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## M-142 to be paved this spring

By AMY HEIDEN

It's official!! And car tires, shocks, struts and suspensions all over are rejoicing at the news.

One of Huron County's roughest stretches of highway — the five-mile stretch of M-142 between Elkton and Pigeon — will finally get a face-lift this spring.

A bitter cold winter has left the highway with crater-like potholes, making motorists play dodge 'em on their daily commute between the two villages.

A spokesman at the state Department of Transportation's Saginaw office said bids have been let for the project and construction should begin this spring.

The entire stretch of road will be resurfaced, joints will be repaired, and new shoulders built. The new surface will have a life expectancy of 8-10 years, M-DOT said.

John Martin, Huron County Road Commission secretary-manager, said the road is one of the worst in the county, the other being a portion of M-25

between Port Hope and Harbor Beach.

"This winter's been really tough on the road," Martin said.

Those big potholes start when water trickles down into cracks in the road and freezes. Because ice takes up more room than water, the ice forces the asphalt or concrete to give way.

Then, when a car or truck runs over that ice-filled crack, the pavement gives way and you have a pothole.

M-142 has been patched numerous times over the past several years, but has only now risen to the top of the M-DOT's construction list.

The railroad crossing on M-142 on Elkton's east side by Active Industries may also be repaired.

The crossing is M-DOT's responsibility, according to Elkton Village Clerk Janet Santos, and a March 23 meeting is set in Bay City between Huron County District 4 Commissioner Al Long, State Sen. Joel Gougeon (R-Bay City) and representatives from the M-DOT to discuss the problem.



'TIS THE SEASON FOR POTHOLES, as this photo near Elkton's village limit shows. It's one of the worst stretches of highways in the Western Thumb. AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

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## NEWS ROUND-UP

### USA Board is closer to selling Middle School

The USA School Board of Education is taking necessary steps to sell the Middle School building in Sebawaing.

Some environmental issues need cleaning up and/or study before the property goes out for bid, School Board members learned at last week's meeting. The site has two underground gasoline storage tanks, plus a tunnel under part of the building has asbestos inside.

"The tanks are metal. Hopefully, there is no soil contamination from leaked fuel. If there is, removal could be costly," said Supt. William Dodge. "An environmental assessment of the property is needed in environmentally hazardous situations. This study is general practice with school buildings."

Board members approved having Peerless Environmental, Saginaw, remove the gasoline tanks at an estimated cost of \$5,400 and to have an environmental site assessment done for \$2,100. The Board decided to do the tank removal before the environmental study. However, removal of the tanks will have to wait until the ground thaws.

Also, it is the school district's responsibility to address the asbestos issue.

"Environmental responsibilities cannot be passed on," said Dodge. "The bottom line is that this is good. We all have to clean up the earth the good Lord gave us."

A bond issue was passed last fall to build a new Middle School adjacent to USA High School between Sebawaing and Unionville. After that opens, plans are to sell the current Middle School site to the highest bidder.

In other business, the USA Board learned:

■ USA Elementary will have visitations during the week for accreditation. Board visitation at schools is March 9;

■ Connie Sy of Unionville was selected as the district's Friend of Youth for the Thumb Meet of Champs, May 31;

■ The Board accepted Cheryl Fuerst's resignation as high school athletic and attendance secretary at the end of the 1993-94 school year. However, Fuerst will try to remain as co-athletic director.

— By MARY DRIER

## Shanty Days drown in spring thaw



CASEVILLE'S SHANTY DAYS went on Friday and Saturday as scheduled, but the warmest weekend in at least eight weeks cancelled Sunday's events. Thawing Wildfowl Bay was nearly at knee-high depths, as this racer shows...



KELSEY & ALI RALLS of Dearborn Heights were two of the younger folks to enjoy Caseville's second annual Shanty Days this past weekend — and they preferred being on dry ground.

AMY HEIDEN PHOTOS

## MICHIGAN "by the numbers"

**RULES OF THE ICE:** This past weekend's warm spell caused some thick ice to get a little thinner, requiring more caution. Remember, only prolonged freezing can make ice thick. Stay clear of dark spots on the ice. Here is the national safety standard for walking on lake, river or bay ice, so important here on the shores of Saginaw Bay:

- 1 Inch: Totally unsafe.
- 2 Inches: May be safe, if you want to try your luck at survival.
- 3 Inches: OK for a few fishermen, well spread out.
- 4 Inches: Fine for general use, but not for vehicles.
- 5 Inches: Snowmobiles may run safely, providing the thickness is uniform.

### More bidding for Pigeon

The Village of Pigeon is joining other villages across the state who are passing resolutions to require competitive bids for purchases over \$20,000.

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## Joint Laker blood drive Monday

By AMY HEIDEN  
It's said that giving blood is giving life. If you were severely injured in a car accident and needed a transfusion, it's likely you'd need blood.

But that life-saving blood that flows from a plastic bag into your veins didn't get there by accident or by laboratory design.

It got there because someone somewhere cared enough about other people to give up an hour of time and a pint of blood.

With January's and February's severe weather, blood supplies in the American Red Cross's Wolverine region—of which the Western Thumb is a part—have become critically short.

And blood drives in both Pigeon and Elkton have been getting less than their quotas.

So the two blood drives have been combined, at least for now, according to Elkton volunteer coordinator John Champagne.

The combined drive is set for next Monday, Feb. 28, from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Laker High School auditorium.

"We thought maybe a combined effort would entice more volunteers and we

could get our quota up," Champagne said.

That quota stands at 80 pints—but to get that 80 pints, more than 80 people need to show up to donate. Some will be turned away for various reasons, so as surplus of donors is always appreciated.

An Elkton-Pigeon combined drive may be held a couple of times a year, Champagne said, and then split back to the respective towns. Laker Student Council members are helping with the blood drive, according to

Council President Steve Jaworski.

"We're organizing the drive, helping set up and helping the Red Cross," Jaworski said. One benefit of having the blood drive at Laker High could be a number of first-time donors drawn from the junior and senior classes, especially when they see what a simple and relatively painless procedure it is.

In order to qualify as a blood donor, you need to be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health, Champagne said.

## Benefit breakfast this Sunday in Sebewaing

A benefit breakfast for two families who were struck by tragedies is planned this Sunday morning, Feb. 27, by Sebewaing Sportsmen's Club.

The benefit is for the families of Leland VandeMark, who drowned in a snowmobile accident, and Blaine Stock, who was severely burned in an auto accident.

"All funds will go to the families, not just the profits," said Warren Reithel and John Jubar, who are co-chairing the event. Serving will be from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Sportsmen's-VFW Hall, Sebewaing. The co-chairmen said there will be AAL Funds available, too, through the fraternal insurance company. Said Co-Chairman Reithel, "We're gearing up for a big crowd to attend, and we're ready. We've obtained some big fryers and we will have a full staff of workers on hand, so we can handle any-sized crowd quickly and efficiently."

The menu will include pancakes, scrambled eggs, barbecued sausage (barbecued outdoors at the hall), toast, juice and coffee.

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## Wild turkeys released by new Chapter

By WALT RUMMEL

The Western Thumb received a double-barreled boost as a tourism/hunting/outdoor life center through the recent release of 18 wild turkeys in the Sebewaing-Rose Island Area—and formation of the Sebewaing Gobbler Chapter of National Wild Turkey Federation.

The turkeys were released in the second week of February, through cooperation of the state Department of Natural Resources and NWTFF. The 18 big birds included 10 juvenile hens, four adult hens and four juvenile toms.

Two additional adult toms are still awaited, according to Jim Christner, secretary-treasurer of the Gobbler chapter. The birds were released into a heavy cover/standing cornfield area north of Sebewaing, and have already been sighted on several occasions by residents and motorists. The newly-released turkeys are wild birds, which came from the Deford Area.

At the same time these were released, a similar release took place near Port Austin. Christner said news about the birds' condition and numbers is welcome.

As a kickoff for the new chapter, officers have been selected: President Larry Lenz, Vice President Butch Gussell, Secretary-Treasurer Jim Christner, and Board members Mark Holland, Gary Ricker, Jim Brandenburg and Tim Holland.

The officers are soliciting members and offering tickets for the first annual NWTFF SuperFund Membership dinner by the Sebewaing Gobbler Chapter.

The event is coming Saturday, April 23, at Sebewaing

JIM CHRISTNER holds one of the wild turkeys prior to release, as other members of the Sebewaing Gobbler Chapter of the NWTFF look on.

Sportsmen's-VFW Hall. The social hour will begin at 6:30 and dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Format of the event will be similar to Ducks Unlimited dinner-fund raisers which have been held here for years. Along with the dinner there will be an auction, prizes, drawings and other fund-raising activities.

NWTFF headquarters are in Edgefield, SC.

Wild turkeys are thriving in 49 of the nation's 50 states, according to Christner, and their present-day range exceeds where the big birds ranged many years ago. In Michigan, turkeys have

prospered wherever they were re-introduced, and their range covers most parts of Michigan. Turkey hunting has improved and enlarged every year since the program began.

Chapter members here are hoping that in several years there will be turkey hunting in this area of the Thumb, too.

"While battles to preserve the wild turkeys have been won, yet the chapters' jobs aren't over," Christner says.

"Budget cuts in state and federal agencies endanger the progress that's been made. It's

up to us to take up the slack."

Carl Brown, director of chapter and membership development of NWTFF said that such fund-raisers are "an integral part of the NWTFF plan to spend millions of dollars annually to benefit the American Wild Turkey."

A Wild Turkey Banquet, such as planned here for April 23, allocates 56% of the net into the SuperFund and 24% for National Priority Projects.

Thus a "total commitment of 80% of every \$1 is restricted for projects that directly benefit the Wild Turkey Program," Christner says.

## MTU Jazz Band performs March 2

Community residents will see a familiar face in the Michigan Technological University Jazz Band and Combo, when the group performs Wednesday, March 2 at 7 p.m. in the Laker High School auditorium.

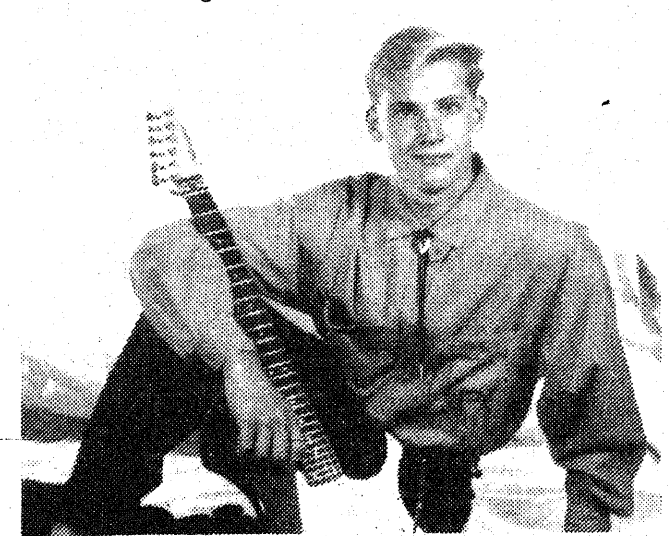
Steve Kauffman, a graduate of Laker High School and a junior at MTU, has been performing with the group for three years. He is the son of Calvin and Nola Kauffman of Elkton.

The MTU Jazz Band and Combo will be on tour for 10 days with scheduled performances throughout the eastern side of Michigan.

"Having the Jazz Band and Combo perform in the Thumb area is an excellent opportunity for music lovers, students, parents, community boosters to come out for an evening of great jazz, invites Laker Band Director Russell Robinson and the Laker Band Boosters, who are helping sponsor the concert.

Twenty-three students are included in the MTU Jazz Band and Combo, under the direction of Mike Irish.

MTU is located in the Upper Peninsula at Houghton on the Keweenaw Peninsula. A free-will offering will be taken to defray expenses.



STEVE KAUFFMAN, Laker graduate, is a band member.

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Adopting such a resolution allows the village to qualify for state revenue-sharing funds, according to Village Clerk-Superintendent Janet Heckman.

The Village Council, at its meeting last week, decided to charge \$5 a day to plug into the 110v outlets attached to the decorative trees downtown, and \$10 a day to use a 220v outlet, Heckman said.

A third Industrial Development District was established, which will allow Huron Casting, Inc. to apply for an Industrial Facility Exemption. The other two districts also encompass land on which the company sits.

In other business, Pigeon Council:

■ Approved a 25¢ per hour raise for Department of Public Works employee Ken Johnson. All workers will receive an additional 1% longevity check at the end of each calendar year. The amount of the check will be based on the employee's gross wage.

■ Approved March 25-27 as the dates for the Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive. — BY AMY HEIDEN

## Thumb grain, bean markets

Commodity	Price	New Crop	Last Week
Wheat	3.44	3.13	3.55
Corn	2.58	2.37	2.68
Oats (H.A.)	1.40/1.50	—	1.50/1.60
Soybeans	6.42	6.15	6.52
Navy Beans	19.00	—	19.00

## Elkton crossing gets a look

Along with all the other potholes along M-142 near Elkton, a particularly pesky railroad crossing was under discussion by the Elkton Village Council at last week's meeting.

That crossing, used to Huron and Eastern Railway to move cars in and out of Active Industries, on Elkton's east side, has caused numerous motorists to slam on their brakes as they notice how rough it is.

"It's not the railroad tracks that are the problem, it's the roadway, and the Department of Transportation has admitted that," Village Clerk Janet Santos said. "We were exploring avenues to get that repaired."

A meeting between District 4 County Commissioner Al Long, who represents Oliver Township, State Sen. Joel Gougeon (R-Bay City) and M-DOT officials is set for March 23 in Bay City to discuss the problem, Santos said.

New holiday decorations will brighten the streets of the village next year, as Council approved the purchase of new decorations. Up to \$2,000 has been budgeted for the decorations, Santos said. "We can get a lower price this time of year," she said.

Sen. Gougeon will be in Elkton at the Village Hall on Monday, Feb. 28 from 9 to 10 a.m. to meet with constituents, Santos said.

In other business, Elkton Council:

■ Approved a request from the Knights of Columbus to hold their annual Tootsie Roll Drive March 25-27 in the village.

■ Approved seeking bids for a new one-ton truck for the Department of Public Works. Bid specs are available at the Clerk's office and must be returned no later than March 7 at 4 p.m.

■ Approved the purchase of new coats for ambulance crew members at a cost of about \$832.

■ Accepted a donation of \$228 from Lee and Carol Deneen to the ambulance service.

■ Appointed Janet Rokicki, Janet Hydorn, Annabelle Knechtel and Fran Heilig as election inspectors for the March 14 general election.

## New Laker gym floor set; central elementary school?

After 35 years and thousands of ball games and pounding feet, the Laker High School gym floor is due for a replacement. So the Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Board of Education has decided to do just that, and will be seeking bids to replace the floor in the Thumb's largest gym.

Laker Supt. Robert Drury said the floor has suffered moisture damage in the past few years, causing noticeable bumps in the wood. The gym is built over a concrete slab and apparently the slab has cracked and allows moisture from the high water table underneath the building to seep into the floor.

"Later this spring, when we turn off the heat and the humidity goes up, we'll have more of a problem," Drury said.

At the same time the floor is being replaced, the ceiling of the gym will be painted, too, he said. The ceiling hasn't been painted since 1959, Drury noted.

In the past couple of years, the Laker Board has set up a number of committees to study various educational issues, and at least four of those committees, Buildings and Grounds, Technology, Transportation, and Library, have discussed the

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# The Newsweekly Forum

Personal View: By Harold Hotelling

## School choice: church vs. state?

Nationwide pressure for school choice shows people now doubt that "public education" can happen only in schools owned and operated by the government.

In response, some observers have dismissed school choice plans that include religious schools as violating the separation of church and state. Indeed, the ACLU has joined a lawsuit on these grounds against a Puerto Rico voucher plan that includes religious schools.

Michigan's constitution explicitly prevents Lansing from establishing a school choice program that includes religious schools (or any private schools). But this provision is the only obstacle to a statewide choice plan. Full school choice does not violate the constitutional "wall" between church and state, and the U.S. Supreme Court shows every sign of recognizing this fact.

The church-state argument against school choice goes like this: school choice includes vouchers or tax credits for parents whose children attend religious schools. These children will probably attend school religious services. Religious and non-religious subjects will be mixed in the classroom. Religious organizations will benefit from the ability of more parents to choose parochial schools. Thus, full school choice confers a government benefit on religion.

This argument overlooks accepted principles of constitutional law. There is a basic guarantee in the U.S. Constitution that government will not intrude into religion and its claim on individual conscience. The Establishment clause, which states that "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion," is clearly understood to mean that no church is official, and that children cannot be forced by law into religious schools. School children should never face a government demand of prayer or any religious observance.

A full school choice plan demands no such thing. No choice program insists that parents must use religious schools; it simply includes religious schools among parents' options. The GI Bill has been allowing veterans this choice for half a century, so it's difficult to see why suddenly the First Amendment is in danger if families of young children can make the same choice.

Nevertheless, concerns about a government benefit to religious groups may still at first glance appear plausible: in the 1971 case *Lemon v. Kurtzman*, the U.S. Supreme Court said that a program must have a "primary effect" that neither advances nor inhibits religion. Couldn't school choice be attacked as taxing everyone to benefit religion?

The decisive issue is who makes the spending decision. No money in a full school choice program is directly allocated to

religion; no government forces any child to go to any religious school; no government agency pays for anything except education.

Even if this education is mixed with some religious material that the parents want, the "primary effect" is the benefit that the government aimed for: education of a young citizen. Whether the "buyer" (the parent) or the "seller" (the religious school) of the service achieves this aim in a way that also benefits religion is irrelevant. Perhaps this is why the decision in *Lemon* is itself under attack.

Of course, some people just think religion is a bad thing. But government hostility to religion is just as unconstitutional as preference for religion. This highlights a fatal flaw in arguments against school choice: choice is neutral, neither "pro-religion" nor "anti-religion." The current public-school monopoly cannot make this claim, placing as it does a huge effective tax on religious schools.

The Supreme Court is likely to agree that full school choice is constitutional. Recent opinions suggest ample room for Supreme Court approval of a full school choice plan.

The Court has had a half century to rule the GI Bill unconstitutional, and it hasn't. And we know states can constitutionally operate or subsidize buses for religious schools—an obvious benefit to those schools.

Of course, the Court does not like "excessive entanglement" between government and religion, but this is why simple choice plans are better.

Give the family a scholarship; make sure the child gets a basic education; keep government auditors from checking how much of the aid went for religious education (as if anyone could tell); and you have avoided "excessive entanglement" and discrimination for or against religion.

The resulting choice plan is fully constitutional and a big step toward religious tolerance, religious freedom, and better education.

(Harold Hotelling, a Policy Advisor to The Heartland Institute, teaches economics and constitutional law at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield. This opinion was submitted by The Heartland Institute.)

## Recollections Of By-Gone Days

by George Keim



DEAR EDITOR:

I've got a lot of books right now and I'll never get them all read, even I read one every day.

When I was quite young, the only books we had at home were the Bible and some farm books. The Bible was the most important - and still is - but I always liked to read and I read every book twice in our school library that was worth reading.

I loved history and I still like to read about the Civil War and about later years. When you think back over 50 years, you find that a lot of things happened you wish wouldn't have.

I ran across a book the other day about the Depression and you have to be at least 60 years old to really remember anything about it.

Back then, we didn't call it

"Depression," we called it "hard times." One thing about it was that everybody was concerned.

There were a lot of rich people who had never done any physical labor who were doing their own work. I saw several women who hardly knew how to wash dishes working the beet fields, which was one of the lowliest jobs on the farm.

People made things do and didn't have a new car every year.

I knew one man who only had 80 acres of land. He had two sons-in-law who had worked in the city and lost their jobs and didn't have any place to stay.

They didn't have anything to eat, either, and had a family so they came home. The man told them he'd given them something to eat but no

wages. Well, they came home and he had 10 cows, some pigs and chickens and a lot of beans in the grainery.

Both men could work and they did all the chores and helped the neighbors cut wood and they worked whenever they could to get a little money to buy clothes for their children.

They lived fairly well and when they went back to work, they got their father-in-law a new car and put running

water in his house and got him a new tractor and he was well pleased.

In the New Testament of the Bible it says, "If you don't wash, you shouldn't eat."

Well, during the Depression there were a lot of people who didn't have work, but they got something to eat.

A lot of men worked on the farms for their board and clothes.

Sincerely yours,  
GEORGE KEIM

## Yarns From The Thumb

by Walt Rummel



■ **Where is our year going?** It's TUESDAY, FEB. 22, and it's Day No. 53. Three-fourths of February is gone, and there are 312 days left in 1994. Spring will arrive in 26 days... Today is the birthday of George Washington, first President of the U.S. He was born in Westmoreland County, VA, on FEB. 22, 1732... It was 364 years ago today, in 1630, that a Native American, the brother of Chief Massasoit, contributed a deerskin bag filled with several bushels of "popped" corn to the colonists' Thanksgiving. It was the first popcorn ever seen by Europeans... Who do you think is younger? Sparky Anderson or Sen. Edward Kennedy? Well, Sparky is 60 today (born in South Dakota in 1934) and Kennedy is 62 (born in Boston in 1932). Actor Robert Young is 87...

■ **It was three years ago today**, on FEB. 23, 1991, that the USA and United Nations launched the ground offensive against Iraq following more than a month of air bombing. The ground war lasted about 100 hours before the Iraqis abandoned Kuwait and sued for peace... Actor Peter Fonda is 55 today and Newscaster Sylvia Chase is 56...

■ **On FEB. 24, 1582**, Pope Gregory XIII, with the expertise of astronomers and mathematicians, issued a bull correcting the Julian Calendar, which was then 10 days in error. The new calendar was named for him... Admiral Chester Nimitz, who commanded all Allied naval and air forces in the Southwest Pacific in WWII, was born FEB. 24, 1885, in Texas. He died in California four days before his 80th birthday... Honus "The Flying Dutchman" Wagner, one of the first five players elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame, was born FEB. 24, 1874. He died in Carnegie, PA, the town of his birth, on Dec. 6, 1955... Actor Abe Vigoda is 73 today...

