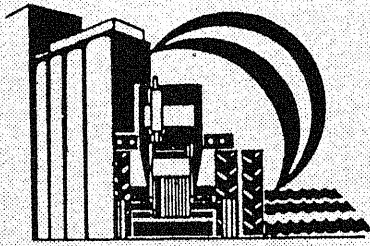


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## Lakers seeking 10 mills

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

Laker voters will decide a 10-mill operation request on the ballot of the special election set for March 23.

At Monday's Elkton Pigeon Bay Port School Board meeting, the millage proposal was decided after lengthy discussion by Board members, Superintendent Harry Brunet and Business Manager Bob Drury.

**COMPROMISE:** Drury said a four-mill increase was mandated just to keep school doors open in the Laker District. Survival at that rate would require:

elimination of bus transportation, closing all three elementary centers and conducting split sessions at the junior/senior high

### Pigeon to join airport as sponsor?

Pigeon Village Council Monday night tabled a for study a request to join in management and ownership of the proposed Bay Area Airport, formerly known as the Caseville Airport project.

Caseville Aeronautics Commission Chairman Lowell Kraft had sought a letter of intent from the Council, saying it would join with other area municipalities -- namely Village of Caseville -- in sponsoring the proposed \$1.1 million general aviation airport project. It would be PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 15

complex for grades K-12, teacher layoffs and elimination of all extracurricular activities.

At the other end of the spectrum, Drury said a 12-mill increase would be necessary to maintain current programs for the next three years, assuming property values don't continue to decline.

A 6% yearly increase in expenses also figured in the projection was determined after consultation with school auditor John Walsh, CPA of Pigeon.

Board decided to seek 10 additional mills for five years, which will allow the district to maintain current programs for two years with some slight cuts in expenses.

Board President Bruce Baur said passage of the 10-mill increase would insure Laker voters would not be asked for another millage hike for the next two years. The Laker millage rate will be re-evaluated in light of the district's financial situation at the end of that two-year period, he said.

**KEY VOTE:** "This is the most monumental election facing this school district since the consolidation," declared Brunet.

**LOCAL PROBLEM:** A recent meeting between Brunet, Drury and state officials reviewing the Laker financial situation provided little encouragement of state help.

"We'll not get any sympathy out of the folks at Lansing. Our problem is a local problem," said Brunet. He pointed out Laker's pleas of financial woes with a millage rate of 17.75 mills --

while the state average is 32 mills -- carries little weight with state officials.

**GOOD SIGNS:** Brunet said public meetings conducted at each of the three elementary centers has been encouraging.

"We have not met with hostility, finger pointing and that type of thing. I think people finally realize we have a problem. Whether or not they will support the millage increase -- I don't know," he said.

**SNOW DAYS:** In light of the recent Michigan Supreme Court decision stating the state Legislature does not have the power to dictate the length of the school year, decisions about snow day make-up will be made at the local level.

The snow day make-up policy of the Laker teacher contract will now again take effect. According to that plan, the first five snow days will not be rescheduled, but every other snow day after number must be made up, according to Brunet.

**ASBESTOS:** Laker maintenance chief Gordon Stirrett reported an inspector from the Environmental Protection Agency checked school buildings for asbestos. Several boilers and some pipes in various buildings are wrapped in asbestos, as well as the ceiling of the high school auditorium.

The current condition of those areas don't represent a problem now, Stirrett said. He estimated the cost of removing the auditorium ceiling at \$50,000, if that would be required.



**FOUR ALARM FIRE:** Fire Departments from Fair Haven Township, Owendale and Sebawaing were called to assist Winsor Township Firemen extinguish a fire at a house occupied by Robert Snider at the corner of Weale and Riskey Roads, southwest of Pigeon.

Winsor Fire Chief Ron Damm says the fire appears to have kindled in the living room, but the cause is still unknown. Snider was not home at the time of the fire.

Although the shell of the house was saved, Damm says the interior is nearly gutted and was subjected to extensive water damage.

No injuries were reported as firemen battled the blaze for about three hours last Friday. Chief Damm praised Fair Haven firemen for their quick response and help in fighting the fire. Sebawaing and Owendale also contributed water with their tanker trucks. RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTO

## Caseville Optimists earn charter!

A capacity crowd at The Country House Restaurant, Caseville was on hand Saturday night as The Optimist Club of Caseville received its charter and became the newest service organization to serve the Caseville area.

A total of 41 men have signed up as members since the club was organized Nov. 20, 1986. Sponsors of the Caseville Optimists, the 117th club of its kind in Michigan, are the Noon Optimists of Bay City, who were represented Saturday night by their club president, David Abbs.

Other special guests were Toastmaster Guy Greve, Michigan NCB Chairman and Past Lt. Gov. Zone 8; Charles M. Lyon, Lt. Gov. Zone 8; Herbert J. Strather, Governor Michigan District; Tom Rodriguez, president of Morning Optimist Club of Bay City; Roger Fehlhabaer, president of Optimist Club of Frankenmuth; John Synder, President of Optimist Club of NW Saginaw and Paul Fickes, president of Morning Optimist Club of Saginaw.

gavel for his new leadership position was Caseville Optimist President Robert T. Adams IV. Also serving as club officers are Vice Presidents Paul Nugent and Jeff Beadle, Treasurer John Adams, Secretary Mike Thomas and Directors Robert T. Adams III (2 yr.), Mike Thomas (2 yr.), Fred Fortsch (2 yr.), Mike Orjada (1 yr.), Doug Conrad (1 yr.) and George Bednorek (1 yr.).

The state of Michigan has 4,600 Optimist Club members in total.

Receiving the bell and



**IT'S OFFICIAL:** Michigan Optimist District Gov. Herbert Strather helps Caseville Optimist Club President Robert Adams IV hold up the club banner, at Saturday's Charter Banquet at the Country House. PHOTO BY PAUL ELLINGER

INSIDE: Dozens of Valentine "Love-Lines" appear in this special issue!

# Thumb Obituaries

**D. ERVIN HAMILTON**  
1891 - 1987

D. Ervin Hamilton, age 95 of Pigeon, passed away Friday, Feb. 6, at Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon. He was born in Berne, Kansas, son of the late David N. and Fannie (Smith) Hamilton. On March 20, 1913, he was united in marriage to Elizabeth Mary Teuscher in Tuleta, Texas. She preceded him in death on March 22, 1960.

Mr. Hamilton was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Pigeon. He farmed in the community for nearly 70 years and had worked for the Huron County Road Commission and the Pigeon Dairy.

He is survived by two sons, Floyd Hamilton of Pigeon and Eugene Hamilton of Bay Port; six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Hazel Miller of Caro, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a daughter and six brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, Feb. 9, at 11 a.m. from the Shelter-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, which handled arrangements. Rev. Gordon W. Nusz, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, officiated, with burial in the Grand Lawn Cemetery, Pigeon.

Memories may be given in his memory to the First United Methodist Church and Scheurer Hospital.

**LYDIA S. SCHEMBER**  
1894 - 1987

Lydia S. Schember, age 92, of Elkton, died Thursday, Feb. 5, at Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe.

She was born Dec. 13, 1894, in Oliver Township, daughter of the late John and Magdalene (Gascho) Staehli. On Aug. 29, 1916, she was united in marriage to Alfred Schember in Bad Axe and moved to Bay Port until 1919 when they moved to a farm south of Elkton. In 1965, the couple retired and moved into the Village of Elkton. Her husband preceded her in death on Feb. 20, 1980.

Mrs. Schember was a member of the Elkton Missionary Church.

Surviving are eight sons, Walter, Edward, Robert and Kenneth, all of Elkton; Clarence of Lapeer; Earl of Uby, Gerald of Goodells, and Wayne of Pigeon; two daughters, Mrs. Evelyn Haley of Owendale and Mrs. Glen (Alens) McCracken of Bad Axe; 64 grandchildren; 97 great-grandchildren; 13 great-great-grandchildren; 33 step-grandchildren and great-grandchildren; three brothers, Walter Staehli of Lorain, OH, Andrew Staehli of Chesterland, OH, and Jack Staehli of Willowick, OH; and a sister, Mrs. Martha Hewitt of Willowick.

One son, Olin, preceded her in death. Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at the Elkton Missionary Church. Rev. Alan Yerke, pastor, and Elder Ervin Haley of the Bay Port R.L.D.S. Church, officiated with burial in the Colfax Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to the Elkton Missionary Church. Arrangements were handled by the Elkton Chapel of the Champagne Funeral Chapel.

# 'First-ever' January swim for Florida-bound home residents!

For 13 residents of the Rapson Adult Care Facility in Pigeon, a trip to Florida in the middle of a Michigan winter was truly a dream come true.

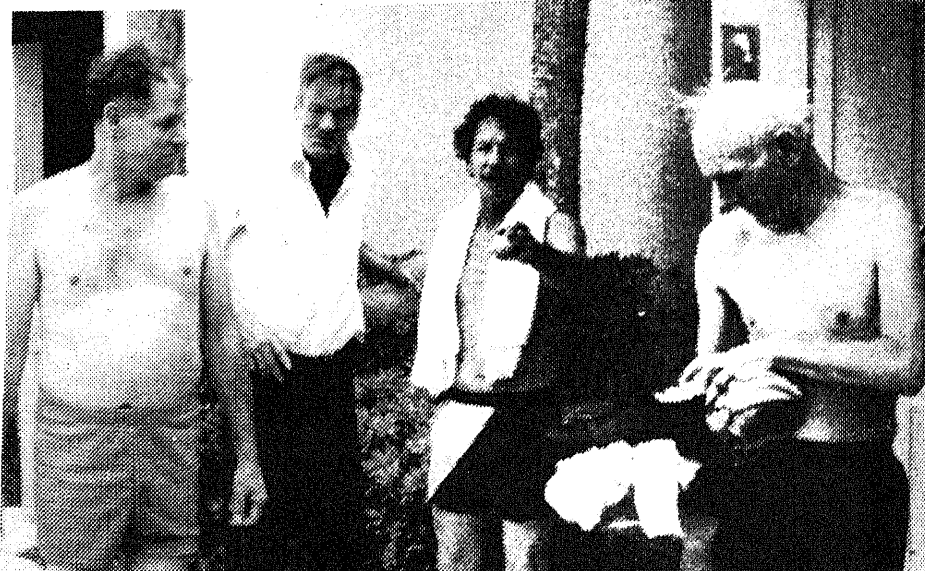
It was the first time that most of the residents had been out of Michigan -- and definitely the first time they had experienced swimming in January!

Planned by Dan Rapson, owner of Rapson Homes, the week-long southern journey was the result of months of planning, and was made possible only because of the support and generosity of the Pigeon community. "We're still figuring out all the expenses," says Rapson, "but we'll find a way to do it again next year, if at all possible."

The residents drove down in two vans, and stayed at the Ramada Inn in Kissimmee, upon reaching their Florida destination. In addition to spending three days at Disney World, the group, which included Dan, his wife Vicky and Rapson Home Aide Jesse Schweitzer, spent time at Sea World, Busch Gardens and at the hotel's poolside.

Rapson estimates that the trip cost about \$7,000, and that donations came in from all over the country, when friends and relatives of residents heard about the proposed trip. "Making the plans kept many of the residents happy all winter," explains Rapson. They all piled into the vans on Friday, Jan. 23 and didn't journey back to Michigan until Sunday, Feb. 1.

"It was truly a trip they will never forget," adds Rapson.



**BY THE POOL** - From left to right, Eugene Younglove, Jack Reehl, Driver and Chaperone Roger Sarver and Paul Herman were among several who took their first-ever January swim.



**CAPTAIN HOOK** finds himself surrounded by the Serenity House "good guys" during the trip to Disney World.

PHOTOS FURNISHED

# Tricia Elston is top Laker speller!



**THE WORD "INQUISITIVE"** seated fourth grader Lindsay Krueger and placed seventh grader Tricia Elston in the winning position at the annual Laker Spelling Bee last Tuesday at the Laker auditorium.

Elston, the daughter of Roger and Pat Elston of Pigeon, had to correctly spell "inquisitive" and a new word "phantom," to claim the win.

Pictured here, from left, are Grand Champion Tricia Elston, runner-up Lindsay Krueger of Elkton, fourth grade finalist Jennifer Smith of Bay Port, fifth grade finalist Joel Toner of Elkton, sixth grade finalist Sara Hill of Elkton and eighth grade finalist Carrie Hill. Seventh grade finalist Angie Burken is missing from the photo.

This year's spellers outlasted those from past years, making the event almost three hours long, according to organizer Mike Lang. In addition to the trophy winners, top spellers from each of the schools represented will advance to the regionals of the Lawrence Institute of Technology/Detroit News Spelling Bee: Sara Hill from Elkton Elementary, Justin Maust from Pigeon Elementary, Christa Keim from Bay Port Elementary and Tricia Elston from Laker Junior High.

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**OBSERVATIONS BY CO-PUBLISHER MARK RUMMEL. AND ANYBODY ELSE IF CAN GET TO WRITE 'EM THOUGHTS AT RANDOM** - We all should hear within the week whether the proposed Detroit News - Free Press Joint Operating Agreement is either scuttled or allowed to continue legal proceedings. I expect public hearings will be scheduled, one of three options available to U.S. Attorney General Edwin Meese (others are straight approval and straight denial).

I'd bet this JOA will ultimately be approved, probably in a year's time or longer. Many words will be said, but since such JOAs are allowed in the letter of the law, this one probably won't be denied.

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We're going to send some in (it's cheaper than buying a box of cereal every day!)

■ **HERE'S AN interesting thought** which came our way this week. Why doesn't Michigan have a state crop (or grain)? Sounds like a good idea, and of course we'd probably nominate the Navy Bean, so prominently grown right here... ■ **BETWEEN THE PAGES:** In both December and January, which celebrity had his/her picture on more national magazine covers than any other?

The former Sarah Ferguson, wife of Britain's Prince Andrew, that's who (I was surprised. Were you?) Tied for second in January were actress Shelley Long and actor Michael J. Fox, according to Advertising Age magazine. (I'll bet "Wheel of Fortune" letter-turner Vanna White wins in February...)

■ **NOT FAIR:** Because of low fourth-quarter earnings, 380,000 General Motors hourly workers won't get any of the automaker's traditional profit-sharing bonuses this year.

The rank-and-file workers are angry, and who can blame them? GM Chairman Roger Smith last year made salary and bonuses totaling \$1.85 million last year. His pay (plus that of many other GM executives) will be lower this year, but not eliminated to nothing...

Ford, on the other hand, expects to give its average workers between \$2000 and \$2500, since its profit-sharing plan is based on company sales, not solely profits.

Just think what GM could have saved if they hadn't paid \$700 million to buy-out mouthy Board member H. Ross Perot, to silence his criticism. That's something ELSE owners of little businesses can't get away with, but giants can...

■ **LASTLY,** If your household has an almost-six-year-old (as ours does) who LOVES dinosaurs, take heed: Dinosaur Days are going on now at the Sloan Museum, 1221 E. Kearsley Street in Flint. Animated, half-size replicas are on display, and tours, films and gifts are offered.

There is an admission charge, and museum hours are 9 to 5 weekdays, Saturdays noon to 8 and Sundays noon to 7 p.m. Details? Call (313) 762-1169.

WISH I'D SAID THAT - Courage is often a lack of insight, whereas cowardice in many cases is based on good information! (Peter Ustinov)

# Corn growers meet Monday

The Huron County Corn Growers meeting will be held at the Fairgrounds Activity Center in Bad Axe this Monday, Feb. 16 at 7:30 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Marion Hartman, vice president of the National Corn Growers Association and chairman of Research and Uses of Corn.

On the agenda, Jimmy LaVoie, director of the Huron County ASCS, will report on the 1987 farm program, a business meeting with the election of two board members will be conducted and new members and past members will receive a corn growers hat.

# SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

Voters

by **HARRY BRUNET**  
LAKER SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT



It is going to be interesting these next few weeks watching the formation of various groups regarding our upcoming school millage vote. Basically, a school district can be identified as having three voting categories. One group will vote for school millage because they believe the return on dollars invested exceeds the dollars spent. Another group is made up of voters who oppose taxes in general -- not just schools, but all forms of taxation. Under our current system, this group has direct input into financing their local school. The third group residing in a school district are those who are undecided which way to cast their vote.

