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Co-op sees \$1.66 million profit

By AMY HEIDEN
"An Era of Change" was the focus of the Cooperative Elevator Co.'s annual meeting last week, as patrons

learned the Co-op posted a net profit of \$1.66 million on sales of nearly \$62.6 million in 1992-93.

Orion Samuelson, producer

and host of the popular "U.S. Farm Report" television and radio show, was the guest speaker for the meeting. He told the audience that farmers now, more than ever, need a marketing plan for their crops.

"I'm not an analyst, just a reporter," Samuelson told nearly 1,000 Co-op patrons. "But I can tell you it's never been more critical to have a marketing plan."

Based on advice he's heard through his years talking to farmers and brokers, Samuelson said the wisest thing farmers can do is to let their wives market their crops.

"You guys sit up in your combines and you fall in love with those crops and say 'I can't sell it,'" he said to appreciative laughter. "The wives know when the payments are due and they'll sell it at the right time."

Samuelson has traveled extensively through the flood-ravaged Mississippi River valley, talking with farmers, and he praised those farmers who say they'll be planting again next year.

"Las Vegas thinks it has a lock on gambling," he said. "It has nothing on you farmers who gamble when you plant seed in the spring."

Co-op Board of Directors Chairman Gerald Elenbaum announced that he would not

be seeking another term on the board of directors.

Elenbaum was first elected to the board in 1969 and has served as the chairman for the past 11 years.

"He has provided outstanding leadership," Co-op CEO John Kohr, Sr. said. "He has the rare ability to get both sides of any issue discussed. His record speaks for itself."

Finance Vice-President Bill Boyle presented the Co-op's financial picture to the assembled patrons, reporting that the company's figures were comparable to last year's.

"On the surface, it looks like it was a quiet year, but that's not the case," Boyle said.

"Last year was the summer that wasn't, with cool weather and plenty of rain and that presented challenges in handling wet corn and beans."

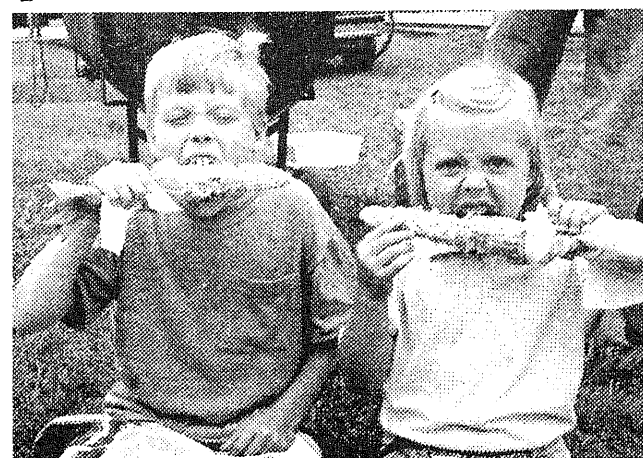
Sales increased almost half a million dollars from 1992's figures, with almost \$62.6 million in sales, Boyle said.

Long-term debt increased, due mainly to the new construction of the new \$1.5 million facility in Akron, he said. That debt increased to \$4.11 million.

Kohr also announced that the specialty feed production would be discontinued.

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How do YOU eat your corn?



HORIZONTALLY OR VERTICALLY? Brandon and Hannah Kimberley may be brother and sister, but they each eat corn-on-the-cob their own way — 11-year-old Brandon all the way around and 5 1/2-year-old Hannah lengthwise. They're the children of Kirk and Cathy Kimberley of Columbus, MI., near Port Huron.

They were among 600 people who enjoyed the first annual Sweet Corn Roast in Pigeon Sunday afternoon. About \$500 was raised to benefit Dottie Deming as she recovers from major cancer surgery and treatment, plus sponsoring Pigeon Chamber of Commerce and other groups offered food and refreshments.

New medical office opens in Sebewaing

Doctors Cheryl and Edward Canfield, D.O., will open a new family practice office Tuesday, Sept. 7, at 624 Unionville Road, Sebewaing.

The Canfields plan to offer care for adults and children and obstetrical services. The practice offers medical services in a community where there has been no resident physician for several years.

Organizational credit goes to USA School Supt. William Dodge, Bay Health Systems, the parent corporation of Bay Medical Center in Bay City, which recruited the new doctors, and Sebewaing area merchants and community members.

A dinner attended by over 70 community members sealed the deal for the Can-

fields, who want to live in the same community in which they practice.

"The reception was great," said Dr. Edward "Ned" Can-

field, adding, "The community made the difference."

Both doctors are from small towns and wanted a comfortable place to raise their

three children, Cory 6, Mary 2 and Timothy 9 months.

Dr. Cheryl Canfield graduated from Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1989, and completed internship and family practice residency at St. Lawrence Hospital in Lansing.

Dr. Edward Canfield graduated from MSU-COM in 1988 and completed his internship at Lansing General Hospital in 1989. He has further training in family practice medicine from the University of Tennessee Family Practice Center.

The staff will begin taking appointments by phone on Sept. 7. The number is 883-9088.



Dr. Cheryl Canfield, D.O.



Dr. Edward Canfield, D.O.

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NEWS ROUND-UP

New USA Principal is ready!

New USA High School Principal David J. Blossom has been busy organizing his office this week, as the 1993-94 school year begins.

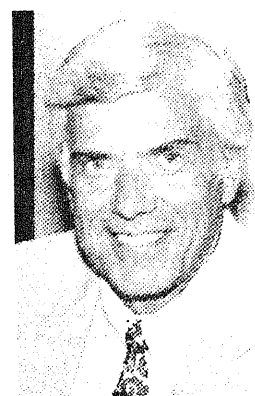
"I'm looking forward to the challenges of my new position," Blossom said.

Before taking the USA position earlier this month, Blossom had been an assistant principal since 1988 and athletic director from 1988 to 1992 at Fennville High.

Blossom refers to himself as a team player whose door is always open to students, parents and staff.

He fills the vacancy created when Richard Green accepted a similar position in July with John Glenn High School, Bay City.

Blossom has a master of arts degree in secondary education from Central Michigan University, master of arts in interpersonal communications from Western Michigan University, and is a graduate of Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.



DAVID J. BLOSSOM
New USA High Principal

Columbia talks about trash

The Columbia Township Board will hold a special assessment district dump hearing at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 8, at the Unionville Village Hall.

The current contract with Cove Sanitation of Bad Axe expires next month. Rural township residents take their trash to the Columbia Transfer Station. To pay for the service, a special assessment is added on residents' property tax bills. A regular meeting will follow the hearing.



DO YOU USE YOUR SEAT BELT? The percentage of seat belt users has continued to rise over the past five years, says the Traffic Safety Association of Michigan.

It has increased from 18% in 1984 to 57% in 1992. This increase in seat belt use saved nearly 30,000 people, the group says.

Air bags are helping also, but officials caution air bags primarily protect against frontal crashes. Seat belts are still the best protection for rear, side and roll-over crashes.

The group is working for a 70% seat belt usage rate in 1994.

MDA Telethon details...

The Jerry Lewis MDA Labor Day Telethon's Bad Axe Pledge Center will be open at the Huron County Sheriff's Department again this year.

Volunteers will begin taking telephone pledges this Sunday, Sept. 5, at 9 p.m. and on through Monday evening.

A Fish Bowl is set up where the public can make donations.

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It's the end of 'Elebaum era' at Cooperative Elevator

with the five-year old facility at the Elkon terminal to be converted for use in dry bean processing.

"It's necessary that we expand our bean processing facilities," Kohr said. "We

looked at expanding in Pigeon, but we would have had to build a brand new plant." Specialty feed production will be phased out in December and the company hopes to be able to start processing beans by April, Kohr said.

Rodney Christner and Dennis Schuette, both of Elkon, were elected to three-year terms on the board of directors in the annual election.

Acapella performs in Pigeon



ACAPPELLA PLAYS SEPT. 12: Hailed as the premier all-vocals recording artist of the Christian music industry, the singing group "Acapella" will once again make a Western Thumb appearance on Sunday, Sept. 12 at 7 p.m. at Laker High School.

Sponsored by Bluewater Thumb Youth for Christ, the appearance by "Acapella" has become an autumn tradition at Lakers. This local stop is one of the group's over 200 appearances each year.

Keith Lancaster founded the group in the early 1980s and its members include Robert Guy of Dallas, baritone Duane Adams of Odessa, TX, tenor Gary Moyers of Lubbock, TX and lead singer George Pendergrass who hails from New York City by way of Los Angeles.

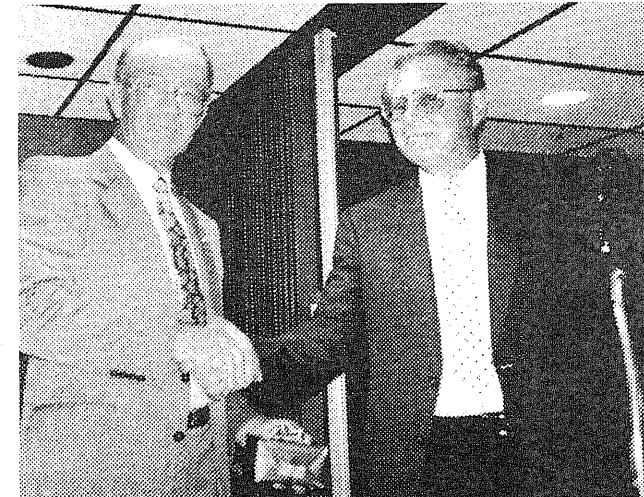
Music industry magazine "Release" calls "Acapella's" unique style "part jazz, part street-corner doo-wop, part praise and worship and completely captivating." A recent release, "We Have Seen His Glory," was number 25 out of Contemporary Christian Music's top 100 songs in 1992. Their newest release is "Set Me Free" by Word/Epic.

Tickets are available in advance by contacting the BWTYFC office at 453-3239 or at the door.

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It's Elkon AutumnFest time!

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OUTGOING Cooperative Elevator Board Chairman Gerold Elenbaum, left, receives a gift from Co-op CEO John Kohr, Sr., during last Tuesday's annual meeting.

AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

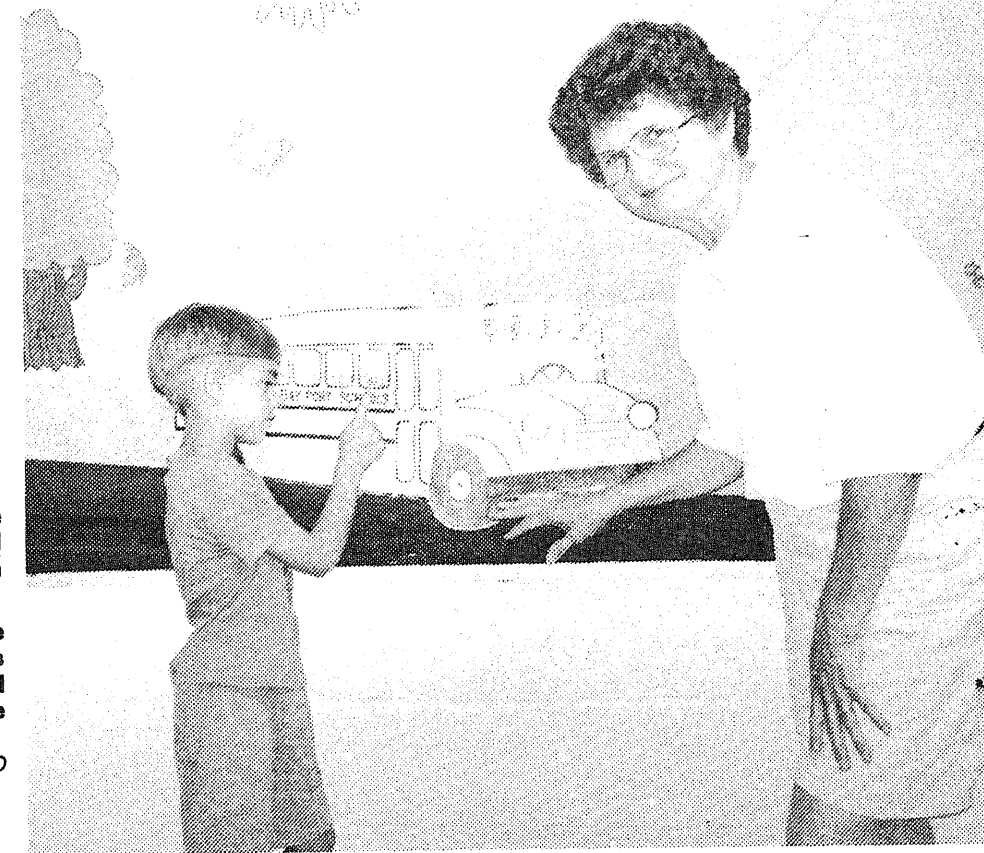
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Even kids know it's back-to-school time!

Children all over the Thumb returned to school this week, ready to learn and make new friends.

HERE, Pigeon first grade teacher Joanne Sturm helps new student Brad Hazard find his picture on the school bus.

AMY HEIDEN PHOTO



Sleeper Park to remain open all year

By AMY HEIDEN

A vigorous letter-writing campaign by the Caseville Chamber of Commerce has paid off, as state Department of Natural Resources officials have decided to open Sleeper and Port Crescent State Parks

during the winter on a limited basis.

Chamber President Diana Groff said the organization received a letter last week announcing the changes.

"We've been concerned about the parks closing dur-

ing the winter," Groff said.

"We have some winter visitors who like to stay at the parks or go skiing.

"Having the parks closed hurt our businesses even further."

State officials had closed the parks last year due to budget cuts. The park gates were open, but no campsites were plowed and the ski trails weren't groomed, according to Sleeper and Port Crescent assistant manager Jerry Smith.

"The campground wasn't plowed and the trails weren't groomed, and that's unfortunate because we had some

good snow last year," Smith said.

Several campsites at Sleeper Park will be plowed out for winter campers and the approximately four miles of trails at Sleeper and three-and-a-half miles of trails at the day use area of Port Crescent will be groomed.

Smith said park officials hope to offer candlelight ski runs this winter, alternating weekends with county parks.

"We're excited that we're back in the park business serving the public," Smith said. "We like what we do and that's taking care of people."

All The News That Fits

We Print!

by Mark Rummel

WORD TO THE WISE: Due to this weekend's Labor Day observance, please be advised that deadline for next Tuesday's Newsweekly is this **Thursday at 5 p.m.**

Then, watch for your only locally-owned hometown paper bright and early Tuesday morning!

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DESK-CLEARING: ■ It's a small world, part 1. The Rummel Ranch bunch spent last week in the Upper Peninsula, but we were never really far from the Thumb.

I bought an issue of the "Porcupine Press" of Aug. 18, which prides itself on giving a "slightly different point of view" from its office in Trenary. There on the cover is a young lady boiling sweet corn... and she's wearing a Sebewaing Beer T-shirt!

■ Small world, part 2. Then, we read Bob Talbert's "Detroit Free Press" column of Aug. 26, headlined "In the Thumb, history is but a whisper away." Quarter-century columnist Talbert spent a vacation here in the Thumb, and told about visiting the Hubbard-Phelps House of Seven Gables in Huron City, Port Austin's Garfield Inn and other sites.

Commenting on great local fishing, Talbert says while flour was the medium of exchange in the Thumb Area in 1893, "In 1993, I think it's walleyes..."

■ Small world, part 3. Finally, this past Friday's "Free Press" featured Talbert's story about enjoying the Guy Lombardo Orchestra last week at the Pigeon Band Shell.

He and wife Lynn "were in Pigeon on the lawn with several hundred others at the Thumb's premier outdoor concert facility, the Pigeon Band Shell," he wrote. "It was another vacation touch of small-town yesteryear, when outdoor band concerts were a weekly highlight in rural America."

Talbert mentioned all the small-town festivals (including Bay Port, Caseville, Sebewaing, Bad Axe and Harbor Beach), noting there's a smiling local queen for each. "Sampling these things is always part of a great vacation for us," he said.

So Bob Talbert gave the Thumb some outstanding free publicity... and it was all true!

■ Small world, part 4. Lastly, while we vacationed in Naurinway in the U.P., that town got state-wide publicity. The state Department of Transportation opened its newest roadside rest area at Naurinway last week, and it's the first one in Michigan with FLUSH TOILETS (as opposed to "pit" ones.)

These brushes with "news greatness" were funny and unusual... and are found if you buy a newspaper now and then and keep your eyes open!

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WISH YD SAID THAT: "A poker player is someone who frequently falls off his own bluff!" (Steve Beedle)

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NEWS ROUND-UP

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and those funds will stay in the Huron County Area to help children and adults afflicted with one of 40 neuromuscular diseases.

Program services provided include a MDA clinic, support groups, research, summer camp, and orthopedic devices. Watch the telethon for local phone numbers and details.

Early goose season won't include Thumb

An early Canada Goose hunting season has been set again this year in Michigan, from Wednesday, Sept. 1-Friday, Sept. 10 — but Huron, Tuscola and Saginaw Counties will not be included.

The season is intended to help control Giant Canada Goose populations, but DNR officials say results of earlier seasons suggest an undesirable harvest of early-arriving migrant Canadas from James Bay, Ontario.

The 1993 hunt area will include a small part of the Eastern Upper Peninsula and the entire Lower Peninsula "except for Saginaw, Tuscola and Huron Counties and their offshore waters," the DNR says.

Daily bag limit for the early hunt will be five birds and possession limit of 10. Shooting hours will be one-half hour before sunrise to sunset, local time.

DNR Director Roland Harmes said, "The local goose flight is expected to be larger than last year's, even though these annual special hunts have reduced the goose population growth rate."

Most public lands in the Lower Peninsula will be open to hunters, including state game and wildlife areas, state forest lands and portions of state parks and recreation areas. However, DNR officials pointed out, portions of some state parks and recreation areas will not be open to hunting until after Labor Day.

Enos is new Akron president

Akron Village Council members last week approved appointing a resident who is not currently serving on the Council to the Village Presidency.

Mike Enos was selected as President, to fill out the unexpired term of Maribell Young who resigned in June. Term ends April 1, 1994, said Village Clerk Raylene Rader.

Although Enos wasn't on the Council at the time of appointment, he has previously served on the Council.

Council members approved Enos' appointment because no one else on the Council wanted the position as president. Next council meeting is 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21.

Court proceedings

In 73rd District Court (Huron County), Judge Karl Kraus recently heard the pleas of/or passed judgment on:

■ Chris E. Cove, 20 of Port Austin, pled guilty to fleeing a police officer, following a recent incident; ordered to serve seven days in Huron County Jail, placed on one year's probation and ordered to pay \$210 fines and costs;

■ Brian M. Dyer, 20 of Sebewaing, pled guilty to open intoxicants in motor vehicle; \$100 fines and costs;

■ Michael G. Forster, 19 of Elkon, pled guilty to open intoxicants in motor vehicle; \$100 fines and costs;

■ Gerald L. Gash, 43 of Bay Port, pled guilty to illegal license plate; \$225 fines and costs;

■ Sandra L. Hensley, 49 of Port Austin, pled nolo contendere (no contest) to two charges of non-sufficient fund check less than \$50; \$200 fines and costs and ordered to pay \$2,639 in restitution;

■ Karen A. Koneczal, 23 of Elkon, pled guilty to open intoxicants in motor vehicle; \$100 fines and costs;

■ Troy J. Kosinski, 17 of Port Austin, pled guilty to possession of intoxicants; \$100 fines and costs;

■ Melissa L. McCormick, 21 of Pigeon, pled guilty to open intoxicants in motor vehicle; \$100 fines and costs;

■ Kristan K. Michaels, 26 of Malvindale, pled guilty to no operators' license in possession, following a recent incident investigated by Pigeon Police; \$50 fines and costs;

■ Ricky J. Moore, 23 of Kinde, pled guilty to open intoxicants in motor vehicle; \$100 fines and costs;

■ James A. Nickerson, 34 of Caseville, pled guilty to impaired driving, third offense; 60 days in jail, \$950 fines and costs, 12 months' probation and has driver's license revoked;

■ John N. Pantalis, 45 of Pigeon, pled guilty to open intoxicants in motor vehicle; \$100 fines and costs;

■ Kenneth J. Rice, 41 of Port Austin, pled guilty to drunken driving; five days in jail, \$600 fines and costs; 12 months' probation and loses license for six months;

■ Ramona L. VanValkenburgh, 30 of Kinde, pled guilty to drunken driving; \$600 fines and costs, one year's probation and loses license for six months;

■ James L. VanValkenburgh, 28 of Filion, pled guilty to illegal license plate; \$175 fines and costs, and

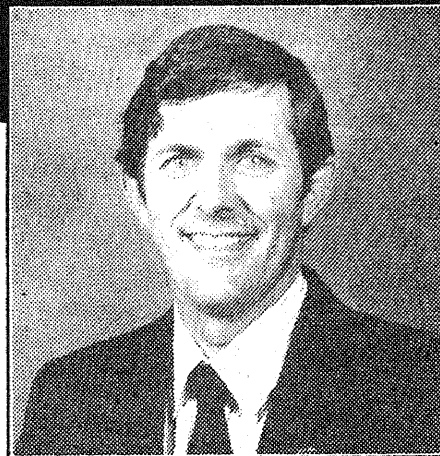
■ Amy S. Weber, no age given of Kinde, pled guilty to possession of intoxicants; \$100 fines and costs.