■ **There'll be a Full Moon tonight**, FRIDAY, FEB. 25... It's 30 years ago today that Cassius Clay, better known as Muhammad Ali, became world heavyweight boxing champion, defeating Sonny Liston. Ali refused to be inducted into armed services in 1967 during the Vietnam War, and was stripped of his title. In 1971 the Supreme Court reversed his conviction. He is the only fighter to win the heavyweight championship three times... Former Tennis Player Bobby Riggs is 76 today...

■ **Birthdays today**, FEB. 26: William Frederic "Buffalo Bill" Cody, American frontiersman who killed more than 4,000 buffaloes, was born in Iowa in 1846. Died at 70... Comedian/Actor Jackie Gleason in 1916. Died at 71... Levi Strauss, Bavarian immigrant who created the world's first jeans—Levi's 501 jeans—in Buttenheim in 1829. Died at 73... Those CELEBRATING birthdays today, are Singers Johnny Cash 62 and Fats Domino 66. Actress Betty Hutton 73 and Actor Tony Randall 74...

■ **On FEB. 27, 1991**, with Kuwait liberated, the four-day ground war by the United Nations with Iraq was ended... Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, early American poet and writer, was born FEB. 27, 1807 (two years before Abraham Lincoln). Among his best were Paul Revere's Ride, Song of Hiawatha, Evangeline. He died in Cambridge, MA, March 24, 1882... Actor Howard Hesseman is 54 today. Journalist Charlayne Hunter-Gault is 52, Consumer Advocate Ralph

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Nader is 60, Actress Elizabeth Taylor is 62 and Actress Joanne Woodward is 64...

■ **The final episode** of M\*A\*S\*H was shown FEB. 28, 1983, concluding a run of 255 episodes (some of which have run 255 times.) At the time, it was the most-watched TV show. Included were such names as "Hot Lips" Houlihan, Hawkeye Pierce, Trapper John, Col. Sherman Potter, Radar O'Reilly, Capt. Frank Burns, Father Mulcahy, Cpl. Max Klinger, Capt. B.J. Hunnicutt, Col. Henry Blake and Maj. Charles Emerson Winchester III... Svetlana Alliluyeva is 68 today, the daughter of Josef Stalin, Racer Mario Andretti is 54, Actor Gavin MacLeod is 64 and Actress/Singer Bernadette Peters is 50...

■ **Jim Eisengruber surprised me** last week when he handed me a "gift" to "improve the quality of my photos." It's a Baby Brownie Camera, from 40 or 50 years ago. For those who had one, (and for those who never saw one), it's a small, compact black bakelite unit, about the size of a baseball. It uses 127 film, has a flip-up viewer, a shutter, and film advance (strictly manual).

The operator inserts the film, winds the film roll until the No. 1 appears in the little red window, and the camera is ready to shoot. After each shot, the operator must remember to advance the film to the next number (or there'll be a double-exposure).

I remember having a Baby Brownie years ago. The camera did an excellent job, and this one will still produce good photos. Its simplicity is its salvation, because it has a fixed focus (anything nearer than two or three feet is probably out of focus), there is no flash, and film from that era had a speed of 25 or so, which rules out pictures in any adverse (poorly lighted) conditions. If memory serves, the original price was in the \$1 to \$1.25 range.

The Baby Brownie is full of good memories, a real antique gem and will still make excellent photos. Thanks, Jim. We'll be over to get a shot of you...

■ **Are local Chambers** of Commerce or the Huron County Chambers of Commerce attending the Michigan Travel Outlook Conference at MSU on Tuesday, March 8?

The conference, which will be part of Agriculture and Natural Resources Week, will focus on travel and tourism industry employment and provide an update on the national tourism policy. There is more emphasis on tourism all through the Midwest—and especially here in the Upper Thumb. For details, call Carolyn Koenigsnecht at 353-0793...

■ **A competition** someone ought to start in this rich-soil Thumb is growing a "champion giant pumpkin." MSU's Master Gardener Mary McLellan says there are three keys: Select a giant variety, start early and pamper your plants. Used to be that a 150-pound Big Max pumpkin was a champion, but two years ago there was a new world champion, an Atlantic Giant that weighed 827 pounds.

To gain maximum early growth, seeds have to be planted indoors in large containers. Planting should be timed so six-week-old transplants will be ready to go outside when all danger of frost is past.

Choose a high spot for good soil and air drainage. Water regularly. A giant squash or pumpkin can grow to five pounds in just a few days, so after you've got about two female flowers to set fruit, all other flowers have to be picked off so as not to use up any of the plant's vigor. Any takers for a contest ???

News by, for and about:

## The Lake Huron Community Arts Council

By LAKE HURON COM. ARTS COUNCIL

■ This is the last weekend for the Art Exhibit from the USA and Laker High School students. Don't miss seeing the talent these young people are producing.

Pictures in various media are shown by:

USA: Jim Androl, Bob Arnold, Jessica Bennette, Chris Beringer, Brooke Bloomfield, Nate Brandenburg, Paula Carvalho, Jason Cleveland, Laura Comment, Christine Engelhardt, Raquel Enneficht, Dan Hurd, Heather Joles, Laura Klaus, Kathy Klimkowski, Kelly Klimkowski, Paul Mitchell, Toni Mitchell, Jackie Pobanz, Jeremy Pommerenke, Angie Ratkos, Jerod Rei-

ge, Bill Roemer, Brandy Sheperd, Amy Smith, Michelle Smith, April VanBevern, Laura Wiltse.

LAKERS: Brian Beachy, Maxine Brown, Jamie Burkeen, Sarah Clabuesch, Tonya Craig, Michelle Dexter, Karl Gehris, Bryce Haley, Naomi Johnson, Christine Kauffman, Eric Maus, Andrew Milin, Jenny Murdoch, Craig Owens, Josh Salsbury, April Sing, Robin Volmer and Jenny Wright.

■ Make plans to visit the Gallery for the March show "Art—Off the Walls" pieces dating from 1860 through 1930.

■ Classes are being planned. Did you see the line up in last week's Newsweekly? For more information, call 883-2450.

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## Letters from readers

### Good things from good teens, but volunteers are needed

By HURON YOUTH CENTER ADVISORY BOARD, Elkton

Whenever you read a story in the paper or hear people talking about a teenager who has gotten in trouble, you always hear someone say "there's nowhere for kids to go and nothing for them to do."

Well, in Huron County, that's not true. The Huron Youth Center has been open since the fall of 1993.

We are very limited as to what we can do because of a lack of volunteers.

If everyone who has ever said "There's nowhere for kids to go" would volunteer one afternoon or evening a year, there is no limit to what

we could do.

Anyone who wants to do something positive for the youth of Huron County instead of talking about the negative things that have happened to them, there are activity meetings every Monday at 7 p.m.

Our next Board meeting is this Thursday, Feb. 24 at 7 p.m. at the Huron Youth Center in Downtown Elkton. This is our annual meeting and there are openings on the board.

So if you have a donation to give or you have time or ideas to donate, please feel free to come to either of the meetings. The Youth Center is located at 16 N. Main St. in Elkton. For more information call 375-4495.

## Thanks to Colleen Poisson & Bay Window Restaurant

By Fr. DENNIS KUCHARCZYK and MARIE QUINN, Caseville Community Food Pantry Representatives

On behalf of the Community Food Pantry, located at

St. Roch Catholic Church in

Caseville, we would like to

extend heartfelt thanks to

Colleen Poisson, owner of the

Bay Window Restaurant.

Colleen opened the doors of

her establishment Sunday,

Feb. 13 between 4-6:30 p.m.

to anyone wishing a free meal

of turkey and all the trim-

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This is the third year Col-

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## 60 Seconds

### Out of focus? Or in focus?

"Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the Author and Perfecter of our faith" . . . Hebrews 12:2

Three or four or more decades ago cameras had a focusing knob with which the photographer centered his lens on the essential subject to bring it into a sharp, clear picture.

At that time probably more amateur pictures were ruined through wrong focus than for any other reason.

Now, modern cameras have automatic focus which, at the simple press of a button, brings the subject into sharp focus. Too bad no one has invented an automatic focus for our human minds and hearts. Too bad our personal focus is aimed so much at the trivial, the temporal, even the harmful rather than on the spiritual, the eternal.

The Apostle Paul certainly never saw a camera or a photo, but he knew the importance of focus. In his letter he tells the Hebrews to "fix their eyes"—to focus, to concentrate. He didn't want them to focus on the city merchants, or the temple, or even on their families.

He urged them to look on Jesus, because He is "the Author and Perfecter" of their faith, and hence, He is their assurance of faith and salvation and an eternity with Him.

PRAYER: Dear Lord, sharp, clear focus is essential. Help us make certain that our focus is on You, our Life and our Salvation. Amen.

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## The Newsweekly...

# Dining Guide

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The Catering Connection at McDonald's Food & Family Center is a new service specially designed to make entertaining easier for you than ever before.

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# Laker play 'Quilters' earns award

By AMY HEIDEN

For hundreds of years, women have woven the moments of their lives into quilts, turning scraps of cloth into something that offers comfort from not only the cold, but also from life's emotional storms.

The Laker Theatre's newest award-winning one-act play, "Quilters," tells the story of the lives and struggles of women living on the Western prairies.

Those stories are depicted in their quilts, each block a chapter in their lives.

The all-female cast, headed by seniors Danielle Damen, Liesl Eichler, Christa Keim and Jenny Wheeler, was third in regional competition and earned a "T" rating, good enough to send them on to state competition on Feb. 19, where they placed second in Class C-D competition.

The judges in regional competition also gave acting awards to Keim and Damen, and an award for set construction.

Saturday's state performance marked the third time in five years that a Laker drama group had qualified for state competition, and their seventh straight year in regionals.

"Our strength this year was in our female members, so I chose a play to showcase them," theatre Coach Mike Terrill says.

Keim's awards were a pleasant surprise because she has had no previous one-act experience.

"I never tried out for the one-act before because I've been involved with mock trial for four years," Keim says. "That experience really helped me in projecting my voice and with my confidence."

The play is about Sarah McKendree Bonham and her six daughters, Keim explains.

"It's about one woman putting together a quilt and each block is a reflection of her experiences," she said. "It shows how quilts offer comfort in more ways than just from the cold, but were also a release from daily pressures."



HERE'S THE CAST of "Quilters," the award-winning one-act play presented by the Laker Drama team: In front is Cris Kauffman and Vicki Gascho. Second row is Jenny Wheeler and Samantha Corron.

In the rear are Becky Brooks, Liesl Eichler, Danielle Damen, Christa Keim, Angela Lang, and Sara Stein.

Cast members include, besides the four seniors, Sarah Brooks, Samantha Corron, Vicki Gascho, Cristina Kauffman, Angela Lang, Sara Stein and accompanist Hayley Herford. Moira Foster plays the hammered dulcimer and Janelle Wiederhold plays the flute.

The technical crew includes Steve Corron, Jon Helmuth, Aline Foster, Chrissie Helmuth, Kari Swartzendruber, Joshua Talaski, Leigh Fluegge and Matt Keeler.

An encore performance of "Quilters" will be presented this Sunday, Feb. 27 at the Laker High School auditorium at 2 p.m. There is an admission charge for adults, and students are free.

## Money course Mar. 7

The Tuscola County Cooperative Extension office in Caro will host the seven-week course "Taking Charge of Your Money" on Mondays starting March 7.

The 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. program is designed as a money management program for women. Deadline to register is Tuesday, March 1. Scholarships are available to help cover the cost. Topics are:

March 7 - "Getting organized: Where are you now? Where do you want to be?"  
March 14 - How does your cash flow?  
March 21 - Credit: A tool or a trap?

March 28 - Managing your risks: community services, government programs and insurance.

April 4 - Deciding "What if ...?" (divorce, death, disability)

April 11 - Securing your retirement and building financial security

April 18 - Where and how to get professional help: working with lawyers and real estate agents.

The program will also include videos and lectures. Mail registrations to: Betty Pattullo, MSUE Extension Tuscola County, 362 Green Street, Caro, MI 48723.

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## Postal Service wants your suggestions...

Customer satisfaction has become the Number One priority for the U.S. Postal Service, according to postmasters in the Western Thumb.

Over the course of the year, every household and business will receive a "Customer Satisfaction" survey card from their local post office.

"The cards provide our customers with the opportunity to rate the service we are providing in nine categories and also allows space for suggestions, comments, complaints, questions or compliments.

Customers may complete and return the cards anonymously or request to be contacted by a Postal Service representative concerning their responses," according to Pigeon Postmaster Tom Balzer.

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## Snowbound rainbows

(Part II)

The current was strong. It always is on this part of the river, for just upstream was a large dam holding back a king-size impoundment.

The power company regulates the flow, so the depth of the river remains fairly constant. When they need power, they open the gates and the river rises dramatically. A si-

the prime times were spring and fall—spring because that is when steelheads fill the rivers to spawn and fall because they again enter the streams, but this time to feed off the refuse of spawning salmon.

Those were enjoyable times. The sport was relatively new in Michigan and the prime steelhead streams were al-

ren on top of the dam gives plenty of warning when this happens—that is, if you hear it.

This morning, the river was low—just the way we wanted it. We were interested in wading to its center and working the holes which lay concealed beneath its far bank.

Hopefully, that is where the steelhead would lie, finning slowly, their minds lethargic from the cold water.

It was a fluke that drove me to fish for steelheads in the winter.

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most void of fishermen. Times have changed. Fishing steelheads has become very popular and when any sport becomes popular, the commercial angle always enters in.

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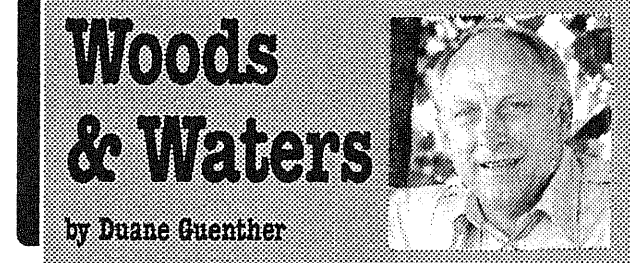
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# Woods & Waters



by Duane Guenther

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## USA teachers earn Edison grants

By MARY DRIER

Two USA Elementary teachers are among 12 Tuscola County teachers to receive Detroit Edison Foundation Energy and Environment Mini-Grants last week.

USA physical teacher Ned Rambo and third-grade teacher Libby Treiber received \$350 and \$250 grants, respectively.

Rambo will use the grant money for equipment to teach Debbie McClay's students cross-country skiing, and once the students have mastered the skill, they in turn teacher fellow students.

The program teaches coordination, problem solving and improves students' self-esteem by giving them a skill they can pass on to others, said Rambo who has coordinated the program for the fourth year.

"I didn't think I would be able to have the program this year because I was turned down by Gov. Engler for a state grant," said Rambo.

"Then, I received a letter about winning this grant. We are very thankful for it because I don't know if we would have had the program without it."

Treiber will use the money to create an "Outdoor Science Lab" center on the north

side of the school.

"A fellow teacher, Carole Miklovic, shared her dream with me several years ago to turn this into a center for learning — an area where young children could go and observe science by touching, predicting, testing and absorbing all that encompasses the great outdoors," said Treiber.

"The lab will be a learning center throughout all seasons."

Long-range plans for the Outdoor Science Lab include a small pond, a garden, a composting area, bird baths and feeders, picnic tables and a solar cooking area.

"I see this area as a center full of activity. Plants will grow. Flowers will bloom. Birdbaths, feeders and baths will fit comfortably into this natural habitat," said Treiber.

"Temperatures will be recorded and graphed, by last year's funded computer program. The center has already received donations of bird baths and feeders from Independent Bank of Unionville and some other items."

About \$29,000 will go to 122 teachers in 11 counties, to offer students creative, original projects that school budgets typically cannot afford.



LIBBY TREIBER and NED RAMBO with awards.

## 'Friends' Hospice needs volunteers

By AMY HEIDEN

To someone nearing the end of his or her life because of a terminal illness, remaining at home surrounded by familiar faces and possessions can provide a huge measure of comfort.

And most often, hospice workers and volunteers provide the means for dying patients to remain at home instead of the sterile confines of a hospital.

Those volunteers not only can provide direct hands-on care, but offer emotional support to the patient and family members.

But there's a serious shortage of hospice volunteers, according to the local Friends for Life Hospice director Kathi Raftery, R.N. of Bad Axe.

"We only ask that our volunteers work on their side of the county," Raftery says. "We don't ask that volunteers give up their lives, just a few hours a week."

Marie Leppand of Pigeon, a hospice volunteer for many years, says that volunteering has been rewarding for her.

"I enjoy helping other people, especially during a time of grief," Leppand says. "It's not difficult for me because I've experienced the death of so many of my relatives."

Leppand also holds a degree in psychology, which helps her understand and counsel the families of her patients.

But the lack of such a degree is no hindrance in working with dying patients.

All that's needed is a willingness to help wherever needed — whether it's reading to a patient who's easily tired by physically holding a book and reading, washing dishes and vacuuming, sitting with a patient so that a tired family member can go out for a few hours or grab a few hours sleep.

Just "being there" can mean all the difference in the world to someone who is nearing the end of their life, they say.

To train new volunteers, Friends for Life Hospice is



FRIENDS FOR LIFE HOSPICE Director Kathi Raftery, left, and volunteer coordinator Elizabeth Savage look over a notebook in their office at Huron Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe. The hospice is seeking volunteers to assist in care for terminally ill patients.

AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

offering a seven-week series of classes beginning March 2, from 6-10 p.m. at Huron Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe.

The 28 hours of instruction will teach volunteers communications skills, how to chart, how to offer grief and bereavement assistance, medical aspects of death and dying and the medical aspects of pain control and much more.

The classes are free of charge. "The more volunteers we have, the easier it is on everyone," says Volunteer Coordinator Elizabeth Savage.

Male volunteers are especially needed, because many male patients aren't comfortable with women, Savage says.

Friends for Life Hospice is a not-for-profit organization coordinated by Huron Memorial Hospital that provides in-home physical, emotional and spiritual care for patients and their families who face a life-threatening illness.

Hospice care is supervised by the patient's physician and the Hospice Medical Director.

Included on the hospice team are registered nurses, home health aides, social

workers, therapists, clergy, bereavement staff and volunteers.

"Hospice care gives a better alternative to the quick fix offered by Dr. Jack Kevorkian," Raftery says.

For details on classes or hospice care, call the Friends for Life Hospice at 269-9521. Speakers are also available for service groups, for club members to learn more about hospice.

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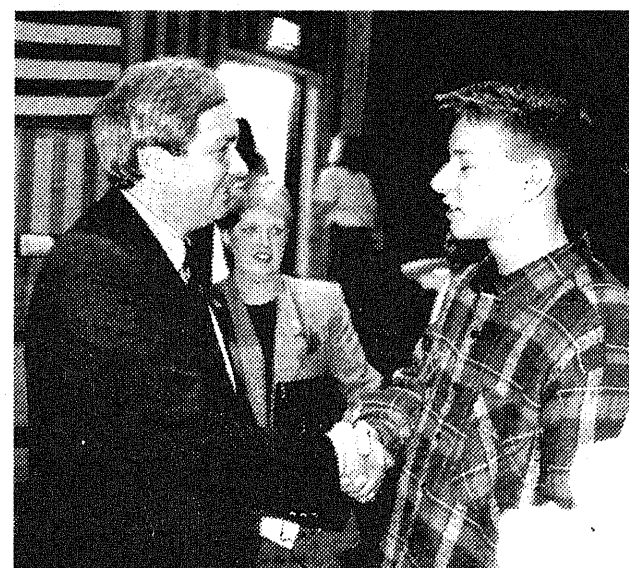
## Cong. Barcia visits students

Congressman James Barcia (D-Bay City) visited Laker High School last Tuesday to speak to the school's 11th grade government students.

Cong. Barcia gave the students a picture of his duties as one of Michigan's representatives to the U. S. Congress. He also told them of his duties as a member of the Science, Space and Technol-

ogy Committee and on the Public Works and Transportation Committee.

After his talk, he fielded questions from the students, ranging from his views on the North American Free Trade Agreement to gun control. Barcia urged the students to stay informed about state and local affairs and urged them to consider public office in the future.



CONG. JIM BARCIA (D-Bay City) talks with Laker junior Shaun Wissner about gun control issues. AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

## Here's ASCS schedule

Sign up for the 1994 Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service's wheat and feed grain program begins Tuesday, March 1, and ends Friday, April 29.

Producers interested will sign an intent to participate in the program. "This is a change from last year. This provision allows producers to withdraw from the program until the final certification date with no penalties," said Dave Claerhout,

Tuscola County ASCS executive director.

Setaside is zero % for corn, wheat, barley and oats. Producers are allowed to plant program crops up to their base acres.

Flex acres will also apply for the 1994 program. The normal flex acres are 15% of the base and the optional flex acres are up an additional 10% of the base.

For details, call 673-8173.

Blade & Progress

## NEWS ROUND-UP

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feasibility of constructing a central elementary school. To study the issue further, the Board set up a new committee to focus on that single topic.

"They've indicated concern about putting additional monies into the four older elementary schools," Drury said. "We want to compare costs such as utilities, maintenance, repairs and capital improvements necessary over the next 10 years to maintain those buildings versus the cost of the construction of a new building."

Drury emphasized that there are no plans to consolidate the Bay Port, Elkton and Pigeon schools, that the committee is only discussing the feasibility of such a project.

