



CASS CITY MMR will soon be moving into a home of its own in the village. Above, ambulance personnel Ron Pawloski and Gail Hutchinson pose with a new and old unit in front of the Elkland Township Fire Hall, which has served as the ambulance service's headquarters since the late 1970s.

New headquarters

Ambulance service to build

The ambulance service in Cass City will have a new home by the end of this year.

The news was reported to the Novesta Township Board during a rescheduled monthly meeting last Wednesday.

Linda Boerner, the township's representative on the ambulance board, ex-

plained ambulance officials plan to build a 2-bay garage to house the service's 2 ambulances, and an adjoining residential-type structure that will include an office and crew quarters, township Clerk Kathy Newell said.

According to John Beem, project manager for Mobile Medical Response (MMR),

Saginaw, a few details still have to be worked out before construction can begin.

"We have developed the plan of what we want to build," he said, "but we're still waiting on (finalization of) the site."

MMR is the firm responsible for staffing and managing the local ambulance ser-

vice, formally known as Cass City-Mercy Ambulance. MMR is the result of the merger last fall of Mercy Ambulance, Saginaw, and EMS of Saginaw.

The Cass City ambulance service, which has been housed in the Elkland Township Fire Hall home since the late 1970s, is subsidized by Elkland, Novesta, Greenleaf and Evergreen townships, and the village of Gagetown, each of which has a representative on a local board that oversees the operation.

The funding provided by those local governmental units, along with surplus rev-

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Hire Campbell principal

Vote set Sept. 18 on school bond proposal

The Cass City School Board passed a new middle school bond proposal and hired a Campbell Elementary School principal during a board of education meeting Thursday at the high school.

The new middle school project will save district taxpayers nearly \$8 million from the board's original undertaking, according to Superintendent Ken Micklash.

"We listen to the voters and we think this (proposal) is what they want," said Micklash.

The major difference between the maiden proposal (new middle school with Campbell addition) and the board's latest endeavor will be the use of the east annex of the existing middle school for classrooms, with no Campbell addition. The change will reduce the total bond requirement from \$8.3 million to \$6.5 million.

In addition, \$6 million in interest savings will be passed on to taxpayers as the bond's maturity date will be reduced from 22 years to only 12.5 years. Micklash also pointed out that the millage rate will remain nearly the same, falling somewhere between 3.5 to 4.5 mills.

The bond proposal is slated to go before electors in a Sept. 18 vote.

Although Micklash feels the changes should swing the vote in favor of the new proposal, not all in attendance share his optimism.

Don Ball, a stalwart friend of backers for a new middle

school, commented that he's willing to do the work to get the message out for the new proposal. But the word he is hearing on the street is that the taxpayers are tired of paying taxes.

"I don't think they will change their minds until it

affects little Johnny," said Ball.

CAMPBELL PRINCIPAL

During the 90-minute meeting, the board also approved the hiring of Jody Miklovic

of Caro as the new principal of Campbell Elementary School.

Miklovic holds a Bachelor of Science in secondary education from Western Michigan University and a Master of Arts in school guidance. Please turn to back page.

Summer savings gala underway in Cass City

Cass City's annual summer saving gala begins Wednesday and lasts through the weekend as the community holds its Sidewalk Sale Days July 12-15.

Bargain hunters will have until 5:30 each day except Friday, when most stores will remain open till 8 p.m., to buy items at prices up to 70% off their retail cost.

In addition to the sidewalk deals lining Main Street, several other events have been carded to make a festive 4-day event.

The Elmwood Quilting Circle will host a quilt show at the downtown Cultural Center Wednesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free and will conclude Friday with a quilt raffle drawing at 4 p.m. Donations are \$1 per ticket or 6 for \$5.

The Cass City Parks and Recreation department has scheduled a Pacesetter Race for Thursday, starting in the Hardee's parking lot at 12:30 p.m. The 4-mile fun

run/walk/bike will conclude at the Stevens Memorial Pool, where free swimming has been arranged with the pool staff from 1-5 p.m. There is no cost associated with the race and all ages, especially seniors, are encouraged to participate. No advance registration is required.

Also scheduled for all 4 days are arts and crafts vendors specializing in flower arrangements, doll making, wood working, and plastic. In total over 15 specialty experts will line the sidewalks.

Once again the scouts will be among several food groups lining the sidewalks.

The scouts will be serving hot dogs and soft drinks from the Chemical Bank parking lot at the corner of Main and Seeger streets. Homemade pies, cakes, breads and the like will be available from bake sale booths, including one by the Hills & Dales Hospital Auxiliary in front of the Cass Theatre on Thursday.

The St. Pancratius Youth group will hold a car wash at Hardee's Saturday, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Rawson Memorial Library will host a book sale during regular library hours, concluding Saturday with their Buck-A-Bag sale.

Anthony appealing township decision

by Melissa B. Turmo
Staff Writer

An end to Kim Anthony's wait could be in sight.

The owner of the Rooster Ranch Hunt Club has filed his appeal against a Greenleaf Township Planning Commission decision, but had not been notified of a hearing date as of Monday.

But Greenleaf Township Board of Appeals chairman Robert DeLong said Monday an appeals hearing is slated to take place during the first week of August. No specific date has been set.

Anthony is appealing a June 7 planning commission decision to deny his conditional land use permit application.

"I had a lot more support, and I had people call me and say they thought we should be able to do this," Anthony said, explaining why he decided to appeal. "We are a farm operation out here."

"We just feel everything's been overblown."

The permit would allow Anthony to open a scaled-down version of his pheasant hunting ranch 2 miles north of Cass City Road on Hadley Road — land zoned for residential/agricultural use.

Planning commission chairman Joe Braun was the only commissioner to oppose the decision. Braun, DeLong and Greenleaf Township board member Mark Battel sit on the board.

To operate within state regulations, any testimony must be given under oath. The board may uphold the planning commission's decision or return the matter to the commission if they find an error was made in reaching the decision.

Township attorney Anthony Sykora of Sandusky will attend the public appeal hearing.

Anthony's permit application was met with opposition from many township residents, who expressed concerns about lack of safety and noise generated by the farm.

Although he preferred to Please turn to back page.

Aug. 29 date set

Westerby faces new trial

A Kingston man charged in connection with a fatal traffic accident that claimed 3 lives last November apparently will go to trial for a second time.

Genesee County prosecutors have decided to re-try Daniel R. Westerby, 39, who was arraigned on 3 counts of negligent homicide after his car-hauling tractor-trailer crashed into vehicles stopped for President Clinton's motorcade on I-75 Nov. 7.

The impact caused a fiery chain-reaction crash involving 8 vehicles. Killed were a 35-year-old Saginaw woman and her passenger, a 23-month-old boy, and a 41-year-old Detroit woman.

The new trial was requested by both the prosecution and defense attorneys following a pre-trial hearing Monday before Judge Judith Fullerton.

An Aug. 29 trial date was set. However, Genesee County Chief Assistant Prosecutor Robert Yuille said a plea bargain is possible. "Discussions are still continuing; the doors are not forever shut," he said.

Westerby originally went to trial on the negligent homicide charges last spring. However, a mistrial was declared May 19 by Judge Fullerton after the jury announced it was deadlocked.

The announcement was made following about 2 days of deliberations, which ended with a final deadlock vote of 9 to 3 in favor of conviction.

During the trial, prosecutors argued the trucker could have stopped his tractor-trailer in time to avoid the crash.

Westerby's attorneys, meanwhile, argued the accident was unavoidable, in part due to Westerby's being cut off by another vehicle just

prior to the crash. If convicted, Westerby faces

a maximum 2 years in prison on each count.

For Little, Venema clan

County fair a family tradition

by Melissa B. Turmo
Staff Writer

Most of the Little and Venema clan say they really can't imagine a summer not spent on the farm.

Before they were even old enough to show steers and hogs with the Cass City Livestock Club, the cousins were out in the pens helping their brothers and sisters take care of their animals.

"When you're working with (the animals), you're not as bored," explained 9-year-old Amanda Little, who is enjoying her 2nd year preparing for the Tuscola County Fair.

"It's a family tradition," added Matt Little, 11. His grandfather, father and several aunts and uncles all took their turns as 4-H Club members.

And this year, 8 cousins are planning to carry on this tradition, showing 6 steers and 16 hogs at the Tuscola County Fair.

Matt, Amanda, Tyler Little, 7; Alecia Little, 10; Erin Venema, 11; and Josh Little, 15, each has spent his or her summer working a steer. Ashley Little and Amy Venema, both 13, will join them in showing 2 hogs each. Alecia and Amanda also shared their plans to bring baked goods and crafts to the fair. Alecia will enter a dress she sewed.

Each morning, the cousins bike as far as a mile to the

Kelly Road farm worked by their fathers or uncles David and Dean Little.

They estimated it takes at least 2 to 3 hours each day to wash, brush, feed and walk

the livestock.

"It's more than that," Amy corrected. "Because with the pigs, you work them morning and night."

But the hours do not seem

as long when all the cousins are working together. "You actually have some company," Matt commented.

"It's fun when (the animals) are working with you,"



THE LITTLE CLAN gathers around the steer 7-year-old Tyler Little (far right) will take to the Tuscola County Fair. The cousins involved in the Cass City Livestock Club are (back from left) Josh Little, Alecia Little, Amy Venema, Erin Venema, (front from left) Amanda Little and Matt Little. Not pictured is Ashley Little.

50-plus attend family reunion

Five generations of the Lopez-Benitez clan comprised of more than 50 persons celebrated the first-time ever family reunion at the home of Tino and Wanda Benitez of Hurds Corner Rd., Cass City, Saturday, July 8.

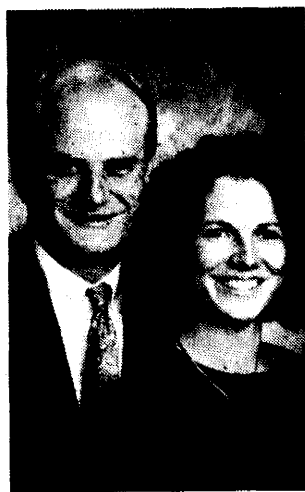
The youngest person at the picnic was Edward Jose Francisco Lopez, 2-week-old son of Jose and Julie Lopez of South Lyon. Anita Benitez, 83, of Bad Axe was the oldest family member present.

All local Lopez-Benitez family members trace their roots to Nestora Benitez 1863-1937, who is buried in the Gagetown Cemetery, according to print-out computer records compiled by Mrs. Rebecca Alviseo of Monterey Park, a suburb of Los Angeles, Calif. Mrs. Alviseo, who works as geographic specialist at the Los Angeles Times, has made it her hobby to study the genealogy of the matriarch, Nestora Benitez.

Army veterans, led by Pablo Lopez, Ben Lopez, Alex Lopez, Tino Benitez, Joe Navarez and Nat Benitez, presented a new American flag to Mr. and Mrs. Tino Benitez to replace the present well-worn one that flies daily in front of their home.

Family members traveled from as far away as California and Kentucky.

Engaged



Susan Maitrott
William Weadock

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Maitrott of Cass City announce the engagement of their daughter, Dr. Susan Marie, to Dr. William Jay Weadock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Weadock Jr. of Saginaw.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Rochester Adams High School, Michigan State University, and University of Michigan Pharmacy School. She is completing a residency at Mayo Medical Center, Rochester, Minn.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Douglas MacArthur High School, University of Michigan, and University of Michigan Medical School. He is completing a residency in radiology at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.

The couple is planning an October wedding at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Saginaw.

