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CASS CITY AND Detroit Edison officials met Friday to close on the sale of nearly 18 acres in the village's industrial park, where construction of Detroit Edison's new 75,000-square-foot North Area Energy Center is set to begin this spring. Pictured above are (left to right) Thumb Division Manager Bob Howard, Real Estate Associate Michael Venetis, village President L.E. Althaver and village Manager Lou S. LaPonsie.

O-G adopts eligibility standards for driver ed.

Owen-Gage students who don't measure up academically won't be allowed to take driver's education beginning next year.

The district's Board of Education gave the proposed policy a nod of approval during its regular monthly meeting Monday night.

High school Principal Manuel Thies presented the proposal for review last month. Under a new state law, he explained, schools can require potential driver's education students to meet the same eligibility standards applied to athletes.

The policy also prevents ineligible students from taking driver's training in another district or through a professional agency.

"It will give them some incentive," Thies remarked last month.

Board Trustee Ron Good agreed Monday. "I think it's a very good idea, myself," he said.

The board voted unanimously in favor of the policy, which will be drafted by Thies and Athletic Director Dean Roller.

Turning to other matters Monday, the board approved a resolution to hold an annual school election, and to seek renewal of 14.8 mills for operations for 5 years.

The election will be held June 8 at the Gagetown Municipal Building. The last day to register to vote is May 11.

Voters will be asked to fill 2, 4-year seats on the school board, now held by trustees Ron Good and Walter Swiastyn, as well as approve the millage renewal.

Kirby told the board that it's already clear the district will need the entire 14.8 mills. He remarked that it appears the state's latest plan to improve equity in funding among school districts — forcing wealthier districts to share revenue with poorer districts — isn't going to do much good.

"Right now it looks like a circus maneuver," he said.

"It looks like a bad program."

OKAY CONTRACT

In other business during the 2 1/4-hour session, the board:

- Offered school Supt. Harley Kirby a one-year contract, with salary to be determined at a later date.

- Met in a 45-minute executive session to discuss teacher contract negotiations.

- Voted in favor of spending \$2,000 to join a telecommunications program planned for local schools through the Huron Intermediate School District.

- Authorized a board committee to finalize purchase of a new bus at an estimated

cost of \$35,000.

Kirby noted school officials have found a good price on some 1990 chassis (\$23,000) which exceed the district's specifications. The committee will decide from among 3 body bids ranging from \$11,519 to \$12,250.

- Voted in favor of a motion forgiving a \$775 rent debt tied to a district-owned house in Gagetown. The debt, which has accumulated over the past 6 years, can not be recovered, board members indicated.

- Nominated Ed Schnepf of Owendale as the district's choice for a Thumb Meet of Champs honor recognizing adults who work with youths.

- Approved the recom-

mendation of senior Lynn Cummins as "student of the month."

- Commended performances of the girls volleyball team, which won a district title over the weekend, and the junior high band, which earned a Division I rating (the highest mark possible) at a recent district band festival.

- Learned the school's 3.0 club will hold its annual potluck dinner March 24 at 6 p.m. in the Owendale cafeteria. The club, now in its third year, is composed of students in grades 7-12 who have earned a grade point average of at least 3.0 (B).

- Authorized interested community groups to erect an activity sign in front of the high school.

Few surprises in 4 area village elections Monday

As expected, elections in 4 area villages Monday offered little in the way of surprises.

Voter turnout ranged from 4 percent in Cass City, where only the incumbents were seeking office, to 25 to 30 percent in Ubyly, where 4 candidates were vying for 3 trustee seats.

The following is a breakdown of vote totals received by all candidates in the area villages:

CASS CITY

Village President L.E. Althaver, 50 votes; Clerk-Treasurer Joyce A. LaRoche, 51; Assessor Dan Erla, 49; Trustee Joanne E. Hopper, 47; Trustee Matthew Prieskorn, 49; and Trustee Nat Tuttle, 48.

The officers will serve 2 year terms and the trustees, 4-year terms.

There were a total of 51 votes, according to LaRoche, who said there were no write-in candidates.

GAGETOWN

Three candidates, including 2 incumbents, won 4-

year trustee seats on the Gagetown Village Council. Incumbent Thomas Reehl received 27 votes, Incumbent William Erlich Sr. garnered 33 votes and newcomer Dennis Rievert received 30 votes. Write-in candidate Paul Lopez garnered 2 votes.

Nearly 18 percent of the village's 209 registered voters participated in the election. There was one spoiled ballot.

KINGSTON

In Kingston, all the incumbents ran unopposed and were re-elected to 2-year terms.

They are President Arlo Ruggles, 30 votes; Clerk Kenneth Boileau, 29; Treasurer-Assessor Beverly J. Heron, 29; Trustee Paul Lalko, 28; Trustee Daniel Westerby, 24; and Trustee Richard Filipek, 26.

Voter turnout totaled about 16 percent. There were no write-in candidates.

UBLY

A challenger failed in his

bid to oust one of 3 incumbents seeking 4-year terms as trustees.

Re-elected were Trustee William F. Roberts, 100 votes; Daniel Lachowski, 121; and James Zulauf, 112. Challenger Dennis R. Karr received 39 votes.

Also re-elected were village President David Jaroch, 124 votes; Clerk Christopher J. Tyll, 125; and Treasurer-Assessor Florence E. Schrader, 120.

There were a total of 4 write-in candidates, all for village president. Dave Harrington and Earl Longuski each received 2 votes, and Don Wright and Pat Palmer each garnered one vote.

Winning 2 6-year terms on the library board were Madeline Baurer (124 votes) and Janice A. Schrader (142 votes).

Ubyly voters also passed a Detroit Edison franchise agreement, which extends Detroit Edison service to the village for another 30 years. The vote was 125-24.

Multiple family use

Village okays Herron's 22-acre annexation

Herron Development Inc., Cass City, has asked Cass City officials to annex nearly 22 acres near the northwest corner of the village.

The Village Council reviewed the proposal and recommended annexation during a March 3 rescheduled monthly meeting. Final approval must come from the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners.

The parcel to be annexed totals 21.9 acres. Developer Tom Herron said he has no specific plans yet for the property, which is located just west of his Northwood Lake Condominium complex.

Along with the annexation, Northwood Circle, which is part of the condominium complex, will be dedicated as a public right of way. Herron agreed to meet village requirements (curb and gutter) and the village agreed to maintain all sewer, water mains and streets as the project is completed.

Similarly, Beechwood Drive, from Hospital Drive west to Koepfgen Road, will be dedicated as a public right of way, with Herron agreeing to meet village requirements to the Center B Drain. The road will be gravel from the drain west to Koepfgen Road and will be maintained by the village.

Roadways dedicated to the village for street and utility purposes qualify for maintenance monies from the state.

Another condition of the annexation proposal is that the parcel be zoned for multiple dwellings, the same classification as the condominium complex.

Council members indicated they see no problem

with the zoning request, but noted formal action by the village Planning Commission will be required because any land annexed by the village is initially zoned Single Family Residential.

ASSESSMENT

In other business during the 80-minute session, the council established a special assessment district for curb and gutter on 2 streets.

Paving and curb and gutter are planned for 3 blocks of Ale Street, from Third to Main, and one block of Leach Street, from Church to Huron. The Ale Street project cost is estimated at \$85,000, and the Leach Street project, \$21,000.

According to Village Manager Lou S. LaPonsie, property owners will be assessed an estimated \$9 per frontage foot for the curb and gutter.

A hearing on the projects will be held just prior to the council's next regular monthly meeting, which is scheduled for 7 p.m. March 31.

Also last week, the council:

- Accepted a report on the village's 1991 audit, conducted by Yoe and Yoe PC CPA, Marlette.

Representatives of the accounting firm gave the village financial statements a clean bill of health, and lauded the village's book-

keeping practices.

- Approved dedication of Hemlock Lane, from Spruce Street to Chestnut Boulevard, to the village for street and utility purposes. The street is located in the Northwood Village and Estate subdivision.

- Noted that the Tuscola County Road Commission approved a motion to relinquish jurisdiction of Doerr Road, from Elmwood Road to Division Street, to the Village of Cass City.

- Noted village police Officer Sgt. Don Miller recently completed a law enforcement armorer's course on Sig-Sauer semi-automatic pistols.

Survey results presented

Plans for DDA inching forward

Plans to establish a downtown development authority in Cass City are alive and well following completion of a survey that revealed a number of business owners support the proposal.

The survey and a recommendation to proceed were presented to the Village Council during a rescheduled monthly meeting last week.

DDAs work towards shaping and improving downtown business districts. Once established, taxes on increased land values in the district are set aside to benefit the district. DDAs may

also be funded through a millage, and special grants and loans may be available.

Tom Proctor and Jim Bolton, members of the committee to form a DDA in Cass City, briefly discussed the recent survey with council members.

Proctor described the results as "very favorable." Perhaps the most surprising aspect, he said, is that 48 percent of 86 businesses owners who responded to the survey said they would support a millage increase (not to exceed 2 mills) to fund a DDA. Forty-four percent were not in favor; 8

percent made no comment. Other survey responses included:

- 81 percent favor formation of a DDA (12 percent no, 7 percent no comment).

- 50 percent favor an increase in personal real estate taxes due to low cost renovations which resulted in a more financially rewarding business climate, as opposed to a millage (38 percent no, 12 percent no comment).

- 67 percent favor incorporating into the village's master plan extended borders for the downtown business district (21 percent no, 12 percent no comment).

- 62 percent favor aggressive soliciting of chain stores or small manufacturing firms to the downtown business district by a DDA (29 percent no, 9 percent no comment).

- 75 percent favor attracting professionals to open downtown locations (21 percent no, 4 percent no comment).

- 71 percent favor granting an interested builder an attractive reason to build apartment buildings adjacent to the business district, thereby creating more downtown "walk-in" traffic (23 percent no, 6 percent no comment).

- 85 percent willing to comply with minimum standards for the district, providing costs are minimal (13 percent no, 2 percent no comment).

- 85 percent would accept landscaping and cleanliness standards proposed by the DDA (12 percent no, 3 percent no comment).

Proctor remarked the committee thought it would be best not to set goals or discuss specific projects and funding methods until members know whether the DDA proposal would proceed.

He urged the council to act. With DDAs already in place in other Thumb communities of similar size, it's clear Cass City is behind, he concluded, adding, "We think it's time for this to happen."

The council agreed, offering an informal nod of approval and directing its Rules Committee to investigate the legal process of creating the authority.



PEACE AND QUIET — Custodian Fred Profit says he loves the solitude of his evening shift at Cass City Middle School. Profit plans to retire this spring after 23 years of service.

(Story, other picture on back page.)

Bowl For Kids' Sake bowling challenge set

There's still time to sign up for a chance to win the 1992 Chevrolet Lumina at the 8th annual Big Brothers/Big Sisters Bowl For Kids' Sake bowling challenge. The event will be held Saturday, March 14, at the Brentwood in Caro from 10:00 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Donation sheets are available at Tuscola County Big Brothers/Big Sisters, 129 East Burnside Street in Caro. Sandy Gaudreau, executive director of BB/BS agency, once again hopes that at least 300 bowlers will devote an hour of their time to bowl for the sake of kids in the Thumb Area and meet the goal of \$13,000.

Once again the challenges are hot between the teams from Caro Community/Hills & Dales hospitals and the Bar Association/Courthouse. A new challenge has been issued between WKYO/WIDL & WLEW, Caro and Bad Axe stations.

Other hot challenges are between the Caro and Vassar Rotary Clubs, and Tuscola and Huron County Departments of Social Services. Additional challenges are welcomed and encouraged.

Prizes at this year's event include \$400 U.S. savings bond; AM-FM stereo cassette player; romantic evening for two; framed crossstitch; bowling ball; J.C. Penney shopping spree, and gift certificates galore. Door prizes are given continuously throughout the entire event! The 1991 Lumina 300 game give-away is sponsored by Pat Curtis Chevrolet in Caro (some game restrictions apply).

Each adult participant must have a minimum \$25 in donations and youth 15-and-under a minimum of \$10 to bowl in the event.

The event is sponsored by Big John Steak & Onion allowing ALL proceeds from the Bowl For Kids' Sake bowling challenge to be used to continue the operation of the BB/BS program in the Thumb Area.

HDC slates commodity distribution

The Human Development Commission (HDC) will hold its surplus commodity distribution Thursday, March 26, at the following locations:

Cass City Recreational Park - 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
HDC Warehouse, 165 Butler St., Caro - 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Ivan Middleton Hall-Vassar Fairgrounds (Special time - 10:00 a.m.-noon).

An individual must report to the distribution site in person, if possible, to present his or her surplus commodity registration card. Anyone who is physically unable to attend may designate a substitute, who must present the card on his or her behalf. These cards may be obtained from any HDC office in Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac or Tuscola County.

Marriage licenses

Dennis Patrick Doyle, Parma Heights, Ohio, and Jennifer Lynn Stekl, Fairgrove.

Preston Robert Collins and Jeanette Marie Hockstad, both of Fostoria.

Jeffery Allen Stutzman and Susan Irene Hayes, both of Caro.

William Patrick Davis and Rhonda Lyn Berlin, both of Mayville.

Anthony Wayne Sands, Caro, and Kristena Kay Gibson, Oxford.

Jeffery Joseph Goodchild and Mary Jo Compeau, both of Caro.

Cass City Personal Items

Call your local news to the Chronicle office - 872-2010

Two former residents were visitors in Cass City Thursday. James Moore, former Chronicle shop foreman and a Cass City native, spent the morning visiting old friends. Bud Jeffery was in the area hunting and also renewing old acquaintances. Jeffery was in the electrical business in Cass City. Both men are now retired. Moore from the Arenac County Independent shop in Standish and Jeffery from an automobile plant in Detroit. The men live within a block of each other in Au Gres. Jeffery is a brother-in-law of Moore's. Kate Moore is also a former resident of Cass City.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brewton and family of Taylor were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Nemeth, for the weekend.