In other business, the Laker School Board: ■ Selected Elkton resident Grace Finkbeiner to represent the district for the Friend of Youth award at the Thumb Meet of Champions this spring in Caro. Finkbeiner has been very involved with the Laker Athletic Booster Club for many years, and has driven the football team bus for over 20 years. She is also extensively involved with the Huron Youth Center in Elkton.

■ Set March 9 as Board visitation day. School board members will visit the secondary complex in the morning and the three elementary centers in the afternoon.

■ Adjusted the current budget to reflect \$6.16 million in revenues and \$6.37 million in expenditures, leaving a deficit of just over \$205,000. That deficit will be made up from the fund balance.

Most of the increase in expenditures is due to the loss of state reimbursement for the costs of transportation, drivers' education, and the employer's share of social security taxes.

— By AMY HEIDEN

## Net profits increase at TNB; highest equity ever

By WALT RUMMEL

Thumb National Bank and Trust Company has returned "to more normal levels of profitability and asset growth," President/CEO Paul Clabuesch told shareholders at their annual meeting on Feb. 8 in Pigeon.

Net profits totaled \$600,165, up 23% over 1992—the sixth highest in the bank's history — and total equity reached \$7.365 million.

Thumb National's total assets reached an all-time record of \$99.365 million, and total deposits reached \$99.6 million, an indication that "the economy of the Thumb has... returned to more normal... health," Clabuesch said.

Clabuesch pointed out that

the company has been Thumb National Bank and Trust for 23 years. He stressed that Thumb National has developed "the corporate culture... privileged to serve the Thumb Region as our name implies."

He told shareholders that "now is the time to focus on the future; on what our strengths are, and on what lies ahead."

"These are exciting times," he added, "and we have the potential to look at ideas, at new plans, we are equipped to deliver service and we are ready to capitalize on our excellent potential."

Re-elected Board members were Nelson Binder, Paul Clabuesch, Ann Marie Clabue-

sch, Clare Comment, Eldon Dietzel, Lowell Kraft, Arthur Luedtke, David McCormick, Curtis Strickland and Robert Webber, Sr.

## TNB supports REMC TV

Thumb National Bank & Trust Company, with offices in Pigeon, Caseville and Cass City, has pledged financial support to the Regional Educational Media Center, #10 in Cass City — a move that will help REMC towards its goal of being "on the air" Jan. 1, 1995 with its two-channel educational television project.

Dale McIntosh, TNB Senior Vice President, presented the

The annual event was held in the Michigan Directory Meeting House on the north side of M-142 just west of Pigeon.

first check on a \$2,500 pledge.

Total pledges by groups like TNB, NBD Bank, FOA Bank, Ruth State Bank, Detroit Edison Foundation, Vada B. Dow Trust, Morley Bros. Foundation, Claude and Etta Andrews Foundation, Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola ISDs now total \$96,500 — increasing the chances of REMC's application being accepted by the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program.

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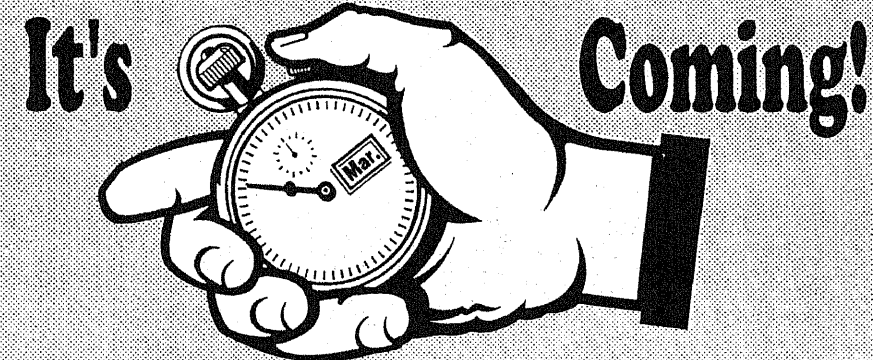
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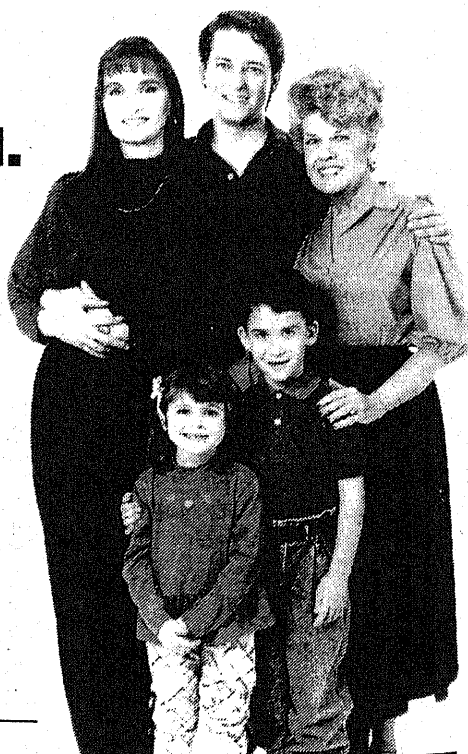
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# Western Thumb Sports Report

## Pats win third game of year

By AMY HEIDEN

The USA Patriots racked up their third win of what's been a exciting season with a 66-62 victory over Mayville last Tuesday.

The Pats rolled out an early 17-8 first quarter lead over the Wildcats with a lot of help from the bench. That big lead helped as the Wildcats made a run in the second to outscore the Pats 14-19 in the second.

They both exchanged leads throughout the game, each team trying to get that extra advantage. Mayville led in the final period with three minutes left, but the Patriots proved better in the long run and got the four-point win.

Ten of the 11 team members contributed to the win, according to Coach John Manninen.

"In a tight game, that's really hard to pull off," he said. "They were asked to come in and give us support and they did. This is a nice win, especially since it's been a while since we had one."

Jason Cleveland led the scoring parade with 15 points,

followed by Brian Hofmeister with 10.

Chuck Burrows, Aaron Eulich and Jody Nitz each had eight and Chuck Burrows chipped in with seven.

On Friday, the Patriots took on a tough Bad Axe Hatchet team, playing them evenly throughout the game, only to lose 65-62.

A slow first quarter by the Patriots let the Hatchets get out to a 20-12 lead by the end of the first stanza, but by the halftime buzzer, the Patriots found themselves with a 35-30 lead.

But the Hatchets came back in the third to outscore the Pats 20-14 to take a slim lead. Hatchet Joe DeLong swished three triples in the third.

USA fought back in the final quarter and led with four minutes remaining in the game, then the Hatchets got some important fouls that gave them the edge.

"They made seven of nine in the fourth quarter and they're tough to stop when they shoot 80 percent from the line," Manninen said. "I'm not dis-

appointed in the way our kids played, just that they didn't get the win."

Cleveland had an outstanding night with 23 points, while Jon Harder had nine and Burrows contributed eight.

**JUNIOR VARSITY:** The JV team defeated Mayville 58-52 on Tuesday, with Jason

Martens scoring 18 points and grabbing 13 rebounds. Paul Mitchell had nine points and Chad Mead had six steals.

On Friday, they lost to Bad Axe, 69-48. Josh Hornbacher had 10 points to lead the Pats, while Mitchell had nine and Martens had 12 rebounds.

Their record is 4-12 for the season.

## Lakers shut down Pirates

By AMY HEIDEN

If you like to gamble, you might have taken short odds that the Lakers might be ripe for a fifth straight defeat.

Here's a team that got its fourth loss on Tuesday night to Sandusky 51-47, shooting 4 of 8 from the free throw line, a team that had lost to Mayville of all teams with poor free throw shooting.

But veteran Laker fans know not to make such a mistake. On Friday, before a supportive hometown crowd, the

## Caseville fails to Peck Basketballers

Plagued by some problems, including Jeremy Jensen's ankle injury in the first quarter, the Caseville Eagles lost to Peck in their only game of the week, 94-47.

"We just had a tough time, and we were only playing with seven players," Coach Mike Remar said.

Kevin Gettel led the Eagles with 23 points.

Lakers made short work of the Harbor Beach Pirates 69-57, with 22 of 31 free throw shooting.

Pirate Coach Ron Wruble obviously gambled that the Lakers would continue the stumbles at the charity stripe, but his gamble didn't pay off — as the Lakers spent the better part of the fourth period standing at the line, shooting well enough to hold off the Pirates, who were playing without one of their headliners, Scott Trudeau, who separated his shoulder in a second-quarter fall.

"We're just glad to get a win," Laker Coach Bill McLellan said. "We got the win and played with a lot of enthusiasm."

"The kids really wanted to win one. Losing these close ones has been getting old." The Pirates' strategy of sending the Lakers to the line might have worked — on another night.

"The last few ball games, we haven't shot well from the free throw line," McLellan said. "It's a good thing to do.

They started it early to see if we could make it from the line."

At the beginning of the game, it looked as if the Pirates might make a game of it.

Two Andy Mitin triples in the period gave the Lakers the lead after two ties, then Brian Gebauer had a three point play, and Seth Maust added two free throws to give the Lakers a 16-12 lead.

Minutes later, Gebauer picked off the ball and made an easy layup to add to the advantage. Heath Krohn added a charity shot to close the quarter with the Lakers up 19-14.

The second quarter saw the home team extend their lead. Near the end, Kevin Jantzi raced up the lane, split players and grabbed a Ben Krebs miss and made the layup for a 35-22 lead. The Pirates made one last bucket to make the score 35-24 at the break.

The rest of the game was all

Lakers', as the Pirates couldn't get back into scoring range. Early in the fourth, Heath Krohn gave the Lakers a 56-40 lead with a basket, their biggest lead of the game.

Then the free throw ball got underway in earnest, with the Pirates fouling at every opportunity, hoping the Lakers would give up the points.

Never happened, though, and the Lakers broke their losing streak with a big win.

In the Sandusky game, the Lakers were led by Krebs with 17 points, his season-high, and he also grabbed 20 rebounds. Jantzi scored 16, and Mitin had 10.

Against the Pirates, Maust led with 17 points, while Gebauer and Mitin each had 12, Krebs added 10, and Mike Ignash chipped in with nine.

**JUNIOR VARSITY:** The JV team lost to Sandusky in overtime on Tuesday, 57-53. The game was tied at 48-all at the

end of regulation.

Eric Gardy led the Lakers with 20 points, while Jeremy Brakenberry scored 15 and Pete Beachy added 14. Brakenberry also grabbed 15 rebounds.

On Friday, they won a hard-fought contest over the Pirates 43-42. Beachy led with 11 points, and Brakenberry grabbed 11 rebounds. Their record now stands at 14-3.

## Lady Pats are one win out

By AMY HEIDEN

Only one game is keeping the Lady Patriots out of first place in the Thumb C Conference:

Reese is on top of the standings but the Lady Pats are breathing hard down their necks with a 7-2 record.

They notched two more wins last week, starting with a 15-7, 15-11, 15-10 victory over conference foe Ubly.

Melissa Fuerst had 12 kills, Nicole Weber had nine kills, and Janelle Keyser set for 16 assists in the match. Kelly Manninen and Jenny Schwartz each had three aces.

Then on Thursday, they defeated Sandusky 17-15, 15-5, 15-3. Fuerst again led with 16 kills, while Weber had 15 kills and Keyser set for 31 assists. Joanne Millerwise and Heather Lentner each scored three aces for the Patriots.

"Our defense was exceptional good all week long," Coach Roger Remar said. "We played so really good volleyball."

The Tuscola County Tournament rolled around on Saturday, and the Patriots began by defeating Kingston 15-7, 15-12.

They then split with Vassar 17-15, 7-15, and lost to a deep Cass City team 8-15, 13-15.

In the first round of elimination play, they were defeated by eventual tournament champs Caro, 10-15, 12-15.

"Again, we played some good defense," Remar said. "We're short and this weekend the teams that beat us just went over our heads."

For the day, Fuerst had 26 kills, Weber had 18 kills, and Keyser had 36 assists. Keyser also had nine aces, and Manninen had three aces.

## Lady Lakers...looking good

By JIM JAWORSKI

The Lady Lakers were denied their third tournament title of the year in the Spirit of St. Louis finals against Swan Valley, 15-11, 11-15, 9-15.

In the power pool format, the Lakers edged out Bay City Western based on their match win over Carrollton 15-0, 15-3, and their split with Western 15-13, 13-15.

Points against all opponents moved the Lakers into power pool one that included each pool winner.

In the first match of power pool winners, the Lakers faced Class B sixth-ranked Pinconning. In the most exciting match of the day, the

Green Team trailed 6-3 before mounting a comeback that put them ahead 10-6.

The Spartans made their run to tie it at 12, but the Lakers, playing their best volleyball of the year, hung on for a 15-13 victory.

In game two, the Lakers kept the momentum in their favor and after a close lead of 8-7, rolled to a 15-8 match win.

"Beating Pinconning was definitely the highlight of the day," Coach Sue Frederiksen said.

"Winning that match is what coaching volleyball is all about. Both teams played their best with effort and movement, and winning or

losing didn't matter."

The Lakers finished their powerpool seeding by downing Class B tenth-ranked Swan Valley 15-9, 15-11.

Both games were point runs as the Lakers ran out to an 8-0 lead in game one. They suddenly fell behind 9-8, but ran off the last seven points for a 15-9 victory.

Came two was much the same. After falling behind 5-0, the Lakers grabbed a 7-6 lead, then again fell off the pace 10-7 before charging back for a 15-11 match win.

After being seeded first after power pool, the Lakers faced number four seed Pewamo-Westphalia.

After a hard-fought 15-10 win in game one, the Lakers found themselves on a short end of a 7-0 score in game two. After a timeout, the Green Team came back with 15 unanswered points to move into the finals.

After trailing 10-5 to an upstart Swan Valley team, they grabbed the opening game behind a Lora Picklo kill, Amy Mitin tip, and a Darlene Jaworski kill for a 15-11 win.

The Lakers looked to be in command after a Betsy Drury ace made it a 9-3 Laker lead in game two. But it was all downhill after the Vikings scored 10 straight points and tied the game at on with a 15-11 victory.

The Lakers held a 2-0 lead in

the deciding game, but the closest they got after that was 12-8 after a Nicole Kolar ace and a Mitin block. The Lakers eventually lost 15-9.

"We ran out of gas in that last match," Frederiksen said. "It was a shame to lose, because we played very well up to that last match after pool play."

Offensively, Kim Sturm and Lora Picklo had a very consistent day and Michelle Bolda played great defensively, especially passing.

Sturm led with 33 kills, 17 blocks and 16 digs. Picklo had 31 kills, 43 digs and seven aces. Drury gathered 24 kills, 33 digs and 22 blocks. Mitin had 22 kills, 25 blocks and nine aces. Jaworski had 23 kills and 12 blocks. Shelly McCain notched 110 assists, 36 digs and 10 blocks.

Defensively, Nicole Kolar had 47 digs and 10 aces, while Bolda had 17 digs and two aces and Jenny Murdoch had 22 digs.

The Lakers are now 40-9-3 moving into the last week before state tournament play begins.

Earlier in the week, they upped their conference record to 5-0 with a 15-2, 15-7, 15-2 match victory over Marlette. Drury led with eight kills and five blocks, while Jaworski chipped in with six kills, and McCain set for 17 assists and five aces.

## Pigeon Library

### PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

"Mittens" will be the theme for the Tuesday, March 1 Story Hour at the Pigeon District Library, with the stories "The Mitten" and "Too Many Mittens."

Story Hour consists of stories, finger plays, flannelgraph activities and creative movement.

These sessions are for independent listeners age three to five who can attend either the 9 or 10:30 a.m. session.

### TAX FORMS

You can still get federal and state income tax forms at the Pigeon District Library.

### HOBBY & CRAFT SHOW

Registration for the annual Pigeon District Library "Hobby & Craft Show" during National Library Week will begin Monday, March 14.

This annual event is successful because of you, our library patrons and your friends. A volunteer committee will be on hand to watch your items.

Table space is free, but limited. Details: 453-2341.

### NEW LARGE PRINT BOOKS

We now have even more large print books to add to our collection:

DuMaurier-Rebecca, Francis-Decker, Hogan-Last Gun at Cabresto, Wells-Death in the Desert, Cleary-Murder Song, Queen-Crime Cruise 'Round the World, Marsh-Nurse Annette, May-Avengeing Maid, Dailey-Reilly's Woman, Davis-A Gentleman Called, Burchell-Dare I Be Happy, Goldrick-Daughter of the

Sea, Peters-Savage Summer, Murray-Nurse Judy's Secret, Campbell-A Marriage of Inconvenience.

### NEW AUDIO-CASSETTES

The Pigeon District Library has over 90 titles, including the following new additions: Grafton-A Is For Alibi, Saul-Guardian, Wharton-The Age of Innocence, King-The Monkey, Krantz-Scraples 1&2, Dailey-Rivals, Bradford-Angel, Flagg-Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistletop Cafe, Flagg-Daisy Fay and the Miracle Man, Turow-Pleading Guilty, Ludlum-The Scorpio Illusion, Jakes-Homeland, Koontz-Dragon Tears.

### ATTENTION: QUILTERS!

The library has a collection of quilting magazines, including "Quilter's Newsletter Magazine - The Magazine for Quilt Lovers" and "Quilting Today - The International Quilt Magazine."

Ask at the circulation desk to see these magazines.

### Fairgrove Township Library sets new hours

A change in hours allows patrons to use the Fairgrove Township Library during dinner hours on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, when the Library had been previously closed 5-6:30 p.m. on those days.

New hours are: Monday 9-8, Tuesday 9-1, Wednesday 9-8, Thursday CLOSED, Friday 9-8, Saturday 1-4.



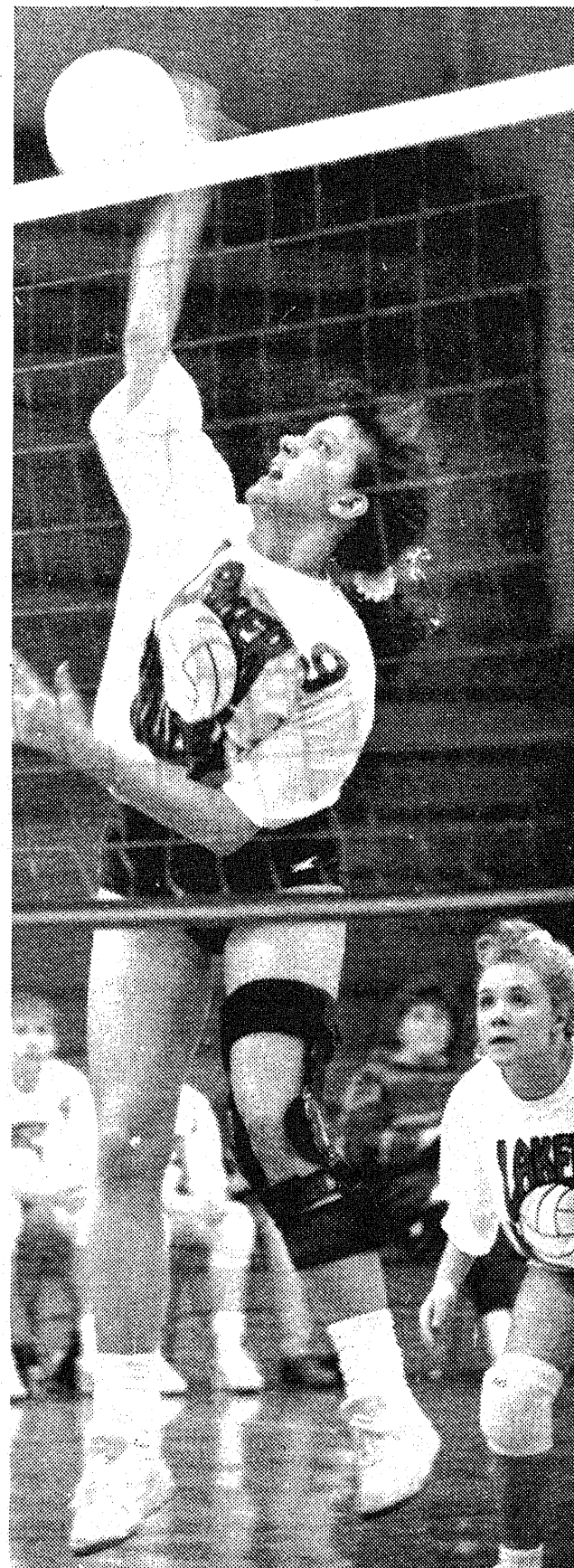
ANDY MITIN gets his shot off, despite heavy defensive pressure in recent play.

