sunday afternoon destroyed the house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Copeland and owned by Roy Copeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gabert and family have moved into their new home on North Main St., Elkton.

Huron County 4-H and FFA members purchased 23 Aberdeen Angus feeder calves recently according to Ray McMullen, county club agent.

### 35 YEARS AGO

**NOV. 23, 1950**

Mrs. Theo Buchholz attended the funeral in Charlotte Monday of Robert E. Stockwell, 28, who was fatally shot while deer hunting in the Upper Peninsula.

He was district supervisor of the Michigan Associated Telephone Co., with his home in Cass City.

Following the custom established by the Pilgrim Colonists in 1621, the churches of Elkton will observe Thanksgiving at a union service Wednesday evening in St. Paul's Evangelical Church.

Seniors of Elkton Community School have chosen "Our Miss Brooks" as their class play, to be presented Dec. 6-7 in the school auditorium.

### 31 YEARS AGO

**NOV. 25, 1954**

Thumb Publications Inc., publishers of The Pigeon Progress and The Elkton Advance, plan to consolidate the two papers and publish them as one weekly newspaper under the title

The Progress-Advance, beginning with the first issue in December, 1954.

During the 3 years of existence of the Northern Thumb "C" Conference, Elkton has won two football championships. The team has lost only two league games in three years of competition.

### 45 YEARS AGO

**NOV. 26, 1940**

A new beauty shop is being opened in the Ackerman building by Mrs. Fern Bowling on Monday, Dec. 2.

Basketball practice got under way last week in Elkton High School with 52 candidates reporting to Coach Hutchinson who is starting his 8th year with the Elkton quintet.

Forty-five relatives and friends gathered at the home of Mrs. Antonia Burzyck Sunday to help celebrate her 50th anniversary.

### 40 YEARS AGO

**NOV. 29, 1945**

A family gathering was held Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Severn in honor of their 30th wedding anniversary.

Members of the Elkton school faculty, their wives and husbands held a "Hard-time Party" Monday evening. The group called on Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gabert for a housewarming in their new home.

**35 YEARS AGO**  
**NOV. 30, 1950**

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Heck were pleasantly surprised on their 25th wedding anniversary when 25 relatives gathered at their home Monday night.

Dr. and Mrs. John Quinn and family moved Monday to their farm home they purchased recently from Mrs. Rachel Doe.

Alfred H. Sauer, Bad Axe attorney, has been named to act as Huron County Attorney to direct, supervise and control the recount for the office of Governor of Michigan.

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this  
Sunday,  
Dec. 1  
from  
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Christmas  
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Estate of Elva Alvira Faust, aka Elva M. Faust, Deceased.  
In order to close the Estate the Personal Representative will receive sealed bids until 1:00 p.m. on Monday, December 2, 1985, for the sale of the four bedroom, two story frame house located at 29 N. Frank Street, Pigeon, Michigan 48755, more particularly described as:  
Lot 43 and North 6 feet of Lot 42;  
Crawford's First Addition, Village of Pigeon, Huron County, Michigan.  
Bids may be mailed or delivered to office of Michael D. Otto, Attorney at Law, 7340 Michigan Avenue, Pigeon, Michigan 48755, on or before Monday, December 2, 1985, and will be opened at said office on said date at 1:00 p.m.  
The Personal Representative reserves the right to accept or reject any bid. Persons who have submitted bids will be given the opportunity to raise their bid at the bid opening. A ten (10%) percent deposit will be required on any bid accepted. Abstract of Title will be furnished for examination and approval of buyer prior to closing of sale. Sale subject to approval of Huron County Probate Court. Interested parties may inspect the premises from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the following Sundays: November 17, November 24, and December 1, 1985.  
Lyle E. Faust  
430 S. Main, Apartment 5A  
Vassar, Michigan 48768  
Telephone: (517) 823-2465  
Personal Representative of Estate of Elva Alvira Faust, aka Elva M. Faust, Deceased  
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**Something To Think About**  
JOHN A. CHAMPAGNE DIRECTOR  
**"CAN'T HURRY HEALING"**  
Not many people appreciate how long and difficult the grief process can be. Perhaps due to a contemporary distaste for the tasks of mourning, we often attempt to hide our grief or even deny to ourselves that these feelings are real and normal. A newspaper survey of a large midwestern city revealed, for instance, that most respondents thought that a normal period of mourning for the loss of a loved one is between two days and two weeks!  
While we may not be expected to wear black for a year and observe the other tradition of earlier societies, we cannot expect our grief to be handled with such modern American efficiency.  
However, such expectations exist and they often put undue and unfair pressure on bereaved. They begin to doubt themselves if they can't "Snap out of it" promptly. Yet research in this area indicates that the grief process may last up to two years, and the most critical period is from four to six months, after the death.  
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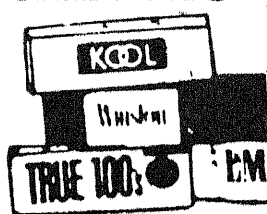
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Dec. 1  
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**VACATION  
ESCAPE  
for Two**

at Midland's Valley Plaza  
**DRAWING:** Sunday, Dec. 1 at 4 p.m.

Tickets will be available at all Elkton merchants. You MUST BE PRESENT to win!

## Club 59 makes Open House plans

### CLUB 59

The Nov. 18 meeting of the Club 59 women met at the home of Donna Krohn of Elkton.

The business meeting included setting up a bake sale at Elkton's Open House for Dec. 1 at the Village Hall. The group also plans a "Lunch With Santa" program on Dec. 21 at the Elkton Fire Hall for Elkton area children through third grade. The event will be followed by a drawing for children through eighth grade and also a distribution of candy sacks.

The next meeting of the club will be Dec. 16 at 6:30 p.m. to bag Christmas candy.

The business meeting was followed by entertainment furnished by the Laker Drama Class. Mr. Terrill and seven of the students who will be in the musical "My Fair Lady" sang several selections. The musical will be performed Thursday, Dec. 12, Saturday, Dec. 14, Sunday, Dec. 15 and Monday, Dec. 16, with all performances at 7 p.m. Donna Krohn and Bea Ankla finished the meeting

with a Mary Kay Cosmetics demonstration on "Applying Eye Make-Up." The meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

### Mental Health Board meets

The regular monthly meeting of the Huron County Community Mental Health Services ACT 258 Board is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 4 at 7:30 p.m.

Location is the Mental Health Offices at 1108 S. Van Dyke in Bad Axe. The Steering Committee will meet Monday, Dec. 2 at 2 p.m.

