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It's below-zero super-cool time in the Western Thumb

Rural Round-up news...

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SCHOOL DISPUTE CONTINUES

No agreement was reached in last week's three-way meetings in Flint among representatives from Elkton -Pigeon - Bay Port (Laker), Owendale - Gagetown and Cass City Public Schools discussing school land boundaries.

A hearing was scheduled this past Monday before state Board of Education Public Hearing Officer Raymond Godmer in Lansing, to discuss disposition of the "Belk" properties, still involved in the 10-plus year-old litigation.

Owen-Gage is seeking return of the Belk parcels from Cass City plus the "Voelker," "Parker" and "Schaper" properties which were transferred by the state to the Laker District.

Attending last week's hearings Tuesday and Wednesday for Owen-Gage were Supt. Ronald Erickson, Board President Ronald Good and Jack Brinkman. Representing the Laker District were Supt. Harry Brunet, Board President Bruce Baur and Gerald Elenbaum, whose "Elenbaum parcel" was transferred to Lakers in the early 1970s. Attending for Cass City were Supt. Donald Crouse, Board member Ben Hobart and Keith Goslin. Hobart is a resident of the othertransferred property, the "Goslin parcel," which was sent to Cass City from Owen-Gage in the '70s.

150 MICHIGAN YEARS!

A public meeting is planned today (Wednesday) at 10 a.m. to begin formation of a Local Sesquicentennial Agency for Huron County, to recognize Michigan's 150th anniversary in late 1986 and early '87.

The session is planned in Room 305 of the County Building in Bad Axe. Individuals and organizational representatives are invited, according to Huron County Commissioner Jean Talaski (R-Harbor Beach), local contact person.

Such local Sesquicentennial Agencies are an important part of the state's 150th celebration, since they will coordinate local celebrations and will help implement statewide observances. Being sought are cultural, historical, educational and civic representations, Talaski says

She has more information by phoning 269-6431 or writing Room 307, Huron County Building, Bad Axe, 48413.

LOCAL CRUISE MISSILE LAUNCH

That cruise missile launched last Wednesday morning over northern Canada had its start just across Saginaw Bay. The 22-foot-long unarmed missile was fired from a U.S. Air Force B-52 bomber which took off from Wurtsmith Air Force Base near Oscoda eight hours before the 9:30 a.m. launch over terrain similar to Siberia's.

The best of the experimental nuclear weapon included a mid-air refueling over North Dakota and was the first such Strategic Air Command test flight to leave from Wurtsmith. Other similar tests are planned this winter from other U.S. bases, Air Force spokesmen say.

MEAL SITE TO BE MOVED

A compromise site for the Sandusky senior citizen center is being sought, in an attempt to end a seven-month feud between seniors and the Thumb Area Commission on Aging.

TACA signed a 10-year contract with rent and costs exceeding \$1500 per month last spring, to replace the rent-free meal site at Sandusky High School. A growing number of senior citizens said the new center was too expensive and refused to use it. Now, both sites are operating.

Region Seven Area Agency on Aging representative Rebecca Reimann offered the new site compromise last week, and a committee is being formed to seek a new facility. Members should be picked and ready to meet within the next week, Reimann said.

The next TACA meeting is set for Feb. 17 in Cass City.

APARTMENTS FOR GAGETOWN? The Owen-Gage School Board of Education has approved

the sale of unneeded school property in Gagetown so a developer can build an apartment building there.

William Breakey of Management Resources Development of East Lansing plans to build a 12-unit apartment complex PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 3

Winter Carnival warms up Pigeon

A variety of activities to liven up the winter was enjoyed by people in Pigeon last weekend.

At right, Dorothy Young looks over a display by Phyllis Whitney of Minden City at the Craft and Merchant Display at the Pigeon VFW Hall last Saturday.

The Carnival also featured a basketball tournament which was won by Cross Lutheran. More details and photo on page 21.

Early retirement plan for educators could trigger teacher shortage

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

After years of teacher layoffs, Michigan could soon experience a statewide shortage of educators that could reach crisis proportions.

Although area school districts won't be affected as much as some areas in the state, nearly one-fifth of Michigan teachers are now eligible to retire because of a new retirement plan.

According to Michigan Department of Education figures, 18.2% of Michigan's 87,000 public school teachers can close their books this school year, with the figure dropping to about 2.5% in following years.

Under the retirement package, teachers whose age plus number of years of teaching experience equals 80 or more are eligible for early retirement.

Laker Schools will have six teachers qualify for the retirement plan, although none have indicated whether they plan to participate, says Business Manager Bob Drury

He notes two advantages to the new program. The retiree benefits by retiring at an earlier age than was possible with the former plan, which also remains as an option. Should a teacher choose retirement, the district also benefits financially by replacing a top salary instructor with a less experienced teacher paid a lower wage rate.