Amy Heiden Photo



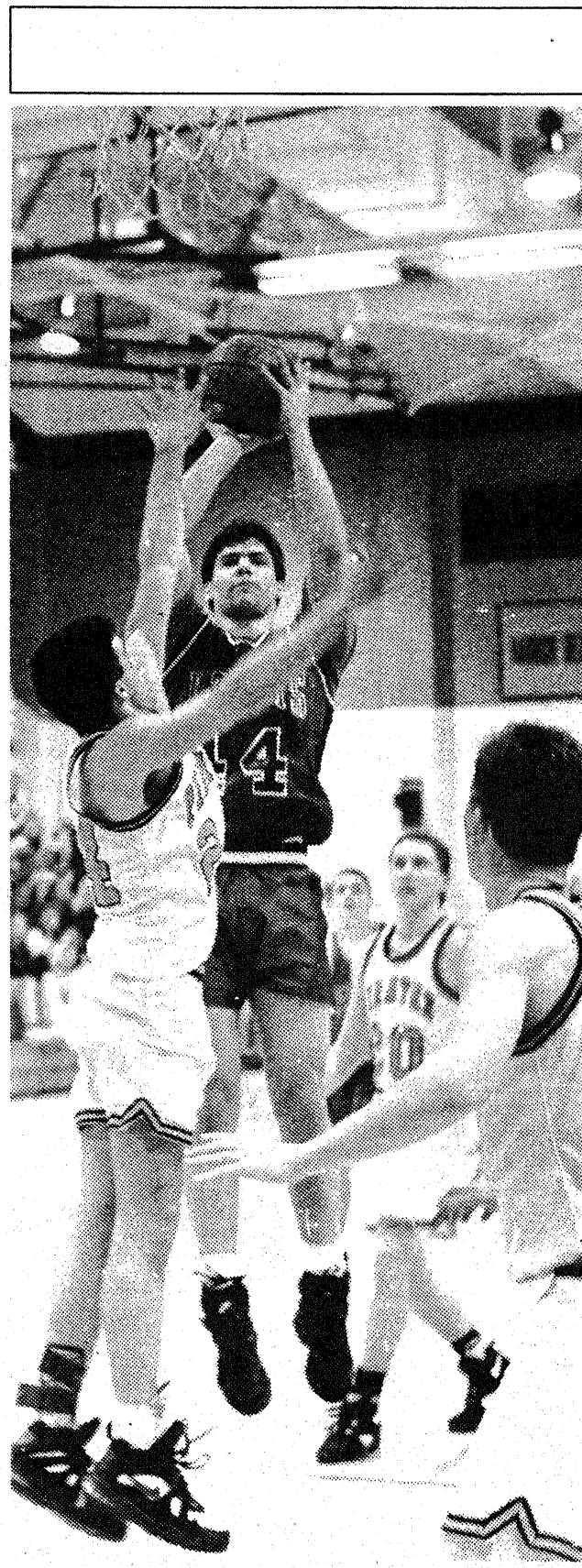
THE PATRIOTS' MELISSA FUERST (left) and JODIE KEMP team up to stop an attack last week.

Aaron Groth Photo



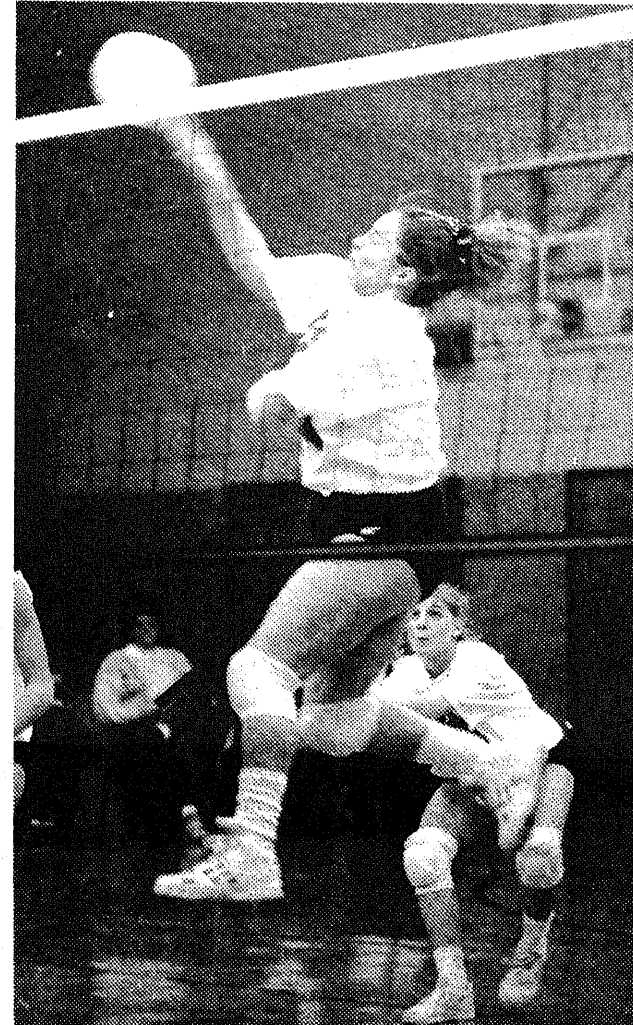
LAKER'S AMY MITIN sends a drive back over the net in league play last week.

Amy Heiden Photo



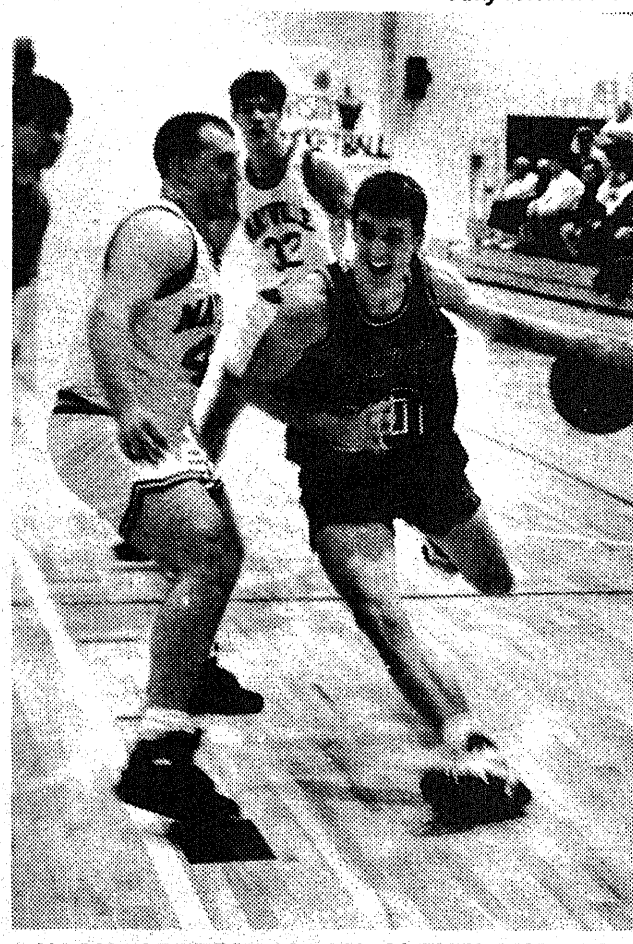
PATRIOT BRIAN HOFMEISTER goes up high to get his shot off against Harbor Beach.

Aaron Groth Photo



LAKERS' KIM STURM powers a return back across the net in recent volleyball action.

Amy Heiden Photo



USA'S SPEEDY JASON CLEVELAND drives around a Mayville defender Friday night.

Aaron Groth Photo



# 'Service First' kick-off coming March 10 from HCCCC

**By SALLY RUMMEL**  
How would you as a business owner/manager like to make more money for your business, with just about no investment?  
By improving the quality of

service, many businesses will be able to do just that, gaining both profit and repeat customers - by becoming involved with "Service First," an ongoing quality assurance program developed through

the efforts of the Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service, Huron County Economic Development Council and the Huron County Council of Chambers. It is a carefully blended program designed to provide valuable experience to both owners and front-line employees.

The kick-off of "Service First" is set for Thursday, March 10 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Cousins Restaurant in Bad Axe.

This entry-level workshop for owners/managers is the first official seminar of "Service First," to be followed by "Program B-Employee Training" and other regularly scheduled seminars.

"In order for quality assurance and service to be properly filtered down from owners/managers to their employees, we ask that owners attend this first meeting in order for their employees to be eligible for the employee training," explains Dr. Ed Mahoney, who will serve as the presenter.

Dr. Mahoney is a consultant with many national organizations and travels the U.S. to facilitate workshops on quality service. He will present an entirely different program

than the one he presented last year, which introduced the concept of quality assurance and helped assure him that Huron County businesses were ready and receptive for additional training.

The following topics will be discussed:

8 a.m. - Importance of Quality Assurance and Service Marketing in the 90s.

9 a.m. - The Role of Marketing in a Service Environment

10 a.m. - Developing a framework for Quality Assurance

11 a.m. - Discussion of "Service First" and How It Will Benefit Your Business

12 noon - Buffet Lunch with Informal Round Table Discussion "Service First" will consist of Program A for Owners/Managers, beginning with this March 10 entry level workshop.

Other scheduled workshops will include topics like: Marketing, Merchandising, Employee Management, Stress Management, round table discussions. Other benefits to owners will include informational newsletters and a resource library.

Program B for employees will include an entry level workshop, with the date to be announced, plus upcoming seminar topics like: Meeting and Greeting Customers, Telephone Etiquette, Stress

Management and Complaint or Crisis Handling.

The program will also include county resources training for regular and seasonal employees.

For details, call Amy at 269-6431 or Tammy at 883-3135.

## USA studies MEAP

**By MARY DRIER**

Although USA School students performed above average on all areas of the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP), USA officials said they feel the scores could be higher.

"Predominantly, throughout the whole thing (MEAP) we have a lot to be proud of in our district," said Middle School Principal Tony Grant. "We did exceptionally well in my estimation. We blew the socks off the state scores."

In one section of eleventh grade science, USA students were slightly behind the state average, but in the other section scores were above the state average, so the combined score still placed USA eleventh grade science scores above the average.

"We are looking at what happened here," said USA Elementary Principal Matt Airgood.

"We want to know exactly what areas did our children

mis on the exam and go back an look at the program we offered to find if there is some area we missed, and if so, how do we fill them?"

"It is commendable the bottom line was 90 percent, which still surpassed the state average."

Even though local scores of fourth, fifth, seventh, eighth, 10th and 11th graders surpassed the benchmark, USA isn't resting on its laurels.

"We want to know why our scores weren't all 100 percent," said Grant.

"If scores are not 100 percent, then there are some principles that students are weak in. We need to work on the areas that students don't know."

USA Board of Education members approved placing administrators in charge of conducting a study of the MEAP scores and kindergarten to 12th grade class instruction offered.

## Engaged!



### Siemen - Daniels

Pat and Mari Siemen of Caseville and Earl and Myrna Daniels of Bay Port are pleased to announce the engagement of their children, Michelle Dawn Siemen and Chad David Daniels.

The bride-elect, a 1992 graduate of Laker High School, is presently a student at Central Michigan University. The prospective groom is a 1989 graduate of Laker High School and is employed as an auditor at the Comfort Inn in Mt. Pleasant.

The couple plans a July 23 wedding.

## Engaged!

### Walsh - Sell

Dr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Walsh of Au Gres, formerly of Sebawaing, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Maureen Ann, to Gordon L. Sell, son of Mrs. Madeline Sell and the late Paul Sell of Parma Heights, OH.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Central Michigan University and is now living in Corvallis, OR. The groom-elect is a graduate of Bowling Green State University and is also living in Corvallis.

A Sept. 3 wedding is being planned by the couple.

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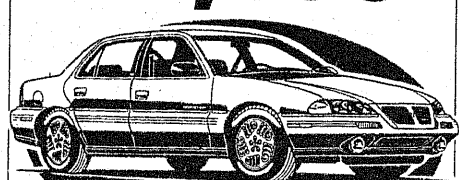
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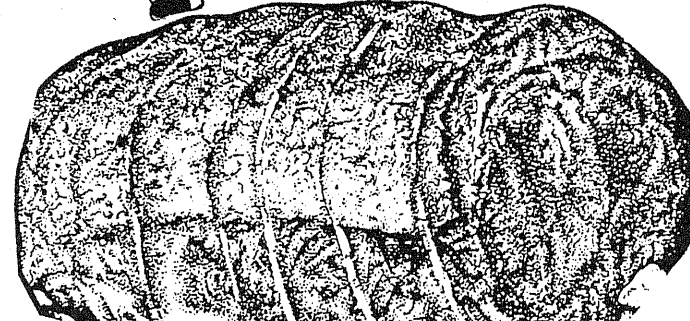
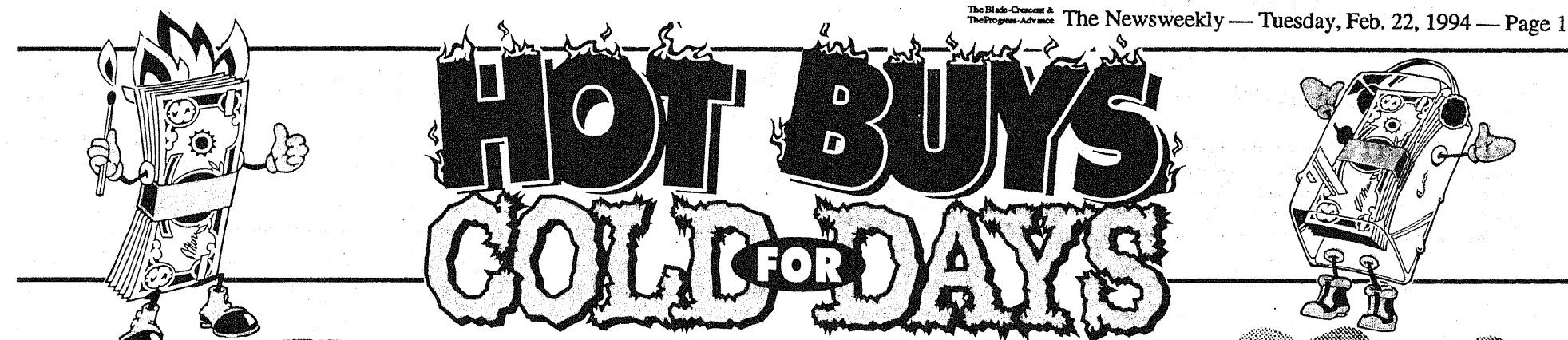
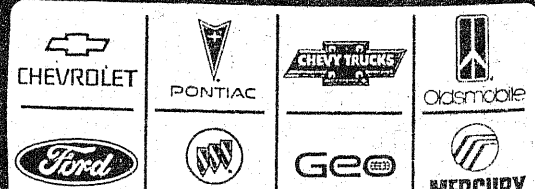
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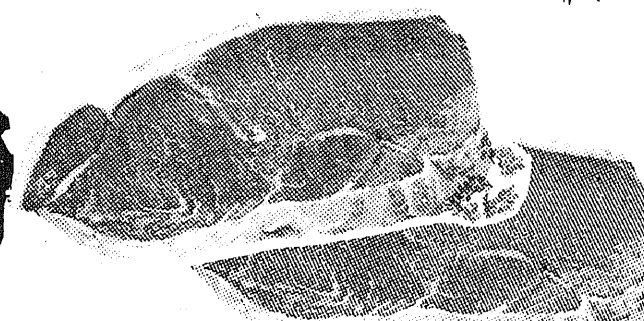
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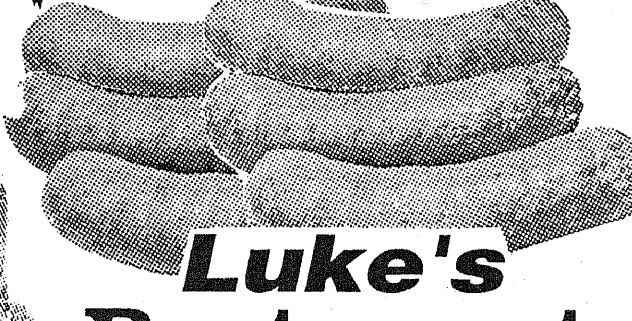
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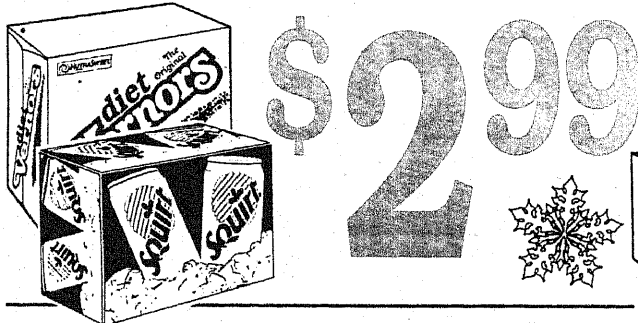
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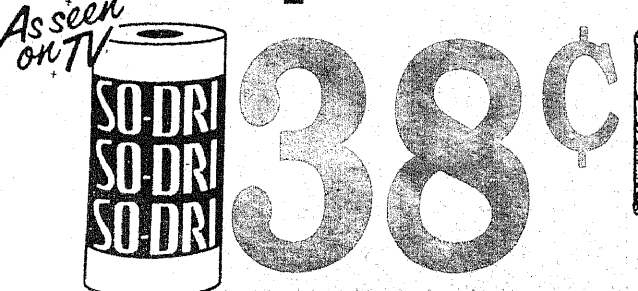
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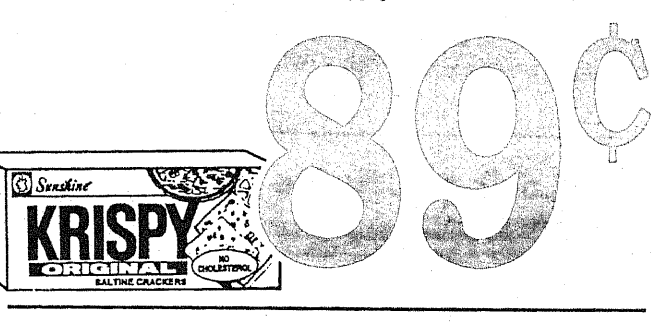
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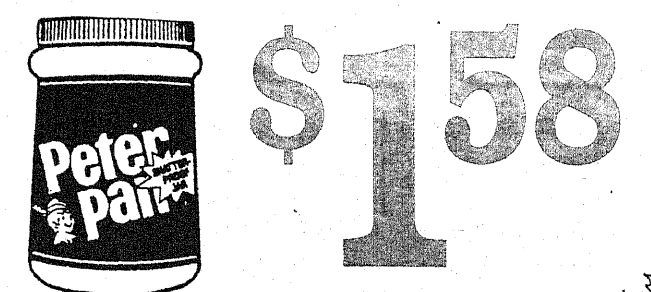
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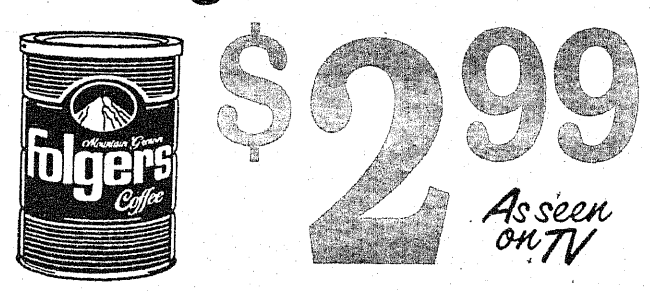
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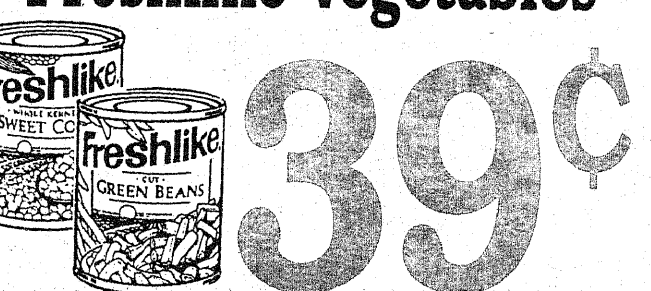
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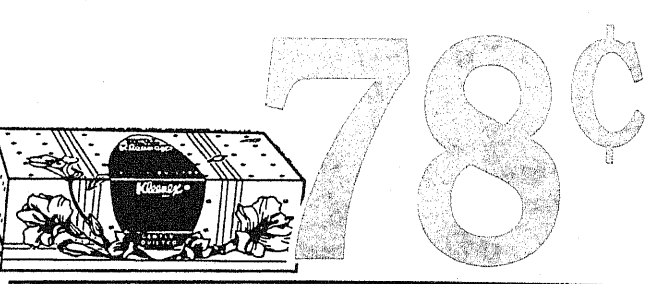
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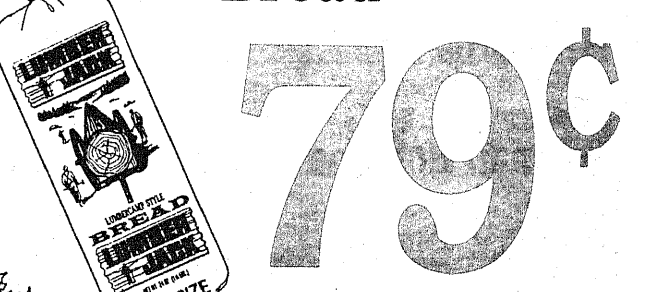
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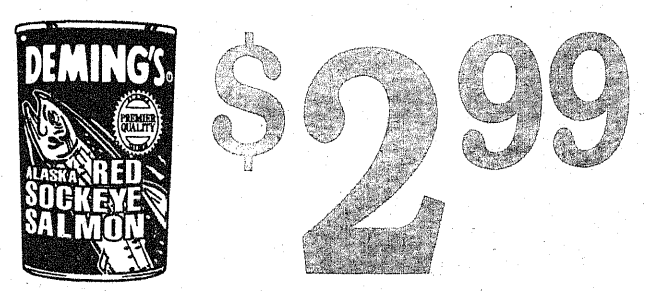
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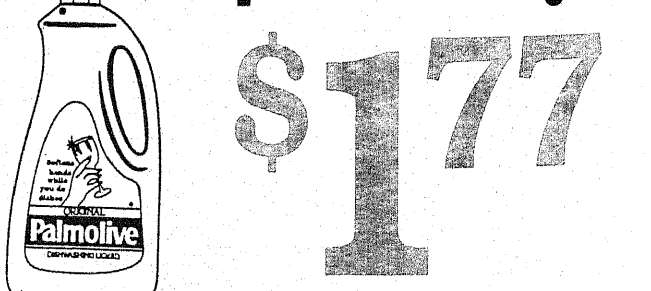
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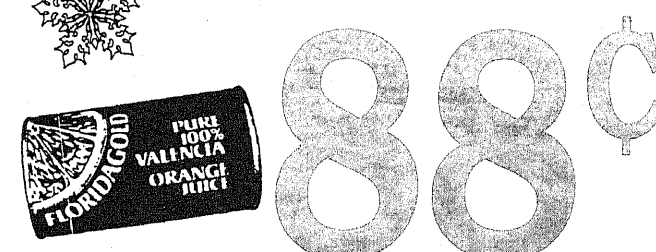
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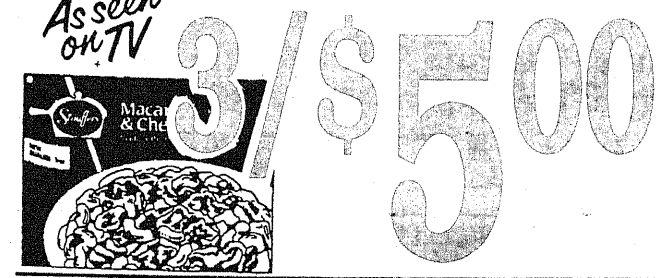
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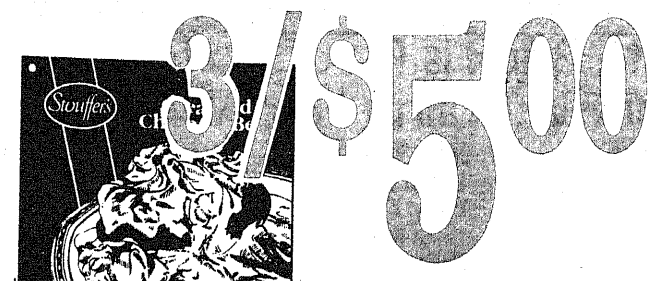
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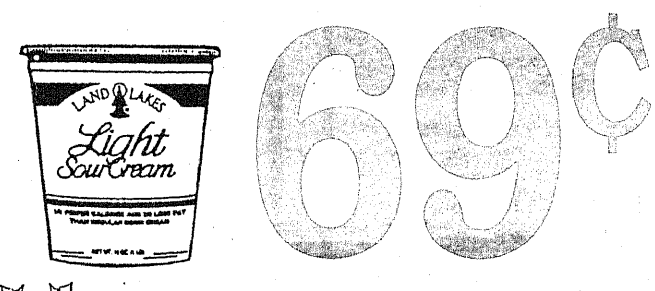
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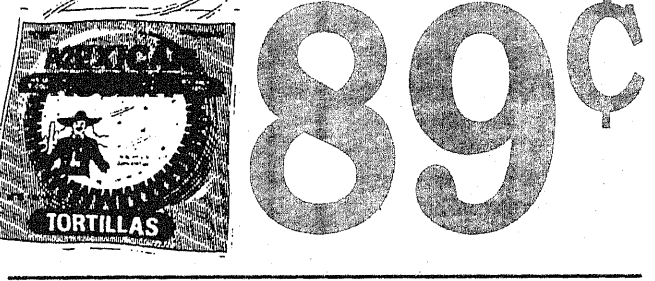
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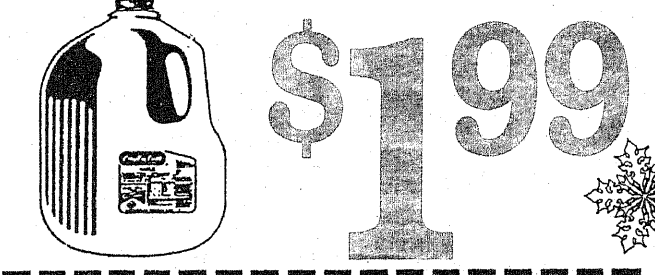
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- Homemade snacks and desserts are less expensive and can be more nutritious. Create your own snack mix with cereal, raisins, or nuts or pretzels, or bake homemade oatmeal cookies and banana bread.
- Prepare a simple menu and make a shopping list. Select coupons to go with your needs, but make sure they're only for products you plan to purchase and use.
- To save time and money, cook and bake in large quantities and freeze a portion for future meals and snacks.
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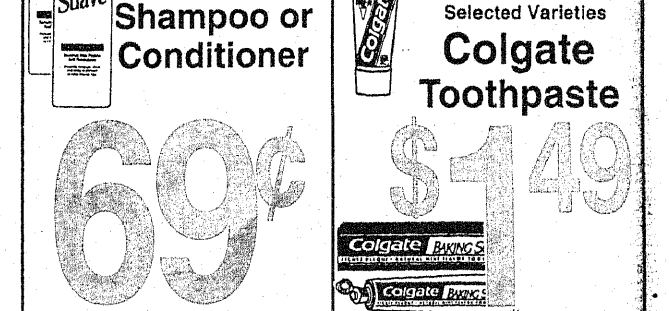
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# FFA celebrates 66th state convention Mar. 7-9

