



IT DIDN'T TAKE area youths long to find the Cass City Lions Club's ice rink, built over the weekend behind Parkway. Above, Travis Hartwick, 9, son of Allyn Hartwick, Cass City, unlaces his skates. Also pictured are (left to right) Jenny Sugden, Amber Rienstra, Mike Bashur and Chad Tate, all of Cass City.

The top stories that made the news in '92

Summarizing the top stories of any year is a difficult task at best, and 1992 is no exception.

As was true in past years, 1992 brought good news and bad, success and failure, victory and defeat. And of course, change.

It was a disastrous year for many farmers, and 1992 marked the beginning of the end of the time honored tradition of high school baccalaureate ceremonies. On the other hand, police scored well in the war against drugs, and new construction in Cass City boosted the village's tax revenue in a year in which property values were frozen.

It really was a good (bad) year, one that will be remembered in as many different ways as there are people in the community.

The following is a brief look at a handful of the stories that helped shape some of those memories.

AGRICULTURE

For Thumb area farmers, particularly corn growers, 1992 revived memories of flooding in 1986 that decimated crops, spelling bankruptcy for some.

There was no flood this year, but a dismal growing season that never improved significantly has proven equally disastrous for many farmers, some of whom still haven't harvested fields of poor quality corn.

The growing season started out wet. Nearly 6 inches of rain in April — twice the normal amount — delayed planting. There were late frosts, followed by weeks of cool, wet weather that slowed crop maturity. In the end, farmers found themselves waiting to harvest their corn in hopes the crop would dry down.

But moisture levels re-

mained high, resulting in poor quality and high drying costs if harvested. On top of that, farmers faced an already low price and a bumper corn crop nationwide.

The disaster has left many in the agriculture community in financial distress, including livestock producers running short of feed supplies and producers and elevator operators unable to meet contracts.

Michigan legislators promise to seek disaster aid for area farmers, but their pleas have been met with little response from federal officials so far.

DRUG WARS

There was much good news in the war against drugs as the Thumb Narcotics Unit, with the help of a myriad of local and other police agencies, scored victory after victory over drug traffickers.

The year's successful operations included the biggest drug bust ever in Huron County. In late January, officials raided a Sheridan Township residence and seized 296 grams of cocaine valued at \$36,000, 40 pounds of marijuana valued at \$60,000, \$28,000 in cash and several weapons, including a machine gun. At the same time, 4,000 units of morphine and \$2,200 in cash were seized following an investigation in the Snover area.

Other TNU investigations resulted in the seizure of:

- 260 marijuana plants valued at \$275,000, 8 guns and highly sophisticated motorized growing equipment seized from a Millington residence in June.

- 3,900 marijuana plants, valued at some \$7.8 million, harvested during a sweep of the 4-county Thumb area in

August.

- 5,000 marijuana plants valued at \$7.5 million, 12 pounds of processed marijuana, guns, cash and real estate with combined value of \$42,000, all taken during a sweep of the Thumb in October.

- 20 pounds of high grade marijuana valued at \$40,000, 14 rifles and shotguns, 2 handguns, 2 vehicles, \$9,000 in cash and a small dairy farm, all seized during a raid on a Kingston Township residence earlier this month.

LOCAL ECONOMY

Signs of tough economic times can be seen in empty storefronts in small towns throughout the Thumb, and Cass City is no exception.

But there were many good signs in 1992.

An improved demand for Walbro Corp. fuel system products in late 1991 continued into 1992 and remained strong, resulting in new highs for sales and income. Another example of better times could be seen at General Cable Co., which installed some \$1.5 million of equipment transferred to Cass City from a closing plant in Florida. The transfer created some 30 new jobs.

Times remain tough for local retailers, who face ever-increasing competition as well as the effects of a poor year for farmers and the auto industry. But it's hoped a Downtown Development Authority, created this year, will prove to be a valuable tool in the years ahead.

New construction boosted the tax base in Cass City, which was particularly good news in a year that saw tax revenue stagnate due to a freeze on property values statewide.

More than a dozen new condominium units were built at the Northwood Lake Condominium development, resulting in some \$560,000 in added state equalized valuation in the village.

In addition, Detroit Edison is nearing completion on its \$3 million energy center in the Cass City Industrial Park. The center, slated to open Jan. 11, will house more than 100 employees from 3 customer offices and 3 other Edison facilities as part of a broad program to improve customer service in the Thumb.

NO PRAYER

The year marked the beginning of the end of high school baccalaureate ceremonies as well as invocations and benedictions at commencement exercises.

The U.S. Supreme Court in June handed down a ruling barring public schools from sponsoring prayers at graduation ceremonies.

The decision wasn't welcomed by area school officials, who initially indicated they would take a "wait and see" attitude before dumping the time honored tradition of sponsoring baccalaureate ceremonies.

However, as the weeks passed, school boards grudgingly conceded they would abide by the law, and began exploring options that will allow students to organize and hold their own baccalaureate ceremonies off school property.

ELECTION YEAR

Democrats continued to make political inroads in once-staunchly Republican Tuscola County.

The election year saw Thumb voters turn out in heavy numbers, with Tus-

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Council mulls adding new park director

Cass City could have a parks and recreation director next year if a proposal now under consideration becomes reality.

The plan was mulled last week by the Village Council, which also accepted the resignation of village Trustee Nat Tuttle during the Dec. 22 monthly meeting.

The park director proposal was brought up by Trustee Matt Prieskorn, chairman of the council's Parks and Promotion Committee, who stated the idea was discussed recently during a meeting attended by representatives of village government, chamber of commerce, retailers and recreational groups.

The job would be a full-time summer position. Duties would include coordinating and promoting all park and recreational activities, including sports events, in the village, Village Manager Lou S. LaPonsie said.

As much as the village's recreation facilities are used now, there's a feeling the facilities could be used more, commented village President L.E. Althaver.

He suggested an increase in use would mean more people coming into town and, hopefully, a stronger economy, particularly for retailers. In addition, he said, a better promoted and improved recreation program might prompt surrounding townships to be more supportive financially.

If the position is created, officials will seek monies from a local foundation and other sources to cover the salary.

Council members directed the parks committee to continue investigating the proposal and to explore a formal job description.

Turning to personnel matters, the council accepted Tuttle's resignation "with

regret."

Tuttle, who has served 2 terms on the council, is retiring because of a planned move from the village to the township.

Althaver said the vacancy will be filled by appointment, probably at the January regular meeting. The person chosen will complete the remainder of Tuttle's 4-year term, which expires in 1996.

In other business, the council endorsed a Dance/Entertainment Permit sought by Donna J. Zagorski, owner of the Cass Tavern, 6448 Main St.

The endorsement is contingent upon an agreement between the village and Zagorski that allows dancing, monologues, dialogues, still slides and contests on the premises, but prohibits "topless entertainment, exotic dancers or go-go dancers, lingerie fashion shows, wet tee shirt contests and/or

other similar type entertainment..."

The permit application must now be approved by the Liquor Control Commission and the local police department.

Also last week, the council:

- Gratefully acknowledged a \$1,000 donation from the Cass City Oil and Gas Co. for the village's walking trail.

- Noted the Cass City Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing for Jan. 19 at 7 p.m. at the municipal building. The meeting was set to hear public comment on proposed revised subdivision regulations and zoning changes.

- Established 1993 meeting dates. The council voted to continue meeting on the last Tuesday of each month, starting at 7 p.m. at the municipal building.

Village plans \$200,000 spending increase in '93

The Cass City Village Council last week approved a proposed 1993 spending plan totalling \$1.78 million.

The new budget represents a planned spending increase of some \$200,000, or 13.4 percent, over 1992, and includes a wage hike of 3.5 percent for most village employees.

The exceptions are the village bookkeeper and secretary, who will receive a 4.5 percent increase. Both are full-time employees, as are the village manager, 5 DPW workers, 4 wastewater treatment plant employees and 3 police officers, including the chief and sergeant.

Approval of the 1993 budget came following a brief public hearing held just prior to the council's Dec. 22 regular meeting.

During a review of the spending plan, officials noted they're anticipating a \$30,385 increase in real and personal property tax revenue in the coming year.

Much of the increase is due to construction of 14 new condominium units, which translates into some \$560,000 in new state equalized valuation (SEV). Construction of the \$3 million Detroit Edison complex was not figured in because the work won't be completed this year.

Another unknown is what land values will do following a freeze in 1991. "There are those who would have you believe they're going to go up a lot; we didn't plan on that," Village President L.E. Althaver commented.

No tax rate hike is planned for 1993, and water and sewer rate fees are expected to remain the same in the coming year.

Asked about a possible reduction in millage in light of the anticipated increase in tax revenue, Althaver indicated it's unlikely a rollback will be sought due to the cost of keeping up with various maintenance projects in the village, particularly street repair and construction.

Of \$472,950 earmarked for various capital outlay, repair and maintenance projects next year, more than half (\$215,500) will be spent

on streets.

Another consideration is that 2 of the village's major budgets — water and sewer — are having difficulty supporting themselves as they should, Village Manager Lou S. LaPonsie said, adding substantial General Fund contributions will be needed to balance one and/or both budgets over the next 5 years.

At the same time, LaPonsie said, the village's fund balance is expected to shrink from \$540,000 in 1992 to \$245,650 in 1997. If it falls below the 1997 level, he noted, officials will have to borrow on anticipated tax revenues.

The fund balance is expected to fall by nearly \$100,000 in 1993 alone — a \$98,000 appropriation is included in the General Fund budget, which totals \$930,300.

Much of the additional money will be transferred to other village funds to help pay for various projects in the coming year. Major expenditures include:

- \$131,500 to extend Division Street from the industrial park to Seeger Street (includes \$72,500 state grant).

- \$77,000 for paving and curb and gutter on Pine Street, from Oak to Woodland.

- \$40,000 for purchase of a backhoe.

- \$36,000 for storm sewer maintenance, repair on Church Street.

- \$22,500 for water main replacement on Oak Street, from Garfield to Third.

- \$13,000 to pull and repair village Well #2 (10-year maintenance).

- \$10,000 for 7-year water tower maintenance.

