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A MARLETTE WOMAN was injured Monday morning when her car struck a parked pickup truck near the intersection of M-53 and Shabbona Road. Above, Elkland Township fire fighters use the Jaws of Life to extricate the driver from her vehicle.

While tending dog

Marlette woman crashes

A 64-year-old Marlette woman was hospitalized Monday after the car she was driving struck a parked pickup truck about 6 1/2 miles southeast of Cass City in Sanilac County's Evergreen Township.

The motorist, Josephine Tracy, was listed in stable condition Monday at Mar-

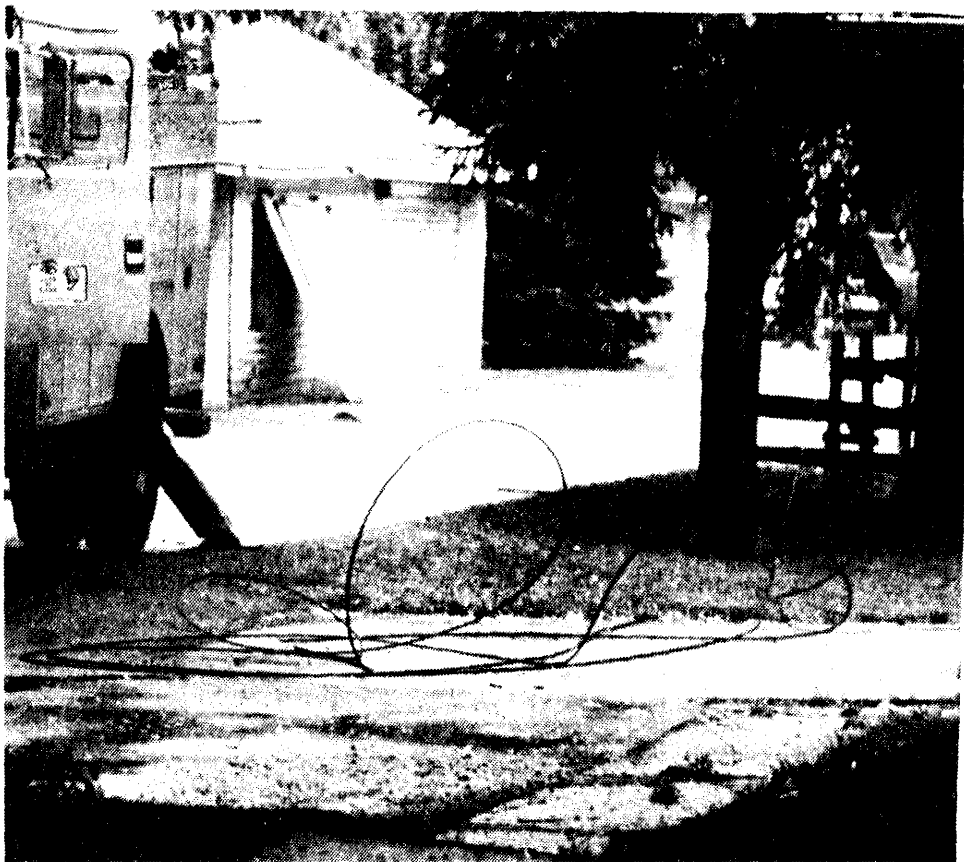
lette Community Hospital, a hospital spokeswoman said. Tracy was northbound on M-53, one-tenth of a mile south of Shabbona Road, when the 9:18 a.m. crash occurred, according to Michigan State Police troopers from the Sandusky post.

Tracy reportedly took her

eyes off the road while attempting to place a cloth under her dog, which was riding in her vehicle. Troopers said the car left the east shoulder of the road, and when the driver looked up, it was too late to avoid impact with the pickup, which belongs to Paul Auten of Cass City.

Tracy was wearing a seat belt at the time of the accident, according to reports, which state she was transported to Marlette by Cass City-Mercy Ambulance.

Troopers, who were assisted at the scene by Elkland Township fire fighters, cited the motorist for careless driving.



TREELIMBS, weighted down by rain, were the reason about 150 Cass City area residents and businesses lost their power for several hours Saturday. The limbs brought down wires near Main and Downing streets. Power was lost at about 10:15 a.m. and restored by about 3:30 p.m. Area businesses left without power included Hardee's, Erla's and China King Restaurant.

Seek millage renewals

Annual school elections Monday

Residents in the Cass City, Kingston, Owen-Gage and Ubyly school districts will decide races for trustee seats in the annual school election Monday.

In addition, voters in 3 of the area districts will be asked to approve millage renewals.

The following is a roundup of the candidates and ballot issues:

A pair of 4-year board terms are expiring in Cass City, where incumbents Beverly Auten and Fred Matthews are being challenged by Danny Haag and Linda Volz, both of Cass City.

There will be no millage question on the ballot.

In the Kingston School District, voters will also fill 2 board seats and decide a millage renewal question.

Seeking the 4-year trustee posts are incumbents Ben Boyl and Ray Wolak, and challenger Larry Barrons of Deford.

District residents will be asked to okay renewal of 16.5 mills for operations.

Owen-Gage District voters will choose from among 3 candidates to fill 2, 4-year seats on the board of education. The candidates are Ron Good and Walter

Swiastyn, both incumbents, and challenger Tom Mellendorf of Gagetown.

In addition, residents will be asked to approve renewal of 14.8 mills for 5 years for operations.

In the Ubyly School District, Carol Peruski-Fess is seeking one of the school board seats now held by incumbents Martin Kubacki and John Rutkowski. All 3 candidates are vying for 2 available 4-year terms.

Voters will also be asked to approve renewal of one mill for 2 years (1992-93) for the purchase of new school buses.

LOSSES UNCERTAIN

Kritzman estimated shoplifting costs him a few thousand dollars a year, but ac-

Group forms to study high tech for school

by Brian D. Bell
Staff Writer

A group of more than 20 Tuscola County area residents are gearing up to take a critical look at the state of technology in Cass City schools and how to improve it.

Members of the Cass City Educational Technology Planning Committee met for the first time Thursday in the Cass City High School library.

Committee membership includes people from a variety of backgrounds and includes Russell Biefer, high school principal; Leslie Goslin, Student Council president; Dan Hittler, a Walbro engineer; Elaine Howard, community education director; Marilyn Peters, school board member; Linda Volz, PTA member, and Jerry White, dean of the Thumb Campus of Jordan College.

The first meeting provided members with an overview of the group's general purpose and what they hope to accomplish. Although no formal goals were drafted, members plan to channel their efforts toward formu-

lating a technology plan. The committee and its purpose have the support of the Cass City School Board.

UPGRADES NEEDED

Committee Chairman George Bushong, computer teacher at the Cass City middle and high schools, provided the group with insight into the poor state of the schools' computer program.

"We're teaching programming that you don't need to know anymore," he said. "We're still teaching computing, as computer."

"I know we don't teach pen; we don't teach pencil." Although most students are exposed to computers at work and home, he said when they come to school they have almost no access to them unless they are enrolled in a computer class.

"Why do we handicap them when they come to school?" he asked the group.

Although Bushong and other committee members believe the school district needs to take action, a well thought out plan is required first.

A WIDE VARIETY

One thing the committee needs to determine is what the district's computer needs are, and whether those needs are being met, according to Robert Townsend, committee member and director of Regional Educational Media Center 10. Many schools in the United States have first- and second-grade students working with computers on a daily basis, he said. In Birmingham, first graders do word processing on a regular basis using lap top word-processing systems costing about \$400 each.

Students must learn what computers can do for them, which means they must have access to computers and, more importantly, quality programs and applications, Townsend said.

"Without it, a computer makes a good boat anchor."

Although many people associate compact discs with music, their ability to store thousands of pages of text and color photos makes them an important tool for computing, he said.

An entire set of encyclopedias with text, photos and synthesized music could be stored on a single disc, and accessing the information would require only a few key strokes, he continued. The encyclopedia could be updated for about \$100 annually.

In addition, networking allows different computers to communicate with each other via telephone no matter where they are in the world.

Television also is an important tool for learning, Townsend said.

"Now for a lot of people that's a dirty word," he said. "Parents don't want students watching TV in the classroom. We really ought to call it 'video' to get away from the negative connotation."

Television is only a tool, he said, adding it's how people use it that matters. Using cable television, students can stay abreast of the latest news from around the world, and satellites connect them to classrooms across the nation or world, he said.

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Customers pay for stealing

Shoplifting costly for merchants

Shoplifting has always been a problem at the IGA Foodliner in Cass City, but owner Harry Lenda says the problem has gotten worse in recent months.

Cigarettes, compacts, film, caffeine pills, food — you name it, people are stuffing it into their purses and pockets, the business owner remarked. "And (it's) expensive stuff; they don't piddle around with little stuff."

Lenda said he recently saw a woman shove 2 packages of chicken breasts into her purse. "Every week we see something."

Lenda is fighting back with a simple yet effective tool; he leaves notes to would-be thieves, letting them know he knows what they're doing and suggesting that they shop elsewhere.

But the stealing goes on, and more often than not, the only indication is empty packaging discovered behind other merchandise on a shelf.

Although other area merchants haven't noticed a significant increase in shoplifting recently, all agree it's always been around, it's hard to stop and it costs everyone.

Shoplifting usually increases around the holidays and when the economy falters, but "It's just an ongoing problem. It never goes away," said Bill Kritzman, owner of Kritzman's Inc. Clothing Store.

He recalled an incident last year in which 4 high school kids walked out of his store with 5 pairs of athletic shoes valued at more than \$250.

Kritzman explained that 2 of the teens diverted store clerks while the others lifted the shoes. "You get a group of girls and a group of guys and it only takes one bad one," he said.

knowledge it's difficult to know exactly how much thieves take.

Ben Franklin owner Gerald Prieskorn agreed. "The people don't know how much has been shoplifted, and that's the problem," he said. "It's something that we are aware of and always talking about, but you get busy."

It's simply impossible to catch every shoplifter, Lenda agreed. "You can't be walking the aisles all the time. We hope honest people will come into the store, but..."

Small businesses, unable to afford elaborate surveillance systems, are forced to rely on simpler methods, such as mirrors, to detect theft.

"We really try to be observant," Tom Proctor, owner of Old Wood Drugs, said.

Store design is another important factor, according to Mike Weaver, owner of

the Coach Light Pharmacy.

"We try to make the customer aware that we know they're in the store," Prieskorn commented. Still, he added, "We don't catch as many as we should."

Most area merchants agree when it comes to their policy on shoplifting; when someone is caught, the police are called, regardless of whether the item stolen is worth 5 cents, \$5 or \$50.

RETAIL FRAUD

If prosecution is pursued, the shoplifter is charged with retail fraud, according to Karen Elmy of the Tuscola County Prosecutor's Office.

The most common charge is second degree retail fraud, a misdemeanor with a maximum penalty of 93 days in jail and/or a \$100 fine, she said.