Members of USA-FFA Chapter will be in East Lansing, March 7-9, as the Michigan Association of FFA observes its 66th Annual State Convention during Agriculture and Natural Resources Week at MSU.

During the three-day convention, FFA members will recognize fellow members for outstanding achievements. Several special activities are planned for this year's Convention as members celebrate the theme "Catch the Fever." Incentive awards will be presented to more than 600 outstanding FFA members

## Dan Schulz on State Officer Team



DAN SCHULZ

Dan Schulz, son of Diane and John Schulz of Unionville, will be part of the FFA State Officer Team that will be conducting the 1994 State FFA Convention in East Lansing March 7 to 9.

Schulz was elected to State Secretary of the Michigan FFA Association in the 1993 State Convention.

He had an outstanding SAE (Supervised Agriculture Experience) program for projects, which culminated by work for the Tuscola County - Cooperative Extension Pest Scout.

Likewise, his leadership in FFA was outstanding as he attended the National Convention numerous times, the Washington Conference Program and many state leadership activities.

Schulz was chairman of the USA FFA Parliamentary Procedure Team that finished 13th in the nation.

Last year he received the prestigious American Farmer Degree at the 1993 National Convention.

Schulz is a sophomore at MSU in Agriculture Extension Education.

Featured here are USA- FFA winners from recent District and Regional contests.

Watch next week for Laker FFA winners... and congratulations!



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Terri Bell	Brian Hofmeister	Kent Reithel
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and chapters by the State FFA Association and the National FFA Foundation.

State FFA Degrees will be presented to 204 FFA members who qualify for the degree on the basis of their occupational and leadership achievements.

Local USA-FFA members Jeremy Haag, Scott Reithel, Jim Reithel, Ryan Finkbeiner, Danette Taschner and Andy Zagata will be among this elite

group, according to USA-FFA Advisor Carl Kieser.

Voting members representing USA will be John Stoeckle, Sarah Zagata and Heather Joles.

Other highlights include the naming of the Star State Farmer and Star State Agribusinessman and the election of 1994-95 State FFA officers.

Contestants who have previously won honors in local,

district and regional competition will compete in the state finals of eight leadership contests.

Agriscience Education teacher Carl Kieser is the advisor of the local chapter.

Officers include President Scott Reithel, Vice President Andy Zagata, Secretary Terri Bell, Treasurer Jeremy Haag, Reporter Jennifer Bitterling, Sentinel Darcy Haag and Parliamentarian Mitch Lewis.

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## Here are just SOME of the winning USA-FFA leaders...

Two USA-FFA members were selected as finalist in the Senior Division of the State Agri-science Contest, which is a new program.

Darcy Haag and Andy Zagata both took honors.

The objective of the Agri-science Student Recognition Program is to recognize stu-

dents in agri-science who are pursuing and academically challenging course of high school study that focuses on the application of scientific principles and emerging technologies in an agricultural enterprise.

Haag's project was on "nitrate movement."

"In my experiment I com-



PARLIA-PRO: first place gold, front, Terri Bell, Kyle Fiebig, Jenny Bitterling, Darcy Haag, Mike Hoagg. Missing Jody Nitz.



AG FORUM: first place gold, Phil Nieschulz, Ray Demaeture, Andy Zagata, front, Amy Kinney, Jason Jackson.

AT FFA DISTRICT LEADERSHIP CONTEST recently, here are several USA-FFA winners:

PUBLIC SPEAKING: Scott Reithel, first place gold;

JOB INTERVIEW: Stacy Fleming, third place silver;

PARLIA-PRO: first place gold, front, Terri Bell, Kyle Fiebig, Jenny Bitterling, Darcy Haag, Mike Hoagg. Missing Jody Nitz.

EXTEMP. PUBLIC SPEAKING: Jason Aubry, first place gold;

GREENHAND PUBLIC SPEAKING: Sarah Zagata, first place gold;

GREENHAND CONDUCT OF MEETINGS: third place silver, members Heather Joles, Kevin Gaeth, Jenn Hahn, Leslie Aubry, Bryan Hemerline, David Ewald, Marc'l Seibel.

GREENHAND CONDUCT OF MEETINGS, first place gold, Jason Gursell, Sam Soule, Doud Livingston, Jason Prime, Nathan Brandenburg, Ron Dukarski, John Stoeckle.

AG FORUM: first place gold, Phil Nieschulz, Ray Demaeture, Andy Zagata, front, Amy Kinney, Jason Jackson.

Competing at the State FFA Convention on March 8 are: Sarah Zagata, winner of Regional Greenhand Public Speaking Award;

Stacy Kunding, Regional winner in Parlia-Pro;

Regional Ag Forum Team.

pared the level of nitrates in the Sebawaing River to the amount of rainfall in Huron County," said Haag.

"I collected water samples throughout the spring, summer and fall, and I learned how to graph my records on the computer."

"The results show that more rainfall does increase the flow of nitrate in our water system."

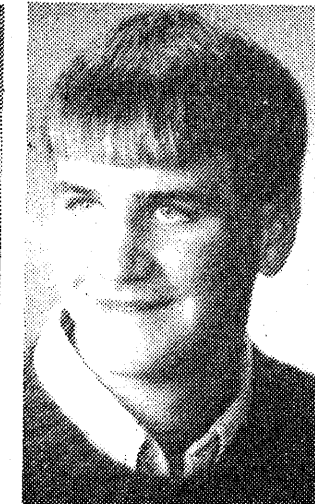
Zagata's project was on "trans-till vs. conventional tillage of Navy beans."

"In my science project I compared the yields and expense of five acres of convention tilled Navy beans and trans-tilled Navy beans - trans-tilling is a soil conservation method which tills an 8-foot



DARCY HAAG

strip to prepare a seedbed instead of plowing and field



ANDY ZAGATA

cultivating in conventional way," said Zagata.

"The yields were almost similar with the trans-till acres yields slightly higher, but the expenses of the trans-tilled beans were less than the conventional tilled acres."

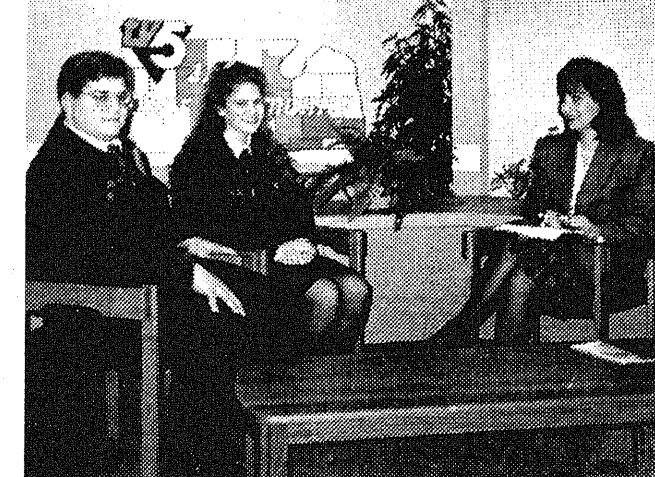
The program provides financial assistance to FFA members planning to pursue a college degree in agricultural science while helping to provide a reliable supply of agri-science graduates to meet the private and public agribusiness sector's needs.

It is also designed to educate parents, school officials and the public about the career opportunities, the nature and the placements available for agri-science students.

Both finalists will make a 10- to 15-minute presentation and an educational display for the State FFA Convention.

The state winner will be presented a \$1,000 scholarship for use at the college of his/her choice, a state plaque and is eligible to compete for regional/national awards.

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# Thumb Area Obituaries

## DOROTHY J. GROSS 1927-1994

Dorothy J. Gross, 66 of Sebawaing, died Monday evening, Feb. 14, at Tendercare of Cass City, following a long illness.

She was born Feb. 18, 1927, in Bay Port. She was married to Clement Gross and he preceded her in death in 1979.

Surviving are three daughters and spouses, Viola Michelson and Mrs. John (Elizabeth) Vargo of Sebawaing and Mrs. Michael (Carmelita) Katchuba of Ortonville, two sons and spouse Robert and Catherine Gross of Sebawaing and Michael Gross of Bay Port, 12 grandchildren, and one sister, Thelma Lenze of Seattle, WA.

An infant daughter and another daughter, Marguerite, and one brother, Allen Chevalier, preceded her in death.

The funeral service took place at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, at Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home, Sebawaing. Rev. Wayne Keim and Willet Oeschger officiated, with burial in Hickory Island Cemetery, Unionville.

## PEARL GOEBEL 1905 - 1994

Pearl E. Goebel, 88 of Bad Axe and formerly of Pigeon, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 15 at home after a short illness.

She was born June 19, 1905 in Pigeon, daughter of the late William and Elizabeth (Kohn) Schumacher. She married Harold C. Goebel on June 2, 1931 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Berne. He preceded her in death on Feb. 8, 1975.

Mrs. Goebel was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bad Axe, the Lutheran Ladies Missionary League, the Lutheran Ladies Auxiliary, the Altar Guild and the Monday Morning Bible Class. She was also a member of the Bad Axe Recreation Club.

She attended Pigeon schools and was employed at the former Hubbard Hospital of Bad Axe as a nurse's aide for 25 years. Mrs. Goebel's special interests and hobbies included visiting with friends, reading and playing bridge.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Leo (Marguerite) Luedtke and Mrs. Marvin (Helen) Garthe, both of Pigeon; a sister-in-law, Mildred Schumacher of Bad Axe; two nephews and four nieces.

She was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Joyce Ann and two brothers, Arnold and Arthur Schumacher.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, Feb. 18 at Our Savior Lutheran Church. The Rev. Larry Loree, vacancy pastor, officiated, with interment in Colfax Cemetery. The MacAlpine Funeral Home, Bad Axe, was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Woman's League, Hymnal Fund, Sound System Fund and Paraments Fund, all at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Bad Axe.

## ELLA RAMSEYER

Ella Ramseyer of Elkton passed away Monday, Feb. 21 at Huron Valley Hospital in Milford.

Funeral arrangements, being handled by the Champagne Funeral Chapel in Elkton, are incomplete at this time. A complete obituary will be published in next week's Newsweekly.

## MERDITH MOTZ 1921 - 1994

Merdith D. Motz, 72 of Crosswell, formerly of Elkton, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 15 at McKenzie Memorial Hospital in Sandusky.

He was born March 29, 1921 in Elkton, son of the late Freeman and Bertha (Sparsch) Motz. He married Evelyn Neu on March 15, 1975 in Crosswell. Mr. Motz was a retired Huron County farmer. He attended St. Patrick Catholic Church in Crosswell.

Surviving are his wife, Evelyn; a son, Richard Neu of Utica; a daughter, Mary Jean Felling of Applegate; a brother, Elton of Elkton; three sisters, Esther Motz of Bad Axe, Donna Noble of Kinde and Charlene Bensinger of Uby; five grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted on Saturday, Feb. 19 at St. Patrick Catholic Church. The Rev. Wolfgang Steichardt officiated with burial in Mt. Hope Cemetery in Crosswell.

The Pomeroy Funeral Home, Crosswell was in charge of funeral arrangements.

## WEAVER M. HARDER, JR. 1935-1994

Weaver M. Harder, Jr., 59, a native of Bay Port and more recently of Tawas City, died early Wednesday, Feb. 16, in Saginaw General Hospital, Saginaw, following a 3 1/2-year illness.

Mr. Harder was born Dec. 22, 1935, in Bay Port, a son of the late Weaver M. and Luella (Kline) Harder, Sr. He had been a commercial fisherman in Bay Port for many years.

Surviving are a special friend, Joan Fairchild of Tawas City, two sons, Weaver M. Harder III, serving in the U.S. Navy in Virginia Beach, VA, and Brian G. Harder of Saginaw, one stepdaughter, Joan VanNorman of Tennessee, one stepson, Richard Beca of Bay Port, four grandchildren, six brothers, Clifford Harder of Texas, Elmer, George, Jerry and Lloyd Harder, all of Bay Port, and Roy Harder of Standish, and several nieces and nephews.

Two brothers, Charles and James Harder, and three sisters, Ilene Brooks, Judy Hardy and Valerie Livingston, all preceded him in death.

The funeral service took place at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 18, in Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home of Sebawaing, with Rev. Wayne Keim officiating. Burial was in New Bay Port Cemetery, Bay Port.

## MARY PECA Died Feb. 19, 1994

Mary Peca of Elkton, (no age given), formerly of Parisville, passed away Saturday, Feb. 19 at her home, following a long illness.

She was born in Paris Township at the home of her parents, the late Frank and Frances (Czowski) Kucharczyk. Mrs. Peca lived most of her life in Huron County.

On June 30, 1940 she was united in marriage to Stephen Peca in Detroit. She lived in Detroit for a short time after her marriage. In 1946, they took over operation of Cook's Hotel in Parisville from her parents. In 1973, they sold their business and moved to Bad Axe. She moved to her daughter's home in Elkton for health reasons in 1989.

She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Bad Axe. Her family

reports she loved her children and grandchildren very much and also enjoyed play cards.

Surviving are two daughters, Mary Jane (Don) Zurek of Uby and Carol (Gerald) Kaufman of Elkton; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and her brother, Sylvester (Blanche) Cook of Bad Axe.

A funeral Mass will be conducted on Tuesday, Feb. 22 at 11 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Rev. Fr. Jack Leiper, pastor, will officiate with burial in the church cemetery.

Friends may call at the church on Tuesday from 10 a.m. until the time of service.

Funeral arrangements were handled by the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton.

## JOSEPH L. VERSCHOORE 1920-1994

Joseph L. Verschoore, 73, longtime Unionville area farmer and World War II Army veteran, died Saturday, Feb. 19, in Saginaw General Hospital, Saginaw, following a lengthy illness.

He was born in Bay City on Aug. 6, 1920. He was married to Madeline Verschoore, on Feb. 8, 1943 in Unionville, and she survives him.

Mr. Verschoore farmed all his life in the Unionville Area, and he was a welder at DeFoe Shipyard in Bay City for 22 winters.

During World War II he served in the US Army. He was a member of Unionville American Legion Post #421 and of Knights of Columbus Fr. Cahill Council. Mr. Verschoore was an avid golfer and bowler.

Surviving, besides his wife, Madeline, is one sister, Adrianna Hallebuick of Fairgrove, and many in-laws, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and two sisters.

Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23, at Holy Family Catholic Church of Sebawaing, with Rev. George Serour officiating. Interment will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery, Unionville.

Visitation will be at Deister Funeral Home, Unionville, on Tuesday (today) from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and at Holy Family Church on Wednesday from 10 a.m. until time of Mass.

There will be a Prayer Service at 7 p.m. Tuesday (tonight) at the funeral home.

Those planning a memorial are invited to consider Holy Family Church or ACW Ambulance.

## Other Thumb Area deaths

Warren Parrish, 70, Mt. Pleasant, formerly of Kinde, passed away Feb. 11.

Corrine Smith, 68, Traverse City, formerly of Bad Axe, passed away Feb. 11.

Anthony Baranski, 92, Port Austin, passed away Feb. 11.

Marvin McCormick, 50, Okemos, formerly of Cass City, passed away Feb. 13.

Brian Burkhard, 15, Bad Axe, passed away Feb. 13.

Dorothy Gross, 66, Cass City, passed away Feb. 14.

Lucille Tinney, 92, Bad Axe, passed away Feb. 16.



**Michael Furst**, a native of Unionville, has joined the staff of Independent Bank's Caro Office as Manager and Assistant Vice-President.

His appointment was announced by Ron Long, president and chief executive officer.

"Mike has a solid banking background and I think he will be successful in managing our new office," Long says. "His experience and familiarity with the community will be an asset to the bank."

The Caro office was formerly the American Home Bank which joined the Independent Bank team last year.

Previously, Furst had been assistant cashier and branch manager of the Vassar Office of Second National Bank of Saginaw.

A 1988 graduate of Central Michigan University, Furst majored in finance. He holds a BA Degree in business administration. Until Furst's move to Independent Bank, he served as vice-president of Vassar Rotary Club.

Independent Bank currently operates offices in Caro and Unionville, and Pioneer Bank in North Branch. Kingston State Bank is scheduled to join Independent Bank early this year.

Independent will then offer full-service banking in seven Thumb Area communities.

## USA MID. SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

USA Middle School announces its Second Quarter 1993-94 Honor Roll.

Students on the High Honor Roll earned all A's. To make the Honor Roll, students must have an overall B-or-better average. Any grade below a C keeps the student off the Honor Roll.

## HIGH HONOR ROLL

**Eighth Grade:** Melissa DaMaertelure, Jennifer Dudley, Audrey Kelly, Joshua Kuhl, Rachel Lister, Pamela Lutz, David Spangnagel.

**Seventh Grade:** Kendra Haag and Amanda Winicki.

**Sixth Grade:** Rebecca Holdwick, Ryan Robinson, Melissa Scharich, Terry Schulz, Amber Sutherland.

**Fifth Grade:** Brandon Bruce, Christopher Condon, Robert Haag, Erin Lister, Tara Manninen, Tyler Manninen, David Rocha, Kayla Roemer.

## HONOR ROLL

**Eighth Grade:** Heidi Androl, Russell Bloomer, Shannon Boucher, Rochelle Burgett, Lisa Claibuesch, Chad Dawald, Katie Donahue, Bonnie Harrison, Brian Heckman, Angela Holland, Erika Jenkins, Michael Koepf, Michael Leskowich, Jeffrey Maxson, Elizabeth Ortiz, Rodney Robinson.

# Achievements

Any Roemer, Scot Spiekerman, Rebecca Sweetman, Amanda Trischler, Davis Vader, Patricia Wilson.

