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## Local schools hit hardest in state; seek fund change

By AMY HEIDEN

All over Huron County and the Thumb Area, school districts are seeing their revenues decline as farm land values continue their free fall.

Officials are being faced with tough choices — possible staff cuts, transportation cuts, elimination of extracurricular activities or reduced academic programs.

HAPPENING HERE: The Elkton - Pigeon - Bay Port "Laker" School District is no different -- in fact, according to a recent Michigan State University study, is one of the hardest hit by declining land values anywhere in the state.

In 1987, the Laker Board sought a 10-mill increase over two years, but that issue was defeated at the polls. Voters eventually approved a 7.5-mill increase for one year, but that millage expires this year.

is the case in many districts, the value of ag property has taken a nosedive in recent years. Farmland in 1986 comprised 77% of SEVs in the Laker District, but proposed figures for 1988 show that figure falling to 46%.

Land values have dropped due in part to increased competition overseas for grain products, driving down commodity prices, leaving farmers with little cash to spare for land purchases.

Five years ago, prices for land were much higher because farmers had more money to spend. Farm land sold anywhere from \$2000 to \$3200 per acre, depending on demand.

Now, area land is currently selling for about \$900 an acre, and experts agree that price may go even lower in the future. But those experts also say that a turnaround should happen within the next two or three years and land values should stabilize.

MORE AHEAD: The study says property tax assessments have not been adjusted as fast as land values have fallen, so even deeper cuts in the tax base may still

Assessments are usually made by a study of land

sales within the last two years, but the county's Equalization Department has been using one-year figures recently, which are more current. So the district is probably two years away from any benefits from improvements in the farm economy and rising land prices, officials say.

STATE HELP: In poor districts, the state will make up for lost revenues, but "wealthy" districts, with plenty of taxable property, are generally ineligible for state aid.

A district is considered "in-formula" - eligible for state monies - if its SEVs in relation to student enrollment is low enough to qualify.

This year, the cut off figure was \$76,000 in SEV per pupil. If SEVs in the district are above that figure, the district is considered "out-of-formula" and does not receive state aid.

The Laker District in the 1985-86 school year had SEVs per-pupil of \$146,000, but that has fallen to \$106,000 in the current year.

FINANCE REFORM: One of the hottest topics in the state legislature presently is school finance reform.

Several proposals are being debated, with most calling for an increase in Michigan's present 4% sales tax, to provide some form of property tax relief.

But Gov. James Blanchard says he will demand guarantees that schools will improve their curriculums before he will support a higher sales tax. The state Senate Friday passed a bill requiring all Michigan public schools to offer a core curriculum of basic courses, but only if a school finance reform bill is adopted that would increase funding for those required courses.

The school finance reform bill would raise the state sales tax to 6%, while reducing property taxes and increasing state aid to schools.

Members of the state House must approve the bill, then the questions will go before the voters. However, all previous votes have been turned down by state voters, most of whose districts are "in-formula."

## Casaville mourns young accident victim

Winner of 31 Michigan Press Association

A three-year-old Caseville youngster was killed in a Sunday afternoon accident which demolished two cars at the Crescent Beach Road-M-25 intersection two miles southwest of Caseville.

Brian Gulash, son of Robert and Janet Gulash of Caseville, was a passenger in the family auto driven by his father, age 33, which was southbound on M-25, as the family was driving to a family dinner at Frankenmuth.

Also in the Gulash auto were Mrs. Gulash, age 35, Nathan Gulash, age 8 and Erin Gulash, age 6.

The vehicle was struck broadside by an eastbound auto driven by Richard Schemmel, 19 of Madison Heights, who entered the intersection through the stop sign on Crescent Beach Road, at 12:16 p.m., according to Michigan State Police from the Bad Axe Post. Marcia Fike, 19 of Richmond, was a passenger in Schemmel's auto.

Both vehicles rolled over and rested on their tops, where passersby helped guide the persons inside to safety.

All seven persons in the accident were taken to dismissed after its 11 Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, service, assisted of by Caseville Fire-Rescue motorists who stopped.



THE DEMOLISHED Gulash vehicle rests upside down after an impact with the Schemmel auto, pictured upside down in the background.

and Scheurer Ambulance, where Brian Gulash was pronounced dead about 1:15 p.m. All remaining persons were treated and released Sunday. Members of nearby Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, which had just dismissed after its 11 a.m. service, assisted other motorists who stopped.

Brian Gulash was buckled into a child restraint seat, and the other Gulash vehicle passengers wore seat belts, according to reports. Neither Schemmel nor his passenger, nor Robert Gulash were wearing seat belts.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Gulash

are teachers at Caseville Public School.

Police said Schemmel was unfamiliar with the area. No tickets have been issued, pending investigation, which is continuing.

OBITUARY APPEARS ON PAGE 10

#### Rotary International Paul Harris Fellow, that is!

## For SHE'S a jolly good 'Fellow'!

Florence Vollmer of Pigeon has been presented with a Paul Harris Fellow award by Rotary Past District Governor Karl Leppien and his wife, Helen at the Monday, March 21 meeting of the Pigeon Rotary Club.

Leppien stated that the Paul Harris Fellow Award is given in recognition of a \$1,000 contribution to the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International.

He said he and Mrs. Leppien were making the contribution to Rotary Foundation to honor the many contributions Mrs. Vollmer has made to the Pigeon community.

YEARS OF HELP: Leppien called Mrs. Vollmer "the town angel who went without publicity" for the many things she had done to help better the community of Pigeon and to help many people in the area."

She and her late husband operated the Vollmer Hotel for many years, and Mrs.



PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP recipient Florence Vollmer of Pigeon displays her award with presenter Karl Leppien.

r Nam Leppien. Scott meyepsieck phot Vollmer has served in many community and church projects for half a century.

PURPOSE: Rotary Foundation is dedicated to promoting international understanding through educational and charitable programs, scholarships, group study exchanges, special grants and health, hunger and humanity grants.

This year's emphasis is the Polio Plus Program, which is committing itself to help the world eradicate polio, at a cost of at least \$120 million.

MUCH RAISED HERE: So far, the Pigeon Rotarians have come close to reaching their three-year goal of \$25,000 in just six months, club spokesmen say.

Leppien noted the contribution in Mrs. Vollmer's name to Rotary Foundation wasn't as important as the fact that in her honor, Rotarians would be immunizing over 8,300 children against polio.

INSIDE: Want to know results of Saturday's Township Annual Meetings? See Page 13!

## Ladies lead '88 Owen-Gage honor students





MARCIE DRASCHIL **ELLEN LYMBURNER** 



May 22, 7:30 p.m.

May 26, 8 p.m.

second team all-conference.

second team all-area Huron, MVP, volleyball valuable

player, volleyball third team all-state, first team all-

region, first team all-area C-D Saginaw, first team all-

area Tuscola, first team all-

conference, athlete of the

team all-area Tuscola, first

team all-region C-D, first

in leadership areas, in-

cluding serving as

sophomore class secretary,

iunior and senior class

treasurer and vice president

of the National Honor Socie-

ty. She plans to major in

pathology at Grand Valley

Gage High, eight other

students have earned the

distinction of being in the top

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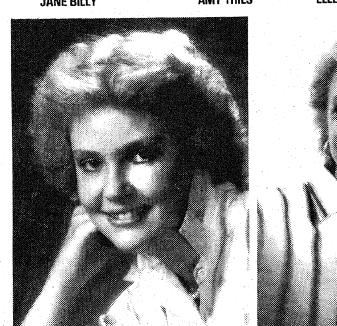
Miss Salcido also excelled

week Tuscola;

team all-state.

Owen-Gage Baccalaureate: Sunday,

Owen-Gage Graduation: Thursday,



Jill Ann Janke, daughter of Edward and Norma Janke of Sebewaing, has earned the distinction of Valedictorian of the Class of 1988 at Owen-Gage High School.

LLOYD FRITZ

Ranked number one in a class of 21 students, Miss Janke is a member of the National Honor Society, was selected as Daughter of the American Revolution (DAR) Good Citizen, and won numerous departmental awards in math, science,

Her name has been included in the Society of Distinguished American High School Students and 'Who's Who Among American High School Students." In addition, Miss Janke serves as senior class president and National

Honor Society secretary.

She plans to attend Ferris

MVP, first team all-State University in the fall to

Susan Kristi Salcido is ranked number 2 in the upcoming graduating class. The Salutatorian is the daughter of Joseph and Sandra Salcido

A member of the National Honor Society, Miss Salcido has been named an "Outstanding Student" in Algebra II, English, Biology, Chemistry and Physics. Her athletic accomplishments are many, including as a freshman, volleyball MIP; sophomore, track MVP, volleyball Co-MVP, first team all-conference, first team all-area Tuscola, honorable mention all-area C-D Saginaw, Basketball honorable mention all-conference, MVP; junior, of Harvey and Doris Billy of

track MVP, softball MVP, second team all-conference, Cass City, who plans to attend Ferris State University to study in the pharmacy second team all-region, first team all-district, athlete of program; the week Tuscola, basketball

Amy Diane Thies, daughter of Manuel and Carol Thies of Owendale, who plans to study advertising at Oakland

Ellen Lymburner, daughter of August and Shirley Schenk of Gagetown, who plans to continue her employment locally following gradua-

Marcie Kristine Draschil, daughter of Tom and Sally Draschil of Owendale, who conference, first team allarea Tuscola, honorable plans to attend Saginaw mention all-area C-D Saginaw, volleyball first Valley State University; team all-conference, first

Lloyd Fritz, son of Lloyd and Betty Fritz of Owendale, who plans to attend Northwood University to study Programming;

Bradley James Copeland, son of James and Beverly Copeland of Gagetown, who plans to attend Central Michigan University to study business;

Gary Shemko, son of George and Virginia Shemko of Gagetown, who plans to at-tend college this fall, with an In addition to the top two graduating seniors at Owenundecided major;

Marshall Sheldon, son of Theodore and Joyce Sheldon of Gagetown, who will study Automotive Service and Business Management at

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## Thumb Weekly News Round-Up

MUTUAL: "BEST YEAR IN 100"

"The best year in 100 years is how we see 1987," according to executives of Mutual Savings and Loan Association. The financial group, headquartered in Bay City and with area offices in Sebewaing, Pigeon and Cass City, added more than \$14 million to its reserve during the year, stockholders were told at Tuesday's annual meeting.

"Economically speaking, our state has had a turnaround and we have embraced this prosperity," President and CEO Bruce W. Cook told stockholders. Mutual listed total assets of \$1.245 billion as of Dec. 31, 1987, up from \$1.168 billion at the end of 1986.