At Caseville, Superintendent James Stahl says three of the 19-person teaching staff will qualify for the new retirement plan in the next few years, and only one this year. He says none have indicated they will retire.

A person who begins teaching at age 22 will be able to retire at age 51 under the new plan. One drawback under the program, however, is the fact that those taking advantage of the early retirement option must contribute 4% of their gross income, which is not required by the older plan.

In addition to teachers, any person employed in public education from bus drivers to administrators can take part in the plan. In fact, Laker Superintendent Harry Brunet says the new early retirement plan could affect administration even more than teachers.

"It's going to be devastating (on the teacher supply), but even more at the administrative level. About 60% of school administrators will be eligible by the end of the year, Brunet says.

From conversations with others at a recent Michigan Association of School Administrators, Brunet estimates over half of the administrators who qualify will take the early retirement option.

Michigan Superintendent of Education Phillip Runkel recently expressed similar thoughts.

"The overall picture is not good. All those people practicing in administration, nearly 55%, are eligible in the next three years. That's pretty heavy dynamite. And where do those people come from -- the teaching ranks. If even 25% of administrators go, it's just contributing to the impact on the teaching pool," Runkel says.

Brunet suggests this could be a good time for people considering teaching as a profession to enter the field. He believes teaching positions will be available across the state for "quite a few years."

Laker Schools will probably not need to hire many teachers soon because a relatively young staff won't be eligible for the new program, adds Brunet.

While enrollment of college students in education is increasing somewhat, Michigan schools must compete with other states, such as those in the west and southwest, who are agressively recruiting Michigan education graduates.

One way of keeping more Michigan teachers at home is by increasing salaries. Although Michigan's average teacher salary of \$28,500 is second-highest in the nation, that is partly due to the fact that many teachers have 10 or more years of teaching experience which puts them at the top of the salary schedule in their districts.

Michigan Education Associationn figures pinpoint the average age of Michigan teachers at 46.

Races rescheduled

Nearly all events during this past weekend's Pigeon Winter Carnival were conducted on time and as usual -- except snowmobile, three- and four-wheeler races.

Due to poor track conditions, those races have been rescheduled to this Sunday, Feb. 2 at the "Licht Track" at Maxwell and Geiger Roads, one mile south of Laker High School, according to sponsors, the Pigeon Area Jaycees.

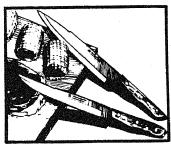
Registrations are planned at the site from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, with races starting promptly at 1 p.m., sponsors say. Trophies will be awarded.

Food concessions will be available at the site and they remind participants and viewers to bundle up warmly for all the speeding fun!

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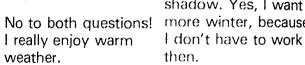
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Yes or no -- will Punxtatony Phil the Groundhog see his shadow Sunday? Do you want six more weeks of winter? Why or why not?

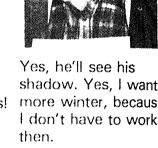


No, NO! We're tired of winter, because our family can't wait to 'spring' out of the house!

Lorraine LePage **PIGEON**



Anne Orth **PIGEON**



Elmer Gettel **PIGEON**



No, he won't see his shadow. No, I don't vant more winter. 'e've had enough

Don Smith CASEVILLE

Yes, he will. No! No more winter, because I'm ready to hit the beaches and the

Julie Naffien SEBEWAING

No, he won't. No, because I don't like the cold.

John Miller **BAY PORT**

EDITOR'S NOTE: Sunday, Feb. 2 is Groundhog Day, or Candlemas Day. There's an old belief that if the Groundog sees his shadow when he emerges on this day, six more

Lake-Chandler news and notes

By MILDRED BALLAGH Dewey and infant son, Derek Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Horton of Kalkaska were Saturday luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pedler. Weekend guests of the

Michael, born Dec. 11 at Midland Hospital, weighing 9 lbs. 13 oz., Laurie's son Richard Smith of Midland and Carrie Pedler of Elkton.

Pedlers were their daughter and family, Laurie and Tim parents. Mr. and Mrs.

Date set for counselor test

has been set for Friday, Feb. 21 at the Tuscola County

The testing applies to any interested person in Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac, St. Clair or Tuscola County who would like to be a credentiated Alcohol/Drug Counselor. Pre-registration for this

The next Apprentice test is required by calling the Counselor Credential list for Human Development Com-Alcohol and Drug Counseling mission, Substance Abuse Coordinating Agency at negistration deadline is Friday, Jan. 31.

The manual, "Fundamentals of Substance Abuse Counseling," which is the required text for the test, is available by calling the Michigan Substance Abuse Information Clearinghouse at 485-9900

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Rural ROUND-UP

Top o' the week...