Cass City Area Social and Personal Items

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Mr. and Mrs. James A. Milligan, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Milligan and Michael, and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Karr were dinner guests of Mrs. Harold Oatley of Allen Park June 29. Mrs. Oatley's daughter and family, Jim and Ellen Wallace, Ella and Caroline of Seattle, Wash., were spending 2 weeks at the Oatley home and with other relatives.

Donna Keys (Pomeroy) of Cass City and Rod Chappel of Kingston announce the birth of a daughter, Bobbie Jean Keys-Chappel. She was born June 30 at Huron Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe, weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces and was 21 inches long. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Pomeroy of Decker and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Chappel of Marlette. A sister, Ashley, joins her at home.

Engaged



Kimberly Morley
Matthew Braun

Bob and Margie Morley of Cass City announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimberly, to Matthew Braun, son of Gerry and Lois Braun of Vassar. Kimberly is also the daughter of the late Helen Morley.

The bride-elect is a purchasing secretary at Walbro Engine Management Corporation in Cass City.

The prospective groom is a project engineer at Walbro Engine Management Corporation in Cass City.

Wedding plans are made for Nov. 4.



Marriage licenses

Paul August Salowitz, Kingston, and Teresa Gene DeMeyer, Port Huron.

Stanley Virgil Howard, Silverwood, and Karen Gayle Blonde, Mayville.

Steven Phillip Kaye and Linda Marie Becker, both of Glendale, Ariz.

Jeremy Michael Albrow, Millington, and Sherrie Marie Ketchel, Birch Run.

Edwin Wayne Boyke and Linda Croucher Wildfong, both of Vassar.

Andy Rooney advocates doing away with the apostrophe, according to one of his columns a while back. At first glance it seems like a good idea. After all, most of the population doesn't know how to use the thing anyway.

Rooney said he submitted the manuscript of a book, minus apostrophes, to his editor, who put them all back in.

I suppose it would make for some confusion.

Consider this example: Ill let you know if were going. Ill go if shell go. Without the poor misunderstood apostrophe, I'll becomes ill; she'd becomes shed; I'd would be Id, and we're, were. Maybe wed better keep it.

English is a confusing language, with or without apostrophes.

The guide leads today; he led yesterday. But if he reads today, it doesn't follow that he red yesterday. Why do way and weigh, and ate and eight rhyme?

There are a number of ways, short of abolishing the apostrophe, by which we could simplify the language.

I'm a firm believer in phonetics. Without a grasp of the

Weiss completes course

Marine Warrant Officer Troy M. Weiss, son of Judy Wilson of Cass City, was recently graduated from the Basic Warrant Officer School.

During the 10-week course at the Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Quantico, Va., Weiss was prepared as a newly-appointed Marine warrant officer for assignment to the Fleet Marine Force. His studies emphasized the professional personal and leadership responsibilities that accompany their new rank.

His training included instruction on map and aerial photograph reading, communications, infantry tactics at the small unit level, military law, personnel administration, Marine Corps history and traditions and the techniques of military instruction.

An extensive physical conditioning program complemented his course of study.



Meg's Peg
Simpler English

by Melva E. Guinther

sound the letters stand for (most of the time), English words are just a wild guessing game.

Even with phonetics, there are enough exceptions to make the language tough. Two of the culprits are in that last sentence - tough and enough.

One of the first things I'd do if commissioned to overhaul the language would be to get rid of most of the "gh"s.

Why not make the reading process simpler by making tough, tuff, and enough, enuff?

Through would be thru; though, tho; laugh, laff; thought, thawt; night, nite, etc.

We could take that I out of would, could and should, the first c out of Arctic, and the first r out of February, without causing much trouble.

Building would be spelled bilding, and I suppose we'd have to change our name to Ginther.

When our son, Mark, began his new job in Pennsylvania, in an effort to help with the pronunciation of his name, he put the following sign on his office wall: "GUinness, gUild, gUilty, gUitar, GUinther. What do these words have in common?"

Most people read the words, "Guinness, guild, guilty, guitar, Gunther. They don't have anything in common." Nice try!

Phone solicitors almost always give themselves away when they struggle with our name and ask if this is Mrs. Gu-winner. Sometimes I tell them no and hang up. I figure anybody I want to talk to probably knows how to pronounce my name.

On the other hand we usually answer to Gunther. That's an understandable error.

Anyway, I'm toying with the idea of writing a phonetic column, that is, a fonetic colum. I wonder if enywn wood notis.

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Engaged



Angela Martindale
Matthew Roemer

Roger and Joann Martindale and John and Liz Roemer announce the engagement of their children, Angela Martindale and Matthew Roemer, both of Gagetown.

Angela is a 1994 graduate of Owen-Gage High School and is currently a nursing student at St. Clair County Community College.

Matthew is a 1993 graduate of Owen-Gage High School and is currently employed by Gemini Plastics in Uby.

The marriage will take place Sept. 9.

Kathleen Bolton recent graduate

Kathleen J. Bolton of Cass City has graduated from Grand Valley State University, Allendale, with a bachelor's degree in business



administration.

She recently moved to Washington, D.C., where she will begin graduate studies at George Washington University. She plans to earn a master's degree in higher education administration.

Bolton, a 1991 graduate of Cass City High School, is the daughter of Jim and Sandra Bolton of Cass City.

Hospital notes

PATIENTS LISTED MONDAY, JULY 10, WERE:

Agnes Fulcher, Bad Axe;
Sylvester Osentoski, Cass City;

Mary O'Rourke, Gagetown;
Madeline Northrup, Unionville.

money will be used to carry out 11 world-wide mission projects.

Using an innovative format, the convention spiritual enrichment segments - 6 in all totaling 9 hours - were led by the Rev. Dr. David Buegler of North Ridgeville, Ohio. Described as the convention "theme weaver," Buegler "wove" the goals, objectives and theme of the program together through the use of video, a dramatic presentation, worship, a talent show and interviews. In his final, inspiring presentation, Buegler commissioned the attendees to "Live by God's Design" long after the convention.

The ILWML, with a membership of nearly 200,000, focuses on affirming each woman in her relationship with Christ to enable her to be in ministry to the people of the world. For more than 50 years, the organization has been encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission service and to financially support global mission projects.

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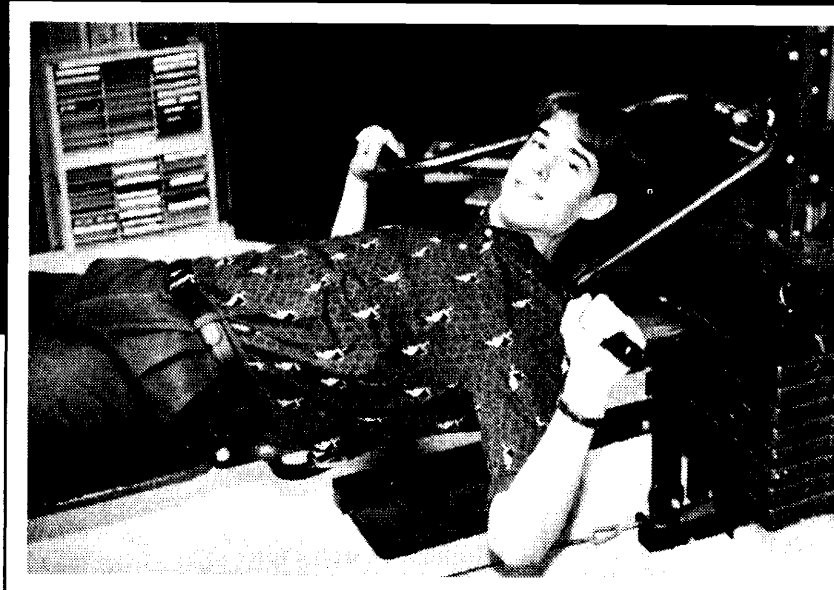
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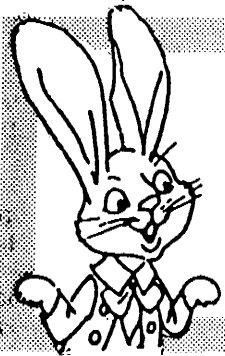
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

Tara Guernsey should have no problem receiving a passing mark from Driver Education instructor Jim Hobbs.

After stopping for fuel at Mr. Chips Service Center, Tara proceeded to drive north to Huron Street, west to Seeger, north to Milligan, east to Schwegler, north to Daus and finally east all the way to M-53.

Suddenly, Hobbs realized he had left his briefcase on the roof of the car when fueling up in Cass City. Thanks to Tara's impeccable driving skills, the briefcase was still on top of the vehicle after all those stops, turns and miles.

Upon hearing of Guernsey's experience, Board Chrysler owner Roger Board offers the following explanation for the unlikely occurrence. It's the automobile's smooth ride. Board donates the use of 3 Dodge/Plymouth Neons to the Cass City program.

Cass City Lions Club member Steve Wright has been a major promoter in the club's efforts to bring the Kelly Miller Circus to the recreational park.

Wright claims the circus's new Italian designed tent alone would be worth the price of admission.

The show is slated for July 21. Tickets are available by contacting any club member. Purchasing in advance saves \$1.00 off the gate prices of \$8.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 12 years of age.

Michigan's Clean Sweep program has collected and disposed of nearly 200 tons of unusable or unwanted pesticides since the program began 5 years ago. In 1994, Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac counties contributed 7,457 lbs. If you have pesticide you would like to dispose of, contact Ellen Jones at 517-373-1104.

Police investigate theft; vandalism at Cass City pool

Vandals broke into the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool over the weekend.

Cass City police are investigating the incident, reported Sunday morning by Pool Director Jennifer Fruendt.

According to reports, a picnic table inside the fenced area of the pool had been tossed into the water. Fruendt also discovered a section of the chain link fence had been lifted up and a dugout bench placed underneath to allow entry into the pool area.

The vandals used black ink to write on a bulletin board inside the pool office, according to Fruendt, who added she observed several empty beer cans on the pool deck.

Police have interviewed suspects, but no arrests have been made. The case remains under investigation.

Also last week, village officers received a number of other complaints involving vandalism and theft.

Carlene Sattelberg, 1713 N. Kingston Rd., Deford, told police someone scratched the front passenger side door of her vehicle while it was parked at Erla's Food Center Friday. No damage estimate

was available.

Donald Wade, service manager for All Star Service Inc., Bad Axe, reported a pop machine at the Lions Pavilion, Cass City Recreational Park, was damaged sometime between July 2 and July 6. Wade stated the machine apparently was tipped over onto its front, then lifted back up. No damage estimate was available.

Sharon Healy, Cass City, reported 2 hub caps valued at more than \$50 stolen from her vehicle while it was parked at 4572 Hill St. early last Wednesday morning. She told police she saw a white male standing behind the vehicle just prior to discovering the theft.

Also last Wednesday, Daniel Heckroth, 4392 S. Seeger St., Cass City, reported a 26-inch Huffy men's bicycle was stolen from his residence. The bike, an 18-speed model valued at \$150, is black and blue in color.

Also last week, Lisa J. Erla, 6661 Seed St., reported someone slashed a trampoline behind her residence. The damage, estimated at \$100, was done sometime July 2 or 3.



BIG THANK-YOU — The Gagetown Village Council Monday honored long-time former village officials Elery and Madeline Sontag for their more than 35 years of service. Village President Charles Wright (left) presented a plaque to the couple, who have served in the offices of mayor, clerk, treasurer and trustee.

Seek crop insurance deadline extension

In a recent letter to Ken Ackerman, Deputy Administrator for Risk Management at the Consolidated Farm Services Agency, U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Congressman James A. Barcia (D. Bay City) called for an extension to the 1996 crop insurance deadline from March 15 to April 28, to provide an incentive for farmers to purchase crop insurance.