Debbie Timmons and Wayne Curry spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord LaPeer.

Taylor to perform in choir

The daughter of a Cass City couple will perform with the Adrian College choir, Singer's Performance Workshop and Adrian College Brass when they tour Chicago and parts of Michigan March 12-16.

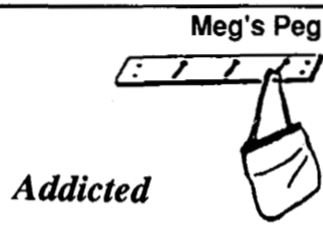
Nikki Taylor, a senior at Adrian College, will be among the 40 singers who will perform in Chicago, Niles, Grand Rapids, Auburn, Midland and Flint.

Taylor is a 1988 graduate of Camden-Frontier High School and is the daughter of Nancy and Richard Taylor of Cass City.

Over 140 persons attended the Ministry Festival at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Sunday. They viewed displays of each area of the church's ministry. Refreshments were served in the fellowship hall.

The fish fry at the Ugly High School Feb. 28 was sponsored by the Ugly Lions Club. All proceeds went to the Ugly band members who will be touring with the 1992 Michigan Lions Band.

Sp. Larry Curtis is on leave from Germany visiting his parents, Jim and Char Curtis. He will be home for a month and then will leave for California.



Addicted

by Melva E. Guinther

My name is Melva, and I'm an addict.

I get my main fix on Sundays when somebody unknown to me leaves it on the front porch. If for some reason it's late, I get anxious and wonder where I can get it if it isn't delivered.

People who sit near me at church may notice that I get fidgety when the preacher goes overtime. Sunday afternoon is when I typically indulge my habit.

Sometimes that Sunday fix will last me all week, and sometimes it's used up that very afternoon. When it is, it's a long, long week.

There's some milder stuff during the week, but it doesn't give the satisfaction that the Sunday dose does.

I've asked myself if it's really worth the expense, not only in money, but in the time and energy it demands, and I've considered trying to give it up, so far to no avail.

I rationalize, telling myself that it's a harmless habit that doesn't affect anyone else and gives me something to do while my husband watches whatever seasonal sport is offered.

Often I become angry with the suppliers. They think they're so cute! They know they can get away with their clever little mind-bending tricks, because so many of us are hooked.

If you can't understand how a nice person like me could become addicted, then you obviously aren't a crossword puzzle junkie.

Yes, it's true. I buy the Sunday Detroit paper purely for the 3 super crossword

puzzles, including the New York Times, that sometimes keep me occupied all week.

They're usually a challenge, at least until you solve enough clues to figure out their gimmick for that particular puzzle. If you're lucky enough to do that, it helps immensely in solving the rest.

One week they featured clues in which all the answers were 2 words spelled the same except for the last letter. Of course, the solver had to figure that out for himself.

One clue was "Where babies come from." Answer: "stork story." Others were "dreadful place to hole up" (hideous hideout), tangled stuff (matted matter), and "aid an Italian town" (assist Assisi).

Another clever puzzle was entitled "Bird-play" and included such clues as "avian apparatus", "bird's gene carriers" and "bird dwellings", for which the respective answers were: "parrotphernalia", "crow-mosomes" and "condominiums."

In the "Dearthful" puzzle, "Soapmaker's dearth" turned out to be "shy of lye." "Railroad engineer's dearth" was "lack of track", "fishmonger's", "out of trout", and "tailor's", "need of tweed." You get the idea.

The puzzles that really drive you bonkers, though, are those where they leave out a particular letter or group of letters, such as "and" in the answers. Whenever those 3 letters appear in an answer, they simply omit them. Hence, "Sandra Day O'Connor" becomes "Sdra Day O'Connor", "hand-me-downs" becomes "hme-downs", etc.

They're frustrating and addictive, but they're also educational. Were it not for the puzzles, I might never have known that "hebdomad" means the number 7, and surely life is richer for knowing.

Besides, experts say that doing crossword puzzles helps to keep the mind alert, and I need all the help I can get!

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pobanz

Joyce E. Ingle and Richard J. Pobanz were united in marriage Saturday, Sept. 14, 1991, at St. Pancratius Catholic Church in Cass City. The Rev. Julius Spleet officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

Soloist and organist was Connie Iwankovitsch of Cass City.

The bride is the daughter of Jordon E. Ingle of Vallejo, Calif. The groom is the son of Keith and Joann Pobanz of Cass City.

The altar was decorated with 2 candelabra, white mums and a unity candle.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a beaded and sequined satin gown with a high Victorian collar embellished with pearls at the neckline, and leg-of-mutton sleeves with cut-out appliques on the upper portion with pearls and sequins. The cathedral length train was encircled with appliques, beads and sequins.

Her headpiece was satin flowers with pearl sprays offset with a pouf and finger length illusion veil.

The bride carried a bouquet of white and pink roses, stephanotis and pixie carnations.

Maid of honor was Erica Walter-Holm of Calif., friend of the bride. The bridesmaid was Vicki Sontag, Napa, Calif., sister of the groom. Junior bridesmaid was Alicia Ingle of Vallejo, sister of the bride.

The bridesmaids wore teal-length royal blue taffeta dresses with a blue floral tapestry bodice and sweet-

heart neckline. They carried bouquets of pink and white carnations.

Best man was Keith Pobanz Jr. of St. Clair, Mich., brother of the groom. Groomsman was Fred Zawilinski of Florida, friend of the groom. Junior groomsman was Christopher Heckroth, nephew of the groom. Ushers were Tim Sontag, Napa, Calif., brother-in-law of the groom and Keith Ingle of California, brother of the bride.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at Colony House, Cass City, for 200 guests attending from California, Ohio, Florida and northern Michigan and surrounding area.

The bride is a 1987 graduate of Hogan Senior High, California, and is currently employed as a child care provider.

The groom is a 1983 graduate of Cass City High School and 1986 graduate of Saginaw Business Institute. He is employed at R.G.I.S. Inventory Specialists as a manager.

The couple is residing in San Jose, Calif.

Dance club slates party

The Y.M.C.A. Thumb Dance Club will hold its next party Saturday from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Sandusky Maple Valley School.

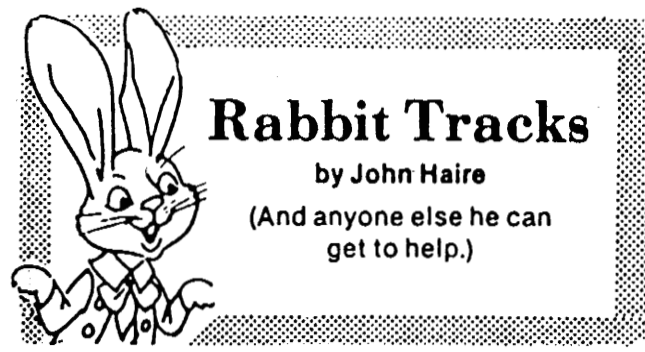
Refreshments will be served and live music will be provided by the Blue Notes. Guests are welcome.

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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

Ah! Spring must be just around the corner. Louis Franks, 5454 Cemetery Road, 2 miles north of Cass City, spotted a robin in his yard at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Mar. 4.

The next morning, Thursday, Irma Jacobs of Decker did him one better as she reported 3 pairs of robins in her yard.

Bill Kritzman, Cass City, should be thinking seriously of investing in the Lotto. At a meeting the other day he purchased 6 raffle tickets for \$5. I never win anything, Kritzman said, and didn't expect anything to change this time.

But change it did. And how! With those 6 tickets he won 3, count 'em, 3 prizes. A golf bag, a metal wood cover and a sleeve of balls.

Each year as a public service most members of the area's medical community sponsor ads calling attention to the dangers of poisoning.

The message comes as a highlight of Poison Prevention Week, Mar. 15-21. Take a tip from the information in the ads and check the possible danger areas in your home.

Don't take a chance on being sorry that you put it off.

Michigan weather report. Monday was a gorgeous day. Check that. Monday morning was a gorgeous start of a day. The rest of the day? The week? What did you expect? This is a MICHIGAN weather report.



CASS CITY HIGH School students (left to right) Sarah Edzik, Tracey Burns, Jenel Connolly and Amy Osantowski are gearing up to take part in the Close Up program, March 29-April 4 in Washington, D.C.

4 in Close Up program

Four Cass City High School students will take part in a series of government studies' seminars in Washington, D.C., during the week of March 29-April 4.



The Haire Net

Here we are a week away from the presidential primary election and I haven't a clue about how to vote. Worse, I don't even know if it will be Democratic or Republican.

I kind of favor Sen. Paul Tsongas. A lot of what he says makes sense. It's refreshing after the deluge of pap that all of us have been inundated with.

His message is that to solve our financial woes we must invest in business and offer tax credits, investment credits and capital gains tax relief. We should pay more taxes, too, he says, and look at cutting entitlements as a way to cut the cost of government.

Like castor oil, bitter medicine but needed to do the job.

Then I read the letter that Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton wrote about evading the Vietnam war when he wasn't running for anything, and he jumped several notches in my esteem. It was thoughtful and showed a concerned, caring individual that wasn't apparent to me in all the election rhetoric.

Still, I figured I'd vote for Tsongas. Until Pat

Buchanan came along and started garnering protest votes.

Now I figure that Buchanan is better than David Duke, the former KKK member, but not much.

So the question is, do I vote for President Bush to help make his primary victory more decisive over Buchanan or do I vote for Tsongas for coming out with a program and letting us know just where he stands on the issues? Could a vote for Bush help keep the nation from putting up with Buchanan again in 1996?

In a way, I fall into the mainstream of voters in that there isn't any enthusiastic support for anyone running.

That's something else that the polls show. The support for all the candidates is "soft" and could be changed between now and the general election.

Who knows when the next bedroom episode might rear up and smite one of the leaders between now and Mar. 17?

One of the knocks on Tsongas is that he suffered from cancer and there is worry that it might strike again.

Indeed it might, but that should not keep us from voting for him now after doctors have stated that his health is good and the cancer in remission. Good health is a crap shoot for any of the candidates.

Speaking of crap shoots, that's what you face no matter which of the candidates ends up receiving your vote, but its snake eyes for sure if Buchanan or Duke are considered to have done well the day after the primary in Michigan.

"If It Fitz...."

Read it, wonder

By Jim Fitzgerald



An anonymous source near the Detroit Police Department has made charges against a precinct commander that are so outrageous they couldn't possibly be true.

Could they? The letter arrived in an official City of Detroit envelope. It appears below, only slightly — and fairly — edited to keep the accused as anonymous as the accuser. Read it and wonder:

At this precinct there is a police officer whose entire job consists of:

- * Selling ads and tickets for the Police Field Day.
- * Obtaining fresh meat and fish for the commander.
- * Running other errands for the commander.

One of this officer's errands involved taking a large quantity of copper, recovered by other officers from thieves who had taken it from the old train station, and selling it to a scrapyard. The money was used by the station commander to take his staff to Carl's Chop House for lunch and drinks.

The precinct commander issued an order to all members of the precinct to deny that there was a Field Day Officer at the precinct. The commander was nervous because some newsmen was asking questions.

Since former Chief of Police Hart ordered precincts to cut their staff positions to just 7 people, the Field Day Officer has been hidden by having an assignment code that makes it look like he is a response officer.

There is another officer, carried on the books as a response officer, who is a Community Relations Officer. The precinct is only allowed to have one Community Relations officer but this precinct has two.

The precinct also has a sergeant whose job, although supposedly Morality Sergeant, has no crew and spends what little time he is at work selling fund-raising tickets, like Coleman Young Birthday Party tickets and the like, for the commander.

I wish I could sign this letter but I would be in trouble if I did.

That's impossible to believe, isn't it? Especially in a broke, bleeding city that

can't afford enough cops to keep drug dealers from murdering children. It should be easy to dismiss such outlandish charges as the exaggerations of a city employee with a personal beef.

But wait. When it comes to our wild and crazy police department, a lot of its crime-fighting methods are impossible to believe.

According to sworn testimony in ex-Chief William Hart's trial, taxpayers paid cops to chauffeur Hart's wife and make deliveries to his mistress. Taxpayers paid cops to be bodyguards for Mayor Young's relatives. Taxpayers paid a cop to perform the important duty of reserving a hotel room for a meeting between Hart and his mistress. Twenty thousand in cash fell from Hart's kitchen ceiling and hit a retired cop on the head.

Court testimony also revealed that, although taxpayers regularly pay Hart by check (\$100,000 per year and he's still getting it today, a year after his suspension), in 1986 Hart paid \$10,000 cash for a co-op apartment for his daughter. I live in the same building and some-

times see Hart in the lobby. So far I have somehow resisted the great temptation to ask him for change for a \$1 billion bill.

I could cite other horror stories about the police department whose former chief is charged with stealing \$2.6 million, some of it by writing department checks to cash. But space is short, and you get the idea: There's reason to believe there might be at least a speck of truth to the charges against the commander.

So I phoned the commander's office last Wednesday and explained to an officer exactly why I wanted to speak to her boss. She said he was on another line and would call me back. He didn't. Which is in direct line with department policy against telling taxpayers how their money is spent and what their employees do to earn their wages.

If the commander ever tells me he does his own fish and meat shopping, I'll happily relay the news to you. In the meantime, you can only wonder.

Wonder, and try to keep from gagging.

