

BUSH PRESIDENCY: Local folks give their impressions

positive I see the next four years."

Geiger says in our local area, the farmers and educational system need immediate attention, while on the national level, the growing number of poor, civil rights problems and of course, the

national deficit, need immediate attention.

"Let's all think positive and just maybe working together we'll all make America stronger than ever," Geiger concludes.

NORMAN SCHROEDER, Sebewaing, longtime banker:

"I feel there will be a softening of interest rates toward the last quarter of 1989, carrying on into 1990.

"I'm caught up by the structure of the Bush family, a big family, with, I guess, 240 of them at the inauguration. That won't affect foreign or

domestic policy, but it's certainly in the finest American family tradition," Schroeder noted.

BARBARA BUCHHOLZ, Pigeon, who has served as Huron County Republican Party Chairman this past election year: "George Bush will be an Education Presi-

dent. I feel he's going to do something with the school programs.

"He will take new steps in fighting drugs. Drugs are hitting us close to our homes, and as President, he will fight it with great energy."

She said she heard recently that in the past year there were 62 deaths of police and peace officers that were drug-related.

A strong farm program would be of great help to the Thumb, Ms. Buchholz added.

HARRIET RYAN, Sebewaing, retired, homemaker: "I am only one American citizen from a small village in rural America. It is my great privilege to live in this wonderful country and to enjoy its freedoms and opportunities.

"I do not know what changes our new leadership may bring, but of one thing I am sure: I must not neglect my responsibility to uphold our President, Vice-President and other leaders with my prayers for God's guidance that they may be in paths of wisdom, understanding, love and peace, which shall bring blessings for all peoples of the world.

"I am also sure that God hears and answers each of our prayers. God bless America," Mrs. Ryan said.

DON STRIETER, Unionville, WW II veteran: No, not much change, really. I'm a little concerned about Medicare, but whether he has anything to do with that or

not, I don't know. It comes out of Congress.

"I hope he changes a few things regarding farm policy from Reagan. I'm hoping they get veterans a little more. They've taken a lot away. Right now, they should be expanding that hospital care, but they're not.

"WWII veterans are getting up there in age and they're going to be needing that. Reagan has knocked off close to \$800 million out of the care for veterans.

"At the Saginaw VA Hospital we've got 155 beds and only 68 people in those beds and they're having a hard time keeping doctors and necessary help, so I hope that he will listen. Reagan was a veteran himself, but he still knocked it off.

"Of course, now there's a new agency at the cabinet level, in the line of veterans, and we're hoping that will help. Time will tell," Strieter said.

JEROME BECHTEL, Unionville, banker: I've always been one who is down to earth, without big visions. I think we'll see somewhat more of the status quo. I don't foresee any big change.

"I don't think Bush is as hardline as Reagan. To me there isn't any President who can do things on his own without cooperation from the Congress."

MILDRED ACHENBACH, Unionville: "I don't think there's going to be too much of a change. I think he's going to be a good President."

90-year party set for Feb. 5



CELEBRATING 90 YEARS: Former local farmer Adolph Schulze will be celebrating his 90th birthday on Feb. 5 with an Open House at Washington Woods, 821 Cambridge in Midland from 2 to 5 p.m. Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend. No gifts are requested.

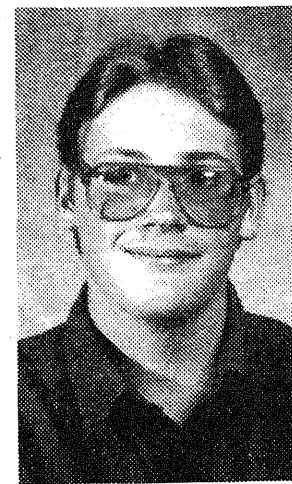
2 named to Lions All-State Band

Steve Kauffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Kauffman of Elkton and Ron Beckett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Beckett of Pigeon have been named to the 1989 Lions of Michigan All-State Band.

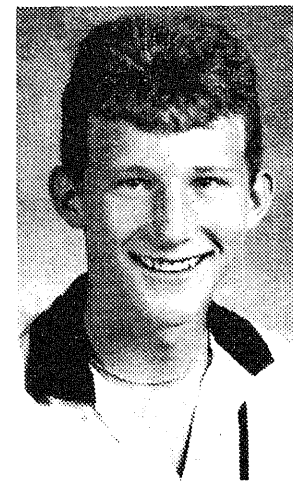
They will be joining with 150 other top high school musicians from all over Michigan to participate next summer in the Lions International convention as well as several other concerts, parades and shows along the way.

The prestigious band, directed by Walter Cole of St. John's, will be defending their last year championship performance as the best band at the International convention.

Members are chosen by competitive audition which took place at St. John's last



Steve Kauffman



Ron Beckett

weekend. Steve Kauffman was named second chair tenor saxophone and Ron Beckett was named to play the quad-toms in the percussion section. They will undergo several weekend rehearsals between now and next summer in preparation for their upcoming performances.

Kauffman and Beckett are both sophomores in the Laker High School Band.

Thumb Area Grain MARKETS

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NEW CROP: 22.00

Sugar campaign winds up for '88-'89

During the recent sugar beet harvesting and hauling campaign, about 480,000 tons of beets moved through the piling grounds of the Sebewaing Plant of Michigan Sugar Company, on the way to being processed into sugar.

By midafternoon Saturday, those piles had been reduced to a mound about the size of a small home, then -- shortly before 6 p.m. -- the last few beets were loaded into a truck and dumped into the factory hoppers.

With grower meetings scheduled for February and March, the sugar industry is now gearing up for the '89 season.

Presidential tid-bit facts...

* George Bush is the 41st President to be inaugurated. The first one, George Washington, took his oath of office 200 years ago, in New York City on April 30, 1789.

* Theodore Roosevelt and John F. Kennedy were youngest Presidents when they took office, age 42. Ronald Reagan was the oldest, 69.

* Grover Cleveland was the only President to be inaugurated wearing only one shoe. He had the gout.

* Grover Cleveland was the only President to marry while he was President, and he married the youngest wife of any President. He was 49 when he married Frances Folsom, who was 22. They were married in the White House on June 2, 1886, and had 5 children. Mrs. Cleveland lived until 1947. President Cleveland was also the only President to serve 2 terms—separated by another President's term—which made him both the 22nd and 24th Presidents.

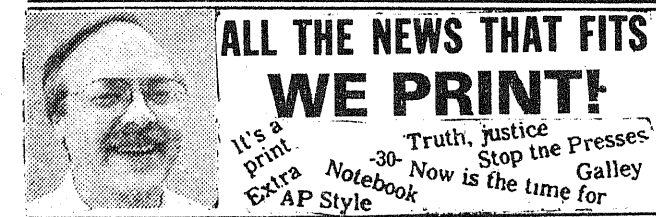
* John Adams, the 2nd US President, was the first to use Washington, DC, as the capital. It happened in 1800.

* Four Presidents have been assassinated: Lincoln, Garfield, McKinley and Kennedy.

* Eight Presidents have died in office: Harrison, Taylor, Lincoln, Garfield, McKinley, Harding, F.D. Roosevelt and Kennedy. Those who then became President were Tyler, Fillmore, Andrew Johnson, Arthur, T. Roosevelt, Coolidge, Truman and L. B. Johnson.

* President Zachary Taylor had more children than any other President, 14.

* Only 2 Presidents signed the Constitution—Washington and James Madison.



OBSERVATIONS BY CO-PUBLISHER MARK RUMMEL

AND ANYBODY ELSE HE CAN GET TO WRITE 'EM: BUY YOUR WAY IN: Interested in moving to a small Illinois town? The central Illinois community named Ohio — with 550 residents — wants more residents, and it's willing to pay for them.

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Any takers? Since the concept began last year, five families have moved to town...

KEEPING A DATE WITH GETTEL'S: Joe Trueman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Trueman of Pigeon, has "a little bit of Pigeon" hanging in his Cuban classroom, ever since his mother one year sent him a John Deere calendar from Gettel's Implement Company.

Trueman, who has been a military teacher overseas for 23 years, enjoyed the "homey reminder" so much that Gettel's longtime employee and booster, Ervin Haley has been sending him a calendar ever since, as an annual tradition.

To give Erv a special thanks this year, Trueman sent Gettel's a Christmas card from Cuba, signed by over 60 of his junior and senior high students — all kids of U.S. servicemen stationed there. Haley was so touched by the card he brought it into the office to share with our readers...

3-D BUST: We heard there were only 20 million pairs of special 3-D glasses for the big Super Bowl halftime show (and Coke ad), and that 100 million people would want the glasses. So we didn't expect to even find any.

But, there we found PLENTY of the special lenses at a local store, enough for all four residents of the Rummel Ranch. But the 3-D effects were less than dazzling, from our vantage point. We videotaped the halftime show, too, but haven't checked back to see if the 3-D can be recorded.

All in all, I think it was a bigger promotion than a success...

CAJUN COLA ON ITS WAY: Cajun food was all the rage in restaurants in recent years. It's only natural there would be a drink to join the food!

Soon, Michigan residents will be able to buy (honest) Cajun Cola, called a soft drink with a spicy Cajun kick. The New Orleans businessman who sells the stuff says it tastes "something like a combination of old fashion Coca-Cola when it still contained natural cane sugar, with an added spicy tang of a cinnamon snap."

Hmmm, a hot-flavored soft drink doesn't sound like just the thing to cool you off on a sweltering day, does it?

WEATHER OR NOT: Midwest weather experts predict a worse drought this summer than last. They say since we're at least 10 inches behind normal rainfall levels, we're actually 20 INCHES BEHIND, since we'd need that much to replenish subsoil moisture.

A recent note in Newsweek magazine says this year's dry winter won't help much, either. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is removing locks and sand ledges that could endanger ships in the shallow Mississippi River, too...

WISH I'D SAID THAT: "Isn't it ironic that we spent billions of highway dollars getting people off dirt roads... and now everyone wants four-wheel-drive trucks so they can get back on them?" (Grandma Hillis, BH & G)

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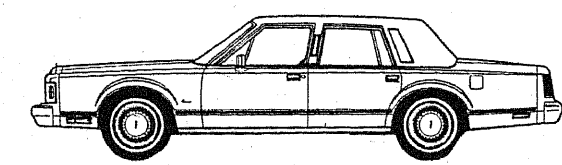
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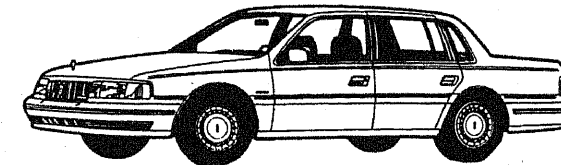


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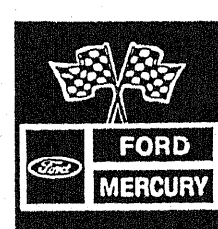
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Farming in the Thumb

Upcoming meetings for your information

With the close of the sugar beet processing campaign last weekend, farmers in the Upper Thumb are turning their thoughts to cropping plans for the 1989 growing season.

Among their sources is the Saginaw Valley Crops Day scheduled for Tuesday, February 21, in Saginaw Civic Center, when adoption of narrow-row planting practices will be high on the agenda.

LOCAL LEADERS: Two Huron County farmers will talk about their experiences with narrow-row cropping. Merlin Yoder of Bay Port will tell about his 6 years of experience with narrow-row sugar beets.

