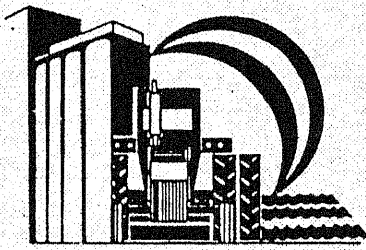


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## Jane Faust has top state recipe

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

An Owendale woman's hobby of collecting cookbooks paid big dividends when her kitchen experiments resulted in an all-expenses paid trip to Jackson, Miss.

Jane Faust earned the trip to the National Chicken Cooking Contest in Mississippi as the Michigan grand prize winner, after two panels of judges selected her "Chicken Primavera" as the best entry from the Great Lakes State.

The state winner will compete with 50 other cooks from each state and the District of Columbia for cash prizes ranging up to \$20,000.

Her husband, Robert, will accompany her (at his expense) to the event which is slated for May 13-15.

**TASTE TEST:** As part of her hobby of collecting cookbooks, Jane Faust says she often experiments on her family.

"I'm always trying out recipes on my family. They all agree to try new things once," she jokes.

Her husband and children, Troy and Trisha Kuch, liked this particular experiment with a chicken recipe, which she entered in the contest.

"We're happy with it. The family enjoys it," she says modestly.

**VEGGIES:** The recipe which earned the trip to the deep South is based on one she found in an old magazine — but has been adapted to meet the eating preferences of the Faust household.

"My family really likes vegetables so I used three different vegetables in the recipe," she says.

Zucchini squash was also thrown in the dish because it is so plentiful in their country garden, she adds.

**WHERE IS OWENDALE?** That was the question of a contest representative who called from Washington, D.C. to locate the nearest airport, while making travel arrangements for Faust. The Owendale woman says friends have teased her about putting that village on the map but the friendly, rural environment of the area suits her just fine.

**FRIENDLY:** Faust says she has no regrets about moving to the western Thumb Area from Bay City about seven years ago. Walking down the street in the small towns of Pigeon or Owendale always brings a cheery greeting which just doesn't happen in the bigger cities.

Part of that is probably



due to her involvement in Owendale Woman's Club, Young Junior Woman's Club of Pigeon, Laker Band Boosters and Laker Athletic Boosters, she admits.

She admits she's a "joiner," and often enters local contests and events because she enjoys such participation.

She also names the local, small-town Progress-Advance newspaper as her favorite.

"My favorite paper is The Progress because I like news

about a small town. I just feel it's a friendly paper," she says.

Her loyalty to that newspaper also played a factor in her expenses-paid trip.

Faust says she learned about the contest while reading The Progress-Advance and then submitted her unique recipe for the contest last fall.

**ADDITION:** Although Faust is not guaranteed any prize money, she is promised one benefit from the national PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 3



PAUL ELLINGER



GARY SEELEY

## Caseville men leaving district

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

Two Caseville School educators will advance their careers by taking superintendent positions in southern Michigan.

Caseville High Principal Paul Ellinger accepted the position of superintendent/principal of Deerfield Public School, located 15 miles northwest of Toledo, Ohio. Gary Seeley, fifth grade teacher at Caseville, assumed duties Monday as superintendent/principal for Nottawa Community Schools near Sturgis, Mich.

said the decision to leave Caseville wasn't easy, but cited career advancement as their primary motivation in taking the new positions.

"It was a very difficult decision to leave because my family and I are totally satisfied with the school and community of Caseville," Ellinger said. "The only reason I'm leaving is because it offers a chance to stay in a small rural community and an advancement in my professional career."

Similar sentiments were voiced by Seeley who said, "It's been wonderful. The community has been so good

**TOUGH DECISION:** Both men

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**CHEERING THE CHAMPS:** Laker fans had plenty to cheer about, as their teams won the District Basketball and Regional Volleyball championships!

**INSIDE:** Best Wishes to Laker Volleyball Squad, ready for State Semi-Final play!



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## Beet growers look ahead to '87

By PENNY HARRISON

Hopes for a more stable growing season and better harvest were shared by Michigan Sugar Company officials and beet growers alike at Sebewaing Beet Growers Association's annual meeting last Wednesday at Cass City's Colony House.

"You've got one coming," said Bob Young, vice president of Great Lakes Sugar Beet Growers Association to the more than 430 farmers in attendance.

**PREDICTIONS:** Michigan Sugar President Ernest Flegenheimer joined in wishing area farmers good luck. "If the law of averages holds true, we are going to have something good coming this year."

Association Directors and Michigan Sugar officials outlined the projected 1987 contract year as one essentially unchanged from 1986. Michigan Sugar has again contracted 83,000 acres in the company's four-plant area.

Locally, the Sebewaing Plant will see installation of a new "super-piler," and second set of scales to aid with unloading. The piling

**SUGAR LEADERS:** Local Sugar Beet Growers Association Board members are, front row from left, Victor Engelhardt, Stanley Gettel, Dale Henne and Daniel Herman. Back row, Lavern Engelhard, Carl Schuette, Richard Strieter, John Draschil and Thomas Zimmer.

grounds will be "rearranged" to alleviate traffic congestion during beet harvest. Crediting field man Dick Jacoby with the design of the super-piler, Michigan Sugar Vice President Davis Sunderland stated the new machine should pile 30% of all beets coming in to the Sebewaing Plant.

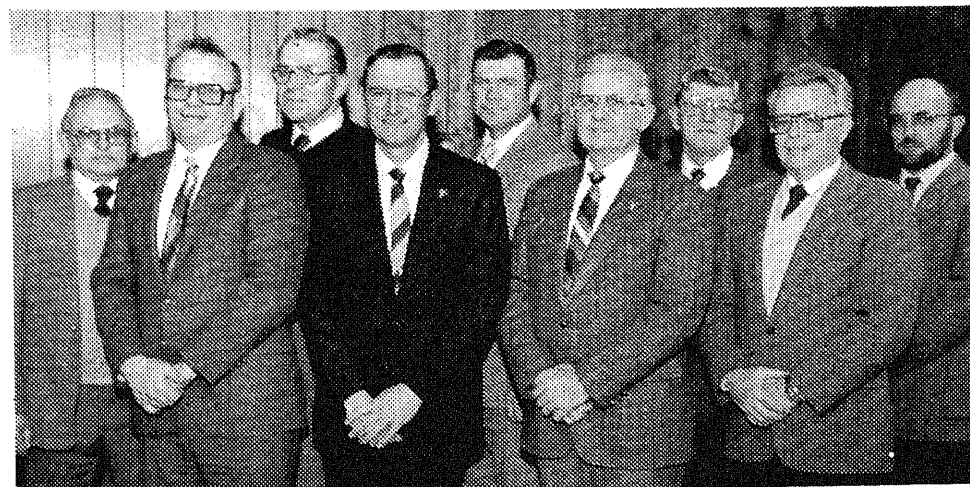
He also admonished farmers that if beets aren't

delivered when the company requests them, beets will be transferred from "over-east" to keep plant production going, regardless of possible traffic snarls on the piling grounds.

**PROBLEMS:** The subjects of overproduction, alternative farming and career changes were themes touched on by several speakers throughout the five-hour session.

Reporting on last year's sugar processing campaign, Flegenheimer called it "one of the most difficult years in every respect I can think of. The best thing I can say about last year is that I'm glad it's over."

Yet despite an 18% crop loss, Michigan Sugar processed 451,000 tons, its fifth-largest campaign ever. PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 4



## Pairings set for Interfaith tourney

The Interfaith Basketball League will wrap up its season this week with a single elimination tournament.

Four games are scheduled for Thursday, Mar. 19 to determine the four teams which will square off on Saturday for the semi-finals and championship contests.

Thursday's games include: In Laker High gym - Elkton U.M. vs. Elkton Missionary at 7 p.m. followed by Hayes U.M. vs. Pigeon First U.M. at 8:30; In Laker Junior High gym - Cross Lutheran vs. Campus Life at 7 p.m. followed by RLDS vs. St. Francis at 8:30.

On Saturday, the semi-finalists will play in the same gyms as Thursday night with a 1 p.m. game time. The championship game is set for 3 p.m. in the high school gym.



**BIG WINNER:** Annette Prich of Sebewaing is \$1,000 richer after buying an instant Michigan Lottery ticket last week at Qwik Stop. After inspecting her ticket in the new "Cash Deal" game, Prich discovered three aces, which signified the top prize in the game.

Prich says she will probably spend the money on expenses caused by her baby which is due to be born in about three weeks.

**ABOVE:** Prich, left, shows the winning ticket she bought from Qwik Stop employe Mary LaBelle, on right.

## State winner

chicken-cooking competition — more cookbooks.

She says each recipe in the contest will be compiled in a cookbook and each contestant will receive three complimentary copies. Those will be added to her collection of about 100 different recipe books and probably provide more "experiments" for her family to sample.

## CHICKEN PRIMAVERA

- 6 broiler-fryer chicken and breast halves
- 3 cups sliced carrots
- 1/4 t. marjoram
- 1/4 t. thyme, crushed
- 1/8 t. salt
- 1/8 t. pepper
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1/2 cup chicken broth
- 1/2 t. soy sauce

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**OBSERVATIONS BY CO-PUBLISHER MARK RUMMEL AND ANYBODY ELSE HE CAN GET TO WRITE 'EM!**

**DESK CLEARING** — They'd never say it to my face (of course), but most of the fine folks who work here with me MIGHT call my desk, well, "busy." The words "cluttered, cramped and confusing" may come to mind, too, but here are a few quick tidbits which have surfaced recently:

■ A friendly (but anonymous) reader informs us that he (or she) observed the first water skier of the season, on the Saginaw River at Bay City last Sunday, March 8...

Well, it may not be the first Robin, but it's a sign of spring just the same...

■ DON & NADINE BARBRET of Caseville sent us a nice card from Phoenix, Ariz., with this NEWS BULLETIN:

"Watch 'The Price is Right' on Tuesday, March 31 to see a 'poor' shopper." Nadine writes. "But it was quite an experience!" (Nadine's the "poor" shopper, we've learned.)

I'm not sure if that particular show will indeed be broadcast that day or not... but you've been warned! Can somebody watch for me, and let me know what happens? Some of us AREN'T retired (yet)...

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WISH I'D SAID THAT — "I get my exercise acting as paller-bearer for my friends who exercise!" (Chauncey Depew, 1834-1923)

## Thumb Weekly News Round-Up

### P.A. AIR BASE TO CLOSE?

The U.S. Air Force plans to close six Air Force Stations nationwide during 1987 and 1988, including the Port Austin Station at the tip of Michigan's Thumb.

According to a report Friday by U.S. Rep. Bob Davis (R-Gaylord), the Port Austin radar base is one of two Air Force installations in Michigan which is scheduled to be closed by June, 1988. The other is the Calumet Air Force Station, in Davis' northern Michigan district. The Port Austin facility is the only government operation of its type in the Thumb and northeastern Michigan.

Rep. Davis, who is already fighting the planned closing, said military sources confirmed stories he had heard in Washington, D.C. The other four facilities slated for closure are in other states, according to Davis' source.

### LOCAL SCHOOL SEATS OPEN

Terms on the Boards of Education of local school districts are up for election during the June 8 Annual School Elections. Present terms expire on June 30.

Nominating petitions are due in various school offices by 4 p.m. on Monday, April 6, and each office has additional information for interested persons.

Most of the seats to be decided are for four-year terms, including:

■ AKRON-FAIRGROVE: The four-year term of Nancy Sylvestre and the one-year interim position now being held by Jamie Miklovic will be decided. Neither has announced whether they plan to seek re-election.

Miklovic was named this month to fill the unexpired portion of former Board President Richard Partlo's term.

■ CASEVILLE: Four-year terms of incumbents Jacqueline Miller and Fred Fortsch are to be decided. Neither has yet announced their intentions to seek another term.

■ ELKTON - PIGEON - BAY PORT: Laker Board Vice President Virginia Leppardt and fellow incumbent James Clabuesch are both expected to seek re-election to another four-year terms.

■ OWENDALE - GAGETOWN: The term of Patrick Goslin is up for election as a four-year term. Goslin does not plan to seek re-election.

■ UNIONVILLE - SEBEWAING: Terms of Patriot Board members James Ewald and Richard Gremel are expiring. Ewald is not now planning to seek re-election, while Gremel is undecided at this time.

### A-F TO SEEK TWO MORE MILLS

Voters in the Akron - Fairgrove School District will be asked to add two mills for operations, during the June 8 school elections.

The Viking Board of Education notes farm land values have dropped 37% in the past two years, and forecasts a deficit of \$600,000 to \$800,000 next year without relief. A single mill that generated more than \$93,000 last year now is worth about \$60,000, they say.

The A-F Board has scheduled a special meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 30 to discuss alternatives. The two new operations mills will be sought along with a one-mill renewal question in June, bringing A-F to 30 mills upon successful completion — still nearly 10% below the state average of 32.5 mills per school district.

### AND, A-F'S SMITH RESIGNS

Akron - Fairgrove Schools' Superintendent John Smith last week submitted his resignation, effective June 30, so he can become the replacement for new Caro Superintendent Tom Lanwan in Montcalm County's Carson City - Crystal Schools.

Smith, 39, who has been Viking Superintendent for nine years, began as middle school principal in 1978. The Saginaw native replaced Dr. Fritz Esch in 1983 in the top job.

### COLLEGE STAYS IN CARO

Officials of Great Lakes Junior College plan to begin construction in April on a \$400,000 building to house up to 300 local students just northeast of Caro on Cleaver Road.

About 130 students now attend classes at the Caro satellite campus at the former Sacred Heart Parish school, but officials expect student enrollment to double within the next two years. The former Saginaw Business Institute also has campuses in Saginaw, Midland and Bay City.

Both Caro and Cass City had sought to be the location for Great Lakes Junior College's Thumb Area campus, but Caro was the winner when Caro Community Schools offered a six-acre college site for \$18,000. The school began offering college classes in Caro last fall.

### GEYER BREWERY REPRIEVE?

Beer may again flow from the taps at Geyer Brothers Brewing Company in Frankenmuth, if sale of the now-closed facility can be completed by April 3.

Federal bankruptcy officials are awaiting outcome of the possible sale of the brewery, Michigan's last small-scale traditional brewery. A new business, Frankenmuth Brewery Co., has a purchase agreement for the 123-year-old firm.

### TRANSIT MILLAGE SET MAY 12

A special election has been scheduled to seek renewal of the 0.2-mill levy to operate Huron County's portion of Thumb Area Transit.

The county-wide election is set for Tuesday, May 12, to renew the millage for 1987, 1988 and 1989. The governmental body operates route and dial-a-ride bus and transportation services locally, from its base in Bad Axe.

### POLICE BLOTTER NEWS

■ About \$220 in welding supplies and other tools were reported missing from a barn owned by Clarence Buchholz in Oliver Township, sometime between March 5 and March 13.

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## Caseville School

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to myself and my family. We're really sad to have to move from this area. On the other hand I'm really excited about the challenge at Nottawa."