However, in cases involving circumstances such as a

person with a prior conviction or stolen property valued at more than \$100, the suspect may face first degree retail fraud, a felony with a maximum penalty of 2 years in jail and/or a \$1,000 fine.

Although some retailers sometimes decide not to prosecute cases involving youths, most indicated they have little sympathy for adults, whose skill allows them to get away with shoplifting.

"If they're over 17, we recommend prosecution," Cass City Police Chief Gene Wilson said, adding kids, unless they're repeat offenders, usually are released to their parents.

Cass City police handled 17 shoplifting complaints involving 7 adults (at least 17 years of age) and 11 juveniles last year, almost double the number in 1990. So far this year, there have been 3 complaints, all in-

volving adults.

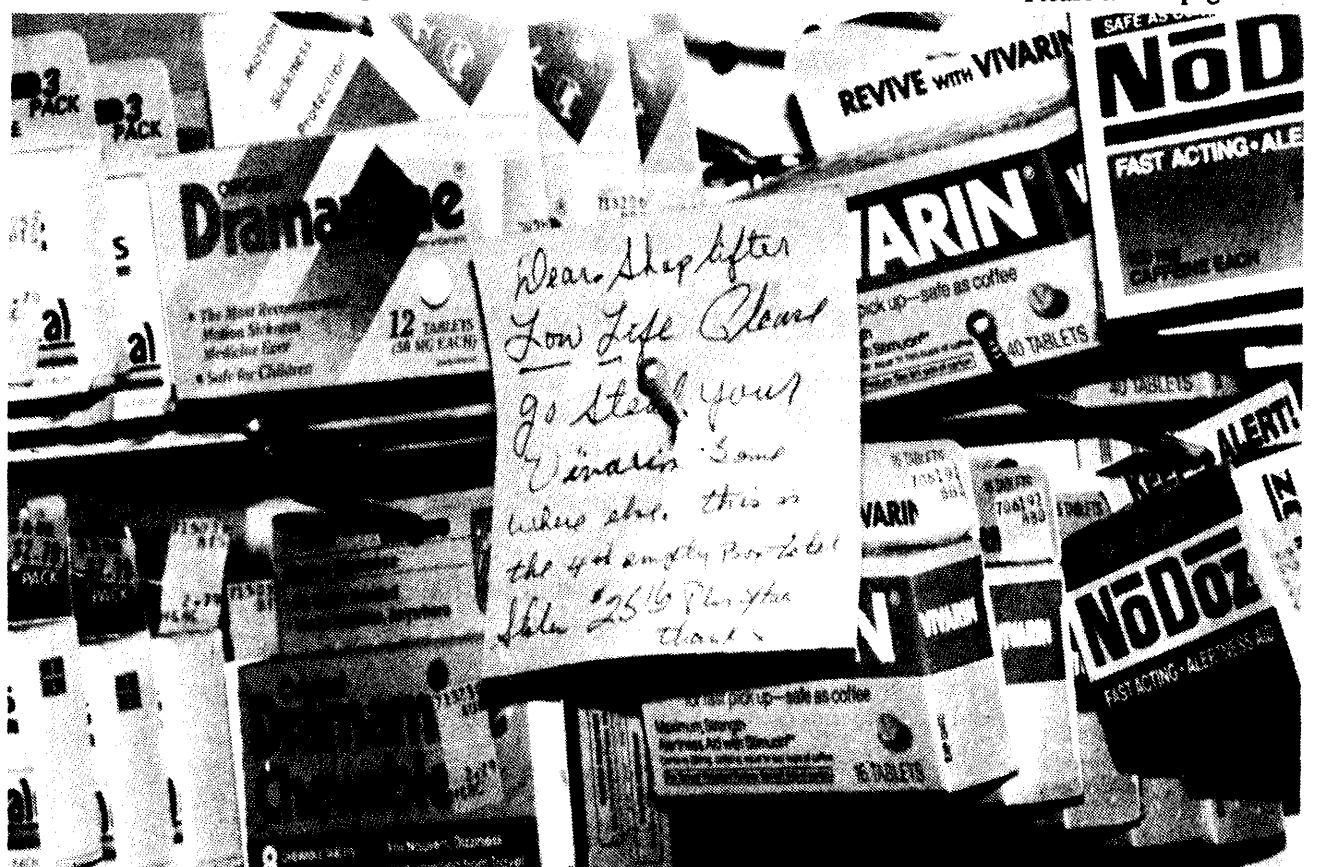
Many of the shoplifters are kids and a number of them are older residents, according to Wilson.

EMPLOYEE THEFT

A surprising number of thieves get a paycheck from their victims. In fact, statistics show that for every dollar stolen from retailers through other channels (shoplifting, robbery, etc.), employees steal \$15.

An article in the March/April 1991 issue of the "Michigan Retailer" reported on a survey conducted by the national accounting firm of Ernst and Young which showed retailers suffered \$2.2 billion in 1989 theft losses, an average of \$21 million for each of 160 companies that responded to the survey.

The survey also revealed that the average recovery Please turn to page 5.



DEAR SHOPLIFTER... Harry Lenda leaves notes to would-be thieves at his store in Cass City. The notes are simple, but direct and, according to the local business owner, effective.

Churchill to perform in Chesaning Showboat

Corie Churchill has been chosen to perform in the prologue of this year's Chesaning Showboat July 14.

She was one of 36 acts chosen in auditions held May 1 and 2 to take part in the amateur portion of the program.

Churchill will be singing "Think of Me" from "Phantom of the Opera." Jan Moore of Cass City will be accompanying her on the piano.

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Corie Churchill

FARM INJURIES

Farming is the second most dangerous profession, second to underground mining. For children, who can work on farms and with farm machinery regardless of their age, it is the most dangerous profession.

For farm families, constant work around high powered machinery is accepted as part of life, almost regardless of age. Children as young as twelve can work on any farm with parental consent, and on the family farm at even younger ages. About 300 children die each year from farm accidents.

And the risk is not just increased for children. Farmers are over 200 times as likely to be electrocuted as the average population.

Tractor accidents are the most common cause of deaths from injuries. These are usually roll-overs where a person is pinned and crushed.

Loss of hands, feet, or limbs occur from auger injuries and power-take-off injuries. Both of these implements have safety guards available which will prevent most injuries. However, it is common to disregard the safety guards for the sake of convenience.

Everything runs so smoothly most of the time that a person may be lulled into a sense of security. Then an accident occurs in a split second which forever changes one's life—losing an arm. Or a child.

Injuries and death occur from a wide variety of other farm related hazards. Animals can assault a person and chemical poisonings can occur from silo gases, pesticides, fertilizers and other chemical agents.

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Children need vaccinations to enter school

Area parents are reminded that all children entering Michigan schools are required by state law to be fully vaccinated unless an exemption has been requested in writing.

The new Communicable Disease Rules were approved April 14 by the state of Michigan and are as follows.

1. Day Care Facilities/Preschool Programs - 4 doses of DPT, 3 doses of oral polio, one dose of MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) received after the first birthday, one HIB dose after 15 months of age or complete HIB series given during infancy (Haemophilus Influenzae Type B vaccine - meningitis).

2. Kindergarten through 12th grades (new school entrants) - 5 doses of DPT (unless 4th dose given after age 4), 4 doses of oral polio (unless 3rd dose given after age 4, 2 doses of MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) vaccine received after the first birthday, at least one month apart, and with one of the doses at or after 15 months of age, one 10-year Td booster if no dose for 10 years.

These immunization requirements will be enforced in the fall of 1992. Students not adequately immunized will be excluded from school.

Letters are going home with all those students who are in need of a 10-year Td (tetanus, diphtheria) booster. Please check with your children.

If there are any questions please call the local health department or school nurse.

Hills and Dales General Hospital

PATIENTS LISTED MONDAY, JUNE 1, WERE:

Olga Dimitrijevic, Michelle Hanby, Genevieve Hartel, Bruce Sherman, Floyd Wiles, Cass City; Andrew Meininger, Owendale; Patricia Reidel, Sebawing; Elery Sontag, Gagetown.

Cass City Personal Items

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Mrs. Hannah Pierson of Midland spent Friday through Sunday with her sister, Ella Cumper.

Visitors at the home of George and Lois Moslander Saturday and Sunday were their daughter-in-law, Theresa, and granddaughter, Krystene, from Paso Robles, Calif. Also visiting Sunday were their daughter and son-in-law, Georgia and Russ Mathis and children, Jessica and Joshua of Marlette.

Marriage licenses

Patrick Michael Kennedy, Millington, and Marilyn Marie Ealy, Clayville, Pa. George William Fry Jr., Akron, and Anne Elizabeth Zechmeister, Davison.

Michael Eugene Lilly and Barbara Darlene Jewell, both of Mayville.

Marion McClorey, Beverly Frank and Mary Damm attended a bridal shower for Shelley McNamara of Lake Orion, at Fairways Villas Clubhouse in Troy, Sunday afternoon. She is the great-niece of Mrs. McClorey.

Quilters award scholarships

The Elmwood Quilters Group recently awarded scholarships to 2 area high school graduates.

They are Rebecca Lewis, a member of the Cass City High School Class of 1992, and Angie Gruber of the Owen-Gage High School Class of 1992.



Something new

by Melva E. Guinther

My niece was married a few weeks ago. It was a lovely church wedding and the bride was radiant in her beautiful white gown. She included the traditional "something old, something new, something borrowed and something blue."

For a lot of couples these days, the "something new" seems to be a challenge to come up with an imaginative, different type wedding that will be memorable. And it's not just the ZsaZsas and Liz Taylors, trying to think up a new wrinkle for the 8th time around.

A friend who's to be involved in several weddings this summer, said that one will be performed by the river, one in a movie theater, and in another, the ring bearer is to be a dog.

It's tough to come up with a motif that hasn't been done.

Here are some examples of those who may have succeeded.

The deck of a Great Lakes steam barge was the scene of nuptials a week ago. Getting married on a ship isn't so unusual, but this one was 80 feet below the surface of Lake Superior in the Alger Underwater Preserve. (Would you say they were sunk before they started?)

A couple from Charlotte exchanged their vows in a bowling alley, and spent

their honeymoon at the Men's Bowling Nationals in Corpus Christi. (Let's hope the marriage doesn't end up in the gutter.)

A dentist and his hygienist, New York Giant fans, tied the knot at a tavern known as a hangout for the Giants during half-time of the Super Bowl in which the Giants played. (It probably beats getting hitched in a dentist chair.)

An Illinois bride wore sweaty running shorts for her wedding, which took place after running side-by-side with the groom for 4 1/4 hours in the 1988 Los Angeles Marathon.

Another pair were off to a running start when they got married at the starting line just before running in the Dayton River Corridor Classic. The 1,788 other runners were witnesses. (Those grueling runs may have given new meaning to "till death do us part.")