Total reserves grew to \$57.1 million in 1987, up from \$45.2 million, as other liabilities totaling more than \$12 million were retired from the financial statement. Total number of savings accounts now exceeds 115,000, and Mutual Savings has 41 offices throughout the state, according to Cook's

report.
Leslie Shetler of Pigeon is Area Supervisor and Vice President for Mutual Savings.

COUNTY CHAMBER IS ROLLING

The Huron County Council of Chambers of Commerce plans its annual membership meeting on Tuesday, April 26



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

POSTAL HIKE — The rise in first class postage rates to 25 cents as of this Friday also impacts your local newspaper, more than half of which are mailed at second class rates. Our mail costs rise 18.1% with next week's paper, which will add several dollars per year to our cost of delivering each

We're not yet planning a subscription rate increase, but the \$3000-plus rise in costs will have to be made up somewhere.

DESK-CLEANING — Does it seem as though I'm always cleaning off my desk, in this space? I usually AM... and the desk usually NEEDS it! Here are this week's gems:

■ GREAT IDEA: Portrait America is a new franchise concept offering mobile photography. The company goes to your business or house with its portable studio, to take its pictures "on location" sponsors say...

FRUIT JUICERS: A new variety of the familiar Life

Savers hard roll candy has been introduced by the LifeSavers Company. Fruit Juicers have 10% real pineapple juice concentrate, so they're somewhat "good for you." And, the price will be 25 cents a roll for the first eight weeks of sale starting

Hard to believe, but \$500 million-plus of those hard roll candies were sold last year...

PHASING OUT: St. Joseph's Aspirin for Children, the

pink (then orange chewable) pills for kids since 1949, is slowly disappearing from medicine cabinets. Since reports began about 1982 that aspirin given to children can increase the risk of contracting Reye's Syndrome, aspirin-free products have almost taken over the market totally.

So, children's aspirin soon will be a thing of the past... ■DIET CANDY PROBLEMS: Manufacturers of the diet candy Ayds are looking for a new name for their product, saying publicity about the deadly disease AIDS is hurting sales of the 47-year-old product.

Sales have fallen as much as 50% in the past two years, and the company is trying the name Aydslim in Great Britain. If sales again pick up, that name will be used here, too. I think they should totally change it, though, to remove all

doubt, confusion and suspicion about any Ayds/AIDS connection. And I bet that's what they'll ultimately have to do... SPEAKING OF WORDS: Isn't it something how we've lost the services of formerly acceptable and good words, as they now mean other things? The first one which comes to

mind is GAY, which usued to be a dandy way to describe a party or a feeling.

Now, it's ALWAYS compared with homosexual people since news people want short words and descriptions (Gay is easier to fit into a headline than is homosexual, for instance.)

Chalk up one more loss of normalcy...

■NEW CABLE NETWORK: America's mainline religious faiths, mostly missing from TV in recent years, are in the process of setting up a huge ecumenical network on cable TV systems. By mid-summer, Vison Interfaith Satellite Network (VISN) will be broadcasting about 12 hours a day, which should rise to 20 hours daily by fall.

VISN won't solicit money — separating it from so many of those disgusting TV preachers who value money more than helping lead people to faith — but will sell commercials instead. Included will be Protestant, Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox and Jewish faith groups.

And — unlike Jim Bakker, Jimmy Swaggart and others — VISN won't be dominated by "personalities" or "individuals," and will instead stress services and faiths. Imagine a chance to watch broadly-based religious shows in your own home, since fewer than 10% of Americans watch TV preachers. The problem is, those folks send in MILLIONS to these people, some of whom are shysters.

■DO YOU KNOW? How did the town of Ink, Ark., get its name? This is a question brought to us by all-around nice guy Chuck Leipprandt. For the answer, see Page 4...

-30 — WISH I'D SAID THAT — The average person can easily see both sides of a question if his pocketbook or prejudices aren't involved! (Karl Hertz)

at 7 p.m. at the Port Austin Civic Center, as the countywide promotional group attempts to kick-off its 1988 campaigns. Interested persons are invited to the meeting, which will include presentations by Carl Osentoski of the County's Economic Development Commission and Christine Moore of East Michigan Tourist Association.

Ric Aymen of Bad Axe is Council of Chambers president, and the organizing group's next meeting is Tuesday, April 19 at 7 p.m. at the third-floor meeting room of the County Building, Bad Axe.

The Council plans to promote the countywide use of resources, coordinate efforts and promote businesses and natural resources for tourists and area residents alike, as well as seek grants for county improvements. Each Chamber of Commerce is asked to have three members attend all meetings, Aymen says

DNR POISONING PLANNED

The state Department of Natural Resources plans a poison program to kill trash fish in 10 rivers and 20 lakes in Michigan, to help improve fishing for sportsmen.

The whole Cass River system in Tuscola, Sanilac and Saginaw Counties is among the waterways to be treated this summer, and DNR biologists say the chemicals -rotenone and antimycin -- are safe for human and other



SHARING BANQUET COMING: Steve and Maria Gardner, Christian recording artists heard on over 500 radio stations nationwide, will be special guests at the annual Bluewater Youth for Christ Sharing Banquet set for Monday, April 11 at 7 p.m. at the Colony House, Cass City.

Tickets are available at the BYFC office in Pigeon or by calling 453-3239. The Gardners have also appeared on every major Christian TV network, as well as syndicated programs like "Day of Discovery" and the "Old Time Gospel Hour." They are as comfortable with small intimate gatherings as they are with Billy Graham Association

The public is invited to attend.

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aquatic life. They decompose by time, sunlight and water novement, the DNR says.

These chemicals have been used since 1958 on Great Lakes tributaries, and especially kill young lampreys, carp and other unwanted fish. The Cass River system, Shay Lake and other Tuscola County sites will be treated in

CARO BANK SALE SET

NBD Bancorp, Inc., of Detroit plans to sell Peoples State Bank of Caro to Community Financial Corp., a bank holding company based in Harbor Beach, saying the bank does not fit into NBD's future plans.

Peoples State Bank has \$36 million in assets and has two branches. It was purchased by NBD in 1985 as part of United Michigan Corp., which also owned Genesee Merchants Bank & Trust. No purchase price was given, and date for completion of the sale will likely be late this year,

#### DUKAKIS WINS HURON CAUCUS

Presidential candidate Rev. Jesse Jackson won most of the votes statewide, but Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis was the the big winner in Saturday's Huron County Democratic Caucuses.

Gov. Dukakis received 179 votes, to 81 for Cong. Richard Gephardt and 37 for Rev. Jackson. Illinois Sen. Paul Simon got 8, Tennesee's Albert Gore earned 7 and others had 4, for a total vote of 323 ballots cast. That's more than double the 125 votes cast in the first Huron caucuses in 1984.

Caseville's polling site had the largest turnout of Democrats, where 129 voted. Bad Axe was next with 119 and Harbor Beach was third with 78.

#### COURT PROCEEDINGS

In Huron County Court District 73, First Division, Court Judge John Schubel recently heard the pleas of or made determinations in cases involving:

Garland E. Tackett, 18 of Port Austin, pled guilty to entry without breaking with intent to commit larceny, following a January incident involving a Hume Township cottage. He was sentenced to 30 days in the Huron County Jail and ordered to make restitution of \$353.75;

Chris J. Peyerk, 26 of Port Austin, pled guilty to

drunken driving; sentenced to 45 days in jail, \$650 fines and costs and loss of driving rights for 12 months;

■John W. Reid, 37 of Port Austin, pled guilty to drunken driving; \$650 fines and costs of loss of driving rights for 12

■David A. McLeod, 25 of Pigeon pled guilty to impaired driving, second offense; 30 days in jail, \$800 fines and costs and loss of driving rights for 12 months;

Bryan A. Dickinson, 22 of Kinde, pled guilty to reckless driving, following an incident in Port Austin; \$150 fines and

Bay Port Fish Company pled nolo contendere (no contest) to a charge of failure to report wholesale fish purchases in 1987, following an incident investigated by the DNR involving a fish market in Naubinway, Mich. The company did not keep a separate record of purchase of fish, and accepted the administrative rule of the DNR; \$100 fines

■James Ward II, 18 of Mattawan, pled guilty to impaired driving, following an incident in Elkton; \$450 fines and loss of driving rights for three months;

■Eddie C. Taylor, 22 of Sebewaing, pled guilty to drunken driving; ordered to serve 90 days and loss of driving rights for 12 months;

■Michael T. Shively, 19 of Bay Port, pled guilty to impaired driving; \$450 fines and loss of driving rights for three

■Sandra K. Nickerson, 27 of Elkton, pled guilty to disorderly conduct, following a March 19 incident involving State Police Troopers in Colfax Township; \$150 fines;

■Blaine A. Peyerk, 24 of Elkton, was judged guilty of assault and battery in a bench trial, following a Dec. 15 incident involving an Elkton woman on W. Kinde Road, Lake Township; sentenced to 60 days in jail;

Denise C. Kelly, 30 of Port Hope, pled guilty to impaired driving, second offense, and driving with license suspended, following a Feb. 29 incident in Kinde: sentenced to 45 days in jail on the former and 30 days in jail on the later, to be served concurrently.



## Here's a sure sign of spring

The Argo, owned by Bay Port Fish Company, gets ready for another season of fishing as she breaks through the ice on the Pigeon River in Caseville last

The boat spent most of the day Thursday making her way down the river to the breakwall, on the way to open water.

AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

t's a thin line between love and hate, sickness and health, poverty and plenty, happiness and heartache - as well as life and death. Families cross from one side of this imaginary yet very real line every day, sometimes by choice but often simply by fate.

No one knows which side we'll end up on -- or

That fact was so vividly revealed this past Sunday, an otherwise tranquil day when folks went about their way here in the beautiful Western Thumb. It was about noon on the cool yet bright day, and some people were leaving church, while others prepared to fish and still others were taking Sunday drives.

Individuals, couples, families -- they all had their own plans, ideas and destinations, yet dozens were brought together inexplicably and will never be able forget the pain, horror and frustration they were party to.

Two cars collided and rolled over to the side of the busy highway, bending metal, twisting rubber and throwing people in unexpected ways in an instant. The fine line of normalcy was crossed, as pain and sorrow took over in their demanding ways.