BEAN WORRY: Thumb Area dry bean farmers, worried that the nation's new farm bill will cause bean prices to plunge, are looking to Washington for help. They say this area's multi-million-dollar bean industry is at risk, and they're seeking help from Michigan's two

Both Sens. Carl Levin (D-Detroit) and Donald Riegle (D-Flint) sent outgoing U.S. Agriculture Secretary John Block a letter this week about the bill. They said that by encouraging farmers to reduce production of subsidized crops, the bill will harm farmers who grow beans or other

"Any increase in acres will decrease the price since we're already in a surplus situation," says Huron County Ag Agent Andy Sommers. "We're very concerned about what is going to happen to our price, which hasn't been all

that wonderful (anyway)," Sommers says. Huron County produced nearly \$12 million in dry beans last year, making it Michigan's top-producing county with 65,000 acres. Sanilac Extension Director Rex Sieting agrees no more beans are needed, saying "the price is now about \$15 (per hundredweight of beans), which is hardly a break-even point.'

Some industry experts say increased production could produce a bean glut which could force the present bean price to levels below \$10 per cwt.

Riegle and Levin are asking the USDA to discourage other types of farmers from planting their idled acreage with non-subsidized crops, such as beans, believing such acreage would be set-aside for conservation purposes.

"We feel it is inconsistent with the goals of the 1985 farm bill to encourage production on acreage which should be set aside," their letter says.

4-H EXPERIENCE: Huron County 4-H members and adults interested in learning more about state government may apply for the 1986 4-H Capitol Experience. Applications must be returned by next Friday, Feb. 4.

'Capitol Experience is a statewide 4-H program in citizenship, leadership and community service, using state government as the focus," says Huron County Extension Director Bob

The program, planned in Lansing March 16-19, gives about 60 teens and 15 adult leaders the opportunity to

perience personal growth and explore local government activities

"This year's theme is "Michigan Government in Action" which will offer a chance to meet people in state government -- including legislators, supreme court officials, governor's staff members, lobbyists and others, Johnson notes. There is a moderate pro-

gram fee, including meals, odging and local transportation, and persons seeking more information should contact Johnson in the County Building, Bad Axe, or by

SCHOLARSHIPS: The Kelly Rae Flannery Scholarship Committee is accepting applications from youths 10 to 14 years of age to attend

approved camps. County Extension Director Robert Johnson says the scholarships will be presented to youngsters whose families would have financial hardships sending the children to camps, which can include church, 4-H, scout, music, athletic and

handicapped youth camps. Applications are available rom the Cooperative Extension Service Office, 104 County Building, Bad Axe,

and should be sought soon. The scholarship fund was established from a Detroit Free Press grant, for a story reprinted in the Reader's Digest last year explaining the tragic death of Kelly Rae Flannery, who aided others around the country through donations of body parts.

The grant money is in an Interfaith Council account, with the interest going to send a needy youth to camp. The Camp Scholarship Committee is a subcommittee of the Interfaith Council.

CERTIFICATION: About 15,000 Michigan farmers will be required to become certified to use certain pesticides in the next

three months. Farmers seeking certification should contact their County Extension Service office, which can offer a home study course for certification. Farmers are being encouraged to do so now, before spring planting

Insecticides placed on federal restricted-use lists

Counter. Dyfonate. Furadan, Mocap, Thimet, Dasanit. Di-syston and Temik, among others.

A weekly briefing of news and information of interest to Thumb Farmers

CROPS MEETINGS:: A two-part seminar about the economics of crop production are scheduled for Thursdays, Feb. 6 and 13 at the Huron County Farm Bureau Building, Bad Axe. The programs begin at 9:30 a.m. each day and are sponsored by the Cooperative Extension Service and the **Huron County Corn Growers**

Association Methods of combining production technology and economics to achieve maximum net profits will be discussed, in the series being conducted all over the state

Feb. 6 session topics include long-range outlook for price, yield and input costs, cost of production for various crops, land rent, government programs and

other decision-making tools. Feb. 13 topics include figuring return for every unit of input, looking at land and machinery in terms of payback, rates of return on investments, marketing strategies and more.

The Huron County Extension Office has details, at

BEAN WINNERS: No one from Michigan is included in the top four categories,

Recipe Contest" have been announced Grand Prize winner is

Kevin Mayhill of Leasburg, MO., with a Pork and Bean Lasagne. He wins a weeklong trip for two to Hawaii. according to the Michigan Bean Commission, a contest Other winners were from

Pennsylvania, Idaho, In-Zesty Bean Casserole, Easy Bean Soup, Streusel-Topped THe list of winners - with

all the yummy recipes -- is available from the Bean Commission by sending a self-addressed, stamped (long) envelope to: Pork and Beans

P.O. Box 22037 Lansing, MI 48909

STEADY DEBT: The preliminary figures show U.S. farm debt leveled off in 1985 and may have declined in some major categories, says the USDA

Not counting what families owe on homes, furnishings and other household items. total farm debt was about \$198.9 billion on Dec. 31, 1985 -- the same as 1984, says the USDA's Economic Research

Excluding price support loans made by the USDA's Commodity Credit Corp., '85 farm debt was estimated to and we appreciate it. but victors in the "Great have dropped between 2%

Attention

Real estate and non-real estate debt each declined about 4%, USDA says.