- \$10,000 to pave the village parking lot at the corner of Church and Ale streets.

- \$7,500 to extend the walking trail (platform and railing across the old railroad bridge).

Although budgeted, projects

such as the parking lot pavement and walking trail extension will be discussed again before final approval is given, council members agreed.

No public comment was offered during the budget hearing, attended by 7 residents. Both the proposed 1993 spending plan and a revised 1992 budget were approved unanimously.

	OFFICE	
	1992	1993
Manager	45,642.47	47,243
Bookkeeper	23,056.70	24,100
Secretary	23,056.70	24,100
	D.P.W	
Superintendent	32,571.45	33,717
Regular Crew		
1st. year	22,758.62	24,856
2nd. year	24,010.97	26,229
3rd. year	25,388.55	27,726
4th. year	26,769.24	29,245
5th. year	30,418.65	31,491
	W.W.T.	
Superintendent	36,240.53	37,514
Regular Crew		
1st. year	24,009.93	24,856
2nd. year	25,331.63	26,229
3rd. year	26,784.77	27,726
4th. year	28,242.05	29,245
5th. year	30,418.65	31,491
	POLICE	
Chief	36,240.53	37,514
Sergeant	30,918.65	32,011
Officers		
1st. year	24,009.93	24,856
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For first '93 baby

Merchants pledge gifts

Again this year, the first baby born in the New Year in the area serviced by the paper will receive a host of prizes from generous Cass City merchants.

There will be \$10 gift certificates from Krizmans' Inc., Cass City ServiStar Hardware and Erla's Food Center.

The Cass City office of the Thumb National Bank and

Trust Company and the Chemical Bank Bay Area will each start the lucky first arrival with a \$10 savings account.

IGA Foodliner in Cass City will give \$10 worth of baby food or other merchandise. Cass City Floral will have a gift arrangement ready for the new arrival and the mother. Decorated cakes will be available from

Sutter's Bakery and Sommers' Bakery so that the family can celebrate in style.

Coach Light Pharmacy will help keep the baby healthy with \$10 towards any prescription. The family will see a picture of their new arrival in one of the issues of The Chronicle that will come from a free year's subscription.

Your neighbor says

Ponder not a last minute shopper

Just because she purchased her last present Thursday morning, Dec. 24, don't assume that Natalie Ponder, 15, is a last minute shopper.

It's true that she purchased her final gift then, but when you have "10 to 15" persons to buy for it does take awhile.

The Cass City High School freshman, daughter of Tom and Louise Ponder, says that she spent more this season than last because she has a part-time job in a store in Caro.

I feel the prices this year were about the same as last year, she said, because of the sales. I watched for the specials and bought them when I could.

Some of my gifts were practical, she added, and some just for enjoyment. The kind that you know will be appreciated and enjoyed when they are opened on Christmas morning.



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Chemical Bank splits stock, ups dividend

Gilbert A. Currie, chairman of Chemical Financial Corporation, announced Dec. 21, a 6 for 5 stock split to shareholders of record Dec. 31, with an ex-dividend date of December 24. The 6 for 5 stock split is payable Jan. 15.

At the time of the declaration of the 6 for 5 stock split, the board of directors indicated their intent to establish the 1993 quarterly cash dividend at \$0.20 per share on the increased number of shares outstanding. Currie stated that this level of cash dividend would have the effect of a 9.1% increase in cash dividends paid to shareholders during 1993. The year of 1993 will mark the 19th consecutive year of annual increases in cash dividends paid to Chemical Financial Corporation shareholders.

Church holds badge ceremony December 16

The Cass City Church of the Nazarene held its first Caravan Badge Ceremony Dec. 16.

Ten children received certificates and badges for work completed in history of the church, fire safety, artifice of faith and social. They are Cassy and Amanda Byrd, Tiffney Miles, Krysta Boyce, Benji Rippey, Carissa Bass, Danny Byrd, Josh Miles, Jimmy Boyce and Rachel Warden.

The Elkland Township Fire Department helped the children earn their fire badges.

Christmas theme at pack meet

Cass City Cub Scout Pack #3594 held its pack meeting Dec. 18. The meeting had a Christmas theme.

Many Webelo achievement awards were presented. Each cub made a "snow scene" paper weight as a gift.

At the closing, each cub received a present for the Pinewood Derby.

Marriage licenses

Michael David Miller, Clifford, and Amy Lynne Romberger, Caro.

William Allen Sobczak, Bad Axe, and Bridget Kay Holdwick, Vassar.

Chad Michael Zemer, Flushing, and Elaine Elizabeth Bocksch, Millington.

William Alan Lear, Norwich, Conn., and Lisa Dawn Hines, Caro.

Cass City Personal Items

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Jim and Joann Guinther hosted a cooperative post-Christmas dinner Saturday attended by 7 children of the late John Guinther and Marion Guinther Whitefoot. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Guinther, Lyle Guinther, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Doerr, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Guinther, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Guinther and Mrs. Jim (Marilyn) Young.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Markham were Christmas night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord LaPeer.

Ken and Carolyn Martin hosted 2 tables of duplicate bridge players at their home Wednesday night. The competition among the 4 partnerships playing was nearly as close as it could get. Three teams tied for first and the fourth was just a shade off the score of the top teams.

Christmas Eve guests of Dale and Mary Damm were Randy and Carmen Damm and sons, Jason and Ethan, and Tim and Susan Wooster of Flint. The Woosters were overnight guests.

Mrs. Marion McClorey was a Christmas Day dinner guest of Dale and Mary Damm.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Weiderhold were Christmas Eve afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord LaPeer. Debbie Timmons, Wayne Curry, Patti Timmons, Brent Fritz and Mr. and Mrs. Lynwood LaPeer were supper and evening guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord LaPeer, Debbie Timmons, Wayne Curry, Patti Timmons and Brent Fritz were Christmas Eve guests of Mrs. Marjorie Pearce.

Meg's Peg

New Year wishes

by Melva E. Guinther

Enlisting the help of family members, I came up with this list of wishes for the new year that we would grant were it within our power:

- To President-elect Clinton, wisdom and integrity in leading the country.
- To Hilary Clinton, a small portion of Barbara Bush's class.
- To the homeless and jobless, the equivalent of the dollars spent on presidential inauguration festivities.
- To the people of Yugoslavia, a dictionary defining "cease-fire."
- To area farmers, good weather and a harvest to make up for this year's.
- To everyone in Michigan, lots more sunshine and fewer cold, dreary, gray days.
- To everyone who drives or rides in an automobile, no more passive restraint belts that grab your belongings and threaten to decapitate you.
- To the 3 major appliance stores in the city, new ad writers and commercials that don't insult the intelligence.
- To the general public, no more Chia Pet or Clapper commercials.
- To the Energizer bunny, (We were split on this one.) either a quick sniper's bullet, or the strength to keep going and going.
- To the Detroit Tigers, a few good pitchers.
- To Michigan State, a winning football season.
- To walkers everywhere, the power to ticket cars parked across the sidewalk.
- To Pastor and Mrs. John Wood, a healthy, happy retirement.
- To the congregation of First Baptist Church, a new

pastor and wife as dedicated as the Woods have been.

To grandson Drew, rapid and complete recovery from his cleft palate surgery in the spring.

To other grandparents, grandchildren almost as adorable as Drew.

To KC, our soft-hearted, 2-cats-already daughter's foster kitten, happiness in her new home, with a human who's extremely teachable.

To Nina Davis, continued strength to keep up with all the causes to which she's committed.

To Editor Tom Montgomery, good story ideas for every issue of the Chronicle.

To co-workers at the Chronicle, a few extra hours in which to meet deadlines.

To Jeff Hartel, a coaching career as successful as his playing career.

To Cass City merchants, an economic upturn and fewer closed businesses.

To all of our readers, a happy, prosperous, peace-filled new year.

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HDC slates surplus commodity distribution

The Human Development Commission (HDC) will hold its surplus commodity distribution Thursday, Jan. 21, at the following locations:

- Cass City Village Park - 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- HDC Warehouse, 165 Butler Street, Caro - 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- Ivan Middleton Hall, Vassar Fairgrounds, 10 a.m.-noon.

Individuals must report to the distribution site in person, if possible, to present his or her surplus commodity registration card. Anyone who is physically unable to attend may designate a substitute, who must present the card on his or her behalf. These cards may be obtained from any HDC office in Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac or Tuscola County. Call (517) 673-4121 for details.

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Norma Wallace
Clerk

"If It Fitz...."

Pleats sneak back

By Jim Fitzgerald



Sometimes something is missing for so long that you forget it was ever there. But then it returns and you remember it fondly, and you're glad it's back. That's how I feel about pleated pants.

Last week, for the first time in God knows how long, I got a new suit. I put on the pants and looked in the mirror, and it was a few seconds before I realized why my new pants looked different from the pants I've been wearing for so many years that only God can count them.

Then I put my hands in my pockets and was startled to find enough room to make

fists. I pushed my fists outward and noticed the fabric billow below my belt. Pleats!

The next day I remarked to a friend how nice it was that pleats are returning to pants. He looked at me askance. About my pants. I like the sound of that. I should have asked him to dance.

My friend explained his askance: "It must have been 10 years since you bought a suit."

"How do you know? Did God tell you?" I asked, ever alert for a holy squealer.

PLEATS SNEAK BACK

My friend said pleats have been back for a long time. I said it was news to me because I don't do lunch. I've always believed the only sensible reason to buy new clothes is because your old clothes no longer fit you. I've kept from gaining weight for God knows how many years by never eating lunch. So my pants never become tight. They never become loose because I don't attend diet meetings or exercise classes.

Life is simple, and dressing is cheap, once you realize the most super lunch is superfluous. And Vic Tanny and Florine Mark are out of their minds.

The only reason I finally got a new suit is my wife said she was so sick of my old suits she would buy me a new one with her Social Security check. If I'd known it would come with these marvelous pleats, I would have married an older woman who'd have become eligible for Social Security sooner.

