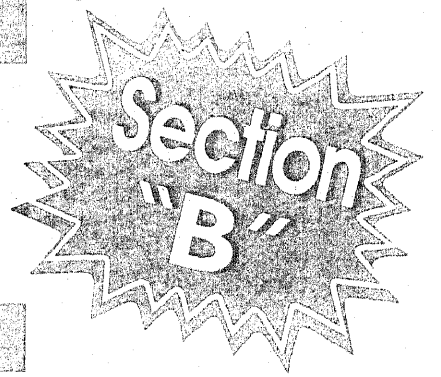


# The Newsweekly

All The News For The Western Thumb - Tuesday, July 25, 1995



## 100 TNB years celebrated

By AMY HEIDEN and MARK RUMMEL

There aren't many businesses that can boast they've served generations of families. But one of those businesses is right here in our midst, celebrating its 100th anniversary.

Thumb National Bank, headquartered in Pigeon, has been around in one form or another since 1895, with one principle guiding its action — know the customer.

As Chairman of the Board Arthur "Bud" Luedtke says, "We like to serve the customer as an individual. That's been our philosophy since day one. We know our people and we know our customers."

Thumb National Bank dates back to 1895 with the founding of the Farmers' Bank of Frank W. Hubbard, a private bank in Pigeon. The four partners were Frank Hubbard, Richard Hubbard, Frank Merrick and Allison Wright.

In 1906 — three years after Pigeon was incorporated as a village — a second bank was

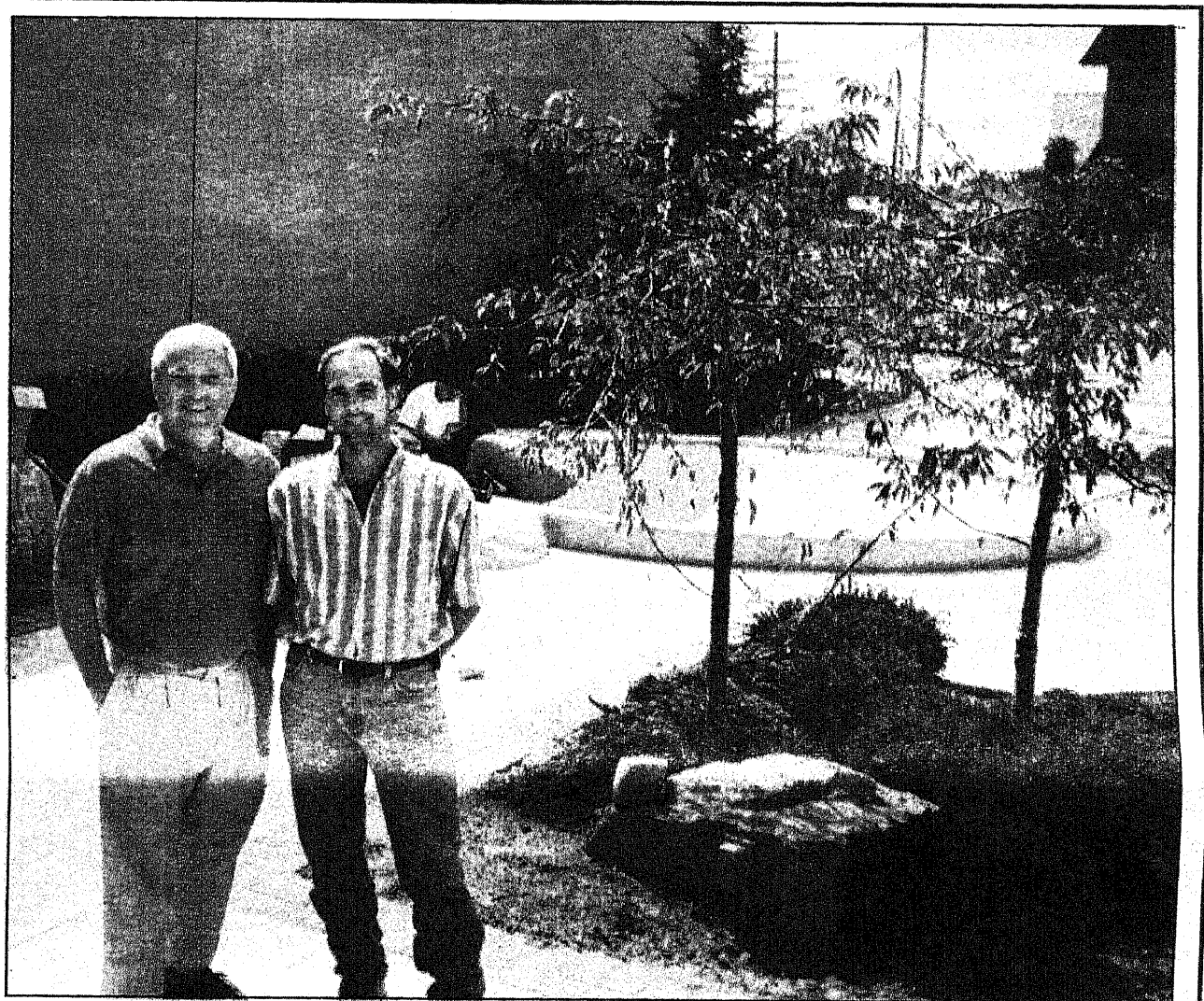
chartered as the Pigeon State Bank. Two years later, in 1908, the Farmers' Bank bought out Pigeon State Bank and the two were consolidated and renamed the Pigeon State Bank.

In 1970, the Pigeon State Bank received permission to change its organization to a National Bank charter and was renamed Thumb National Bank and Trust Company. It became the first bank in the Thumb to offer trust services with the change in charter, officials recall.

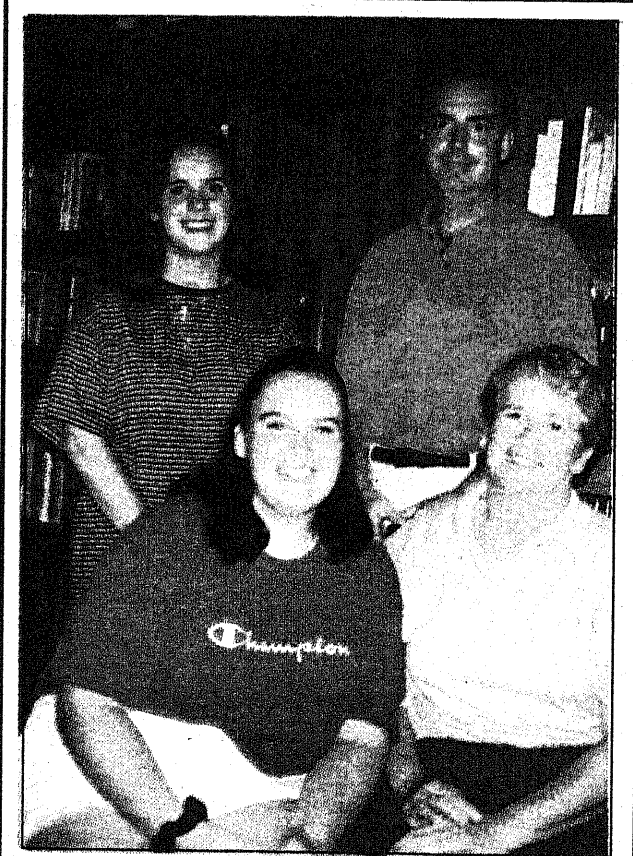
Today, as in years gone by, the bank offers its customers the latest in banking trends, such as Automatic Teller Machines connected to a nationwide network, mutual funds and imaging — small copies of cleared checks instead of a bulky envelope full of checks.

Former presidents include Frank Hubbard, F.W. Merrick, Ernest Clabuesch and E.J. Clabuesch. Paul Clabuesch is the current president

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LIKE MAGIC, IT'S A PARK: Thumb National Bank CEO Paul Clabuesch and Bob Gillings of Gillings Nursery and Landscaping in Metamora stand in Pigeon's new Downtown Park, donated by the bank to Pigeon in honor of its 100th year in business. The park has been completely built in less than two weeks. AMY HEIDEN PHOTO



USA SCHOOLS' SUPT. Richard Ramsey with his family: standing with him is daughter Teresa, while seated are daughter Colleen and wife Lynn.

## USA's Ramsey enjoys new job

By DUANE GUENTHER

For the first time in 31 years, the sign on the USA School District Superintendent's door has a new name.

Richard Ramsey of Davison officially took over as the superintendent of the USA School District on July 1. He replaces interim Supt. Mark Gainforth who held the position since January, when William Dodge retired after 31 years at the helm of the school district.

The 46-year-old Ramsey brings a wealth of experience to the Thumb, including 20 years of administrative background in three different public school districts.

Ramsey graduated from Coleman High School in 1967, and received his B.A., M.A. and ED.S. degrees from Central Michigan University.

While at Central, he made his first contact with the Sebawaing Area by sharing space in the Emmons Hall

dorm with local natives such as Marshall Lupp, Fred Licht, Mark Rummel and Randy Kundinger.

His first teaching assignment was with the Sanford-Meridian School District in 1971, and four years later he became Assistant Principal/Athletic Director of Perry High School.

Ramsey then moved to New Lothrop as High School Principal, a position he held for eight years.

His most-recent move, in 1986, was to Davison as High School Principal of the Class A district, with more than 1,600 students under his guidance. He remained in that position until signing on with the USA District late this spring.

"I feel good about making the decision to become a superintendent," Ramsey says. "I only hope the school board feels equally good about the decision they made."

Although he gained much experience in an urban setting, Ramsey's original background is very rural.

He was born and raised on the same farm where his dad and mother still reside.

His wife Lynn, whom he began dating in the 10th grade, is also from a farm background. Her parents, the McNerneys, raised five children on their 160 acres, growing mostly beans and corn.

Ramsey is an outdoorsman and a passionate deer hunter.

Each November he returns to his Dad's farm to sit in a blind overlooking the pastures near a favorite woodlot. He can point to the exact spot on an aerial photograph which hangs on the wall of his new office.

Ramsey also lists fishing, golf, bowling and amateur photography as things he and his wife like to do.

Ramsey, Lynn and their two daughters Teresa 17, and

Colleen 13, are very active at St John's Catholic Church in Davison.

"Although we haven't had a chance to visit Holy Family," he says of the local church, "Lynn and I are anxious to become involved in our church here."

Even though Ramsey has never had experience as a superintendent, he comes well-prepared to handle many decisions which will cross his desk.

"I've done just about every job a school has to offer," he says. "Except I have never driven a bus — but I can tear one down and put it back together."

His reference to mechanical experience comes from a gas station/garage job he held throughout both high school and college.

Ramsey cites the rejuvenation of the school improvement plan as the job he is

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## Thumb National Bank observing 100th anniversary - 1895-1995

Continued from Page 1B and chief executive officer, the third generation of Clabueschs leading the bank, with assets of \$98.8 million.

The Clabuesch Family's history is intertwined with the bank's history, as Paul Clabuesch's grandfather and father have also served the bank in the president's chair.

**Ernest Clabuesch** began his career in banking on Dec. 23, 1901 at the Farmers' Bank of F.W. Hubbard as the janitor, clerk and stable boy. He later remarked his salary was \$100 for the first year — or \$8.33 per month.

In 1904, at the age of 18, he was named as assistant cashier — and his banking leadership career began.

### B-K School registration is Aug. 10

Bach-Kilmanagh Lutheran School will accept student registrations for the 1995-96 school year on Thursday, Aug. 10 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and 6 to 8 p.m.

There is a tuition fee for non-members. One-half of the total fees must be paid when registering.

**Bach-Kilmanagh** is a Christian school teaching moral living based on our response to God's love of sinful mankind, leaders say. The school provides Christ-centered education for preschool through eighth grade, and accepts children of any race or religion.

Students new to the school will need to provide a birth certificate and immunization information to enroll. Parents may wish to bring the child to meet his/her new teacher.

First day of school will be Monday, Aug. 28, beginning with a chapel service at 9 a.m.

