

BINGHAM TOWNSHIP

Population: 1,751
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BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

Population: 535
 Hall/Polling Place: Red School
 Filion Road, Port Hope, MI 48468
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Supervisor **Frank Kanaski** 989 428-4420
 3851 Dobson Road, Filion, MI 48432
Clerk **Delphine Pawlowski** 989 428-4774
 3228 McDonald Rd., Port Hope, MI 48468
Treasurer **Dale Woodke** 989 428-4347
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 3510 Minden Rd., Port Hope, MI 48468
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BROOKFIELD TOWNSHIP

Population: 914
 Hall/Polling Place: Community Hall, Main Street
 Owendale, MI 48754
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 4490 Pobanz Rd., Sebewaing, MI 48754
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 8443 Sebewaing Rd., Owendale, MI 48754
Trustee **Dennis Engelhardt** 989 665-2231
 6844 Bach Rd., Gageton, MI 48735

CASEVILLE TOWNSHIP

Population: 2,723
 Hall/Polling Place: 6767 Main Street
 Caseville, MI 48725
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Clerk **Michelle Stirrett** 989 856-3053
 6767 Main St., Caseville, MI 48725
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 6767 Main St., Caseville, MI 48725
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 7377 Easy St., Caseville, MI 48725
Trustee **Robert Drury** 989 856-2692
 6623 Farmer, Caseville, MI 48725

CHANDLER TOWNSHIP

Population: 501
 Hall/Polling Place: 5004 Filion Rd., Elkton, MI 48731
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 6206 Campbell Rd., Pigeon, MI 48755
Clerk **Kevin Roestel** 989 453-3540
 3162 Maxwell Rd., Pigeon, MI 48755
Treasurer **Connie Herford** 989 375-2724
 2234 Moore Rd., Elkton, MI 48731
Trustee **Paul Swartzendruber** 989 453-2226
 6470 Campbell Rd., Pigeon, MI 48755
Trustee **David Tait** 989 375-2511
 4815 Champagne Rd., Caseville, MI 48725

COLFAX TOWNSHIP

Population: 1,954
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 115 McMillan Rd., Bad Axe, MI 48413
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 1218 W. Richardson, Bad Axe, MI 48413
Trustee **Floyd Stroschein** 989 269-6268
 1854 S. Van Dyke Rd., Bad Axe, MI 48413

DWIGHT TOWNSHIP

Population: 930
 Hall/Polling Place: 2151 Walker Rd.
 Port Austin, MI 48467
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Hall/Polling Place: 5039 Rescue Rd.
 Gagetown, MI 48735
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Supervisor **Helen Lemanski** 989 874-4466
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Clerk **Roman Kozlowski** 989 874-4826
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 6750 N. VanDyke, Kinde, MI 48445
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 5355 N. Hellems Rd., Kinde, MI 48445
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FAIRHAVEN TOWNSHIP

Population: 1,259
 Hall/Polling Place: 9811 Main Street
 Bay Port, MI 48720
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Supervisor **Orin J. Engelhardt** 989 883-3997
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 10303 Haist Rd., Bay Port, MI 48720
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 684 N. Unionville Re., Bay Port, MI 48720
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 145 N. Unionville Rd., Bay Port, MI 48720
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 1324 S. Unionville Rd., Bay Port, MI 48720

GORE TOWNSHIP

Population: 139
 Hall/Polling Place: Corner of M-25 & Pochert Rd.
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 5491 S. Lakeshore Rd., Port Hope, MI 48468
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 7364 Kaufman Rd., Port Hope, MI 48468
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 6736 Moeller Rd., Port Hope, MI 48468

GRANT TOWNSHIP

Population: 883

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 4316 Bach Rd., Cass City, MI 48726
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 5490 McAlpine Rd., Gagetown, MI 48735
Trustee **Michael Hatlas** 989 375-2345
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HUME TOWNSHIP

Population: 801
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 Port Austin, MI 48467
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Supervisor **John C. Hollister** 989 738-7656
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 2645 Weaver Rd., Port Austin, MI 48467
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 3113 Shore Dr., Port Austin, MI 48467

HURON TOWNSHIP

Population: 423
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 Port Hope, MI 48468
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Supervisor **Evan Steinbis** 989 428-4548
 5150 Kaufman Rd., Port Hope, MI 48468
Clerk **Richard L. Crisman** 989 428-4722
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 6045 Hubbard Rd., Port Hope, MI 48468
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 7479 New River Rd., Port Austin, MI 48467
Trustee **Kenneth Schave** 989 428-4746
 7487 Lakeshore Rd., Port Hope, MI 48445