Correction...

Additional information has been received about a story published in the Aug. 24 issue of The Newsweekly.

The Carl Hess scholarship was also created by his son Charles L. Hess, wife and daughters.

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The Newsweekly Forum

Our view:

The word is diversification, in crops, assets life...

A wise local farmer was once asked, "What's the best crop to grow to be a successful and profitable farmer in the Thumb?"

Different farmers may have different answers, of course, but his made sense: "I'd put a quarter of my crop acreage in beans, another quarter in corn, a quarter in sugar beets and a quarter in oats," he said with a knowing smile. "That way, you're bound to average out better than most."

The concept of diversification can be applied to other "investments," too, such as your financial portfolio.

If you needed proof that asset diversification works, consider this example by the national investment broker firm of Dean Witter:

Invest \$100,000 for 25 years in an interest-bearing product yielding 8%, and your investment would be worth \$684,850 at the end of the period, assuming all dividends were reinvested.

But what would happen if you divided the \$100,000 evenly among five investments — \$20,000 in each — with the following results? What if:

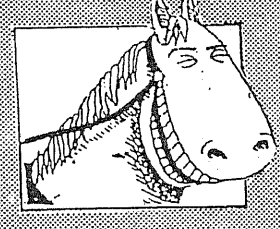
- you lost all of the first \$20,000;
- you broke even on the second \$20,000;
- you earned 5% a year on the third \$20,000;
- you earned 10% a year on the next \$20,000, and
- you earned 15% a year on the final \$20,000?

Despite the poor performance of the first two investments, you still would end up with \$962,800 after 25 years, Dean Witter notes. That's \$277,950 more than in the original "safe" example, where all the "eggs" were in one basket.

The point is: by spreading your money around, you stand a better chance of having some of your assets in a place where they will grow. That holds true in crop diversification and other aspects of life, too...

Horsin' Around

by Kate Pickering



A horse called Charlie

He was the first horse we ever had, and though his papers read "Ramadah's Diamond," we knew him as Charlie and Charlie was as grand a little creature as will ever grace our farm.

But was he really an exception? Yep. Aren't I just an emotional child attributing greater virtue to my beloved pet than he truly possessed? Nope.

I have owned and known enough horses in the 20 years since he first came to know that he was indeed the exception: he was exceptionally beautiful; exceptionally strong; exceptionally smart; exceptionally communicative and in those early years, exceptionally dangerous.

That's what made our relationship with him exceptionally special! Charlie came to our farm as rank and unbroke as a prairie born mustang... but with a grit and determination that would have made Walt Disney proud, I set out to break and befriend this beautiful wild animal.

Accruing a long list of bumps and bruises that haunt me in my arthritic joints to this day, I worked tirelessly to forge an unbendable bond with this brilliant but defiant little Arab/Morgan horse. It took a couple of years, but somehow, I single-handedly turned him into the most fearless and dependable mount ever to bear a rider's weight.

Well, that would be great if it were all true, but the truth is, I had little to do with his "fearless dependability" and few things are ever achieved single-handedly. We didn't know it at first, but eventually it became apparent that Charlie was just smart, smart, SMART and he was starving for love and attention. Therefore, he was all too willing and eager to learn. He had been looking for something to do and someone to love, and it was just luck that placed me in his path.

After those bumpy early years, Napoleon could have ridden into battle, Hannibal could have crossed the Alps, Bill Hickock could have tamed the West and the Queen of England could have ridden to hounds all on our versatile and willing little horse.

His unicorn-like beauty drew children to him, and with a patience and intelligence that told him kids were fragile and special, he could always be depended upon to be extra careful with even the tiniest of horsemen. By the same token, he never showed an experienced rider a dull moment, and it was this serene and unexplained aptitude (which I would call human, except that it would be an insult), which fascinated, intrigued and even frightened me a little.

Charlie suffered a couple of painful injuries in his old age, and a better person than I would have spared his suffering long ago. But I have boldly stated here that our communication with him was extraordinary, and I stick by that claim when I now tell you, we know he enjoyed life and was in no hurry to have it end.

Charlie was all that a horse should be - not that I have any right to say what that is - and to say that I loved him would be the understatement of the century. But I can say that he was the best friend I ever had, that he taught me more than all my teachers combined, and that I was miss him every single moment of every day. He was a gift from God, and although I realize this, I was loathe to give him back when

at last the time came... just last week.

The image of Charlie's finely chiseled face and graceful, flawless grey form will haunt our farm and fields as long as my memory keeps working and my heart keeps beating. And although I have painted a rather rosy picture of all of this, God alone knows we did wrong by that horse hundreds of times, and it is that which will truly haunt me all the days of my life.

With no wish to plagiarize anyone's fine work, I can remember only snippets of a poem I first read years and years ago which I knew - sadly - would one day be appropriate. I so wish I could recite these words to my Charlie one last time...

"As the trail comes to an end, and the sun sinks in the west, The days I spent with you my friend - they were the very best."

Yarns From The Thumb

by Walt Rummel



Today is TUESDAY, AUG. 31, so 1993 is two-thirds gone! Only four months are left. That means it's Day No. 243 and 122 remain in 1993. There'll be a Full Moon tonight, starting at 10:33 pm, and this is known as the Harvest Moon, because it's the Full Moon nearest the autumnal equinox. It extends the hours of light into the evening to help harvesters with their long days' work... Birthdays for actors today, James Coburn 65, Richard Gere 44 and Buddy Hackett 69, and Violinist Itzhak Perlman 48...

At dawn on SEPT. 1, 1939, Nazi troops began an invasion of Poland, for which they were given an Allied ultimatum to return to their own borders by SEPT. 3, or risk a declaration of war by Britain, France, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. The ultimatum was ignored and World War II began two days later...

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 1 starts a new month, and here are just some of the observances to which various groups and localities pay homage: All-American Breakfast Month, Baby Safety Month, Library Card Sign-Up Month, National Chicken Month, National Cholesterol Education Month, National Courtesy Month, National Honey Month, National Piano Month, National Rice Month and a whole basketful of others... Incidentally, the National Honey Board declares there are 211,600 beekeepers in the U.S., who have 4.2 million colonies which produce more than 227 million pounds of honey... Actress Yvonne DeCarlo is 69...

On SEPT. 2, 1945, the Japanese surrender to the Allies aboard the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay. War was ratified and President Harry Truman declared SEPT. 2 as the official Victory-over-Japan Day... Tennis star Jimmy Connors is 41 today and Actor Mark Harmon (Tom's son) is 42...

The Italian Army surrendered unconditionally to British forces who began an invasion of the mainland on SEPT. 3, 1943... A 2-day Oatmeal Festival begins today in Oatmeal, TX, to celebrate the town being put back on the state map years after being left off. Fun, food and foolishness are promised... Three actresses have birthdays today, Valerie Perrine 50, Anne Jackson 67 and Kitty Carlisle 78...

To celebrate the town's importance as a railroad community, Tracy, MN, celebrates Box Car Days Saturday-Monday, SEPT. 4-6, to turn Labor Day weekend into a huge celebration... Dick York, who became famous as Darin Stephens in the TV series "Bewitched," was born SEPT. 4, 1928, in Fort Wayne, IN. Earlier he had starred as "That Brewster Boy" and in many movies. He had to leave the "Bewitched" series after hurting his back in a movie, and developed a severe physical handicap. Nevertheless, he labored with great difficulty in soliciting support and funds for charities, until his death in Grand Rapids in 1992 at the age of 62... Radio Broadcaster Paul Harvey is 75 today and Singer/Dancer Mitzi Gaynor is 62...

One of Michigan's greatest disasters, The Great Fire of 1881, started on SEPT. 5, burned its way through forests, farms and towns, up the east shore of the Thumb, across the top and down on the west side to the historical marker at the State Highway Roadside Park near the M-142/M-25 intersection south of Bay Port. More than 125 died of fire or

exposure, one million acres of forests were wiped out and thousands of people were left homeless. The Red Cross won support for its prompt aid to fire victims...

It's two years ago today that the Soviet Congress of People's Deputies voted to restructure the Soviet Union into the Commonwealth of Independent States... Birthdays today, Actress Raquel Welch 51, Singer/Actress Carol Lawrence 58 and Comedian Bob Newhart 64...

It's MONDAY, SEPT. 6, and it's Labor Day, a legal public holiday, observed in all 50 states and in Canada. The first observance was probably in 1882 in New York City. It was in 1894 that President Grover Cleveland signed into law an act making the first Monday of Sept. a legal holiday for federal workers...

One of Labor Day's biggest events is the annual Mackinac Bridge Walk, from St. Ignace in the UP to Mackinaw City. It's the only day of the year when pedestrians are permitted on the five-mile spans... Other SEPT. 6 events, French General LaFayette, who fought for the colonists against the British in the Revolutionary War, was born in 1757; President William McKinley was shot in Buffalo, NY, in 1901 and died eight days later (his assassin was executed Oct. 29, 1901); The Russian city of Leningrad, so named for 67 years during Communist and Soviet rule, was returned to its original name of St. Petersburg, in 1991. The city was founded in 1703 by Peter the Great and was originally named in his honor... Actress Jo Anne Worley is 56 today...