The Weather

	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	38	28	0
Wednesday	50	31	0
Thursday	46	37	.14"
Friday	42	38	.03"
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Sunday	45	35	.04"
Monday	62	27	.72"

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Income: 7 Wages, salaries, tips, etc., 8a Taxable interest income, 8b Tax-exempt interest income, 9 Dividend income, 10 Taxable refunds of state and local income taxes, 11 Alimony received, 12 Business income or loss, 13 Capital gain or loss, 14 Capital gain distributions, 15 Other gains or losses, 16a Total IRA distributions, 16b Total pensions and annuities, 17a Rents, royalties, partnerships, estates, trusts, etc., 17b Farm income or loss, 18 Unemployment compensation, 19 Social security benefits, 20 Taxable amount, if any, from the worksheet, 21 Other income, 22 Add the amounts shown in the far right column.

Adjustments to Income: 23a Reimbursed employee business expenses, 24a Your IRA deduction, 24b Spouse's IRA deduction, 25 Self-employed health insurance deduction, 26 Keogh retirement plan and self-employed SE, 27 Penalty on early withdrawal of savings, 28 Alimony paid (recipient's last name), 29 Add lines 24 through 29. These amounts are subtracted from line 23. This is your Adjusted Gross Income.

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Obituaries

Ray Francis

Ray Ervin Francis, 80, of Deford, died Tuesday, March 3, of a heart attack in his home.

He was born March 20, 1911, the son of Carrie and Howard Francis.

A lifelong Tuscola County resident, he married Susie Laine Thorp at the Cass City Methodist Parsonage Aug. 27, 1930.

He was a farmer and factory worker, retiring from Saginaw Steering Gear in 1970 after 27 1/2 years as an electrician.

He is survived by his wife, Susie (Tootie); 2 daughters and sons-in-law, Madeline and Karl Marker of Saginaw and Vivian and Bryce Updegraff of St. Louis, Mich.; 4 sons and daughters-in-law, Elmer and Janet of Cass City, James and Sharon of Vassar, Edward and Alice of East Lansing, and Stuart and Gloria of Reese; 25 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren; 2 sisters, Mary Eastman of Marlette and Beatrice (Julius) Gomyory of Detroit; one sister-in-law, Mabel Francis of Deford; one aunt, Margaret Legg of Marlette, and several nieces and nephews.

Francis was preceded in death by one son, John; a brother, Harold, and a granddaughter, Renae.

Funeral services were held Friday at the Kingston United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Lynn Chappell officiating.

Pallbearers were 6 of his grandsons: Jim Marker, Ray Updegraff, John, Jerry, Joel and Gordon Francis.

Arrangements were made by the Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston.

Henry Frank

Henry Frank, 84, of Cass City, died March 4 at Tendercare, Cass City, after a lengthy illness.

He was born March 1, 1908, in Sebawaing, the son of the late Henry and Mary Frank Sr.

Frank was united in marriage to Lucille Sommers November 17, 1976, in Cass City, where they made their home.

Frank was a member of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local #324B, Saginaw.

He is survived by his wife, Lucille; one son, Paul Frank and wife Sandra, and one daughter, Annabelle Gerken, all of Saginaw; one stepdaughter, Joan Merchant and husband Stuart of Cass City; one sister, Edith Harris of Saginaw; 5 grandchildren, 7 step-grandchild-

dren, 3 great-grandchildren and 12 step-great-grandchildren.

One stepson, John, and 10 brothers and sisters preceded him in death.

Memorial services were conducted Saturday at Little's Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Rick Sheppard, pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church of Cass City, officiating.

Pearl Hartwick

Pearl Hartwick, 94, of Cass City, died Monday, March 2, at Hills and Dales General Hospital.

She was born March 17, 1897, in Novesta Township, the daughter of the late Robert and Maude (Gage) Agar Sr.

She was united in marriage to Earl Hartwick Aug. 10, 1913, in Caro. The couple made their home on a farm in Greenleaf Township. Mr. Hartwick died June 9, 1967.

Hartwick was a life member of the Greenleaf Extension Club; an honorable member of the Art Club; a life member of Echo Chapter #337 OES, Cass City, and a member of the Farm Bureau.

She is survived by one daughter, Virginia Greenlee of Argyle; 2 sons, Kenneth Hartwick and his wife, Thelma, of Saginaw and Kermit Hartwick and his wife, Alma, of Cass City; 7 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. Ernest Nicol of Marlette.

Three brothers, Willard, Robert and Max, preceded her in death.

Funeral services were conducted Friday at Little's Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Lydia Rappaport, pastor of the Fraser Presbyterian Church, officiating.

Interment was in the Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Memorials may be made to Fraser Presbyterian Church or Echo Chapter #337.

Arnold Schweitzer

Arnold Herman Schweitzer, 77, of Grassmere Rd., Grant Township, Owendale, died Friday, Feb. 28, at Bay Medical Center, Bay City, following a short illness.

He was born Aug. 5, 1914 in Oliver Township, son of John and Augusta (Heck) Schweitzer.

May 18, 1940 he married Louise Myers in Detroit.

Mr. Schweitzer was an Elkton High School gradu-

ate and had lived in Huron County most of his life. He was the owner and operator of Schweitzer's Orchard and was a retired crop and dairy farmer. He had served as Huron County Treasurer from 1968 until retiring in 1984.

He was an active member of the Elkton United Methodist Church, a past member of the church board, a member of the Pathfinders Sunday School Class, served as Grant Township Supervisor for 8 years, was a director of the Production Credit Association 10 years, a past president of the Huron County Holstein Association, a former member of D.H.I.A. No. 3, and a past president of the Elkton Lions Club.

Surviving are his wife, Louise; 2 daughters, Gaye (Raymond) Gintner of Columbiaville, and Rosalyn (Kerry) Snider of Middleville; his son, Brent (Jane) Schweitzer of Owendale; 12 grandchildren; 4 sisters, Ella Gabert of Bad Axe, Betty (Frank) Worzak of Kenmore, N.Y., Sally Beers and Marian (Walton) Brown, both of Sebawaing, and a brother, Jack (Orla) Schweitzer of Sebawaing.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, March 2, at the Elkton United Methodist Church with the Rev. Jim James, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Elkton.

Clarence Venema

Clarence Venema, 97, of Cass City, died Monday, March 2, at the Tuscola County Medical Care Facility in Caro, after a lengthy illness.

He was born January 29, 1895, in Koudum, Netherlands, the son of the late Fekke and Tjitske (deJong) Venema.

He was united in marriage to Edith deJong May 30, 1918, in Friesland, Netherlands.

The couple moved to Grand Rapids in 1925 and to a farm in Cass City in 1970 from Kalamazoo. Mrs. Venema died June 7, 1976.

Venema served with the Dutch Army during WWI and attended the Hillside Brethren Church.

He is survived by 3 sons, Maynard Venema of Lansing, Frederick Venema of Saginaw and Peter Venema of Cass City; 5 daughters, Mrs. George (Genevieve) Simington of Belmont, Mrs. William (Sylvia) Heilborn of Owosso, Mrs. Clare (Jeanette) Vernon of Lakeland, Fla., Mrs. Richard (Mary) Smith of Cass City and Gertrude Hendrick

of Essexville; 35 grandchildren, 85 great children and 4 great-great grandchildren; 4 brothers, Maynard Venema of Deford and Henry, Ralph and Gerrit, all of the Netherlands; and 2 sisters, Mary and Sylvia, also of the Netherlands.

Three grandsons and one daughter, Margaret, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday at Little's Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. William Severance of Fairfield Bethel Assembly of Saginaw, officiating.

Interment was in Roselawn Memorial Gardens, Saginaw.

Mayville man charged with welfare fraud

A Mayville resident has been charged with 2 counts of welfare fraud.

Nelson D. Eddy, 59, was arraigned Thursday in Tuscola County District Court on charges of welfare fraud over \$500 and welfare fraud

Finalize budget proposal

Novesta Township officials finalized a proposed 1992-93 budget during a monthly Township Board meeting last week.

The spending plan tentatively sets expenditures at \$105,912 and revenues at \$106,000, according to township Clerk Nursie Kloc, who noted the figures represent little change from the 1991-92 budget.

The proposed spending plan will be present for review at the township's annual meeting, set for 1 p.m. March 28 at the Township Hall in Deford.

Area S.O.A.R. chapter meets

Members of S.O.A.R. Chapter 29-5 met March 3 at the Cass City VFW Hall. There were 22 members present.

A short meeting was held. A letter from District Director Harry E. Lester was read, inviting 4 delegates to attend the District 29 conference in Lansing May 4-6. Irma Chisholm and Lorene Englehardt were the winners of a 50-50 drawing.

A potluck dinner was served and bingo was played after the meal.

The group's next meeting is set for April 7.

Larceny nets prison sentence

A Flint woman was sentenced to prison Friday in Tuscola County Circuit Court for larceny in a building.

Tamara Jo Baroski, 24, was ordered to serve a term

of 16 months to 48 months for her plea of guilty to the charge.

According to court records, Baroski stole travelers checks, a cash drawer, cash and lottery tickets from a

convenience store at 9410 Saginaw Rd., Richville, Nov. 10.

Also sentenced last week was Larry B. Payne, 31, of Vassar, who earlier pleaded guilty to a charge of attempted manufacture of marijuana Sept. 3 in Tuscola Township.

Payne was sentenced to 24 months probation and 90 days in jail (60 days deferred to the end of probation), with work release. He also was ordered to pay a \$500 fine, \$500 in court costs and \$30 oversight and victim crime

fees. Dean E. Armstrong, 21, Clifford, was sentenced to 24 months probation and 60 days in jail (deferred to the end of probation) for his plea of guilty to larceny in a building.

Armstrong also was ordered to pay a \$500 fine, \$500 in court costs plus attorneys fees, restitution totaling \$300 and \$30 oversight and victim crime fees.

Court records state the defendant stole shotguns from a workshop at 3283 Elmwood Rd., Caro, Dec. 2.

Vandals break store window in Cass City

Cass City police recently investigated a malicious destruction of property complaint and arrested a motorist on suspicion of drunk driving.

According to reports, a broken store front window at

the Per Mar General Store, 6476 Main St., was reported Sunday morning. The window apparently was hit by a large piece of brick, which was found nearby.

No damage estimate was available.

The arrest took place at about 4:40 p.m. last Wednesday after police received a complaint that an intoxicated individual was bothering people at the Quaker Maid Dairy Store.

Shortly after police arrived, the suspect, Donald R. Hutchinson, 57, Cass City, left eastbound on Main Street in his pick-up truck. He was stopped near Schweigler Road after an officer observed him driving left of the road centerline and off the shoulder.

Police arrested Hutchinson on suspicion of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor.

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PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS:

Notice is hereby given that a presidential primary election will be held in all precincts in Tuscola County, Michigan on

Tuesday, March 17, 1992

For the purpose of placing in nomination by the Democratic and Republican Parties, candidates for the office of President of the United States of America.

And also to vote on the following local office:

Koylton Township Supervisor (To fill a vacancy).

And also to vote on the Koylton Township Proposal:

**Koylton Township Proposal A
Zoning Ordinance Amendment Proposal**

Shall Koylton Township Ordinance No. 9-91, passed by the Koylton Township Board on December 9, 1991, amending the Koylton Township Zoning Ordinance, be adopted?

The polls for said election will be open from 7 o'clock a.m., and remain open until 8 o'clock p.m. of the same election day.

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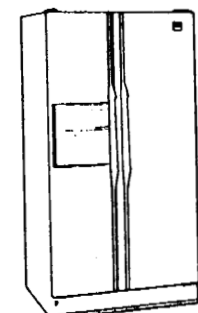
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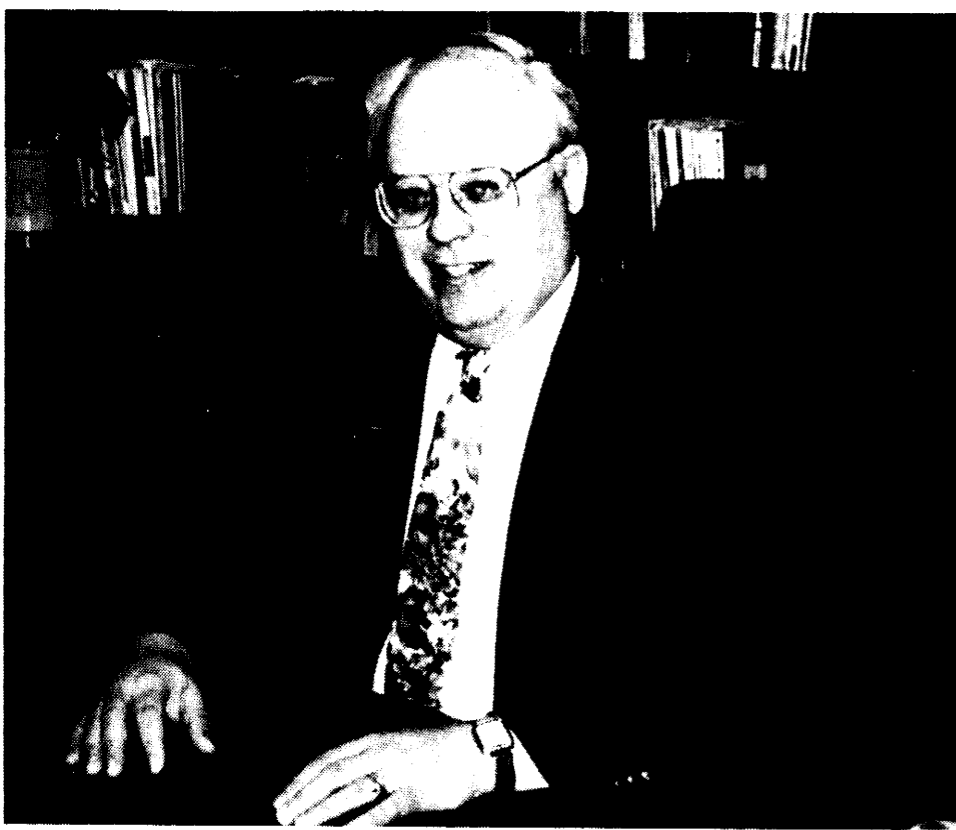
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THE REV. RONALD Elie recently began serving as pastor of the Deford Community Church, which has been without a pastor for more than 2 years.