It is the latter group that will determine the educational fate of the Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port children. This group of voters is in the majority, and if they can be convinced one way, then that will determine the outcome of a millage vote. We hope that through their sound thinking and good judgment, they will agree with what we are saying and back this millage issue. The undecided voter may be young, middle-aged or a senior citizen. One thing is certain: they are not going to go for anything that is not factual. They will vote which way they feel is best for boys and girls. These voters do not go on any elaborate "Vote No" or "Vote Yes" crusade. They will accept the outcome of the election and go about their business.

There is little doubt that there will be competition for the undecided voter. Our approach is to simply point to our record, give facts and ask that you compare our millage rates with other school districts. We have emphasized, and will continue to emphasize, that the district's high state equalized value has been a benefit to all residents. Now that agricultural land values are declining, the need arises for additional operational millage in order to continue doing the same things for our boys and girls. We have emphasized that cuts have been made. Six full-time teachers, one administrator and one 1/2-day teacher were eliminated from our 1986-87 faculty. With a millage increase, the Laker taxpayer will not come close to the state average and will still remain well below that of our neighboring school districts.

Hopefully, resident voters will keep an open mind, ask questions and put forth maximum effort by taking part in the passing of this most vital millage issue.

**DATE TO REMEMBER:**  
Last Day for Voter Registration: Monday, Feb. 23.

# Thumb Weekly News Round-Up

## HURON PROBATE JUDGE NEAL MACCALLUM TO RETIRE

Longtime Huron County Judge of Probate Neal R. MacCallum has announced his resignation from the position he's held for 34 years, effective April 1.

Judge MacCallum of Bad Axe said Monday he notified Gov. James Blanchard Jan. 28 of his intentions, to allow ample time to name a replacement to the non-partisan position he first assumed Jan. 1, 1953. Probate Judges are responsible for overseeing all matters respecting estates of deceased or incapable persons, plus representing juveniles and persons mentally incompetent to represent themselves.

A Pigeon lawyer is one of four attorneys being mentioned as possible nominees for the remainder of Judge MacCallum's six-year term, which expires Jan. 1, 1989. David L. Clabusch is among the four, who also include Michael Dennis and former County Prosecutor Peter B. Capling, both of Bad Axe, and John C. Neeb II of Harbor Beach.

The State Bar Association has a Judicial Appointments Committee which makes nominations to the governor, normally within 90 days of a retirement or resignation. The nominee, if approved and appointed by Gov. Blanchard, would serve until the November, 1988 General Election and could see re-election as the incumbent. Cases to be handled during any actual vacancy are overseen by a visiting judge.

When contacted Tuesday, Clabusch said he is not actively seeking the post, but has requested information regarding the selection process from the governor's office.

## CANOISTS IN WABASH RIVER

Valerie and Verlin Kruger have covered more than 2,000 miles on their trans-continent canoe trip taking them from the Arctic Circle to the tip of South America by early 1989. This week, they're tackling the Wabash River in Indiana.

The Lansing area couple -- who visited Sebawaing in December as they travel in separate 17-foot canoes -- took two weeks off in late December to rest, then came back to Michigan Feb. 1 to participate in Susquehanna events.

The Krugers are seeking \$50,000 from the state's 150th anniversary committee, saying they'll need additional funds to carry on their journey after April 1. By that date, they hope to be in Miami, Fla., by way of the Ohio and Tennessee Rivers, the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway and the Gulf of Mexico.

They expect the total trip to cost \$185,000, of which less than 25% has been raised. The Krugers estimate they've invested \$20,000 of their own money in the project. They're barely one-third of the way along the 6,000-mile trip, which has never before been accomplished.

## BAY TO GET FEDERAL FUNDS

The Saginaw River and Saginaw Bay are two waterways which are to benefit from the water quality bill enacted last week by Congress over President Reagan's objections.

Michigan will receive \$104.3 million annually for five years in the \$12 billion wastewater treatment package, and a Great Lakes National Program Office will be established within the Environmental Protection Agency. The office will monitor Saginaw Bay water conditions and will check toxic levels.

Saginaw Bay and its primary river are among 42 polluted areas identified by the U.S. and Canada's International Joint Commission, which deserve early clean-up attention.

## HURON BOARD MEETINGS

Here's the formal schedule for twice-monthly meetings of the Huron County Board of Commissioners, who meet in Room 211 of the County Building in Bad Axe. Normal meeting dates are the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Morning meetings begin at 9:30 a.m., while afternoon sessions start at 1:30 p.m. The first half of 1987's dates are:

- Feb. 13 (special Friday meeting) and Tuesday, Feb. 24;
- March 10 and 24;
- April 14 and 28;
- May 12 and 26, and
- June 9 and 23.

Other meetings may be called as needed, according to Chairman Jean Talaski of Harbor Beach. Those special sessions are posted at the office of County Clerk Helen Lemanski, who serves as Board Secretary. Bruce Kuhl of Sebawaing is vice chairman.

## COURT PROCEEDINGS

In 73rd District Court, First Division (Huron County), Judge John Schubel recently heard these pleas and made these determinations:

■ Bryon Rogers, 17 of Port Austin, pled guilty to malicious destruction of personal property, less than \$100, following a Dec. 12 incident involving a damaged auto in Kinde, as investigated by Kinde Village Police; sentenced to 30 days in the Huron County Jail, \$250 fine and costs plus make restitution of \$206.32.

■ Glenn Hoppe, 22 of Sebawaing, pled guilty to assault and battery, following an Aug. 1, 1986 incident in a tavern parking lot investigated by Sebawaing Village Police; sentenced to 30 days in jail, to be served concurrently with another term in force.

■ Patricia Catallo, 43 of Port Austin, pled guilty to non-sufficient fund check, less than \$50, following a Dec. 19 incident at a Port Austin hardware business; \$50 fine and costs, plus make restitution of \$41.82.

■ Albert Phillips, 31 of Filion, pled guilty to drunken driving; sentenced to 40 days in jail plus loss of driving privileges for 12 months, and

■ Brian Schramski, 45 of Port Austin, pled guilty to impaired driving; \$400 fine and costs plus loss of driving privileges for three months.

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As we see it editorially

School financing changes are a'comin'...

The method by which Michigan finances its educational system is again getting a good look-over by those "all-wise" men and women we've elected to represent us in Lansing. It's probable that no major changes will come in 1987 -- as has been the case for many years -- but perhaps we're getting closer to a fairer, more equitable and easier-to-administer set-up.

It would be about time. Now, as most people know, local schools are financed in large part by differing amounts of property taxes assessed against all the land within a school district's service boundary. In this regard, the Laker District traditionally has fared well. Holding one-third of all the land area of Huron County, Laker millage rates in general have been low, since taxes are collected on such a large amount of land.

The down side of that fact, however, is that having such a large amount of property means no direct state aid is received locally, as is the case in several Thumb Area districts. So, some "land-poor" schools elsewhere get a good deal of state aid, while other schools get little or none.

The inequities aside, other critics of the present system say allowing local taxpayers to vote "up" or "down" something as important as youth education is unfair. A stable, base of support should be insured, with little or no local control, subject to personal whim at any given time, they reason.

Education of local children should not be held

hostage to the feelings (rantings, if you will...) of school election voters, they say -- when a neighboring "pro-school" district may have plenty of funds to spend. Inequities must be cleared up, they add.

It appears the Legislature is attacking the issue of school financing. A 40-member special committee of the State Board of Education was appointed last week, to make some funding recommendations by mid-summer. And, lawmakers are considering proposals to raise the sales tax (more evenly applied than property taxes) and earmark the extra funds for schools. "The opportunity and quality of a Michigan child's education should not be dependent on where they are born," said State Rep. James Kosteva (D-Canton), in introducing one plan. It would cut present property taxes in half, with the additional funds provided by a possible 6% sales tax (instead of the present 4% rate).

As it is, the Laker District spends \$2705 per student, about \$300 below the state average expenditure, based on all school revenues. Michigan's richest district -- Whitefish School District in Chippewa County -- spends more than \$5,500 on each student, while Kingsley in Grand Traverse County spends the least statewide, \$1,850 per pupil.

Finding some "middle ground" in school financing may be difficult locally, since the present 17.75 mills paid by Laker property owners is just half the state average 32 mills. Even with the expected 10-mill renewal and increase request being sought next month, the Laker taxpayers would still pay five mills fewer (about 18% less) than the state average.

Somehow, schools must know in advance how much money should come through its doors in a given year. And, local taxpayers should be secure in the knowledge that all people statewide are paying a fair, average amount -- with no one contributing too little or too much. That's not too grand a concept to expect...

Valentine's Day

By ALFREDA BOESCH, Sebawaing

In the rural schools, Valentine's Day was a holiday second only to Christmas. It was not a legal holiday, even though it appeared in red on most calendars. So we were in school on the actual date.

Usually the teacher made an elaborate Valentine's Box, covered with red crepe paper and trimmed with lace and cardboard hearts. The box always had a slot in the top so that we could insert our valentines whenever we felt we were unloved.

We started making valentines about the third week in January. Last year's wallpaper catalogs and any cast-off magazines or seed catalogs were prized possessions. Our teacher cut some heart patterns of different sizes and placed them in a shallow box. Anyone who had finished his assignments was free to use the patterns. The teacher also wrote some valentine messages on cardboard so we could copy them inside our valentines.

The all-time favorite was "Roses are Red, Violets are Blue, Sugar Is Sweet and So Are You." Sometimes, feeling adventurous, we changed the sugar to honey or even maple syrup. Another favorite verse was "You've broken my heart but it can be mended, oh so fine, if you'll just promise to be my loving valentine." If we used that one, we had to cut out a heart, then tear it so as to leave jagged edges along the tear; cutting a neat line with scissors wouldn't do. Then we had to spread those edges apart, and paste a plain white paper behind them so our broken heart would show.

Another favorite pattern was a heart pierced by an arrow. You had to draw the arrow separately, color it red with your brightest crayon and cut it out. Then you made a heart of the right size to accommodate that arrow. On the heart you had to make two slits a couple of inches apart. Believe me, that was not easy, using the round-tipped scissors that were provided in schools. Many hearts got torn and had to be thrown away. Sometimes if you cried with frustration, the biggest boy in school would come and sit with you. He would pull out his treasured jack knife and cut the slits for you with the tip of the blade. He would hold the valentine so the slits stood open so you could insert your red arrow. Then he would saunter back to his own seat. He became your hero, and you made him at least three of your choicest valentines.

On the actual Valentine's Day, we hurried through all of our classes. Everyone had lessons prepared so the teacher last recess, the box was opened. The teacher chose some sped around the room delivering handfuls of valentines. As you, Annie! to the donors: "Thank you, John!" and "Thank you, a store-bought valentine... the only one we ever received. The year I was in the eighth grade, I received 108 valentines. And that year there were only 10 pupils in the entire school!

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From Under The Willow  
By WANDA EICHLER

On the school millage

How come this column and this writer haven't written about the school millage election yet, you wonder? Well, I'm about as torn apart on this issue as I have been on any issue for a long time. That's the truth. Lots of rhetoric and time has already been expended on the subject, most of it by school folks who have a very vested interest, their jobs. I have heard very few favorable voices from outside the school system regarding this issue.

I'd like to chance voicing several ideas that maybe won't be vital to the discussion, but might shed some light. The editor of the Arenac County Independent recently wrote an editorial about the plight of the Standish Sterling Community Schools, where the district is seeking a 2.3 mill increase on top of a 16-mill renewal. The board there has given the issue to the voters in two proposals. The 16-mill renewal would keep them operating barely and the 2.3 additional mills would assure some sensible management in the situation.

What the editorialist points out is that the schools there are suffering from frugality and conservative management that kept millage rates exceedingly low for a number of years. I don't know if that is the case here with the Laker School District and I don't like the habit we have here of comparing our district to others in the state.

We are in a unique situation this year. This county has documented losses in agricultural income of approximately \$25,000,000 in the last harvest season, according to the Huron County Cooperative Extension Service. Considering that the rollover factor on an agricultural dollar is six times, we are losing \$150 million in our county economy right now. Those are tough figures, one's we'd like to ignore, but in the Laker District, we cannot ignore them. We live in the heart of the best farmland in the county and much of it is the best land in the state. To think that a struggling farm economy will not affect us all is sheer folly.

What I liked about the editorial from the other side of the bay is the attitude reflected in the following: "It would be a rotten shame if the conservative, efficient, concerned nature of school management... that has served to keep millage rates down... backfired and has created a citizenry so accustomed to low rates it resists any change."

And I like this: "Just don't let the long, long habit of paying low millages, or some gripe against some member of the staff, or some story told by a person who might not know what he or she is talking about be a part of your decision." We need clearer information than we have had. We need to stop dumping on each other as causes. I've heard that "it's the farmer's fault," that it is "Lake Township's fault," that it is "the superintendent's and the board's fault," that it is "the teachers' fault." No one person or group can be at fault in the current situation. The economics are too complex and too multi-faceted to lay blame in one place.

Instead, we are all going to have to take responsibility for tightening up the spending and budgets, the schools included. If the taxpayers are being asked to pay extra dollars, then the school will have to show a belt-tightening that may hurt, but will be a symbol of "we can hold costs, too" to the communities.

Instead of calling Sound-Off with anonymous gripes, let's begin writing signed letters to the editor of this paper where we intelligently and faithfully try to work out our problems and ideas in reasoned attack of paper and pencil to the situation. I'm sure that Mark will be happy to print your thoughts. A few short letters focused on one aspect or another of the millage issue will be an enlightenment for the community.

These are my ideas for a day in February with a millage election not too far in the future. I have a lot of gripes that I'd like to air, but I'm putting that aside for now and hope that you will, too.

We need to be prepared for this walk into the polling places on March 23 as we have never been prepared before. The trust in our community calls for that. We can do no less.

Notice any changes this week?

The Progress-Advance is using new typesetters and graphics beginning with this issue, designed to clean up pages and present more news and pictures. While we experiment, we'd LOVE to hear what you think! Call Rich, Sally or Mark at 453-2331 or drop us a line...

Letters to My Cousin Gus

DEAR COUSIN GUS:

The achievement of an 85th birthday (which is scheduled for me tomorrow, Feb. 4) is often an occasion for words of wisdom and a recommended pattern of living to reach that milestone.

None of that for me. Just some extra words of thanks. There were several times during my three-week battle with the flu in January when I was not sure I was going to make it.

There is no celebration scheduled for tomorrow, just the traditional birthday dinner at Bill Knapps with some friends and an extra session of our weekly bridge game. After "Jeopardy" and the "Wheel of Fortune" on TV tonight, Mama and I turned the clock back and noted the changes of the passing years.

As a function of human intellect memory is somewhat inconsistent these days. Time after time I cannot remember where I left my glasses or my car keys, but to night I named four teachers of my grade school.

Mama has some of the same affliction but emphasizes her frustration in somewhat gentler language. As we recalled events of past years, two facts loomed large as we talked -- we have lived through a period of drastic change but on a year-to-year basis we have accepted those changes and seldom appreciated their significance at the time.

Whether the changes, particularly social and religious, improve the quality of life is debatable but change continues. Some adjustments are made. Mama recalled some twinges of conscience when, during her first year at Ypsi Normal, she attended her first movie on a Sunday night. I could match that with some uneasiness the first time I went to a Thursday night dance at the Bay Port pavilion.

It must be admitted, however, that part of that uneasiness came from my Methodist feet that could not tell the difference between a waltz and a fox trot. A recent event emphasized some changes and we laughed again. On Jan. 3 of this year we attended the wedding of James Haselmaier and Cathy Calder in the Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak.

Cathy, a lovely auburn-haired lass, was a high school friend and a classmate of our twin grand-children, Brian and Karen. Also for several years a college classmate of Brian's at Michigan Technological University, Houghton, where she graduated as a Mechanical Engineer with honors. Her job took her to Colorado where the Pugh-Calder family friendship ties continued. The chap she married is a co-worker at Hewlett-Packard and is of the Catholic faith.

At the wedding attended by some 250 guests, a Catholic priest participated in the service. The one song that was sung was the "Ave Maria."

Our granddaughter, who is scheduled to make us great-grandparents some time this week, also participated in the service. Very visibly pregnant she walked from her pew near the front of the church to the chancel and read the Scripture lesson.

Of the families who founded the Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak in 1912, a considerable number were folks of Scottish descent. We joined the church in 1946 and got to know some of those folks and their families. They were positive in their thinking and their viewpoints but they were not narrow-minded.

