

As we see it editorially

6 steps to greater wealth...

Recently, a national publication carried a listing of "Six key steps to greater wealth." Sponsored by an investor advising firm called Integrated Resources, Inc., the special pages showed some simple — yet valuably important — concepts and approaches to better preserve what we all have, and to increase that bounty, too.

Today's volatile economy makes reliable financial growth more important than ever, the feature pointed out. Costs of living, education and retirement are steadily rising.

Yet the yields of many investments are declining, the experts point out. And as tax laws constantly change, so changes how much we keep of what we earn. Hence, people need financial planning.

Here are the six tips as recommended in that USA TODAY article:

FIRST, have a plan. You've got to determine your present position to best prepare your financial plan. Add up all your assets and subtract your liabilities, to determine your net worth. Then, follow expenses and set up a budget to live by.

You'll have to set financial goals (kids' college, buy new house, etc.) and — allowing for inflation — estimate how much money you'll need to reach them.

SECOND, secure your safety net. Make sure you have a secure foundation that includes "liquid" cash for emergencies and enough insurance to protect you against risks.

You need cash in reserve (usually equal to three months' of income) in case crises strike. In any given year, your chances of being in an injury-causing car accident are one in 70. The probability that your home could be damaged by fire is about one in 88. Your chance of becoming disabled is about one in eight.

Insurance is a must, these experts say.

THIRD, reduce your current taxes. We all should be "tax-wise," which is best done with professional advice. As people get into higher tax brackets, deferring some taxes or sheltering some income leaves more to invest — and to use in increasing your "nest egg."

FOURTH, pick investments that fit your needs. When (and if) you've fastened your "safety net" and have reduced current taxes, you've got to put the small monetary pot where it will do you the most good.

Certain investments are better for steady income, although returns are smaller than others. Some offer better tax reduction, while still others are more profitable — but more hazardous. Again, professional advice is often the best solution.

FIFTH, protect what you've earned. Maybe we can't "take it with us," but we can preserve what we've earned so it will be intact for the next generation. After evaluating what you have, certain planning techniques will best control probate or estate tax burdens. Some assets may be transferred now to minimize taxes later.

FINALLY, get professional help. As previously stated, you'll make — and retain — more income if proper, informed guidance is sought out and followed.

Financial planners can include CPAs, attorneys, investment counselors and others. Usually, costs of such aid will be more than overcome by tax savings or quicker investment growth.

These experts advise people that making such plans doesn't have to be too complex or time-consuming. But there's no better time to start than now — and we've all got more to lose than we'd ever really admit to...

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RECOLLECTIONS

OF
By-Gone Days

By GEORGE KEIM

DEAR EDITOR:

In one of my last articles, I wrote that these young farmers talked a different language than we used to, when we were farming.

One young fellow got after me about it. He asked if those guys who were farming my farm didn't do all right.

Well, I told him I was well satisfied with the way they farmed and that they were getting almost three times the bushels and tons per acre I used to get, when I first started to farm — 'til I got used to my farm.

The first few years I was on my present farm, I found out they just didn't plow deeply enough. My topsoil goes down pretty deep and when I got some of it tilled, Erich Kraft (who did the tilling) told me to plow deeper.

Well, I didn't have those big front-wheel drive tractors, so I hooked my two small tractors together and I got down deep.

Then those weeds and seed that were down there came up, and my family had quite a job hoeing weeds for several years. But, by adjusting my cultivator and working my ground good and proper, I got ahead of the weeds!

But we still had to hoe the beans. Once, my father-in-law came to see us, during bean hoeing time. The only beans he ever saw were in his wife's garden, and she used to take her hoe and hoe between the bean stalks and along side the bean rows — even if there were no weeds there. He said if that's the way you hoe beans, he sure felt sorry for my children!

So I told him to go out with the children once and see how it was done. Well, they just hoed the weeds out and

then he didn't feel so sorry for them anymore.

I worked in Iowa one summer in 1936 and I learned a lot from them, and they learned some from me. The hoe hurts their men's hands and you never see a man hoeing.

The boss' wife was a very busy woman and she used to complain at dinner about how she should get her garden hoed. So I told the boss that if he'd give me a few hours, I'd hoe his wife's garden. So we hunted up several hoes and he said he'd help me.

Well, the hoes were very dull and I looked around and found an old file. I started to shape them. The boss said he'd never shaped a hoe, so his wife showed us where to hoe.

He only helped about one hour. Then, he had something else to do. He told me I should finish the job.

Well, I did and the wife came out and said she'd never seen a man in the garden before. She didn't think a man could hoe as well as I did.

So I told her all the Michigan men were used to hoeing weeds in the field, so hoeing in the garden was a pleasure — if your wife was satisfied.

In Gen. 2:15 it says, "And the Lord God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and keep it."

But my Mother and Wife didn't think that way, and I didn't blame them, because I never came out of there unless I had hoed out a few tomato plants or spoiled some beans or cabbage!

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SUPERINTENDENT'S

Snow Day
Make-Upby HARRY BRUNET
LAKER SCHOOLS
SUPERINTENDENT

This past month, the Houghton Lake School District served notice to the Department of Education that it is not their intent to make up five snow days.

What prompted their decision was the way in which this ruling came into effect.

When our legislators passed the 1985-86 State Aid Act, there was an additional stipulation, the stipulation being that all days when schools were closed due to inclement weather would have to be made up. This was to guarantee that the minimum of 180 days of student instruction would be carried out.

The penalty for not adhering to this ruling is the forfeiture of 1/180 of a district's state aid for each day you fail to make up.

Needless to say, the ruling had several loopholes.

One of the loopholes affects school districts that were in the final stages of an existing Master Contract and had wording stating that those days when school is closed due to weather shall not be made up.

Many school districts in the state fall into this category. With the start of the 1986-87 school year, this rule is to apply to all schools, regardless of contract language.

This past summer our district negotiated a new Master Contract, stating that we will comply with the state regulation.

The situation at Houghton Lake is similar to ours. Their Master Contract expired at the conclusion of the 1985-86 school year. Their teacher union said "no" to making up the snow days, unless they were to be compensated for the additional days.

With their contract negotiations being stalled on this issue, the Houghton Lake School Board looked into the pitfalls of not meeting the make-up requirement.

One of the first things they did was to equate their loss in state aid for the five snow days. They are an "out-of-formula" district, and therefore do not receive a dollar amount on a per pupil basis.

Any loss in state funds would come from their categorical aid — transportation, special education and vocational education.

Ready your perch recipes!

What's cookin' ?
Lots of perch dishes, that's

Scheurer
Hospital
notes

Patients in Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, on Monday, April 7:
PIGEON: Anetta J. Abdalla, Mrs. Greg (Becky) Irwin, Clarence Born, Mrs. Oliver (Dorothy) Leipprandt, Mrs. John (Dianne) Kohr.

BAD AXE: Mrs. Thomas (Lois) Wolschlagier.
ELKTON: Carl Danks.

UNIONVILLE: Leslie A. Singer.
BAY PORT: Thomas D. McCreery.
SEBEWAING: Mark Linzner.

If the state was paying its proportionate share for these three programs, the loss of revenue to the Houghton Lake Schools would be rather steep. But here again, we have another instance of the state not meeting its obligations.

For the past five years, the "out-of-formula" school district has been penalized in receipt of revenues for the three mentioned programs.

The next thing they looked at was the minimum number of clock hours required for a school year. The law states that a school must have a minimum of 900 clock hours during a school year.

Houghton Lake is like our school district, calling for 1080 instruction hours, in excess of 180 hours.

With their contract talks at a standstill, the calculation of lost state aid, and the excess of required clock hours, the Houghton Lake Board of Education and the Teacher Association challenged the '85-86 ruling, basing the challenge on current school law and its taking precedence over this year's state aid ruling.

Another factor they considered is the cost for those additional days in wages for cooks, bus drivers, aides, etc. The Houghton Lake Board felt that if the state mandates this ruling, then they should come up with adequate funding.

After all considerations, their final step was to consult with attorneys and see if they had a case. As it appears, they are going into court contesting the 85-86 State Aid Act.

Their action is not intended to violate the law. What they are doing is simply letting our state legislators know the effects of taking on a regulation without making a thorough investigation of all of its ramifications.

April 10:

State Teacher Day
The Michigan State Board of Education has proclaimed Thursday, April 10 as being Michigan Teacher Day.

Perhaps interested Progress-Advance readers could send a note or a card to one of their special teachers commemorating this day and the many other days spent working with the boys and girls of our school district.

The contest will be conducted on Saturday, April 19 in the Community Room of the Caseville Village-Township Hall. Contestants are to bring in their already cooked perch dishes, with the recipes, between 10 and 11 a.m.

Judging will be at 11 a.m. with ribbons and cash prizes of \$100, \$50 and \$25 will be awarded at 12 noon.

Judges will be Caseville Home Economics Teacher Debra Fritz, Retired Food Supervisor Evelyn Henkelmann and Extension Home Economist Barbara Neuman. The public is invited to participate.

Drabek feted
for employment

Former area resident Joyce Drabek was voted "Employee of the Year" at Mervyn's Department Store in San Bernardino, Calif.



Mrs. Drabek, who has been employed at the store for 4½ years, lives in San Bernardino with her husband Bob and family. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hartman.



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ROSES and THORNS

By MARK KARLS

TV Evangelists: Fruit Inspecting



Last week we looked at all the criteria not to use when seeking to discover whether a TV evangelist is a true or false prophet. It is amazing to discover that very few people ever look to the Biblical way of recognizing true prophets. In my opinion most people base their allegiance on style of delivery (appearance, ethnic accent, flamboyance, etc.) or familiarity of message (he's against everything I'm against) or popularity (large crowds, big budgets) or authority charisma (admiration for taking a stand) or whatever.

Jesus warned us (Matthew 7:15-23) that there would come false prophets to deceive us. He called them ferocious wolves in sheep's clothing. But in the same breath he gave us the test from which to recognize these false prophets.

Verse 16 is the obvious test. It states, "By their fruit you will recognize them." This concept is then explained in the next few verses until verse 20 where it is repeated for emphasis.

Inspector Gordo's MINUTE MYSTERY

THE CASE OF

Death by the tracks

The fat man lay by the railroad embankment, his horribly twisted limbs testifying to the poor judgment in leaving a train as it raced 80 miles an hour.

"Broken neck, probably killed on impact," Inspector Gordo said after a summary examination. "Who is he?"

"Tommy Warner, the New York racketeer," replied Sheriff Jones. "He must have jumped from the Overnightr. It leaves Detroit for Los Angeles on Tuesday night and passes through here around 4 Wednesday afternoon. It's the only train by today."

"What makes you sure Warner jumped?" Gordo asked. "For one thing, the money in his wallet. For another, his suitcases."

"Suitcases?"

"I'll show you," the Sheriff said, shading his eyes as he led the way down the tracks toward the setting sun.

After about 500 yards, the two men came to the first suitcase. It contained expensive clothes, monogrammed T.W.

Another 200 yards along lay the second suitcase. It contained \$100,000 in new \$20 bills.

"Counterfeit," said the Sheriff. "Apparently someone wanted it, and Warner decided to jump rather than give it up."

"At least that's what someone wants the authorities to believe," said Gordo. "The killer went to a lot of trouble, but Warner was thrown from the train."

HOW DID INSPECTOR GORDO KNOW?

See Minute Mystery Answer on Page 8

phases. Jesus knew many would be buffaloes by the miraculous gifts and abilities of such false prophets, so he was not casual in letting us know how to recognize them.

The whole process of recognizing hinges on the word "fruit." This is a marvelous concept used by Jesus and it sounds so simple. The Matthew 7 explanation simply states that grapes do not come from thornbushes or figs from thistles nor does good fruit come from bad trees or bad fruit from good trees and (very important) trees without fruit are ultimately discarded.

