



ARCHITECT FREDERICK EURICH outlined the problems remodeling the middle school building entails before an overflow crowd in the Cass City High School board room.

Cites conflict of interest

Tuckey quits township board

Citing a conflict of interest, lifelong Cass City resident Roy Tuckey last week resigned his seat on the Elkland Township Board after more than 10 years of service.

In a letter to the board, Tuckey stated he felt he could no longer serve on the board following the filing of a law suit against the township by Triple T Farms, a partnership in which he is a member.

The suit, filed in Tuscola County Circuit Court, asks the court to reverse a Feb. 28 township Zoning Board of



ROY TUCKEY
Resigns from board

Appeals decision denying Triple T Farms' request for a special land-use permit to operate an asphalt processing plant just west of Cass City.

Tuckey initially presented the proposal to the Elkland Township Zoning Board in January, 4 years after a similar plan was rejected in the wake of protests from nearby property owners.

Tuckey applied for a permit to process asphalt at a site located on some 90 acres of land — currently zoned Agricultural — south of M-81 and east of Koepfen Road.

The permit was unanimously denied by the 3-member appeals board in

February following an hour-long hearing, during which several people — many of them residents of the Northwood Lake Condominium complex north of the proposed site — voiced concerns ranging from possible health risks to noise, fumes and dust, to the effect an asphalt operation would have on property values.

Township Clerk Norma Wallace said the township board has 45 days to appoint a replacement for Tuckey, who has served as a trustee since 1984. The appointee will then serve until the next regular election in 1996.

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Proctors to remain active after sale of business

A look of satisfaction crosses Tom Proctor's face when he talks about his years as a pharmacist at the corner of Main and Seeger streets in Cass City.

He can't begin to remember the number of times he came home after a long day at work, only to go back to fill yet another prescription after receiving a call from a parent in need of medication for a child.

Or the number of holidays spent not on vacation, but helping out at a Rotary food tent at the park.

And there have been many hours spent in meetings and on projects aimed at improving the local business climate, not only for himself, but for all downtown retailers.

After more than 3 decades of service in the community, Proctor and his wife, Elaine, recently retired with plans to remain active in the community but also enjoy more time with their son and daughter and 4 grandchildren.

The Proctors recently sold Old Wood Drugs to Book Mart Inc., operated by Jonathan and Cheryl Shores of Caro.

Looking back, Proctor marvels at the number of changes he's seen since purchasing the pharmacy from Warren Wood back in 1962.

The couple moved to the area from Midland, where Tom, a Howell native, had worked as a pharmacist for 5 years. They met while attending what is today Ferris State University. Both

graduated in 1958 — he with a degree in pharmacology, she in accounting.

"When I bought the store, the pharmacy was only 12 feet long and maybe 4 feet deep. Now it's 30 or 40 feet long and 6 feet deep," Proctor said.

"The pharmacy was a third of the size it is now. There was a barbershop in the building, and there was a wide hallway going upstairs. The old fire hall, library and boy scout rooms were behind."

RENOVATIONS

The Proctors have seen the store through several renovations in the years since, but the greatest changes have been observed in doing busi-

ness as a pharmacist in a small town.

"It has changed dramatically," Tom commented. "A drug store used to be the gathering place for people. It was sort of a social place."

As for medications, he said, "The drugs (today) are more disease specific and much more costly. Nearly everyone wants a generic if it's available these days."

The amount of documentation involved has increased dramatically, according to the longtime business owner, who pointed out there are dozens of third party insurance processors today. Multiply that times hundreds of different health plans, and it becomes a paperwork nightmare.

Proctor said there was a time when paperwork was all processed by hand. "Now, we have to pay someone to process it by computer."

Proctor said rural drug stores have undergone a metamorphosis of sorts over the years in order to keep up in an ever changing business climate.

In the early years, for example, people bought their toothbrushes and toothpaste at the drug store. The same goes for magazines and a host of other items. Today, Proctor added, those same items are often picked up at the grocery store instead.

"When I first came here, we did a fair number of veterinary things; now we do none," he continued, "and we used to maintain a state supply of immunizations."

Proctor noted the latter was phased out with the growth and expansion of services provided by health departments.

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Special meeting set

School renovation plans on hold

It's back to square one for the proposed renovation of the Cass City Middle School following a presentation by Matt Sullivan and Frederick Eurich representing the Saginaw architect firm of Toshach Sobczak Spencer Forsythe. They spoke before an overflow crowd at the regular Monday meeting of the school board. Most of the spectators were teachers, with a sprinkling of concerned parents, and were strongly in favor of a new school building program.

What has stymied the pay-as-you-go program, in which the board had earmarked \$180,000 from general operating funds for the initial phase of remodeling the building, is a change in the application of rules by the State Fire Marshal's office.

According to Eurich, previously the fire marshal would inspect a project and look only at the work being done. That's changed. When an inspector examines a building, he will inspect the entire structure for code violations.

Depending on the deficiencies, the inspector has the right to demand immediate compliance or close the school.

The architects said that a building in the Hale district decided to renovate an older building and started the project. The changes at the school were costly, but failed to satisfy the inspector and the district finally had to build a new school.

Sullivan told the board that the district is under no obligation to anything and can continue to operate as it is now. However, if remodeling starts, the entire building will probably be required to meet fire codes.

The architects also said that the review of the initial plan calls for several new entrances and exits, with a greatly increased cost. For instance, they pointed out, to make the building handicapped accessible would re-

quire not one, but 2 elevators.

The problem the board faces, of course, is that the district has already turned down 2 requests for building funds by decisive margins.

SPECIAL MEETING

To consider the best course of action, the board has scheduled a special meeting Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the high school library. Board members said they would welcome input from all residents at the meeting.

STAFF REALIGNMENT

A staff realignment suggested by Supt. Ken Micklash was approved. Dorland Kuntz will be the new high school principal. Russ Biefer, the current principal, will take a new post that will include athletic director, a time consuming job, Micklash pointed out. In addition, he will either become principal at Deford for a half day or take another administrative post to be decided.

There is support among staff and parents for a full time principal at Deford. The issue is still to be decided.

Micklash stressed that the change was one that both Kuntz and Biefer were pleased with.

Also authorized was the hiring of a part-time (probably 2 days a week) coordinator for special projects. The person will write grants and administer the programs. Payment will come from the general fund, Micklash reported.

OTHER BUSINESS

•A committee has been formed to screen candidates for the vacant Campbell Elementary principal position. It will include the superintendent and a member of the administration staff, 2 teachers and Fred Matthews and

Joan Helwig from the school board. Jim Turner is an alternate from the board.

•The July meeting of the school board has been switched from its regular third Monday of the month to Thursday, July 6. The board will reorganize at this meeting.

•The board approved a resolution required to be-

come a member of the Michigan High School Athletic Association. Membership is necessary for the school to participate in athletic tournaments.

•Five staff members were recognized for perfect attendance during the school year. They are: Doug Hall, Don Markel, Carol Parrott, Marcel Vatter and Craig Weaver.

Teacher pact

2.75 percent raise granted in new 3-year agreement

Cass City Schools and the Tri-county Bargaining Association have reached agreement on a new 3-year pact which was ratified Monday night by the school board and will push the 3 teachers at the top of the pay scale in 1997-8 to \$52,078 per year.

The wage settlement calls for a 2.7 percent increase each year for 3 years. Teachers at the bottom of the scale presently earn \$26,383. For the 1995-96 year the starting salary will be \$27,383. In 1996-97, the first year salary will be \$28,136 and in 1997-8 a starting teacher will make \$28,910.

The settlement was reached in a single bargaining session, but the terms keep the Cass City district in the same relative position that it has been occupying, about in the middle of the salary schedules for Tuscola County schools.

Percentage-wise, the school increase is below the state average of 2.88 and below what most schools that have reached agreement have settled for in Tuscola County. Akron-Fairgrove, Reese and Vassar granted 3 percent increases and Kingston and Mayville, 4 percent increases. Most of these agreements were for one year. The Tuscola County Intermediate School District granted a 2.6

percent yearly increase in each year of a 3-year pact.

OTHER CHANGES

Several other payment schedules were revised, resulting in minor costs to the district.

A trade in pupil load limits saw the secondary home economic class limits raised from 24 to 26 and the secondary industrial arts class lowered from 28 to 26. Teachers in classes with more than the maximum number will be paid \$2.25 per pupil in the secondary and middle school and \$4.00 per day in the elementary classes. The total cost of the program is about \$400.

Unused sick leave over 70 days will be paid at 80 percent of the substitute teacher rate, which next year will mean an increase from \$40 to \$46.50 per day. We think it is better to have the regular teacher in the classroom rather than a substitute whenever possible, Supt. Ken Micklash said.

There were minor changes in schedule B that covers extracurricular activities. Varsity softball coaches will be paid 8.3 percent of step one on the salary schedule, up from 6.6. Any person after

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Driver killed in fiery crash

A motorist died early Thursday morning in a fiery crash about 5 miles northeast of Cass City.

The victim was identified as Joyce Hattie Ryan, 66, of Lapeer.

The accident occurred at

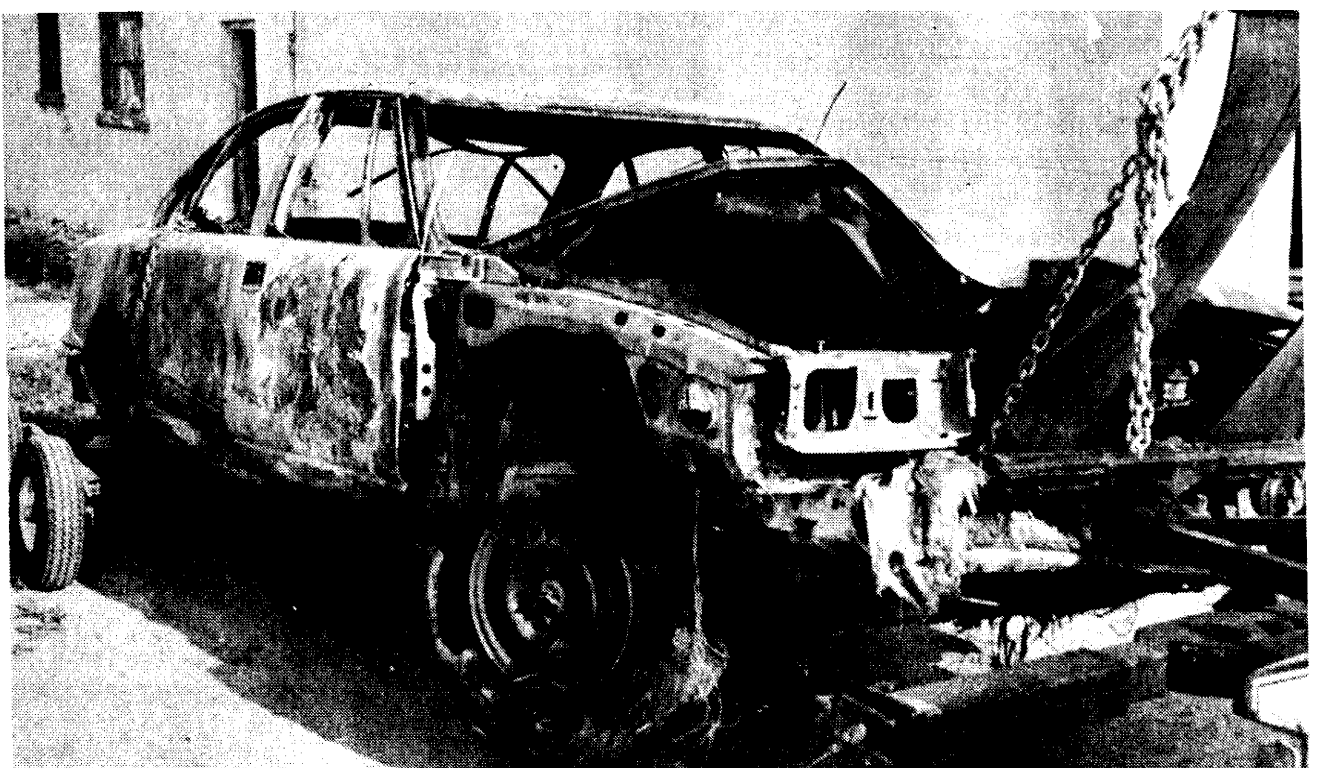
about 3 a.m. on Hoadley Road, a quarter-mile south of Seeger Road in Sanilac County's Greenleaf Township, according to troopers at the Michigan State Police post in Sandusky.

Investigators said Ryan was northbound on Hoadley

Road about a quarter-mile south of Seeger Road when she lost control on the gravel surface. The car left the road on the east side, struck several trees and burst into flames.