However, I am quite certain that in those years those folks would have had difficulty in accepting some phases of the Calder wedding.

However, I am also quite certain that if those folks could have been at the service of Jan. 3, 1987, they would have joined all of us in saying, "It was a beautiful wedding!"

O.W. BAUR

Achievements

Scott C. Vollmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Vollmer of Pigeon, has been named to the Dean's List for the Northern Michigan University's fall semester, which ended Dec. 19.

He is listed among 930 students who earned high academic honors with grade point averages between 3.25 and 3.99.

Kevin Laursen and Janet Sturm, both of Pigeon, are included among the 961 students listed on the Dean's List for the fall semester at Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo.

To be eligible, students must have compiled a least a 3.5 grade point average in a minimum of 14 hours of graded classwork.

Laursen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Laursen of Pigeon and Sturm is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. DeVere Sturm, also of Pigeon.

Airman Scott C. Sturm, son of Don and Linda Sturm of Pigeon, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Tex.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the community college of the Air Force.

He is a 1986 graduate of Laker High School, Pigeon.

Airman Brian A. Pedler, son of Kenneth and Jane Pedler of Caseville, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Tex.

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In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the community college of the Air Force.

He is a 1986 graduate of Caseville High School.

Marine Pvt. Christopher W. Eby, son of Jerry and Iola Eby of Elkton, has been meritoriously promoted to his present rank upon graduation from recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif.

Evy received the early promotion for his superior performance during all phases of the 11-week training cycle, which emphasized physical conditioning, self-discipline and teamwork.

A 1986 graduate of Laker High School, Eby joined the Marine Corps in September, 1986.

Bad Axe hosts square dancers

The Bad Axe Swinging Hatchets will host a dance this Friday, Feb. 13 at the Bad Axe Junior High School at 8 p.m. Caller will be Ed Fraidenberg. Everyone is invited.



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RECOLLECTIONS OF By-Gone Days  
By GEORGE KEIM

DEAR EDITOR: I don't think of myself as a public speaker, nor do I think of myself as a VIP, but last fall I was asked to speak at the Bad Axe Historical Society in the little log church at the Pigeon Historical Society meeting.

I always like to either sit down to speak or stand behind a desk so people can't see my legs shake and so I can hold on to something so I won't fall down!

I spoke on the same things, about how one of my nephews married a Mormon girl from Salt Lake City and the Mormons have one of the best ways of tracking down your relations.

They traced way back to 1200 when a General Keim went with the Crusaders to the Holy Land to free the Holy City from the Moham-madens. Then they came up with some doctors and lawyers and musicians and some very famous people.

In the early 1700s, one of the Keims came to America and settled in Pennsylvania, where my great-grandfather was born in 1770 he had 24 children. He was married three times.

My grandfather was the youngest of his children. He died at age 64. Then my great-grandmother remarried and had two more daughters. When her second husband died, she married again to a man who had a big family.

So my great-grandmother ended up with 51 children and step-children, which is a good record. One of Grandpa's sisters

had 19 children, so you can't see a big relation. Last Feb. 4 they asked me to speak at the Mens' Prayer Breakfast at the First United Methodist Church in Pigeon. Well, I did the best I could and most people there get The Progress-Advance so they know what I was talking about.

Almost every winter in the late 1920s and early 1930s I would attend Bible school somewhere when I wasn't in Florida. Sometimes we had it here in our own church, at Pigeon River Mennonite.

According to the last Progress, 50 years ago I and Raymond Byler and Art Maust went to Kitchner, Ont. to a Bible Institute, a very nice experience. It was a real nice winter and we met a lot of people who came from all over Canada and the USA.

The people around Kitchner were very nice people and every weekend they would take some of us into their homes and feed us well and take good care of us. It was over Valentine's Day and everybody saw to it that we got a valentine.

The janitor work was all done by the pupils and we even had to wash the dishes. The only thing that was wrong was my bed. You can read in Isaiah 28:20 "For the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it and the covering narrows than that he can wrap himself in it."

But, I only had to pay \$1.50 a week for it so it wasn't too bad. Only the room didn't have any heat and no carpet on the floor, so I slept with my socks on...

# We're Asking YOU..

**THIS WEEK'S QUESTION, ASKED BY JACKIE PECK:**  
*To whom would you like to send a special Valentine? And, why?*



My daughter, because she's away at college.

Linda Walsh  
PIGEON



My Mom, because she's so far away and I don't get to see her often.

Dana Edler  
PIGEON



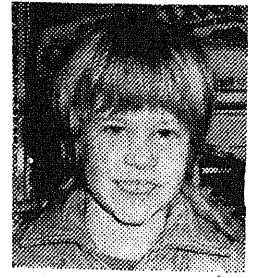
All my five grandchildren and my husband, because I love them all.

Betty Pudney  
CASEVILLE



My Mom, because she's nice to me.

Jeremy Schweitzer  
PIGEON



Grandma and Grandpa Sheppard, because they're special.

Angela Dietzel  
PIGEON



My Wife, because she does so many kind things for me.

Karl Emerson  
PIGEON

## Marie Liken skis so others may live!



Marie Liken of Sebawaing, an employe in the Scheurer Hospital Admissions Office, is shown here on the cross-country ski trail during the American Cancer Society Ski-a-thon conducted recently at the Castaways, near Port Austin.

The Sebawaing native has participated in the annual event for the past six years, raising hundreds of dollars for the American Cancer Society. This year she collected about \$400, including \$175 from Scheurer Hospital employes, who pledged to donate the money after she completed the five-mile course.

The Ski-a-thon has been under the direction of Sally Beers of Sebawaing, president of the Huron County Unit of the American Cancer Society. Anyone interested in making a donation to ACS may contact Mrs. Beers at 883-3272 or Marie Liken at Scheurer Hospital, 453-3223.

## 'No missed days' for these students!

Fifty-three students on the Laker High School roster have achieved a perfect attendance record for the first semester of the school year.

According to Principal James Ballard, "Perfect attendance marks a commitment to excellence and dependability. It should be as important to an employer as a high grade point average is to a university."

The following students are recognized: Kent Adams, Robert Bannick, Rodney Behm, Becky Briester, Mark Caister, Chris Cieslieski, Ginger Clabuesch, Brad Clark, Tammy Damm, Chad Daniels, Pete Drabek, Brenda Elliott, Renee Elliott, Troy Forester, Greg Frazho, Steve Frazho, Tricia Geiger, Chris Gretch, Casey Haley, Marc Hill, Geoffrey Horn, Lori Hyzer, Soni Kamlapurker, Jill Kasserman, Debbie Kempisty, Patty Kempisty, Paula Klosowski, Scott Keyworth, Ricki Klosowski, Marilyn Kranz, Tricia Learman, Alan McBride, Jody Pratt, Mahalia Pratt, Ami Rathje, Janet Renn, Marcia Renn, Scott Richmond, Tracy Roestel, Michelle Romain, Becky Ropp, Troy Ropp, Jeff Rosenthal, Connie Schulz, Jennifer Shepherd, Christopher Shupe, Shawn Sieman, Tim Tyler, Tara Wade, Chris Wurst, Bryan Young, Jennifer Ziel.

## Pigeon District Library

**PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR**  
 The theme for the Feb. 17 Story Hour will be "Mysteries" with the stories "Bear Detectives," "Have You Seen My Puppy?" and "Who Am I?"

**EXERCISES, GAMES, FINGERPLAYS AND CHALK TALK**  
 "The Lonely Little Iceberg" will be included in the children's activities.

**A SPECIAL FILM "BURT DOW: DEEP-WATER MAN"** will be shown. Children from age three to five are invited. A registration fee is required. Story Hours are from 9 to 10 a.m. and from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

**ADULT COFFEE HOUR**  
 On Feb. 17 the Adult Coffee Hour speaker will be Sgt. Brent Woodward of the Huron County Sheriff's Department. His presentation will include two programs: one on 1987 Alcohol Enforcement Classes now being presented to all high school students and the other on the latest educational programs such as the Safety

**SENIOR CITIZENS FILM FESTIVAL**  
 The Film Festival on Friday, Feb. 20 at 1:30 p.m. will include the films "San Francisco: Story of a City," "Sitting on Top of the World" (about the oldest and largest Bluegrass Music Festival in the U.S. in North Carolina) and "Live Ghosts," featuring Laurel and Hardy as fish market employes who collaborate with the captain of a ghost ship in Shanghaing a crew.

**EDUCATION PROGRAMS.**  
 Coffee Hour sessions are conducted at the same time as Preschool Story Hour sessions. They are open for all library patrons.

**NATIONAL CHERRY MONTH**  
 February is National Cherry Month and Michigan is the leading cherry grower, both sweet and tart, in the U.S. and Canada. Over 84,000 tons are produced here.

**SHOWCASE DISPLAY**  
 Connie Kleido of Pigeon has filled two display cases in the Community Room with her collections of "girls" and "cats."

**point cat picture and ceramic cats.**  
 Also on display is a Centennial Farm Display by Isabel Leipprandt, with pictures of the family, farmhouse and barn and a Centennial Farm Certificate. The farm was acquired in 1877 by Gottlieb Leipprandt and handed down through his son, William and grandson Waldo Leipprandt.

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The Village of Elkton will be accepting bids for the following: 1-front mounted 50" lawn mower w/20 h.p. twin cylinder air cooled engine. Bid specs may be picked up at the Clerk's office during regular business hours and must be returned by March 3, 1987, 4:00 p.m. All bids will be opened at the March 3, 1987 regular council meeting. The Village of Elkton reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Janet Santos, Village Clerk

The Village of Elkton will be accepting bids for refuse collection for the Village. Bid specs may be picked up at the Clerk's office during regular business hours and must be returned by March 3, 1987 at 4:00 p.m. All bids will be opened at the March 3, 1987 regular council meeting. The Village of Elkton reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Janet Santos, Village Clerk

**- RESOLUTION -**

At a regular meeting of the Elkton Village Council of the Village of Elkton held on the 3rd day of February, 1987, at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall of said Village.

The following resolution was offered by Councilperson Claren Russell and supported by Councilperson Barbara Thompson.

WHEREAS, the Village Council considers it advisable to vacate and discontinue the street known as East Street located and lying Westerly of Block 9 in said Plat of H.E. & E.W. Myres First Addition to the Village of Elkton, Huron County, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council deems it advisable to appoint a time not less than four (4) weeks after the date of the resolution to meet and hear objections to the resolution.

NOW THEREFORE, Be it Hereby Resolved That:

- The Village Council hereby declares its intent to vacate and discontinue East Street as above described;
- A meeting to hear objections to the resolution shall be held on March 3, 1987, at 7:30 p.m. All objections may be filed with the Clerk of the Village in writing.

AYES: Councilperson Thompson, Santos, Stirrett, Fisher, Hoffman and Russell. NAYS: None. Motion declared and adopted.

Elmer Ropp, Mayor  
 Janet Santos, Village Clerk

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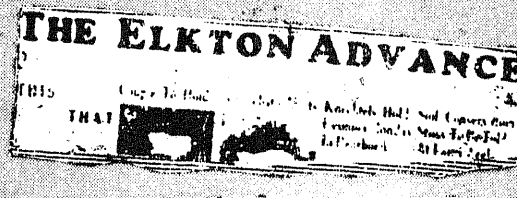
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## The Past in Print...



**80 YEARS AGO**  
**FEB. 15, 1907**  
Mose Kahn has leased the Richmond building on Michigan Ave. in Pigeon and will open up a store carrying men's and ladies furnishings.

Fred Wolf has purchased the Hoffman & Neinstedt saloon business at Berne. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Thick of McKinley Twp., a son on Saturday; to Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Thick, McKinley, a daughter on Tuesday.

Herman Kleinschmidt will have an auction sale at his farm four miles south of Pigeon on Feb. 9.

There have been several changes in the sales force of the Hirschberg store in Pigeon. The Misses Mabel Dunn, Christie Karr and Emma Caroline have been transferred to the Caro store and Miss Daisy Donaldson and Roy Vincent are the new assistants in the Pigeon store.

Herman J. Schluchter celebrated his 36th birthday at his home in Pigeon on Tuesday evening with 30 of his friends.

**70 YEARS AGO**  
**FEB. 16, 1917**

The election yesterday to bond the Pigeon school district for \$36,000 for the erection of a new school building carried by a vote of 130 yes and 8 no.

A sleigh load of young people from Bay Port and a sleigh load from Pigeon attended the box social at Caseville Thursday evening. John Geiger has moved on the Sugar Co. farm just west of Pigeon, which he will manage this year.

It was 18 below zero in Pigeon Monday night. Mrs. Christina Daferner, 66, died at her home in Linkville. The widow of Fred Daferner, a blacksmith for many years in Berne, she leaves five sons and a daughter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Dast on Tuesday, a son.

Ernest Clabuesch, F.W. Merrick and W.A. Scriber, Pigeon, have purchased the 60 acres just west of the Wallie Brown farm in Fairhaven Twp.

**60 YEARS AGO**  
**FEB. 11, 1927**

Miss Beatrice Kreh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erza Kreh, McKinley and Earl Lotter, Elkton, were united in marriage on Wednesday.

Miss Annabelle Steadman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Steadman, and Verne G. Wurtz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wurtz, Pigeon, were united in marriage on Sunday.

Miss Eva Moeller, Pigeon, is taking training at the University Hospital in Ann Arbor.

The Pigeon School board of education has re-engaged all the teachers now employed for the next school year. The staff consists of Supt. G.C. Adler, Prin. C.L. Taylor, Agnes Scott, Orris Gogarn, Jean Campbell, Leonore Blackmere, May Clarke and Jane Meyers.

Ernest Paul received his re-appointment as Pigeon postmaster. He has served four years as postmaster.

**50 YEARS AGO**  
**FEB. 12, 1937**

Mrs. Daniel E. Gnagey, 80, Pigeon, nee Eva J. Maust, passed away at her home in Pigeon. She leaves two daughters and five sons.

Pigeon Community Club held a banquet at Hotel Heasty Monday evening with 35 present. A band consisting of E. J. Clabuesch, Harold Soldan, Theo and Royce Belding, played musical selections.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Ruthig, Pigeon, will observe their 50th wedding anniversary quietly on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Trost, Pigeon, will observe their 50th wedding anniversary at a family gathering this week.

David C. Murdoch, 81, formerly of Caseville, died in Cleveland, Ohio. He is survived by his wife, four daughters and a son.

**40 YEARS AGO**  
**FEB. 14, 1947**

Huron County, as well as much of the state, has gone through the worst snow trouble in many years during the past three weeks. Many roads have been blocked for days and some township roads are still not passable.

Frank Coan, 74, a former Bay Port fisherman for 30 years, died Saturday. He leaves two daughters.

Paul Pauneski, 61, Pigeon, died Monday. He leaves his widow, a son and three daughters.

Jesse Rosenberger, 81, Pigeon, died Sunday. Surviving are a son and a daughter.

Louis Lung, formerly of Bay Port, died at Pasadena, CA.

Mrs. Lung and three children are returning to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Deming, Bay Port.

Area students named to the dean's list at Western Michigan University are Constance Murdoch, Pigeon and Karen Stoeckle, Bay Port.

Danielle Weidman and Tom Henne, Bay Port and Dave Clabuesch, Pigeon, were among area young people who traveled to Washington, D.C. for Methodist Youth Fellowship meetings and also met with Congressman Jim Harvey.

Emerson M. Ballard, 53, a Bay Port native, died at his home in Sebawaing. Survivors are his wife, five sons and six daughters.

Mrs. Paul Fredericks is the assistant postmaster at the Elkton Post Office.

**37 YEARS AGO**  
**FEB. 16, 1950**

The Elks were handed their third defeat of the season Tuesday night by the Upper Thumb League leaders, Cass City, 45-38.

Construction is expected to begin in April for a Huron County Community Building at the fair grounds in Bad Axe, it was decided at a committee meeting of interested persons.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Young and son have moved to Pontiac where Mr. Young is employed.

Vern W. Voelker, 68, Owendale, died Feb. 14 at his home. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and two sons.

Mrs. Otto Elsesser, 85, nee Emma Oldenburg, a retired teacher, died Feb. 11 at her home in Elkton. Surviving are two sons and three daughters.

Mrs. Perleyetta Maxwell, 86, widow of Thomas W. Maxwell, Pigeon, passed away Feb. 9. She leaves a son.