Perhaps the most unique wedding idea came in the form of a letter to Miss Manners from a distraught mother. She didn't know how to handle invitations to her daughter's wedding in which the bridal party would be nude.

Never mind the invitations! What are you going to do with an X-rated wedding album?

As always, Miss Manners was equal to the task. She suggested that this qualifies as "the least formal of weddings, since the style of wedding is declared from the gentlemen's clothing", and informal letters rather than formal, third person invitations, should be sent.

The letter would warn potential attendees that it was to be a nudist wedding, but that guests were expected to dress.

To each his own. It's only a matter of time, I'm sure, until some couple gets hitched during a synchronized bungee jump.

If they can master that, they shouldn't have any trouble with the mundane ups and downs of married life.

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Vacation Bible School set for June 8-12

Novesta Church of Christ, 2896 N. Cemetery Rd., will hold its annual daily Vacation Bible School June 8-12 from 9 a.m. to noon. Those ages 2 through junior high are invited.

The theme of this year's program is "Team Up With JESUS." Along with hearing lessons on Jesus' All-Star heroes such as Peter, John, Zacchaeus and others, the children will be making crafts, enjoying refreshments and playing games. They will also meet with Jonathan Hamilton, director of Outreach International, which has been designated the mission project of the week.

Hamilton will also speak at the 7 p.m. evening service at Novesta June 7.

There will be a closing program June 12 at 7 p.m. The children will be sharing songs they learned during the week and there will be an afterglow of refreshments in the church's fellowship hall. Also in the hall will be displays of the week's materials and crafts.

The public is invited. There is no charge.

HDC seeks volunteers

The Human Development Commission (HDC) is seeking volunteers to assist with the operation of its new Information and Referral service.

This telephone information program is designed to link area residents to the services and agencies that assist people in need in Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac and Tuscola counties.

Volunteers will answer phones and enter computer data as necessary, but first must complete empathy training provided by HDC. This 3-day session will be held at the Indianfields Public Library, 840 West Frank St., Caro, June 16, 17 and 18 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

Attendance is required at all 3 sessions, and reservations are requested by June 5.

For more information about this service, which will operate from Caro, please call Lori Offenbecher at HDC at (517) 673-4121 daily until 3 p.m.

VFW slates installation

Cass City VFW Post 3644 and its auxiliary will install officers for the 1992-93 year Saturday evening at the post hall.

There will be a potluck dinner preceding the installation at 7 p.m.



Mr. and Mrs. Richard Finke

Laura McConnell and Richard Finke exchanged wedding vows in a double-ring ceremony Sunday, May 10, at the Novesta Church of Christ.

The bride is the daughter of Charles and Wanda McConnell of Caro, and granddaughter of Vern McConnell of Cass City. The groom's parents are William and Ellen Finke of Coram, N.Y.

Officiating minister was Robert Saxton of Lansing.

Barbara Englehart was organist, and Paul and Darla Whillite were vocalists.

Attending the bride were her sister, Theresa McConnell, as maid of honor, Allison Beislen of New York, Mary Kaser of Toledo, Kim

Blue and Kerry Blue, both cousins of the bride from Millington.

Adrienne Green of Caro was flower girl.

The groom's attendants were Mike Nugent of New York, best man, Matt Higgs of Lansing, Eric Christian of South Bend, Ind., Tim McConnell, the bride's brother, and Dan Finke, brother of the groom.

A reception in the church fellowship hall followed the wedding, with about 250 guests attending.

After a honeymoon trip through northern Michigan, Ohio and the Catskill Mountains in New York, the couple are living in Kalkaska, where he is minister at the Spencer Church of Christ.

Spring writing contest slated

The annual Spring Writing Contest sponsored by the Thumb Area Writers Club (TAWC) is drawing to a close.

Entries must be received by June 15. Any amateur writer who lives in Michigan is eligible to enter. Entry blanks and contest rules are available at most county libraries.

The TAWC will be holding

its meetings at the ISD building until further notice. The building is located behind the A&P Store in Sandusky.

The group meets twice a month at 7:30 p.m. This month the meetings will be held June 9 and June 23.

All writers are encouraged to attend. Membership is not required.

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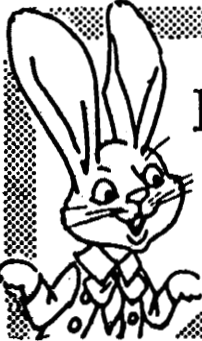
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire
(And anyone else he can get to help.)

Big Brothers/Big Sisters will be holding the 2nd annual battle of the north and south Friday, June 12, at Cass City High School and Friday, June 26, at Laker High School. It features outstanding hoop players from the Thumb area who graduated this spring. Admission is \$3.00 and all proceeds will go to the Thumb area Big Brothers/Big Sisters. We'll have the rosters for each team and other details in the next issue.

The Chronicle received a sample of a 4-inch by 6 1/2-inch booklet, "Bits & Pieces." It looks remarkably like a house organ that we received when our business called for products from Imperial Type Metal Co. many years ago. The booklet is full of witty stuff that makes you think or chuckle, or both. We were about to give a couple of samples when we noticed that it is copyrighted and reproduction of the material is not permitted. However, if you feel inclined, come in and look it over here or at home, first come, first served. There's no law against that.

It's a good thing that the GTE booklet, "2001: Imagine the Possibilities", isn't restricted or some of those pithy predictions for the turn of the century that we've passed on to you would also be missing. Here's another from that booklet: "Single people will fill 30 percent of the country's 106 million households. Married couples with children will rank second with 27 percent; married with no kids, 25 percent."

The Weather

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Pursuant to the resolution of the Village Council dated March 3, 1992, notice is hereby given that a petition from the Village Council for the enlargement of the Village of Cass City Village limits will be presented to the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners at their regular meeting on Tuesday, June 9, 1992, at 10:00 a.m., at the Commissioners Room in the Tuscola County Courthouse Annex, in Caro, Michigan. Any persons interested in said petition or who wish to object thereto, may appear before the Board of Commissioners at that time. The description of the property proposed to be annexed to the Village is as follows:

Beginning at a point 396' East of the West 1/4 corner Section 28, T14N, R11E, thence North 660' thence West 396' thence North 66' thence East 1161.75' thence South easterly along the Easterly abandoned Railroad R/W line 930+- thence West 1399+- to point of beginning. Elkland Township, Tuscola County, Michigan. Containing 21.9 acres more or less.

Dated: May 19, 1992

Joyce A. LaRoche
Village Clerk



CASS CITY VFW Post 3644 recently donated \$100 to Special Olympics in the name of Jean Rutkoski of Cass City. Pictured above are (left to right) Joanne Osantowski and Helen Rutkoski, post Commander Lawrence Englehart, Ed Crosby of Highland Pines School and post Chaplain Robert Speirs.

From Edison Foundation HDC gets \$3,000 grant

A \$3,000 grant to the Human Development Commission is among more than \$1.5 million recently awarded to nearly 100 organizations in southeastern Michigan by the Detroit Edison Foundation. The HDC grant will be used to assist the Thumb Area Assault Crisis Center for abused women. Major gifts from the foundation included \$457,450 to United Way groups in southeastern Michigan. The Detroit Edison Foundation was established by the utility in 1987 to help improve the quality of life in its service area by "giving resources to create resources." Grants are awarded to educational, health and human service, civic and community, and cultural organizations. In 1991, the foundation awarded more than \$2.6 million to 442 such organizations.

Last July 4 committee meeting set Wednesday

The Cass City 4th of July Festival Committee will have its last scheduled meeting Wednesday evening. Committee members will meet to hear reports on how things are going with planning activities for the 14th annual festival, said Jane Hittler, committee member and Cass City resident. This year's festival is July 3-4 and will feature some new activities, including a street dance and spook house. The meeting is at 7 p.m. in the banquet room of the Charmont restaurant and is open to the public.

The Haire Net



This and that from the passing parade as seen from the corner of Main and Oak. In Vassar a recall petition to oust Mayor Lloyd Vonk has been submitted to the Tuscola County Clerk. Talk about waste in government. We doubt if the petition would have seen the light of day if the signers were assessed the cost of the recall. The minimum time needed to get the recall before the

voters would be sometime in September. From the clerk's office the petition goes to the Vassar City Clerk, who has 15 days to check signatures. Then Vonk gets to look it over for up to 30 days. There must be a notice of registration 30 days prior to the election and that puts the election into September. All of this to remove a man whose term expires in November and can be rejected at that time, if that is the will of the voters, at no additional expense to the voters.

Watching the girls play softball at Deckerville Friday sparked the memory of the early days when girls first started competing at the high school level. It's day and night. The improvement in the caliber of play is that startling.

Watching Jenny Freundt and Jodi LaRoche wind-milling the ball across the plate to Keri Santos, catching tight behind the batter, made me think of the time that the pitcher lobbed the ball to the batter and the catcher as often as not caught the ball on the bounce. What's more, the rest of the play has kept pace with the pitching and catching.

We suspect that most of the advertisers that sponsored place mats for the July 4 Festival didn't know that it was usually done by the Chamber of Commerce to help pay Festival expenses. The Chamber is still expected to produce a place mat in addition to the one sold by an out-of-town promoter, so everyone should be able to read and read about the Festival. You can tell the place mat produced by the Chamber because it lists the Festival program and the other place mat does not.

"If It Fitz...."

Juggling

By Jim Fitzgerald



The crashing sound was not me failing to juggle my career and my marriage. That's a popular subject for TV talk shows and newspaper life-style sections. Busy people explain how they manage to go to work without becoming separated from their precious families. I read that Danny DeVito took his wife and children with him when he made a movie on the other side of the world. On "Entertainment Tonight," the host promised an upcoming segment would show "how Michael Fox juggles" his job and his wife. I go to work 4 times a week, and am 12 blocks from home for as long as 5 or 6 hours a day. I tried to keep our marriage intact by inviting my wife to go with me. "I want to juggle you and my computer terminal," I explained. She refused, probably because she'd feel strange being juggled in a newspaper city room while wearing a nightgown, which is apparently all she has to wear before noon. I tried phoning home once an hour, to tell her she was as important to me as my career. But the line was busy. Every hour, everyday, it was busy. A subsequent investigation revealed that, according to a Michigan Bell executive, my wife is more important to the phone company than she is to me. My next move was inspired by news reports concerning people who successfully juggle marriage and career by involving their spouse in their career. This marriage-saving maneuver explains why several obscure members of the supporting cast have the same last names as the star of the movie. I asked my wife why she hadn't called my attention to

such concrete evidence that merchandisers are beginning to realize women don't do all the family shopping? It would have helped with my column research, and thereby with my juggling. She asked if workers were still refurbishing my office building. I asked why she was changing the subject. She said the construction work probably raised a lot of dust that stuck to my video screen, and if I washed it, I'd be able to read my words. It turned out she was right, which was really no excuse for her to call me stupid. It's not easy to juggle a career and a marriage and still have time to be smart. I decided it would be better juggling if, instead of asking my wife to worry about my eyesight, I allowed her to get more directly involved in my work. I suggested she help with the deep research necessary to produce an intellectually meaningful column. I even gave her an example of how she could have helped me by keeping her eyes open, but she blew it. I'd just returned from the neighborhood drugstore, where I'd noticed a new sociologically significant development in the pharmaceutical department. It concerned the increasingly important subject of family planning. She'd been in the same department only a few hours earlier and, upon returning home, hadn't said one word about this major step toward more fully educating the public. The new family-planning development was a hand-lettered sign on a display of condoms. It said: "If you indulge, she won't bulge." I asked my wife why she hadn't called my attention to

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Down Memory Lane

FROM THE FILES OF THE CHRONICLE

5 YEARS AGO

Laurence and Helen Bartle will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary June 14 at an open house at Colony House.