After 2 years

Deford church has new pastor

The new pastor of the Deford Community Church says he's looking forward to working with his new congregation towards a number of goals.

"We have a vision of seeing this church grow, and there are all sorts of things we want to do," the Rev. Ronald Elie remarked. "I

want to reach out and help out where we can help out." Although Elie has served in his new post for only about a month, he's been familiar with the Deford church for some time, being good friends with the Rev. Gerald Rodgers, a former longtime pastor of the church.

"He (Rodgers) had me preach here a number of times," Elie remarked, adding he and Rodgers both graduated from the Kentucky Mountain Bible Institute and later pastored at churches in northwest Michigan.

Originally from Ypsilanti, Elie has been in the ministry for 21 years.

He attended high school in the Ypsilanti area and Spring Arbor College, where he first felt the call to full-time service in the ministry.

He earned a bachelor of arts degree at the college in 1968, then taught for 2 years

while working towards his master's degree in education at Wayne State University. During that time, he also traveled extensively, touring throughout Europe and beyond in 1969 and traveling around the world in 1970.

"I just couldn't get away from it (call to the ministry)," Elie recalled, adding he felt all along he was being called to be a missionary.

He decided to move from the Detroit area, accepting a teaching position in Buckley, about 20 miles south of Traverse City, where he met his future wife, Darylene, thanks to an invitation to church extended by the principal at his school.

Trinity Theological Seminary, Newburg, Ind., then decided to accept the challenge of starting a new ministry. After visiting his home church in Ypsilanti, it was decided to establish the new church in Ann Arbor.

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"That was the biggest challenge that we ever had in our life," he said, adding he received the full support and help of his family, which includes daughters Sue, 17, Bethany, 15, and Faith, 4, and a son, Luke, 10.

It proved difficult, but rewarding, according to the pastor, who said he eventually had to begin teaching again, which involved commuting to the Detroit area, to help support the ministry.

Elie served there for 3 years before accepting the post at the Deford Church, which has been without a pastor for more than 2 years. He noted another pastor closer to retirement age was found to take over in Ann Arbor.

"This gives me an opportunity to be back where I've always wanted to be," Elie commented.

"We were really excited about this opportunity. I've always had a warmth for the people of this church."

Walbro announces stock sale

Walbro Corporation announced the sale of 1,150,000 shares of its common stock at \$25.50 per share. One million shares were offered by the company and 150,000 were offered by certain selling stockholders. The managing underwriters for the offering are Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated and Interstate/Johnson Lane Corporation.

The net proceeds of the offering will be used for the repayment of bank debt and an additional investment in Walbro's European joint venture with Magneti Marelli S.p.A. of Italy.

Cass City School menu

March 16-20

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- Second entree** - Hoagie on bun.

er key positions. He serves on the Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Department of Natural Resources, Mental health and State Police.

He cites his experience as vice chair of the Agriculture Subcommittee with enabling him to produce a better business climate for farmers.

The lawmaker said his knowledge of agricultural needs recently helped him during 2 years of negotiations between the Agri-Dealers and others holding leases on railroad property and the railroads. All parties are now happy with the settlement.

In addition, Allen serves on the House Republican Task Force on Tourism, which gathered testimony last year from residents across the state, including Bad Axe, to formulate ways to improve one of Michigan's leading industries.

The lawmaker said he plans to continue working closely with local communities to maximize the potential of the 77th District.

Tractor theft investigation nets arrest

A week-long investigation by Huron and Tuscola County authorities led to the arrest Thursday of a Bay Port man caught stealing a \$65,000 tractor from the Gettel implement dealership in Pigeon.

The investigation also netted the recovery of a \$6,000 farm implement that had been stolen from a Thumb farmer.

The suspect, Kevin D. Wiechert, 28, was arraigned Friday in Huron County District Court. He faces 2 counts of larceny over \$100 and one count of conspiracy to commit larceny over \$100.

A preliminary examination in the case is set for 9 a.m. Friday. Wiechert is free on a combined \$3,000 bond.

Acting on information developed during the investigation, officers conducted a 2-night surveillance at the dealership, with the cooperation of the implement dealer. At about 10:30 p.m. Thursday, Wiechert was apprehended as he drove off with the tractor.

Woodland tour set

The Tuscola Soil Conservation District is sponsoring its 10th annual woodland and wildlife management tour at the Caro Regional Center, a half-mile west of Wahjamega on the north side of M-81, March 14 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Further information can be obtained by contacting the Tuscola S.C.D. office at 673-8174.

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Letters to the editor

Know what you're voting on

Dear Editor:
In reply to Doug Kramer's letter, I would like to make the following comments.

I am going to ask residents to call the township clerk, James Borek (a Clifford number) and ask him for a copy of the agreement the board signed with PWLC and also a copy of the Ordinance 9-91 approved by the board. You will note on the

ordinance no one made a motion, no one seconded the motion.

When you get your copies, ask yourself the following questions:

How can we not have a camp in every section of the township? How will we collect the money spent on litigation? Doug has said the camp will pay us back. He can't even remember the

judge awarded \$2,000 in taxable costs.

If a camp is allowed in any section of the township, and they can't allow one camp a deny another....after all, the Department of Social Services wants to export from Wayne County and surrounding area 1,000 kids.

If the section is in the Kingston/Marlette Community School District, they will then assume fiscal responsibility for the education of these youths.

The Koylton Township Zoning Board did an in-depth study and said "no" to the ordinance and the township board ignored our recommendations to them in reference to the agreement.

Get your copies and see what you think. Also, get out and attend some of the township board meetings (7:30 p.m., second Monday of the month). Know what you're voting on.

Gymnastics club needs local support

To the Editor:
I am writing this letter in support of a program that affects Cass City's young people.

For the past few years approximately 30 children have spent many Saturday mornings stretching, tumbling and balancing as they learn basic gymnastics on the high school balcony. The newly formed high school

gymnastics club has participated and scored well at meets this year, but for this program to continue, they need community support.

The future of Cass City gymnastics will be discussed at the March 16 School Board meeting held at the High School at 7:30 p.m. I urge every interested person to attend.

Sincerely,
Judy Hoelzle

Russell H. Mayer

A Chronicle reader for over 75 years

I am sending a check for \$15.00 for the year's subscription of your paper. I have looked at your paper for over 75 years and wait for Thursdays to come around. I like to see how many names I remember. After all this time, very few. As ever,
Alma (Whalen) Vyse

Sr. Citizens' Menu

Senior citizens are asked to make reservations on the day of the meal between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. by calling Ann Stepka. 872-5337.

- Monday** - Baked ham with white sauce, parslid potatoes, tomato & cuke salad, broccoli, bread, lemon pie.
- Wednesday** - Pork steak & creamy kraut, spiced squash, tossed salad, French bread, applesauce.
- Friday** - Baked fish with cheese sauce, scalloped potatoes, peas & carrots, corn muffin, lemon pudding.

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Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson

Phone 658-2347

Mrs. Bill Sturgil of Hawaii, Karen Cleland and friend Dave of Bay City, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cleland of Bad Axe and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cleland met at China King restaurant in Cass City for supper Thursday evening in honor of the birthdays of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cleland. Later they went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr and Jeff for birthday cake and ice cream. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Doerr and Courtney, Mrs. Fred Haas, Jerry Cleland, Beth Mulder, Barbara Anthony and Katie and Ki Tsutsumi who came to celebrate the birthdays of Curtis Cleland, Ki Tsutsumi and Katie Anthony.

Edanna Sweeney and David were Sunday evening guests of Reva Silver.

Mrs. Jeff Kanaski and Mrs. John Walker visited Mrs. Eugene Depcinski at Huron Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Shagena visited Mrs. Clayton Wheeler at Autumnwood Nursing Home in Decker-

ville Monday for Mrs. Wheeler's birthday and also visited Mrs. Uretha Falkler at her home in Deckerville Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bredow of Bad Axe were Friday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Karg and family of Bad Axe were Saturday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt.

Darlene Terrassi and girls were Tuesday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Farrelly.

Mrs. Fred Haas of Toledo, Ohio, spent Thursday and Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr and Jeff, and Ki Tsutsumi.

Mrs. Fritz VanErp was a Sunday afternoon guest of Edanna Sweeney.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Kanaski of Bad Axe were Tuesday afternoon and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Schultz, Shannon and Sabrina of Iceland, Elaine Schultz and Caroline Schultz of Bad Axe were

Wednesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Jackson were Monday afternoon and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Decker.

Mrs. Alex Cleland spent a week with Bob Cleland at Waterford. Bob Cleland Sr., Bob Cleland Jr. and Mrs. Alex Cleland visited Blanche Clutz and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cleland and family at Walled Lake Saturday.

Mrs. David Hacker was a Friday guest of Mrs. Earl Schenk.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Maurer received word that her sister, Mrs. Bill (Marion) McQueen of Roscommon, was in a Grayling hospital.

Gordon Farrelly and Nancy of New Baltimore and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bartle and Tom of Cass City were Wednesday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Farrelly for cake and ice cream in honor of Tom Bartle's 15th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Cleland and family were Friday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tyrrell and Cody and Mrs. Earl Schenk were Wednesday afternoon guests of Edanna Sweeney and David.

Randall Knowles and Jaimie Karg of Bad Axe were Saturday overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Stirtrett of Bad Axe were Wednesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Osentoski were Saturday and Sunday guests of Bob Cleland Sr. at Waterford. Mrs. Alex Cleland returned home with Mr. and Mrs. Osentoski Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Robinson and Chris were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kevin O'Connor, Danny and Shane in Minden City for birthday cake and ice cream in honor of Shane O'Connor's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don McKnight of Bad Axe, Mrs. Curtis Cleland and Mrs. Jim

Doerr and granddaughter Courtney Doerr were Monday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt.

TRIP

Mrs. Mary Beardsley recently returned home after a 15-day trip to California. She attended the golden wedding celebration for her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey (June) Thornton of Antioch. The couple renewed their vows at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Walnut Creek. Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was held at the parish hall. Slides were shown of their life together, from the time they first dated until now, narrated by their son Paul.

The only one of the original wedding party attending was maid of honor, Mrs. Mary Lou Kholer Smith of Anchorage, Alaska.

Mrs. Beardsley also visited her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thornton of Ventura, Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Phillips of Simi Valley, and her nephew, Dr. David Thornton (DDS) of Clayton.

Other points of interest she visited were Oakland Hills where 3,000 homes burned recently and only the foundations remained. Some homes are under construction.

In the little town of Isleton, a monument was erected in 1986 in honor of Humphrey the whale, who came up into the Sacramento River in 1985. The townspeople got him back out to the ocean with no harm by making noises in the water. He was marked for identification but they fear he may be dead as he never returned.

Mrs. Beardsley attended a red egg-ginger party for Janelle Rotman of Antioch. The party was held at the Golden Dynasty restaurant in El Cerrito. This is a Chinese tradition to welcome and wish a new baby much love, happiness, fertility and long life.

A luncheon of Chinese food was served.



NATIONAL POISON PREVENTION WEEK

March 15 - 21, 1992

During National Poison Prevention Week, we urge parents and grandparents everywhere to check their homes for these potential hazards.

1. Keep all household cleaning products and medicines out of sight and reach of young children. A locked cabinet is your best insurance against curious hands.
2. Store all medicines separately from household products. Store all chemical products away from food.
3. Keep all items in their original, labelled containers. Read all labels before using.
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Dairy Refund Payment Program is revised

Secretary of Agriculture Edward Madigan recently announced a revision of the Dairy Refund Payment Program (DRPP) to allow additional persons to receive payment as long as there is no increase in that dairy operation's production or number of dairy cattle.

The revised policy will make eligible for refund those dairy operations which were previously ineligible under the DRPP when another person was added to or removed from the operation.

"This change will make our rules simpler and more equitable for dairymen who made a good faith effort to hold the line on production, and allow them to receive the assessment refund," Madigan said.

56 units of blood donated

The Ugly FHA recently sponsored a blood drive at the Thumb Electric Building in Ugly. A total of 56 units of blood were collected.

First-time donors were Barb Grifka, Beverly Duemling, Robert Cook, James Cook and Tracy Sweeney.

Gallon donors were Paula J. Romzek (one gallon), Jennifer Wilber (one gallon), Joanne Rutkowski (2 gallons), Clara Peters (2 gallons), Evelyn Coaster (4 gallons) and Peter Stomack (6 gallons).

The group's next blood drive will be held April 30.

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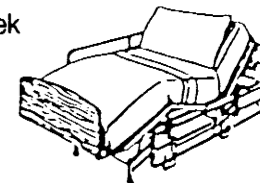
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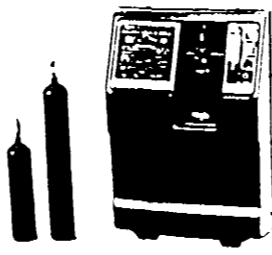
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Cass City Bowling Leagues

Social Security workshop slated

A workshop on Social Security and Medicare will be held March 26 from 4:30 to 8:30 at the Huron Area Skill Center in Bad Axe. Julie Laurence, regional director for the Social Security Administration, will be the presenter. Topics to be addressed are: overview of how Social Security benefits are determined, benefit reduction and early retirement, spousal options, and Medicare benefits.

This workshop is open to the public. There is a charge to cover the cost of a light supper.

The workshop is part of the Retirement Planning Series sponsored by Cooperative Extension Service and Edward D. Jones & Co.

To register, contact Barbara Neuman at the Cooperative Extension Service, Bad Axe at (517) 269-9949. The deadline to register is March 20.