Strangers, friends and passersby reacted as they might not be expected to, by immediately offering aid, comfort and care. Human kindness flowed, but it wasn't enough. No, skilled, professional care was required -- and without



## THE WILLOW

BY WANDA EICHLER

#### Window washing, soul searching

The first day of spring, March 20, is far behind us. Daylight savings time comes pouncing in this weekend, along with the turn of the calendar toward April and the day full of grace,

Still, cold wather has kept hold on us in March longer and harder than we would like. Each morning I look out my kitchen windows toward Pigeon River Mennonite Church. The windows are dirt streaked from winter winds and the sleety, dirty March rains that we've had. I'm anxious to get outside and clean those windows so that I

can have a clear view of the church, the woods beyond and Geiger Road as it runs over the Pigeon River, just east of our

There are parts of my soul that feel dirt streaked, too. Easter and spring bring with them the need for window washing of that part of me that gets stale and hardened and empty from long months of just hanging on in life.

Hasn't this winter been particularly hard? Hasn't life been making demands that tax the soul's limits? Haven't there been more than a single share of heartaches, crises, deaths and bad news?

Haven't families and friends and communities and nations been bearing more than their share of burden? Hasn't hope been an elusive bird that flies high, away from where it's

Don't we humans get to viewing life through dirt streaked windows that forbid full sunlight from ever falling on us? Perhaps it's best if we don't analyze what makes our souls need Easter.

Perhaps what will be best is if I get out the stepladder sometime during Holy Week, clamber up the east side of the house and clean the kitchen windows.

I'll wash away the grime of winter's dusty winds and shine the glass with extra elbow grease. Then I'll go inside and wipe away the spiderwebs from the woodwork, wash the lace curtains and clean the panes and sills.

The result will be a clear view each morning of the church,

the woods, the road and the bridge. Cleaning windows is relatively easy and symbolic work compared to the attention that the soul needs. Easter's message of hope begins the process of renewal. Each spring it is the same and yet different. New words, yet old words. An old story, yet marvelous new meaning.

And it is needed this spring. God knows it is needed. So do I.

Incredibly, two doctors happened by the scene within five minutes, both on their own travels elsewhere. Without hesitation, each began giving the settling comfort being sought. and some aid-givers drew sighs of relief. Ambulance, fire and police crews were only minutes in coming, and all injured persons were being hurried to the nearby hospital scant

Less than six minutes away, Scheurer Hospital's vital importance in this rural area was again evident. Nurses, aides and two doctors awaited the arrival of the injured, and feverishly -- yet calmly and professionally -gave what assistance they could.

moments after the dust had settled.

In this story, however, everything did not result in a happy ending. The littlest person involved, strapped safely in a child's seat, passed away despite the efforts of doctors and technology. His injuries had been too great to overcome, and that line between regular normal family life in a loving household will never again be the same.

We always expect accidents, injuries and suffering happen to others, not to us. The stories we read, the pictures we see, the TV broadcasts we view of calamities happen elsewhere and to others. Yet, without warning, by chance alone, two cars at random collided and the resulting pain will last a lifetime.

It's been said that everybody gets their turn, because what goes around comes around. Why one family -- and another normal couple in another vehicle - met in one spot on a roadway is impossible to know, yet it happened.

The line between routine, happy normalcy was breached. To have helpful, caring people able to give aid so quickly and so well is to be envied in big cities and other small towns. But now, attempting to cross back will be very difficult, if not impossible, and fate's wickedness found another place to leave a lifetime of pain.

PETE PROGRESS SAYS:

"One of the troubles with Washington, D.C., is that it supplies far more government than the nation demands!"

## Letter from a reader

Laker Boosters say 'thanks'!

DEAR EDITOR: On behalf of the Laker Athletic Booster Club, I would like to thank the purchase "extras" for the Village Qwik Stop of Pigeon Laker teams.

"and Pigza Pizza of Elkton for

their contributions toward

our fund-raising during

boys' basketball

The club appreciates the support of all the fans and businesses in our efforts to

Sincerely, LINDA CLABUESCH Secretary, LAKER ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

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them up and my wife said

It was the first day the

horses were hitched up that

spring and they had a lot of

pep. The first few rounds I had to walk pretty fast to

keep up, but they soon slow-

ed down, started to sweat

and of course, they shed

Well, the weather was

warm, but I got 10 acres har-

rowed up 21/2 times until

dark. The next morning, I

went out and by 10 o'clock

My wife had called the

Elevator for seed and fer-

tilizer and they brought it out

and put it on my democrat

wagon. I hooked my car onto

it, spread it out and took one

team and my 11-hoe Oliver

super drill and started to

At noon I took my other

team. One was a bronco and

the other one was real tough

and I walked good and fast

By dark I had the 10 acres

sown and the grass seed was

all in, too. I thought I had

done pretty well. I was real

tired, but I had a good day's

"Man goeth forth unto his

work and to his labour until

evening." It also says "The

rest of a labouring man is

anymore, but often I wonder

if those fellows who ride that

big machinery all day, han-

dle all that seed and fer-

pier than we were and do

SINCERELY YOURS,

GEORGE KEIM

Well, I don't farm

In Psalms 104:23, it says,

and so did the horses.

work done.

sweet

some of their hair.

was ready to sow.

she'd milk the cows, so at 7

o'clock I was in the field.

DEAR EDITOR:

This time of year when the weather starts to get warmer and the days are longer, farmers are getting ready to put out their crops, get their machinery ready, order their seed and fertilizers and borrow enough money to see them through another year or until they

Well, it's no different than it was a long time ago, but people figure different now than they did then.

I don't know if people are more greedy now than they were, but back then, farmers who had 120 acres either had a hired man or some boys big enough to help. I don't know how they did it, but some people raised a big family on 40 acres.

Well, I started to farm on 75 acres and I had four good horses and enough machinery to farm it and I had all I wanted to do.

My father, who was around 70 years old, used to help me. He liked to drive horses and a lot of machinery we had you could ride. If you got your oats sown in April, you did pretty

One spring I went out in the field and looked the ground over. It was real eary but the weather was nice for that time of year. Many of the old timers at that time even said if the ground is fit. get your oats in as early as

It was on a Thursday and I saw it was early, so I went tilizer, then go to all the parhome and got my eveners ties and meetings that and whipple trees ready and farmers go to now are hapection narrow ready and I had my harness they sleep better than we

On Friday I got up early, fed my horses, harnessed

ANSWER TO

"DO YOU KNOW?"

FROM PAGE 3

When the Post Office application for the community was being filled out, someone wrote "ink" where the form requested "Name of town (write in ink)."

And that's exactly what

Your lawmakers..

they did!

and how to reach them! SEN. CARL LEVIN, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510. SEN. DONALD RIEGLE, 253 Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510, phone 202-225-4822.

ROBERT TRAXLER, 1526 Longworth Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510, phone 202-224-3121. SEN. JAMES BARCIA, State Capitol, Room 127-A, Lansing, MI 48909, phone 373-1777.

REP. DICK ALLEN, State Capitol, Room 220½, Lansing, MI 48909, phone 373-0476.

## Crop performance data listed to aid spring planting

field crop varieties for 1988 from the Department of Crop and Soil Sciences at MSU is offered by Bill Bortel, Tuscola County Extension di-

Corn hybrids and soybean varieties should be selected from using research variety data such as the MSU Bulletin E-1206, "Soybean Performance Report" and the "Tuscola County Crops' Report", he said.

There are other good variety performance data, Bortel

rowed spring type for taller than Arthur and 3-4 spring wheat has yielded 25 feed wheat in Michigan. rowed winter type for feed;

purchase seed corn or soy-

nials, reports and perform- Frankenmuth - soft white fly resistant; Fillmore - soft wheat. On the basis of lim- oat, high red leaf tolerance; ance data which was not grain, 4-5" shorter than red grain, excellent test ited data, Era, Marshall, replicated or from out of Ionia, Hessian fly resistant; weight, Hessian fly resis- Wheaton, Butte, and Len and height; Korwood - mestate or from other areas of Augusta-soft white grain, 4- tant. BARLEY - Morex - 6- Hillsdale - soft red grain, basis of Michigan tests, spring wheat are basically

malting and feed; Robust - 6- days later; Caldwell - soft to 30% less than the recomrowed spring type for malting and feed; Bowers -6-rowed spring type for feed only; Leger - 6-rowed spring type for feed only; Odin - 6-Birka - 6-rowed spring type for feed only; Hazen - 6added, however, do not rowed spring type for feed

#### **Achievements**

Former Pigeon resident Jeffery S. Nieschulz, son of Karen A. Nieschulz of Bad Axe, has been promoted in the U.S. Army to the rank of specialist four.

Nieschulz is an infantryman in South Korea with the 506th Infantry.

He is a 1986 graduate of Bad Axe High School.

Officials of Michigan Technological University have released a list of 861 students who achieved a gradepoint average of 3.5 during MTU's winter quarter. Students who achieved a 4.0 gradepoint or all-A's were noted with an \*.

Upper-Thumb residents who earned this distinction

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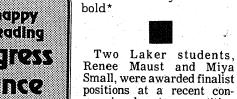
- TUSCOLA COUNTY -

UNIONVILLE - Kent D.

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Kocan; FRANKENMUTH - Michael A. Beckert, Steven M. Bergdolt\*, Thomas M. Mertz: and

REESE - Gary W. Rein-



Renee Maust and Miya Small, were awarded finalist positions at a recent congressional art competition entitled "An Artistic Discovery.

Many other Laker art students will display their works at the Trombley School, Bay City, now through Thursday, March



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Calculations are based on the assumption that the interest is compounded on a quarterly basis and the contributions are made at the beginning of the year.

The amount you accumulate may differ from the IRA values in this table.

Thumb	Na	tional	Banl	k IRA	Rates
Throu	gh	April	15, 1	1988	Are:

	APR
1 Year Investment	<b>7.00</b> %*
2 Year Investment	7.50%*
3 Year Investment	8.10%*
4 Year Investment	<b>8.25</b> %*

\*Substantial IRS Penalties and Interest Penalties For Early Withdrawal From IRA's Before Age 591/2.



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THIS WEEK'S "WE'RE ASKING YOU" QUESTION. ASKED BY RENEE BUSHEY AND KRIS McBRIDE

Do you plan any April Fool's tricks on your family or friends this Friday? Why or why not?

Yes I do. I've got a

friend in Owendale

ing to get it.

with the initials D.D.

and he's REALLY go-

Chuck Esch

I plan on it and pro-

Sandpiper Restaurant.