Seeing a clutch of baby pheasants last week reminded me of how many birds we used to see in 1930s to the 50s! Now one young pheasant—or a whole family—is almost a rarity, although there is evidence that they're making a comeback. Just see how hunting has changed—40 years ago we hunted ducks, pheasants and rabbits, and occasionally we saw or bagged a goose. Seeing a deer was an event, and the "good" hunters went North or "over the Straits" (by car ferry) to bag a buck.

Now there's little pheasant hunting, duck hunters are few and far between, but Honkers are the big attraction, with hundreds upon hundreds bagged all around us. Deer hunting in the Thumb is good, too, so we've made an almost-total switch in a half-century.

Recollections Of By-Gone Days

by George Keim



DEAR EDITOR,

My daughter Mary wrote several of my last articles but she and her family left for home in the Netherlands last Monday. Now, it's very quiet around here.

Her husband works around trees and plants and he really did a lot of trimming up around here. The last few days they had a rented car and they really had a good trip out West.

My son-in-law climbed Pike's Peak and they saw a lot of interesting things. They could drive hour after hour and still were in the United States, while at home they can get out of Holland any way in one hour.

Well, all good things have to end. When they got married, I told them I might be able to come over to see them maybe three times.

But last Christmas was the seventh time I've gone over there and they've been here as many times. And if the Lord is willing and I'm able, I may go a few more times! These days, the young kids are thinking of going back to

school and I just had to think back of the first day I went to school.

Back then you couldn't start to school till you were six years old and I was almost seven before I got started. That was 76 years ago. They were building the school building that they knocked down so we had to start in that white house south of the Masons' temple on Main Street.

I went into the house and sat down with my baton and one little girl said that if that boy in the front seat don't take off his hat he'll get the rubber hose.

Well, I didn't know what a rubber hose was but I found out and it stung like crazy.

In those days the teachers could spank kids if they didn't behave themselves. Lots of times the mothers would come to school and see how their kids behaved and if a kid didn't behave and didn't get a licking, we knew that the teacher knew the mother.

The World War was going on and a lot of kids couldn't

speak good English. I always could talk good English but I also could talk German and the teacher didn't like it if I talked German with them. She told us that if we lose the war the Kaiser would come and get us so we watched out a little.

Well, things have changed a lot since I started to school and almost all the people with whom I went to school are gone.

School wasn't really hard for me and if I had to do it

over again, I would have studied a little harder.

In II Timothy, Chap. 5 it says, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth."

The trouble with so many people is they study the Bible and get the Greek and Latin all mixed up and they don't know what is right.

Sincerely yours,
GEORGE KEIM

Letters from readers

Trouble is ahead for USA if NAFTA passes

By KATHY M. VOLZ Sebewaing

I have the 1,140 page, two-volume set of the North American Free Trade Agreement. Reading this, especially chapter 16 (a list of jobs that will be eliminated in the USA if NAFTA passes) is scary enough to think this "Free Trade" is good at all.

If NAFTA passes it could allow free access by Mexican industry to the USA market without application of:

- U.S. Environmental Protection & Hazardous Waste Regulation
- U.S. Occupational Safety Health Act/Right to Know Regulation
- U.S. Food and Drug Regu-

lation

- U.S. American Disability Act Legislation

- U.S. Maternity Leave Legislation & Labor Laws

- U.S. Social Security & Federal Taxes & Minimum Wage Canada already has their "Free Trade Agreement" and are already paying the price with 90,000 lost jobs and the increase of unemployment from 7.8% to 10.5%.

I'm sure Mexicans are proud of their beautiful country, yet I see nothing to be proud of when a person makes 58 cents an hour and comes home to a house made up of scavenged cardboard and trash.

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Lake Huron Community Arts Council NEWS

By LAKE HURON COMMUNITY ARTS NEWS

There's a new show at the Heidelberg Gallery, Downtown Sebewaing:

Come and see the wonderful quilts displayed. A great variety of patterns and skills shown by quilters from the area.

Viewing hours are from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays until Oct. 3.

Due to the terrific response received from Marsh Madness '92, there will again be a Wildlife Exposition. Marsh Madness '93 will be-

gin Oct. 9 and run through Oct. 24.

The Marsh Madness Artists' Show and Sale will be Oct. 23 and 24. More information to follow.

Also continuing this year is the Pumpkin and Squash Decorating. They will be used to decorate the Gallery for a one-weekend showing Oct. 30 and 31.

Information will be available at area schools in the near future.

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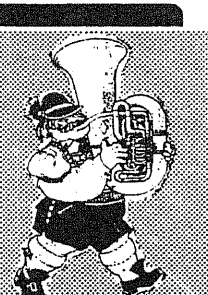
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A Wahre G'schichte

bei Hanswurst



'Waer ich net so dumm g'wesen!'

Fuer diese Geschichte muessen wir History zurueck turnen zu 1936, da ich at Michigan State College anfing.

Mein Grossvater gab mir ein grosser Easy Chair, zum nach College nehmen in meine rented Room. Der Easy Chair war ein Morris Chair type (fuer die die old enough sind zum das identifizieren).

Er hatte ein dickes Seat Pillow und ein grosses dickes Back Pillow. Mit ein Button an die Seit, konnte man den Back zurueck tilten in about three different Angles.

Der Chair war sehr comfortable und hatte heavy Oak Armrests.

Das outstanding Part about den Chair war ein carved Wood Lion's Head an beide Armrests. Sie waren real special und haben den Chair real Class gegeben.

Meine Roommates haben mich ge-kidded about mein "Puppy Head" und mein "Bow Wow Doggie." Durch die Weeks und Months haben Sie mich mehr und mehr upset bis Ich sagte, "Wenn Ihr meine Armrests nicht gern habt, dann saw Sie ab."

Of course, Ich dachte nie das Sie so etwas tun werden. However, ein Abend kamm Ich zu meine Room, und da stand mein Chair, mit smooth Armrests—keine Lion's Heads mehr.

Die Lion's Heads waren ab-ge-sawed, die Armrest Stubs waren ge-sandpapered, und Ich hab die Lion's Heads nie wieder gesehen. Was zu den Chair ge-happened ist nach Graduation kann Ich gar nicht remembern.

Wenn mann so 18 oder 19 ist dann ist so ein Happening kein grosser Deal. Ich hab die Lion's Heads vergessen bis so 2 oder 3 Months ago.

Wir waren in ein Antique Store in eine grosse Stadt, und suddenly, da stand ein Morris Chair, mit dicke Pillows, und mit zwei carved Lion's Heads an die front of die Armrests. Er war identical mit mein alter College Chair, except, of course, das die Lion's Heads waren nicht ab-ge-sawed, sondern waren ein Part of the Chair.

Alles war wundervoll about den Chair, und er war in beautiful Condition. Ich musste mich hinein setzen, und konnte even remembern exactly wie das feelen wird. Es war mein treuer alter Chair, zurueck gekommen zu Life. Suddenly dachte Ich, "Ich wundern wieviel dieser kostet. Vielleicht werde Ich ihn kaufen."

Ich hab den Preis Tag ge-grabbed, und bin beinah in ein dead faint ge-dropped: "Genuine Morris Chair, Carved Heads. \$1,000."

Die Moral in die Story: Waer Ich blos net so dumm g'wesen.

Thumb Area Obituaries

MARY M. MERICKO 1900 - 1993

Mary M. Mericko, 93 of Sebewaing, passed away Friday, Aug. 27 at Four Seasons Health Care Center, Bad Axe, after a long illness. Mary M. Harchuck was born on March 25, 1900 in Arcadia, PA, daughter of the late John and Christina (Pruzniak) Harchuck. On March 14, 1917 she was united in marriage to Joseph J. Mericko in Nanty Glo, PA. She was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church, Sebewaing.

Her survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Paul (Margaret) Tietz, Sebewaing; Mrs. William (Mary) Gaydos, Merryville, IN; four sons, Paul (Ann) Mericko, Parma, OH, Joseph Mericko, Deltona, FL, Thomas (Arlene) Mericko, Lake Village, IN and George (Jean) Mericko, Gillette, NJ; 13 grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; seven step-great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; seven step-great-great-grandchildren; a sister, Helen Harchuck; a sister-in-law, Ruth Harchuck and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two daughters, Helen and Tricia; a son John; two brothers John and Steve Harchuck and a sister, Ann Harchuck.

A Funeral Mass will be conducted on Tuesday, Aug. 31 at 10 a.m. from Holy Family Catholic Church, Sebewaing. Rev. Fr. George Serour, pastor, will officiate with burial in the church cemetery. Memorials may be offered to Holy Family Building Fund, Mass Offerings or Immanuel Lutheran Church Debt Retirement Fund. A Scripture Wake Service was held on Monday at 8 p.m. Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home, Sebewaing, was in charge of arrangements.

JOHN NEAL LOVE 1901 - 1993

John N. Love, 92 of Bad Axe, formerly of Fremont, OH, passed away Friday, Aug. 27 at Four Seasons Health Care Center, Bad Axe, following a long illness. He was born Feb. 21, 1901 in Lima, OH, son of the late Oscar and Naomi (Barrick) Love.

He was united in marriage on Feb. 26, 1927 to Helen Maye, and they lived in the Fremont area most of their married lives. She preceded him in death on Jan. 13, 1992.

Mr. Love moved to Huron County in 1936 to live near his son for health reasons. He is survived by four sons, Neil (Phyllis) Love of Sand Point, Gale (Margot) Love of Grass Valley, CA, Jack (Sandra) Love of San Diego, CA and Dennis (Brenda) Love of Brea, CA; his daughter, Arlene (Harold) Havener of Fremont, OH; 12 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren and his sister, Eileen (Emery) Newton of Naples, FL.

Two brothers, George and an infant preceded him in death.

Graveside services will be conducted on Tuesday, Aug. 31 at 3 p.m. at Four Mile House Cemetery in Fremont, OH, where interment will take place. Memorials may be given to the donor's choice.

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

Other Thumb Area deaths

Margaret Krueger, 86, Harbor Beach, passed away Aug. 22.
Ruth Stone, 74, Port Hope, passed away Aug. 23.
Frankie Anker, 94, Bay City, formerly of Gagetown, passed away Aug. 23.