LAKE TOWNSHIP

Population: 996

Hall/Polling Place: 4988 W. Kinde Road
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Supervisor **Clay Kelterborn** 989 856-4867
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LINCOLN TOWNSHIP Population: 873
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Filion, MI 48432
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McKINLEY TOWNSHIP Population: 503
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Bay Port, MI 48720
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7090 Fillion Rd., Pigeon, MI 48755
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7510 Murdoch Rd., Bay Port, MI 48720

MEADE TOWNSHIP Population: 799
Hall/Polling Place: 2119 W. Fillion Rd.
Filion, MI 48432
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Supervisor **Steven D. Vaughan** 989 269-8939
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1093 Crown Rd., Bad Axe, MI 48413
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OLIVER TOWNSHIP Population: 1,626
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Elkton, MI 48731
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4970 Weber, Elkton, MI 48731
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PARIS TOWNSHIP Population: 557
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Ruth, MI 48470
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3901 Verona Rd., Ubly, MI 48475
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PTE. AUX BARQUES TOWNSHIP Population: 10
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Port Austin, MI 48467
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PORT AUSTIN TOWNSHIP Population: 1,591
Hall/Polling Place: 393 Starboard Dr.
Port Austin, MI 48467
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667 Port Austin Rd., Port Austin, MI 48467
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345 Washington St, Port Austin, MI 48467
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469 Lakewood Dr., Port Austin, MI 48467
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3339 Pointe Aux Barques Rd., Port Austin, MI 48467

RUBICON TOWNSHIP Population: 778
Hall/Polling Place: 4425 Main St.
Port Hope, MI 48468
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3195 N. Lakeshore Rd., Port Hope, MI 48468
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4691 Main St., Port Hope, MI 48468
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2815 N. Ruth Rd., Harbor Beach, MI 48441

SAND BEACH TOWNSHIP Population: 1,470
Hall/Polling Place: 1170 S. Lakeshore Rd.
Harbor Beach, MI 48441
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6573 Learman Rd., Harbor Beach, MI 48441
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8665 Lincoln Rd., Harbor Beach, MI 48441
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1610 Buhl Rd., Harbor Beach, MI 48441
Trustee Kenneth Walker 989 479-6615
1747 Eppenbrock Rd., Harbor Beach, MI 48441

SEBEWAING TOWNSHIP Population: 2,944
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Sebewaing, MI 48759
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Supervisor Willet Oeschger 989 883-2886
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650 W. Hickory Ct., Sebewaing, MI 48759

SHERIDAN TOWNSHIP Population: 736
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Ubly, MI 48475
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SHERMAN TOWNSHIP Population: 1,165

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Ruth, MI 48470
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SIGEL TOWNSHIP Population: 769
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Harbor Beach, MI 48441
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VERONA TOWNSHIP Population: 1,349
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Bad Axe, MI 48413
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WINSOR TOWNSHIP Population: 2,044
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CITY OFFICIALS

CITY OF BAD AXE

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CITY OF HARBOR BEACH

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HURON COUNTY COURTS

CIRCUIT COURT

52ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

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Circuit Judge
Court Reporter
Clerk

Hon. M. Richard Knoblock
Mary Jo Risch
Peggy A. Koehler
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Deputy Court Clerk

Leah L. Grifka

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Account Clerk/Data Entry Operator

Joanne Pettit
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Account Clerk/Case Worker

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Linda Yaroch

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Juvenile Officer/Referee
Juvenile Officer/Referee
Data Entry/Assignment Clerk/Court Recorder
Data Entry/Assignment Clerk/Court Recorder

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73RD District – 1st Division

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District Judge
Magistrate

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Probation Officer
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Deputy Clerk I
Accounting Clerk
Deputy Clerk I
Magistrate Deputy Clerk I
Deputy Clerk I

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Elaine Moore
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PROBATE COURT

Probate Court

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Judge of Probate
Register of Probate/Administrator
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Hon. David L. Clabuesch
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Accounting Payroll Clerk
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Deputy Clerk/Accounting Payroll Clerk
Election Assistant/Deputy Clerk

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Multi-Certified Code Inspector
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Richard Learnman

COUNTY CLERK

County Building

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Preventive Health/Maternal Child Health Division