It becomes obvious that we recognize the kind of tree and the quality of a tree by its fruit. And if the tree has no fruit, then it must be destroyed as soon as possible — not only because it is unfruitful, but because it can deceive observers who see no fruit by which to recognize it... it is a dangerous tree!

That sounds simple enough. We recognize a person's inner spirit by his/her outer actions. But what kind of fruit (outer actions) do we look for?

Scripture uses the term "fruit" to describe various outer actions. There is the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22), fruit unto God (Romans 7:4), fruit unto death (Romans 7:5 et al.), fruit of the lips (i.e. speaking — Isaiah 57:19, Hebrews 8:15), fruit unto holiness and life (Romans 6:22), fruit of the wicked (Matthew 7:16), fruit of self-centeredness (Hosea 10:1), fruit in season (i.e. true prosperity — Psalm 1:3, Jeremiah 17:8), fruits of the gospel (Romans 1:13, Colossians 1:6), fruit of righteousness (Philippians 1:11, James 3:18), fruits fit for repentance (Matthew 3:8), and the unfruitful works of darkness as contrasted with the fruit of light (Ephesians 5:9-11), WHEW!!

But all of this simply gives outer means of checking inner things... like whether the things are the Spirit, or God, or death, or holiness and life, or wickedness or self-centeredness, etc., etc. What we are interested in is checking the spirit of a person. Is that person's spirit of God or not? The key text then is Galatians 5:22 on the fruit of the Spirit of God.

The fruit that comes from God has nine recognizable traits: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. We do not have the time or space here to study each concept. But the study of each concept is imperative in order to recognize false prophets. I suspect there are well-intentioned folk in our community who have been contributing for years to ministries which do not convey these nine traits.

The fruit of the Spirit is different from the gifts of the Spirit in one very important way. The gifts are not for everyone.

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Thumb area obituaries

CHRISTINE ELINE HARDER 1983 - 1986

Christine E. Harder, age 3, of Bay Port, passed away Monday, March 31.

She was born January 9, 1983, in Lake Charles, Louisiana. Christine is survived by her parents, Roy and Angel Harder, Bay Port; one brother, Roy Harder, Jr., one sister, Kimberly Ann; maternal grandparents, Henryetta McCollum, Baiciff, Texas and Refrigero DeLosSantos, Dickinson, Texas; and several aunts and uncles.

Funeral services were conducted on Thursday, April 3, at 10:00 a.m. from the Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon. Rev. Wayne Keim, pastor of Fair Haven Mennonite Church, officiated with burial in the New Bay Port Cemetery.

DORA GETTEL 1894 - 1986

Dora Gettel, age 91, of Pigeon, passed away Wednesday, April 2, 1986, at Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon.

Mrs. Gettel was born on November 2, 1894, in McKinley Township, daughter of the late George and Mary (Langley) Schubach. On September 24, 1918, she was united in marriage to Herbert J. Gettel in Pigeon. He preceded her in death on May 21, 1957. She was a past member of the Farm Bureau, First United Methodist Church, and the United Methodist Women, Pigeon.

She is survived by four sons, Clarence Gettel, Pigeon, Herb Gettel, Sebewaing, Loren Gettel, Pigeon, and Douglas Gettel, Bloomfield Hills; one daughter, Mrs. Charles (Dorothy) Parks, Port Austin; 18 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; a brother, Clarence Schubach, Detroit; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Edward Schubach, and a sister, Mabel Schubach.

Funeral services were conducted at the First United Methodist Church, Pigeon, at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, April 5. Rev. Gordon W. Nusz, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, officiated with burial in the Grandlawn Cemetery, Pigeon.

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

Bay Port readies for August event

BAY PORT — It's all finalized, and the 9th annual Bay Port Fish Sandwich Day will be Bay Port Fish Sandwich Weekend again — just as it was in 1985, according to Henry Engelhard, who is handling publicity for the event.

A meeting of the community's Chamber of Commerce

Tuesday evening approved the dates and schedule, including the traditional events — thousands of fish sandwiches, a parade, arts and crafts fair — and dedication of Bay Port's new harbor on Saturday. Another new addition will be an outdoor church service at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

Fish sandwich serving will start at 11 a.m. both days.

Events on Saturday will start at 10:30 a.m. with crowning the 1986 Festival Queen, followed by the harbor dedication. Governor James Blanchard, other state officials and county officers have been invited to take part in the ceremony. A group of "Sweet Adelines" will offer selections in the park, starting at 12:30 p.m., and following will be the parade. Invitations are being extended to neighboring communities to join the parade, Engelhard said.

Arts and crafts departments will be available for renting at approximately 10 booths, Engelhard explained, stating that rentals may be discussed with Forrest Williams at 656-2131 or Al Douglas at 656-2921.

Other business at the April 1 Chamber meeting included a \$200 donation to the Bay Port Athletic Association, toward repair of lighting equipment at the ball park.

"You're all invited to take part in our Fish Sandwich Weekend," Engelhard declared, stating that, "When you come to Bay Port, you'll find that we speak 2 languages — English and Fish."

Colo-rectal test offered

Scheurer Hospital of Pigeon, in cooperation with American Cancer Society, will offer free take-home tests to determine early warning signs of colorectal cancer. Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe and Harbor Beach Community Hospitals will also offer the test kits.

The take-home tests can be obtained from the hospitals April 28-May 3, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

JULIA A. BLEHM 1912 - 1986

Julia A. Blehm, age 74 of Unionville, passed away Tuesday, April 1 at Saginaw St. Mary's Hospital, after a short illness. She was born Julia Gricar on Feb. 10, 1912 in Texas, and lived in the Unionville area most of her life. She was united in marriage to George Blehm, Sr., in 1931 in Saginaw. He preceded her in death in 1983.

Mrs. Blehm was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church and USA Senior Citizens.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. William (Julie) Deming of Saginaw, Catherine Eremia of Flushing and Mrs. Mark (Sue) Wiese of Bay Port; two sons, George of Gould City and John of Fish Point; 10 grandchildren; five sisters and one brother.

One son, Jerry, and three brothers preceded her in death. Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 4 at 11 a.m. from the Deisler Funeral Home, Unionville. Rev. Stanley Surman officiated. Memorials may be made to the Michigan Heart Association or the American Cancer Society.

Other area deaths

Amy M. Mott, 96, of Stockbridge, formerly of Unionville, passed away Mar. 16.

Ruth E. Fritz, 75, of Midland, formerly of Cass City, passed away Mar. 25.

Noelita Mousseau, 74, formerly of Huron County, passed away Mar. 25.

William A. Janks, 80, of Caro, passed away Mar. 28.

John E. Radina, 75, of Fairgrove, passed away Mar. 28.

Florence M. Ward, 84, of Caro, passed away Mar. 28.

Francis (Cap) W. Pomella, 76, of Caseville, passed away Mar. 29.

Garrison Stine, 68, of Cass City, passed away Mar. 29.

Robert W. Cameron, 59, of Kingston, passed away Mar. 29.

Christine Harder, 3, of Bay Port, passed away Apr. 31.

Gerald R. Wise, 54, of Roscommon, formerly of Bay Port, passed away Apr. 1.

Julia A. Blehm, 74, of Unionville, passed away Apr. 1.

Dora Gettel, 91, of Pigeon, passed away Apr. 2.

Arnold J. Koesn, 69, of Harbor Beach, with relatives in Pigeon, passed away Apr. 2.

Mathilda Thompson, 86, of Bay Port, passed away Apr. 3.

Shirley L. (LaBelle) Douglas, 40, of Holt, formerly of Sebewaing, passed away Apr. 3.

Alfred Oparka, 48, of Harbor Beach, passed away Apr. 3.

Former resident marks 75th

A surprise 75th birthday party will be for former Pigeon resident Mabel Damm, now of Millington, on Sunday, April 20 at St. Paul's Lutheran Parish Hall, Millington from 1 to 4 p.m.

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Rural ROUND-UP

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MARS says its survey shows an 25% acreage increase, from 440,000 acres in 1985 to 550,000 which is the largest such bean acreage growth nationwide. U.S. averages are about 10.7% up from last year, with California, Colorado, New York and other states expecting smaller plantings than in 1985.

Contracts for bean sales were made in January by ANV Corp., the same company which set up the 1980-81 bean contracts with Mexico. Final legal details are now being worked out, observers say.

Base price for the new dark bean contracts average \$15 per hundredweight (cwt.), which is better financially for farmers than present Navy Bean prices of \$14 since dark beans yield greater quantities per acre than do Navies.

Mexicans looked northward for bean production

History buffs meet Thursday

The second quarterly meeting of the Huron County Historical Society is set for Thursday, April 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Bad Axe City Hall on the first floor.

President of the Huron County Historical Society, Maurice Haag of Sebewaing and member of the Michigan Archeological Society, will speak and show Indian artifacts.

Refreshments will be served after the program. The public is invited.

PIGEON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hunemoeder and family of Unionville were Sunday visitors of Pastor and Mrs. Ernst Henkelmann.

Miss Marie Mohr of Birmingham was a weekend guest of her mother, Mrs. Anna Mohr, at the home of Mrs. George Mohr.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Hart and girls of Lansing spent Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Mohr.



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When droughts and floods hit normal Mexican supplier nations of Brazil and Argentina. About half of the 125,000 tons expected to be sold to Mexico will come from Michigan, sources say.

IRRADIATE? The U.S. Food & Drug Administration has authorized a New Jersey company to begin irradiation of pork to kill the parasite which can cause trichinosis, an intestinal and muscular disease.

This is the first time the government has allowed the food industry to irradiate food, to control insects and retard spoilage. Pork will be exposed to 100,000 rads of what the FDA calls "low level radiation" which leaves no residue in food.

There is some speculation the FDA will soon approve such irradiation in fruits and vegetables, which it has long opposed. Later, some spices may be okayed for irradiation, too.

SUPER COWS? The FDA is being asked to disapprove a synthetic hormone to create "super cows" which would greatly increase milk production -- at a time the government is spending \$1.8 billion to reduce milk surpluses by buying and killing cows in the Dairy Herd Termination Program.

Animal rights activists.

led by Wisconsin dairy farmers, questioned the FDA's logic in approving

research on a bovine growth hormone (BGH), which might endanger cows, drive

25% of U.S. dairy farmers out of business and wreak havoc on the dairy price sup-

port program. No FDA response was yet received.

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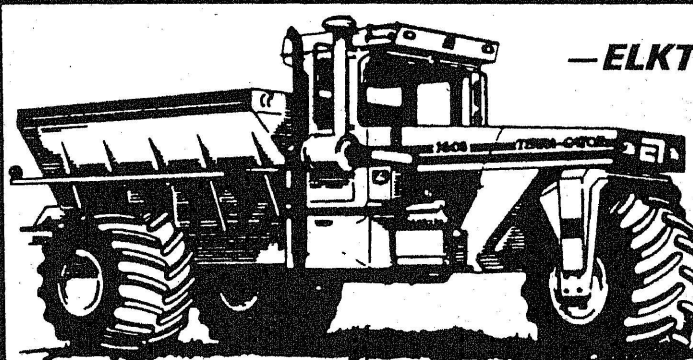
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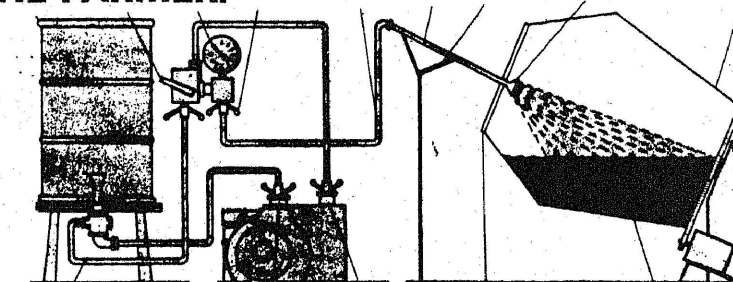
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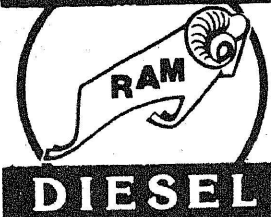
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WOODS and WATERS

By DUANE GUENTHER

Lifesavers

It was catch 22. As I inched slowly forward, the river threatened to spill into my waders. Turning around was out of the question. I had tried that earlier and the force of the current was so great I was almost swept from my precarious footing. So here I was, unable to go forward, and unable to go backward.