A reception honoring the Rev. Julius A. Spleet's 25th anniversary since being ordained to the priesthood has been slated for Sunday.

Dick Root was hired as the township's fire chief and will replace his brother, Jerome Root Jr.

Delores Mathewson of Deford and Norma Wallace of Cass City placed first and second, respectively, in the Fourth Annual Bowler of the Year Tournament of the Thumb Area Women's Bowling Association held in Uby.

Cass City lost a pioneer and respected member of the business community Friday. Earl David Harris, 85, a lifelong resident of the Cass City area, died May 29 at Provincial House after a lengthy illness.

10 YEARS AGO

The Pillsbury Co. has acquired the assets of the Wickes Agriculture Division for \$43.4 million. Included are the elevators in Cass City and Gagetown.

After 29 years of teaching, Genevieve Freiburger of Cass City is retiring from the Gagetown Elementary School, where she taught 5th grade.

Keith and Betty Murphy of Cass City were the winners of a free trip to Hawaii. Murphy, parts manager for Zehnder Motor Sales in Vassar, won the annual parts incentive contest sponsored by General Motors.

Laurie Louis, 16, has been selected to be a state finalist in the 1982 Miss United Teenager pageant in July at Adrian College. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garry Louis of Gagetown.

Students and faculty at Campbell Elementary School honored principal Jacqueline Freiburger last Wednesday for her 15 years as principal there.

25 YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Peck

of Cass City left Friday for Seattle on the first leg of their journey to Japan, where they will serve as Baptist missionaries.

The Cass City Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd will hold a ground breaking ceremony at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the site of their proposed new \$125,000 church building on Main Street, at the east village limits.

Two veteran teachers in the Cass City school system were honored on the eve of their retirement at a banquet held in Frankenmuth Wednesday evening. Feted were Frank Weatherhead and Mrs. Marie Murray, who each have over 40 years in the teaching profession.

Mrs. Lucile Bauer entertained 70 ladies at a tea Sunday honoring her granddaughter, Becky Champion, who is graduating from high school.

Mrs. Philip McComb, treasurer of the American Legion Auxiliary, reported a successful poppy sale in the amount of \$411.71.

35 YEARS AGO

Capacity crowds attended this week's commencement exercises as Cass City High School graduated its record class of 113 members.

Earl Harris entertained members of the Rotary Club Tuesday noon with colored slides and an account of trips to the west and Mexico.

Cass City High School will be one of 5 outstanding high school marching bands at Central Michigan College's 5th annual Band Day Sept. 21.

Miss Annette Pinney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F.H. Pinney of Cass City, graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Art from MacMurray College, Jacksonville, Ill., Sunday, June 2.

Miss Ruth Agar has been granted a scholarship of \$600 to Taylor University, Upland, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gauer have moved from the house on South Seeger Street belonging to Mrs. Mack Little to the new house on Houghton which Ray Fleener built.

Owendale Women's Club airs final meet of year

The final meeting of the 1991-92 club year of the Owendale Women's Club was held in the village park. A work detail was held for the planting of the annual flowers in the beds.

A late luncheon was served by hostesses Barb McCallum and Janet Retford in the school home economics room. During the brief business meeting conducted by president Faith Fahrner many monies were donated from the club's money making projects for the year. A donation to St. Jude's Bike-

a-thon, American Cancer Society, the annual village Christmas drawing and to the village Christmas decorations were among the things donated at this end-of-year meeting along with many other community donations throughout the club year.

The first meeting of the new club year will be held in August with MaryLou Lorenz in charge.

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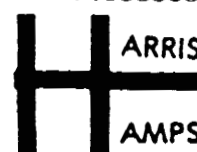
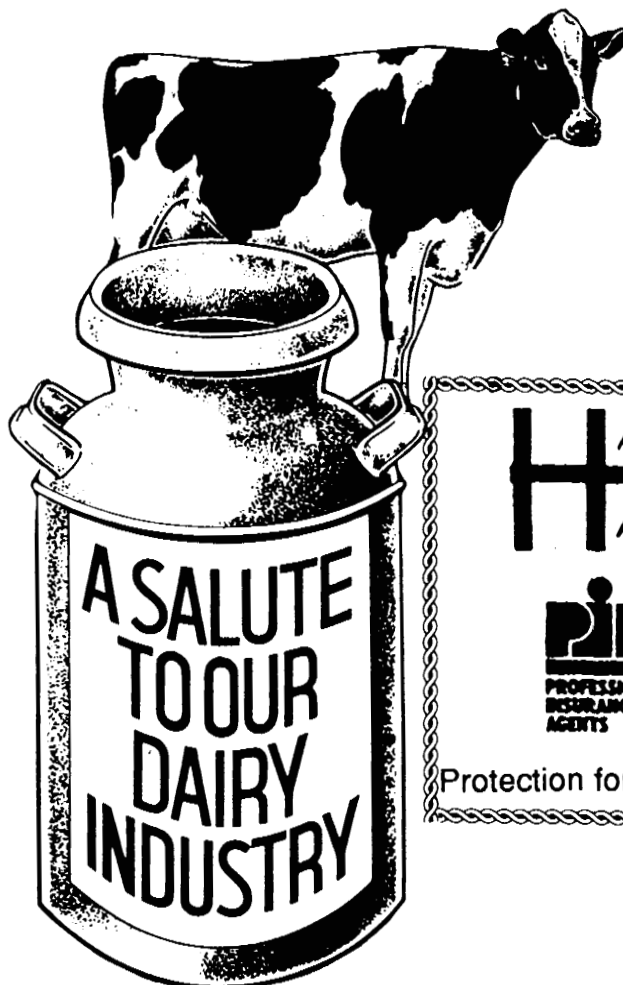
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JACKIE GOODELL is retiring after 36 1/2 years in the classroom. The second grade teacher's career includes 27 1/2 years in the Owen-Gage School District.

In Cass City

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GTE has announced it is now offering new SmartCall services, including calling number identification, to its customers in Cass City.

According to Joe Philabaum, eastern division manager in Davison, these services will give customers greater control, security and convenience in their telephone use and represent a new generation of custom calling.

In Cass City, the 872 exchange will be eligible to receive the new services. New SmartCall services will allow telephone users

to see the number of the person calling; block unwanted calls; start tracing harassing calls on their own, and automatically call back the last caller when they miss a call. Customers will soon be receiving information in the mail from GTE explaining the new services and how they may obtain them.

The new SmartCall Services include 10 new individual services and 2 discount packages. The individual services range from \$2 to \$10 per month. The packages are \$13.25 per month for the 9-feature pack-

age and \$8.75 for the 4-feature package.

Michigan law requires GTE and other local telephone companies to provide per-call blocking at no monthly charge. Named "cancel calling number delivery," this feature allows customers to prevent their telephone numbers from being seen by someone with calling number ID - a service which lets people see who is calling on a calling number ID unit, which is a phone or phone attachment with a display window.

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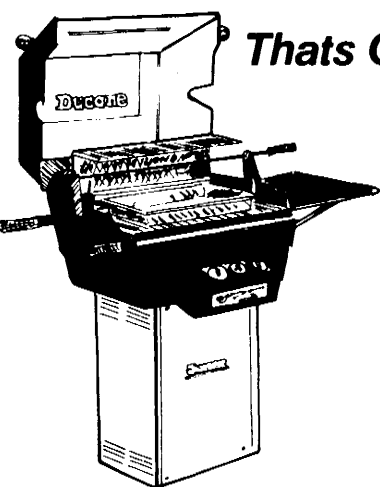
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After 36 1/2 years in the classroom

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From a seat positioned strategically at the rear of her classroom, Jackie Goodell interacts with her second grade students at eye level, answering their questions, offering encouragement and

providing stern guidance where needed.

She's outnumbered 24 to one, but she's still smiling at the end of the day as she ushers "her kids" out the

door.

"Nine more days," she remarked Thursday as she returned to her class at Gagetown Elementary School after bidding students good-bye. The area native chuckled. "I'll probably be glad until September comes."

Counting down the last few days of school has taken on a special significance this year for Goodell, who is retiring after 36 1/2 years of teaching.

At one point she interrupts the conversation to rush out of the classroom, paper in hand.

She returned moments later. "That's one thing I'm not going to miss — chasing them down with the homework," she said. "I'll tell you, you've got to be looking in all directions."

The kids can get antsy towards the end of the day, she noted. "They really aren't bad, though. Really, they're a good bunch of kids."

The children, Goodell pointed out, is what has kept her in the classroom all these years.

"I don't think there was even one day when I didn't want to come to school. I really enjoyed it," she continued. That attitude and good health have led to the accumulation of nearly 250 unused sick days during the veteran educator's 27 1/2 years with the Owen-Gage Schools.

Goodell, who resides with her husband, William, on Green Road, about a half-mile from where she was born and raised, said she had always planned to be a teacher.

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GAGETOWN GRAD

After graduating from Gagetown High School in 1947, she enrolled at County Normal. She graduated a year later and spent the next 9 years teaching at rural schools in the area; the Carolan School west of Gagetown, White Creek School east of Kingston, Quick School south and west of Cass City, and Deford Elementary.

At the end of her second year at Deford, Goodell temporarily shelved her teaching career.

"I took off 7 years when I had my girls. At that time," she explained, "they

wouldn't keep you — if you were pregnant, you had to quit. But times have changed."

When her 2 daughters began school, Goodell was hired in Gagetown, where she has remained.

Throughout much of her career, she continued to pursue her education, earning a bachelor's degree in 1965 and a master's degree in 1970, both at Central Michigan University.

"It took 17 years to get my bachelor's and 5 years to get my masters, but I went to school and worked full time, so I guess I didn't do too bad."

CHANGES

Goodell acknowledged she's seen a lot of changes in education and students over the years.

"The kids are much more knowledgeable, and you have more broken homes," she observed, adding most students have Nintendo, VCRs and televisions at home.