**SISTER SCHOOL:** Ellinger notes Deerfield is very similar to Caseville school in many ways. One building houses the 412 students at Deerfield in a rural setting as is the case at Caseville.

"It's like a sister school district because it's so similar to Caseville," Ellinger says.

The Caseville principal says he is happy his job also includes principal's responsibilities for grades 7-12 at Deerfield because he still

likes to work with students. Ellinger was hired at Caseville in 1975 as a Business Education teacher, was named athletic director in 1977 and principal on March 7, 1980. His last day will be April 10.

**PROBLEM SOLVER:** Seeley taught fifth and sixth grades at Caseville since he was hired in 1972. He was also instrumental in Caseville elementary students involvement in a yearly problem solving competition at the state level.

In addition to superintendent's chores, Seeley will also serve as principal in the K-8 district which educates about 200 students.

As we see it editorially

Reading times have changed...

We recently published a little item about the number of newspapers published locally just 10 short years ago. It told of how things have changed in just this last decade, as eight papers are no longer be published in the Greater Thumb.

Now we've come across the 1916 edition of the "American Newspaper Annual and Directory," and there's quite a commentary on how our local communities have changed -- and haven't -- since then. See what we've found from 70 years ago:

AKRON had a 450-circulation paper called the Leader, in a town of 700. Daniel Dyer was Editor & Publisher and the Thursday paper was classified as independent and Republican, and had been founded in 1911.

BAD AXE had two papers -- the Huron County Independent and the Huron County Tribune. The Independent was a Friday paper begun in 1884. John Maywood was publisher of the independent paper, circulation 1500. Down the street (no doubt), the Tribune was also a Friday paper, which had begun in 1876. The Republican paper had circulation of 2500 and G.E. English ran it.

BAY CITY had seven papers in 1916, the Christian, the Democrat, the Industrial Herald, the National Farmer, the Sztandar Polski, the Times and the Tribune.

CARO had two papers, both Friday editions and both classifying themselves as Republican. The Tuscola County Advertiser had 4800 circulation, with A.D. Gallery in charge. It began in 1868. The Tuscola County Courier had 2678 circulation, began publishing in 1880 and was run by A.C. Olmstead.

CASS CITY was home to the Chronicle, published Fridays as an independent paper. It sold 1800 papers in the town of 1126. H.F. Lenzner was editor, and it began in 1899.

DECKERVILLE had its Recorder, a Friday Republican paper of 1200 circulation. Joseph Dawe was in charge, and it began in 1883.

DETROIT had 86 papers, including some published statewide. See how things change when ONLY print media are around!



DEAR EDITOR:

When we had that nice weather last week, some people said they had never seen anything like it. I just couldn't help but think back to March 9 of 1941.

I know a lot of readers weren't around then, but I was and it was the happiest day of my life because on that day the best girl in the state of Iowa became my wife.

We went to Iowa several days before and her folks were getting ready for the wedding. It is a custom out there among the Amist people for the man to go to the close relatives to invite them to the wedding.

She went along and we went to visit her three aunts and two uncles. Because I can speak Pennsylvania Dutch it was up to me to invite them.

Well, they knew all about it but that made it official.

It was a beautiful day and the ceremony took place in the Sunday morning service. Mrs. Joe Maust and Edgar Maust's father preached a very good sermon and performed the ceremony to a full house of people.

I was a little nervous but when we were pronounced husband and wife, I felt I was the luckiest man in the world.

We had a good dinner and a whole house full of people. The barn was full of horses and the yard had a lot of bugs. We got a lot of nice presents and both my parents were there.

Edwin Swartzendruber and his wife brought them out there, but when they started for home it was storming and blowing. They could hardly see to drive un-

til they almost got to Michigan.

Then it was really nice. In Iowa the roads got very muddy and my car got so full of mud that the wheels didn't hardly go around. Unless you've been there you don't know how sticky that mud can get.

Even with chains you could get stuck going downhill. It's much better now since they have most of the roads graveled.

When we left there for our honeymoon, we stopped for gas and it had thawed a little. I hit the fender and about a bushel of dirt fell off and the gas station attendant told me not to hit it again.

We went to Pennsylvania and came home and settled down on a farm east of Elkton.

It says in the Old Testament if a man takes a wife he shouldn't go to war for a year, but stay home and comfort his wife.

Well, World War II was going on and I got my physical examination and passed, but I needed 15 points to stay on the farm and I was lucky enough to have 17 points, so I stayed at home and was froze to the farm for the duration of the war.

It also says in Prov. 3:5, "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not onto thine own understanding." And I found this to be true, for many things have happened to me.

And I still don't understand everything that has happened, but if we trust in the Lord for everything, we will get along fine. And we don't have to understand everything.

SINCERELY YOURS,  
GEORGE KEIM

ELKTON had the Huron County Review, published by H.T. Trumble. The Friday Republican paper had 792 circulation in a town of 553 and had begun operating in 1885. FAIRGROVE had the Enterprise, published Fridays by B.H. Cornell since 1896. Circulation was 750. FRANKENMUTH had the News, an independent Thursday edition begun in 1906. E.W. Gallagher and Son ran it, with 500 circulation.

GAGETOWN's paper was the Times, an independent Thursday edition with 800 circulation. It began in 1898 and Gagetown had 358 population. Dan McCarthy was in charge.

HARBOR BEACH had the Republican and Graphic, a paper begun in 1876. It called itself Republican and printed 800 copies each Wednesday. W.C. Palmer was editor.

KINDE had the Advertiser, an independent paper published Fridays. It began in 1912 and listed no circulation figures.

MARLETTE had its Leader, an independent Friday paper with 1300 circulation. It began in 1878 and R.T. Baldwin was editor.

MAYVILLE had the Monitor, a Republican paper each Thursday. Circulation was 750 and Terry Corliss ran it, since 1887.

MINDEN CITY was home to the Herald, an independent Republican paper published Fridays by George E. Meredith. It began in 1890 and had 700 circulation.

OWENDALE had the Herald, an independent Friday paper with 450 circulation. P.H. Brookins was editor, and it had served the 285-population town since 1909.

PIGEON had its Progress, which had 1075 circulation in a town of 687. George H.A. Shaw was in charge of the Friday paper, which called itself Republican. The book (right) says the paper began in 1897.

PORT AUSTIN had the News, a 720-circulation Friday paper. The town's population was 533. A.K. Burrows called his paper Democratic.

REESE had the Review, a Friday paper with 500 circulation. J.H. Gies ran it.

SAGINAW had nine papers, of all types of variety... SANDUSKY had two papers, the Sanilac County Farmer at 1900 copies printed each Friday and the Sanilac County Republican, with 1800 circulation.

SEBEWAING's paper was the Blade, with H.G. Muellerweiss as editor. The Thursday paper called itself Republican and had been published since 1890. It had 1000 circulation in a town of 1347 people.

UBLY had the Courier, a "progressive" paper published Fridays. John Lusk was editor, with 784 circulation in a town of 442. It had been published since 1894.

UNIONVILLE had the Crescent, with H.F. Walker as editor. It was a Friday paper started in 1883, with 720 copies sold.

VASSAR had the Tuscola County Pioneer-Times, a Republican paper published Fridays by Robert Morrison. Circulation was 1520 copies, and it had been on the streets since 1857.

The fascinating thing about all this is how many have survived (even though MANY have left us). Some type of newspapers still exist in Akron, Bad Axe (one), Bay City (one), Caro (one), Cass City, Decker, Detroit (two, soon to be one, though), Frankenmuth, Harbor Beach, Marlette, Mayville, Minden City, Pigeon, Saginaw (one), Sandusky (one), Sebewaing and Vassar...

Some are doing nicely, while others won't last another generation due to high costs and low income. Couple that with long, long hours of effort required to produce a local product -- and you'll see there aren't waves of people waiting in line to purchase most of these papers.

And, huge corporations are interested only in a few of the bigger papers. The other ones will no doubt gently disappear -- leaving everyone a little poorer. It's a commentary on American life, and it likely won't change soon... if ever.

Beet growers

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finishing Feb. 10. Officials said ideal storage weather helped save the crop.

A LEADER: According to Michigan Sugar records, Sebewaing's sugar plant processed an average of 4,500 tons per day with several 5,000-ton days. Peak production was pegged at 5,400 tons on a single day.

Computer technology contributed to keeping sugar quality high. Sugar beet content averaged 16.1%, down from last year's 16.8%.

Fleigenheimer reported 65% of Michigan Sugar's product is still unsold with prices generally depressed due to large sugar beet crops in the West.

"We shouldn't kid ourselves," he said. "Somewhere down the road, we're going to have to face it... overproduction. Somewhere there's going to have to be a balance."

ALL AGAINST: Everyone who stood at the podium spoke out against a pending

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From Under The Willow  
By WANDA EICHLER

About hatred and a bishop

It has been awhile since I've had first-hand confrontation with the ugly reality of hatred. That confrontation came for me this week in Louisville, Ky., where I attended a global mission gathering sponsored by the United Methodist Church. The opening worship, a festive celebration from many cultures and nations, was planned for early evening. Those of us attending were anticipating the presence and preaching of Desmond Tutu, Archbishop of Cape Town, South Africa, who has long been known for his opposition to apartheid which separates society and brings suffering to millions of South Africa's people of color.

Thursday evening's worship was high, holy and uplifting, a suitable beginning to a conference that focused on the globalness of the church. Bishop Tutu's preaching stressed care of creation, both of people and of natural order, including the land. Communicants shared in the sacrament of Holy Communion in long slowly moving lines as the 4,000 gathered sang their way through a splendid moment of love and caring.

Love and caring and acceptance of all of God's children was not on the agenda of the men and women who demonstrated outside the meeting place, however. About 40 persons clogged the entrance to the hotel, forcing delegates to walk through their lines in order to enter the hotel. In their hands were signs that named Bishop Tutu as a racist and a 'communist and said, "Tutu go home."

Their children, kids as young as five, marched with them. TV cameras were rolling and, due to an early afternoon threat on Bishop Tutu's life, security guards surrounded the building and police cruisers were nearby.

Sharp contrasts existed between the hatred expressed outside of the hotel and the acceptance and love expressed inside that evening.

Real hate exists along with real love in this world today. While we in the Thumb are insulated from demonstrations and security forces and racial confrontations, those demonstrators outside that Louisville hotel hold no monopoly on hate. Just recently I've heard the label "nigger" used in supposedly normal conversation among women whom I know. Bigotry and hatred are active in our small town environment as well as in the city centers of our nation.

County Round-up

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Huron County Sheriff's Deputies say the barn on Richardson Road was entered by unknown persons.

An estimated \$35,000 in damages were reported when fire destroyed an empty cottage last Wednesday on Buffa Drive in Hume Township, between Caseville and Port Austin. Kinde firemen were summoned to the scene, and investigations are continuing. Kinde Firemen fought the 11:30 a.m. blaze.

COURT PROCEEDINGS

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

Terry W. Wood, 22 of Unionville, pled guilty to impaired driving; \$400 fines and costs and loss of driving privileges for 90 days.

Arthur E. Englehardt, 41 of Unionville, pled guilty to drunken driving and sentenced to 30 days in Huron County Jail, plus costs of \$100 and 12 months' suspended license, and

Peter J. Roy, 22 of Kinde, pled guilty to impaired driving; \$400 fines and costs and 90 days' license suspension.

More people in Pigeon, Elkton, Caseville, Bay Port and the Western Thumb read The Progress Advance than any other newspaper. Thank you for your support!

Letters to the Editor

Elkton resident disputes claims of Laker School Board president

DEAR EDITOR: I would like to congratulate you on your excellent editorials "As We See It." I have to give you credit for everyone cannot put forth such an objective view as you. You have spoken for

Taxpayer uses satire to make a point

DEAR EDITOR: Once upon another time in the land of Thumbdom all was well. The SEV was great and continued to be for years after the Elks, Panthers and Clippers got together and decided to eliminate competition.

When the idea was proposed all the people shouted with joy. For now instead of the best villages in the land being rivals, they would be as one, to reign as the undefeatable kingdom.

The people approved this merger. But the name of the new alliance was too long, so a new kingdom name was chosen for the kingdom. That name was Lakers.

It was a grand name destined to be praised throughout the new land and all was well.

But as time went by, a monster appeared and made the kingdom his new home. This monster, whom we shall call "inflation," was not immediately recognized for what it really was, for the governors of the kingdom were happy because the monster brought additional

"It's a small world" . . .

DEAR EDITOR: The saying, "It's a small world" we all have said many times. An incident that happened to us because of The Progress-Advance does make the saying very true.

A few weeks before Christmas my husband Pat found two "Progresses" in our mailbox. Living approximately 175 miles from Pigeon, this was very unusual.

He immediately looked at the addresses. Sure enough, one was addressed to us and the other was addressed to Al Dietzel. The name was very familiar.

An Al Dietzel had graduated from E-P-BP in 1963, just a year before Pat and I. Pat studied the ad-

Tired of airport battle

DEAR EDITOR: As a village resident, I am very concerned about the attitude of our Village Board concerning this airport issue.

For one thing, there have been two petitions turned in to the Village Board. I myself turned in one with almost the same language as Mr. Arliss Kraft's.

My concern is all the people who signed those petitions are a very important part of our Village and should be recognized by this present Board. They are taxpayers and most likely voted to put them in office. So to be correct there is more than just 299 names on file there.

I would also like to remind the Board that maybe someone you will need these people to vote on an important issue and then you could see the results of your actions in not recognizing their concern now.

I urge you to not support the Letter of Intent to sponsor the airport and it sure would be nice to see Caseville advertised in some way that will benefit our town instead of all the time seeing airport articles that

both sides of the voting public.

In contrast to your objective view, exemplified in the March 4 issue of The Progress-Advance is the one-sided, sharp and selfish tone we have been hearing from some of our administrators and board members.

This attack on your objective editorials is uncalled for. It just shows the attitude these people have. If they do not get what they want right away, they cry and blame it on someone else.

Mr. Baur, as I see it, the millage was defeated the last two times because you tried to slip an additional amount on us with a renewal. Let us be honest. Present the issues separately.

Shall we have another Tea Party or will our governors compromise and do with less as we have had to do?

Vote with the serfs and peasants on April 6 or do not gripe later.

Ye ole story teller,  
JULIE FLORES,  
Elkton

program that should have been initiated, if you as administrators had been doing the jobs you were elected to do.

So you had to give up six teachers last year because you could not find anything for them to do. Too bad, Mr. Baur, this was not a cost-cutting idea initiated by you people. It just happened as a windfall when the Skill Center opened.

As far as needing to attend Board meetings and YES Committee meetings, let us keep our editor unpolluted, please!

And the comment you made about it being our school, our children, and our responsibility to educate them, you are almost right. You see, we elected you to do the job, because you volunteered, so get to it.

You know, if you have changed your mind, you could opt to quit playing the game. Again Mr. Baur, you are trying to compare us with other districts.