Experts noted a surge CCC loan activity during the third and fourth quarters of 1985 offset declines in the other debt categories. Cash grain farms, which account or about 25% of all farms hold about one-third of all farm debt, as do meat animal farms and ranches

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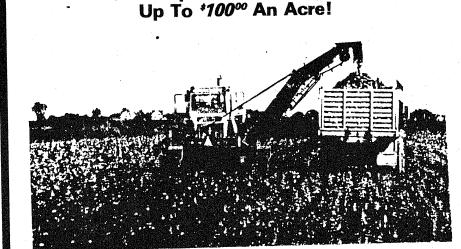
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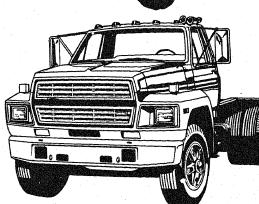


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The Past in Print...

THE ELKTON ADVANCE

80 YEARS AGO **FEBRUARY 2, 1906**

Frank Horlacher and Miss Sarah Bedford, Pigeon, were

united in marriage Wednes-At the Huron County

Farmers Institute, held at Elkton, the following vice presidents for this section of the county were elected: Winsor Twp., John Turner; McKinley, J.J. Murdoch; Oliver, A.L. Chamberlain; Caseville, Luke Johnson: Chandler, G.A. Braun: Brookfield, Richard Hughes. R.P.McDonald sold his

residence in Pigeon to P.L. Joseph Good, Owendale, has secured a position in a

shingle mill at Caseville. Peter Bushey, formerly a well-known hotel man at Kinde, has purchased the Washington House at

70 YEARS AGO **FEBRUARY 4, 1916**

John Foster, 67, wellknown Pigeon citizen, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ernest Paul. He is survived by two daughters and

The following from the

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at the January term of circuit court: Robert Day and John Day, Grant Twp; Herman Kraft and Fred C. Brown, Bay Port; Gordon Winhold and William J. Bruce, Caseville; Stanley Marx, Samuel Schultz and Jacob Faist, Elkton; Jacob Anton, Owendale; John

Allen, Sebewaing. Winsor Twp. politics are warming up. Candidates for treasurer are William Trost and George Muentener; for highway commissioner, William Bannick, Edward Dickman and W.S. Gregory. At the Gem Theatre, Pigeon, for Saturday, Feb. 5: When the Call Came, in two parts: For His Pal. one-

60 YEARS AGO JANUARY 29, 1926

Counterplot, one-reel com-

John E. Wallace, 63, Detroit, formerly of Port Austin, dropped dead while standing in the lobby of the Book-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit. He was well-known in Republican political circles in Huron County. He leaves four children.

Pigeon Community Club met in the Hotel Heasty dining room Friday evening. New officers elected are Louis Staubus, Ernest Paul, western part of the county Harry Leslie and J.E.

were admitted to citizenship Cramer. Other directors are

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held February

4, 1986, at 7:00 p.m. at Winsor Township

Hall, on Winsor Township Ordinance

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Some states require

Supervisor

Mrs. Calvin Patterson, 83, nee Sarah Danoldson, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James Foster, Pigeon, on Jan. 24. She leaves two sons and two daughters.

Those from Pigeon who attended the program given by violinist, at Saginaw Thurs-

50 YEARS AGO reel drama; Plot and JANUARY 31, 1936

> Rev. George F. Wacker, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church at Berne for 40 years, died Saturday after undergoing an operation at University Hospital, Ann Arbor. Besides his wife, he leaves a daughter and four

Jacob Sting, 71, died at his 30 YEARS AGO home in Bach. He leaves FEBRUARY 2, 1956 four sons and a daughter.

now has over 100 members.

A meeting of the Townsend Club of Pigeon will be held at the Town Hall Wednesday

Fritz Kreisler, famous day evening were Mr. and Mrs. William Leipprandt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sturm, Miss Ella Maxwell, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kleinschmidt, Robert Neeley and Albert

Charles F. Sturm purchased the automobile business of R.S. Wurm & Co. at Pigeon. The new firm, to be known as C.F. Sturm & Son, takes over the business this

A meeting to organize the National Union for Social Justice was held at Pigeon Owendale, was named Fown Hall Monday evening. valedictorian of the remporary officers are Peter Neibauer; Edward Schlund; Alvin Buerker, Irene Adams, daughter of Samual Leinbach, Arthur Buerker. The local group

H.B. Harder and Ernest evening. A prominent speaker will be on the program. The ladies are especially invited.