She said teaching is "definitely more difficult" today. "You have to compete with all these outside activities. They don't have time to do their homework."

Despite such obstacles, Goodell said teaching has

been a rewarding and enjoyable career.

"The pay isn't good by any means, but the working conditions were good. I've always had good teachers and good principals to work under."

In retirement, Goodell plans to spend more time with her husband, who is retired from the Gagetown elevator.

"He's been retired for 6 years and I felt it was time that I spend more time at home." She grinned and added, "And I don't want to go till they carry me out."

Goodell hopes to do some traveling to visit her daughters and 6 grandchildren. She doesn't have a lot of specific plans, but made it clear she'll keep busy.

"I won't just sit at home. I'll be active in church and study club and whatever," Goodell said she'll also substitute teach if she's available.

It probably wouldn't take much persuading to get her back into the classroom — at least temporarily — where she has enjoyed a long and full career as well as friendships with her students, fellow teachers and administrators.

Looking back, she said, "I'm really satisfied. I don't regret anything I did."

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TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the annual election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 8, 1992.

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING AND CLOSE AT 8 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

At the annual school election there will be elected two (2) members to the board of education of the district for full terms of four (4) years ending in 1996.

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SCHOOLS OF CHOICE PLAN

At a regular meeting of the Cass City Board of Education held on April 20, 1992, a "Schools of Choice" program was approved. This plan was recommended by a committee which was composed of primarily parents representing both Deford and Campbell Elementary Schools. The plan allows parents of K-3 students from both Campbell and Deford Schools to request a transfer for the 1992-93 school year. Requests for transfers must be submitted to the building principal or superintendent by June 30th. In early August, a determination will be made of how many slots per grade level, by building, are available. If there are available slots at a certain grade level and more requests than slots available, a random drawing will be held to determine who will be transferred. All parents involved will be made aware of the date, time and location of the drawing. Students who are transferred will be reconsidered annually for continued placement based upon maximum class size limits. If an overload exists at any grade level a student who was transferred in a previous year, may be returned to their respective home school. If you are interested in requesting a transfer, please contact either the Deford Principal, Campbell Principal or Superintendent of Schools by June 30th.

Bulldog baseball, softball teams bow in districts

The Owen-Gage Bulldogs played one of their better games of the year Saturday at Peck to advance to the finals of the Class D districts, but the season came to an end in the finals against Kingston.

The Bulldogs defeated Akron-Fairgrove, 6-3, a team that had defeated them twice during the regular season. In the finals Owen-Gage was no match for the Kingston Cardinals, who won decisively, 8-11, to earn the right to compete in the regionals Saturday at Ashley.

The Bulldogs used 2 big innings to defeat Akron-Fairgrove. In the third they scored 3 times to move into a tie with A-F, which counted a run in the second and 2 more in the top half of the third.

Aimee Merchant opened the rally with a walk. Carli Salcido followed with a single that scored Merchant. With 2 out, Michelle Tkacz

drove home Salcido with a single, stole a base and scored as Lisa Peters and Tanya Muntz also collected hits.

In the next inning Lori Ondrajka led off with a hit and Merchant also collected a safety. An error scored a run and Tkacz came up with a key hit to drive home 2 runs and clinch the game.

Tkacz pitched a 5 hitter, walked 8 and struck out 7. Amy Butts took the loss, allowing 11 hits and walking 5. Merchant, Salcido, Tkacz and Peters each chalked up 2 hits for the winners. No A-F player got more than one hit.

KINGSTON GAME

It was a contest for just 2 innings and then the Kingston Cardinals exploded for 6 runs in the third inning to wrap up the championship.

The rally made it easy for Jill Zyrowski to chalk up her

second win of the day. She pitched Kingston to the finals with a 14-7 decision over North Huron in the first round.

Against both teams the outstanding feature of her pitching was control. She did not walk a batter in either game.

The fatal third started with a hit by Denise Zyrowski and a triple by Dereszynski after Glaza sacrificed. After that the flood gates opened as Jill Zyrowski, Stacey Campbell and Gerhart knocked out hits and Penny Caverly walked. The Cards added 2 more runs in the fifth but they were merely icing on the cake for the district champs.

Tkacz pitched the first 4 innings and allowed 7 hits and all the runs. She was relieved by Salcido in the 4th with no one out and she stopped Kingston with just one hit the rest of the way.

BASEBALL GAME

Form was followed in the districts as North Central Thumb League champion Akron-Fairgrove rolled to the championship.

The Vikings opened with a 12-2 decision over Owen-Gage in a game called after 5 innings by the mercy rule.

A-F then met Kingston and won the title, 8-4.

Akron-Fairgrove took control early against the Bulldogs, scoring 5 times in the first inning. The winners added 3 runs in each of the next 2 innings and one more in the fourth.

The Bulldogs scored twice in the second without a hit. Bryan Koch walked, Mickey Parks was hit by the pitcher and both runners eventually scored. Parks started and was charged with the loss. Pomeroy coasted to the win.

Kingston earned its way into the finals with an easy win over Kinde North Huron, 13-4.

Standings

MINOR LEAGUE STANDINGS
Week of May 25

Giants	W	L
Yankees	3	0
Orioles	2	1
Dodgers	2	1
Cubs	1	3
Pirates	1	3
Tigers	0	4

This week's games: (All games start at 6:00)

Monday - Giants vs Yankees
Tuesday - Cubs vs Pirates
Wednesday - Dodgers vs Orioles
Thursday - Giants vs Tigers

BOYS' LITTLE LEAGUE STANDINGS
Through May 29

Yankees	W	L
Giants	6	0
Orioles	5	1
Cubs	3	2
Dodgers	2	4
Pirates	1	4
Tigers	1	4

Giants 11 - Cubs 8 (5-29)

The Giants defeated the Cubs behind the pitching of Trent LeValley and Dave Hobbs. Toby Kilbourn led the Giants with 3 hits, while Steve Boldizar and Trent LeValley each had 2.

Pitching for the Cubs were Mike Proowski and Tim Micklash. The Cubs' hitting attack was led by Tim Micklash and Andy Green who had 2 hits apiece.

Giants 21 - Orioles 7 (5-29)

Trent LeValley and Brad Russell teamed up to pitch the Giants to their 5th win of the season. Toby Kilbourn had 4 hits for the winning Giants while Trent LeValley and Brian Santos each had 3.

The Oriole hurlers were Nick Anthony, Heath Zawilinski and Travis Eyer. Dan Sherman led the Orioles' hitting attack with 2 hits.

5 Hawks named

Blue Bay all-star team

Blue Bay League champion Cass City was awarded 5 places on the 13-member all-conference softball squad as named by league coaches. The Hawks also placed 2 on the honorable mention list and Coach Dave Hoard was named coach of the year.

Junior Jennifer Fruendt and sophomore Jodi LaRoche joined Tracie Filion of the Lakers as pitchers. Junior Heather Kelly and Senior Jodi Hillaker were named to the infield, along

with Holly Esch of the Lakers and Jodi Foster of Marlette. Senior Stephanie Leitterman won one of the 3 outfield berths. The others went to Misti Anderson of Marlette and D. J. Ferris of Lakers. Angela Anderson of Marlette was named at first base.

The catcher is Stacie Reiman of Bad Axe and the designated hitter, Robin Sturm of Lakers.

Cass City senior Keri Santos was an honorable mention winner at catcher and a similar honor went to Jenny

Storm at first base.

Other honorable mention winners were: pitcher - Tonia Peruski, Bad Axe; catcher - Amy Behr, Marlette, and Connie Sherwood, Lakers; infield - Suzie Englehart, Lakers, and Sheri Grigg and Jillyn Rodamski, both of Bad Axe; first base - Tracy Moore, Bad Axe; outfield, Sherry Stauffer and Kelly Champagne, both of Lakers, and Danyiel Gintner, Bad Axe; designated hitter - Jenny Degelbeck, Marlette.

Announce track honors

LaRoche fourth in state

The Cass City Red Hawk girls' track team ended its season with the state finals and the Meet of Champions at Caro and the announcement of special awards to team members.

At Caro Tuesday, May 26, Jodi LaRoche won the long jump (16-2) and Essi Reponen was fourth in the shot put (34-3 1/4), fifth in the high jump (4-10) and sixth in discus (107-9).

The 800-meter relay team of Jennifer Romstad, Kristy Wood, Jodi Schember and LaRoche finished second, and a third place was won by the 400-meter relay team of Romstad, Mandy Nizzola, Wood and LaRoche.

At the state meet, LaRoche finished fourth in the long jump (16-5 1/4), earning Cass City 5 points, and Reponen was 12th in the discus and 13th in the high jump.

Honorary awards included the coaches' award and attendance (40) award to Rachel Sugden. Captain is Romstad, who shared most events (55) honors with Wood. Romstad earned the team the most points, and athletes who competed in the most events (7) were Nizzola, Melissa Veldman, LaRoche, Jodi Schember

and Wilma Mayer.
The season's record in dual

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BLUE BAY LEAGUE softball champions are the Cass City Red Hawks, who posted an 8-2 mark to defeat second place Lakers, 6-4. Marlette (3-7) was third and Bad Axe last (1-9). Overall the Hawks were 21-8.

From left, front row: Stephanie Leiterman, Jodi Hillaker, Denelle DeLong, Jodi LaRoche and Keri Santos. Back row: Coach Dave Hoard, Christie Perkins, Heather Kelly, Jenny Storm, Melanie Churchill, Jennifer Fruendt, Julie Knowlton and Manager Jen Hoard.

Special Olympics

Tuscola County delegation set to attend

A delegation of Tuscola County residents will head north Thursday morning to compete in the annual Michigan Special Olympics Summer Games.

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Members of the Tuscola County delegation range in age from 12 to 49 years old and will participate in either volleyball or track and field events, said Edward Crosby, MSO county coordinator for area 10.

The Olympians are looking forward to the games, he said, adding those going weren't told about it until recently.

"You tell them too soon and that's all they talk about."

Although participants enjoy competing, that's not all there is to the Summer Games, Crosby said.

"What's nice is the kids get out and get to meet the other athletes," he said.

While at CMU, Olympians stay in residence halls and have the opportunity to participate in planned social activities, including a carnival Friday and a victory dance Saturday evening.

Opening ceremonies are slated for 4 p.m. Thursday at Kelly/Shorts Stadium. Closing ceremonies are Saturday evening. All events are free and open to the public.

For more information about Special Olympics, contact Crosby at 673-5200.