It had seemed so easy the night before. In the comfort and safety of the inn's dining room, my host had carefully mapped out the proposed route for crossing the river at this point.

"It really is very easy," he had said confidently. "Just walk down to the end of the island and then sight in on the large flat rock about 50 yards down the opposite shore. If you walk a straight line, you will have no problem. But, vary from side to side, and you will be able to drink standing up."

That piece of advice was of little comfort now. Turning my head, I rechecked my direction line and found it to be perfectly lined with the flat rock on the now distant shore. Why was I having so much trouble?

It came to me in a flash. My host had given me perfect instructions for a wading fisherman who was 6'4" like himself, but he had failed to calculate the problems of a 5'8" shrimp who now was about to take a soaking.

In a moment of panic I lurched forward and felt the shock of icy river water coming in contact with my warm flesh. To make matters worse, at that very moment I chose to step into the slight depression made by a spawning salmon. The results were inevitable. I tottered slowly and then with a crashing crescendo, slipped over on my side.

The wild thrashing that took place may have been comical to anyone witnessing the incident, but it was deadly serious to me. The air temperature was hovering around 38 degrees, and although I had not placed a thermometer in the water that morning, I'm sure it would have been little warmer. And to make matters worse, I was a good 2 miles from my truck and another 2 miles from the nearest house.

My arm was the first part under the water, as anyone's normal reaction is to stop themselves from falling. I managed to hit something with my hand and stopped myself from falling before my head went

under. Three or four hurried steps brought me to a shallower part of the river and I managed to struggle ashore.

My first thoughts were to strip off the wet clothing and build a fire. I always carry a butane lighter in my fishing vest and, as I glanced around, saw plenty of firewood and some dry leaves for a starter. I pulled off my vest and unzipped the wool sweater I always wear during spring fishing trips. It was soggy and, including the water it had soaked up, weighed a ton. My chambray cloth shirt was next, but didn't appear to be nearly as wet. Then came my polypropylene underwear which was hardly damp at all. I gave it a couple of twists to rid it of loose water and pulled it back on.

My next task was to deal with the waders. I had been wearing a new pair of neoprene waders that I had won at a Ducks Unlimited banquet a few months before. They were unlined, and resembled a skin diving suit. In the instructions, it had said they would cling to your body and make it difficult for water to enter if you should happen to dunk. But, I was not prepared for what I saw.

When I pulled down the waders, my long underwear bottoms were perfectly dry. The water that had slipped over the top managed to wet my sweater and shirt, but they must have acted as a seal, for not a drop penetrated below my chest line.

I jerked the waders back up, grabbed for the rain jacket I carry in the back of my fishing vest, and stripped it over my underwear top. I had become a little chilly in the clothes-changing process, but I certainly wasn't in any danger of hypothermia.

I built a small fire on the sandy bank of the shore, and rigged a makeshift rack to dry my shirt and sweater. Rather than sit around and shiver, I thought I would be better off back in the river fishing, so I grabbed my rod and scrambled down the bank.

I have fallen in the water a couple times since then. Any river fisherman will tell you it is practically impossible to avoid. But, each time, my neoprene waders have made the situation more comical than dangerous.

When it comes to river fishing, they are truly a lifesaver.

Hobbies

Continued from front page
tion by the Elkton Elementary sixth grader. In only one year, 17 unicorn representations have been accumulated. About three years ago, Brandi joined with many other children in buying stickers and placing them in albums. Now, she rarely adds to her collection of over 450 which are displayed in albums.

Although she says she doesn't really believe unicorns actually existed, Brandi enjoys the company the one-horned animals. Her first one was received as a gift last Easter. She also benefits from having an aunt that makes the legendary stuffed animals by hand.

She says she has no particular favorites in the newly formed collection.

STUFFED ANIMALS

Many children find soft, cuddly stuffed animals irresistible, and eight-year-old Brent McIlhargie is no exception. The Elkton Elementary second grader has accumulated 34 stuffed creatures of all types.

Smurfs, Raggedy Andy and teddy bears of all types are represented.

His collection started "probably when I was born," says Brent, and adds he has been surrounded by stuffed objects as long as he can remember.

In addition to being his friends, the animals are often reminders of other friends and relatives. One panda bear was added to the collection by his older brother Dan, who won the prize for selling candy.

A dog in the collection carries special sentimental value because it was hand-made from a coat owned by the boy's great-grandmother.

The collection also reflects today's advanced technology. Under the Christmas Tree this year, Brent found a stuffed bear that "sings" a Christmas song.

During summer months, he can re-create classroom activities with one member of the collection Brent says reminds him of a teacher. He admits a big reason are the spectacles perched on the nose of the stuffed animal.

MUSIC BOXES

Some childhood collections are discarded as people get older, but that is unlikely to be the case with nine-year-old Hayley Herford. The third grader at Pigeon Elementary School, known as "Sunny," stores a collection of 13 music boxes in her bedroom.

The group of music boxes was started three years ago with one purchased by Sunny's parents while on vacation. The musical objects depicting Mickey Mouse attest to her parents' visits to Disney World.

Other music boxes in the shape of pianos reflect the girl's interest in the instrument.

Her favorite box in the collection is the piano which plays the song "The Entertainer." The special feelings generated by that particular one are due to the fact she had to work to earn it. Sunny was given the music box after learning to play the song herself on the piano.

As is the case with many other young girls, Sunny also has a collection of stickers. She has two books filled with the colorful objects.

Another "collection" of Sunny's is the three trophies she earned while tap dancing in talent shows.

Pigeon District LIBRARY

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Area residents are invited to browse at the Pigeon District Library during the Arts and Crafts Display now through April 12, held in conjunction with National Library Week.

Some demonstrations will include: Smocking by Karen Riegle, Stained Glass by Donna Schulze, Counted Cross Stitch by Joyce Kretschmer, Spinning by the Thumb Fiber Friends, and China Painting by Mary Ann Kiser, who will also display works from her nine students.

Also, the Arts and Crafts Committee members will demonstrate various crafts. Library hours this week will be Monday through Friday from 9 to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

PROFILE
This week's feature on a library staff member will be about Jane Himmel, "The Story Hour Lady."

Jane and her husband Dennis live in Bay Port with their two children, Robert and Sarah. Her work at the library began in the summer of 1977 until 1979, when she moved to Virginia for a year before returning to work at the library in 1981 to the present.

Her duties at the library include Preschool Story Hour, visiting preschool and

kindergarten classes, crafts, circulation and dusting. She enjoys working with small children. Her future ambition is to write children's books.

Jane's hobbies are sewing, cooking, reading and enjoying her family. Stop in and say "Hi" to Jane Himmel at the library.

PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

The theme for April 15 Preschool Story Hour will be Little Monster stories, including "Little Monster At Home," "Little Monster's Bedtime Book" and "Little Monster's Alphabet Book." A special treat will be a film, "Rainbow Bear," a 15-minute color film about a rainbow bear who awakens after several hundred years of slumber.

Exercises, fingerplays, songs and flannelgraphs will be some of the activities planned for the children. All three to five year olds are invited to attend. Annual registration is required.

FAMILY FILM FESTIVAL

"Trouble With Angels" will be shown on Saturday, April 12 at 1 p.m. in the Audio-Visual room of the library.

It is a 116-minute color film about happy, mischievous teenagers



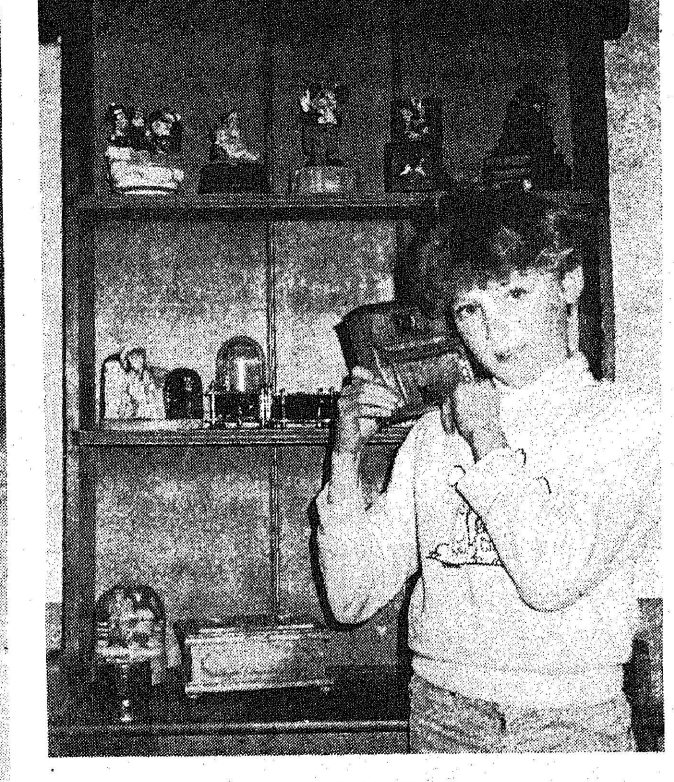
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MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

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Raymond P. Susalla & Connie J. Will
Patrick Howard Sorenson & Susan
Louise Wood

ASSUMED NAMES

Week of March 31
NO. 4153 POLAR SOLAR, 553 Main,
Kinde, MI 48445. By: Leonard Kalka,
5939 Scott Drive, Davison, MI 48423.
Filed: 3/25/86

NO. 4154 RUD ISEL REALTY, REAL
ESTATE APPRAISER-CONSULTANT,
100 W. Huron Ave., Bad Axe, MI 48413.
By: Joseph Isel, 100 W. Huron Ave., Bad
Axe, MI 48413. Filed: 3/26/86

NO. 4155 FAMILY SPORTING GOODS,
118 State St., Harbor Beach, MI 48441.
By: Paul William Booth & Mary Lou Booth,
649 Lytle, Harbor Beach, MI 48441. Filed:
3/27/86

NO. 4156 WINDMILL MARKET, 505 E.
Huron, Bad Axe, MI 48413. By: Cash J.
Cork, McKendzie Rd., Bad Axe, MI 48413.
Filed: 3/28/86

NO. 4157 CASEVILLE H & L INC., DBA
CASEVILLE IGA, 6704 Main, Caseville,
MI 48725. By: Kenneth Hill & Harold L.
Leach. Filed: 3/31/86

NO. 4158 WILDFIRE BAY COMPANY,
9050 Henne Rd., Bay Port, MI 48720.
By: Andrew A. Nowak, 9050 Henne Rd.,
Bay Port, MI 48720. Filed: 3/31/86

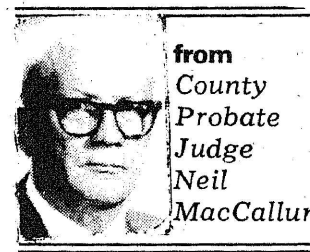
NO. 4159 H & J INDUSTRIES, 6277
Main St., Caseville, MI 48725. By:
Jerome J. Kuhn, 6277 Main St., Case-
ville, MI 48725. Filed: 4/1/86

CO-PARTNERSHIP

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NO. 794 SCHELO-CHELENYAK, 625 S.
Unionville Road, Sebewing, MI 48759.
By: Vincent F. Scello, Patricia L. Chelen-
yak-Scello, 624 S. Unionville Road, Sebew-
ing, MI 48759 & George Chelenyak,
Shirley Ann Chelenyak, 1531 Winches-
ter, Lincoln Park, MI. Filed: 3/28/86

JUDGMENTS OF DIVORCE

Patricia Sharon Taylor vs. Roger Nor-
man Taylor



from
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Probate
Judge
Neil
MacCallum

PROBATE COURT

Week of 3/27 - 4/2

Estate of Larry Edward Peters, De-
ceased, of Uby, File 26,585, Supervised
Probate, 2 Orders of Adjudgment filed.
Estate of Harold S. Langley, Deceased,
of Florida, File 26,058, Supervised Pro-
bate, Copy of Will filed, First Codicil filed,
Petition for Commencement of Proceed-
ings filed, Testimony Interested Parties
filed, Supplemental Testimony Interested
Parties filed, Publication and Notice of
Hearing filed.