Ray Mattice, 74, Harbor Beach, passed away Aug. 24.
Mabel Cook, 97, Berrien Springs, formerly of Grindstone City, passed away Aug. 25.
Geneva Moody, 93, Cass City, passed away Aug. 25.
Barbara Tenbusch, 62, Harbor Beach, passed away Aug. 26.

CARL A. SATOW 1904-1993

Carl A. Satow, 88, a native of Unionville and longtime druggist of Frankenmuth, died Wednesday, Aug. 18, at his home in Frankenmuth. He was born in Unionville on Dec. 12, 1904, moved to Detroit as a pharmaceutical salesman and took up residence in Frankenmuth in 1937 when he opened Satow's Drug Store.

He married Cora L. Tienken on Aug. 20, 1929, and she survives him.

Mr. Satow was a member of St. Lorenz Lutheran Church, Governor of Rotary District 631 in 1969-70, president of Frankenmuth Rotary Club, a Paul Harris Rotary Fellow, and had perfect attendance at Rotary for 51 years.

He was Village President of Frankenmuth, served two terms as village councilman and was instrumental in organizing the City of Frankenmuth in 1955. He was one of the first Saginaw County supervisors to represent Frankenmuth. In his own profession he held various offices in regional, state and national pharmaceutical associations, and was awarded the A.H. Robins Award for service to pharmacy from the Michigan Pharmaceutical Association. Mr. Satow was a past member of St. Lorenz School Board.

Surviving, besides his wife Cora L., he is survived by one daughter and one son, Jane A. Habel and her husband, Arthur, of Flint, and Robert L. Satow and his wife, Ann, of Frankenmuth, five grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, one sister, Linda Stotzer of St. Clair Shores and many nieces and nephews.

Mr. Satow was predeceased by two brothers, Herb and Fred, and three sisters, Olga, Alma and Mabel.

The funeral service was held Saturday morning, Aug. 21, in Cederberg Funeral Home, Frankenmuth, with Rev. Dale Ahlswede officiating. Burial was in St. Lorenz Cemetery.

Friends wishing to offer memorials are invited to consider American Cancer Society or Hospice Partners in Caring.

A-F ready for Sept. 27 vote

Akron-Fairgrove School District's Board of Education has approved ballot language for the Monday, Sept. 27 election. In July, board members approved holding a special election to request additional millage to help ease the district's financial woes. However, they weren't sure how much millage was needed, so they waited to decide on the millage request.

The single-ballot issue requests 3 additional mills for one year.

If approved the millage would generate about \$203,000 to help cover the estimated \$210,000 shortfall between revenue and expenses for the 1993-94 school year, said Superintendent Kenneth Tahls.

Top pitchers!



HORSESHOE LEAGUE CHAMPIONS - J & B Plumbing, from left, Clayt Kauffman, Butch Miller-Sponsor, Pete Swartzendruber, Joe Forray. Missing when photo was taken Clair Basinger, Milt Kreh and Vern Beachy.



SECOND PLACE CHAMPIONS - Schweitzer Collectibles, from left, back row, James L. Simmet, Ray Werschky, Arick Schweitzer, Bill Weidner; front row, Arlene Schweitzer, Sponsor, and Leroy Schweitzer.

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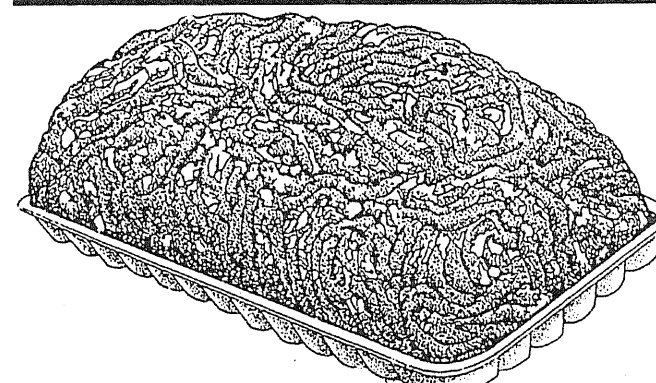
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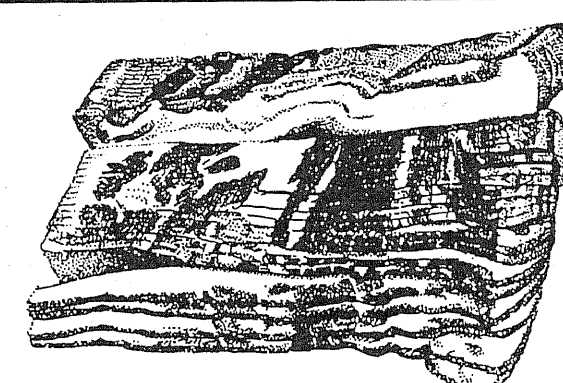


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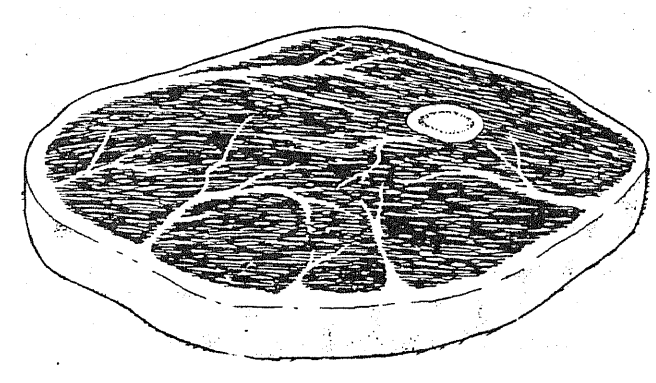
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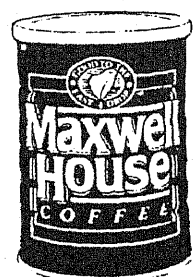
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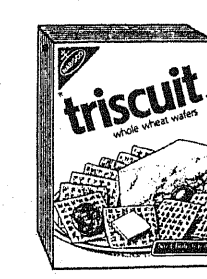
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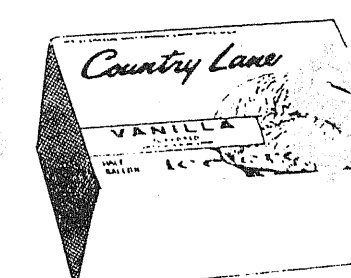
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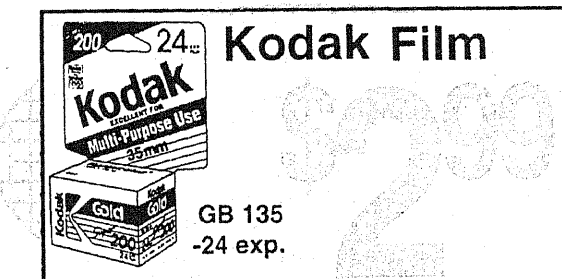
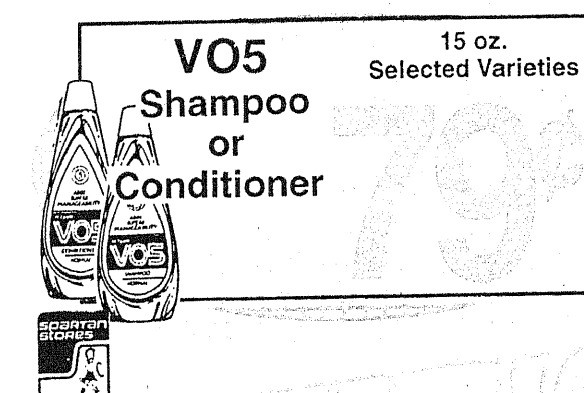
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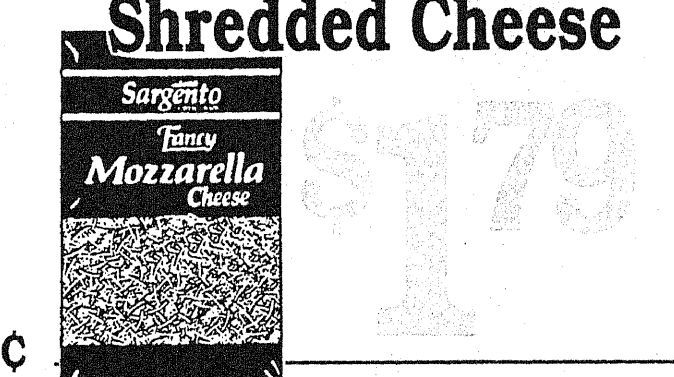
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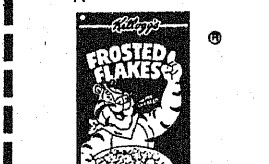
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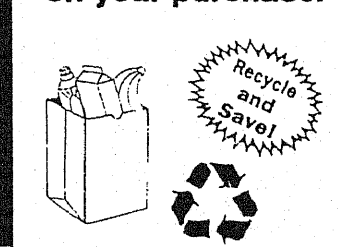


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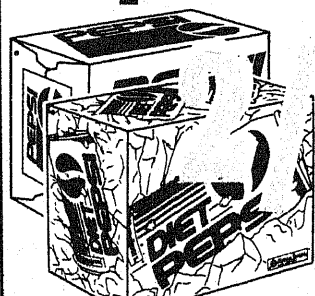
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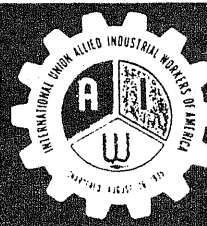