The identity of the driver was not immediately known.

Investigators, who were assisted at the scene by the Elkland Township Fire Department and Cass City-Mercy Ambulance personnel, released the name of the victim Monday after matching the victim's dental records.



THE CHARRED REMAINS of this vehicle give mute testimony of the fierce blaze that claimed the life of Joyce Hattie Ryan of Lapeer.



THE PRINCIPALS in a change in ownership of Old Wood Pharmacy are, from left, Elaine and Tom Proctor and Jonathan and Cheryl Shores.

Calendar of Events

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

Wednesday, June 21

Lower Thumb Chapter of the American Diabetes Association invites you to join them at 7 p.m. in the Marlette Community Hospital auxiliary room.

Thursday, June 22

Summer story time for children ages 4 and up at Rawson Memorial Library, 1 p.m.

Hospice Orientation, 7 p.m., St. Mary's Catholic Church, Caro. All are welcome. Hospice will be explained and also what a Hospice volunteer does.

The Lake Huron Community Arts Council will present: "Michigan's Underwater Time Capsule", a video of 2 Michigan shipwrecks at the Heidelberg Gallery, downtown Sebawaing, 7 p.m.

Caseville Golden Eagles Square Dance Club, 7:30 - 10 p.m. at the Eagles Club. All square dancers welcome.

Friday, June 23

Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 25

Statewide Log Cabin Day Festival, 1 - 6 p.m., Pioneer Log Village, Bad Axe City Park with live old-time music, pioneer craft demos, cabin tours, refreshments and more. Free admission.

Saint Mary's Museum, just north of Saint Mary's Church in Parisville, will celebrate Log Cabin Days, noon to 4 p.m. Native American relics and other antiques will be displayed. Light refreshments will be provided.

Monday, June 26

Hills and Dales Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 12 noon, Charmont.

Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building.

Wednesday, June 28

Duplicate Bridge, 7 p.m. at Charmont. Everyone welcome. Last week's winners were John Haire and Bill Dupuis.

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Erla earns accounting BS degree

Cass City High School graduate Jan M. Erla recently received a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting from Oakland University.

Erla, daughter of Daniel and Marlene Erla of Cass City, marched in June 3 graduation exercises, among the university's 1211 undergraduate degree recipients.

Jan finished her course work in December and is currently employed in the tax department of Detroit-based accounting firm Deloitte and Touche.

She resides in Sterling Heights.

Jeffery Matthew Zajac of 6710 Legg Road, Kingston, a fisheries and wildlife management major junior student, has earned a place on the Lake Superior State University dean's list for the spring semester. Listing requires a 3.5 grade-point average or better.

Mark Guinther of Cranberry Township, Pa., spent the weekend with his family at the home of his parents, Stan and Melva Guinther. They celebrated Drew Guinther's third birthday Saturday. Shelley, Drew and Spencer Guinther will be in Cass City until June 29, when they will leave to move into their new home in Cranberry Township.

Steve, Anne and Jacob Ballard of Homestead, Fla., announce the arrival of John Alexander Ballard, born June 16, in South Miami Hospital. John is named for his maternal grandfather and was born on his maternal grandmother's birthday (Jack and Ruth Esau). His paternal grandparents are the late James and Dorothy Ballard.

Ian Stirton of Washington, D.C., was a weekend guest of Esther McCullough.

Michael Bills, 4092 Cemetery Road, earned a place on the spring quarter dean's list at Michigan Technological University at Houghton. He compiled an all-A average.

Julia Morgan Karr, born Nov. 2, 1994, daughter of Dr. Curtis and Cynthia Karr, received the sacrament of baptism June 11 at the West Side United Methodist Church of Ann Arbor. Following the service, lunch was served at the Karr home for guests attending. Among those present were maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Somers of Troy, and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Karr of Gagetown.

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 Berenice Sowden, 872-2397.

JUNE 26-28-30

Monday - Stuffed Cabbage with Tomato Sauce, Parsley Potatoes, Baby Carrots, Variety Bread, Fruit Cocktail.

Wednesday - Oven Roast Pork, Roasted Potatoes, Salad Beets, Wheat Rolls, Citrus Fruit Cup.

Friday - Crispy Fish, Cream Style Potatoes, Brussels Sprouts, Variety Bread, Cherry Pie.

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Mrs. Ellen Crawford was honored on her 85th birthday Thursday at her home in Argyle with a potluck lunch. Attending were Mrs. Marion McClorey, Mrs. Onalee Crawford and Mrs. Mary Damm, all of Cass City, Miss Lessel Crawford of Rochester Hills, Mrs. Virginia Crawford and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Crawford, all of Caro.



*Boo-boos
in print*

by Melva E. Guinther

This is our latest collection of typos caught before the paper went to press.

Thanks for all the cards while I was recruiting at my home. (There's a card for everything, isn't there?) (recovering)

The Dogs outscored the hosts down the stenchies. (Basketball players do get sweaty running up and down the court.) (stretch)

He was charged with receiving and concealing stolen poverty. (Many people who have received poverty wish they could conceal it.) (property)

Real estate ad: Specious 3-bedroom home... (Not really a selling point. Specious means looking good outwardly, but having no real merit.) (spacious)

The boys (in a carpentry class) had mailed a board incorrectly. (How many ways can you mail a board?) (nailed)

The shed will be of rough sewn fur. (Cuddly, but not very functional.) (rough sawn fur)

Three actors are Humor, Drama and Audience participation... (I know actors change their names, but that's ridiculous.) (uses)

This got past the proofreader and was called to our attention by Ruth Fisher. Police drove to the intersection, where they intersected the car and pulled it over. (Seems like it would have been easier to pull it over first.) (intercepted)

Powers went the distance in defeat and was tagged with the lost. (You don't get a second chance with these

guys when you lose!) (loss)
The specialist will speak about the roll of women in the church, past, present and future. (Would they be holy rollers?) (role)
This one is so far off, I can't think of a single clever comment for it, let alone figure out how it happened. "The knob won't turn" came out "The know won't run."

Sometimes a lowly comma, or lack of it, can make a world of difference: Camper for sale - Bathroom sleeps 4. (That bathtub must be enormous!)

The omission of a line of type also leads to confusion: To be eligible for the supplemental food program, seniors must be at least 60 years old with children up to 6 years of age. (That would make Mom at least 54 when they were born. She needs all the help she can get!)

(The program for seniors was actually separate from the one for families with small children.)

In a commencement program: Instrumental duel by 2 seniors. (That might have been worth going to see in itself.) (duet)

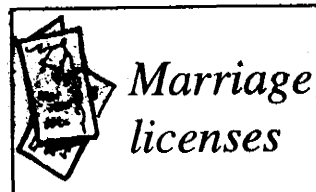
Here's another Cryptic Quote for word puzzle fans: (Answer next week)

Kdclqk ck nblymioxh. Cz jsfmk rbx ommh rbxlq mlbxa zb yb shh zam zaclqk rbx'im bhy mlbxa zb flbn rbx wsl'z. — Oislfhel D. Eblmk

Clue: O = F

Cass City Area Social and Personal Items

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Brian Joseph Bezotte and Diana Elaine Wacker, both of Caro.

Terry A. Maiers Jr. and Debbie Kay Maxson, both of Vassar.

Timothy Scott Blackmer and Wendy Rona Miles, both of Cass City.

Harry Joseph Cook and Rose Marie Field, both of Gagetown.

Shawn Daniel Goff, Taylors, S.C., and Kimberlee Kay Secord, Vassar.

Tony Ray Ross and Cynthia Joann Davis, both of Millington.

Hospital notes

PATIENTS LISTED MONDAY, JUNE 19, WERE:

Ashley Jacobs, Caro;
Charles Stover, Cass City;
Madeline Sontag, Gagetown.

Amy Rosinski on college dean's list

Amy Rosinski, granddaughter of Mrs. Alger Freiburger of Cass City and the daughter of Terry and Diane Rosinski of Granger, Ind., has been named to the dean's list at the University of Notre Dame for outstanding scholarship during the spring semester.

Rosinski earned a 4.0 grade point average and is ranked 12th in her class of 1,900 students. She will be returning to the University of Notre Dame in the fall as a sophomore resuming her studies in pre-med.

Dairy farm tour set in Sanilac

The Michigan Professional Dairy Farmers Association and Michigan State University Extension are sponsoring a tour of 3 dairy farms in Sanilac County June 22.

These dairies demonstrate a variety of innovative production technologies and management strategies. There will be an interview of the management team at each farm, followed by a question and answer session. All interested dairy farmers and allied industry personnel are encouraged to attend.

The tour will begin at 10 a.m. at the Dale-Stamp farm near Marlette. This 200-cow operation makes good use of cow body condition scoring and does an excellent job of managing liquid manure. The farm is located at 2875 Wood Road.

Refreshments will be served. Maps and directions to the other tour stops will be available at the Dale-Stamp farm. Lunch will be on your own in the Sandusky area.

The second tour stop will be at 1 p.m. at the 100-cow dairy of Mike Fagan on Minden City Road. This management team has successfully pursued income goals while holding down herd size. The farm has developed a very successful program and facilities for raising heifers.

The third stop will be at Jim Meissner's 400 cow farm located on Schock Road south-east of Charleston. The Meissners provide a superb example of well-planned expansion and have an excellent calf raising facility. The farm is also heavily involved in cash cropping. The formal part of the tour will finish here at 3:30 p.m.

En route home, the Morell and Iseler farms have agreed to open their facilities for viewing. The Morell dairy is in the process of building a state of the art double-20 heringbone milking parlor and the Iseler dairy provides an excellent example of slatted floor housing.

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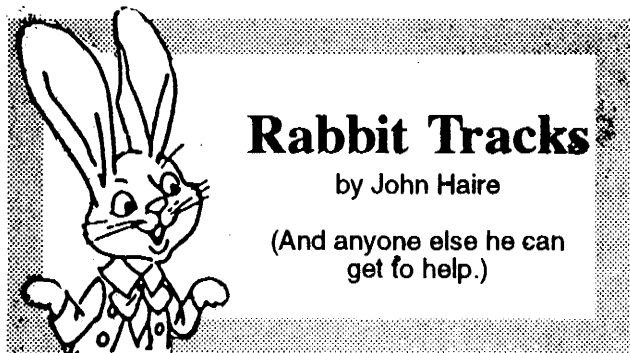
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

Cass City Schools has to rank no worse than a tie for the best in any critique of school-union relations. This year's 3-year contract was hammered out in just one session with only a minor amount of conversation before the actual meeting.

Labor peace wasn't achieved because management gave away the farm either, as salaries remained in the same relative position with other area schools as they were. See story, this issue.

If you have ever sat in on lengthy, frustrating bargaining marathons, you know how the quick settlement must please the bargaining groups and the board members who have monitored the talks in the past.

It's the building season and we pass on this safety tip from Detroit Edison. Be aware that scam artists gain admittance to homes by posing as utility workers.

If you haven't called a utility company or they haven't called you, be alert and check with the utility before doing business with these people.

To make his point about the slow pitch tournament in Cass City, Chuck Erla sends a series of post cards reminding papers of the event. Details of the July 8-9 event this year are: first 28 teams, men's class C or below, will be accepted. Cost is \$125 per team. Call Erla at 517-872-3734. Entry deadline is Friday, June 30.

The Weather

	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	85	51	0
Wednesday	78	42	0
Thursday	80	50	0
Friday	88	58	0
Saturday	90	60	0
Sunday	94	68	0
Monday	101	69	0

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SCOTT DUCOLON came a long way to have his semi-truck washed by Cass City cheerleaders raising money to attend camp at Ortonville. Ducolon paid the girls \$20 for the job and helped with the washing after he arrived from El Paso, Texas. The truck was spick-and-span when he wheeled his way to a graduation party for his cousin, Cass City grad Wilma Mayer. The cheerleaders netted \$195 from the project.

Report 2 larcenies in Cass City

Police investigated two larceny complaints last week, one of which ended in recovered property.

Louise Ponder, 4222 S. Seeger St., Cass City, reported a men's 10-speed bicycle missing from her residence June 16. Cass City Police Department reports stated the bicycle was stolen between June 14 and June 16.

The bicycle was found by an officer in the Cass City Police Department property room.

The Tuscola County Sheriff's Department investigated a larceny complaint involving a red push lawn mower. Tammy Coles, 1706 Kingston Road, Deford, reported the lawn mower missing June 13.

According to reports, the lawn mower was stolen between June 10 and June 13.

Thanks for calling 872-2010 with feature story ideas

The

Haire

Net



When push comes to shove, it's the little guy that lands on his backside.