"I am finding that some of the deadlines being imposed put producers in a position to either make a planting decision based on incomplete market decisions, or to miss the deadline for the purchase of insurance," Barcia wrote.

"It is, of course, our goal to encourage as many agricultural producers as possible to purchase crop insurance. In doing so, both farmers and the government are safeguarded from the economic cost of natural disasters affecting crops, and producers are able to purchase the insurance at low rates."

"I am told by both sellers and purchasers of insurance that the April 28 deadline this year was helpful in allowing producers to better assess market conditions before making planting decisions and obtaining financing," Barcia continued. "The prior Michigan deadline of March 15 was just too early."

The Haire Net



Because of a week's vacation, this column was written June 30 and by the time it is published, Kirk Kerkorian and the management and board of directors of Chrysler Corporation may have kissed and made up.

The odds against it are comparable to car manufacturers declaring an across-the-board cut in car prices.

Kerkorian wants Chrysler to up its dividend more than it already has and Chrysler has refused to do it. When the first takeover was proposed, Kerkorian had offered key Chrysler management a golden parachute when he took over the company.

Robert Eaton, chairman and CEO of Chrysler, refused because he wanted the company's big cash reserve saved for the next down cycle in the auto business.

It was just 15 years ago that Lee Iacocca went hat in hand to the government for a \$1.5 billion dollar loan guarantee to save the company when it teetered on bankruptcy.

At that time the United Auto Workers Chrysler union agreed to take pay and benefit cuts to keep the company afloat.

It's possible, of course, that the movers and shakers at Chrysler are resisting the Kerkorian attack because money is secondary at their level to the power and prestige of running the company.

If so, good. Good for the company, the Michigan economy and most of all the

Chrysler workers. I read someplace where a worker said that he was happy with the profit bonus he received, even if it was less than it might have been. I'm more concerned with a long-term secure job than a few thousand dollars today, the story quoted the man.

It's easy to speculate on why these people reacted as they did. It's harder to know where Kerkorian is coming from.

He already has more money than he can count. Right now he owns 36 million shares in Chrysler Corporation as a starter.

He says that he has no desire to manage the company. All he wants is more money siphoned away from it.

With his undeniably genius in finance and management of other companies, it's a shame that he wouldn't use it to do whatever he can to make this country better than it is.

If he succeeds in taking over Chrysler and makes another billion dollars or so, all that he will have achieved is a few more zeros in his bottomless checkbook.

There's no doubt that he will be remembered 25 years from now for his financial genius.

If he turned to projects for the public good, he might well be remembered fondly long after his financial exploits are forgotten.

And, not so incidentally, leave Chrysler on a firm financial footing.

"If It Fitz...."

Years of channel hopping pay off

By Jim Fitzgerald



It was June 30 that, on WJBK-TV (Channel 2), I watched anchorwoman Catherine Leahan suffer what she surely must have considered the ultimate denigration.

It was on July 3 that, on both Channel 2 and WDIV-TV (Channel 4), I finally achieved my ultimate remote ambition.

Obviously, what with all those capital call letters, today's column is for my more intelligent, sophisticated readers. You dummies can go back to reading Roman history in the original Latin.

Begin with Leahan: When I recently learned she is being dumped by WJBK-TV when her contract runs out in September, I naturally recalled that after Leahan split with WXYZ-TV (Channel 7) five years ago, she complained about the seating arrangements.

Leahan said Channel 7 had made her "subservient" by requiring her "to sit on the left of her male anchor, as are all women at Channel 7's news set."

As a dedicated chronicler of important contemporary sociological dish, I investigated and discovered that Leahan's accusation appeared valid. On my cable system, every channel with mixed-gender coanchors seated the woman on the man's left.

AN EMPTY SIGHT

Allegedly, this is because we read from left to right, and the station bosses wanted viewers to "read" the male anchor first because men are regarded as more reliably grave, trustworthy and more likely than women to be taken seriously. Especially when reporting internationally important news, such as the latest development in actor Hugh Grant's case — he's been signed to star in two movie sequels, "Pantless in Seattle" and "The Backseats of Madison County."

As I reported at the time, the mixed-gender coanchor seating would probably be just the opposite in countries where people read from right to left. And if Channel 4 were in a country where people read down, from top to bottom, Mort Crim would sit on Carmen Harlan's shoulders. But that was in 1990. When Channel 2 said it wouldn't

renew Leahan's contract in 1995, I was anxious to see how she's being seated these days. And I could hardly believe what I saw when I found her on the 4 o'clock news June 30.

Leahan was not seated on a male coanchor's left. She was seated on the left of three empty chairs. Three.

I watched for half an hour. No one arrived to fill those empty chairs. Leahan made no effort to scoot into a more prominent position. She just sat there on the edge of the viewers' far right, subserviently, while her boss asked the public to put its trust in a vacant chair — three times — before finally getting around to the blonde.

A DREAM REALIZED

OK, now let's move on to my ultimate remote achievement. For many years, while channel-hopping, I've been trying for perfect dual synchronization of a single television commercial. I mean word for word, image for

image, so the channels can be switched seamlessly, with absolutely no evidence of remote-control interruption.

It may be recalled that I came within half a syllable of glory in 1993, with a Great Looking Gray shampoo commercial, and I wrote: "It was so thrilling to come that close that I can't imagine how I'll feel if I ever attain 100 percent synchronization."

Now I know. At 5:25 p.m. July 3, channels 2 and 4 began and ended the same New York Carpet World commercial at the same time. My wife, who came rushing in answer to my screams — she thought I had a heart attack — is my witness, however unwilling.

So how do I feel? Elated, of course, but also strangely empty. My life seems no longer to have a purpose.

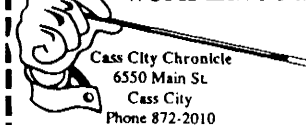
But we'll deal with that problem in a subsequent column. For now, after reading this one, you must be totally exhausted, cerebrally.

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from the desk of Ken Micklash, Superintendent



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The most pressing school issue at hand deals with what to do with the 70 year old middle school. This question has been studied by the board since January of 1993. Ballots which have been placed before the public have not occurred without a lot of thought and soul searching.

Currently, our board is in an extremely difficult position. After the defeat of two bond issues, the board was planning to complete some improvements to make the present middle school a healthier and safer building, but the state Fire Marshal has raised concerns which makes this extremely difficult. If we do anything to the building we could be required to spend thousands and possibly millions of dollars on this aging facility or face having it closed.

The following figures represent updated projected renovation costs vs. new replacement figures. These numbers provide the basis for why the board believes replacing the building would be in the best interest of the community.

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*Mechanical Upgrade	435,550
*New Construction Cost (Needed because remodeling will create larger rooms from smaller ones, thus necessitating the need for more classrooms.)	1,696,000
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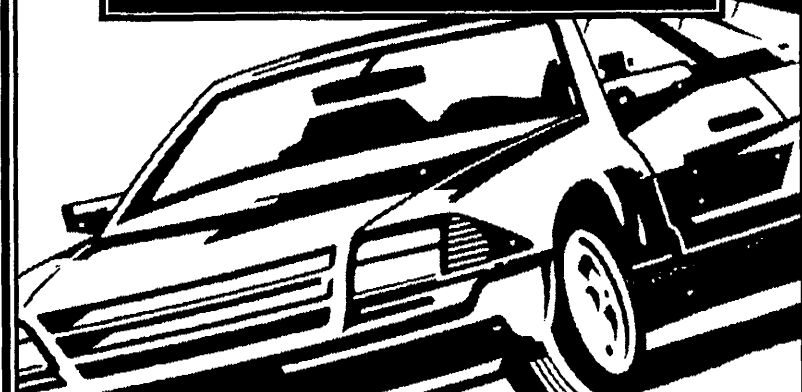
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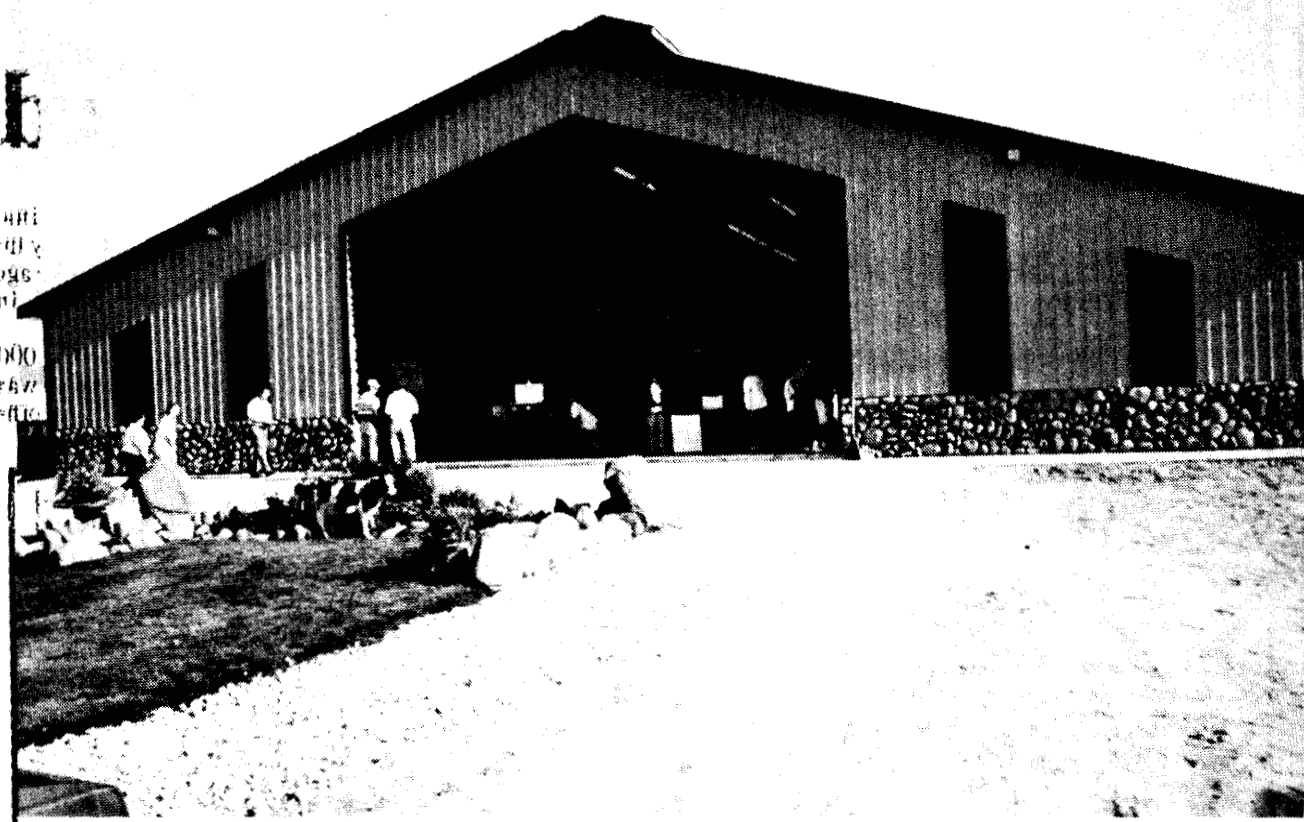
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THE MORELL DAIRY FARM swarmed with visitors during Saturday's open house. More than 500 people toured this new milking parlor.

Report crops by July 15

Jim Byrum, acting state executive director of the Consolidated Farm Service Agency (CFSA), reminds Michigan producers the deadline to report crops at CFSA offices has been extended from June 30 to July 15.

CFSA offices were formerly known as ASCS offices. "The deadline was extended because of delays in planting caused by wet weather in the Midwest," Byrum explained.