Carole Anderson

bably will be at the

**TEAM SIZE: 4 Players Maximum** 

Must have 4 Players



I plan on it, but haven't thought of anything yet! Janel Metzger



Yes I am, but I'm

secret so they'll be

surprised.

going to keep them a

Dr. Steve Beedle

Yes I do, on the local police force (ha-ha). Lenny Wing

**TEAMS: 80 Maximum** 

(E) Pro (29 & Over)

DIVISIONS: 5 (16 teams per div.)

(C) Semi-Pro (19-28) 6-ft. & Under

LOCATION: Streets by Village Park, Sebewaing, MI.

(D) Semi-Pro (19-28) Open Class

COST: \$40.00 Entry Fee per Team

(A) Junior Division (14 & Under)

(B) Amateur Division (15-18)

Probably not. I don't want to get sued. Jeff Wiechert

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**BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT** 

#### Herbert heads St. Jude benefit Skate-a-thon

The Caseville Roller Skating Rink will be the site of the Wheels for Life Skatea-thon benefitting St. Jude Childrens' Research Hospital on Sunday, April 17 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., according to local coordinator

Dennis Herbert of Pigeon. "This event is a vital part of the fight against childhood cancer and other childrens' diseases at St. Jude. Skaters arereally needed. They make or break a Skate-ahon," Herbert says.

Sponsors donating a sum for each hour completed are enlisted by skaters. All skaters turning in money will receive a certificate.

SKATERS WIN, TOO: Those who raise \$25 will receive a certificate and a St. Jude t-shirt. When \$75 is raised, the skater receives a barrel tote bag, a t-shirt and a cerificate, organizers say. Sponsor forms may be picked up at Herbert's home,

ocated at 87 Brush Street, Pigeon, after 5 p.m. For more information contact Herbert at 453-2108 or any Boy Scout.

## Kiwanis serves up pancake meal

Residents of the Western Thumb are invited to gear up their appetites for the Caseville Kiwanis Club's annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 17. Pancakes, sausage, and

all the accompaniments will be served from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. at Caseville High School. Preschoolers will be admitted free and children en-

joy a reduced price.
This year's breakfast has a "For Kids' Sake" theme, according to Kiwanis President Joe Christie, in keeping with the goal of Kiwanis to aid young people of the com-

## New OB equipment at Scheurer Hospital

is keeping pace with the tolerating the stress of the ever-changing obstetrical birth process. field with the addition of a fetal monitoring system to Scheurer Hospital nursing its OB Department. staff have been trained in

At a cost of about \$10,000, this sophisticated diagnostic system. equipment provides the physician liagnostic capabilities that a few years ago would have been impossible, according to Administrator George

HOW IT WORKS: The new equipment will allow doctors to note any abnormalities in in the quality of care of our the baby's heart rate during patients, labor and birth, indicating

Several members of the

proper operation of the new ON LINE, TOO: In addition, a Saginaw General Hospital.

shortens the time required to consult with specialists and aids in overall improvement



SCHEURER HOSPITAL NURSE Nonie Shetler, R.N. gets the new fetal monitoring system ready for a patient.

## registered by June 1 Brackets age qualification determined by age reached WHEN: Friday, Saturday & Sunday, June 17, 18 & 19, 1988

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PIGEON WEDNESDAY **NITE LADIES** 

Bay Port Construction.....32 Haist Flowers..... Cloud of Dust Ceramics...

> High team series and game: Bay Port State Bank 2136 (773), Bay Port Construction 2110 (731-715), Damm's Inc. 2107 (772-728), Miller High Life 741, Ralph's Tavern 736, Haist Flowers 731,

173, G. Finkbeiner 173, P. Kuhl 171, B.

Splits converted: 3-9-10 C. Swartzendruber; 6-7-10 G. Finkbeiner; 5-10 C.J. Damm, G. Klein; 3-8 P. Schulz; 2-7 P. Kuhl.

Rosenthal-Buchholz . . . . . . Gayari-Morin . . . . . . . . . . . . . 17½ High team series and game: Burk-High individual scores: C. Buchholz 568 (202), K. Schember 564 (226), H. Burk

ELKTON TUES. P.M. LADIES

J. Lackie; 5-7 B. McGee, C. Haag; 2-9-10

M. Baker; 2-7 B. McGee; 4-7-9 M. Krueger

D. Deming; 2-3-10 R. Hazard; 5-6 D.

Auto Color Professionals...

High team series and game: Moon Beams 2678 (1027), Don's Barber Shop

2562 (862), Jim's Garage 2550 (876).

High team series and game: Four Spares 1587, Alley Cats 585. High individual scores: D 452 P. Woodward 172.

Four Spares......12

TY'S SATURDAY P.M. MIXED Lackie-Weiss . . . . . . . . . . . . . Farver-Ackerman . . . . . .

Pigeon Motor Sales......

J.O. Wurst Tiling.....

High team series and game: Millers 2575 (917-859), Bay Shore Collision 2526

(914-874), J & B Plumbing 2525 (899),

Walsh Packing 2495 (907), George's Bar

2492 (874), Qwik Stop 2474 (891), J.O.

Wurst Tiling 2466.
High individual scores: Roger Koch 589

(243), J. Beyer 581 (214), O. Murdoch 573

219, B. Albrecht 217, J. Dunn 212, M.

Swartzendruber 201, Troy Gunden 201, D.

FRIDAY NIGHT

MENS' LEAGUE

Caseville Fruit Market . . . . . . 13

Auction Service 2580 (855-856-869),

Pigeon Lanes 2579 (849-927-803), Active

Feed 2514 (855-871), Caseville Fruit

High individual scores: T. Gunden 595

(211), M. Swartzendruber 595 (210), D.

McAlpine 576 (204-200), C. Basinger 563

(234), R. Damm 543 (221), A. Gies 534

(210), D. Dubs 528, T. Swartzendrube

528, H. Ropp 516, D. Dunn 512, C. Kauff-

man 510, I.D. Gunden 509, H. Trost 505.

Miller; 2-7 H. Trost, A. Gies; 5-10 A. Gies.

TY'S TUES.-WED.

MENS' LEAGUE

Thumb Petroleum......44

High team series and game: Ty's 2626.

Splits converted: 3-10 N. Libka, B.

Market 862, Co-op Elevator 856.

High team series and game: Albrecht

Active Feed.....

Co-op Elevator.....

Albrecht Auction

Walsh Packing.

Brighton Metal.

Russell-Chappel......13½ High team series and game: Lackie-(nechtel 1775, Russell-Chappel 624. High individual scores: WOMEN — R. Farver 444 (172); MEN — R. Lackie 552 (199-202), A. Russell 517 (202), J. Knechtel 504 (181).

man; 4-5-7 Debi Ackerman, R. Farver; 2-5-7 A. Lackie; 3-10 A. Russell, D. Russell, R. Lackie, B. Lackie, D. Weiss. Moon Beams......28

PIGEON TUESDAY LADIES LEAGUE Grigg Greenhouse......

High individual scores: D. Young 566 (212), Kinsey Hazard 560 (212), T. Wills 547 (202), H. Bauer 544, J. Schmitt 543 Beachy Eggs..... (214), Del McAlpine 531 (203), B. Pawlowski 524, L. Deneen 517, D. Weiss 510 (205), D. Kowbel 510 (200), J. Jawor-Diener's Home of FF......23 ski 507, B. Zeitler 503, B. Cilc 502, Dave Debbie's Catering......22½ McAlpine 502, D. Deming 502, K. Town & Country Beauty.....22 Splits converted: 3-10 Dave McAlpine The Treasure Cove... B. McBride, J. Rich, W. Schember, H. Bauer, C. Haag, D. Deming; 5-10 M. Baker,

> Moss Builders..... High team series and game: Pigeon IGA 1793, Grigg Greenhouse 666. High individual scores: J. Rosenthal 526 (203), L. Morin 484, S. Meyersieck 481 (187), J. Deering 477 (176-177), J. 449 (176), B. Heintz 447, S. Errer 443, R.

Voss 443 (171), M. Errer 176. H. Good 172, V. Pipe 171, T. Dietzel 175. Splits converted: 5-7 S. Meyersieck, R. Voss; 2-7 A. Gornowicz, H. Collins, D. Bas inger, M. Errer; 5-10 H. Collins; 7-5-9 V. Hodge; 5-6-10 V. Doyle; 3-10 D. Basinger,

PIGEON MONDAY MAJOR LEAGUE 

> Elkton Food Center......39 Pigza Pizza............39

High individual scores: T. Wills 600 (214-212), R. Diebel 540 (219), J. Jaworski 539 (202), B. McBride 530, B. Lackie 533, M. Rocha 519 (204), B. Farver 513, E. Karl 512,

Splits converted: 3-10 D. Born. Farver, D. Sweeney, K. Peruski, B. McBride, B. Karl, H. Karl; 5-7 P. Smith; 4-7-9, 9-10 K. Peruski.

The Progress Advance — Wednesday, March 30 to Tuesday, April 5, 1988 — 1 **ELKTON THURSDAY** NIGHT LADIES CLASSIC LEAGUE Ty's Bowling.

Steinman Agency..... Arlen's Duck Inn Farm Crest Foods... Dutch Kettle..... Ralph's Tavern..... Pioneer Cablevision. Kretzschmer HC..... High individual scores: C. Anderson

Elkton Petroleum.....

Don's Barber Shop.....

Jim's Garage.....

Auto Color Professionals...

Moon Beams.....

K. Smith 200.

Hazard's Hotsy....

Finkbeiner's Farm Equip....

2538 (874), Jim's Garage 2536 (852).

GUYS and DOLLS

Dubs-Smith.....

Gunden-Rapson.....

Kretzschmer-Thiel . . . . . . . .

McCrimmon-Cusimano.....

Hundersmarck 1981 (765).

Dietzel-Swartzendruber . . . . . 21

eintz-Hundersmarck . . . . . 15½

High team series and game: Heintz-

High individual scores: MEN - J. Dunn

639 (214-200-225), D. Rapson 580 (209),

ck 521 (201); WOMEN - B. Heintz 520

(193), E. Gunden 492 (193), A. Elbing 481,

L. Welshans 480 (170), P. Hundersmarck

McCrimmon 541 (202), F. Hundersmar

(198), D. McGee 492 (170), B. Wills 47! (197), C. Kilgus 474, S. Hyzer 473, D Damrow 186, D. Forster 181, L. Zarnke **ELKTON MONDAY** 170, D. Schuette 171. Splits converted: 2-7 J. Garrick, S. Kron-ner, S. Hyzer; 5-6 R. Stephenson; 5-10 D. MENS' LEAGUE

Damrow; 3-10 B. Spencer, S. Hyzer; 5-7 L.