## SEASON'S GREETINGS

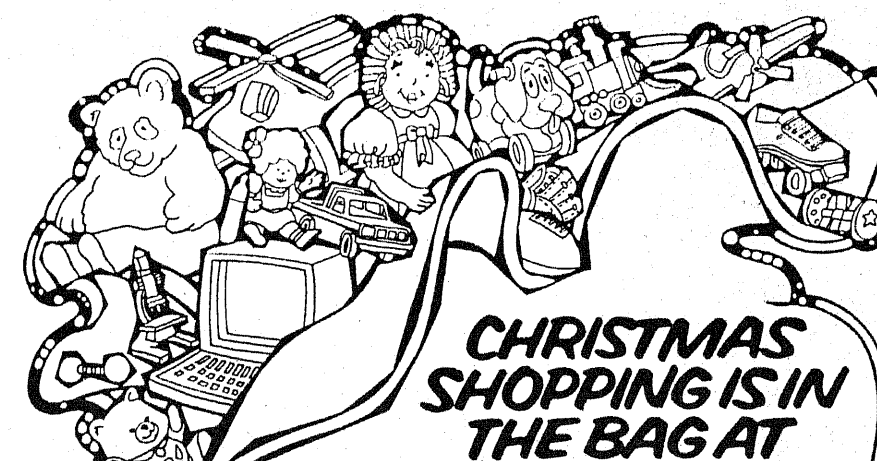


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Bisquit Chickens ..... 40 OZ BOX	<b>\$1.75</b>	
ROASTING Chickens ..... 11	<b>99¢</b>	
KRAFT Macaroni & Cheese ..... 7 OZ BOX	<b>2/99¢</b>	
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### Elkton seniors make holiday plans

**ELKTON SENIOR CITIZENS**  
The Elkton Senior Citizens met with 48 present at their weekly Tuesday luncheon. Harold Gregor led in the singing of the hymn, "A Prayer of Thanksgiving" for the invocation. Guests welcomed were John and Elizabeth McGeachy and Dorothy and Henry Carty. "God Bless America" was sung and Pledge to the Flag given. Harold and Bea Gregor were in charge of group singing. The birthdays of Bernice Eidt and Helen Ritter were remembered with the Birthday Song. The theme song was sung. Kay Walker read the past minutes, and she will now serve as news reporter for the next few months. Alvina Walsh reported that Lucy Dietzel is improving at home. A discussion on the Thanksgiving dinner followed and people noted they will be contributing towards the dinner. Della Trudgeon had the program and she read a humorous article on "Before 1929." She then talked on the theme of Thanksgiving, using poems, essays and the song, "Over the River and Through the Woods." She closed with Thomas Jefferson's "Prayer of Thanksgiving." Next week's program chairman will be Ardis Gemmell.

**Celebrate the Season!**  
Stop in and enjoy our varied menu during Elkton Open House Sunday

**Breakfast Buffet** served 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. - **3<sup>95</sup>**  
**Luncheon Buffet** served 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **5<sup>95</sup>**  
**Supper Buffet** served 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. - **5<sup>95</sup>**

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**FREE Coffee**  
**FREE Hot Chocolate**

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**Share the warmth of this Holiday Season in ELKTON this weekend!**

The Elkton Chamber of Commerce welcomes you to enjoy the hospitality of Elkton merchants and residents by visiting us during our Open House.

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— THIS SUNDAY AFTERNOON —

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## Deck the house

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Submit your name and address to any participating business

by Dec. 17 for judging at 6 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 20.

First prize is \$100, second prize is \$50 and third prize is \$25. Brighton up our town -- and your house -- by joining the fun!



Santa has put Elkton on his **BUSY SCHEDULE** for this Sunday, all afternoon!

## We're Open During The Annual Elkton Open House

Sunday, Dec. 1  
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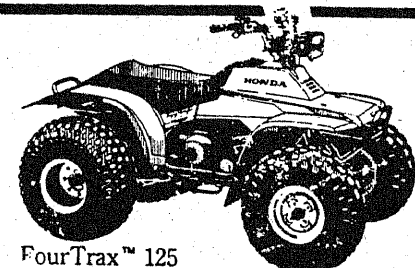
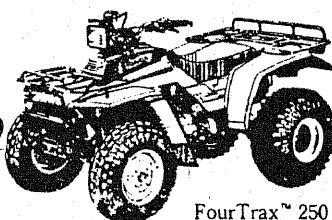
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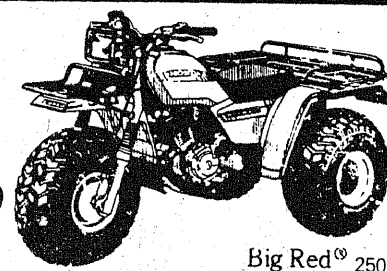


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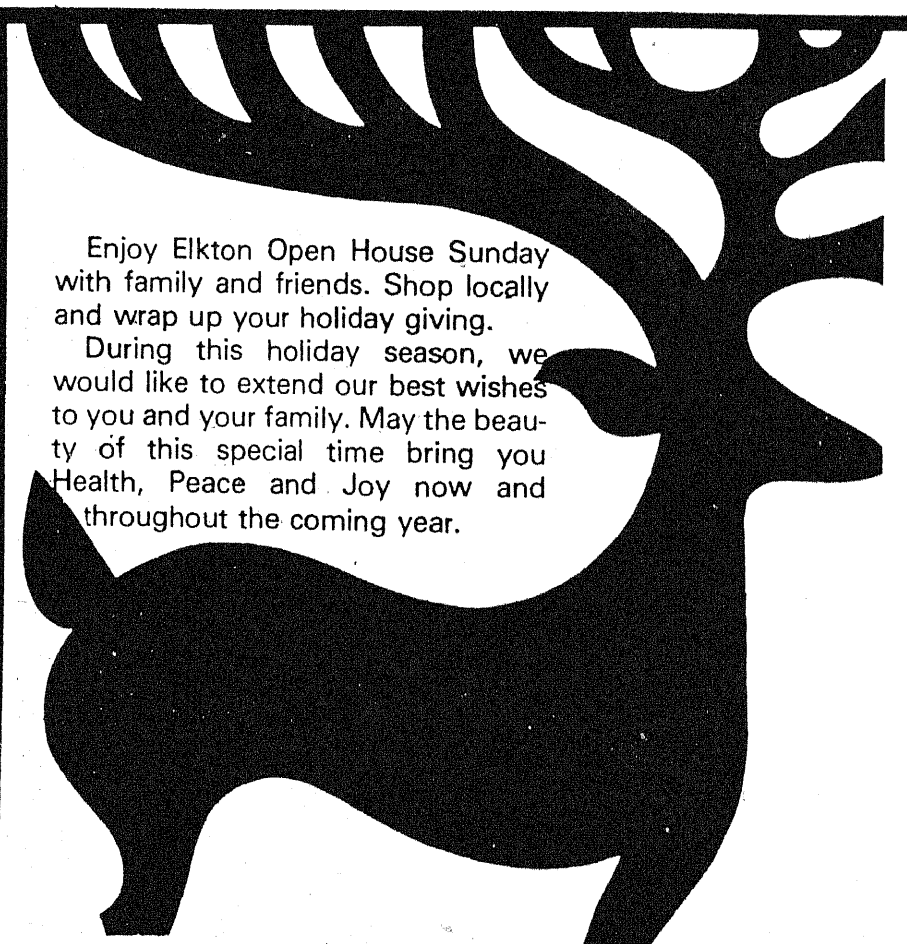
Register for prizes to be given away

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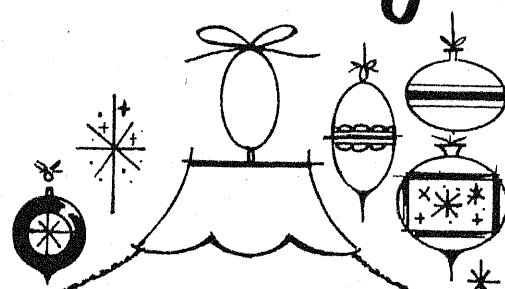
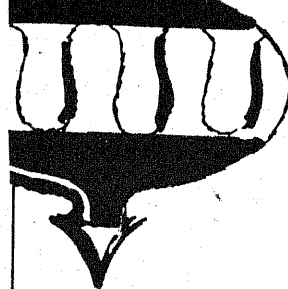
During this holiday season, we would like to extend our best wishes to you and your family. May the beauty of this special time bring you Health, Peace and Joy now and throughout the coming year.