### USA's new Ramsey

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looking most forward to tackling.

"We have to get the new building in operation and improve the financial condition of the district," he says, "but school improvement is something I want to do."

"We will be in the process of getting our students ready for a very important test this spring," he continued, referring to the new State Proficiency Test, "and we have to supply them with the 'tool kit' for getting the job done."

Ramsey's excitement for school improvement comes in part from his tenure with the North Central Association where he serves as chairman of an accrediting team.

In 1915, "Ernie" Clabuesch was appointed to the position of Cashier and held that position until 1921 when he also became Executive Vice-President. He was known for his innovation and foresight, as his bank's loans helped build businesses, farms and homes in the Western Thumb.

In 1913, he spearheaded a group that became one of the original promoters of Crescent Beach, Sand Point, when they purchased 100 acres of land from the W.J. Orr Fish Co. — land which has become one of the finest resort areas in the Great Lakes.

Ernest was a charter organizer of Scenic Golf & Country Club and helped start the mission of St. John's Episcopal Church of Sand Point.

He held his Cashier's position until the national "banking holiday" in 1932 closed all banks.

During that period, he sought and received enough local capital to reorganize the bank, and in 1934, the bank reopened with Clabuesch serving as President and Chairman of the bank. He held the presidency for 25 years and the Chairmanship for 41 years.

During a 70-plus year career, Ernest Clabuesch worked toward a constant business theme: "locally-owned; locally-controlled; locally-interested."

**Ernest's son E.J.** began his career with the bank in 1939, starting at the bottom rung of the ladder. Working through a series of promotions, he worked as a bookkeeper-teller until 1942, when everyone was mobilized into the war effort. E.J. Clabuesch then served at the Willow Run Bomber Plant and as a U.S. Army officer.

After his return to the bank, Please turn to Page 11B

## Around the Thumb



**SUCCESSFUL RIDE:** The spring St. Jude's Bike-a-thon in Sebewaing was a big success, thanks to these young riders. About \$470 was raised, says coordinator Terry Gruehn. "I hope to double that and increase riders next spring!"

Riders include, front row from left, Eric Kain, Brittany Gruehn, Brad Gruehn, Troy Elston, Eric Weinlander and Craig Genow.

Back row, David Rocha, Scott Weisenbach, Beth Maurer, Angie Thompson, Teri Goslin and Ashlee Weinlander.

Not pictured are Ryan Elenbaum, Aaron Elenbaum, Troy Elenbaum, Nathan Elenbaum, Ryan Parker, Josh Parker and Troy Genow.

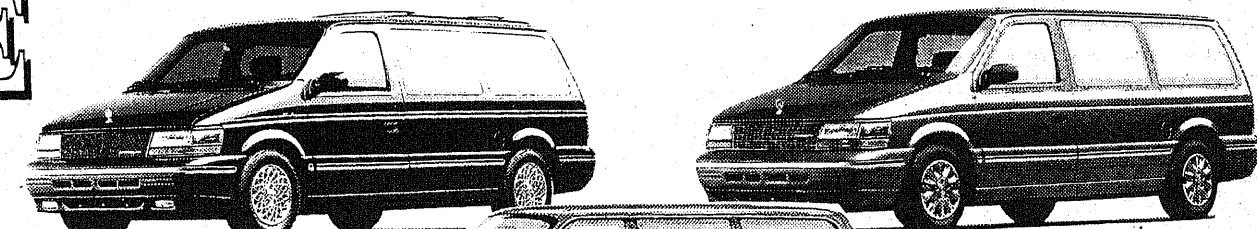
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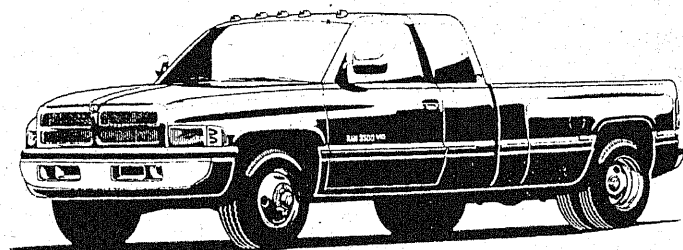
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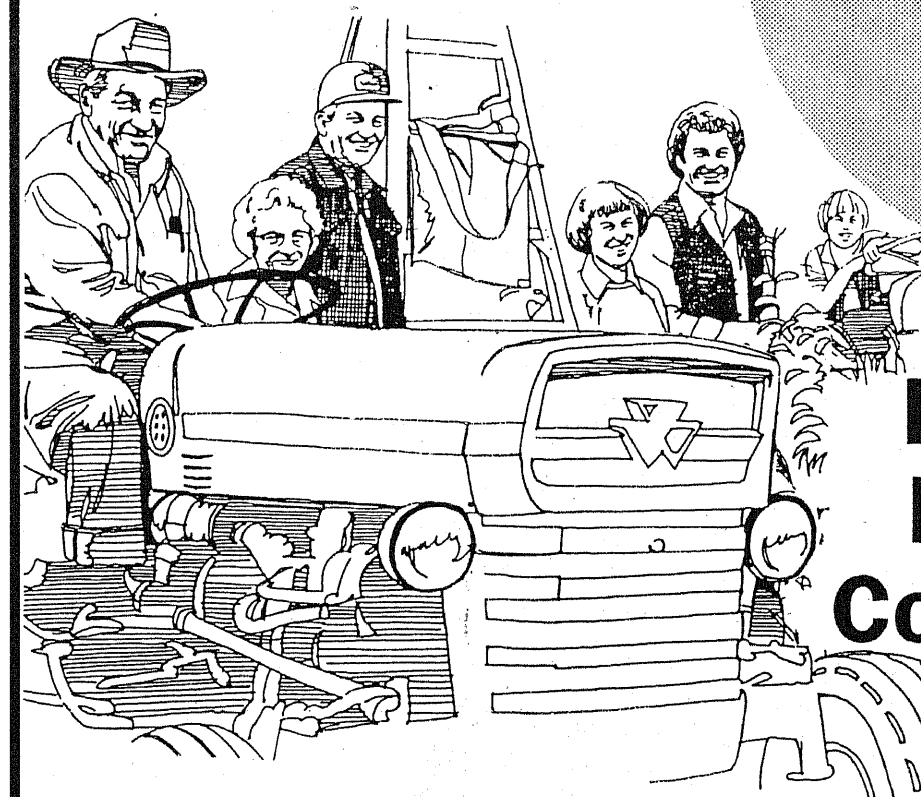
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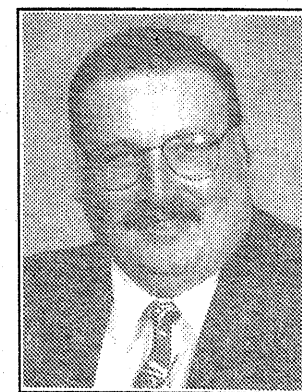
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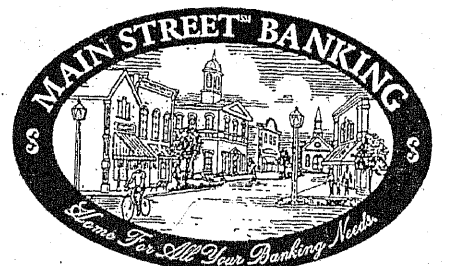


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# Miss Michigan leads Saturday's Parade in Pigeon

Pigeon is pleased to welcome the appearance of newly-crowned Miss Michigan 1995, Coni Lyn Hull, who will step-out at Pigeon's

Grand Parade this Saturday, July 29 at 1:30 p.m.

She will also perform at Saturday's Stage Show pre-



1995 MISS MICHIGAN CONI LYN HULL

ceding the Festival Fireworks to be held at dusk.

The 23-year-old Hull is a native of Jackson and was crowned Miss Michigan on June 17 at the Frauenthal Theatre in Muskegon. She represented Redford Township as she topped 28 contestants with her vocal performance of Kiri Tekanewa's operatic "World in Union."

A 1993 summa cum laude graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor of arts degree in political sci-

ence/pre-law and is currently a third year law student at Wayne State University Law School.

Her future plans are to become an environmental attorney.

Hull has trained privately for 12 years in vocal performance. She has performed in numerous community theatre productions, as well as with a professional dinner theatre in Irish Hills.

She was a member of the Michigan State University

Glee Club and was selected as the soloist for the 1993 convocation.

Her focus throughout the year will be "Environmental Awareness." Her program, "Working Individually to Save the Environment (W.I.S.E.)" has received accreditation from Vice President Al Gore.

Through this program, she goal is to educate individuals about simple lifestyle modifications that, when taken collectively, can dras-

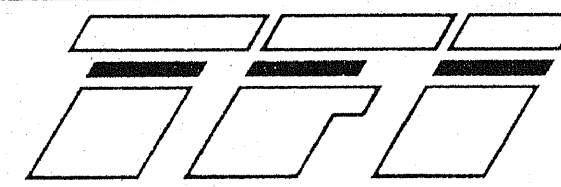
tically improve the environment.

Miss Michigan's year of service will include speaking engagements, vocal performances, parades, festivals and a variety of public appearances throughout the state of Michigan — including Pigeon. She will also attend several local Miss America preliminary pageants.

She is the youngest daughter of Robert and Cynthia Lewis and Royal and Sharon Hull, all of Jackson.

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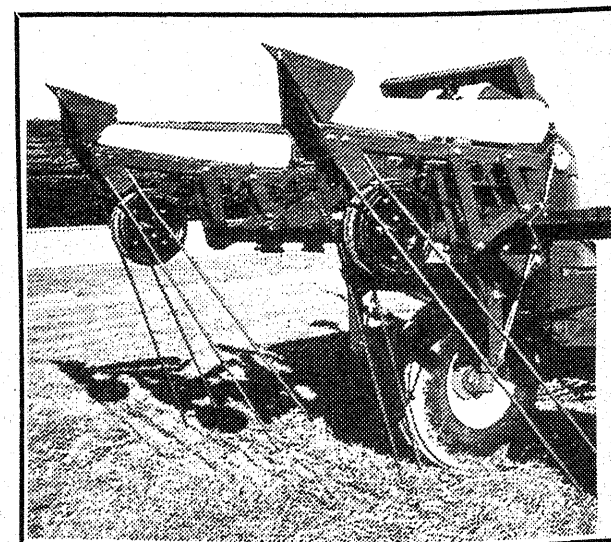
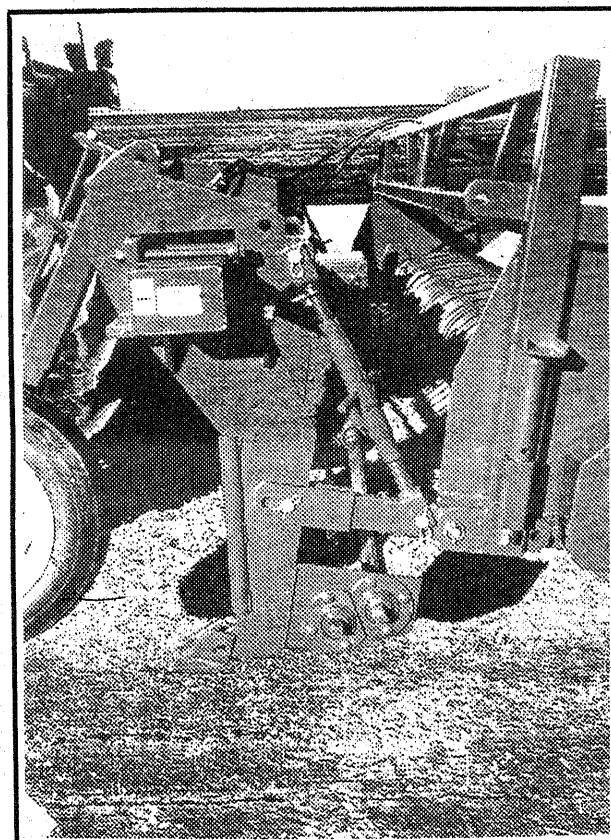