Estate of Matilda M. Ringwalski, De-
ceased, of Harbor Beach, File 28,063,
Independent Probate, Will filed, Petition
for Commencement of Proceedings filed,
Register's Order filed, Acceptance of
Trust filed, Letters of Authority filed.

Estate of Elton R. Herford, Deceased,
of Pigeon, File 28,046, Independent Pro-
bate, Publication and Notice of Hearing
filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail
filed.

Estate of Devere A. Henne, Sr., De-
ceased, of Bay Port, File 27,171, Super-
vised Probate, Proof of Service by Ord-
inary Mail filed.

Estate of Bruce Parish, Deceased,
of Harbor Beach, File 28,060, Supervised
Probate, Publication Notice filed, Proof of
Service by Ordinary Mail filed, Waiver and
Consent filed, Testimony Interested Par-
ties filed.

Estate of Howard Snell, Deceased,
of Caseville, File 28,039, Independent Pro-
bate, Publication and Notice of Hearing
filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail
filed.

Estate of Eleanor D. Lavine, Deceased,
of Uby, File 28,064, Petition and Order
for Assignment, Estate Not Exceeding
\$5,000 filed.

Estate of Alfred George Tenbusch, De-
ceased, of Harbor Beach, File 28,066,
Petition and Order for Assignment, Estate
Not Exceeding \$5,000 filed.

Estate of Max Leroy Penfold, De-
ceased, of Kinde, File 27,634, Super-
vised Probate, Amended First and Final
Account of Personal Representative filed,
Estate of Lewis Eslick, Deceased, of
Sebewing, File 27,961, Supervised Pro-
bate, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail
filed.

Estate of Jean C. McGee, Deceased, of
Elkton, File 28,065, Independent Pro-

bate, Will filed, Petition for Commence-
ment of Proceedings filed, Testimony In-
terested Parties filed, Supplemental
Testimony Interested Parties filed, Regis-
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filed, Letters of Authority filed, Publication
and Notice of Hearing filed, Proof of Ser-
vice by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Richard Eslick, Deceased, of
Sebewing, File 26,474, Supervised
Trusteeship, Proof of Service by Ordinary
Mail filed.

Estate of Homer Edwin Hyde, De-
ceased, of Bay Port, File 27,731, Super-
vised Probate, Order Allowing Final Ac-
count and Order Assigning Residue filed,
Order of Discharge filed.

Estate of Norman L. Wales, Deceased,
of Owendale, File 23,865, Supervised
Trusteeship, Order Allowing Account
filed.

Estate of Florence M. Schluchter,
Deceased, of Pigeon, File 27,897, Super-
vised Probate, 5 Waivers and Consents
filed, Supplemental Final Account of Per-
sonal Representative filed, Order Deter-
mining Heirs filed, Order Allowing Final
Account and Order Assigning Residue
filed.

Estate of Mary A. Smith, Deceased, of
Port Austin, File 27,985, Supervised Pro-
bate, Register's Order filed, Acceptance
of Trust filed, Letters of Authority filed.

Estate of Rhonda O'Brien, Deceased,
of Bad Axe, File 27,642, Supervised Pro-
bate, Order of Adjudgment filed.

Estate of Elsie P. Sturm, Deceased, of
Bad Axe, File 28,024, Supervised Pro-
bate, Proof on Probate of Will filed, Order
Admitting Will to Probate and Order
Appointing Personal Representative filed.

Estate of Albert Gruen, Deceased, of
Sebewing, File 28,071, Will filed.

Estate of Frederick Brandenburg, De-
ceased, of Sebewing, File 28,068, Will
filed.

Estate of Arthur F. Ebert, Deceased, of
Pigeon, File 28,027, Independent Pro-
bate, Order Determining Heirs filed.

Estate of Donald L. Haley, Deceased, of
Elkton, File 27,450, Order of Discharge
filed.

Estate of George Schilke, Deceased, of
Port Hope, File 26,839, Supervised Pro-
bate, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail
filed.

Estate of Jerry Kuhl, Deceased, of
Sebewing, File 28,031, Independent
Probate, 18 Waivers and Consents filed,
Register's Order filed, 2 Acceptances of
Trust filed, Letters of Authority filed.

Estate of Robert S. Hill, Jr., Deceased,
of New York, File 28,067, Independent
Probate, Petition for Commencement of
Proceedings filed, Register's Order filed,
Acceptance of Trust filed, Letters of
Authority filed, Inventory filed.

Estate of Brian L. Buschlin, Deceased,
of Pigeon, File 28,825, Supervised Pro-
bate, Order Appointing Guardian ad Item
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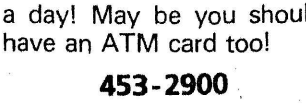
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Caseville club news

CASEVILLE RETIREMENT CLUB

A total of 108 members and nine guests were present for the April 1 meeting of the Caseville Retirement Club at the American Legion Hall.

President Frank Jones led in the greeting and the Lord's Prayer, followed by lunch. The Pledge to the Flag was given and President Jones introduced guests Todd and Matt Muskan, Becky and Rachael Clifford, Mark, Steven, Tim Lakatos and Amber and Heather Morris.

Thirty-seven blood pressure readings were given by Rose Koenig and Marion Parent, assisted by Louise Gerrard.

Janes thanked Martha Weremluk and Alice Dean for the "earlybird" goodies, and members for contributing to the Food Pantry. Hank and Peg Hill were thanked for the delivery of 17 Easter bags. A report was given on the July 17 trip to Chesaning, with full details by Shirley Ritchie. Tony Zacheretti reported on the Perch Festival Parade set for Saturday, April 19 at 1:30 p.m. He asked for helpers to decorate the club's float on April 12 at John Kavalor's home.

Welcomed back were Alice Dean and Ellen Lawson. Hospitalized is Elmer Gettel at Scheurer Hospital. Janes visited many sick members at home. Celebrating bir-

thdays were Dwight Stroh, Margaret Zakrzewski, Anne David, Madalyn Avigne, Father Ted LaMarre, Norma Schudt and Virginia Zielinski. Janes honored Bob Bondy for his deliveries of food for the Food Pantry.

Chuck and Betty Pudney led in a sing-along of old favorites. The meeting was adjourned for cards and bingo.

Pinocle winners were Rose Koenig, Frank Janes and Gus Oldford. Euchre winners were Frank Darby, Bob Bondy, Marge Heckman, Frances Richmond and John Kavalor.

Bingo coverall winner was Dorothea Gogola.



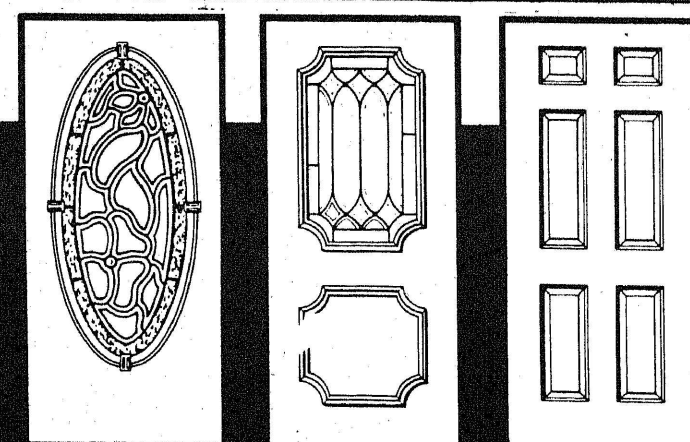
ALL A's: Elkton Elementary students who earned all A's on their report cards during the third marking period were awarded "A Team" t-shirts for their achievement. Top scholars include: in front from left, Carol Hebert, David Flores, Kara Kronner, Jodi Forster and Joel Toner. In back are Megan Duever, Ben Krabs, Trace Filion, Zena Radomski and Steve Jaworski. Missing from the photo is Jennifer Kreh. RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTO

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sports of the week

Lakers
break in
new track

The Elkon - Pigeon - Bay Port boys and girls track teams have a new spring in their step this year as they use the new all-weather track at the high school for the first time in competition. The new surface replaces the former cinder track.

The new track is part of a \$120,000 project which included construction of four tennis courts at the high school sports complex.

AT LEFT: Dedicated Laker track team members Casey Haley, left, and Kent Kern practice running hurdles last week while many of their classmates were soaking up sunshine in Florida.

BELOW LEFT: Members of the Laker track team improve their conditioning with sprints of various distances on the new track.

RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTOS

BOWLING

ELKTON MONDAY
MENS' LEAGUE
March 24, 1986

This 'n That 55
Elkon Petroleum 44
Ackerman Farms 44
Bud Light 41
Don's Barber Shop 37
Thumme Insurance 31
High team scores: Bud Light 2546, Ackerman Farms 877.

High individual scores: S. Hurlburt 577, K. Thumme 222, D. Deming 215, S. Hurlburt 208, K. Schember 202, B. Zeidler 213, B. McGee 205, R. Diebel 202.
Other 500 series: D. Deming 564, K. Schember 555, B. Zeidler 551, E. Ropp 541, D. Weiss 536, L. Deneen 529, J. Jaworski 527, B. Pawlowski 522, K. Thumme 522, B. McGee 512, J. Radomski 506, B. Garrick 504.

Splits: 2-7-8 F. LePage; 3-10 D. Deming; 2-7 B. Pawlowski; 5-8-10 S. Hurlburt; 3-10 S. Hurlburt, B. Zeidler, J. Jaworski, J. Bernhardt.

ELKTON MONDAY
MENS' LEAGUE
March 31, 1986

This 'n That 60
Elkon Petroleum 48
Ackerman Farms 46
Bud Light 43
Don's Barber Shop 42
Thumme Insurance 34
High team scores: Don's Barber Shop 2478, Bud Light 888.

High individual scores: J. Jaworski 574 (212), J. Knechtel 221.
Other 500 series: J. Knechtel 561, J. Schmitt 534, D. Young 533, D. Deming 533, D. McAlpine 529, B. Pawlowski 519, B. Carrick 504, L. Deneen 502.
Splits: 5-10 W. Schember, D. McAlpine; 2-7 H. Kuhl, G. Hay, D. Deming; 3-10 H. Kuhl, G. Hay, M. Krueger, D. Weiss; 5-10 D. McAlpine.

FRIDAY NIGHT
MENS' LEAGUE
2nd Half Final

Active Feed 37
Co-op Elevator 36%
Silver Dollar 33%
Pigeon Lanes 27
Caseville Fruit Market 25%
Albrecht Auction Service 20%
High team scores: Active Feed 2705 (930-899-876), Silver Dollar 2473 (863-844), Caseville Fruit Market 2472 (925), Albrecht Auction 2457 (809-837-811), Pigeon Lanes 2422 (915-805), Co-op Elevator 852.

