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Join Us In Welcoming '86

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

What kind of year has 1985 been?

Reactions to that question from Western Thumb Area residents are mixed, but mostly positive.

With torrents of rain this fall, many area farmers were faced with difficulty harvesting their crops and low prices for what could be salvaged.

"It's been a little tight this year," says Bay Port Dairy Farmer **Bruce Baur**.

He noted, however, his crop diversification helped spread out the harvest time on his farm.

"We had a fairly successful harvest. We got things off before the mud came," Baur added.

The outlook for the coming year in the dairy industry is somewhat uncertain with the new federal program which will assess milk producers to finance a "buy-out" plan for those who want to shut down their dairy operations. President Reagan signed the overall '86 Farm Bill Monday.

Baur termed the program "very tempting" but noted he is definitely going to stay in the dairy business.

As President of the Laker Board of Education, Baur says he was happy teachers agreed to a one-year contract as a one-mill increase was dropped and a 3.5-mill renewal approved by district voters in 1985.

He sees the Board's main challenge in 1986 as convincing district residents to approve a millage increase to help Laker schools cope with increased expenses.

Retired Pigeon area farmer **Carl Yackle** says 1985 was "terrible" for farmers from an economic standpoint. High expenses for farmers has cut the profit margin very thin, if income even exceeded expenses.

Because the yield was better than expected Yackle says, "The year was pretty good to us after all."

"A farmer always lives in the hope that the next year will be better than the last year," he adds.

Whatever the economic conditions, the retired Yackle will undoubtedly will be found on a tractor out in the field.

"You think I'm going to sit on a chair and rot away?" he asks with a chuckle, adding farming is still in his blood.

The plight of the farmers also affects other area businesses.

Pigeon auto dealer and Village Council member **Bob Fluegge** says 1985 was encouraging when the agricultural economic dilemma is considered.

"We try to take a positive attitude. Hopefully the farm situation will turn around. (A turnaround) would help more people in the community than just farmers," says Fluegge.

The councilman says his election to the local body of government has been both humbling and a learning experience. He says he will make some mistakes, but he is interested in the community and future growth and can only do his best.

In his first year of business, Pigeon jeweler **Kent McKenzie** says, "Overall it's been a pretty good year. I'm glad we're here. Pigeon is a good town with very nice people."

Better winter shopping weather in 1986 is something McKenzie hopes for.

"There were a couple days last winter when we might as well not have opened at all. Once there was a five-foot high drift in front of the door," McKenzie says.

Forrest Williams, owner of Main Street Fish & Seafood in Caseville and Bay Port Fish Company, says the retail outlet in Caseville helped increase the volume of fish sold, especially during the summer tourist season.

Commercial fishing at Bay Port had its ups and downs during 1985, with the whitefish catch up, but the perch catch down. Williams hopes to take advantage of a strong market for whitefish in 1986 by using purse-seine nets in Lake Huron between Port Austin and Harbor Beach.

Donning his Caseville Village Council hat, Williams says

the Oakwood senior citizens' housing complex completion was the highlight of 1985 for the town. He praised the efforts of former Caseville Mayor **John DiVincenzo** to make the project possible.

Among the priorities for Caseville in 1985 is creating a plan for economic development by the newly-formed Village Planning Commission, and investigating conversion from wells to the lake as the source of the village water supply, Williams says.

Caseville IGA owner **Ken Hill** says several factors led to a slight decrease in business at his store during the past year.

He believes repair work on M-25 between Bay City and Caseville, as well as the stretch between Caseville and Port Austin cut down on the tourist traffic in town.

Holidays in 1985 which occurred in mid-week also resulted in fewer tourists and shorter stays, Hill notes.

One hope Hill has for Caseville's future is to develop more attractions for tourists.

"We've got the best spot in the county with the beach. We have the potential for a lot more if we can just interest investors," says Hill.

Another Thumb Area town is looking to future economic growth.

Elkton Council member and business owner **Dede Russell** says 1985 is best remembered for getting the ball rolling on future economic development.

Russell also is encouraged by a good economic year for her coin-operated laundry business, **Suds 'Yer Duds**.

"The business is two years old and still in a growing stage," says Russell. She attributes a great deal of that success to people who return because they were treated in a caring, helpful manner.

"If you're willing to give a little, you'll get a lot," Russell says.

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First sugar beet payments made

SAGINAW — First payments for the 1985 sugar beet crop amounted to \$33.5 million, and were mailed out on December 15, according to Michigan Sugar Company officials in Saginaw.

Michigan Sugar paid growers \$22 per ton, based on sugar content of the beets and revenue from sugar, beet pulp and molasses.

At the Sebawaing plant, 470,282 tons of beets brought in more than \$10.3 million, based on beet deliveries to the factory by initial payment cutoff date of November 30. By the end of deliveries, expected to have been around December 18, that figure would have been increased by about 18,000 more tons, which would mean nearly \$400,000 more. Beets delivered after November 30 will be paid on January 15.

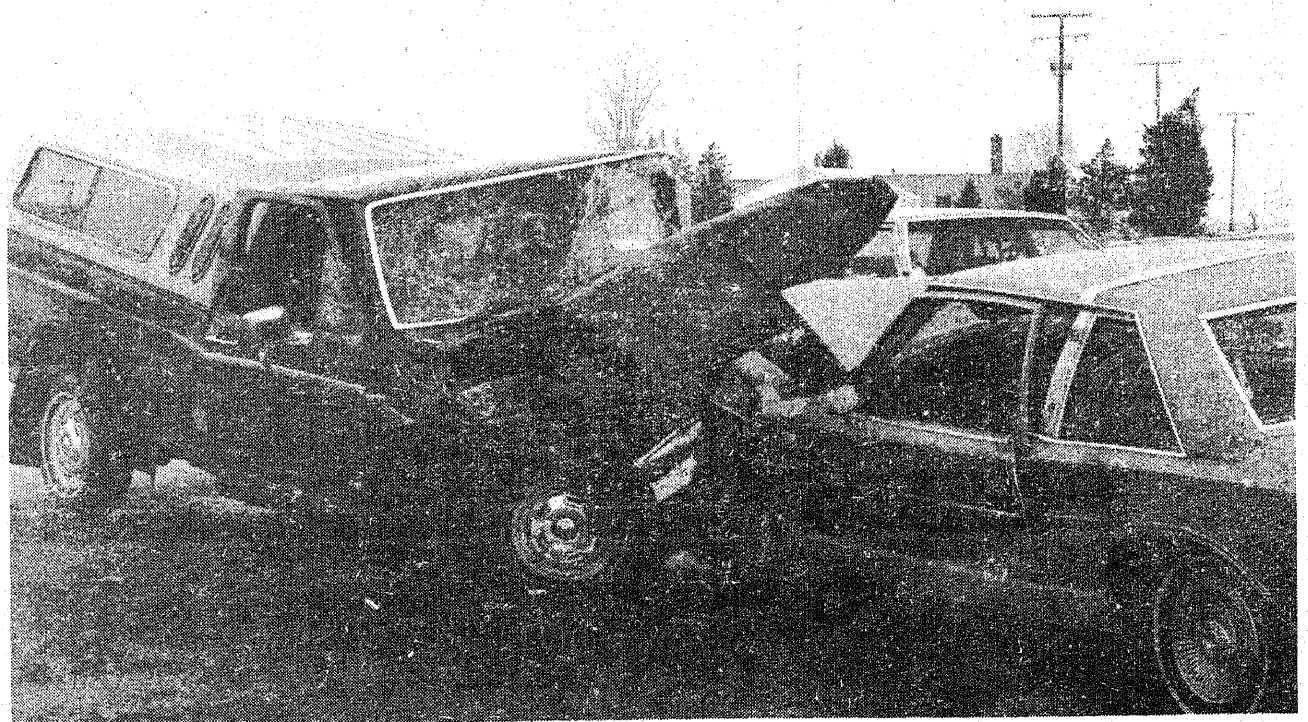
"The payment to growers is lower than past years because of weather conditions which greatly affected the quality of the beets this fall," said Robert Young, vice-president of Great Lakes Sugar Beet Growers Association. "Overall, considering the unbelievable amount of rain this fall, we are pleased with the initial payment," said Young.

Area growers planted a record 78,000 acres of beets and harvested a record 1.53 million tons of beets this year.

"The growers did an outstanding job of battling the weather to harvest all the beets," said Davis Sunderland, vice-president of agriculture, Michigan Sugar Company. "They worked hard and long," he added.

Growers began harvesting the beets in late September and finished in early December. Normally the crop takes only 6 weeks to harvest.

"Despite adverse conditions during harvesting, beet processing is going very well and it looks like another better-than-average sugar production level this year," said Sunderland.



SIX INJURED SUNDAY: Six persons escaped serious injury about 12:20 p.m. Sunday in a three-vehicle accident at the corner of Bay Port and Sebawaing Roads in Sebawaing Township.