My new pants have four definite folds across the top. Two of the folds evolve into conventional creases that descend to my shoes. The other two folds serve no purpose other than to create pleats. They are purely decorative, even frivolous, if you wish. Only God knows for sure, but I think the last time I wore frivolous pleats was before World

War II.

Unlike lunch and push-ups, a little frivolity is necessary. It pains me to realize my thirtysomething son grew up without knowing the frivolity — not to mention comfort — of pleats in his pants. He knew nothing except pants that stretched tightly and blahly across his abdomen without the slightest ripple of fabric. He thought creases always stopped ascending at the crotch.

He never knew the pleasure of putting his hands in his pockets and jingling coins. He never carried a dime that didn't leave a lasting impression of President Franklin D. Roosevelt in his thigh. He never sat down without feeling scrunchy pain.

PLEATS SAVE SANITY

It is dumb enough for skinny boys to wear tight pants. But old men with big stomachs also wear them, which is really stupid. Fat women hide under full skirts, but too many fat men wear pants the way apples wear skins.

If cleanliness is next to godliness, comfort is certainly next to sanity.

It is insane for anyone to wear too-tight pants on purpose. The return of the pleated pants to the United States signals the rest of the world that this nation is regaining its sanity.

I wore new pants to work. I jingled the coins and keys in my pockets, and I luxuriated in the soft parting of pleats. I remembered actors George Raft and Fred Astaire, who always wore pleats. It was marvelous nostalgia.

In a hallway, I joined steps with a woman I know. She was tottering terribly on spiked heels. I asked her if she knew comfort was next to sanity.

She asked me if I knew my pants were baggy.

Besides me, only God knows I shook my fist at her without taking it out of my pocket.



NEW COUNTY FARM BUREAU presidents and counties pictured include: Front row (left-right), Chuck Burkett, MFB Administrative Director; Jack Jeppesen, Montcalm; Dan Wenger, Barry; Sherri Geib, Hillsdale; Gary Wilcox, Ingham; Don Terwilliger, Midland; John VanderMolen, MFB Operations Division Director. Second row (left-right), Marvin Rubingh, Antrim; Mark Vollmar, Tuscola; Scott Bonteko, Livingston; Neil Strong, Isabella; David Armbruster, Huron. Back row (left to right), Tony Raney, Oakland; Larry Gingrich, Osceola; Dennis Heffron, Kent; Ralph Brock, Menominee. Missing from photo, Duane Dysinger, Shiawassee County.

New MFB heads meet

Sixteen newly elected county Farm Bureau presidents from across Michigan were in Lansing at the Michigan Farm Bureau Center for a 2-day conference recently, honing their leadership skills as they pre-

pare to assume the presidency of their respective counties.

Program topics included: Running Effective Meetings; Organizational Struc-

ture and Operation; Board Member Responsibilities; County Farm Bureau Finance; County Farm Bureau Bylaws and Operating Agreements; Membership Benefits, and a tour of the MFB Center as well.

For honors band

5 O-G students selected

Five Owen-Gage High School band members have been selected as members of the Tri-County Honors Band, which will perform next month in Caro.

The area band students are Deb Powers, daughter of Doug and Rhonda Powers; Tanya Muntz, daughter of Janet Muntz; Brandy Parks, daughter of Sandy and Lewis Parks; Patti Timmons, granddaughter of Ruth Timmons, and Todd Ziehm, son of Mary and Rick Ziehm.

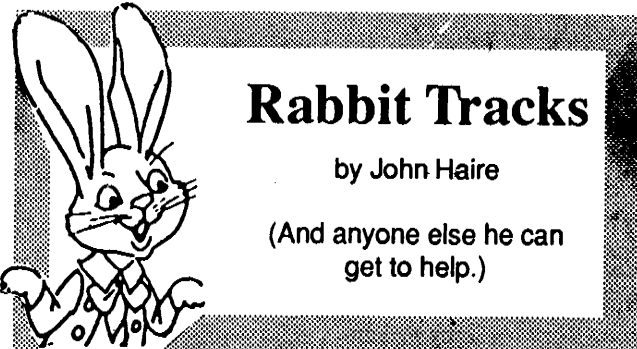
"Being chosen for this band is quite an achievement and honor," commented Owen-Gage Band Director Janet Breza.

The Tri-County Honors Band consists of the top high school band students from Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac counties. The purpose of the band is to give outstanding young musicians an opportunity to participate in a more challenging experience than they typically receive in their

home schools.

Students are selected by a committee of directors from taped auditions.

This year's band, under the direction of guest conductor Dr. Thomas Tyra, will perform at 3 p.m. Jan. 31 at Caro High School.



Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

Mary Damm said she has been teased because the Chronicle greeting ad last week listed her in charge of circulation. That's the least of what I do, she says.

The truth is that in a small operation like ours, everyone wears a multitude of hats. Everyone on the staff could probably qualify for all of the departments listed with the exception of columnist and publisher. Without exception, we could list everyone as "gofers."

The recently held post-Christmas 3 on 3 basketball tournament was a success, but if I were asked to guess, I'd say that it was the first and last holiday tourney sponsored by the Cass City Rotary.

It went smoothly and the club profited, mostly because of the work of Rotary President Matt Prieskorn. Before the tournament, he spent many, many hours getting things in shape. The day of the tourney he spent 18, count 'em, 18 hours at the gym.

That's too much to ask and I'm sure he won't do it again.

Robert G. Clarke, the son of Lyle and Jean Clarke of Cass City, was named the best in American Remodeling Awards in non-residential competition by Professional Builder & Remodeling magazine in its October issue.

Clarke is an architect who works for CBI Professionals in Bloomfield Hills. He transformed a 1930 roadhouse in disrepair in Metamora to resemble an English cottage while retaining the historic stonework.

The building is now used as a flower shop with office space on the second floor.

The Senior trip for students at Cass City High School has been abandoned, but if the class of '95 has its way, it will be revived.

The sophomores are busy raising the cash now. Where do they plan to go? No place that any class has gone before, that's sure. In fact, the members aren't sure where they will go, but they have made a definite decision on what they will do.

It will be a white water rafting trip.

One hundred kids on a bunch of rafts? Fasten your life jacket.

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Friday	22	10 0
Saturday	18	8 0
Sunday	40	19 0
Monday	40	3702"

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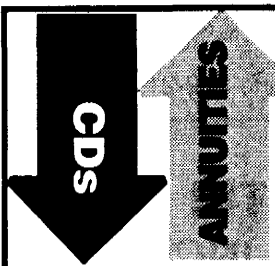
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I've visited the gambling casinos in the Leelanau Peninsula and at Sault Sainte Marie and, frankly, I felt it was probably a good thing.

There you are talking about a business venture run by the Indians on their reservations. You can see signs of what gambling has done to provide jobs and lift the residents from abject poverty.

It takes effort to get to these casinos. You can't run in and gamble during the lunch hour. Casinos located on real reservations are growing but are still small time compared to the big time operations in Las Vegas and Atlantic City.

The key word is real. Indian owned and Indian operated on land that the tribe has owned for generations.

That's a lot different than what is proposed now by promoters eager to get their paws into the jam pot.

Basically, what is happening is that the promoters want to deed property to an Indian tribe which, because of treaties signed with the United States, is not bound by Michigan laws on activities conducted on the tribe's reservation.

So the gamblers give the tribe land to add to its reservation. Not anything near the original reservation, but right smack in the middle of the business districts in population centers.

Promoters have suggested it in Greektown in Detroit and just last week in Port

Huron.

The refrain by the developers is always the same. It would provide jobs, 2,000 immediately in Port Huron, they say, with large scale development sure to follow.

Added to the carrot is the stick. If we don't, they say, Canada will, and Sarnia is just across the bridge.

It must be legal to establish the "reservation" in Port Huron if the city agrees, but it's still merely a way to get around the law. The owners of the piece of the reservation in Port Huron would be the Bay Mills tribe located in the Upper Peninsula. Nothing could be more ludicrous than that.

If the casinos became a reality, the tribe would be in partnership with the company that owns and operates Harrah's casinos in Las Vegas and Atlantic City.

That's big time stuff. They'll operate it expertly and smoothly, extracting dollars from all, including those that can afford it the least.

It's one thing to have a small time operation tucked away from the centers of population. It's quite another to have a Vegas-style casino in the big population centers.

Hopefully, the public outcry will be enough to keep them out, but given the ever increasing legalized gambling trend that is spreading across North America, it probably won't.

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3 face felony charges

The following people were recently arraigned on separate felony charges in Tuscola County District Court:

•Raymond W. Huble-Manning, 17, of Caro, faces charges of breaking and entering an occupied dwelling with intent to commit larceny, malicious destruction of personal property over \$100, and malicious destruction of property \$100 or less.

Bond in the case was set at a combined \$15,000. A preliminary examination was scheduled for 9 a.m. today (Wednesday).

Court records state Huble-Manning is accused of breaking into a house at 6255 Oak St., Vassar, Dec. 6, and damaging a pickup truck belonging to Billy Woolwine Jr. and a mailbox belonging to Cynthia Drohn, both Oct. 23 in Vassar Township.

•Mark R. Rainbolt, 44, Otter Lake, was arraigned on one count of malicious destruction of a building over \$100 Dec. 26 in Millington Township.

Rainbolt allegedly damaged a building at 9245 South State Rd., Millington, according to court records, which state the defendant's bond was set at \$1,000. He faces a preliminary exam Jan. 8 at 9 a.m.

•Jason J. Corkins, 19, Caro, is charged with operating a motor vehicle while

under the influence of liquor and carrying a concealed weapon (double-edged knife) in a motor vehicle

Dec. 15 in Vassar Township. Bond was set at \$100 in the case. A preliminary exam is slated for 9 a.m. today.

2 hurt in 2-car accident

Two motorists, including an Ugly teen, sought their own treatment for minor injuries following a 2-vehicle accident Saturday in Indianfields Township.

According to reports filed at the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department, Leon M. Lewis, 19, of Mt. Morris, was driving south on Bruisee Road near Chambers Road at about 8 p.m. when he hit some potholes, lost control and slid across the road into a northbound vehicle driven by Steven R. Vaughan, 16, Ugly.

Both drivers were wearing seat belts when the collision occurred, reports indicate.

