

Organized effort needed

Downtown revitalization mulled at town meet

by Melissa B. Turmo Staff Writer

Cass City downtown business owners and residents were called upon Monday evening to organize efforts to improve the downtown business area.

Geraldine Prieskorn, co-owner of the Ben Franklin Store, suggested organizing a downtown clean up day, when business owners and others could perform simple chores such as pulling weeds and removing debris.

Businesses that did not participate in the event could be urged by the Downtown Development Authority to join in downtown improvement efforts in the future, Prieskorn said during the "Town Meeting" sponsored by the DDA and the village council.

Pastor Scott Tysick of the Living Word Worship Center said youth in his church would participate in efforts to carry out physical improvements in the area.

Although Prieskorn described her idea as simple and acknowledged it would not solve all the problems found in Cass City's downtown, she said it would be a start.

Cass City resident Tom Herron agreed a general clean up is necessary, including finding other locations for old cars parked in alleys. "Everything looks good in Cass City except our downtown," he said.

Other physical improvements suggested at the meeting included painting storefronts with various colors, sandblasting bricks and seek-

ing a unified appearance in the area.

"A little bit of paint and some minor repairs would bring these (buildings) up to snuff," offered village president L. E. Althaver, who moderated the meeting. Althaver showed slides illustrating his idea that more attention should be paid to the second stories of downtown buildings.

"It really doesn't matter what you're going to do so long as everyone does it," added Mike Partlo, housing director of the Human Development Commission.

Partlo offered Gaylord as an example of a city whose buildings follow a theme. Many of the stores in Gaylord's downtown area look like Swiss chalets.

But Matt Prieskorn asked

whose responsibility it is to motivate people to improve their buildings.

Althaver responded by saying no easy answer can be found to this question. After the meeting, he said the DDA, with the support of the village council, should be responsible for carrying out improvement programs.

He also pointed to financial incentives for improvements.

Earlier in the evening, Jim McLoskey of the Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation offered a number of grant and low-interest loan options generally available to villages like Cass City.

For example, the Tuscola County EDC maintains a revolving loan fund to finance beginning or expanding busi-

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A LIGHTNING STRIKE apparently was the cause of an electrical fire that resulted in an estimated \$250,000 to \$300,000 of damage to the Walbro Corp. Aftermarket Division building in Cass City Sunday afternoon.

At Walbro Corp.

Lightning ignites building

A lightning strike is being blamed for an electrical fire that caused an estimated \$250,000 to \$300,000 damage to the Walbro Corp. Aftermarket Division building in Cass City Sunday afternoon.

Some 30 fire fighters from 5 area departments responded to the alarm, which sounded at about 3 p.m. after a violent thunderstorm passed through the area. One witness reportedly saw or heard the lightning strike near the building, located just west of Walbro's world headquarters at 6214 Garfield Ave.

Elkland Township Assistant Fire Chief Don Root said the power surge blew a meter right out of a wall inside the building, which sustained extensive smoke, heat and water damage.

A sprinkler system inside the building contributed to the latter, but it also helped to contain the fire to the southeast corner of the structure.

"We're very grateful the sprinkling system did its job, and the fire departments did

a super job," Walbro President and CEO L.E. Althaver said Monday.

Althaver said it's difficult to pin down a specific damage figure, but noted there are 2 inches of water in the building and everything is covered with soot.

Fortunately, there was no structural damage to a new, 80-foot by 160-foot addition to the building now under construction, although the freshly-painted interior will

Reward offered

Vandals spill the beans

Wruble Elevator officials are offering a \$500 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of vandals responsible for the loss of an estimated \$15,000 worth of beans over the weekend.

Cass City police were called to the local elevator, 6210 Main St., Saturday morning.

have to be repainted.

The Aftermarket Division in Cass City handles all of the aftermarket service — assembly of special kits used for repair and packaging and shipping of carburetor parts and automotive parts to customers — for both the Walbro automotive and small engine divisions.

Employees were told to stay home Monday. Althaver commented he hopes the company will be able to resume normal operations in

less than a month, although it's difficult to say exactly how long. "We'll lose some time," he acknowledged.