**FROM THE ELKTON ADVANCE FILES**  
**51 YEARS AGO**  
**FEB. 13, 1936**

Mrs. N.L. Wales entertain-

**Pigeon news**

Mrs. Avis Cregeur was surprised Sunday when she received a "Happy Birthday" phone call from a friend, Mrs. Frances Roggenbuck of Zephyrhills, Fla. Mrs. Cregeur's 82nd birthday was Feb. 6.

Frank Deming is recuperating at home following foot surgery at Huron Memorial Hospital last week.

Suzanne Schuette, a student at Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, spent the weekend with her parents and brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Schuette.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Rathje visited with relatives and friends over the weekend in Saginaw and Frankenmuth.

Mrs. Gertrude Quinn of Pinnebog spent Tuesday with Mrs. Walter Hartman.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rathke on Sunday accompanied Pastor and Mrs. Ernst Henkelmann to Port Huron where pastor conducted the worship service at St. Martin's Lutheran Church.

**30 YEARS AGO**  
**FEB. 14, 1957**

Katherine Zabell, a sophomore at Elkton High School, was the winner of the first annual cherry pie baking contest held in Huron County.

Special guest at a district meeting of Conservation Clubs Tuesday evening at Pigeon VFW Hall was August J. "Gus" Neering, Pigeon, who retired as a conservation officer Jan. 31 after 27 years.

George D. Militus, formerly of the Elkton Hardware Co., Elkton, was given the Estwing Gold Hammer award for his 51 years of service to the hardware industry.

Herman W. Nieschulz, 69, Chandler Twp., died Monday. Besides his wife, he leaves three daughters and four sons.

Mrs. Philip Quinn, 75, nee Ida Gottschalk, Caseville, died Sunday. Surviving besides her husband are six daughters.

**20 YEARS AGO**  
**FEB. 16, 1967**

Louise Dixon, Pigeon, a senior at Interlochen Arts Academy, is principal flutist in the Academy orchestra which will begin a mid-west tour on March 2.

John Oesch, 62, former Pigeon businessman, died Feb. 8. He leaves his widow, two daughters and a son.

### REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

Sealed bids will be received until 1:00 p.m. on Friday, February 27, 1987, for the sale of the following described parcel of land located in Grant Township, Huron County, Michigan:

The East fractional half (Efr1/2) of the Northeast fractional quarter (NEfr1/4) of Section Three (3) Township Fifteen (15) North, Range Eleven, (11) East, containing Eighty-Three and One-Half (83 1/2) Acres of land more or less, less parcel of land described as: Commencing at the Northeast corner of Fr. Section 3, Township 15 North, Range 11 East, Grant Township, Huron County, Michigan; thence South 00° West along the East line of said Fr. Section 3, 613.0 feet to the Point of Beginning of this description; thence South 00° West along the East line of said Fr. Section 3, 246.0 feet; thence South 90° West, 506.0 feet; thence North 00° East, 246.0 feet; thence North 90° East, 506.0 feet to the Point of Beginning. Subject to Hartsell Road right of way and easements of record. Being in and a part of the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4, Fr. Section 3, Township 15 North, Range 11 East, and containing 2.86 acres of land.

Bids may be mailed or delivered to office of Michael D. Otto, Attorney at Law, 7340 Michigan Avenue, Pigeon, Michigan, 48755, on or before Friday, February 27, 1987, and will be opened at said office on said date at 1:00 p.m.

The Sellers reserve the right to accept or reject any bid. Persons who have submitted bids will be given the opportunity to raise their bid at the bid opening. A ten percent (10%) deposit will be required on any bid accepted. Abstract of Title will be furnished for examination and approval of buyer prior to closing of sale. Parcel may be sold on terms acceptable to the Sellers.

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# News That Counts From

HURON COUNTY



from Huron County Clerk Helen Lemanski



from County Register of Deeds Frances Holdwick

### MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Week of February 2

Brian W. March & Julie L. Hanne

### ASSUMED NAMES

NO. 4318 BIG SUR MOBILE PRESSURE WASH, 4205 Little Road, Cass City, MI. By: Virginia Harper, 4205 Little Road, Cass City, MI. Filed: 1/29/87  
NO. 4319 80+ Ski Club, 7115 Michigan Avenue, Pigeon, MI 48755. Filed: 2/2/87  
NO. 4320 B & M GLASS CO., 7249 Port Austin Road, Caseville, MI 48725. By: William L. Deming, 7249 Port Austin Road, Caseville, MI 48725. Filed: 2/2/87  
NO. 4321 HECK'S BAR, 2990 W. Kinde Road, Kinde, MI 48445. By: Heck's Inc., Robert E. Heck, President, 2990 W. Kinde Rd., Kinde, MI 48445. Filed: 2/3/87

### CO-PARTNERSHIP

NO. 816 K and J CARPENTRY, 1151 McKenzie Road, Bad Axe, MI 48413. By: James M. Leppak, 1151 McKenzie Road, Bad Axe, MI 48413 and Kenneth D. Hewitt, Box 154-A, S. Moore Road, Bad Axe, MI 48413. Filed: 2/2/87

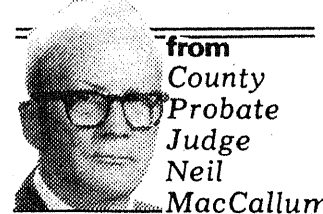
### JUDGMENTS OF DIVORCE

Harvey Joseph Pennington vs. Morrissa S. Pennington  
Elaine Carol Langley vs. Scott David Langley  
Patsy Ann Rodgers vs. John Wesley Rodgers

### WARRANTY DEEDS

January 28 - February 4

Krista M. Jensen to Farmers Home Administration; a parcel of land located in Section 35 of Caseville.  
Romas A. Tembusch Estate to Charles R. Seltz; a parcel of land located in Section 16 of Sherman Twp.  
Maude M. Guesel to Kathryn G. Nieschulz; a parcel of land located in the Village of Sebawaing.  
Lawrence Jakubowski and Violet L. to James L. Slater and Joyce A.; a parcel of land located in Section 8 of Sherman Twp.  
Leo Poppek and Zula to Virginia Braun; a parcel of land located in Section 28 of Bloomfield.  
Richard Davis and Violet E. to Norman Scott and Diane; a parcel of land located in Section 35 of Sherman Twp.  
Wilfred Lange Estate to Michael Rankin; a parcel of land located in Section 19 of Rubicon Twp.  
John P. Danforth and Muriel to Kay E. Wurbel; a parcel of land located in the City of Harbor Beach.



from County Probate Judge Neil MacCallum

### PROBATE COURT

January 29 - February 4

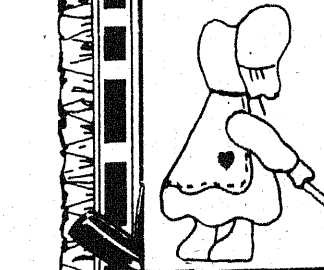
Estate of Mary M. Campbell, Deceased, of Bad Axe, File 27,875, Independent Probate, Certificate of Completion filed.  
Estate of H. J. VanDam, Deceased, of Port Hope, File 28,377, Independent Probate, Order Determining Heirs filed.  
Estate of Timothy Kreh, Deceased, of Elkton, File 28,370, Independent Probate, Order Determining Heirs filed.  
Estate of William T. Marlet, Deceased, of Harbor Beach, File 28,376, Independent Probate, Consent to Granting of Petition filed.  
Estate of Blanche Guild Hinton, Deceased, of California, File 27,704, Supervised Probate, Petition for Rehearing on Order Assigning Residue filed, Notice of Hearing filed.  
Estate of Eileen M. Schmidt, Deceased, of Pigeon, File 27,084, Supervised Probate, Annual Account of Personal Representative filed.  
Estate of Etta Mae Empson, Deceased, of Owendale, File 28,416, Independent Probate, Letter Acceptance of Trust filed, Letter Acceptance of Trust filed, Letters of Authority filed.  
Estate of Hazel M. Hagle, Deceased, of Kinde, File 28,028, Supervised Probate, Final Account of Personal Representative filed, Notice of Hearing filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.  
Estate of David Henry McCusker, Deceased, of Pigeon, File 28,416, Independent Probate, Petition for Confirmation of Commencement of Proceedings filed.  
Estate of James J. McDonald, Deceased, of Bad Axe, File 28,343, Supervised Probate, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.  
Estate of Richard E. Droplowski, Deceased, of Ruth, File 27,302, Independent Probate, Certificate of Completion filed.  
Estate of Nicholas F. Shapow, Deceased, of Sebawaing, File 28,075, Independent Probate, Inheritance Tax Receipt filed.  
Estate of Amelia Dill, Deceased, of Harbor Beach, File 28,263, Supervised Probate, Inheritance Tax Receipt filed.  
Estate of Laura H. Halst, Deceased, of Caseville, File 28,398, Independent Probate, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Wilhelmine Canny, Deceased, of Bay Port, File 28,417, Independent Probate, Will filed, Petition for Commencement of Proceedings filed, Register's Order filed, Acceptance of Trust filed, Letters of Authority filed, Publication and Notice of Hearing filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.  
Estate of Frieda J. Edler, Deceased, of Owendale, File 28,400, Independent Probate, Publication and Notice of Hearing filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.  
Estate of Lella A. Carrington, Deceased, of Bay Port, File 28,405, Independent Probate, Publication and Notice of Hearing filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Mary Barnhardt, Deceased, of Sebawaing, File 28,324, Independent Probate, Proof of Publication filed, Order Determining Heirs filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.  
Estate of Daniel A. Miller, Deceased, of Bad Axe, File 28,228, Independent Probate, Petition for Exemption from Michigan Inheritance Tax filed, 2 Affidavits in Support of Petition for Michigan Inheritance Tax filed, Copy of First Amendment to Trust filed, Notice of Hearing filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed, Proof of Court Supervision filed, Notice of Hearing filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

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## Thumb Area Outdoors

Perch fishing continues to be good to excellent in many sections of the Bay. Best results are reported from those fishermen who are able to fish every day. Wildfowl Bay has been good throughout the past week. Good fish have been hitting near North Island, both early in the morning and at dusk. Best bait has been the Russian hook with an eye attached. Nice fish also came from the Caseville area. The shoreline north and south of the cemetery has been a good provider on most of the days last week.

Walleyes have slowed down on the Saginaw River during the past week. The number of fishermen were being almost sinful. Ice conditions deteriorated during the early part of the week, but got stiff as the cold front moved through. Lots of good fish are still being taken, but this month marks the end of the Walleye season, that is until the early opener of April 25 rolls around. The increase in both numbers and the size of Michigan Walleyes has caused the DNR to up the size of Walleyes in the Master Angler Contest.

Michigan is in the midst of its second moose transplant. This year another 30 animals are being brought in from Ontario. The moose are again being tranquilized, airlifted out of the bush by helicopter, and then trucked to their U.P. location. The \$90,000 DNR project will continue until February 14, when biologists hope to have the transplant completed. Five animals died during the 1985 transplant, and another 7 died during the year.

Last year, Michigan taxpayers donated a record \$500,376 to the state's non-game wildlife fund by checking donation boxes on their income tax returns. Since the fund began in 1983, taxpayers have checked off \$1.3 million in donations. Take a look at this year's tax form. By checking off the box on the bottom, you can help baby Bald Eagles to be banded, loon yodels to be recorded and swan eggs to be snatched. Don't forget, your check will help a lot of animals in Michigan.

### Rev. Nusz speaks to ladies

The Pigeon Worth While Club met for their February meeting at the home of Mary Gettel. Rev. Gordon Nusz presented a slide presentation on his trip to Israel. The club voted to make donations to the Pigeon District Library, Schaefer Hospital and the Hospice House of Saginaw.

Karen Pauly and Elaine Shetter reported on Christmas clothing purchased for local children. Dale Wertz played Santa and delivered the gifts.

Phyllis Gettel reported that Casey Haley of Laker High School was selected to go the Hugh O'Brien Youth Seminar this spring.

The club discussed the County Convention which Pigeon will host at the Pigeon District Library on May 16.

**A gift from the heart**

The Red Cross Hospital will visit the Elkton Civic Center on Wednesday, Feb. 11 (today) from 2 to 7 p.m.

According to local organizers, the need for blood is urgent. The local American Red Cross is urging first-time donors in the community to begin giving blood now. Long-time donors are urged to continue.

Donors must be at least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds.

"Your one blood donation may help as many as four blood recipients in one of the 35 hospitals in 27 counties served by the Wolverine Blood Service Region, which includes our local hospitals," say organizers.

### NOTICE TO VILLAGE OF PIGEON RESIDENTS:

The Primary Election for the Village of Pigeon will be conducted on Monday, February 16, 1987. Polls will be open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.

Janet Heckman  
Superintendent

### The Laker Band Boosters would like to thank the following businesses for their support for our Soup & Sandwich Supper:

- Specialty House
- Steele's Standard Service
- R&S Qwik Stop
- Thumb Wood Products
- Bay House Mini Mall
- Zebbie's Bait & Tackle
- Bay Port Inn
- Thumb Hardware
- Ron's Party Store
- Video Spotlight
- Varty's Automotive Supply
- Lunch Bucket
- Ty's Bowling Lounge
- Suds Yer Duds
- Thumb National Bank & Trust
- Village Variety
- Pigeon Co-op
- Elftman's Hardware
- Bailey Insurance Agency, Inc.
- Flowers by MariAnne

\*A special thank you to the parents who donated desserts, made soup & worked. Without your support the supper could not have been the success it was. We would also like to thank the Jazz band for their fine performance during the supper.

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**MIKE POWER**

## Maribeth Bushey to wed Carl Hakkarinen

Bushey - Hakkarinen

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Bushey of Caseville are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Maribeth A. Bushey, to Carl W. Hakkarinen, son of Mrs. Agnes Hakkarinen of Marquette and the late Willis Hakkarinen.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Northern Michigan University and is currently attending Lewis and Clark School of Law in Portland, Ore.

A May 23 wedding is planned.



## Thumb Club News

### ELKTON SENIOR CITIZENS

Thirty-eight members and guests attended the weekly potluck lunch on Feb. 3.

The Lord's Prayer was recited as the table prayer. Mike Gage, director of civil defense, presented the "Vial of Life" program and led materials for all members. Elkton is the first village to become involved, Gage noted.

### It's a boy!

Mr. and Mrs. Randy (Jeny) Schenk announce the birth of a son, John Paul, on Jan. 10 at Hills & Dales Hospital, Cass City. The infant weighed 8 lbs. 14 oz.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Sam Murrow of Bay Port. Paternal grandmother is Mrs. Earl Schenk of Ubyly.

John Paul is welcomed at home by a sister, Beth.

Yvette Kasserman and Lucille Posade were welcomed as guests. Birthdays for Fern English and Yvette Kasserman were celebrated in song. Earl and Mayme Kasserman celebrated their anniversary and provided a cake made by Millie Renn. "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" was sung by the group in their honor.

A letter from the Human Development Commission was read, outlining the senior citizens programs. An invitation to tour the Tuscola Area Skill Center was read.

Mike Renn asked members what type of programs they would like to see in the future. Each member is asked to place a suggestion in the suggestion box next week.

Avena Walsh reported that Homer Motz has been released from the hospital and is recuperating at home.

Next week's chairman will be Ardis Gemmel.

## Area school lunch menus

Week of Feb. 16-20

### CROSS LUTHERAN

MONDAY: Pancakes, scrambled eggs, ham, applesauce/peaches, milk.

TUESDAY: Pizza, lettuce salad, pineapple/pears, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Beef roast, mashed potatoes/corn, rice pudding, bread, milk.

THURSDAY: Submarine sandwiches, baked beans, relishes, peaches, milk.

FRIDAY: Big Macs, fries, relishes, pears, chocolate milk.

### CASEVILLE SCHOOLS

MONDAY: Chili, chicken noodle soup, crackers, bread and butter, peanut butter sandwiches, ala carte: hamburgers.

TUESDAY: Tacos in shell or pita or hot dog.

WEDNESDAY: Ham or fish sandwich, scalloped potatoes, ala carte: ham sandwiches.

THURSDAY: Hamburgers or hot dogs, french fries.

FRIDAY: Grilled cheese or chicken sandwiches, green beans.

### LAKER SCHOOLS

Second choice all week: Hard or soft-shell tacos. Pizza available daily at L/JH and LSH.