Who cares about the average? Have you checked recently to see what the parochial schools spend to educate a child per year? I think you would be shocked. Well, maybe not you, but others would be.

And lastly, I agree with you, Mr. Baur, you do have your problems at the schools. But you are not facing them as you claim. The problem is over-spending and six percent raises.

As you stated in Elkton at your YES meeting, you do not pay your \$30,000.00 in property taxes. But just think. Someone must be because YOU are spending it.

Sincerely,  
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### 64 on O-G honor roll

Owendale - Gagetown Public Schools have announced names of the 64 students who have attained the Honor Roll for the third marking period.

Ten of the students have achieved a 4.0 (or all-A) average and are noted with an asterisk (\*).

**7TH GRADE:** Angie Gruber\*, Barbara Kowalski, John Maurer, Aimee Merchant, Mickey Parks, Jamie Parrish, Renee Murawski and Deb Timmons\*.

**8TH GRADE:** Sarah Carnagie, Jody Joles, Michelle Kowalski, Michelle Metzger, Michelle Peters, Lori Radabaugh, Vickie Ricker, David Thomas and Debra Thorp.

**9TH GRADE:** Stacy Enderle\*, Krista Grassman, Brian Guthrie, John Jaworski, Brandy Salcido, and Dale Tabar.

**10th GRADE:** Shirley Ashmore, Becky Emmons, Jody Fritz, Andrea Goslin,

Dawn Holland, Beckie Kling, Andrea Mandich, Heidi Nowaczyk, Patty Ondrajke, Marc Reinhardt and Emily Weisenbach.

**11TH GRADE:** Jane Billy, Brad Copeland, Marcie Draschil, Lloyd Fritz, Jill Janke\*, Tamara Kady, Ellen Lymburner, Sharon Parker, Susan Salcido, Gary Shemko and Amy Thies, and

**12TH GRADE:** Janice Cummins\*, Lisa Edwards\*, Cindy Enderle\*, Michelle McPhail\*, Sandra Miller\*, Tiffany Reinhardt\*, Mike Bolzman, Steven Czap, Heather Drosch, Roxanne Gettel, Charlene Goslin, Dawn Harris, Barbara Hellebuyck, David Laurie, Gabe Milbocker, Kendra Reehl, Stu Stirrett and Terry Throp.

School officials say Owen-Gage's honor students account for 35% of the entire secondary school student body.

### Scheurer Hospital notes

Patients in Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, on Monday, March 16:

**PIGEON:** Richard Schweitzer, Mrs. Edwin (Helvi) Pylkas.

**OWENDALE:** Roland Wisner, Mrs. Emerson (Mildred) Kain.

**ELKTON:** Agnes Green. **CASEVILLE:** Francis Turcsak, Delia Rottman, Robert Harrison, Mrs. Raymond (Mary Ann) Crane, Mrs. U. (Janine) Smith.

**BAY PORT:** Ruth Krenz, Mary Wise, Annie Putman. **FAIRGROVE:** Mrs. Eugene (Phyllis) Spencer.



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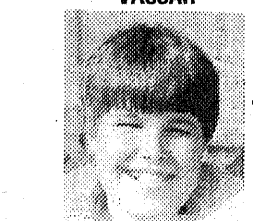
THIS WEEK'S QUESTION, ASKED BY JACKIE PECK:

What do you think was the best show ever on television? And, why??



The last episode of "M\*A\*S\*H," because they all got to go home

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"Airwolf," because there's a lot of action and I like the helicopter.

Chad Pobanz  
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"Family Ties," because it's a family show and it's funny.

Matt Sturm  
PIGEON



"Miami Vice," because it deals with drug dealers and how the police stop them.

Jeremy Meyersieck  
PIGEON



"The Archies," because I had a crush on Reggie Mantel

Jane Snider  
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"Perry Como," because he had a beautiful voice.

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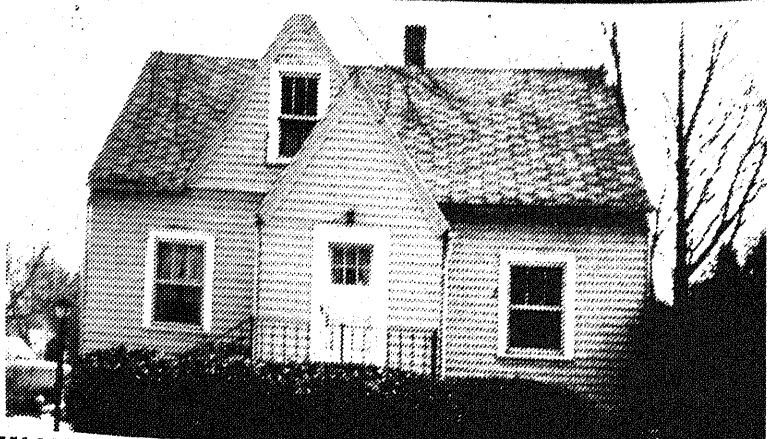


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## Residents invited to summer sesqui-plans

Residents and businesses from all parts of the Thumb are planning to take part in the parade and giant reunion scheduled for Huron Community Fairgrounds, Bad Axe, Sunday, June 14, as part of Huron County's Sesquicentennial celebration.

Gordon Gempel, program coordinator, together with Parade Chairman Bob Brueggeman, invite local people - churches, towns, clubs, groups and even neighborhoods - to enter the Sesquicentennial Parade prior to local festivals, such as the Michigan Sugar Festival in Sebawaing and the Farmers' Festival in Pigeon.

### Club news

**AM. LEGION JEAN POST AUXILIARY**  
Caseville American Legion Auxiliary Jean Post 543 met March 4 at the Legion Hall. Meeting opened by Vice President Mildred Beadle. Prayer was read by Marion Parent. Secretary's report was given and Treasurer Dorothy Beadle gave her report.

Bloodmobile time is here again, planned Thursday, March 19 at the American Legion Hall, Caseville, from 2 to 7 p.m.

Congratulations were received from Department Secretary Helen Hodges for reaching Auxiliary's membership goal.

Members learned Poppy Posters will be done by art classes of Caseville School. Mother's day hankies, cards and postage will be sent to the Veterans Hospital, Battle Creek, for veterans to send to family or friends.

Next meeting is 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 1.

### WORTHY STUDY CLUB

The Worthy Study Club met Wednesday, March 11 at the home of Mrs. Opal Duffy for a 1:30 dessert luncheon.

President Frances Beach presided at the business meeting and led in the Club Collect and Pledge to the Flag. Members responded to roll call with "A Good Deed Organization."

The group voted to conduct a Perch Cooking Contest in conjunction with the Caseville Perch Festival with judging on April 18 at 12:30 p.m.

Emma Potter presented the program on inspiring readings from the book, "Apples of Gold."

The April 8 meeting will be with Mrs. Mona McBride.

### FLOWING WELL FARM BUREAU

The Flowing Well Farm Bureau group met Thursday, March 12 for a potluck dinner.

A business meeting followed with all repeating the "Salute to the Flag." Margaret Ginter led in a few songs pertaining to St. Patrick's Day. Seventeen members answered roll call with "A Joke."

The minutes of the last meeting were given by Virginia Ackerman. Clayton Gemmell gave a report on a letter he received.

Francis Wilson was in charge of the discussion topic, "Availability of Rural Health Care." Virginia Ackerman led in the Fun Sheet.

is Saturday, June 20, and the Farmers' Festival parade is Saturday, July 25.

**WELCOMED:** "We certainly invite anyone who is preparing floats or other parade entries for their own festivals to finish their job early and take part in the Huron Sesquicentennial event," Gempel says.

"We're expecting to stage a tremendous event on June 14, with the parade and the big reunion." Anyone planning to take part in the 2 p.m.

parade through Bad Axe on Sunday, June 14 is requested to register with Gempel's committee. Awards will be given in six categories, including the grand prize in the Sesquicentennial theme, beauty, originality, senior citizens, comic and unit of horses.

Municipalities, service groups, businesses, churches, youth groups or individuals are invited to enter the float or parade unit. Participants planning to

be placed into the parade are asked to contact Brueggeman, 1621 Thompson Road, Bad Axe, or to phone him at 269-9327.

**REUNION FUN:** A host of activities is being studied for the reunion portion of the June 14 celebration, according to Reunion Chairman June Bowerbank of Bad Axe.

She says a horse show, square dance contest, big band sound with dancing, a rock band for younger dancers, antique car

displays, school band concerts and artifact and antique displays are some of the ideas under consideration.

**YEAR-ROUND:** Ralph Iden, Huron County EDC director who is heading planning for Michigan's 150th birthday, says additional events are possible during the year-long celebration.

Included are a day or evening at the Huron Community Fair, Aug. 2-9, selection of a Sesqui-King and -Queen, and other

possibilities in the early autumn.

"You're all invited," Gempel says, "because we'd like to see an all-county participation. That will be especially helpful this year, because it will tie in well with all those local festivals and events."

"It will be a great opportunity to advertise coming festivals, fairs and other events by appearing in the June 14 Sesquicentennial parade."

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# The Past in Print...



## 80 YEARS AGO MARCH 22, 1907

March came in like a lion. W. A. Scriber, Ernest Paul and W. W. Loosemore of Pigeon had telephones put in their homes this week. Joseph Smith is building a new home on his farm in McKinley Twp. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thede of Snell School district, a son. Bay Port News: Judd Steele is assisting in the meat market during the illness of A.B. Lee. Charles W. Kossanke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kossanke, is now employed in Detroit. Owendale News: Robert Gill left Wednesday for the Canadian Northwest where he will make his home. The Owendale Presbyterian Church is now out of debt. The last payment was made last week.

## 70 YEARS AGO MARCH 23, 1917

The Pigeon school district bonds of \$36,000 at 4 1/2% interest were sold to Saginaw Valley Trust Co., as they were the highest bidder at \$36,527.80. Charles Gillingham, Bay Port, returned last week from a visit to Los Angeles, Calif. B.D. Eddy is redecorating the interior of his pool room at Pigeon. Noah Roth has purchased the Henry McAuley farm south of Pigeon. According to the financial statement of Pigeon State Bank, the footing shows \$397,337.40. This is \$40,000 more than was ever shown before.

Caseville News: Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Cobb March 14, a daughter. Bert Curran is limping around with a fractured foot. Len Johnson has remodeled the interior of his store. Born to Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Bauer last Thursday, a daughter.

## 60 YEARS AGO MARCH 25, 1927

For the second consecutive year, the Pigeon

High School basketball team won the District Class D championship cup. Verne M. Geiger, who has been assistant cashier of Pigeon State Bank for the past eight years, has resigned to become the cashier of Fairgrove State Bank which will open April 4. Leo Bliss succeeds Mr. Geiger as asst. cashier. The Wallace Co. interests of Bay Port will open a state bank in Fairgrove on April 4. Daniel Bearrs has lived on the same 100 acre farm in Brookfield Twp. for 58 years and he will have a sale and retire. He cleared all 100 acres of his land and made a road to get to his home. Thieves entered the Charles Kinde barn at Bay Port Friday night and took about \$300 worth of furs.

## 50 YEARS AGO MARCH 19, 1937

Mrs. Fred Fluette, 39, nee Anna Reid, died at her home in Bay Port. She is survived by her husband, two daughters and one son. At Monday night's meeting of Pigeon board of education, it was decided to raise the wages of all teachers and the janitor 20% under next year's contract. The raise is the third in three years and represents a total increase of about 35% over depression salaries. New officers of the Junior Farm Bureau are George Baur, Bay Port; Gerhard Gettel, Owendale; Raymond Elbing, Pigeon and Albert Bach, Sebawaing. Mrs. Anthony Risky, 50, nee Zora Davis, died at her home in Brookfield Twp. She leaves her husband, three sons and two daughters.

## 40 YEARS AGO MARCH 21, 1947

The Pigeon Dairy purchased the Deering Dairy of Bay Port and is now supplying milk customers of Bay Port. Pigeon Dairy now delivers bottled milk and cream in Pigeon, Bay Port, Gageton, Caseville, Owendale, Crescent Beach, county and state parks and other

parks along the Scenic Drive to Sunshine Beach. Pigeon Post VFW has purchased the Christ Temple church property at the south Pigeon village limits from Rev. and Mrs. R.E. Matesson. The VFW plans to remodel the building to provide a hall in the church proper and remodel the residence portion to provide a club room, dining room and kitchen. Robert T. Wright, 55, former Pigeon businessman, died at Reed City. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and four sons. New officers elected by Pigeon VFW are Harold Britt, Ray Winkel, Lee Stirett, Don Hunter, Roland Dunn, Roland Dann, Edward Foster, Loren and Ralph Niebel, Luther Fredericks, Bill Swartzendruber and G. Guetlich.

## 30 YEARS AGO MARCH 21, 1957

Windsor Township Fire Department purchased a new fire truck valued at nearly \$20,000. Fire Department members are Chief Clifton Bailey, Waldo Doepker, Leo Luedtke, Wendolin Clabuesch, Arthur Schumacher, James Maxwell, Alfred Vollmer, Nelson Dunn, Walter Sturm, Don Sturm, Merlin Damm and Ed Haist. After being closed since October, 1955, the Gem Theatre in Pigeon will reopen Friday, March 22 under management of Edward Henne, who has leased

the building from Mrs. Wesley Thiel. Members of Elkton High School basketball team were entertained for dinner at the home of their coach, Ed Wichert. Lew Hill was elected honorary captain and Steve Meyers most valuable player during the past season. Lee H. Dilworth, 67, Bay Port, school custodian and former commercial fisherman, died Sunday evening. He is survived by his widow and two sons. Jacob B. Otto, 81, Winsor Twp. farmer, died Friday. He leaves his widow, three sisters and three brothers.

## 20 YEARS AGO MARCH 23, 1967

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Reibling, Elkton, will be honored for their 50th wedding anniversary at an open house Sunday at St. Paul's EUB fellowship hall, Elkton. They have nine children, 24 grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Members of the catechism class of Pigeon Methodist Church who were confirmed March 19 are Carol Craig, Kathy Leitch, Susan Schaal, Jane DeGrow, Beth Belding, Mary Lou Kerr, Marcia Damm, Alan Niebel, Jack Paul, Stacy O'Connor and George Larkie. Robert H. Orr, 74 of Pigeon, former owner of Orr's Drug Store, passed away March 20. He is survived by his widow, two daughters and two sons. He was a pharmacist for more than 50 years.

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## 10 YEARS AGO MARCH 24, 1977

Carol Richmond Rapson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Richmond, Bay Port, received a doctor of medicine degree March 12 at MSU's winter term commencement. She is beginning a residency program in internal medicine in Lansing. Mrs. Peter Herford, 78, nee Nina Seley, Elkton, died March 17. She leaves eight grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. Her husband and a son preceded her in death. Mrs. Nelson Harder, 83, formerly of Bay Port, died in Kalkaska. She is survived by a son and two daughters. At the meeting of Pigeon village council Monday night, the Hoppe property near Thumb National Bank and Trust Co. was approved for rezoning from residential to commercial. E. J. Clabuesch, speaking on behalf of the bank, stated that the bank plans to increase parking area and create more convenient facilities for drive-in banking.