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Trucks which pass inspection will be issued a sticker, while owners of vehicles not qualifying for a sticker will be advised of repairs needed. Local inspection dates, times and locations are:

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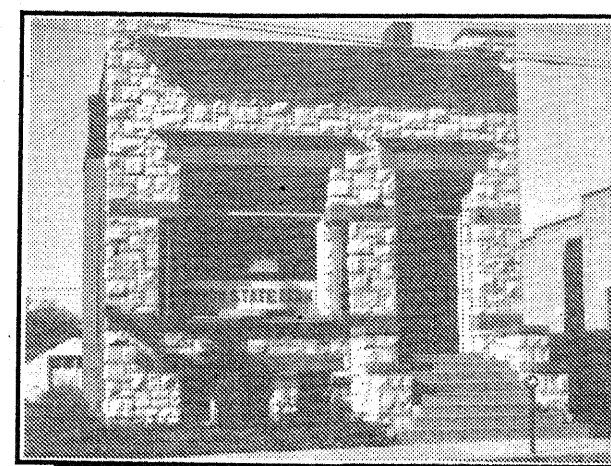
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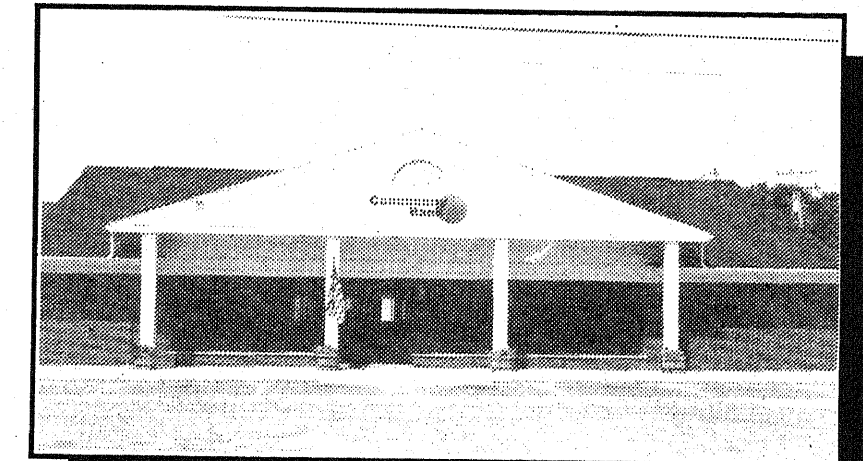
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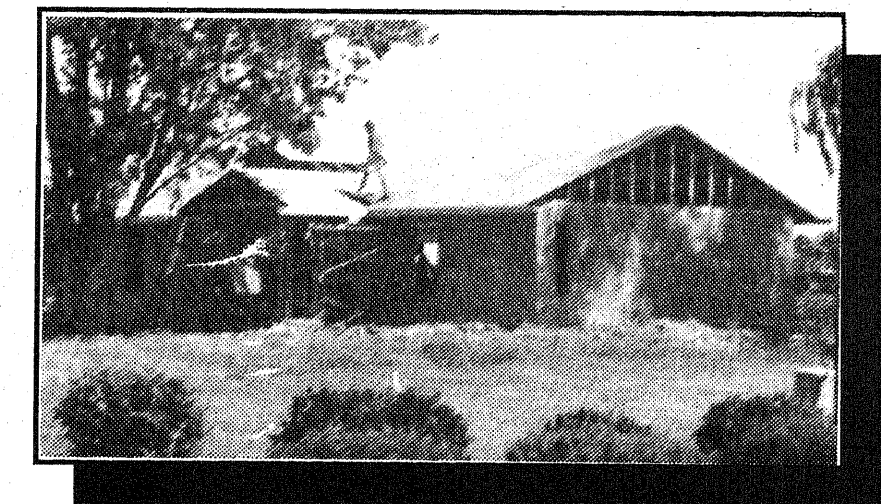
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The nine-day encampment kicks off at 5:30 p.m., Saturday, July 29, with an outdoor Beef 'n' Pork Barbecue slow-roasted by the Lloyd Kuhl family of Sebawaing. Tickets are available at the meal.

Also on Saturday, evening worship services begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Tabernacle, with Rev. Terry Euper of Lapeer United Methodist Church sharing thoughts about "dry bones" from the book of Ezekiel.

**Evangelist for the 85th Assembly** is Rev. John Harnish of Nashville, TN. His sermon series is titled "Following Jesus on the Journey of Faith" and is designed to "present Jesus Christ as the model of discipleship."

Three Bible studies are offered Monday through Saturday mornings:

- 9-10:15 a.m. - Rev. John Harnish - The Gospel of Luke
- 10:30-11:45 a.m. - Rev. Tom Beachy of Pigeon River Mennonite Church, Pigeon - "How to Manage Your Money" authored by Larry Burkett.

- 10:30-11:45 a.m. - Rev. Will Clegg of Wesley Park United Methodist Church - Network Discovery Seminar. Discover your spiritual gifts, where you can best serve, etc.

For music lovers, WUGN-Family Life Radio personality Perry LaHaie will present a concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, July 30. There is no admission fee and the public is



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invited. International refugee relief is the topic for Missionary Day set for Thursday, Aug. 3. Diane Burrows of Troy will share her experiences serving Rwandan refugees in a camp near the Rwanda-Zaire border.

She will speak at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Luncheon is available at noon.

**Afternoon family activities** scheduled throughout Assembly include Family Beach Day at Sleeper State Park in Caseville, a trip to Saginaw's Anderson Water Park, the traditional Youth

Center camp carnival, and the fourth Annual Bay Shore Olympics. All are available at little or no cost.

Any and all Bible studies, children's activities and evening worship services are open to the public. Programming for children age 4 years through 12th grade is offered twice daily: 10:30-11:45 a.m. and 7:30-9 p.m.

**All youth must be registered** upon arrival regardless of whether they stay in the campground or commute as a day/evening camper. A daily or weekly donation is asked of each youngster.

RV camping with limited electrical and water hookup is available. Free nursery services are offered for infants and toddlers during each Bible study session and worship service.

Meals and meal plans are available through the camp dining hall.

**Established in 1911**, Bay Shore Camp exists to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ and provides opportunities for campers to acknowledge Christ as Lord of their lives. Staff members are selected

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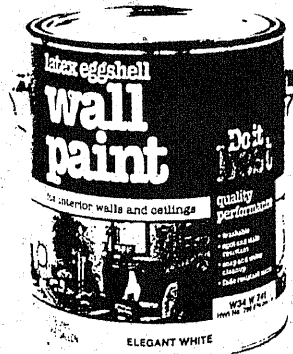
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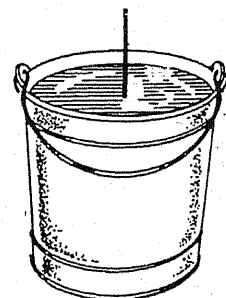
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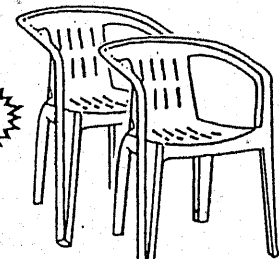
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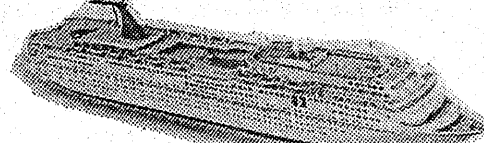
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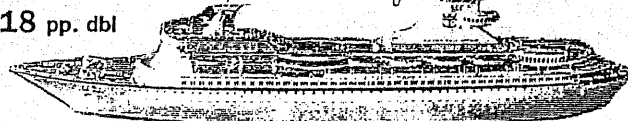
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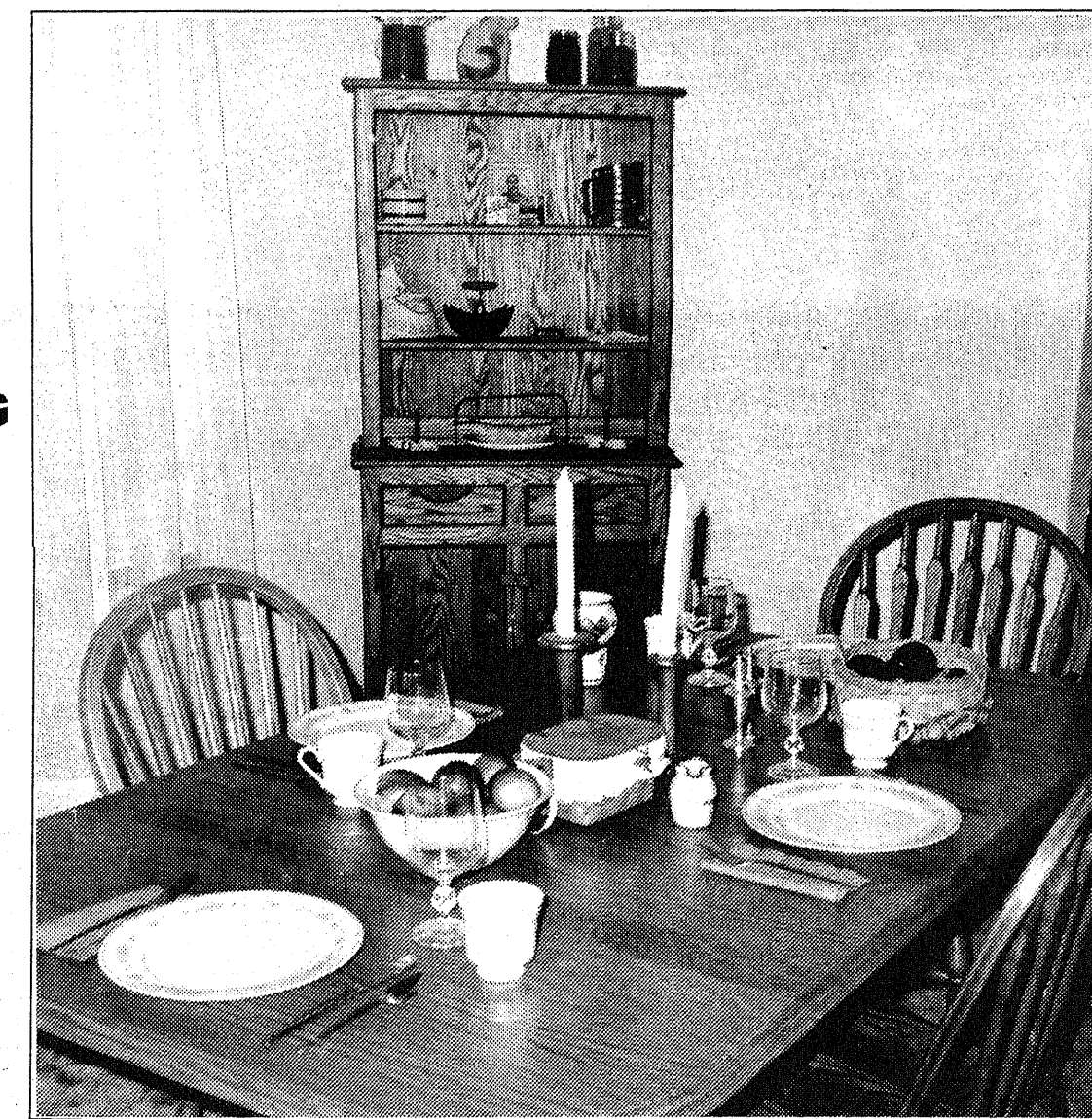
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# Pigeon Lumber opens big new warehouse



**FINAL TRUSS JOB:** Bob Smith of Bob Smith Builders of Pigeon placed the final truss of his building career atop the new warehouse storage building of Pigeon Lumber & Supply Co., this spring — retiring after 48 years in the construction business. He is pictured here, at center, with his longtime crew at left, Andy Lapka, Dennis Thich and Rich Sobczak, while Smith and his wife Joyce stand at right.