That's not news, it's always the way it was, but it was brought home again to me reading the news of the day.

It was a story in the Detroit dailies about folks standing in line for 36 hours or more to get tickets to the Stanley Cup play-off finals.

Looking at it today, it was, how nuts can these fans be? That's today, but not the way it always was.

Spin back the clock, way back to 1934, when the Tigers were in the World Series. The story is the same, only the sport is different. Tickets to the game were at a premium and it was get in line or lose out.

This 12-year-old kid tagged along with a pair of adults and arrived at the ball park at about midnight, waiting to buy seats the next morning at 11 a.m.

Funny, but as I look back it wasn't all that bad. Memory blurs, of course, but I remember we had a bonfire built and everyone in line seemed cheerful... swapping stories and telling what moved them to be among the first in line.

I can't remember anyone questioning why seats were so hard to come by. That's just the way it was.

That's still the way it is, but today it jars a little. You can make a case for giving sea-

son ticket holders preference, but not for the VIPs that get tickets because of who they are, some of whom probably didn't see a game all year. They go not because they are fans, but to be seen where the action is.

It doesn't have to be that way. When Bill Veeck was owner of the Chicago White Sox, he made a point of reserving tickets for the average fan on a first-come-first-served basis. Of course, Veeck was a maverick and the other owners couldn't wait to get him out of the league.

Here's another standard practice where change should be seriously considered. It's long been a practice of newspapers not to publish names of youths under 17 who are accused of felonies.

In bygone days it protected minors from public scrutiny, giving them the opportunity to get on with their lives.

I wonder, in these days with teen gangs and youths with absolutely no regard for the law, if the policy should be changed.

There has been informal discussion about this issue, but don't look for any action.

Some things are imbedded in concrete. The agreement to "protect" minors and the unfair way that scarce tickets are distributed to major entertainment events are 2 of them.

"If It Fitz...."

The chapter that wasn't there---

By Jim Fitzgerald



Never go to sleep angry. I've always followed that wise advice, which is usually aimed at couples who've been arguing all day. They should make up before they go to sleep at night. Otherwise she won't make his breakfast in the morning.

But I wasn't mad at my wife, I was mad at my book, "The Chamber", by John Grisham. Why? To begin with, blame the season.

On that day, I'd intended to start reading "The Tibetan Book of Living and Dying," by Sogyal Rinpoche, a Buddhist activist. A kind reader sent it in regard to my column claiming that, no matter what Pat Robertson preaches, Christianity isn't necessarily the only morally acceptable answer to whatever question is raised.

In the forward, Rinpoche's book promises, among other things, to tell me how to help the dead. I admit I haven't spent a lot of time fretting about that particular problem. I guess I thought the dead were beyond help, and I might better aid the breathing.

Obviously, this is heavy, intellectual-type prose. So, before reading further, I consulted a calendar. It's summer! Time for summer reading, a dictate I've always followed, even if I don't qualify.

was OK, I'm sure I couldn't read four pages of "The Bridges of Madison County" without retching. I base this certain feeling on the opinions of reviewers I trust. Never mind Julius LaRosa.

In a recent radio interview, LaRosa became the first apparently rational person to claim publicly that the "Bridges" book is better than the movie. (If you never heard of LaRosa, you're too young to be reading this adult material. Go ask your grandpa what Arthur Godfrey dared do to a tenor.)

Anyway, inspired by the movie, the newest item on fragrance counters is a cologne called Bridges. When a film is made of "The Tibetan Book of Living and Dying," I'm fairly certain there'll be no perfume manufacturers scrambling for the right to sell the smell of either condition.

ON DEATH ROW, THEN ON EDGE

So, like a good little summer reader, I put off the Tibetan book until snowfall and instead paid Kmart \$5.63 for John Grisham's latest courtroom wallow to reach paperback, which surely qualifies for sandy laziness, in

case the bank line ever stretches that far.

You'll be surprised at how that book made me go to sleep angry.

It was nothing Grisham wrote. It was Chapter 11, which occurred just when the narrative was getting particularly interesting, on death row. Except for the headline and one page, there was no Chapter 11. Instead, it was replaced by Chapter 7, which I'd already read. Chapter 11 was nowhere in the book; believe me, I looked and looked.

So I had to try — and try — to get to sleep without knowing the outcome of a death row confrontation. Which made me angry.

The next day at the Lapeer Kmart, when I exchanged my copy for the complete book, manager Dan Bartholomew was extremely accommodating. I only hope Grisham's publisher, Dell, is equally reasonable about my lawsuit seeking \$10 million in damages for mental anguish. My sleep is precious to me.

Subsequently, I will write a legal thriller describing my battle for justice against a giant publishing corporation. There'll also be a movie. I can smell it now.

MOVIE WAS OK BUT BOOK SMELLS

The idea is that while laziness on the beach in the hot sun, you shouldn't treat your brain as though you are squatting in a snowbank studying for final exams. Read a trashy romance.

The truth is I never saw a beach I wanted to laze on. No matter what the weather, I prefer reading in my favorite chair, in bed, or standing in line at the bank.

And, even though the movie

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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

The Cass City School Board voted 6-1 not to hold classes in the Evergreen Township School building in the 1990-91 school year. The board acted over the strident objections of several district residents from the Evergreen area.

George B. Ellesin, 91, of Cass City, was killed Friday in a 2-car crash in Almer Township.

Dean Gee and Dave Bills combined efforts to land a 9-pound, 34-inch northern pike from the Cass River early Thursday afternoon.

WNEM TV 5 employees visited Cass City last weekend and filmed background tapes, commercials and promotional ads for an "Our Town" program to air the week of June 23 to 29. The technicians shot a commercial in the Paint Store on Main Street.

The Rev. R. Mark Shaw, son of Dick and Shirley Shaw of Cass City, has resigned his pastoral ministry in Waterloo, Iowa, to become the assistant to the president at Spurgeon Baptist Bible College, Mulberry, Fla.

10 YEARS AGO

An early Monday morning blaze at the Luther Miracle residence on Gilford Rd., Deford, totally destroyed their house. Fire loss is set at \$70,000.

Foster parents Jim and Barb Jackson of Cass City have opened their door, and their hearts, to more than 80 children in their 19 years as foster care parents.

A bus driver in the Cass City School district for the past 2 decades, retiring Phyllis Cox made her final bus run earlier this month.

Twenty-six students from

Cass City School's Adult Education received what was for some a long awaited high school diploma June 11.

The Cable-ettes, sponsored by General Cable, Cass City, are the Michigan Women's Bowling Association team champions. Team members are Dorothy Sweeney, Lauri Hugo, Florence Witherspoon, Pat McIntosh, Pat Beecher and substitute Randee Speirs. More than 5,000 teams were entered in the 6-month tournament. The 5-member Cable-ettes will receive individual trophies and a first-place check of \$4,000.

Chester Muntz presented Charles Wright with the Mason of the Year award at an awards banquet of the Tyler Lodge 317 Friday night.

25 YEARS AGO

Cass City's newest business, the Kucucow, has scheduled its grand opening this weekend, Bill Loomis, manager, said this week.

James Henning Mattson, 22, a teacher at Cass City Intermediate School, was killed Wednesday, June 17, when his car collided with a train on Highway M-28 between Shingleton and Munising in the Upper Peninsula.

Five of Roland Limberger's milk cows were wiped out last Wednesday when lightning struck a tree under which they had gathered as protection from a sudden afternoon storm. Value of the dead livestock was estimated at \$2500.

Dan Patrick Rabideau, 19, a junior at Central Michigan University majoring in Spanish, will be spending his third year of college at a university in Puerto Rico. He is the son of Mrs. Marion Carroll, Gagetown.

The Cass City Gun Club and other interested sportsmen are girding to resist a proposal of the Department of Natural Resources to establish an antlerless deer season in Tuscola County.

Craig O'Harris, 9, escaped serious injuries when he was struck by a car while crossing Main Street on his bicycle.

35 YEARS AGO

Rev. Robert Searls and his family will be moving to Cass City this week. He will fill the pulpit of the Methodist church, and will preach his first sermon here Sunday morning.

Officers were elected for the Tri-county post of the American Legion Tuesday. Heading the group for the year will be Vern McConnell, commander.

A group of Cass City gridders who graduated this spring received state-wide publicity Wednesday morning when they enlisted in the Navy in Detroit. Their pictures appeared on the second front page of the Detroit Free Press. The enlistees were Richard Kloc, Wesley Ball, Kenneth Mathews, Gerald Gage, William Gage and Harry Wilson.

Some 55 persons attended the 50th reunion of the Old Settlers' Club Saturday at the Deford Church. Officers elected for the coming year were president, William O'Dell; vice-president, Rinerd Knoblet; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. William D'Arcy, and program chairman, Mrs. Mack Little. The oldest person present was Mrs. Carrie Retherford of Deford, who is 85 years old. Croft-Clara is now in their new building on Main Street at the west village limits.

Cass City High School names honor roll

Cass City High School announces the 2nd semester honor roll:

12TH GRADE

All A's - Michelle Brown, Amy Burns, Amber Carlisle, Lisa Deering, Leana Edwards, Carol Guza, Ben Hobbs, Scott Iwankovitch, Diana Kocan, Javier Lopez, Nathan Mastie, Mandy Nizzola, Lindi Parrott, Rebecca Perkins, Melanie Polega, John Rea, Joenie Remsing, Marlene Shimer, Andrea Speirs, Lisa Wallace. B or Better - Liz Acker, Erin Benitez, Aaron Biefer, Tracy Boerner, Cori Bullock, Lisa Burns, Jaime Caister, Jennifer Churchill, Jason Conquest, Greta Coston, Bob Davis, Erica Frederick, Sue Graham, Brian Graichen, Ian Guernsey, Liz Hall, Laura Heikkila, Jim Hempton, Heather Hewitt, Jennifer Laming, Wilma Mayer, Brad McNeil, Aaron Morell, Jason Morgan, Brent Morley, Mandy Phetteplace, Natalie Ramsey, Alisa Rick, Shawn Rienas, Tammy Stine, Shannon Turner, Melissa Veldman, Clayton Venema, Aimee Walker, Jason Waltz, Kathy Woodruff, Shawn Zawilinski, Danette Ziehm.

11TH GRADE

All A's - Andrea Cooper, Charity Gaszczynski, Patricia Krol, Dawn Longuski, Jamie Luana, Aubrey Marshall, Erin O'Dell, Shivaugh Rayl, Amy Schelke, Kelli VanVliet. B or Better - Nick Bliss, Cori Britt, Leann Deering, Jeremy Dillon, Ken Dubay, Heather Dunn, Bob Gengler, Ed Hartwick, Eric Hoelzie, Kareem Khoury, Jason Kilbourn, Aaron Kunding, Jeff Little, Jake Lounsberry, Crystal McKnight, BJ Mearns, Whitney Osentoski, Nathan Pawloski, Natalie

Ponder, Chris Prosowski, Jenny Rick, Rebecca Smith, Corey Ulfing, Anthony Walther, Kristy Wood, Jill Wright, Chad Zawilinski.

10TH GRADE

All A's - Collier Bogart, Kurt Iwankovitch, Joseph Khoury, Matt Kliinkman, Chad LaJoie, Josh Lounsberry, Todd Milligan, Terri Moore, Jaime Parsell, Rachel Peters, Brent Ruggles, Brad Speirs. B or Better - Katie Anthony, Liz Bashur, Nichol Becker, Ashlie Chappel, Candice Cherniawski, Amanda Deering, Chad Diegel, Lee Dillon, Jessica Frederick, Billi Jo Hawley, Sam Hobbs, Marcia Klaus, Joni Laming, Pam Leiterman, Amanda Lowe, Gia Mellendorf, Raymond Meredith, Dave Murphy, Jason Nicol, Jeff Powell, Richard Robinson, Jenny Sugden, Joey Urban, Josh Williams, George Wright, Renee Zawilinski.

9TH GRADE

All A's - Tammy Acker, Ryan Bennett, Josh Brinkman, Lori Brown, Cyrus Healy, Kristy Hicks, Emily Hopper, Ryan Hutchinson, Lindsay Maharg, Janis Mastie, Leah Shagene, Tim Sherman. B or Better - Jessica Apelmfsud, Jennifer Beckwith, Becky Bennett, Amy Butler, Colleen Cartwright, Stacey Ceranski, Christina Doerr, Sarah Dore, Ryan Dorland, Jamie Englehart, Julie Erla, Jennifer Eyer, Jonathan Fobear, Cara Graichen, Tara Guernsey, Shannon Haley, Andrew Hartwick, Jennifer Haynes, Serena Healy, Melissa Heinlein, Shawn Henn, Richard Kessler, Austin Kietlyka, Cheryl Laming, Chad Lenhard, Aaron Long, Rebecca Lowe, Nathan Matt, Barry McKinney, Tim Micklash, Matt Miller, Jason Mohr, Charles Myers, Jason O'Dell, Jason Osantowski, Laura Osantowski, Brian Puterbaugh, Andrea Rea, Amber Rienstra, Marie Russell, Dan Sherman, Craig Swiderski, Heather Woidan.