40 YEARS AGO **FEBRUARY 1, 1946**

The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gettel served as the setting for the observance of Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Truemner's 25th wedding anniversary Saturday even-

Loren C. Scramlin, 70, Spanish-American and World War I veteran, died in the Vollmer Hotel, Pigeon. where he had made his home for six years. He was a painter and decorator by trade. Surviving are a daughter, three grand-

children and a sister. John H. Wagester, 74, Pigeon, passed away Monday. He leaves his wife, two sisters and two brothers Mr. and Mrs. Frank Draschil, Owendale, receiv-

ed definite word that their son, S 1/C Joseph Draschil was killed in action Feb. 21. 1945 at Iwo Jima. This is the second son of the Draschils to lose his life in this war Sgt. Nick Draschil was killed in action in June, 1944 in Ita-

Miss Ruth Ann Kretzschmer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rolla Kretzschmer, graduating class at Owendale High School and Miss Mr. and Mrs. Herman Adams, Gagetown, took salutatorian honors, it was announced by Supt. Henry

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munity Farm Bureau, was organized at the home of Mr. grandchildren. and Mrs. Warren Krohn near Elkton, Officers chosen are Gartee, Warren Krohn, Sam - a daughter and a son. Murray and Mrs. Marion

Gartee Mrs. Frank Maxfield, 70, Elkton, passed away Thursday. Surviving are her husoand and a son.

Clarence G. Toner, 52, died while at work at Elkton Concrete Products Co. He leaves Acres Nursing Home. his widow and three

20 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 3, 1966 A.G. Spaeth, Northville superintendent of sales for the Burroughs Adding Machine Co. for New York and Detroit, has acquired a controlling interest in the Bay Port State Bank, it was announced following the annual meeting of bank shareholders.

Two bus loads of foreign students from the University of Michigan spent the weekend visiting in the West Huron area, under the program of the Christian Rural Hospitality Council. Edmund Good, owner of a

large crop and dairy farm in Huron and Tuscola counties, has been appointed to act as Huron County chairman of Michigan Week again this

The Washington Office of Economic Opportunity announced that the Laker school district has been approved for a federal grant of nearly \$95,000 to provide preschool child growth and development centers in Elkton, Pigeon and Bay

10 YEARS AGO JANUARY 29, 1976

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Deming, Bay Port, celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary Jan. 11 with a family. dinner at their home. They have a son, four daughters, 16 grandchildren and three Press great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. James Richmond, Caseville, were was observed Monday evenhonored on their 40th wedding anniversary at a buffet was served to more than 100 dinner in Caseville Com- members, their husbands munity Bank community and former members.

group, called Aim High Com- room Jan. 4, hosted by their son and daughter and three

Frances R. Henry, 56, Pageon, died Jan. 21. She Elmer Neischulz, Marion leaves her husband, Ronald, Cyril A McIlhargie, 80. Lake Twp. farmer, died Jan. 23 Surviving are his wife.

six sons and five daughters. Mrs Josephine Tamblyn formerly of Pigeon, will observe her 103rd birthday anniversary Feb. 2 at Sunny

FROM THE ELKTON ADVANCE FILES 45 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 30, 1941 Earl S. Eidt, superinten dent of Elkton High School., has accepted a position as superintendent of the public schools at Belding, Mich.

Beginning next Monday Feb. 3, the Elkton State Bank will close each day at 3 p.m. to conform with federal labor laws regulating bank employes' hours.

40 VEARS AGO

JANUARY 31, 1946 Mr. and Mrs. Martin DeFilippi purchased the restaurant operated by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Zum and will take possession Friday, Feb.

Elkton and Pigeon High Schools' basketball teams staged a nip-and-tuck battle Tuesday evening on the Elkton court. A capacity crowd of fans from both schools saw Elkton win 17-15. 35 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 1, 1951 More than 40 Elkton boys and girls were on hand to help convert the old Opera House into a Community Youth Recreation Center. Leu Moon, high school coach, will be director of the

Center. Michigan Lumber Fabricators, whose Elkton plant is one of village's main industries, was written-up in the Sunday Detroit Free

The 25th anniverary of the Owendale Woman's Club ing when a turkey dinner



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Local clubs and organizations conduct winter business

PIGEON LIONS

The Lions met at the Pigeon VFW Hall Wednes- recuperating at home. day, Jan. 22 at 6:30 p.m. with 50 Lions present.

President Wayne Anderorder and introduced two several readings by Helen Lions from the Owendale club, Deputy District Gover- her life. nor Ed Good, Jr., a candidate for district governor charge of next week's and Lion Joe Lorencz.

President Anderson read various correspondences and mentioned the annual chocolate Easter Bunny Sale, to be headed by John Walsh. District Convention dates at the Midland Valley Plaza are March 21-23.

Lion Todd Bigger announced the Lions Bowling Tournament dates of Feb. 14-16 and is looking for good bowlers to participate.

was installed by Past District Governor Roy Lawrence. The meeting was turned

over to Lion Tom Main who showed a film on Laker football games from 1965 to the present The next meeting will be

Feb. 12, to be followed by a board meeting.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Thirty-six members of the and a wedding anniversary club met at noon for their weekly meal.