**ABOVE RIGHT,** the new Pigeon Lumber warehouse is about 80% occupied at this time, according to Manager Don Dast. The 84-foot by 128-foot building features two large stories of storage capacity, as shown here. Rodney Behm of Pigeon Lumber loads wood from the hi-lo on the second level. The building features drive-through convenience. A grand opening celebration is being planned in coming weeks, Dast says.

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- Every Monday night - Sweet Adeline practice**  
 The Lake Huron Chorus of Sweet Adelines International invites women to join in celebrating 50 years of women's four-part harmony Monday evenings 7-9:30 p.m. for rehearsals at the Huron County Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe. Details: 517-453-2524.
- Weekends During July - Invitational Photo Show**  
 The fourth annual Photo Show presented by the Lake Huron Community Arts Council is at Heidelberg Gallery in Downtown Sebawaing Saturdays and Sundays 1 to 4 p.m.
- Tues.-Sunday, July 25-30 - Pigeon Farmers' Festival**  
 This 22nd annual event features a Country Music Jamboree, stage shows, barbecues, Grand Parade, etc., using the theme "Farming, Friends and Fun: Now THAT'S Country!" Details: 453-2733.
- Tuesday, July 25 - Free Hearing & Vision Screening**  
 Huron County Health Dept. will conduct the Clinic from 9-12 noon and 1-3:30 p.m. for children entering Kindergarten and Preschool in the fall of 1995 who have missed the hearing and vision tests at the various schools in the spring. Call the Health Dept. at 269-9721 or 1-800-833-8550 for appointment.
- Thurs.-Fri.-Sat., July 27-29 - Get crafty in Pigeon**  
 Downtown Pigeon Craft Show and Sidewalk Sales, during Pigeon's Farmers' Festival. More than 75 crafters and merchants from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Space still available. Details, call 453-2515.
- Thurs.-Sun., July 27-30 - Munger Potato Festival**  
 Come to the nearby town that's Michigan's spuds headquarters.
- Thursday, July 27 - "United We Stand" group meets**  
 Every fourth Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Texan Restaurant, State St., Saginaw. Public welcome!
- Thursday, July 27 - "Cooking with Herbs" Class**  
 7 p.m. Luckhard Gardens, two miles east of M-25 on Sebawaing Road. Details: 883-3209.
- Saturday, July 29 - BB/BS Benefit Boat Race**  
 At and sponsored by Sunset Bay Marina & Yacht Club, 5845 Loomis Rd., Unionville. Class races for all sailboats. Proceeds to Big Brothers & Sisters of Tuscola County.
- Friday, Aug. 4 - Bay Port Silent Auction**  
 Bay Port Historical Society will hold a Silent Auction from 5 to 9 p.m. in the Fair Haven Township Hall.
- Fri.-Sun., Aug. 4-6 - Civil War Heritage Days**  
 The 10th Michigan Infantry and Port Austin KOA & Resort will host the event. It will be held at and around the former 754th US Air Force Base in Port Austin.
- Sat.-Sun., Aug. 5-6 - Arts & Crafts Show**  
 At Port Austin KOA & Resort from 10-6 and to 4 on Sunday. Exhibitors registered include basket, wood carvers, oil paintings, jewelry, wood creations, teddy bears, furniture, stained glass, roasted nuts and floral arrangements.
- Saturday, Aug. 5 - Sebawaing Awards Dinner**  
 Commemorative Bucks of Michigan 14th anniversary Awards Dinner in Sebawaing. Tickets available in advance only from Gary Ricker 883-3864.
- Saturday, Aug. 5 - Northern Michigan Relief Sale**  
 At Oscoda County Fairgrounds, three miles west of Fairview on N. Caldwell Rd. Quilt Sale begins at 11 a.m. (See related article on another page)
- Sunday, Aug. 6 - Caseville benefit at Gun Club**  
 From 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Caseville Rod and Gun Club, Benefit Fish Fry & Hog Barbecue to benefit the Bill Quinn Family. Free-will donations will be given to the Quinn Family. Details: Mike Walsh at 517-856-4465.
- Tuesday, Aug. 8 - Sebawaing Chamber meets**  
 Meets 7 p.m. at Village Office for regular meeting.
- Tuesday, Aug. 8 - USA Middle School parents**  
 A meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the Media Center at the new USA Middle School complex. Main agenda is discussing the start of the new school year.
- Fri.-Sun., Aug. 11-13 - Caseville re-enactment**  
 Third Michigan Infantry of Bay City will present a Civil War era living history re-enactment at Caseville, sponsored by the Caseville Chamber of Commerce.

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# Achievements



**Shannon Krohn and Jennifer Dast** of Bethel Lutheran Church in Bay City attended the 1995 Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod (WELS) International Youth Rally at St. Cloud State University in St. Cloud, MN July 12-15. They joined about 2,000 high school age youth who came together for fellowship.

Krohn is the daughter of Jerry and Sandy Krohn of Essexville and the granddaughter of Vera Deering of Elkton. Dast is the daughter of Doug and Shirley Dast of Bay City and the granddaughter of Don and Verona Dast of Pigeon.

**Andrea Chaplinski** of Filion was awarded an MBA degree on May 221 from the University of Notre Dame, Ind., during the 150th commencement ceremony.

She graduated cum laude with a concentration in Human Resources Management and Finance.

While at Notre Dame, she received the Lucy Pilkington Award for exceptional achievement in management communication and the Society for Human Resource Management Award for establishing a Human Resource Club on campus and for her strong desire to enter the field of Human Resource.

Additionally, she was part of a three-person Notre Dame Team who went to Pittsburg to win the PNC Banking Challenge. The team was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship. Chaplinski recently ac-

cepted a position with Andersen Consulting, as a consultant in the Change Management Practice.

She is the daughter of Jerry and Colleen Chaplinski of Filion and the granddaughter of Harold Britt of Pigeon. She is a 1987 graduate of Bad Axe High School.

**Kristin Zagata** of Sebewing is one of 14 Michigan State University students who divided \$30,000 in scholarships for students who plan careers in dairy production or the dairy food industry.

The scholarships, based on academic merit and professional goals, were awarded for the 1995-96 academic year. The funds are provided

each year by the Michigan Dairy Memorial Scholarship Foundation, Inc., says Russel Erickson, MSU dairy science professor.

Zagata received a \$1,000 scholarship from the foundation. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Zagata.

**Ryan Heckman**, a student at Northwood University, Midland, has earned several honors following the completion of his sophomore year.

He was named to the President's List for Spring Term, earning a 4.0 grade point average, and was also presented with the Banking and Finance Award during the college's annual Honors Convocation.

The Banking and Finance Award is given to a student who has demonstrated excellence in academic ability and leadership potential in the area of banking and finance.

He is the son of Ron and Janet Heckman of Pigeon.

Her application was sponsored by Pigeon Telephone Co.

Eichler is a 1994 graduate of Laker High School and is the Foundation's first winner to receive the award two years in a row. She is currently studying at Michigan State University's James Madison College.

The Telephone Association of Michigan is a trade association that represents 36 local exchange telephone companies in Michigan. The Association annually awards scholarships to outstanding students whose parents are employed by Association member companies.

Several local students were among the 3,000 students who graduated in May from **Central Michigan University**, Mount Pleasant, and received their degrees:

PIGEON: Angela Schaaf, Dawn Swartzendruher, SEBEWAING: Scott Bollstetter, Sheri Hoppe, GAGE TOWN: Jodie Fritz, UNIONVILLE: Aaron Aumock.

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# Thumb National Bank celebrates 100 years

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he was named a director of the bank in 1947, cashier in 1948, Executive Vice-President and Cashier in 1957, and President of the bank in 1959.

When his father retired as Chairman of the Board in 1974, E.J. Clabuesch still shared the same community growth leadership ideas.

Longtime friends recall Ernest Clabuesch told his workers to drive "an affordable, reasonable car, such as a Chevrolet, to show our customers we are common, every-day people, as they are."

But son E.J. Clabuesch believed in a different view — "I drive a new Oldsmobile or (Cadillac) because I want to lead our customers, to show them the benefits of good banking and business decisions."

The bank is well-known as a leading agricultural financial specialist, but also works to keep current with community demand.

E.J. Clabuesch is perhaps best remembered as the man who worked with Dr. Clare A. Scheurer to raise more than \$1 million locally, to build a new 47-bed Scheurer Hospital structure in 1971 — after state and federal health offi-



**PAUL CLABUESCH**

cialists said no funding was available.

Arthur "Bud" Luedtke, the current chairman, served as president following the resignation of James Schumacher in 1985 until 1987, when third-generation member Paul Clabuesch was named President. He began working for the bank in 1971.

Carrying the family "torch" comes naturally to Paul Clabuesch, who admits he hasn't taken much time to reflect on the 100 years of history: "We've been so busy working to get to this 100-year level, we haven't sat back to analyze it."

"Our family has been so tied to this bank for so long, that we've always had an appreciation for that." In all three generations, the Clabueschs have 145 years of combined banking experience.

"My grandfather often told what he had learned about Sept. 3, 1895, when the bank opened. They had five customers, and deposits totaled \$1,900."

Paul Clabuesch says the company has looked back — but is more interested in the future.

"We're very mindful we've gained so much, and we've been very fortunate here," he says of Pigeon's longest continuously-operated business. "And, we're very proud of the stability the bank has provided to this town and area."

"My grandfather saw this community develop, then collapse during the banking holiday. But he could always see the potential," Paul Clabuesch says.

"My father started after the war and capitalized on agricultural banking, and took the bank national. Now, in my view, we cannot be one-dimensional or have one-locution to survive in the future," he says.

"We must expand and grow strategically," Paul Clabuesch says.

In the past few years, the bank has made a number of changes in order to serve its customers. The original Pigeon State Bank building was replaced in 1953 at the main stoplight corner in Pigeon. It was further expanded and modernized in early 1978.

A branch office in Cass City was opened in September

1978 and the Caseville branch office was opened in June 1989. Currently, the Cass City branch manager is Curt Strickland and the Caseville branch is managed by Nancy Buchholz.

Although the customer-as-individual philosophy has never changed, banking practices have, in ways that the founders could never imagine, Luedtke says.

"The biggest change is the computerization of services," he says. "Yesterday, it was all handwork."

"Now with computers, we can do more things for the

customer. I'm flabbergasted when I see what it can do.

"But another big change is in government regulation and the things you have to do to satisfy the government that you didn't have to do yesterday."

"But whatever the changes, we hope we continue for another 100 years and longer. We're here continuously and so are our customers. When you get too big you lose that individual contact. We want to keep that hometown concept."