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## Local couples observe Golden Anniversaries



Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wolfram

The children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wolfram of Pigeon will host an Open House in honor their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, Dec. 1 at St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church Hall in Pigeon from 1 to 4 p.m. The couple requests no gifts.

### It's a boy!

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Zinger of Caseville are proud to announce the birth of their son, Brandon James, on Nov. 13. Brandon weighed 5 lbs. 15 oz. and measured 18 3/4 inches long. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Benda of Caseville and Mrs. Leona Zinger and the late Hiram Zinger of Port Austin.

Brandon has a brother, Bradley J., age five. Omitted from honor roll Stephen Wolfram's name was inadvertently omitted from the honor roll listing submitted from Laker High School, published in last week's Progress-Advance. His name is included on the eleventh grade "B" honor roll.



Mr. and Mrs. Harold Townley

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Townley honored their parents on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 2 at the Presbyterian Church in Bad Axe with a buffet dinner.

Ninety guests were present from Bad Axe, Harbor Beach, Grand Rapids, Grayling, Bridgeport and East Lansing. Madeline Rapson and Harold Townley were married Nov. 2, 1934 at the Presbyterian Church in Bad Axe by the late Rev. John J. Pauley. Their attendants were Marguerite (Hasen) Ledbetter and the late Flaran Rapson.

They have resided on their farm in Verona Township all their married life. While Harold has farmed, Madeline has been an active Extension Homemaker for 36 years. Both are active in the Presbyterian Church.

Their children are Glen and Marilyn of Harbor Beach and James and Linda of Grand Rapids. They also have three grandchildren, Christopher of East Lansing, Marc and Vicki of Grand Rapids.



Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bensinger

### A new arrival!

Rob and Debbie Henne of Bay Port are the proud parents of a baby boy, Kiel Robert, born Sept. 14.

Grandparents are Arliss and Shirley Kraft of Caseville and Dale and Dorothy Henne of Bay Port. Great-grandmothers are Elizabeth Davidson of San Diego, Calif., Charlotte Kraft of Bay Port, Marie Buchholz of Elkton and Marie Henne of Pigeon.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton F. Bensinger of Uby will honor their parents at an Open House on Saturday, Nov. 30 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Masonic Hall in Uby. Clayton F. Bensinger and Alice Evelyn Ludlow were united in marriage at the Presbyterian Church at Marlette by the Rev. A.E. Cameron on Nov. 18, 1935. They were attended by Hillo (Ludlow) McLachlan and the late Robert S. Bensinger. They have four children, Bonnetta Wright, Uby; Marjorie Silkworth, Vero Beach, Fla.; Lytle Bensinger, Indianapolis, Ind.; and Rick Bensinger, Uby and nine grandchildren. No gifts requested.

### Couple sets wedding date

Maxwell-Wiechert

Mrs. Ella Maxwell and Edward Wiechert, both of Pigeon, wish to announce the engagement of their children, Ila Marie to Kevin Dale.

The bride-elect is the daughter of the late Howard Maxwell. A Sept. 13, 1986 wedding is being planned.

### Pigeon news

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Eidt of Sand Point were weekend guests of Rev. Robert and Terry Freysinger and son Billy in Kalamazoo. On Saturday evening they celebrated Mrs. Eidt's birthday with a dinner and

candlelit birthday cake. On Sunday they attended the morning worship service at Lane Blvd. Methodist Church, at which their son is pastor. Granddaughter Terry played a flute solo in the service.

## Area servicemen report new duties

Army Reserve Private Randy D. Cobb, son of Ronald D. and Judy D. Cobb of Elkton, has completed an equipment storage specialist course at the U.S. Army Quartermaster School, Fort Lee, Va.

The course provided students with a working knowledge of the federal supply system, storage operations and packaging procedures. They received driving instructions on such materials-handling equipment as conventional and rough terrain forklifts and warehouse tractors. He is a 1985 graduate of Laker High School.

Army Reserve Private Duane R. Ritter, son of Larry and Marie Ritter of Bad Axe, has completed the self-propelled field artillery

turret mechanic course at Fort Sill, Okla.

During the course, students were taught to perform maintenance and troubleshooting on all self-propelled field artillery weapons systems.

Ritter is a 1985 graduate of Laker High School.

Marine Corps Pvt. First Class Michael W. Kirkpatrick, son of Patricia Denlar of Pigeon, has completed the cannon fire direction course at Fort Sill, Okla. During the course, students were taught the

students were taught to operate and maintain a digital automated computer for field artillery and a cannon fire direction center with the purpose of compiling target lists.

Army Reserve Pvt. Ricky L. Wise, son of Richard Wise of Pigeon and Bonnie Bump of Bay Port, has completed the basic field artillery cannoner course under the one station unit training (OSUT) program at Fort Sill, Okla. During the course, students were taught the

duties of a howitzer or gun section crewman. They also received instruction in communications, maintenance and the handling of ammunition and explosives.

Wise is a 1985 graduate of Laker High School.

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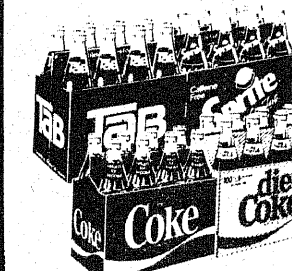
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## Pigeon District LIBRARY CORNER

### HOLIDAY FILM FESTIVAL BEGINS

The first Holiday Film Festival of the Christmas Season is planned for Saturday, Nov. 30 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Pigeon District Library with the showing of "Gulliver," who is shipwrecked on the shore of the kingdom of Lilliput, which is inhabited by a race of tiny people.

Entertaining films for children will be shown each Saturday at that time through Dec. 21.

### PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

The Dec. 3 Story Hour for preschoolers will feature mystery stories and activities.

"Bears in the Night," "The Berenstain Bears and a Spooky Old Tree" and "The Berenstain Bears and the Missing Dinosaur Bone" will be read to the children, followed by simple exercises including Five Little Snowmen, Five Little Christmas Trees, fingerplays, memory flannelgraphs and songs. Show and Tell will also be conducted as it will be the first Tuesday of the month. Story Hour sessions are conducted at 9 and 10:30 a.m.

### CHILDRENS' BOOK WEEK WINNERS

Children's Book Week was celebrated at the library last week with 32 children participating by registering for daily prizes and checking out at least four books. Questions about tigers were used to coincide with the theme "Break For Books" and "The Jam Cat Tiger." Winners of the daily

prizes were Leigh Fluegge, Jeff Shepherd, Kate Damm, Kristin Damm, Kimberly Wiechert, Alicia Apley, Sheila Akbar, Eric Maust, Erin Nimitz and Kris Kranz. Grand prize winners for the drawing on Saturday were Joel Maust and Jeremy Briesmeister.

### CLOSED THANKSGIVING DAY

The library will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 28 in observance of Thanksgiving Day. Books due on this date will not be charged an overdue fine if dropped in the overnight book depository or if they are returned the following day.

Regular library hours will resume on Friday from 9 to 5 p.m.

### TOM THUMB NURSERY VISITS

Students from Tom Thumb Preschool made a field trip to the library on Monday, Nov. 18.