All crops, including crops formerly considered "nonprogram crops", should be reported to local CFSA offices to be eligible for potential benefits.

Beginning in 1995, producers will report acreage covered by crop insurance, and crops that are not insured. Crops that are not covered by crop insurance will be covered for catastrophic losses under the Noninsured Assistance Program (NAP). Covering NAP crops costs nothing, but producers must report their crops to the local CFSA office to be covered under the program.

"The bottom line is that all producers of all crops should report their acres to be able to benefit from new government programs," concluded Byrum. "Producers should contact their local CFSA office by July 15 to set up an appointment or ask questions regarding this program."



WORKERS POLISHED from front to back and top to bottom Wednesday to make the Morell Dairy Farm's new double-20 milking parlor shine.

Corn, wheat, soybeans

State grain stocks up

Michigan stocks of corn, winter wheat and soybeans, stored in both farm and off farm storages, were up 28, 30 and 32 percent respectively, according to the Federal/State Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service. Oats stocks were down.

Corn stocks in Michigan storage facilities June 1 were estimated at more than 91

million bushels, 28 percent higher than a year ago. Sixty-six percent of total corn stocks were stored on farms.

There were 7.1 million bushels of winter wheat stored in Michigan, up 30 percent from a year ago. Ninety-three percent of wheat stocks were in commercial storage.

Soybeans in Michigan storage were at 11.1 million bushels, 32 percent higher than last June. Commercial storage facilities held 46 percent of the soybeans.

Oats stored in all positions totaled 1.7 million bushels, down 29 percent from last June and one of the lowest holdings since oats estimates started in 1866.

Nationally, corn stored in all positions June 1 totaled 3.42 billion bushels, up 45

percent from last year. Of the total stocks, 2.07 billion bushels are stored on farms, up 72 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 1.34 billion bushels, are up 16 percent from June 1994.

Soybeans stored in all positions June 1 totaled 792 million bushels, 43 percent above holdings a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 349 million bushels, 79 percent above last June and account for 44 percent of total stocks on hand.

All wheat stocks are estimated at 510 million bushels, down 10 percent from last June 1. Farm stocks, at 168 million bushels, are down 4 percent from last year. Oats stocks at 101 million bushels were down 5 percent from a year ago.

500 tour facilities

Morells pleased with high tech milking parlor

by Melissa B. Turmo
Staff Writer

Butch Morell calls his latest expansion a sign of the times.

He's learning to operate computer software, trading in ear tags for electronic identification on his cows and supervising the work of some 9 builders and contractors.

It's a far cry from Morell's 1964 beginnings with 12 cows in a small lean-to.

"A lot of people say, 'What's he doing it for?' I guess I can't truthfully answer why I'm doing it. I just enjoy it, and it's something I wanted to do."

Morell is speaking of his decision to build a computerized milking parlor to the east of his older dairy farm buildings on Robinson Road east of Cass City.

"I'm real proud of it," the lifetime resident of Cass City remarked of his ability to expand.

The parlor is equipped to milk 40 cows simultaneously on the Germania dairy equipment, and Morell plans to use every milking stall immediately.

At milking time, the cows are herded into the parlor by a slow-moving automated herding bar.

Once workers attach the milkers to the cows, the computer takes over, recording how much milk each cow produces and signaling the milkers to drop off when the cow finishes giving milk.

In addition, an electronic "head meter" around the cows' necks measures the movements each animal makes. This will help Morell and his employees determine when a cow is ill or in heat.

Grant Sadler, Germania sales representative, said the Morell parlor is one of the 3 largest automated milking parlors in Michigan.

"There's a lot of precision involved in this kind of stall equipment," Sadler explained. The slightest change in the slope of the parlor floor would make the parlor less effective.

The Morell parlor is entered in a parlor excellence competition to be judged by Germania representatives at the end of the building season.

"It's a very nice parlor," Sadler remarked. "It's defi-

nately in the running."

"I think it's a good idea so a guy can do a better job managing," Morell said of the new technology, adding he expects milk production will increase with the new technology.

He currently milks roughly 450 cows and owns some 520. He hopes to build up to milking 600 cows once the expansion is finished. The farm employs 8 full- or part-time workers.

Morell and his son Brent also farm 2,000 acres of corn, wheat, sugar beets, beans and hay.

And within the next couple years, Morell has plans to use the dairy facility's full potential and milk up to 1,200 cows.

The decision to build the new milking parlor came

more than a year ago when Morell saw the need to automate his old parlor. The automation would have cost him between \$125,000 and \$150,000, and he still would have been milking in an old building.

Construction began in October.

"It's taken longer than I thought it would have," Morell commented. He said he underestimated the amount of work required to construct the new parlor.

With some of the finishing touches yet to be completed, Morell opened his new facility to the public Saturday.

"It's a lot more people than we planned for," Morell commented of the more than 500 people that attended the open house.

He called the event a suc-

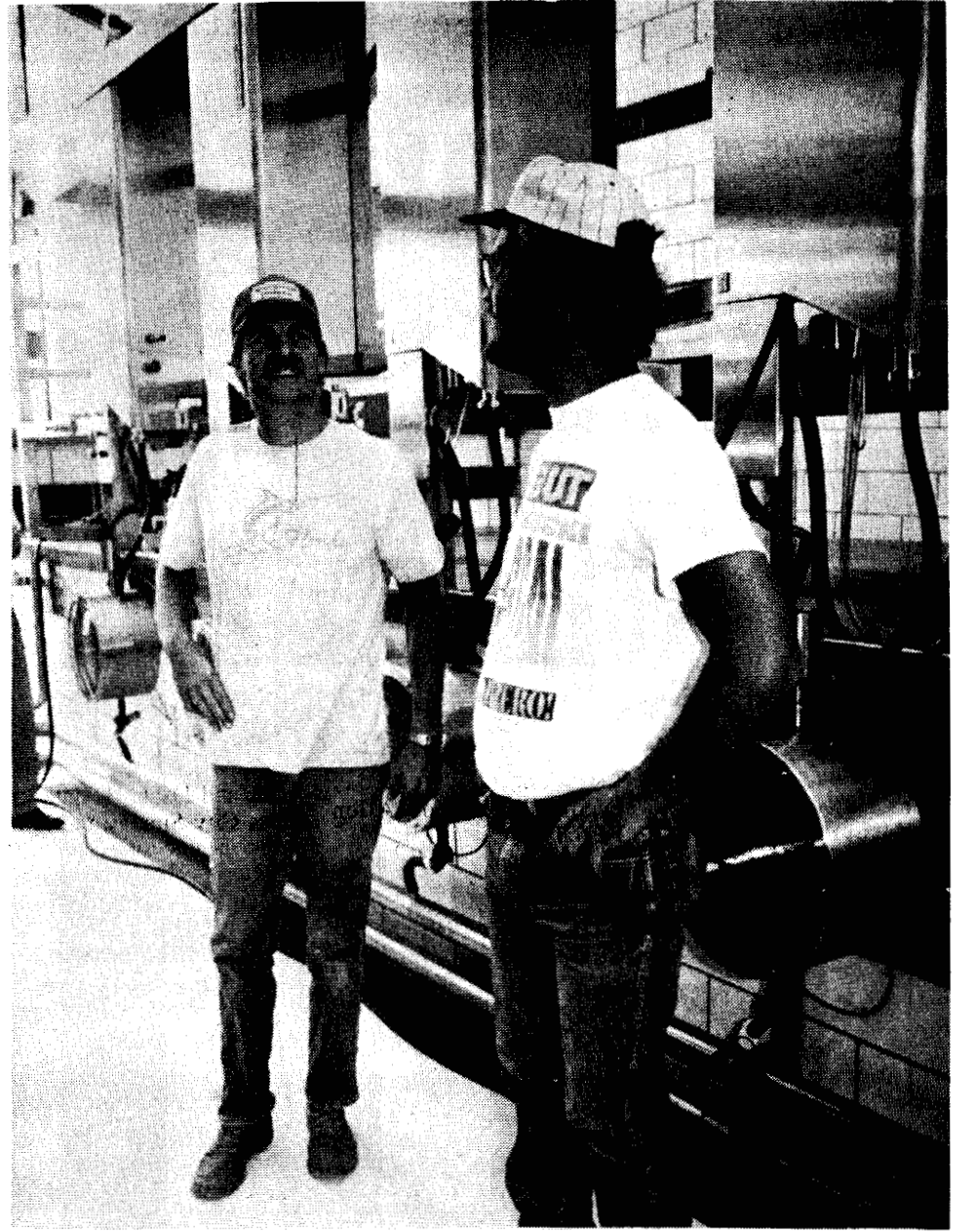
cess, adding it drew people from across Michigan and surrounding states.

Wednesday, construction and landscaping workers were installing fixtures and building a rock garden in front of the parlor to prepare for the open house.

Milking began Monday, and a new cow barn is expected to be finished by mid-July, all adding to a sometimes hectic atmosphere at the Morell farm.

"The biggest thing right now is time," Morell commented Wednesday. His new computer sits covered in his old office while Morell directs the many contractors finishing his facility.

Morell looks forward to a lull in the action when he can really learn how to use his new software.



JEFF AND GREG Wolschlager traveled from Bad Axe to check out the new milking equipment at the Morell Dairy Farm. People came from across Michigan and surrounding states to visit the facility Saturday.

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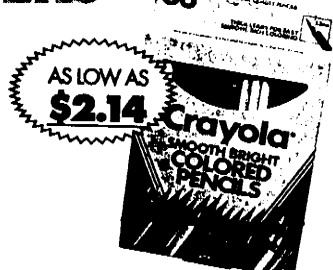


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Rev. Dave Edwards

Local Missionary church welcomes new minister

The Rev. Dave Edwards is new to Michigan, but the look and feel of the Thumb's farming communities and small towns are a familiar and welcome sight to the Missouri native.

Edwards along with his wife, Bonnie, and the couple's son, Andrew, 15, recently moved to Cass City to begin his new duties as pastor of the Cass City Missionary Church, 4449 Koepfgen Rd. He replaces the Rev. Cliff Jordan, who is now pastor of a missionary church in Utica.

"We just have a really good feeling about being here," Edwards commented.

"When Bonnie and I first came to interview with the (church) board... I had, I guess kind of a gut feeling," he said. "I didn't want to put the Lord in a corner, but I just knew that this was probably going to be it."

Edwards and his family come to the area from Nappanee, Ind., where he served as pastor of the Oak Grove Missionary Church for the past 5 years.

Both Dave and Bonnie are graduates of Vennard College in University Park, Iowa, where he earned a bachelor's degree in pastoral ministries, and she earned an associates degree in music and Christian education.

Edwards noted they attended school for a year and half, then dropped out for 5 or 6 years to work a dairy farm with her father in Missouri. He later returned to school, graduating in 1985.

Edwards' 10 years in the ministry began at a Nazarene church in Wichita, Kan. He has also served a church in Missouri before moving to Indiana in 1987. He was pastor of the Berea Missionary Church in Shipshewana for 3 years before accepting a call to the Oak Grove church.

Prior to entering full-time ministry, Edwards said he and his wife worked with church youth, "but we feel comfortable in any area — with kids and with older people."

In his spare time, Edwards enjoys golf as well as fishing and hunting.

"I like the outdoors," he said. "I'm not an office person; maybe that's the farming background in me."

He added he tries to make a point of mixing business with pleasure. "I try to use all of my hobbies as an outreach of my ministry," he explained, noting he's found his interests have put him into contact with a lot of people who don't attend a church.

He chuckled and commented his wife gets tickled when he tells her, golf bag in hand, that he's going out to minister.