Paul Swartzendruber, Pigeon, will talk about his success with narrow-row corn and dry beans.

BOOSTS YIELDS: Richard Jacoby, who is agriculture manager for the Sebewaing Plant of Michigan Sugar Company, said that narrow-row sugar beet planting improves beet quality and increases yields. He predicted that within five years practically all beet growers will have changed over from 28- and 30-inch rows to the narrower 22-inch program.

"At present there are more 30-inch row growers than 28s," he said, but 22-inch rows are being grown in most sugar beet areas.

ETL Farms, of Pigeon, with Charles, Bruce, Tim and Phil Leipprandt, grew 425 acres of 22-inch-row beets in 1988 and Jacoby expects about the same number this year.

There are other growers in the 22-inch-row group in the Sebewaing Plant area, and some in Saginaw and Ithaca, and a "very large grower in Deckerville," he said.

MORE TRIALS: Roger Gromel of Unionville and Richard Gromel of Sebewaing will plant several hundred acres in 22-inch rows this summer, Jacoby expects, and they will also be putting in some dry beans in the narrower rows.

Why is quality increased in narrower rows? Jacoby was asked.

Because there are more plants per acre which means that fertilizer is distributed more evenly among the plants.

The name of the game is "pounds of sugar per acre," Jacoby explained, and research has found that yields go up one to five tons per acre with narrower rows, and there is an increase of 5-15% in processed sugar per acre of beets.

Implement dealers, too, are joining in bringing about the change, Jacoby added, because they can see the importance of "producing more sugar" on any given acreage of beet land.

SWEET MEET: The topic of narrow-row planting will be discussed at the Sebewaing Plant spring growers' breakfast, which will be held at the Colony House, near Cass City, on Wednesday, Feb. 1.

BEET DAY: The annual Sugar Beet Growers Association meeting and Michigan Sugar Company Sugar Beet Day will be held at the Colony House on Tuesday, March 7, he stated.

Telling the importance of more productive farming practices, Steve Poindexter, MSU Extension Service agricultural agent for Saginaw County, invited all farmers to the February 21 Crops Day at the Civic Center.

"This year's program will emphasize becoming more world-competitive through new production practices, politics and marketing," he declared.

The major part of the day will zero on farmers who grow narrow-row crops, mainly sugar beets, dry beans and soybeans, the agent said.



102 PROUD YEARS! Mrs. Emma Wing of Pigeon celebrated her 102nd birthday on Jan. 22 with her family and friends at the home of her daughter Idella Jackel. Out of town guests and relatives traveled from Troy, Royal Oak, Madison Heights, Lapeer, Flint, Elkton, Caseville, Bad Axe and Sebewaing.

Western Thumb Area obituaries reported for the current week

ALVA ANN BROWN 1901 - 1989

Alva Ann Brown, age 87 of Pigeon passed away Thursday, Jan. 19 at the Huron Medical Care Facility near Bad Axe. Mrs. Brown was born in Pigeon on Sept. 4, 1901, daughter of the late Allan and Mary (Danks) Wilfong. On Sept. 24, 1923 she was united in marriage to Earl Milton Brown. He preceded her in death on Jan. 2, 1970.

She was a member of the Salem United Methodist Church, Pigeon and a caring homemaker throughout her lifetime.

Mrs. Brown is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Dwight (Marion) Reibling, Sturgis and Mrs. Fred (Lola) Morin, Elkton; two daughters-in-law, Mrs. Doris Brown, Pigeon and Mrs. Sylvia Brown, Saline; 13 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Luella Wildfong, Bad Axe and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Beatrice Wildfong, Bay Port.

She was preceded by two sons, Donald and Ellery Brown; three grandchildren; two brothers, Elmer Wilfong and Lester Anderson; four sisters, Nora Wilfong, Mrs. Lephe Bechler, Mrs. Rose Sweet and Mrs. Mabel Smith.

Funeral services were conducted on Monday, Jan. 23 at 11 a.m. from the Salem United Methodist Church, Pigeon. The Rev. Timothy Hastings, pastor and Rev. Raymond E. Orth officiated with burial in the Grand Lawn Cemetery, Pigeon.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to the Salem United Methodist Church and the Heart Association.

Funeral arrangements were handled by the Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon.

ANDREW EDWARD BAUR, SR. 1918 - 1989

Andrew Edward Baur, Sr., age 71 of Livonia, formerly of Bay Port, passed away Jan. 12.

He was born on Jan. 22, 1918 in Bay Port. His parents homesteaded the family farm in Bay Port, which is now owned by Leonard Baur. It has been designated a Centennial Farm by the state of Michigan.

Mr. Baur was united in marriage to Louise Shoemaker on June 1, 1940. He worked for the J.L. Hudson Co. as a carpet installer for 33 years. In addition to his work, he enjoyed deer hunting, gardening, canning and dancing the polka. He was also an avid bird watcher.

Mr. Baur is survived by his wife, Louise; three daughters, Dianna, Marilee and Karen; one son, Andrew, Jr.; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; three sisters, Philippine, Edna and Bertha; one brother, Leonard and many nieces and nephews.

Other funeral information was incomplete at press-time.

JOHN E. PARDY 1904 - 1989

John E. Pardy, age 85 of Clearwater, Fla., a former summer resident of Caseville, passed away Monday, Jan. 2 at his home.

He moved to Clearwater in 1970 from Elmira, Mich. and

OTHER THUMB AREA DEATHS

Bettie Iantelli, 67, Warren, formerly of Uby, passed away Jan. 14.

Carl Skonieczny, Harbor Beach, passed away Jan. 14.

Thomas Maurer, 50, Bad Axe, passed away Jan. 16.

Helen Butler, 90, Caseville, passed away Jan. 18.

Daniel Schultz, 22, Harbor Beach, passed away Jan. 19.

Jan. 18.
Jill Nowiski, 21, Harbor Beach, passed away Jan. 18.

Loretta Porterfield, 62, Caro, with local relatives, passed away Jan. 18.

Ethel M. Trafelet, 83, Caseville, passed away Jan. 19.

Alva Ann Brown, 87, Pigeon, passed away Jan. 19.

FARM AUCTION CALENDAR

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SATURDAY, MARCH 25 - MRS. VERN (ROSE) VOSS, Pigeon, MI-FARM EQUIPMENT, HORSE TACK & EQUIP., PERCHERON MARE, GUNS.

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was a supervisor for the Ford Motor Co. He was a member of Light of Christ Catholic Church, Clearwater.

He is survived by his wife, Louise; two sons, John Eugene, National City, Calif. and Richard M. Canton; two daughters, Dolores Bridson, South Lyon and Mary Louise Mabbott, Livonia; 15 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Moss-Feaster Guardian Funeral Home, Sylvan Abbey Chapel, Clearwater, was in charge of funeral arrangements.

ARTHUR GOFF 1911 - 1989

Arthur Goff, age 78 of Bridgeport, former Bay Port area resident, passed away Thursday, Jan. 19 after a long illness.

A respected businessman, he retired from Blount, Inc. in 1975. He was a long-time member of the Saginaw Rotary Club and a member of the Bay Port United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia (Snover) Goff; three sons, Eugene Goff of Frankenmuth, Wes Goff of Colorado, Ran Goff of Cadillac; 10 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two sisters and one brother.

Private funeral services took place last week. Case Funeral Chapel, 5700 Dixie Highway, Saginaw, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be given to the Bay Port United Methodist Church.

ETHEL TRAFELET 1905 - 1989

Ethel M. Farver Trafelet, age 83 of Caseville, passed away Thursday, Jan. 19 at Florida State Hospital, Orlando, Fla. She was born Oct. 5, 1905 in Colfax Township, daughter of the late William and Carrie (Heaton) Hazard.

She was united in marriage to Thomas Farver on Sept. 25, 1924 in Elkton. He preceded her in death on May 29, 1968. Mrs. Trafelet lived in Caseville most of her married life and was a custodian at Caseville School for many years. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church, Caseville.

Surviving her are three sons, William Farver, Caseville, Lyle Farver, Jerome and Richard Farver, Caseville; one daughter, Mrs. Wallace (Alice) Hart, Caseville; 12 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; two brothers, William Hazard, New Mills, N.C. and one sister, Mrs. Dorothy Nichols, Caseville.

Preceding her in death were one son, Wallace Farver; two brothers, Lee Hazard and Edwin Hazard and one sister, Rachael Lackie.

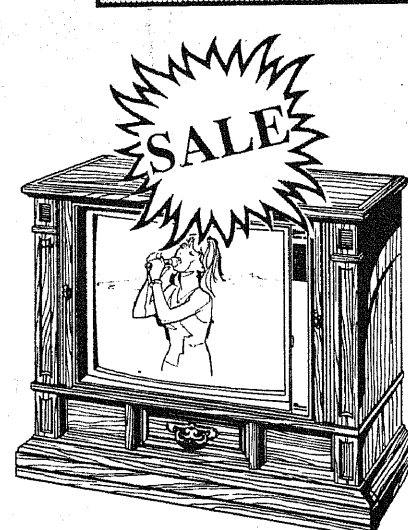
Funeral services were conducted Monday, Jan. 23 at Calvary Baptist Church. The Rev. James Duprey, pastor, officiated with burial in the Caseville Township Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were handled by the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Caseville. Memorials may be made to the Calvary Baptist Church.

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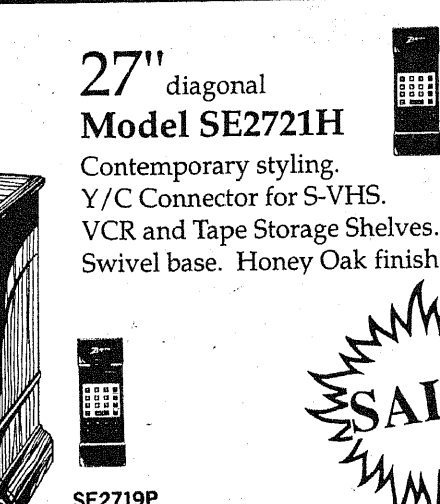