Fire fighters remained at the scene for about 5 hours. Elkland Township firemen were assisted by the Elmwood-Gagetown, Kingston, Owendale and Caro fire departments. In addition, the Oliver Township Fire Department stood by to handle any fires reported in the Elkland Township coverage area.

was held shut with a tarp strap, and from there went up to the second story, where the chute on the east was opened.

This was the eighth time Wruble's Cass City operation has been hit by vandals since 1986.

Anyone with information related to the damage is asked to contact the Cass City Police Department at 872-2911.



CASS CITY'S DOWNTOWN AREA was the subject of a Monday evening "Town Meeting." Residents and business owners gathered to suggest ways to attract more businesses and customers to the downtown. Standing is Jim Bolton.

Renovation of Octagon Barn continues

by Melissa B. Turmo Staff Writer

While the fate of the barn

complex remains in the hands of the Department of Natural Resources, the Friends of the Octagon Barn

are continuing efforts to clean and renovate parts of the barn and farmhouse.

Committee members have pulled old carpeting from the farmhouse, cleaned manure and straw from the barn, and mowed and raked the sur-

rounding grassy areas.

Most substantially, the barn roof has been stabilized with dollars raised from last year's Octagon Barn Festival and other activities.

And this year, committee members hope to raise money to help fund the group's continuing work to establish a "memorandum of understanding" with the DNR.

The proposed memorandum would allow the committee, a division of Tuscola 2001 Inc., to assume liability, operation and maintenance of the buildings and some 20 acres of land surrounding them, according to committee chairwoman Rose Putnam.

The DNR would continue to own the land.

During a July 7 meeting, Putnam and committee member Pat Trisch presented DNR district wildlife biologist Doug Reeves with a series of land use ideas.

For example, the barn could be used for school tours, a wildlife or antique museum, a petting farm, living farm or youth camp. They also proposed using it as a community activities site where dances, fairs, flea markets, weddings or various shows could be held or a theater

could be built.

The house could become a bed and breakfast, a caretaker's quarters, lodging for farm vacations, a museum or a shopping center. It, too, could be a site for social events including business meetings or afternoon tea.

The outdoors site could be used to promote nature and wildlife through bird watching, nature walks, wildlife observation, wildlife food plots or a butterfly habitat. A heritage garden; picnic, playground or camping area; tours; horse, bicycle or ski trails; a hobby farm; or wildlife habitat improvements and wetland restoration also were proposed.

Although Reeves, who serves as a contact with the committee, said many of these ideas were interesting, he did not know of any change from the DNR's original position.

"The department director's position has consistently been that he wants the barn moved," he said. But current discussions within the DNR could change the department's stance, he added. He denied comment as to what those discussions might be.

In addition, DNR officials

Gagetown's 2nd annual barn festival bigger and better than last year's, say officials.

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are working to meet an Oct. 1 deadline to complete an internal reorganization that will divide the department's wildlife and environmental operations, slowing down work relating to the barn complex.

"Of course, (the reorganization) preempts a lot of other things," Reeves said.

The DNR bought 80 acres of land including the barn and farmhouse in 1991, making it part of the roughly 1,000 acres of Gagetown State Game Area that surrounded it. The buildings are located about one mile north of Bay City-Forestville Road on Ritchie Road.

James and Cora Purdy owned the site in the 1920s, when they had the barn and 18-room house built by

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FRIENDS OF THE OCTAGON BARN and others gathered Saturday for a final cleaning session at the barn complex in Gagetown. Traveling from as far as Dearborn, they are (back, from left) George Wald, Rob Nerkowski, Janet Murray, Norma Wallace, Marilyn Peters, (front, from left) Margaret Sergeant, Ashley Wallace, Toni Peters and Ena Reintjes.



Scott and Beth Marshall

Marriage licenses

Keith Allen Piske and Kristy Ann Searles, both of Vassar.

Mark Anthony Treder and LeeAnn Arlene Schweitzer, both of Unionville.

Alan Richard Klco and Marilyn Jean Ertman, both of Cass City.

Brandy James Berlin and Melissa Ann Lieber, both of Mayville.