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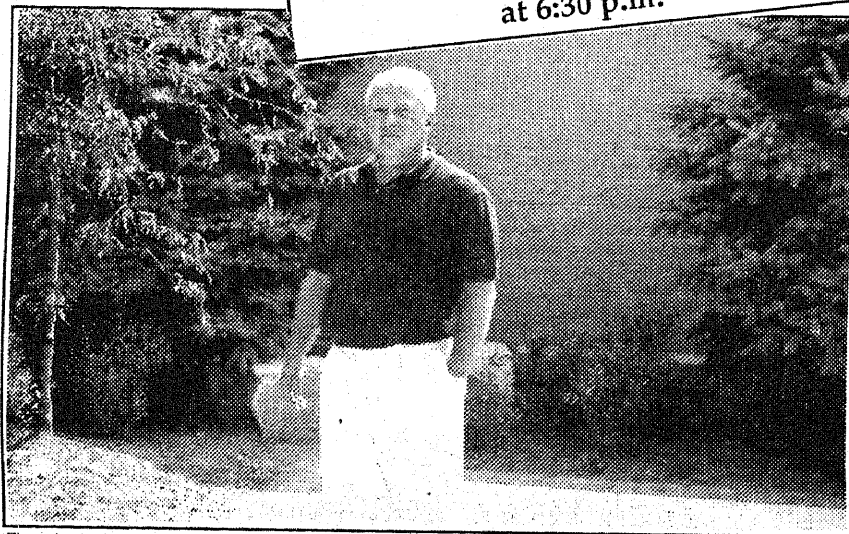
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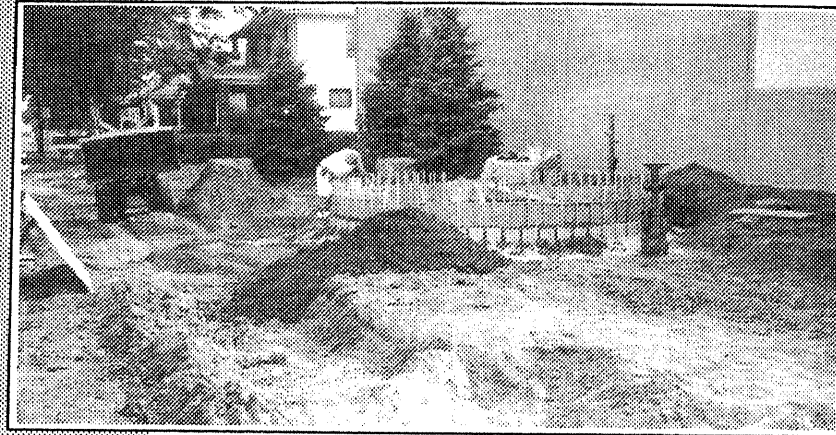
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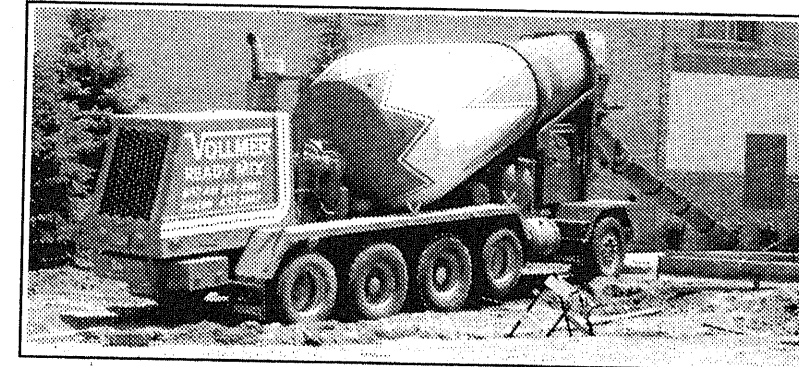
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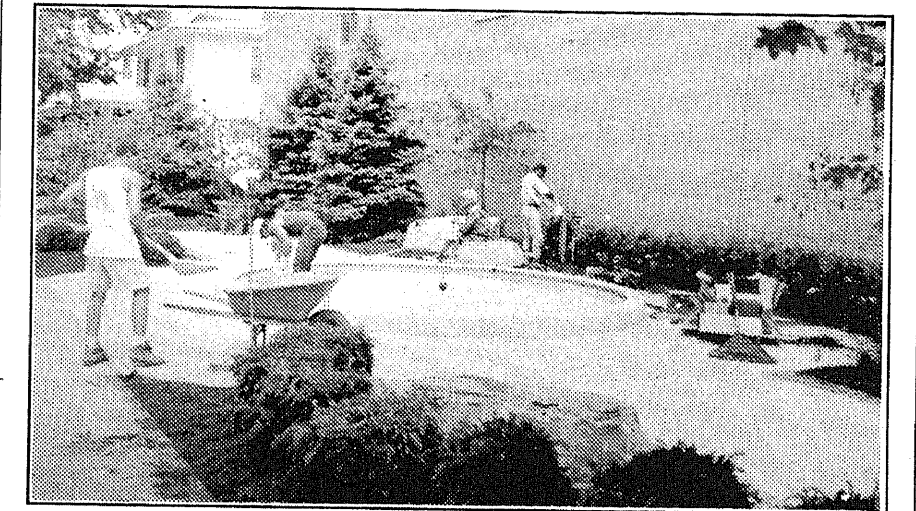
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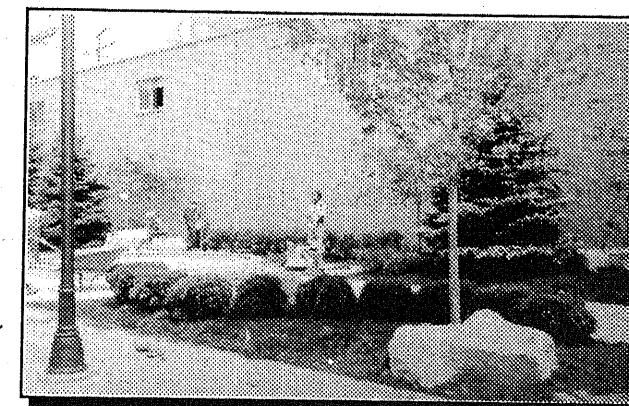
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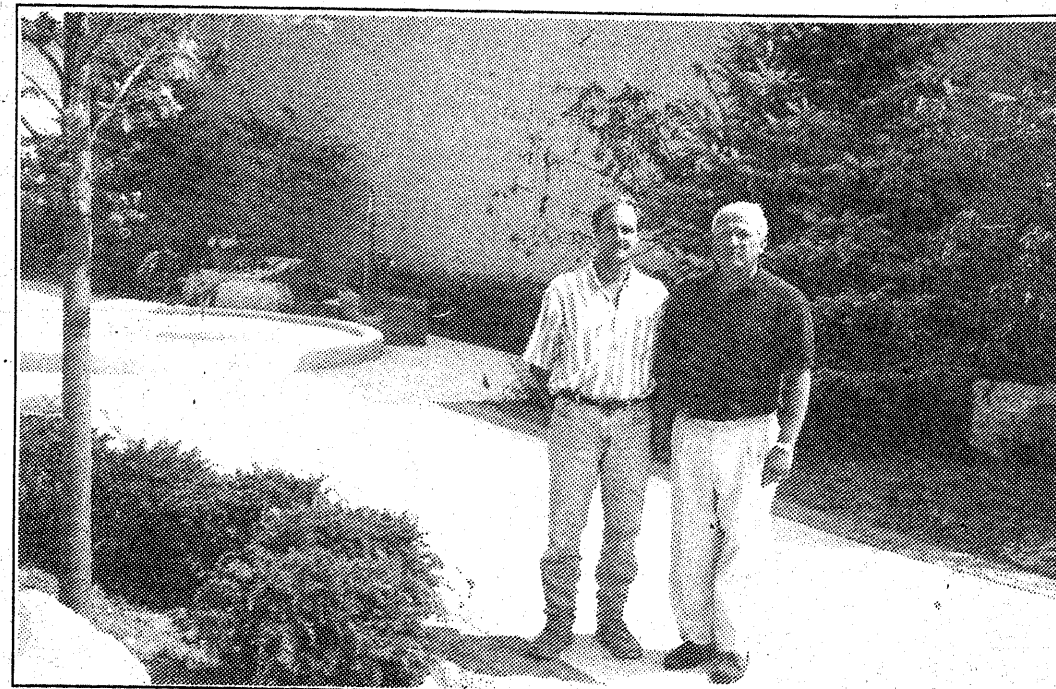
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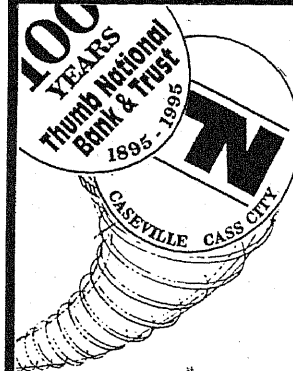
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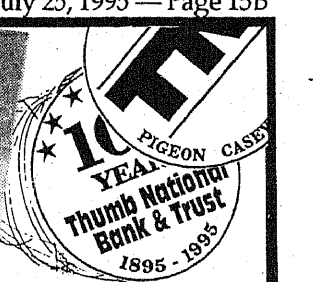
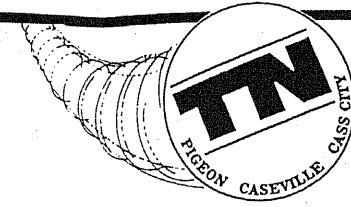
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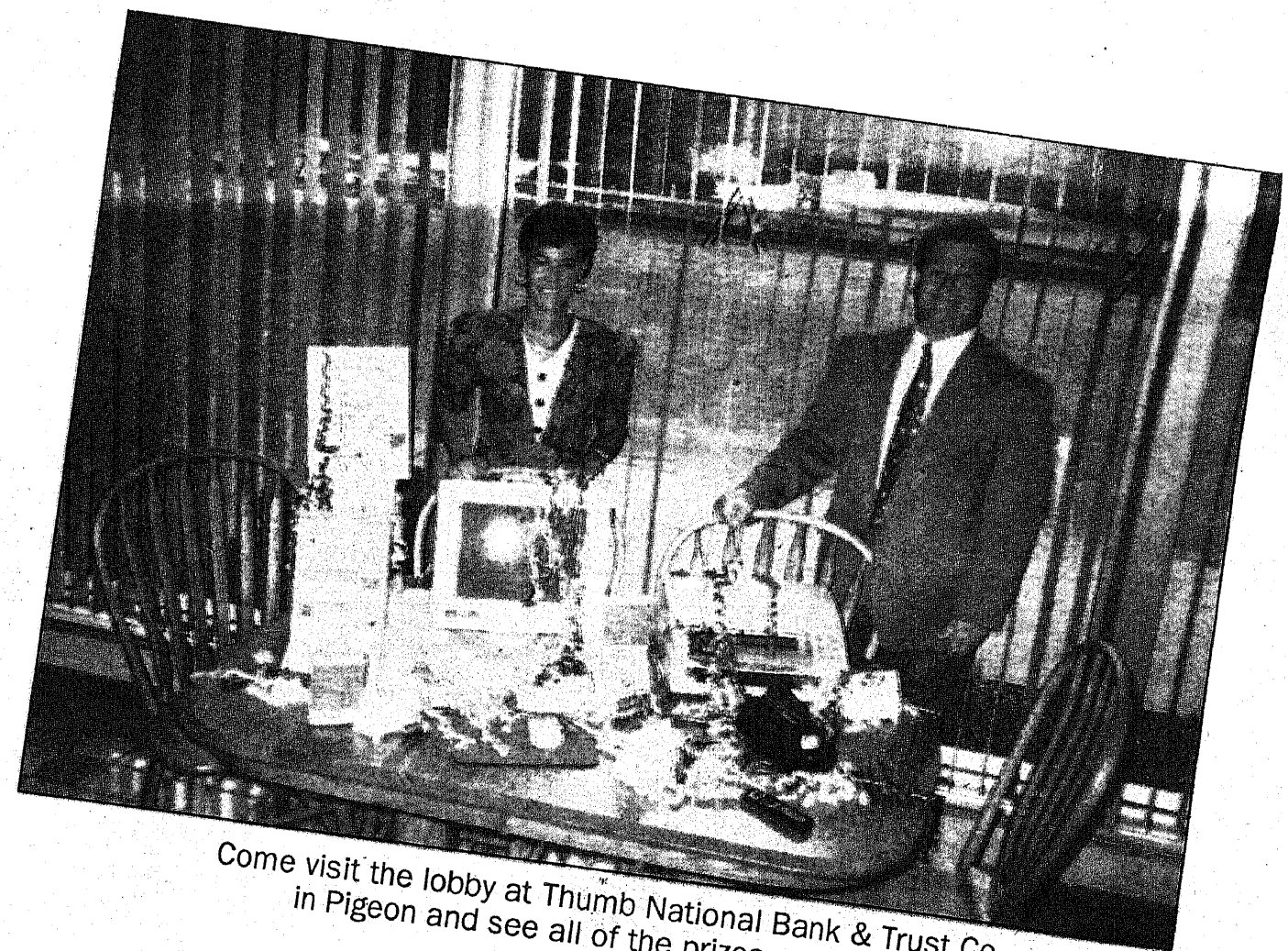
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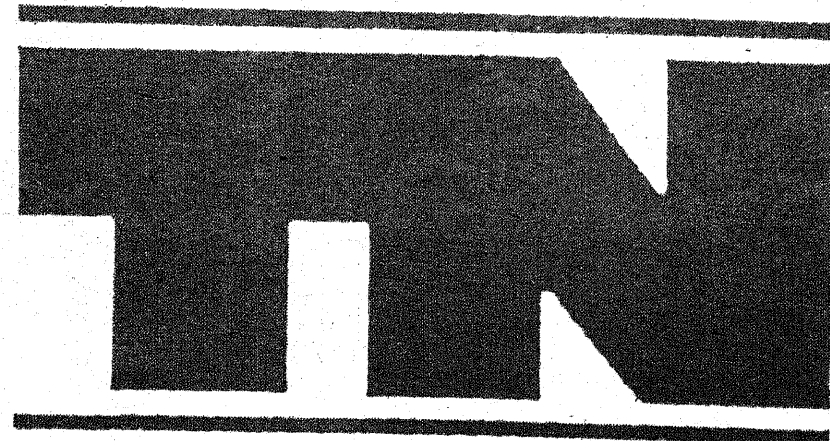
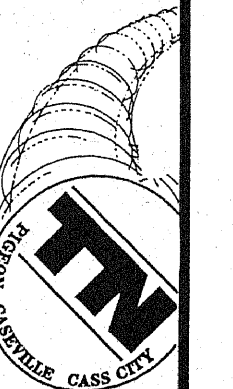
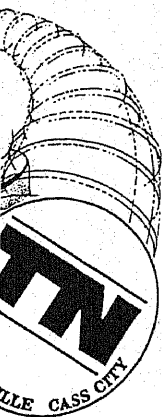
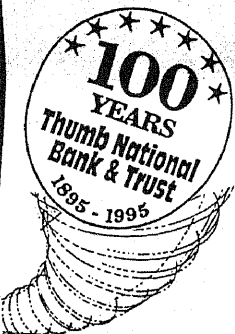
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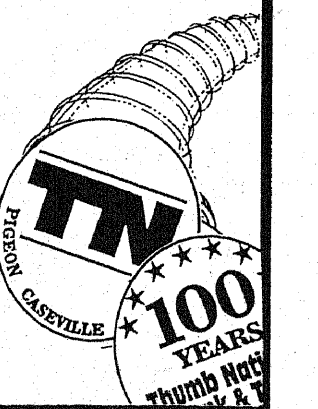
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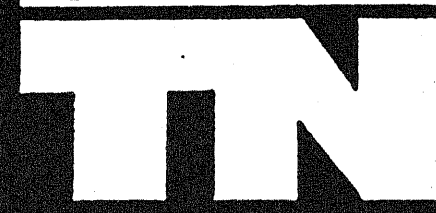
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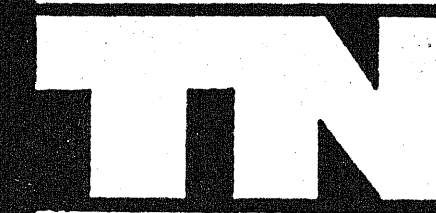
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The First Michigan Fife and Drum, the Tittabawassee Fife and Drum and the Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps will be marching in the Grand Parade on Saturday, and immediately after the parade, will join in a "muster" at the Pigeon Recreation Park.