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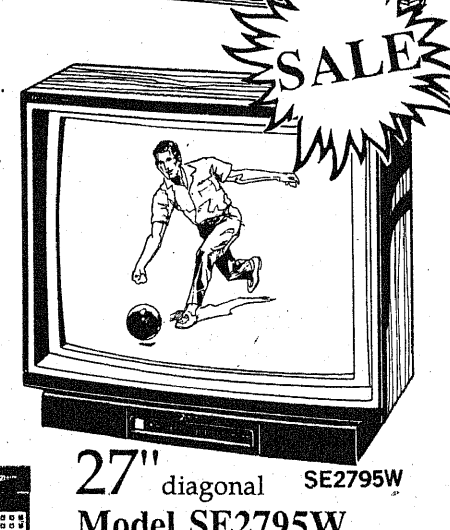
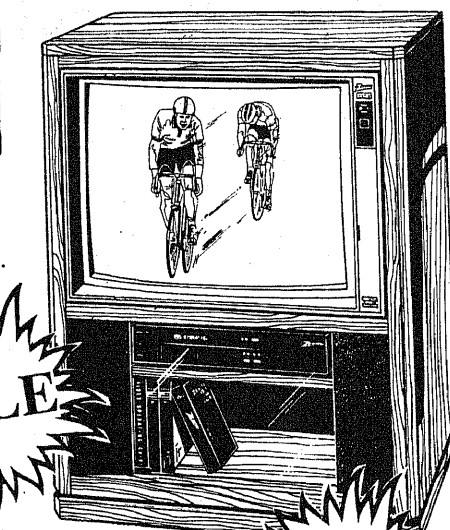
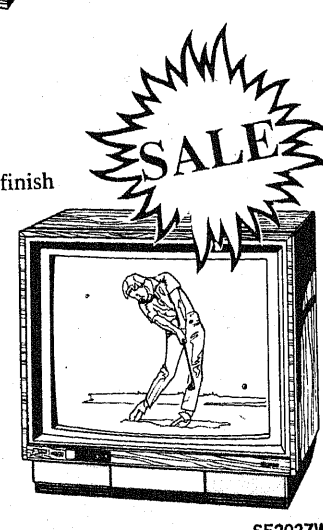
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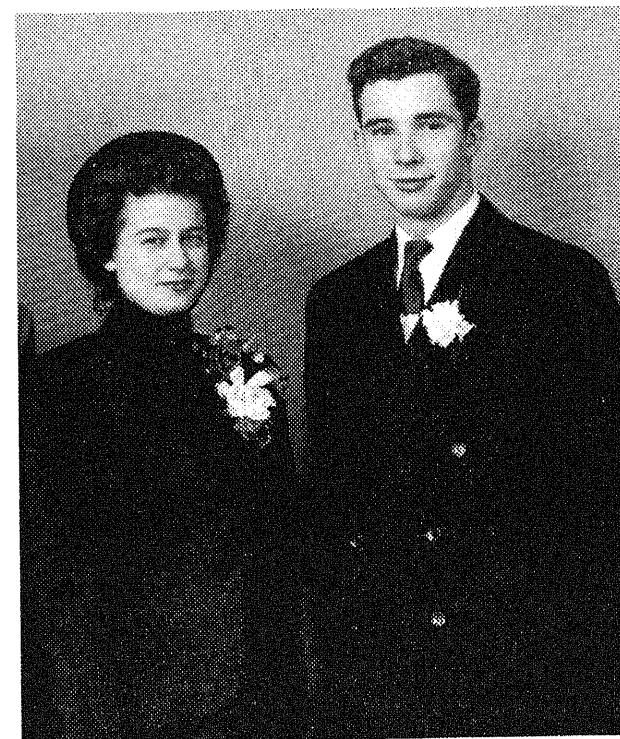
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Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walsh

Mr. and Mrs. Paul (Maxine) Walsh of Pigeon celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary with a family dinner hosted at the Franklin Inn.

Paul Walsh and Maxine Elftman, children of Edward and Meta Elftman and Edward and Emily Walsh, were married Jan. 22, 1949 at St. Felix Catholic Church, Pinnobog, by Fr. Camille Klos. Their attendants were Iva Brown and Tom Walsh. The couple has six children, Cheryl, Cheryl Diebel of Elkton, Mike Walsh of Pigeon, Beth Kraft of Roscommon, Vicki Lomba of Bay City, Patrick Walsh of Pigeon and Brian Walsh of Pigeon and 12 grandchildren.

A family reception followed the dinner at the Paul and Maxine Walsh home in Pigeon.

Thumb Area OBITUARIES

FROM PAGE 6

THOMAS MAURER 1938 - 1989

Thomas J. Maurer, 50, Bad Axe, died Monday, Jan. 16, 1989 at Veterans Administration Hospital, Ann Arbor, after a long illness.

He was born Dec. 1, 1938 in Paris Township, son of Louis M. Maurer and the late Margaret (Kelly) Maurer, who died March 26, 1985.

Mr. Maurer was a parishoner of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Bad Axe. He attended Sacred Heart Catholic School and Verona Mills Rural School before graduating from Elkton High School in 1958. He was a U.S. Army Veteran. He was employed at Active Industries, Elkton, and a former member of the Elkton Bowling League and Century Oaks Golf Club, Elkton. He lived in Bad Axe since 1964.

Surviving are his father, Louis, Marlette; five sisters, Mrs. Charles (Mary Ann) Fournier, Saginaw, Marjorie Maurer, Saginaw, Mrs. Michael (Grace) Krause, Bad Axe, Mrs. Michael (Trudi) Lang, Elkton, and Judie Maurer, Saginaw; five brothers, Gerald Maurer, Rochester, Richard Maurer, Bad Axe, Lawrence Maurer, Burton, William Maurer, Livonia, and Michael Maurer, Vassar; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were conducted at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 20 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Monsignor Olin Murdick, pastor, officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made in the form of Mass donations or to the Michigan Diabetes Association.

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Pigeon folks make lots of news...

By DOROTHY DIENER

Mrs. Frances McCormick from Caseville spent Sunday with Mrs. Walter Hartman.

Mrs. Elsie Trowbridge spent last week with her son and wife Mr. and Mrs. John Trowbridge and family in Warren.

Last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Gene Saltler and Beth Ann from Bay City were guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Collision and Fred in the afternoon. They all attended the installation of Pastor James Gorsegnor at St. John's Lutheran Church in Berne.

Mrs. Avis Cregeur had as visitors on Monday her nephew and wife Mr. and Mrs. Bill Armstrong from Bad Axe.

Spending Monday after-

noon and overnight with their daughter Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lewis and Jodi in Saginaw were Mr. and Mrs. John Diener.

Mrs. Ada Binder accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Dale Binder and family to the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Gilbert, Bay Port to help their son David celebrate his birthday on Sunday.

Mrs. Howard Jarvis spent several days last week with her sister and husband Mr. and Mrs. Max Hahn in Unionville.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Elftman visited Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jarvis in Wideman.

Pastor and Mrs. Ronald Diener from Wellston, Ohio, were Wednesday guests of his parents Mr. and Mrs. John Diener.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sattler and Beth Ann from Bay City were weekend guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Collision and Fred. They helped Mrs. Collision celebrate her birthday on Sunday. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kuhl from Elkton.

Mrs. Ann Schuette with Mrs. Marion Kumaus were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bock in Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ohbrogge returned home after spending three weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ohbrogge in Glidden, Wisc. While there, they also went skiing in the Upper Peninsula, also one weekend at Boyne Mountain in the Lower Peninsula.

Nicole, Timothy, and Christopher and Eric Kern stayed with their grandmother Mrs. Elsie Kern Thursday night through Sunday afternoon while

their parents Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Kern from St. Joseph attended the Professional Church Worker Retreat held at the Bavarian Inn Motor Lodge in Frankenmuth.

It's a girl, girl, girl!

A daughter, Haviil Mario, was born to U.S. Army Captains Bethany and Richard Sprunk of Tacoma, Wash. on Dec. 8.

The newborn weighed 8 lbs. 6 oz. and measured 19 1/2 inches long at her birth at Madigan Hospital, Ft. Lewis, Wash.

Maternal grandparents are William and Janis Forge of Bay Port. Paternal grandparents are Lucille and Marlin Sprunk of Wyandotte.

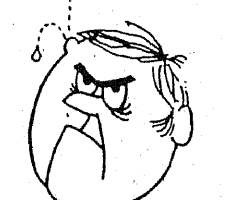
Maternal great-grandparents are Lewis and Grace Forge of Bay Port.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ehrlich, a daughter, Lindsey Caye, born Jan. 3, 1989 at Bay Medical Center, Bay City.

Grandparents are James Wilson of Elkton and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Ehrlich of Florida.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Duffy, a daughter, Trista Nicole, on Jan. 8 at Scheurer Hospital. She weighed 9 lbs. 14 oz. and was 23 inches long. She has a sister, 5-year old Jennifer.

HARD WATER HURTS



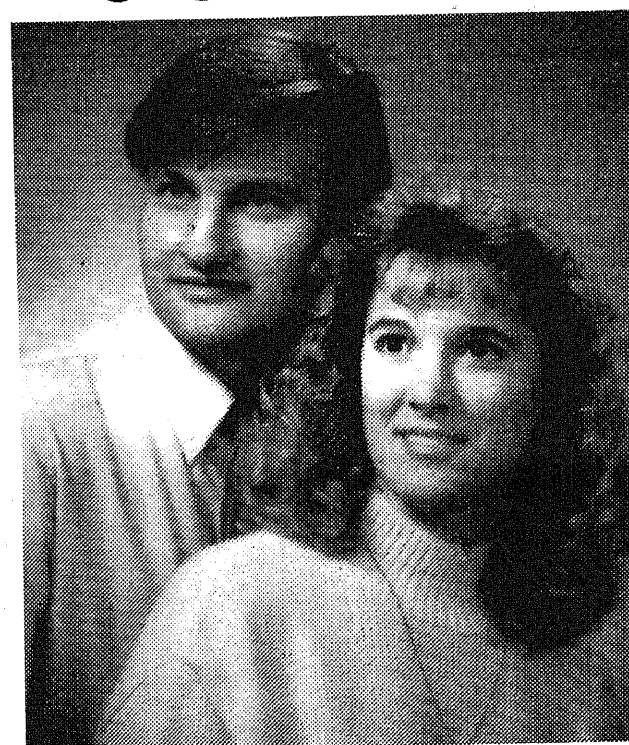
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Engagement



Fournier - Bendzinski

Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Fournier of Sebewaing announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Marie, to Gregory Richard Bendzinski, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bendzinski of Pinconning.

Susan is a student at Oakland University in Rochester. No wedding date has been set.

VILLAGE ELECTION

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS:

Notice is hereby given, that a special Village Election will be held in the Village of Caseville (Precinct #1) County of Huron, 6767 Main Street, Caseville, MI on Tuesday, February 14, 1989 for the purpose of voting for the following proposition:

Shall the proposed revised charter for the Village of Caseville as drafted by the charter commission be adopted?

YES ()
NO ()

The polls of said election will be open at 7:00 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 o'clock p.m. of said day of election.

JANICE PRILL
Deputy Village Clerk

The Past In Print

From the archives of
The Pigeon Progress and The Elkton Advance

90 YEARS AGO FEB. 10, 1899

William Licht purchased the M. Zehr farm in Oliver Township.

James Michener has opened a coal yard in Pigeon. He has his office in the office occupied by Attorney Sauer.

Neil Campbell, clerk of Chandler Township, died Tuesday morning.

H.H. Gould opened his store in the building formerly occupied by Poster and Challis. He expects to carry one of the finest lines of implements, buggies and wagons in the Thumb.

80 YEARS AGO FEB. 5, 1909

Because a number of merchants who agreed to close their places of business at 7 p.m. have not done so, our store will now be open evenings as before. A. Hirschberg & Son.

Hayes Gleaners installed their new officers in a supper meeting at Hayes School. They are Geo. J. Anderson, C.R. Bowman, Henry Stiegman, Otto Roestel, Thomas Willifong, William Yax, Mrs. Geo. Anderson, Amos Miller and William Anderson.

This Tuesday a young son arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Voelker and on the same, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Voelker.

Louis Staubus purchased the lot between Mrs. Jos. Schluchter's home and the residence of Henry Moeller and will build a house there.

Pigeon Dancing Club will give their second party at the Diebel Hall Feb. 11. Music by Pariseau's full orchestra.

H.T. Trumble purchased The Elkton Advance of W.E. Gardner.