Listed in good condition at Bay Medical Center is Cynthia Horiski, 27 of Sebawaing, with head injuries, and Bruce Vern Bolzman, 33 of Bay City, with fractured ribs and abrasions. Horiski's vehicle was northbound on Bay Port Road and couldn't stop at the intersection due to icy conditions, where it collided with Bolzman's east-bound pick-up truck.

Bolzman's vehicle then entered the west-bound lane and

collided with a car driven by William Gotts, 60 of Caseville. Gotts is listed in fair condition at Bay Medical Center with facial lacerations and chest injuries, while his wife, Donna, 59, is listed in fair condition with abdominal and facial injuries. She was a passenger in his auto. Two passengers in Horiski's vehicle were treated and released from Bay Medical.

Huron County Sheriff's Deputies and Sebawaing Police investigated the chain-reaction accident. Two Sebawaing Ambulances took the six to the hospital. Shown above are the Bolzman truck and Gotts auto. The Horiski auto entered the south ditch further east on Sebawaing Road.

As we see it editorially... A farmer's final agony...

Everyone has heard the sad, sad story of Dale Burr, the Iowa farmer who finally snapped -- and killed his 65-year-old wife, two others and then himself, due mostly to the "considerable stress" he was experiencing as his life in agriculture deteriorated.

The desperation he faced -- and ultimately couldn't face -- strikes a chord of sorrow too familiar to growing numbers of American agriculture producers. About 11 a.m. on Dec. 9, he shot his wife of four decades, Emily, and left a short note behind. Law men theorize Burr, 63, killed his wife first to protect her from the debt and humiliation.

Burr then drove his pickup truck on the familiar road into Hills, Iowa, to try cashing a check on his overdue account. After he was turned down, Burr returned to his pickup truck and brought that shotgun into the Hills Bank & Trust and shot Bank President John Hughes in the face, killing him -- less than 30 seconds in all. No words were spoken. The time: 11:22 a.m.

He climbed back into the truck and calmly drove east, to Richard Goody's farm. Goody had been involved in a land dispute with Burr,

and that was the next score to settle. Burr fired two shots at Goody and killed him -- then shot at Goody's wife, Marilyn, and son, Mark, as they drove into their driveway. They were uninjured and called police. Time: 11:35 a.m.

Johnson County Deputy Sheriff David Henderson spotted Burr's pickup about five miles east of the Goody house and followed it, awaiting backup units. Henderson stopped Burr's pickup with his siren and by flashing his lights. Burr sat in the truck, and Henderson waited for more aid.

When Iowa Highway Patrol plus Sheriff's Department officers arrived, they found Burr inside -- dead of a gunshot wound to the chest. Henderson had been too far away to hear the gunshot fire. Time: 11:45 a.m.

In about 45 minutes, so many lives had been altered and ruined. So much agony resulted from pressures some people cannot manage on their own. And four people died when Dale Burr felt no other options were left.

"Tensions are high in the countryside," says a spokesman for the rural advocacy group Prariefire. Thanks to low crop prices, relatively high interest rates, high costs and falling land values, some farmers are considering taking their own lives and those of others.

Mental health experts say bankers can become the target of such aggression because of their role in making yearly loans to buy seed and long-term mortgages to buy land. One mental health worker notes, "When you're besieged, you're really feeling you don't have alternatives and become irrational. The guy you're shooting at isn't necessarily the enemy."

How can this be controlled and completely stopped? Even one more death or injury would be too many.

We'd like to believe the newly-passed 1986 Farm Bill would ease some burdens for the most-oppressed farmers. But it doesn't come close to doing that -- it can't. All the laws in the world can't stop an overworked person making too little money using too-expensive materials and selling commodities at too-low prices from snapping. It can't be done.

But 1986 must be the year for compassion, intellect and guidance for us all. We've got to have the compassion, used intelligently to guide our own actions and to help direct those of others. The trend of more farmers leaving the business isn't good overall, but it must be that way to relieve pressures. Plus, commodity prices must somehow rise enough to make farming worthwhile again.

Even one more Dale Burr would be too many.

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RECOLLECTIONS OF By-Gone Days
By GEORGE KEIM

DEAR EDITOR:
Ed Foster, Bud Decker and I were talking about those box socials and school programs we used to give at our country school years ago. We were in the Dutch Kettle in Pigeon and that's a good place to talk things over.

I remember the box socials at the Weiss School, Decker, Winsor, Kilmannagh, Snell and the Quarry Schools and some others. Each one tried to out-do the other. It was done to raise some money for the school.

We always bought a soccer ball with the proceeds and once in a while an organ or a Victrola, some new globes or maps or curtains. But mostly, box socials were to get the people together for fun or recreation.

I never very often got to get the leading part in a box social play, but once in a while I got a little attention. In one play, I was supposed to kick a guy out who was proposing to my boss' daughter.

I was the hired man, so when the fellow got down on his knees to propose, I got hold of him and pushed him out. Well, the teacher told me to put a little action into it and give him a kick -- so I did. I didn't like the fellow at all and I was stronger than he was, but he was as big as I was.

So in practice, I grabbed hold of him and gave him a kick and he started to cry! Well, the teacher told me she didn't mean for me to kick him so hard.

Well, on the night of the program, there were a lot of people there. Many had to stand. Things went well and when I had to throw him out, I just picked him up and threw him out. He didn't cry, but he bumped on the floor and the people all clapped their hands. Many told me they wouldn't want me to get after them!

The ladies used to decorate their boxes up and really put good things in. We always got good chicken or ham and the best sandwiches and good cake. Once I bought a box and it was a real good-looking girls' box. She was about my age, and I thought I had it made. The lunch was real good, but she had olives in it -- and that's one thing I never got to like.

But I closed my eyes and ate a lot of them. She told me that I ate a little of everything she had. I don't know what became of her, but if I ever see her again, I know I'll think of olives!

Once I bought a box that looked real good and here it was a six-year-old girl's! When we started to eat, she took a sandwich and ran to her mother. Then she came back and took box and all to her mother. Well, I went over and found out she was a 40-year-old widow. Well, I was only 20 but we had a very nice time.

A lot of people tell me that I always write about eating. Well, in Eccl. 2:24, it says, "There is nothing better for a man than that he should eat and drink and that he should make his soul enjoy good in his labor." So if a man has worked hard and still can eat well, what more can he want?

SINCERELY YOURS,
GEORGE KEIM

FORE!
Happy Christmas!
By MAVIS PECHETTE

When Christmas comes, out comes the box of ornaments for decorating the tree. Every family has its own particular storage space. These precious possessions are kept hidden away for about 50 weeks of the year. They may be in the attic, in a corner of the basement, on a closet shelf, or up in the rafters of the garage. But a week or so before Christmas the box gets deposited in the middle of the living room floor.

Do you start decorating from the top of the tree and work downward? Or from the bottom, working up to the very tip-top?

Whichever direction you choose to proceed, there probably will be moments of pause as you remove and remember some special ornaments.

A young couple received a box of Christmas decorations as a wedding gift. One ornament is bound to remain special to them as it is inscribed "Our First Christmas" with the year as part of the logo.

An ornament commemorating Baby's First Christmas with the year of birth included can be hung each year by the child. If it survives toddler to grade-schooler to teenage stages of handling, it may become an heirloom, taken to the individual's own home to become part of the tradition of another generation.

Families seem to add to the collection of ornaments each year. The interests of the family may be reflected in the decorations of the tree. We are big on drums, toy trains and trucks, wooden horses and boy elves at our house. We even have golf ball tree ornaments that hang beside the ornament recognizing the college of choice. That ornament was the choice of #3 son who was a Laker student at the time and his brothers were attending Michigan State University. Of course it is green and white! We have to put that at the back of the tree when Cousin Jim of University of Michigan comes to visit.

The hand-made decorations, work of boys in elementary school, are kept and used year after year. When each item is unwrapped there is lots of "remember when..." The one made from a tunafish can is unique. And the styrofoam egg with the boy's picture in it is a treasure. The stars made from play-dough may be chipped and cracked but we continue to hang them each year. This year the raw material seems to be shredded wheat. When a young cousin showed me a wreath made from shredded wheat, glue and green food coloring my instant thought was, "What next?"

What next may be the question in the minds of persons as they contemplate the coming year after looking back at 1985. Some find it difficult to say "Merry Christmas." The loss of a loved one, illness, families separated by actual distance or distance of feelings, economic uncertainties or hard times, tragedies in the air, and crime in the streets are not much cause for merriment and joviality at Christmas or any time, for that matter.

Better, to me, is to wish "Happy Christmas." We can all be happy that God loves us and that He gave us His Son. We can rejoice and be glad in that Great Gift, whatever our circumstances.

One of my cards included the Serenity Prayer. "God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference." That is my prayer for all of us as we wish you the blessings of the Christ Child.

Happy Christmas!