A moment of silence was observed for Joe Torres, who & R Block Income Tax Co., passed away recently. Frank Rinnert offered table prayer. Clayton and Ardis Gemmell were in charge of music. "America" was the Snow and Cabin Fever sung, followed by the Pledge weekend trip to Midland on to the Flag. No birthdays or the 24th reports that 44 anniversaries were noted. members signed up. Group singing followed.

The minutes of the ed for social games of previous meeting were read euchre, pinochle and Bingo. and accepted and a card was signed for Esther Hodapp, Lola Tropea, Norma Schuldt

Cooper's new

was reported that Bea Euchre players Jerome Gregor and George Keena, Andy Lakatos and Southworth are both Flavel Chapin tied for first placed second and Tony

President Mike Renn turned the program over to Edna Wakefield, who introduced son called the meeting to Ardis Gemmell. She gave Steiner Rice and told about

Florence Southworth is in

CASEVILLE

RETIREMENT CLUB The Caseville Retirement Club meeting Jan. 21 at the American Legion Hall was called to order by President Frank Janes with 102 pre-

The president introduced Stella Wozniak as a new member and Ann McBride New Lion Ross Voelker as a guest for the day. Marion Parent, R.N. with

Billie Lakatos assisting, reported 32 blood pressure readings for the day.

Hospitalized members in clude Frank and Carolyn Lambert in Huron Memorial Hospital, Frank Darby, Stella Schamel and Luella Colangelo who are recuperating at home.

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Harriet DesMet, Tom Mackey, Vincent Rohr, Dorothy Kavalar, Andrew Mom celebrated birthdays was feted for Raymond and Virginia Kapcia on Jan. 26.

Marilyn and Diane of the H Elkton were guest speakers, answering questions for tax preparations in 1986. Andy Lakatos, in charge of

The meeting was adjourn-Pinochle winners were

Maxine Morey introduced

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place, Dorothy Kavalar Clinic, who followed his Zacheretti placed third. and-answer period. Bingo winner was Jo

Elkton Club 59 women met

Jan. 21 at the home of Marge Farver with 13 members pr-Cheer baskets and plants. presented by John Champagne of Champagne Funeral Chapels, Elkton and Caseville. He presented a

questions. The business meeting included a report on "Lunch With Santa' and the disbursement of the club's funds. Final decisions will be made at the February

Co-hostesses for the meeting were Dee Esch and Diana Seley, who served hot fudge sundaes and coffee after the meeting.

short film on pre-funeral ar-

rangements and answered

CASEVILLE LIBRARY CLUB

The Caseville Library Club held its meeting Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 12 noon in the Community Room of the Village-Township Hall with 34 members in attendance. Hostesses serving dessert and coffee were Elaine

Cleaver and Dottie Douglas. Members observed a moment of silent prayer in memory of Jean Jock, Robert Kressbach, Joe Wilhelm and Glenn Steven-

Viola Hopkins gave the invocation. Following lunch, President Margaret Wilhelm led the members in the Club Collect and Pledge to the and Marie Paljanowski.

guest speaker Dr. Barry G. Pawluk, DVM, owner of the Caseville Small Animal presentation with a question-

Secretary and Treasurer reports were given by Charlotte Reeves and Doris Witzke and Corresponding Secretary Jackie Lankey read thank-you notes from recipients of the Christmas

Marion Watterworth announced that four memorials had been sent, in memory of Jean Jock, to Chandler Presbyterian Church: Robert Kressbach, to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church: Joe Wilhelm, to St. Roch Catholic Church and Glenn Stevenson, to Huron

Memorial Hospital. The club will sponsor Valentine Luncheon/Card Party on Feb. 18 at 12 noon in the Caseville Township

> Bowler of the week

The Thumb Area Womens **Bowling Association Bowler** of the Week for Jan. 6-12 is Janet Jolly with a 630 actual Jolly rolled games of 246,

234 and 150 on the Thumb Office Supply team on the Wednesday Night League at Biff's, Kinde.

Other 550 and higher series bowled were: Ethel Gunden 630 and Jan Deering 599, Pigeon Lanes; Sue Arnott 596, Biff's, Kinde; Mary Ann Carter 564, Bad Axe Lanes; Connie Swartzendruber 559 Crazy Horse Lanes, Ubly.