Video Spotlight.....

Knechtel's Market......221/2

High team series and game: Elkton Co-

(225-180), J. Rosenthal 523 (185-187), P.

Podloskowski 520 (176-180) K. Carr 49:

Elkton Co-op.....

Ron's Party Store.....

G.W. Engine Repair.

THURSDAY NITERS Lee's Landscaping . . . . . . . \*McCormick's ... \*Serenity House... High team series and game: Hazard's Hotsy 2541 (957), Don's Barber Shop Village Barber . Country Charm. 549 (212), D. Kowbel 538, Ken Hazard J & B Plg..... 534 K Schember 534, 1. Jaworski 530 \*Fink's Farm Equip. . . . . . . . Kinsey Hazard 529, J. Rich 514 (201), B. Want Ads ..... Zeitler 513, J. Lackie 507, J. Radomsk 505, G. Willoughby 502, J. Schmitt 500, Pigeon Telephone . . . . . . . . . 171/2

Splits converted: 3-10 R. Hazard, B Cilc, T. Wills, K. Schember, J. Radomski High team series and game: Scheurer Hospital 2229 (822), Brighton Metal 2194 M. Baker, L. Rosenthal, Kinsey Hazard; (773), Serenity House 2151, Lee's Land 3-9-10 J. Jaworski; 5-6-10 K. Schember; 4-7-10 E. Buschlen; 5-7 M. Rokicki.

High individual scores: P. Niebel 521 (187-198), M. Ropp 497 (181), J. Kretzschmer 494 (188), E. Gunden 486 (175) \*P. Schulz 477 (213), F. Otto 468 (173 S. Buchholz 464 (188), J. Poisson 462 Roestel-Strauch . . . . . . . . . . . 25 

Splits converted: 4-7-9 L. Welshans; 6-8-10 J. Niebel; 5-6-10 S. Maust; 3-10 J. McFadden, B. Dubs, S. Buchholz; 2-7 F. Otto, W. Kovach, M. Ruby: 4-5 C. Dubs.

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#### **ELKTON MONDAY** MENS' LEAGUE Don's Barber Shop......51

Miller High Life..... Bay Port State Bank..... Pigeon Auto Supply ...... Village Qwik Stop....

Country Lane Video...... Damm's Inc....

> High individual scores: C. Dubs 518 (190-171), D. Herzog 504 (204), J. Deering 502 (178-175), D. Deming 477 (172), R. Ruth 470 (182), L. Dast 178, B. Forster

#### TY's GRANDMA-GRANDPA LEAGUE

Splits converted: 5-7 Z. Bauer; 5-6 I.

J & B Plg & Htg......30 FOLLOW THE LEADER



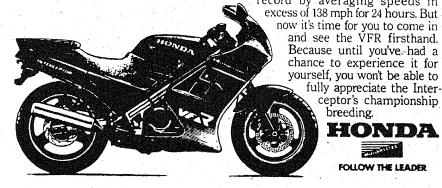
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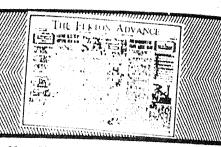
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## The Past In Print

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#### 90 YEARS AGO APRIL 1, 1898

Henry Eimers has a lot of spring pigs for sale.
A. Hirshberg & Son have received the nicest, largest and nobbiest cloth, velvet and silk capes for Easter

Sunday. Adv. Carl Miller, 75, an old resident of Winsor Twp., died at his home west of Pigeon. He leaves two sons and many

New store at Berne has dry goods, clothing, hardware and groceries. H.T.

Schroedter. Adv Oysters and game in season cash for hides and pelts, fresh and salt meats. H. C. Wideman, Pigeon.

#### 80 YEARS AGO APRIL 3, 1908

Louis Wing, 52, died at the home of his sister, Mrs.

Henry Leicht, 27, died at his home south of Pigeon. He leaves his wife and his

Star spellers at Pigeon School this week were Edward Schaaf, Gustave Guetlich, Clara Schultz and Luella Heckendorn.

If a mile of stone road costs \$1,500 after the state reward of \$1,000 has been figured in, the amount of taxes you pay on that mile will be \$1.50 per thousand of

#### 70 YEARS AGO APRIL 5, 1918

72 dozen eggs were given by the M.E. Churches of Bay Port, the Quarry and Pigeon for the Wesley Memorial

Hospital at Chicago.
Mrs. George H. Schnell died at her home. She leaves her husband and two

Benedict Bill, 69, died at

his home in McKinley Twp. He is survived by nine

The third Liberty Loan drive is upon us. J.J. Campbell of Pigeon is in charge of the publicity for the county.

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#### 60 YEARS AGO MARCH 30, 1928

At the Gem Theatre in Pigeon: Hoot Gibson in Trick of Hearts; Coming, The Shepherd of the Hills by Harold Bell Wright. Admission 10c and 20c.

Delegates to the Republican county convention are H. B. Harder, J. J. Murdoch, H. O. Paul, R. S. Wurm, Russel Turner, Loren Bates, Harry Leslie, Albert Kleinschmidt, Herb Haist, Ernest Paul, Nate Harder and William Stein.

One of the worst blizzards in years visited us Monday night. Telephone lines were knocked down and many roads were blocked with Pigeon was without lights when the transformer

#### *50 YEARS AGO* APRIL 1, 1938

Four miles of the Sebewa ing - Owendale county road will be black topped from the end of the Sebewaing black top to the pavement at the west Owendale village limit. Gladys Niebel and Dr.

united in marriage in Toledo, Ohio Mrs. Emma Wilson, 60. died Sunday at her home. She is survived by her hus-

Robert C. Spence were

band, George and one son. Mrs. Bertrand R. Baur, 77, Bay Port, died Sunday. She leaves her husband, four sons and a daughter.

#### 40 YEARS AGO APRIL 2, 1948

Pigeon First Methodist Church will observe its Diamond Jubilee in a special 12-day series of services with the pastor, Rev. H. E. Duttweiler, in charge.

The Farmers and Merchants annual banquet is planned April 6 at Pigeon High School. More than 500 are expected to attend according to the committee of Alfred Sturm, Erwin Buchholz, Robert Sternberg, Walter Bedford, Orvin Yordy and Mrs. Arnold Heckman. Pigeon PTA is the

Voting members of Cross

Lutheran Church, Pigeon, have approved construction of a new school building.

Mrs. Anna Ballentine, 91 of Owendale, passed away Monday. She leaves a daughter and seven grand-

The Farmers and Merchants annual banquet is planned April 6 at Pigeon High School. More than 500 are expected to attend according to the committee of his B. S. and D.V.M. degrees Alfred Sturm, Erwin Buchholz, Robert Sternberg, Walter Bedford, Orvin Yordy and Mrs. Arnold Heckman. Pigeon PTA is the

Voting members of Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon, have approved construction of a new school building. Mrs. Anna Ballentine, 91 of Owendale, passed away Monday. She leaves a

daughter and seven grand-

#### 30 YEARS AGO APRIL 3, 1958

Construction is set to start on the six-room addition to the Pigeon elementary Last fall voters approved the building and also o bond the district for \$160,000. Low bid for the bonding was 2.63% and low construction bid was by Kruger Construction Co. of Pigeon

for \$119,627. Honor students of the Owendale senior class are Dolly Leitermann and Sharon O'Connel. Honorable mention went to Sharon Kretzschmer, Ronald

Nicholas and Pat Pistro. Huron County farmers, by more than a 2-1 margin, rejected a plan to establish a Soil Conservation district in the county.

Dr. Lynn M. Bartlett, state superintendent of public instruction, has approved the proposed consolidation of the Elkton and Pigeon Community School Districts.

20 YEARS AGO APRIL 4, 1968 Harold Libka and Lana Jo Ewald have been named top Elmer Maust, Mrs. Naomi honor students of the Laker Jantzi and Lyle Shetler. High School senior class.

All seven members of the Leo Parker family of Owen-dale were killed Friday evening, three miles west of Unionville, when their station wagon collided with an auto driven by Mrs. Fred Singer, Unionville, who was

Duane Baker has earned from Michigan State University. Dr. Baker has a private animal practice in Indiana,

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Deering, Elkton, were honored on their 25th wedding anniversary with a surprise open house at the Elkton VFW

Laker Middle School

students Paula Limberger

Pigeon, Kim Dunn, Caseville

and Don Schember, Elkton,

were winners in the 1978

"America & Me" essay con-

Mrs. Erwin Bixler, 84, nee

test, sponsored by Farm

Melvina R. Eicher, Elkton,

died March 22. She leaves

her husband, three sons and

two daughters. Robert M. Webb, 69,

Caseville, passed away

March 21. He is survived by

Mrs. Marie Brown Woldt,

84, Kilmanagh, widow of

Clemens P. Woldt, died

March 22. Surviving are a son and daughter and others.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry W

Cole of Caseville, celebrated

their 50th wedding anniver-

sary on March 24. Mr. Cole is

retired from Continental

Motors. They have a daughter and three grand-

An Easter Cantata was

performed Sunday by members of Michigan

Avenue Mennonite Church

and Pigeon River Mennonite

Church at the Pigeon River

Church. Directors were

his wife and two sons.

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MARCH 30, 1978

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#### FROM THE ELKTON ADVANCE FILES 57 YEARS AGO MARCH 26, 1931

Boys and girls of the Elkton High School basketball teams were entertained at a banquet Friday evening at the Elkton M.E. Church. Smrcina was toastmaster and on the program were Maurice Faupel, Edna Heck, Mr. Kurrle, Dr. Fox, Milton Ackerman and

Rev. H. Stressman An Elkton High School alumni banquet was held Saturday evening at Elkton M.E. Church to raise funds for gym equipment for the new Elkton school building.

G. W. Ackerman was in

Quite a bit of moving is going on these days in the west part of Grant Twp: William Ashmore moved to the Charles Lee farm; William Nicholas is moving where Mr. Ashmore vacated; William Eden is moving where Mr. Nicholas vacated and Alex Jamieson is moving where Mr. Eden vacated. Simon Knechtel is now

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In storage for an indefinate science will find cures for some length of time, and then someday, should a remedy be discovered for that disease, resuscitating the body and curing it. Many people wonder exactly how this works, and whether or not there is any plausibility. or not there is any plausibility

This practice is called cryonics, cryogenic interment, or crybiology. What happens is this: As soon as a person dies, all the blood is drained from he veins and is replaced with preservative. The body is uick frozen (freeze-dried) at aboratory temperatures of around -320F. The body is then planted in a capsule shaped

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#### Pigeon District Library News & Notes

PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

Theme for the Tuesday April 6 Story Hour at the Pigeon District Library will "Bill Peet" with the stories "Gethro and Joel Were a Troll," 'Encore For Eleanor" and "Huge

Exercises, fingerplays, songs and games will be part of the scheduled activities. A special highlight of the mor-Tell," with each child asked to bring in one toy.