Kevin Lee Fox and Tammi Lee Benoit, both of Mayville.

Robert James Terbush and Jennifer Lynn Bishop, both of Mayville.

Elmer Joseph Denniston and Hannah Rose Heinlein, both of Vassar.

Roger Max Austin and Anmarie Juracek, both of Mayville.

Clayton Lavern Uhl, Mayville, and Lee Ann Harrison, Vassar.

James Robert Welton, Jackson, and Rosemary Helen Goodfellow, Vassar.

Brian James Sawdon Jr., Marysville, and Kristin Marie Weisenreder, Caro.

Steven Daniel Mathews and Joann Alice Hicks, both of Caro.

Brian Robert Esler and Wendi Sue Lumley, both of Mayville.

Girl Scout meeting set for Thursday at VFW Hall

Area girls interested in joining the Girl Scouts, along with their parents, are encouraged to attend an upcoming registration and parent meeting.

The meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday at the Cass City VFW Hall.

In Girl Scouting, which is open to all girls ages 5 to 17, each girl strives to reach her full potential in a positive, all-girl, value-based environment which includes various programs and activities.

More information is available by contacting Cathy at 872-5088, Carol at 872-4607, Sandy at 872-2171, or Karen at 872-4290.

Cass City Social Items

Call your local news to the Chronicle office 872-2010

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hanby of Grand Haven visited his mother, Lillian Hanby, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Alex Lindsay of AuGres and Paul Lindsay of Colorado Springs, Col., visited friends and relatives at Brown City Missionary Camp Monday.

Hospital notes

Patients listed in the hospital Monday, Aug. 14, were: Ralph Chapman and Leonard Copeland of Cass City.

Engaged



Kathleen Hanchett Jay Anthes

Kathleen Hanchett and Jay Anthes announce their engagement.

Kathleen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hanchett of Bloomfield Hills, and Jay is the son of Tim Anthes and Sharon Voelker and stepson of Larry Moss.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Lahser High School and Grand Valley State University. She is currently employed as a Legal Secretary with the law firm of Carson Fischer, P.L.C. in Birmingham.

The groom-to-be is employed as a teacher and coach with Utica Community Schools.

A May 4 wedding is planned.

Jay is the grandson of Nellie Anthes of Cass City.



Harold and Erica Hendrick

Hendricks feted at reception

Airman Harold and Erica Hendrick recently celebrated their marriage of July 4, 1993 after arriving back in the United States. The reception was given by Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Hendrick and their children. Approximately 75 guests attended at the home of Harold's sister, west of Cass City.

The couple were married in England where they were stationed at the Upper Hayford, England, Air Force

Base. Later they were transferred to Germany. They are now at the Mountain Home Air Force Base near Boise, Idaho.

Harold is a 1989 graduate of Cass City High School and entered the Air Force immediately afterwards. His wife Erica Earl is from Ely, Nev., and graduated from Boise College in 1992. Erica is currently employed in an orthodontist office in Boise.

Marshall, Powell united in marriage

Beth Powell and Scott Marshall, both of Cass city, were united in marriage Saturday, May 6, at the Evangelical Free Church in Cass City. The Rev. David Bostrom officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Roy and Betty Powell, and the groom is the son of David and Ruth Ann Marshall, all of Cass City.

The organist was Carol Parrott, aunt of the bride. The soloists were Karen Powell, aunt of the bride, and Suzanne Hirsch, cousin of the groom.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white satin gown with a sweetheart beaded neckline, elbow length puffed sleeves and fitted bodice with lace, sequins and seed pearls. The cathedral length train was accented with schiffli lace, sequins, pearls and satin handmade roses.

Her headpiece was a pearl crown with shoulder length illusion veil which featured pearls and silk flowers.

The bride carried a bouquet of white stargazer lilies, surrounded by peach and teal carnations and daisies along with ivy, eucalyptus, streaming strands of pearls and lace ribbon.

Paula Merchant, of North Branch, friend of the bride, was maid of honor.