High individual scores: M. Swartzendruber 647 (254), H. Ropp 611 (266), C. Basinger 576 (205), L. Albrecht 554 (223), T. Gunden 547, J. Dubs 544, J.D. Gunden 536, C. Kaufman 534, M. Henne 528 (204), D. Rapson 519 (200), D. Deering 518, D. Dunn 512 (202), B. Miller 505, D. Ropp 202.

ELKTON THURSDAY
NITE LADIES

Elkon Co-op 38%
Ron's Party Store 33
Bud's Bar 29
Ty's Bowling 28%
Knechtel's Market 28
Town Edge Farms 19
Sally's Ceramics 18
Elkon IGA 16
High team scores: Ty's 1845 (635).

High individual scores: D. McGee 539 (198-170-171), J. Rosenthal 508 (185), M. Chappel 183, J. Rokicki 173.
Splits: 3-10 K. Carr, J. Rokicki, V. Borm; 5-10 K. Carr; 2-7 S. Seley, J. Garrick, S. Bender; 3-5-7 C. Reilly.

PIGEON WEDNESDAY
NITE LADIES LEAGUE

Haist Flowers 39
Village Quik Stop 39
Bay Port Construction 34
Varty's 30%
Ralph's Tavern 29
Thum National Bank 28%
Damm's 28
Miller High Life 27
Bay Port State Bank 27
Pigeon Inn 23
Vollmer Ready Mix 17
Huron Excavation 14
High team scores: Pigeon Inn 2209 (755), Miller High Life 2127 (740), Village Quik Stop 2105 (742), Bay Port Construction 765, Ralph's Tavern 757, Damm's 751.

High individual scores: T. Morley 518 (191-188), D. Deming 506 (231), J. Steinman 503 (184-180), G. Carpenter 489 (208), D. Yahn 494 (203), R. Grigg 470 (181), C. Damm 450.

PIGEON THURSDAY
NITE LADIES

J & B Pig 34%
Pigeon Co-op 31
Rapson Foster Care 31
Brighton Metal 29
Want Ads 27
Fink's Farm Equip. 27
Village Barber & Styling 26
Scheurer Hospital 25
Gary's TV 23
Pigeon Auto Supply 22%
Lee's Landscaping 20
McCormick Motors 16
High team scores: Scheurer Hospital 2271 (780), Fink's Farm Equip. 2272 (781), Brighton Metal 2179, Lee's Landscaping 799.

High individual scores: E. Rounds 519 (193-178), M. Ropp 516 (198), P. Niebel 512 (185-178), E. Guster 484, W. Rapson 479, D. Strauch 471 (176), A. Albrecht 466 (171), H. Collins 464, A. Lackie 460, B. Schulz 460, J. Otto 185, B. Dubs 180, P. Parrish 178, L. Smith 175, F. Otto 173, F. Baum 172, L. Welshans 170.

TUESDAY
CLASSIC LEAGUE

Steinman Agency 2978
Pioneer Cablevision 2919
Arlan's Duck Inn 2911
Dutch Kettle 2903
Kretschmer HC 2859
Carling 2851
Ralph's Tavern 2838
Osontoski Ford Tractor 2836
Pigeon Inn 2806
Active Feed 2794
Bob Smith Builders 2685
Pigeon Lumber 2524
High individual scores: J. Gunden 588 (224), M. Bergman 562 (226), M. Gehrs 553, L. Roestel 546, H. Schuette 544 (203), J. Eckel 231, B. Pawluk 209, J. Smith 206, J. Lackie 204.

MONDAY
MAJOR LEAGUE

Brighton Metal 31
Carling 30
Bay Shore Collision 28
Pigeon Lanes 27
Pigeon Motor Sales 27
J & B Pig 26
J.O. Wuerst Tilling 23
Damm's Inc. 23
Bay Shore Realty 21
Walsh Packing 16
Incomplete

High team scores: Brighton Metal 2552 (873), Damm's Inc. 2532 (890-850), Carling 2495 (918), Walsh Packing 2472 (856), Bay Shore Realty 2463 (850).
High individual scores: D. Parrish 623 (230-201), E. Steinman 577 (200), R. Gotts 568 (210), M. Swartzendruber 559 (209), V. Smith 546 (204), D. Murdoch 546 (213), R. Damm 544 (202), J. Gunden 214, D. Bergman 208, R. Christner 204.

Bowler of
the week

The Thumb Area Womens' Bowling Association Bowler of the Week for March 17-23 is Wanda Sorrell, with a 596 actual series.

Sorrell bowled for Gainer's Meatpacking on the Wednesday Night Ladies League at Biff's, Kinde. Her games consisted of a 222, 211 and 163.

Other 550 and higher series bowled were: Pat McIntosh 574, Charmont Lanes, Cass City; Sue Arnott 571, Biff's, Kinde and Diana McGee 565, Ty's, Elkton.

Letters
to My
Cousin Gus

DEAR COUSIN GUS:

Yesterday's mail contained a letter from the Irish-American Cultural Institute with a possible solution to a small problem that has concerned me for several weeks. When Mama read my letter in The Progress-Advance about the wedding, her remark hinted at the problem. "An excellent article, well-written, but if I had known that immortality was so important I would have traded a few of my tears of joy for some of it. Women also like to leave footprints on the sands of Time."

I readily agreed that my activities received considerable emphasis in the article, but "My original script gave almost a paragraph to your walk down the aisle on Kevin's arm, wearing that saucy hat. But the paragraph broke the theme continuity. Really wanted to use it. You remember I picked out that hat for you."

Mama remembered. We were in Hudson's about a year ago when I spotted that wisp of feather, fluff and hair and dared her to buy it. Her first purchase of a regular hat in 25 years. We laughed a bit. Immortality was forgotten and we took our afternoon naps.

Coming back to the letter that arrived yesterday. About a year ago our favorite Free Press columnist, Neal Shine, wrote about the reforestation projects in Ireland, which were sponsored by the Irish-American Cultural Institute headquartered in Minnesota. Called "Trees for Ireland," the project makes it possible to have a tree planted in the name of a friend or relative in any county in the Republic

of Ireland. That name is enrolled in a permanent record maintained by the government. Shine suggested participation in the program is an excellent means of recognizing special events or memorializing friends. The monetary contribution was nominal. The timing of Shine's suggestion a year ago was opportune - St. Patrick's Day coming up and the birthday of our son-in-law, Patrick Pugh, following in a few weeks. He traces his ancestry directly to the "Auld Sod" through both sides of his family. So commemorating two important dates we arranged to have two trees planted in County Cork. . . . Pat's name is on record.

That small contribution did something else of a permanent nature - it got us on another mailing list. Several previous letters stirred no interest but the one received yesterday prompted a happy thought - this might solve my problem. While Mama knows of no Irish ancestors, she can claim guilt by association. So as a token Easter gift my cheek is on its way with the hope that a few trees and her name on record in County Galway will insure a degree of immortality.

O.W. Baur P.S. The above letter was written on Good Friday and was to be mailed on Monday. Pat Pugh died of a heart attack on Easter Sunday. The mailing was withheld but when our daughter Judy read it, she said, "Send it to the Progress. Pat was human - he liked to see his name in print. It is a good memorial."

LWML plans
Spring events

The Thumb Zone of the Lutheran Womens' Missionary League will hold their annual **Spring Rally** on Tuesday, April 15 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Palms.

Registration and refreshments will begin at 6:30 p.m. with opening devotions at 7 p.m. Mrs. Lila Tirsell of Midland, guest speaker, will tell of her experiences in Nigeria. Everyone is asked to bring a bar of soap for Lutheran World Relief.

The 13th annual **Zone Retroat** will convene on April 23 and 24 at Lake Huron Methodist Camp in Jeddoo. Theme will be "Walk in Love With Christ" and will include Bible Study, singing, communion, fellowship, crafts and bookstore browsing.

Speaker and Bible Study leader will be Rev. A. Bahr of Port Hope, a Michigan District LWML counselor.

Deadline for registration is April 15. Registration should be sent to Mrs. Dee Veitengruber in Port Sanilac or contact a local LWML chairman.

Elkon news

Mrs. Gloria Wheeler of Essexville spent Easter Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Coote.

Mrs. Lucy Dietzel spent Saturday as a supper guest with Mrs. Coote. Also visiting here were Mr. and Mrs. George Logan of Kinde on Good Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Seltis of Warren and Mr. and Mrs. D. Gascho, also of Warren, were her dinner guests on Good Friday.

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Thumb area **OUTDOORS**

Michigan's DNR was left in a turmoil last week when Dr. Ronald Skoog resigned abruptly as director. Skoog, hired in 1983 to clean up an ailing agency, never really got his feet on the ground, and was in serious trouble with Governor Blanchard.

Most people close to the conservation scene were surprised only by the fact that Ron was able to quit before he got fired. Skoog's days were numbered when he was not the favored son of Governor Blanchard, but the DNR Commission hired him anyway. Blanchard has always felt that the Governor should appoint the director, rather than having him hired by the Commission. Now that Blanchard's commission is made of members appointed by him, it is safe to assume the new director will be "Blanchard's Boy".

It is the opinion of many that the DNR has gotten too big to be effectively handled by one man who is a trained conservationist. A better remedy would be to hire a person with experience and training in dealing with people, rather than fish and animals. That was the problem with Tanner, the previous director, and the same thing happened to Skoog.

Final rules for hunting deer with handguns in southern Michigan next year have been made by the DNR. Legal weapons will include repeating, center-fire pistols or revolvers of .35 caliber or larger. A maximum of 9 shots in the barrel and magazine will be allowed. Black powder pistols will also be allowed as long as they are .44 caliber or larger with round ball ammunition.

The Michigan DNR is trying to convince the US Fish and Wildlife Service that we should have an early goose season this fall. The reason lies in the increased number of Canada Geese in our flyway, and especially, the giant Canadas that do not migrate out of our state during the year. A winter hunting season has been tried

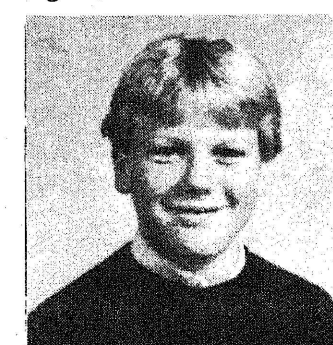
with little success in controlling the flock's numbers, and many DNR biologists feel an early fall hunting season may be the answer.

If the early season becomes a reality, it could be good news for Thumb area hunters. Four counties, Saginaw, Tuscola, Huron

and Allegan, account for over half of the state's annual harvest of Canada Geese.

Named to Achievement Academy

Bryan Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Young of Pigeon, has been named a



Bryan Young

U.S. National Award Winner in the area of Mathematics, according to the U.S. Achievement Academy.

Young, who attends Laker Junior High School, was nominated for the award by Mrs. Ellen Roth, his math teacher. His biography and photo will appear in the U.S. Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, published nationally.

Michelle Gayari, a student at Laker High School, has been named a United States National Award winner in Mathematics, according to the U.S. Achievement Academy.

The daughter of Ronald and Elaine Gayari, she was nominated for the award by her algebra teacher, Mrs. Ellen Roth.



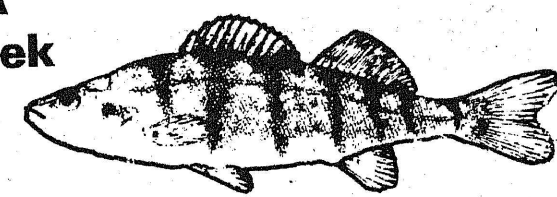
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Mark Karls

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Each Christian has some gifts, but no Christian has all the gifts (1 Corinthians 12:29).

On the other hand, the fruit of the Spirit is for every Christian. It is proof positive of a person's relationship with God. Each of the nine traits must be exemplified in every Christian. Obviously some Christians are further along in some traits than in other traits. Just because a trait like self-control fails on occasion does not mean that person is not of God. But consistent lack of self-control is indication that God's spirit does not dwell in that individual.