## 44 YEARS AGO MARCH 25, 1943

John Bogalka, 96, Winsor Twp., died at his home west of Pigeon March 17. He had been ailing for a year. Rev. and Mrs. R.J. Lautner entertained members of the Young People's Missionary Circle at their home Thursday evening. Miss Dorothy Southworth was devotional leader. Robert McBride, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McBride, Elkton, will be inducted into the Army from Marshall Friday, later reporting to Camp Grant, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Beaver moved Saturday into the Elkton home recently vacated by the Irving Steinhurst family. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Torres have purchased a house in Elkton from Blythe Kellermann and will move there soon.

## FROM THE ELKTON ADVANCE FILES 51 YEARS AGO MARCH 26, 1936

Paul Ginter has been engaged to teach at the Winsor District No. 1 school this coming year. He has taught

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# Thumb area club news

## CASEVILLE RETIREMENT CLUB

Ninety members and one

guest were present for the March 10 business meeting of the Caseville Retirement Club at the American Legion

Hall. President Shirley Ritchie asked all to stand and greet their neighbors before



ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL, BERNE came out on top of the Thumb Area Lutheran League championship, conducted Feb. 21 and 22.

Shown here (not in order) are team members Beth Roestel, Kristie Dressler, Tricia Armbruster, Tonie Schulze, Julie Bruce, Missy Stevenson, Maria Redman, Carrie Bach, Renee Ebbing, Joy Rathje and Coach Al Selbig, at rear. Earning a second place win at the tournament was Bach-Kilmanagh, who won the league crown for regular season play. Third place winner was St. Paul's of Unionville. According to Coach Al Selbig, the young "Crusaders" finished the season with an overall record of 6-2. Another high point of the season was their defeat of St. John's, Bay City at the Bay Area Lutheran League Invitational Tournament, which earned them the consolation trophy last fall.

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leading in the Lord's Prayer. The Pledge to the Flag opened the meeting, following by the reading of the secretary and treasurer reports.

Advisory Board Chairman Frank Janes reported on a party set for March 17 with Chuck and Betty Pudney furnishing music. It was announced that a copy of club rules will be posted on the bulletin board. A suggestion was raised about having the lunch begin at 12 noon on potluck days, rather than at 12:30. The decision will be made following a vote at a future meeting. Stella Budrick, Lou Bartman, Marion Smith and Onalee Ewald were thanked for their "earlybird" goodies.

Travel Committee

member Ray Gerrard announced that he has brochures available on possible trips. He also mentioned that 20 new stores are being added to Manufacturers' Outlet at Birch Run. It was reported that Ruby Ewald is very ill.

Celebrating birthdays were Becky Elder, Ann King, Ailene VanConant, Ed Kirsten, Clyde Schamel and Estella Prishy. Willis and Genevieve Schneckenger were feted for their anniversary. John Kavalari has access to a float for use in the Perch Festival Parade. The meeting was adjourned for bingo and cards. Bingo overall winner was Noreen Klonowski. Pinochle winners were Cassie Kopke,

Henry Zakrzewski and Frank Janes. Euchre winners were Henry Beyer, Evelyn Garant and Tony Neal.

## Pigeon news

Dennis Dast of Saginaw was a weekend guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dast. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Weiss visited his brother Robert, a patient at St. Mary's Hospital, Saginaw on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Konen of Grand Rapids were weekend guests of her mother, Mrs. Ann Schuette. Visiting Mrs. Lena Henke on Sunday were Mrs. Alva Brown and Mrs. Ada Binder.

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As an alternative to earth burial, cremation often follows a conventional funeral. One of the obvious advantages of cremation is cost. The expenses of a typical cemetery plot, a vault, opening and closing the grave, and a marker or monument are eliminated.

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## Youngsters invited to SPARK program

Area preschoolers and kindergartners, from age three and up and their parents are invited to a SPARK workshop entitled, "Why Do I Blink?" on Saturday, March 21 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the Huron Area Skill Center.

SPARK provides an opportunity for high-ability children to interact with each other, while parents have a chance to establish a potential support group.

"Why do I Blink?" will be a body awareness workshop

for the young children. Carol Brown, Karen Stomack and Diana Taylor will work with the children on motor skills, art activities and language activities related to their bodies.

Parents will hear a presentation by Wendy Wilson, Huron County American Red Cross, on "First Aid and Emergency Care For Young Children."

Interested parents may register their children by calling the Huron Intermediate School District at

269-6406. A small registration fee is charged.

## Owendale hosts Blood Drive

The Owendale Women's Club will sponsor a Community Blood Drive on Monday, March 23 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Community Building.

Everyone who is able is urged to donate blood, as a serious blood shortage is reported by the American Red Cross.

## Sets wedding date

Latham-Bechler



Mr. and Mrs. Roland Bechler, Bad Axe, wish to announce the engagement of their son, Douglas W. Bechler, East Lansing, to Rebecca L. Latham, Wheaton, Ill.

Douglas is a 1978 graduate of Laker High School. He received his bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University in 1983. He presently serves as a regional political director for U.S. Senator Bob Dole.

Rebecca is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Richard Latham, Defiance, Ohio. She is a 1986 graduate of Wheaton College and is presently a legislative assistant to a state senator.

A June 13 wedding is planned.

## Achievements

Tina Bieri, a senior at Caseville High School, is one of six students selected from this region to participate in the 25th Michigan Youth Arts Festival.

Bieri's entry is a colored pencil drawing of her nephew, and will be on display in the Multi-Media Room, Dorothy U. Dalton Center at Western Michigan University from April 26 through May 6.

The festival follows a year-long search for artistic talent in Michigan high schools and is hosted by WMU May 7-9. Students, teachers and chaperones

will be housed on WMU's campus where they will participate in workshops and classes presented by professionals in various disciplines of the arts.

Groups may view the exhibit by calling (616)383-0791. The exhibit will be open to the public on May 7, 8 and 9. Winners will be honored at a luncheon at WMU on Saturday, May 9 at 12 noon.

The Michigan Youth Arts Festival is an approved activity of the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals and is endorsed by the Michigan Art Education Association.

## Area school lunch menus

### Week of March 23-27 CROSS LUTHERAN

MONDAY: Meat loaf, potatoes, peas/corn, bread, milk.

TUESDAY: Hot dogs/ham and cheese, fries, applesauce/peaches, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Chili, peanut butter or cheese sandwiches, relishes, pears, milk.

THURSDAY: Ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans/squash, bread, milk.

FRIDAY: Macaroni and cheese, lettuce salad, mixed vegetables, raisins, bread, chocolate milk.

### CASEVILLE SCHOOLS

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

TUESDAY: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, bread and butter, ala carte: hamburger.

WEDNESDAY: Pizza or hot dog.

THURSDAY: Ravioli, bread and butter, ala carte: hamburger.

FRIDAY: Grilled cheese sandwich or ham sandwich, green beans.

### LAKER SCHOOLS

Second choice all week: Stacked turkey on bun.

MONDAY: Nachos supreme.

TUESDAY: Chicken nuggets.

WEDNESDAY: Cheeseburger on a bun.

THURSDAY: Lasagna.

FRIDAY: Fishwich and chili.

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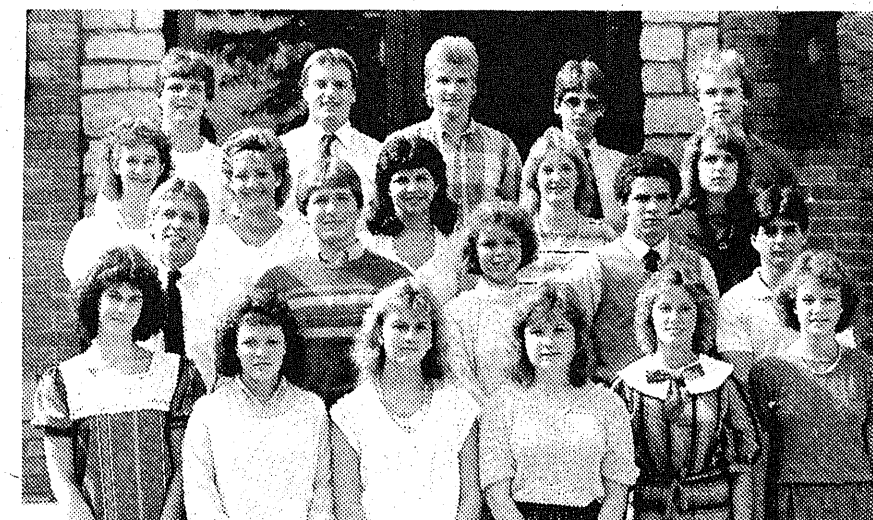
CELEBRATING 75th YEAR — The Girl Scouts of the West Huron Area celebrated the 75th year of scouting at a Mother-Daughter Banquet on Thursday, March 12 at the Ekton Civic Center. Sixty-three scouts and mothers attended the program, which included a Promise Circle ceremony and guest speaker Mrs. G. Connors.

Pictured here, Service Unit Director Lee Jaworski and the Daisies cut the Anniversary Cake.

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Free-will donations will be taken. Refreshments after services. The public is welcome to attend. These uplifting services will be appreciated by young and old alike. Please join us.

## Thanks A Million



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

DEAR MR. ROSS: I just found your column while reading an old paper in the bus depot. I think I qualify for having problems.

My baby and I have been living on the street for a month. She is only six months old and if the police find out where I'm sleeping they'll take her away. I could be judged as a misfit mother.

If I lost her, I'd lose my will to live. She's the only person who has loved me in my life.

I've been giving blood a couple times a week, but it doesn't cover milk and diapers. Besides, I keep losing weight and I'm scared of getting sick. I had to start putting big rocks in my purse so I weigh enough, else they won't let me give blood.

This is no kind of life for anyone. The baby's father left us for drugs and other women. But I was good enough for him to come around and beat on when he was drunk.

I offered to do things for him that would make him feel good, if only he'd leave me money for milk.

Well, he took plenty of what I offered, but he'd beat me when he was through. Could you see that my baby gets enough milk?

You can only reach me in

care of General Delivery. — B.H., Denver, Colo.

DEAR MISS H.: I hope by the grace of God my letter reaches you. Enclosed you'll find a small amount of cash for temporary relief... and my toll-free number.

Please phone me so we can further discuss your situation.

DEAR MR. ROSS: I read once that if all the different religions would pay income tax, then none of us poor workers would pay another cent to the IRS.

With your money you could stop this stupidity for once and for all. There are several "Atheist" organizations in the United States and Europe. They are poor and need your help. Please consider making a sizeable donation. — No Name, Austin, Tex.

DEAR NO NAME: Sorry... but it sounds like you're asking me to steal from Peter to pay Paul.

DEAR MR. ROSS: I recently joined a group of women who help each other lose weight. There are 14 in our group, most of us being senior citizens. We meet each Tuesday morning to weigh-in and encourage each other for the coming week.

I've learned that the battle of the bulge only gets harder to fight as you grow older. So after carefully weighing your letter, I've decided to send my check for a new scale.

May it provide the incentive to keep those pounds down and your self-esteem high.

— \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ —

We really have a good group and are constantly trying to win the battle of extra pounds.

Our problem is our scale. It's the same scale the group started with six years ago. It seldom weighs the same and just can't be regulated correctly. We don't have much of a treasury because of the fixed income most women live on. We feel if we charge more for dues, they won't come to our meeting.

Is there any way you could see your way to get us a new scale, so we could gain our confidence instead of pounds? — Mrs. K.H., Duluth, Minn.

DEAR MRS. H.: I've learned that the battle of the bulge only gets harder to fight as you grow older. So after carefully weighing your letter, I've decided to send my check for a new scale.

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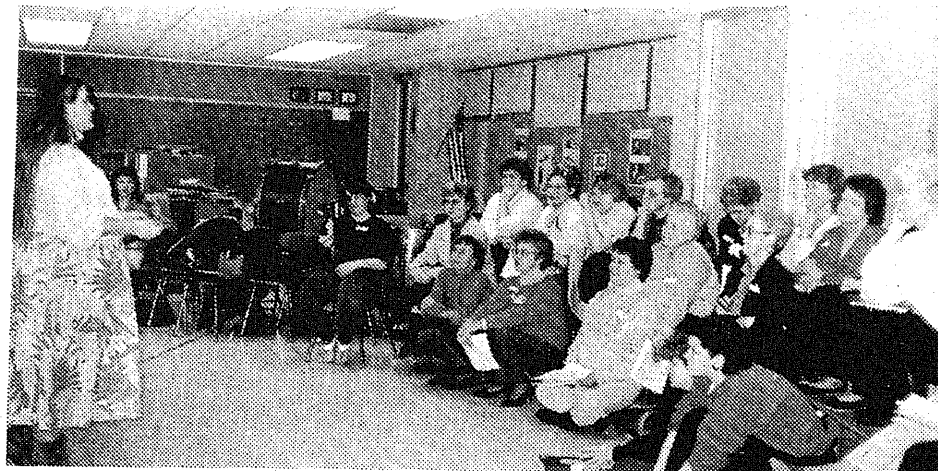
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**LEARNING HOW:** Cindy Hansen of Grand Rapids came to teach the Lake Huron Sweet Adelines chapter choreography, in preparation for the upcoming regional competition set for April 4 in Flint. Hansen is a member of the Kalamazoo Sweet Adelines. The Lake Huron ladies also practiced their steps in preparation for their upcoming show at the Laker auditorium on May 16. The women invited interested singers to learn more about Sweet Adelines.

## GREAT EXPRESSIONS

Of Appreciation

The Pigeon Chamber of Commerce wishes to express a sincere thanks to all it's members who helped make our annual Las Vegas Nite a "Winning Success." A special thanks to all of you who donated prizes & to those who attend our fund raising event. Thanks to Damm's Inc. for the donation of the Grand Prize Lawnmower and to Dale Wertz our auctioneer. Thank you Merchants for your donations.

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## SOUND-OFF !!

Phone 453-2323

So, Mr. Brunet says 85% of Laker parents of school-age children didn't vote in the last school election. Can he tell me of that 85%, how many pay taxes? Thank you, signed, a taxpayer.

★ ★ ★  
Congratulations, Laker FFA, for the great job the young people are doing. Fifteen State Farmers in one shot. Thanks, Don, for again making Laker FFA number one.

★ ★ ★  
In response to the letter in last week's SOUND-OFF: Farmers, please don't say I'm against you. I am FOR my children. They're our future and the future of farming, industry, government and our world. Now they need help. How on earth can you look at your own children and your own grandchildren and tell them "no?"

★ ★ ★  
From an out-of-state fan, happy anniversary Dale and Floris.

★ ★ ★  
I'd like to report the raccoons seen on Natter Road and Haist Roads. He's a big one, but I don't know how many points he had.