### COFFEE HOUR CONDUCTED

The November Coffee Hour on Nov. 19 was attended by six parents in the first session and 14 in the second. Dwight Gascho, executive director of Bluewater Youth for Christ, was in charge of the programs, assisted by staff members Redford Maust and Ken Smeader.

The goal of Campus Life is to participate within the Body of Christ in the responsible evangelism of youth, presenting them with the person, work and teachings of Jesus Christ and disciplining them into the local churches.

The YFC ministry has been active in Huron County for over 25 years and began in the high schools in the 1950s and has expanded to a total of nine high schools in the county at the present time.

Under the direction of qualified and responsible leaders, Campus Life, in a casual and informal atmosphere, using crowd breakers and games to open the meetings, discusses the provocative and contemporary issues facing young people.

### County group plans holiday dinner Dec. 7

The Huron County Historical Society will meet Saturday, Dec. 7 for its annual Christmas Dinner at the Farm Bureau Building in Bad.

A social hour begins at 5:45 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Dinner is being prepared by ladies of the Farm Bureau, and will include turkey, ham and all the trimmings. Following dinner there will be a slide presentation by Charles Scheffner on "The History of Huron County." A door prize and table prizes will also be given away. For reservations, call Ruth at 269-8165 by Dec. 2.

### Area school lunch menus

#### Week of Dec. 26

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TUESDAY: Ham and cheese roll or chicken patty, baked beans, relishes, fruit cocktail, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Stew, lettuce salad, bread, rhubarb crisp, milk.

THURSDAY: Hot dogs, fish sticks, fries, baked beans, pears/applesauce, milk.

FRIDAY: Tuna noodle casserole, lettuce salad, relishes, bread, cherry dessert, chocolate milk.

## New Scouts!



**GIRL SCOUT TROOP NO. 1005** held its investiture ceremony Nov. 5 and all but one of the troop members, Sarah Champagne, are new Scouts.

Pictured here, front row from left, Sarah Dietzel, Candice Avalos, Christine Nusz, Brandee Parrish and Tonya Craig; back row, Jamie Burken, Sarah Champagne, Jodi Herbert and Annette Weidman.

### Club news

#### OWENDALE WOMANS' CLUB

The November meeting of the Owendale Women's Club met Monday for a work detail for the making of the annual cheeseballs.

Twelve members rolled up their sleeves at 6:30 p.m. and began the task. During a break, a short business meeting was conducted by President Pat Enderle.

The Dec. 7 tour of the Dodge home decorated for Christmas in the Detroit area was planned. Nine

members will attend. Fruit boxes for shut-ins will be packed Dec. 11 at the Village Hall and then members will go to the home of Mrs. Kay Erickson for refreshments and a gift exchange.

A donation was given to Girls' State candidate Tiffany Reinhardt, who will attend this summer at for a week at Michigan State University. The group also discussed an upcoming Blood Drive.

Cheeseball profits will be used as in the past for community projects.

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2. No purchase necessary. A total of 21 gift certificates offering a free turkey (10-11 lb. ave.) will be awarded, one at each participating store, from among all entries submitted on official entry forms, handwritten copies or other copies deposited at participating stores. Also, one \$25 Gift Certificate for customer's choice of "All the Trimmings" will be awarded as Grand Prize.
3. Each participating store will draw two names from among all entrants as of Saturday, Dec. 14. One will be used in turkey prize drawing for that store, and the other is eligible for "Trimmings" Grand Prize. Only one winner per address at any one store.
4. Coupons will appear in Progress-Advance issues of Wednesday, Nov. 27, Dec. 4 and Dec. 11 and reasonable facsimiles may also be used. Names of all winners will be featured in Dec. 18 Progress-Advance. Turkey certificates and "Trimmings" Grand Prize may be redeemed anytime until Feb. 15, 1986.

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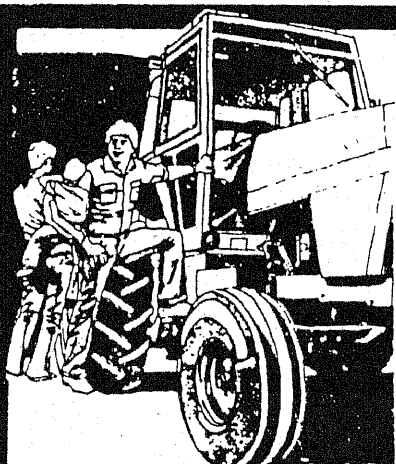
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## Progress-Advance

## sports of the week

## Lakers sink Pirates in third clash

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER  
Beating a team three times in one high school basketball season is a very difficult task, as the Harbor Beach Pirates found out in the Class C district tournament at Uby last Saturday night.

The Pirates battled back after trailing Lakers to earn

victories in the two previous meetings, but the Elkton-Pigeon Bay Port squad turned the tables and upended tourney favorite Harbor Beach, 65-62. The Lady Lakers trailed the Pirates, 21-12 at end of the first quarter, but Laker junior scoring leader Julia Sturm and sophomore Vicki Winter each hit six points in the following period to give their

team a 29-27 halftime lead over the Thumb C League champs.

The Harbor Beach hoopsers again cranked up their comeback attack in the fourth quarter to knot the score at 54 at the four-minute mark, but Lakers broke the pattern of their first two losses to the Pirates and refused to buckle under the pressure.

Laker shooters put the game away at the foul line as Sturm hit three charity tosses while sophomore Lisa Buschlen and senior Patti Thiel each added a pair in the closing moments of the game.

Sturm netted 24 points to lead all scorers, while Winter added 18 more to the Laker victory. Winter also pulled down eight rebounds and contributed three steals, while Sturm grabbed seven rebounds and blocked two shots.

Sherri Meissner hit 16 points and Kristi Meissner added 18 in her final cage contest in a Harbor Beach uniform.

Laker Coach Paul Beachy praised seniors Debbie Ginter and Patti Thiel for their defensive work in holding Pirate Joy Wehner to just eight points in the game.

Beachy's team had little time to celebrate, as Laker players set their sights on the contest with Unionville-Sebewaing in the district finals on Tuesday night. Lakers' goal was exactly the same as that of Harbor Beach — beat the same team three times in one season. The Patriots were hungry for a win going into Tuesday's contest after bowing to Lakers in the two teams' earlier meetings this year.

**FINAL SEASON LOSS:** Last Tuesday, the Pirate players were celebrating after battling back from a 13-point deficit in the third quarter to



**STRETCH:** Laker sophomore guard Vicki Winter takes a "giant step" to avoid a traveling call as a Harbor Beach defender moves in as Laker's Deb Ginter in the background calls for the ball.

post a 66-56 victory over the home team in the Laker gym.

Lakers built a 31-19 halftime lead, but saw the Pirates narrow the gap to 33-28 at the five minute mark of the third period. The home team again pulled away to lead 43-30 with two minutes remaining in the period. Harbor Beach again roared back to narrow the margin to 43-39 at the start of the final quarter.