MONDAY: Stacked turkey sandwich.

TUESDAY: Spaghetti and meat sauce.

WEDNESDAY: Pancakes and sausage.

THURSDAY: Chicken nuggets.

FRIDAY: Chili, tuna casserole.

## Baby shower

Mrs. John (Terry) Avalos of Pigeon was honored with a surprise Baby Shower on Sunday, Feb. 1, hosted by her sister, Mrs. Karen Baker and her mother, Ms. Barb Shanks of Elkton.

Games were played and a luncheon was served. Mrs. Avalos received many gifts. Guests present were Ms. Barb Shanks, Ms. Karen Baker, Mrs. Apolonio Avalos, Mrs. Joe Avalos, Mrs. Jesse Avalos, Mrs. Jim Costello, Mrs. Carl Foreman, Mrs. Roy Renolds and Mrs. Gary Pratt.

Mrs. Avalos is expecting her baby in March.

## Thanks A Million

DEAR MR. ROSS: I'm writing for my mother. Actually, if you help her it would benefit our entire family.

Some years ago my father, who was a butcher, had to quit work due to a crippling arthritis. Neither of my parents has had insurance since. I know they've tried, but were turned down for health reasons.

They were at their wit's end and started a janitorial service to pay the bills. Then just a year ago, my mother discovered she had cancer and one breast was removed.

Mr. Ross, my dad and mom have spent every penny on hospital bills. It breaks my heart. They can't even afford daddy's dental bill, so he pulls his own teeth.

But let me stress, my father will not go to any charity to help pay their bills. He is a proud man. The point is, we can't afford the special undergarment for mom. It has been over a year now and she should have had one months ago. It costs \$200.

Mom will not go out except to go to work. But even then she's always holding something in front of her so no one will see. Will you help? — Miss C.F., New Albany, Ind.

DEAR MISS F.: Pride can sometimes hold us back from getting what we need. I think in your family's case, your mother would be more apt to take help from you, rather than an outsider.

I'm sending you the check to purchase the required "undergarment" for your mother. If she questions the source of the money... just tell her you have a friend who wanted to help.

DEAR PERCY: I have a full-time job working nights as a waitress. My hourly pay is only slightly higher than minimum wage. Like a waitress, I depend on tips from the customers to make my income adequate.

You get what you pay for when I'm dancing. When the tips are low, so am I. I find it next to impossible to meet my monthly expenses. My lifestyle isn't that outrageous, but my bills sure are — car payments, clothes, credit cards, etc.

Without giving up any of the fun in my life, pray tell — what can I do to meet my monthly bills? — Ms. H.S., New York, N.Y.

DEAR MR. ROSS: Pray you find a better-paying job.

DEAR MR. ROSS: I'm 29 years old and live in a nursing home because of medical problems. I'm engaged to a wonderful man who also has a few medical problems, but is working hard to overcome them. He works with me everyday at getting my legs stronger so I won't need my wheelchair any longer.

We're getting married in a few months. I was wondering if you could help getting food supplies for our kitchen?

At this time we don't have salt and pepper or baking supplies like flour. I present-

ly live on Social Security, have \$29 a month left after nursing home expenses, and am saving every bit of that I can. I feel that after getting all the basics, it will be easier to keep my cupboards full.

We're bound and determined that with the support of each other, we will be able to overcome any problems that we have in the future. — B.S., Detroit

DEAR MISS S.: Unlike "Mother Hubbard's cupboard," yours won't be bare. Please use the check I'm sending to purchase the basic staples. Congrats!

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## It's a girl!

Larry and Colleen Krohn of Elkton are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Jennifer Marie, on Monday, Jan. 12 at Women's Hospital (University of Michigan), Ann Arbor.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Karsmarsi, Port Austin. Paternal grandparents are Mrs. Madalyn Krohn of Elkton and the late Charles Krohn.

Jennifer has a brother, Charles, age five at home.

## Lake-Chandler news items

By MILDRED BALLAGH Mrs. John McBride spent several weeks with her sister Bea in Munger.

Out-of-town visitors of the Dufty family for the funeral of Roy Dufty were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dufty and children Jeff and Suzie Weidman, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin (Ruth) Wegner of Grosse Pointe and Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Wegner, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wegner of Grosse Pointe, John Eidt and Gerald Roth of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McBride of St. Helen were recent guests in the William McBride home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ballagh were Wednesday visitors of Marguerite Thompson in Marlette.

Feb. 19 — Rush Lake Farm Bureau meets with the William Ballagh's for a potluck supper.

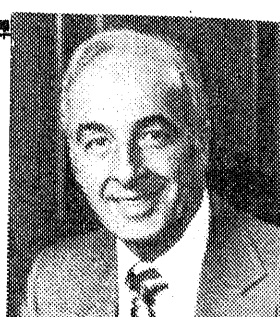
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The meeting adjourned at 8 p.m. by President Darby.

## Watch for plenty of SOUND-OFFS in next week's paper!

(WE'RE OUT OF ROOM THIS WEEK)



By PERCY ROSS

PERCY ROSS is a self-made millionaire who wants to share his wealth while he's still alive. He says, "He who GIVES while he LIVES, also KNOWS where it GOES!"

Readers may write to him, c/o The Progress-Advance, P.O. Box 35000, Minneapolis, Minn. 55435. Please include a telephone number.

## Scheurer Hospital notes

Patients in Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, on Monday, Feb. 9:

SEBEWAING: James Gibson, Etta Kunisch, Ruth Mammel.

PIGEON: Louis Henson, Kyle Yackle, Alma Dubs, Roy Kleido.

BAD AXE: Pauline Andrews.

CASEVILLE: Elmer Schmidt.

OWENDALE: Verda Kreh.

BIRTHS: Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Siewert of Pigeon, a son, Michael James, on Feb. 8.

## AMER. LEGION JEAN POST 543 AUXILIARY

The American Legion Auxiliary, Jean Post 543 held their Feb. 4 meeting at the Legion Hall.

A social hour and potluck was conducted between 6 and 7 p.m. The meeting was opened by President Marie Darby. "The Lord's Prayer" was recited by all. Secretary Eileen Tait and Treasurer Dorothy Beadle gave their reports.

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PIGEON VILLAGE COUNCIL has five candidates seeking four seats in next Tuesday's Primary Election. Three Republicans are automatically entered in the March Primary, as is the lone Democrat, for three two-year terms. One candidate is seeking the one-year remainder of an unexpired term for which he was appointed last summer.

1. WHAT ARE YOUR GOALS IN SEEKING THE PIGEON COUNCIL POSITION?	2. WHAT ADVANTAGES AND FAVORABLE QUALITIES DO YOU BELIEVE THE VILLAGE OF PIGEON HAS?	3. WHAT PROBLEMS OR NEEDS DO YOU BELIEVE COUNCIL COULD BE ADDRESSING, IF ANY?	4. WHY SHOULD YOU BE ELECTED TO PIGEON VILLAGE COUNCIL?	5. WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE GREATEST CHALLENGE TO THE VILLAGE DURING YOUR UPCOMING TERM, IF ELECTED?	
 <b>NEAL EICHLER</b> Data Systems Manager, Pigeon Telephone Co., age 35, Democrat Unopposed until March; Seeking first two-year term	I have no axes to grind. I just want a chance to help in planning, and proceeding with, the future of Pigeon.	After talking with people from other towns the size of Pigeon that have maybe one general store and a gas station, the advantages and favorable qualities of Pigeon have to be the variety of businesses and services available to the community, and the people who make sure those businesses and services remain in the community.	I have no pet project or campaign promise in mind at this point.	I believe my drive to do my very best in all that I do, my intelligence, my business experience, my computer background and my desire to keep Pigeon a place where people feel good about raising their children, are the reasons I should be elected to Council.	The greatest challenge for any council is keeping an eye on the future, anticipating and acting on situations before they arise, rather than reacting after the fact.
 <b>BOB FLUEGGE</b> Owner of Pigeon Motor Sales, Inc., and seeking second two-year term, as Republican. No age given.	Continue project already begun; keep positive outlook for the future, perhaps a unity of our downtown image for the visual aspect for visitors, encouraging those who travel through to stop and see what we have to offer.	THE PEOPLE. The quality of life here, willingness to help each other and the genuine concern for each and the pride of our citizens to succeed.	We need to find and encourage businesses and industries to locate here, to keep young people willing to stay in our area. We need to address the needs of teenagers, who have no form of entertainment aside from school activities. They need more to do than just drive to the village parking lot.	As a businessman with a lot invested in our village, I feel I can contribute with genuine interest in the continuation of our forward progress. I'm usually available and have a ready ear for suggestions or complaints from anyone.	As federal money is being diminished and farm values are decreasing, our tax basis is putting a greater strain on everyone. Council needs to investigate all areas to keep expenses down without cutting back on services.
 <b>MIKE GEHRS</b> Teacher at Pigeon Elementary School, age 36, unopposed seeking one-year election to fill unexpired term, Republican	I am running for the Council because I enjoy serving in that position. I was appointed last July to fill an empty position. Since then, I have learned how interesting and challenging the job is. I hope to continue serving on a progressive Council working to improve our community.	Pigeon is an excellent place to work and live. People here are friendly and are willing to become involved in worthwhile community projects. We have an excellent school system, which I am proud to be part of. My wife and I are very glad we've decided to work and live in Pigeon.	I believe Council is working very hard on the challenges facing the village. They are always willing to discuss new ideas.	I believe I've always tried to serve the interests of the entire community. I'm asking the voters to elect me so I can continue to be involved in the very important business of village government.	Council will be working to improve our village. We will encourage business growth downtown. We will also be looking for federal and state grants to make improvements without putting a greater burden on our local taxpayers.
 <b>CLIFF POBANZ</b> Grader man with Huron County Road Commission, seeking second two-year term, age 41, Republican	To do the best job I can do for the village, and to help keep village government running smoothly.	A lot of interested people, who really do care about their community's government.	Any problem that arises, large or small, deserves attention and prompt settlement.	To continue serving the people of this village as well as possible.	To keep all of the people happy all of the time, when you know you can only keep some of them pleased some of the time. I want to keep helping the village be a good place to live, as we help it grow.
 <b>TIMOTHY TATE</b>	No responses submitted by newspaper deadline				

PIGEON VILLAGE TREASURER has five candidates seeking the vacancy caused when former Treasurer Janet Heckman resigned to assume the Village Clerk and Superintendent's position last fall. All are Republicans, and the top vote-getter next week will be unopposed for the two-year term in the March General Election.

Janet Heckman is unopposed for the one-year remainder of the Village Clerk's term vacated by Bob Brown, Jr.'s resignation last year.

**FRANCES ARMBRUSTER** Housewife, seeking vacant Village Treasurer's job, age 65  
1. I have worked in a Certified Public Accountant's office for 22 years. Prior to that, I worked at the Co-operative Elevator for five years and have worked with people in several other jobs.  
2. I believe as a citizen who is interested in good government, I have a right to seek public office. I like working with and for people. I believe in giving an honest decision, thereby getting honest answers.  
3. I don't believe any changes need to be made. Our past Treasurer did a very good job. However, if someone should see some changes he or she would like made, I believe it should be brought to the attention of our Village Council, giving them a chance to act upon the idea.

**SUE GEIGER**  
No responses submitted by newspaper deadline

**DENISE A. KOHR** Secretary, John E. Walsh, CPA, Office, seeking vacant Treasurer's post, age 22  
1. I graduated from Baker Junior College of Business. I have been working for John E. Walsh, CPA, for 3 1/2 years. I have gained knowledge about taxes, bookkeeping and am aware of the various operations of the village.  
2. I really enjoy bookkeeping and working with the public.  
3. None. I feel the current system is appropriate.

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3. COMPARED WITH PAST TREASURERS, WHAT CHANGES, IF ANY, WOULD YOU MAKE, IF ELECTED?

**JOANN SCHAEFER** Nurse, seeking vacant Treasurer's job, age 33  
1. Being married to an accountant as I am certainly has its advantages. Plus, I am willing to learn new skills.  
2. I enjoy helping people of our community and meeting them.  
3. I believe the past Treasurer has the job streamlined. I doubt any major changes need to be made, but I would consider them if required.

**NOEL J. WICHERT** Homemaker, seeking vacant Treasurer's position, no age given.  
1. I am a high school graduate and have had bookkeeping experience. I feel my honesty and integrity qualify me for this position.  
2. I am seeking the office because I have been a resident of the village for the past 29 years and would like to become more involved in local government and my community.  
3. I feel no changes will be necessary, as our past Treasurer was very capable and efficient.

## Thumbnail Election Guide

The Progress-Advance is pleased to present this informational listing of answers from candidates in Pigeon Village Government for next week's Primary Election. Watch for other similar lists before the March General Election.

This photo-answer series was coordinated by Progress-Advance News Editor Rich Swartzendruber.

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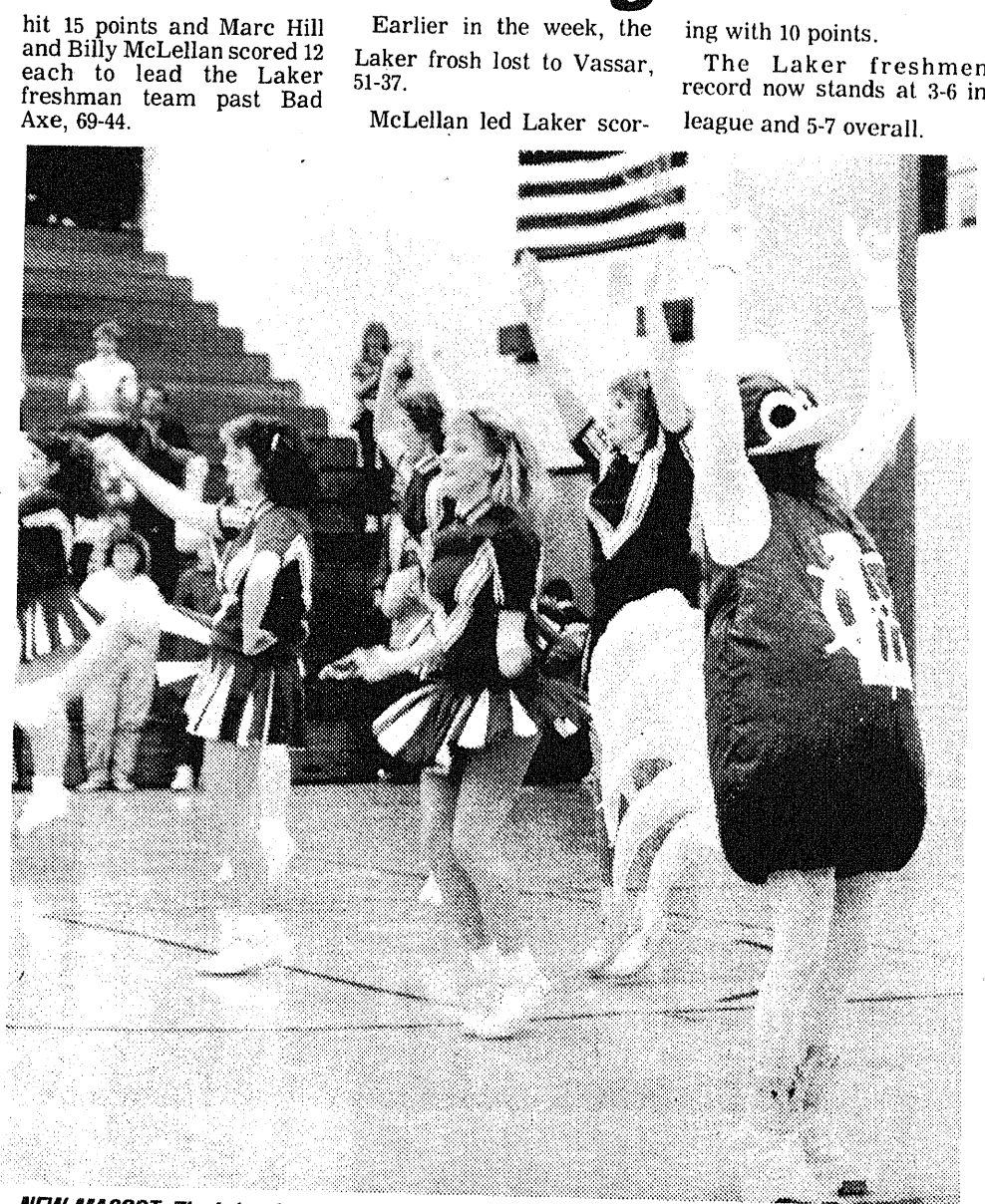
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# Bad Axe, Vassar fall to Laker cagers

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER  
A pair of wins at home last week enabled Lakers to move into sole possession of third place in the Thumb B Association basketball race. Friday night the Green Machine upended Bad Axe, 56-43, after defeating Vassar, 67-50 three nights before in a make-up game. After creating a 22-18 lead in a low-scoring first half, Lakers reeled off six quick points at the end of the third quarter to swing momentum in their favor. Tom Beer scored two buckets and Kendall Wertz added another, all on fast breaks against the Hatchet press. Heckman grabbed five steals and Sturm added two more. **LAST TUESDAY:** Lakers opened a quick 16-6 first quarter lead but saw Vassar rally to narrow the gap to 34-28 at halftime. The home team pulled away in the third quarter to a 53-38 advantage and cruised to the victory. Beer hit 24 points to lead all scorers, followed by Wertz with 16 and Elenbaum with 14. Vassar scoring was paced by Mike Gohsman with 19 points. **JVs SPLIT:** After dropping a 39-32 decision to Vassar, the Laker junior varsity bounced back with a 49-47 overtime victory over Bad Axe. Mark Kretschmer notched 29 points against Bad Axe, and shared team scoring honors with Kevin Wolfram with eight each against Vassar. The JVs are now 4-5 in league play and 7-6 overall. **FROSH SPLIT:** Ricky Behm

hit 15 points and Marc Hill and Billy McLellan scored 12 each to lead the Laker freshman team past Bad Axe, 69-44. Earlier in the week, Laker frosh lost to Vassar, 51-37. McLellan led Laker scoring with 10 points. The Laker freshmen record now stands at 3-6 in league and 5-7 overall.