★ ★ ★  
Our sincere apologies to the Village Barber Shop. You were a tremendous asset to our elementary tournament and were in-

### It's a boy!

Born to Paul and Lisa Kunisch, a son, Joshua Paul, on March 13 at Hills and Dales Hospital, Cass City. The infant weighed 6 lbs. 15 oz. and was 19½ inches long.

He has a sister, Heather, age 14 months at home. Maternal grandmother is Judy Woodie of Sebawaing. Maternal grandfather is Carl Cook of League City, Tex. Paternal grandmother is Etta Kunish of Sebawaing.

advertently left out of our thank you. So very sorry. Pigeon PTC.

★ ★ ★  
My husband and I have a question about the Caseville Township Board of Review. Is it legal to have a school administrator on this board? Also, is there not a question of conflict of interests, since tax base effects school funding?

★ ★ ★  
I see where there will be a meeting for the clerks in Pigeon. A while ago I wrote in, regarding the attitude of Pigeon employers and employees and it was never printed. Like I said before, we as patronizing customers do not

have to speak first, and be treated shabbily.

This doesn't pertain to everyone, but you know pretty well who you are. You want the business to stay in Pigeon, well do something about your attitude towards customers! More should have taken a lesson from two good business people, such as Mel and Dorothy Baerwolf. They treated everyone the same. I hope this is printed. After all, I thought everything is to be printed.

★ ★ ★  
Welcome home, Scott, we've missed you. Love ya bunches, Bunner.

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## Crop insurance date coming

Wednesday, April 15 is the last day to apply for Federal Crop Insurance for barley, corn, grain sorghum, oats and soybeans grown in Michigan and insured by the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation or by a private company reinsured by FCIC, according to Jim LeCureux, Huron County Extension agricultural agent.

Crop insurance covers unavoidable loss of production resulting from adverse weather conditions, wildlife, earthquake or fire.

Three coverage levels — 50, 65 or 75% — are available for insurance protection.

Additionally, FCIC offers three optional price elections for valuing production, lost or damaged, LeCureux said.

A new crop insurance plan, called Actual Production History, is available this year, for producers who may qualify for higher yield guarantees by providing their history.

To find out more about the AHP plan, producers should contact a local, authorized agent, LeCureux stated, adding, that agents are listed by the local ASCS offices.

"The important thing to remember," he emphasized, "is that the deadline is April 15."

## Thumb Grain MARKETS

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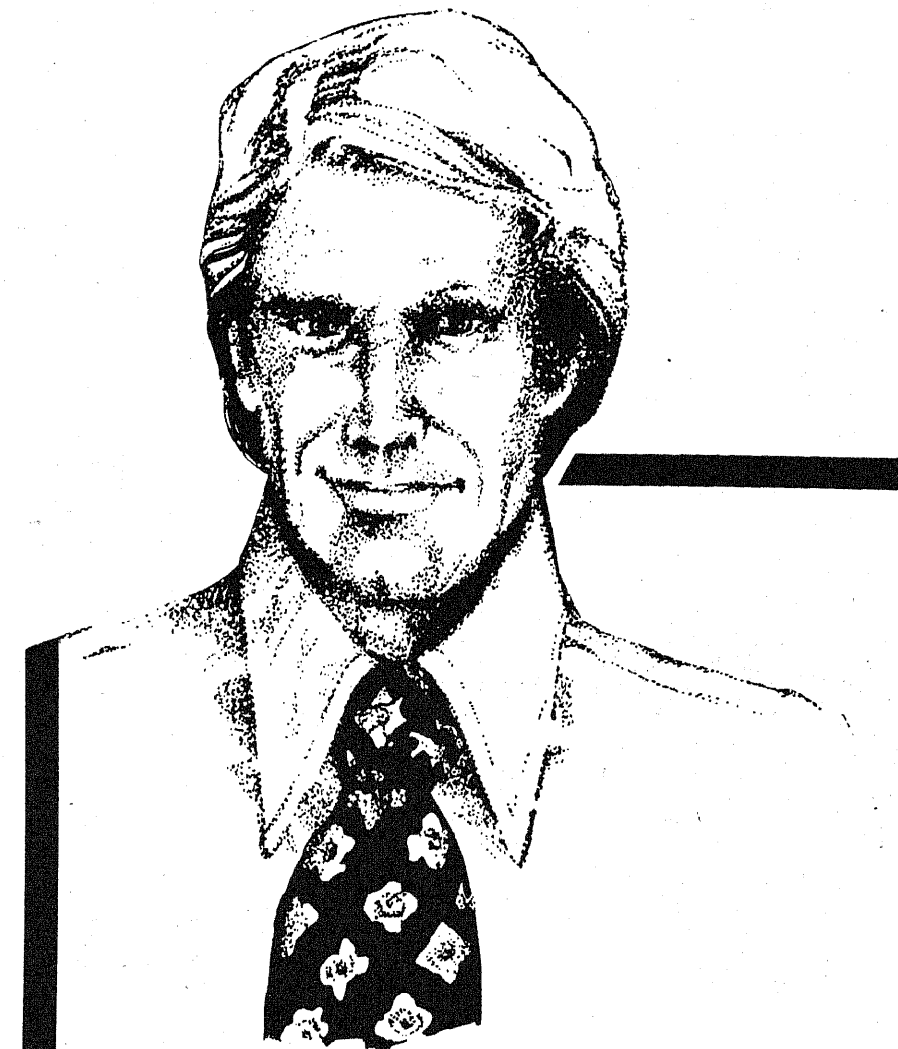
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You know, when I went to school, I was real active in the F.F.A., sports, and was even in the band up to my sophomore year. Those activities were important to me then, and I want my boy to be able to have those choices now.

I want my son to have the same advantages as kids from other schools. I want him to have the best school program possible. While having coffee the other day, everyone at the table said "idle threats", so I decided to attend the meeting Monday night and ask my questions. I came away from that meeting firmly convinced that the 10 mills are needed in order to maintain our schools as they are today.

I learned that last year alone fifteen classes were eliminated from the junior high and high school curriculum. These classes are above and beyond all the vocational classes that are now offered at the skill center. Did you know that because of last year's cuts, Laker High School can't even meet current accreditation standards? As a parent, I feel that our children can't afford any more cuts.

Hey, those guys out there are doing the job. I'm not going to gamble with my son's education. I'm voting YES on April 6th.

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## Caseville troupe presents jungle adventure comedy



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PLAY TIME: The Caseville Comedies and Tragedies Troupe will present the jungle adventure spoof "Hurricane Smith and the Garden of the Golden Monkey" on Thursday night in the Caseville gym. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. for the annual school play. A matinee performance for Caseville students is scheduled for Monday morning, according to Director Mary Kay Quinn. The cast includes: Carl Bruni, Tina Bieri, Kim madej, Jeff Siegfried, Tim Smith, Carrie Zollner, Becky Dubej, James Steinman, Yvonne Miller, Brett Henke, Kris Grigg, Kirsten Hermanson, Don Bixman, Charles Morden, Kristen Nevin, Becky Ousley, Erin Barton, Amy Conrad, Colleen Kopack, Doug Engleman, Brian Samborski, Carletta Sovey, Laura Shorkey, Tina Konke, Mishu Akbar, Sandy Briesmeister, Teri Cassada, Bridgett Meissner and Jenny Schultz.

### —NOTICE—

There will be two terms expiring on the Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Schools Board of Education. Incumbants James Clabuesch and Virginia Leippandt have indicated they will seek re-election to the four year positions. Persons desiring to run for these expired terms may pick up nominating petitions at the school Business Office, 6136 Pigeon Road, Pigeon, Michigan. Nominating petitions must be returned to the school office by 4:00 p.m. on April 6, 1987.

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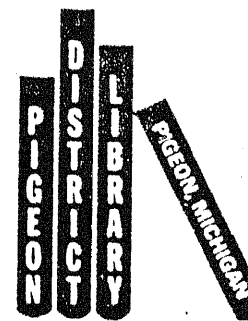
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## Pigeon District Library



### PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

"Spring" will be the theme for the March 24 Preschool Story Hour, with stories "About Spring" and "Tyler Toad and the Thunder." The song, "If You're Happy and You Know It" will be sung, along with games, exercises and a flannelgraph story. A special take-home project will be given out to the youngsters.

Children from age three to five are invited to attend either the 9 or 10:30 a.m. session each Tuesday morning. A registration fee is required.

### SENIOR CITIZENS FILM FESTIVAL

Senior Citizens are reminded to attend the Film Festival on Friday, March 20 at 1:30 p.m. at the Pigeon District Library. Films will include "Visit to Epoc Center," "Mennonites of Ontario" and "Dream Your Own Dream."

### RESEARCH MATERIALS

A good source of information for students, writing research papers and reports is the vertical files at the Pigeon District Library. The files contain newspaper clippings and pamphlets on a variety of subjects, from Agriculture to Working Mothers and a separate file on Michigan topics. The vertical files are located in the reference room and may be used by library patrons.

The readers' guide to periodical literature is another source of information. Magazines are kept for five years to give students the opportunity to research a subject from previous years. Patrons may ask for assistance from library staff, if needed.

### COMBATTING COUCH POTATO-ITIS:

Could we have an Home Builders meet April 1

Home Builders Association of the Thumb has planned a 7 p.m. dinner meeting on Wednesday, April 1, at Wildwood Farms Restaurant, near Cass City. Guest speaker will be Mike Hanson of the Department of Natural Resources, Sanilac County District #11. Any interested persons are invited to attend. Wildwood Farms is located on M-53, just south of the intersection with M-81. For more information, phone June Gray at 673-6748.

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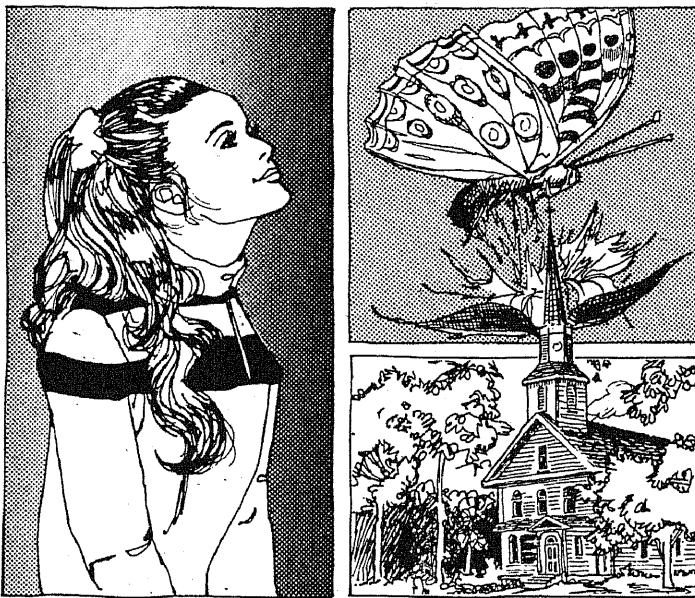
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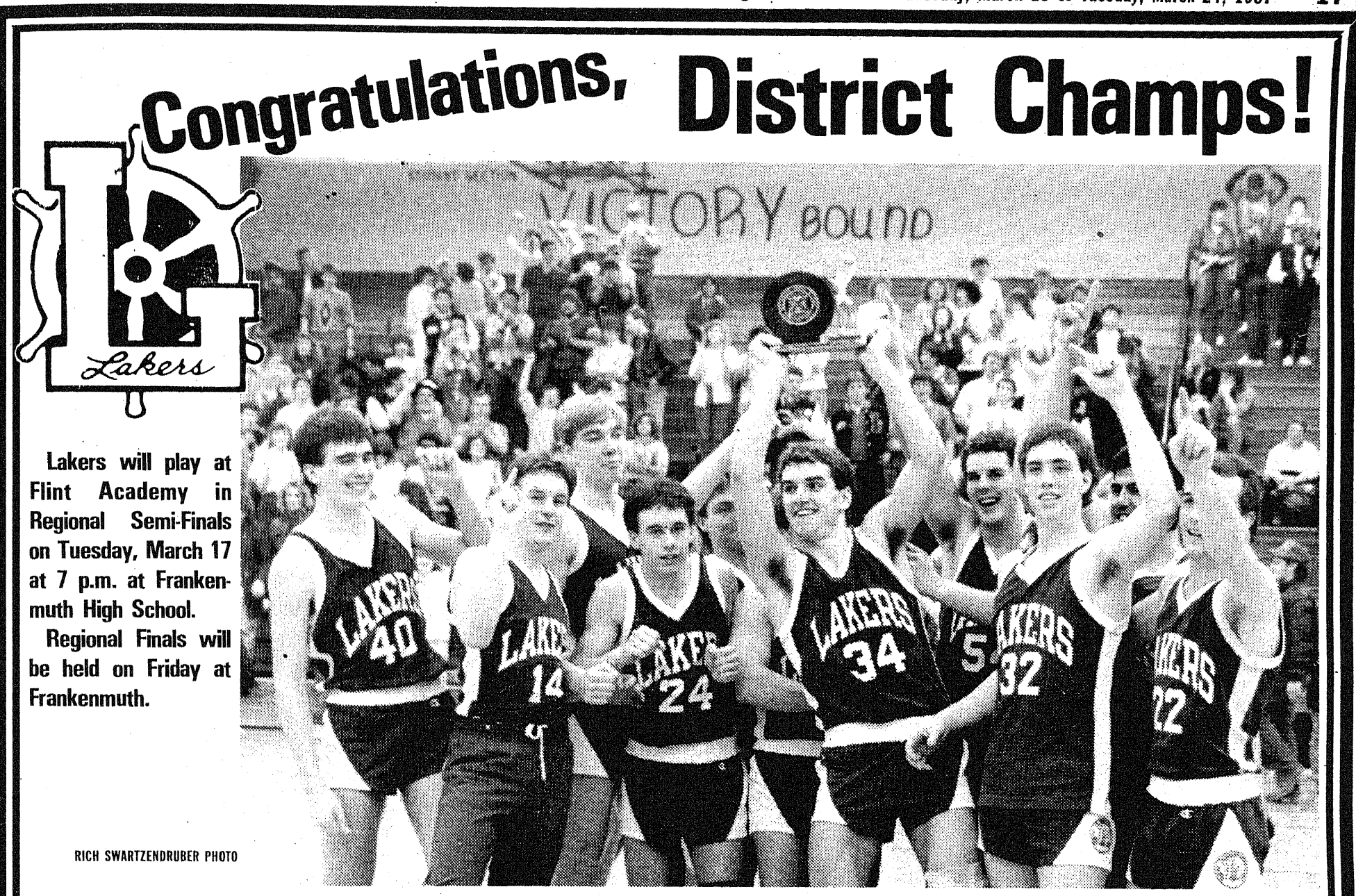
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## Lakers break hoop tourney jinx with district title win

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

A hungry Laker basketball team pulled up a chair at the regional table by upending Ubyly, 64-50, last Friday in the district finals.

With that victory, Lakers' dream of a state championship is still alive.

Although fielding some excellent teams in the past several years, Elkton - Pigeon - Bay Port has been denied a district championship since 1979. Ironically, that year Lakers advanced to the state finals before losing the title game.