The bridesmaids were

Cindy Powell of Phoenix, Ariz., and Robin Powell of Cass City, sisters of the bride, Michelle Izydorek of Marlette, friend of the bride, and Kristy Marshall of Clawson, sister of the groom. They wore tea length teal velvet dresses.

The flower girl was Kristen Hirsch, of Decker, cousin of the groom.

Brent Morell of Deford, friend of the groom, was best man.

The groomsmen were Chris Keller of Fort Myers, Fla., Tim Stoll of Haslett, friends of the groom, Lyle Severance of Snover, cousin of the groom, and Mike Marshall of Cass city, brother of the groom.

The ringbearer was Tommy Parrish, of Decker, cousin of the groom.

After the ceremony, a reception was conducted at the Colony House of Cass City, for 300 guests.

The bride is a 1994 graduate of Saginaw Valley State University with a bachelors degree in elementary education.

The groom is a 1993 graduate of Ferris State University with an associate's degree in heavy equipment technology. He is currently employed at Janson Equipment in Reese.

The couple honeymooned in Myrtle Beach and Tennessee.

All Class Reunion meet held

Fourteen people attended the 1996 Cass City High School All Class Reunion meeting Thursday evening at the VFW hall.

Helen Rayl was elected chairman with Don Ball as co-chairman, Arthur Randall, treasurer, Lois Sugden, secretary. Gerald Priekorn will handle printing and advertising.

A preliminary mailing will be made in October and registration forms will be mailed in May of 1996.

The reunion will be held at Colony House Saturday, Aug. 3, 1996.

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.

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Wednesday - Turkey Tetrazzini, Stewed Tomatoes, Wax Beans, Variety Bread, Fresh Banana.

Friday - Sloppy Joes, Mashed Potatoes, Salad Bar - Lettuce/ Tomato/Cukes, Round Roll, Vanilla Pudding.



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Meg's Peg
It's the humidity

by Melva E. Guinther

While the heat's made us a bit uncomfortable this summer, as the old saying goes, it ain't the heat, it's the humidity that's downright oppressive.

The moisture just sort of hangs there, suffocating a person, sucking out your vitality and leaving you as limp and lifeless as your hairdo. Anything that's not hermetically sealed becomes soggy within seconds. Forget any chips, crackers or cookies that have been left open.

We try to cope by closing the house up and keeping about a dozen fans going.

A friend who hated fans used to tell me that they just make you think you're cool; all they do is blow the hot air around. That may be true, but in the process of blowing, they dry the air, and besides, as long as I think I'm cool I'm happy.

Strange as it may seem, it was the horrible humidity that provoked a recent discussion about Epsom salts.

I had read a household hint that said placing charcoal in a flat cardboard box and covering it with Epsom salts would remove the musty odor in the basement that often follows a period of high humidity. We decided it was worth a try. Of course, we had no charcoal, since we use a gas grill. And wouldn't you know it? We'd just thrown away a tin of Epsom salts bearing a Mac & Scotty Drug Store sticker, that had been in the house when we moved here 28 years ago.

I keep telling Stan, you never know when these things might come in handy. Anyway, this prompted the questions of what exactly are Epsom salts, how did they get their name, would they lose their effectiveness in the course of 28 years, and where do you go to buy them?

Both of us remembered having them in the house when we were growing up, but weren't really sure why. We vaguely recalled that they were used for soaking any part of the body that was suspected of being infected.

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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

When you dine at the Bay View Inn you pay a little extra for the atmosphere, but it's worth it. Eating on a screened-in porch overlooking Little Traverse Bay on snow white tablecloths in a spotlessly clean dining area adds to the enjoyment of any meal. Breakfast for 2 cost \$16.70. Included was a bar with juices, fruit, and several kinds of rolls. Our entrees were a 3-egg omelet with choice of ingredients and waffles with a choice of sausage, bacon or ham with 3 different toppings. The food was excellent and we rate it at an 8 on the 1-10 scale. The Inn is located on M-31 about 5 miles northeast of Petoskey.