**NEW MASCOT:** The Laker Chicken, the school's newest mascot, made his debut at the Laker-Bad Axe hoop contest last Friday night. The enthusiastic bird helped the Laker cheerleaders exhort the fans to support their team.

## Reclassification proposed for parochial and private schools

High school sports supporters in the Thumb Area have often been disappointed when rival perennial sports powers from private and parochial schools eliminated their favorite team and went on to win yet another state championship. One principal/athletic director of a Class D school, however, has gone beyond disappointment and is crying "foul." Atlanta High School principal/athletic director Les Hall recently submitted a proposal to the Michigan High School Athletic Association which would change the guidelines governing which division private and parochial schools compete in state tournaments. Rather than class size determined by student population, Hall's proposal would compete in the highest classification of the public school districts from which they draw students. The change would force most Class C and D private and parochial schools to compete in Class A and B state tournaments. **EXAMPLES:** The Atlanta principal cites the disproportionate number of state championships won by private and parochial school in Class C and D. Non-public schools represent only 15% of the Class C high schools in

Michigan, but are responsible for five of the last 10 basketball championships and 12 of the last 20 state hoop titles. Football offers the same story with six of the past 10 (including the last five in a row) won by private or parochial schools and 10 of the last 15 boys' track titles were claimed by non-public schools. Private and parochial schools represent 27% of Michigan Class D schools -- but have won 14 of the last 20 basketball championships, five of the last 10 football titles and 10 of the last 15 track championships. Hall's resolution was prompted by the fact Atlanta's outstanding football team had compiled an 18-game winning streak, outscored opponents 314 to 41 in the past season, but were beaten 55-0 by Crystal Falls Forest Park in the first round of the state playoffs. Atlanta supporters were then shocked when Crystal Falls was upended by Michigan Lutheran Seminary of Saginaw, 20-9. **UNLIKELY OK:** Adoption of Hall's plan is as unlikely as other such proposals in the past, as MHSAA officials refuse to acknowledge the domination of private and parochial schools in state athletics.

### Standings

Basketball		
Thumb B		
League	Overall	
Cass City	90	131
North Branch	72	85
Lakers	63	94
Marlette	54	85
Vassar	45	77
Bad Axe	36	311
Imlay City	27	211
Caro	09	013

North Central Thumb D		
League	Overall	
Port Hope	91	112
Deckerville	91	103
Owen-Gage	83	104
North Huron	65	67
Alkon-Fairgrove	55	76
Kingston	47	49
Caseville	28	310
Pack	28	211
CPS	28	49

### Pool leagues

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# Patriots bump Lakers from Klinger-Dast volleyball tourney

The Laker volleyball team sailed through pool play without a loss, but was sunk by arch-rival Unionville-Sebewaing in the semi-finals of the Klinger-Dast Invitational at Laker High last Saturday. The Patriots eliminated their Laker hosts by 17-15, 15-6 scores. The USA victory gave the Thumb C League leaders a 2-1 match edge over Lakers in three meetings so far this year. Owen-Gage won the

tourney championship with a 15-0, 15-12 decision over USA in the finals. In pool play Lakers defeated Cass City 15-12, 15-11; Henry Ford II 15-12, 15-13; Bad Axe 15-2, 15-7; Mayville 15-4, 15-5; Imlay City 15-9, 15-4, and Yale 15-7, 15-4. **CLOSE CALL:** Last Thursday, Lakers needed all five games to avoid a Thumb B upset at the hands of Caro. After winning the first game 15-7, Lakers dropped 10-15 and 13-15 decisions before responding with 15-4, 15-6 wins to earn the match victory. Laker All-State hitter Julia Sturm attempted 40 spikes, put 32 of them in play with 16 registered as kills. Junior Jackie Ginter was the top server with 20 points for Lakers. Lakers take a 4-0 league record and 32-8 overall mark to Bad Axe on Thursday night and are slated to participate in the South Haven Invitational on Saturday.



**ABOVE:** Lisa Buschlen returns a serve as teammate Jennifer Warren looks on. **AT LEFT:** Jackie Ginter, left, and Jennifer Warren leap to block a spike by a Yale player as Kriste Laceski (6) backs up the play.

## Inconsistent Eagle cagers continue downward slide

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER  
As the North Central Thumb League basketball race heats up between the front-runners, Caseville's slide toward the bottom of the standings continues. The Eagles were edged by Akron-Fairgrove, 69-64 last Tuesday, then lost a 66-53 decision to North Branch Wesleyan Academy on Friday. Inconsistency continued to plague Caseville in the loss to Academy. After leading 12-9 at the end of the first eight minutes, the Eagles were outscored 38-23 in the middle two quarters. "We play one good quarter, two mediocre and one bad quarter every game. We're just inconsistent," declares Eagle Coach Randy Bingham. The comeback attempt resulted in a foul trouble, another thorn in the Caseville's side this season. Chris Perry, Jeff Siegfried and Kris Grigg were all sidelined with five fouls in the game. Caseville players caused Academy ballhandlers to turn the ball over 26 times, compared to 19 for the Eagles, but failed to capitalize on those mistakes. Free-throw shooting provided the Eagle's only bright spot in the game. Caseville shooters hit 17 of 24 charity tosses for 70%. Matt Kraus scored 22 points to lead Caseville scoring while Bruce Langley added 11. Langley also pulled down nine rebounds. **SQUANDERED LEAD:** Against Akron - Fairgrove, Caseville

broke a 23-23 halftime deadlock by building a 42-38 advantage at the end of three quarters. The Vikings won the game at the free throw line as the hit 13 of 17 opportunities in the fourth quarter. Kraus led Eagle scoring with 24 points and Chris Perry hit all of his 14 points in the second half. The Vikings were paced by Brent Larsen with 19 points, Pete Micklovic with 17 and Brian Wolverson with 14. A frustrated Bingham seems to keep running into walls every way he turns. "The kids have played hard. They've put the effort out, but there's always one thing we don't do well. It seem's like Murphy's Law is following us around," says Bingham.

### McArdle, Truemner win Thumb B wrestling crowns

A pair of Laker wrestlers pinned down Thumb B wrestling titles in their weight divisions last Saturday at the league meet in Vassar. Pat McArdle won the 198 lb. division and teammate Kevin Truemner was crowned 138 lb. champion. Other top Laker wrestlers at the meet included Chris Russell, J.D. Talaski and Frank Shively, each placing third in their weight division.

McArdle defeated Gregg Guild of Caro and Todd Wolschlagler of Bad Axe for the title. Kevin Truemner upended Jim Nauka of Marlette and Mark Kappen of Cass City on his way to the 138 lb. championship.

**THIS WEEK:** Games scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 5 include: Laker Jr. High - St. Francis vs. Hayes at 7 p.m. and Pigeon First vs. Campus Life at 8:30 p.m. In the high school gym - Elkton U.M. vs. Cross at 7 p.m. and RLDS vs. Elkton Missionary at 8:30 p.m.

**DISTRICTS:** Lakers will travel to Cass City on Saturday, Feb. 21 for the District Tournament.

### Caseville splits with North Huron in league volleyball matches

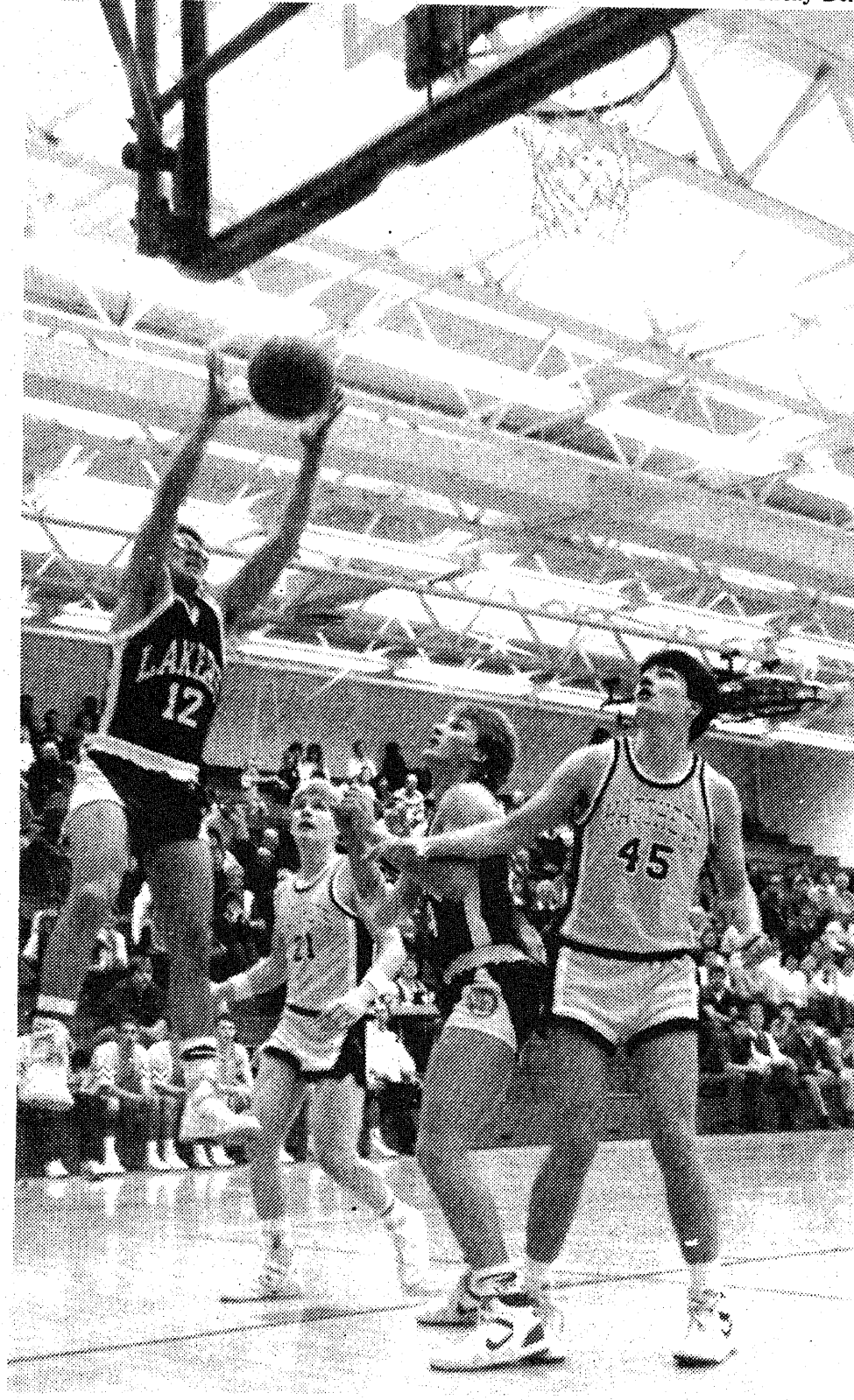
Caseville split a pair of matches with North Huron last Thursday night on the Eagles' home court. The split was a near replay of the match between the two teams the previous week at North Huron. The Warriors won the first match, 5-15, 15-8, 15-9, but Caseville bounced back to post 15-3, 15-4 scores to win the second-match. The two teams are both 2-2 in league play. Amy Conrad led the Eagles with 19 spikes for 11 kills. Yvonne Miller served for 16 points and Conrad recorded 12. Emily Warren played a key role in Caseville victory in the second match by serving for 10 points and hitting five spikes. **THIS WEEK:** Caseville was slated to travel to Deckerville on Monday night, then host Carsonville - Port Sanilac on Thursday.

### Interfaith basketball results

Pigeon First U.M.	58	Cross Lutheran	81
Hayes U.M.	51	Bay Port RLDS	48
Mark Gettel hit 18 points while Denne Henne and Randy Damm each added 17 for the winners. Hayes was paced by Steve Smith with 20 points and Kevin Darrow with 14. Elkton Missionary	71	Campus Life	80
St. Francis	45	Elkton U.M.	78
Scott Rosenthal netted 22, Mark Kelterborn hit 21 and Dale Pietruck scored 14 for the Missionaries. Pete Santos led St. Francis scoring with 16.		Dwight Gascho's shot one second before the final buzzer gave Campus Life the victory. Dale Killinger scored 21 points, Steve Pletcher hit 14 and Ken Smeader	

and Jay Dubey each chipped in 12. The Methodists were led by Kent Tibbitts with 25 points, Dave Fritz with 16 and Dale Ackerman with 14.

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**LAKER guard Randy Heckman leaps high to grab a rebound as teammate Kendall Wertz and Hatchet defenders Matt Heintz (21) and Rich Gundlach (45) jockey for position under the basket.**

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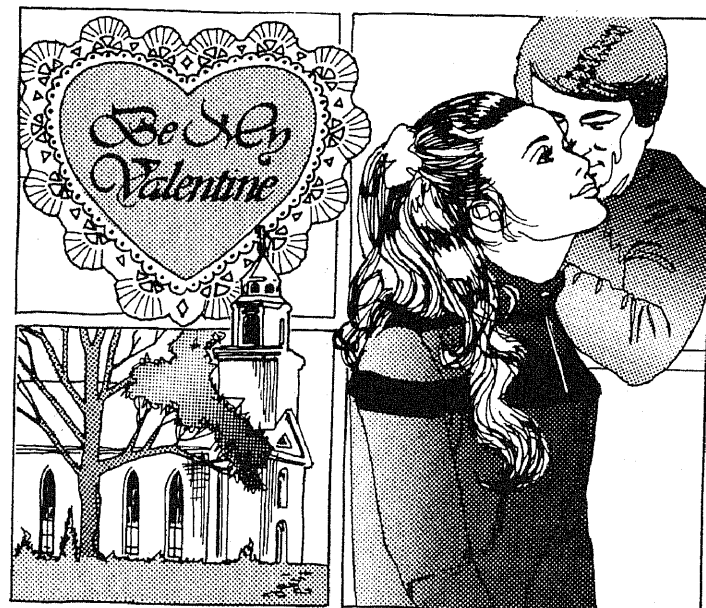
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## Elkton accepts insurance bid

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER  
Money matters dominated the discussion at Elkton Village Council's regular meeting last Tuesday.

**INSURANCE:** Council accepted a \$20,624 bid of Michigan Community

**Pigeon**  
FROM FRONT PAGE

located in the two-mile-square area bounded by Crescent Beach, Caseville and Dunn Roads and M-25. Council members said they are seeking ideas and comments from Pigeon residents about participating in the operation of the airport, to be funded for construction with 90% federal monies.