"All three will demonstrate what they do and explain to the public how they represent colonial times," says Ed Eichler, Pigeon Chamber of Commerce President and organizer of the corps' appearances.

The images we see of a fifer, a drummer and a flag carrier leading troops into battle during the Revolutionary War are accurate, because the cadences the drummer kept sent signals to the troops. Different cadences meant for the troops to take specific actions, while the fifer's sounds gave spirits a boost.

NEWSWEEKLY FILE PHOTO

## Country Jamboree Wednesday!

Love country music? Then you simply have to be at the Country Jamboree during Farmers' Festival, when Gil Gonzales and "Gypsy Wind" host the first-ever jamboree at the Band Shell on Wednesday, July 26 from 3 to 10 p.m.

Gypsy Wind has made a lot of appearances out west, but when they do play in Pigeon, their hometown, they draw a big and appreciative crowd.

There will be other country acts on the bill, each playing for about an hour. And for those who want to test their country vocal ability, there will be an "open mike" session from 6 to 7 p.m.

But anyone who wants to use their own tape backup or Gypsy Wind as a backup should have contacted Gonzales.

Gonzales is hoping to have a dance floor available for those who want to dance during the Jamboree.




GIL GONZALES and his "Gypsy Wind" band will play July 26 in Pigeon.

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# Thumb Area Obituaries

## ETHEL BARRY ZAREMBA 1916 - 1995

Ethel G. (Barry) Zaremba, 78 of Centerline, an Elkon native, passed away Thursday, July 20 at St. John Hospital, Detroit, after a 45-day stay following open heart surgery.

She was born Dec. 21, 1916, daughter of the late Thomas and Lucy (Bursick) Barry of Elkon. She married Edmund Zaremba on Feb. 24, 1941 in Sebawaing. He preceded her in death on March 16, 1959.

After graduating from Elkon High School in 1934, she attended Northeastern Business College in Bay City, then went to Port Huron where she was an office employe of Faine, Webber & Co. Mrs. Zaremba was employed at the Centerline Post Office for many years.

She is survived by two sons, Patrick of Detroit and Thomas of Centerline; one daughter, Alice (Steven) Bean of Laguna Hills, Ca.; three grandchildren; one great-grandson; six sisters, Marge Heckman and Elizabeth Alice Krohn, both of Pigeon, Helene Smith of Saginaw, Marion Lane of Roseville, Anna Mae Lee of Oscoda and Virginia Plevnia and her husband Edward of Bad Axe and two brothers, Louis Barry and his wife Mina and Eugene Barry, all of Elkon.

One sister, Edith Jeanette Ross, preceded her in death on July 19, 1987. Visiting hours took place on Monday, July 24 from 5 to 9 p.m. and will continue Tuesday, July 25 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the Kaufman Funeral

Home in Bad Axe. She will lie in state at St. Felix Catholic Church on Tuesday after 1 p.m.

The Funeral Liturgy will be celebrated Tuesday at 2 p.m. at St. Felix Catholic Church, Pinnebog, by Fr. Dennis Kucharczyk with interment in the church cemetery, Pinnebog.

## GEORGE KUBICK 1901 - 1995

George Kubick, 93 of Bay Port, passed away Friday, July 21 at Briewood Nursing Home in Sterling.

Mr. Kubick was born in the Ukraine on Aug. 15, 1901. He emigrated to the United States and settled in Bay Port, employed as a laborer with the Wallace and Morley Stone Quarry in Bay Port before his retirement.

Funeral services were conducted on Monday, July 24 at 11 a.m. from the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon. Rev. Fr. Barney Janowicz, pastor of St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church, Pigeon, officiated with burial in the New Bay Port Cemetery in Fair Haven Township.

Memorial donations may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

## ELSPETH A. KOEPL 1921 - 1995

Elsbeth A. Koepf, 75 and formerly of Unionville, passed away Sunday, July 16 at her residence in Laingsburg.

Mrs. Koepf was born in Tuscola County July 1, 1921 the daughter of Clara and Manila (Moore) Thomas. She attended school and resided in Tuscola County with the last six years in Laingsburg. She was united in marriage to Francis J. Koepf and was a homemaker. He preceded her in death in 1991. She was a member of American Legion Auxiliary 17 Signal Bat.

Surviving are her children Laura Lee (Pete) Bryant of Mobile, AL; Randa Gail (Commander Mike) Klein of Groton, CN; Jay Douglas (Joyce) Koepf of Shippenburg, PA; HHarley (Brenda) Bryant of Laingsburg; Melissa Emily (Ned) Horsfall of Baltic, OH; 16 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, four sisters, Arlene McKay, Leona Trischler, Leola Trischler and Clarence (Dutch) Ainsworth.

Besides her husband Francis, she was predeceased by one daughter, Tracy Ellen in 1949, and one brother, Vern Thomas.

Funeral service took place 11 a.m. Thursday, July 20, at Nelson-House Funeral Home, Laingsburg, with Pastor Ned Horsfall officiating and burial Arlington National Cemetery.

## JOYCE ALLISON MOTZ 1931 - 1995

Joyce A. Motz, 64 of Elkon, passed away Sunday, July 23 at Tender Care Nursing Center, Midland, after a long bout with cancer.

She was born Feb. 23, 1931 in Ann Arbor, daughter of Belleva (Hoogerhyde) Rood and the late William R. Rood.

She was united in marriage to Elton H. Motz at Memorial Presbyterian Church on June 10, 1972 in Midland. He preceded her in death on May 30, 1995.

Mrs. Motz received her masters' degree in education from the University of Michigan. She taught art at several schools down state before moving to Huron County. She then worked as a substitute teacher in area schools until retiring for health reasons.

She was a member of the U of M Alumni Assn. and the Huron Audubon Club.

Surviving are her son, Roger of Elkon; her mother, Belleva Rood and one sister, Judy Bailey, both of Midland and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted on Monday, July 24 at 8 p.m. at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkon. Burial took place in Riverside Cemetery, Elkon.

Memorials may be given to Friends for Life Hospice or the Community Wesleyan Church, Elkon.

## Other Thumb Area deaths

Harry Roberts, 84, Harbor Beach, passed away July 14.  
Julius Winkel, 87, Harbor Beach, passed away July 15.  
Clarence Guigar, 82, Uby, passed away July 15.  
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"Praise Quartet" is made up of Mark Jacoby, Clifford Jacoby, Larry Mowry and Bob Pike. Terese Pike plays piano for them. The Jacobys are members of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Unionville and the others attend Wisner United Methodist Church.

The men are all farmers and have been singing together for five years as a means of expressing their faith. Their program is gospel music done in a barbershop style.

Rev. Tom Beachy, TTLM board member and pastor of Pigeon River Mennonite Church, will be master of ceremonies for the evening. In

case of rain, the program will move to the Pigeon Elementary School.

Next week TTLM moves back to Caseville United Methodist Church Wednesday, Aug. 2 for 8 p.m. Vespers.

The program will be presented by the TTLM team, Jennifer Beachy, Mike Freeman and Larry Smith. These three college students come from varied backgrounds, bringing different experiences and talents.

Everyone, especially youth and young adults, is invited to attend and see how they are spending this summer in the work of the Lord.

Ernie Ruff, a member of Cross Lutheran Church in Pigeon, is TTLM board representative for the evening. The fellowship time will be hosted by Caseville's United Methodist and St. John's Episcopal Churches.