'Movie time' at library

Rawson Memorial Library's "movie time" for senior citizen will be held March 20 at 1:30 p.m. at the library, 6495 Pine St. Films scheduled to be shown are "Exploring the Himalayas" and "Road to Avonlea." This older adult program is offered free of charge. Refreshments will be served.

SUNDAY NO ROLLERS March 1

Hardee's 20
Cole Carbide 17
ET 16
Gilligan's 13
Schott's Accounting 12
Airborne 12
Family Affair 12*
Gamblers 11
neighbors 11*
Bundy's 10
*Incomplete

Men's High Series & Games: Doug O'Dell 626 (216-222-188), R. Kilbourn 505 (223), A. Graham 532 (183-161-188), C. Karr 519 (149-161-209), K. Schott 204.

Women's High Series & Games: K. O'Dell 547 (144-90-213), B. Schott 526 (168-192-166), N. Kessler 517 (162-155-200).

High Team Series: Hardee's 2171.

High Team Game: Airborne 752.

TUSCOLA GET TOGETHERS March 2

Parkway Drive Thru 21
Kermit's Krushers 20
Miller Eggs 19
Spaulding Builders 18
C.R. Hunt 16
B.A. Calka 13
Cass City Sports 13
Kelly's Market 9
Charmont 6
Erla's Inc. 5

High Series & Games: M. Lutz 697 (227-234-236), Doug O'Dell 675 (225-258), C. Bellew 659 (250), R. Rabideau 625 (246), M. Weltin 623 (225), K. Kilbourn 586 (218-221), S. Hammett 226, E. Robinson 224, M. Grifka 212, D. Selby 212, R. Doerr 211, D. Dickerson 210.

High Team Series: Kermit's Krushers 3000.

High Team Game:

Kermit's Krushers 1080.

Romain 178, D. Meismer 172, P. Kelly 175, M. Sieradzki 179, T. Mathewson 170, P. Corcoran 193, L. Shake 182, S. Badder 179, K. Guinther 175, R. Speirs 170, P. McIntosh 175, B. Kilbourn 179, G. Suzor 179.

CHARMONT LADIES

Thumb Nat'l Bank 13
Live Wires 10
Cable-ettes 9
Pizza Villa 9
Board's 9
Continental Rental 8
ServiStar 8
Wild John's 8
Cass City Tire 7
Gilligan's 7
Truemner Salvage 5
Charmont 3

High Team Game: Thumb Nat'l Bank 1130.

High Team Series: Board's 3105.

High Series: B. Vollmar 555, M. Sieradzki 514, L. Shake 515, F. Reinelt 519, P. Corcoran 503, T. Mathewson 486, L. Comment 522, D. Mathewson 547, E. Romain 471, B. Kilbourn 514, P. McIntosh 501, B. Howard 496.

High Games: B. Vollmar 223, L. Comment 210, F. Reinelt 194, D. Mathewson 195, B. Howard 191, E.

NIGHT OWLS 2 Man Teams March 4

D & G 25
T.J.'s 25
Bad to the Bone 17
Lookin Up 15
R & R Bowling 14 1/2
D & D 11 1/2

High Series: J. Schwartz 596, J. Langenburg 543, T. Kuck 515, L. Albrecht 510, T. Babish 510.

High Games: J. Schwartz 246, J. Langenburg 232.

High Team Series: T.J.'s 1106.

High Team Game: T.J.'s 402.

MERCHANTS' "B" March 4

Gilligans' 15
3 S.O.'s 10
Mack Tools 9 1/2
Charmont 9
Shag's Angels II 7
Board Chrysler 7
Bliss 6 1/2
High Team Series & Games: R. Rabideau 610 (231), M. Lutz 590 (234), M. Grifka 567 (211), R. Kerkau 247.

MERCHANTS' "A" March 4

Charmont 14
Brentwood 11
New England Life 10
Kingston State Bank 9
Kritzmans' 8
Mathewson 7
Gilligans' 7
Charmont Motel 7
Summers 6
Jaycees 6
Warju Flooring 6
Chronicle 5

High Series & Games: K. Beachy 651 (248), D. Orton 646 (236), M. Lutz 632 (224, 216), M. Grifka 625 (224), J. Putnam 617 (237, 213), P. McIntosh 614 (210), M. Jackson 600 (228), G. Robinson 599 (235), J. Storm 585, C. Comment 584 (223), L. Spiekerman 578 (217), G. Howard 572 (227), R. Diebel 570, R. Kerkau 563 (210), K. Schott 559, D. Erla 553, S. Murphy 224, C. Russell 223, J. Navarro 222, D. Volz 222.

High Team Series: Charmont 3040.

High Team Game: Charmont 1047.

THURSDAY NITE TRIO March 5

Jacques Seeds 14

Kilbourn Service 13
Northon Const. 12
Deford Country Gr. 11 1/2
Charmont 11
Rooster Ranch 10
Cass City IGA 9 1/2
Kilbourn Tech 8 1/2
Nelesco 8 1/2
Gilligan's 8 1/2
Martin Electric 7 1/2
Lemke's Repair 6

High Games & Series: B. McLachlan 663 (236), S. Miller 626 (236), G. Robinson 616 (229), K. Anthony 593 (235), N. Daniels 586, K. Kilbourn 589 (228), Doug O'Dell 596 (226), R. Rabideau 597 (214).

High Series: Rooster Ranch 1852.

High Game: Jacques Seeds 645.

MERCHANETTE LEAGUE March 5, 1992

Rolling Hills 13
Cass Tavern 12
Harry Lenda, Inc. 10
Herron Builders 9
Cass City Sports 8
Kingston State Bank 8
Caro Chiropractic 7
Allen Home Care 7
Nel's Kitchen 7
Miller's Chicks 6
Clean Up Crew 5
Quaker Maid 4

High Team Series: Caro Chiropractic 2381.

High Team Game: Allen Home Care 839

600 Series: P. Corcoran 615.

500 Series: S. DeLong 553, S. Markham 526, K. O'Dell 510, D. Sweeney 509, L. Leiterman 503.

200 Games: P. Corcoran 223, 204, S. Markham 206, D. Wischmeyer 204.

THURSDAY MORNING COFFEE LEAGUE March 5

H.I. Roth 40
Sal's Country Clipper 30

Team #006 30
AIDES 29
Kingston Mini Mart 27
Pin Pals 18
Deford Country Groc. 16
Bye 2

High Series: V. Humes 472.

High Game: J. Davidson 195.

High Team Series: Team #006 1742.

High Team Game: Sal's Country Clipper and Deford Grocery 607.

FRIDAY NIGHT MIXED DOUBLES March 6

Cass City Oil & Gas 59
Look Out, We're Back 58
Should've Been 51
The Family 43
The Kids 29
The Old Folks 28
Town & Country 26
Bee Gee's 14

Men's High Series: R. Rabideau 620, L. Tracy 616, J. Navarro 598.

Men's High Games: L. Tracy 238, J. Navarro 233, R. Rabideau 233, I. Haley 215.

Women's High Series: M. Fee 538, B. Watson 505, D. Smith 509.

Women's High Games: B. Watson 206, M. Fee 203.

High Team Series: Cass City Oil & Gas 2078.

High Team Game: Cass City Oil & Gas 780.

SATURDAY SPINNERS Jr. League March 7

Sharks 22
Gutters 20
Switcheroo's 20
Braves 19
Kids Club 18 1/2
Cherokee Indians 18
Turtles 2 18
The Blue Whale 17
Terminators 16
Big Time Bowlers 10
K K E 7

Super Arc's 6 1/2

Boys' High Series: R. Bennett 379, M. Dohning 373.

Boys' High Games: R. Bennett 148.

Girls' High Series: K. Gaymer 258.

Girls' High Game: K. Gaymer 105.

High Team Series: Turtles 950.

High Team Game: Gutters 357.

SATURDAY SPINNERS Sr. League March 7

Miller Eggs, Inc. 25
Tigers 25
High Rollers 19
The Strike Force 19
Mess Meisters 18
Bulls 17
Disaster Area 17
The Wild Side 16
Neon Cruisers II 12
White Kittens 12

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As a child's taste buds are not well developed, he or she may not spit out bitter or foul tasting substances. Don't wait until your child is poisoned. Do something NOW.

1. Children (and adults) don't always recognize a poison. Cosmetics, cold remedies, mouthwashes, colognes, etc., can all be dangerous. Read labels carefully. Once you recognize products that can be harmful, please use them with care.
2. Teach your child that a poison can hurt. Explain that poisons can look like foods or treats and that he must ask a grownup before he eats or drinks something.
3. Store products in their original containers NOT in cups, bowls, bottles which children associate with food.
4. Manufacturers make their products attractive to sell them. Realize that a child may be attracted also.
5. Install child-resistant latches and locks on cupboards where harmful products are stored.

CALL THE BLODGETT POISON CONTROL CENTER AT 1-800-632-2727

When you call the Poison Center, have the following information ready-

- age and weight of the poison victim
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- any treatment that has been given to the victim
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- Hydrocortisone cream for minor skin irritations, rashes.
- Laxatives for constipation.

THUMB AREA HOME CARE AGENCY

For Nursing Care In Your Home

- Always keep prescription drugs in a safe, dry location out of the reach of children
- Never share prescriptions with another person.
- Do not keep unused prescriptions around the house for use later.
- If a doctor gives you a prescription, be sure he/she knows other prescriptions or over-the-counter drugs you are taking from another doctor.
- Be sure you know what your prescriptions are for and what are the possible side effects.
- Tell your doctor if you think you are having side effects. Don't stop or change your dosage without talking it over with your doctor.

Prescription drugs are an important part of medical treatment when properly used. Avoid these pitfalls and get the most out of your prescriptions.

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Play in regionals Saturday

Bulldog volleyball team wins NCTL and district tourney titles

If the Owen-Gage volleyball team were a machine, you can bet head Coach Judy Campbell would keep it well oiled.

Fresh off a tournament championship at Caseville, Coach Campbell's spikers wrapped up the NCTL championship Thursday when they defeated North Huron in straight games.

The 'Dogs then marched into this Saturday's Class D regionals at Pontiac-Oakland Catholic High School by winning the district, hosted at Owendale.

In Saturday's district the NCTL champs disposed of Port Hope in the opening round 15-4, 15-7.

In the semi-finals, Owen-Gage knocked Kingston from the tourney with wins of 15-1, 15-13 and then defeated Akron-Fairgrove 15-3, 2-15, 15-7 for the district championship.

It's said that big players play big in big games and that surely was the case for Owen-Gage Saturday as Lisa Dorsch, Carli Salcido and Alissa Draschil led the hosts to their first district crown since 1989.

Salcido scored 30 points on 12 ace serves, while Draschil contributed 27 points on 9 ace serves, followed by 11 tallies from Dorsch.

Dorsch's 11 service points tell only a fraction of the story of her outing as she led the tournament with 92 attack spikes, 49 of which

went for kills.

NORTH HURON

Owen-Gage completed an undefeated NCTL season Thursday when they defeated North Huron in straight games 15-5, 15-2, 15-8.

The Warriors, last year's

NCTL champions, finished their disappointing NCTL schedule with their loss to Owen-Gage.

The contest may have brought out the talents of junior Michelle Tkacz for the state tournament trail. Tkacz scored 13 points including 6 on ace serves.

FINAL STANDINGS

O-G	7-0
A-F	6-1
CPS	5-2
Port Hope	3-4
Peck	3-4
Caseville	2-5
Kingston	2-5
North Huron	0-7

Owen-Gage wins final 2 games of year in NCTL

FINAL STANDINGS NCTL

North Huron	13	1	16	4
Kingston	12	2	14	6
CPS	11	3	14	5
Peck	7	7	7	13
Owen-Gage	6	8	8	12
Akron-Fair	5	9	7	12
Port Hope	2	12	4	13
Caseville	0	14	0	19

The Owen-Gage Bulldogs ended the regular sea-

son in positive fashion last week with a pair of easy victories in North Central Thumb League competition. The Bulldogs defeated Port Hope Tuesday, Mar. 3, 81-47, and Caseville Friday, 83-56.

Tempering enthusiasm over the victories was the record of the 2 teams. Port Hope has only won twice in the league and Caseville is winless for the season.

The Bulldogs ended the year against the weakest teams in the NCTL and, barring an almost impossible upset will meet the league champion, North Huron, in the district tournament at Caseville tonight (Wednesday).

If Owen-Gage is to register an upset against North Huron it will need to have an outstanding shooting night.

It would help if Matt Mandich would connect from the perimeter as he did against the Blue Stars. He swished 5 3-pointers, including 3 in the second quarter as the Bulldogs pulled away to just about settle the issue with a 42-14 lead at the intermission. For the night Mandich had 24 points.

The 'Dogs controlled the boards with the help of Chris Anthes who came away with 15 boards while scoring 15 points. Also in double figures was Brent Fritz with 16 points. Seven of the 8 Owen-Gage players in the game participated in the scoring.

CASEVILLE GAME

For one quarter it looked as if winless Caseville might accomplish the impossible and break its long losing streak.

At the end of the first 8 minutes, the NCTL doormats were tied with the Bulldogs at 12-all.

But hopes for the upset faded in the second period as Owen-Gage found the range behind 11 points by Anthes and 11 from Fritz to break the game wide open. At the half Owen-Gage was comfortably in front, 38-22.

Anthes continued his offensive fireworks in the third quarter with 10 points to push the Bulldog lead to 61-38.

Mandich got into the scoring act in the final quarter with 10 points as the Bulldogs racked up the easy win.

Seven of the 8 Bulldogs shared in the scoring and 4

were in double figures led by Anthes with 23 points. Tops for Caseville was Gene Dombrowski with 16 points.