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Dan Dickinson	73	
Randy Sherman	69	
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Ken Zdrojewski	60	
Newell Harris	59	
Don Hilbig	59	
Dale McIntosh	59	
Ernie Bellew	57*	
Russ Biefer	57	
Jerry Toner	57	
Mark Swanson	56	
Kevin Vincent	56	
Elwyn Helwig	52	
Dave Hoard	52	
Jim Apley	44	
Rich Tate	44*	
Bill Kritzman	43	
Mike Murphy	38	
John B. Maharg	31	

Win over Harbor Beach

Hawks bow in finals to Deckerville, 10-3

There were no last inning miracles this year. Last year the Cass City Red Hawk softball team pulled a "lost" game out with a story book finish to win the district tournament. The Hawks failed in their bid Saturday at Deckerville to successfully defend the title that was theirs the 2 previous years.

Cass City lost to a strong Deckerville squad in the finals, 10-3, as the usually reliable Hawk defense crumbled, committing 11 errors that resulted in 7 unearned runs.

Victim of the shoddy support was Jennifer Fruendt. Fruendt allowed 6 hits and walked 4. LeeAnn Rumble was the winner, allowing 5 hits. Rumble pitched a doubleheader for the champions. She allowed Reese just 2 hits as the Eagles (27-2 for the season) now go to the Saginaw Nouvel regional Saturday.

The Eagles broke open the game with 2 big innings. In the third with the score tied, 1-1, Deckerville scored 3 times on 3 hits and a walk. Cass City got one run back in the fifth as Denelle DeLong was safe on an error and later scored.

The flood gates opened for the winners as they scored 5 times in their half of the fifth to salt away the championship. The Hawks committed 5 errors in the inning.

Fruendt started it off with a line single over third. Jenny Storm singled to score Fruendt, but Storm was out at the plate. Keri Santos then hit the hardest ball of the afternoon, a line drive over the center fielder's head.

It would have been a sure inside-the-park home run but the ball took a big bounce over the fence and it became a ground-rule double.

It didn't make much difference in the game as Heather Kelly singled, LaRoche was safe on an error and Stephanie Leiterman cracked a double. It was followed by 2 errors that completed the rally.

In the very next inning the Hawks chased across 6 more runs and went ahead, 13-3, and it appeared that the game could end with a "mercy" ruling.

But the Pirates charged back with 2 runs in the fourth and 3 more in the fifth to close the gap to 5 runs and instead of a mercy win, Hawk fans became a little edgy about the final outcome.

Cass City then added a pair of runs in the fifth on hits by Leiterman and Fruendt to remove all doubts about the outcome.

The Hawks solved the slants of Deanna Ford for 13 hits and the Pirate pitcher was also the victim of poor support in the field. LaRoche allowed 3 hits, walked 3 and struck out 8. Fruendt allowed one hit, one run and struck out 2.



JODI LaROCHE pitched the Hawks to the win in the opening district game Saturday. The sophomore also starred for the track team in the long jump, winning at the Meet of Champions and finishing 4th in the state.

Zonta plans benefit golf tournament

An 18-hole, 3-woman mixed, best ball and scramble Zonta Invitational will be held June 11 at Rolling Hills Golf Course in Cass City, starting at 9 a.m.

Fees will include green fees, coffee, rolls, lunch and prizes. Lunch will be served after the tournament. Reservations must be in by June 5.

Sponsored by the Zonta Club, all proceeds will go to local community projects.

More information is available by contacting Esther Reagh at 872-3078, Ruth Houghton at 665-2275, or the golf course at 872-3569.

FIRST GAME

The Hawks roared into the finals with an easy win over the Harbor Beach Pirates, 15-9.

Two big innings made it easy for Jodi LaRoche, who pitched the first 5 innings to get credit for the win. Fruendt hurled the last 2.

Harbor Beach scored first, notching a pair of runs on 2 errors and 2 walks.

The Hawks took a commanding lead in their half of the inning with a 7-run splurge.

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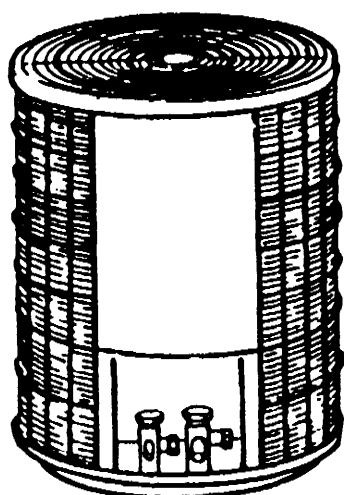
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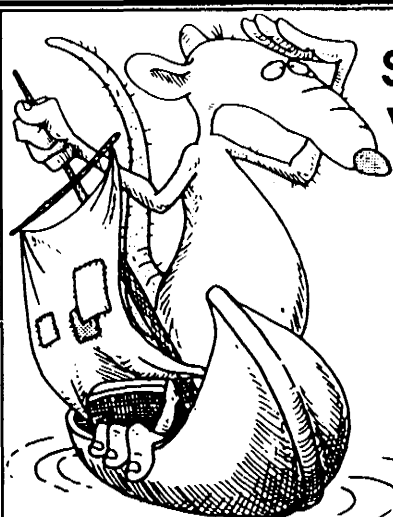
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Only 10 failed

The Department of Agriculture says that farm banks are "among the strongest institutions in the banking system." A study shows a farm bank return on equity at mid-year of 11.4 percent, compared with small non-agricultural banks at 10.4 percent. Only 10 farm banks failed last year.

Elmwood Township man pleads

An Elmwood Township man pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana with intent to deliver Friday in Tuscola County Circuit Court.

In a plea bargain agreement, the defendant, James M. Albee, 27, was referred to adult probation.

Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies raided Albee's residence April 1 on a tip from his landlord, seizing 9 marijuana plants, the largest of which measured 3 feet in height. The plants were being grown under fluorescent lights in a bedroom closet.

Sheep breeders set picnic

The Thumb Sheep Breeders Association will be holding a summer picnic Thursday, June 4, at 6:30 p.m. The picnic will be at the Rick Spezia farm, located northeast of North Branch.

Interested sheep producers are welcome to attend. For more information, contact Dr. Beth Doran, Extension Livestock Agent, at (517) 269-9949 or (313) 648-2515.

The picnic will be the final spring meeting until regular meetings resume in the fall. Meat will be provided. Individuals planning to attend should bring covered dishes to pass, beverage and table service.

Obituaries

Catherine Brinkman

Catherine A. Brinkman, 88, Wisner Township, died May 28, at her home, after a lengthy illness.

Catherine MacDougall was born April 13, 1904 in Caro.

She was married to Winford A. Brinkman Feb. 21, 1923 in Caro. He predeceased her March 17, 1987.

Mrs. Brinkman was a member of the Wisner United Methodist Church, teaching Sunday School for a number of years. A participant of the choir and active in the Ladies Aid Society. In addition to her many church activities she was a member of the Farm Bureau and enjoyed china painting.

Surviving are 4 sons, Loren and his wife, Vera, of Southfield, Charles and his wife, Bobbie, of Unionville, Robert and his wife, Betty, of Caro, and Jack and his wife, Bonnie, of Cass City. Eleven grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and a sister, Clara Hyde, of Florida. A brother, Loren, and a sister, Dorothy, predeceased her.

Funeral services were held Monday, June 1, at the Wisner United Methodist Church with the Rev. Mark A. Karls officiating.

Memorials may be sent to the Wisner United Methodist Church, the American Cancer society or the charity of your choice.

Arrangements were by the Briggs-Trenerry Funeral Home, Akron.

Mrs. Duane (Sharrie) Spencer of Saginaw; 18 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren; 2 brothers, William Force of Caro and Frank J. Force of Pinehurst, N.C.; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held May 26 at Collon Funeral Home, Caro, with Robert Ponder officiating.

Burial was in Brookside Cemetery in Fairgrove. Memorials may be made to the Michigan Parkinson Foundation.

Calista Wiles

Calista Rebecca Wiles, 105, of Caro, died Thursday, May 28, at the Tuscola County Medical Care Facility in Caro, after a lengthy illness.

She was born Jan. 22, 1887, in Vassar, the daughter of Allen and Sara (Adams) Hiser.

Miss Hiser was united in marriage to Mr. Dundas Wiles Jan. 20, 1906, in Bay City, moving to a farm on Green Rd. in Ellington Township in 1930. Mr. Wiles died Nov. 17, 1971.

Mrs. Wiles was the eldest member of the Sutton-Sunshine United Methodist Church of Caro.

She is survived by one son, Floyd Wiles and his wife, Ida, of Cass City; 4 grandchildren, Mrs. Beverly Mosher of San Luis Obispo, Calif., Mrs. Phoebe Yazir of Bradenton, Fla., Hazen Wiles of Sarasota and Wallace (Bo) Wiles of Cass City; 4 great-grandchildren, Holly, Adam, Aaron and Kristen, and one sister, Mrs. Clair Wickware of Sarasota. Five brothers, L.Z., Henry, Floyd, Orson and Calvin, preceded her in death.

A memorial service for Mrs. Wiles was conducted Sunday at the Sutton-Sunshine Church of Caro with the Rev. William McKown, pastor, officiating.

Interment was in Ellington Cemetery, Caro. Arrangements were made by Little's Funeral Home, Cass City.

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The American heart Association sends a memorial program sympathy card to the bereaved on behalf of each contributor. The amount of the contribution is not disclosed to the card recipient.

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More information on the memorial program is available by calling the American Heart Association, Eastern Regional Office, at (313) 230-0660, or 1-800-968-2423.

Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson Phone 658-2347

The Simkins family, formerly of Holbrook, held a reunion Memorial Day weekend at the home of Jeff Simkins in Dry Ridge, Ky. Jeff is a grandson of the late Russell Simkins.

There were more than 60 persons present. Charles of Seneca, Mo., was the oldest, and Steven, son of Jeff, was the youngest. John from Pontiac and Estella from Coos Bay, Ore., were among those present.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Williams of Arlington, Texas, were Wednesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold LaPeer were among a group who attended the graduation open house for Charles Franzel at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Franzel Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Glen Shagena visited Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Jackson Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bartle and Tom were Friday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Farrelly.

Reva Silver was a Tuesday supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Pearce, Scott and Chris and friends, Kris Kerr and Nick Kropog of Wyandotte, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. John Zawilinski of Cass City were Monday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sofka.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Glaza and Mr. and Mrs. Orville Glaza spent the weekend at their cottage at Lewiston.

Mrs. Larry Konkel visited Mrs. Lynn Spencer and Mrs. Ralph Hoxie Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Shagena visited Bertha Shagena in Cass City Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gracey of Arizona were Thursday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold LaPeer.

Clara Bond, Linda Mika and Bob Gage visited Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Jackson Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Salowitz and Keli of Mount Clemens were Saturday guests and Gordon Farrelly and Nancy of New Baltimore were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Farrelly.

Jeri Rich of West Branch left Friday after spending a few days with Reva Silver.

Ray Depcinski and A.J. Batie were Tuesday evening guests of Don Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walker spent Saturday in Port Huron and had lunch in Yale.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sofka were Thursday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Goronowich and Mr. and Mrs. Jack O'Borski at Harbor Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Konkel, Marney and Lois Cardenas were among a large group who attended the memorial service for Lynn Spencer at the Fraser Presbyterian Church at 2 o'clock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cass Grifka were Thursday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold LaPeer.