Browning completes training

Marine Pvt. Roy E. Browning, son of Edwin C. and Jeanne A. Browning, of Kingston, recently completed recruit training.

During the training cycle at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, recruits are taught the basics of battlefield survival, introduced to typical military daily routine, and personal and professional standards.

All recruits participate in an active physical conditioning program and gain proficiency in a variety of military skills including first aid, rifle marksmanship and close-order drill. Teamwork and self-discipline are emphasized throughout the cycle.

The 1992 graduate of Kingston High School joined the Marine Corps in August 1992.

March 1 is wool deadline

John Porath, County Executive Director of the Huron County ASCS Office reminds wool producers that March 1 is the deadline to file an application for price support payments on wool.

Wool producers are encouraged to file sales receipts by Jan. 31, so that sales receipts can be included in determining the national average market price.

Contact the ASCS office for further details.

Owen-Gage band students bring home 16 medals

Owen-Gage School band members brought home 16 medals following their performances at the District III Solo/Ensemble Festival, held Dec. 12 in North

Branch.

Division I ratings (the highest mark possible) went to Kate Powers, alto saxophone solo; Beth Nickerson,

trumpet solo; Lisa Warack, flute solo; Melissa Vargo, trumpet solo; Kristy Fahrner, clarinet solo; Melissa Vargo and Jamie Dietzel, duet; Kristy Fahrner and

Amy Joles, duet; and Jamie Dietzel and Kristy Fahrner, duet.

Students receiving Division II ratings were Lisa

Warack, piano solo; Tonya Smith, trombone solo; Jamie Dietzel, clarinet solo; Brandy Halasz, snare drum solo, and Chad Rhodes, snare drum solo.

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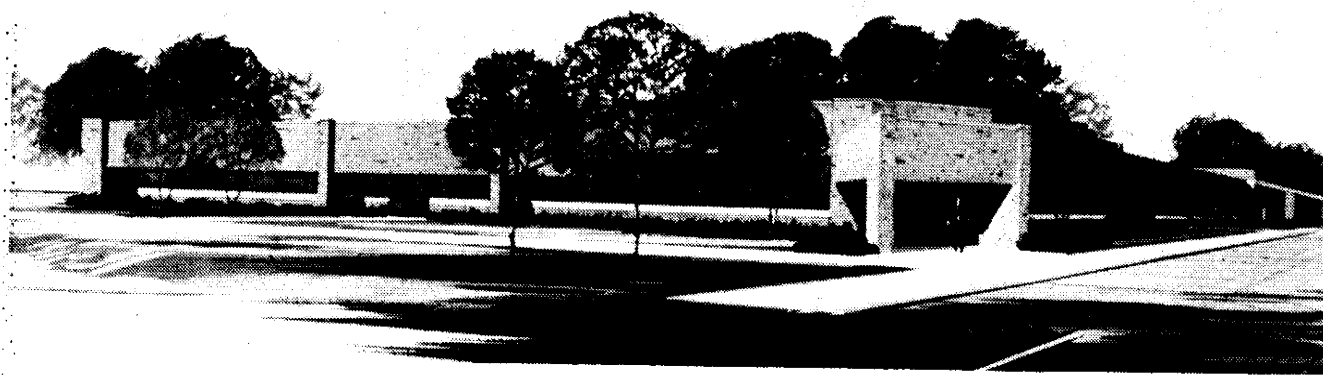
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BIG BOOST — Detroit Edison's new energy center, set to open Jan. 11, is providing the village of Cass City with a \$3 million boost in new construction.



1992: The year in pictures



DRUG TRAFFICKERS were big losers in the Thumb in 1992. The Thumb Narcotics Unit, assisted by several local agencies, scored on several raids this year, making several arrests and seizing millions of dollars worth of marijuana and other drugs.



A WET, COOL summer spelled disaster this year for Thumb farmers, who were forced to delay harvest of a less than ideal corn crop due to excess moisture.

Cass City Bowling

SATURDAY SPINNERS
SR.
Dec. 12
End of First Half

Hot Babies	31
Miller Eggs	22
Handicaps	20
Fiercesome Foursome	20
Pin Busters	19 1/2
Strikers	18
Studs	17
Terminators	16 1/2
Mess Meisters	16
Crushers	16
Deford Country Gro.	15

Girls' High Game: J. Humes 156.
High Team Series: Miller Eggs 1659.
High Team Game: Miller Eggs 602.

Ubly church sets Jan. 3 concert

St. John the Evangelist Parish, 4470 N. Washington Rd., Ubly, will host "Carols of the Season," a concert of traditional and contemporary Advent and Christmas sacred music, Sunday, Jan. 3, at 5 p.m.
The public is invited.

Boys' High Series: C. Zawilinski 495.

Boys' High Games: C. Zawilinski 179, J. Ciesielski 165.

Girls' High Series: J. Humes 413.

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NORTHWOOD LAKE Condominium residents are new to the Cass City area, but a number of them haven't wasted any time getting involved in community activities and events. Examples include repairing and setting up the village's Story Time display (above).

Top stories of the year

Continued from page one.

cola residents joining the state and nation in electing a new Democratic president. It was the first time in 3 decades that county voters chose the Democratic candidate.

Among the county races, Democrats and incumbents were the big winners as Sheriff Tom Kern and Register of Deeds Ginny McLaren won new terms. Voters picked Democrat Margie White over Republican Delores Gangler for the office of clerk.

In the Cass City area, Republican incumbent Elsie Hicks won her first full term as the District 2 county commissioner, defeating Democrat Dick Erla.

WORK AND LEARN

Koylton Township officials won some major battles, but lost the war to keep Pioneer Work and Learn Center at Kingston Hills Camp.

Pioneer, a rehabilitation program serving male juvenile delinquents, opened in October 1988 amidst a storm of controversy. The program ignited a bitter fight pitting resident against resident and township official against township official.

A 3 1/2-year court fight in which the camp was charged with violating local zoning laws went all the way to the Michigan Supreme Court and prompted 3 local recall efforts, including one that ousted Township Supervisor Terry Boyne from office. The camp was forced to close in January, but the Township Board approved a special-use permit allowing the facility to re-open.

In March, township residents voted in favor of allowing the camp to remain

open.

However, by that time it was too late. Pioneer officials had already built a new, \$1.5 million facility in Vassar. And when a new contract for an additional 40 beds was approved in September, officials announced those beds, too, would go to Vassar.

AREA SPORTS

There were successes and a few failures in athletics at Cass City High School. The boys surprised most folks by taking the district championship in basketball before bowing to the Lakers in the finals of the regionals.

Owen-Gage kept pace with a district championship in class D.

Cass City girls posted a win in the last game of the season to tie for the league title. The Hawks then rolled past Marlette in the districts, coming from behind to do it. The situation was reversed in the finals as Cass City was ahead early and then faded to lose to Sandusky.

Owen-Gage rolled through districts easily, then bowed in the opening round of the regionals.

Perhaps the biggest sports story of the year came off the court when Cass City was accepted into the Thumb C League, eliminating the problems connected with a 4-team Blue Bay League.

NEW RESIDENTS

The year was marked by a greatly increased presence of the citizens that moved

into the Northwood Estates condos.

In addition to greatly expanding the tax base of the community, the residents were active in civic projects. Through their efforts a new Garden Club was formed with the aim of beautifying the community. Residents there also helped with the

erection of the Christmas town displays that might have been abandoned without their efforts.

In a major change in the business scene, the golf course and restaurant were sold to a Grand Blanc developer, Bob Poirier, who will run it with the help of family members.

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59 teams in Rotary hoop fest

The Rotary-sponsored 3 on 3 tournament Saturday attracted 59 teams competing in 8 divisions in a long day of basketball that started at 8 a.m. and concluded just after midnight.

The men's open class was won by "Street Smart", a team from Caro and Lapeer with Larry Smith, Ed LaBair, Frank Bowers and Mark Freeman.

The men's recreation league toga was taken by a Cass City team, "Charmont", that included Todd Comment, Jeff Hartel, Gary Warju, Craig Kelley and Clarke Haire.

"The Winners", featuring Harbor Beach boys, won the 15-17 class with Marc Moreno, Mike Lamb, Corey White and Justin Nickrand playing.

In the boys' 13-14 class, "The Boys" from Cass City and Kingston won. Playing were Chad Diegel, Alan White, Scott Wallace and John McLaughlin.

The "Sandusky Reds" took the boys' 10-12 class with Chris Shampo, Mike Morningstar, Jill Ross and Bill Jo Jones.

The girls' open class went to "DMPP's." Playing were Kelly Deering, Darleen Monroe, Cindy Powell and Sue Papp, of Deford, Cass City, Mt. Pleasant and Caro, respectively.

In the girls' 14-15 class the "Lady Jordan" team from Bad Axe won, with Heather Kent, Heidi Walsh, Andrea McBride and Sarah Greyerbiel playing.

Finally, the girls 11-13 competition was won by a group from Huron County playing as the "Hot Shots." Playing were Nancy Puvalowski, Angela Schroeder, Janelle Schrader and Michelle Anthony.

The Rotary Club netted about \$1,500 from the event, according to Matt Priesskorn, who handled the event for the club. In addition, Big Brothers-Big Sisters netted \$100 from The Peoples Choice Market, which made the donation in lieu of support for the tournament.

O-G favored in holiday tourney

The Owen-Gage Basketball team will kick off the new year Saturday when they square off against Carsonville-Port Sanilac at the Port Hope Tom Thumb tournament. Tip-off is slated for 1:00 p.m..

The winners will meet the victors of the Port Hope/Caseville contest, which will be played at the conclu-

Lakers a challenge

Spikers show promise in early matches

In pre-league games the Cass City High School volleyball team has shown that it will be a challenging team this season.

Monday, Dec. 14, in a double dual meet with Akron-Fairgrove and Unionville-Sebewaing the Hawks won in straight games in a best 2 out of 3 match. Previously the Hawks were first in their pool and second overall in a tournament held in Caro.