O-G - Fritz 10-1 (0-3) 15; Garza 1-0 (0-0) 2; Mandich 6-2 (0-0) 18; Niester 8-0 (1-1) 17; Anthes 9-1 (2-5) 23; Englehardt 1-1 (0-0) 5; Parks 0-0 (3-4) 3.

TOTALS - 31-5 (6-13) 83.

CASEVILLE - Groff 4-0 (3-4) 11; Dombrowski 6-0 (4-6) 16; Sambariski 2-0 (0-0) 4; Smith 4-0 (1-3) 9; Gettel 2-0 (3-5) 7; Gaetner 4-0 (1-3) 9.

TOTALS: 22-0 (12-21) 56.

O-G - Fritz 4-2 (2-2) 16; Garza 3-0 (2-2) 8; Mandich 2-5 (5-6) 24; Niester 2-0 (1-2) 5; Anthes 5-0 (5-6) 15; Englehardt 0-1 (5-6) 8; Parks 1-0 (3-6) 5.

TOTALS - 16-8 (23-30) 81.

PORT HOPE - Jeremy Reinke 0-1 (1-2) 4; McNeil 1-1 (2-2) 7; B. Emerick 2-1 (0-0) 7; Bender 4-0 (0-1) 8; K. Emerick 3-0 (5-8) 11; Ruper 1-0 (7-11) 9; Jeff Reinke 0-0 (1-2) 1.

TOTALS: 11-3 (16-25) 47.



DIVING SAVES, like this one by Bulldog Alissa Draschil, helped Owen-Gage capture the District title Saturday. Watching the play is teammate Jill Susalla.

Zawilinski heads shelter in Florida

Cass City native Fred Zawilinski began work March 2 as the new executive director of Immokalee Friendship House, an emergency night shelter for the homeless in southwest Florida.

Zawilinski was named executive director in January after serving nearly 3 years as grants manager and volunteer coordinator at Anthony House, a homeless shelter near Orlando. His efforts were instrumental in enabling that shelter to offer case management, child day care and transportation for homeless families.

Immokalee Friendship House, located in Immokalee, can shelter 20 single

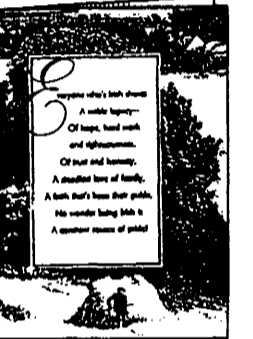
men and 5 families each night. The shelter opened in June 1989 to help meet a critical need for housing, particularly in the winter when the population doubles with the large influx of farm workers.

Zawilinski is a 1983 graduate of Cass City High School. He is the son of Walter and Agnes Zawilinski, Cass City.

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A Minnesota company is ready to announce plans to market low-cholesterol whole eggs. The eggs would be in liquid form and ultra-pasteurized to improve shelf life.

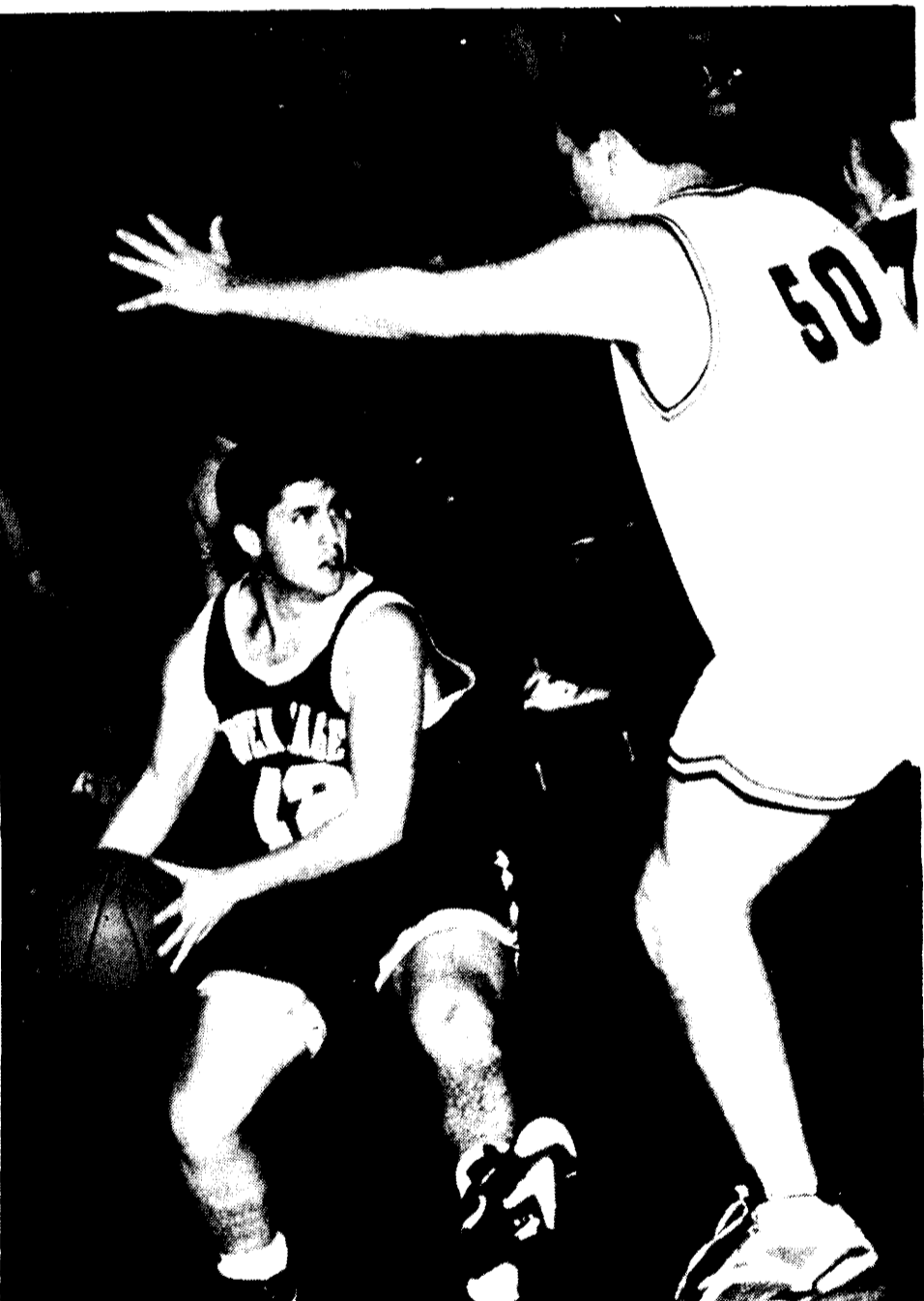
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Tourney win caps perfect year for JV spikers

A perfect ending to a perfect season. The Cass City JV volleyball team captured first place in the Tuscola County JV Tournament recently which helped run their season record to an unblemished 14-0.

The tournament, held at Vassar on Feb 28, included schools from Reese, Akron-Fairgrove, Mayville, USA, Vassar, Caro and Kingston. Finishing runners-up to the Hawks was Vassar while Akron-Fairgrove placed 3rd.

Cass City took 1st in their pool after defeating Reese 15-11, 15-1, Mayville 15-7, 15-0 and Akron-Fairgrove 15-11, 15-6.

In the semi-finals Cass City downed Caro 15-1 and 15-3 and then crushed Vassar in straight games for the championship 15-1, 15-8.

Coach Sherry Bader called the victory a team effort.

"They are an excellent team. Their serving and spiking has led them to a perfect season."

Coach Bader also singled out several players for their performances in the tournament.

Stacey Klinkman led the team with 43 service points while teammate Jodi Schember added 28 service points. The Hawks served for a gaudy 88% from the service line on the day.

Amie White and Darcie Monroe led the champions at the net recording several blocks, tips and spikes.

Also serving well for the young Hawks were Lisa Burns, Becky Britt, Heather Hewitt and Ann Koepf, according to Bader.

Howe to join army

Case E. Howe, a graduate of Cass City High School and the son of Cynthia and Richard Howe of Marlette, recently enlisted in the United States Army for a 4-year tour of duty as a Cannon Fire Direction specialist. He is scheduled to report for active duty April 2 and is slated to receive his training at Fort Sill, Okla.



CASS CITY'S TRACEY BURNS sets up teammate Jenny Storm for a possible spike Thursday against CPS.

In tourney finals

Cass City spikers bow to Lakers

As expected powerful Lakers won the district volleyball tournament played at Vassar defeating Marlette and Mayville to reach the finals against Cass City and then topping the Hawks in straight games 15-6 and 15-1. The Lakers will play in the regionals at Flint Hamady.

To get to the finals Cass City defeated Reese in straight games after the Rockets had reached the semi-finals with a win over USA. The scores were 15-8 and 15-9.

Leading scorers were Jenny Storm, 10 points, and Barb Kelley, 5 points. Top spikers were Jodi LaRoche, Keri Santos and Jenny Storm.

In the Laker game, Storm and Darcie Monroe

were the leading blockers and LaRoche and Santos, the top spikers. Storm and Jodi Hillaker were the top tippers.

DUAL MEET

In a pre-tourney warm-up Thursday Cass City bowed to Carsonville-Port Sanilac, 3 games to 2. The Hawks won the second and fourth games in the match, 15-11 and 15-12 and lost the remainder, 15-5, 15-11 and 15-3.

Top scorers for Cass City were Laura Langenburg, 13 points; LaRoche, 15 points, and Tracey Burns, 6 points.

SEASON'S RESULTS

For the season Cass City

was 2-4 in the Blue Bay League and 6-8 overall. Leading scorer was Hillaker with 109. Others were: Storm, 98, LaRoche, 92; Kelley, 67; Leslie Goslin, 66.

Tops among the spikers were Santos, LaRoche and Storm. Leading tippers were Storm and Hillaker and leading setters, Hillaker and Burns.

ALL CONFERENCE

Hillaker was named to the first team all-conference for her play as a setter. Honorable mention honors were won by Santos, LaRoche, Storm and Goslin.



The first recorded Olympic contest took place in the Stadium of Olympia in 776 B.C., which had room for 40,000 spectators.

Room for improvement

Hawks end loss streak with win over Bad Axe

FINAL STANDINGS
Blue Bay Conference

	W	L	W	L
EPBP	12	0	17	3
Cass City	6	6	11	9
Marlette	5	7	9	11
Bad Axe	2	10	3	17

The Cass City Red Hawks ended a 6-game losing streak in the final regular season game of the year Friday when visiting Bad Axe was defeated, 72-53.

Contrary to many of the games played this season the Hawks didn't wait till the last minutes to win or lose.

Coach Jeff Hartel's charges took command midway through the first quarter and led by comfortable margins all the way.

The Hawks were in front in the opening moments, 9-2, before the Hatchets became untracked and closed to 9-6. The surge was led by Brent Cubitt who scored 6 points in the period. Cass City's offensive thrust was spearheaded by Paul Ulfig who scored 4 buckets on his way to a 27-point night.

A flurry of scoring in the first half of the second period moved the Hawks ahead by 10 points, but Bad Axe rallied to cut the deficit in half, 22-16, with 3 minutes left. At the intermission Cass City was in front, 33-22.

Cass City was to have played Reese Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Class C district tournament at Mayville. If the team wins, it will play Thursday against Deckerville at 7:30 p.m. Finals are Saturday at 7 p.m.

Whatever doubt there was about the outcome was quickly removed in the first minute and a half of the third quarter. After a basket by Ulfig, Mark Irrer and Greg LeValley connected from 3-point range and the Hawks were coasting with a 49-28 lead.

After that it was just a matter of what the final score was going to be. Although the Hawks won easily, Hartel was not completely satisfied with the performance of his team.

Both teams were erratic and could have played better, he feels.

Hawk fans had to be encouraged with the play of Maurice Evans who had his best game since coming back from injury, scoring 8 points and picking off 6 rebounds.

John Gibson continued his improved play at point guard with 5 assists, 4 steals and only 2 turnovers to go

with his 15 points. Cubitt led the Hatchets with 17 points and Mark Brining added 12.

JV WINS

The Cass City Junior Varsity pounded out a 10-point, 61-51 win in the preliminary.