70 YEARS AGO FEB. 7, 1919

Bay Port chapter of the American Red Cross shipped its fourth quota for the month and ladies who worked on the sewing are Hazel Gwinn, Mrs. Rolly McDonald, Mrs. Chas. Kinde, Mrs. Wm. Koehler, Mrs. Wm. Kuhn, Mrs. Wm. Reilly, Mrs. John Fahrner, Mrs. M.J. Smith, Mrs. P.C. Smith, Mrs. Harvey Dutcher, Mrs. Mark Carrington, Mrs. Stuart Warren, Mrs. W.J. Howell, Mrs. Holliday, Mrs. Robert Lambert.

In what was the fastest game of basketball ever played in Pigeon, the Bad Axe five were narrowly defeated by Pigeon by a score of 26-27. Pigeon boys who did spectacular work were Rodesiler, Schufelt, Wilfong, Baur and Morris. Pigeon girls were defeated by Bad Axe 20-8.

Mrs. H.D. Pincumbe, 78, died at the home of a daughter in Toledo. She had lived many years in Winsor Township and leaves four daughters and four sons.

Herman Muentener has opened a tire vulcanizing shop in the building formerly used by Dr. Yale for his office.

B.M. Hamill sold his Pigeon residence to Oscar Broderick.

Caseville M.E. Ladies Aid will meet in the parsonage on Wednesday. A 15-cent lunch will be served.

Solomon Schluchter purchased the Geo. Schnell house on Michigan Avenue.

A letter from Walter C. Baur finds him in Germany doing Die Wacht am Rhine with the U.S. Marines.

Negotiations are underway for the purchase of the Sutton Drug Store by Robert Orr.

60 YEARS AGO FEB. 8, 1929

J.E. Wurm was elected to head the county delegation to the state Republican convention. Other area delegates are Harry Leslie and H.B. Harder of Pigeon, W.J. Riley of Bay Port, W.B. Kellerman of Elkton and G.A. Braun of Chandler.

Senior class members of Pigeon were entertained at the home of Florence Wiley. Serving on committees were Leona Braun, Bernice Pedler, Leoda Soldan, Sherl Belding, Dorothy Goebel, Lametta Surbrook, Maurice Fritz and Edna Beck.

At the Hayes School PTA meeting, papers were given by Mrs. L. Harris and Mrs. W.H. Bedford. President Mrs. Theo Leipprandt was in charge.

Specials at Kroger's, William Fahrner, Mgr. Gold Medal Flour, 98-lb. sack \$3.75, Delmonte Peaches, 2 large cans 35cents, chocolate drops 15cents/lb., crackers 17cents/lb., French coffee 43cents, Wondernut oleo 17cents/lb., strawberry preserves 2 for 43cents.

50 YEARS AGO FEB. 10, 1939

A Father and Son Banquet will be held in Pigeon High School gym next Wednesday evening. Tickets may be purchased from Vaughn Hudson, Theo Leipprandt, Herman Buchholz, W.L. Horlacher, Harry Haist and Lorenz Clabuesch.

New officers of the Friendship Class of Pigeon Evangelical Sunday School are Vera Sarosky, Dorothy Maxwell, Lila Voelker and Lucille Maierle. Hostess was Verna Eichler.

Fred Fitchett sold 30 head of yearlings which brought him an average of \$70 each. Mr. Fitchett is one of Oliver Township's successful stock raisers and has choice cattle which command top price.

Joseph Maust Jr., having sold his farm near Pigeon, will have a sale of stock and machinery Feb. 14.

Plans are being drawn for a new church to replace the Chandler Presbyterian Church which was destroyed by fire two weeks ago. Church is being held in Chandler Town Hall.

40 YEARS AGO FEB. 11, 1949

Elevators in the West Huron area were "out of the Market" Wednesday following drops in commodity prices, but were back in again Thursday with these prices: Wheat \$1.94, oats 58 cents, rye 97 cents, malting barley \$2.55, beans \$6.85 and butterfat 60 cents.

Pigeon's oldest merchant, Louis Staubus, was 81 on Monday.

Pigeon High School basketballers defeated the Sebewaing team 34-24 Tuesday night. Lowell Kraft made 11 points, Elmer Ropp and Perry Allen 7 points each and DeVere Sturm 6 points. Pigeon Reserves also won, 30-28, and Duane Ropp led the scoring with 9 points.

Pigeon PTA set an all-time attendance record with 300 present. Mrs. D.N. Protzman had charge of the program and reports were given by Supt. George E. Carpenter, Principal Orvin Yordy, E.J. Clabuesch, Mrs. Willis Yackie, Rev. H.E. Duttweiler and Mrs. Arthur Schumacher.

30 YEARS AGO FEB. 5, 1959

James McComb, son of Mr. and Mrs. James McComb Sr. of Elkton, was awarded a \$200 Foundation Scholarship in the College of Engineering at the University of Michigan.

Annual county PTA banquet will be held Feb. 9 in Owendale School gym room. Mrs. Wendolin Clabuesch is the Pigeon banquet chairman and Robert Story is in charge of the local contribution to the program.

A team of Pigeon hockey players entertained a team from Imlay City and won by 6-5. Pigeon goals were scored by Jack Oesch, Gil Wichert,

Art Schulze, Al Abbott and Clayton Kauffman.

Henry Hewitt and Harold Hewitt of Elkton were among 42 dairymen in Michigan to be given membership in the "500" honor roll for outstanding dairy herd production.

20 YEARS AGO FEB. 6, 1969

Work has begun on remodeling two buildings to provide a municipal building for the Village of Pigeon and Winsor Township. Village building committee members are Arthur Luedtke, Wendolin Clabuesch and Robert Webber; for the township, Orville Weidman, William Buschlen and Clare Dast.

Robert L. Haist, son of Dr. and Mrs. W.P. Haist, Pigeon, received his Masters' Degree in business administration from CMU, Mt. Pleasant.

Gottlieb Yackie of Pigeon will mark his 94th birthday on Feb. 12. His has two daughters, Mrs. Walter Bedford of Elkton, with whom he now resides and Mrs. Roy Stange of Bay City and two sons, Orville and Willis of Pigeon.

Pigeon PTA held their annual founders day banquet on Feb. 3. Lyle Shetler was toastmaster and on the program were Rev. Raymond Roe, Mrs. Orville Schuette, Mrs. Charles Leipprandt, William Soldan, Mrs. E.T. Leipprandt and Walter Bedford.

Isabel Anderson, 79, former Pigeon resident, died in Florida. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Mildred Brown of Pigeon.

10 YEARS AGO FEB. 1, 1979

Seven members of the Laker High Marching Band participated in the annual Tri-County Honors Band.

Linda Anderson, Margaret Maust, Angie Dietzel, Tracy Farver, Kevin Ohlrogge, Jackie Elliott and Carl Dast.

Alvin Abbott is selected to head the Pigeon Chamber of Commerce for 1979 at the group's annual meeting. He is owner of Pigeon Auto Supply with his wife, Joanne. He succeeds Paul Clabuesch, who had served two one-year terms.

Elizabeth Schlabach and Gary "Redford" Maust recite their wedding vows at the Elkton Missionary Church.

FROM THE ELKTON ADVANCE FILES 54 YEARS AGO JAN. 24, 1935

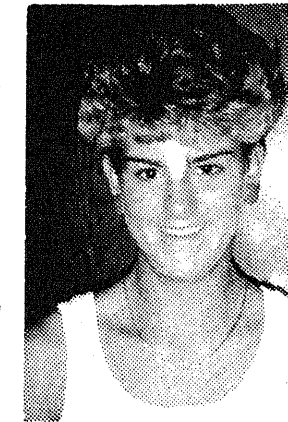
The annual meeting of the Rural Teacher's Association is planned at the Elkton High School Auditorium next Tuesday, Jan. 29. Supt. of Elkton Schools Earl Eidt will give an address, to be followed by music by the Albrecht Sisters, a play directed by John Rogers and announcements by School Commissioner W.H. Sparling. Following the business meeting, dancing will take place in the auditorium.

Anyone looking for a good chance to relax and forget some of the common variety of troubles should visit Michigan State College during Farmers Week, Jan. 28 - Feb. 1.

Elkton State Bank cashier Mr. Ackerman reports the 1936 payment for series C moratorium certificates will be made Feb. 18, 17 months ahead of time. And, the Port Austin State Bank re-opened for business Tuesday, after having been operated under a conservatorship since the 1933 banking holiday. Deposits are insured to \$5,000. Robert Theummel is president and Harold F. Finan is cashier.

We're Asking You . . .

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION,
ASKED BY BRENDA BUSCHLEN:
"Do you think having a youth
center in Elkton is a good idea for
local kids? Why or why not?"



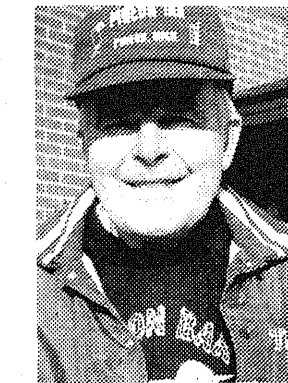
Yes, that would be a good idea, because there should be something extra for the kids to do.

Jeannine Ziehm
OWENDALE



Yes I do, because it gives the young people something to do besides run the streets.

Jeff Wiechert
PIGEON



I think it would be a good idea, because there's a lack of entertainment for the kids.

Vincent Freeman
BAY PORT



Yes, because it would give kids some place to go and have fun.

Scott Fisher
ELKTON



Yes, I think it would give the kids something to do around here.

Joe Champagne
CASEVILLE



Sure, why not? When I was young I enjoyed being with kids my own age, so that's how I think it should still be.

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Area school lunch menus

Week of Feb. 1-7

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Wednesday, Feb. 1: Pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, apple sauce/peaches, milk.

Thursday, Feb. 2: Big

Macs, relishes, pears/plums and milk.

Friday, Feb. 3: Fish nuggets, fries, fruit salad, bread, chocolate milk.

Monday, Feb. 6: Tacos, relishes, apple sauce/peaches, bars and milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 7: Hot dogs

/tuna melt, fries, apple crisp and milk.

LAKER SCHOOLS

Weekly offerings, Feb. 4-10: hot dogs, ravioli

February is "Elementary Favorite Lunches" time. This is a special menu month where each elementary class has selected their favorite menu items for a day. Here they are for the first week:

Wednesday, Feb. 1: Bay Port Fourth Grade: Turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit cocktail and chocolate mousse.

Thursday, Feb. 2: Elkton Fourth Grade (Mr. Lang): Tacos, carrots, pineapple and chocolate pudding.

Friday, Feb. 3: Pigeon Third Grade: Hot dog on bun, tater tots, fruit platter, cherry cheesecake.

Monday, Feb. 6: Pigeon Fifth Grade: Wing dings and fries, corn, fruit platter, make your own sundaes.

Tuesday, Feb. 7: Bay Port Third Grade: Spaghetti and meatballs, tossed salad, strawberries and hot fudge sundaes.

Pigeon news

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Eidt of Sand Point met with Rev. and Mrs. Robert Freysinger and son Billy of Napoleon and Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Eidt of Sebewaing in Bad Axe for dinner. They later called on Earl Parker at the Huron Medical Care Facility.

OWENDALE: Sandra

Miller;

PIGEON: John Schaaf and David Sturm;

SEBEWAING: Ashley Lib-eracki, Joelle Pavlichek, Kristi Rieman and Sharon Werschky, and

UNIONVILLE: Jody Ewald, Sharolyn Meyer and Scott Zimmer.