John 13:35 says that all people will know those who follow Christ by the love they have for each other. Well, this love is the first of the above nine fruits of the Spirit. If we just stick to these nine, we will recognize those of God in time.

I know of several nationally-known people in ministry who have very "effective" ministries, but they do not have gentleness, or patience, or some other fruit of the Spirit. My response to their ministries is not to bad-mouth them or try to undermine them. Heavens, if God can use pagan kings and even Balaam's donkey to prophecy, He certainly might be using immature Christians whose fruit are not yet ripe or noticeable.

My response to TV evangelists, pastors, etc. who do not exemplify all nine fruits of the Spirit is to pray for their maturation, so that we can easily see what kind of fruit they have. If I were already committed to a ministry (e.g. if a spiritually immature pastor were assigned to my church) I would continue to support the ministry and pray for the maturing of the pastor. If I were not committed to the ministry, I would not begin to financially support it. If the ministry were heavily based on one person (e.g. the ministry was named after that

person), and that person did not vividly show these nine fruit, then I would withdraw my financial support (yet still pray for that person's maturation). And if the pastor, evangelist, etc. continued to not show all nine traits after my praying for a year or so, then that person is like the dangerous tree that does not show its fruit and he or she must be removed.

God's money needs to be spent wisely. And if the FRUIT of His Spirit is not very evident in a ministry you are contributing toward, then some very serious thinking and praying is in order. God cannot afford to have you recognize His work by anything other than His fruit.

Sign up for
Little League Baseball

Little League Baseball Sign-up will be Saturday, April 12 at 9 a.m. at the Pigeon Recreation Park.

This is for ages five through 16, T-Ball through Babe Ruth. Coaches are also needed.

All equipment and uniforms for baseball and football are to be returned.

For further information contact President Steve Schulze at 453-2588, Ted Bruce at 453-3148, Treasurer Bob Tate at 453-3720, Terry Chapin at 453-3209 or Sharon Buchholz at 453-2192.

Any donations will be accepted for the 1986 Little League year.

SOUND-OFF !!

Phone 453-2323

"Recollections of Bygone Days" by George Keim is one of the most refreshing columns in your small-town newspaper. His wit and sincerity and outlook on life are a delight to readers' eyes. The day-to-day contact with people he refers to weekly are one of the more precious things we can do, so easily accomplished and yet by some seems an effort.

To me, it makes my day. Keep up the good work, George, and the good appetite. Sincerely, Jeannette (nee Faust) McDonald, Owendale.

Attention, Laker Class of 1981: In July, we'll be having our fifth year class reunion. If you did not receive your invitation, contact Laura Lackie or Emily Turner.

Elkton Little League coaches and all persons interested in helping with the summer Little League season are invited to attend a meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday (tonight) at the Elkton Village Hall.

Bay Port girl dies March 31

Three-year-old Christine Harder of Bay Port was killed last Monday, March 31 in an accident at her home. She was struck by a tractor driven by her father, Roy Harder, 882 Second Street, who accidentally drove over her with a tractor as he drove home for lunch about 1 p.m., according to Huron County Sheriff's Deputies.

The youngster and her mother, Angel Harder, had been raking leaves, who did not see the accident. The couple rushed the child to Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, where she was pronounced dead on arrival of head injuries, according to police.

Thanks, Joan B., for your recent write-up in The Progress-Advance. More power to you.

A beach dance is planned at Laker High School on Friday, April 18 in the back parking lot, with real sand and a bonfire, from 9 'til 12. DJ is Soundz. Save on admission if you wear your beach clothes.

After seeing the SOUND-OFF, I had to write, too. Thanks, Caseville High Drama Troupe, for a most entertaining and fun presentation of "Snow White." We loved it.

Have you visited the hobby show at Pigeon District Library this week? Exhibitors have a goodly number of items for sale, and orders can also be taken for delivery later. Join your friends at the Library during National Library Week.

Uncle Rodney, how's it going? How's that pink skateboard? Got handlebars on it? Talk to you soon. Signed, You Guessed It.

Pigeon Little League Baseball sign-up is next Saturday, April 12, 9 a.m., at Pigeon Recreation Park. This is for ages 5-16, T-ball through Babe Ruth. Coaches are needed too and any donations are welcomed. Call Steve S. at 453-2558 or other leaders to volunteer.

I think it's a crime that those men caught in restrooms breaking the law got off so easily. They should be thrown in jail for possibly endangering youngsters who come in. What you do in the privacy of your home is one thing, but you shouldn't do this in public, taxpayer bathrooms.

The special German meal with all the trimmings and an

ompa-band are only two weeks away, at the Scheurer Hospital Annual Dinner on Thursday, April 24. Tickets are available at the Hospital front desk, and the donation is tax-deductible.

During National Library Week, amnesty time is being observed. This is a good time to return your overdue books or other material that has been past due. No book fines are being charged this week, just one service from your library during this special week. Come and visit us.

Porky's, we LOVE the little pig on the roof. Who was the model for it? Keep up the good work.

Sound-Off in Detroit

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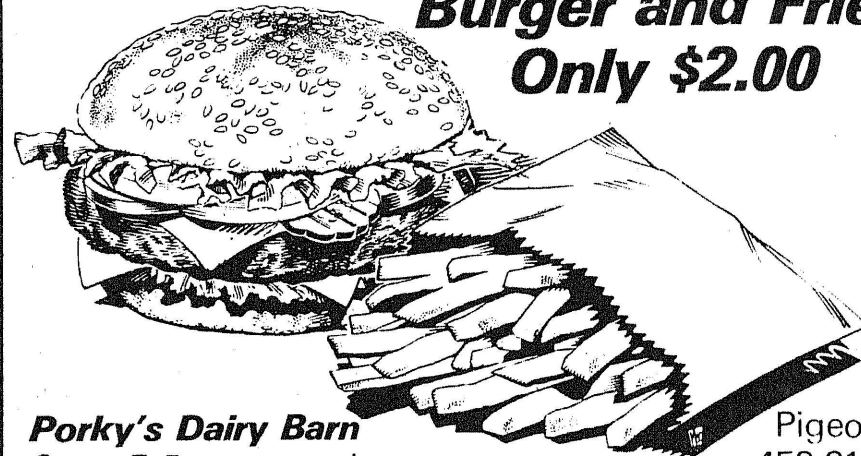
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Robert Barbreit was home visiting his parents, Nadine and Don Barbreit of Caseville, and read the item in The Progress-Advance.

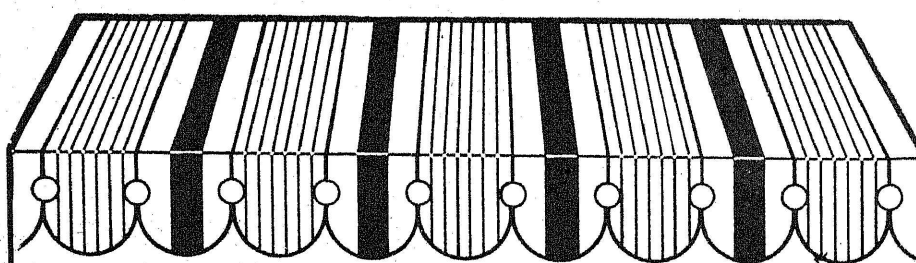
He felt it was a good entry for Detroit FM radio station WCZY's "funny memo" spot on Dick Purtan's program. So, Rob sent a letter with the article to WCZY.

On Wednesday, April 2 at 7:40 a.m., it was read by Purtan, giving credit to the sender -- plus Pigeon, Michigan and The Progress-Advance.

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By DOROTHY DIENER

Easter Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Mabel Clark were Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Kurzer of Caseville.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cregeur of Saginaw were visitors of their aunt, Mrs. Avis Cregeur, on Monday. Another caller was Mrs. Ada Binder and a Wednesday visitor was Mrs. Gertrude Quinn of Pinnelbog.

Mrs. Dorothy Swartzendruber returned home late Monday afternoon after being an Easter guest of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Swartzendruber in Saginaw.

Spending Good Friday with his mother, Mrs. Mabel Clark, were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Botwright and family of Bay City.

Mrs. Laura Joles of Sebewaing was a Monday visitor of her aunt, Mrs. Clara Bernard.

Mrs. Ann Schuette was an Easter guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Bridges and family in Midland.

Todd Bridges and Lisa Schuette, both students at Michigan State University, East Lansing, spent several days last week with their grandmother, Mrs. Ann Schuette.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schuette were Easter guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Crump and boys in Hemlock.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Grandson, accompanied by Wilbur Erer, were Easter guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Erren and family in Owendale.

Easter dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buerker were Mr. and Mrs. Don Greyerbiehl of Rochester, Norma Libka of Bad Axe and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Buerker.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ohlrogge and son Kevin of Sterling Heights visited Gilbert and Melvin Ezzo in Columbus, Ohio over Easter.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve McIlhargie and sons Todd and Adam of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Dorenkamp of Traverse City, Cory and Brandon of Caseville were Easter guests of their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Frances Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. David Jarvis and girls entertained for Easter Mrs. Howard Jarvis, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jarvis and boys of Frankenmuth, Dennis and Judy. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Kretschmer and son Larry of Davison, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Budea and daughter Amanda.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelmer Wright returned home Wednesday after vacationing in Florida. They were Easter guests of Mr. and Mrs. Welton Wright and family in Lexington, Ky. and also visited Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wright and family in Westland. Mrs. Marion DeMint of Newaygo is spending several days with the Wrights.

Mrs. Kathy Richardson and daughter Elizabeth of Lafayette, Ind., Mrs. Dorothy McAlpine of Caro and Mrs. Martha Eisengruber of Unionville spent Wednesday with Mrs. Clara Bernard.

Tuesday visitors of Mrs. Mabel Clark were Mrs. Loretta Greyerbiehl and daughters Laura and Brenda. Her Friday guest was Mrs. Cheryl Abbe of Elkton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Salisbury and family of Anaheim, Calif. spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Collison. Sunday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ewald Beyer.