Coach Jennifer Green says that she has several veterans back to bolster the team's chances. They include Darcie Monroe and Jodi LaRoche, both juniors, and Karla Zinnecker, Jenny Storm and

Mary Polega, seniors. The team lost quality performers by graduation. Gone are Jodi Hillaker, Keri

Santos and Leslie Goslin. Green feels that the Lakers will provide the toughest test in the Blue Bay League.

VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

Thursday Jan. 7	Kingston	Home
Saturday Jan. 16	Tourney at Bad Axe	8:00 a.m.
Monday Jan. 18	Caseville	Away
Thursday Jan. 21	Bad Axe	Home
Monday Jan. 25	Vassar	Away 6:00
Thursday Jan. 28	Marlette	Home
Monday Feb. 1	Lakers	Home
Thursday Feb. 11	Bad Axe	Away
Monday Feb. 15	Deckerville	Home
Thursday Feb. 18	Marlette	Away
Saturday Feb. 20	Tourney at Vassar	9:00 a.m.
Thursday Feb. 25	Lakers	Away 6:30
Saturday Feb. 27	Tourney at Lakers	8:00 a.m.
Monday March 1	Deckerville	Away
Thursday March 4	Uby	Away 6:30



SEVERAL VETERANS WILL bolster the Cass City High School volleyball team this season. Front row, left to right: Jodi LaRoche, Tracey Burns, Stacey Klinkman, Karla Zinnecker, Daniele Pimenta and Paola Silva.

Second row: Jenny Storm, Jodi Schember, Stephanie Tate, Darcie Monroe, Laura Langenburg, Mary Polega and Jennifer Knowlton.

Cass City Bowling Leagues

TUESDAY AFTERNOON LADIES' LEAGUE Dec. 22

Stilley's	3
Charmont	3
Alley Hoppers	2
Country Gals	2
Sutter's Bakery	1

High Series: N. Rabideau 471.

High Game: S. Shaw 181.

High Team Series: Stilley's 1618.

High Team Game: Stilley's 572.

TUSCOLA GET TOGETHERS Dec. 21

Miller Eggs	27
Erla's Inc.	24
Cass City Sports	22
Gagetown Inn	21
Spaulding Builders	19
C.R. Hunt	18
Charmont Motel	16
Phil's Clippers	11
Cole Carbide	11
Charmont	6

High Series & Games: Doug O'Dell 684 (215-233-236), M. Lutz 660 (215-245), D. Miller 648 (214-238), G. Robinson 641 (212-234), T. Comment 640 (226), J. Zawilinski 605 (215-221), B. Potrykus 602 (213), C. Zimmerman 599 (211), C. Bellew 596 (224), J. McIntosh 582, R. Kerkau 577 (214).

High Team Series: Phil's Clippers 2927.

High Team Game: Miller Eggs 1019.

ECUMENICAL CHURCH LEAGUE Dec. 19

*The Stouts	30
The Last Resorts	29
The Neighborhood Gang	29
The Bloopers	28
The Little Kids	26 1/2
Pinippers	21 1/2
Inlaws/Outlaws	21
The Antiques	20 1/2
Crash & Burn!	19 1/2
The Gutter Cleaners	18
The Strugglers	13
3 + 1	8
*Round winners.	
200 Games: D. Miller 204, D. Dickinson 244, K. Speirs 226, R. Cox 205-210, Ron Speirs 209-210.	
500 Series: D. Miller 547, D. Dickinson 592, K. Speirs 580, R. Cox 598, T. Rayl 504, M. Inbody 506.	
600 Series: Ron Speirs 608.	

MERCHANTS' "A" Dec. 23

Charmont Motel	19
Mathewson	17
Charmont	15
Gilligan's	13
Brentwood	12
New England Life	11
Kingston State Bank	11
Warju Flooring	11
Summers	11
Kritzmans	9
Millelites' Surveying	6
High Series & Games: J. Millelites 714 (299-240), G. Robinson 670 (244-215-211), M. Lutz 658 (247), D. Miller 638 (234-215), M. Jackson 635 (214-211-210).	

C. Karr 633 (221-215), D. Orton 593 (223), J. Howard 590 (224), T. Comment 587, D. Blank 573 (213), M. Bauerschmidt 570, W. Smith 570, L. Tomaszewski 562, L. Wenzlaff 557, J. Navarro 556, G. King 554 (213), C. Comment 553, R. Kerkau 552, J. Storm 550 (215), T. Summers 214, L. Summers 213, D. Hyatt 211.

High Team Series & Game: Charmont 2865 (979).

MERCHANTS' "B" Dec. 23

Micro EDM	4
Hyatt, Inc.	4
Charmont	3
Board Chrysler	3
Charmont Motel	1
Gilligan's	1
Mac Tools	0

High Series & Games: M. Lutz 686 (247-243), R. Patera 640 (253), M. Weltin 634 (221-213), B. Anthes 618 (216), C. Comment 591, D. Hyatt 576 (241), B. Fischer 574 (227), B. Rutkowski 556.

SUNDAY NIGHTERS Dec. 20, 1992

DJ's	26
Sugar Makers	20
High Rollers	18
Sweet Guys	18
Try Hards	15
The L.T.'s	15
Misfits	14
Schott's Accounting	13
Town & Country	12
Alley Cats	9

Men's High Series: J. LaPratt 608, G. Jackson 596, E. Hutchinson 578.

Men's High Games: J. LaPratt 245, L. McCreedy 228, G. Jackson 225, E. Hutchinson 213.

Women's High Series: J. Kelley 530.

Women's High Game: K. Hutchinson 198.

High Team Series: High Rollers 2011.

High Team Game: High Rollers 793.

SATURDAY SPINNERS JR. Dec. 12 End of First Half

Terminators	25
Strikers	24
Sharks II	23
Star Bowlers	23
The Strikers	21
Scorpions	17
Tigers	15
Newcomers	14
New Beginnings	12

Boys' High Series: J. Reed 324.

Boys' High Game: C. Rinas 119.

Girls' High Series: E. Comment 196.

Girls' High Game: E. Comment 67.

High Team Series: Terminators 887.

High Team Game: Terminators 328.



THE CASS CITY JUNIOR varsity volleyball team, from left, front row: Aubrey Marshall, Kelli VanVliet, Jaime Caister. Middle row: Jocelyn Volz, Joie Humes, LeAnn Foster, Char-ity Gaszczynski, Lisa Burns.

Back row: Manager Heather Hewitt, Denise Meredith, Elizabeth Acker, Leana Edwards, Natalie Ramsey, Dawn Longuski, Cori Britt.

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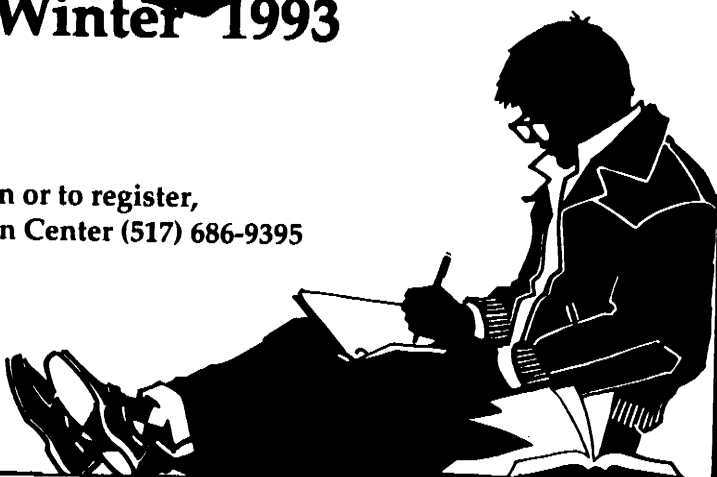
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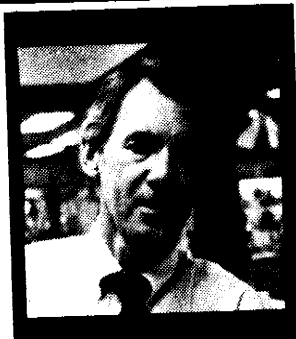
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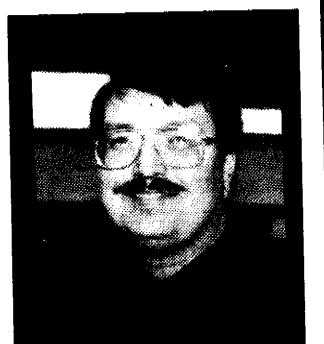
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Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cleland and family, Shirley Knapp, Blanche Clutz of Walled Lake, Bob Cleland and Stacie of Waterford were Saturday dinner guests of Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming and all attended the funeral of Gladys Hichens at 2 o'clock at Little's Funeral Home in Cass City. Others attending from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Leo Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Campbell of Ontario, Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Depcinski and Mrs. Earl Schenk attended the Ubyly school Christmas program Monday for the kindergarten through the fifth grades at the Ubyly High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Corbushley, Charles and Christopher in Bad Axe.

Reva Silver was a Monday afternoon guest of Edanna Sweeney.

Agnes Kanaski and friend from Bad Axe, Kim Boland and Laura Walker and son were Thursday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt spent a few days with Mr.

and Mrs. Cliff Davis and girls at Romeo.

Hazel Mattice and Mrs. Allen Farrelly visited Valerie Terwilliger Monday in Bad Axe.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cleland and Beth, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cleland, Carol Laming and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr and Jeff were among a group who attended the Shabbona RLDS Church Christmas program and potluck supper at the church Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hacker and Mrs. Earl Schenk attended the Assembly of God Christmas program Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Corbushley and sons were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McLaughlin were Monday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Walker.

Mrs. Robert Reuss of LaSerra, Calif., John Walsh of Huron, Ohio, and Rickelle Walsh of Ubyly were Monday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Evans Gibbard.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Campbell and Kathy of Utica were Friday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Farrelly.

Carrie Tyrrell of Holland, Brenda Tyrrell of Midland, Kathryn Tyrrell, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tyrrell and Cody and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tyrrell attended an early Christmas dinner Saturday at the home of Rita O'Berniller and sons at Midland.

Mrs. David Hacker and son Don were Friday guests of Mrs. Earl Schenk.