ROSES AND THORNS
Meet My Friend
BY MARK KARLS

I just have to tell you about this friend of mine. He is a counselor with a very large clientele, which includes some people from our community.

I realize that confidentiality is very important in small towns. But I suspect that most of his counselees have been positively helped by his counsel, even though many would not come forward and publicly admit they are seeing him. But I am not that intimidated. He has been my counselor for some time now and I have been helped greatly through very difficult problems in my life. And I consider him my friend as well!

People suspect that pastors have few problems. I mean, we are somehow protected by angels who drive away grief from our lives, right? In reality it may well be that pastors have the greater problem with problems because we are supposed to know better how to deal with them, yet they still exist and we feel helpless.

Unfortunately in a way, pastors' reputations precede us when we come to a new church in a new community. The local paper prints all the positive and successful events of our lives and ministry. And oftentimes people withdraw -- either

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Our readers write...

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DEAR EDITOR:
The snow is falling and winds are howling. Those conditions are hardly conducive to thoughts of outdoor worship, children's activities in parks and campgrounds and teenagers in Christian fellowship on the beaches.

However, these things are on the minds of Top-of-the-Thumb Leisure Ministries. The board of this ecumenical group has organized for the 1985-86 year and is looking forward to another summer of spreading Christ's Good

News to people at leisure in Huron County.

Applications are now being accepted for summer staff members. Christian college students of the area who may be interested in a 10-week position in the program are invited to contact Mr. Roy Lawrence of Pigeon for details.

TTLM thanks the members of the 38 sponsoring churches for the past support and wishes everyone a Blessed Holiday season.

Sincerely,
Mavis Pechette
TTLM President

Area obituaries

JEAN M. JOCK
1908 - 1985

Jean M. Jock, age 77, of Caseville, died Thursday, Dec. 19, at Harbor Beach Community Hospital.

She was born Oct. 4, 1908, in Sigeo Township, daughter of the late Murdoch and Isabella (Howie) McLennan. She taught school in Kilmannagh before her marriage to Gordon R. Jock on July 11, 1931, at the home of her parents. She lived in Flint from the time of her marriage until 1968 when the couple moved to Caseville.

Mrs. Jock retired in 1967 from McLaren Hospital in Flint, where she was employed for 15 years. She was a member of the Caseville Library Club and Chandler Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are her daughter and son-in-law, Dr. Paul and Peg Ahlness, Bowman, ND; one grandson, Hans Peter Ahlness and his wife Jane, Bowman, ND; one granddaughter, Lisa Ahlness, Chicago, IL; one sister, Mrs. Catherine Iseler, Harbor Beach, plus three nephews and one niece.

Two brothers and two sisters preceded her in death.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 23 from the Caseville Chapel of the Champagne Funeral Chapels. Rev. James Brazell, pastor of the Chandler Presbyterian Church officiated, with burial in the Rock Falls Cemetery, Harbor Beach.

THUMB AREA DEATHS...

John E. Wilson, 83, of Sun City, Ariz., formerly of Uby, passed away Nov. 30.

Mabel T. Blasius, 76, of Fairgrove, passed away Dec. 10.

Edward Baker, 83, of Cass City, passed away Dec. 13.

Horace Parsons, 88, of Cass City, passed away Dec. 14.

Brenda Morris, 25, of Caro, passed away Dec. 16.

James Morris, four, of Caro, passed away Dec. 16.

Nabel E. Brown, of Bad Axe, passed away Dec. 17.

Stephen J. Ross, 85, of Sebawaing, passed away Dec. 18.

Luther P. Humbarger, 85, of Port Hope, passed away Dec. 18.

Jean M. Jock, 77, of Caseville, passed away Dec. 19.

Malinda H. Kruger, 80, of Amherst, Wis., with relatives in Harbor Beach, passed away Dec. 19.

Schember heads fraternity aiding Africa college

Members of Ferris State College's Phi Delta Chi pharmacy fraternity are willing to spend money they don't have to benefit students they don't know -- all at the request of a professor nearly half a world away.

Mike Schember of Pigeon, a fourth-year student in the Ferris School of Pharmacy and Phi Delta Chi president, says the group is acting at the request of Ferris Biology Professor Robert Friar.

Friar, who taught pharmacy courses to most of the fraternity members, received a Fulbright Senior Lectureship Grant to teach human anatomy and physiology in Khartoum, the capital city of Sudan.

Upon arrival at University of Khartoum, formerly known as the "Harvard of Africa," Friar found physiology/pharmacology lab equipment that badly needed repair. Some of the specialized tools were restored to working order with American ingenuity, but others were beyond repair.

As the request of Friar, the Ferris fraternity recently voted unanimously to raise the \$410 to outfit the African university laboratory. The 30 members and eight advisors will collect funds from their treasury and their own pockets until the money can be replaced by future fund-raising projects, Schember says.

"We thought that helping the Sudanese students to better themselves was a good project," says Schember. "It sounded like they were in a tough situation. You can't learn without the proper resources. We tried to visualize having to endure those circumstances, and I guess you could say we could understand their problems," he adds.

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Resolutions? Try goal-setting instead!

By BARBARA NEUMAN
EXTENSION HOME
ECONOMIST

Making resolutions is a common New Year's tradition. Generally we phrase our resolutions in terms of things we want to change or ways we want to behave, such as lose weight, keep a cleaner house or be more organized.

People joke about breaking resolutions because they know how easy it is to do, says Jeanne Brown, Michigan State University Extension specialist in human development.

When we state our desires — such as being more organized — in terms of an obligation, we create a situation where we judge ourselves against the "shoulds and oughts." And when we don't keep the resolution, we see ourselves as having failed and then we feel guilty.

Brown suggests that a more helpful approach is to set long and short-term goals for yourself. Develop a system of life planning, and then each New Year's conduct an annual review with yourself and see how the year went. Did you make progress toward your long and short-term goals?

Sometimes it's tempting to sit passively by and let things happen to us. Goal-setting helps you give your life direction. And it's okay to change your goals, she emphasizes. Something you thought would be a worthwhile goal a year ago may not suit or fit you now, she says. That goal should be re-evaluated and changed without any guilt feelings.

The key, she says, is to be very honest with ourselves. We may be under pressure to change things about ourselves, such as our

weight, but not really want to do it. If we resolve to change those things, chances are we will not be able to.

"Decide what it is you value, then act on it. Be honest with yourself," Brown advises.

Teaching children goal-setting and evaluation is appropriate, she advises. Rather than teaching them to make resolutions, guide them in setting and working towards goals. Let's say, for instance, that your daughter wants a bike and sets her goal as getting a bike and learning to ride it. Help her find ways to realize her goal. Go over her allowance, savings, gift money, etc., and help her figure how much she'll need to save. What jobs could she do over the course of the year?

If you'd like your child to keep his/her room clean all year, the goal may have to be jointly set. The parent needs to explain why having a tidy room is important to the parent and then discuss with the child how this goal can be reached.

HAPPY NEW YEAR 1986

THUMB HARDWARE & APPLIANCE CENTER
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On Wednesday Mrs. Cletus Cregeur was Mrs. Paul Rheel of Gageton on Thursday, Mrs. James Champagne of Filion. Mrs. Cregeur reports that her daughter, Mrs. Mel Tebedo who had surgery the first of the week is recovering well.

A Pre-Christmas dinner was held Sunday, Dec. 22 for her family. Guests were Dr. and Mrs. Wayne Miller, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Miller, Mrs. Robert Miller and family of Grosse Pointe and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Neuman and children of Cass City, Mr. and Mrs. William Weitzel and children of Pigeon, David Miller of South Lyon, Robert Miller of Spring Arbor and Sue Bank of Flushing, at the home of Mrs. Mae Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. John Diener were Sunday guests of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lewis and Jodi. In the evening they attended Jodi's Christmas program at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Theme was "The Evening Prayer for the Nativity of Our Lord." Jodi played the violin.

Enjoying a pre-Christmas dinner and party on Sunday at the Floyd Collison home were Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sattler and both Ann of Bay City, Ann Schmidt of Essexville, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Collison, Roy Collison, Tim Brown of Bay Port, Mrs. Doris Brown, Linda, Tom and Todd, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Al Collison, Mindy and Kelly, Mrs. Dorothy Collison, Mrs. Amanda Errer, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Collison, Jill and Brian. They also helped Mrs. Amanda Errer celebrate her 91st birthday.

Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Elmer Schuette visited her sister, Mrs. Randy Larson in Sebawaing.

Celebrating a pre-Christmas dinner Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hartwick and family in Millington were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bergman. Others were from Caro, Gageton, Cass City and Vassar.

Mrs. Frances McCormick of Caseville was a Thursday visitor with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hartman.

PIGEON NEWS

By DOROTHY DIENER

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Leskowski were Thursday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Leipprandt. Mr. Leipprandt is convalescing at home following major surgery at Scheurer Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nimitz of Sebawaing visited Wednesday with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Diener.