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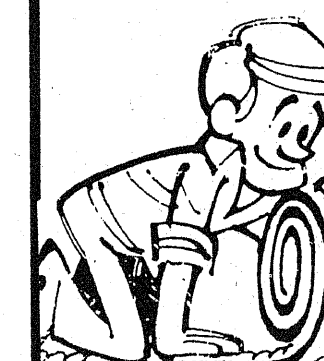
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Like the funeral, the visitation is a gathering that all may attend. Some hesitate to make a sympathy visit because they think it might be upsetting to the family. Others because they don't know what to say or do. These rea-

sons for staying away are greatly outweighed by the imperative to attend. The family should not be left alone with their grief. They need your help and support. Simply by being there, you show it.

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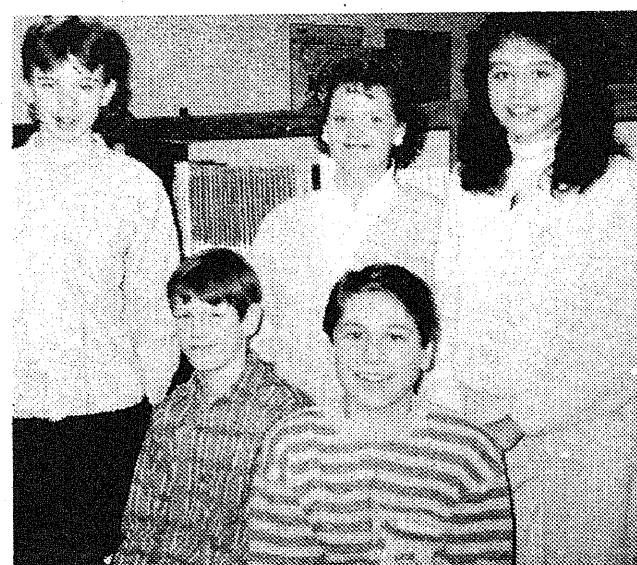
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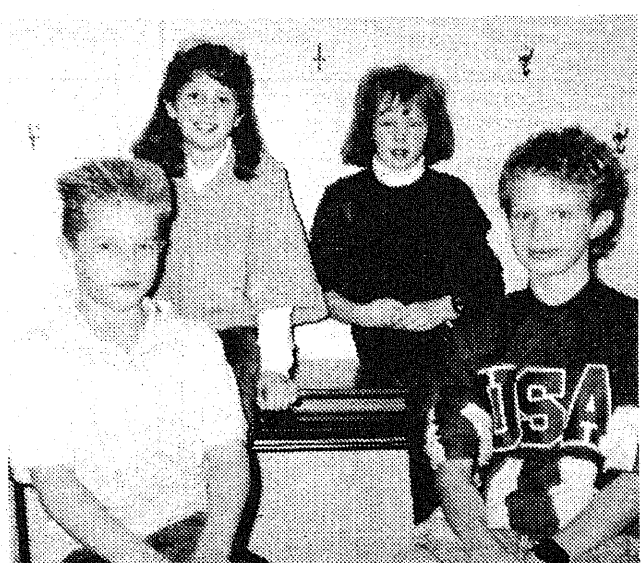
Students 'buzzing' about Spelling Bee this Thursday



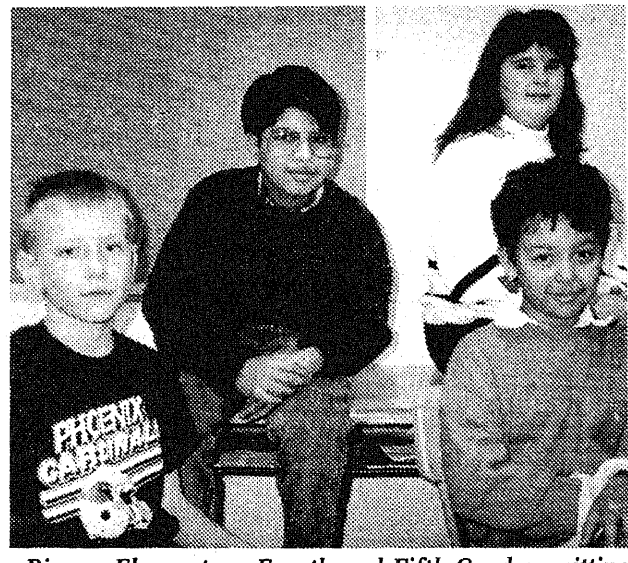
Junior High Eighth Grade Winners, sitting, Jason Gnagy, alternate Ryan Heckman. Standing, Travis May, Tracy Steinman, Jennifer Maxwell.



Junior High Seventh Grade Winners: sitting, Joel Toner. Standing, Kim Sturm, Wendy Seley, Christa Keim, alternate Theresa Kranz.



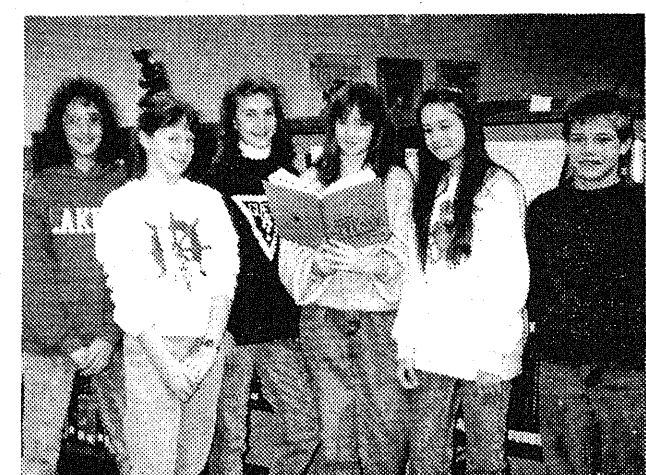
Bay Port Elementary, sitting, Fifth grade alternate Jeff Horton, fifth grader Jared Maxwell. Rear, fourth grader Marcie Rathje, alternate fourth grader Rebecca Tennant.



Pigeon Elementary Fourth and Fifth Graders, sitting, Fourth grader Matthew Otto, Fifth grader Cassandra Flores. Rear, Fourth grade alternate Shrikant Kam-lapurker, Fifth grade alternate Jami Walsh.

Students from Elkton, Pigeon, and Bay Port Elementary Schools will be competing in the 1989 Laker Spelling Bee Thursday, Jan. 26 at 7 p.m. in the Laker High auditorium.

The last student standing from each school in grades 5-8 will advance to the Regional Spelling Bee of the Lawrence Institute of Technology/Detroit News Spelling Bee. From there, a winner may advance to the Michigan Bee and then the National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C.



Junior High Sixth Grade Winners, from left, Lindsay Krueger, alternate Karen Bruce, Jennifer Smith, Melissa Drabek, Jodi Forster, alternate Tim Champagne.



Elkton Elementary Fourth and Fifth Grade, sitting, Fifth grader Mikkee Peyer, alternate fourth grader Eric Zarnke.

Lake-Chandler news

By MILDRED BALLAGH
Pat Dell is a patient at St. Joseph Hospital in Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Eimers and family of Unionville were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ross.

Marguerite Rodgers had her birthday dinner one day early, Friday night, at the home of the William Balaghs.

Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. William McBride were Mr. and Mrs. David McBride and sons of Bad Axe.

Mrs. Agnes Malburg and daughter Karen of Almont were Friday visitors of Mrs. George Southworth.

RUSH LAKE FARM BUREAU

The Rush Lake Farm Bureau group conducted their January meeting in the home of Opal Duffy, preceded by a potluck supper.

Mona McBride, Chairperson, led the group in the pledge to the flag.

Opal Duffy led the discussion on Conservation Compliance. She also read the fun sheet on riddles.

There will not be any meeting in February. The Fred McBrides will be hosts to the March meeting.

MASS analysts confirm 1988 conclusions:

Crop yields among smallest recorded in recent years

A year of extremes best describes the 1988 Michigan growing season. A severe drought early in the season sharply reduced prospects of a bountiful harvest for Michigan field crops. The drought's effects were felt statewide and brought crop yields to their lowest level in recent years, according to the Federal/State Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service. Most severely affected were corn, hay, sugarbeets, and potatoes, with a more moderate decline noted for soybeans. A dry summer was followed

1988 saw some of the smallest crop yields in recent years, experts say...

Corn production in Michigan totaled 112 million bushels, a decline of 40 percent from a year ago and the lowest output since 1969. Grain yields averaged 70 bushels per acre, the lowest since 1976. Acreage utilized for corn silage increased 36% to accommodate livestock feed require-

ments. However, silage yields fell to their lowest level since 1948 and averaged only 7.5 tons per acre.

Soybean production at about 33.9 million bushels declined 11% from a year ago. An 11% increase in harvested acreage could not offset reduced yields which

averaged 28 bushels per acre, 7 bushels below last season's record.

Dry bean production at

2.2 million hundredweight (cwt.) was less than half of last year's output. Navy bean production totaled nearly 1.9 million cwt., a decline of 55% from last season.

All hay production totaled 4.2 million tons, a decline of 4 percent from a year ago. Reseedings following the 1986 flood returned alfalfa acreage to more normal levels. Other hay acreage increased sharply as emergency haying was permitted on diverted and Conservation Reserve Program acres.

Corn production in 1988 is estimated at 4.92 billion bushels, down 30% from the 1987 crop. The drought reduced U.S. yield of 84.6 bushels per acre is 34.8 bushels below the record high of 119.4 bushels produced in 1987.

Soybean output is estimated at 1.54 billion bushels, 20% below last year and the lowest production since 1976.

Dry bean production totaled 19.2 million cwt., 26% below a year ago.

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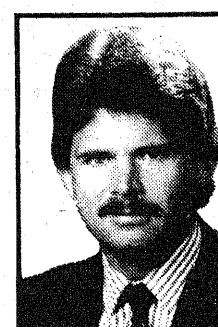
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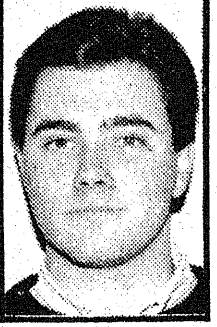
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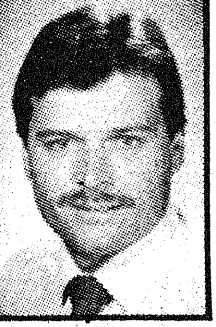
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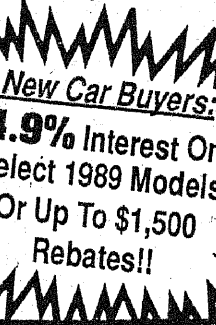
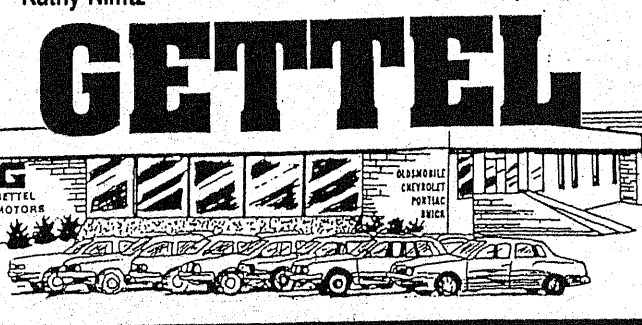
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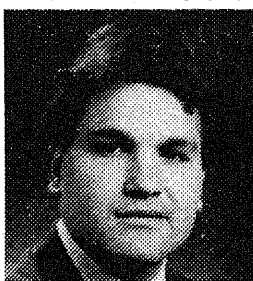
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St. John's Berne welcomes Pastor Gorsegnor and family

After the death of Pastor Philip Press, who had led the church for 22 years, the members of the congregation of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Berne sent out a call for a new pastor.