Ed and Donna Czewski of Ubyly and Mrs. Curtis Cleland were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt.

Reva Silver was a Sunday evening guest of Beverly Rockefeller.

Mrs. Greg Moore and Heather were Tuesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Evans Gibbard.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel and Hazel Mattice were Sunday afternoon guests and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bartle and Tom were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Farrelly.

Christmas holiday weekend guests of Mrs. Mary Beardsley and Mrs. Rose Wills were David Beardsley Sr. and Elizabeth Shotwell of Dryden, David Beardsley Jr. and Connie Beardsley of Imlay City, Mrs. Michelle Beardsley and son Michael of Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wetzig and children, Jennifer, Brandon and Joshua, of Manton, Jason Wills, Patty Warren and son Tommy of Cadillac, and Mrs. Betty Watts and children, Les, Janae and Heather, of Romeo.

SEIBEL IN WHO'S WHO AT THE PIONEER

In a business of headlines and deadlines, Debbie Seibel brings an air of freshness.

The 25-year-old Cass City High School and Great Lakes Junior College graduate serves as an administrative assistant in the Pioneer Group, which employs over 200 people.

She is that voice at the end of the line for those trying to schedule appointments with Publisher Jack Batdorf and Chief Operating Officer Paula Butler. Although she handles numerous tasks for those 2 very busy people, she is a 'Girl Friday' for the other department heads as well.

Debbie is married and she and her husband, Mike, have a 3-year-old son, David. Mike is studying plastics engineering at Ferris State University and after his graduation next spring, he and Debbie will be moving out of state.

"I enjoy having a job that allows me to meet people on a daily basis," Debbie said. "Though the job can, at times, be demanding, it's always rewarding. I've been fortunate the past 2 years to have worked with some fine people."

Debbie is the daughter of Lynn and Bette Hurford of N. Fort Meyers, Fla., former residents of Cass City, and the granddaughter of Clara Bond of Cass City.

Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Doug Herringshaw reported another successful year for the United Way. Donations have easily topped the group's 1987 goal of \$17,000.

A 1973 AMC Pacer was already destroyed by fire and smoke by the time Elkland Township firemen arrived at Wildwood Farms Restaurant Dec. 21. The exact cause of the blaze is undetermined.

The residents of the Cass City Apartments enjoyed a potluck supper Dec. 18. Santa Claus appeared and presented a gift to each person. The group was entertained by Gerry Lamboureux and Paul Leyva, who played guitars and sang songs.

Justin Salas was among the first to cross the new Zilwaukee bridge when it opened Dec. 23 and was presented with a sign, "We Crossed the Z-Bridge."

10 YEARS AGO

Conditions were less than ideal for Santa Claus, his reindeer and sleigh for delivering Christmas presents as temperatures were in the 60s Saturday.

The Indian Trails bus, which stopped in front of the Eat Shop on Main Street

Monday, was the last inter-city bus to come to Cass City and to the Upper Thumb. The run was stopped based on minimal usage by passengers.

Seaman Apprentice Lori Kitchen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Kitchen of Deford, has completed the 8-week Navy basic training followed by the 4-week Seaman Apprenticeship training, both at Orlando, Fla.

Keith McConkey is remodeling his jewelry store.

Rob Albee, who was an exchange student to Australia, gave a talk and showed slides about his experiences there, at the Cass City Zonta Club's Christmas dinner at the Charmont Tuesday evening.

25 YEARS AGO

SP4 Morris G. McPhail, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie McPhail of Detroit, formerly of Cass City, was killed in action by a mine while on duty with the Ninth Infantry Division in Vietnam.

Twenty-nine yule baskets were packed by the Junior Woman's Club and delivered by Harry Little to area families for Christmas.

Because of ill health, Glenn "Scotty" McCullough Tuesday night re-

signed from the Cass City village council. He had compiled the best attendance record of any trustee, never missing a regular or special meeting of the council.

A decision of the Cass City Planning Commission Tuesday evening authorized the use of the former Lutheran Church building on Maple and Garfield Streets as a Masonic Lodge.

Les Searls, son of the Rev. and Mrs. R.J. Searls, and David MacRae, son of Dr. and Mrs. K. Ivan MacRae, will be among 63 students from Oakland University, Rochester, who will spend the winter semester (January-April) studying in England.

35 YEARS AGO

William Gleason, who lives on the Jim McEllan farm, 3 miles east and a mile and a half north of Cass City, brought evidence to the Chronicle that large snakes do live in this area of Michigan. Friday he brought a 46-inch long snake to the Chronicle that he had killed Thursday afternoon with an iron rod. He believes it was a species of the rattlesnake and dangerous.

Willis Campbell was named the winner of the annual Home Decoration

Contest sponsored by the Cass City Chamber of Commerce. He received \$25 for his display.

St. Pancratius Church has purchased a building and land owned by Herbert Bartle and D.A. Krug on Seeger Street for construction of a new church.

The Cass City Red Hawks chalked up their fourth straight victory of the season Friday night with an easy 53-46 victory over Bad Axe. A unit composed of Bob Holcomb and Forrest Walpole at guards, Fred Leeson and Jim Johnson at forwards and Bob Tuckey at center quickly jumped into a commanding lead which Cass City never lost.

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Rutkowski deployed in Operation Restore Hope

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Dean J. Rutkowski, son of Joseph B. and Maxine J. Rutkowski of Ubyly, recently arrived off the coast of Somalia aboard the aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk, homeported in San Diego, in support of Operation Restore Hope.

Forward deployed to the Western Pacific and Indian Ocean since early November, the USS Kitty Hawk (CV 63) battle group relieved the USS Ranger (CV 61) battle group off Somalia. This is the Kitty Hawk's first deployment since completing a 4-year overhaul in December 1991, extending its service life by 15 years.

Operation Restore Hope is a textbook example of the Navy and Marine Corps team exercising their traditional expeditionary roles. On short notice, Naval Expeditionary Forces are poised to respond to crises in

distant lands, from the sea. During this deployment, Rutkowski has visited Hong Kong and Singapore.

A 1987 graduate of Ubyly High School, he joined the Navy in April 1988.

Sr. Citizens' Menu

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

JAN. 4-6-8

Monday - Roast Beef with Mushroom Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, Salad Bar, Roll, Fresh Banana.

Wednesday - Italian Meatloaf, Zucchini, Stewed Tomatoes, Italian Bread, Oatmeal Cookie.

Friday - Baked Pork Steak, Roasted Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Cukes & Sour Cream, Roll, Apple Pie.

COPING WITH THE STOMACH FLU

Every winter brings with it many cases of the stomach flu, a viral infection affecting the gut.

Normally the viral flu causes diarrhea, aching, a low grade fever and lethargy. It usually lasts only a few days. Since many other illnesses can cause diarrhea such as bacterial infections, parasites, and food intolerances, any illness that doesn't act like the viral flu should be evaluated.

What should you do when you or your child gets the flu? Since it is caused by a virus, there is no quick cure.

A person must treat the symptoms and avoid food that may make the diarrhea worse. One of the main food groups to avoid is milk and dairy products. The cells lining the gut which digest lactose lose their enzymes, and the lactose then worsens the diarrhea.

Other foods that should be avoided until the diarrhea has improved are fatty foods, spicy foods and onions. Excessively sweet drinks or fruit juices may also worsen the diarrhea.

It is useful to drink water and beverages made to replace fluids such as sports drinks. Other mild foods such as bananas, rice, soups, crackers, toast, cooked vegetables such as carrots and potatoes and fish or chicken should be eaten.

Since the virus is quite contagious, it is important to stay home until the illness has run its course. It is especially important to wash hands frequently.

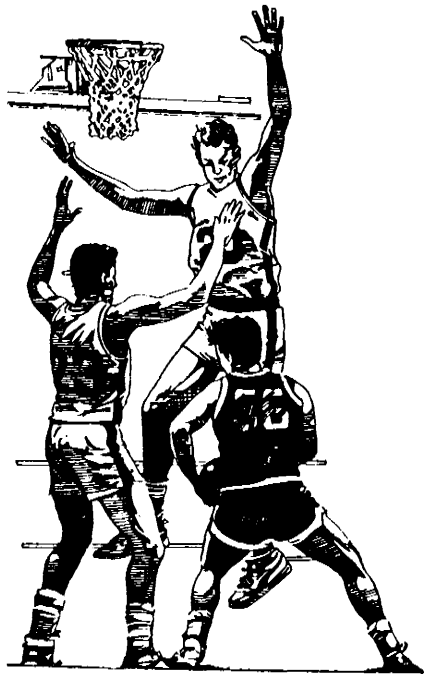
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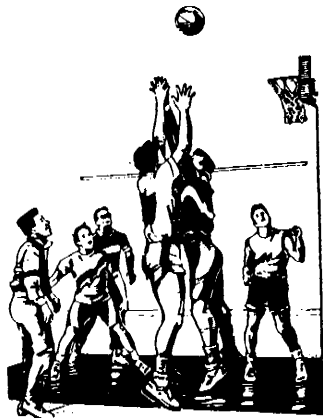
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Fahrner Owen-Gage student of the month

Becky Fahrner, daughter of Fred and Faith Fahrner of 5621 Sebewaing Road, Owendale, was named student of the month at Owen-Gage High School.

The senior student carried

a B average and won the 1991 United States National Mathematics Award. She is a member of the band and was named homecoming queen in 1992.

She plays volleyball and is a member of Students Against Drunk Driving and the girl scouts. In 1992 she received the United States National Leadership and Service Award.

She plans to attend Central Michigan University and major in social work.

Church to present film

A film, "The Hiding Place," will be shown at the New Year's Eve service at the Nazarene Church in Cass City.