Edwards, who preached his first sermon in Cass City Sunday, hopes to become better acquainted with the community once all the packing boxes are emptied and he and his family are settled in.

"We are just happy to be here and look forward to getting involved in the community," he said.



THE REV. DAVE Edwards, pictured with his wife, Bonnie, and son, Andrew, recently began his new duties as pastor of the Cass City Missionary Church.

2 from area earn degrees

Two area residents recently earned associates degrees.

Edward Nizzola, son of Ed and Sandra Nizzola of Cass City, graduated cum laude from Northwestern College, Lima, Ohio, June 10.

He has an Associates of Applied Science degree, with a major in diesel technology. He also maintained a perfect attendance while attending college.

Nizzola is the grandson of Charles and Frances Nizzola of Kingston and Lyle and Betty Spencer of Fairgrove.

He is employed with Gettel's John Deere in Pigeon.

Chris Osentoski also graduated from Northwestern with a degree in diesel technology. He also maintained a perfect attendance.

Osentoski is the son of Marty and Lola Osentoski of Cass City, and the grandson of Marie Osentoski of Cass City and Stuart and Joan Merchant of Cass City.

He is employed with Osentoski Farm Equipment, Bad Axe.

Both Nizzola and Osentoski are 1994 graduates of Cass City High School.

Your neighbor says

Enjoy shopping sidewalk sales

Robin Harper of Caro says she's been making the sidewalk sales rounds since she could shop.

"I look at all the stores," she said. "Of course, I have my favorites."

She generally finds good deals on jeans and shoes at Kritzman's Clothing Store and buys paper tablets from the drug stores.

With roughly 10 years of experience under her belt, Harper was planning to be at the sales around 10 or 11 a.m. today (Wednesday) to find the best buys. The sales run through Saturday.

"I basically shop for clothing," Harper, who also hits the sidewalk sales in Caro, has lived in the two cities for about 16 years.

She currently resides in Caro with her boyfriend, John Warju, and children, Noal Powell and Amber Warju.



Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Gypsy moth caterpillars have stripped several trees at the Dale Buehrly residence about 3 miles northeast of Cass City. The caterpillars have been especially hard on Buehrly's poplar, cottonwood and pine trees.

Adam Joseph Warack, 8, of Owendale died Friday after the off-road vehicle he was driving struck a tree in northwestern Grant Township.

Fraser United Presbyterian Church Women's Association, formerly Fraser Ladies Aid, has been serving dinners every first and third Wednesday throughout the year for 40 years. This is quite an accomplishment as there are only about 50 parishioners in the church.

Cass City Lions Club President Dave Dunn presented John Maharg with a plaque honoring the Cass City resident as Lion of the Year.

Connie Schwaderer and Betty Hurst represented Cass City at the 50th Zonta International convention June 23-28 in Dallas, Texas. The keynote speaker was Madam Jehan Sadat, widow of the late Anwar Sadat, president of Egypt.

10 YEARS AGO

More than 10,000 persons, the largest crowd in history, came to Cass City Thursday to enjoy the celebration of America's Independence Day.

An 18-keg July 4th beer bash ended for 350 to 400 persons Thursday night when deputies from Tuscola and Sanilac County Sheriff's departments, and officers from 4 area police departments arrived at 11:54 p.m. Deputies located the party in a field off the north end of Keilitz Road, one-half mile north of Little Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Ware had all their family and a number of friends with them July 4th. The Wares' 55th wedding anniversary, which was July 3, was celebrated.

Julie Sugden, Cass City, won the 1985 Fourth of July Queen's Pageant Tuesday night.

Dr. Beatriz G. Martin M.D. announces the opening of her new office on Hill St., Cass City.

25 YEARS AGO

A fiery head-on collision of 2 cars Saturday killed John Robert Gray, 23, and John Ray Harms, 23, both of Gagetown, occupants of one car, and Glen M. Paul, 62, his wife Florence, 60, and Lois Wolfgang, 63, all of Southfield, occupants of the second car. The accident occurred at 6:56 p.m. on M-81 near the Green Rd. intersection.

Fire departments from Cass City and Gagetown battled a barn fire at the Elmer Parrish farm, 7 1/4 miles east of Cass City. The barn and 2,000 bales of hay were destroyed. The fire was thought to be caused by lightning.

Schneeberger's has completed expansion of their business and have a new front and more store floor space. They will hold an open house this weekend with special prices and free gifts.

The record July rains that have deluged Tuscola County and the Thumb have caused crop damage estimated at \$1 million with a threat of nearly a total crop loss if wet weather continues.

Douglas O'Dell, 17, sustained a slight concussion Tuesday when he was thrown from his horse.

35 YEARS AGO

A record 396 school vote

named William Ruhl and James Milligan to 4-year terms on the school board. Jack Esau and Donald Reid were named to 3-year terms.

Residents of the Deford school district rejected discussion of annexation to Cass City Monday night at the annual meeting.

During Cass City's Sidewalk Sale Days Friday and Saturday, Seeger Street, north of Main Street, will be closed to traffic for one block and Rausch Shows of Reese will move in with rides for the kiddies.

Forty-seven years ago Deford residents were pointing with pride to their recently completed 2-story brick schoolhouse. Just this month that building was torn down. Behind it is the 6-room brick structure for which the Deford school district approved a \$125,000 bond issue March 14, 1955.

James Profit, son of Mrs. Emerson Peters of Pontiac and Kenneth Profit of Grand Haven, is serving with the Navy. Profit joined the Navy before finishing high school and he advises others to complete their education before joining the service.

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The fun kicks off early Friday with the first day of a 3-day village-wide garage sale at 9 a.m. A 50/50 raffle will be held from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m., tractor pull competition gets underway at 4 p.m., and music by Mr. Meaner will begin at 9 p.m.

Saturday's activities include an FFA Kicker 3-on-3 basketball tournament from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and a volleyball tournament set to begin at 9 a.m.

A kiddies parade will start at 11:15 a.m. at the TVO Hall, followed by games in the park from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Children's entertainment will also be offered at the library starting at 1:30 p.m. Rounding out the day will be a tractor/truck pull at 7 p.m. (weigh-in at 5 p.m.), and music by the Darrell Welton Band from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

The volleyball and 3-on-3 basketball tournaments continue Sunday starting at 9 a.m. Also planned is a 50/50 raffle throughout the day.

Registration for a car show, set to begin at 1 p.m., will be held from 9 to 10 a.m.

Line-up and judging for the annual grand parade is slated to start at 11 a.m. on James Street, one block south of the blinker light on M-19. The parade will get underway at 12:30 p.m.

Also Sunday, a hobby/tractor pull competition is set for 1 to 5 p.m. (weigh-in at noon), and there will be an ox roast, FFA chicken barbe-

cue and 2-cylinder tractor show, all starting at 1:30 p.m. Music will be provided by the Rythmatix Band from 4 to 10 p.m., and the evening will end with a final raffle drawing at 11 p.m.

A food trailer and beer tent will be open all 3 days of the festival.

Additional information is available by contacting Marshel Osentoski (517-658-2262), Bruce Brown (658-8245) or Dennis Karr (658-2295).

Area counties in compliance; M-24 funding approved

U.S. Congressman James A. Barcia (D. Bay City) recently announced the U.S. Department of Transportation has found Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac and Tuscola counties to be in compliance with the federal Clean Air Act regarding transportation projects.

This action permits federal funding for construction on M-24 in the Thumb, which the transportation department is responsible for undertaking.

"I'm very pleased that compliance has been established and construction can finally begin on M-24," Barcia said. "In my letters and conversations to both the Environmental Protection Agency and the department of transportation, I stressed the importance of finding compliance as soon as possible so that construction could take place during these summer months."

"The federal restriction on construction as it applied in these 4 counties, was just plain foolish," Barcia continued. "It was based on outdated statistics and served no present day purpose. I'm glad that the Thumb is no longer considered a non-compliance area and glad that work on M-24 and other delayed transportation projects can proceed immediately."

"I know that I have shared everyone's frustration in the Thumb, when trying to give the M-24 project the go-ahead. It seems like it's been one hurdle after another, so we are obviously very pleased that the issue has now been resolved."

Barcia has been working on the M-24 route project since his days as a state senator. In the U.S. House, Barcia currently serves on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and the Surface Transportation Subcommittee, which have jurisdiction over highways and roadways throughout the country.

6-cent savings

American consumers are finding a 6-cent savings in average prices for groceries compared to the first quarter of 1995, according to the latest American Farm Bureau Federation nationwide market-basket survey. During the second quarter, consumers paid an average of \$30.15 for 16 food items; the average reflects a 6-cent decrease over the first quarter for the same items. The total average also is lower than last year's figure.



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John Poirier	104
Don Ouvry	102
Rich Tate	98
Mark Swanson	96
Jerry Toner	96*
Bill Kritzman	87
Terry Wiseman	85
Dale McIntosh	84
Dave Hoard	76
Jason McCallum	72
Newell Harris	71*
John Maharg	57

FLIGHT #1

Craig Helwig	128
Doug Zdrojewski	102
Ernie Bellew	101
Jim Peyerik	100
Clark Erla	96
Elwyn Helwig	96
Ken Zdrojewski	94
Fred Leeson	86
Tom Wallace	86
Don Hilbig	85
Jack Hool	85
Russ Biefer	74
Jim Apley	67
Mike Becking	63
Dan Dickinson	55

FLIGHT 2

Daryl Iwankovitch	117
Dick Wallace	107
John Riddle	98
Brian Reinhardt	97
Jim Smithson	97
Rick Doerr	93
Jack Burns	91
Phil Moses	87
Gene Konieczny	78
Dan Hittler	75
Ken Tiseo	75
Jim Hobbs	73
Craig Bellew	71
Gene Kloc	70
Dick Haley	64

FLIGHT #3

Gary Robinson	111
Duane Henn	109
Kevin Green	99
Cas Pasieczny	98
Chris Moses	96
Jack Burns	95
John Cassin	95
Charles Tunis	92
Jon Zdrojewski	89
Craig Weaver	85
Bill Ewald	79
Stan Guinther	77
Doug O'Dell	74
George Bushong	73
Bob Stickle	64

FLIGHT #4

John Niebrzydowski	107
John Agar	105
Anton Peters	101
Clate Sawdon	100
Bruce LeValley	97
Doug Lautner	89
Tom Schweigel	86
Dave Burnette	85*
J.R. Boldizar	84*
Ralph Albers	82
Jim Powell	76
Jim Bolton	66
Mick Dawson	66
Bert Althaver	65
Bill Berwick	59

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Henn/Peters	116
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J. Hillaker/Murphy	105
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McCallum/Randall	87
Burns/Jung	86
C. Hillaker/Laming*	81
Smith/Biddinger	77
Peruski/Williams*	77
Maharg/Pasieczny*	72
Wright/Prieskorn	66
P. Dillon/Morgan	62
W. Dillon/Retherford	40

No haying problem in Michigan

Agricultural Secretary Dan Glickman recently announced rules for emergency haying and grazing on Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acreage.

Adverse weather in several states has resulted in a shortage of adequate forage for livestock. Implementation of this policy must be initiated at the local level and approved by the deputy administrator, farm programs in Washington.

Although Michigan has had a shortfall of moisture in some areas, primarily during the month of June, at present forage production is deemed adequate to meet livestock needs, according to Jim Byrum, state executive director for the Consolidated Farm Service Agency in East Lansing.

"There have been no requests for emergency haying and grazing from county CFSA offices in Michigan, said Byrum. "Conditions across Michigan just do not warrant implementation of this emergency CRP provision."