**Seventh Grade:** Tara Dunwoodie, Brandi Einhardt, Christopher Gora, Shaun Gruhn, Matthew Haag, Jennifer Hahn, Hart Haire, Joel Haist, Brian Hoeh, Sarah Holdwick, Jason Kain, Eric Karr, Dawn Kemp, Rebecca Nieschulz, Justin Nitz, Rose Ortiz, Jeffrey Sakon, Shannon Schafer, Danielle Sigmund, David Sigmund, Karen Skirlo, Jessica VanBevern, Troy Vermeersch.

**Sixth Grade:** Ashley Bartels, Jamie Dickson, William Hartman, Shaun Hodder, Katie Hoese, Jamie Horst, Jonathan Joles, Jennifer Osentoski, Kimberly Pluto, Darcie Sontag, Brooke Southgate, Joseph Stoeckel, Minda Tietz, Ashlee Weinlander.

**Fifth Grade:** John Backus, Angela Ballard, Seth Colling, Jennica Collon, Christopher Elston, Isaiah Gainforth, Benjamin Hartman, Beth Hartman, Trent Houthoofd.

Here are the final winners in the **Elkton 300 Club** drawing:

**\$1,000** - Dan Brown, Harbor Beach  
**\$500** - Mary Groth, Harbor Beach  
**\$250** - Bill Eland, Indiana

**\$100** - Joe Sherwood, Elkton  
**\$100** - Ernie Balser, Harbor Beach  
**\$50** - Bob Christner, Imlay City  
**\$50** - Diane Schaefer, Elkton

**Paul Shupe** of Elkton has been accepted for enrollment at Dordt College in Sioux Center, Iowa, for the 1994-95 school year. Shupe, son of Thomas and Bernice Shupe, is a senior at Laker High School.

Dordt College, a Christian liberal arts college located in northwest Iowa, enrolls about 1,100 students from the U.S., Canada, and other foreign countries.

**Timothy Fritz**, a senior at Ferris State University, was recently appointed Editor-in-Chief of the Greek Newspaper, called Green Unity. Fritz is a member of Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity and also

serves as advertising director for the fraternity.

Fritz is the son of Bonnie and Raymond Fritz of Caseville, and is a 1990 graduate of Laker High School.

**Dawn Swartzendruber** of Pigeon played the role of "Isabelle" in the Central Michigan University production of "My Sister In This House," performed Feb. 9-12 in CMU's Bush Theatre.

Based on a 1933 French murder case, the four-character play tells the story of two sisters with a history of abuse, who work as maids for a wealthy family.

The psychological abuse of the sisters continues at the

house where they work, until an explosion of violence occurs.

She is a junior at CMU studying English and speech communication. A graduate of Laker High School, she is the daughter of Geraldine and Wayne Swartzendruber.

Active Industries of Elkton recognized **Dennis Wrubel** and **Archie Pionk** with plaques for their years of service to the company.

Pionk has been with the company for 40 years and Wrubel has been with them for 20 years.

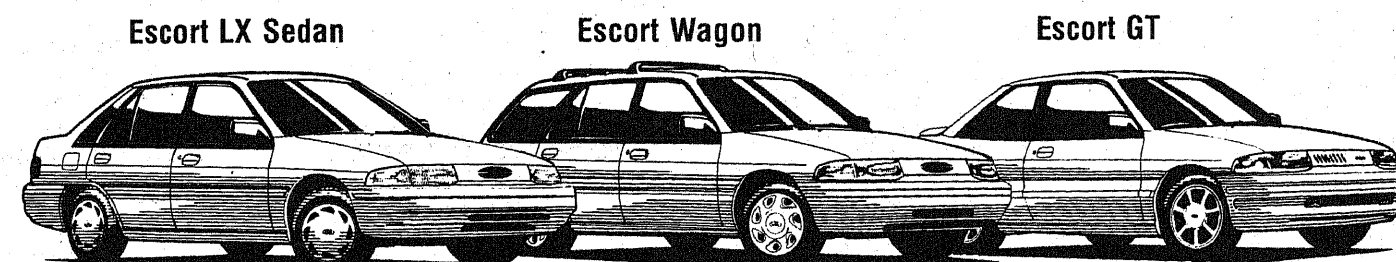
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Pastor Rev. Timothy Loewe  
Morning Worship 9:30 am  
**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN LCMS - UNIONVILLE**  
Rev. Paul Stohlmann  
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**ST. PETER LUTHERAN LCMS - BACH**  
Rev. Nathan Biedel  
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**TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WELS • ELKTON**  
Rev. Eugene Andrus  
Church Service 10:00 am

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Sunday Worship 9:30 am & 7:00 pm

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Rev. Douglas Laffer  
Sunday Worship 9:30 am  
**CASEVILLE UNITED METHODIST**  
Rev. Greg Mayberry  
Sunday Worship 10:15 am  
**ELKTON UNITED METHODIST**  
Rev. Sang Yoon Chun  
Sunday Worship 9:30 am & 7:00 pm  
**FIRST UNITED METHODIST - PIGEON**  
Rev. James P. Schwandt  
Worship 10:30 am  
**HAYES UNITED METHODIST**  
Rev. Douglas Laffer  
Sunday Worship 11:00 am  
**KILMANAGH UNITED METHODIST**  
Rev. Nancy Goyings  
10:45 am Sunday Worship Service  
**SALEM UNITED METHODIST - PIGEON**  
Rev. Steven Miller  
Worship 10:45 am

**TRINITY UNITED METHODIST - SEBEWAING**  
Rev. Lawrence C. Brooks  
10:45 am Sunday Worship Service  
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10:45 am Sunday Worship  
**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
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9:30 am Sunday Morning Worship  
**UNITED METHODIST - UNIONVILLE**  
Rev. Nancy Goyings  
9:15 am Sunday Worship Service  
**UNITED METHODIST - WISNER**  
Rev. Mark Karl  
10:30 am Sunday Morning Worship

### MISSIONARY

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## Tuscola County Marriage Licenses

John Philip Kramer and Jennifer Anne Gearhart  
Bernard Clon Dennis and Barbara Justine LaPratt  
Robert Clare Crosby and Patricia Ann Morrison

## Tuscola County Assumed Names

R. ALDRIDGE BUILDER at 2349 Ross Rd., Caro, by Ronald C. Aldridge, filed Feb. 9.  
SCHALLARA ARABIAN at 10410 Sheridan Rd., Millington, by Arthur William Storey, Jr. and Susan Jane Storey filed Feb. 10.  
KIMBERLY'S STYLES at 3572 Ross St., Kingston, by Kimberly Bernice Cope-laud, filed Feb. 10.  
TREASURES & LACE BOUTIQUE at 245 S. Main, Frankenmuth, by Judith Dalley filed Feb. 14.  
CARO SLOTTSMITHING at 1711 Gun Club Rd., Caro, by Robert Bates Ayers, Jr. filed Feb. 14.  
RICHARDS CONSULTING: EDUCATION AND EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES at 4642 N. Seeger St., Cass City, by Donald B. Richards filed Feb. 14.  
A & A FARMS at 7808 Irish Rd., Millington, by Mark A. Poelka filed Feb. 15.  
A. K. CONTRACTING at 1855 Circle Dr., Fairgrove, by Pat Kraynak filed Feb. 15.  
SOUP TO NUTS SURPLUS STORE at 10431 N. State, Millington, by Lon A. Ingram and Lionel G. Ingram filed Feb. 15.  
LITTLE'S FUNERAL HOME, INC. at 6358 Main St., Cass City, by Roger L. Little filed Feb. 15.  
KB AUTOMOTIVE SERVICES at 9238 N. Belsay Rd., Millington, by Kenneth L. Panek filed Feb. 15.  
EUGENE H. GIBBS COMPANY at 9912 Belsay Rd., Millington, by Eugene H. Gibbs

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RHINO ELITE ENTERPRISES at 8324 Center Rd., Millington, by Richard David Long filed Feb. 15.

## Huron County Warranty Deeds

Huron Equipment Co., Inc. to David M. Rapson and Mary C.; a parcel of land located in the City of Bad Axe.  
Gerald Dean and Katherine to Gary M. Osminski and Susan M.; a parcel of land located in Section 10 of Verona Twp.  
S.T. & H. Oil Company to Daniel Lee Braden; a parcel of land located in the Village of Caseville.  
Mark E. Stoen, Jr. and Mary Kay to Lawrence Wonsowicz and Carol A.; a parcel of land located in Caseville Twp.  
Estate of Sam David Kuck to Terry Lee Kuck, Gregory Duane Kuck and Timothy Andrew Kuck; a parcel of land located in Section 13 of Oliver Twp.  
Myron V. Mazure and Kim to Arthur G. Mazure and Lorraine L.; a parcel of land located in Section 9 of Paris Twp.  
Gerald Dechane and Ilene to Thumb Industries, Inc.; a parcel of land located in Section 20 of Verona Twp.  
Clifford D. Willett and Jean L. to Melvin

C. Gingrich and Jean M.; a parcel of land located in Section 6 of Bingham Twp.  
Jay A. Hanson and Alice M. to Robert L. Papke; a parcel of land located in Section 24 of Verona Twp.  
Eugene J. Grabowski and Helen L. to Robert J. Cragg and Iola W.; a parcel of land located in Section 15 of Lake Twp.  
Allan W. Perdue and Judy E. and Keven W. Perdue to Gerald R. Perdue and Rosalee M.; a parcel of land located in Section 9 of Huron Twp.  
David L. Harmon and Jill, Kent M. Harmon and Denise to Steven E. Schulz and Christine; a parcel of land located in the Village of Elkon.

Edward G. Regentin and Pauline O. to Tribus Regentin; a parcel of land located in Section 31 of Dwight Twp.  
Ernest Messing and Russell Messing to Raymond J. Goniwiecha and Margaret D.; a parcel of land located in Section 30 of Sherman Twp.  
Estate of John H. Rickel to Alice Rickel Champion and John M. Rickel; a parcel of land located in Caseville Twp.  
Estate of John H. Rickel to Alice Rickel Champion and John M. Rickel; a parcel of land located in Caseville Twp.  
Hilda S. Bodrie to Daniel Santhany; a parcel of land located in Fairhaven Twp.

## CASEVILLE VILLAGE PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing of the Caseville Village Council, February 14, 1994  
Unapproved Minutes.  
Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Malosky.  
Roll Call: Frank Malosky, Arlis Kraft, John DeVincentis.  
The purpose of the hearing was to hear public comments on the proposed Fiscal Year 1994-1995 Budget.  
Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Gary Kuckel  
Village Manager

## BOARDS OF REVIEW

**WINSOR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW**  
Board of Review will meet on Monday, March 14 and Tuesday, March 15, 1994 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Winsor Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll and hearing objections. Factors all 1.0000. Notices of property valuations will be sent only to those with changes.  
**MARLIN RATHJE - Supervisor**

**McKINLEY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW**  
Board of Review will meet on Monday, March 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Wednesday, March 16, 1994 from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the McKinley Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll and hearing objections. Factors all 1.0000.  
**JERRY E. BEYER - Supervisor**

**BROOKFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW**  
Board of review will meet on Monday, March 14 and Tuesday, March 15, 1994 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Community Building in Owendale for the purpose of hearing objections. Factors all 1.0000.  
**WALTON BROWN - Supervisor**

**CASEVILLE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW**  
The Caseville Township Board of Review will meet on Monday, March 14 and Wednesday, March 16, 1994 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and also Saturday, March 19, 1994 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Caseville Village/Township Hall to review and equalize assessments. All protests by mail will be accepted if received prior to March 14, 1994.  
**JANICE PRILL - Assessor**

**OLIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW**  
Board of Review will meet on Monday, March 14, 1994 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Tuesday, March 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Oliver Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the assessment rolls. Factors all 1.0000.  
**LAWRENCE KROHN - Supervisor**

**FAIR HAVEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW**  
Board of Review will meet on Monday, March 14 and Wednesday, March 16, 1994 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Fair Haven Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll and hearing objections. Factors all 1.0000.  
**WILLIAM FORGE - Supervisor**

**CHANDLER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW**  
Board of Review will meet on Monday, March 14 and Wednesday, March 16, 1994 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Chandler Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll and hearing objections. Factors all 1.0000.  
**BILL RENN - Supervisor**

## PUBLIC BID NOTICE

The Village of Elkon will be accepting sealed bids for Street replacing and resurfacing projects. Specifications can be obtained by contacting the Village Hall at 517-375-2270 during regular business hours Monday - Friday. Bids are to be returned by March 7, 1994 at 4:00 p.m. at the Clerk's office.

## BOARDS of REVIEW

**THE 1994 BOARD OF REVIEW OF SEBEWAING TOWNSHIP**  
will meet at the Sebewaing Township Hall  
**MONDAY - MARCH 14**  
9 am - 12 noon • 1 pm - 4 pm  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 15**  
1 pm - 4 pm • 6 pm - 9 pm  
For the Purpose of Reviewing the Assessment Roll and hearing any objections thereto.

	RATIO	FACTOR
Residential	50.00	1.0000
Agricultural	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Industrial	50.00	1.0000
WILLET OESCHGER, SEBEWAING TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR		

**THE 1994 BOARD OF REVIEW OF AKRON TOWNSHIP**  
will meet at the Municipal Building  
4380 Beach Street, Akron, MI  
**MONDAY, MARCH 14**  
AND **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16**  
from 9 am until 12 noon and 1 pm until 4 pm  
For the Purpose of Reviewing the Assessment Roll and hearing any objections thereto.

	RATIO	FACTOR
Agricultural	48.88	1.0229
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Residential	50.00	1.0000
Personal Property	50.00	1.0000
WILBUR PARTLO, AKRON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR		

**THE 1994 BOARD OF REVIEW OF COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP**  
will meet at the Columbia Township Library  
**MONDAY AND TUESDAY - MARCH 14 & 15**  
from 9 am until 12 noon and 1 pm until 4 pm  
For the Purpose of Reviewing the Assessment Roll and hearing any objections thereto.

	RATIO	FACTOR
Agricultural	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Industrial	50.00	1.0000
Residential	48.07	1.0402
Personal Property	50.00	1.0000
ED SPANNAGEL, COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR		

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# Thumb Area Club News

## CASEVILLE LIBRARY CLUB

The Casville Library Club held a regular meeting at the Caseville Township Hall on Feb. 8 with 38 members in attendance. President Sylvia Wisner presided.  
Guest speaker Peggie Leiprandt presented a program entitled "Potpourri." She demonstrated the process of making Potpourri, using dried flowers, roots and spices which she exhibited and identified.

Her presentation reflected her love and enthusiasm for nature's living plants and was informative and enjoyable for all.

The next meeting will be March 8 with guest speaker

Leslie Hagen, Prosecuting Attorney. Her topic is "Domestic Violence and Children."

## CASEVILLE RETIREMENT CLUB

The Caseville Retirement Club met Feb. 15 with 61 members present.  
The Lord's Prayer was recited before a meal site lunch. Vice-President Bill Vallance opened the meeting with the Pledge to the Flag.  
It was reported that 28 blood pressure readings were taken by Joyce Deichman, R.N., assisted by Ella Dunning.  
Thanks was given to Mary Rutkowski, Marge Heckman and Helene Thiel for the earlybird goodies.

Jetta Muhme announced there are only three tickets left for the trip to the Icecapades in Saginaw March 3.

Jo Fitzpatrick is in Huron County Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe. Jean Lipiec had to have repair done on her knee replacement due to

a fall and her left wrist is in a cast. She is in Scheurer Hospital.

Louise Gerrad is recuperating at home. Estelle Budrick is having a very slow recovery after her car accident.

Birthdays were celebrated by Emil Nieschulz, Helen Gari, Jean Lipiec and Anna McBride.

## ELKTON SENIOR CITIZENS

President Mike Renn welcomed 36 members and guest

Marilyn Parrish to the Feb. 15 meeting of the Elkton Senior Citizens. Verdun and Dorothy Newkirk were welcomed back from the sunny south.

Newkirk offered the table prayer before the potluck meal.

Charles and Mary Willis were in charge of music. "America" was sung and the Pledge to the Flag was given to open the afternoon session. The birthdays of Mary Day and Eva Day were recognized with the birthday song.

A get-well card was signed

for Edna Mae Maddowell. A thank you was received from the family of Edith Lackie. Harold Renn and Charles Willis were in charge of bingo

games. Coverall prizes were won by Hazewl Beach and Frances Stroud. Edna Wakefield is to chair the Feb. 22 program.

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## SEBEWAING TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

The following is a summary of the February 14th, 1994 regular meeting of the Sebewaing Township Board. Full text is on file at township office.  
The meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag and a prayer by Supervisor Oeschger at 7:30 P.M.  
A letter was read from the Huron County Chapter of the Michigan Townships Association stating our next meeting will be in Bad Axe on March 10th.  
Minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved.  
Fire Chief Kroll reported there will be a class for the department on Hazardous Material Handling. They will also attend a class at Michigan Sugar Company on Confined Spaces. They will hold their annual pancake breakfast on April 10th at the hall.  
EMS Captain Manary updated the board on various repairs to the ambulances. They will also be attending the class at Michigan Sugar on Confined Spaces.  
A discussion was held with Building Inspector Eberlein about various building permit violations. Violators will be contacted by letter from the Township.  
A discussion was held on the muddy condition of the road by the Sugar Factory. A meeting was proposed with various county departments and the Sugar Company to take care of this problem.  
A possible meeting with the Brookfield Township Board in regard to road building was discussed.  
Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 P.M.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Shelia Fiebig, clerk

## PIGEON VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES

The Village of Pigeon Council held its regular meeting on Monday February 14, 1994. President David Geiger called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Members Present: Eichler, Miller, Gehrs, Smith, Pobanz and Licht. Absent: Nona.  
Minutes of the regular meeting of January 10, 1994 were approved as presented.  
A motion to accept the Police Operations Report for January was made by Pobanz and supported by Licht. Motion Carried.  
A motion was made by Eichler to accept the building inspection report as presented. The motion was supported by Miller. Motion Carried.  
Resolution was offered by Eichler to require the Village to conduct sealed competitive bids for any contract of \$24,000 or more to qualify for state revenue sharing payments, and to comply with Public Acts 167 and 168. The resolution was supported by Pobanz. Carried.  
A motion was made by Eichler to hold a Public Hearing to act on a request from Huron Casting to establish an Industrial Development District.  
A Resolution to establish the Huron Casting Industrial Development District #3 was offered by Licht and supported by Pobanz. Resolution Carried.  
A motion was made by Eichler to approve the budget amendments for the 1993/94 fiscal year as presented. Motion was supported by Pobanz. Motion Carried.  
A motion was made by Eichler to hold a Public Hearing to review the Proposed Budget for the 1994/95 fiscal year.  
A Resolution to adopt the budget as presented for the 1994/95 fiscal year was offered by Eichler and supported by Smith. Resolution Carried.  
A motion to approve the Accounts Payable for January was made by Pobanz. The motion was supported by Eichler. Motion Carried.  
A motion was made by Smith to accept the Historical Society Minutes as presented. The motion was supported by Licht. Motion Carried.  
Permission was granted to the Knights of Columbus Council #8042 to conduct their annual Tootsie Roll Drive on March 25th, 26th, and 27th.  
Committee Chairmen presented recommendations on Salaries and Wages for the 1994-95 fiscal year. A motion was made by Eichler to raise Ken Johnson's pay by 25 cents per hour. The motion was supported by Licht. Motion Carried.  
A motion was made by Eichler to add an additional 1% longevity pay for all employees. The motion was supported by Licht. Motion Carried.  
A motion was made by Eichler to charge \$5.00 per day for electricity hookup at tree outlet and \$10.00 per day to use 220 outlet. The motion was supported by Licht. Motion Carried.  
The meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.  
Respectfully submitted:  
Janet Heckman, Clerk

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Description of Land:  
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TO: Macon E. Williamson and Wilma Williamson, and/or their unknown heirs or devisees whose addresses are unknown, last grantee in the regular chain of title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County.

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Description of Land:  
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Amount necessary to redeem, \$53.01 plus the fees of the Sheriff

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Place of Business:  
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TO: Frances Hutchinson, and/or her unknown heirs or devisees whose addresses are unknown, last grantee in the regular chain of title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County.

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## Regional 9-1-1 central dispatch system being considered

By MARY DRIER

A study to create a regional dispatch center for emergency calls in the Thumb is underway.

Officials are studying the feasibility of an areawide central system to handle dispatching services for three or four Thumb counties instead of having each county continue to operate their own.

The study was recommended because Huron, Tuscola, Sanilac and Lapeere Counties are all looking at upgrading their radio com-

munication systems.

"My feeling is that if we are all going to install new radio systems, this is the time that we all need to have adequate facilities to handle the equipment and could join together to save money," said Caro's State Police Post Commander Douglas Lautner.

He also serves on the Tuscola County Central Dispatch Advisory Board.

"If there is a way to consolidate services, this would be a good time for counties to do so. The money savings should

be incredible."

Lautner roughly estimates radio consoles cost about \$100,000 each. He says each county would probably have to have two set-ups, for an estimated total cost of \$600,000.

A regional center could perform the same work with a total of three consoles, so a three-county area could save half the equipment cost of separate systems, Lautner says.

"Then there are installation fees and each county would

need at least one or more communication towers at a possible cost of between \$50,000 to \$100,000 each.

"We might be able to get by with half the towers if we all get together and share equipment — giving taxpayers more bang for their buck."

According to Lautner it's a matter of "pay now, or pay more later."

"It would be very costly for each county to setup their own system now and then in a few years decide to join together," he said.

Lapeere County has already expressed an interest in a regional effort, and officials are waiting to hear from Huron and Sanilac Counties.

If dispatch centers in Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac join together it would create a service area of about 120,000 people, which Lautner considers a manageable number for a centralized service.