Colling church slates VBS June 27-30

Vacation Bible School will take top priority at Colling Church of the Nazarene in Unionville, from 6:30 p.m.-8:45 beginning Tuesday, June 27, and running through Friday, June 30.

The Bible-based program is free and open to youngsters age 3 years through 6th grade. All children in the greater Unionville area are invited to attend.

New to Colling's VBS program this year is Paul Dietzel of Marlette. Dietzel is skilled in children's Christian programming and teaches basic Bible story lessons using a variety of media including puppets, music and songs, chalk art and illusions.

In addition to Dietzel's presentation, VBS kids will enjoy snacks, crafts and recreation geared to appropriate age groups. Transportation may be arranged if needed.

For more information, call Melinda Sutherland at 674-2364 or call Rev. Jerry Wallace at 673-3098 or 674-2288.

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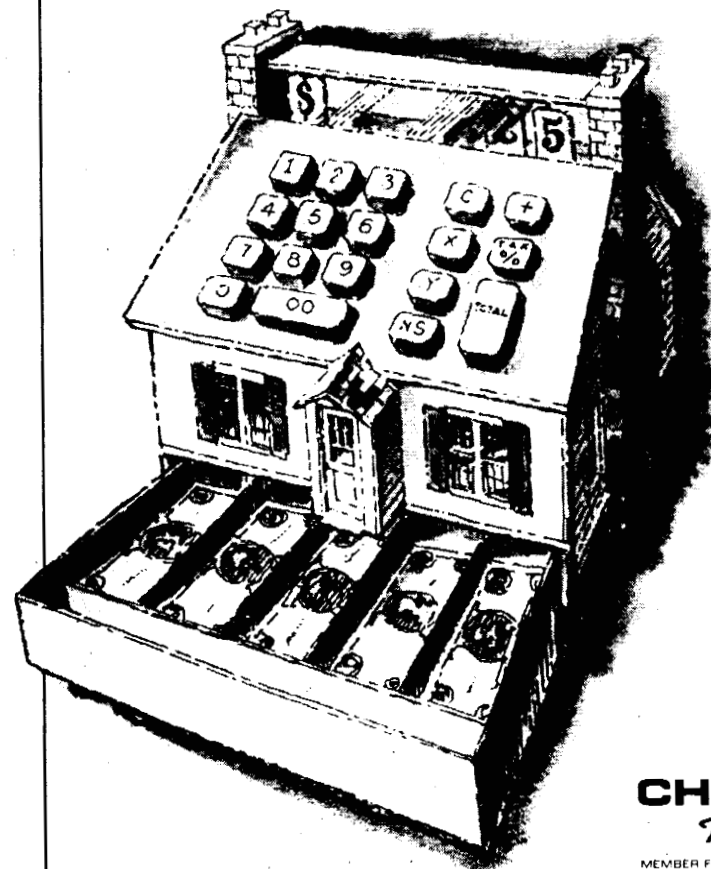
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Letter to the editor

Project shows children care

Dear Mr. Haire,

The attached letter was recently sent to the Editor of the Oklahoman Publishing Company to be published in one of the Oklahoma City newspapers. We wanted to let the people of Oklahoma know that the people here in the "Thumb of Michigan" care about them.

We would appreciate some space in your newspaper to share it with the readers here in our local area, also.

Sincerely,

The Staff at Campbell Elementary School
Cass City, Michigan

Dear Editor,

As the 1994-95 school year came to a close, the staff and students at the Campbell Elementary School in Cass City, Michigan, wanted to find some way to shorten the distance between Michigan and Oklahoma to let the people of Oklahoma know how much we care about them as a result of the April 19 bombing.

In an effort to renew a sense of American pride among the students and show concern for those affected by the Oklahoma disaster, we organized an "All American Celebration" for students in the kindergarten through fourth grades.

Our last day of school, Wednesday, June 7, was designated as our special red, white and blue day. The veterans of our local VFW Post

3644 displayed twelve flags on our school playground to create a colorful, patriotic background for the program. Each grade level was responsible for songs and presentations saluting our great country of America.

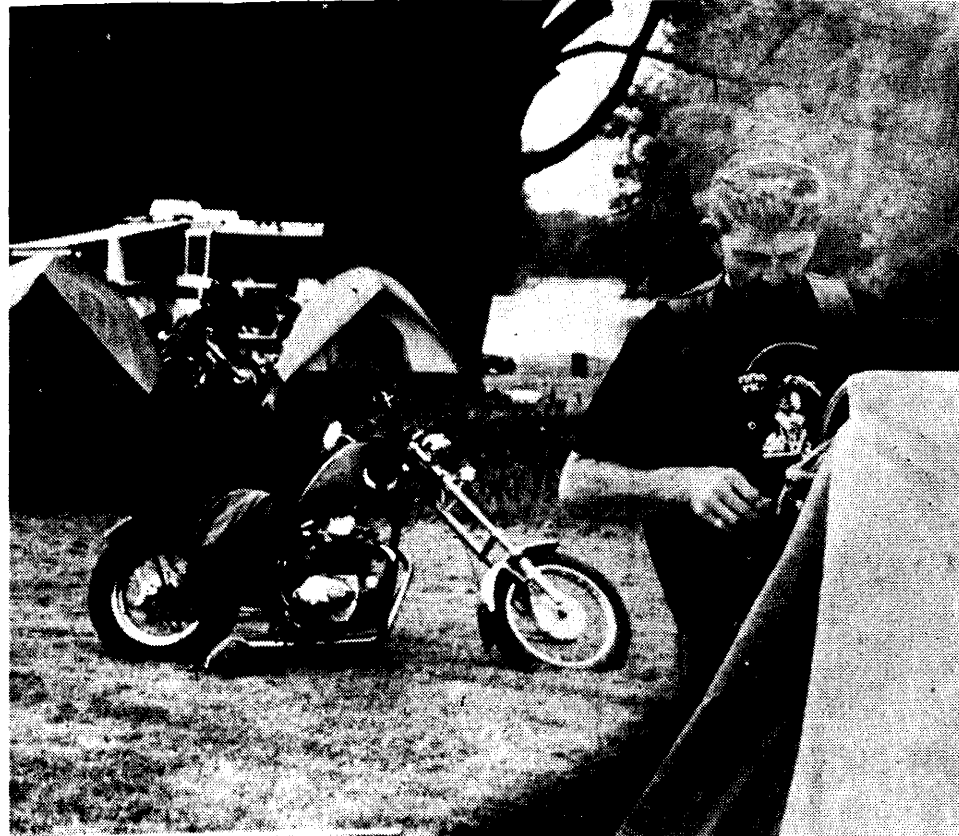
An important part of the program included the presentation of pennies that were collected in every classroom. Classroom representatives came forward to pour their pennies into a large decorated patriotic wheelbarrow. The children donated a total of \$526.00! This was their way of showing how much Cass City's kids CARE about Oklahoma's kids. A check for this amount has been forwarded to the "Day Care Foundation" to be used to purchase educational materials, books and games for the day care centers.

This collection of money is one small way to signify how our children came together to express their concern for the people in Oklahoma. Distance may separate us physically, but our hearts and thoughts are with all of you as you endure the many challenges you face. We live in a great country and we must never lose sight of this as we face the future together.

Sincerely,

The Staff at Campbell Elementary School
Cass City, Michigan

Editor's note: A picture and story concerning this effort was published in the June 14 issue.



SNOVER RESIDENT Tim Pembowske sets up Friday evening for a weekend of camping at the American Bikers Aiming Towards Education (ABATE) 2nd annual benefit for the Evergreen Township Park. Although the total money raised has not been counted, roughly 400 to 500 people attended the benefit, topping last year's attendance of about 300.

Death of child

Deford woman charged with involuntary manslaughter

A Deford woman has been charged in the death of her 2-year-old stepson last December.

Amanda May Ross, 25, 7405 E. Bevens Rd., was arrested Thursday morning by state troopers and arraigned in Tuscola County District Court on a charge of involuntary manslaughter.

Bond in the case was set at \$50,000. A preliminary examination was scheduled for 9 a.m. Friday.

If convicted, Ross faces a maximum penalty of 15 years in prison and/or a \$7,500 fine.

Troopers at the Michigan State Police post in Caro said the charge stems from the death of Ross' stepson, Anthony James Ross.

The child was taken to Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City with head injuries Dec. 5, then transferred to St. Luke's Hospital, Saginaw, where he was placed on life support. Anthony died Dec. 8 after life support was removed.

At the time, the child's parents, who have 7 other children, told investigators Anthony had been a passenger in a car that had been involved in a traffic accident.

In other recent district court arraignments:

•John F. Rives, 35, National City, faces charges of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor,

third offense, and operating a motor vehicle with a suspended or revoked license, second or subsequent offense, June 11 in Watertown Township.

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

•Jason S. Matuszak, 19, Millington, is charged with stealing property valued over \$100 (gas grill) May 11 in Vassar Township.

Bond in the case was set at \$2,500 and a preliminary exam was slated for 9 a.m. Friday.

•Gary J. Berger, 25, Clio, was arraigned on charges of malicious destruction of fire or police property (Tuscola County Sheriff Department patrol vehicle), resisting and obstructing an officer and operating a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor, third offense, June 13 in Dayton Township.

A preliminary exam was scheduled for Friday morning and bond was set at \$50,000.

•Anne L. Nelson, 39, Vassar, faces a charge of operating a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor, third offense, June 13 in Dayton Township.

Bond was set at \$2,000 and a preliminary exam was scheduled for Friday morning.

•Bryan A. Young, 23, currently lodged in the Saginaw Regional Facility, is charged with possession of contraband by a prisoner (marijuana) April 14 in Indianfields Township.

Bond was set at \$20,000 and a preliminary exam was slated for Friday morning.

•Jody R. Pope, 24, Bay City, faces a charge of absconding or forfeiting a bond given in a criminal or paternal proceeding June 9 in Caro.

A preliminary exam was slated for Friday morning and bond was set at \$10,000.

•William Hoss, 29, Flint, was arraigned on a charge of escape from jail awaiting trial for a felony. Court reports say he escaped June 10 from the Tuscola County Jail.

Bond was set at \$100,000 and a preliminary exam was scheduled for Friday morning.

•Joseph B. Garbacz, 49, Caro, is charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor, third offense, and operating a motor vehicle with a suspended or revoked license, second or subsequent offense, March 18 in Almer Township.

Bond was set at \$10,000 and a preliminary exam was slated for June 30.

GTE plans increase in local phone rates

Citing increased competition, GTE announced plans recently to cut long distance rates up to 48 percent and offset those reductions by increasing local monthly rates.

"Competition in telecommunications is right here, right now," said Larry Atwell, general manager-customer operations for GTE in Michigan. "These rate changes will begin to move prices closer to the actual cost of providing local and long distance services — and that's essential if we're going to compete."

GTE will cut long distance revenue by \$16 million and reduce by more than \$4 million the charges other long distance companies pay for access to GTE's local network. Under GTE's plans, monthly local rates for residence customers will increase between \$3.55 and \$4.11. Flat-rate business customers will see a monthly increase of \$3.14. Measured business customers will have a \$6.50 increase in monthly rates and a decrease in per call charges to 5 cents.

"The moves won't generate additional revenue for GTE," Atwell said, "but are designed to help the company respond to changes in the marketplace."

GTE filed its rate request June 9 with the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC). Increases in local rates require MPSC approval. Long distance price

reductions are not regulated by the MPSC and, under GTE's plan will be reduced on or before the MPSC authorizes new local rates. A ruling by the MPSC is expected by early 1996.

Under the plan, customers will save from 11 to 48 percent on daytime long distance calls handled by GTE. Reductions vary, based on distance. In addition, Atwell said GTE will introduce new Discount Calling Plans that will allow customers to save as much as another 25 to 30 percent on top of the already

reduced long distance rates. "These new Discount Calling Plans are much easier for our customers to understand and have no sign-up or monthly service charges," Atwell said.

Atwell noted by law the proposed local service increase does not affect customers 60 and over — though seniors will benefit from the lower long distance prices. Atwell also explained the rate request does not cover GTE customers in 26 exchanges formerly served by ALLTEL.