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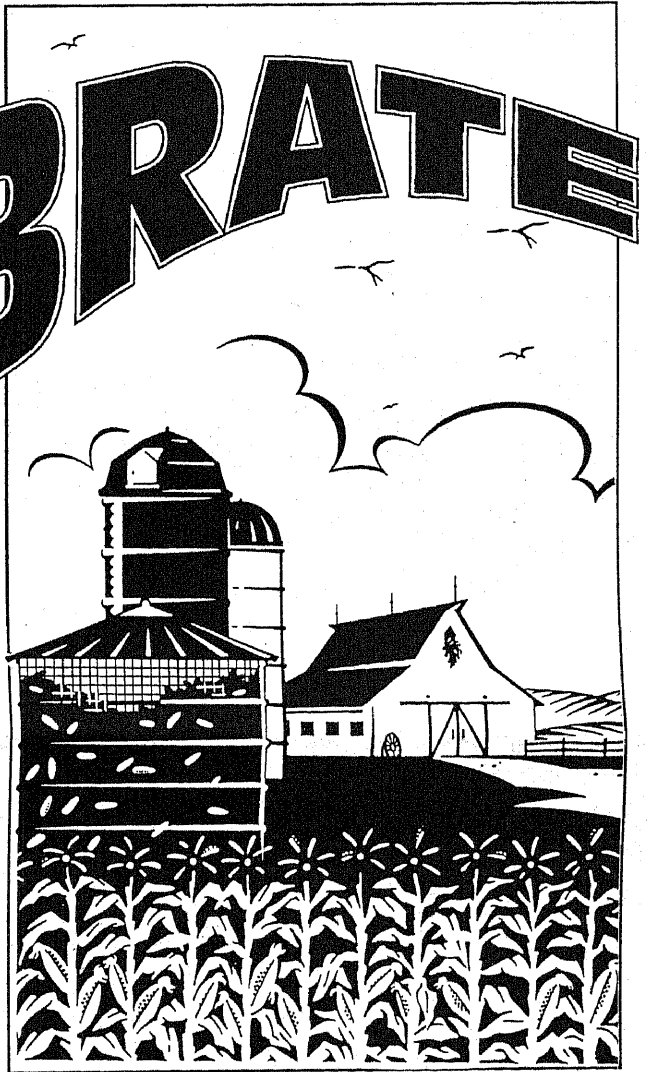
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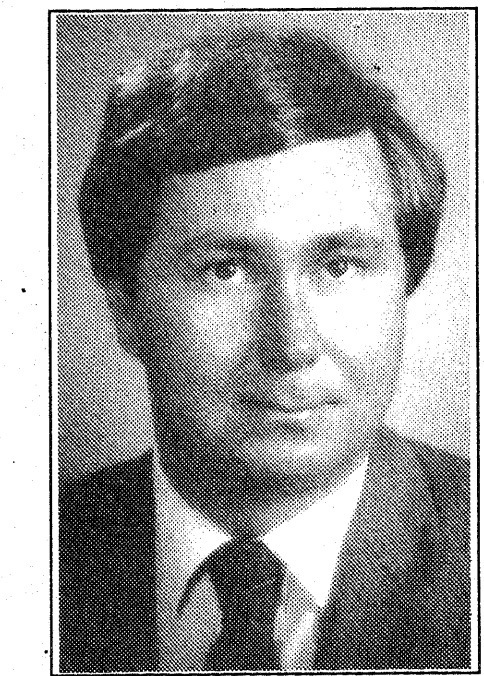
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# 100 business years for Myers & Riedel store

By DUANE GUENTHER

On June 10, 1895 Charles Myers, an immigrant from Canada, and Mrs. M. Riedel signed the corporation papers to form a partnership which would become the Myers & Riedel General Mercantile business in Sebewaing.

Some highlights from those papers may bring a chuckle in today's retail world: Each partner was required to invest \$400 to buy merchandise for the store. If any of the partners wished to buy item from the store they would have to pay retail prices.

And, no partner could draw more than \$30 per week as salary from the corporation.

The same year the corporation was formed, it bought a brand new brick building to house their business, on the corner of N. Center and Main Streets in Downtown Sebewaing.

If you stop by the brick building today, you will be greeted by Alice Fauser, granddaughter-in-law of Charles Myers. She has maintained the business since 1949 when she and her late husband Elmer Myers bought it from the family.

The business has been pared down considerably since then.

Alice and Elmer got out of the grocery business in 1949, and the dry goods department closed shop several years ago. All that is left of the once classy mercantile store is the hardware department.

However, when Fauser turns the key in the door each morning, she maintains the status of the oldest, continuously operated retail store in Sebewaing.

The brick building which has stood the rigors of 100 Michigan seasons was built by Ernst Reinhold.

Reinhold owned a brick yard on the bend of the Sebewaing River just east of Anton Street. He also owned a lumber mill on that side of town, and a stove factory on the west side of the railroad tracks.

His hallmark on the Myers & Riedel building is the block lettered "Reinhold" imbedded on the cornice, where it wraps around the corner of the building.

There are many other sand brick buildings throughout the village whose raw materials came from the Reinhold Brick Yard.

His trademark on bricks was a stamped "ER" or in some rare cases, his full name written in script.

Alice Fauser remembers the grocery portion of the store very well.

"The sausages used to hang from the ceiling," she says, with a twinkle in her eye. "Some of the guys would just reach up and grab on and take a bite."

Elmer and Alice ran the store until Elmer's death. She later married George Fauser, a paint salesman for DuPont, who used to supply the mercantile with paint, and she enlisted Art Liken to assist her in handling the hardware duties.

The queens of the dry goods



HERE'S HOW Downtown Sebewaing's Myers & Riedel store looked 100 years ago, in this photo from Alice Fauser's collection. The picture was likely taken during the store's grand opening in 1895.

department were Esther Beck and Ruth Neuman.

General mercantile stores

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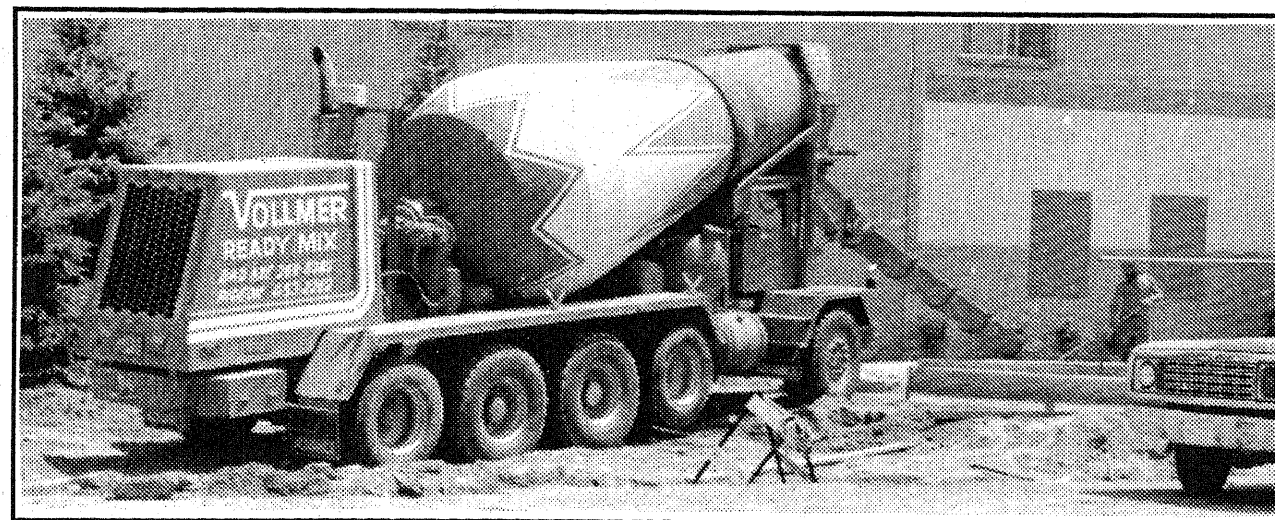
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Each member attends an orientation session. Then points are assigned to records kept on beets, knowledge on a beet test, interview knowledge, beets exhibited at the county fair and an educational tour attended.

Top members return for a final interview in September

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Sugar Beet Association. Awards are presented at a December banquet.



AMBER GOEBEL, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Goebel of Sebewaing, inspects her sugar beets for insects and disease problems.

## Livestock Team competes

The USA High School FFA State Livestock Team competed at MSU this past week. Members include Kyle Fiebig, Josh Kuhl, Rusty Bloomer and John Stoekle.

Members placed two sets of beef, sheep and swine with a comparison of physical appearance and the use of production records. Included was an oral set of reasons why members placed the animals in such order.

The team placed with a State Silver Award in the overall competition, according to Advisor Carl Kieser. Member Kyle Fiebig, in addition to being the USA FFA Chapter President, was recently elected to a Region III District Office.



USA WINNERS: Kyle Fiebig, son of Don and Kathy Fiebig, and Heather Joles, daughter of Rocky and Lori Joles, attended a FFA State Leadership Conference to develop leadership in its officers.

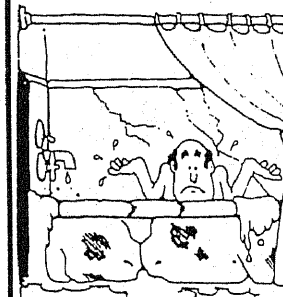
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# The Bells Are Ringing...

## Eurich - Rieman

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Sebewaing was the site of the marriage of Kristi Sue Rieman of Sebewaing and George Edward Eurich of Unionville on Saturday, Oct. 15, 1994.

Rev. Martin Hagenow officiated at the double-ring candle-light ceremony uniting the children of Duane and LoAnn Rieman of Sebewaing and Tom and Sarah Jane Eurich of Unionville. Special music was provided

by organist Michelle Kamrad, trumpeter Dave Wineman and soloist Stace Krause. Selections included "God Has Given You to Me," "Household of Faith," "Wedding Song," "Processional in C," "Love of the Lasting Kind," "Bridal Prayer," "The Lord's Prayer," and "The Rejoicing."

Given in marriage by her father, the bride approached the altar wearing an all alencon white lace gown hand beaded

with pearls and sequins. It featured a scalloped V-neckline and long lace tapered sleeves with a full floor-length skirt and attached cathedral-length train.

Her headpiece was a headband of pearls and crystal with an attached fingertip veil outlined and scattered with pearls and sequins. Her classic free-style bouquet was a cascade of gardenias, stephanotis, white roses, and baby's breath, accented with plumosa, ivy and ming greens.

The bride chose her sister, Kari Rieman of Sebewaing, as maid of honor, with sisters Jodi Williamson and Lori Kemp, both of



Sebewaing, as matrons of honor. Bridesmaids were Renee Eurich of Sebewaing, sister-in-law of the groom; Anna Eurich of Unionville, sister of the groom; Cindy Sella of Coloma, friend of the couple; Mary Klein of Raleigh, NC, cousin of the bride. Lisa Tekiele of Cass City, future sister-in-law of the bride, served as personal attendant.

Their gowns were off-the-shoulder with full floor-length skirts of iridescent deep purple taffeta with jackets featuring large crystal front buttons. Each carried European garden bouquets of sterling silver roses, mauve lilies, alstroemeria, heather, statice and baby's

breath. Sarah Kemp, godchild of the bride, was junior bridesmaid; Jillian Williamson, godchild of the bride, served as flower girl. Their gowns were fashioned after the bridesmaids, with back featuring a triple tier ruffled skirt accented with fabric rosettes. Rosettes were also featured at the puff sleeves and neckline topped with crystal buttons. Their bouquets were miniature arrangements of the bridesmaids.

Tom Williamson of Sebewaing, friend of the groom, was best man. Groomsmen were Tom Eurich of Sebewaing, Aaron Eurich of Unionville, brothers of the groom; Kendall Rieman and Craig Rieman of Sebewaing, Kevin Rieman of Bay City, all brothers of the bride; and Jeff Williamson of Sebewaing, brother-in-law of the bride.

Ringbearer was Kendall Kemp, godchild of the bride, John Kemp and Courtney Kemp of Sebewaing, nephews of the bride, were acolytes.

The groom and his attendants wore black firenza tuxedos, black paisley vests and bowties. The bride's mother chose a tea-length ivory chiffon gown with beaded bodice and sleeves. The groom's mother wore a two-piece teal suit, accented with rhinestone buttons. Both mothers wore corsages of sterling silver roses, heather and baby's breath.

Hosting at the ceremony and reception at Elk's Club, Essexville, were Sharon and John Williamson, friends of the couple; Morley McHalpine, uncle of the bride, and Judy Zwerk, aunt of the groom.

Following a honeymoon to the Poconos and Toronto, the newlyweds are residing in Akron.

## TOTT touring Thumb this week

Michigan's Tour Of The Thumb (TOTT) is making its annual ramble through Michigan, bringing 140 cyclists along Lake Huron's shoreline as they learn about this place we call the Thumb.

The riders began their tour on July 23 as they rode from Memphis to Carsonville and Port Sanilac. July 24 took them to Harbor Beach.

Cyclists continued on to Port Austin on July 25, Sebewaing on July 26, Bay City on July 27 and wrap up their week July 28 with a ride to Au Gres.

If you have questions, give Tri-City Cyclists a call. They're based in Bay City, Saginaw and Midland. Call Rhonda Miel at (517) 754-6045 for more information.

## Wilson - Rummel

Margaret C. Rummel of Frankenthum and Robert G. Wilson of Rochester, NY were married Saturday, May 27, 1995 at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church in Frankenthum with Father William Taylor officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mary Louise Rummel of Frankenthum and John P. Rummel of East Lansing. The groom's parents are Robert F. and Rosemary Wilson of Rochester.