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THE GAGETOWN SLUGGERS won the Little League championship, finishing with a 6-0 record. Team members are, front row, L-R: Chris Dietzel, Jonathon O'Harris, Jim Wise, Matt Edler, Shawn McClorey, Dale Minkler and Jeremy Kady. Back row, L-R: Coach Mac McKee, Earl McKee, Jared Sorenson, Josh Pinkoski, Jeremy Story, Chris Hortola, Guthry Laurie, Corbin Swaistyn and Matt Zielinski. Not pictured, Lee Strickland.

Sunday afternoon

Petroglyphs program set

Allen Pifer, Traverse City, will present his popular "Metis" program at the Sanilac Petroglyphs from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday. The program, designed for families, will be presented rain or shine.

Located off M-53 in Sanilac County's Greenleaf Township, the Sanilac Petroglyphs are among the most important prehistoric sites in Michigan.

Around a sandstone outcropping, along the north branch of the Cass River in Sanilac County, are prehistoric carvings of a water panther, a bow hunter and oddly shaped stick-figures. These petroglyphs (rock carvings) are estimated by archaeologists to have been created 300 to 1,000 years ago.

The site contains other rock carvings made during the last century by loggers who worked the nearby timber. Visitors taking the hiking trail can see where a lumber camp was located in the late 19th century. Beavers have created an expansive dam along the trail as well as a

very large beaver lodge.

A tour guide is on duty Wednesday through Sunday, 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Bring along a picnic lunch and hiking shoes for an enjoyable day outdoors in Michigan's Thumb region. Admission and parking are free.

The other special event planned for the Sanilac Petroglyphs is "Romancing the Stone," 1-3 p.m., Aug. 13, a presentation on Native American folklore.

Regular hours through Aug.

25 are 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; closed Monday and Tuesday.

To reach the park, turn east off M-53 onto Bay City-Forestville Road and drive 4 miles to Germania Road. Turn south on Germania Road and drive approximately one-half mile. The Petroglyphs parking lot is on the west side of the road. There are no modern services provided at this rustic site. For more information, telephone (517) 373-1979.

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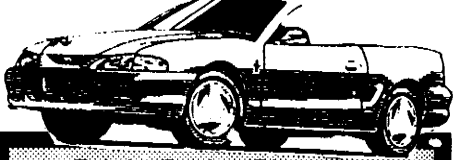
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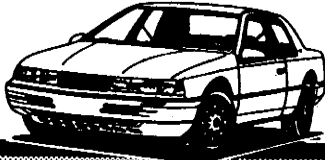
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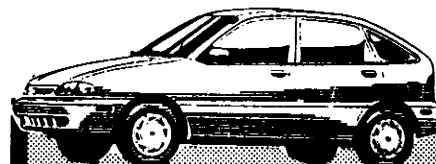
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- 1:00 P.M. - 4-H Archery Shoot
- 6:30 P.M. - Crowning Bean Queen
- 7:00 P.M. - 4-H Talent Show & Crowning of 4-H King & Queen

★ Monday, July 17

- 9:00 A.M. - 4-H Horse Show
- 9:00 A.M. - 4-H Rabbit & Poultry Shows
- 1:00 P.M. - Harness Racing
- 8:00 P.M. - Da-Yoopers

★ Tuesday, July 18

KIDS DAY 14 yrs. and under \$5.00 until 5 P.M.

- 9:00 A.M. - 4-H Swine Show
- 9:00 A.M. - 4-H Goat Show
- 9:00 A.M. - 4-H Horse Show
- 9:00 A.M. - 4-H & Open Dairy Show
- 1:00 P.M. - Harness Racing
- 7:30 P.M. - Demolition Derby
- ★ Wednesday, July 19
- 9:00 A.M. - Open Horse Show
- 9:00 A.M. - Open Goat Show
- 9:00 A.M. - 4-H & Open Beef Show
- 9:00 A.M. - 4-H & Open Sheep Show (after beef)
- 1:00 P.M. - Harness Racing
- 6:00 P.M. - Small Livestock Sweepstakes at Rabbit Judging Tent
- 7:00 P.M. - 4-H Large Livestock Sweepstakes at Livestock Pavilion
- 7:30 P.M. - Pickup and Tractor Pulls

★ Thursday, July 20

- SENIOR CITIZENS FREE TILL 6:00 P.M.
- 9:30 A.M. - 4-H & FFA Small Animal Sale
- 1:00 P.M. - 4-H & FFA Livestock Sale
- 1:00 P.M. - Harness Racing
- 3:30 P.M. - Draft Horse Cart Class in Show Arena
- 6:00 P.M. - Draft Horse Multiple-Hitch Show in front of Grandstand
- 7:00 P.M. - Sheriffs Posse Drill Team
- 8:00 P.M. - Carriage Horses

★ Friday, July 21

- 9:00 A.M. - Large Livestock Judging Contest
- 9:00 A.M. - Draft Horse Halter Show
- 1:00 P.M. - RAIN DATE HARNESS RACES
- 4:00 P.M. - Pedal Pull
- 7:00 P.M. - I.P.R.A. Championship Rodeo

★ Saturday, July 22

- 10:00 A.M. - Light Horse Pull
- 1:00 P.M. - Heavy Horse Pulling
- 4:00 - 6:00 P.M. - 4-H Exhibits Checkout
- 7:00 P.M. - I.P.R.A. Championship Rodeo

★ Sunday, July 23

- 11:00 A.M. - Motorcycle Time Trials
- 1:00 P.M. - Motorcycle Racing

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Tuesday,
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SENIOR
CITIZEN DAY
Thursday,
July 20
Free until
6:00 p.m.

MOTORCYCLE
RACES
Sunday,
July 23
1:00 p.m.

4-H DOG
SHOW
Sunday,
July 16
1:00 p.m.

PICKUP and
TRACTOR
PULLS
Wednesday,
July 19
7:30 p.m.

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RODEO
Friday & Saturday,
July 21 & 22
7:00 p.m.

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Former Bad Axe resident faces sexual conduct charges

A former Bad Axe man was charged Friday with 10 counts of criminal sexual conduct stemming from alleged incidents involving 3 children, all clients of a Huron County day care facility.

Huron County Prosecutor Leslie Hagen said the defendant, Robert J. Rogers, 58,

was arraigned in Huron County District Court on one count of first degree criminal sexual conduct, punishable by up to life in prison, and 9 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct, punishable by up to 15 years in prison.

The incidents are alleged to have occurred in Bad Axe, at 911 E. Huron Ave., and in Verona and Bingham townships, according to Hagen.

TAACC provides 24-hr. shelter, crisis line

The Thumb Area Assault Crisis Center provides safety, support and prevention services to victims of domestic and sexual violence. It provides 24-hour emergency shelter, as well as a 24-hour crisis telephone line. For assistance or more information regarding the other services offered through the Assault Crisis Center, call 1-800-292-3666.

"Rogers is alleged to have lived at a Bad Axe address, which was also a licensed day care provider, however, Rogers himself was not a licensed day care provider," she said.

"The charges are alleged to have occurred between 1987 to 1993 and involved 3 different girls who were under the age of 13 at the time of the assaults and were clients of the day care facility."

The complaint was reported

to the Bad Axe Police Department Sept. 11, 1984, and the day care provider surrendered her license a day later.

Rogers is alleged to have left the state Sept. 13. He was arrested on the 10-count warrant in Arizona May 5.

Rogers refused to waive extradition and the Arizona court set bond at \$150,000 cash. Hagen said he remained lodged in jail until his return to Michigan by authorities Thursday.

In Huron County District Court, bond was set at \$150,000 (10 percent), with the conditions that he have no contact with the victims or their families, no unsupervised contact with anyone under 21 years of age, and he must check in with the Bad Axe Police Department every morning if bond is posted.

Rogers' preliminary examination is set for July 20. He remains lodged in the Huron County Jail.

Joan Grifka

Mrs. Joan L. Grifka, 51, of Snover, died Tuesday, July 4, at Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City.

She was born April 16, 1944 in Detroit the daughter of Elmer and Clara (Shobert) Schumacher.

She married Anthony Grifka Sept. 1, 1962 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Palms.

She was a 1962 graduate of Ubyly High School. She had been a parishioner of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Argyle since 1962.

Mrs. Grifka is survived by her husband Anthony "Tony" Grifka of Snover; 3 daughters, Mrs. Brenda Osantowski of Sandusky, Mrs. Dale (Nancy) Doerr of Argyle, Jodi Grifka of Snover; one son, Daryl Grifka of Snover; 3 grandchildren; her mother, Clara Schumacher of Bad Axe; 3 sisters, Mrs. Gordon (Jill) Scott of Sandusky; 2 brothers, Philip Schumacher and

his wife Brenda of Sandusky, Glen Schumacher and his wife Dorene of Deckerville, and her mother-in-law, Olive Grifka of Snover.

She was preceded in death by her father, Elmer Schumacher, June 12, 1995 and one granddaughter, Jennifer Doerr, Feb. 29, 1988.

Funeral services were held Saturday at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Argyle with Msgr. Francis Murray, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in St. Ignatius Catholic Cemetery in Freiburg.

Frank Kulling

Frank N. Kulling, 62, of Deford, died suddenly Wednesday, July 5, at St. Mary's Hospital, Saginaw.

He was born June 20, 1933 in Detroit the son of Frank J. and Irene B. (Basil) Kulling. He married Betty J. Tisler Aug. 18, 1972 in East Pointe.

Mr. Kulling along with his wife owned the Deford Country Store for 5 years. He was an interior decorator for over 35 years.

He is survived by his wife, Betty of Deford; a brother, Jerome (Bernie) Kulling of St. Clair; a brother-in-law, Thomas (Charlene) Tisler of Sterling Heights; sisters-in-law, Elaine Danner of Flat Rock, and Nancy Swiantanowski of New Baltimore; parents-in-law, Raymond and Henrietta Tisler of Roscommon, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Anita Kulling; a brother, Earl Kulling, and his parents.

Funeral services were held Saturday in the Little & Kranz Funeral Home with the Rev. Stuart Roy of the Deford Community Church,

Deford, officiating. Interment was in Novesta Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Michigan Heart Association.

Beatrice Wheeler

Beatrice Louetta Anna Wheeler, 80, of Sandusky, died Friday, June 30, at McKenzie Memorial Hospital in Sandusky.

She was born March 2, 1915, in Cass City. She married James Otis Robinson June 3, 1936. He preceded her in death Feb. 17, 1966.

She married Clayton Daniel Wheeler Sept. 18, 1971, in Bad Axe.

Mrs. Wheeler worked in housekeeping at medical care facilities and was an amateur artist in oil painting.

Surviving are her husband, Clayton Wheeler; 3 sons, Gary J. Robinson and his wife, Joy, of Harrison, Otis G. Robinson and his wife, Mary Ann, and Orin L. Robinson and his wife, Goldie, all of Bad Axe; 2 daughters, Leah J. Trisch and her husband, Harland, of Caro and Linda M. Foote of Boston, Mass.; 18 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; a brother, Glen Shagena and his wife, Irene, of Ubyly, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Ercelle Elaine Robinson; a sister, Lula Anglebrandt, and a brother, Murill Shagena.

Services were held July 3 at Hacker Funeral Parlor in Sandusky with the Rev. DeWeerd Smith, pastor at Community Wesleyan Church in Elkton, officiating.

Burial was in Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Owen-Gage Board fills posts during monthly meeting

The Owen-Gage Board of Education reorganized and filled a host of extracurricular posts during a brief monthly meeting Monday night in the Gagetown Elementary School cafeteria.

The board, which welcomed new Trustee Paul Hunter on board following his recent appointment to fill a vacancy left by Lisa McIlvanna, approved a motion reelecting all officers.