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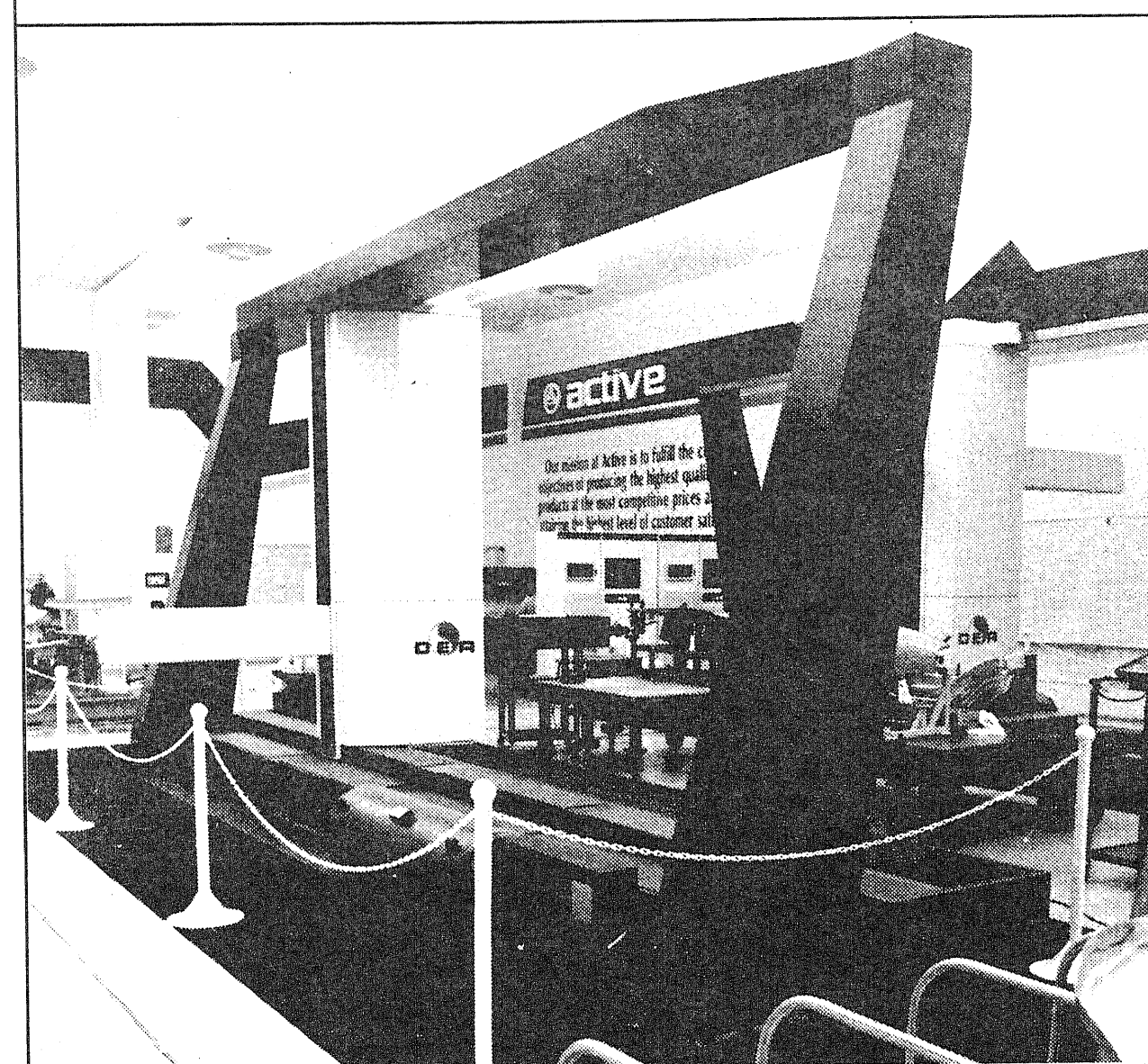
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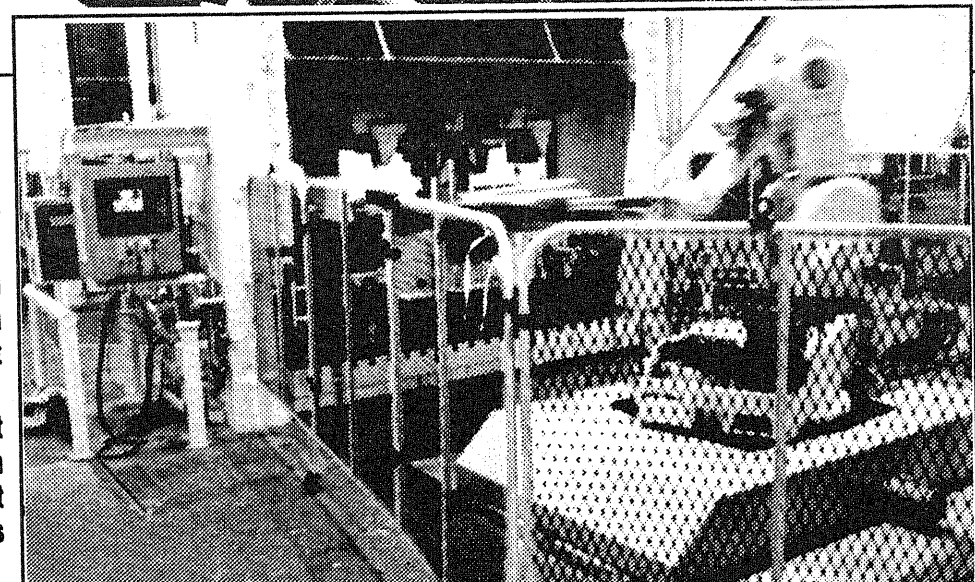
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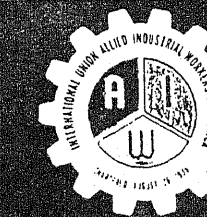
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You're invited to enjoy Elkton's 1993 AutumnFest!

By AMY HEIDEN

Labor Day has traditionally been a time to honor America's workers, with an extra day for relaxation from the stresses of the workplace. And what better way to relax than attending the Elkton AutumnFest, Sept. 3-6, where Chamber of Commerce officials have planned activities to appeal to just about everyone.

This year, Cook Amusements will be at Ackerman Park with a variety of carnival rides all weekend long. Sunday will be bracelet day, with one price allowing kids to ride all day long.

The fun begins on Friday, when the carnival rides begin and the log cabin opens at 1 p.m. Then at 4 p.m., Rodney Heck will start serving up hot barbequed pork dinners at the park, featuring a baked potato, baked beans, a roll, cole slaw and a beverage.

The Senior King and Queen will be crowned in ceremonies starting at 7 p.m. at the Huron Youth Center, then the 1993 Elkton Teen Queen Julie Winkel will crown the

1993 Queen.

The giant flea market starts the festivities on Saturday, at 8 a.m. at the park. Slammers and jammers will display their hoop talents during the 3-on-3 Basketball tournament all day long in town and coed volleyball will be played all day long at the park.

At 10 a.m., Active Industries, Inc. will open up its one million square foot plant

to the public for the first Open House since 1989.

The tours will continue until 4 p.m. Shuttle buses will take visitors from Ackerman Park to the plant, and visitors are asked to park and ride the bus to relieve congestion near the plant.

Refreshments will be available after the tours and motorized carts are available for those who find walking difficult.

Also at 10 a.m. through 3 p.m., the Elkton United Methodist Women are sponsoring a pie social at the Civic Center, with fresh home-

baked pies available whole or by the slice.

The big Parade steps off at 11 a.m. from the elementary school through downtown Elkton, featuring the 1993

Teen Queen and Senior Citizen King and Queen. Grand Marshals for the parade are long-time Elkton residents Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Seley. Please turn to Page 40



AUTUMNFEST'S KIDS' TRACTOR PULL begins at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at the Tennis Courts.

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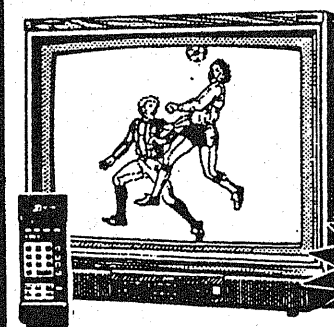
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Working together is what the Cooperative Elevator Company is all about, and that's why you should make us part of your team for all your fall harvested crops.

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Elkton's AutumnFest runs this Friday through Labor Day Monday

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Immediately following the parade, the Chamber of Commerce and the Elkton-Oliver Fire Department will join forces for their second annual Chicken Barbeque at the fire hall. The dinner will include half a chicken, baked beans, cole slaw, roll, cookie and a beverage.

There's also horseshoe tournaments and the Huron County Sheriff's Department Safety Trailer display at Ackerman Park.

Kids will enjoy grabbing candy during the Candy

Drop at 12:30, and muzzle-loading enthusiasts begin their workshop at 1 p.m. in the back field of the park.

The Thumb Two Cylinder Tractor Club will display their carefully maintained two-cylinder "Johnny Poppers" and threshing demonstrations will be held by the Thumb Antique Tractor Club.

Lawn and garden tractors will test their "muscles" in the lawn and garden tractor pull starting at 1:30, and kids can test their muscles against

the Junior Humiliator in the kids' tractor pull at the tennis court.

The Elkton Lioness Club is sponsoring bingo at the Civic Center at 5 p.m. Then at 8 p.m., teens can dance to the latest tunes at the Teen Dance at the Huron Youth Center.

Adults can relive the 50's and 60's at the Sock Hop at the tennis courts in Ackerman Park, with music by deejay Pete "The Cat" Flanders. There is an admission charge for both dances, organizers say.

The flea market continues on Sunday morning, and a community worship service is set for 9:30 a.m. on the tennis courts, sponsored by Elkton United Methodist Church, Elkton Missionary Church and Community Wesleyan Church.

Rev. Larry Salsburey of the Elkton Missionary Church will be the speaker and special music from all three churches is planned. A Sunday Breakfast will follow the service.

The muzzle-loaders will be testing their sharpshooting

skills in a fun shoot and team shoot, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Ron Forster and his highly trained dogs will demonstrate canine police work and obedience at the tennis court at 12:30 p.m. The Log Cabin will be open throughout the afternoon, also.

Registration for mud volleyball starts at 11 a.m. with games beginning at noon. A team of athletes from the Elkton-Oliver Fire Department and a team from Bud's Bar will square off in a softball grudge match at 2 p.m.

The weekend winds up with the annual Robert Dube Invitational Golf Tournament at Century Oaks Golf Course. The Elkton Lions Club will announce the winner of their hand-built shed and the Lioness Club will announce the winner of the Beautiful Baby Contest.

Everyone is welcome to come to Elkton, the "Town with a Smile," says Chamber President Phyllis Podlaskowski.

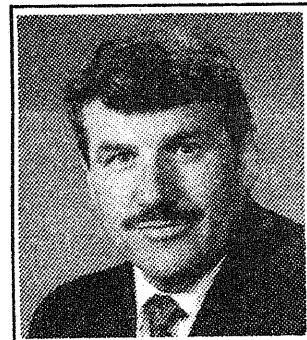
"We think this will be one of the best festivals we've ever had," she says.