"An additional benefit is mutual aid, so emergencies would be easier handled during disasters. Right now communications among counties

is a hit or miss deal and don't always intermesh easily," Lautner said.

"If we had a regional dispatch agency we would have standardized procedures and rules that we could all work from."

The three counties have pooled efforts in the past. Three years ago Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac consolidated efforts into a Tri-County 9-1-1 emergency telephone system. Each county has had 9-1-1 service for one year.



CASEVILLE ART STUDENTS spent last week sculpting snow for the Shanty Days celebration, with such works as a fish, a sailboat and others. Here, Micque Partlow and Greg Samczyk work on a sculpture.

Other students involved in the project were Beth Kranz, Kevin Haag, David Diehl, Suzette Baker and Shannon Guster, under the direction of instructor Alex Gleisner.

AMY HEIDEN PHOTO



USA'S 7TH AND 8TH GRADE Drama Club presented the ambitious production "M\*A\*S\*H" Thursday, complete with sound effects of helicopters and bombs. Director is Gail Kelly. Shown are Audrey Kelly playing Capt. Forrest "Duke," Pam Lutz as Capt. "Hawkeye" Pierce and Darcie Talaski as Col. Henry Blake.

MARY DRIER PHOTO

## PROGRESS...In The Western Thumb

For those of us here in the Western Thumb, the future of our businesses and professional offices is a very important consideration. Our special PROGRESS section charts the growth of area companies, and takes a look at their future plans and aspirations. To begin the study, however, take a look at how our area towns were established, named and how they continue to thrive and grow.

### When & how did our Western Thumb towns get their unique names?

#### Bach...

Population: 22

The crossroads hamlet southeast of Sebawaing has no relation to the composer of the same name. Instead, residents looked to its first successful business, a garage and Chevrolet dealership called Bach and Bartholomew, for its name around the turn of the century. Even Mr. Bartholomew is remembered in Bach, with a street named in his honor...

#### Bad Axe...

Population: 3,484

It's likely that many lumberjacks left many bad axes behind in the early days. The original bad axe, however, was supposedly a relic of George Martin, a legendary hunter in the Thumb. A two-man survey team found the axe in 1861 while planning a public road between Sand Beach (Harbor Beach) and Sebawaing. Surveyor Rudolph Papst found the broken-handled tool, and his companion, George Pack, suggested Bad Axe would be a good name for their camp. The first post office was opened in 1870, Bad Axe was incorporated as a village in 1885 and the future Huron County seat became a city in 1905.

In 1909, the State Legislature changed the name to Huron. But local townspeople promptly voted the old name back in...

#### Bay Port...

Population: 550

The community of Bay Port was once known as Geneva, when it was founded in 1851 by Carl Heisterman. That name was later changed to Switzerland. Still later, it was called Wildfowl Port, thanks to its location on Wildfowl Bay. Bay Port's first post office was opened in 1872, when the Ora Labora post office was changed to Bay Port.

#### Caro...

Population: 4,054

Curtis Emerson built a logging along the Cass River at what is now Caro in 1847. The settlement was first named Centerville then was named Tuscola Center when the post office began on April 25, 1866. In 1868, William Sherman suggested changing the future Tuscola County seat name to Caro, an abbreviated version of the Egyptian capital Cairo.

#### Caseville...

Population: 913

Caseville traces its history back to 1840, when it was named for Leonard Case of Cleveland, who owned about 20,000 acres of land there. Previously, the area was known as Port Elizabeth. Case sold his land interests to Francis Crawford and George Martin, both of Cleveland, in 1856, and Crawford later bought out Martin and is credited with developing the plans for much of what is now Caseville.

#### Elkton...

Population: 973

Elkton's history dates back to the late 1800s, when herds of elk roamed the swampy area in the center of Huron County. Indians would occasionally hunt the animals, but some grew to be huge: perhaps to the size of a ton or more. William McGillivray built the first home before the first railroad came through town in 1886, and John Oliver and Simon Hoffman were other pioneers. Elkton was incorporated as a village in 1897.

#### Filion...

Population: 195

In 1861, 17-year-old Desire Filion left his native Canada to settle in Hume Township. Two years later, Filion — a strong Prohibitionist — opened the clearing's first town store. In 1876, he became the first postmaster of Filion, and the town was named after him.

#### Grindstone City...

Population: 146

When James Dufty and Captain Aaron Peer settled near the tip of the Thumb in 1834 to open grindstone quarries, they founded Grindstone City. The first stone quarried was used in the pavements of Woodward and Jefferson Avenues in Detroit. The village receded when carborundum took the place of grindstone, and Grindstone City today is a fishing/tourist village.

#### Kilmanagh...

Population: 33

Kilmanagh was named by the Chippewa Indians, who were driven to the Shebeon Creek banks by invading Fox Indians in a fierce battle. Nearly all were slaughtered — and the name Kilmanagh meant the "kill many" place. Actually, though, Kilmanagh was named in the 1870s for a town of the same name in old Ireland.

#### Kinde...

Population: 488

The Village of Kinde was named after an early storekeeper in the community, John Kinde. Kinde started in 1884, when a station on the Port Huron and Northwestern Railroad was built there. Storekeeper Kinde became the first postmaster on Dec. 7, 1885 and Kinde was incorporated in 1903.

#### Owendale...

Population: 286

John G. Owen and his cousin operated a large sawmill in what is now Owendale in the mid-1870s. James and Edward Erskine bought land in Brookfield Township where the town would develop in 1877, and the Owendale post office was started June 4, 1889. Owendale village was incorporated in 1905.

#### Pigeon...

Population: 1,455

Pigeon got its name from the bird, called a pigeon, which once migrated through the area in such huge numbers that they couldn't be counted. The number of passenger pigeons which flew in huge flocks could briefly blot out the sun and many roosted in the marshy area which became the Village of Pigeon in 1903, after the town was relocated one mile south from the former Berne Junction when the Saginaw, Tuscola and Huron (ST&H) Railroad crossed the Pontiac, Oxford & Northern Railroad at Pigeon.

#### Pinnebog...

Population: 64

In 1844, a rug man moved to an area now known as Pinnebog. Originally, the area was called Pinnebog — a Chippewa term meaning "sound of the partridge drum." But there was already a settlement known as Pinnebog near Port Austin, and its name was changed to Port Crescent. All that remains there is the State Park now. The central-county Pinnebog changed its name to Pinnebog, meaning pines in the bog.

#### Pointe Aux Barques

Population: 15

This resort community at the very tip of the Thumb is one town that has kept its same name since its beginning. Early French explorers along Michigan's coast gave it the name, meaning "Point of Ships," because the ragged thumb nail rock

formation looked like the bow of a ship. The name is shared with the Pointe Aux Barques lighthouse, built in 1857, in nearby Huron City.

#### Port Austin...

Population: 826

Port Austin is almost as far north as you can go in the Thumb, but it almost became known as Dwightville. In 1839, Jeduthan Byrd built a sawmill on a creek which became known as Byrd's Creek. Fifteen years later, Byrd sold his holdings to the firm of Smith, Austin and Dwight. P.T. Austin, the Austin of the firm, built a dock there for his private use and then let others use it. It became known as Austin's Dock. The east side of the town was still known as Dwightville, and confusion reigned.

Later, a compromise was reached: the town was named Port Austin and the Township in which it lay became Dwight Township. Port Austin became a village in 1887.

#### Sebawaing...

Population: 2,046

Sebawaing was named by Lutheran minister Rev. J.J.F. Auch, as he was seeking good farmland prior to doing missionary work among the Indians. The name Sebawaing is Indian for "crooked creek." Auch chose the name because the Sebawaing River flowed near his settlement. He settled in the area in 1845, when Sebawaing was located in Tuscola County. It was first spelled Sibbawaing and became part of Huron County in 1859, and became a town in 1853. It was officially incorporated as a village in 1879. First postmaster Allen Brewer was named to the job July 23, 1857.

#### Unionville...

Population: 590

Horace C. Marvin brought his family to what is now Unionville in 1854 and built the first home there. He later built a general store and became Unionville's first postmaster on Oct. 19, 1861, during the Civil War. Marvin named the town Unionville after his native Union, Ohio — and he's still remembered by Marvin Street, named after him. It became a village in 1879.

## The Newsweekly Health Directory...

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### THANKS & MEMORIALS

**MANY THANKS** to doctors Dandamudi and Joseph, nurses and attendants at Bay Med for their kindness, Unionville Ambulance crew, Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home, Pastor Siverly and my sister, Eleanor Schmidt, for being there, all who visited, sent cards, memorials and flowers and brought food to the house. Your kindness will always be remembered. Betty Pilon and family.

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**WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK** doctors Kam, Khan and Castella and everyone else at Scheurer Hospital for their care while we were surgical patients. Thank-you to Pastor Gorseigner for visits and prayers. Also thanks to our families, relatives and friends for flowers, cards, food and good wishes while convalescing at home. Your kindness and thoughtfulness is very much appreciated. Nancy and Delbert Nieschulz.

**THE FAMILY OF DONNA RIDDLEBARGER** wishes to express its appreciation to all the friends, neighbors and relatives for their support, flowers and visits during Donna's long illness and recent passing. The prayers, cards, and other expressions of kindness meant a lot to us. To the Hospice Team and many local caregivers, we are truly indebted. Special thanks go to the ladies from the Caro and Sebewaing Assembly of God churches for the dinner, to Porky's for his kindness and the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home for their professional care and support. The many people who gave memorials have left a lasting memory to a great lady. She will be greatly missed. May God Bless each of you.

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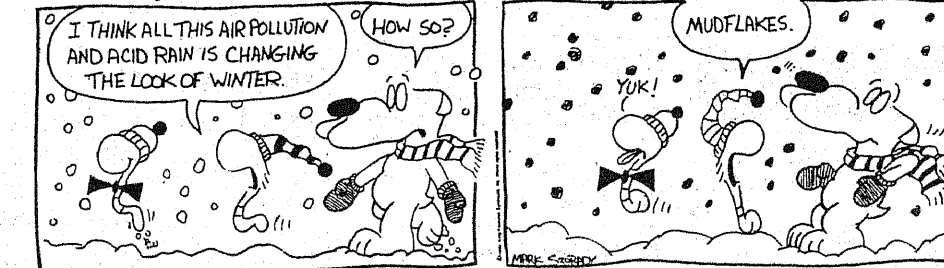
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# The Newsweekly's Thumb Area Calendar

## Wednesday, Feb. 23 - Michigan Sugar breakfast

Sugar beet growers in the Western Thumb are invited to an 8 a.m. breakfast at the Colony House, Cass City, followed by a 9 a.m. meeting, to discuss the '94 sugar beet contract.

## Wednesday, March 23 - State meeting on roads

Residents who have any suggestions or complaints regarding the state of Michigan's roads and highways are invited to attend this quarterly meeting of the Michigan State Transportation Commission, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 to 5 p.m., at the Bay City Commission Chambers, City Hall, Washington St., Bay City.

## Thursday, Feb. 24 - Huron Co. "Snowbirds" picnic

The 34th annual Huron County Picnic at the Palmetto Mobile Home Club in Palmetto, FLA. will begin at 10:30 a.m. with registration, followed by a noon potluck.

## Thursday, Feb. 24 - Farmers' Pesticide meeting

Huron County Cooperative Extension Service will host a Restricted Use Pesticide course 1 p.m. at the Expo Center in the Huron County Fairgrounds, Bad Axe.

## Thursday, Feb. 24 - Family nutrition training

Huron County Home Economist Barbara Neuman will present a "Family Nutrition Program" at 7 p.m. at Pigeon River Mennonite Church, Pigeon. The class will be repeated Thursday, March 3, at St. Roch's, Caseville.

## Sunday, Feb. 27 - Senior meal in Bad Axe

Human Development Commission serves a Sunday dinner at 1 p.m. at the Bad Axe Senior Meal Site, 46 Westland Drive. Reservations are required by 3 p.m. Feb. 24, by calling 269-9502.

## Sunday, Feb. 27 - Encore of Laker One-Act "Quilters"

Proud of their second place state win this past Saturday, the Laker One-Act Team will present an encore performance of "Quilters" for the public at 2 p.m. in the Laker Auditorium.

## Monday, Feb. 28 - Joint Blood Drive at Lakers

A joint Community Blood Drive for Bay Port, Elkton and

Pigeon is 1 to 7 p.m. at Laker High School, sponsored by American Red Cross.

## Monday, Feb. 28 - USA Music Concert

The public is invited to USA School's Music Department Pre-Festival Concert at 7:30 p.m. in the USA High Gym. Bands, solos, and more will be performed.

## Wednesday, March 2 - St. Paul's Soup Supper

St. Paul Lutheran School, Unionville presents its homemade Soup Supper. 6:30 pm, St. Paul School, sponsors: 7th & 8th Grades. The public's invited.

## Wednesday, March 2 - Cancer training

Port Austin Civic Center will host a breast and cervical cancer film and lecture at 6 p.m. Christine Hoppe of the Huron County Health Department will present the program.

## Saturday, March 5 - Arts & crafts show

Lutheran High North, Macomb, will host an art and craft

exhibit 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Monday, March 7 - Gagetown public hearing

The Village of Gagetown will hold a public hearing at 7 p.m. on the proposed 1994-95 village budget. The regular meeting will follow.

## 2nd Monday, Sebewaing Masons Meet

Masons meet at Sebewaing Temple, 203 S. Center St., at 7:30 p.m.

## Thursday, March 10 - Estate planning meeting

Lutheran Brotherhood will host an estate planning seminar at 2 p.m. at Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon. Public is invited, and there is no obligation, according to Kathy Groth of LB. Details: 883-9232.

**Calendar Deadline: Friday at 5:00 p.m.**

## A new face at The Newsweekly

There's a new face on the staff at The Newsweekly's Pigeon Office.

Pam Howard of Owendale will be handling the advertising needs of businesses and groups in the communities of Pigeon, Elkton, Bay Port, Caseville, Bad Axe and surrounding areas.

Before her employment at The Newsweekly, Howard served as a Foster Parent Trainer/Recruiter for Huron County.

In addition to giving care to 15 foster children in 5 1/2 years for the Huron County Department of Social Services, Howard also wrote monthly newspaper articles about foster care and performed public speaking duties to churches and civic group on foster parenting.

An active member of the Gagetown Church of the Nazarene and a member of



PAMELA HOWARD

the Eastern Michigan District Nazarene World Missions Society, Pam and her husband Randy have two daughters, Jill, age 16 and Julie, age nine.

Her leisure activities include cross-stitching, crocheting and bicycling.

## Denson returns Mar. 20

Al Denson and the "Reasons Tour" will return to the stage of the Laker gymnasium on Sunday, March 20 at 7 p.m., sponsored by Bluewater Thumb Youth for Christ.

Last spring the gym rocked with the live interactive video and the tremendous music and message that Christian rocker Al Denson brings to the stage.

It is with the expectation of that excitement again that BT-YFC is bringing him back again, to minister to area youth, according to BT YFC volunteers.

For the first-time ever, Al Denson will bring a live band

with him onstage and the "Reasons Tour" will have as special guests, East to West and David Parker.

Discount advance tickets are available now at the BT-YFC office and Community Book Store in Pigeon and Discipleship Bookstore in Caro. Group discounts for 10 or more are also available in advance of the concert.

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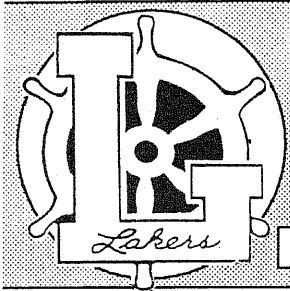
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# The Laker Wave

News and Information About The Elkton - Pigeon - Bay Port "Laker" School District — Vol. 6, No. 6 FEBRUARY, 1994

## STUDENTS EXPERIENCE 'EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION'

Once a week the students in Mr. Blakeney's classroom put away their books, papers and pencils and do something quite different. It's called group initiatives—and the kids love it.

These group initiatives are tasks that require cooperation, communication and creative problem solving efforts by the group members. Each of these weekly sessions lead to field trips in a Ropes Course Challenge Program.

This year, first-year students will take part in a one-day seminar at the University of Michigan. This trip will take place on April 15 and include teachers Mrs. Jimkoski and Mr. Blakeney, school social worker Mrs. Brown, and parent Mr. Ignash will act as supervisors.

Second year students plan on taking a two-day trip to Starr Commonwealth April 19-20. Advisors for this trip will be teachers Mr. Blakeney, Mr. Beachy, Mr. Blecke and school social worker Mrs. Brown.

Both of these challenge programs are divided into low ground initiatives and high ropes courses which challenge individuals to be the best they can be. The initiatives resemble an obstacle course, but are based on a non-competitive teamwork concept.

A series of group-oriented tasks made up the low, or ground initiative activities. These include the group wall, which must be scaled by all team



members, group beam, trust fall, rope fence and wild woosy. The tasks pose problems which require cooperation within the group and contributions from each member.

The ropes courses provide a series of obstacles, one 25 ft. and the other 35 ft. off the ground. Ropes, cables and logs must be traversed by participants in such activities as the bucking log, balance beam, Burma bridge, hour glass, flea jump, and Tarzan swing. Each course provides an intense experience, which requires facing one's fears and making decisions under pressure.

The program helps participants build mutual support, strengthen communication and cooperation and enhances problem-solving skills. Participants develop self-confidence by confronting challenges that at first seem impossible. Students also learn by doing and participating. The program emphasizes the development of

communication skills, creative thinking, cooperation, trust and mutual support that leads to increased self-esteem, self-awareness and confidence.

The positive comments from students who took last year's trip indicate the program has been very successful. They include:

—The ropes course has taught me to raise my goals.

—No one can do it alone. It took a team to get through the ropes course. There were some people I did not trust, now I trust them and see them as friends.

—The trip helped me to work as a team. It was a challenge. I did things that I never thought I could do.

—The trip helped me to have more confidence in myself. I learned that I should not give up so easily.

—I was scared during the ropes course. I could not have done it without the encouragement of the others in my class.

—The trip showed that we could work as a team and get things accomplished.

—It taught me that I could achieve more than I thought I could.



### LAKERS FIRST IN HURON COUNTY TO BE O.A. ACCREDITED

On Jan. 28, 1994, Principal Lisa DiCamillo received a letter from Dr. William J. Bushaw, indicating that Laker High School was in full compliance with the criteria established by the North Central Association and would be presented for full accreditation at the NCA Annual Meeting on March 27-30, 1994.

The accreditation process, known as O.A., or Outcomes Accreditation, is a new device being instituted by North Central.

Laker High, under the direction of Accreditation Chairman Mike Terrill and Principal Lisa DiCamillo, has been busy formulating goals and goal groups to present to the visiting team. The entire process has taken five years and culminated with the final visit on Feb. 7 and 8.

Laker High School is the first Huron County school to be accredited using the Outcomes Based Accrediting procedure.

### LAKER ART STUDENTS SHARE SHOW WITH USA

During the month of February, 13 Laker art students will display their work in a combined effort with art students of USA High School.

The showing, under the auspices of the Lake Huron Community Arts Council, is being held in the Heidelberg Gallery in Downtown Sebewaing. The exhibit, which features 60 pieces of art, 30 from each high school, is open every Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m.

Featured artists from Lakers include Brian Beachy, Bryce Haley, Michelle Dexter, Jenny Murdoch, Jamie Burken, Joshua Salsburey, Sarah Clabuesch, Craig Owens, Maxine Brown, Jenny Wright, Kari Gehrs, Cris Kauffman, Eric Maust, April Sting, Robin Vollmer, Andrew Mitin, Tony Craig and Naomi Johnson.

Mr. Lee Deneen is the Laker High School art instructor.

## HERE'S LAKER ONE ACT '94 GROUP

The Laker High School Theatre has participated in One Act competition for seven years now. Compared to other competitive activities, this is not a substantial amount of time to establish a reputation for being a formidable opponent.

However, the Laker Theatre group has qualified for Regional competition for six of those seven years and competed at the state level twice. Winning the State Class C-D Championship in 1990 with the play "I Never Saw Another Butterfly" and getting second place with "An Actor's Nightmare" in 1993 helped to raise expectations in what the drama department is able to accomplish.

These expectations are now being brought to life by the actresses in this year's One Act presentation in what the drama department is able to accomplish. These expectations are now being brought to life by the actresses in this year's One Act presentation, "Quilters." An all-female cast graces the stage for this dramatic musical that depicts - through their quilts - the lives and struggles of the women who lived out west on the prairie.

The cast is lead by four experienced seniors: Danielle Damen, Liesl Eichler, Christa Keim and Jenny Wheeler. The other actresses include Sarah Brooks, Samantha Corron, Vicki Gascho, Cristina Kauffman, Angela Lang, Sara Stein and accompanist Hayley Herford. Moira Foster plays the Hammered Dulcimer and Janelle

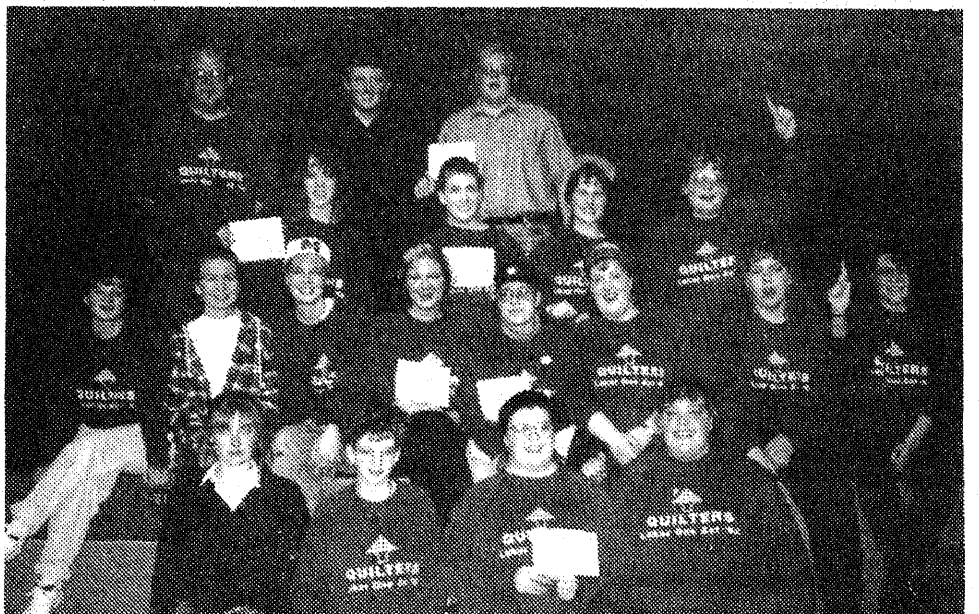
Wiederhold plays the flute. The technical crew includes Steve Corron, Jon Helmuth, Aline Foster, Chrissie Helmuth, Kari Swartzendruber, Josha Talaski, Leigh Fluegge and Matt Keefer.