"Can Lakers repeat that feat again this year?" was the question posed to Laker Coach Bill McLellan after Friday's title game.

"It's always your dream

until somebody shows you different," he answered.

**BIG FINISH:** Lakers made few mistakes in taking control of the game in the final quarter, especially from the free throw line.

The winners hit 16 of 19 free throws in the fourth quarter, including 13 in a row to finish the game at 24-30 for 80%. Ubyly canned half of their eight free throws in the game.

"If they would have missed those free throws we're back in the ball game but they made them. You can't beat a team when they do that. I don't care who you're playing," said Ubyly coach Fred Ligrow about Lakers' performance. "They played great," he added.

**CLOSE:** To, no one's surprise, the first three quarters produced very slim leads by each team.

Ubyly led by a single point at the end of the first and second quarters. Lakers then built a 38-33 lead by the end of the third quarter with an aggressive press that rattled the Bearcats. The Green Machine pulled away in the final stanza for the win.

"We got rattled and lost composure. We fell too far behind and when we had to play catch-up — that's not our game," Ligrow said.

**IMPROVE:** Despite a strong performance by his team in the fourth quarter, Coach McLellan still saw some room for improvement.

"You gotta keep getting better, especially if you want to stay in the tournament

way to a 16-12 first quarter lead. That was in sharp contrast, however, to their shooting in the fourth quarter which USA coach John Manninen termed "dismal."

After trailing 33-29 at halftime, USA saw Lakers extend that lead to 41-33 midway through the third quarter. The Patriots then quickly rallied to score seven consecutive points to tighten up the game.

That would be as close as they would come to Lakers, however, as poor shot selection and cold shooting in the fourth quarter doomed the Patriots.

**LEADERS:** Wertz and Beer each netted 19 points to lead Laker scoring.

The Patriots were paced by Scott Nietzsche with 15 and Tom Williamson with 14.

**REGIONALS:** Lakers were slated to travel to Frankemuth to face Flint Academy in the regional semi-finals on Tuesday night.

**TOUGH MATCH:** As expected, EPBP and Atherton provided spectators with a closely matched exhibition of top quality volleyball. At one point of another, both teams earned the lead in each of the three games in the match.

The pregame warm-up, however, offered a contrast in attitudes. Atherton players appeared confident, even cocky, while Lakers loosened up in a business-like manner.

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## Laker spikers return to state "final four"

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After starting the season at the top of the state rankings and then falling out of the top ten, the Laker volleyball team is clawing their way back to the top of the heap where it counts — in the state tournament. For the third time in the last four years, Laker High is among the "final four" with a shot at the Class C state championship. They earned a regional title at Goodrich last Saturday by knocking off #3 ranked Flint Atherton in the semifinals, 15-10, 13-15, 15-10 and Almont in the finals, 15-4, 15-5.

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She also pointed to experience provided by tournaments during the season for which her players sacrificed their Saturdays.

"We played in 10 tournaments this season and all that experience pays off. The tournament schedule is very rigorous, but it pays off," she declared.

**EASY FINALS:** As was the case in the district tournament, Lakers easily disposed of their challenger in the regional finals after a hard-fought battle in the semifinals. Armada was hopelessly overmatched by Lakers and was nearly shutout in the first game. The winners scored the first 14 points before allowing Armada to score their four points in the contest.

Armada scored the first point of the second game for a short-lived lead before Lakers ended their season with a series of powerful spikes the Raiders just couldn't handle.

**LEADERS:** Sturm led the winners in hitting with a perfect 11-11 including six kills in the championship match. Against Atherton she was 12-15 for eight kills.

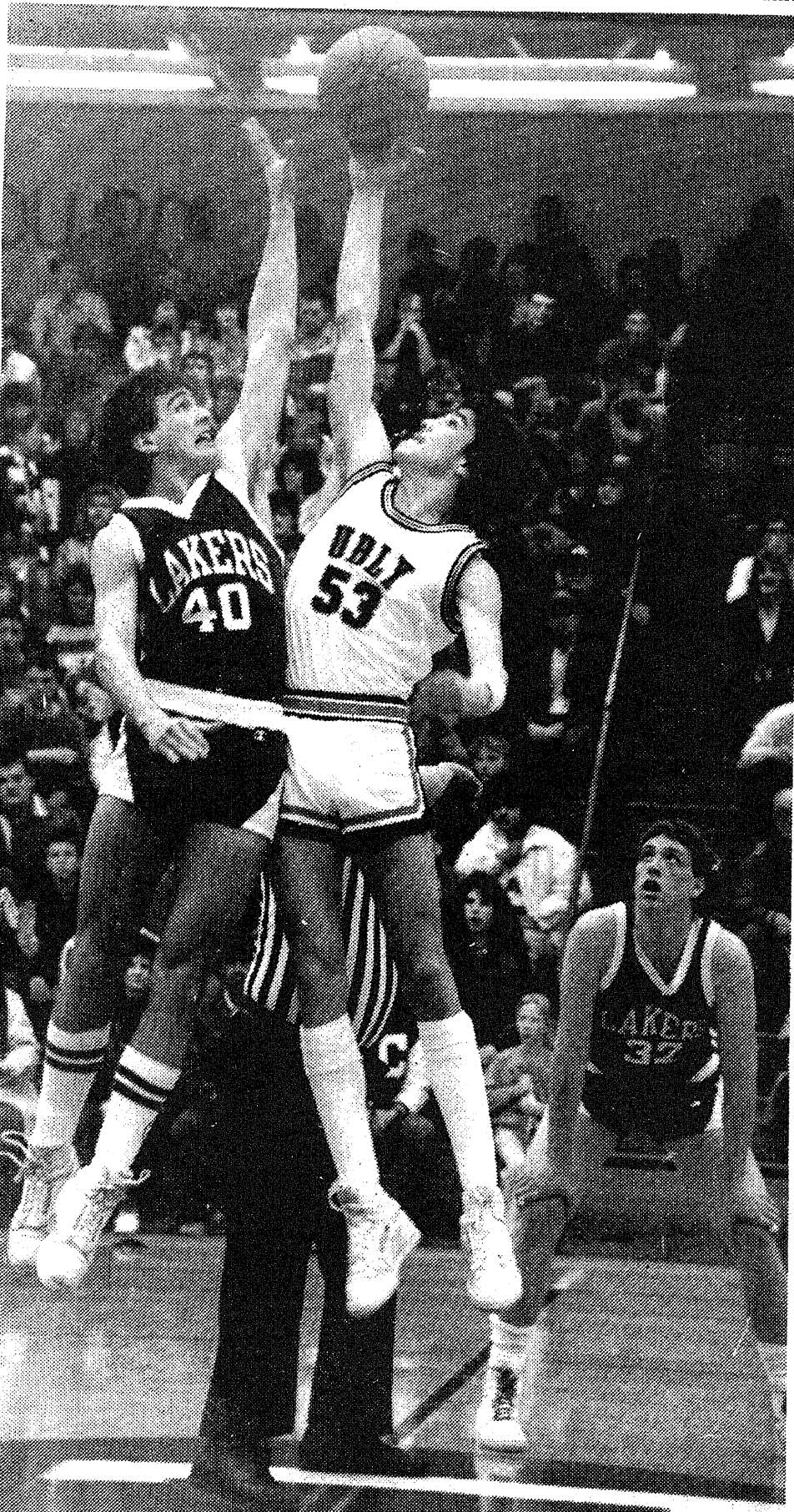
Sturm also added nine blocks including five aces against Almont.

Laker setter Jackie Ginter contributed 40 sets and 12 kill assists and was the leading scorer by serving up 14 against Atherton and nine more against Almont.

**STATE FINALS:** This Saturday, Mar. 21, Lakers will take a 51-9 record and #7 ranking to face #5 Rogers Center vs. #3

Byron Center vs. #3

Hannover-Horton at 2:30. The winners will then square off in the state finals about 5:30 p.m.



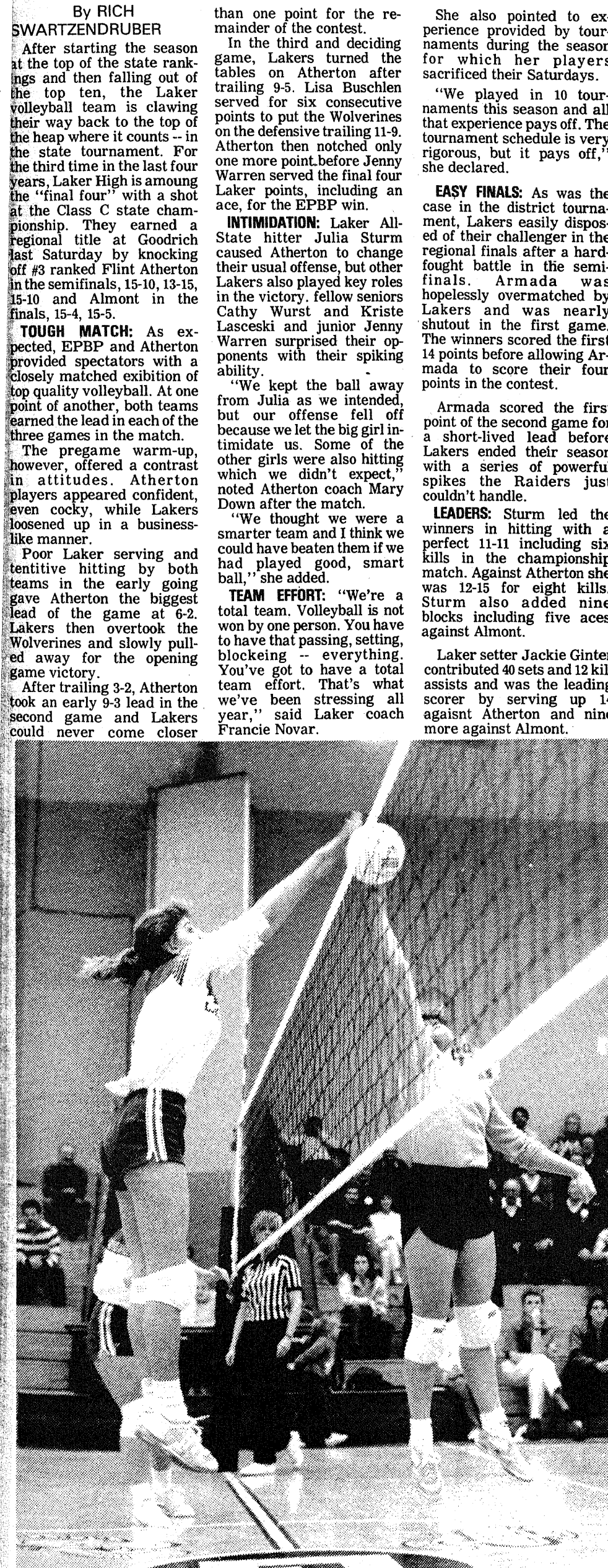
TIP OFF: Lakers' Paul Elenbaum (40) and Ubyly's O'Mara battle for the opening jump ball of the championship game as Laker Jim Warren (32) looks on.



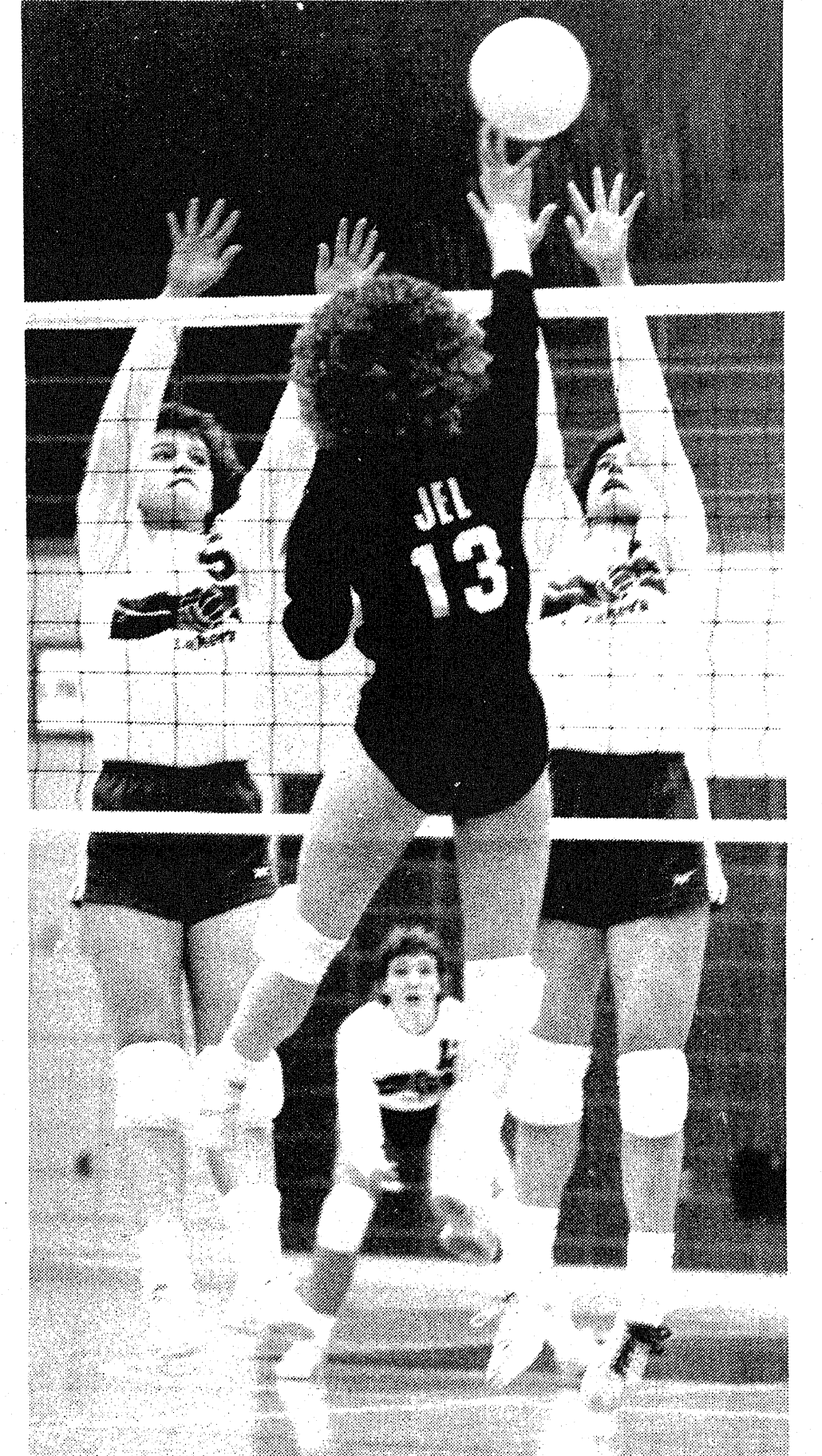
CONSTANT COMPANIONS: Laker Tom Beer heads upcourt with the ball as he is shadowed by Ubyly's Dave Landeryou (43) and Jim Czewski (11). Trailing the play is Laker Jeff Sturm.