RON FORSTER again will demonstrate canine police work for AutumnFest visitors.



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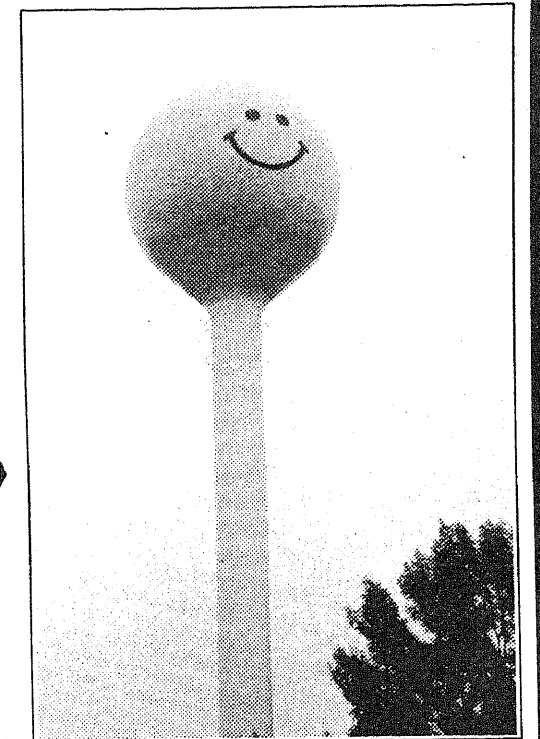
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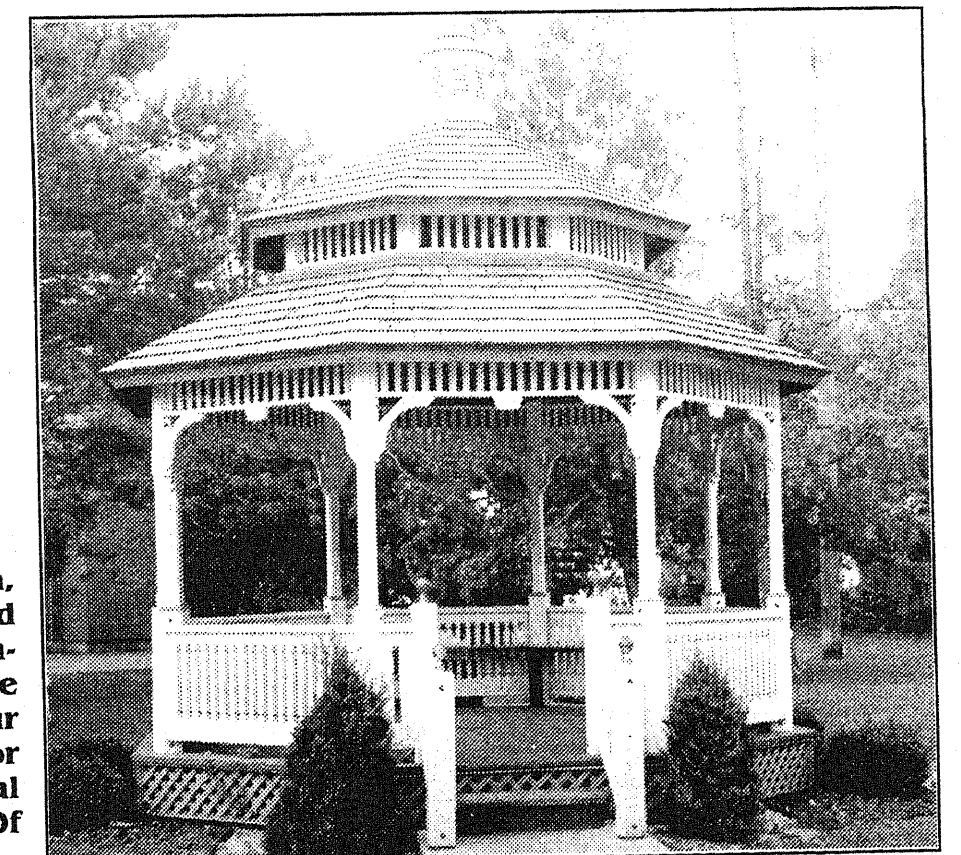
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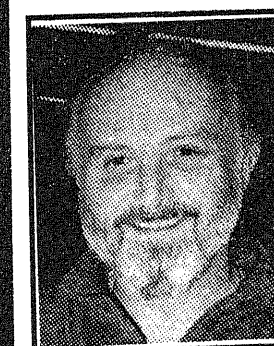
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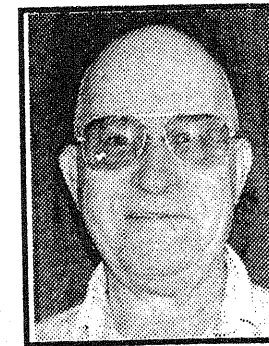
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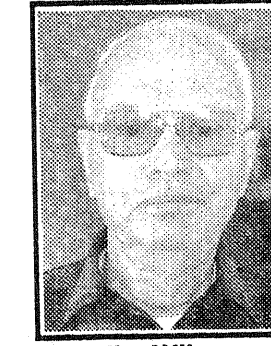
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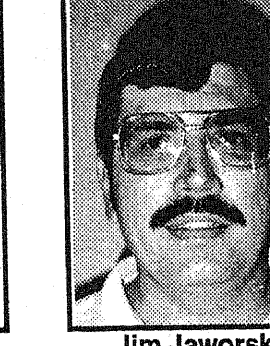
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7th annual Car Show helps drive Elkton's AutumnFest

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Set for this Sunday, Sept. 5, from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Ackerman Park, the car show is sponsored by the Thumb Area Antique Auto Club and

the Elkton Chamber of Commerce.

Organizers Bert Pawlowski and Arnie Russell say that over 200 cars of all shapes, sizes and colors are expected to enter.

There's no entry fee to enter the show, Pawlowski said, and dash plaques will be awarded to the first 210

cars entered.

Deejay Pete "The Cat" Flanders will crank out the 50's and 60's music and there'll be 50-50 drawings and door prizes given away all day long.

The auto club and the Chamber are also sponsoring a 50's and 50's Sock Hop on Saturday night at Ackerman Park.

There's a small admission charge and everyone is in-

cluded to get out their poodle skirts and bobby sox and dance to music provided by Pete "The Cat" Flanders.

Prizes will be awarded to those with the most authentic attire, Pawlowski said.

of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Franz in Saginaw.

Hal and Christine Conkey spent a week with Dr. Archie Conkey in Grand Rapids and with Burt and Carol Plausch in Midland.

Lake-Chandler folks make news by visiting...

By MILDRED BALLAGH
Mr. and Mrs. John Elsesser and Dorothy Elsesser attended the Oldenburg Reunion at the Old Country Cafe in Saginaw. The afternoon was spent at the home

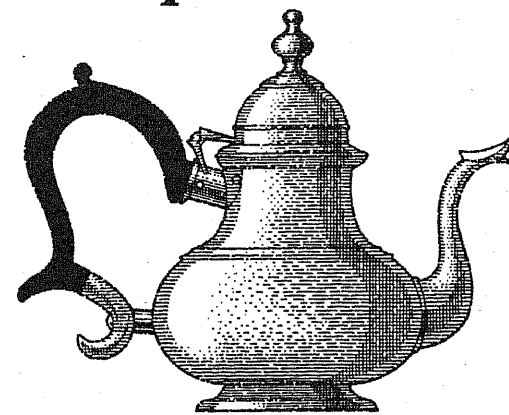
of Mr. and Mrs. J. Horton of Texas visited Mr. and Mrs. Willard Meyers. Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Wiechert spent a couple of weeks with their daughter Alice in Standish.

of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Franz in Saginaw. Hal and Christine Conkey spent a week with Dr. Archie Conkey in Grand Rapids and with Burt and Carol Plausch in Midland.



ELKTON'S ACKERMAN PARK will be full of classic autos such as this 1966 Pontiac Bonneville driven by Jack Tyler. The show was organized this year by Arnie Russell, left, and Bert Pawlowski, members of the Thumb Area Antique Auto Club and the Elkton Chamber of Commerce. AMY HEIDEN PHOTO