Registration is required for children from age three to five, who attend the weekly 9 or 10:30 a.m. sessions.

#### **HOBBY AND** CRAFT SHOW

The Pigeon District Library hosts its annual "Hobby and Craft Show" April 19-23. Registration will begin April 11-16 for ex-

There is no age limit and all hobbyists and crafters are welcome. Quilts will not be shown, because of the Quilt Display during Pigeon's Farmers' Festival in July

QUILTING TRIP
Members of the Quilting
Guild and the public are in-

vited to attend a Quilting Expedition to Shipshewana, Ind. on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 3 and 4. on Sa Travelers will leave the noon. Pigeon District Library on Tuesday, May 3 at 7 a.m. and and are informal and educa-

the price of the trip will intional. No appointment is clude a "bus breakfast" of necessary and more inforcoffee and doughnuts and mation is available by call-

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Visitors will travel to Mabel's Quilt Shop in Millersburg, Ind. and will visit the Flea and Antique Market at Shipshewana, as well as Yoder's General Overnight lodging will be

at Essenhaus Country Inn in Shipshewana. For more information, travel brochures are available at the Pigeon District Library. The trip will be limited to 35 persons.

#### GOOD FRIDAY LIBRARY HOURS

The Pigeon District Library will close at 12 noon on Good Friday, April 1. Books due on this day will not be charged late after 12

#### HEALTH VIDEO LIBRARY

Dr. Beatriz Martin at the Cass City Internal Medicine Clinic offers free health education in video form on common health problems such as hypertension, osteoporosis, PMS, low cholesterol diets, diabetic diets and avoiding diabetic complications.

There are also videos on 'How to Quit Smoking,' Exercise Programs for the Elderly" and more. Videos can be viewed free

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TY'S EARNS HONORS: Barb and Tom Wills, owners of Ty's Lounge in Elkton, proudly display the plaque presented to them by the Bad Axe Jaycees for raising the most money in Huron County during a recent Muscular Dystrophy Association fund-raising drive, "Out of My Heart Comes a Shamrock." Customers donated \$186 by buying shamrocks and displaying them on the walls of the bar.

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Pigeon news

mond amtraked to New

Haven, Conn. to spend the

week with Dee Ann Rich

many places, including New

Francis and Mary Rich-

While there, they toured

#### It's a boy!

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Moore (nee Bonnie Diebel) of Goodrich, a son, Michael Kenneth, on Mon-day, March 7 at Hurley Medical Center, Flint.

Proud grandparents are Mrs. Marietta Dubey of Bay Port, Mr. and Mrs. Norris

Diebel of Pigeon and Mr. and Mrs. John Moore of Elkton Michael joins a sister Carey and a brother Robert.

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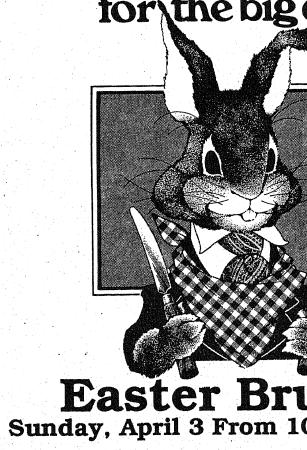
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cook and will be easier to cookies can be frozen for carve. Medium rare three to four months. Rare 140 degrees. Well done

BUSINESS FORMS

for pineapple juice concentrate?

— S.A., Narrows, Va. A. Yes. Use an amount of pineapple juice that is equal to the concentrate and water added to dilute it.

doneness is 160 degrees.

O. In a punch recipe, can l

substitute canned pineapple juice

170 degrees.

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O. How do I cook a small roast

in the middle. - Mrs. J.K. Sturgeon Lake, MN. A. Roll crust to an even

thickness and prevent any holes or tears in crust. Un baked filling can soak through a hole, causing crust to rise as filling expands during baking. Also prevent rapped air under the crust by gently easing crust into

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## Thumb area obituaries

HARVEY EICHLER 1903 - 1988

Harvey Eichler, age 84, of Lake Twp., formerly of Pigeon, passed away Wednesday, March 16 at Scheurer Hospital, He was born on Sept. 20, 1903, son o fht elate Henry and

Mary (Baetz) Eichler in Chandler Twp. On Dec. 24, 1925 he was united in marriage to Lucinda Roth in Berne. He was a retired farmer, a member of the Michigan Avenue Mennonite Church and the Farm Bureau.

Mr. Eichler is survived by his wife, Lucinda; a daughter, Mrs. Doris A. Dressler, Sebewaing; a son, Delmer H. Eichler, Caseville; three grandchildren; a great-grandson and a sister, Mrs. Mabel Oesch, Cass City. He was preceded in death by two brothers. Clarence and Elton Eichler and a sister, Thalma Koch.

Funeral services were conducted on Saturday, March 19 at 11 a.m. from the Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon. The Rev. Herbert Troyer, pastor of the Michigan Avenue Mennonite Church, officiated with burial in the Michigan Avenue Mennonite Church Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the Scheurer Hospital Long-Term Care Unit.

#### ANNA M. KINCEL

1912 - 1988

Anna M. Kincel, age 76 of Jackson and formerly of Caseville, passed away Friday, March 18 in Jackson after a long illness

She was born Feb. 4, 1912 in New Jersey, daughter of the late John and Nancy Scepanski of Caseville. She married Thomas Kincel in 1929 in Wayne County.

Surviving her are her husband, Thomas; one son, Thomas of Kincel, Fla.; one daughter, Mrs. Thomas (Joann) Emberry Vandercook; eight grandchildren; nine great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; three sisters, Mrs. Frank (May) Dove of St. Clair Shores, Mrs. Julia Wyman of Palmetto, Fla. and Mrs. Phyllis Cormendy of Caseville; two brothers, Anthony and Frank Scepanski, both of Caseville.

Burial was in St. John's Cemetery, Jackson on Monday,

#### AGNES BERNHARDT 1920 - 1988

Agnes R. Bernhardt, age 67 of Tawas City and formerly of Elkton, passed away Monday, March 21 at the University of Michigan Hospital, Ann Arbor.

She was born Sept. 2, 1920 in Elkton, daughter of the late Frank and Ethel (Erb) Snider. She was united in marriage June 1, 1940 at Elkton to Peter Bernhardt. She and her husband lived in Bach and Detroit, then moved to the Tawas Area where they have lived since 1945.

She is survived by her husband, Peter; one son, Richard of Ringold, Ga.; one daughter, Mrs. Scott (Jodi) Carlisle of Tawas City; three grandchildren and one brother, John Snider of Davison.

A Memorial Service was conducted Tuesday, March 22 at 1 p.m. at the Jacques & Kobs West Chapel, Tawas City. Richard Bernhardt, seminary student, officiated at the service.

#### NELLIE GOTTS KREH

Nellie Gotts Kreh, age 90 of Gotts Corner, Caseville, passed away Thursday, March 24 at the TLC Home in Pigeon.

She was born Sept. 27, 1897 in Caseville, daughter of the late William and Maria (Morgan) McIllmurray. She married Russell C. Gotts on June 21, 1916. He preceded

her in death on May 13, 1932. She married Herbert Kreh on Oct. 25, 1947. He preceded her in death on Feb. 18, 1956.

Mrs. Kreh was a past member of the Chandler Methodist Church, where she taught Sunday School for 47 years, was a pianist at the church and served as Sunday School superintendent. Upon the closing of the church, she became a member of the Pinnebog United Methodist Church.

Surviving are one son, William R. Gotts of Caseville; one daughter, Mrs. Newell (Clara) Wightman of Pigeon; two stepsons, James Kreh of Caseville and Alvin Kreh of Kinde: two stepdaughters, Mrs. Perry (Arlene) Hilton of Florida William (Grace) Smith of Bad Axe; seven grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; 24 step - grandchildren; 35 step-great - grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Morgan MacIllmurray, Grover MacIllmurray and John MacIllmurray; one sister, Mrs. Maude Ballagh; three greatgranddaughters; one stepdaughter; one step - grandson and one step - great-granddaughter.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, March 28 at the Pinnebog United Methodist Church. The Rev. Robert Garrett, pastor, officiated with burial in the Caseville Township

Funeral arrangements were handled by the Elkton Chapel of Champagne Funeral Chapels.

Persons wishing to offer memorials may consider the Pin-nebog United Methodist Church or Bluewater Youth for

#### Editor's Note:

Due to numerous requests from readers, The Progress-Advance will again begin publishing the complete list of Thumb Area Deaths each week, beginning with next Wednesday's issue, on April 6. Thank you for your input in letting us know this feature has been missed. We're here to serve the needs and requests of all

10,000-plus of our local readers. - Sally and Mark Rummel, Publishers

#### BRIAN MICHAEL **GULASH** 1984 - 1988

Brian Michael Gulash, age three of Caseville, passed away Sunday afternoon, March 27, as the result of an automobile accident.

He was born May 28, 1984 to his parents, Robert and Janet (Gruneisen) Gulash. He was a member of St. Roch Catholic Church, Caseville and St. Roch's Little Peoples' Program.

He was an out-going little boy who enjoyed gardening with his father and helping his mother.

Surviving him are his mother and father, Robert and Janet Gulash; one brother, Nathan, age eight; one sister, Erin, age six; his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Katherine Gulash, Gaines; his maternal grandfather, Harold Gruneisen, Memphis; aunts and uncles, Jack and Mary Nichols, Miami, Fla.; James and Judy Glynn, Farmington Hills and James and Janet Gruneisen, Memphis.

A Funeral Mass will be conducted Wednesday, March 30 at 11 a.m. at St. Roch's Catholic Church. Rev. Fr. Theodore LaMarre will officiate with burial in the church cemetery. Visitation was set for Tuesday, March 29 from 3 to 9 p.m. at

the Caseville Chapel of the Champagne Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the Brian Gulash Memorial

#### GUSTAVE H. KAUSCH

Gustave H. Kausch, 84 of Sebewaing, passed away Thursday afternoon, March 24 at Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe, following a brief illness.