SOARING SANDWICH: Laker sophomore Kendall Wertz is sandwiched by USA's Scott Nietzsche (left) and Jon Desmarais (32) while going up for a shot in the victory over the Patriots.



NO CROSSING: Julia Sturm (left) gives an Almont player little chance to get the ball over the net as Lakers easily beat the Raiders in the regional finals.



DOUBLE TEAM: Lakers Kriste Lasceski (left) and Jenny Warren form a wall at the net against Atherton's Janelle Beal as Laker's Cathy Wurst backs up the play.

## NCTL names winter All-Conference winners

Caseville athletes Tina Bieri, Yvonne Miller, Amy Conrad and Matt Kraus were recently accorded recognition in North Central Thumb League All-Conference balloting for winter sports.

**V-BALL:** Bieri was named First Team, Miller selected Second Team and Amy Conrad received Honorable Mention in volleyball.

Other All-Conference selections include: **FIRST TEAM:** Susie Salcido, Cindy Enderle and Barb Hellebuyck of OwenGage, and Jen Streeter and Sandi Parsell of Akron-Fairgrove.

**SECOND TEAM:** Jane Billy of OwenGage, Missy

Mullett of Deckerville, Sandra Gonzales of CPS, Colleen Bradley of Peck and Marcia Stewart of Akron-Fairgrove.

**HONORABLE MENTION:** Tracy Smallwood and Sheila Osborn of CPS, Julie Lis of Kingston, Krystal Ziel and Lynn Masure of North Huron, Stephanie Pries and Ellen Foley of Peck and Janel Schuett of Port Hope.

**B-BALL:** Caseville's Matt Kraus was named Second Team in basketball.

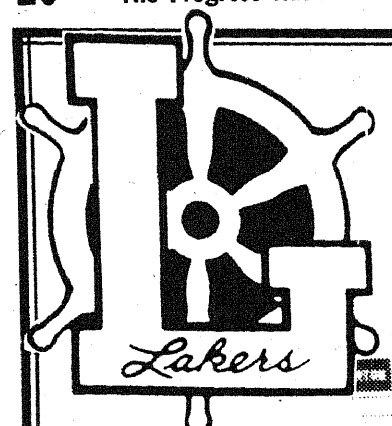
Other All-Conference selections include: **FIRST TEAM:** Tim Murphy and Todd Brown of Port Hope, Tim Stolicker and Richard Barker of Decker-

ville and Stu Stirret of OwenGage.

**SECOND TEAM:** Mike Fisher of North Huron, Ron Ureel of Peck, Pete Miklovic of Akron-Fairgrove and Eric Regnier of CPS.

**HONORABLE MENTION:** Brian Wolverton of Akron-Fairgrove, Chris Kemp of CPS, Karrin Fritch of Deckerville, Kale Koehler and Shane Campbell of Kingston, Greg Szymanski of North Huron, Steve Root of OwenGage and Matt Brown of Port Hope.

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# On the road to State!!

The Laker Ladies will play Rogers City in State Semi-Final Tournament Action this Saturday, March 21 at 1 p.m. at Corona. State Final competition will follow at approximately 5:30 p.m.



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## BYFC Banquet features Teen Ranch leader

About 500 people are expected to attend the Bluewater Youth for Christ Sharing Banquet set for Monday, April 13 at The Colony House, Cass City. Featured speaker will be Ray Clendenon of Marlette, executive director of Delta-Thumb Youth for Christ since 1967.

In 1966 he founded Teen Ranch, a 325-acre program that serves 72 delinquent boys, based in the Marlette area.

In addition to his tasks as YFC director and Teen Ranch administrator, Clendenon maintains a cash



Ray Clendenon

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I have been young, and now an old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread. Psalm 37:25

Growing old is not a penalty, but a privilege. Recently we have been exposed to extensive studies on aging and on death and dying.

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There are dividends in growing older. Free from the responsibilities of office, shop, farm, school or clinic, we can cultivate friendships long neglected; we can witness to our Savior in an unhurried manner by our deeds and words across generation lines; we can serve church and community with wise actions; and we can devote more time to prayer for the needs of God's kingdom.

These actions can help us be less anxious over ebbing strength and keep us from protesting the aches and pains of worn parts that have done good work.

We can have time to remember that our real worth was never really measured by our earthly achievements.

We are given eternal worth through the redemption made ours through faith in our Lord and Savior.

His promise is that the next chapter of life will be immeasurably more wonderful than this even at its best.

The righteous, young or old, are never forsaken by God.

DEAR FATHER, be with us as we grow older and as we increase in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. AMEN.

crop farm and serves as a Gideon. He has received numerous awards in his community for outstanding achievement and has served on the Youth for Christ International Board of Directors since 1964.

The meal will begin at 7 p.m., followed by the speaker and music from the Youth for Christ music groups, "Cornerstone" and "Allied."

Tickets are now available and reservations may be made by calling the Youth for Christ office at 453-3239.

## Fathers-sons gather at Cross Lutheran

The Cross Lutheran Father-Son Banquet was conducted Sunday, March 15 at Cross Lutheran School. Toastmaster for the event was Don Wheeler. James Seeley offered a toast to sons, and his sons, Chad and Dustin Seeley, offered a toast to fathers.

The fathers and sons were entertained by Mel Baerwolf with musical selections on the violin and guitar. Sgt. Brent Woodward of the Huron County Sheriff's Department presented a program on his "Safety Robot." Gifts were presented to Arthur Rathke of Sterling Heights for having the most tools in his pocket; Alfred K. Becker of Detroit for traveling the farthest; Brandon Wissner for having the most teeth missing and Thomas Shupe for having the most sons present.

The banquet was sponsored by Cross Lutheran Church Women.

## Lenten services at Owen-Gage UM churches

The Gagetown and Owendale United Methodist Churches will hold Evangelistic Services during the Lenten Season from March 22-24 with Rev. Max Weeks of Lexington and Bethel United Methodist Churches, Lexington.

The schedule will include: Sunday, March 22: At Gagetown UM for worship, 9:30 a.m., at Owendale UM for worship, 11 a.m., and at 7:30 p.m. with special music and congregational singing with Donald Greenleaf of Cass City on the organ; Monday, March 23: at Gagetown UM with Mrs. Dana O'Harris playing piano for congregational singing, 7:30 p.m.; Tuesday, March 24: final service, 7:30 p.m.

The public is invited. Host pastor is Rev. Zina Braden Bennett, Jr.

## Baptism

Matthew John Avalos, son of John and Terry Avalos of Pigeon, was baptized on Sunday, March 8 at Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon. Pastor Raymond Orth officiated at the 10:45 a.m. service.

Sponsors of the infant were James and Doreen Costello, Elkton. Matthew's aunt, Sherry Haven of Jacksonville, Fla. is also a sponsor, but was not present. Matthew is the grandson of Apolonio and Ella Avalos, Pigeon, Barbara Shanks, Elkton and Albert Shanks, Texas.

Following the service, a lunch was served at the Avalos' home.

## First UM Women host Lenten Study

"Hallelujah Anyhow: Suffering and the Christian Community of Faith" is the title of the Lenten study sponsored by First United Methodist Women of Pigeon. The classes will meet in the church lounge March 19 through April 19 from 9:45 to 11 a.m.

Author of this spiritual growth study is Diedra Kriewald, who writes of how she death with the horror and grief of loss when her young husband was killed in an accident. Her struggle to overcome panic, pain and depression led her to write, to help others overcome many kinds of suffering.

Several local people will also speak on how they learned to cope with the suffering involved in the death of a spouse. Others will tell how they are working around and through incurable disabilities.

The classes will be led by Helen Woodward. She says that the study book would be helpful, but is not essential to the Lenten study.

To sign up, contact Robert Richmond or come to any or all of the Thursday sessions. The public is invited.

## Space open for Florida-bound teens

There is still room for a few more high school students who want to participate in one of two trips to Florida sponsored by Bluewater Youth for Christ/Campus Life. About 150 people have already signed up for the event, according to BYC Director Dwight Gascho.

Because of a conflict between area high schools' spring break schedules this year, an additional trip is planned for the annual trek south. The first group will depart March 26 and return April 5, while the second trip is slated for April 16-26. The sponsors will provide special speakers, music and activities for the teens. Speaker for the first week will be Rick Webb of Texas with Tami Gunden and also Bash & the Code providing music during the week. The second trip will feature speaker Ken Davis. Musician of the week will be Freddie Langston.

In addition to various activities at the camp where the students stay, Disney World, Epcot Center, Kennedy Space Center, Sea

World, Wet-n-Wild and Tiger baseball are optional attractions. For more information about the trips, contact the BYFC office at 453-3239.

## Chorale welcomes singers

Would you enjoy singing in a really good choir with persons who really like to sing quality sacred choral music?

Persons in the Thumb area have the opportunity to be a part of the Cantate Chorale, which will begin rehearsing for a June concert on Friday, March 20. The Cantate Chorale has had seven concerts in the last six years and has established a reputation for fine singing. The first rehearsal will be this Friday at Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon at 7:30 p.m. The second rehearsal will be at the Unionville Moravian Church on Friday, March 27 at 7:30 p.m. The remainder of the rehearsal schedule will be determined at the early rehearsals. Director will be Wanda Eichler and accompanist will be Shirley Nusz.

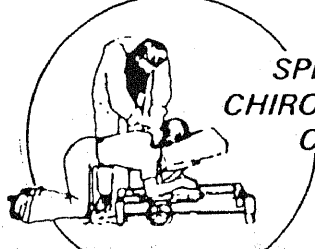
Concerts are scheduled for June 13 and 14 in Pigeon and in Unionville. Interested persons may call 453-3342 or 453-3053 for more information.

## Baptism

Paul Joseph Gaeth, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Gaeth of Bay Port, was baptized Sunday at the St. Frances Borgia Catholic Church, Pigeon by Father Ben Skornia.

Godmothers for Paul were Mrs. Amy Gruen of Owendale and Mrs. Cathy Haley of Sebevaing.

Dinner guests at the Gaeth home following the services were grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Vollmer and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gaeth, all of Owendale; Mrs. June Dunn of Pigeon, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Haley and daughters of Sebevaing and Paul MacCallum of Warren.



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The chiropractic approach to health is to correct vertebral subluxations to restore the flow of mental impulses from the brain into the body, thus allowing the body to replace the abnormal cells with healthy cells, thereby reversing the disease process so that the body can have a greater potential to recreate and express itself normally.

Thus, cancer can only be reversed and cured by giving the body the opportunity to replace the cancer cells with normal, healthy cells. This can be made possible when mental impulses can flow uninterrupted from the brain to the body via the spinal cord and nerves.

We do not claim to treat or guarantee a cure for cancer. None of the above cases were treated for cancer. As chiropractors, all we can offer you is that we can locate and correct vertebral subluxations, and time permitting, give the body the opportunity to replace the cancer cells with healthy cells so that the body has a greater potential to reverse the disease process.

Much has been said by the medical establishment opposing unconventional medicine under the guise of "protecting the public's health" because patients waste precious time and money on unproven treatments. Yet according to a recent commentary by the National Health Federation, it was stated that an estimated 485,000 Americans will die this year (1986) of cancer. Most of these people will have had the chemotherapy, radiation and surgery the orthodox medical establishment urges them to rush to, spend approximately \$21,000 and yet they will still die, not from the disease, but from the treatment itself.

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## Lake waters level off

If levels of Lakes Huron-Michigan aren't making any dramatic reductions, they're at least not continuing their upward movement as rapidly as in past years.

That's the message in the March 1 report of the Detroit District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

**STILL HIGH:** The February monthly mean level was about 30 inches above the long-term average, and about the same as the monthly high, set in 1986.

The level was about 59 inches above the all-time

February low, set in 1964.

The six-month forecast shows that at the end of March, Lakes Huron-Michigan will be about one inch above what they were at the end of February, and lakes are expected to continue their seasonal rise into July.

At the end of August, 1987, the lakes are expected to be about the same as in 1986. The August, 1987, average is expected to be above the long term average for the month, but about two inches below the all-time high average for August, that was

set in 1986.

**SUPERIOR DOWN:** In Lake Superior, which often is an indicator for the future of the Lower Lakes, the water level at the end of February was about seven inches below one year ago and four inches below one month ago.

The six-month forecast for Lake Superior shows that the lake is expected to be about five inches below what it was at the same time in 1986.

The August average level is predicted to be seven inches below the all-time high average for August, set in 1986.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

There will be a Public Hearing at the Elkton Village Hall on April 7, 1987 at 7:30 p.m. to discuss the transfer of Federal Revenue Sharing monies to establish a new fund, Equipment Replacement.

Also to be heard and considered will be a request of rezoning by Active Industries, Inc. Land in concern is located in Clark's Addition, Lots 6, 7, 8 and 9.

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# WOODS and WATERS

By Duane Guenther

## Cats on shoes

There were about 10 cars parked along side of the road when John and I pulled up in his pickup truck. Men were standing in small groups talking, some were smoking, a few were digging into their trunks for assorted bits of gear, and others were holding dogs that reared against their leashes and barked complaints about being tethered.

John shut the engine off and got out. I followed his every move, for on this outing I was a pure novice. We were about to engage in the strangest hunt I had ever been on, for one of the most elusive animals Michigan has to offer. This was to be a bobcat hunt with bows and arrows.

The bobcat was once so plentiful in Michigan that for 30 years it had a bounty on its head. A decline in numbers followed, but for the last few years their numbers seem to be increasing, and according to DNR statistics, the bobcat is now found in 60 of Michigan's 83 counties.

It is a small, nocturnal animal about twice the size of an ordinary tomcat. Its diet is mainly made up of rabbits, hares, squirrels, and mice, but it will run down and eat most anything that is opportune, even a porcupine.

On this cold, clear, March Saturday, we would be hunting the bobcat with dogs. As I listened to the hunt leader spell out the details, I quickly got the idea that this was a serious hunt, and one that would prove most sporting. The rules were simple. The dogs would be turned loose and the hunters would follow on snowshoes. If any hunter was lucky enough to spot the bobcat on the ground he was free to fire away with a broadhead. However, if the dogs were successful in treeing the cat, the owner, and only the owner, would arrive to shoot the cat out of the tree with a blunt tip arrow. This way, the cat would not be injured and the dogs would be allowed to continue the chase. At first I felt sorry for the cat, but John, who had been on a couple of these hunts, informed that I best save my tears for the dogs, first, and most of all, the poor hunters trying to keep up on snowshoes.

I was not prepared for what happened next. The hunt leader brought out a fine pair of black and tans, plus 3 other dogs of questionable heritage and turned them loose. The dogs immediately headed for a thick cedar swamp and the 20-odd hunters who had since put on snowshoes and took up their bows headed after them in a sort of shuffling dog trot. I had supposed that we would all sit around and swap lies until

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we heard the dogs holler and then make a bee-line for the tree, but I found the object was to stay as close to the dogs as possible and hope for a fleeting glimpse of a streaking cat.