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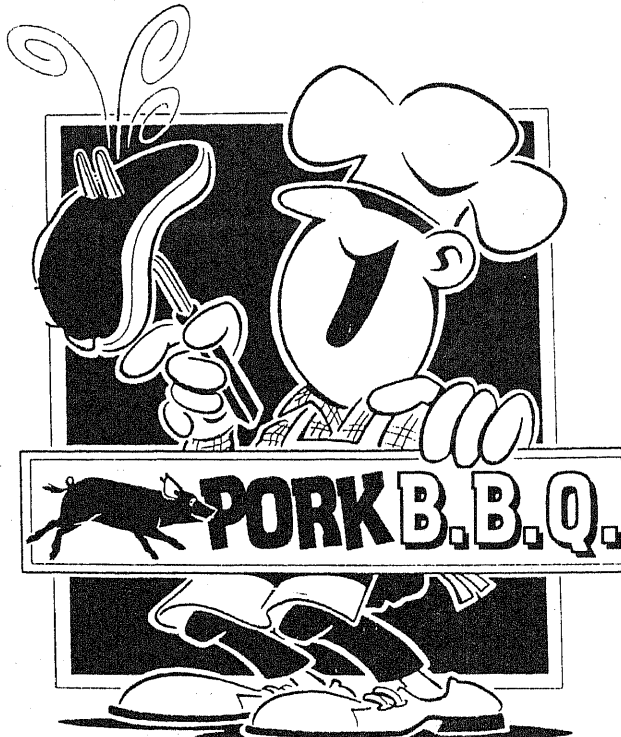
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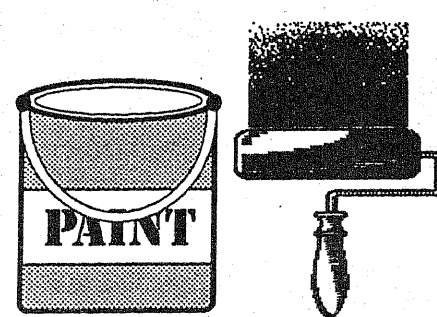
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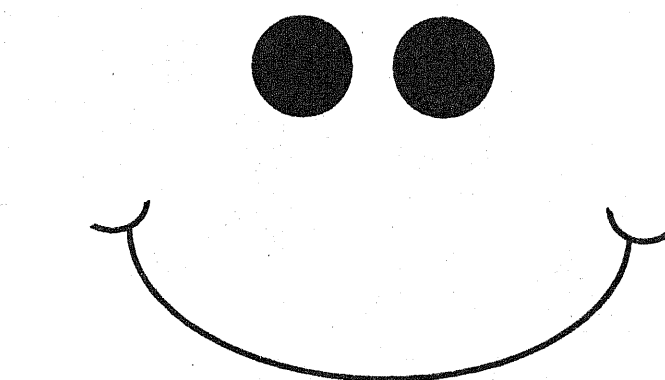
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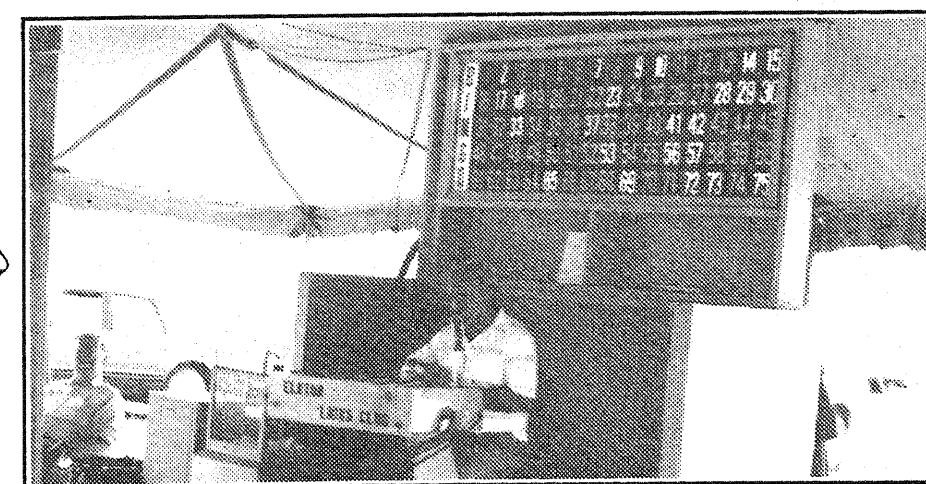


The Elkton Lions Club wishes to thank everyone that supported our Annual Lions projects throughout the year (Fish Fry, Shed Raffle, Fair Week, Bingo, Easter Bingo, and White Cane Week.)

Over the last two years the Elkton Lions Club has contributed over \$13,500 to various organizations.

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Glasses & Eye Exams	479	
Hearing & Sight Project	40	40
Laker Scholarship Fund	1000	1000
Leader Dog	1400	1300
Little League	275	300
Mich. Eye Bank & Research Center	350	350
Welcome Home	200	200
Care and Share	430	200
Elkton Civic Center	500	500
Village Park Beautification		150
Youth Center	200	350
Lakers Band		300
Lions Club Int. Fund	40	40
Elkton Lioness Club Projects	500	500
Community Christmas Program	300	
Cub Scouts	136	
Thumb Industries Walk-A-Thon	25	
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Huron County K.A.D.D. Program	164	
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Woods & Waters: Special people make day afield enjoyable

By Duane Guenther

Ask a hunter or fisherman how he did today, and he most likely will answer (if he is honest) with the number of fish in his cooler or birds in his game bag.

While filling the larder may be the main reason most people pursue these sports, many others find far more richer rewards accompanying a day afield.

It may be a beautiful piece of scenery captured on film or canvas. Or it could be the therapeutic relaxation from a grinding week at work. Or, as in my case, it may be a chance meeting with a special person.

Regardless of what you read in the papers or watch on TV, the majority of America's population is not made up of bad guys committing insidious acts. There are thousands and thousands of fine folks who enjoy helping each other out, and an anomalous amount appear to be related to adventures in the out-of-doors.

During my many years of hunting, fishing and camping, I have met hundreds of "no-name" people who appeared out of the blue — at just the right time — to make my day, and henceforth my life, richer and more rewarding.

My earliest memory of such a person was Pickle Henry.

I'm not sure if he was actually a fisherman — but to an 8-year-old, anyone who sold fish was just as mystical.

He would wind through the streets of my tiny hometown in his yellow-orange Model-A pickup peddling his wares to the those who waved him over.

My Mother would send me down the street to purchase his famous pickled herring, which my Dad dearly loved.

After he weighed the fish on an ancient scale hanging from the corner of the truck, he would slide them in the pail I had brought along for that purpose.

And then, as sure as clockwork, he would slip a little piece of smoked fish into my

hand for me to nibble on the way back home.

Another of my youthful encounters happened along the banks of Thomas' Cut. In the spring, when the perch spawned, I would peddle my bike the six miles just for a chance to bring home a stringer full.

On one day when fishing was particularly bad, a car pulled alongside the road and a man wearing a green uniform got out and sauntered down the bank.

"Any luck?" he asked. Sure that I was about to be arrested for some hideous crime, I could only shake my head in the negative.

"Hungry?" he asked again. This time I nodded in the affirmative — and while I was devouring the half sandwich I had handed me, he lifted my pole and pulled in the line.

Within minutes he had changed the sinker arrangement, went back to his car to get a couple of sharp hooks and with his jackknife, fashioned a splendid bobber.

Before he left, I caught six perch. With a little coaching from him, of course.

There were many others. A small, arthritic bent old man who watched patiently as I thrashed around the woods next to his house in search of grouse.

I had just moved to Gladwin and didn't know the first thing about hunting this new and exciting bird.

Later, as I returned to my car, he met me with a bottle of beer and an offer to show me some "good" spots the next day.

He made his promise good and I became quite a grouse hunter during the next three years I lived there.

I took a picture of a 75-year-old trout fishermen in Spearfish Canyon, S.D. He waved me down to stream-side and slipped a half dozen wet flies in my hand.

"Fish upstream, behind the rocks," he instructed, and was off about his work.

I still have a map of all the hot fishing holes in Yellowstone National Park, given to

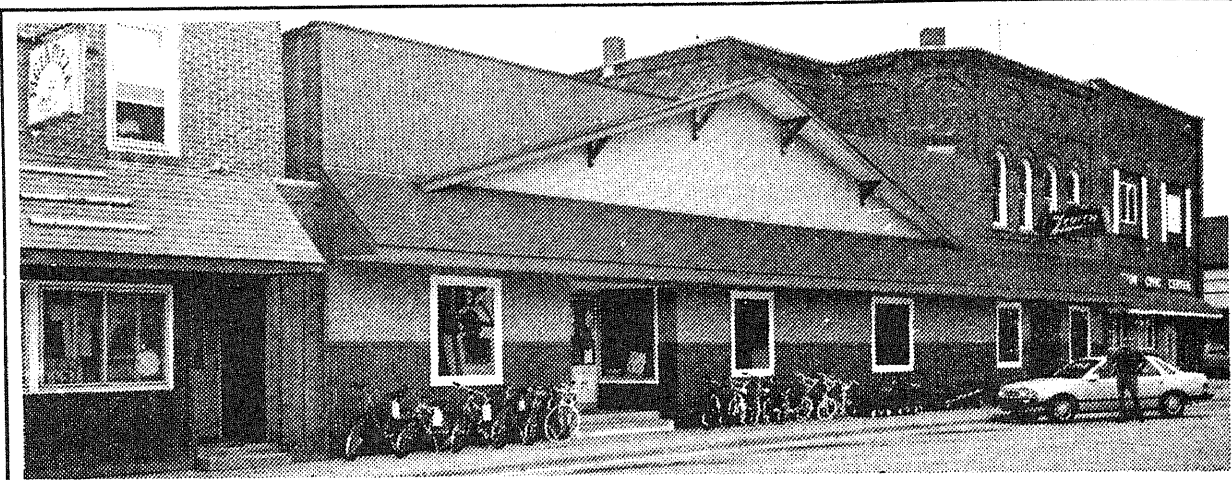
me by a stranger because we shared a cup of coffee one

morning on the AuSable. So, when someone asks me

how I did on a particular hunting or fishing trip, I stop

and think of all the wonderful people I met.....

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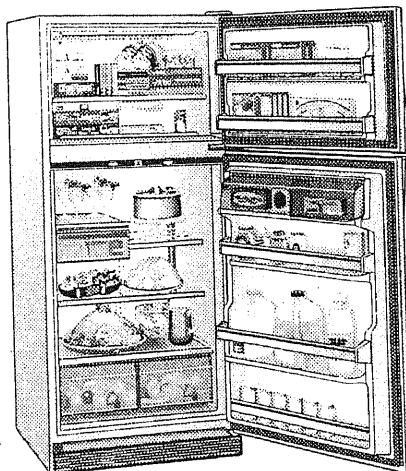


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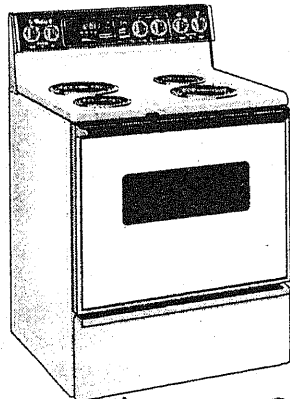
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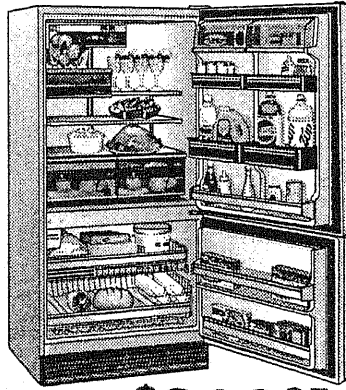


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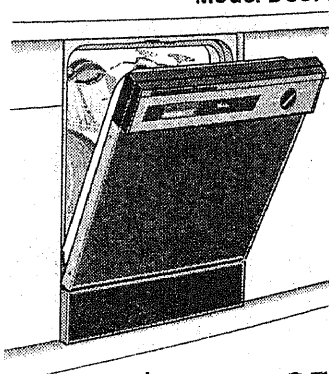


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