Gerald Prieskorn was in and asked that the meaning of the alarm whistles in the village be published again. Like most of us, he has forgotten what each blast signifies. For Gerald, and for most of the rest of us, here's the code: The whistle is sounded each day with a steady blast to mark 12 noon and 5 p.m. It also is a check to see that the siren is functional, says Chief Milt Connolly. When the siren is sounded up and down, it signifies a fire. A steady 3-minute blast indicates a tornado warning, meaning that a twister has been sighted in the area. Three short blasts is the all-clear signal.

You can find a course to learn just about anything these days. Delta College is offering a course to learn how to carve a totem pole. For a semester the cost is \$645. Perhaps members of the various Indian tribes will have representatives. If so, I feel one depicting a scalped white face placed in front of the casinos might be appropriate. Besides me, I know of several who would make ideal candidates.

The Weather

	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	77	70	0
Wednesday	80	70	0
Thursday	86	74	0
Friday	90	74	.88"
Saturday	83	68	.16"
Sunday	89	71	.71"
Monday	92	72	.02"

(Recorded at Cass City wastewater treatment plant.)

Oklahoma City bombing

James Nichols cleared; brother Terry indicted

Decker area farmer James Nichols won his freedom Thursday with the news that he is no longer facing federal explosives charges.

The victory was tempered, however, with Atty. Gen.

Driver hurt in crash

A Bridgeport woman was injured in a one-vehicle accident early Saturday morning in Cass City.

Village police reported a vehicle driven by Julie Fritzier, 28, Bridgeport, traveled southbound through the parking lot at the office of Dr. Paul Chappel, 6240 Hill St., and struck several trees at about 2:30 a.m. The vehicle then backed up and traveled southbound again, leaving the edge of an embankment and rolling over, coming to rest on its roof.

Fritzier was taken to Hills and Dales General Hospital for emergency treatment, then transferred to St. Mary's Medical Center in Saginaw. A hospital spokeswoman said Fritzier was discharged Sunday.

Police are seeking a warrant alleging the driver operated a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor.

Janet Reno's announcement that a federal grand jury had indicted Nichols' younger brother, Terry, 40, along with Timothy McVeigh, 27, for the April 19 bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City.

Another man, Michael Fortier, was charged with knowing about the planned bombing but concealing it from investigators, the Associated Press reported.

If convicted, McVeigh and Terry Nichols could face the death penalty. Fortier, who pleaded guilty and agreed to testify for the government, could serve up to 23 years in prison.

The blast — the result of the ignition of a 4,800-pound bomb made of fertilizer and fuel oil, placed in a rented Ryder truck and parked near the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building — was the deadliest in U.S. history. In all, 168 people were killed and more than 500 others injured.

According to published reports, McVeigh and Terry Nichols, a former Michigan resident, were charged with conspiring to use and using a weapon of mass destruction, destruction of federal

property and 8 counts of killing law enforcement officers who were in the building at the time of the explosion.

Two days after the blast, the investigation turned to James Nichols' rural Sanilac County farm, about 7 miles southeast of Cass City, where McVeigh had reportedly visited on and off in recent years. FBI agents conducted a raid in search of evidence related to the bombing.

Nichols was taken into custody, at first as a material witness in the case, then held on a 3-count federal indictment, including conspiracy and possession of illegal explosives. The charges were not related to the Oklahoma City bombing.

Nichols remained in custody at a federal prison until his release on bond May 23.

Since then, he has worked his farm, but under release conditions that included wearing an electronic tether, adhering to a curfew and living with friends near his farm. He was also under the constant watch of federal agents.

Repeated attempts by the Chronicle to contact Nichols were unsuccessful.

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When those heinous crimes are splashed across the air waves and on the front pages of the newspapers most of us ask ourselves, what in the world are we coming to? Has our society degenerated that much in just a few years? The truth is that most folks shudder when they read that a mother drowns her 2 children. Or a pair of teens are arrested for shooting a senior citizen and then holding a party to commemorate and celebrate the killing.

I can't recall anything as bizarre, as heartless, as shocking as these 2 killings in the last 44 years.

We've had our share of violence over the years, some quite spectacular events. One of the differences between now and then is the amount of media coverage that these events created. Comparing the way that type of news is covered today and yesterday, it's almost as if events committed before wide-spread television were committed in a news blackout.