Legal Notices

NOTICE

Pursuant to the resolution of the Village Council dated November 30, 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 Dec. 31, 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 descriptions of the properties proposed to be annexed to the Village are as follows:

Parcel A. Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 11 East; Thence N88°57'20"W, 328.95 feet along the South Section line to the point of beginning; Running thence N88°57'20"W, 1315.80 feet along the South Section line; Thence N01°50'14"E, 1324.79 feet; thence S88°44'13"E, 986.06 feet; thence S01°48'17"W, 660.51 feet; thence S88°50'47"E, 328.81 feet; Thence S01°47'36"E, 659.00 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, Elkland Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

Parcel B. That part of Section 33, Elkland Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, thence S02°08'30"W, 939.33 feet along the East line of said Section 33 to the point of beginning; RUNNING THENCE S01°08'30"W, 334.81 feet along the East line of said Section 33, thence N88°38'30"W, 598.19 feet along the Northerly right of way line of the former Detroit and Huron Railroad; thence along a curve to the right (long chord bearing and distance = N58°40'18"W, 679.53 feet; radius = 680.15 feet) an arc distance of 711.53 feet along the Northerly and Westerly right of way line of the former Detroit and Huron Railroad; thence S88°25'E, 1191.44 feet to the point of beginning, EXCEPTING the North 200 feet of the East 200 feet thereof. Being in and a part of the South 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 11 East.

Dated: Nov. 30, 1992

Joyce A. LaRoche, Village Clerk
5-12-9-4

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by AMY J. TOMLINSON, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN to FIRST CENTRAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION, A MICHIGAN CORPORATION, Mortgage, dated July 30, 1990, and recorded on July 31, 1990, in Liber 604, on page 1181, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgage to FLEET MORTGAGE CORP., A RHODE ISLAND CORPORATION by an assignment dated July 30, 1990, and recorded on August 9, 1990, in Liber 605, on page 227, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of thirty four thousand eight hundred ninety four and 53/100 Dollars (\$34,894.53), including interest at 10.500% annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and approved, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola, MI, at 11:00 A.M. on January 15, 1993.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF NOVESTA, TUSCOLA County, Michigan and are described as: Commencing at the intersection of the Centerline of Cemetery Road and the south line of the northeast 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of Section 4, Town 13 North, Range 11 East; thence west 350 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing west along said south line of the northeast 1/4 of the northeast 1/4, 100 feet; thence north parallel to the Centerline of Cemetery Road to the Cass River thence east along the Cass River to a point directly north of the point of beginning; thence south and parallel to the Centerline of Cemetery Road to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

DATED: December 9, 1992

ATTORNEY FOR: Assignee of Mortgage

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Birmingham, MI 48009-6616

FLEET MORTGAGE CORP
Assignee of Mortgage 5-12-9-5

Mary Asher

Mary A. Asher, 69, of Laingsburg, formerly of Cass City, died Friday, Dec. 25, at Tendercare, Cass City.

She was born Aug. 13, 1923, in Cass City.

Formerly Mary Aileen Kelley, she married Harold Asher May 31, 1947, in Lucas County, Ohio. He preceded her in death in 1973.

Mrs. Asher lived most of her life in Tuscola County. She graduated from Cass City High School in 1941 and County Normal in 1942. She taught in a one room schoolhouse for 3 years and then was employed as a doctor's assistant for many years. She was previously a member of St. Pancratius Catholic Church in Cass City.

She is survived by 2 daughters, Mrs. John (Janet) Fields, Caro, and Mrs. Robert (Peggy Sue) Johnson, Laingsburg; 2 granddaughters, Mrs. Daniel (Lori) King, Ithaca, and Kristi Fields, Mt. Pleasant; one sister, Mrs. Katherine Miller, Saginaw, and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by 6 brothers and 2 sisters.

A wake service was held Sunday evening at the Col-lon Funeral Home.

Funeral services were held Monday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Caro, with Father Michael Bell officiating.

Burial was in Elkland Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Catholic Masses, the American Cancer Society or Allen Hospice.

Edward Brauer

Edward C. Brauer, 85, of Deford, died Tuesday, Dec. 22, at Lapeer Regional Hospital.

He was born Jan. 25, 1907 in Oxford, Mich., the son of William and Christina (Shankle) Brauer.

Mr. Brauer was a farmer. He had been active in the Deford United Methodist church, the seniors at Thomas United Methodist Church and the Thumb Electric Cooperative. He is survived by his chil-

dren, Mary Lou (the late Lyle) Brauer of Oxford, Clayton (Dorothea) Sawdon of Deford, and Robert (Karen) Sawdon of Deford; 9 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Leona Brauer, April 5, 1992, 4 brothers, Bert, Frank, Charles and Fred, and a sister, Anna.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Dec. 24, at Muir Brothers Funeral Home in Lapeer, with the Rev. Mary Eckhardt and the Rev. Lynn Chappell, officiating.

Burial was in the Lum Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Thomas United Methodist Church or the Deford United Methodist Church.

Gordon Crittenden II

Gordon H. Crittenden II, 28, of Caro, died Tuesday, Dec. 22, at Saginaw General Hospital after an illness of several months.

He was born May 31, 1964, in Cass City, the son of Gordon H. Crittenden of Caro and Mrs. Marquette Rodriguez Corl of Caro.

He married Darla Phelps Aug. 16, 1983, in Caro, where they made their home.

He is survived by his wife, Darla; one daughter, Candice Jean, and one son, Gordon Zachery, at home; his mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Corl of Caro; his father, Gordon H. Crittenden of Caro; 4 brothers, Charles of Adrian, Allen of Charlotte, N.C., David of Caro, and Joshua of Mayville, and 2 sisters, Jenny Lynn Crittenden of Kingston and Betty Jo Crittenden of Caro.

A memorial service will be held at 4 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 30, at the First Baptist Church of Cass City, with the Rev. John R. Wood, pastor, officiating.

Arrangements were made by Little's Funeral Home, Cass City.

Sophie Partaka

Sophie Partaka, 70, of Deford, died Sunday, Dec. 27, at Pontiac General Hospital.

Formerly Sophie Wasserman, she was born May 6, 1922, in Tyre, Mich., and married Ernest A. Partaka May 27, 1944, in Frieburg (Sanilac County). She lived all of her life in Sanilac and Tuscola counties. She was a homemaker and farmer and a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Caro.

She is survived by her husband, Ernest A. Partaka; 3 daughters, Mrs. Vito (Vernita) Cangemi of Clarkston, Mrs. Delores Mathewson of Deford and Mrs. Frank (Nancy) Clark of Chino Valley, Ariz.; 10 grandchildren; 2 sisters, Mrs. Stanley (Irene) Osentoski of Warren and Mrs. Basil (Helen) Wrobel of Burton; 4 sisters-in-law, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by 2 sons-in-law, Robert Heyman in 1973 and Phillip Mathewson in 1991; 5 brothers, Stanley, Matthew, Joseph, Bernard and Edward Wasserman.

Funeral services were scheduled at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 30, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, with the Rev. Michael Bell officiating.

Burial will be in Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Catholic Masses or the family.

Elmer Prime

Elmer F. Prime, 78, of Unionville, died Wednesday, Dec. 23, at Bay Medical Center, Bay City, following a lengthy illness.

He was born Nov. 30, 1914.

He married Edna Sattleberg Nov. 30, 1940. A retired farmer, Prime was a member of Farm Bureau and St. Peter Lutheran Church, Columbia Corners.

He is survived by his wife, Edna; 3 daughters and 3 sons-in-law, Beverly and Johnny Gangler of Caro, and Joyce and Ronald Nickerson and Barbara and Richard Parsell, all of Unionville; one son and daughter-in-

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law, Larry and Karen Prime of Unionville; 14 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; one brother, Byron Prime of Akron, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by 7 brothers and one sister. Funeral services were held Sunday at St. Peter Lutheran Church, with the Rev. Gary R. Groth officiating.

Burial was in St. Peter Lutheran Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Peter Lutheran Church, the American Cancer Society and the Michigan Heart Fund.

Basil Quick

Mr. Basil Quick, 75, of Cass City, died Wednesday, December 23, 1992, at St. Mary's Hospital, Saginaw, after a lengthy illness.

He was born April 7, 1917, in Novesta Township the son of the late Clyde and Estelle (Swaffield) Quick.

He married to Miss Dorothea Clara May 23, 1941, in Novesta Township where they made their home. They came to Cass City in 1963 from Caro.

Mr. Quick had been employed by the Caro Regional Center for many years and also worked at Cass City High School. He was a life member and past master of Tyler Lodge #317 F and AM, Cass City, a member of the Farm Bureau, the Gem and Mineral Club of Caro and the First Presbyterian Church of Cass City.

Mr. Quick is survived by his wife, Dorothea; one daughter, Mrs. Judy Zak and husband, Robert, of Midland; one grandson, Mr. David Zak, also of Midland. Five brothers, Albert, Garrett, George, Hazen and Russell, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday at Little's Funeral Home, Cass City, with Reverend David Smith, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Cass City, officiating.

Interment was in Elkland Cemetery, Cass City.

Charles Seeley

Charles "Buzz" Hollis Seeley, 48, of Cass City died Thursday, Dec. 24, in Bad Axe, after a long illness.

He was born Dec. 4, 1944, in Hazel Park, the son of Hazel (Hower) Seeley of Cass City and the late Hollis Seeley.

He married Carol Dodge in March of 1965 in Cass City. They lived in Cass City and Ypsilanti. He married Mrs. Roberta Slieff Fisher in Flint

Aug. 11, 1973. They made their home in Goodrich and Ubyly.

A 1963 graduate of Cass City High School, Seeley attended Central Michigan University. He was a Michigan State Trooper for 18 years in Ypsilanti, Flint and Bad Axe.

He is survived by 3 sons, Christopher and wife Carrie of Wyoming, Mich., Jeffrey of North Branch and Brian of Cass City; one daughter, Mrs. Kimberly Thompson and husband John of North Branch; 2 grandchildren, Cadence and Michael; his mother, Mrs. Hazel Seeley

of Cass City; 2 sisters, Miss Sherryl Seeley of Wilmot, and Miss Janis Seeley of Cass City, and dear friend, Elaine Talaski of Bad Axe. One sister, Kathleen, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at the Salem United Methodist Church of Cass City with the Rev. Kenneth Ray, pastor, officiating.

Interment was in Elkland Cemetery, Cass City.