Mr. Kausch was born in Germany on April 19, 1903, the son of Edward and Margarete (Gerwin) Kausch. He came to America in 1923, moving to Sebewaing, and was married to Mabel M. Wissner in Immanuel Lutheran Church Sept. 1,

He was cellar foreman at Sebewaing Brewing Company for 30 years prior to its closing in 1965, and he was a member of Immanuel Church and Lutheran Laymen's League.

Surviving are his wife, Mabel of Sebewaing; two sons, Frederick of Owendale and Curtis of Peoria, Ill.; one daughter, Mrs. Dennis (Gretchen) Haist of Sebewaing; nine grandchildren, and three brothers, Conrad of Warren, Richard of Tallahassee, Fla., and Walter of LeMasa, Ca. Three brothers, John, Edward and William, and one sister,

Magdalene Schoel, preceded their brother in death. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon in Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sebewaing. Rev. Martin J. Hagenow officiated and burial was in Immanuel Cemetery, Sebewaing. Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home of Sebewaing was in charge of arrangements.

#### **EUNICE L. GILLINGHAM** 1904 - 1988

Eunice L. Gillingham, age 83, of Caseville Twp., Pigeon passed away Friday, March 25 at Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon. She was born July 20, 1904 in Saginaw, daughter of the late James and Mae (Carpenter) Boergert. On Sept. 21, 1925, she was united in marriage to John J. Gillingham in Detroit. He passed away Jan. 29, 1976. She graduated in the second graduating class of Bay Port High School, was a former member of Rebecca Lodge and a member of the Bay Port Inited Methodist Church.

Mrs. Gillingham is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Ernest (Janet) McCrimmon, Caseville; two sons, John E. Gillingham, Pigeon and Richard L. Gillingham, Garden City; 12. grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren and one brother, Ralph Boegert, Bay Port.

A sister, Mrs. Marion Kleinfeld preceded her in death Funeral services were conducted Monday, March 28 at 11 a.m. at the Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, Rev. Alger T. Lewis, pastor of the Bay Port United Methodist officiated with burial in the New Bay Port Cem

#### THERESA N. McCOMB 1916 - 1988

Theresa N. McComb, of Caro, with relatives and friends in the Pigeon-Caseville area, passed away Tuesday, March 22 at Caro Community Hospital, after a lingering illness. She was born Theresa Gazaphe on Dec. 7, 1916 near Cass City. She was united in marriage with Manly E. McComb on

July 24, 1936 at Cass City.
Survivors are her husband, Manly, Caro; one son, Paul V. McComb, Phoenix, Ariz.; two granddaughters, Melissa and April, Tucson, Ariz. and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one daughter, Linda; her

parents, three sisters and two brothers. Funeral services were conducted March 25 at 1 p.m. from the Huston and Ransford Funeral Home, Caro, with interment in the Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City. Rev. L.D. Grant of the Caro Baptist Church was the clergyman.

## Thumb MARKETS Tuesday, March 29

White Wheat . . bu. \$2.75 Soybeans . . . . . bu. 6.23 NEW CROP: 2.73 May Wheat Futures: 2.991/2 Corn....bu. 1.88
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## Pigeon area folks a'visitin'

By DOROTHY DIENER Mastor Sgt. Mark Wallee returned home to Dubley, N.C. after visiting his mother, Mrs. Helen Wallace.

since Monday Helping their granddaughter Kristine celebrate her birthday on Sunday were her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rathke at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rathke and sister Pamela in Sterling Heights

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Stevenson entertained 54 guests for dinner Sunday in honor of their daughter Melissa's confirmation at St. John's Lutheran Church. Berne. Guests were from Elkton, Hale, Bay Port, Burton and the Pigeon area.

Tuesday guests of Mrs. Clara Bernard were Mrs. Laura Joles and sons of Sebewaing. Friday guests were Mrs. Martha were Mrs. Martha Eisengruber, her sister of Unionville and Mrs. Peggy Sharich and children Sunday Melissa and Matthew of Sebewaing.
Mrs. Clara Bernard was

honored Sunday for her 84th birthday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Wolfram with 25 relatives and friends.

visited her aunt, Mrs. Lucinda Eichler in Port Austin on Mrs. Alvin Buschlen is a two-month guest of her

Mrs. Shirley Schulze

daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Murdoch. Returning home after two weeks in Florida are Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Murdoch, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Dubs and daughters and Mr. and Mrs.

Terry Sturm and family. Mr. and Mrs. Lothar Von-Daggenhausen and girls of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Dast and family of Bay Čity were weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Donald Dast. Mrs. Walter Hartman returned home after spending a month with her daughter, Joyce and Bob Drabek and family in Grand Terrance, Calif.

Relatives and friends pleasantly surprised Mr. and Mrs. Tom Drabek for their 25th anniversary on Satur-

Mrs. Sharon Hamilton of Huntington Beach, Calif. is spending a week with relatives and friends Mrs. Erma Rounds, Mrs.

Esther Hass and Mrs. Elsie Kern attended the Womens' League board meeting on Monday at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Bad Axe. Pastor and Mrs. Dale Kern, Andrew and Julie of

Stryker, Ohio are spending

several days this week with his mother, Mrs. Elsie Kern, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Weiss attended Melissa Stevenson's confirmation at St. John's Lutheran Church, Berne and were guests of the party hosted by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael

On Sunday, the family of Mrs. Howard Jarvis had their pre-Easter dinner celebration at her home. Todd Bridges, a student at Michigan State University.

Lansing, spent several days last week with his grand mother, Mrs. Ann Schuette. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Binder and family were guests of his mother, Mrs. Ada Binder on

#### Feted at bridal shower

Miss Cindy McBride of Lake Orion was feted with a bridal shower on Sunday, March 20 at the Elkton Civic

Her aunt, Judy Ahearn of Saginaw, served a morning buffet luncheon to 45 guests. Bride Bingo and other games were played with prizes given. Her grandmother, Mrs. Gordon Young of Caro, won the door prize. Gifts were displayed under a Happiness bridal um-

brella. Both the prospective groom and bride opened Guests came from Saginaw, Lake Orion, Caro, Bad Axe, Elkton, St. Helen, Caseville, Imlay City, Burton, Almont, Pigeon,

Marlette, Pontiac, Royal Oak and Berkley. Cindy McBride and Jerome Malinowski have set their wedding dates for May



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balance and stabilize faster than many forms of chiropractic care, and the adjustment holds much better and longer," says Dr. Henshaw.

A graduate of Life Chiropractic College in Atlanta, Henshaw was an officer in the Chi-Rho Frater nity at the college and did volunteer work at St. Joseph's Hospital in Atlanta

His practice will be called the Port Austin Chiropractic Clinic and is located on Grindstone Road behind the Questover Inn.

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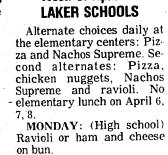
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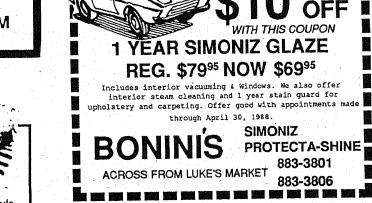


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## Annual Township Meetings

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Declining land values and loss of federal revenuesharing funds hit most again this year, causing a anticipated

FAIR HAVEN Township expects revenues of \$86,565 in 1988 for its general fund, and expenditures should be nearly \$107,000, with the remainder being made up by a fund balance of \$81,000.

Salaries for township officials will be unchanged for the coming year, with the supervisor receiving \$4,120; the assessor \$5,004; clerk, \$6,500; treasurer, \$6,000; and trustees \$1,500.

Township officials made no decisions on road projects, but Clerk Cheryl Nitz said the road committee would be meeting with the county road commission, and anyone in the township with suggestions or comments should contact a member of that committee.

Nitz also said an election would probably be called for a road millage, but that the board had not decided how many mills to ask for.

Sup. Melvin Kuhl took an informal survey at the meeting, asking for a show of hands on whether or not Huron County should allow Sunday hunting. Of the 36 residents attending, nine were for Sunday hunting, and 24 were against.

The board also discussed the question of the county hiring a county administrator and reducing commissioners' salaries. In another show of hands, there were none raised in favor, and all were against the proposal.

**SEWERS COMING:** Although the financial condition of the visor Kuhl said a number of extremely costly improvements are going to be

He listed the need for a sewer system, the master plan, new zoning laws and establishment of a planning commission and a new township and fire hall in the

enacted include a fulltime police officer and a new road millage.

Concerning the proposed sewage system, Kuhl said the township is awaiting word on a grant to do a study on what is needed. "We know some homes are running into the storm drains," he said, and the study would show the approximate cost of needed conversions

Cost estimates would depend on how deep the soil is - how far down the solid rock lies - he stated. He foresees 12-18 months' time required before any digging would actually begin.

the proposed airport which Rosemarie Spies. Revenues the Fair Haven Board sup- in 1987 were \$144,000. The ports. There were for and township's biggest expense against discussions, but in 1987 was \$30,863 for road Kuhl declared that the area work, with \$41,500 in the District Library is up from will see definite benefits budget for the coming year. last year's 2/10 mill, and 

from the airport project, and he urged "the west side of ments Saturday, as Annual Huron County to stick except for the clerk, who will benefit the west side.

Oliver Township this year townships' pocketbooks was the retirement of the note on the township hall. Clerk Robert Krohn says \$19,500 was used to pay off the remaining balance on the

> The township board also paid the Huron County Road Commission \$102,000 this year for road work. General revenues for 1988

are expected to be \$160,000. down from \$190,000 in 1987. The board also approved the levying of one mill for fire protection as it has in the

Road improvement proects for 1988 include repaying two miles of Berne Road, and possibly paving portions of Haist Road southwest of Salaries for township of-

ficials will remain the same as last year, with \$7,200 for the supervisor, \$4,800 for the clerk and treasurer, and \$40 per meeting for each trustee. Eight persons attended.

LAKE: Officials set Tues day, Aug. 2 as the date of an election to ask for 11/2 mills for roads, and 1/2 mill for police as those mills will be expiring this year. Salaries were raised this

year for township officials. with the supervisor receiving \$5,400; the assessor \$5,000; the clerk \$5,500; and trustees \$5,200. Per diem will be \$40 per meeting. The Township's biggest

expenditure in 1987, according to Clerk Ed Koneczny, was \$73,000 for road construction and maintenance. Koneczny said \$43,000 is in the budget for 1988 for road maintenance and repairs, and that most of the 23 residents attending complained about the condition of Griggs and Conkey Roads.