Foster home certified as centennial farm

Twenty-seven farms, including one in Tuscola County, have been certified by the Michigan Historical Commission as centennial farms, Secretary of State Candice S. Miller, the state's official historian, announced recently.

The 80-acre cash crop farm located at 4857 Deckerville Rd., in Fairgrove, owned by Donald H. and Gladys E. Foster, is a newly-certified Michigan centennial farm. The farm has been continuously owned by the same family since 1895.

"I congratulate Donald and Gladys Foster as their farm joins more than 5,000 other Michigan centennial farms," Secretary Miller said. "Centennial farm owners can be proud of their efforts to preserve Michigan's heritage, and for reminding us of the important economic and social role that family farms play in our culture."

Farm owners receive a Michigan Centennial Farm Certificate from the Department of State's Michigan Historical Center and a metal display marker for the farm.

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11TH GRADE

Jason Anthes, Austin Brinkman, Mark Damm, Eric Dietzel, *Don Dorsch, Dion Dronsella, Jill Howard, Brooke Kovach, Kelly Kretzschmer, Adam Metzger, Mark Pisarek, *Susie Roemer, Wade Teitel, Jason Wildman.

10TH GRADE

Lily Leiternann, *Beth Nickerson, *Kate Powers, Jason Ramirez, John Richmond, Heather Ross, Heather Sprague, Laine Teitel, *Lisa Warack, Jennifer Winchester.

9th GRADE

Jamie Dietzel, Dan Dorsch, Kristy Fahrner, Brandy Halasz, Amy Joles, Steven Kosma, Jeff Maxson, Tara McKellar, *Melissa Vargo.

8TH GRADE

Melissa Albrecht, Cara Bickel, Brandon Bursick, Kristie Radabaugh, Kari Rhodes, Nicole Warack.

7TH GRADE

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Tate wins junior golf tourney

Chad Tate of Cass City shot a 76 to win the first round of the Independent Insurance



Chad Tate

Agent Junior Classic, held June 12 at Verona Hills Golf Club in Bad Axe. Tony Bissett of Brown City took second in the tournament with a 79.

A total of 21 junior golfers from around the area took part in the Bad Axe tournament. They join more than 1,100 golfers who are expected to play in the 22 IIAJC local tournaments around the state this month.

Qualifiers from the local tournaments, including Tate and Bissett, will advance to the Michigan finals July 18-19 at the University of Michigan Golf Course in Ann Arbor.

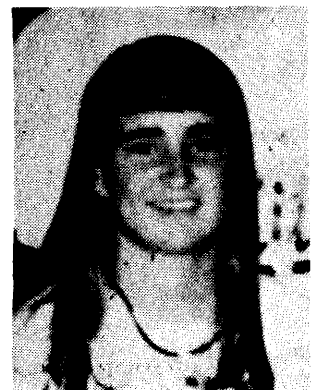
The top 7 Michigan winners will have the chance of a lifetime to play with a PGA or LPGA pro at the national IIAJC finals set for Aug. 10-15 in Nashville, Tenn.

Soccer pro to speak at Bay Shore camp

Area pair in regional all-star squad

Two Cass City players were honored on the squad of the regional all-star softball team selected from 20 teams that played in the region's 4 district tournaments.

Selected on the second team were junior Kelli VanVliet in the outfield and senior Lisa Burns, who received honorable mention as a pitcher.



Kelli VanVliet



Lisa Burns

The first team outfield is: Carolyn Bollenbacher, Laker senior; Lamara LeGault, Sandusky junior, and Heather Gonyea, Byron senior.

In the infield: Shannon Gross, New Lothrop junior, third base; Jenni Fox, Armada senior, shortstop; Chrissy Welc, Armada senior, second, and Stacy Leasher, Brown City senior, first base.

The catcher is Tara Rich, Sandusky senior, and the pitchers, Amy Lukowski, Lake Fenton senior, and Gina Brinker, Deckerville senior.

Soccer at Bay Shore Camp of Sebawaing will score extra points with campers June 25-30 when former soccer pro Jon Kregel serves as coach, skills specialist and Bible study leader.

The 6-day camp is open to both boys and girls in 4th-7th grades. Bay Shore deans Rev. George and Patti Lewis expect "a full camp" of at least 125 campers.

Orphaned as an infant, Kregel earned early soccer honors in Barcelona, Spain, where he was raised by an American missionary couple. Following college, he was drafted by the New York Cosmos (North American Soccer League), where he played and roomed with the world-famous Pele.

In a Sports Spectrum April 1995 article, Kregel states that after 5 years of international travel and living the life of a professional sports star, he succumbed to temptations of every kind. Before he "hit bottom", his perverse lifestyle brought him divorce, drug addiction and a

twisted sense of moral values. In the end, he was arrested for selling cocaine to undercover law officers, tried and sent to prison.

Kregel relates that in jail he questioned his worth as a human being. He reflected on what his godly parents had taught him as a child, and eagerly accepted a Bible from the prison chaplain. In the Gospel of John, he found the answer to his question.

Following release from prison, Kregel founded Jon Kregel Ministries, a one-man effort to reach and teach youngsters respect for moral values and the dangers of dabbling in drugs. He describes his mission as "an object lesson to anyone who thinks there are no 'consequences' to getting high."

Rev. Lewis states that Kregel will be with the soccer camp the entire 6 days coaching skills clinics and leading Bible studies. He will also address parents and spectators at 6:30 p.m., Friday, June 30, when campers play an exhibition game.

New program for landowners

Landowners in Sanilac County are eligible for a new federal program that will help landowners restore wetlands on their property.

The Wetland Reserve Program helps purify water supplies, helps absorb flood waters and protects and restores habitat for migratory birds and other wildlife.

Enrolled acreage will be kept permanently as a wetland with ownership remaining with the landowner. Under the program, conservation easements are purchased from participating landowners for wetland areas that have been used intensively for cropping and forage production. Adjacent land deemed necessary to protect the restored wetland also will be included.

Participants agree to accept no more than the fair market value of their land for agricultural use, in return for a lump sum easement payment (\$700 acre maximum). Also

earned is 75 percent cost-share assistance for implementing wetland restoration practices. Specified compatible uses may be permitted on the restored acreage when they maintain wetland functions and values. The landowner continues to control access to the land.

The enrollment period for the new Wetlands Reserve Program ends June 30, 1995, at the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service office in Sandusky. For more information, call (810) 648-2116.

As with all USDA programs, the Wetlands Reserve Program is available without regard to race, religion, color, sex, age, marital status, national origin or disability.

Read Meg's Peg



FIFTH THROUGH 8TH grade hot shot winners sank more baskets than the other Cass City basketball camp players in the same grade. This year's winners were (front, from left) Grant Frank, 12; Matt Stoutenburg, 10; Lindsey Hendrick, 9; Elise Pasant, 11; (back, from left) Casey Spencer, 12; Adam Dorland, 13; Alyssa Glaspie, 13, and Amy Polega, 11.



HOT SHOT basketball players took trophies home from the last day of basketball camp Friday. Second, 3rd and 4th grade winners (back from left) Andrea Erla, 7; Ryan Storm, 7; Sammy Glaspie, 8; (front from left) Sarah Hobbs, 8; Tyler Erla, 9, and Andrew Schinnerer, 9.

Minor League Standings

	W	L	T
General Cable - Giants	11	0	0
Wruble Elevator - Dodgers	10	2	0
Tri-County Med. Equip. - Tigers	7	4	0
McMahan's - Yankees	3	6	1
Mr. Chip's - Orioles	3	7	1
Erla's - Cubs	2	8	0
IGA - A's	1	9	0

Little League Standings

	W	L
Dr. Chappel - Giants	8	0
Rolling Hills - Cubs	6	3
Little Caesars - Orioles	5	3
Sutter's Bakery - Dodgers	4	4
Board - Tigers	2	7
C.C. Muffler - Yankees	0	9

Completes training

Army Pvt. Rebecca A. Torres has completed basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Torres is the daughter of Scott Harder and Karla Dryer, both of Owendale. Her husband, Army Spec. Jason M. Torres, is the son of Bob and Sue Torres of Gagetown.

The private is a 1993 graduate of Owen-Gage High School, Owendale.



Pvt. Rebecca Torres



Chip Shots

SCRATCH FLIGHT

Jerry Toner	88
Rich Tate	83
Mark Swanson	77
John Poirier	76
Don Ouvry	72
Newell Harris	66
Bill Kritzman	65
Dale McIntosh	62
Terry Wiseman	62
Jason McCallum	47
Dave Hoard	45
John Maharg	42

Jack Burns	79
Gary Robinson	78
John Cassin	74
Charles Tunis	68
Kevin Green	67
Chris Moses	66
Jon Zdrojewski	66
Craig Weaver	63
Doug O'Dell	62
Bill Ewald	60
Bob Stickle	51
George Bushong	49
Stan Guinther	48

FLIGHT #1

Craig Helwig	98
Doug Zdrojewski	80
Ernie Bellew	76
Jim Peyer	75
Elwyn Helwig	73
Clark Erla	69
Ken Zdrojewski	68
Fred Leeson	65
Don Hilbig	59
Jack Hool	59
Russ Biefer	58
Tom Wallace	58
Jim Apley	54
Mike Becking	52
Dan Dickinson	42

FLIGHT #4

Anton Peters	84
Clate Sawdon	80
Dave Burnette	78
Bruce LeValley	74
John Agar	73
John Niebrzydowski	73
J.R. Boldizar	68
Ralph Albers	65
Jim Powell	62
Doug Lautner	60
Tom Schweigel	57
Jim Bolton	55
Bert Althaver	52
Mick Dawson	49
Bill Berwick	45

FLIGHT #2

Daryl Iwankovitch	95
Dick Wallace	86
John Riddle	80
Jim Smithson	75
Jerry Houghton	71
Rick Doerr	69
Dan Hittler	68
Brian Reinhardt	67
Phil Moses	62
Ken Tiseo	61
Gene Konieczny	57
Jim Hobbs	54
Craig Bellew	52
Gene Kloc	49
Dick Haley	41

FLIGHT #3

Duane Henn	87
Cas Pasieczny	80

Standings

WEDNESDAY 2 MAN GOLF LEAGUE

Peterson/Zdrojewski	70
Stickle/Iwankovitch	70
J. Hillaker/Murphy	68
McCallum/Randall	67
Peruski/Williams	67
Henn/Peters	63
C. Hillaker/Laming	61
Becking/Glaza	61
Hartel/Comment	58
Maharg/Pasieczny	54
Burns/Jeung	51
Doerr/Haire	49
Smith/Biddinger	47
Wright/Prieskorn	39
P. Dillon/Morgan	31
W. Dillon/Retherford	23

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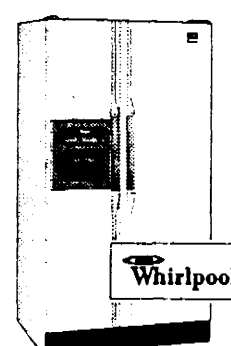
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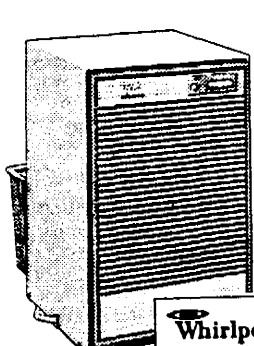


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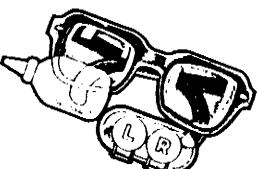
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Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson
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Eleven members and 3 leaders of the Country Partners 4-H Club met at the home of Karen Rutkowski June 11. The group started to make a wreath. The next meeting will be in July at the home of Barbara Turner.

Edmond Richardson of Fort Charlotte, Fla., and Dick Wallace were Tuesday afternoon guests of Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Reva Silver, Mrs. Glen Shagena and Mrs. Earl Schenk visited Edanna Sweeney Wednesday.

Darlene Terrassi, Tony Ventline and Allen Farrelly attended the Thumb Singles bowling party at Sandusky Saturday evening.

Eighteen members of the Breakfast Club met at Nel's Restaurant in Gagetown Thursday morning for breakfast. The next meeting will be at the Franklin Inn in Bad Axe next Thursday.

Visitors at the Don Jackson home last week were Ray Depcinski, Melvin Wolschlagier and George Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Glaza were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Glaza.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Ruth Smith at Chesaning and Norma Annis at Freedom Village at Frankenmuth Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Miller were Thursday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Olin Bouck.

Mrs. Alex Cleland spent from Wednesday through Sunday with Bob Cleland at Waterford and Thursday afternoon they visited Blanche Clutz at Charter House in Novi.