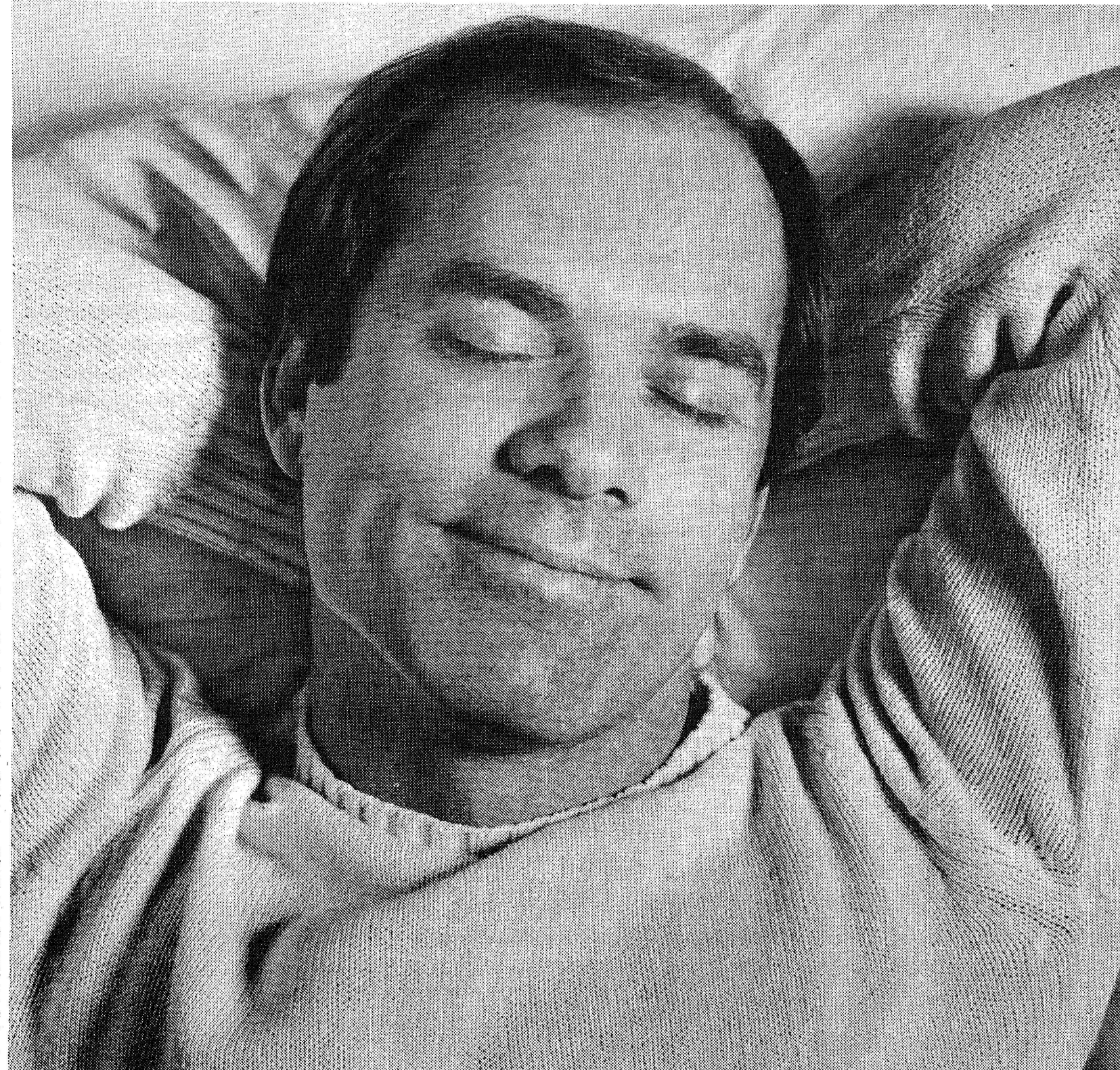
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dean and children were in Crosswell Thursday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Dean.

A weekend guest of Mrs. Elsie Trowbridge was her son, John Trowbridge, of Sterling Heights.

Gary Shetler and children of Goshen, Ind. were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Les Shetler. The children remained for a visit with their grandparents.

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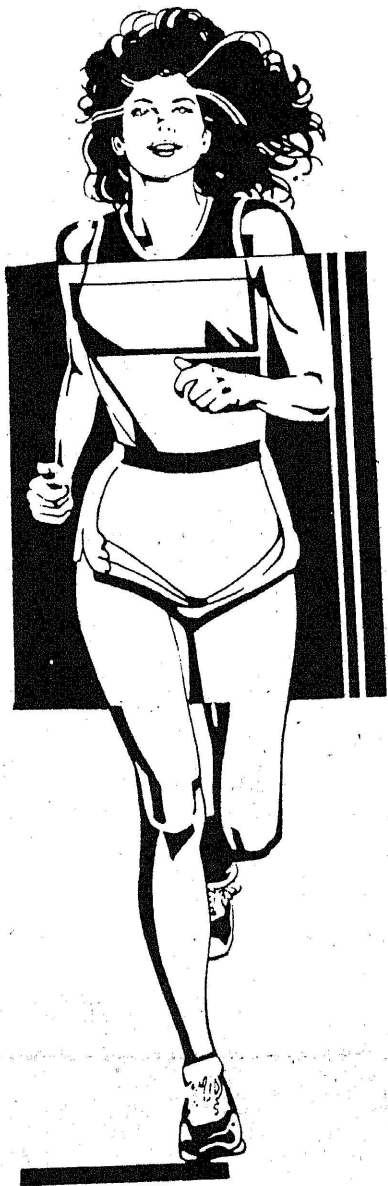
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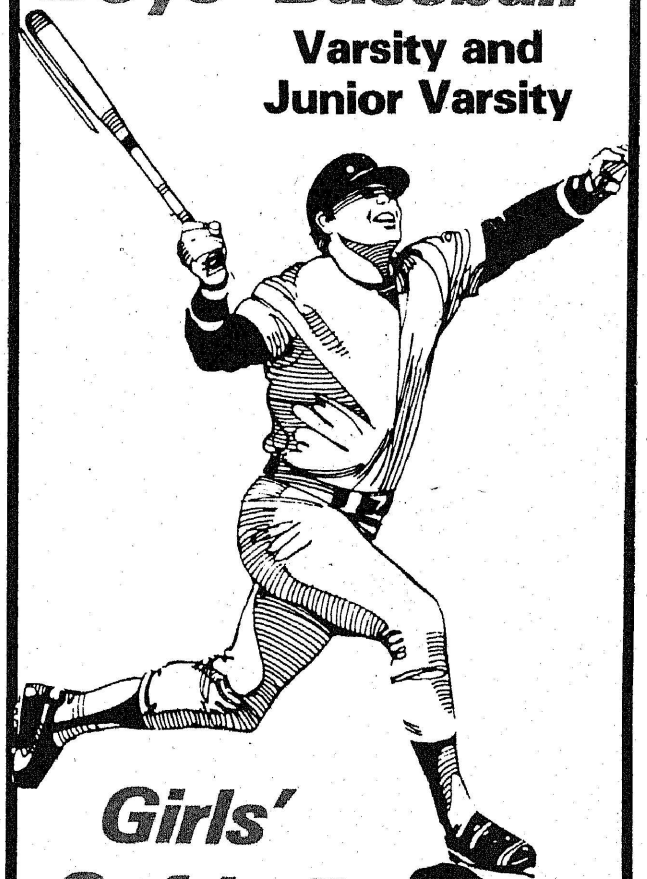
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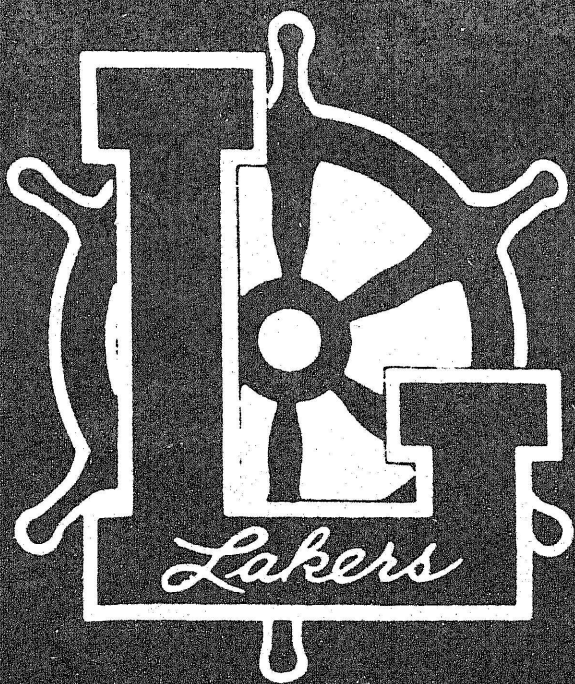
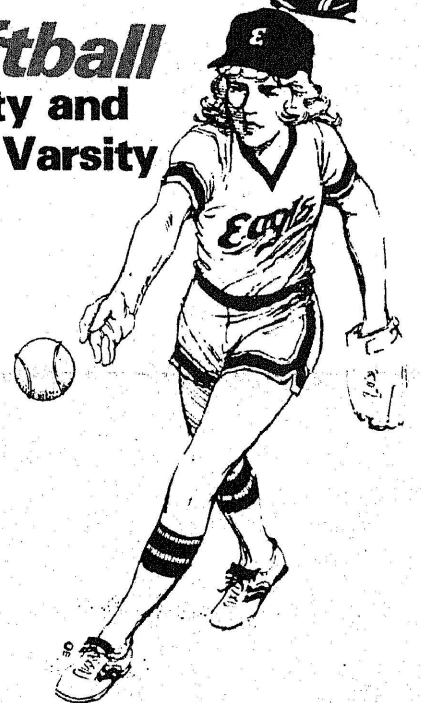
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GIRLS' TRACK



LAKER GIRLS' TRACK - In front from left, Maureen McArdle, Penny Bucholz, Traci Bear, Lisa Buschlen, Sarah Anthes, Marilyn Kranz and Greta Nunn.

Middle row, Jennifer Warren, Kris Elenbaum, Debbie Ginter, Kelli Damrow, Renee Bushey, Judy Kropp and Renee Elliott. In back, Coach Gordie Murphy, Julia Sturm, Kathy Clabuesch, Tricia Kauffman, Terri Chapin and Ginger Clabuesch.

Laker girls track coach Gordie Murphy says his team could be an outside challenger for the Thumb B Association title if his athletes can avoid injuries. All nine returning letter-winners won medals in competition last year. Those athletes include: junior Julia Sturm in 800 meter run; senior hurdler Debbie Ginter; senior sprinter Kris Elenbaum; junior distance runner Terri Chapin; junior distance runner Renee Elliott; sophomore hurdler Lisa Buschlen; sophomore 200 meter runner Renee Bushey; sophomore distance runner Judy Kropp, and sophomore Jenny Warren in discus.

Leading the team is Sturm who qualified for the state meet last year and won the 800 meter race in the Caro Meet of Champions.

Last year's graduates Sue Kohr, Melissa Dietzel, Shelly Wissner and Margie Blome helped the team place third in regionals and in the Hatchet Invitational. The girls hope to improve on last year's fifth place finish in the Thumb B with a 2-5 record.

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BOYS' TRACK

Laker boys track coach Paul Beachy hopes to record a winning season with 14 letter-winners back from last year's team which recorded a 3-4 Thumb B record.

Beachy will look to young athletes to provide depth the team, after Laker boys won the Bad Axe Invitational for 9th and 10th graders last year. They will be needed to fill in for pole

vaulter and sprinter Dave Sturm as well as long jumper and hurdler Dan Ritter.

Top Laker performances are expected this season from senior Todd Schember in shot put and discus; sophomore Dean Roestel in high jump; sophomore Kevin Truemner in hurdles; sophomore Kevin Wissner in 200 meter run and relays; junior Craig Haag in pole vault; junior Ken Ziel in shot put and

discus and sophomore Shannon Herford in the two mile run.

Other returning letter-winners include Kent Kern, Charlie Edington, Kent Adams, Sean Walsh, Tim Kempisty, Jason McIlhargie and Ken Duffield.

Coach Beachy expects Vassar to be the team to beat in the Thumb B. He looks for good team balance to overcome a lack of depth in each event as the key to Laker success.

LAKER BOYS TRACK TEAM

In front from left, Vince Gentile, Mike Kosinski, John Johnson, Casey Haley, Frank Shively, Bryan Winchester, Shannon Herford, Kent Adams, Andy Motz and Ken Duffield.

Middle row, Mark Kretschmer, Jay Bushey, Bob LeJeune, Kevin Day, Tim Kempisty, John McCallum, Larry Welchner, Charlie Edington and Coach Paul Beachy.

In back, Sean Walsh, Dean Roestel, Kevin Truemner, Ken Ziel, Craig Haag, Mike Gabauer, Jason McIlhargie, Todd Schember, Kent Kern and Kevin Wissner.



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BOYS' BASEBALL

Varsity



LAKER VARSITY BASEBALL - In front from left, Brian Wisenbaugh, Steve Wolfram, Kurt Kern, Joe Grigg, Mark Murdoch and Bryan Parrish. In back, Chris Eby, Dan Swartzendruber, Jim Warren, Alan Stalter, Bryan Wertz, Chris Wurst and Coach Bill McLellan.