TOP TAWBA AVERAGES As of Jan. 12, 1986 . Swartzendruaber, Crazy Horse 173 Marilyn Smith, Biff's172 Sharon DeLong, Charmont Bea Harwood, Biff's . Judy Ostrander, Almac

Hall's Community Room, demonstration, a short Caterer will be Annabelle's business meeting was con-Sebewaing. Ar- ducted by President Pat rangements are being made Enderle. Thank you notes by Mary Phillips, Ruby Pennington. Betty Byrne and

available from Dottie Treasurer Bonnie Gaeth Douglas or Rose Marie reported that a profit was Next meeting will be Feb. made on the cheese ball sale, with proceeds benefitting 11 with guest speaker James various community projects Stahl, superintendent of

the fruit boxes they received

and donations. A cherry dessert and diet ello were served by hostesses Jane Faust and Judi Reinhardt, A auction item brought by Mrs. Reinhardt was purchased by Owen-Gage Schools with a Jeannette McDonald Door

Prize was won by Linda Roe

Thirteen members and one The February meeting will guest, Aileen Ziehm of Sebe- be at the home of Arlene



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Only then will marriages be given better than slight chances at healing through problems, or children be liberated from life-long psychological damage from abuse, or alcholics/drug users be bold enough to admit that problems exist and seek help, or Christians start to wake up and realize a white harvest of people they never dreamed of who are consciously or subconsciously crying for God but everyone is too dignified to bring up the subject, or whatever.

Small towns should be a bastion for healing. The good

shake free of intimidating dignity. Dignity is important and precious. But when it becomes

More on Garrison Keiller next week Other area deaths . .

Lilly C. Kirk, 77, of Clearwater, Fla., formerly of Fairgrove, passec away Jan. 6. Grace Garner Wells, 50, of Adrian, formerly of Caro, passe

Alex 'Sandy" McGeachy, 61, of Dearborn Heights, formerly of Bad Axe and Kinde, passed away Jan. 17.

away Jan. 17. Marjorie L. Halifax, 38, of Lexington, formerly of Minden Citv. passed away Jan. 17. Pearl Licklin, 95, of Bad Axe, passed away Jan. 18. Edson C. Smith, 87, of Harbor Beach, passed away Jan. 18.

Cecil Loomis, 86, of the Cass City area, passed away Jan. 18. Elton R. Herford, 72, of Pigeon, passed away Jan. 18. James Lounsberry, 63, of Marlette, passed away Jan. 19. Mary A. Moleski, 52, of Jackson, formerly of Bad Axe, passed away Jan. 19. Henry Lemanski, 80, of Brighton, formerly of Harbor Beach,

passed away Jan. 19. Steve Orto, 71, of Cass City, passed away Jan. 19. LaVerne W. Schumacher, 74, of Ruth, passed away Jan. 20. John R. Bukoski, 93, formerly of Ubly, passed away Jan. 20. Delbert N. Gremel, 70, of Sebewaing, passed away Jan. 21. Albertine Gibb, 68, of Port Austin, passed away Jan. 21. Merilyn M. Karg, 55, of Port Hope, passed away Jan. 23.

Diener Home of FF **MAJOR LEAGUE** High individual scores: J. Rosenthal 544 (199), B. Heintz 199, E. Howard 190, R. Voss 187, D. Quick 187, L. Kain 512, E. Splits: 3-10 A. Nowazyk, L. Gillingham, A. Kleinfeld, D. Quick., R. Schnepp; 6-7-10 D. Quick, A.M. Krohn; 2-7 J. Christner, B. Diller, P. Yoder, B. Heintz, Y. Hodge; 8-9 Z. Ross; 5-7 Z. Ross; 3-7 B. Diller; 4-5-10 Bay Shore Realty R. Voss; 5-10 C. Poisson, V. Fluegge; 4-5 D. Basinger; 4-5-7 C. Deming. TUESDAY **CLASSIC LEAGUE**

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the wife has walked out?!! Or how many wives do you know who would contact

Dignity is more important than life in many ways here in Pigeon. And it will continue to be important than life until some folk stand up and point their finger at such intimidating dignity and call it by name and refuse to submit to its

health anymore.

qualities are already here and everyone knows that -- witness Scott Ourth's letter to the editor last week. If only we can more important than life, then it is called murder

SEE OBITUARIES ON PAGE 5

away Jan. 16. Irene E. Owens, 68, of Caro passed away Jan. 17. Garry Evans, 56, of Caseville, passed away Jan. 17. Gertrude Janicki, 84, of Warren, with relatives in Ubly, passed

Margaret Stenton, 95, of Dallas, Texas, formerly of Bad Axe, passed away Jan. 22.

Caseville School



In the News

By VICKI GOSLEE and GAIL GEMBARSKI

CONTEST: A model wooden bridge is being drawn by Drafting II students Dave Simet and Gail Gembarski. They will complete the drawings before April 4.

Drawings are judged on use of standard and conventions of drafting and engineering graphics. Drawings are worth about 25% and judge prior to the testing date, April 19.

The bridges are to be made with only simple supports and can not be coated or treated in any way. The bridge can only be made from the kits available.

The contest is the MSU-ASCE Ninth Annual Model Bridge Contest.

On the day of the contest, the bridges will be tested to see how much weight they will hold.