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Phyllis Bechler	10-31-07
Cheryl Fuerst	10-31-05
Virginia Plevnia	10-31-05

BUILDING AUTHORITY

3-Year Term

Alfred Hanson	11-30-07
Robert Oeschger	11-30-05
Keith Sturm	11-20-63

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ADVISORY BOARD

3-Year Term

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Kent Tibbits	M. Richard Knoblock
Karl E. Kraus	David L. Clabuesch
Michael Gage	Mark J. Gaertner
John Deford	Dale Hartsell
David Herrington	Vacancy

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Kent Tibbits, Sheriff
Lt. Doug Lautner, Michigan State Police
Secretary: Peggy A. Koehler, Huron County Clerk

CONSTRUCTION CODE BOARD OF APPEALS

2-Year Term

Robert Hogan	01-01-06
Vacancy	01-01-06
Richard Schmalz	01-01-06
Durward Miller	01-01-06
David Rapson	01-01-06

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

3-Year Term

Albert Thoms	10-31-05
John Martin	10-31-05
Warren J. Krohn	10-31-06
Dale Koehler	10-31-06
David Fisher	10-31-07
James J. Czewski	10-31-07
Gary V. Krug	10-31-07

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS BOARD

4-Year Term

William Stocker (World War II) Bad Axe	12-31-05
Clarence Schadd (Korean War) Fillion	12-31-08
Keith Stirrett (Vietnam War) Caseville	12-31-05
Michael Anderson (Persian Gulf) Bad Axe	12-31-08

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

6-Year Term

Vacancy	03-31-05
Mike Krause	03-31-05
William Anderson	03-31-05 v?V?v
William Mayes	03-31-05
Dorothy Anderson	03-31-06
Larry Siemen	03-31-02
Joel Dean	03-31-02
Chuck Scheffner	03-31-02
Vacancy	03-31-03
Paul Vammer	03-31-04

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Peggy A. Koehler, Huron County Clerk

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Willet Oeschger	Township Association
Mark Gaertner	Prosecuting Attorney
Durward Miller	Village Government
David Hunter	Citizen at Large
Dale Koehler	Board of Commissioners

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5-Year Term

R. Dale Wertz	04-30-06
Robert Witherspoon	04-30-06
Evelyn Coaster	04-30-07
Thersa Holland	04-30-11
Warren J. Krohn	04-30-09

HURON TRANSIT CORPORATION

3-Year Term

Raymond Noble	09-30-07
Leonard Watchowski	09-30-07
John Muter	09-30-03
John Dallas	09-30-03
E. Duane Jurgens	04-30-05

JURY COMMISSION

6-Year Term

Janis Holz	04-30-11
Robert Witherspoon	04-30-07
Betty Hurlburt	04-30-09

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD

3-Year Term

Jill Schelke	03-31-08
William Mayes	03-31-08
Robert Witherspoon	03-31-08
Glen Townley	03-31-08
Peter J. Ney	03-31-08
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Pamela Jo Kahler	03-31-06
J. Dean Smith	03-31-06

NATURE CENTER

3-Year Term

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Barbara Quinn	09-30-05
Arthur Priebe	09-30-05
Warren Krohn	09-30-07
Scott Whipple	09-30-06
Jean Couls	09-30-07
Dorisee Doyle	09-30-06
Dian McConnel	09-30-05
Duane Wurst	09-30-06
MariAnne Dast	09-30-05
Vacancy	09-30-05
Mike Gage	09-30-06

PLANNING COMMISSION

3-Year Term

Theodore W. Sheldon	03-31-07
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Joel Weber	03-31-08
Clark Brock	03-31-08
G. Wayne Henne	03-31-06
Mary E. Babcock	03-31-06
Arthur Priebe	03-31-05

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3-Year Term

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WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

3-Year Term

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Scott Essenmacher	08-31-05
James Zulauf	08-31-07
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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

3-Year Term

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Carl Roggenbuck	04-30-07
Derek P. Delacourt	04-30-07
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Vacancy	04-30-05

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FIRST RECORDS ON FILE

(County Clerk's Office)

Birth Records	1867
Death Records	1867
Marriage Records	1867

THE GREAT FIRE OF 1881

Many years of ruthless lumbering left a countryside of stumps, tops, and slashings scattered over broad miles of the Thumb of Michigan, and the fire of 1871 piled up additional layers of windfalls and other debris.