The Laker baseball team must realistically set their sights a little lower than the achievements recorded by last year's squad. After sharing the Thumb B Association championship with Imlay City at 10-4, Lakers went on to win the district championship. The Green and White squad was only stopped in the regional championship game, which improved their overall record to 21-7.

This year Coach Bill McLellan will be starting with possibly a clean slate. The only returning player from last year's team is Rob Irion, and his status depends on a nagging knee injury.

A new crop of players will try to fill the shoes of Laker First Team All-Conference players Tim Patterson, Al Gies, Jeff Caverly and Ron Dubs, along with second team player Dan Bouck.

Top contributors this year are expected to be senior Chris Eby, who participated in track last year and juniors Brian Parrish, Bryan Wertz and Chris Wurst.

Parrish is the only player with varsity experience, after providing pitching help for Lakers last year in the tournaments. He and Wurst are expected to be the main hurlers for the team this year, McLellan says.

The Laker mentor predicts Bad Axe and Caro will be the top teams in the Thumb B, based on players returning from last year, but he expects a tight race in the league.

Lakers will be solid defensively, with good hitting developing later as the young players gain varsity experience, McLellan adds.

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GIRLS' SOFTBALL

Varsity

Youth and speed are the main characteristics of the Laker softball team this year, says Coach Jack Tyler. He will take over the helm of the varsity squad after coaching the junior varsity team last season.

Lakers hope to improve on last season's 4-10 Thumb B Association record, but those hopes will hinge on how quickly young players on the team develop, Tyler says. He picks his team to finish in the middle of the TBA pack this year, with North Branch, Vassar and Marlette the favorites for the title.

Returning letter winners from last year's team are seniors Patti Thiel, Penny Haag and Kari Truemner; juniors Cathy Wurst, Rhonda Baur and Kriste Lasceski, and sophomores Deanne Deming and Tammy Peyerk.

Graduates from last year's squad are All-Conference outfielder Lynda Brown, pitcher Shelly Ginter and catcher Lisa Drabek.

Rhonda Baur and Shelly Henne will assume pitching duties for the team this year. Behind the plate, Bethanne Beachy is expected to play a key role in Laker success. Another outstanding prospect this season is Deanne Deming at third base.

"This team has more speed than an Laker softball team in the past five year," says Tyler. Strong defense up the middle should also help Lakers win some games this year, he adds.

The skipper is encouraged by the attitude of his players.

"They have been working hard in practice. Now we need some good weather and playing time," he says.



LAKER VARSITY SOFTBALL - In front from left, Jennie Bollenbacher, Patti Thiel, Bethanne Beachy, Kriste Lasceski and Cathy Wurst. In back, Deanne Deming, Shelly Henne, Vicki Winter, Kari Truemner, Tami Peyerk, Rhonda Baur and Penny Haag. Absent from photo is Coach Jack Tyler.

GIRLS' SOFTBALL

Junior Varsity



LAKER JV SOFTBALL

In front from left, manager Maureen Zadrzynski, Andrea Maust, Paula Klosowski, manager Sue Matula and Coach Julie Enderle.

Middle row, Dana Goniwicz, Kami Rathje, Kim Dubs, Donna Blome, Laniel McGathy and Missy Mascorro.

In back, Julie Leipprandt, Connie Schulz, Gina Esch, Tara Wade, Lisa Byarski and Dana Young.

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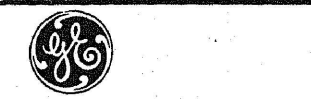
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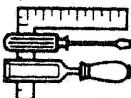
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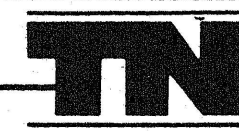
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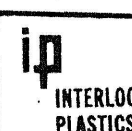
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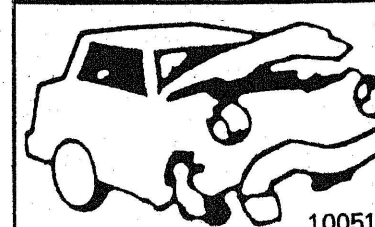
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TENNIS

Tennis will be a "league" sport in the Thumb B Association and that suits Laker net coach Dick Pauly just fine. His team didn't lose a duel match to Bad Axe, Marlette or Imlay City last season, and have only lost one Thumb B match in the past five years.

Pauly will look to junior Randy Heckman to carry last year's winning 18-2 record in second and third singles flights over into the top

singles division this year. Last year's top two singles players Dave King and Troy Weidman graduated, along with doubles player Linda Hurlburt.

Other top Laker performances this year are expected from Rod Wertz, Tony Garza, Chris Williams, Jeff Sturm and Jay Anthes. Wertz, Sturm and Anthes compiled a 14-6 record last year, while Garza was 11-8 and Williams posted an 8-9 mark. Another returning letter

winner on the team is Kevin Maust.

Last season Lakers missed out on a trip to the state tournament after placing third in regionals. This year, Pauly hopes Laker netters can benefit from playing on their new home courts. For the first time the regionals will be played in the upper Thumb area, as Laker High will host the event on May 16.

Pauly says tough competition for starting spots on this year's team will contribute to overall depth on the squad.

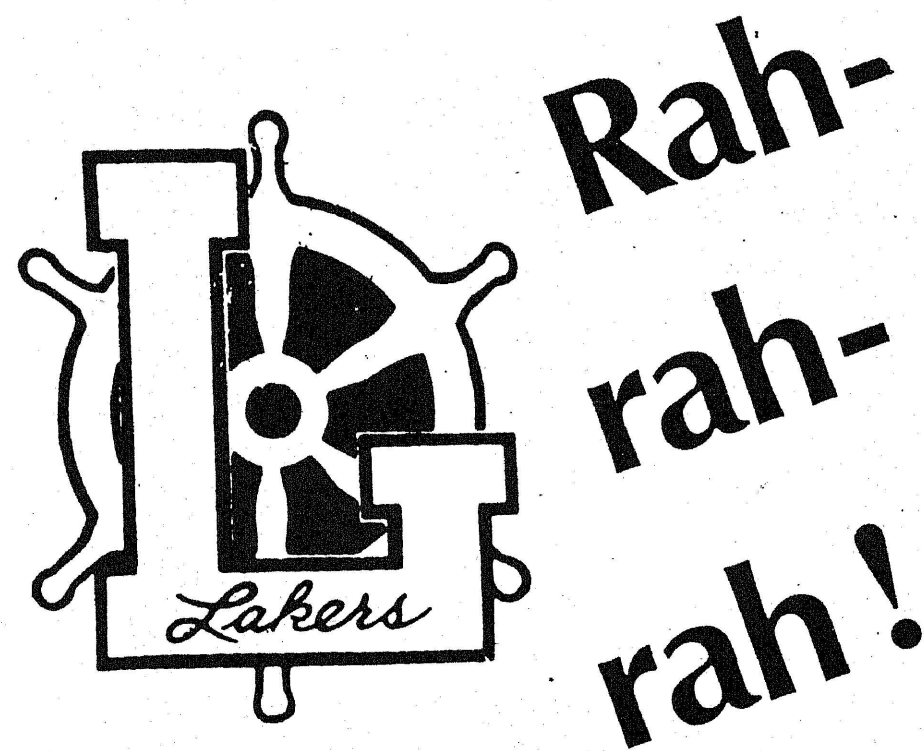


LAKER TENNIS - In front from left, Jenny Ziel, Lynn Abbe, Sandy Kropp, Kim Lockard, Oliver Grandpierre, Erika Mieser, Ami Rathje, Kendall Wertz, Carleen Kauffman, Jackie Ginter, Jeff Sturm and Jay Anthes.

Middle row, Coach Dick Pauly, Jim Laskie, Brad Clark, Mark Gaul, Steve Deneen, Tricia Sturm,

Beth Stark, Tricia Leerman, Mary Kay Smith, Michelle Gayari and Brian Kohl. In back, Greg Frazho, Dan Soper, Kevin Maust, Rod Wertz, Chris Williams, Tony Garza, Dan Bivens, Jeff Rosenthal, Kevin Wolfram, Randy Heckman and Paul Elenbaum.

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Wolfram, Chris Deering, Ed
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Harner.

Middle row, J.D. Talaski,
Jody Caverly, Gary Abdalla,
Jamie Randall, Pete Drabek,
Vincent Maurer, Steve Krohn
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In back, Tom McGee, Todd
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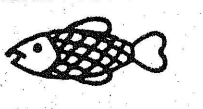
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BOYS' & GIRLS' TRACK

Sat. Mar. 29	Ferris	A
Fri. Apr. 4	MSU	A
Thu. Apr. 10	USA	H
Thu. Apr. 17	Marlette	H
Tue. Apr. 22	Vassar	A
Thu. Apr. 24	Caro	A
Fri. Apr. 25	SVSC	A
Tue. Apr. 29	Bad Axe	H
Thu. May 1	North Branch	H
Tue. May 6	Cass City	A
Thu. May 8	Imlay City	A
Sat. May 10	Bad Axe	A
Tue. May 13	Thumb B League	
	At Caro	A
Wed. May 14	USA (9-1)	A
Fri. May 16	Regionals	A

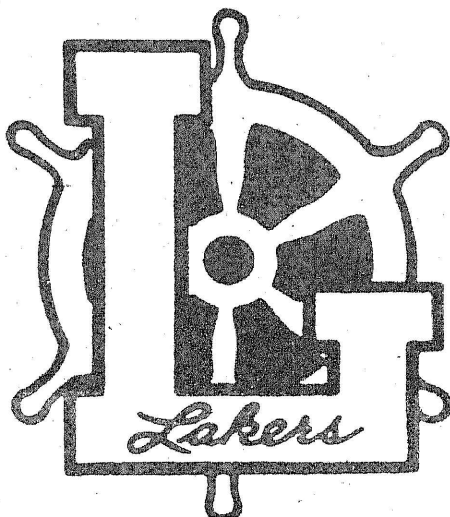
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VARSITY TENNIS

Wed. Apr. 9	Whittemore/Prescott	A
Thu. Apr. 10	Garber	A
Tue. Apr. 15	Reese	H
Wed. Apr. 16	Croswell-Lexington	A
Thu. Apr. 17	Bullock Creek	A
Mon. Apr. 21	All Saints	H
Tue. Apr. 22	Marlette	A
Wed. Apr. 23	Garber J.V.	H
Thu. Apr. 24	Imlay City	H
Sat. Apr. 26	Yale	A
Tue. Apr. 29	Bad Axe	A
Wed. Apr. 30	All Saints	H
Thu. May 1	Marlette	H
Sat. May 3	Laker Inv.	H
Mon. May 5	Reese	A
Tue. May 6	Imlay City	A
Thu. May 8	Bad Axe	H
Mon. May 12	Armada	A
Tue. May 13	Bullock Creek	H
Fri. May 16	Regionals	H

VARSITY BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

Mon. Apr. 7	Ubly	A
Tue. Apr. 8	USA	H
Mon. Apr. 14	Caseville	H
Mon. Apr. 21	Marlette	A
Thu. Apr. 24	Vassar	H
Mon. Apr. 28	Caro	H
Thu. May 1	Bad Axe	A
Mon. May 5	North Branch	A
Thu. May 8	Cass City	H
Thu. May 15	Imlay City	H
Wed. May 21	Owen-Gage	H
Fri. May 23	Pre-Districts	A
Tue. May 27	USA	A
Fri. May 30	Districts	A



J.V. BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

Tue. Apr. 8	USA	A
Mon. Apr. 21	Marlette	H
Thu. Apr. 24	Vassar	A
Mon. Apr. 28	Caro	A
Thu. May 1	Bad Axe	H
Mon. May 5	North Branch	H
Thu. May 8	Cass City	A
Thu. May 15	Imlay City	A
Tue. May 27	USA	H

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