Kraft, of Pigeon, said 14 planes are based at the present Farver Field near Caseville, which netted a \$3,100 profit for the Bay Aviation Club this past year. After construction, Kraft noted the 222 acres of land present, acquired by the non-profit Airport Land Development Corporation would require minimum upkeep for snow removal and electricity.

Income from landing fees, gasoline sales and other charges should offset expenses, he said, citing similar status of the Marlette Airport, built in 1975.

This group has spent an estimated \$54,000 in studies for site surveys, environmental impact statements and so on. He hopes to submit a funding application soon, for the 1988 federal grants programs for aviation.

Council members said past years of controversy have made any type of support questionable at this time, but agreed to consider the request, Kraft says. Funding could be more easily received if a "regional" management structure operates the airport.

State Transportation Department studies say such an airport near the tourist center of Caseville could generate 12,000 landings and take-offs for short trips, Kraft said - easily enough to fund most normal operations.

**BUDGET OK:** CPA John Walsh of Pigeon and Village Supt. Janet Heckman presented the expected 1986-87 fiscal year budget, through Feb. 28 year.

Underwriters of Sterling Heights for insurance coverage for the Village. The bid was \$5,700 lower than the only other proposal, submitted by Lee Steinman Agency of Pigeon.

The Underwriters' bid represents a \$1,000 increase over last year's coverage. But Clerk Janet Santos notes additional property purchased by Elkton last year is responsible for most of the increase. Community Underwriters also provided insurance coverage for the Village last year.

**PICK-UP:** A \$5,102 bid of Maurice Bushey of Caseville was accepted for sale of a 1978 a one-ton pick-up sold by the Village. The bid was the highest among 24 received on the vehicle.

**VAULT:** Council approved construction of an 8'X9' walk-in vault for storage of village records. The block walls will be erected by Elkton DPW workers at an estimated cost of \$1,100. The vault is primarily for fire protection rather than concern about theft of village records, explains Santos.

**COMPUTER:** The Finance Committee of Dave Fisher and Neilan Hoffman, along with President Elmer Ropp recommended Council not purchase a computer for the village at present time. The committee action was prompted by the suggestion of Clerk Santos at last month's meeting to computerize village bookkeeping.

Santos obtained a written estimate of \$2,850 for the needed computer hardware, but was not invited to a finance committee meeting where the recommendation was drafted, the clerk said.

Council agreed to reconsider the matter in six months with more information and price quotes on other brands of computers.

**AMBULANCE:** Elkton/Oliver Ambulance Coordinator John Champagne and a representative of Ken Holden Distributing of Clare, Michigan provided a detailed report on renovation of the ambulance.

Only some minor improvements remain to be completed on the vehicle, Santos says. The actual cost of the renovation will total \$11,876, compared with the original estimate of \$12,000. The ambulance committee has paid \$7,500 so far on the project, with the balance to be paid when all repairs are completed.

**ABANDONED:** A section of Mullen Street, formerly known as East Street was officially declared abandoned by Council. The portion of the street is not used at the present time because the street has been straightened, Santos says.

The official declaration was approved because that portion of street is no longer used and could be used as frontage for adjacent property recently purchased by the village.

In a related manner, Council approved an ordinance which permits the village to purchase and sell public land.

**MORE BIDS:** Council agreed to seek bids for trash collection and also for a 50-inch lawn mower. Those bids will be opened at the March council meeting.

**SIREN:** Council offered to sell the fire siren and tower - owned by the village but located on Oliver Township property - to the Township for one dollar. Oliver Township would then be responsible for maintenance of the siren.

**OTHER BIZ:** Council also: Appointed Kay Walker, Dr. Francis Wilson, Shirley Willets and Kathy Ginter to the election board for the March 9 general election in Elkton, and

Authorized Clerk Santos to attend a seminar for elected officials in Lansing.

## Week of Prayer set Feb. 15-22

"Reconciled to God in Christ" is the theme for the 1987 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity which will be observed in Pigeon Feb. 15-22.

This year's theme from II Corinthians 5:17-6:4 reminds Christians of their crying need for reconciliation - with God, themselves and neighbors, according to Rev. Gordon Nusz of First United Methodist Church, Pigeon. He adds, "It is fortunate that what we need but which we never can provide for

ourselves has been provided by God."

Each of the six participating congregations will read Psalm 133 in their worship services on Sunday morning as a sign of "oneness in Christ."

On Sunday at 7 p.m. the community is invited to attend a prayer service at Salem United Methodist Church with Rev. Raymond Orth, pastor of Cross Lutheran Church, as speaker.

Weekday services are scheduled at a different church at 12 noon during the week of Feb. 15-22. Each service will last approximately 20 minutes: Monday at Pigeon River Mennonite Church, Rev. Ken Dietzel speaking; Tuesday at First United Methodist Church, Rev. Herbert Troyer speaking; Wednesday at Cross Lutheran Church, Rev.

### Pigeon news

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hales of Ann Arbor spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Elftman.

Last Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Stevenson entertained family members for the birthdays of Marge, David and Scott. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roestel, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Roestel and family, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Roestel and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Armbruster and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Roestel and daughter. A Tuesday supper guest was Karen Lindemann. Thursday supper guests were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roestel.

## Winter Bible School set at Pigeon River

The public is invited to attend a Winter Bible School scheduled for Feb. 11-14 at Pigeon River Mennonite Church, Pigeon. Alvin Yoder of Rosedale Bible Institute will be the instructor.

The event will include evening sessions from 7-9 p.m. covering "The Life of David" and "Spiritual Gifts." Morning sessions scheduled for 9:30-11:30 a.m. on Thursday and Friday will

center on I John and Job. Afternoon sessions from 12:30-2:30 p.m. on Saturday are scheduled rather than evening sessions that evening.

Special activities are planned for the children each evening, and a pot luck meal is scheduled for noon on Saturday.

Yoder will also speak Sunday during the regular morning and evening worship services.

## Rural event deals with farm laws

"From Moses to Reagan, How We Got Where We Are" is the opening topic which Don Reeves, farmer-rancher from Central City, Neb. will address in the first session of the next Town/Country Forum conference in Reese on Saturday, Feb. 21 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The one-day program is entitled "Fundamental Values and 1987 Farm Legislation."

Don Reeves has been a consultant for family farm legislation for the Interfaith Action for Economic Justice organization. Currently, he serves on the board of directors of Bread for the World and American Friends Committee on National Legislation. He is also chair of the government Farm Hot-Line in Nebraska.

The Town/Country Forum is an ecumenical group centered in Michigan's eastern side, particularly the Thumb and Saginaw River Valley, that is working to bring together groups to look at issues in agriculture and rural life. The Forum aims to strengthen its partnership by working on behalf of those who farm the land.

Pastors, laity, farmers, extension personnel, financing institutions and various farm labor groups are all invited to be a part of the Feb. 21 event which is a follow-up to the Dec. 4 event which dealt with Biblical, theological and economic issues relative to the rural crisis.

Church groups participating in the forum are: Detroit Conference, United Methodist Church; Diocese of Saginaw, Roman Catholic Church; Michigan Synod, Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod; Michigan District, American Lutheran Church and Lake Huron Presbytery, Presbyterian Church USA.

For more information on registration, contact Rev. Richard Ferne, Christ Lutheran Church, 2946 S. Reese Road, Reese, MI 48757 or Pastor Chris Anderson, 635-2266 or Judy McDowell, 799-7481 or Wanda Eichler, locally in Pigeon at 453-3342.

### Pigeon news

Mrs. Elsie Kern attended the wedding of her brother, Elmer Kuch and Pat Loesel at St. Lorenz Lutheran Church, Frankenmuth on Saturday. A dinner followed at Zehnder's and a reception at the bride's home. Mrs. Ella Ziel accompanied her and she visited her children, Mr. and Mrs. John Tolhoff and family in Reese.

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# BOWLING

## TY'S TUES. P.M. LADIES LEAGUE

Old Timers ..... 17  
Unpredictables ..... 10  
Four Spares ..... 8  
Alley Cats ..... 5  
High team scores: Alley Cats 1580 (547).  
High individual scores: K. Ginter 427, B. Forster 177.  
Splits: 3-10 D. McKenzie; 5-6-10 B. Forster.

## TY'S SUNDAY NIGHT ROLLERS

H & R Block ..... 13  
Video Spotlight ..... 11  
Soulestown Farms ..... 8  
Finkbeiner Farm Equip. .... 8  
G.W. Repairs ..... 7 1/2  
Miller Lite ..... 6 1/2  
Ty's Bowling ..... 6  
McBride's Tile ..... 3  
High team scores: Video Spotlight 1966 (721).  
High individual scores: LADIES - S. Hyzer 510 (179-185), L. Jaworski 479 (206), G. Finkbeiner 474, D. Schuette 175, B. Willoughby 174; MEN - T. Wills 563 (181-173-209), A. Selbig 512 (211-170), J. Jaworski 500 (171-189), D. Schuette 489 (208), J. Deming 494 (191), T. Wichert 489 (172-178), P. Gayari 488 (182), H. Hyzer 477, C. Finkbeiner 473 (177), D. McBride 175, L. Kelly 171.  
Splits: 3-8 D. McBride; 3-5-10 P. Podloskowski; 3-10 P. Prystup; 2-7 G. Finkbeiner; 4-5 B. Krohn; 4-9-10 B. Wichert.

## GUYS and DOLLS

Ebing-Roestel ..... 12  
Gunden-Rapson ..... 9  
Christen-Home ..... 9  
Dietzel-Ebenbaum ..... 9  
Roestel-Strauch ..... 9  
Dunn-Shieman ..... 9  
Kretzschmer-Thiel ..... 8  
Cusimano-McCrimmon ..... 8  
Dubs-Smith ..... 7  
Heintz-Hundoromack ..... 6  
Beachy-Weidman ..... 6  
Krohn-Morin ..... 4  
High team scores: Dubs-Smith 2038 (739), Gunden-Rapson 1982 (709), Beachy-Weidman 1973 (712).

## MONDAY MAJOR LEAGUE

High individual scores: MEN - J. Dubs 556 (215), L. Smith 548, M. Rosenthal 532, L. Roestel 530, D. Rapson 525 (200), L. Kretzschmer 512, F. Strauch 503; WOMEN - E. Gunden 545 (196-179), B. Heintz 527 (178-178-175), J. Selbig 507 (191), A. Ebing 504 (173-202), P. Roestel 500, A. Dubs 494 (182), D. Strauch 494 (182), P. Parrish 465, T. Dietzel 174, A. Krohn.  
Splits: 2-7 W. Henne, P. Roestel; 3-10 L. Roestel, D. Rapson; 4-7-10 A. Ebing; 3-9-10 L. Smith; 6-7-8-10 D. Roestel; 4-9 Peg Roestel.

Pigeon Motor Sales ..... 18  
Walsh Packing ..... 18  
George's Bar ..... 18  
Bay Shore Realty ..... 17  
Damm's Inc. .... 15  
Pigeon Lanes ..... 15  
Bay Shore Collision ..... 14  
J. O. Wurst Tiling ..... 13  
Crown ..... 11  
Brighton Metal ..... 10  
Owvik Stop ..... 10  
Millers ..... 9  
High team scores: Bay Shore Realty 2664 (957-862), Bay Shore Collision 2632 (915-901), Pigeon Lanes 2616 (882-874-860), Millers 2615 (909-880).


## ELKTON COUNCIL

### Regular Meeting February 3, 1987

The regular meeting of the village council for the Village of Elkton was called to order by President Ropp at 7:30 p.m. Council members present: Thompson, Santos, Stirett, Fisher, Hoffman and Russell. Absent: none.  
Minutes stand approved with the following additions: The are farmers who had their land placed in Section 116 were Mr. Motz and Mr. Weiderhold. The savings bonds given to village employees were for Christmas bonuses.  
Bids were opened for 1978 Chev. truck: Allen Fisher \$865.00, ? 1155.00, Ed Weiderhold 2453.23, Ed Bieri 3100.00, Dave Berndt 1767.00, Les Booms 1850.00, Maurice Bushey 5102.00, Edwin Pask 3555.55, Orval Brown 2000.00, Greg McKnight 897.00, Russel Kopah 2105.00, Martin Prill 2500.00, Todd Rivert 3001.00, Vill. Pt. Austin 3500.00, James Matteson 2950.01, Thumb Excavating 765.00, Bill Chappel 3300.00, Ernie Wachowski 2250.00, Wm. Fitzpatrick 2100.00, Dave Volmer 2510.00, Don Sturm 3828.95, Mike Baker 550.00, Walter Duggan 2600.00, Lasky Const. 2100.00.  
Motion by Fisher supported by Stirett to sell 1978 Chev. one-ton truck to the highest bidder, Maurice Bushey for \$5,102.00. Carried.  
Bids were opened for the Village insurance coverage: MI Community Underwriters \$20,624.00, Lee Steinman Agency \$26,345.00.  
Motion by Hoffman supported by Fisher to accept bid by MI Community Underwriters for the 1987-88 fiscal year. Carried.  
Motion by Fisher supported by Russell to accept and pass ordinance to allow the village to purchase and sell public lands. Six years and no nays. Carried.  
Motion by Russell supported by Thompson to adopt resolution to abandon East Street and to hold hearing at next council meeting. Carried.  
Motion by Fisher supported by Stirett to approve election board for the annual election on Monday, March 9, 1987: Kay Walker, Dr. Francis Wilson, Shirley Willets and Kathy Ginter. Carried.  
Motion by Fisher supported by Hoffman to pay bills as presented.  
Motion by Santos supported by Fisher to place refuse collection out for bids to be due for opening at next regular council meeting. Carried.  
Report by Finance Committee was given on research of changing the book-keeping system to a computerized system. Recommendation was given not to purchase a system at this time but to allow Clerk Janet Santos to further research the costs of a complete system and report back in six (6) months. Council agreed on the need of a computer system. Motion by Hoffman supported by Santos to follow through with recommendation by committee. Carried.  
John Champagne, ambulance coordinator, presented council with listings of costs for ambulance repair work. Total cost is \$11,867.82. Village has paid \$7500.00 with balance owing of \$4367.82. Motion by Fisher supported by Hoffman to pay bill upon completion of work and receipt of warranty. Carried.  
Motion by Santos supported by Fisher to pay registration and mileage cost for Clerk Janet Santos to attend seminar for elected officials on March 17, 1987 in Lansing. Carried.  
Motion by Hoffman supported by Thompson to place bids for a 50' mower with Walt Forster DPW Supt. drawing up specs. Bids are due for next regular council meeting. Carried.  
Motion by Russell supported by Santos to pay clothing allowance to DPW workers in the amount of \$400.00 to purchase and care for their own uniforms on a one (1) year trial basis. Expected savings to village would be \$260.00 per year. Carried.  
Motion by Fisher supported by Hoffman to construct a walk in vault approx. size 8'x9' with an approximate cost of \$1,100.00. Carried.  
Motion by Hoffman supported by Stirett to send letter to Oliver Township Board requesting that they accept full responsibility of the siren and siren since it is on their property. Village will sell tower and siren for \$1.00 if Oliver Township accepts responsibility. Carried.  
Motion by Russell supported by Thompson to accept 1987-88 budget for Equipment Replacement Fund, Local Street Fund, Major Street Fund and the Debt Retirement Fund. Carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m. Submitted by Janet Santos, village clerk.

## WOODS and WATERS

By Duane Guenther



# Wooden Fish

At the present time, I own 2 wooden fish. One, a masterful replica of a brown trout, was procured by trading a duck decoy for it. I am sure I got the best of the deal, for this wooden fish is a unique art form. Fashioned from bass wood, its carver created it perfect in every way. From the flaring gills and the slightly gaping mouth, to the bulging eye and the painted-in spots and lateral lines, this artist had put life into the piece of wood. Placed behind a log in any trout stream it would surely make an angler do a double-take.

*While spearing fish through the ice is on the decline, interest in wooden fishing decoys is on the upswing.*

The second wooden fish was given to me by one of the students in my school. It was part of a pile of junk, (that's what he called it) composed of old fishing reels, wooden bass plugs, and an antique pike-spearing decoy he had found in an abandoned fish house. This particular fish is unidentifiable as far as a specie is concerned. It looks a little like a smelt, but could possibly be patterned after a herring, or a small pike. Its carver, whom I don't know, was not as talented as the one producing the brown trout, and it is evident at a glance that this wooden fish was not meant to be placed on the pedestal where it now resides. But, regardless of its crude workmanship and apparent lack of value, I treasure it far more than the other I own.