Teresa Brady was matron of honor with Nicole Burnham, Julie Wilson and Anna Tobin bridesmaids.

Dan Wilson and Larry Sala-

more were co-best men with Tom Rummel and Tim Rummel groomsmen.

Maria Coates and Hannah Heinlein served as lectors and Seth Hertz and Matt Pfeuffer were ushers.

Father Joseph Brennan, a relative of the groom, assisted the ceremony. Sarah Rummel and Allison Scheurer were greeters. Music for the ceremony was performed by Lois Bickel, Joann Wright and Alissa Hetzner.

Cynthia Smith and Greg Leitch were hostess and host at a reception held at Bavarian Inn, Frankenthum.

The couple currently resides in Raritan, NJ. The bride is an attorney with the law firm of Ford Marrin Esposito Witmeyer & Gleser in Manhattan. The groom is clerking for Superior Court Judge Marilyn Rhyme Herr of Hunterdon County, NJ.

## USA parents invited Aug. 8

A parent meeting has been scheduled for USA Middle School students Tuesday, Aug. 8 at 7 p.m. in the Media Center at the new Middle School complex.

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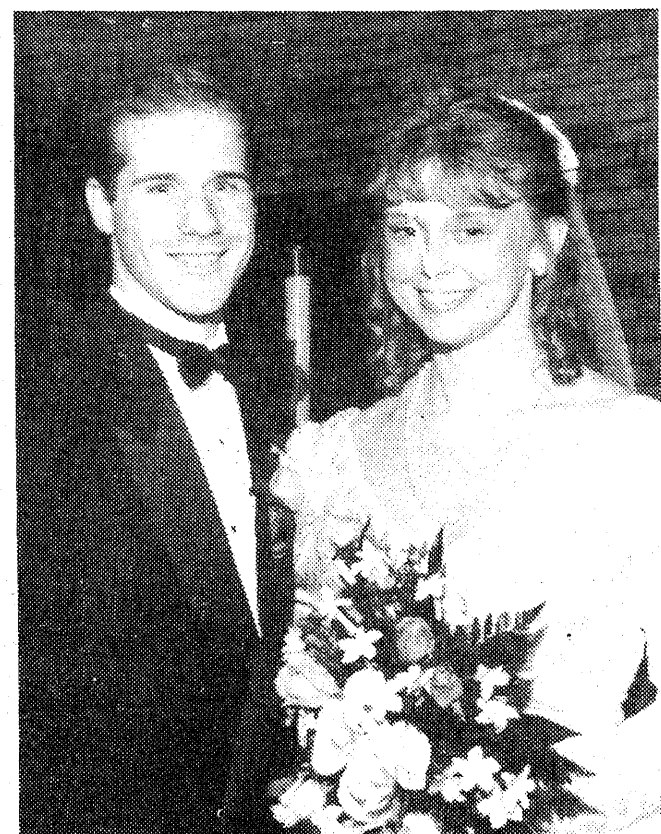
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The Fourth Annual Invitation Photography Show is now on exhibit at Heidelberg Gallery in Downtown Sebewaing.

It features photographs of Mary Acker of St. Louis, Bill Boley of Midland, Peg Brisselle of Bay City and Larry Eckert of Vassar. Visiting hours are 1 to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays until July 30.

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# Family Reunions

## STING REUNION

The 69th annual John and Maria (Dreis) Sting Reunion was held at the home of Dave and Donna Sting on July 16. After a noon potluck, the annual meeting was called to order by President Dave Sting. Minutes of last year's meeting and treasurer's report were read and approved. Births, marriages and deaths reported.

Election of officers as follows: President Ron Schram, Vice President Ken Schram, Treasurer Ardra Schaaaf and Secretary Pearl Parsell. Roll call showed 17 families and nine singles in attendance, the youngest being Sara Becker and the eldest Nora Schram.

A white elephant auction followed the meeting with Dave Sting auctioneer. Rick and Cheryl Bellanger

led the children's games with each child a winner. It sprinkled a little but didn't dampen the fun and fellowship, organizers said.

## At Sebewaing Twp. Library...

NON-FICTION: Killing of Robert F. Kennedy-Moldea; Little Girls in Pretty Boxes-Ryan; Standard & Poor's 401 (K) Planning Guide-Miller; Collectors Encyclopedia of Fiesta-Huxford; Pope John Paul II: The Biography-Szulc; Ever After-Wharton; Way Things Aren't-Rendell; Liz: An Intimate Biography-Heymann; Bloodletters and Badmen-Nash; Dave Barry's Guide to Guys-Barry; How to Argue and Win Every Time-Spence; World War II Honor List of Dead and Missing, Michigan (Reference Only); America the Beautiful, Michigan-Stein.

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# Here Comes The Bride!

## Roestel - Leitch

St. John's Lutheran Church in Pigeon was the site of wedding nuptials spoken between Jennifer A. Whaley Leitch of Pigeon and Timothy C. Roestel of Pigeon, on Saturday, April 22, 1995. Rev. James Gorseigner officiated at the double ring ceremony for the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Whaley and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Roestel, all of Pigeon. Special wedding music was provided by David Ziel of Las Vegas and accompanied by Marian Rathje of Pigeon.

Kate Horsley of Midland, friend of the bride, was the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Mary Jo Schuette of Pigeon, friend of the bride; Marnie Roestel of Mt. Pleasant, sister-in-law of the groom; Stephanie Fill of Canton, cousin of the bride; Tracy

Roestel of Pigeon, sister of the groom; Tammy Armbruster of Pigeon, sister of the groom; and Pam Roestel of Pigeon, sister-in-law of the groom. The flowergirl was Heather Leitch of Pigeon, daughter of the bride. Kevin Roestel of Pigeon, brother of the groom, was the best man, assisted by groomsmen Ray Krohn of Elkton, friend of the groom; Dean Roestel of Mt. Pleasant, brother of the groom; Randy Kerr of Elkton, friend of the groom; Tom Zeil of Pigeon, cousin of the groom; Jim Armbruster of Pigeon, brother-in-law of the groom; Jimmy Roestel of Charlotte, cousin of the groom. Seating the wedding guests were ushers Jim Armbruster of Pigeon, brother-in-law of the groom and Jimmy Roestel of Charlotte, cousin of the groom. The ringbearer was Kenny Leitch of Pigeon, son of the bride.

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## USA sports physicals set Aug. 2

USA High School sports physicals for the 1995-96 school year for high school and middle school athletes will be offered on Wednesday, Aug. 2 beginning at 1 p.m. and running until 7 p.m. at USA High School.

Athletes are asked to use the northwest gym entrance. High school and middle school athletes should be aware that physicals are required prior to participation in athletics and physical cards must be signed by a parent prior to the physical. Cards may be picked up in the Superintendent's Office (south door of high school) from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. There will be a fee for the physicals and checks should be made payable to the Tuscola County Health Department.

## Taylor - May

The gazebo in Downtown Caseville was the site of wedding nuptials spoken between Bregatta May of Pigeon and Todd Taylor of Caseville, on Saturday, July 1, 1995.

Rev. James Kinan officiated at the double-ring ceremony for the daughter of Howard and Allie Karl of Pigeon, and the son of Floyd and Bets Taylor and Sherry and Bill Phillips, all of Caseville. Special wedding music was provided by Audy Karl of Caseville, accompanied by Bill Phillips of Caseville.

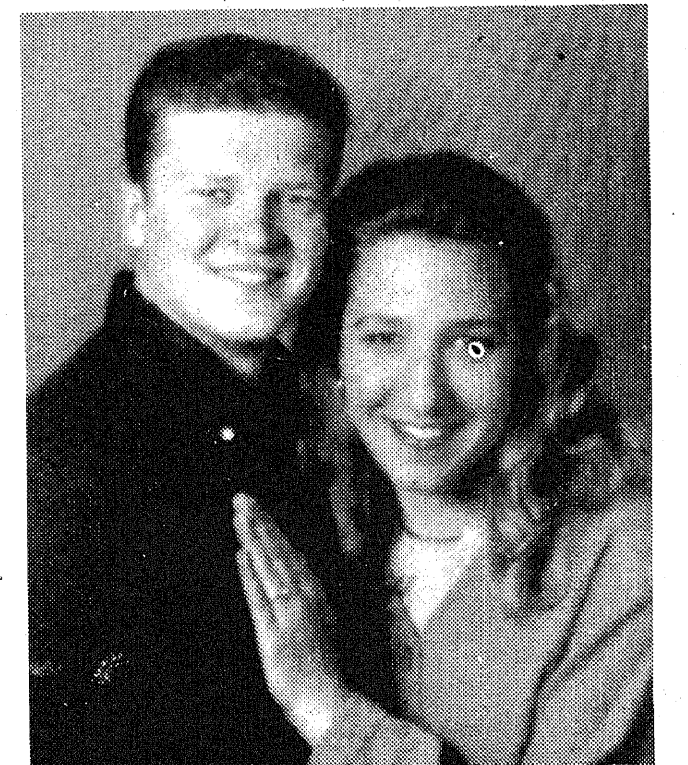
Given in marriage by Everett Karl, the bride selected a pink off of the shoulder satin and lace southern belle dress, with pink lace gloves. Her headpiece was a straw hat with lillie of the valley and a lace bow. The bride carried a bouquet of a fan lace and pink roses and green flowers, pink pearls and pink and green ribbon made by Shelly Karl.

Shelly Karl of Unionville, sister-in-law of the bride, was the matron of honor. The bridesmaids were Kimberly May, daughter of the bride and Heather Taylor, daughter of the groom. The bridal attendants wore satin and lace southern belle dresses in shades of green, purple and blue. Two of the attendants carried parasols to complement their dresses, while the third carried a fan graced with green flowers and green and pink ribbons.

Bob Karl of Unionville, brother-in-law of the groom, was the best man, assisted by groomsmen Benjamin May of Elkton and Glenn May of Elkton, stepsons of the groom. The newlyweds greeted 75 guests at a reception held at the K of C Hall near Pigeon. The bride is a Laker graduate and waiting at Country House in Caseville. The groom is a USA graduate and drives truck for CKS in Bad Axe. Following a honeymoon to Huron County, the couple is making their home in Pigeon.



# Engaged!



## Novak - Voelker

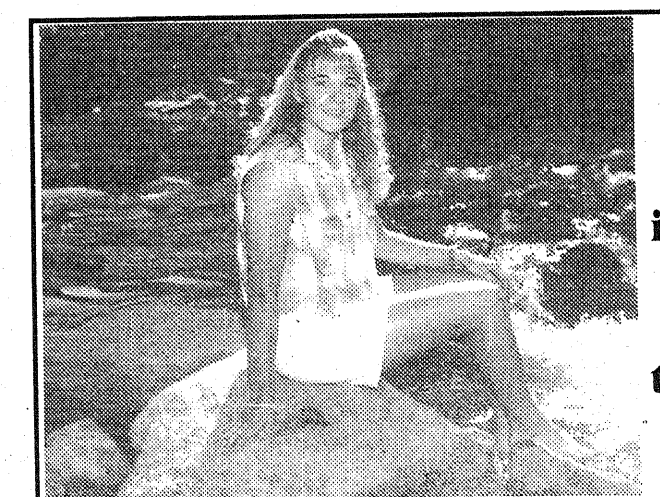
James and Carman Novak of Dearborn Heights announced the engagement of their daughter Leah Novak of Dearborn Heights to 1Lt. Michael Voelker, son of Mary Jane Voelker and the late Kenneth Voelker of Caseville. The bride-to-be graduated from Michigan State University with a B.S. in Environmental Engineering. The prospective groom graduated from Laker High School, then earned a B.A. in Business Communication from Michigan State University and a Master's Degree in Business from Central Michigan University. He is currently serving with the U.S. Air Force in Minot, S.D. The couple will be married on Sept. 16 at St. Thomas Aquinas Church in Dearborn with a wedding reception at Henry Ford mansion in Dearborn.

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