Budget totals for 1988 will be \$155,000, up from \$145,000

Chandler Township officials will be unchanged this year, with the supervisor receiving \$7,000; clerk, \$2,800; treasurer, \$2,800; deputy clerk, \$200; deputy treasurer, \$200; and trustees. \$40 per mee

Budget totals will be down this year to \$123,780, from \$149,555 in 1987. Clerk Glenn Iddings said the township had lost nearly \$4 million in land valuations this year, causing the drop in revenues

The township spent \$177,000 on roads last year by paving Champagne Road and doing construction on Crown Road. Officials made no decision on road work for

WORK TOGETHER: There Township in 1988 will total were questions advanced on \$166,000, according to Clerk Road, Leipprandt said.

ficials will remain the same receive \$9,000 in 1988, up from \$7,700 in 1987. The supervisor will receive \$4,400, while the treasurer is paid \$8,500. Trustees are paid \$40 per meeting.

Some residents at the meeting were concerned about the lack of enforcement of the speed limit on Crescent Beach Road. Other discussion involved Sunday hunting in the county, with those present in favor of the

Officials made no decisions on road projects for the upcoming year, but the supervisor will be surveying the condition of the roads in

WINSOR Township attendees approved a spending equal to the expected \$323,219 in revenues for the coming year. That's in light of a \$2.7 million drop in land

million in taxes assessed this year have been collected, Treasurer Clare Dast says, which is about average even in this poor economic time.

Salaries and wages will total \$23,000 in the new year, the donation to Pigeon District Library will be \$12,223 (reflecting the new 3/10 mill figure) and fire fighting expenditures are expected to total \$18,220.

Road resurfacing will cost \$111,485 and two miles of Haist Road and one of Brown average mile costs \$45,000 to pave and about \$35,000 to resurface. No petitions for road work were received, Sup. Bob Armbruster noted.

1987 fiscal year expenditures were \$174,955, including \$65,752 for road work, \$21,632 for fire fighting maintenance. Cash on hand March 31 is \$247,599.

The 12 persons in atten dance agreed to spread 1.3 mills for the contingency fund for one year. Dianne Kohr is new township clerk, by appointment.

officials' remain the same, at \$8600 for the supervisor / assessor, \$5800 each

McKINLEY Township expects 1988 income to total \$90,405, with \$61,000 to be spent on road work and \$22,990 for township operations, according to Clerk Chuck Leipprandt.

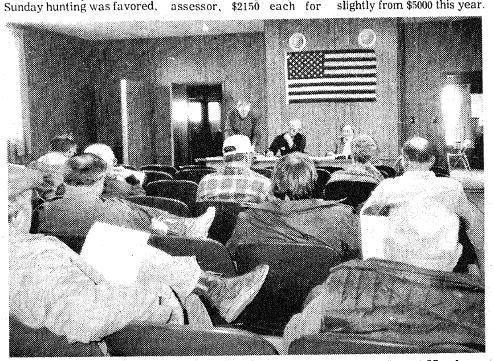
The 23 persons attending voted to pay \$250 each to Pigeon and Bay Port summer rec programs, if conducted, and plan to resurface nearly two miles of township roads. Sturm Road CASEVILLE: Anticipated between sections 35 and 36 revenues in Caseville will be repaved, as will about one-half mile of Pobanz About \$69,000 was spent on road work last year.

The township's 3/10-mill donation to the Pigeon

Salaries for township of- township residents express- and the Chapin Road ditch clerk and treasurer (ined gratefulness for the will be cleaned this year. bridge construction work

undertaken in recent years replacing several old spans. sought, and so they stay at The advisory vote for no \$3000 for supervisor /

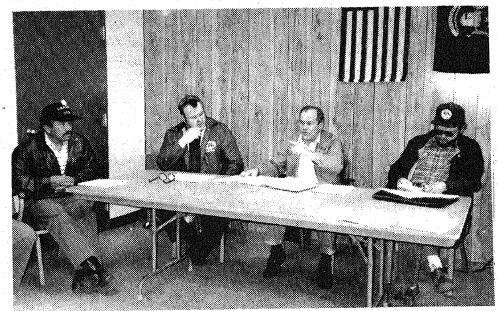
cluding deputies) and \$35 per meeting for trustees. McKinley's fund balance at the end of the new year should total about \$6000, up



FOLKS DIDN'T ASK many questions at Chandler Township's Annual Meeting Saturday, above.



ONLY A DOZEN residents -- all males -- showed up at Winsor Township's meeting, which took 38 minutes to complete...



OLIVER TOWNSHIP residents own the township hall free and clear, and are shown in discussions, above. The hall was built in the early 1980s...

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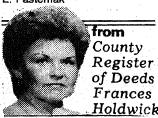
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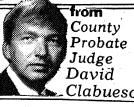
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Lauretta Messing to Melvin J. Messing and Nancy T.; a parcel 48413. By: Thomas Joseph of land located in Section 23 of Sherman Twp.



PROBATE COURT Week of March 17 - 23

Estate of Arthur H. Kuhl, Deceased, of Sebewaing, File 28.864. Independent Probate, Appearance and Notice of Appearance filed

Estate of Mary Rothe, Deceased, of Bad Axe, File 28,543, Supervised Probate, 6 Waivers and Consents Filed, Order Al-

lowing Final Account and Assigning Residue filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed. Estate of Hazel Dickinson Deceased, of Bad Axe, File 28,870, Petition and Order for Assignment, Estate Not Exceeding \$5,000 filed. Estate of William Tye Traher, Deceased, of Harbor Beach, File

28.871: Petition and Order for

RIOR DESIGNS - FLOOR COV- land located in the Village of Deceased, of Pigeon, File 28,384, Supervised Probate, Notice of Objection to Sale of ice by Personal Service filed, Proof of Service by Personal

Service filed, 2 Waivers and Consents filed. Estate of Ethel J. Prill, Deceased, of Bad Axe, File 25,329, Supervised Probate, Amended Final Account of Personal Representative filed. Notice of Hearing filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Emma Musselman Deceased, of Sebewaing, File 28,807, Independent Probate,

Estate of Herman Weippert, Deceased, of Sebewaing, File 28,713, Independent Probate, Petition for Court Supervision filed, Report of Sale of Real Estate and Petition for Confirmation filed, Notice of Hearing filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail

Estate of Allan Lee Cunningham, Deceased, of Sebewaing, File 28,738, Independent Probate, Certificate of Completion

Estate of Otto H. Sternberg, Deceased, of Bad Axe, File 28,814, Independent Probate, Testimony Interested Parties filed, Supplemental Testimony Interested Parties filed, Order Determining Heirs filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Lawrence Geiger, Deceased, of Harbor Beach, File 28.820. Supervised Probate. Petition for Commencement of Proceedings filed, Testimony Interested Parties filed, Supplemental Testimony Interested Parties filed Publication Notice filed, Order Appointing Temporary Personal Representative filed, Bond of Fiduciary filed, Letters of Authority filed. Proof of Personal Service filed.

ceased, of Bad Axe, File 28,349, Supprvised Probate 4 Waivers and Consents filed, Bond of Fi duciary filed, Order Concerning Sale of Real Estate filed, Orde

Estate of Max Albert Ritter Deceased, of Bad Axe, File 28,842, Supervised Probate. Objections to the Appointment of Personal Representative and Objections to Independent Probate filed, Notice of Hearing filed Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed, Proof of Publication filed. Estate of Irene M. Olsway

Deceased, of Ubly, File 28,882 Estate of Elaine C. Weidman,

Deceased, of Pigeon, File 28,881, Petition and Order for Assignment, Estate Not Exceeding \$5,000 filed. Estate of Robert G. Slayman,

Deceased, of Caseville, File 28,579, Independent Probate, Proof of Publication filed. Estate of Isabelle Craig, Deceased, of Port Austin, File

28,867, Supervised Probate, Proof of Publication filed. Estate of Edna C. Ostrander of Gagetown, File 28,849, Independent Probate, Proof of Publi-

Estate of Alice M. Freeman Deceased, of Pigeon, File

28,863, Supervised Probate, Proof of Publication filed. Estate of Ethel M. Perry, De ceased, of Caseville, File

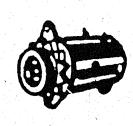
Supervised Probate, 28.862. Proof of Publication filed. Estate of GAre B. Reid, Sr. Deceased, of Harbor Beach, File 24,709. Supervised Trustee ship. Waiver and Consent filed

Order Aldlowing Account filed. Estate of William F. Meske Deceased, of Port Hope, File 28,865, Independent Probate Notice of Appointment and of Duties of An Independent Per Service by Certified Mail and By sonal Representative filed, Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

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Smith, Gina Esch, Agnes Martin.

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■OVERALL: First year student. Kathy Schenk.

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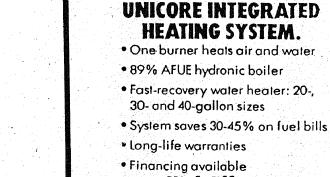
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# County offers respite services for caregivers

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During that time, you probably wouldn't think too much about yourself and your well-being. You would be concerned primarily about the person you are caring for.

However, that constant care, supervision, companionship and responsibility will eventually begin to take a toll on you. Even though you say you don't mind taking care of your grandmother, your dad, your spouse or an aunt, it becomes a burden to you.

When was the last time you were able to go out to lunch with some friends, go down to the bowling alley, play some cards, get your hair done or just have some

time to yourself? How often have you told someone, "Well, I don't know who to call to watch Grandma. I guess I won't be able to go with you today."

The answer to this dilemma can be found in a program offered through the Huron County Health Department. It's called "Respite Care" and is a lifesaver for those families who have the responsibility of caring for their relatives or neighbors on a full-time basis.

Our Respite Care program allows the primary caregiver an opportunity to let "someone else" come into the home to provide the neede care, supervision and companionship to their loved one.

To qualify for the program, the homebound individual must be 60 years of age or older, and a resident of Huron, Sanilac or Tuscola County. There is no age requirement for the caregiver. We can come into the home

for a minimum of 4 hours or for an entire weekend. Respite Care workers are available days, evenings and weekends.

You may be thinking, "This sounds pretty good, but how much does it cost?"

These services are free. Funding for this program comes from a grant through the Area Agency on Aging, at no cost to the client or their caregiver. However, donations and contributions are greatly appreciated so that additional services can be provided to more Thumb-area clients.

For more information about the Respite Care program, contact Cindy Lackowski or Judy Asher at the Huron County Health Department. Phone (517) 269-9721.

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