The team made it through District competition with good scores and proceeded to Regionals at Lakers on Saturday, Feb. 12. There, they scored higher than the other four teams and earned a "1" rating, advancing to State competition.

The judges also recognized Lakers with excellent awards in set construction and an acting

award to Christa Keim. Superior awards went to the Lakers in the areas of costumes, music, ensemble acting and an acting award to Danielle Damen. State competition took place this past weekend at Central Michigan University, with results listed elsewhere in this edition of The Newsweekly.

The community will always have something to be proud of in the Laker Theater, as long as Mike Terrill keeps up with the excellent program he has established.





## SUPERINTENDENT ROBERT DRURY'S CORNER:

## SCHOOL FINANCE - REFORM OR CONFUSION?

By ROBERT DRURY

You will recall that last summer, our legislature removed the method of financing education in the State of Michigan.

This was a bold move, mainly because a new finance system was not on the drawing board at that time. Our elected officials promised that a new plan would be in place by the end of December. That promise was fulfilled with the formation of a replacement finance plan adopted by our legislature on Christmas Eve.

Because the replacement plan is complicated - to say the least - it has taken considerable time to sort out what took place over Christmas vacation. This article will briefly highlight the replacement plan options and some common misconceptions about the plan.

On March 15, voters will be given a choice as to what finance plan will replace our previous plan: A YES vote on March 15 will be a vote for the Ballot Plan.

A YES vote on March 15 will be a vote for the Statutory Plan.

Highlights of each plan are listed below:

	Ballot Plan	Statutory Plan
Homestead Property Tax	6 mills beginning '94 Summer taxes	12 mills beginning '94 Summer taxes
Non-Homestead Property Tax	24 mills beginning '94 Summer taxes	24 mills beginning '94 Summer taxes
Assessment Increase Cap	Assessment increases limited to 5% or the rate of inflation, whichever is less	No limitation
State Income Tax	Decrease from 4.6% to 4.4%	Increase from 4.6% to 6.0%
Personal Exemptions On State Income Tax	No change. Remains at \$2,100 per person. Seniors remain at \$3,000.	Exemption increases from \$2,100 to \$3,000 per person. Seniors increase to \$3,900.
Sales/Use Tax	Increases from 4% to 6% Homestead utilities exempt. Effective May 1, 1994	No change
Single Business Tax	No Change	Rate increases from 2.35% to 2.75%
Cigarette Tax	Rate increases from 25¢ to 75¢ per pack	Rate increases from 25¢ to 40¢ per pack
Keno	New Lottery game. Revenue dedicated to School Aid Fund.	No new Lottery game.
Real Estate Transfer Tax	Still being debated.	Still being debated.

There are other minor adjustments included in both plans. These plans are rather difficult to understand, especially weighing either plan as to how it affects an individual tax payer.

Adding to this difficulty is that fact that schools will still be in the millage campaign business under both plans. Yes, you read it right. We will be asking voters to continue to approve millages for the operation of our school.

The amount of millage we will be asking for will depend on what plan is approved March 15th. Basically, if the Ballot Plan is approved (a yes vote), our district will have to have voter approval for 18 mills, or the difference between the homestead millage rate and the non-homestead rate.

If the Statutory Plan is approved (a no vote), our district will have to have voter approval for 12 mills, or the difference between the homestead millage rate and the non-homestead rate. With both plans, currently authorized millages will remain in effect up to the 18 mill or 12 mill rate, whatever plan is approved, until the current millages expire.

At that time they will need to be voted upon.

With our district, if the Ballot Plan is approved, we will need to hold a millage election in June 1995. If the Statutory Plan is approved, our millage vote will take place in June 1996. Also, with the Statutory Plan, it will be necessary to hold Headlee Override elections if the assessment increases are greater than the previous year's rate of inflation.

Most school districts, including ours, have not come out in support of either plan. The reason for this neutrality is that with either plan we will be receiving operational monies based upon the number of pupils enrolled in our schools.

The funds will come by way of a foundation grant: that is, we will receive money for each pupil to cover all costs associated with the child's education. We will pay all costs such as employee wages, benefits, FICA, and retirement, as well as building maintenance and utilities, textbooks and supplies, transportation costs, and all related services.

Under each plan the amount of money we will receive is the same. For our district, the amount of money we are scheduled to receive per pupil for the 1994-95 school year is \$4,634. This is considerably less than the state average of \$5,000+. Our less than average amount is due

to the fact that we traditionally spend less per student than the state average.

Individuals within our state must decide what plan is best for them individually. Are you in support of increasing the state sales tax from 4% to 6%, and have a millage rate on your homestead of 6 mills?

Or are you in favor of increasing the state income tax from 4.6% to 6% and having a millage rate of 12 mills on your homestead?

Understandably, the plans are more complicated than that, but you must ask yourself what is best for you.

In summary, the plans are quite dissimilar, so it will take some time to study the components of each plan before March 15th. Also, keep in mind that we are not out of the millage business to operate our schools.

Lastly, do not forget to fill out the Homestead Exemption Affidavit being sent to all property owners to exempt your property from the non-homestead classification. If you do not fill one out on your primary residence, you will be taxed at the 24 mill rate for 1994.

I hope the brief descriptions make the choices a bit more clear. If you have further questions or comments, please contact me and I will attempt to get you further information.

## THANKS, BOOSTERS!



The seventh and eighth grade Jr. High Cheerleaders and I would like to thank the Laker Boosters and the Laker Athletic Department for our beautiful new uniforms.

All of the sixteen girls in our Jr. High cheerleading program have done a great job representing our school this year.

Our seventh grade girls cheered their team to a third place in the tournament at U.S.A. and our

eighth grade cheered their team to a first place trophy in the tournament at U.S.A.

The girls closed their season with a pep assembly for the Jr. High students and staff on Friday, Feb. 11.

I would personally like to thank the parents and the Jr. High staff for all of their encouragement and support this year.

Signed, Deann Damrow.

## LJH Guidance Counselor

By KATHY DICKENS

**THE TEEN YEARS ARE TOUGH:** Young people today have to work harder than ever to resist negative peer pressure and to handle strong feelings associated with abuse, divorce or loneliness. It takes a lot of support and encouragement for kids today to become healthy, happy adults who feel good about themselves. The following are some tips on how to help your adolescent through these tough times.

**BOTH PARENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS BENEFIT WHEN PARENTS GET INVOLVED IN SCHOOL.** Many studies have shown that student attitudes improve when parents are involved with the school - the likelihood of behavior problems at school decreases. The overall grades of students tend to be higher when parents are involved in their child's education.

**GET INVOLVED IN YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION.** Understand the rules and regulations regarding attendance, homework, behavior and discipline. Be informed about the requirements for each of your child's classes and keep up to date on their performance in each class.

**GET TO KNOW THE SCHOOL STAFF.** Be sure to attend all open houses and parent-teacher conferences. Also, attend any after school activities your child is involved in, such as athletic competitions or band concerts. Your child will definitely notice and appreciate your effort to be

there.

**SUPPORT LEARNING AT HOME.** Help your child set up a study area and a consistent study time. Ask questions about school. Ask about favorite teachers, subjects, special interests, projects and any problem areas. Perhaps most importantly, show your care about education. Be a good role model for your child by reading often and keeping books and magazines around your home.

**SET CLEAR RULES AT HOME.** Children need rules and structure in order to feel safe. Make firm, but fair rules about curfews, chores, TV time, phone use and completing homework. Outline the consequences that will occur when your child breaks the rules. Be sure that you follow through with the consequences. Don't cave in!

**TALK OPENLY AND HONESTLY ABOUT ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS.** Discuss the dangers of using drugs with your child, such as addiction, damage to the heart, liver and other organs, arrest and jail, auto accidents and death. Remember, you are a very important role model for your child, so practice what you preach! Discuss ways to turn down drugs and practice them with your child.

**BE A PARENT FIRST, AND A FRIEND SECOND.** If you act as more of a friend than a parent, your child may lose respect for you. You should always have the last word on important issues.

## Around the Elementary Centers

Elkton Elementary School

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

By BEN PHILLIPS

The following article is taken from the monthly newsletter, "Positive Inc."

## The Power of Positive Parenting

One thing positive parents the world over share in common is the desire for their children to develop into well-adjusted, healthy, happy and successful adults.

We make all types of sacrifices to help our children have it better than we did, and that's good. In today's fast changing, hi-tech world, our children need all the help they can get. This month, I want to focus our attention on the subject of human relations and how you can help your child develop his or her skills in that area.

Whether you like it or not, we have to learn to deal effectively with other people if we expect to achieve any reasonable degree of success in life. In fact, most experts agree that "the single most important skill to develop in your quest for success is your PEOPLE SKILLS, because you absolutely have to get along with others if you expect to be successful."

This "getting along with others" extends from classroom to the playground, from the factory floor to the boardroom and everywhere in between. The good news is that anyone - students, parent, teacher or administrator - can, with effort and practice, become more skillful in the art of human relations and the more skillful a person becomes, the more successful they will be.

It is never too early or too late to begin honing your human relations skills. You can begin anywhere and anytime. Even though there has probably been more books written and more seminars and workshops produced on this subject than any other single subject, you can begin improving your human relations skills immediately without reading a single book or attending a single seminar or workshop.

I believe the most important rule to follow in developing our ability to get along with others is the Golden Rule - Do unto others as you would have others do unto you. People who diligently follow this rule usually get along with others quite well.

Teach this simple rule to your children and practice it yourself and both you and your children will be on your way to developing the kinds of human relations skills that will enable you to deal effectively with others in almost any situation.

To learn more about how to develop your human relations skills, let me recommend Dale Carnegie's "How To Win Friends and Influence People." The message of this book is so powerful and effective that it has been in continuous publication for over 55 years. Additionally, Dr. Mitchell's chapter on human relations in "The Power of Positive Parenting" is an invaluable guide to helping you help your children improve their skills. Here are some tips Dr. Mitchell provides in his book:

■ Teach your children early in life to use basic good manners in any kind of social situation;

■ Encourage your children to be good listeners - to make eye contact and use body language to show they understand what is being said;

■ Provide appropriate opportunities for your children to learn to feel comfortable in small and large groups;

■ Teach your children to ask other, "What do you think?"

■ Encourage your children to be unselfish. They must learn to give, to share and to be considerate. Much of the learning that matters to our children takes place outside the school setting. Human relations skills matter as much as any skills we ever develop and most of these skills are learned at home. It is up to you and me as positive parents to do everything in our power to teach our children the basics of how to get along with others.



ELKTON FIFTH GRADERS recently completed the Sheriff Dept. K.A.D. (Kids Against Drugs) program. Pictured here are, Carissa Smith, Reid Kilgus and Jamie Dubs.



VALENTINE BOXES: These Elkton second grade students recently completed their Valentine boxes, from left, Santana Mosack, Kayleigh Champagne and Tracy Tyler.

## Bay Port &amp; Pigeon Elementary

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

## LARRY MOUSSEAU WINS LAKER SPELLING BEE

The Laker Spelling Bee was held Jan. 24. This spelling competition had classroom winners from grades four through eight. At the end of the competition, the overall winner was fifth grader Larry Mousseau of Pigeon Elementary. Runner-up was Hollie Rathje, seventh grader at Laker Junior High.

The last student standing from each school, fifth through eighth grade, will continue on to the Lawrence Technological University/Detroit News Regional Spelling Bee, tentatively scheduled for March 3 at Laker High School.

The Pigeon participant will be Larry Mousseau and the Bay Port representative will be fifth grader Trista Swartzendruber. Good luck!

## K-GARTEN ROUND-UP IS MARCH 24

Parents of potential kindergarten students need to keep in mind that Kindergarten Round-Up will be on March 24 at Laker High School, beginning at 7 p.m.

## Bay Port/Pigeon Elementaries STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Fourteen more students from Pigeon and Bay Port Elementaries have distinguished themselves either by their social or academic performance for the month of January.

My congratulations go out to these exemplary students:

Kindergarten ..... Charlie McCormick and Megan Atwood  
 First Grade ..... Shannon Damm and Jackson Maust  
 Second Grade ..... Chris Gonzales and Megan Duffy  
 Third Grade ..... Jacky Walsh and Brad Damm  
 Fourth Grade ..... Karissa Gussell, Kayla Gnagay and David Kuch  
 Fifth Grade ..... Josh Smeader, Jennifer Sanchez and Larry Mousseau



## STUDENT OF THE MONTH



## BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT IS MARCH 12

Saturday, March 12 will see the renewal of the Fifth Grade Basketball Tournament.

The Pigeon PTC is sponsoring this tournament/carnival at Laker High School and Junior High. The boys and girls teams from Bay Port, Elkton and Pigeon will participate.

The basketball games will begin at 10 a.m. and the carnival will begin at 11 a.m.

We hope to see everyone there to enjoy both the basketball games and the carnival.

I'd like to thank all the volunteers, the PTO, Firemen and all who attended and especially SANDY CHALOU, for organizing our very successful event! Thank You!

- Pete Batzer

## PICKING UP STUDENTS

A number of parents have been picking up or dropping off students on Paul St. in Pigeon.

This is causing a potentially dangerous situation, because this is the route children who walk are supposed to take.

As in the past, if you choose to pick up or drop off a student, you need to do so at the side door, which opens to the parking lot.

In order to help reduce the congestion of traffic, the buses will now drop off students at the rear door. Thanks for your help.

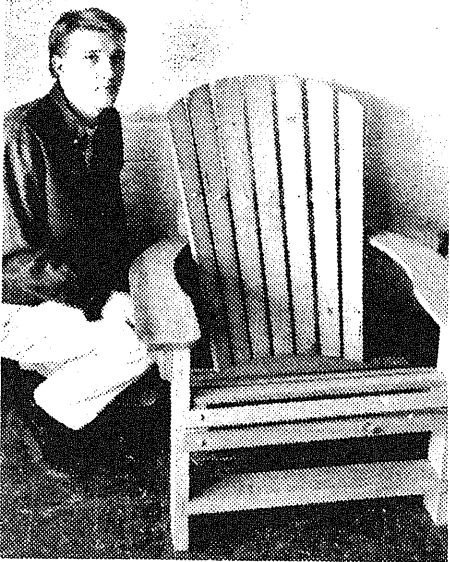
## BAY PORT CARNIVAL



WOOD-WORKING  
CLASSES ARE  
POPULAR

Industrial arts classes, under the leadership of George Gardy, continue to be popular at Laker High School. The problem is — there's not enough of them.

Mr. Gardy splits his time between teaching and administration and the results are that his teaching load has been reduced to three hours instead of the usual five. Two periods of first year industrial arts and one cabinet-making class round out the three.



The industrial arts classes are divided into a semester of drafting and a semester of wood-working, while the cabinet-making class is basically an independent woodworking class where students branch out into areas of interest.

It is obvious, by the picture here, that wood-working has gone way beyond the days of bookends. Students in the present classes build desks, gun cabinets, tables, chairs (like the Adirondack model built by Brian Gebauer pictured here), plus many other useful household furniture. Later in the year, Mr. Gardy organizes a furniture company which takes orders and mass produces furniture items.

COUNSELOR'S  
CORNER

By DUANE GUENTHER

How often do we parents hear, "I hate doing homework," or worse yet, "I don't have any homework!"

Well, homework is here to stay as an integral part of any instructional program. Teachers recognize that a student's refusal to turn in assignments is simply another irresponsible aspect of underachievement.

It is a real challenge for teachers and counselors to get students to see the problem for what it is, and then to act on it. As a youngster continues to ignore a half-dozen math assignments, several biology lab reports, and a few English essays, he does serious damage to his sense of self-worth, to say nothing of what he does to his grades.

All of this blatant disregard for homework is perplexing to parents, but not so to counselors - we have seen it all before. So how do we get both the parents and the students to see and recognize the importance of homework?

First of all, total responsibility for the homework "turnoff" does not always rest with the students. Sometimes the school is the culprit; students quickly lose interest when homework has no valid educational purpose. If teachers exhibit a blasé attitude regarding the importance of homework, the students will adopt the same.

Parents may also be to blame if they do not inquire about or promote the importance of homework that should be done in the home and in front of the parents.

In parent conferences, counselors often hear Mom and Dad lament the fact that Billy never brings any homework home. Certainly this in itself is a significant problem, but can be easily remedied by requiring their children to have a homework notebook in which they write down each assignment and share the information with their parents.

An even more pervasive problem, however, is the misunderstanding students have as to what constitutes homework and what constitutes study. Students love to lump these two terms together; when homework is done, so is study.

When are kids going to learn that homework means doing the mathematics problems on pages

What Do You Do When Your Child Says  
"I Don't Have Any Homework!"

36-38 for tomorrow, or reading the first chapter of "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Wednesday? Studying goes much beyond this, to include the "three R's:" rewrite, review and rethink.

At Laker High School, we feel that studying is so important that each teacher describes the amount per week necessary for their particular classes in the Course Offering Book. If your student has lost their copy, or failed to bring it home in the first place, a good rule-of-thumb is: all students should spend a minimum of one-half hour of homework/study time each day, per academic subject.

Therefore, students at Laker High School should put in at least three hours of study time per day. When you first tell your child about this, they will either look at you in utter disbelief, or fall off their chair laughing. However, it only takes a few weekends of grounding for them to get the message.

If you would like to help your child study when they say they have no homework, here are a few tips that may help you:

- REWRITING CLASSROOM LECTURE NOTES so they are easier to read.
- CHECKING THOSE LECTURE NOTES while they are still fresh in your child's mind. In terms of understanding material, one hour spent as soon after a lecture as possible is worth several hours a few days later.
- OUTLINING an English or science chapter to use as review for an upcoming quiz or chapter test.
- RETHINKING, i.e. take vocabulary words and make them into proper sentences.
- REVIEWING, i.e., reviewing theorems in geometry so one knows them verbatim and can apply them to problems not previously assigned.
- GETTING A GOOD NIGHT'S sleep before a test - no cramming! Research indicates that sleep aids in "sealing in" information.
- IF THERE ISN'T any homework or studying to do, READ!

HONORS BAND MEMBERS



Congratulations to the following Laker High School Band Students who were chosen to participate in the 1994 Tri-County Honors Band. Being chosen for this top performing musical ensemble is quite an achievement and an honor.

Participating Laker Band Students were: Janelle Wiederhold, Flute; Jennifer Diebel, Flute; Kari Gehrs, Flute; Bryan Clark, Clarinet; Eric Zarnke, Baritone Saxophone, and Cristina Kauffman, Trumpet.

The Tri-County Honors Band consists of the top high school band students from Huron, Tuscola, and Sanilac Counties. Its purpose is to give outstanding young musicians an opportunity to participate in a more challenging musical experience than they usually receive in their home schools.

Students are selected by a committee of directors from taped auditions.

This year's concert was held on Sunday, January 30 at Crosswell-Lexington High School. Guest conductor for this year was Gary Lewis, Assistant Professor of Music and Director of the University of Michigan Marching Band.

For further information, please contact Russell Robinson at Laker High School. (453-2348).

**BAND PLAYS MAR. 24**

The Eastern Michigan University Concert Winds will perform at Laker High School on Thursday morning March 24, as part of their 1994 Spring Concert Tour.

The Concert Winds is comprised of 42 select musicians. Its members have performed at the Midwestern Conference.

In addition, they have been featured on three recordings, and have earned accolades from famous composers such as Karel Husa, Vincent Persichetti, Fisher Tull and Daniel Pinkham since its founding in 1980.

The concert is free and open to the public!!! For more information, please contact Rusty Robinson at Laker High School (453-2348)

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		4:00 P.M. Academic Track at Bad Axe	7:00 Mich. Tech Jazz Band	7:00 P.M. Regional Spelling Bee JHVB at Bad Axe	BBB Valley Home	VB Districts At Lakers
		1	2	3	4	5
	4:00 P.M. JHVB at Cass City	4:00 P.M. Academic Track at Cass City	7:30 BBB Districts	JHVB- Bad Axe 5:00-8th at Lakers 5:30-7th at Bad Axe	7:30 BBB District Finals	Pigeon Elementary Basketball Tournament
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	4:00 P.M. JHVB at Cass City 7:30 P.M. J.H. Concert 7:30 Board Mgt. Pigeon Elem	4:00 P.M. Academic Track at USA		4:00 P.M. JHVB at North Branch Weslyn	J.H. Fun Night 7-10 P.M.	J.H. Band Festival
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	BOATERS SAFETY - 4:00 P.M. JHVB at North Branch 7:30 Athletic Booster Mgt.	8th Class Trip To HASC & Huron Co. Courthouse Academic Track Testing	7TH GRADE 4:00 P.M. JHVB with USA 7th at Lakers 8th at USA 7:00 P.M. Kindergarten Roundup	All-Star Fine Arts Academic Track End of 3rd Marking Period	6th Boys BB 8AM - 2 PM Spring Break Begins	
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