They are: Jack Brinkman, president; Ronald Good, vice-president; Walter Swiastyn, treasurer, and Mary Ann Abbe, secretary. Trustees are Hunter, Rick Ziehm and Terry Muntz.

Board salaries remain the same at \$20 per meeting for trustees, \$22.50 per meeting for the secretary, \$25 per meeting for the treasurer, and \$25 for all special meetings.

The board also named First of America Bank, First National Bank and the Michigan School District Liquid Asset Fund as the district's depositories, and voted to continue meeting on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m., alternating between Owendale High School and Gagetown Elementary School. The board will also continue to meet at Owendale for all special meetings.

Turning to the extracurricular

positions, the board approved the following coaching and advisor appointments:

James Brinkman, varsity boys basketball; David Cook, junior varsity boys basketball and varsity baseball; Brian Wright, junior high basketball and freshman class advisor; Dean Roller, girls varsity basketball and driver's education instructor; Judy Campbell, varsity volleyball; Sheila Pawlak, junior varsity volleyball; Janet Somsel, junior high volleyball; Harvey Billy, golf; Donna Robinson, band director (after school and trips); Kim Fish, Business and Office Education Club; Sandra Parks, all school play director; Deb Gleissner, junior class and National Honor Society advisor, and Diane Warack, sophomore class advisor.

Missing from the list was varsity football coach, a post long held by veteran O-G teacher and coach Arnie Besonen. School Supt. Manuel Thies said the position will be acted on at the board's next regular meeting, slated for Aug. 14 in the high school library.

In other business Monday, the board approved an annual resolution regarding the district's membership in the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

MSU offers plant problem guidance

Growers interested in learning more about detecting and solving problems with crops can hone their skills with Michigan State University agronomists Aug. 1.

The MSU agronomists will focus on problems in sugar beets, dry edible beans and corn at the 1995 Plant Problem Diagnosis Field Day at the Saginaw Valley Bean and Beet Research Farm.

The discussion and demonstrations will focus on plant disease, insect damage, nutrient deficiencies, crop and weed response to herbicides and the effect of environmental stress on the plant.

The \$10 fee includes educational materials. The registration deadline is July 25. Checks should be made payable to Michigan State University and mailed to PPD

Field Day, MSU Extension, 705 Adams St., Saginaw, MI 48602-2192.

Field day registration will start at 8 a.m. The program will run from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The Michigan Department of Agriculture has approved the field day for 3 recertification credits for private applicators and for commercial applicators in categories 1A and 1B.

More information about the field day can be obtained from Steve Poindexter, Saginaw County Extension agricultural agent, by calling 517-799-2233, or from Karen Renner, extension agronomist at MSU, by calling 517-353-9429.

The field day is being sponsored by MSU Extension and the Michigan Agri-Business Association.

Calendar of Events

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

July 12 - 15

Book Sale at Rawson Memorial Library during regular library hours.

Friday, July 14

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

Tuesday, July 18

Thumb Area Parkinson Support Group meeting, 1 p.m., Hills & Dales Hospital.

Wednesday, July 19

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

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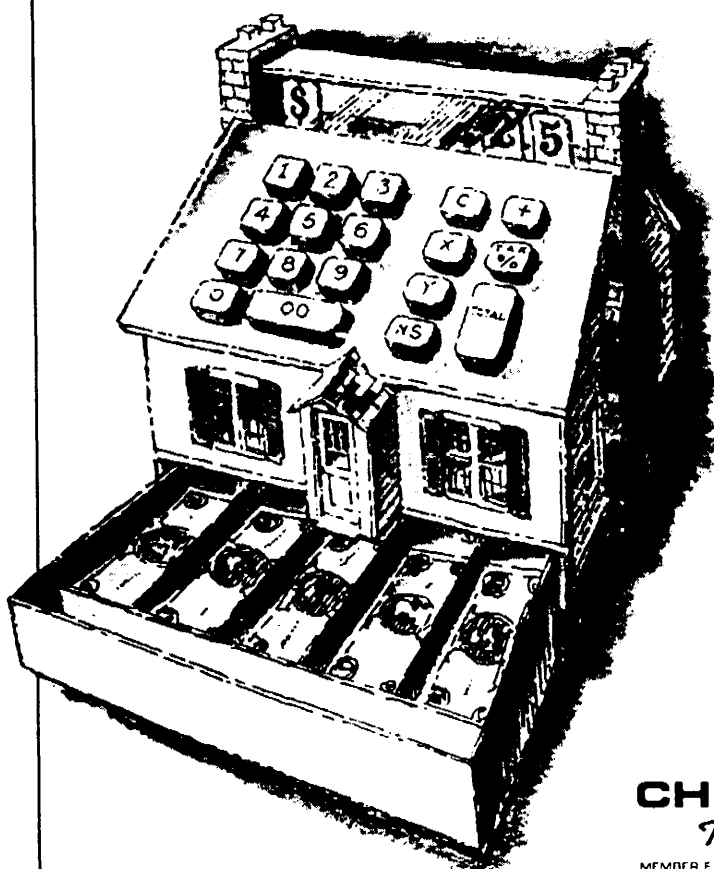
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FOR SALE - Oak sofa table, computer table, 8-place setting stoneware dishes, Gulbransen organ, Corian bath vanity, antique sewing machine, brass lamps and humidifier. 673-0409. 2-7-5-3

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Household Sales

YARD SALE - Wednesday 9-6, Thursday 9-12., 4297 Maple St. Clothes - all sizes, furniture, baskets, lots of miscellaneous, electric stove. 14-7-12-1

MOVING SALE - Kenmore window air conditioner 10,000 BTU's \$255. Hardwood case \$40. Bookcase \$15. 2 living room chairs, best offer. 517-872-3384. 14-7-5-3

GARAGE SALE - 4 family, 13-14-15, 8:30-7:00. Misses and Jr. clothing, infant to 5 toddler clothing, fishing tackle, some antique tools, golf balls, tires, 32 inch wood entrance door and numerous other items. 1 mile east of Deford, 1 mile south on Cemetery Rd. to Gilford Rd., 1st place east on south side. 14-7-12-1

YARD SALE - Thursday, July 13, 9-4, weather permitting. 4372 Brooker. 14-7-12-1

GARAGE SALE - one day only, Thursday, July 13, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 4691 Hospital Drive. 14-7-12-1

GARAGE SALE - 6797 Houghton St., Thursday-Friday, July 13-14, 8 a.m.-?. Lots of everything, bicycle, table jig saw, wringer washer, tools, dishes, miscellaneous items. 14-7-12-1

Household Sales

NEIGHBORHOOD yard sale - 14-15, 9:00-7:00. Clothes, baby to adult, stroller, furniture and miscellaneous. 7 miles north of Cass City., 5059 McAlpin Rd. 14-7-12-1

GARAGE SALE - July 13-14, 9:00 to 4:00 at 4960 N. Cemetery Rd. Antiques, depression glassware, microwave, pictures and knick-knacks. 14-7-12-1

GARAGE SALE - 4187 N. Hurds Corner Rd., 1 1/4 north of M-81, Saturday and Sunday, July 15-16, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Large size clothes, some furniture, gas grill, numerous other items. No early sales. 14-7-12-1

YARD SALE - 4595 Oak Street, July 13, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. No early sales please. 14-7-12-1

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July 13 & 14
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GARAGE SALE - Friday, July 14, only, 9-5. Girl's bike, helmets, girls' clothing, lawn furniture, twin beds, wicker head boards, toys, basketball hoop and much more. 4764 Hunt St. 14-7-12-1

GARAGE SALE - July 14-15, 9:00-4:00, 4788 Hunt St. Children and adult clothing and miscellaneous items. 14-7-12-1

GARAGE SALE - Thursday and Friday, July 13 and 14, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at 6013 Wilsie Rd., 1 mile west and 2 north of Cass City on corner of Koepfgen and Wilsie Roads. Lots of clothing in juniors and misses and some little girls' size 4, humidifier, 3 exercise bikes, vacuum, VCR, end tables, 2 stereos w/ cassette and turntable, LP and 45 records, craft supplies and much more. J. Merchant. 14-7-12-1

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GARAGE SALE - July 13 and 14, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Antiques, baby furniture, clothing, lots of miscellaneous. 6307 Pine St. 14-7-12-1

GARAGE SALE - Thursday and Friday, July 13 and 14, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Antiques, milk can, school desk, wood ironing board, horse collar and hames, microwave, many useful household items, some clothing, folding chairs, clocks and lamps, 2 banquet tables. 6861 Herron Drive, Cass City. Watch for the sign on M-81. 14-7-12-1

GARAGE SALE - July 13 and 14, 9-5. Older baseball card sets and packages, small pet cage, pet carrying cage, puzzles, mirrors, bar stools, many collectibles, miscellaneous. 4191 Maple St. 14-7-12-1

YARD SALE - 6747 Kelly Rd., Saturday and Sunday, July 15 and 16. Quilting frame, dresser with mirror, television, bedding, dishes, etc. 14-7-12-1

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Rain date July 22
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NOTICE - The annual Walbro picnic for retirees, former employees and guests will be held at Cass City Municipal Park Thursday, July 20, 1995. Potluck at 5:30 p.m. In case of inclement weather, VFW Hall. 5-7-12-1

LOST - black and white cat, adult male - lost in area of Buehly and Milligan Rds. Contact Gene Wilson or 872-4016. 5-7-12-1

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LOST DOG - Shih Tzu, tan color, 4 miles east of M-53, 1/4 mile on Germania Rd. Reward. 517-658-2179. 5-7-12-1

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make bands difficult to remove.

Unlike screw bands, canning lids are not reusable. It's best to buy new lids each season. If you have a supply of canning lids that you've stored for a year or more, make sure the sealing compound is still pliable - it should spring back when pressed gently with your fingernail. Don't use lids if the sealing compound has dried out because they probably will not form an air-tight seal.

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Local ambulance service to build

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enue from the ambulance operation, will fund construction of the new ambulance headquarters, according to Beem, who estimated the project cost at roughly \$80,000.

Beem said plans call for a 2-bay garage and 2-bedroom home with an office and dayroom. There will also be space for training and storage.

"It's going to improve the service," Beem predicted. "It's going to give them (crew members) the ability to be at the base more often. With inclement weather, a lot of the crew like to stay close to town."

"It's been long overdue; the fire department has been good to work with us, but we need a place of our own."

"This project's been tossed

around for probably 2, 3, 4 years," commented Dave Milligan, chairman of the local ambulance board.

"The back-up rig — for one thing — they really prefer it to be inside, especially in the winter," he said. "And, we're looking to sometime in the future upgrade the service to advanced life support."

The new ambulance base will make it easier to secure substitute crew members when needed, said Ron Pawloski, an Emergency Medical Technician-Specialist (EMT-S).

"If we had our own base, we could get people to come from out of town to fill in," he added.

If all goes as planned, construction will begin very soon, Beem said. "We would like to be in the building and ready to go before the snow flies."

Repeat of June weather unlikely

The likelihood that June's weather, believed to be the driest in Michigan history, will occur again this summer is scant.

Jeff Andresen, Michigan State University Extension agricultural meteorologist, says the jet stream pattern seems to be shifting, and this would allow moisture-producing weather from the Gulf region to flow into the state. The advent of that shift may have occurred in the last week of the month.

"June is climatologically the wettest month of the year in most of Michigan, but up until this past weekend (June 24-25), much of the state had received less than 1/4 inch of rain and, in some cases, only 1/10th inch," he said. "Statistically, that's almost off the scale. Even in 1988 (the drought year), we received more rain in June than we did this year."