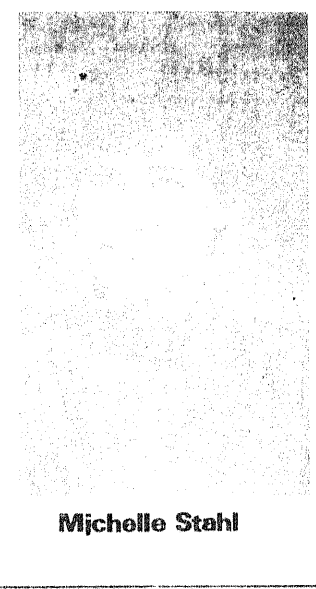
Named DAR 'Good Citizen'

Michelle Jane Stahl, senior at Caseville High School, has been named one of 10 mid-Michigan "Good Citizens" by the Shiawassee Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Qualifying students demonstrated responsibility, service, leadership and patriotism through their interests and activities, according to Lucille Coutzense, program coordinator.

Stahl and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Stahl, were guests of honor at a Dec. 14 reception hosted by the Shiawassee DAR at Curwood Castle in Owosso.

Those students who were named "Good Citizens" are now eligible to compete for state and national awards.



Michelle Stahl

Stahl's accomplishments include: class president (four years), student council president (two years), National Honor Society vice president (two years), Future Homemakers of America president (one year), varsity basketball and varsity volleyball (four years each), varsity track (one year), three drama productions, school yearbook staff.

Her future plans include working toward a degree in business administration at a Michigan college or university.

Rural ROUND-UP

A weekly briefing of news and information of interest to Thumb Farmers

Top 'o the week...

Ag Secretary John Block says the 1985 federal farm bill approved last week won't mean instant improvement for the battered farm economy. "We're going to have a tough winter," Block said.

"We're going to continue to see people leave agriculture at a level higher than any of us would like to see," he added.

The first three years of the overall five-year program could cost \$125 billion, including food stamps.

Included are: an assessment to dairy farmers for 18 months to pay some farmers to leave the dairy business, which will also reduce the milk price support system; direct cash subsidies to U.S. farmers to help meet foreign competition, and price supports for milk, wheat, corn, rice, cotton, soybeans, peanuts, wool, honey and sugar.

Historic preservation measures are included in the comprehensive bill, which will pay farmers to take 40 million acres of highly erodible land out of crop production to plant grass or trees. Those farmers will be required to practice conservation by 1995 to qualify for federal benefits.

Block notes the diversity of agriculture makes setting farm policy difficult:

- Poultry growers want cheap grain, while grain growers want higher prices;
- dairy owners want higher prices, but Block wants some of them to sell their cows to cut production, and
- cattlemen don't want dairymen to sell cows, because it will add meat to the market, cutting their prices.

President Reagan will sign the bill this week, he says.

In a letter to U.S. Ag Secretary John Block, Riegel urged that federal loan officials be directed to act "with the utmost of sensitivity and compassion."

"These families have already seen an erosion in their land values, their income and their quality of life. The receipt of the (foreclosure) notice will do nothing more than add to their anxiety," Riegel told Block.

Letters asking to reschedule or restructure loans -- or beginning foreclosure action -- will be sent Jan. 15, he says.

AG IS FIRST: First of America Bank Corp. spokesman Richard Klein says loaning money for agriculture will remain the first priority of NewCentury banks locally, after that firm is merged with First of America next year.

The merger won't effect local growers who need money to start planting next spring, Klein says. NewCentury lost \$9 million in the first three quarters of 1985 on poor farm loans, primarily in the Frankenmuth and Lapeer areas.

Each loan will still be decided on the individual situation, Klein says, "but I would like to think we will continue to be receptive to agriculture."

NewCentury has local branches in Elkton, Caseville, Bad Axe, Kinde, Minden City, Uby and Richville. First of America has locations in Sebawaing, Owendale, Gageton, Bad Axe and Harbor Beach. The

merger will probably take six months for completion.

WINNERS: Young farmers from Fennville, Sodus and Galien were picked as state winners at last week's Michigan Farm Bureau annual convention in Grand Rapids.

Dawn Wilkinson of Fennville was named Outstanding Young Farm Woman for 1985. She earns a free trip to Washington, D.C., in April to help lobby for Michigan agriculture, plus use of a computer for the year. Runner-up is Rebecca Clark of Engadine.

Fred Leitz III of Sodus was named Distinguished Young Farmer. He earns use of a Deutz-Allis tractor for a year and wins a free trip to Atlanta, Ga., to compete in the national contest. Runner-up is Dan Hopkins of Rodney.

Larry Priest of Galien talked his way to the title of Discussion Meet winner -- and free use of a Chevy S-10 pickup next year. He too will go to Atlanta free to compete at the American Farm Bureau Federation annual meeting in early January. Runner up is Gene Graham of Williamston.

Jack Laurie of Cass City is the local representative to that AFBF annual meeting Jan. 11-16.

Michigan Ag Reporting Service. That "Lake Region" leads the nation in number of workers on farms, comprising 14% of the U.S. total, including farm operators, family members and hired workers.

There were 316,000 self-employed operators and unpaid family members on Oct. 12, making up 76.1% of the total workers on farms. Of the estimated 99,000 hired people, 53,000 were expected to work 150 or more days, while the remaining 46,000 were expected to work less than 150 days.

MARS says 2.9 million people were working on farms and ranches nationally on Oct. 12.

BE POSITIVE: Motivational speaker David Landsverk told Thumb area farmers the family farm is worth fighting for -- and he urged them to think positively about the future.

"Some of our farms may go down, but I believe the potential for livelihood in agri-business is on the threshold of a bonanza," he told nearly 400 farmers during the annual Thumb Ag Day last Wednesday at the Colony House, near Cass City.

Landsverk urged farmers to use positive thinking, personal motivation and personal commitment to help weather the farm crisis. "In my 50 years, this is the first time I can remember when almost everybody in America recognizes there is a problem. I believe the people of America are in your corner," he said.

"There is life after the farm problem. There is still going to be a good life out there because guys like me are going to keep on eating," he added.

MORE SILOS: You'll be seeing more of those huge silver silos that hold sugar, as visible at the Sebawaing Plant of Michigan Sugar Company.

Similar silos -- each costing \$3.5 million and capable of holding 50 million pounds of sugar -- are planned now at the Michigan Sugar plant at Caro and Monitor Sugar's Bay City plant.

"Before we had this silo, we packaged all our sugar in 100-pound bags and stored it in a warehouse," says Leif Nielsen, Sebawaing Plant District Manager. "In the summer, when demand increases for five- and 10-pound bags, we had to cut up the 100-pound bags and fill the smaller ones. It was a waste of manpower, bags, time and money."

Construction should begin soon, for use next season.

HONORED: Two local farmers were honored by the County ASC Service at last week's convention.

Clarence Lutz of Sebawaing was recognized for 40 years of service, while Dale Henne of Bay Port was honored for 25 years.

'ADVERSE': Up to 2000 Michigan farmers will be told next month they face possible foreclosure or other "adverse action" because loans guaranteed by the Farmers' Home Administration are delinquent, says U.S. Sen. Don Riegel (D-Flint).

FARM LABOR: During the week of Oct. 6-12, a total of 415,000 persons were working on farms in Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, says the

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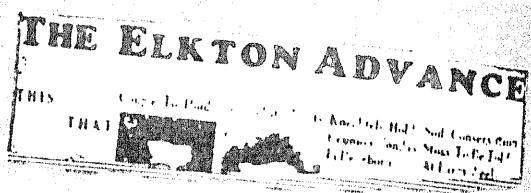
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The Past in Print...



80 YEARS AGO DEC. 29, 1905

Henry Neischultz Sr., 74, one of the oldest pioneers of this area, died at the home of his son, Henry, in Chandler Twp. He is survived by his wife and three sons.

Edge Bay News: Allison Whitman, Arthur Petty and Frank Quick are building an ice boat. Daniel Woons, of Elkton, is here building a boat house for Paul Praschan.

Thomas McAllister has purchased the livery business of William Miller at Elkton.

Daniel McAulay has purchased the dray business of Frank Horlacher at Pigeon. John Steinman is moving his saw mill to the Ridge where he intends to do some lumbering this week.

70 YEARS AGO DEC. 31, 1915

Annual banquet of the Pigeon High School alumni was held at Hotel Heasty Wednesday evening, with 28 present. Frank Davis was toastmaster and new officers elected were Ralph Heasty, Beatrice Schluchter, Sam Mitchener and Dora Leipprandt.

Mrs. Joseph Schiott, 53, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Diefenbach, Winsor Twp. She leaves her husband, two sons and two daughters.

John, the 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. August Wachner, Winsor, died after

a few days' illness of asthma.

W.W. Loosemore has disposed of his meat business at Pigeon to C.O. Wright of Cass City.