Ann and Amanda Orton spent Saturday with Emily Miller.

Carrie Tyrrell of Holland was a Thursday guest of Kathryn Tyrrell.

Marion Jukabiak and Wayne Hardy of Bay City were Friday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold LaPeer.

Barbara Salowitz was a Wednesday evening guest of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Farrelly.

Virginia Greenlee of Argyle was a Friday evening guest of Reva Silver.

Mr. and Mrs. Brent Jackson and A.J. Batie were Wednesday supper guests of Don Jackson.

Melissa Jackson was an evening guest.

Mrs. John Walker Jr. and son John were Thursday afternoon guests of Mrs. John Walker.

Mary Lou Spencer of Ann Arbor, Bonnie Spencer of

NOTICE

The Annual Meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Village of Cass City will be held Tuesday, June 9, 1992 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 6737 Church Street, Cass City, Michigan, for the election of officers and any other business that may come before the Board at that time.

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Mrs. Ray Depcinski was a Sunday evening guest of Edanna Sweeney.

Janie Main and John of Highland and Susan Sofka of Davison spent Memorial weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sofka.

Matt and Justin Miller spent the weekend with Jack Miller at Byron.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Meske at Port Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold LaPeer were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ballagh were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Shagena visited Ceil Johnson at Caseville.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Campbell of Utica and Dory and George of Oxford were Thursday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Farrelly.

Reva Silver was a Saturday afternoon guest of Beverly Rockefeller and a Sunday afternoon and supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Silver in Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McLaughlin and friend Barbara and Mr. and Mrs. John Walker had dinner at Charmont in Cass City Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Robinson and Chris were Sunday guests of Mrs. Ray Michalski.

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

Mary Lou Spencer of Ann Arbor and Nancy Spencer of Nevada spent a couple days with Bill Spencer.

Joshua Barnes receives Eagle Scout award

Joshua A. Barnes, son of Tim and Pam (Dobbs) Barnes of Auburn, was presented with the Boy Scout Eagle award at a ceremony held May 16 at the Auburn Methodist Church.



Joshua Barnes

He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Barnes and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Dobbs, all of Cass City.

While in scouts, Barnes has been den chief, senior patrol leader, troop guide, chaplain aide, member of the order of the arrow, recipient of God and Country awards for both Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts, interpreter strip (sign language) and World Conservation award.

Among the 96 guests attending were Auburn Chief of Police James Klann; James Ware, former Scoutmaster of Cass City; Tom Oleniack, district scout executive, Shoreline District, and a representative from Congressman Robert Traxler's office who presented Barnes with a U.S. flag that had been flown over the Capital Building in Washington, DC, in his honor.

Guest speaker for the occasion was the Rev. William Dobbs, an uncle and pastor of the University United Methodist, East Lansing.

Barnes is the 20th scout to receive his Eagle award from Troop 141, Auburn. His father, Tim, has been an assistant scoutmaster for this troop for 4 years.

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Letters to the editor

Most Friend of the Court clients are not delinquent

Dear Mr. Haire:

This letter serves to clarify a few points in the article written by your intern, Brian D. Bell, regarding the office of the Friend of the Court which appeared in last week's edition (May 13 edition) of the Chronicle. It read that the Friend of the Court office "helps to collect past due support" and

Enjoyed avenue of flags, band

To the Editor,

Even with the cold day for our Memorial Day parade, I certainly enjoyed our band; it was outstanding. They looked so nice in their uniforms and head gear. Their music was great, and I hope we can see them often.

I also want to thank all the men who made the avenue of flags possible. It made us remember all of our soldiers, past and present.

Sincerely,
Ella Cumper

gave the impression that we only deal with clients who are delinquent in paying support.

The purpose of the Friend of the Court office is to function as the enforcement arm of the Circuit Court regarding orders in domestic relations matters. It collects all child support, alimony, and medical confinement payments and is not limited to the collection of only past due or delinquent support. In fact, I would estimate that 75% of the payments made through our office are made by fathers and mothers who do so voluntarily and no means of enforcement except for accounting is necessary on the part of the Friend of the Court.

Accordingly, it should be made clear that the majority of persons who deal with the Friend of the Court are not delinquent, rather that laws of the State of Michigan dictate that such payments be made through this agency. Of the 4,500 cases we handle, approximately 25% require enforcement on the part of the Friend of the Court.

Sincerely,
Mary Lou Burns
Friend of the Court

Missing motorcycles

2 area teens arraigned

A pair of area teens were recently arraigned in connection with a series of thefts involving several off-road vehicles taken from the Cass City, Elkton and Sebewaing areas.

Ryan A. Kornelson, 17, of Deford, and Shawn L. Sher-

man, 18, of Decker, are charged with unlawfully driving away motorcycles belonging to Dennis Long and Danny Ulfig.

The 2 thefts allegedly occurred Nov. 3 in Novesta Township and March 24 in Elkland Township, respec-

tively.

Bond for Kornelson was set at \$10,000. A preliminary examination was scheduled for 9 a.m. June 12 in Tuscola County District Court.

Sherman, meanwhile, faces a preliminary exam on the charges Friday at 9 a.m. His bond was also set at \$10,000.

The area residents are among 5 suspects in the thefts of 7 all terrain vehicles and motorcycles during a 5-month period. A third adult (at least 17 years of age) was arraigned in Huron County and the 2 remaining suspects are juveniles.

The vehicles, valued at a combined estimated \$12,000, were recovered by police in April at 4 separate locations in Tuscola and Sanilac counties.

In other recent district court proceedings, Timothy A. Carter, 18, of Vassar, was arraigned on charges of assault with a dangerous weapon and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

Both counts stem from a May 27 incident in Vassar, according to court records.

Bond for Carter was set at \$2,000. A preliminary examination was scheduled for 9 a.m. Friday.

Little Miss Pageant registration June 11

Little girls from the area who want to have a moment in the spotlight might want to enter the 4th annual Little Miss Pageant.

The pageant is slated for 7 p.m. July 2 in the Cass City High School cafeteria. Registration for the event takes place at 8 p.m. June 11 in the high school speech room. At that time organizers will collect the \$8 registration fee and provide important information about what is expected of participants. "Somewhere Over The Rainbow" is the theme of this year's pageant, said Amy Emmert, pageant coordinator and Cass City resident.

The pageant is open to girls from the tri-county area who are 3-5 years old for the Tiny Miss category, or entering grades 1-3 in the fall for the Little Miss category.

Participants will be judged on appearance and presentation only, Emmert said.

"It's not a really competitive thing," she added. "It's

just for little girls to have fun."

Judges from outside Cass City will select three winners in each category. First-place winners will receive a tiara, gift certificate and trophy. Second- and third-place winners will receive a trophy. All other participants will receive a ribbon.

"It's a cute evening," Emmert said. "People enjoy it because they're little girls."

Although about 15 girls participated in last year's pageant, she hopes that more extensive publicity about the event will garner more interest in it. Proceeds from the event will help defray pageant expenses and cost of Cass City's annual 4th of July fireworks display.

Your neighbor says

State should have capital punishment

In the wake of the May 20 execution in Virginia of Roger Keith Coleman, a man convicted of raping and murdering his 19-year-old sister-in-law, the issue of the death penalty may be on the minds of some people.

Of the 50 states, about two thirds have capital punishment statute laws on their books. Michigan used to have the death penalty, but its use was eliminated many years ago.

Cass City resident Jenny Chrzan supports capital punishment and believes Michigan should reinstitute its use.

Anyone who takes another person's life deserves to be executed, Chrzan said.

"If somebody's cruel enough to kill somebody, they shouldn't have the right to live," she said. "I know if somebody murdered one of my kids I'd want them to die."

Although some may view the death penalty as cruel and unusual, she believes the punishment should fit the crime. She has no preferences concerning which methods of execution should be used. "Whatever's quick."

States with death penalty statutes utilize a variety of execution methods, including electrocution, lethal injection, lethal gas, hanging and firing squad. The most commonly used method is lethal injection.

Although Chrzan supports capital punishment, she believes it should be used only after someone has exercised their legal rights and obtained due process.

Chrzan has lived in Cass City for about 10 years and has two children, Brady, 2, and Andrew, 4. She said she likes the area because it's peaceful and crime is low.

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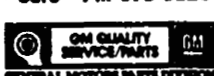
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School board candidates in the Cass City and Owen-Gage districts were recently asked to respond to 3 questions, as well as provide some information about themselves.

The questions were:

1) Why are you seeking a board seat, and what do you feel you can contribute that would benefit the school district?

2) There is talk about a change in direction for schools, with more emphasis on "practical" courses, especially for those students who are not going to attend college. Do you believe this is the right or wrong way to proceed? Why?

3) Do you feel that the schools are spending too many of our tax dollars, not enough or just right? Explain.

THE CANDIDATES

In Cass City, the candidates include incumbent Fred Matthews, 59, a full-time dairy farmer who resides in the Decker area.

A lifelong area resident, he is a leader for the Evergreen Guys and Gals 4-H Club, a 3-year member of the Sanilac County 4-H Council and a member of the board of trustees of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Cass City.

Matthews and his wife, Joan, have 3 children, Judy, 19, Julie, 17, and Jim, 15.

Beverly Auten, 51, another incumbent, is a registered nurse employed at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City, for the past 17 years.

A graduate of Cass City High School (1957), Delta College (1975) and Saginaw Valley State University (1986), she attends the Evangelical Free Church, where she teaches 2 and 3 year olds and is a member of the general board.

She and husband, Les, reside in Greenleaf Township, Sanilac County. They have 4 children, Les III, Paul, Russ and Julie, and 4 grandchildren.

Challenger Danny L. Haag, 40, has lived in the Cass City School District for 20 years.

A graduate of Saginaw Valley State University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in accounting and finance and a master's degree in finance, he is employed as a controller for the Carquest Distribution Center in Bay City.

He and his wife, Shirley, have one child, Nathan, 11. The family has lived in town for the past 14 years.

Another challenger, Linda Volz, 39, of Cass City, is an admission representative, counselor and instructor at Jordan College.

She and her husband, Charles, who is an Aid Association for Lutherans representative, have 2 children, Jocelyn, 14, and Aaron, 9.

The following are each of the candidates' responses:



Beverley Auten

1) I am an incumbent who has served on the board nearly 6 years. I have been treasurer the past two years and a member of the School Improvement Committee. I find this an exciting and challenging time to be part of the school system. The School Improvement Process related to Public Act 25 is mandating schools to take an in-depth evaluation of the various curriculums from K-12. The four schools are all involved at their level plus district wide with positive and motivating effects and changes involving all school employees. I am attending the last class I need to receive State Certification as a School Board Member prior to the election. I feel I can continue to be a contributing member to this process with past experience and certification if I'm reelected.