Then a drought in July and August, 1881 created what turned out to be the largest and most volatile tinderbox in the history of Michigan. There were spotty fires in many parts of the Thumb during August, but never enough to concern anyone except the few settlers and farmers who lost a barn or a cabin.

That all changed in early September, as hot, dry winds continued to blow, and came to a whirling climax during the early morning hours of Monday, September 5th. Suddenly, the entire Thumb seemed to erupt into one gigantic catastrophe that proved to be one of the most disastrous and widespread fires that the Midwest had ever seen.

The conflagration roared up from the southwest, cutting a central swath that engulfed more than two-thirds of the thumb, leaving only the western section of Tuscola and Huron Counties, and a few enclaves along the east shore of Huron and Sanilac Counties unburned.

While huge areas were consumed as completely as the inside of a furnace, there were exceptions in many places, as homes, farms and individuals were saved as surely as if the Hand of God had been placed over them as a protective shield. There were freak tragedies and there were freak escapes.

Some people were saved by rushing into fields of green corn, and burying their bodies in the soil; one man crawled into the carcass of an elk he had just shot and gutted; some families were saved by lowering themselves into dug wells. The largest number – 400 people – saved themselves by taking refuge in the new brick county courthouse in Bad Axe. Men took turns pumping water and drenching the building through the day and night as the temperature in the building soared to 110 degrees. While the building and its occupants escaped destruction, more houses and other buildings burned in Bad Axe than in any other town, although a few smaller villages were destroyed completely. In forested areas, the fire often appeared as a giant, whirling ball of spitting flames that moved high in the treetops, igniting one clump and passing another.

When the fire finally burned itself out, there were 282 known dead, more than 3,400 buildings destroyed, and almost 15,000 residents homeless. Many were blinded – some temporarily and some permanently – by smoke, gusting dust and flying ashes that traveled faster than a whirlwind and blotted out the sun for days. Dollar losses, as recorded a century ago, pale when compared with today's prices, but the destruction in buildings and timber, crops and animals were enormous.

The response of the American people from all parts of the country was most generous, with greatest help coming, of course, from Michiganians themselves. Chicago, it is said, donated liberally, perhaps in remembrance of that city's own fire tragedy 10 years earlier. The disaster relief sent to Huron County marked the founding of Disaster Services for the American Red Cross, and the county is recorded as the first place in the U.S. where the American Red Cross flew to denote active service to the suffering.

While this brief account does not pretend to describe the Great Fire, it is meant only to call attention to the fact that this is an event that had an effect on every human being in the Thumb, and has been the subject of dozens of books and hundreds upon hundreds of news articles and essays.

By: Walter J. Rummel

HURON COUNTY

Huron County is located in the “thumb” area of Michigan. It is surrounded on three sides by water – Saginaw Bay and Lake Huron. The county has a land area of 824 square miles which is 139 square miles greater than the average for the other 82 counties in the state. Of the 28 townships in the county, only 15 are approximately 36 squares miles. The irregular shore, 93 miles long, makes the other thirteen townships irregular in size, ranging from one square mile (Pte. Aux Barques Township) to 58 square miles (Sherman Township).

The population of the county showed a continuous increase from the first census period until 1920 when it reached 34,758 people. In common with the majority of counties of the state, the population declined from 1910 to 1930. Since then, there has been a gradual increase in population to 36,459 people in 1980; however, in 1990 a gradual decrease. Bad Axe, the county seat and the largest city, has a population of just over 3,400 people. Harbor Beach is the other city in the county. The villages are Caseville, Elkton, Kinde, Owendale, Pigeon, Port Austin, Port Hope, Sebawaing and Ubly.

Huron County ranks as one of the top agricultural counties in Michigan based on agricultural farm income. Major crops grown in the county are corn, navy beans, sugar beets, wheat, alfalfa, oats and barley. Major enterprises include dairy, livestock and poultry production. Because of the natural beauty and ideal topography and sandy beaches, Huron County has an ideal setting for the tourism industry.

The shoreline developed for tourism offers numerous opportunities for vacationers. There are currently two state parks – Sleeper State Park and Port Crescent State Park. Two roadside parks – Jenks Park and Brown Park. Also, Huron County maintains nine county parks along the shoreline, which are – Caseville Park, Lighthouse Park, Stafford Park, McGraw Park, Philp Park, Port Austin Bird Creek Park, Wagener Park, Oak Beach Park and Sebawaing Park.

Although small industry and tourism has developed in the county, agriculture remains the chief source of income for most residents.

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