Miss Lillie Sting, Pigeon, will leave tomorrow for Saginaw where she will take up nursing in the Saginaw General Hospital.

60 YEARS AGO DEC. 25, 1925

Possibilities of a direct route to Detroit, south from Bad Axe, on state trunk line 53, were discussed by John J. Campbell, Pigeon, chairman of the Huron County Road Commission, at a meeting of the Community Club.

Russel LeBlanc of Detroit is spending the holidays with his parents at Caseville.

Checks totaling \$201,000 were mailed out by the Sebewaing plant of Michigan Sugar Co. for the December sugar beet pay. Close of the slicing campaign is rapidly approaching with the last to be done about the 23rd.

With only a few exceptions, the farmers all have their sugar beets out of the ground.

A reward of \$100 will be given to any person who can give us the right information as to who cut the wires on two autos in front of the Pigeon Beef Co.'s market Saturday evening. Pigeon Beef Co. adv.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Paul and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kramp, Pigeon, attended the

Michigan Union Opera at Saginaw Tuesday evening.

50 YEARS AGO DEC. 27, 1935

Miss Mabel Turner and Leo Sturm were united in marriage Christmas Day at the Pigeon Methodist parsonage.

The Pigeon Village Council has issued an order that the use of guns of any nature will not be allowed inside the corporate limits of the Village of Pigeon.

The Pigeon Townsend Club now has 100 members. A number of friends helped Mr. and Mrs. Mert Hughes of Owendale celebrate their silver wedding anniversary Saturday evening.

40 YEARS AGO DEC. 28, 1945

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Stoeckle and daughter have moved to the Fred Schultz farm east of Pigeon.

Master Sgt. Lawrence Schuette, who is assigned to the Army Intelligence at Boston, Mass., is enjoying a furlough with Mr. and Mrs. August Schuette at Pigeon.

Joseph Maust Sr., 84, a retired farmer, died Thursday at his home in Pigeon. Surviving are six sons and four daughters.

Two persons were killed and four others injured in an automobile accident on M-142, east of Elkton, early Sunday morning. Dead are Martin Fritz, 21, an Elkton farmer and Vincent McGee, 23, Bad Axe, a World War II veteran.

Mrs. Samuel Faist, 75, nee Bertha GeBauer, Winsor Twp., died Wednesday. Survivors are a son and a daughter.

30 YEARS AGO DEC. 29, 1955

BAY PORT: Herman E. Henne, president and general manager of the Wallace and Morley Co., and one of the middle west's best-known grain and bean dealers, observed his 50th anniversary with the firm on Dec. 27.

OWENDALE: Norman L. Wales, prominent Owendale civic leader, announced his retirement after 50 years in the grain and bean elevator business, including 47 years as manager of the Owendale Elevator.

Grand prize winners in the last Christmas drawing Friday, sponsored by Pigeon merchants, were Mrs. George Heintz, who won the 21-inch Motorola TV from Esch Electronics; Wayne Sturm, an electric range from Gambles and the \$500 cash prize went to Lawrence Ohlroge.

A plan to merge three Huron County banks — the Hubbard State Bank, Bad Axe, Elkton State Bank and Kinde State Bank — has been approved by Michigan Department of Banking and the FDIC.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Whitney quietly observed their 50th wedding anniversary Dec. 23 at their farm home in Chandler Twp. They have five daughters and five grandchildren.

20 YEARS AGO DEC. 30, 1965

Christmas prize drawing program of Pigeon Chamber of Commerce ended Thursday afternoon as 12 lucky shoppers shared prizes worth \$1252.80. Winners were Bob Tennant, Don Wissner, Orin Murdoch, Faye Voelker, Allen Strieter, Vern Kretzschmer, Eleanor Behm, Art Collison, Ruth Hensel, Carl Einhardt, Herb Beck and Florence Byarski.

Moses S. Rogers, Elkton, will retire Dec. 30 after serving 44 years as a rural mail carrier at Elkton.

Albert Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert S. Robinson, Pigeon, and a sophomore at Adrian College, was named to the dean's list at the college.

Elmer H. Stott, 59, Bay Port, a commercial fisherman, died Dec. 21. He never married. He is survived by seven sisters.

FROM THE ELKTON ADVANCE FILES

45 YEARS AGO DEC. 26, 1940

Huron State Park, one of the oldest parks in the Michigan park system, is to be known henceforth as the Albert E. Sleeper State Park, a tribute to the former Michigan governor from Bad Axe.

Mrs. Mae Curran was installed as worthy matron of the Elkton O.E.S. at installation ceremonies in the Elkton Masonic Temple.

Elkton won their third consecutive debate last week with Deckerville and are assured of participation in the elimination series leading to the state championship.

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Mrs. Clifton Lotter entertained 12 friends of her son Orin on his birthday Friday.

35 YEARS AGO DEC. 28, 1950

A total of 26 FFA members and their advisor, William Rupp, attended the sugar beet banquet in Sebewaing, given for members of 4-H and FFA in the Sebewaing sugar beet growing area. William Roberts was installed as worshipful master

of the Frank W. Hubbard Lodge F&AM Friday evening at the lodge rooms.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Faist have moved into their new home on South Main Street, Elkton.

Five hundred persons packed St. Paul's E.U.B. Church Sunday evening for the annual Christmas program of the Sunday School, presented for the benefit of the Flat Rock Children's Home.

Participants may enter the tournament as often as they wish for a very small fee and a chance to be one of the winners.

Additional information is available from Cancer Society volunteers and from participating bowling proprietors.

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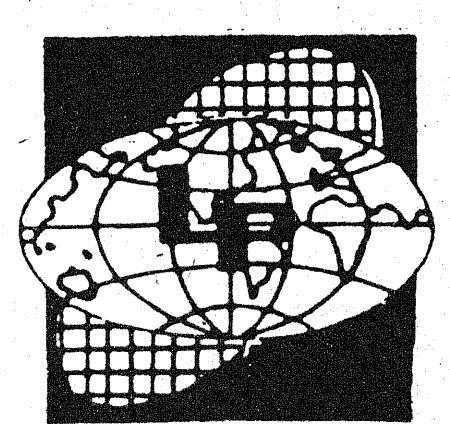
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There is a tendency on the part of society to hurry the bereaved through their grief, to "get them into the swim again." While this might be fine for some people, those who would prefer to be distracted from their grief, to be kept busy and active, it doesn't work for everyone.

Many bereaved individuals would prefer to cling to their grief, at least for a while. They may feel that if they can survive this loss and be happy again, maybe the relationship wasn't as important as they thought it was. They view their re-entry into social life and new relationships as a betrayal of sorts.

They may need some time to work things through. After a loss, people often go through their memories and emotions one by one. As they assess and appreciate the value of previous experiences, these good feelings make them see the potential for a new and necessarily different future.

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Lake-Chandler news

By MILDRED BALLAGH

May you have a joyous Christmas and a very Happy New Year. Count your blessings. Yours truly has just

come through two successful surgeries and am so thankful.

Weekend guests of Mrs. L. Block were Bob and Esther Bedford of Marion, Ind. They were Sunday guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bedford.

Mr. and Mrs. William McBride were weekend guests of Don and Judy Ahearn of Saginaw and Sunday visitors at the John McBride home, Elktion.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Dufty were Mr. and Mrs. Byron Groff of Essexville. They were all Sunday visitors of Fred and Mona McBride.

Spending a few days with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Southworth, are Mr. and Mrs. Reid Southworth of Atlanta, Ga. On Wednesday evening the Southworths took their guests to dinner. Joining

them were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leippardt, Pigeon; Bette Southworth, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Leippardt and daughters Stephanie, Rebecca, Nicole and Ashley; Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Southworth and family Kristin, Kelly and Kameron, all of Elktion; Mr. and Mrs. Philip Leippardt and son Philip and Christopher of Caseville.

Clara Beck, Pigeon, was honored on her 86th birthday with a cake and ice cream party at the home of Evelyn Johnson, Caseville. Other guests were Dick and Joyce Pedler, Celeste and Melissa Leach, Peggy Roestel and daughter Angie.

CM/2 Michael Wolfe, wife Lynda and son Trevor of Catania, Italy are spending a month with his parents, Dale and Nancy Wolfe. Michael was stationed on Sigonella Base, Sicily Island, Italy and is being transferred to Little Creek, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Horton, Floyd and Iva Horton of Kalkaska spent a weekend at their Caseville home.

Mrs. H. Kreh, Bill and Donna Gotts called on Mrs. Ross Hedley of Bad Axe on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wolfe entertained last Sunday at a pre-Christmas dinner. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wolfe and Trevor of Italy, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Pionk and son Matthew, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Brown and daughters April and Nichole, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hessling of Bad Axe, Mr. and Mrs. Jeromoe Puvulowski and daughter Sarah of Ubyly.