People who are native to this part of the state, and who have been involved with ice fishing, especially pike spearing, know that wooden fish decoys have been around for centuries. Conceived by Indians, or early immigrants from northern Europe, this method of luring fish within range of a waiting spear is common only in a few areas: Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan and a few of the New England states seem to be the stronghold for wooden fish decoys, although the Eskimos were also highly skilled in the use of decoys made of bone, ivory, soapstone and sometimes wood.

The species of the fish decoys change depending on locale, but most of the fish decoys fit a common pattern. All, save those made by the Eskimos, are made of wood, usually something soft enough to be readily carved, and all have fins made of tin or some other thin metal. Since wood floats, the lures have lead in the bottom of the fish. The most common method of installing the lead is to drill holes in the belly and fill them with the molten metal. However, my decoy has a rectangular recess in its belly.

Fish, attracted by the decoy, will swim right into the hole and the lucky fisherman can have some exciting action. An angler who has tangled with a 10 to 15 pound pike in the confines of a small ice fishing shanty knows of what I speak.  
While all of the decoys in the Saginaw Bay region are made to lure pike, in the northern part of our state, at Burt and Mullet Lakes, fishermen sport a much different kind of decoy. Here sturgeon is the quarry and some of the older decoys were carved 40 inches in length so a legal fish could be measured by the decoy size.  
While spearing fish through the ice is on the decline, interest in wooden fishing decoys is on the upswing. Collectors are hounding fishermen in the Great Lakes area with newspaper want ads and personal visits. Recently, at a duck decoy show I heard someone mention they thought collecting fish decoys may very well be the final chapter in sporting folk art.  
If, like me, you are not interested in ice fishing, you might think seriously of collecting some of these interesting lures which are a part of this old sport.

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# BOWLING

## TY'S THURSDAY NIGHT LADIES

Knechtel's Market ..... 17  
Ty's Bowling ..... 16 1/2  
Video Spotlight ..... 9  
Ron's Party Store ..... 8 1/2  
G.W. Repairs ..... 8  
Elkton IGA ..... 8  
Baf's Bar ..... 8  
Elkton Co-op ..... 5  
High team scores: Ron's Party Store 623, Ty's Lounge 1760.  
High individual scores: D. Seley 509 (178-184), M. Erer 491, D. Schuette 482 (186), C. Kilgus 470 (212), K. Kuch 191, B. Willoughby 180, B. Wills 176, L. Rokicki 172.  
Splits: 5-7 C. Reilly; 7-8 B. Wills; 2-7 D. Damrow; 3-4-7 S. Cunningham.

## PIGEON WEDNESDAY NITE LADIES

Thumb National Bank ..... 19  
Bay Port Construction ..... 17  
Varty's ..... 16 1/2  
Miller High Life ..... 13  
Hill Flowers ..... 12  
Huron Excavation ..... 11  
Ralph's Tavern ..... 11  
Bay Port State Bank ..... 11  
Village Owik Stop ..... 10  
Damm's Inc. .... 9  
Lampighter ..... 8  
Pigeon Inn ..... 8 1/2  
High team scores: Miller High Life 2223 (786-795-730), Bay Port State Bank 2249 (826-820), Thumb National Bank 2228 (763-754-711), Lampighter 2168 (742-715-711), Damm 2146 (780-701).

Huron Excavation 2133 (719-712-702), Bay Port Construction 2134 (721-720), Hill Flowers (748-722), Ralph's Tavern 736, Varty's 719-702, Village Owik Stop 705.  
High individual scores: D. Yahn 557 (204-187), A. Gotham 539 (232), J. Abbott 498 (182-176), G. Carpenter 496 (232), M. Wichert 484 (171), J. Deering 478 (201), D. Deming 471 (170), T. Nagay 470, T. Morley 184, C. Rathje 183, M.L. Fluegge 180, C.J. Damm 177, P. Schulte 176, J. Nieschulz 172, L. Zarnke 171, S. Kraft 171.  
Splits: 3-10 R. Ruth, P. Kuhl, A. Ebing, G. Finkbeiner; 2-7 N. Gunden, J. Nieschulz, B. Forster, F. Richmond, P. Prystup; 5-6 D. Herzog; 5-6-10 G. Finkbeiner; 358 L. Osentoski; 6-7-10 D. Dunn, T. Morley.

## PIGEON WOMEN'S AFTERNOON

Beachy Eggs ..... 16  
Basinger Poultry ..... 15  
Grigg Greenhouse ..... 15  
Dinner's Home of FF ..... 14  
Town and Country ..... 13  
Moss Builders ..... 12  
LaFave Steel ..... 9  
Pat's What-nots ..... 8  
Shoreline Snowplowing ..... 7  
Pigeon Lanes ..... 6  
Terra ..... 3  
Pigeon IGA ..... 2  
High team scores: Grigg Greenhouse 1790 (649).  
High individual scores: V. Doyle 533 (191), C. Poisson 197, S. Meyersieck 190, J. Rosenthal 496, B. Heintz 489.  
Splits: 4-5 V. Pipe; 2-7 A. LaFave; 4-5-7 H. Good; 5-10 H. Good, J. McFadden; 6-10 A. Gornowicz; 5-7 B. Hundersmarck.

## ELKTON MONDAY MENS' LEAGUE

Bud Light ..... 20  
This 'n That ..... 19  
Jim's Garage ..... 18  
Don's Barber Shop ..... 17  
Elkton Petroleum ..... 17  
Thumme Insurance ..... 17  
Elkton Co-op ..... 17  
McKenzies ..... 15  
High team scores: Don's Barber Shop 2748 (983), This 'n That 2624 (921), Bud Light 2535.  
High individual scores: T. Wills 662 (269-203), D. Smith 582 (212), J. Schmitt 575 (218), D. McAlpine 573 (211), J. Jaworski 567 (206), S. Hurlburt 554, M. Krueger 532, D. Deming 532, M. Rokicki 528 (201), J. Tyler 527, D. Young 525, K. Schember 513, K. Hazard 500, R. Diebel 211, J. Rich 201.  
Splits: 4-7-9 H. Kuhl, E. Ropp; 3-7-10 E.

## Bowler of the week

Connie Maurer of the Bad Axe's Thumb Distributing Team rolled a 569 actual series to earn the Thumb Area Women's Bowling Association Top Bowler of the Week for Jan. 19-25.  
Other 550 and higher series bowled were: Sissy Wood 572, Bad Axe Lanes; Iris Teel 565, Crazy Horse, Uby; Judy Shanka 552 and Ethel Shaw 551, Bad Axe Lanes. Omitted from last week was Ethel Gunden 580, Pigeon Lanes.

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Buschlen: 3-10 G. Willoughby; 5-10 J. Jaworski; 2-7 R. Diebel.

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**Happy 16th Birthday!**

**Happy Valentine's Day—Denice Krista Wendy**

I ♥ U  
From Mom

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**Happy Valentine's Day—Denice Krista Wendy**

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John & Dorothy

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Clare J. Dast  
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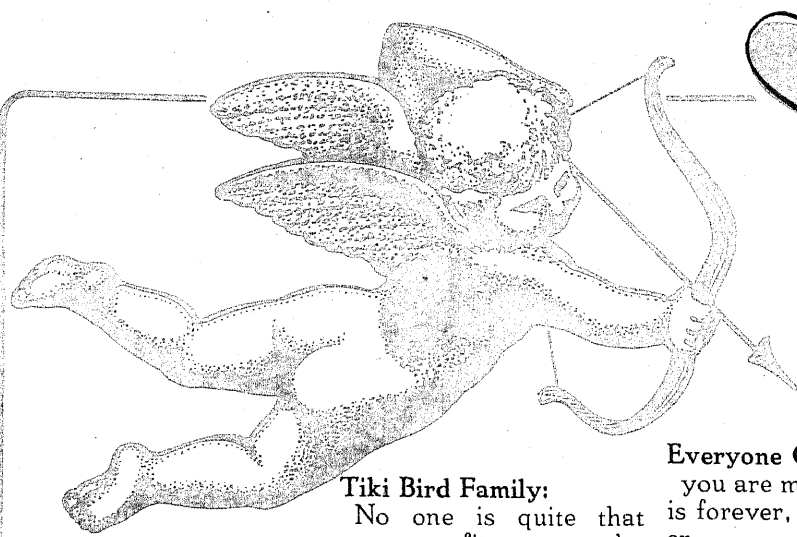
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**To Bill & Tricia, Justin & Jason:**

Sure can't wait till we see ya on vacation! Happy Valentine's Day!

**Butchie & Kathy In Kansas City:**

You sure are sweet and kinda nifty. Happy Love Day—

Don & D.

**To My Favorite Dad:**  
I Love You!

A.J.

**Tiki Bird Family:**

No one is quite that smart, to figure out who wrote this from the heart. I love you all!

Mom

**Grandpas & Grandmas:**

Roses are red, violets are blue, sugar is sweet and so are you! Love—

Adam And Chad  
Schweitzer

**To Our**

little Valentine in Avoca— Jennifer. Love, Aunt Linda, Uncle Roger Tiffany and Tammy

**Everyone Can See—**

you are my bee, my love is forever, it will not sever.

**Tammy & Tiffany:**

You are our favorite Valentine's, love—

Mom & Dad

**Lakers Are Green—**

Spartan's are too! Happy Valentine's Day Teri down at MSU!

**Grandma & Aunt Sharon:**

I Love You. Happy Valentine's Day. Love,

Doug Jr.

**Three 'Honeybuns':**

Jill, Brian and Beth, Love—

Grandpa & Grandma

**Sweetheart:**

I love you 'ho bunches, for now and always!

Your Baby

**Greingo:**

You are so sweet, much better than candy!

Punko

**Roses Are Red—**

Violets are blue, to all our grandparents: we sure do love you!

Steve, Mike  
Eric & Katie

**Doug:**

Another Valentine's has come. Our love for each other is still strong. I will love you forever. Happy Valentine's Day.

Valerie

**Grandma & Grandpa Fritz:**

Happy Valentine's Day. We will love you forever!

Cory, Shana  
Adam, Mandie

**Grandma Jean Adkins:**

Happy Valentine's Day! We love you very much.

Shana & Cory

**Grandpa Bert, Grandma Lorraine:**

Roses, oysters, hearts, lobster, love always,

Stuby's

**Jeff, Gloria:**

Beaches, Flamingos, sailing, sailfish, Valentine kisses. Love—

Stuby's

**Tom, Jill, Matt, John:**

Sunshine, sand, kisses, lot's love.

Stuby's

**Mike:**

Love is something we all search to find, and guess who's heart I have in mind?!

Love, Holly

**Jim & Donna:**

You're great parents, I love you's!

Vicki

**Dean R:**

I love you! Happy Valentine's Day, Love,

Vicki

**Vicki Winter:**

Happy Valentine's Day. I love you lots!

Neano

**Janice & Leon:**

Happy Valentine's Day, from your favorite son!

**Honeybear:**

Happy Valentine's Day!! Please by mine forever! Love always,

Your Snuggles

**Grandpa & Grandma Swartzendruber:**

Happy Valentine's Day. I love you!!

A.J.

**Cody Michael:**

Happy 1st Valentine's Day, cutie. Love,

"Aunt" Lisa

**Bryon, Casey, and Jonathon Graf:**

Happy Valentine's Day! Love,

Lisa

**Nay Ner:**

To my better half— Happy Valentine's Day!! Love,

Kritter

**Nancy:**

Happy V.D. to the world's sweetest wife and mother.

Rich

**Grandpa & Grandma Gould:**

Thanks for taking good care of me, I love you—

XXOO

A.J.

**To My Sister At Ferris State:**

Boy— I really miss you, hope your V'Day is great!

From K.

**Niecer:**

Happy Valentine's Day. You sure are a nice sister! Love ya—

Pooh!

**Mom:**

Thank you for everything you do for me. I love you!

A.J.

**Lonnie:**

Will you be my Valentine, cause you are my best friend, and I hope you are mine until the very end! I love you—

Gina

**Mom & Dad R:**

I love you. Happy Valentine's Day—

Becky

**Dear Grandma and Aunt Pat:**

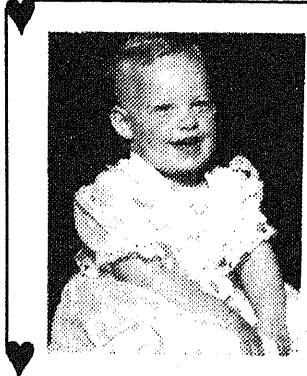
Happy Valentine's Day, and remember— we love you very much!

Matt & Becky

**Katherine Florence & Howard Too:**

I send all my love to you! Happy Valentine's Day.

Daughter Deb



**Jessica Ann:  
You Are "Our"  
Little Sweetheart!**

Hugs-N-Kisses  
Mommy & Daddy

**Kevin:**

Roses are red, violets are blue, I'm so glad we said "I Do!"

**To "Becky Beachy"  
in Gaylord— Hi Peachy,  
Happy Valentine's Day  
from:**

Guess Who!

**Uncle Dave, Aunt Robin  
and Tammy:**

I Love You!

Natalie

**Doug Jr.:**

Happy Valentine's Day. We love you. Love—

Dad & Mom

**To The Kausch Klan:  
Happy Happy Valentine's  
Day to each and everyone  
of you, this sappy Valentine  
greeting comes from— well,  
I'll bet you can't guess who!!**

C.B.P.



**Jim, Jim, he's our man, if he can't  
do it, no one can!  
- Your Fan Club -**

**Papa and Oma:**

We Love You! Happy Valentine's Day! Love—

Buckshot & BB

**Cattle Haulin' Man:  
Chickens cluck, cattle  
moo, I'm so glad that I  
have you!**

—Your Home 20

**Grandma M:**

Roses are red, violets are blue, what would we do without you?

A.J.

**Chrissy:**

Roses are red, violets are blue, mom and dad love you!

**Captain In Thousand  
Oaks:  
Roses are red, violets  
are yeller, please don't  
tell us about the nice weather!!**

Your Crew

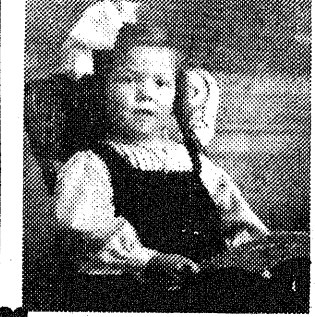
**I Love You**

Grandpa & Grandma Otto, & Grandpa Wing.

Love,

Beth Schnitker

**Becky:  
We Love You!  
Aunt Pat And  
Grandma Pauly**



**Time really hasn't  
changed you, you're  
truly just as sweet,  
so have a Happy Birthday  
and day that are  
really neat!**

M.B. and the 5 K's

**To The Alamo Texan  
Farmers:**

See you soon, we'll celebrate too, we want to see the Texas moon.

D&D

**Happy Bottom:**

Roses are red, violets are blue, you're such a good mom, I wish there were TWO of you!!

C.B.P.

Bob, Scott, Tracey, Diane, Leslie, Stephanie, Annie, Katie, Russ & Betty. From—

Grandma and  
Grandpa Drury

**Jay:**

You can spin your "wheels" for me anytime! Love, ??

**DeDe, Kris, Wendy Too:**

Love and kisses to my huggable bears.

Love, Mom & Dad

**Dear Peach:**

I love you very much and I will forever!

Dick

**We Love You  
SARAH and ANDREW  
Oh, yes we do!**

P.S. Have fun this weekend with Grandma and Grandpa R.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

**Dr. Toe, Peg & Nicole  
Pooh:**

For when you read this soon, we'll be there with you! Love y'all, see ya soon!

**Matt:**

We Love You!  
Aunt Pat And  
Grandma Pauly

**Karen & Dick:**

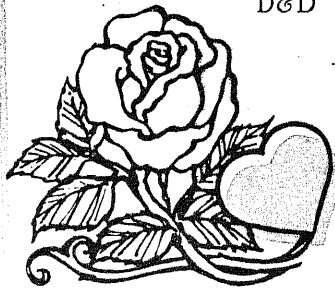
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Love, Mom & Pat

D&D

**Rick:**

To my sweetheart: I wish I could be there, though we're going to be apart, you know I still care.

Love, Kriste



**Valentine's Day  
Saturday, February 14**