With just under five minutes remaining in the game, the Pirates tied the score at 45-45. At the 3:14 mark, Cheryl Rutkowski hit a pair of charity tosses to give Harbor Beach a 51-49 lead, and the Pirates never

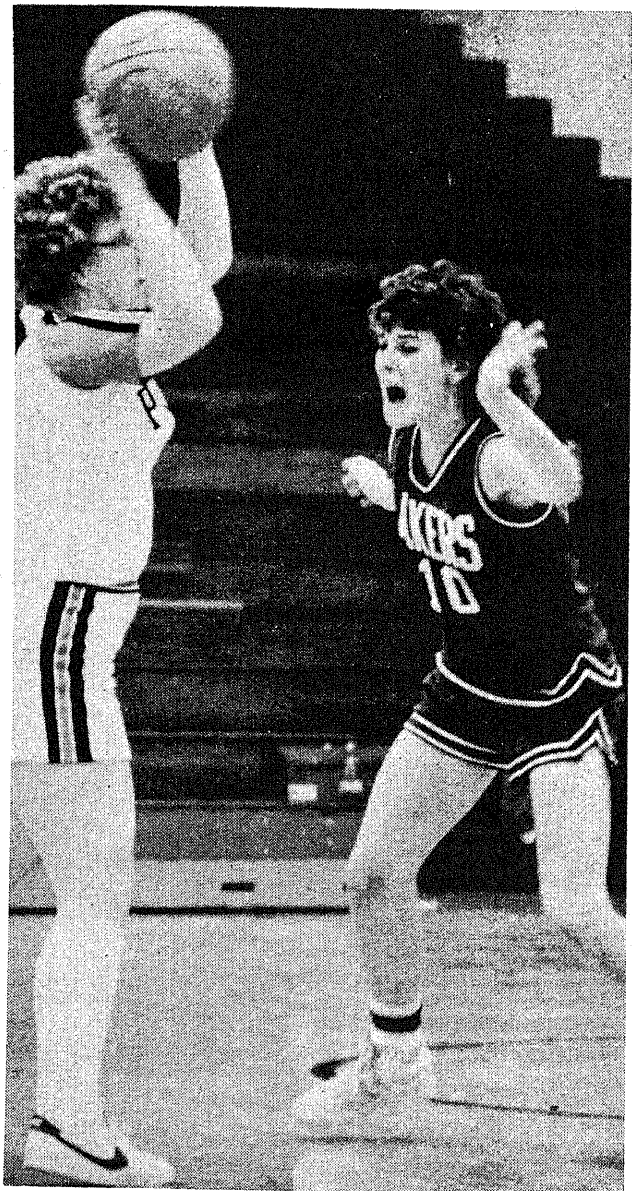
trailed again in the game. Lakers closed the gap to 53-52 with 2:20 left, but then saw Harbor Beach pull away at the end.

Laker spectators were not happy with the officiating in the game, as the Pirates won the contest at the free-throw line. Harbor Beach shooters canned 17 of 20 charity tosses in the final period alone,

while Lakers were awarded only six opportunities at the line and cashed in five of them.

Sturm led Laker scoring with 20 points.

Harbor Beach benefited from the scoring trio of Joy Wehner with 21 points, Sherri Meissner with 17 and Colleen Wruble with 16 for the win.



**STOP:** Laker Deb Ginter attempts to distract a Pirate player who looks for an open teammate for a pass.



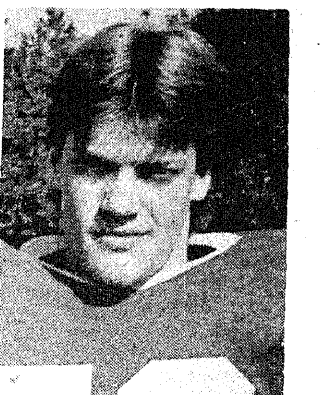
**DEFENSE:** Lakers Patti Thiel (32) and Debbie Ginter (10) combine to team a Harbor Beach player.

## Winkler, Langley named to All-State grid squad

A pair of Caseville grid-ders achieved state-wide recognition when they were named to the United Press International Class D All-State team.

John Winkler was selected All-State at the linebacker position, while Greg Langley earned honors for his performance as a running back.

Langley set a school record by gaining 1,028 yards with a 6.5 yards-per-carry average, and also scored 11 touchdowns and eight two-point conversions. He also rushed for over 100 yards in the last seven games of the year.

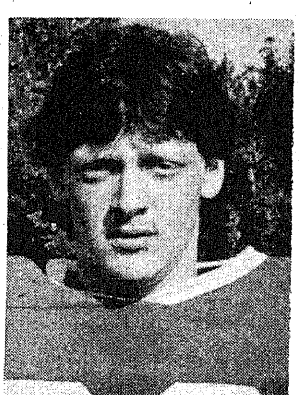


John Winkler

In other honors this season, Langley earned the Golden Helmet Award sponsored by Coca Cola as the top Class D player in the area, and was named to the North Central Thumb D League first team on offense, and second team on defense.

Winkler picked off four interceptions, recovered three fumbles, sacked the quarterback twice and recorded 78 tackles (22 solo) to lead the Eagle defense.

He was a NCTDL unanimous choice for defensive first team, and also named first team as center on offense.



Greg Langley

## TBA, NCTDL select All-Conference hoopsters

Laker junior center Julia Sturm joined a quartet of seniors on the Thumb B Association All-Conference first team in girls' hoop honors. Also named to the first team were Beth Stockford and Tracey Galsterer of Caro, Maria Long of Marlette and Barb Butler of North Branch.

Second team honors went to Laura Lee and Renee Schiefer of Vassar, Bobbie Sztokowski of North Branch, Kathleen Andrakowski of Marlette and Kathy Lengemann of Imlay City.

Receiving honorable mention were: Lisa Buschlen, Susan Kersten and Vicki Winter of Lakers; Carolyn Gorney, Lori Reiman and Betsy Herp of Bad Axe; Mariessa Hebert and Chris Lubaczewski of Caro; Shannon McIntosh and Kelly Deering of Cass City; Deb Ross and Rhonda Hart of Marlette; Brenda Ruhlman, Theresa Smite and Erica Nellenbach of North Branch; Beth Bergdorf of Vassar, and Chris Shevock of Imlay City.

Akron-Fairgrove dominated post-season honors in North Central seniors on the Thumb B Association All-Conference girls' basketball balloting. Vikings Alisa Swan and Jennifer Foster were named to the first team and Carol Childs earned second team honors. Caseville representatives include Chris Barton on the second team and Michelle Stahl receiving honorable mention. Mary Oswald of Decker-ville was the only unanimous choice for first team honors, while Colleen Bradley of Peck and Deb Kasdorf of Kingston round out the first team.

In addition to Barton and Childs, second team honors were accorded to Beth Wahl of North Huron, Debbie Cowley of Peck and Cathy Reinke of Port Hope.

Honorable mention was earned by Robin Seeb of CPS, Karen Stone of Decker-ville, Kris Kotsch of Kingston, Tammy Champagne of North Huron, Susie Salcido of Owen-Gage and Karen Brown and Mary Lou Scherret of Port Hope.

## Sloppy play leads to Eagle district tourney exit



**ABOVE:** Eagle Coach Randy Bingham can't bear to watch as his team falls behind Port Hope in his team's final game.

**BELOW:** Yvonne Miller attempts to keep the ball away from Port Hope defenders Mary Lou Sherret (43) and Kristi Friedland (31), as Eagle Kim Madej (42) looks on.



By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

There was little jubilation by anyone at the final buzzer of the district tournament game between Caseville and Port Hope last Saturday night at Owen-Gage.

The Blue Stars were happy with the 44-35 final score in their favor, but Port Hope Coach Richard Gorney and Caseville mentor Randy Bingham were both disappointed with the way their teams performed in the game.

"We haven't played well most of the year and that's the way we played tonight. We turned the ball over too often," said Gorney.