They have seven children, Marc, Roger, Maurice, Thomas, David, Suzanne (Mrs. Ron Novack) and Denise (Mrs. Thomas Lisowski) and five grandchildren.

Local notes

Mrs. Elsie Kern attended the Kuch pre-Christmas family dinner at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Radammer near Richville.

On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jarvis and boys of Frankemuth visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jarvis.

Jim McCarty of Bay City was a Thursday caller of Mrs. Viola Schuette.

Bay Port couple marks 40 years

Bruno and Margaret Arsenault of Bay Port marked their 40th wedding anniversary on Saturday, Dec. 21, with a party held earlier in the month.

Bruno Arsenault and Margaret Cochrane were married in 1945 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Sherbrooke, Quebec, Canada.

The couple was honored by family and friends at a dinner party in Farmington Hills in early December.

They have seven children, Marc, Roger, Maurice, Thomas, David, Suzanne (Mrs. Ron Novack) and Denise (Mrs. Thomas Lisowski) and five grandchildren.



Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Arsenault

Local club news

WORTHY STUDY CLUB

A spiritual sermon by Dr. Anderson, pastor of the Kirk-on-the-Hills Presbyterian Church, Birmingham, provided the program for Worthy Study Club members when they had their Christmas Party Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Fred Watterworth.

A dessert luncheon was served. Mrs. Orville Snider was co-hostess. Thirteen members were present and one guest, Bea Lankey.

Lola Tropea led in singing of Christmas carols. Emma Potter acted as a humorous Santa when handing out the Christmas gift exchange gifts.

Regular meetings will resume in March.

Celebrates 50 years

Jim and Marie Hoffman will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Jan. 3, 1986.

They have two children, Ron and Mae Hoffman and Zella and David Lisk of Marietta, Ga. They have six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Their address is: 2813 Bruns Road, Sebring, FLA. 33870.

Gaschos celebrate 40 married years

The children of Gerald and Edna Gascho will honor their parents on the occasion of their 40th Wedding Anniversary with an open house on Sunday, Dec. 29 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Pigeon River Mennonite Church.

Gerald and Edna were married Jan. 1, 1946 at the Pigeon River Mennonite Church by Emanuel Swartzendruber. The bride and groom were attended by Velma (Swartzendruber) Esch, Celesta (Gascho) Snyder, Stanley Gascho and Ira Esch.

The couple have four children, Dwight of Pigeon, Wayne of Pennsylvania, Arlis of Ohio and Lyle of Indiana, and eight grandchildren.

The couple requests no gifts.



Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Gascho



EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH — Kim Buchholz, right, who works in the Radiology Department at Scheurer Hospital, has been honored as "Employee of the Month" November. She accepts the plaque from October's honoree, Doreen Miller. Buchholz has been employed at the hospital since 1982.

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Scheurer Hospital notes

Patients in Scheurer Hospital on Monday, Dec. 23:

PIGEON: Jerold Stein, Arthur Ebert, Mrs. Devere (Alma) Dubs and Mrs. Florence Vollmer.

BAY PORT: Benny J. Howard, George Swartzendruber, Mrs. J. Sidney (Kay) Smith.

CASEVILLE: Richard Grigg.

SEBEWAING: Mrs. Harold (Geraldine) Crandall.

Scheurer offers Lamaze

Scheurer Hospital of Pigeon will again offer a birth preparation class based on the Lamaze Method beginning Tuesday, Jan. 7.

Succeeding classes will meet each Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. through Feb. 25, the Hospital says.

The course will consist of instruction based on the Lamaze breathing and relaxation technique for labor and delivery. The goal of the course is to prepare couples for childbirth by allowing them to receive satisfaction and joy in the labor and delivery experience, experts say.

The classes also allow the

support person to assist and participate actively during labor. A doctor's permission is required for the support person to go into the delivery room at all area hospitals.

An introduction of a different exercise for proper breathing and relaxation will be taught each week, Scheurer Hospital says.

Course instructor will be Phyllis Yoder, B.S.N., Scheurer Hospital staff nurse. A nominal fee will be charged for the eight-week course.

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McArdle named to dean's list

Philip McArdle of Pigeon was recently named to the Dean's List of the DeVry Institute of Technology in Columbus, Ohio. To be eligible for the honor, students must have between a 3.0 and 3.49 grade point average (out of a possible 4.0) for the last term of study.

McArdle, an Electronics Engineering Technology student, earned a 3.0 GPA, according to the school.

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I'll tell you what the worst intersection is in Huron County, the Owendale-Sebewing Road at Bay Port Road corner. I don't know if people don't watch where they're going or what, but it's a killer. Maybe they should put up a flasher there.

The editorial of Dec. 11 issue was very thought-provoking. There is an importance of keeping business in our communities and offerings in our local churches. The consequences are clear.

However, what about our communities encouraging Sunday businesses? What about even our Extension Department pointing out added profits by opening Sundays? More, what about low church attendance in our communities, especially of young families? What is Christianity all about? What is Christmas? Billy Graham (Evangelist) says it is coming to know Christ, receiving Jesus as Lord and Savior; not just supporting and being a part of an organization. Is Jesus the Answer, yet? Thank you.

I want to see the play, My Fair Lady, at Laker High last Sunday afternoon. I thoroughly enjoyed the musical put on by the Drama Club. The acting and songs couldn't have been better if done by professionals. It was great!

I was surprised to see the auditorium only about one-third full and was told that this was the largest audience they had of all the performances. I feel when this much time, talent and money are invested in our own community, we should all take the time to go and enjoy ourselves besides, even if it means leaving something else undone.

It's interesting to see how many people are running for election in Pigeon. Whoever is picked as mayor will determine the direction of the entire community for years to come.

So they've found AIDS in Lapeer County. It's only a matter of time 'til it's found here and they don't have any cure or really much knowledge about it. The so-called experts can't even tell you for certain if you'll get it or not from shaking hands. This is a sign from above, mark my words.

I can't believe they're going to let handguns be used out in the field. If you think hunters take plenty of illegal deer and other game now, just wait. You'll never know how much is being taken!

Relating to your opposition to school vouchers, wish you

could have seen the Phil Donahue show pro and con. It's not quite as black and white as you make it. Did you know this method is used in a couple of states successfully? The Lutheran kids use our school buses regularly. I don't mind. They are getting an approved education. Public education is in a sorry state right now.

No matter where the worst accidents happen around here, I wish to thank Sheriff Stokan's Department for the high-quality, prompt assistance they give to motorists and accident victims. It's comforting knowing they're here for us and fast, too.

The Catholic Church should

PROUD PRESCHOOLERS — Children from Cross Lutheran Preschool put all their "Christmas Spirit" into the two Christmas programs presented by the morning and afternoon sessions of the school.



ABOVE, the morning session of preschoolers performed "A Christmas Eve Surprise," with a cast of 20 elves, toy soldiers, dolls, reindeer, and of course, Santa and Mrs. Claus. Included in the cast were Jimmy Smith, Sarah Rummel, Jennifer Bolds, Beth Ann Tate, Amber Stirrett, Carrie Schuette, Kristy Gehrs, Matt Schaefer, Rebecca Pauly, Eric Swartzendruber, Adam Webber, Michael Hockin, John Trost, Matthew Wineman, Nathan Wolfe, Kevin House, Joseph Beedle, Travis Rich, Josh King and Jeremy Wisner.

The afternoon preschoolers presented "Christmas Around the World," with performers Kyle McIntosh, Rory Duffey, Eric Dumas, Eric Deming, Jason Seemann, Bryan Volz, Christopher Otto, Marisa McCormick, Lindsay Barry, Lindsay Brown, Lonnie Hedley, Anne Troyer, Matt Poisson, Matt LePage, Jeff Elenbaum, Jeff Hatch, Kelly Duffy and Garret Buehler.

Parents, relatives and friends provided a full house at both programs and enjoyed refreshments and fellowship afterwards. Santa Claus made a surprise visit and gifted the children with presents and candy.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Village of Pigeon is currently accepting applications for the position of ELECTION INSPECTOR for their Primary and Annual Elections to be conducted on February 17th, 1986 and March 10th, 1986 respectively. Standard Election Inspector application forms are available in the offices of the Village Clerk during normal business hours.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS (PRIMARY ELECTION): Close of normal business hours on Friday, January 3rd, 1986.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS (ANNUAL ELECTION): Close of normal business hours on Friday, February 7th, 1986.

A total of six (6) Election Inspectors will be selected for both the Primary and Annual Election. Individuals may apply for both elections if desired. The sum of forty dollars in salary will be paid to each individual for the position of Election Inspector.

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Do you know the State of Michigan like 'the back of your hand'?



HOUGHTON LAKE — Facts and information about Michigan's \$11 billion annual tourism industry challenged the experts of the industry at the annual convention of the East Michigan Tourist Association, held recently at Houghton Lake.