Both students feel it is a good learning experience and are thankful their instructor, George Bednorek entered the contest. -- CHS --

COMING HOME: The January Activity Committee of the Student Council has been busy lately preparing for "Coming Home" which has been taking place since Monday.

The activity for "Coming Home," which is similar to football's homecoming, includes dress-up days with a different theme each day.

Monday is beach bum, Tuesday is hat and sunglasses, Wednesday is favorite personality, Thursday is t-shirt signing and Friday is Red & White Day.

A king's court consisting of Greg Langley, Dave Simet and Tony Seagraves and court representatives of junior Bruce Langley, sophomore Scott Kelly and Freshman Rich Simpson have been chosen. A king will be chosen byu the student body with a penny jar. The candidate with the most pennies will be announced as king during halftime ac-tivities of Friday's game against Owen-Gage.

Each class has been busy this week decorating the halls and preparing a float from a "little red wagon." Prizes for the best floats overall will be awarded during halftime.

UPCOMING:

Jan. 30 - Volleyball home with CPS and junior high boys basketball at Port Hope Jan. 31 - Basketball at

home with Owen-Gage
Feb. 1 - J.V. Volleyball at
Akron-Fairgrove Tournament and Professional Girl's Basketball game at 7:30

Feb. 3 - Volleyball at Port Hope and junior high boys' basketball at home with Owen-Gage

Feb. 4 - Basketball at Port

-- CHS --

SPORTS SHORTS: The volleyball team added four losses when they were defeated by Cass City on Jan. 20 and Owen-Gage on

Kelly Wolfe led the Eagles against Cass City with 21 service points and one ace, Michelle Stahl added 19 points, three aces, 11 spikes and five kills and Michelle Conrad hit 20 spikes and six

Against Owen-Gage, Brenda Čilc aided the Eagles with 10 service points and two

aces. Michelle Stahl added 13 attacks and two kills. -- CHS -

EAGLES FALL: Caseville fell from first place after Kingston topped them in a close game, 67-64. CHS was 38% from the floor, the same as Kingston, but were onley 44% (8-18) from the foul line with Kingston 66% (23-35).

Senior Dave Simet led the Eagles with 28 points and 19 rebounds. Pete Delmotte and John Winkler added 11 points each.

-- CHS --THEN RISE: Caseville lifted their league record to 7-2 with a 63-45 win over Akron-

Fairgrove. Senior Ray Johnson led the team with 20 points and Dave Simet added 15.

-- CHS

Caseville Perch Festival planned for April 18-27

Pigeon's Winter Carnival is behind us now, meaning springtime events are next on the horizon!

The 1986 Caseville Perch Festival will bring fishermen and fun-lovers to town Friday, April 18 through Sunday, April 27 all

over the community.

Highlights now being planned by the Caseville Chamber of Commerce include fishing contests throughout the 10-day event, crowning of Miss Caseville, a pancake breakfast, pool tournaments, parade and a new event -- a fish casting

The Grand Parade is planned Saturday, April 19 at 2 p.m., through town, featuring all candidates from the Caseville High Junior Class contending for the 1986 Miss Caseville Title. This year, the Caseville Retirement Club is coordinating the

ed that night, when Miss Caseville will be chosen and

Fishing continues through April 27, with prizes again offered by the Chamber of Commerce for longest and heaviest Perch caught locally during the festival.

The first Perch Casting Contest -- with free instruc-tions -- is planned Saturday,

April 26. George Bednorek of Lakeside Marina is conducting the free event, with prizes offered.

A Caseville Kiwanis Club Pancake & Sausage Breakfast is planned Sun-day, April 27 and other events are planned.

Watch for details in up-coming issues of The Progress-Advance.

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Metal 2391 (864-816), Want Ads 2242 (780), Village Barber 2204, Rapson Foster Care 768.

High individual scores: E. Rounds 507 (189-174), M. Ropp 496 (182), R. Stahl 482 (191), J. rish 482, W. Rapson 48I1 (174), J. Gotts 479 (188), L. Welshans 477 (175), F. Behm 476 (186), C.L. Dubs 472 (175), P. Niebel 470, H. Collins 467 (175), A. Lackie 464 (194), B. Schulz 461

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(171), F. Otto 173, D. Strauch

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Co-op Elevator15 Caseville Fruit Market13 Active Feed12 Albrecht Auction Service . . . 18 Silver Dollar6 Pigeon Lanes6 High team scores: Caseville Fruit Market 2508 (897-824). Albrecht Auction 2446 (825-827), Co-op Elevator 2442

High individual scores: 601 (207-223). M. Swartzendruber 559 (200), H. Ropp 538, N. Henne 521 (210), D. Dunn 518, G. Mitchell 517, D. Schulz 511 (205), T. Gunden 203, E. Shepherd 502, C. Basinger

Splits: R. Damm 2-7, L. Albrecht; 2-7 Swartzendruber; 3-10 4-7-9 R. Graf.

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