The Eagles started the game flat and never got untracked during the contest. Caseville trailed 12-6 at the end of the opening period. They stayed about a half dozen points behind the Blue Stars throughout the game, until Port Hope pulled away in the closing moments of the game.

"I thought I had the kids ready, and that's my job to have them ready to play, but we weren't ready to play in the first half," said Bingham. "We didn't play well. We worked on a game plan for 10 days (before the tournament) and didn't execute it," a disappointed Coach Bingham said.

Overall, however, he had praise for his players.

"We've had a good season and I have nothing but praise and compliments for them," he added.

The Blue Star coach said the bright spot of the night for him was the performance of Lori Finkel who shadowed Eagle scoring leader Chris Barton. Her success was borne out in the scorebook, as Gail Gembarski led Caseville scoring with eight points in the game.

Eagles also missed the services of senior center Michelle Stahl who was sidelined by doctor's orders.

The Port Hope offense was led by Cathy Reinke's 21 points.

The Blue Stars were scheduled to meet North

Central Thumb D League co-champ and tournament favorite Akron-Fairgrove in the Owen-Gage gym on Tuesday night.



**LOOSE BALL:** Eagles Kim Madej (42), Gail Gembarski (20) and Chris Barton (left) battle with a Port Hope player for a rebound.

**THUMB NATIONAL TIES FOR HOOP TITLE**

Thumb National Bank was scheduled for a playoff for the league championship on Monday, Nov. 25 after splitting a pair of games to finish the regular season.

The local team registered a 47-44 win over Burger King, but bowed to Wil-Lew Lounge, 50-46.

Kim Haldane hit 18 points, Tammie Sanders netted 14

and Bernie Morneau added 11 for Thumb National against Burger King. Haldane and Morneau shared scoring honors with 16 each against Wil-Lew.

## Thumb Area Bowling roundup

## PIGEON THURSDAY NITE LADIES

J & B Pkg.	32
Pigeon Co-op	31
Brighton Metal	30
Want Ads	28 1/2
Rapson Foster Care	27 1/2
Pigeon Auto Supply	26 1/2
Scheurer Hospital	26
Lee's Landscaping	25
Fink's Farm Equip.	21 1/2
Village Barber & Styling	14
McCormick Motors	13
Gary's TV	13

High team scores: Pigeon Co-op 2243 (792), Fink's Farm Equip. 2222 (759), Want Ads 2185, Rapson Foster Care 172.

High individual scores: J. Otto 521 (208), S. Buchholz 513 (213), M. Murdoch 512 (186-179), B. Schulz 510 (174), W. Rapson 507 (188), S. McLean 490 (178), M. Ropp 473, K. Thomas 469, F. Otto 463, P. Schulz 208, E. Guster 173, R. Duffy 171.

Splits: 4-5 J. Dunn; 5-6 C. Otto; 4-10 B. Schulz; 2-7 W. Kovach, J. Kretzschmer; 5-10 J. Niebel; 5-7 J. LeBlanc, R. Stahl, A. Albrecht; 3-10 C. Poisson, A. Albrecht, R. Duffy, J. Otto, J. Wolfram, C. Haley; 4-7-9 C. Poisson; 5-6-10 E. Rounds; 5-8-10 P. Parrish.

## GUYS and DOLLS

Blome-Gunden	20 1/2
Elbing-Roestel	16
*Roestel-Strauch	13
Dum-Seemann	13
Kretzschmer-Thiel	13
Krohn-Morin	12
Ready-Weidman	12

High individual scores: V. Smith 679 (247-224-208), M. Swartzendruber 614 (221-200), D. Parrish 611 (241), R. Damm 582 (209), G. Gunden 548 (237), Todd Gunden 540, F. Strauch 224, K. Castor 211, T. Damm 210, R. Fluegge 205.

## PIGEON THURSDAY NITE LADIES

Heintz-Hundersmark	12
*Caverty-Pipe	11
*Dubs-Smith	9 1/2
*Incomplete	
High team scores: Blome-Gunden 2043 (745),	
High individual scores: MEN - R. Elbing 57a2 (211), D. Krohn 571 (212), J.D. Gunden 544 (201), L. Roestel 514, H. Blome 504 (203); LADIES - E. Gunden 522 (192-178), L. Morin 476 (185), J. Kretzschmer 475 (176), J. Blome 473 (171), A. Elbing 461, B. Heintz 456 (173).	
Splits: 6-7 3-10 J. Blome; 5-7 R. Elbing, L. Morin; 5-6-10 H. Weidman; 2-7 J. Kretzschmer; 3-10 J. Gunden, R. Thiel.	

## MONDAY MAJOR LEAGUE

Damm's	24
Bay Shore Collision	22
Walsh Packing	21
Pigeon Motor Sales	21
Carling	20
Bay Shore Realty	20
Pigeon Lanes	19
J.O. Worst Tiling	19
Brighton Metal	18
Quick, A. Gotham	16

High team scores: Carling 2713 (921-904-888), Damm's 2a634 (923a-889), Brighton Metal 2557 (885-858), Pigeon Lanes 2536 (883), Pigeon Motors 2498 (853), J & B Pkg. 855.

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## PIGEON WEDNESDAY NIGHT LADIES

Bay Port State Bank	33 1/2
Miller High Life	32
Thumb National Bank	30
Huron Excavation	30
Ralph's Tavern	30
Haist Flowers	29
Village Quik Stop	28
Vary's	24 1/2
Bay Port Construction	24
Damm's	20
Pigeon Inn	17
Vollmer Ready Mix	16

High team scores: Bay Port Construction 2155 (740-708-707), Huron Excavation 2052 (763), Village Quik Stop 2091 (714-710), Miller High Life 2067, Haist Flowers 2032.

High individual scores: M. Ropp 500 (183), D. Deming 485 (181), L. Krohn 451 (182), J. Albrecht 465, B. Forster 185, G. Carpenter 179, R. Sweeney 170.

Splits: 2-7 L. Santos (2), P. Przystron; 3-6 L. Santos; 3-10 A. Elbing, H. Strong, D. Bollenbacher, C.J. Damm; 4-5 G. Carpenter; 4-7-9-10 G. Carpenter; 5-6 L. Santos; 5-7 P. Roestel; 5-10 L. Rathje, D. Quick, A. Gotham.

## FRIDAY NIGHT MEN'S LEAGUE

Albrecht Auction Service	27
Caseville Fruit Market	26
Active Feed	23
Co-op Elevator	21
Pigeon Lanes	19
Silver Dollar	18
High team scores: Co-op Elevator 2442 (823-826), Albrecht Auction Service 2411 (839-813), Pigeon Lanes 835.	
High individual scores: J.D. Gunden 551	

## TUESDAY CLASSIC LEAGUE

Carling	29
*Arlen's Duck Inn	29
Steinman Agency	24 1/2
Pigeon Lumber	23
Ralph's Tavern	22 1/2
Kretzschmer HC	22
Dutch Kettle	21 1/2
Pioneer Cablevision	20
Pigeon Inn	19
*Osentoski Ford Tractor	18 1/2
Active Feed	17
Bob Smith Builders	14

\*Incomplete

High team scores: Arlen's Duck Inn 2585 (888-885), Carling 2558 (925), Active Feed 2466 (899).

High individual scores: L. Smith 602 (244), H. Schuette 557 (221), N. Libka 219, W. Otto 209, J. Reed 206, R. Nowaczyk 203, J. Gunden 202, J. Eckel 200.