2) I believe most students need the "practical" courses and it should be available for them. Some examples would be budgeting, parenting skills, balancing a checkbook, along with vocational classes. We need to encourage our students to set realistic goals and strive to do and be the best they can. Students need to follow a vocational career if they aren't interested in or academically qualified for college, but I would not want to see them settle for less than their ability or potential allows. Students and parents need to consider the future with the probability of six or more career changes during their life time. Technology is changing so rapidly as we approach the 21st century that students need life long learning skills for survival. The job market is projecting a large number of service orientated careers and "practical" courses will help them prepare for this.

TAXES - We would all like to see more money used efficiently for our schools. The current recession and job market being what it is, I think taxes need to stay status quo for now. I would like to see tax dollars state wide used more equitably so all schools had the same tax base per student instead of a low of \$2,500.00 to a high of \$8,500.00 as the range. I feel Cass City Public Schools have been cost efficient with

our present administration and board with all programs now reinstated that had to be dropped in the early 1980s and some new programs/classes added.



Danny Haag

1) I am seeking a board seat because I want to become more involved in the decision making process of the school system. I believe that providing our children with a good school system is a very important responsibility of a district. In the next decade our school will face some very tough challenges, in the educational process itself, and with finances.

In regards to the challenges in the educational process, we need to constantly review the methods and techniques used in teaching to determine if we are reaching our students. As to finances, the needs will increase due to the normal costs of running our school system.

I want to be involved during this exciting time because the actions taken now will affect the direction of the school for many years to come. I feel I would be able to contribute to the many decisions the board will have to make because of my college education and my work experience.

2) I believe this is the wrong way. Our school needs to provide the classes needed to obtain a well rounded education. There will always be the need to: know math, be able to read well, have the ability to express yourself in writing, and understand the foundation of our democratic system.

I think we should concentrate on doing a better job at this. If our students graduate from high school with a solid education, then they will be very trainable on the job, and capable to complete any specific courses they may take. If a person wants to pick up some "practical" courses, then this might be something that our skill center could provide more of.

3) I believe that in the future our schools will need to spend more of our tax dollars. First, it will be necessary in order to just meet the normal costs increases of running a school. Second,

the methods used in teaching our children may need to be changed. An example of this is the new program for grades 5th-8th at the middle school starting next fall. This new program may require additional teachers and the retraining of some of our current teachers.

It is necessary that we continue to be very prudent with the spending of our tax dollars on our school. But, I don't want our children to be at a disadvantage in college, or on the job, because we wouldn't spend a few dollars bringing our school system up to date.



Fred Matthews

1) I ran for a seat on the Cass City board 8 years ago on the belief it was necessary to reappoint the board with representatives equally located around the district. This goal has been met. Also I have 2 children attending school at this time. I work well with people and have a lot of contacts with parents and staff over the period of a year.

2) Over the period of years I have been on the board, I have felt strongly about vocational education. Perhaps no more than 50% of graduating students will ever complete college. The remainder should be trained either in school or at the Skill Center to find and hold meaningful employment. Preferably employment in our area. Also we have discussed at the board level the matter of practical family living. Things all of us will encounter every day of our life.

3) I know of no other school in this area that is as efficiently operated as the Cass City system. When I, as a board member, am in contact with other school boards and news media, it makes one feel good about how much quality education we are getting for our money. There are schools not too distant that are operating on

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Linda Volz

1) It is a very exciting and challenging time for the educational field. I want to be a part of the changes and moves we are making into the information age. The move must be made quickly and efficiently if our nation is going to be competitive and a world leader.

I feel that my educational and professional background will be an asset to the board. My position at Jordan College has given me insight into the problems and issues that face society. It has also reaffirmed my belief that education is the door to success and knowledge is the key.

2) Our educational system has been slow in responding to the needs of our society. Business and four year institutions have been clamoring for specific skills, higher level thinking, and basic

skills. We are slowly recognizing that we need to address these areas of concern. It is my belief that we need to train our young people for the occupations that are available. Some of these will require a college degree while others will call for specialized training.

We also need to offer more "practical courses" on balancing checkbooks, developing budgets, study skills, and interpersonal skills.

3) When we discuss schools and the education they are providing for our youth, we always turn our attention to the financial question. Are we spending too many dollars, not enough or just right? This is always a difficult question to answer. It is like asking if \$100 a week for a family of four for food is too much. It depends on the family and how they are managing their money. We need to look at the school district and what they are spending their funds on. If they are providing a quality education and preparing our children for the 21st century then they are putting our tax dollars to work for us. If these goals are not being met then we need to reassess the school district's budget priorities.

The bigger question is whether our country, states, or cities are placing a priority on education? Do we support the programs and the staff that are needed to provide a quality education?

For example, the Cass City School District is moving toward the Middle School concept. If this program is to

be successful, we need to make sure we have an adequate staff to student ratio as well as adequate materials. This will cost the district in the initial stages, but the rewards our children will receive will certainly outweigh the expenses.

OWEN-GAGE

Lifelong Owen-Gage School District resident Walter Swiastyn, 34, is one of 3 candidates vying for one of 2, 4-year trustee terms in the Owen-Gage district. He is one of 2 incumbents.

Employed at the Co-Operative Elevator in Gagetown, the Gagetown resident is a state certified school board member and a Michigan Association of School Board Award of Merit recipient.

Swiastyn has served as school board treasurer for the past 2 years and is a representative to the Huron County School Board Association. He is a member of the Owendale Lions Club and vice-president of the



Walt Swiastyn

Owen-Gage Booster Club. He and his wife, Kaye, have 2 children, Corbin, 8, and Katie, 4.

Neither of the other 2 Owen-Gage candidates, incumbent Ronald Good and challenger Tom Mellendorf, responded to the Chronicle's invitation.

1) I feel I am young and very interested in what is going on in our district. In the past 4 years on the board, I've participated in school activities as well as attended state conferences and meetings. I find that by attending these meetings, it keeps me up-to-date on what is going on in education statewide as well as nationwide.

2) I don't feel that either way is the "right" way or the "wrong" way, because schools should provide for both the college bound students, as well as the ones entering the work force. We have to keep all students in mind when it comes to education. I feel that Owen-Gage provides a very well rounded curriculum for the size of our district. I am also very happy for the teaching and training available to our juniors and seniors by the Huron County Area Skill Center in Bad Axe.

3) I don't believe that anyone would ever feel like a school is not spending enough of their tax dollars. We all would prefer paying less taxes, but the dollars we spend are mostly local tax dollars, with very little coming from the state. With our tax payers in mind, the tax dollars spent in the Owen-Gage school district, I feel, are spent wisely.

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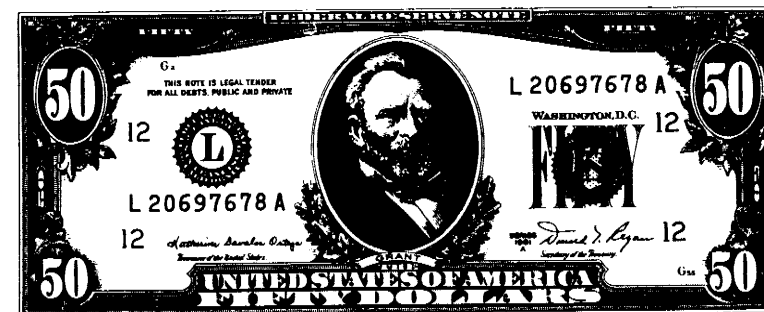


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* Price guarantee applies to identically equipped vehicles (inclusive of trade-ins or dealer installed options). To qualify, customer must present a retail order from a competitive Chrysler Motors Dealer in Huron, Tuscola or Sanilac Counties. The order must detail the year, make and model with all options clearly specified. It must be signed by the owner or sales manager. Does not apply to any vehicles already delivered or other than current model year vehicles. This price guarantee is made prior to purchase and cannot be claimed after delivery has already been consummated. At Board's option he may choose to beat the deal by \$50 and deliver the car or decline this deal and pay price guarantee of \$50. Limit 1 - \$50 per transaction and you must physically take delivery of the vehicle and show substantiating "Stamped RD108" (vehicle application for title) to claim payment.

New Everyday Lowest Pricing From Board!

This is Not A Sale!

PRICEBUSTERS

What it's going to take to pull this country out of one of its worst recessions is not another gimmick or some "Razzle-Dazzle"! It's time someone - "Took The Bull By The Horns" - and lowered prices (severely) to get the public spending their money again! Board did just that - the prices you're about to see are now our everyday prices! Call for an appointment - Sorry - No coupons honored!



ROGER BOARD
Owner

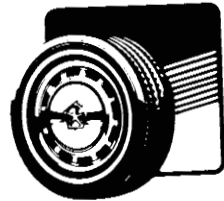
MIKE RULE
Service Manager

DAVE RABIDEAU
Parts Manager



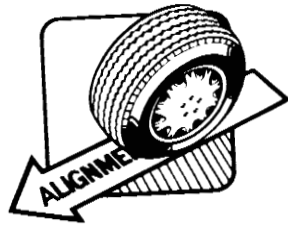
QUICK LUBE \$14.88 30 MINUTES OR LESS

Price Includes:
• Complete chassis lubrication and genuine Mopar oil filter with up to 5 quarts of oil • Check of all fluid levels
(Engines requiring special/extra oil and diesel filters slightly higher)



TIRE ROTATION \$9.88

rotate four wheels
(Special wheels slightly higher)



FRONT WHEEL ALIGNMENT (most applications)

\$24.88

Front & Rear
Only
\$20 more!

• Precision-set front end
(Any additional labor and necessary parts are extra)



GENERIC BATTERY

\$29.88

INSTALLED!

400 amp - Fits most Chrysler and Ford products
Brand new no name specials - 30 day replacement guarantee!



BY THE DAY, WEEK
OR MONTH! NEW 92
ACCLAIM OR SPIRIT!

Only.. \$29.88 per day

Unlimited Mileage!
"Air Conditioned!"



Call for availability and to reserve. Must be 21 years of age or older, have a valid Michigan driver's license and a major credit card (listed below)

ENGINE TUNE-UP SPECIAL

INCLUDES

- Install new spark plugs
- Inspect choke
- Inspect plug wires and distributor cap
- Check and set idle speed and timing
- Platinum plugs additional

ONLY

\$39.88

PLUS TAX

\$49.88

6 CYLINDER

\$59.88

8 CYLINDER

FREE 15 POINT SAFETY INSPECTION

A visual inspection of many important safety and driveability items. (with any service or repair)

FREE COURTESY SHUTTLE!

Just drop off your vehicle for any service or repair and we'll take care of your ride! (5 mile radius please)



Convenient Service Hours
Monday through Friday
7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturdays
8 a.m. to 12 noon



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