For someone who has trouble walking on snowshoes, I was a complete disaster at the snowshoe dog trot. In the first hundred yards I managed to pile up at least 3 times. I finally waved John to continue without me and slowed down my pace so I could enjoy both the woods and the day. Soon the dogs and the hunters disappeared into the vastness that makes up eastern Gladwin County.

My entire morning was a most memorable experience. The early March woods was still heavy with snow, and the leafless trees allowed a panoramic view of the countryside. I had brought along a couple of arrows with target points, so I busied myself with plinking at stumps and trees while all the time practicing the snowshoe shuffle.

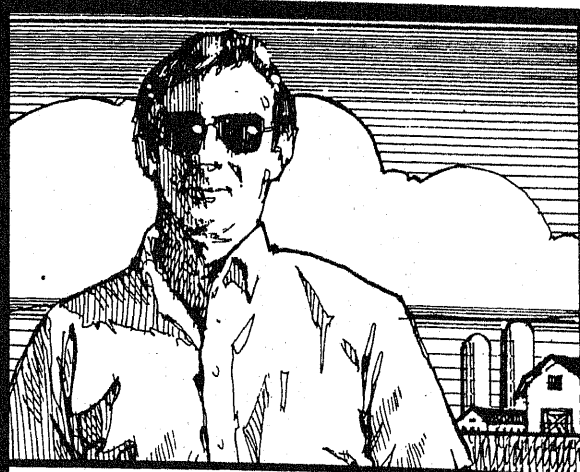
During the fall it was both a favorite grouse and deer hunting haunt, and on other occasions it even coughed up a moose or two.

In the distance I heard one of the dogs howl, and soon the others joined in the chorus. A bobcat I thought. Probably not, for there were other creatures that would make a dog howl in a woods like this.

The blur that went by me was almost a play on my mind. It was brown and black in color, with perhaps a streak of gray. To this day, I'm not sure if it was a bobcat or not, but within 5 minutes a couple of Black and Tans, with tongues slapping their shins flew by in the same direction. Then I knew why John didn't feel sorry for the bobcat.

Assembling later in the afternoon, stories were shared, and, although being a greenhorn and not having the courage to speak out, I think I was the only one to catch a glimpse of our shy quarry.

I didn't even tell John.



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## Thumb area club news

### VFW LADIES AUX. 2236

The regular meeting of the Veterans of Foreign War Auxiliary Post #2236 was conducted Tuesday, March 10 at 8 p.m. at the Veterans' Memorial Home, Pigeon. Fourteen members answered roll call. President Phyllis Vollmer called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

The 10th District Legislative Dinner will be March 21 at Davison Park. Planning to attend are Verna Thede, Eleanor Trost, Anita Gettel and Marie Stirrett.

The Clio Post and Auxiliary will host the 10th District Loyalty Day Parade on May 1 at Clio. A donation was sent to Camp Trotter to help purchase toys. The ladies will again sponsor a

child from the VFW National Home to Camp Trotter this year.

The auxiliary received an invitation to participate in the July 5 parade at Port Hope. Margaret Nieschulz, Eleanor Trost and Erma Rounds were appointed to the Nominating Committee. The Ladies Auxiliary marked its 45th anniversary on March 10.

The next regular meeting will be April 14 and will include the election of new officers and the auditing of the books.

### BAY PORT WOMEN'S CLUB

The Bay Port Women's Club met at the home of Alma Stahl recently with 11 members present. Dessert and refreshments were served by the hostess.

President Margaret Faltyn led in the Club Collect and Pledge to the Flag. Card Chairman Donna Deming reported she sent eight cards. Thank-you notes were read.

Members discussed the Bay Port Fish Sandwich Weekend coming in August and ladies decided to dress in Sesquicentennial old-fashioned style. Mrs. William Shaw will inquire about a May trip to Lansing. Ladies were reminded about the upcoming millage election and the Sesquicentennial Music Concert performed by school children on April 6 at 3 p.m.

Roll call was on "Michigan." Alma Stahl presented a Sesquicentennial program on Michigan.

The April meeting will be hosted by Lillian Boegert. Each lady is to make an Easter bonnet to wear to the meeting.

### ELKTON SENIOR CITIZENS

Members of the Elkton Senior Citizens met March 10 at 12 noon at the Elkton Civic Center.

Proceeding the meeting, 27 blood pressures were read. Mildred Hill was asked to give the table prayer. Following lunch, the Pledge to the Flag was given and "God Bless America" was sung.

Harold and Bea Gregor led in group singing.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and the treasurer's report was given. Secretary Della Trudgen read a letter she received praising the leader-

ship of President Mike Renn, and a letter from the Children's Haven Home in Remosa, Mex., (thank you) the members for Campbell Soup labels, which enabled the home to purchase equipment.

President Renn read a letter asking the seniors to choose a King and Queen to compete in the contest scheduled in Bad Axe for the April 14 parade.

A member asked the group to provide canned and packaged goods to help supply the Food Pantry in Pigeon. Contributions may be brought in to next week's meeting.

Edna Wakefield introduced Roy and Bessie Furness, who provided a musical program with a mouth organ and ukelele.

Ardis Gemmill will be in charge of next week's entertainment.

### Pool Leagues MENS' MIDWEST As of March 11

Cohwood Bar	68
Ralph's Bar	64
George's Bar	53
Ed's Bar	52
Gagetown Inn	51
Bud's Bar	51
Ty's Lounge	50
Pigeon Inn	45

### Pigeon news items

Mrs. Anne Schultz, Port Hope, spent Sunday with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Reilly, Port Austin. Mrs. Schultz and Mrs. Reilly visited Mr. and Mrs. Cy Carollo of Sand Point.

### PIGEON VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 11, 1987

The regular meeting of the Pigeon Village Council was held on Wednesday, March 11, 1987 at 7:00 p.m. President Geiger called the meeting to order and members present were as follows: Fluogge, Gehrs, McCormick, Pobanz, and Licht. Absent, Dr. Also present were Trustee Elect Eichler, Treasurer Armbruster, Heckman, Johnson, Cyril Desmet, Geraldine Simmons, Delores Bieri, David Bogart and Robert Dast.

President Geiger administered the Oath of Office to Clerk Heckman, and in turn, Heckman administered Oath to Fluogge, Pobanz, Eichler and Armbruster.

A motion to accept Feb. 9, 1987 minutes was made by Gehrs, supported by McCormick. Motion carried.

A motion to accept Feb. 25, 1987 minutes of Special Meeting was made by Pobanz and supported by McCormick. Motion carried.

Election results were presented by Heckman. Results were as follows: 112 Residents Voting, Heckman 106, Armbruster 95, Fluogge 95, Pobanz 96, Tate 47, Eichler 52, Gehrs 98. Motion by Licht to accept Election Results supported by Pobanz. Motion carried.

Police Operations report was given by Chief Johnson. Motion to accept report was made by McCormick and supported by Pobanz. Motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding the Village utilizing services of John T. Ferris Attorney and Staff to handle Ordinance Violations for the Police Department. Mr. Ferris informed members by letter that his fee for handling municipalities is \$55.00 per hour. Motion by McCormick supported by Eichler to hire Ferris as per recommendation by Police Committee. Motion carried.

Chief Johnson presented the Annual Report from the Police Department. Motion to accept report was made by Licht, supported by Eichler. Motion carried.

A resolution to honor the request from Dennis H. Jarvis for a Dance Permit to be held in conjunction with the 1986 Class C licensed business located at 12 S. Main Street was moved by McCormick and supported by Fluogge. Motion carried.

Gary Osminski from K. Don Williamson Firm informed members that Process Control Equipment was needed to correct problems we have been experiencing in the new water tower. Cost of equipment is \$1,850.00. Amount was presented to County DPW for payment from remaining tower funds. Motion by Gehrs, supported by McCormick to purchase equipment needed as per recommendations. Motion carried.

Motion to accept Accounts Payable for February was made by Pobanz and supported by Licht. Motion carried.

A resolution designating Wilbert Dubs as Street Administrator for the Village in all transactions with the State Transportation Department as provided in Section 13 of the Act was made by Fluogge and supported by Gehrs, retroactive to our February 9, 1987 regular meeting. Carried unanimously.

Harold Rounds has approached members regarding a bottom clean-out of the Neuschmidt-Harder drain. He has asked for support of Council in the proper steps to initiate the above process. A motion by Gehrs to support Mr. Rounds' request was supported by Licht. Motion carried.

President Geiger presented Committee Appointments for the 1987-88 Fiscal Year. Committees are as follows: Public Safety, Robert Fluogge, Clifford Pobanz; Public Service, Neal Eichler, Michael Gehrs; DPW, Clifford Pobanz, David McCormick; Recreation, Michael Gehrs, Robert Fluogge; Audit & Finance, David McCormick, Kenneth Licht; Ordinance, Robert Fluogge, Neal Eichler; Policies & Procedures, David McCormick, Kenneth Licht; Planning & Zoning, Kenneth Licht, Les Shetter, Jay Dubey; Construction Code Appeal, Don Dast, Harvey Schwette; President Pro-Tem, David McCormick; Village Counsel, Michael Otter; Village Counsel, John T. Ferris; Superintendent, Janet Heckman; Village Marshal, Van Johnson.

Motion to accept Appointments was made by Pobanz and supported by Eichler. Motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion by Gehrs to adjourn was supported by Pobanz. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:  
Janet Heckman, Clerk

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## Thumb Obituaries

Dorothy C. Krueger, 52, of Los Angeles, Calif., with relatives in Elkton, passed away Feb. 28.

Eldine (Kotha) Meyer, 77, of Cheboygan, formerly of Sebewaing, passed away Feb. 28.

Hazel M. Robinson, 91, of Caro, passed away Mar. 3.

Pearl H. Reid, 85, of Caro, passed away Mar. 4.

Grace E. Clara, 92, of Caro, formerly of Gagetown, passed away Mar. 6.

Nicholas Nagy, 76, of Caro, passed away Mar. 6.

Ernest S. Kucharczyk, 72, of Ruth, passed away Mar. 7.

Rose M. Douse, 76, of Nashville, formerly of Harbor Beach, passed away Mar. 7.

Mary A. Gorotski, 74, of Bad Axe, passed away Mar. 8.

Lester A. Armstead, 90, of Bad Axe, passed away Mar. 8.

James D. Porterfield, 24, of Lansing, formerly of Cass City, passed away Mar. 8.

Cocelia Chateau, 72, of Sebring, Fla., formerly of Harbor Beach, passed away Mar. 9.

Veronica Maurer, 90, of Uby, passed away Mar. 11.

Carl E. Hess, 78, of Sebewaing, passed away Mar. 12.

**'Snowbirds' convene**  
The 27th annual Huron County Picnic was celebrated recently, with 160 attending in Palmetto, Fla.

Carolina Fealko, hostess, introduced the Palmetto Kitchen Band, which provided lively music for the picnic.

President Mike Klemmer had charge of the business meeting, and Russ Lecronier won the prize as the oldest person attending, 88 years of age.

Longest-married couple was Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Toner, who celebrated 61 years of married life.

Morgan Ballagh accepted appointment as vice president of the picnic for 1988.

Tony Cieslinski and Jason Badgley gave out 20 bags of oranges to winners.

Next year's picnic is planned for Palmetto again, following invitation from the city, to be conducted Feb. 25, according to Betty Zulauf, secretary.

The Pigeon Boy Scouts participated in the Chili Willy Klondike at Cass City County Park at a February meeting, and learned lots of skills while having a good time.

The boys cooked eggs and toast, learned first aid, tying knots, fishing and lashing (setting off traps) and participated in sled races, flag contests, water rescue and learned how to purify water.

Participating scouts were Chad Schweitzer, Jeremy Schweitzer, Mike Daniels, Jeremy Meyersieck, Doug Honnacker, Ryan Heckman, Matthew Cole, Danny McBride and Scott Herbert (not pictured). Leaders were Dennis Herbert, Doug Honnacker, Sr. and Terry Baker.

The troop also participated in a flag ceremony during a Saginaw Gears hockey game at the Saginaw Civic Center on Jan. 19.

The Boy Scouts will conduct an Open House this Saturday, March 21 from 1 to 3 p.m. at their clubhouse, 18 Main Street (above the Polewach Budget Store). The public is invited to attend.

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77	18	WE	6:40	6:42	12:02	10:31P	7:58A
78	19	TH	6:38	6:43	12:05	11:47P	8:25A
79	20	FR	6:36	6:44	12:08	...	8:58A
80	21	SA	6:34	6:45	12:11	1:03A	9:42A
81	22	SU	6:33	6:47	12:41	2:15A	10:37A
82	23	MO	6:31	6:48	12:17	3:17A	11:44A
83	24	TU	6:29	6:49	12:20	4:07A	1:00P

THE STARS: Venus is moving lower in the east and is most visible just before dawn. Mercury can also be seen, even lower in the morning sky. We move into the Last Quarter of the moon on the 22nd at 11:22 a.m.

WEATHER: Even with Spring upon us, Mother Nature will let us know who the boss really is with expected rain or snow, heavy at times followed by cold conditions.

FISHING: Fishing will be good to average throughout the week.

HOLIDAYS: Spring officially begins at 10:52 p.m. on the 20th.

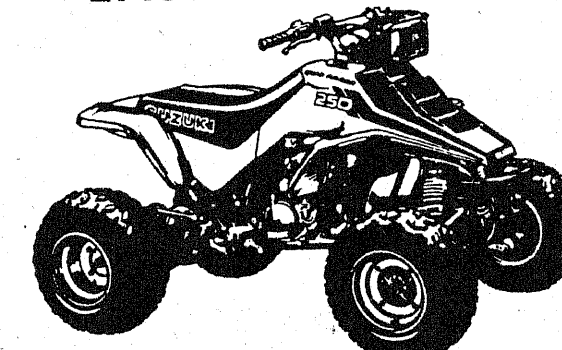
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### Day 3

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### Day 4

Keep all harmful products in their original containers—and especially, never put them in food containers of any type—with their original labels.

### Day 5

Over a third of childhood prescription drug ingestions involve a grandparent's medication. Make sure your parents take appropriate precautions, when your children visit.

### Day 6

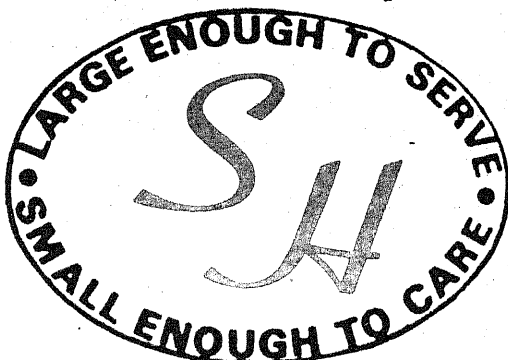
Check on the toxicity of any houseplants you have. Either move them out of your children's reach or get rid of any that may cause problems.

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