## PIGEON WOMAN'S AFTERNOON LEAGUE

Pigeon IGA	22
Basinger Poultry Farm	20
Soligro	18 1/2
Pigeon Lanes	17
Grigg Greenhouse	17
Diener Home of FF	16 1/2
Moss Builders	16
Schemmer Poultry Farm	16
Town & Country	15
LaFave Steel	14
Becky Eggs	14
Shoreline Snowplowing	13

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Ty's Bowling	33
Knechtel's Market	30
Ron's Party Store	29 1/2
Sally's Ceramics	27
Elkton Co-op	24
Town Edge Farms	18
Elkton IGA	16
Bud's Bar	14 1/2

High team scores: Sally's 1819 (665), Knechtel's Market 188-201, J. Rosenthal 512 (200), P. Podlaskowski 496 (179-173), D. Hergot 484 (190).

Splits: 5-7 M. Erer; 5-6 M. Erer, E. Heck; 5-8-10 M. Chappel; 2-7 S. Benda; 3-5-7 M. Garza.

Turkey Winners: S. Benda, D. Schuette, D. McGee, J. Garrick, P. Podlaskowski (hen).

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Special thanks go to Eldon and Joyce Dietzel for the delicious meal and for the extra hours on the plow during my absence.  
Thanks also to Scheurer Hospital, especially the kitchen department in the celebration meal. It added such a special touch to us as parents.  
Last but by no means least, a very special thanks to Gerry Swartzendruber for her support and assistance while in labor. It's so nice that someone goes out of their way to be of assistance and to help share in our joy.  
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Mr. and Mrs. William Cregeur of Saginaw visited Monday with their aunt, Mrs. Cletus Cregeur. Mr. Cregeur also visited with his uncle, Cletus Cregeur at the Scenic Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Buchholz and children Richard and Anna Leigh helped Mrs. Minnie Witherspoon celebrate her birthday with a surprise party at St. Peter's Lutheran Hall, Kinde on Sunday.

Mrs. Don Roestel reported that her mother, who was in Provincial House, Cass City, has returned to her Caseville home and would appreciate seeing her relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ohlrogge of Glidden, Wis., are visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ohlrogge. Kevin Ohlrogge of Sterling Heights visited with Mr. and Mrs. John Diener.

Visiting his mother, Mrs. Elsie Trowbridge, was John Trowbridge of Sterling Heights. They were dinner guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ohlrogge and their guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Zarnke and children were Sunday callers of his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Leppardt.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Eberly have returned home after a 10-day visit with relatives and friends in Indiana and Illinois and their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kennell and family.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Eberly this week is Amelia Gnagey, a resident at Greencroft Nursing Home in Goshen, Ind. She will also visit other relatives while here.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hartman was their daughter, Mrs. Betty Jean Thomas and boys of Canton and Sonny Haack of Franklin.

Robert Drabek of Grand Terrace, Calif., Mrs. Jim Drabek and son of Highland, Calif. were Thursday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hartman. They left for their home in California Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Rathje were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Young and family in Saginaw.

Visiting her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Buerker were Mrs. Carl Buerker and daughter Mrs. Paul Ruthko and two children of Uby last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Buerker called on Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hebert in Bad Axe on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Rathje were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Young and family in Saginaw.

These are things that take effort to plan and carry through. Sometimes the kids may not want to do things, but in later years they will remember these things with great relish, so I am persistent. "Quit your complaining! This is our family ritual and you're going to be there!"

If your Thanksgiving is not the same this year, do not lose hope that family cohesion is lost. Be encouraged that there is a whole new world of different rituals your family can start out there. So let's dedicate this Thanksgiving to thankfulness for the old rituals and excitement for the new ones.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Dast and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Rathje were among the "excited fans" attending the Laker vs. Harbor Beach game at Uby on Saturday.

On Sunday Mrs. Elsie Kern entertained for dinner teacher Karen Timler, her parents, Pastor and Mrs. Theodore Timler of Portage, Wis. and Pastor Pfaff, principal and Mrs. Kenneth Hass and family, Mark Moeller, Kim Kern of Concordia College, Ann Arbor and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kern and family.

Daniel Freeman is spending Thanksgiving week break from Michigan Tech with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Freeman.

Members of the Prospective Lake Huron Chapter of Sweet Adelines and their spouses attended the Thumb Area Chapter of Sweet Adelines show in Flint on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Born and family attended a Pre-Thanksgiving family dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schulz in Sebewaing on Sunday.

A Thursday guest of Mrs. Mabel Clark was Mrs. Katherine Ross of Caseville. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Maust and Mrs. Katie Albrecht had dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herb Albrecht and family in Vassar to help Mrs. Katie Albrecht celebrate her birthday.

Mrs. Ann Schuette spent several days last week with her daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. James Bridges in Midland.

Mrs. William Buchholz spent Wednesday through Friday with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Tredow in Sterling Heights.

Sunday guests of Mrs. Dorothy Swartzendruber were her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Swartzendruber of Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Grandsen had as weekend guests Ronnie Errer, South Lyon, Mike and Gina Errer of Gagetown.

Visiting her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Buerker were Mrs. Carl Buerker and daughter Mrs. Paul Ruthko and two children of Uby last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Buerker called on Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hebert in Bad Axe on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Rathje were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Young and family in Saginaw.

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pristine lake with fireplace and the works. As they were sitting on the veranda looking out on the most beautiful scenery in the world, he asked his wife, "Can you think of any place in the whole world more beautiful than this?"

Her quick reply was, "Yah, Oceanside, N.J.!" Why? Tradition! Her family vacationed there every year of her life. Rituals bind together.

Many families have never known the closeness that creating rituals can bring. Taking half a day every week and a three-day weekend every six months to do things together as a family — reading certain stories to the children, making certain snowmen at the same spot in the yard every first snow, building certain sand castles in competition with each other at the same beach every summer, etc., etc. — are secrets of family happiness.

These are things that take effort to plan and carry through. Sometimes the kids may not want to do things, but in later years they will remember these things with great relish, so I am persistent. "Quit your complaining! This is our family ritual and you're going to be there!"

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# WOODS and WATERS

By DUANE GUENTHER



## Early hunter

When the builders excavated the basement of the house where I now live, it was as if they dug a hole into time itself.

Not long after they piled the huge mounds of sand on either side of the hole, I was fortunate enough to be looking down at the right time, and discovered a perfectly formed Indian arrowhead.

The small, gray-white implement had been fashioned from a native stone known as chert. Chert is a member of the flint family, and like its relatives, fractures in shell-shaped chips when it is broken.

A long time ago, before white man ever roamed this part of the country, our native Americans discovered the fracturing ability of chert, and proceeded to make many types of tools and weapons from this plentiful resource, tools and weapons that eased the burden of daily living. Whenever I looked at this particular arrowhead, I couldn't help but wonder the history and circumstances that surrounded it.

My find did not seem so miraculous when I discovered that our building site was situated on the ancient banks of the Sebawing River. Since rivers were the expressways of the wilderness, it is natural to assume they also were the gathering place of early man. This fact was further cemented when a neighbor boy dug up an Indian skeleton a few hundred yards from our house.

For a short time surrounding my finding of the arrowhead, I become very interested in the toolmaking capacity and hunting abilities of the former residents of my property. Armed with some books from the library, and enlightened with additional knowledge from the father of the boy who found the skeleton, I attempted, and succeeded in making some arrowheads.