Edanna Sweeney came home Tuesday after spending a few days in Huron Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe, where visitors were Pat Trepkowski, Mary Sweeney, Mr. and Mrs. David Holz, Mrs. Mike Maurer and David Sweeney.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bezemek of Ubly and Allen Farrelly were Friday evening guests of Laura Kulish.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ballagh were Sunday evening guests

of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Maurer.

Mr. and Mrs. David Main and John of Highland, Susan Sofka of Davison, Karen Everman and Mykala of Foristal, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Steven Sofka, Thomas and Krysten and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sofka attended a graduation open house for Jill Felmlee at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marty Felmlee, Jennifer and Jill of Westgate. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Aardal of Howell, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Aardal of Traverse City, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hagen of Ubly, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hagen, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hagen and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Moorman met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen for a potluck dinner and family get-together Sunday.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney spent from Friday till Tuesday with Dr. and Mrs. Tom Collins and Sarah at Allegan.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Laming and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Laming entertained at a double graduation open

house for Jennifer Laming, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Laming, and Jillian Laming, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Laming, at the Louis Laming home Sunday, June 10. A buffet lunch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hind were Monday evening guests of Reva Silver.

Mrs. Hiram Keyser was a Thursday afternoon guest of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Allen Farrelly and Laura Kulish were Wednesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bezemek. Beatrice Hundersmarck of Bad Axe was a Saturday guest of Mrs. Earl Schenk.

Karen Everman and Mykala of Foristal, Mo., David Main of Highland and Susan Sofka of Davison spent a week with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sofka.

Dennis Bartle and Tom of Cass City spent Thursday forenoon with Allen Farrelly. Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen visited Mr. and Mrs. Ben Meske in Port Hope Monday evening. Mrs. Ben Meske, who was a patient in Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon for 5 days, came home Saturday.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Mr. and Mrs. Alex Ross and Lottie Jodlewski in Grand Rapids Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Eggert of Port Hope were Wednesday

evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mrs. Evans Gibbard was a Thursday evening guest of Mrs. Stuart Rye.

Olin Bouck came home Wednesday after spending several days in St. Luke's Hospital in Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marchand and family of Drayton Plains spent a few days at the Marchand home here.

Bob Cleland of Waterford and Mrs. Alex Cleland visited Fred Cleland and Sandy at Clawson Friday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Willis were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hind.

Mrs. Glen Shagena was a Tuesday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Laming in Cass City.

GREENLEAF EXTENDED CLUB

Twenty-one members and friends of the Greenleaf Extended club met at Hardee's in Cass City at 8 a.m. Thursday morning before leaving on a mystery tour.

The first stop was at the 7 Pond Nature Center at Metamora. The group had dinner at the White Horse Inn, Metamora, before going to the railroad station at Lapeer. There they boarded the Amtrack to Durand, where they visited the Rail-

road Museum before coming back to Lapeer. They returned home by 7 p.m.

The trip was planned by Jean Clarke and Olga Schneeberger.

Father John Mullet of Ubly, Mrs. Martin Sweeney, Pat Trepkowski, Mary Sweeney and Mrs. Earl Schenk were Thursday guests of Edanna Sweeney.

10 cent dividend from Walbro

The Board of Directors of Walbro Corporation has declared a second quarter dividend of 10 cents per share, payable July 31, to stockholders of record June 30. The dividend will be paid on approximately 8,565,000 shares outstanding.



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Nine from area receive diplomas

Nine area residents were among the more than 400 receiving degrees or certificates from St. Clair County Community College. The graduates were awarded diplomas and certificates in applied arts and sciences, arts, business, general education or science in a May 5 ceremony.

Earning associate's degrees in nursing were cum laude honoree Kelly J. Bencheck of Gagetown, Ubly resident Tammy M. Bock and Patricia A. Belanger of Kingston.

Magna cum laude honoree Renee L. Murawski of Owendale, cum laude hon-

oree Tara S. Mallory of Kingston and Cass City resident Teri L. Nicholas received licensed practical nurse certificates.

Timothy A. Cowper, Snover, graduated magna cum laude with an associate's degree in arts.

Ubly residents Lynn A. Lipscomb and Theresa A. Stacer earned cum laude honors. Lipscomb received an associate's degree of applied arts and sciences in criminal justice. Stacer was awarded an associate's degree of applied arts and sciences in advertising design.

Restore funding for care management

Funding for the Region VII Care Management Program has been restored thanks to a cooperative effort by the Office of Services to the Aging and a local lawmaker.

State Rep. Mike Green, R-Mayville, has received word from the OSA that the program will receive a \$16,692 increase. Of the grant adjustment, \$12,692 will restore the Thumb site to full-year funding, while \$4,000 will be used to purchase computer hardware and software. This equipment will enable the installation of the Care Management Tracking System.

"This tracking system will

help us deliver important services," said Green, a former member of the Michigan Commission on Services to the Aging. "By obtaining crucial information about patients and their special situations, nurses and social workers can develop better long-range strategies for those requiring assistance."

Green said the grant adjustment will increase the Region VII Care Management grant to \$326,692 for fiscal year 1995. "This is money well spent. I promise that addressing the needs of our older residents will remain a top priority," Green concluded.

Collins Auction Sale

Due to the death of my husband, I will sell the following items at public auction located 3 blocks north of corner of M-46 and Kingston Road in Kingston at 3316 Washington (Tuscola Co.)

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2 routers
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4 power saws
3-3/8" power drills
2-1/2" power drills
1/2" impact air wrench
3/8" air side winder
1/2" Craftsman elec. drill - new
Metal work bench w/vise
1/2 T Budget chain falls
1/3 hp grinder on stand
Craftsman 1/2" impact elec. wrench
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Hyd. pump & fitting controls
Hornelite XL2 chain saw
Sledge hammers - 8#, 10#, others
2 battery chargers
Mower sharpener
Craftsman chain saw sharpener
Flaring tools
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Anvil
Air hammer chisel
Hammer stapler
Regular staplers
Metal cabinet
Axes, grease guns
Elec. soldering gun
Hand saws
Block planes
2 railroad jacks
2 100' welding extension cables
Large pipe vise
Floor jack
Jack stands
50' sewer tape
Step ladders

Bumpers - front & rear for '82 Chevy pickup
Bug deflector for pickup
Chain binders
Approx. 20 log chains - different lengths & sizes
Barbecue pig roaster
10' TV section antenna
Ford tractor pulley
Gear reduction
Oil cans
Timing light
Dwell meter
3 paint sprayer guns
CB antenna & equipment
Gas furnace
3 furnace blowers
Elec. motors
Extension cords
Axes, wheels, spindles
Rims & tires
3 point adjustable arm
Several antique tools including broad axe
Mercury yard light
2 car ramp sets
Wheelbarrows
Circular saw blades
Q-Beam Super spotlight
Comealong
Hyd. cylinder
Copper wire
Cross cut saw
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Screw driver sets
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Small pile of scrap iron
Many tools & wrenches including large pipe wrench
Many others

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Lawn sweeper
Garden trailer
2 wheel trailer
6' metal wind mill
20' rotary lawn mower
Miller Falls elec. air impact wrench
Lawn spreader
Metric set of wrenches
Jig saw
Hyd. jack
Cresper
2 cabinets w/nuts & bolts
Air tank
Shop vac.
Rotary pump
Hand cultivator
Hand crank corn sheller
Chicken wire
Wheelbarrow

Sledge hammer
Gas cans
Hand tools
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Tin snips
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Stereo
Recliner
Knickknack wall shelf w/mirror 5'x2'
2 Gone with Wind style lamps
Table & floor lamps
Stand
Coffee table
Chest of drawers
Brown sofa & matching chair
Knickknacks
Dishes, pots & pans
Dishes for microwave use
Fan
Several rugs
Blankets
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Lauries to show expanded dairy facility

by Melissa B. Turmo
Staff Writer

From 4 cows in a barn in 1944 to a 1990s state of the art computerized milking facility, the only thing that seems not to have changed at the Laurie dairy farm is the family tradition of growth.

"We wouldn't be very good stewards if we sat and watched it go downhill," remarked Doug Laurie, co-owner of LaurieAcres.

LaurieAcres currently is milking about 340 cows in its new parlor — up from

around 130 cows since November. At that time, the main farm buildings moved down the road to their current location roughly 1 1/2 miles north of M-81 on Dodge Road.

Milk quality and production are up, too. Production has increased by 15 pounds per cow per day since the move, and the milk has received higher quality ratings.

High quality milk has relatively low bacteria and white blood cell counts, both of which are signs a cow is fighting an infection or is

under stress.

Doug and Jack Laurie, co-owner of LaurieAcres, both said they attribute these improvements to a modern facility, which will be featured at an open house July 8 and 9.

The Lauries' computerized rapid-exit milking parlor can accommodate 32 cows at one time, although the Lauries currently are using only 24 stalls.

Each cow wears an electronic tag around her neck, which allows a computer to identify her when she enters

a milking stall.

The computer, in turn, can record information such as how much milk each cow gives, what time the cow was attached to the milking machine, and how many times the cow kicked the milkers off.

The most important of this data is daily milk production, which Doug compares with the cow's average production as a way of finding ill cows.

Jack explained that a cow uses her energy primarily to maintain her own health. Milk production is a lower

priority, so when she becomes ill, unhappy or tired, milk production tends to decrease.

"It lets us do the management routine that best helps those cows," Doug said.

EFFICIENT OPERATION

Other features of the new system make for a more efficient operation. For example, a laser beam determines when the cow is finished giving milk and the milkers automatically drop off.

The farm strives toward energy efficiency as well. For example, an oil-less turbine vacuum pump creates the vacuum to milk the cows.

And a plate cooler uses cold water to chill the milk to 52 degrees on its way to the storage drum, where it is cooled to about 37 degrees.

Excess heat from the water is recaptured and the water is recycled to use elsewhere on the farm.

"Every drop of water is used more than once," Jack said.

The decision to make a move to this more mechanized operation came roughly 3 years ago, when Jack said his family decided they needed to improve their operation or quit the dairy business.

"We started noticing the differences in that facility and what you could do in a newer, state of the art facility," he commented. Too much time was being spent repairing farm equipment, taking time away from care of the cows, he explained.

"We just weren't operating at current industry standards," Doug commented.

In March 1994, construction began on the new site, designed primarily to provide increased cow comfort, to require low maintenance and to be attractive to the

community.

"Everybody makes an effort to have a clean facility — there are industry standards," Doug commented. "We tried to make it look sanitary."

The Lauries also strive to produce the maximum amount of milk for the minimum cost.

And in 7 months, the family, with help from their 9 full-time employees working between 30 and 75 hours each week, have expanded to hold 620 head of cattle, while continuing to grow corn and alfalfa to feed their livestock.

LaurieAcres also grows soybeans, sugar beets and wheat as cash crops on the family's 1,500 acres.

BEGINNING DIFFICULTIES

But this large operation hasn't come easily.

"We thought we'd have it all figured out in the first 3 weeks," Doug said, adding he's still trying to grow accustomed to working with a computer more than the animals.

And in addition to April's roughly 400,000-gallon manure spill resulting from a loose tile bordering one of the farm's lagoons, some serious difficulties occurred when the Lauries merged 5 cow herds into one living area at a new location.

Each herd carries its own immunities, but can give diseases to other herds with different immunities, Jack explained.

As a result, cows had problems such as sore feet, pneumonia and various viral diseases.

In addition, some of the cows were traumatized by the sudden change of scenery and wouldn't eat.