Pastor James Gorsegnor answered that call, and on Jan. 15, was installed as the new leader of the Berne church.

Pastor Gorsegnor comes to Berne from Wisconsin, where he pastored the dual parish of Trinity in rural

Appleton, and St. Paul's in rural Hortonville.

BACKGROUND: Originally from Caledonia, Wisc., he says the Thumb Area and his home area are quite similar in climate, but this area is much flatter.

"As we were driving in, I was struck by how flat the land is. I'm not used to so much flat land," Pastor Gorsegnor says.

He and his wife Debbie, and their family arrived in Pigeon right after the first of the year, and wasted no time

settling in and taking charge of the church.

"We haven't had much time to get around and meet a lot of people, but so far, the people are super friendly. They've gone out of their way to help us and make us feel at home," Debbie says.

Because the family enjoys camping and fishing, the Gorsegnors plan on taking advantage of the many parks in the Thumb, but the Gorsegnor children have already found their niche at St. John's school.

The three oldest boys, Ja-



Pastor and Mrs. Gorsegnor and their family

son, 13, Joel, 11, and Joshua, 8, are involved with basketball and other sports, and they all enjoy video games. Younger sister Melissa at 2 1/2 is a little young to play sports just yet, but her parents say she's enjoying her new home too.

In whatever spare time he can manage, Pastor Gorsegnor enjoys model railroad-ing, and plans to build a layout in the near future.

He also enjoys electronics and computers, and says "I know enough to get into trouble with it."

Debbie enjoys playing the organ and piano, but laugh-

ingly says, "only at home. I can play in church, but only in a real pinch." She says she plans to get involved with church and school activities, including the Women's Society and the senior choir.

THOUGHTFUL: Pastor Gorsegnor admits that after 12 1/2 years at his previous post, he had to do a lot of thinking about moving his family several hundred miles.

"I looked at the needs of this church and the needs of my previous church. I have to use what I have to serve the Lord the best."

But he says once the decision to move was made, the children were anxious to leave.

It was hardest for the children to leave their friends behind, but they have already made good friends at their new school and have adjusted well, say their parents.

Along with learning about their new church and its members, the Gorsegnors will spend time learning about their new home and how to get around the area.

"We're looking forward to spending many years here," he says.



FAITH GROUP HELPS MISSIONARY: Methodist missionary Lena Eschtruth, who has been in Zambia, Africa for many years, has been supported by the Elkton United Methodist Church for many years. Now, the Faith Shepherd Group of that church has decided to support Eschtruth by sending needed items to Zaire. Children's clothes, sheets, toiletries, over-the-counter medicines, and crafts are sent to Africa to help Eschtruth in her missionary work.

Supporting Eschtruth was the brainchild of group member Florence Southworth. Mrs. Southworth has been involved in mission work and other church activities for many years. She taught Sunday School for 47 years and now, "the ones I started to teach have grandchildren of their own."

Here, Mrs. Southworth, Pastor James Kummer, and children Andrew and Laura Kummer get boxes of supplies ready for shipment to Zaire.

AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

Film Sunday at Elkton

The film titled "A Man Called Norman," featuring Mike Atkins, will be presented Sunday, Jan. 29 at 7 p.m. at Elkton United Methodist Church.

This compelling true story, featured on Dr. James Dobson's "Focus on the Family" radio broadcast, is an unforgettable story of an uncommon friendship of two men that triumphed over their fears and had unexpected rewards awaiting those who reach out to others.

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Local club news

PIGEON LIONS CLUB

Fifty-two members of the Pigeon Lions Club gathered for their regular meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 11 at the Pigeon VFW Hall.

Wes Dast was honored as a guest.

Lion President Jack Sturm called the meeting to order and conducted the following business.

■ Martin Schuette announced the winners of the Lions' Shopping Spree: Erma Hamilton, first place, Craig Douglas, second place and Scott MacDonald, third place.

■ A letter was read from Nova Jean Miller of Meals on Wheels, thanking the Lions Club for its financial support. A motion was passed donating \$500 to this local program.

■ The club agreed to pay for an eye exam for a local child.

■ President Sturm announced he will attend the Lions State Convention on March 31. Other members who would like to attend

should contact him for details.

■ A motion was made to donate \$500 to the Pigeon Historical Society.

■ A thank-you was written by Ken Haas, chairman of the Rudy Hornbacher Fund, thanking the club for its donation.

Church notes

CHANDLER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MEETING

The annual congregational meeting followed a potluck dinner Sunday, Jan. 15 at the Chandler Presbyterian Church.

The Rev. William Polkowski moderated the meeting. New Elders elected were Bob Badgley and Bill McIlhargie. Other session members are Marjorie McPhee, Jim Williston, Margaret Fleming, Roland Nelson and Pat Duerer.

On the nominating list for 1990 are Eleanor Wilson, Lee Drummond and Jeff Lockard.

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Lakers v'ballers tops in tournament

By AMY HEIDEN

A strong offense and consistent defense were the keys to the Lady Lakers big tournament win in the Hatchet Invitational Saturday at Bad Axe.

They put away Harbor Beach 15-7, 15-8, Caseville, 15-0-, 15-12, and Bad Axe 15-6, 15-4 in pool play to take first, then rocked Uby 15-9, 15-6 and Cass City 15-0, 15-4 in the single elimination tournament to take home the trophy.

Brenda Buschlen walked away with 49 points for the tournament, and scored all 15 points in the first game against Caseville.

Tracie Henne also was a factor with 43 points. Connie Schulz led attacking with 21 kills, Henne had 15 kills, and Buschlen had eight. Henne was the outstanding blocker for the Lakers with 23, while Tricia Learman and Schulz both had 15 blocks and Tracie Beer had 13. Henne led in service aces with 22, Buschlen had 20, and Schulz had 11 aces.

VASSARLOSS: In Thursday's game against Vassar, the Lakers turned up winners in a preview of Saturday's wins, 15-12, 15-9, 15-5. Brenda Buschlen again led with 26 points and 19 service aces.

Coach Sue Frederickson admits her team got a rough start, but says that her team is playing well both offensively and defensively. "We're working together much better as a team. In the beginning, we had a lot of new personnel that hadn't worked together before." At midpoint in the season, the Lakers have a 20-6 overall record.

LOOKING AHEAD: This week, a strong Cass City team hosts the Lakers in an away game, and they hope to avenge their loss at the Lakers' hands in the Hatchet Invitational. "They'll be out for revenge, and we have to fire up for them," Frederickson says.

And on Saturday, the Carrollton JV tournament, the

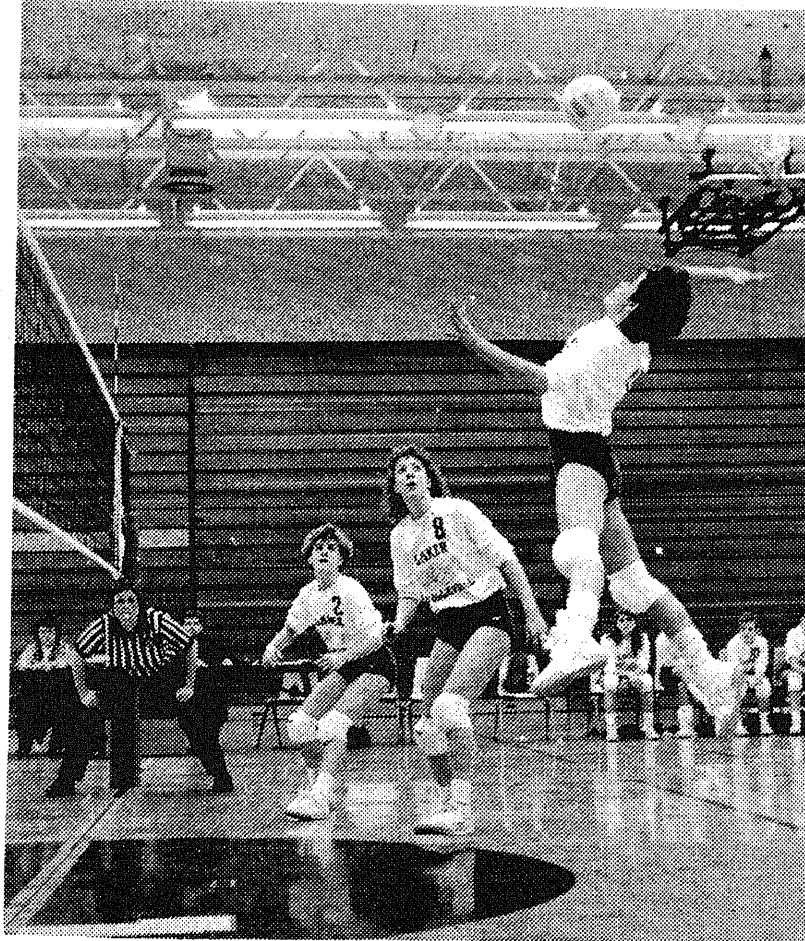
Lakers will travel to Michigan Lutheran Seminary where they'll have their work cut out for them. At least seven of the top ten Class C teams in the state will be playing, and Frederickson says that her team will have their work cut out for them. "This tournament will prove where we stand right now."

JV ACTION: In the Carrollton JV tournament, the

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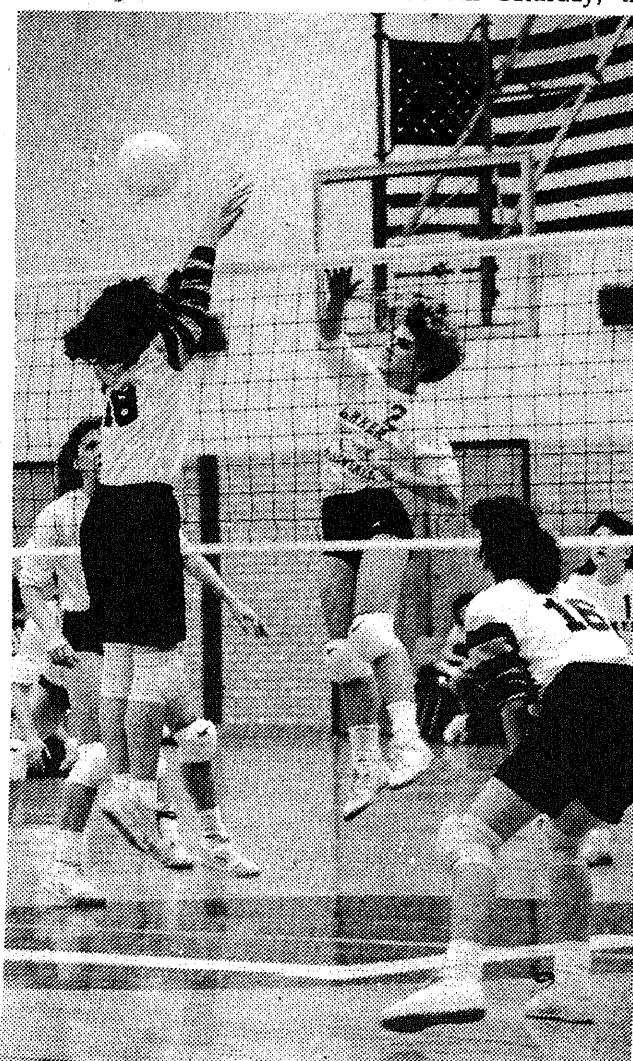
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8. Southfield Christ'n 6-2
9. Saranac 9-0
10. Constantine 6-1

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LINEUP: Tracie Henne leaps high to pound the ball across the net, as Laker teammates Connie Schulz (8) and Brenda Buschlen (2) watch the play, as does official Deb Sturm.

RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTOS



KEY TO WIN: Laker junior Brenda Buschlen pounds a spike past Susan Mills of Vassar at the net. Buschlen's greatest contribution during the match was at the service line. She led the winners with 25 points, including 13 of the 15 Laker points in game two, and a total of 19 aces.

The Progress-Advance's SPORTS PAGE

Sizzling...

Laker netters win twice in past week

By AMY HEIDEN

In two important games last week, the Laker basketball team defeated two of its most dangerous rivals, Imlay City and North Branch.

NORTH BRANCH: Kendall Wertz kept up his sizzling scoring pace in the Lakers' 74-62 victory over the Broncos with a season-high 33 points, including five free-throws in the fourth quarter.

The Lakers had to play hard for their victory against North Branch, though, as Coach Bill McLellan said the game was close throughout.

The Lakers outscored the Broncos 18-13 in the first period, but the Broncos battled back in the second, outscoring the Lakers by four. But the halftime buzzer sounded with the score 39-30.

The fourth quarter saw the closest battles, as North Branch overcame a seven-point deficit to go up by one over the Lakers. But with Wertz's five successful free-throws, the Lakers finally defeated the Broncos.

In addition to Wertz's 33 points, Mark Kretschmer chipped in 21 points, and Kevin Wolfman had 10 points. Larry Hebbel was the high scorer for the Broncos with 19 points.

I.C. ROUT: After Tuesday's victory, the Lakers were fired up for the Imlay City game and came home with a 77-54 victory.

The Lakers had their hands full again with the Imlay City team, and the lead changed hands several times during the first half, finally ending at the buzzer with Imlay City ahead by one, 32-31.

But in the middle of the third quarter, the Lakers took control of the lead with Wertz scoring 12 in the quarter. Imlay City's Trevor Harvey, who scored all of his 22 points in the first half, was defended by Laker Kevin Wolfman and was scoreless in the entire second half.

GOING AWAY: The fourth quarter saw the Lakers use their spread offense, making the Imlay City team chase them all over the court, and held their opponents to only nine points in the period.

The Lakers had 25 points in the fourth period, with five players putting points on the board.

Kendall Wertz again had a game-high 33 points, making him the area's top scoring player this year with 286 points for the season, averaging over 24 points per game. Kevin Wolfman, in addition to his defensive duties against Trevor Harvey, posted 18 points in the game, while Mark Kretschmer had 11.

JV ACTION: The Laker Junior Varsity squad also racked up a victory last week, defeating North Branch 61-55.

In the game, Reggie Ignash had 22 points, Rick Duffy had 12, Brian Ignash had 10, and Dan Gonzales had nine points. Brian Ignash led in rebounding with eight, and Duffy had seven. Reggie Ignash came up with seven steals in the game, and the Lakers were 15 of 24 from the free-throw line.

The freshman basketball team defeated North Branch 80-44, with Jeremy Esch scoring 16 points with six assists. David Geiger had 15 points with six rebounds, and Mike Keefer had 15 points and six rebounds.

Thumb B Conference Basketball Standings

SCHOOL	W	L	W	L
Cass City	5	1	9	2
Vassar	5	1	7	2
Imlay City	4	2	7	2
Caro	4	2	6	4
LAKERS	4	2	5	4
North Branch	2	4	5	5
Marlette	0	6	1	9
Bad Axe	0	6	0	10

BOARD BATTLE: EPBP cagers Kendall Wertz (44) and Brian Bushey (50) fight for control of a rebound with North Branch center Kelvin Marston.

RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTOS

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PIGEON WEDNESDAY NITE LADIES

Dodge Girls8
Bay Port Construction8
Damm's Inc.8
Gumby's	.....8
Bay Port State Bank	.....7
Cloud of Dust Cera	.....7
Ju-Den's	.....6
Varty's	.....6
Pigeon Auto Supply	.....5
Country Lane Video	.....4
Walsh Packing	.....4
Haist Flowers	.....1

High team series and game: Ju-Den's 2341 (833-767-741), Walsh Packing 2206 (780-771), Dodge Girls 2185 (789-728), Haist Flowers 2110 (716), Bay Port State Bank 744-701, Pigeon Auto Supply 735, Cloud of Dust Ceramics 724, Haist Flowers 716, Country Lane Video 710, Bay Port Construction 708, Damm's, Inc. 703.

High individual scores: J. Rosenthal 512 (213), M. Erer 479 (183), D. Yahn 475 (178), P. Purcell 474, N. Wicher 202, A. Gotham 186, J. Deering 182, L. Fluegge 173, K. Fritz 172. Splits converted: 3-10 D. Herzog, M. Erer; 5-10 J. Rosenthal; 5-7 J. Rosenthal; 6-10 R. Stoeck; 2-10 J. Thiel; 3-9-10 J. Thiel; 5-8-10 N. Wicher; 3-5-7 A. Gruhn.

GUYS and DOLLS

Dunn-Seemann	.....8
Gunden-Rapson	.....8
Roestel-Palmer	.....6
Heintz-Hundersmarck	.....6
Christner-Henne	.....4
Morin-Rowe	.....4
Dubs-Smith	.....3
McCrinnon-Cusimano	.....3
Dietzel-Swartzendruber	.....2
Beachy-Weldman	.....1

High team series and game: Roestel-Palmer 2086 (752-716), Dubs-Smith 2040 (711), Gunden-Rapson 1957. High individual scores: MEN — L. Smith 582 (203), J. Dunn 557 (202), L. Roestel 554 (222), D. Rapson 553 (233), F. Hundersmarck 514 (202), J. Gunden 503; WOMEN — N. Palmer 513 (171-175), P. Roestel 504 (187-178), J. Kretschmer 497 (207), D. Yahn 489 (184), E. Gunden 479 (178), B. Heintz 478 (176).

PIGEON TUES.-WED. MENS' LEAGUE

Thumb Petroleum	.....14
Ty's	.....14
Bud's Bar	.....10
Pigza Pizza	.....10
Knechtel's Market	.....9
Elkton Food Center	.....6

High team series and game: Thumb Petroleum 1809 (620), Schember-Rosenthal 1809 (620), Gayari-Morin 1809 (620), Krohn-Klosowski 1809 (620), DIES — T. Kauffman 404 (154); MEN — W. Schember 488 (179), C. Buchholz 463 (207), M. Rosenthal 447 (168), K. Schember 450, R. Krohn 166. Splits converted: 5-9-7 M. Rosenthal; 6-8-5 Rosenthal; 8-9 C. Buchholz.

PIGEON TUESDAY CLASSIC LEAGUE

Steinman Agency	.....10
Ralph's Tavern	.....10
Coor's	.....9
Farm Crest Foods	.....9
Dutch Kettle	.....8
Ju-Den's	.....8

High team series and game: Steinman Agency 2570 (883-878), Damm's, Inc. 2519 (911), Pigeon Lanes 2490 (906), Gattel's 887, Village Qwik Stop 874.

High individual scores: S. Swartzendruber 548, Troy Gunden 545 (206), J. Eckel 542 (203), B. Rollo 216, T. Damm 212, Todd Gunden 206, R. Damm 200.

PIGEON MONDAY MAJOR LEAGUE

Gettel's	.....9
Greenfield's Rest.	.....8
Pigeon Lanes	.....8
*Damm's, Inc.	.....6
Bay Shore Collision	.....6
Bay Shore Realty	.....5
J & B Pig	.....5
*Pigeon Motor Sales	.....4
J.O. Wurst Tiling	.....3
Village Qwik Stop	.....2

High team series and game: Bay Shore Collision 2570 (883-878), Damm's, Inc. 2519 (911), Pigeon Lanes 2490 (906), Gattel's 887, Village Qwik Stop 874.

High individual scores: B. Heintz 558 (176-188-194), E. Gunden 519 (173-180), J. Otto 517 (171-177), M. Rapp 500 (170-176), P. Niebel 492 (196), J. Kretschmer 488 (172), E. Rounds 486 (174), G. Smith 479 (189), L. Beedle 474 (179), A. Albrecht 465 (187), S. Sting 463 (175), A. Dubs 457 (184), A. Lackie 456, F. Otto 454 (174), L. Walsh 450 (170).

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ELKTON MONDAY MENS' LEAGUE

Wesleyan Church10
Jim's Garage10
Hazard's Hot'sy9
Don's Barber Shop	.....8
Finkbeiner's Equip.	.....7
Auto Color Profess	.....4
Ron's Party Store	.....4
Moon Beams	.....4

High team series and game: Don's Barber Shop 2654 (968), Hazard's Hot'sy 2517 (888), Wesleyan church 2523 (879). High individual scores: J. Jaworski 611 (224-203), D. Young 538, K. Schember 538, D. McAlpine 537, J. Rich 534, K. Thumme 524, K. Hazard 514, G. Willoughby 504 (203). Splits converted: 3-10 K. Schember, H. Karl; 5-7 D. Deming.

High individual series: A. Gies 535, O. Reed 534, C. Basinger 522, D. Ropp 510, T. Gunden 507 (211), L. Albrecht 503, N. Henne 502, D. Dubs 501 and H. Ropp 500.

PIGEON TUESDAY LADIES LEAGUE

Diener's Home of FF	.....9
Grigg Greenhouse	.....8
Thumbodles	.....8
Terra	.....7
Town & Country	.....7
Pigeon IGA	.....7
Beachy Eggs	.....7
Sun Bonnet Bakery	.....5
LaFave Steel	.....5
Pigeon Lanes	.....3
Debbie's Catering	.....3
Yaroch Asphalt	.....3

High team series and game: Terra 1727 (587-590), Pigeon Lanes 1702 (668), Diener's Home of FF 1695 (585-593), Thumbodles 607, Grigg Greenhouse 599. High individual scores: R. Voss 517 (173-188), B. Heintz 492 (194), I. Polson 471 (175), G. Henne 471 (171), E. Guster 469, J. Deering 466 (192), G. Zimmer 466 (172), L. Keim 452 (173), S. Hellman 192 (1-10-89), S. Malosky 181, E. Bauss 180, H.

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Woods & Waters

By Duane Guenther



Flies that work...

There is a time within the frame work of the year when outdoor activities tend to slow down. For me, this period falls during the months of January and February. True, ice fishing is in full swing but, although I fish through the ice on many occasions, I do not lie awake in excited anticipation of the event. I love to cross country ski, but the past several snowless winters have made short work of that. So, during the start of the each new year I busy myself with an enjoyable hobby. Fly tying...

I tie flies for 2 reasons. First, I enjoy fooling a fish to take an offering of my very own creation, and second, at \$1.15 per fly, buying them gets to be a pretty expensive habit. With the purchase of some inexpensive equipment and the scrapping of discarded bits of fur and feathers I have been able to duplicate the most expensive fly for a few pennies each.