He said the odds are that what's ahead may turn out to be a cooler than normal period accompanied by more rainfall. It will take quite a bit of rain to replenish soil moisture to a normal level, he notes.

"Statistics and history show that most of these economically important growing season droughts usually do not run more than 4 to 6 weeks," Andresen noted.

Problems may still loom, however, because the dry weather essentially put Michigan's crop growth a month behind normal.

The regions most affected

by the dry weather include the fruit-growing region in northwestern Michigan and the Saginaw Valley. Crops on sandy soils were also severely stressed by the dry weather, according to Andresen.

A concern is the possibility that crops may not mature before the first frost this fall, particularly if growing conditions are cool and wet for the remainder of the growing season.

"The rest of the season may be somewhat similar to 1988, when crop progress was set back so severely," Andresen says. "The [National Weather Service] long-lead outlooks for the Midwest and the Great Lakes region are calling for normal to below normal temperatures and normal to above normal rainfall."

Andresen said it is risky to speculate on how much damage was done to specific Michigan crops but says that most wheat yields will almost assuredly be reduced because dry weather prevented filling of the grain.

Forages — hay and alfalfa — were also probably damaged.

"Those are among the first crops to respond to dryness, and though most growers had an excellent first cutting, I suspect they may not have as good a yield in this next cutting unless we get some major regrowth," Andresen said. "But we've lost time, basically part of our growing season, and that is assuming that the dryness does not continue."



TUSCOLA COUNTY BEAN Queen candidates gathered Monday for judged interviews, their last official meeting before the crowning scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Sunday at the county fair. Back from left, they are Jennifer Petiprin, Caro; Sara Reinbold, Caro; Nicole McMullen, Mayville; Mindy Cybulski, Caro; (front from left) Maureen Czerwinski, Caro; Robin Petiprin, Caro, and Terri Bell, Unionville.

County fair a family tradition for area clan

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the money, she added.

And Matt said he wants to follow in his father's footsteps.

"I want to work here, because it's something I know how to do," he explained.

But Amy thinks she'll choose a different profession.

"It smells real bad and it takes a lot of time," she explained, adding a horse farm would be more enjoyable than working with cattle and hogs.

Regardless of their future plans, the cousins say they plan to continue spending their summers in the 4-H Club. People aged 8 to 19 can participate.

The most nerve-racking

moments of the summer come when the cousins show their animals to the judges.

"Once you're out in the arena, you do it yourself," Erin remarked.

"I'm not nervous for myself," Matt said. "I'm nervous for the cow. You don't want it to buck all over."

Fair noises sometimes can excite an animal that is used to the calm of the country.

"You try to put those (noisy) elements in here as much as possible," David said.

And with the judging comes a little friendly competition within the family.

The cousins agreed they want to beat each other, but the focus is on being courteous and helpful to each other.

"You're happy for whoever does the best," Josh com-

mented.

Amy agreed: "You want your cousin to win if you don't."

Something for everyone

114th Tuscola County Fair set July 16-23

Area residents are invited to "get roped into the rodeo spirit" at this year's Tuscola County Fair, which will feature 2 days of championship rodeo action.

The 114th annual fair gets underway Sunday at the fairgrounds in Caro.

As in the past, the fair features a pay-one-price admission of \$6 per person (children under one year free). The charge covers gate admission, unlimited rides, grandstand events and parking.

No admission fee will be charged on opening Sunday — the first of 8 fun-filled days for the whole family. The day will offer limited exhibits along with a 4-H dog show and a 4-H archery shoot, both at 1 p.m.; the crowning of the county bean queen at 6:30 p.m.; and the 4-H talent show and crowning of the 4-H king and queen at 7 p.m.

The popular Michigan comedy troupe, Da Yoopers, will highlight events Monday with a performance at 8 p.m. The day will begin at 9 a.m. with 4-H horse and rabbit and poultry shows. Harness racing gets underway at 1 p.m.

Tuesday is Kids' Day and features a \$5 admission charge for youth 14 years and under until 5 p.m. The day's attractions include 4-H swine, goat and horse shows, along with a 4-H and open dairy show, all starting at 1 p.m. Harness racing is slated for 1 p.m., followed at 7:30

p.m. by the popular demolition derby.

A full day of livestock shows continues Wednesday, with open horse and goat shows, a 4-H and open beef show, and a 4-H open and sheep show, all at 9 a.m. Harness racing begins at 1 p.m., followed by the small livestock sweepstakes at the rabbit judging tent at 6 p.m.,

and the 4-H large livestock sweepstakes at the livestock pavilion at 7 p.m. Pick-up and tractor pulls are set to get underway at 7:30 p.m.

Senior citizens get in free on Thursday until 6 p.m. The day's events begin with the annual 4-H and FFA small animal and livestock sales at 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., respectively. Also set to start at 1 p.m. is harness racing, followed by the draft horse cart class in the show arena at 3:30 p.m. and the draft horse multiple-hitch show in front of the grandstand at 6 p.m.

The Tuscola County Sheriff's Posse Drill Team will perform at 7 p.m., following by carriage horses at 8 p.m.

The I.P.R.A. Championship Rodeo will highlight fair activities Thursday and Friday, with the action set to begin at 7 p.m. both nights.

In addition, Friday will feature a large livestock judging contest and draft horse halter show, both at 9 a.m., and pedal pull at 4 p.m. Saturday's attractions, meanwhile, will also include a light horse pull at 10 a.m. and heavy horse pulling at 1 p.m.

The final day of the fair, Sunday, will feature motorcycle racing at 1 p.m., with time trials slated to get underway at 11 a.m.

Anthony appealing decision

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keep details of his appeal private until the hearing, Anthony said his plans include explaining his business is 95 percent agricultural.

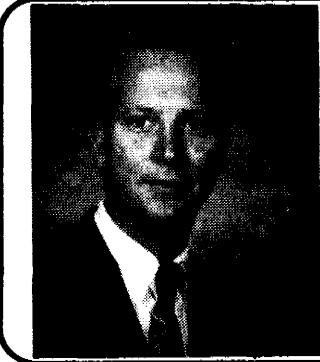
"I'm out there every day," he explained, adding he must grow a good cover for the hunting season.

He compared the Rooster Ranch with Christmas tree farms and other operations that take their agricultural products to retail on their own property.

If the commission's decision is upheld, Anthony still is examining whether he will need to open his current hunting ranch to clay shooters in the summer.

He denied comment as to whether he would seek further legal action.

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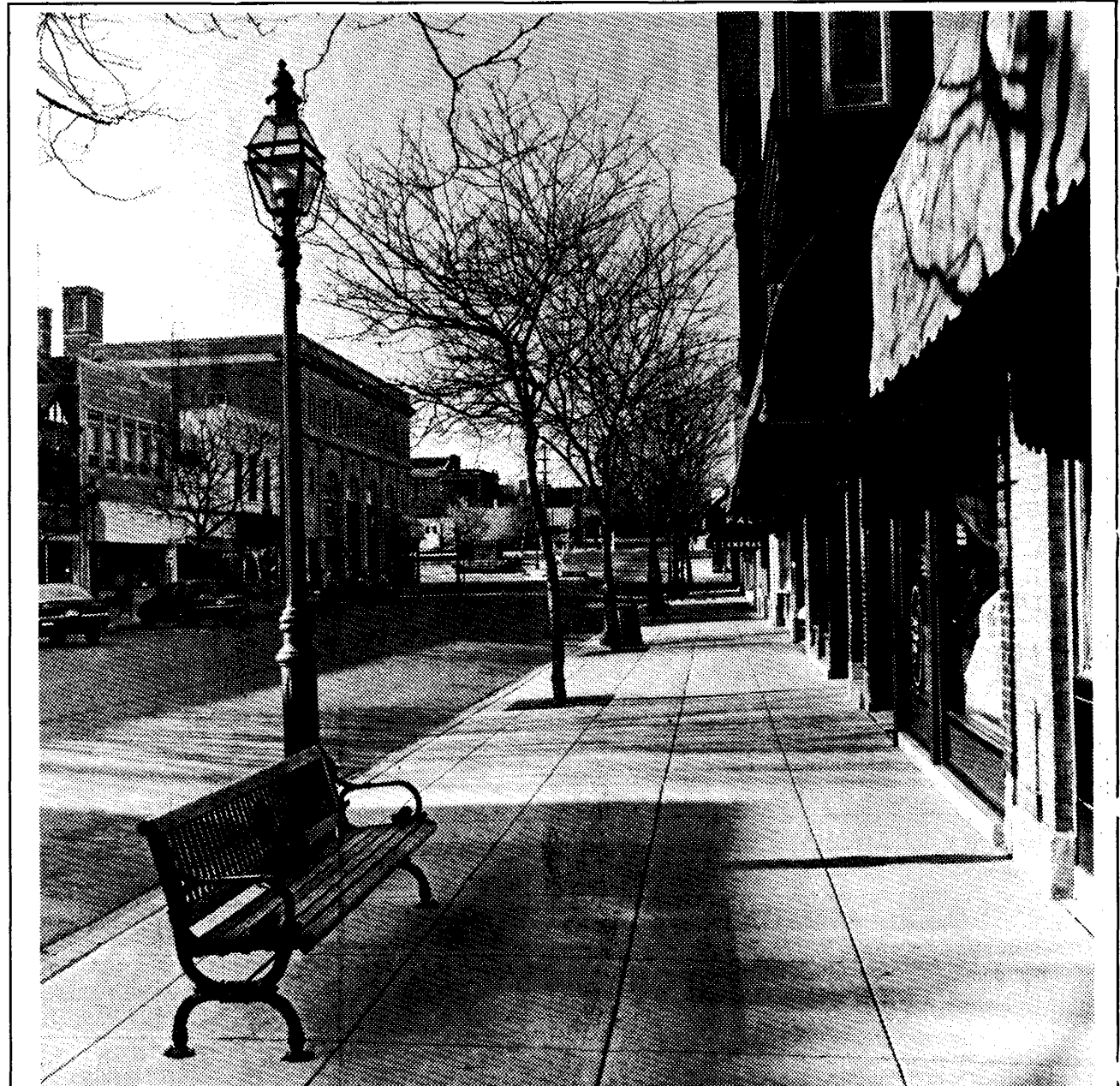


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personnel from Central Michigan University. Miklovic is also a licensed professional counselor.

According to Micklash, Miklovic, selected from 3 finalists, will earn \$55,000 yearly with 5 weeks off during the summer months. Miklovic will be required to establish residence within the district.

In other personnel items, the board also created a new administrative position whose duties will include the full-time Deford principal role along with special project coordinator duties. The successful candidate will earn in the upper \$40,000s, depending on qualifications.

Also hired by the board, on recommendation from High School Principal Dorland Kuntz, were teachers Connie

Iwankovitch and Garrett Gordan. Both educators are graduates with math majors.

OTHER BUSINESS

•The Board Officers for the 1995-96 school year were elected according to school law. They are: president, Jim Turner; vice-president, Joan Helwig; secretary, Randy Severance; treasurer, Beverley Auten.

•A bid to provide \$980,000 of operating funds for the district was granted to Thumb National Bank at a loan rate of 3.98%. The only other bid was received from Chemical Bank at 4.28% interest.

•Granted permission for Kyle Dorland, Cemetery Road, to attend Caro Schools and Ashley Keys, Spence Road, to attend Deckerville Schools.

•Approved the current procedures for allowing the superintendent and bookkeeper to have authorized signatures for payroll checks, and allowing all board officers authorization to sign General Fund checks.

•Approved the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the high school board room as the regular board meeting time.

•Granted the superintendent authority to transfer General Fund money for investment purposes.

•Accepted last month's suggested requirements for graduation requirements for the 1995-96 school year.