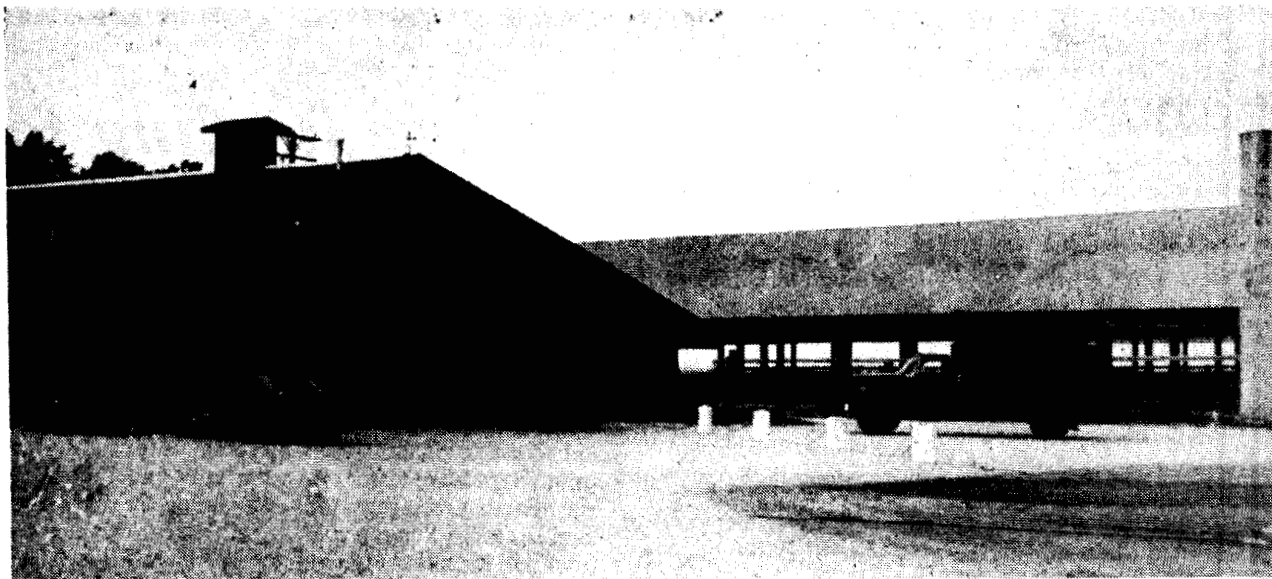
But from what the Lauries have heard from other farmers using the newest equip-

ment, Doug said LaurieAcres is on track. "This is still the starting phase."

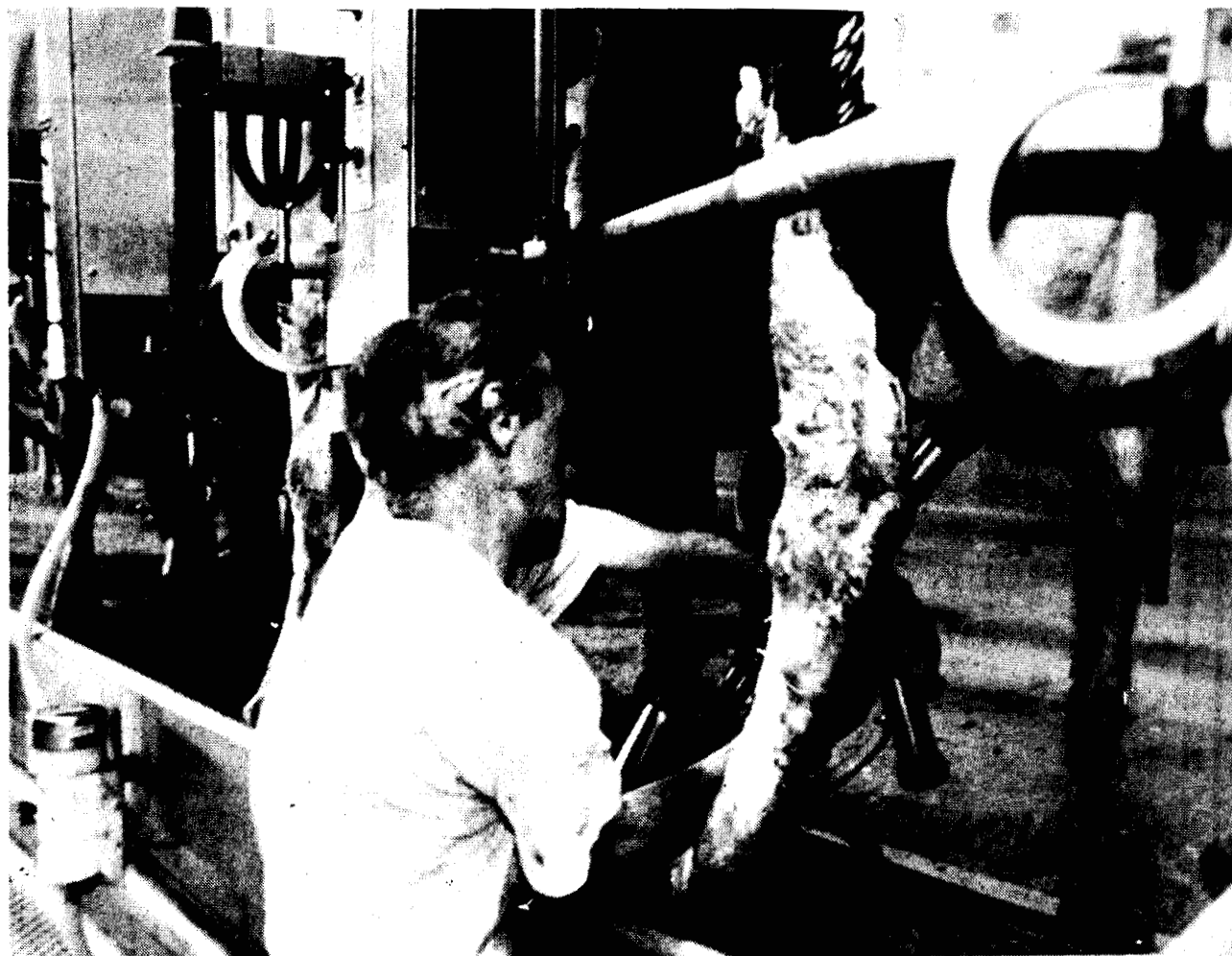
While the Lauries finish working the kinks out of their new facility, they continue to make plans for expansion. Within the year, they hope

to break ground for another cow barn, which would allow the family to become an 800-cow facility.

"I want to make sure we're ready for it," Jack said, declining to comment further on his plans.



THE MILKING PARLOR (left) and cow barn, designed to look appealing and sanitary to the community, are the two major buildings on the Lauries' state-of-the-art milking facility.



ONE OF 9 FULL-TIME employees of LaurieAcres uses the dairy farm's state of the art milking system to retrieve the desired product from one of the farm's "milk factories." The system is designed to record data including the amount of milk each cow is producing.

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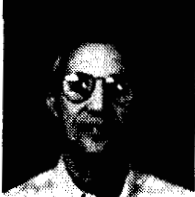
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Obituaries

Leila Battel

Leila Battel, 84, of Cass City, died suddenly Thursday, June 15, at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

She was born Nov. 21, 1910, in Gagetown, to Duncan and Ann Amelia (Knight) Battel.

Battel was an elementary school teacher at the Bird and Wright rural schools and also with the Cass City, Pigeon and Midland School districts, retiring after 43 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Cass City.

She is survived by her sister, Helen Greenleaf of Cass City; nephews Donald Greenleaf and Paul (Mary) Battel, all of Cass City; one niece, Linda (Mike) Stec of Cass City; 4 great-nephews and one great-niece; a sister-in-law, Margaret Battel of Cass City; and many cousins.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Luverne Battel, and a brother, Lester Battel. Funeral services were held Saturday at the Little & Kranz Funeral Home, with the Rev. Dale A. Byers, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Cass City, officiating. Interment was in the Elkland Township Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Stanley Guinther, David Milligan, Elwyn Helwig, Clyde Wells, Paul Battel and Michael Stec. Memorials may be made to the Evangelical Baptist Missions or the First Baptist Church, Cass City.

Harold Easton

Harold F. Easton, 60, of Houghton Lake, formerly of Cass City, died Sunday, June 18, in his home after a long illness.

He was born July 7, 1934, in Caro, the son of Harry and Adeline (Kruezer) Easton. He married Esther R. Starr June 11, 1955, in Cass City.

He is survived by his wife, Esther; a son, Randy (Nancy) Easton of Lapeer, and a daughter, Debbie Greening of Waterford; 3 grandchildren; 2 brothers, Arthur (Cathy) of Arkansas and Richard (Pat) Easton of Cass City. He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Calvin, and a sister, Lucille.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, June 22, in the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City, with the Rev. William Winter of St. John Lutheran Church, Houghton Lake, officiating.

Interment will be in Novesta Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association.

Arrangements were handled by Little & Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Ronald Gruber

Ronald J. Gruber, 74, of Forestville, formerly of Cass City, died Saturday, June 17, at his residence after an apparent heart attack.

He was born April 9, 1921, in Argyle, the son of Jacob and Mary (Morell) Gruber.

He never married. He was a graduate of Cass City High School and a U.S. Army veteran. He worked at Guiridan Industries of Marlette, the Tuscola County Road Commission, and was a detailer for Ouvre Chevrolet of Cass City. He was a member of the American Legion and the Michigan Sheriff's Association. He was a former parishioner of St. Pancratius Catholic Church of Cass City.

Surviving are 3 sisters, Mrs. Helen Thompson of Port Huron, Mrs. Robert (Rhea) Riley of Sterling Heights and Theresa Harper of Elkhart, Ind.; one brother, Raymond Gruber and his wife Betty of Niles; a special nephew, Roger Riley and his wife Donna of Crosswell, and many other nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by 3 brothers, Jerome, Mark and Clark Gruber, and one sister, Madeline Gruber.

Funeral services were held Monday at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubyly. Burial was Tuesday at St. Ignatius Cemetery in Freiburg.

Elmer Schumacher

Elmer Schumacher, 80, of Bad Axe, and former resident of Palms, died Monday, June 12, following a long illness at Port Huron Hospital.

He was born Aug. 6, 1914 in Detroit the son of Peter and Ella (Guitar) Schumacher.

He and Clara Shobert were married Sept. 20, 1938 at Saint Joseph Catholic Church of Rapson. They lived in Bad Axe for the past 2 years and previously resided near Palms in Minden Township, Sanilac County.

He was a parishioner of Saint Patrick Catholic Church and served as an usher. He was employed for 10 years at Bud Wheel Detroit and was a bus driver for the City of Detroit for 2 years. He also farmed at Palms for a number of years and was employed at Travco Mobile Homes, Brown City, retiring in 1977. He served as Trustee of Minden Township.

He is survived by his wife; daughters, Janet Schumacher of St. Clair Shores and her special friend Carl Liesche, Joan Grifka and her husband Tony of Snover, Jackie Partaka of Sandusky, and Jill Scott and her husband Gordon of Sandusky; sons, Philip Schumacher and his wife Brenda of Sandusky, and Glen Schumacher and his wife Dorene of Deckerville.

He also is survived by 14 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; sisters, Mildred Wilkowski of Deckerville, Jean Arnold and her husband Robert of Roseville, and Mary Ellen Fleck of St. Clair Shores; brother, Gerald Schumacher and his wife Doris of Romeo; and several nieces and nephews. One great-granddaughter Jennifer Doerr preceded him in death.

A Funeral Mass was offered Thursday at Saint Patrick Catholic Church, Palms. Father Ronald Wagner, pastor of Saint Peter and Paul, Ruth, officiated.

Burial took place at Verona Township Cemetery near Bad Axe.

The MacAlpine Funeral Home, Bad Axe, handled the arrangements.

Memorials may be offered to Saint Patrick Catholic Church or to the Alzheimer's Foundation.

Less fat?

Which has less fat, baked chicken with the skin on it or fried skinless chicken? It depends, according to nutrition experts, on how much oil soaks into your chicken when you fry it. If you must fry chicken, remove the skin and visible fat first. And keep the oil hot. The less time it takes the chicken to cook, the less oil the food will absorb.

by Melissa B. Turmo
Staff Writer

His snapshot with Kathie Lee Gifford did not turn out.

But Brian Czekai still proudly shows off a white paper bag autographed by both Frank and Kathie Lee Gifford as proof that he really did meet her on his trip to Arkansas.

"I used to be like hooked on that show," Czekai said of his favorite morning talk show, Regis and Kathie Lee.

So when he finally got to meet the woman he had only seen on his television set, he could hardly believe it was happening.

"To actually be one on one with the stars — at first it's like 'Is this real?'" Czekai explained. "Especially in Cass City, or even in Bad Axe, where are you going to get a chance to meet these famous people? You're not."

Czekai's chance to hobnob with the entertainment industry elite came when he was elected by his fellow employees at the Bad Axe Wal-Mart to represent the store at the 1995 Annual Wal-Mart shareholders meeting.

The 4 1/2-year employee currently works as the pet department manager. Because he owns stock in the company, he was eligible for the all expenses paid 3-day trip.

"If it hadn't been for souvenirs, I wouldn't have spent anything," he said.

And Czekai has become something of a celebrity himself since his return. He couldn't even wait for a store meeting to tell his co-workers about his trip.

He was relating his adventures while trying to finish the inventory that waited for him upon his June 3 return.

"Of course, everybody at work was razzing me," he

Summer concerts set in Pigeon

The Pigeon Band Shell is kicking off its fourth season of quality entertainment at its barn-shaped outdoor theatre located in the heart of Michigan's agricultural heartland - Pigeon - just 7 miles south of Saginaw Bay and less than an hour away from Bay City.