Like all beginners, my first years at fly tying were spent making every conceivable pattern known to man. Most of these insect clones probably are native to West Africa or New Zealand and no respectable Michigan Trout would be caught dead with one in its mouth. Undaunted by this fact I continued to crank them out by the hundreds.

A few years into the sport I began to realize I was not catching many fish in comparison to some of the expert fly fishermen I was fortunate to fish with. In conversation, it quickly became evident their fly selection for a day's fishing was considerably smaller than mine. In many

cases, they would only use 2 or 3 patterns.

Over the years my fly production began to narrow itself down to include only those that had been proven themselves to be fish producers for myself or someone with whom I had fished. Even then, this list was further reduced to only those flies that really produced.

This was not as easy as it sounds. If one believes that Trout are selective feeders and fly fishermen must use an exact duplicate to catch fish during a major hatch, I would need 13 patterns to match the major hatches that occur on Michigan streams from April through September. Add to this the many phases of the insect's life cycle and you throw in another 2 dozen patterns putting me right back where I began in the first place.

While I must confess that I do indeed still fish the major hatches, and I do fish them with the proper patterns, I have put together a small list of flies and streamers that tend to catch fish when they are not supposed to be caught, and have had a lot of fun doing it.

The first fly on my list is not a fly at all, but an imitation of a leech or minnow. The dry fly purist will recoil in horror at this statement, but I'm reminded that 90% of the food a trout eats never reaches the surface. The fly goes by many names, but Woolly Bugger seems to be most universal. It is usually weighted, with a black chenille body and a full, soft black hackle. It's tail is Marabou with a couple strands of tinsel tied in. It is

My last fly is a true dry fly, but is not an exact duplicate of any particular species. Rather it is a ratty, nondescript bug with a little flash of white that allows the angler to spot it readily in the ripples. It is constructed with a dubbed muskrat fur body, a golden pheasant feather tail, a gray and brown hackle and a white kip tail wing. This fly gets better with use, and really becomes a great searching fly when it reaches the ratty stage.

I would be a fool to think that only these 3 flies catch Trout, but in my case, they usually do the best job....

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a simple black, ugly fly that catches big fish from Grayling to Montana to Alaska. My second fly is a general imitation of a nymph. Again, my reason for this fly is that 75% of all aquatic insects are consumed by Trout in the nymphal stage, and using this imitation is one of the most effective ways to catch fish.

This fly is constructed by wrapping a double thickness of copper wire around a thin-wire hook of the appropriate size and topping it off with a black head and small black hackle. It resembles the protective casing of numerous species and Trout attack it with gusto.

Outdoors in the Thumb

Ice fishing got a little tricky on the Bay during the past week. A strong west wind caused a few problems on the other side. More than a couple dozen anglers got stranded and helicopters and boats were needed to get them off.

Fishing on our side continued to be on the upswing. Decent size perch were reported at Bay Port, Mud Creek, Sand Point and Sebawaing.

If you don't think fishing pays, listen to this. The DNR has estimated that Great Lakes sport fishing has contributed an estimated \$98.6 million to Michigan's economy during 1988. The \$98.6 million figure was determined by multiplying the number of fishing trips by \$36.50 which a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service survey indicated was the average amount anglers spend on each fishing trip for equipment, gas, food and lodging.

Turkey hunters have until February 1 to send in their hunting license applications for this year's spring season, according to officials from the DNR. Licenses will be issued to 25,080 hunters for the 1989 season, which is April 17 through May 19. Hunt periods have been lengthened and hunting areas expanded as a result of a DNR survey. Details on the hunt periods and hunting areas are provided in the 1989 spring turkey hunting guide. To hunt wild turkeys, a hunter must have a 1989 wild turkey hunting license and a 1989 small game stamp.

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The Thumb Area Women's Bowling Association "Bowler of the Week" for Jan. 1-7 is Vincenta Meyer, who rolled an actual 604 series.

Meyer bowls for the team of State Farm Insurance on the Wednesday Night Ladies League at Blue Water Lanes, Harbor Beach.

Other 550 and higher series bowlers were: Sue Arnett 622 and Emily Ginther 602, Bad Axe Lanes; Geri Corcoran 589, Charmont, Cass City; Cathy Lerash 582 and Marge Ritter 577, Bad Axe Lanes; Pam Corcoran 575 and JoAnne Morell 573, Charmont, Cass City; Grace Finkbeiner 561, Pigeon Lanes; Audrey Koenig 560, Biff's, Kinde; Aneita Denhoff 560, Charmont, Cass City; Sharon Schornack 551 and Doreen Lackowski 551, Bad Axe Lanes.

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SHIPWRECK...

Hunter Savidge show coming to Sebawaing Sunday, Feb. 5

History buffs interested in the Thumb and its surrounding Great Lakes will have an opportunity to see the solution to one of Lake Huron's great mysteries in a multi-media presentation at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 5, in USA Middle School, Sebawaing.

That's the day when the solution to the mystery of the lost schooner, HUNTER SAVIDGE, will be told in the premier showing by Undersea Research Associates, who discovered the vessel's final resting place during the summer of 1988.

David L. Trotter, executive director of the Associates, will lead the presentation, under sponsorship of Sebawaing Chamber of Commerce. There will be no admission charge, but a freewill offering will be taken.

DOWN SHE GOES: HUNTER SAVIDGE sank on a Sunday afternoon, Aug. 20, 1899, in a whirlwind squall northeast of Pointe Aux Barques, near Grindstone City. The 117-foot, 154-ton schooner was never located in the intervening 89 years, and its resting place was a mystery.

Last summer's discovery was made with use of a sophisticated side scan sonar device used to scan lake bottoms to locate sunken objects.

The search company will make its premier showing in Sebawaing because of the village's historical connection with HUNTER SAVIDGE. The schooner was owned by John Muellerweiss, Jr., and captained by Fred Sharpsteen, both families originally from Sebawaing.

The sinking resulted in loss of five lives, including the wife and daughter of the owner, and the wife and son of the captain, together with a mate from the schooner, Tom Doby of East Tawas.

Relatives of both families still reside in the Sebawaing area, including two sons of Captain Sharpsteen, born to him and his second wife, whom he married after the drowning death of the first Mrs. Sharpsteen.

HUNTER SAVIDGE had also sailed many times from Alpena, Tawas, Bay City and Port Huron.

SOUGHT LONG TIME: Several groups interested in finding specific shipwrecks have sought HUNTER SAVIDGE, and Trotter himself spent many hours over several years preparing for the search. In May, 1988, Trotter and a crew of experienced divers began their scanning for HUNTER, using the sonar's "fish".

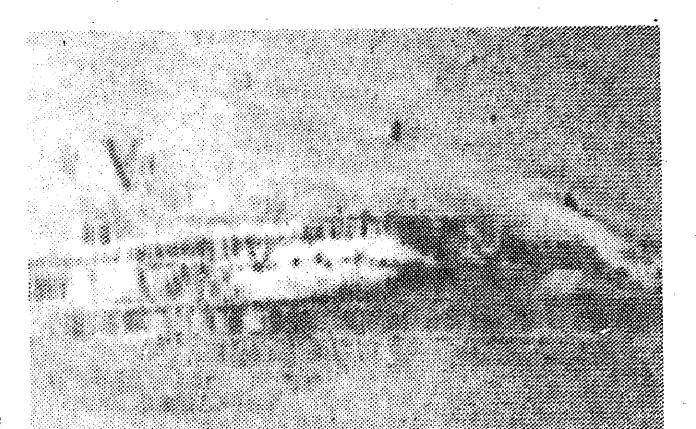
In early August, 1988, Trotter and team members found a



DIVER DAVE TROTTER discovered the 117-ft. Hunter Savidge near Grindstone City.

long structural timber containing the name board, inscribed "HUNTER SAVIDGE". Exploration continued through the summer into October, when the group decided it had sufficient photographic material, visual observation and physical measurements.

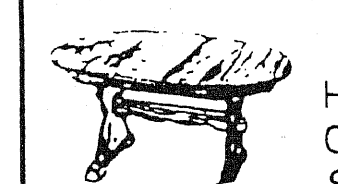
The second showing in Michigan will be made at the 12th annual Great Lakes Shipwreck Festival on Saturday, Feb. 18, at Ford Motor Company's World Headquarters Auditorium in Dearborn, Trotter stated.



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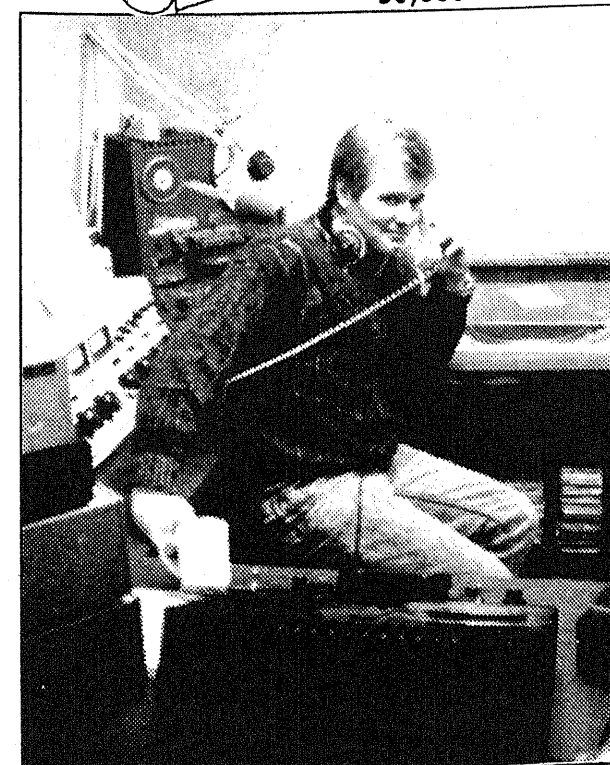
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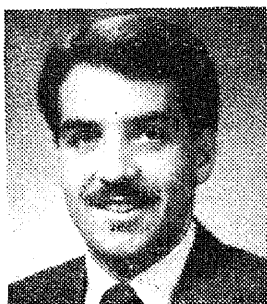
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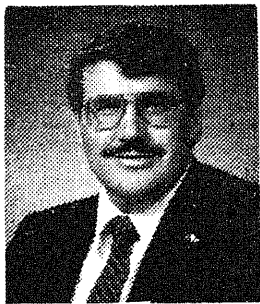
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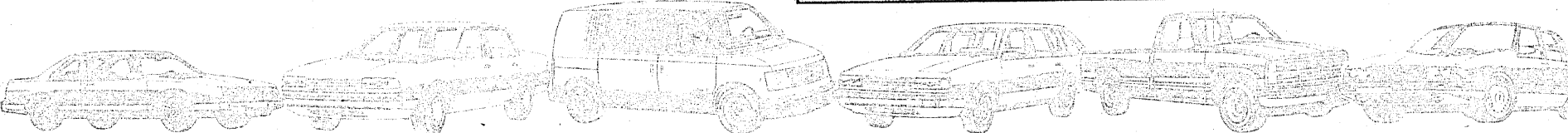


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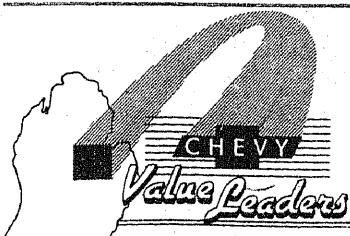
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