The "Michi-Quiz" of 50 questions was given to attending members and guests. Top score was a 42, registered by David Morris of Lansing, a staff member of the Michigan Travel Bureau, the state's official tourism promotion agency.

The questions covered state facts and attractions throughout the state such as year-round tours at the State Capitol in Lansing; mileage from Flint to the Mackinac Bridge; where the white navy beans of Senate Bean Soup fame are grown; largest wooden cross in the U.S.A.; name of the official Michigan stone, bird and tree and nicknames of the Saginaw and Flint hockey teams in the IHL.

Others asked whether Michigan was the number one golf state in the U.S., date of Michigan's admission to the Union, year the Mackinac Bridge was opened and number of jobs supported by the Michigan tourist industry.

Nearly 100 people participated in the quiz and prizes were awarded. The quiz was created by EMTA President James Hall of Bay City.

Here's the quiz, with answers, for a holiday challenge:

- HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW THE STATE OF MICHIGAN?
1. Michigan has _____ counties.
 2. EMTA promotes (circle one) 17, 27 or 33 counties.
 3. There is cross Lake Michigan ferry service from Ludington to (circle one) Manitowoc, Milwaukee or Kewaunee, Wisc.
 4. An "American Plan" vacation means that meals are included in the total price. True or False (circle one).
 5. Michigan has approximately (circle one) 4000, 8000 or 11,000 inland lakes.
 6. Michigan's state flower is the _____.
 7. The five-mile long Mackinac Bridge was opened in the year _____.
 8. Michigan was admitted to the Union in _____.
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10. The nation's first highway Roadside Park built in (circle one) West Michigan, East Michigan or Upper Peninsula.
11. The 45th Parallel on the globe runs through Mt. Pleasant, halfway between the equator and the north pole. True or False.
12. Each year, East Michigan grows 90% or more of the world's supply of white navy beans as used in the famous Senate Bean Soup. Name two counties where they are grown.
13. _____ is Michigan's number one tourist attraction.
14. General Motors Corporation was organized in Detroit. True or False.
15. Michigan's State Tree is the _____.
16. Michigan jobs supported by the tourist industry total approximately (circle one) 220,000, 260,000 or 300,000.
17. Michigan has 11 travel information centers. They annually serve about (circle one) 2 million, 3 million or 4 million visitors.
18. The _____ is the Michigan State Stone.
19. The Blue Water Bridge is at what Michigan city? _____.
20. The annual value of Michigan's travel industry is estimated at (circle one) \$2 billion, \$6 billion or \$11 billion.
21. Michigan has one presidential museum. In what city is it located? _____.
22. The Huron-Manistee National Forest is administered by the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture. True or False.
23. _____ developed and promoted Michigan's first

PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF HEARING INDEPENDENT PROBATE STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF HURON

In the matter of the Estate of: Phyllis A. Jeckell, Deceased. File No.: 85-27,969-IE.

TAKE NOTICE: On December 12, 1985, the Will of the deceased dated August 23, 1985, was admitted to probate and administration of the above estate was granted to William C. Forge. The estate is not being supervised by the Probate Court. Any interested party may file a written petition with the Court and with the Independent Personal Representative objecting to the appointment and to the admission of the Will to Probate.

FURTHER TAKE NOTICE: On January 15, 1986, at 9:30 a.m., in the Probate Courtroom, Huron County Building, Bad Axe, Michigan 48413, before the Hon. Neil R. MacCallum, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held on the petition of William C. Forge for a determination of heirs.

FURTHER TAKE NOTICE: Creditors of Phyllis A. Jeckell, deceased, whose last known address was 9725 Main Street, Bay Port, Michigan 48720, and whose Social Security Number 373-10-0530, and who died on December 5, 1985, are notified that all claims against the decedent's estate are barred against the estate, the Independent Personal Representative, and the heirs and the devisees of the decedent, unless within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice and four (4) months after the claim becomes due, whichever is later, the claim is presented to William C. Forge, Independent personal representative, of 5174 Shoreline Blvd., Waterford, Michigan 48095.

FURTHER TAKE NOTICE: That the estate will thereafter be assigned and distributed to the persons appearing of record entitled thereto.

William C. Forge Independent Personal Representative
Address: 5174 Shoreline Blvd. Waterford, MI 48095
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Michael D. Otto P34567
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Rights of crime victims boosted

CASS CITY — Long considered a forgotten link in the criminal justice system, the victim of crime has been given a new status and standing under the US Department of Justice's Office for Victims of Crime, working in partnership with the National Sheriff's Association's Victim Assistance Program.

Brought to local level, and working with the muscle of the new Michigan Victims' Rights Law — House Bill No. 4009 — the new law was explained to about 120 sheriff department and village and city police personnel in a 2-day session held at Colony House, near Cass City, on December 10-11. Included in the audience were county agencies' personnel, representatives of organizations and interested citizens.

The event was identified as the Tri-County Victim

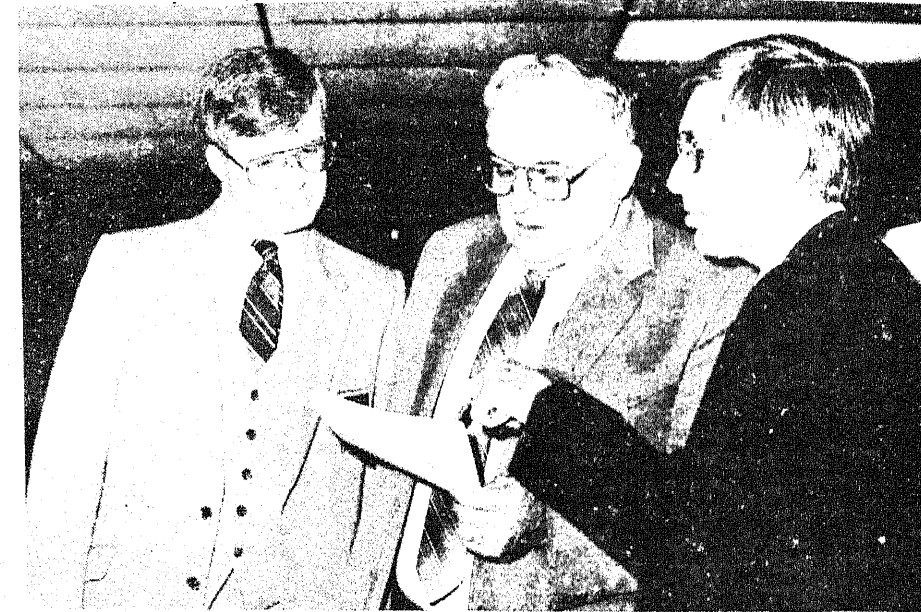
Assistance Training Conference, sponsored by sheriffs of Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola Counties. Main speaker and presenter was Jerry Miron, director of the NSA's program, of Alexandria, VA.

He was introduced by Huron Sheriff Richard V. Stokan, who said that "for the first time we see that we can do something for victims of crime and those who witness crimes". Stokan was one of a group of Michigan sheriffs selected to view a NSAVAP regional workshop in January, 1985, where a plan of action was developed for the Michigan State Sheriff's Task Force on Victims. Through the workshops, Stokan requested a multi-county workshop in the Thumb, with Tuscola County Sheriff Paul Berry and Sanilac Sheriff John Osborn as co-sponsors.

"That's the first example, nationally, of how the original NSA/Department of Justice partnership is working," Stokan explained. "It's extraordinary how this whole program began and how all these events occurred within Michigan in less than 12 months, and it's due to the commitment of Michigan Sheriff's Association, its task force members and Sheriffs Berry and Osborn," Stokan continued.

In his presentation, Miron traced how English Common Law influenced American justice in the pre-Colonial periods of the 17th and 18th centuries. Upon adoption of the US Bill of Rights and Constitution, there was a firm relationship with the earlier system, Miron said, and he described how the principles were influenced through succeeding years. Criminal codes were established, but generally English influences were maintained, which meant that it was "the people" who were the plaintiffs, while the victim's role declined to that of only an informant or witness. Rights of victims continued to decline, and in many cases there were steps taken to guarantee the rights of the accused, which appeared to subjugate victim rights even more. The result was more and more angry law-abiding citizens who often felt that the victim fared worse in the treatment he/she received than in that which the criminal received.

New steps were taken starting in the early 1980s, with the President's Task Force on Victims of Crime in 1982-83, the Attorney General's Task Force on Family Violence in 1983-84, and such Congressional Acts as Justice Assistance Act of 1984, Victims of Crime Act of 1984 and the Victim Witness Protection Act of 1982. The Office for Victims of Crime and Of-



SHERIFF RICHARD STOKAN, right, of Huron County, explains some of the procedures in the 2-day Victim Rights Conference held last week at Colony House, with Sanilac County Sheriff John Osborn, left, and Tuscola County Sheriff Paul Berry, center, co-sponsors.