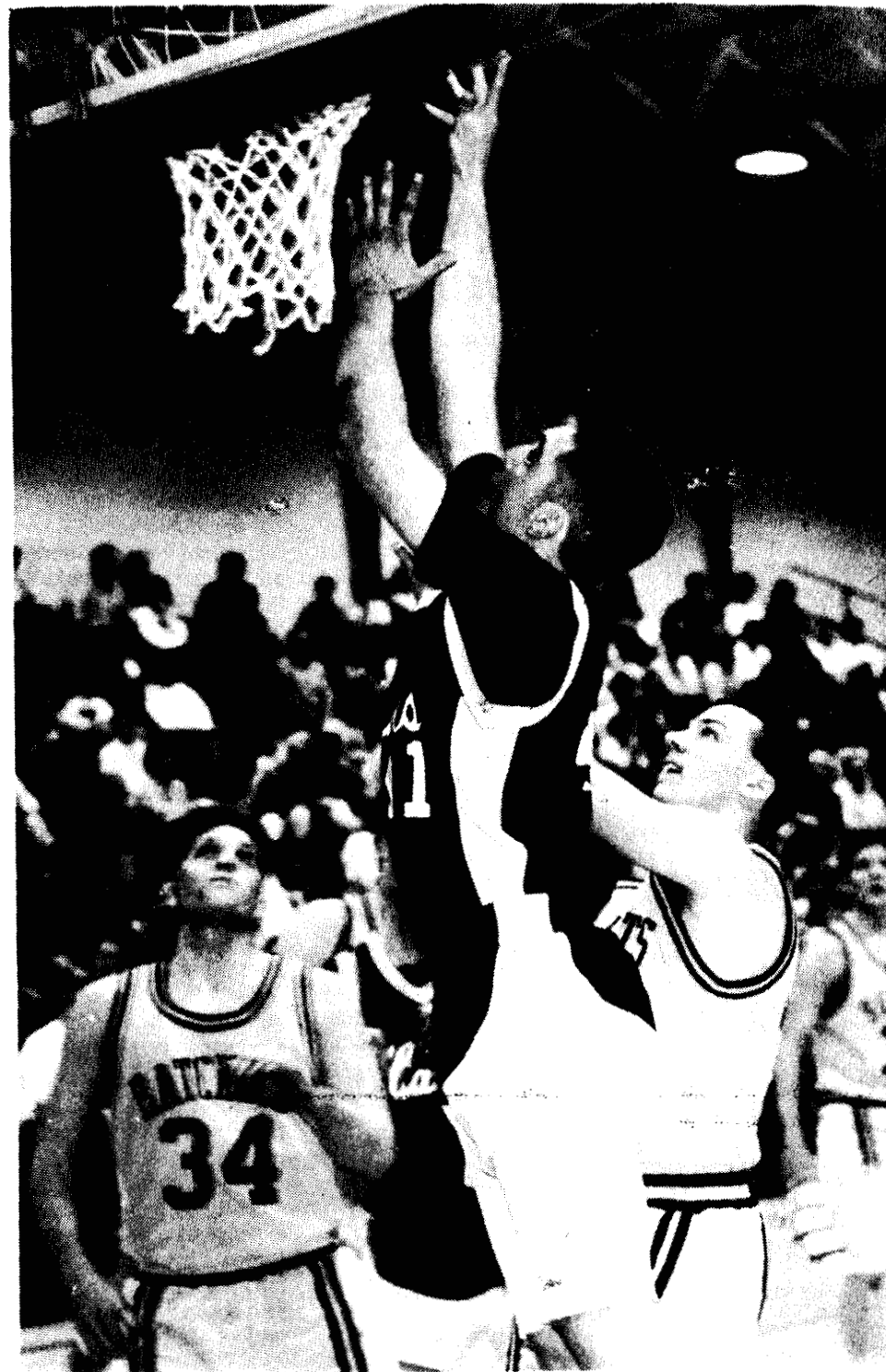
CASS CITY - Irrer 0-1 (2-3) 5; Gibson 5-1 (2-4) 15; Gray 1-0 (0-0) 2; Schott 0-1 (0-0) 3; Prosovski 1-0 (0-2)

2; Winter 1-0 (0-0) 2; LeValley 0-2 (0-0) 6; Mika 0-0 (2-2) 2; Ulfig 8-0 (11-13) 27; Evans 4-0 (0-0) 8.

TOTALS - 20-5 (17-24) 72.

BAD AXE - Hicks 1-0 (0-0) 2; B. Cubitt 6-1 (2-2) 17; Cosner 4-0 (0-1) 8; M. Cubitt 3-0 (0-1) 6; Blackstock 3-0 (0-1) 6; Adams 1-0 (0-0) 2; Brining 6-0 (0-2) 12.

TOTALS - 24-1 (2-7) 53.



GREG LeVALLEY strains for a rebound in the first half against Bad Axe Friday in the final regular season game of the year.



CASS CITY JV VOLLEYBALL members are: 1st row: (left to right) Heather Hewitt, Ann Koepf, Jodi Schember, Stacey Klinkman, Karla Zinnecker, Amy Burns.

2nd row: Becky Britt, Lisa Burns, Stephanie Tate, Darcie Monroe, Amie White, Leana Edwards, Kelli Opal, Elizabeth Acker, Jenny Green (Varsity coach), Sherry Bader (JV coach).

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Your neighbor says

Duke should have name on the ballot

Kathy Hutchinson, Cass City, says that she hasn't had as much time as she would have liked to study the political picture and the various nominees for president of the United States.

Planning for the arrival of her week-old son, Lyle Thomas Hutchinson, has kept her occupied. However, she does have an opinion about whether or not, David Duke, the former KKK member, should be allowed on the ballot.

Yes, she said, he should be allowed to have his name on the ballot. As long as his candidacy is legal he deserves to be listed.

After all, you don't have to vote for him, she continued. One of the great things about our country, she points out, is that anyone has the right to seek political office.

Hutchinson works at Cole Carbide in Cass City where she is in charge of the shipping department. Her husband is employed as a mechanic at J & C Service in Cass City.



St. Pancratius women meet

The St. Pancratius Women's Council met March 2 with Mass celebrated by the Rev. Julius Splet. About 20 people attended the Mass and meeting, which was opened by Donna Wischmeyer, president.

Connie Klinkman and Bob Gengler were guests for the evening. They spoke to the women on "Companions on the Journey," and advised that throughout the diocese the thrust from all parishes was to focus on Youth Ministry. This is in the planning stages at this time and probably would take about 2 years for completion. They asked the group to think about it as it would involve 3 parishes: St. Agatha's, St. Michael's and St. Pancratius. Questions and answers followed.

The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and approved, and a thank you note was read that was received from Father Splet. Chris Erla advised the women of the spring meeting of East Region, to be held in May in Parisville.

A letter was read in regards to the Ladies Spring Fellowship involving all churches April 30. Dinner is from 6 to 7:30 p.m. with entertainment to follow. Billy and Ruth Graham's daughter is the scheduled guest.

Companions on Journey are to host a flea market in the church parking lot in May. Jane Hool and Katie Jackson are in charge of space rental, with the youth in charge at the concession stands.

Father Splet asked the women if they would host a coffee for Ash Wednesday and a potluck on Holy Thursday, and coffee, cake and cookies for the Vigil Service Holy Saturday. There will also be a potluck after Mass June 14 celebrating the church's 50th anniversary with Bishop Ken Untener as celebrant.

The women will also host the father's open house, to be held June 28. The public is invited.

A silent auction was held recently to help defray the expense of money given to students going to Washington in March. The group will also host a breakfast for this project March 29.

Ladies missionary group airs March 2 meeting

The Ladies Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church met March 2, with 16 in attendance.

President Jean Fisher presided. The group sang and offered silent prayer in memory of Olive Stark.

Members were reminded to save Campbell labels, which will be sent to the Shepherd Home in Wisconsin. They were also reminded to turn in dime banks, with donations going to purchase chemistry equipment for the Allen E. Lewis Christian Hospital in Bangladesh.

Information was given on an upcoming meeting of the Eastern Michigan Women's Missionary Fellowship, April 10 and 11 in Flint. Reservations are due by March 20.

The group has slated a birthday party for April 6. A gift exchange is planned, and Jerry Perry is to contact Ellen Hammel as guest speaker.

A collection was taken for missionaries, and letters were read by Mary Jane Warner, substitute for the prayer chairman. The schedule for Allan and Amy Moody (prospective missionaries to Togo, Africa) was read, and also a letter from Shepherds Home, who care for the mentally disabled, and a letter from Donald E. Warch, Baptist Children's Home, were read.

Some ideas for a sewing project were shown by Rosella Kretschmer and a get-together sewing session will be held soon.

Betty Ewald gave devotions on "Hidden in Christ From our Enemy Satan." Bible verses were read by the ladies and a poem from "Springs in the Valley", by Mrs. Charles Cawman, entitled "The Devil May Wall You Round."

Kathleen Hartwick and Marlene Langmaid were hostesses.

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Owen-Gage seniors meet

The Owen-Gage Senior citizens met Thursday at St. Agatha parish hall in Gageton for a potluck dinner. Nettie Doan said grace before the meal.

Because of illness and the resignation of group President Mabel Ondrajka, Vice President Stella Pisarek conducted the meeting. Members recited the Lord's Prayer and pledge to the flag.

Happy Birthday was sung to members with March birthdays.

Get-well cards were signed and sent to Mabel Ondrajka, Audrey Cummings, Martha Durham and Andy Szidik.

Door prizes were won by Phil Guza for men and Selma Koch for women.

Cards and bingo were played following the meeting.

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For Rent

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For Rent

FOR RENT - Masonic Temple Refreshment Hall - parties, dinners, meetings. No alcoholic beverages. Call Lynwood LaPeer, 872-3191. 4-4-3-tf

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Notices

You Are Invited to display your NEEDLEWORK at the library
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Call for categories 5-3-11-2

BINGO - every Wednesday night. Open 6:00-early bird 6:30 - regular bingo 7:00. Post 3644 VFW, Weaver St. 5-2-26-tf

Lost: Reward 3 Beagle dogs
2 males - one orange & white, one tri-color
One female - orange & white
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Notices

I, DAN OPANASENKO, am not responsible for any debts other than my own as of Feb. 5, 1992. 5-3-4-3

THE COLONY HOUSE thanks the community for the last two entertainments that we put on. 5-3-4-2

Notices

BINGO - Every Thursday at St. Pancratius Hall, S. Seeger, Cass City. Doors open 6:00 p.m. early-bird 6:30, regular bingo 7:00. Phone 872-5410. Knights of Columbus Council No. 8892. 5-12-31-tf



Look Who's Fore-T-Sex
Happy Birthday from the "What's Trump Club" 5-3-11-1

I WILL not be responsible for any debts other than my own as of Feb. 5, 1992. Marla Opanasenko. 5-3-11-3

CAT MISSING - short hair, yellow and white named Cuddles. Right paw is hurt. Last seen at Dr. Scollon's. Please call 872-2205 after 4 p.m. 5-3-11-1

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WORK WANTED - weekly house cleaning jobs. Call 872-5640. 12-3-11-3

WOULD LIKE spring cleaning jobs, thorough. Call evenings 872-2230. 12-3-4-3

Card of Thanks
THE COLONY HOUSE thanks the community for the last two entertainments that we put on. 13-3-4-2

WE WOULD LIKE to "thank" everyone for flowers, cards, prayers and visitors for Fin Burk while in the hospital at St. Mary's in Saginaw. Words cannot express our "thanks" for all that was done while he was in the hospital. Fin will be home for several weeks before he can go in a car, so will welcome "company". Thanks again, Fin & Juanita Burk. 13-3-11-1

Card of Thanks

WE WISH to extend a special thank you to Dr. Ray, his staff and the OB Department at Hills and Dales for helping to bring our son, Lyle Thomas, into the world on Sunday, March 1, and getting a healthy start in life. Your help was greatly appreciated. We would like to thank the Novesta Church of Christ for their blessings. Greg and Kathy Hutchinson 13-3-11-1

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HERE'S THE KEY!! Land Contract!! To your happiness, 4368 Woodland St., is the address of this well kept home - aluminum siding; 1 1/2 bathrooms; **STONE FIREPLACE**; stay warm and cozy in the living room with fireplace; basement; stone garage - circular driveway - large pines - sliding glass doors lead to **SUN DECK** 16x22! New electrical service - distant owners want immediate sale. \$49,500. All offers considered. L. 16,640

HUNTING LAND & BUILDING SITE: 22 Acres with Cass River frontage - wooded - only 4 1/2 miles from Cass City - - - priced to sell - - - L. 16,774. 10 Acres \$8,500 - \$1,500 down, blacktop road.

SPECIAL!! 4.9 Acres - between Kingston & Cass City - 2 bedroom mobile home in very good condition; practically new 32x48' pole barn - new well with submersible pump; new septic tank - some woods - lots of privacy - all this for \$37,500.00. Possession on short notice. L. 16,763

NEAR DECKER: practically brand new 28x64' double wide in excellent condition; cost over \$58,000.00 earlier this year - 2 1/2 bathrooms; **FIREPLACE**; gas furnace; built-in china; **EMPLOYMENT RELOCATION** - Open to reasonable offer. L. 16,766

IN CASS CITY: Ranch type home with 3 bedrooms; basement; fenced in yard - furnace plus wood-burning furnace - garage attached to home - - California owner - wants quick sale; ideal for retirees and newlyweds. \$32,500.00. **TERMS.** Open to offers!! L. 16,767

GOOD INVESTMENT HERE - - - near Cass City & Gagetown - 35 acres - some of the land tiled every 60 feet - 2 acres into 600 seedlings (Spruce) 3 years old; 2 acres into Xmas trees - excellent building sites, hunting, cash crop, etc. \$37,500. Terms. L. 16,761

3 ACRES near Cass City: Beautiful 14x65' with rough sawn siding; very well insulated - Central Air - 5 rooms; gas furnace; Central Stereo - also included are the following buildings: 32x24' concrete floor; 220 Amp service; 16' overhead door; 8x20' Patio - plus 32x36' building with 12x24' office - 2 concrete driveways - very desirable property - 22 Silver Maples; Pine Trees plus 500 seedlings - Employment relocation - - - all this on 3 Acres - blacktop road - Offered to you for \$62,500. L. 16,762

LOOKING FOR A JOB?? We have a Bar with Sunda liquor sales after noon; SDM, food permit - Dancing, entertainment - brick building with 12 rooms for converting into living quarters, comes with real estate, fixtures, equipment, \$59,500. plus approx. \$2,500. for inventory.

IMMEDIATE POSSESSION: Newly decorated and some remodeling completed; 3 large bedrooms; lots of closet and storage room; laundry room first floor; basement; forced hot air furnace; barn; utility building - all this on 2 acres - 1/4 mile off blacktop road - \$42,500. Possible land contract.

CUSTOM BUILT HOME: approx. 2400 square feet of living area - 4 bedrooms; 2 Beautiful **FIREPLACES** - large living room; **LARGE FAMILY ROOM** plus large DEN - 3 bathrooms; natural gas forced hot water heating system; brick front and aluminum siding; nicely landscaped lot - large 2 car garage finished off and attached; utility building - wooden deck off Family Room - many other extras - Possession on date of closing of sale - **ALL OFFERS CONSIDERED.** L. 16,769. Asking \$115,000.