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WE EXTEND OUR sincere gratitude and appreciation for all the support and care we have received these past months - in particular, the benefit support. A special thank you to Reverend Lisa McIlvanna, Gagetown United Methodist Church, and the Women's League of Gagetown UM Church; to Jack Esau, the Cass City VFW, and the Ladies' Auxiliary. Everyone worked so hard to make a most trying time for our family a bit more tolerable and we are thankful for the network of support here in Cass City. Respectfully, the Richard Vandecar family.
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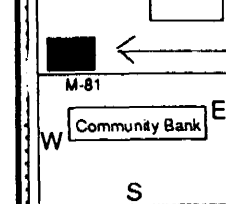


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The Village of Sebawaing had applied for a grant in the amount of \$112,500 to improve access to fishing opportunities and provide for family recreational experiences in the village. Some

Cattlemen's meeting set Jan. 9

Farm family relationships will be a key focus at the 1993 Michigan Cattlemen's Association Annual Meeting, Jan. 9. The program will be from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Kellogg Center in East Lansing.

Dr. Ron Hanson, from the University of Nebraska, will address how to avoid the common mistakes that often cause farm family conflicts. He will also touch on farming relationships with spouses. Dr. Hanson will share real life experiences of farm families he has counseled the past 11 years.

specific improvements include the construction of handicapped accessible river fishing platforms, public restrooms and appropriate landscaping and lighting. This project is viewed as a critical part of a revitalization strategy in a lagging downtown area.

The city of Bad Axe had applied for \$74,400 for the purpose of acquiring some additional 15.75 acres of land to expand the existing park area in Bad Axe. While the goal is to develop an all inclusive recreation area for all age groups, approximately 10 acres of the proposed land acquisition will be developed into a new soccer field for organized soccer league play.

"It is my understanding that approximately 200 K-8 school children will actively participate in soccer this year, and I am delighted that there will be adequate facilities for these athletes as a result of this grant. The benefits to the community will be tremendous both in the short and long-term, and will allow great strides in the city's efforts toward community recreation and revitalization," Allen said.

Calendar of Events

Deadline for submitting items for listing in the calendar is the Friday noon before publication.

Thursday, Dec. 31

New Year's Eve gospel sing, 8 p.m., Cass City High School.

New Year's Eve service, 7:30 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

New Year's Eve service, Cass City Church of the Nazarene.

Friday, Jan. 1

Happy New Year!

Sunday, Jan. 3

"Carols of the Season" concert, 5 p.m., St. John the Evangelist Parish, Uby.

Monday, Jan. 4

Novesta Township board, 7:30 p.m., Township Hall.

Tuesday, Jan. 5

Marlette at Cass City in basketball. Freshman game starts at 5 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 6

Duplicate Bridge, 7 p.m. at Charmont. Everyone welcome!

Offer tractor safety courses

Tractor Safety Courses are once again being offered in Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties.

These classes are open to all youth 10 years and older who are interested in farm safety education or "certification" for employment in agriculture. The courses will meet 2 hours, one night a week for 7 weeks.

The tri-county has experienced 9 ag-related fatalities since May 1992; 3 of these deaths have been children under 16.

Nationwide, 300 children die each year on America's farms and another 25,000 are injured. "This is an unnecessary tragedy and one that none of us can afford," said Ag Safety Specialist Geraldine Smith. "Our youth can be protected from this kind of needless loss, and safety education is one of the ways that we can provide that protection."

The 4-H Tractor Safety Course, a proven safety program, was first established in 1972. At that time, the

U.S. Department of Labor defined 11 areas of work within agriculture that are "off-limits" to youth under the age of 16.

The operation of farm tractors with 20 PTO or greater horsepower, and other powered farm equipment, were 2 of the areas identified as hazardous. The Hazardous Occupations Order makes it unlawful to hire or even permit any youth under 16 years of age to do any of the jobs listed as hazardous, unless: 1) the youth is working on a farm owned or operated by the youth's parents, or 2) the youth has a training certificate, or 3) the youth is employed under a cooperative student-learner program through the school.

This order and the training program are explained in more detail in MSU's bulletin AEIS #572, which is available from local cooperative extension service offices, or by calling Smith at the Huron County Health Department, 269-9721 or 1-800-833-8550.

The 4-H Tractor Safety Courses are being co-sponsored by Huron County Health Department, "Farming Safely in the Thumb," county 4-H councils and county Farm Bureaus. They will begin the first week of January at the locations and times listed below. There is a 45.00 fee.

Youth must be pre-registered and pre-paid before the first class meeting. Pre-register by calling Smith or Sandra Koglin at 269-9721 or 1-800-833-8550 at the Huron County Health Department. The classes will be offered at the following locations:

Huron County: Kinde - Beginning Jan. 7, 7-9 p.m.; Ruth - Beginning the first week of Jan., 7-9 p.m., and Owendale - Beginning Jan. 4, 7-9 p.m.

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Pledge corn for loans

Producers with low-grade 1992-crop corn will now be able to pledge this grain as collateral for 9-month recourse loans, according to David Claerhout, executive director of the Tuscola County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

This will allow producers harvesting 1992-crop corn that is low-test weight and otherwise ineligible for farm-stored and warehouse loans to use the loan program. Corn that is low-test weight, whether stored on farms or in warehouses, is eligible for recourse loans. The loan rate will be determined on the grade of the crop, based on the test weight and will reflect the loan premiums and discounts applicable to that grade. Corn that has been cracked, rolled or crimped is eligible for recourse loans at 70 percent of the county's non-recourse rates.

New Year's Eve

26th gospel concert set

A tradition of bringing in the new year with an evening of gospel music and fellowship will continue Thursday with the 26th annual New Year's Eve concert, set to begin at 8 p.m. in the Cass City High School auditorium.

The event, which annually draws some 1,000 residents, is sponsored by the Cass City Layman's Club, an organization of area men dedicated to serving God as laymen.

Heading up this year's featured gospel groups are "Michigan's Goodwill Ambassadors," the Flint-based Calvarymen Quartet, which appeared at the first Cass City New Year's Eve concert and haven't missed a year since. Also scheduled to sing are Les and Linda Green and the Foster Family.

There is no admission charge, but a free-will offering will be taken to cover

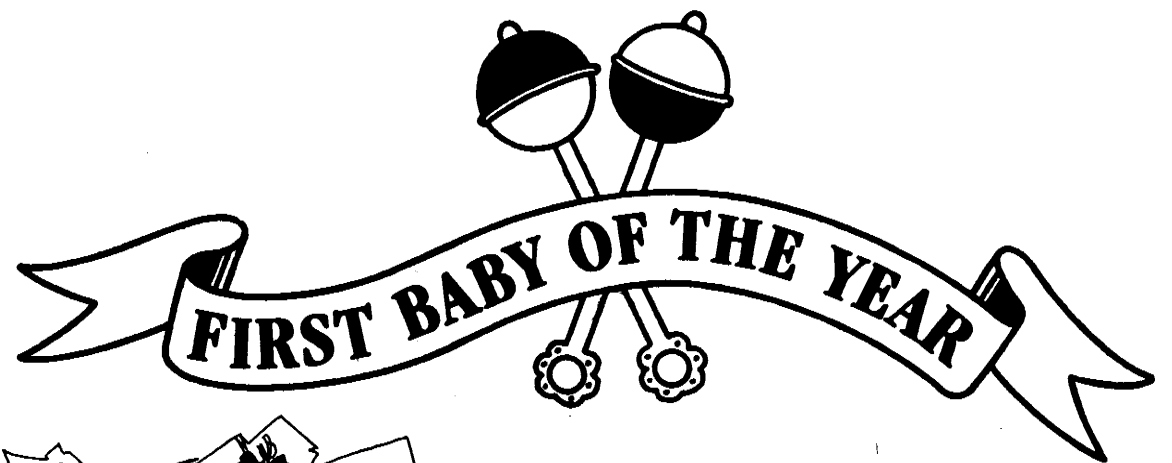
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will be the first to arrive in the NEW YEAR 1993? Look at all the gifts this newcomer will receive if he or she is the first one to arrive in our community after the stroke of midnight, December 31st - January 1st.



\$10.00 Savings Account

From
Cass City Office

Thumb National Bank and Trust Company

\$10.00

Baby Food or Merchandise



IGA Foodliner



\$10.00 Towards Any Prescription
From

Coach Light Pharmacy

\$10.00

Certificate

Erla's Food Center



GIFT ARRANGEMENT
for the New Mom & Baby

Cass City Floral

Haist Flowers & Gifts - 453-2414

Owners - Joel and Carol Ingles



872-3675



\$10.00 Savings Account



**CHEMICAL BANK
BAY AREA**



\$10.00 Gift Certificate
from
Kritzmans', Inc.

CASS CITY

Free One-Year Subscription

CASS CITY CHRONICLE



Decorated CAKE

From

Sommers' Bakery

\$10.00

Gift Certificate

Cass City ServiStar Hardware

6092 E. Cass City Rd.

872-2188

A Decorated Cake



Sutter's Bakery

first baby of the year

PHONE 872-2252 **CASS CITY**

OPEN EVERY NIGHT DURING THE HOLIDAYS
TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY
Shown 7:30 Only

stirring and deeply moving
JOHN MALKOVICH
OF MICE AND MEN
PG-13

NEW YEAR'S EVE - FRIDAY - SATURDAY - SUNDAY
9:30 7:30 7:30 & 9:30 7:30

"A GENUINE MOVIE STAR IS BORN - GEORGE STRAIT"
Not since Marty Robbins and Gene Autry

PURE COUNTRY
PG-13

SOON: "HOME ALONE 2"

HOPE YOUR NEW YEAR IS A
BLAST!

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR
FRIENDSHIP AND SUPPORT AND
WISH YOU THE BEST IN 1993.

Bartnik's Service
Corner of M-81 and M-53
Cass City

Genuine Broasted Chicken® DINNER SPECIAL

Expires 1/30/93
- Coupon -

PLEASE REDEEM WITH THIS VALUABLE COUPON

TAKE OFF \$1.00 ON ANY Broasted Chicken® Order of 8 Pieces or More.
Good for seating or carryout.

SOMMERS' BAKERY & RESTAURANT
Cass City Open Sundays 872-3577