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Local law enforcers learn of new state law

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Directions have been changed in treatment of victims, and so far 39 states have started Victim Compensation Programs, 40 states have Assistance to Domestic Violence Programs, 14 states and the federal system require use of a victim impact statement, and 15 states and the federal system have defined victims' bill of rights by statute.

In addition, National Crime Victim Week has been enacted to call attention to the need to assist victims, and during the past 3 years, more than 270-victim-related bills were introduced and enacted by states.

In Michigan, Act No. 87 was passed and signed in mid-1985, outlining definite procedures to be used by law enforcement agencies and investigations, and greater participation by victims than was permitted before.

Stated Sheriff Stokan, "There are almost 3,200 sheriffs who serve as principal elected officials in the justice system in practically all the urban and rural counties of the US.

"As a constitutional official in most states, the office of the sheriff is especially suited to provide assistance and advice to victims within the state and local systems of justice.

"Sheriffs are elected officials who are able to link the justice system with citizens and, particularly, with those individual citizens who are victims and witnesses. By their positions, sheriffs can inform and persuade others in their communities about how the system — and its representatives who are public servants — can improve on the manner in which their system and their local communities respond to victim and witness needs . . . By use of their own agency resources and by adoption of new policies and procedures, the sheriff can deliver programs to assist victims and witnesses. In time, with their acquisition of skills and knowledge about victim services, the sheriff can become a resource center for training and

assistance to other law enforcement agencies, local justice executive and staff, and community and neighborhood organizations. Stokan continued, "We've learned greatly by this conference, and we're ready to begin this vast program, the first time that we can do something vital and legal for victims of crimes and those who witness crimes."

"The new laws and rulings aren't 100% as yet, but they're surely a great improvement over anything and everything that we've had so far," Stokan concluded.

PUBLIC NOTICE TO THE TAXPAYERS OF WINSOR TOWNSHIP

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Township	4-1-1985 to 3-31-1986
Schools	7-1-1985 to 6-30-1986

Office hours for the collection of taxes will be from 9-12 and 1-5 all Fridays in December, and January 3-10-24, also February 7 and 14.

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A first-hand report

Two victims of crimes — one of rape and another of robbery — were shown to the conference by video tape, and the mother of a murder victim — a 19-year-old serviceman in Colorado — addressed the conference in person.

For 20 minutes the meeting room was so silent that listeners scarcely breathed, for fear of missing a single word in Judy Nichols' presentation. She told of the incidents leading to her son's murder and the murder of his friend near Denver, and she described the coldness with which she was told that she cannot recover her son's personal belongings because they are in police custody. A remark made to her by police was, "Your son is the property of the State of Colorado".

Then she told of the stages she passed through in realizing what had happened, and how she would have been helped by a better, kinder, more thoughtful approach. Her summary was that "I would rather have had him for the 20 years I did, than never having had him at all" and she explained that "Michael's death became my cause". She told the audience that she wants to "put my sorrow at your service". Mrs. Nichols concluded by reading the personal letter she composed to her son.

Here it is:

My Loving Child Michael

It's so unreal that You are really gone; A part of me has died with You. My nights are so long, and I keep thinking about the pain You must have endured those last few moments... I only wish I could have been there with You. I keep wondering why the Lord didn't take me instead! I am bitter...at all the unfairness, at the justice system, at all the things unthinking people say to me. Mostly though, I am angry at the criminals. Why should You have paid the price for their problems? Why should I suffer a life sentence of pain? It's so hard to get up and face each new day. I just don't seem to have any energy left... And life seems empty without You. Words...News...Faces...Places...Movies, hurt and trigger memories of You

Such a short time between then promises of Your Spring and the coming of Your Winter! You are so much alive within my pain! It seems like hurting is the only way of loving You now. I just wish I could hold You tightly and end this senseless Good Friday of my life.

And then I think of someone else's Good Friday... Yes, Jesus, too, was murdered...and he chose to forgive. Have You been able to forgive those who hurt You, too? How can I learn to forgive them?

Dear Child, it helps me to know that You are now at peace. May God give me strength along the way. I am trying to rebuild my life by accepting what has been, affirming what is, and trusting what will be. I am learning to put my sorrow at the service of others who are hurting too. I hope one day I will be happy again.



JUDY NICHOLS, mother of murdered young serviceman, who addressed the conference. She is a former Lapeer County resident and now resides in Highland.

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Let us go on unto perfection...And this will we do, if God permit."
—Hebrews 6:1, 3

Leaving the old, both worlds at once they view, That stand upon the threshold of the new
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Sixty Seconds We shall see him face to face

READ 1 CORINTHIANS 13:8-13
We know that when He shall

Church hosts 'Jesus' movie

"Jesus," a two-hour film illustrating the life of Jesus Christ, will be shown at the Immanuel Lutheran School gym, Sebewaing, on Sunday, Jan. 19 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Sponsored by AAL Social Concerns Committee, Branch 1243, the film is open to the public, with a free-will offering being received.

Backed by five years of research, "Jesus" is touted as the life of Christ. Producer John Heyman organized workshop teams to study first century clothing, pottery, architecture, customs, hair styles and food to ensure the film's authenticity.

Through cooperation of the Palestinian and Israeli governments, "Jesus" was filmed entirely in the Holy Land at 202 locations and involved a cast of more than 5000 Jews and Arabs.

Refreshments and fellowship will follow the Sebewaing film.

appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is. 1 John 3:2

Recently a totally blind teen-aged girl, after reading the Gospel in Braille, exclaimed with unbounded joy, "Just think! The first face I'll ever see will be the face of Jesus!"

Surely, each of us must share in the thrill that must have filled her heart. The first face she would ever see would, indeed, be that of her Savior!

Her words remind us of the words of St. John quoted in the text above.

John writes, "beloved, now are we the children of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be; but we know that when He shall appear... WE SHALL SEE HIM AS HE IS."

St. Paul adds the further assurance that we shall see Him "FACE TO FACE" (1 Cor. 13:12).

What a prospect, especially as we turn the corner into the unknown year that lies before us!

None of us knows what the new year holds for us -- whether we will live in sunshine or in shadow.

But we DO know who stands at our journey's end -- our Lord and Savior, whose face we shall behold and whose loving invitation we shall hear. "Come, ye blessed of My Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

Lord, bring us to that day! "Forever with the Lord! Amen! So let it be. Life from the dead is in that word, 'His immortality.' Amen.



GRACE DOWELL and her story book
RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTO

Pigeon woman writes a book! 'Grandma' shares story

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER
An 87-year old Pigeon area woman has seen a story she created nearly 30 years ago become printed and bound in hardcover books.

Road wrote the children's story, "Susan Visits the Land of Nod." It provides a glimpse of magical places and special people conjured up in the dream of a young girl.

The octogenarian's daughter and her family paid the \$4000 expense to publish several hundred copies of the book, to share with other children one of the stories they enjoyed hearing over the years from Grandma Dowell.

After attending a play with her daughter in the 1950s (which Mrs. Dowell says was very disappointing), the author returned home decided she could do better than that professional play. She sat down and wrote "Susan Visits the Land of Nod" in about two hours.

"The story just came to me and I wrote it down," says the author.

A non-threatening plot is one of the most appealing aspects of her story, Mrs. Dowell says. Some children's stories which involve wild animals can be quite frightening, she adds.

Another longer work of non-fiction is Mrs. Dowell's latest writing venture, as she recreates some of the interesting memories of her childhood. She grew up near Lake Michigan, between Manistee and Traverse City, in a place called "Hole in the Wilderness."

"People said the forest was so thick that a squirrel could travel from there to Detroit without touching the ground," says Mrs. Dowell.

The author had numerous opportunities to read stories to children as she was a nurse in private homes for 35 years in the Detroit area. She also opened her home to girls waiting to be admitted to the Michigan State Home for Retarded Children.

Copies of the book can be purchased at Caseville IGA or by contacting Mrs. Dowell at 856-4709.

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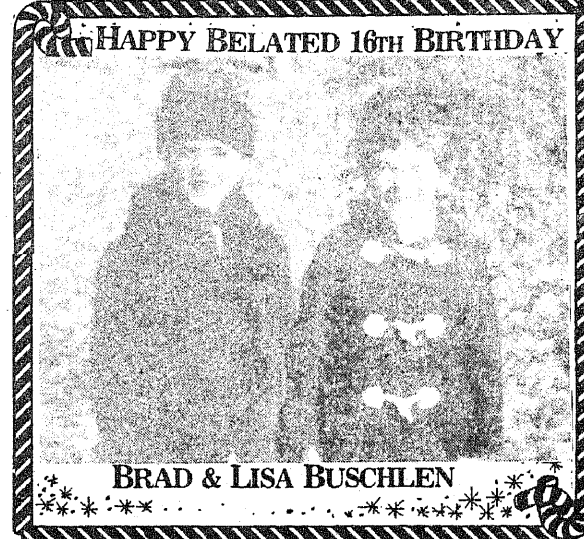
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