COUNTRY HOME: Situated on 2 Acres - **RANCH TYPE** with 3 bedrooms; 1 1/2 bathrooms; overlooking large pond stocked with fish - gas forced hot air furnace; comes with Jenn-Air range; Dishwasher, softener, microwave, refrigerator; sliding glass door to sun porch; large enclosed sun room; 2 car garage attached; due to poor health - priced to sell at \$58,900. L. 16,771

80 ACRES - 1 mile off M-53 - old home is 1 1/2 story - gas furnace, and rented; also the land is rented. Offered to you for \$65,000.00, sellers will hold land contract. L. 16,738

BUSINESS BUILDING - in excellent condition - Immediate Possession!! - plus apartment to the rear of building - rubber roof cost \$8,000 8 years ago - ideal for retail or wholesale - - - \$49,500.00. L. 16,773

BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY HOME BRICK - in excellent condition - near Gagetown!! - enjoy distinctive living; between Bad Axe and Caro - - - Brick fireplace - 1 3/4 bathrooms - triple glazed windows - tasteful decorating and thoughtful design - plus 24x30' building; attached 2 car garage - immaculately landscaped - \$95,000. Possession date of closing.

IN CASS CITY: ONE STORY home with quality and style are the reflections throughout this home - with over 3,000 square feet of living area - **FIREPLACE** with marble - family size kitchen comes with Refrigerator, Dishwasher, Disposal, Double Oven and Range - **FAMILY ROOM - FORMAL DINING ROOM** - 4 large bedrooms with ample closets and storage space - basement (walk out) with many features - large 2 car garage attached to home - Your inspection invited!!! Open to offers. Hills & Dales subdivision - Atmosphere for easy as well as enjoyable living!! L. 16,753

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HUNTING LAND FOR SALE - 10 Acres for \$8,500; 78 Acres with well for some woods; 60 acres tillable - blacktop road - a good buy at \$49,500. Plus other parcels - 40 Acres for \$28,000, etc.

BETWEEN DEFORD & CARO: 1.69 Acres on blacktop road - 4 bedroom home - General Electric furnace 3 years old - hardwood floors; new septic tank; drilled well - new solar panel cost \$3,000 - large kitchen with washer & dryer hook up; new bathroom; large workshop building 30x40' plus 20x30' addition - \$42,500., priced to sell immediately. L. 16,777

RANCH TYPE HOME just outside Village Limits; over 1700 square feet of living space; Sunken extra large **FAMILY ROOM** with cathedral ceiling; **WHITE BRICK FIREPLACE**; approx. 14x26'; large basement; 16X40' Patio; large 2 car garage; high and dry - nicely landscaped - all this for \$72,900.00, one tax yearly.

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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Sunday's high temperature reached 70 degrees, while lows Saturday and Sunday were 23 and 21, respectively, but it didn't last as the temperatures were back to a normal 32 to 35 degrees Monday.

The last of nearly \$1.9 million in federal aid for flood damage sustained by Tuscola county farmers in the fall was to be mailed this week.

A program to help area farmers help themselves is having positive results. The programs include everything from teaching financial management skills to training and placing farmers in non-agricultural employment fields.

Ron Ziehm, who went to Ecuador as part of the Peace Corps to help the people in the South American town of Baza with dairy farming, found himself in the middle of a major earthquake Thursday. Ziehm, 27, a graduate of Cass City High School, was sleeping at the time of the quake and when he awoke he found the walls of his apartment building had collapsed around him.

He managed to get out of his apartment building alive.

Village road repair maintenance crews will only be working with about half the money they had last year in the repair and maintenance of local Cass City roads, according to village manager, Lou S. LaPonsie. Last year, \$4,400 was allocated for the repair of roads, while this year only \$2,500 was allocated.

10 YEARS AGO

More than 670 persons attended a birthday party at the Colony House Friday evening for Dr. Harold T. Donahue. He was thanked for the 49 years he had served the Cass City community.

Damage was estimated at \$48,000 due to a fire early Tuesday at the Walbro Corp. Automotive Products Group plant in Caro. The fire was confined to a room used for testing fuel pumps and carburetors. The apparent cause was an electrical fault in a new control panel in the room.

Walbro Corp. and Anrod Screen Cylinder have agreed to pay the cost of drilling deep wells for 6

homes on Doerr Road after traces of trichloroethylene (TCE) or compounds related to it were found in the well water of 3 of the homes and minute quantities of other chemicals were found in the other 3.

Airman Deena M. Kappen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kappen of Caas City, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force medical services specialist course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas.

25 YEARS AGO

One of Cass City's longest established businesses changed hands this week when Mrs. Lucille Sommers sold Sommers' Bakery to Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Merchant of Cass City. Mrs. Merchant is the former Joan Sommers.

The Cass City Board of Education backed away from a proposal for power bleachers for the new high school gym when it was learned that power would up the cost about 35 percent.

Willard W. Dickerson, MD, announced his retirement as medical superintendent at Caro State Hospital. He will leave after nearly 33 years on the hospital's medical staff.

Dave Asher, senior forward at Cass City High School, this week was named to the Thumb B All-Conference basketball team.

35 YEARS AGO

Bernard Ross was elected president of the Cass City Chamber of Commerce Monday night at the regular meeting of the board. Other officers named were: vice-president, Edward Baker, treasurer, Bill Ruhl, and secretary, Bill Johnston.

Seven fires in 4 days have kept the Elkland Township Fire Department busy this week. None of the fires was serious. Six were grass fires and one was a burning automobile which was quickly extinguished with minor damage.

Cass City swept into regional tournament play at Flint Saturday night after defeating Vassar, 74-58, at Cass City High School Friday night.

Roger Root of Cass City showed the grand champion pen of pigs at the annual 4-H and FFA Hog Show at Caro, Tuesday.

Playing at the Cass Theater Sunday through Wednesday is "Oklahoma!", starring Gordon MacRae and Shirley Jones.

Pollution down

A report by the Center for Alternative Agricultural Systems says pollution from farm land in the U.S. has decreased 40 percent in the past 10 years. The center is working on methods to cut it even more.

TESTING FOR BLOOD IN THE STOOL

Cancers are not easy to detect early -- but there are some exceptions. Cancer of the colon has an excellent screening test that can be done at your convenience at home.

Cardboard slides with patches where you apply a tiny smear of the stool on three consecutive days are available. These slides can be mailed to your doctor in an envelope which is provided. Then the slides are developed and read by the laboratory technicians.

The test helps determine if there has been any loss of blood in the stool. Even microscopic amounts of blood far too small to be seen can be detected. The test is so sensitive that it is important to follow certain dietary restrictions. These instructions are given with the slides.

This very small amount of blood loss by polyps and early tumors is very helpful to detect. Polyps grow at a fairly slow rate and only when they get to a certain size -- an inch across -- are they likely to contain cancerous cells. Also, if a cancer is found when it is small there is a good chance it can be cured by surgery.

When you complete this test, you have screened for one of the most common cancers, and also one of the most preventable and curable when you help us catch it at an early stage.

If the test is positive, you should discuss the results with your doctor. He will recommend the appropriate procedures to evaluate the finding, such as x-rays or a look inside the colon with a fiberoptic scope to look for and biopsy any polyps or tumors.

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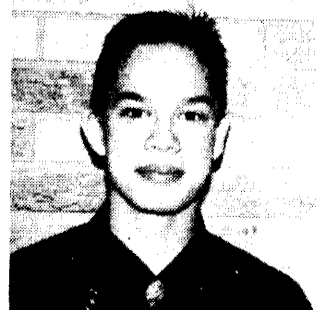


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Silent nights

Retiring Cass City custodian enjoys his work

The halls Fred Profit walks at night are strangely quiet.

It's eerie; one can almost hear the faint echo of hundreds of feet stampeding up and down flights of stairs, accompanied by boisterous talking and laughing. But the building is silent.

That suits Profit just fine.

In fact, he really enjoys the quiet and has for the 23 years he's worked as a custodian at Cass City Middle School.

"Oh, I love it. That's been the big drawing card for me," remarked the Cass City area native, who plans to retire April 30, 2 days before his 65th birthday.

"It's been a good job," he said. "I like the slow pace of the evenings; the solitude and quiet. There's no one pushing you. As long as you get your work done, no one says a word."

"I've always looked forward to coming to work. In fact, I came in 20 minutes

early (nearly) every day. I just got into the habit."

Profit recalled his decision to leave a small buffing shop in Argyle to accept the open custodial position at the school.

"They were looking for a man, which is a lot different than now, and they couldn't find one," he said, adding his wife, Donna, told Ross Miller, the head maintenance man at the time, that he was looking for a different job.

Profit said he put off meeting with Miller at first.

"I thought they wanted me to work in the daytime, and I thought, no way." He explained that the activity and noise in the school during the day is just too much for him.

"I still don't like it. I don't want any part of it."

After learning he'd be working evenings, Profit decided to give it a try. Before long, however, the former farmer, logger, welder and truck driver began thinking about finding something else.

"I didn't (like it) when I first started. I just couldn't get used to pushing a mop or broom. But I got to like it." Profit grinned and added, "I don't know, it kind of grows on you after a while."

The work hasn't changed much over the years.

Profit said the floors have always needed another round of scrubbing, waxing and sealing; rooms need to be cleaned and occasionally painted; and there's always something in need of repair.

"These little dudes sure tear things apart. Some of the things they think of, I'll tell you," he said, shaking

his head.

Profit has unclogged more than his fair share of sinks stuffed with paper towels, and would likely be a pretty wealthy man if he had a dollar for every wad of gum he's swept up, scraped off and thrown out.

Before starting work at the school, he said he always wondered how custodians could keep busy in the summertime. "Not anymore. 'Boy, oh boy,'" he said, "we could use 2 summers some times."

It's all part of the job Profit has come to love.

With retirement knocking on the door after all these years, "I'm bound to miss it." Maybe like a toothache, I know, but I'll miss it," he joked.

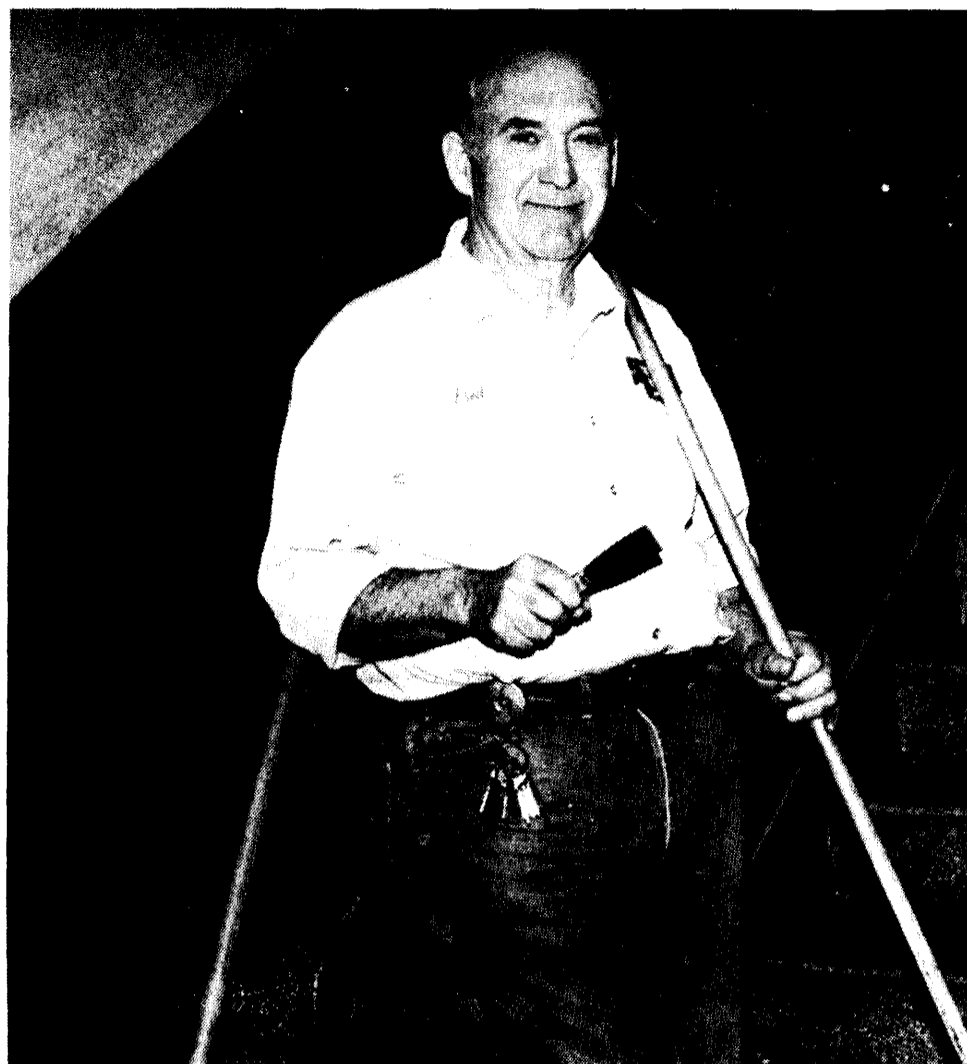
Profit indicated he's ready to retire.

"My health isn't as good as it used to be, and there's a lot of steps in this place, and I'm always going up or going down," he said, noting the school's top 2 floors have been his domain throughout his tenure. "It's getting to be harder. I think they're (steps) getting longer every year."

Profit said he doesn't have much in the way of specific plans for retirement. "Just relax, I guess; do some fishing, whatever."

He added he's thankful he can look back and say he enjoyed working at his job.

"I didn't plan on being here long. Now, I'm glad I stayed."



RETIRING CASS City Middle School custodian Fred Profit displays an invaluable tool of his trade — his handy gum scraper. "I'd be lost without that thing", he remarked.

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