The process was quite simple. First you found a substantial piece of flint or chert. Then using a small stone, you knocked off the edges until you had a workable shape. Using a blunt instrument, such as a deer antler, you struck the edge of the stone in order to flake off some small chips. The process worked best when you rested the stone on the palm of your hand, or the soft part above your knee. With a little practice and a lot of patience, it didn't take long before a reasonable facsimile of an arrow tip was formed.

I wasn't satisfied with just making an arrowhead, but rather, thought it would be interesting to hunt for, and eventually kill a deer with such a crude implement. Thus, the stage was set.

Using one of the arrowheads that I had made, I secured a cedar shaft used in mak-

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ing conventional arrows, and after cutting a split in one end, fashioned the arrowhead within the wooden shaft. The head was held in place by binding it with a waxed, cotton string.

I thought of using nylon, but felt that the cotton string would come the closest to the animal sinews probably used by the Indians. I finished the arrow by fletching it with feathers and cutting in a shallow nock for the bow string.

For a month before bow season began, I practiced with the crude weapon. Even though it was powered by a modern, 50 lb. pull, recurve bow, the accuracy was atrocious. The arrow wobbled in flight as a result of the heavy head.

Attempts to refletch the arrow with larger feathers proved to be a waste of time, so I made due with the results I was getting. I knew in order to be successful, I would have to get very close to the deer. It was becoming easy to see why the Indians were noted for their stealth.

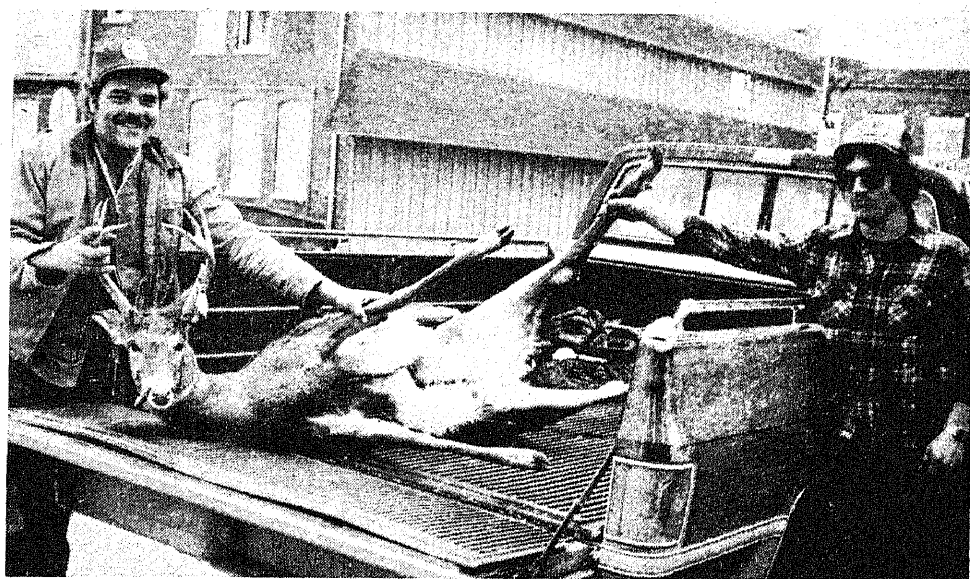
With a bow made of hickory, or yew, strung with animal sinews, and loaded with a less than perfect arrow, the hunter had to rely on point-blank range in order to make his weapon effective. And, if he failed, he, and probably his whole family, would go hungry. It's no wonder you never see pictures of fat Indians.

Bow season finally arrived. My plans were simple. I had scouted a small woodlot early in the season, and felt my best chance was to sit by a heavily used runway and wait for some unsuspecting deer. And sit I did.

Night after night, found me in the same place — waiting, waiting, waiting, waiting for that deer, any deer, to pass my way and challenge the accuracy and effectiveness of my chert arrowhead.

The season passed and I did not have an opportunity to use the arrow. I saw deer, but none close enough to chance a shot with the crude cutting edge.

The next year, when bow season rolled around, I had forgotten all about the homemade arrow. It now hangs in a frame on my living room wall, waiting for some adventurous hunter.



**DOE WITH HORNS:** Bill Hutchinson of Caseville, right, shot this 10-spike doe last Saturday in the local area, and the animal is a rare "freak of nature."

Michigan DNR Officer Dick Robertson of the Caro DNR Office said horns on does occur "only once in several, several thousand times." He's inspected more than 600 deer this year and has only seen one, and had seen just one other in the past three or four years.

Brian Henry, left, helps display the 150-lb. doe, which Hutchinson says he'll have mounted. DNR Officer Robertson said does develop horns usually because of a hormone imbalance in their endocrine system, possibly because of a natural injury. He noted Michigan's one-million-plus deer herd will be thinned by about 100,000 creatures when the season ends this weekend. Any deer with spikes three inches or longer qualifies as an antler deer, he added.

Deer, oh deer, end is near!

## Thumb Outdoor Report

DEER SEASON HAS SLIPPED BY the second weekend and with only the Thanksgiving vacation left, those hunters who don't have their buck are running out of time.

As usual, the largest majority of any season's kill is taken during the first weekend, and Huron County is no exception. Farmland bucks are heavily scouted and with little place to roam, they are usually taken shortly after the legal shooting hour.

Those who hunt around large wooded areas or swamps will find the deer hunting a little more difficult. The absence of large numbers of does being turned into the checking station is evidence that local hunters who were awarded "any deer" permits have decided to either toss them away or wait until the final

days of the season to fill them.

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SOME DEER HUNTERS HAVE ALL THE LUCK, and then there are others who seem to attract trouble and problems. Recently, one area hunter who was concerned about poaching and trespassing decided to call the conservation officer and report the incident. The officer assured him that he would take care of the matter and headed for the farm in question. In the meantime the hunter and two of his companions decided to move their operation to the other side of the farm. Tossing their still-loaded guns in the trunk, they drove around the mile and were met by the Conservation Officer. They stopped, and you guessed it, their guns were checked and found loaded.

The Conservation Officer

was not able to apprehend the trespasser, but he did get three red-faced citizens with loaded guns in their car.

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The cold snap has skim ice forming along the Bay's edge, and while it certainly is not safe enough to fish, many ice fishermen are preparing for the upcoming season.

In the meantime some shore fishing is still going on in the Grindstone City region and reports of nice catches of brown trout have reached the paper. The streams on both the east and west side of the state are producing steelheads, and the ditches and cuts along the Bay have given up some nice perch.

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## Vollmer is exam qualified

Dr. John A. Vollmer of Detroit, son of John Vollmer of Pigeon, has been named a diplomate of the American Board of Family Practice (ABFP), having passed a certification exam offered by the ABFP.

The physician is now certified in the medical specialty of family practice.

The intensive written exam is designed to prove the candidate's ability in the areas of internal medicine, surgery, obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics, psychiatry and community medicine.

To qualify for the exam, a physician must have successfully completed three years of residency training in family practice.

ABFP diplomats also must continue to show proof of competence in the field of comprehensive, continuing care of the family by being recertified every six years. Family practice was the first medical specialty to require diplomats to prove competence on a continuing basis.



## YULETIDE TREASURES

# 5TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Laker High  
School Gymnasium  
Saturday,  
Nov. 30  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Luncheon begins at 11:30  
Nearly 30 non-profit  
groups exhibiting

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