First on the Summer Concert Series '95 is an appearance by the Bay Concert Band, "Second Wind," June 15 at 7 p.m.

Well-known in the Bay County area for bringing together the concert talents of a number of local musicians, "Second Wind" also has several local connections - with long-time director Robert Story having been a respected band director at Laker High School for a number of years. Alto saxophonist Robert Bottimer is also the father-in-law of former Pigeon resident Roger Baerwolf, and a number of other members of the band have local relatives.

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Czekai glows after meeting TV stars

remarked. "They say I'm like a hot air balloon — I just keep blowing up."

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"This is the first time I've ever flown on a regular commercial airline," he commented, adding he liked taking off, landing and hitting turbulence, parts of the flight everyone seemed to warn him against.

He said he even got a window seat: "I had to see everything."

Once the plane landed, Czekai continued to try and see everything. Everything but sleep, that is.

But sleep was not on his mind when he learned just how close he would get to the stars. He was only expecting to see them on stage.

"It was like a once in a lifetime chance," he said, adding he and his weekend dorm roommates walked directly to the arena where the stars were as soon as they could, opting out of a tour of Wal-Mart founder Sam Walton's house and other store-oriented buildings.

He collected autographs and photos of celebrities in-

cluding Herschel Walker, Carly Neal, Tony Dorsett, Barbara Bush, Regis Philbin, Morris the 9 Lives Cat and, most notably, Deidre Hall.

"No she's not possessed," Czekai joked of the Days of Our Lives star. "She was a very pretty woman — and very nice."

To cut down on time, 2 or 3 celebrities were grouped at the head of one line. Czekai waited in line for more than 2 hours just to meet Richard Simmons and Joe Montana. "You have like seconds to talk to them. It's just a quick 'hi' and a little conversation and then go," Czekai explained.

But this fast-paced meeting satisfied the son of Gary and Margaret Czekai.

"You think, my God, this is a real person, so you just want to get your picture."

Aside from the celebrities, Czekai said he was meeting new people like himself throughout the weekend. More than 25,000 shareholders flooded the campus, making for a city-like atmosphere.

His roommates came from New Jersey and California, and he said he enjoyed comparing their hometowns to Cass City.

And Czekai had so much

fun that he said he's planning to return to the 1996 shareholders meeting, even if he has to find his own ride

down. But for now, he's happy to return to the area he knows best.

"I like that fast pace," he explained. "But then it's always nice to come back to little Cass City."



"THE PICTURE" is what Cass City resident Brian Czekai calls it. Days of Our Lives star Deidre Hall was just one of the many celebrities Czekai met earlier this month at the annual Wal-Mart shareholders meeting.

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NOTICE

The Chronicle has been used to insult me personally and to criticize the fact that I've had the audacity to exercise eternal vigilance and ask questions about the discrepancies in the investigation surrounding the Oklahoma City bombing and has, for the first time, censored my written defense against these unfounded insults and false accusations bowing to pressure from a few uninformed, irate readers who, along with John, would prefer never to know the real truth. I'm certain that these eternally confused people will take great pleasure in knowing that I will no longer write letters to this paper that bring to light some of the facts often 'overlooked' by this media. Until the courage returns to this publication to face accusational corrections in a public forum John and friends will wander aimlessly into the fog of the unknown suffering from cerebral/gluteal displacement, often an incurable illness.

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5-FAMILY garage sale - 35 year collection. June 22, 23, 24, 25, 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. From Cass City, 6 miles straight west to Hurds Corner Rd., 2 miles north, 1 mile west on Hoppe. Avon, costume jewelry, Tupperware, bicycles, collectibles, antiques, clothes for everyone. Lots of miscellaneous. Old Mustang hub caps, 15" chrome rims and hubs for Chevy S-10. 14-6-21-1

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GROUP GARAGE SALE - Furniture - old chifferobe, Sears sewing machine, chairs, bedroom furniture, etc., dishes and collectibles, 2-man inflatable raft with oars - new, light fixtures, clothes, many sizes. Too many things to mention - come see. Friday, June 24, Saturday, 25, 10 till 6:00, 4657 Schwegler - Bakers. 14-6-21-1

GARAGE SALE - 4394 Oak St., Thursday, June 22, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday, June 23, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Canning jars, dishes, curtains, baby clothes, 3-speed bikes, carpet scrubber, exercise bike, 10% off porcelain dolls. 14-6-21-1

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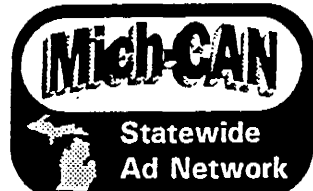
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WE WISH TO thank everyone for their prayers, acts of kindness and the flowers and memorials. The Kranz & Little Funeral Home, the neighbors and friends for all of the food. The Rev. Garrett and Rev. Sheppard for all their visits and prayers, the United Methodist Women Society for the fine meal. A special thanks to Marv and Janice Winter, Dave and Tina Hoard, Lyle and Eleanor Trueman, Dale and Pauline Brown, my sisters, Mary Jane and Nancy, and sister-in-law, Shirley Wagg, for all of their help and being there during our great loss of wife, mother and grandmother Marilyn. The Bob Alexander family. 13-6-21-1



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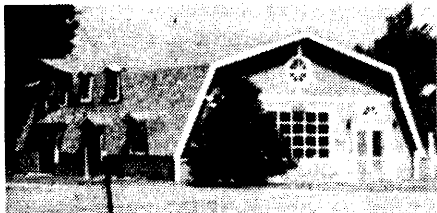
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Proctors sell pharmacy

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CHAIN STORES

The explosion of chain stores across the country and state has also been a major instigator of change.

"The big corporate operators are very rough. As you get the kind of competition where a store does carry everything, then it becomes tougher," Proctor commented.

Today, he explained, "A typical rural pharmacy is many things trying to meet many needs. It's cosmetics and jewelry and music, greeting cards and gifts."

The biggest challenge "is to find the right product mix and to provide customers with good service. And the public wants new things, so you're constantly looking," he said. "The idea hasn't changed, but the practicality of it has."

At the same time, pharmacists have become increasingly watchful for individuals who abuse prescription medication.

"Yes. There is a lot of that, and really the computers do help" in that they provide

instant information on what has been prescribed in the past and how long a prescription should last a patient.

Although incidents of abuse may be seen more often now, Proctor said he's seen some bad cases of prescription misuse in the past.

"What a good pharmacist does, is you try to work with that person," he added.

"That's part of the profession; you try to protect the health of the patient and look out for them."

Through the years, Proctor has also looked out for the community.

He has enjoyed a long tenure as a member of the Cass City Rotary Club and has been especially active in the Youth Exchange Program.

He has been elected president of the club twice, and served as a district governor and international committee member.

FUND DRIVE

Proctor also volunteered his time with the former United Fund Drive in Cass City. While serving as chairman, the organization's payroll deduction program was started, paving the way for increasingly successful campaigns.

Named Cass City's Citizen of the Year in 1995, he has also been involved in chamber of commerce and retail committee activities, including expansion of the Cass City Recreational Park years

ago.

More recently, Proctor has chaired the 3-year-old Cass City Downtown Development Authority, which spearheaded purchase of the village's new downtown banners and continues to work to attract new businesses to town.

Proctor said the constant demands of running his own business prompted him to retire, but he still plans to keep busy, working occasionally as a relief pharmacist in the area. Some travel is also in the future for the couple, who intend to remain active in the community.

"That's part of being a citizen in a small town; you take part in activities and get involved," Proctor concluded. "That's what makes small towns a nice place to live."

Shores plan for store renovation

Old Wood Drug in Cass City has a new name and will soon have a new look.

Tom and Elaine Proctor, who have owned and operated the pharmacy for nearly 33 years, recently sold the business to Book Mart Inc., operated by Jonathan and Cheryl Shores.

The pharmacy name has been changed to the New Sheridan HealthMart, a name reminiscent of a hotel that operated in the early days of Cass City. The format of the store will also be changing to include books, music, same-day photo processing, and cards and gifts.

The business will remain open during remodeling, which is expected to be completed over the next month.

Jonathan Shores explained the rear third of the store will continue to be a pharmacy,

while the front two-thirds will be transformed into a combination Carlton Card Shop and wrap-around book store. Improvements to the exterior of the building are also planned.

The Shores moved to Caro in 1987 from Tawas, where Jonathan was a hospital pharmacist for 10 years. He has since worked as manager of the Perry Drug Store pharmacy in Caro, a job he took in order to gain pharmacy retail experience.

The Shores, who are in the process of purchasing another store in North Branch, said the quality of the schools in the Thumb is what drew them to the area along with their 4 children.

"I've spent a lot of time in Cass City," Jonathan said, "and we love this area up here. We really do."

He noted he and his family have enjoyed the village's ample recreational facilities and, through plenty of research, learned Cass City has a lot to offer.

Cass City is one of the few Thumb communities that boasts sustained, consistent population and business growth over the past 7 years, he said.

"Everything we've looked at shows Cass City has probably the best business outlook in the Thumb."

The area offers a great place to raise a family and at the same time is only a short drive from the city, Shores concluded. "It's like the best of both worlds."

Tuckey resigns from township board

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ROAD WORK

In other business during the June 12 monthly meeting, the board approved ditching work on the south side of Huron Line Road. The work was requested by Bill Britt and Tom Kelly, Wallace reported.

The township will cover the cost of the project. No cost estimate was available.

Also approved were gravel patching on Ritchie Road, from Bay City-Forestville Road to Huron Line Road at a cost of \$44,500; patching on Huron Line Road from Koepfgen Road to Cemetery Road (\$10,400); patching on Buehrly Road, from Bay City-Forestville Road to Huron Line Road (\$10,400); and various road patching where needed in the township (\$15,000).

Also last week, the board: *Accepted the resignation of Elkland Township Zoning Board Secretary Jerry Houghton, who is moving to

the Bay City area.

*Tabled action related to planned roofing work at the township fire hall.

Seven bids have been received, however, the specifications are not uniform from one bid to the next, according to Wallace. She said Fire Chief Milt Connolly will contact the bidders to obtain additional information.

*Received a letter from Evergreen Township officials notifying Elkland Township of a realignment of fire department coverage in the Sanilac County township.

The realignment is the result of an effort to ensure various sections in Evergreen Township are covered by the closest fire department.

As a result of the action, the Elkland Township Fire Department will cover 18 sections in Evergreen Township, down from 26 3/4 sections, Wallace said.

*Noted Connolly will seek an estimate on the cost of installing a dry well near the Huntsville Mobile Home Park, located at the end of Doerr Road in Cass City.

School to end year in black

Although figures are not final, a budget compiled June 19 indicates that Cass City Schools will finish the year in a very healthy financial condition with a balanced budget.

Total expenditures for the 1994-5 school year increased from \$6,803,581 last year to \$7,739,017.

Supt. Ken Micklash cautioned that the final audited figures could change slightly, but indicated that the figures presented were conservative ones.

If the budget proves correct, the district will add to its healthy fund balance. There will be a surplus of \$1,870 and the contingency fund

balance will increase from \$791,887 to \$793,757.

The report also shows that the cost of running the athletic department increased slightly. Required was \$88,160 transferred from the general operating funds. Last year it cost \$79,300 to run the department. A decrease in admissions reduced revenues.

The school hot lunch program continued to prosper. The program generated a profit of \$7,227 for the year, despite holding to extremely competitive hot lunch prices Micklash said.

The hot lunch program now has a fund balance of \$100,810.

	Actual 1993-94	06-19-95 Proposed Revised 1994-95
Revenue from Local Sources	3,872,564	692,887
Revenue from State Sources	2,674,879	6,746,511
Revenue from Federal Sources	245,271	296,652
Other Financing Sources	31,497	4,837
Total Revenues	6,824,211	7,740,887
Total Expenditures	6,803,581	7,739,017
Adjustment to Fund Balance	20,630	1,870
Fund Balance - July 1	771,257	791,887
Fund Balance - June 30	791,887	793,757



TAKING HOME A bag of dairy products from Thumb National Bank is JoAnn Alexander. She was the winner of a special drawing held in conjunction with June is Dairy Month. Making the presentation is the bank's Pam LaFave.

Teacher agreement

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6 or more continuous years in the same position will be paid the percentage the work calls for on the basis of step 2 on the salary schedule instead of step one.

Teachers taking a class for another teacher in an emergency will be paid at the hourly substitute rate, which was increased from \$8.25 to \$11.00.

Pay for unused sick days upon retirement was increased from \$25 to \$35 per day.



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