When the mother is convicted of killing her 2 children or the teens are found guilty of the murder followed by a party, it is a story that is seen at regular intervals for days on end.

And the reaction is automatic. Something must be done to stop these things, make people safe in their homes.

One of the panaceas always suggested is capital punishment. Put them away and forget it. More and more states

are turning to it. It's in answer to the opinion polls that show that a majority of Americans today favor capital punishment.

Despite this, few are sent to death row. The mother who killed her children is a case in point. She was given life. There's no criticism of the verdict here. We like Michigan's law the way it is. No capital punishment.

Folks who advocate the death penalty point to it as a way to curb criminal behavior. Statistics indicate that having the death penalty hasn't reduced the number of crimes that call for that sentencing where it is in effect. And we've all heard stories about persons proved innocent after they were found guilty.

There's a ground swell of support for another change in the criminal justice system that deserves support. That's to enable the courts to try young criminals as adults instead of as juveniles.

Sometimes underage criminals can be tried as adults under the present system, but not often.

If a 13 or 14-year-old youth can kill and terrorize, confident that the worst that can happen is a short stint in jail before he is loose again on the streets, he can and does laugh at the law.

Making them accountable would do more good than a nation-wide law allowing the death penalty. We need it today.

"If It Fitz...."

Irked readers have say on social crimes

By Jim Fitzgerald



Readers have requested publicity condemning the disturbing social crimes committed in public by nose-blowers, aisle-blockers and thwarts of individual payments. I am here to serve.

Begin with Sylvia Litwin of Brooklyn (Mich.) who wrote: "Picture this. My husband treats me to a dinner. I've had my hair done and even have a new outfit. Our dinner arrives. As I place the mashed potatoes and gravy in my mouth, some jerk honks hard and keeps blowing. Something drains into his throat, so now he is clearing his throat and spitting into a corner of his handkerchief."

"No matter where the restaurant is located, you'll find a well-dressed, intellectual-looking man whose honk would scare a flock of flying geese out of formation. Not saying what it does to your stomach and your dinner."

"We were taught to leave the table to blow, or do the blowing before coming to the table."

As a solution, Litwin suggested something similar to no-smoking areas. Perhaps "a poster picturing a nose and smiling mouth along with a 'Do Not Blow Beyond This Spot' message."

Or how about a Heimlich maneuver vigorously applied around the honker's neck?

Next comes Bert Osterberg of Detroit, responding to a recent column condemning 6 Flint theater patrons who took seats reserved for others and ignored ushers' fervent requests to move:

"My wife and I have met those people. We've met them at the bottom of the main stairway at the Fisher Theatre where they stopped to chat after a musical, backing up hundreds of their fellow play-goers behind them."

"We've met them at Orchestra Hall where, after a wonderful DSO performance, they stopped right outside the doors to decide where to eat, while we wait all jammed up to their ears. We met them in theater aisles where they congregate to talk during intermissions, blocking the aisle to those of us who want to go back to the lobby."

"We've met them in Detroit, in Birmingham, in Livonia and in Southfield. They sure do get around, don't they?"

Osterberg said these people are the reason Michigan needs capital punishment.

Sounds like a pat on the wrist to me.

Lastly, there was a phone conversation with Ethel Silberg of Huntington Woods. She'd just returned from dining in a Farmington restaurant with 2 couples and 2 single friends. It was only 5 p.m. and the place was nearly empty.

And the waitress refused their request for 5 separate bills, claiming it was impossible with computer billing. If they'd been sitting at 5 separate tables, there would have been no problem. But because they were at the same table, the waitress adamantly insisted, they would have to split up one bill. I've dealt with this outrage

before. As Silberg said, some people order hamburger, some lobster. Some drink alcohol, some water. It isn't fair to divide one bill evenly by the number of diners, and it's awkward - and embarrassing - for the diners to figure out the exact amount owed by each one, especially when using credit cards.

The restaurant usually insists the orders must be on one bill so the cooks will know they're going to the same table. That's nonsense, according to Ed Mandziara, vice president of downtown Detroit's splendid Opus One. He said it's no big problem to arrange separate computer billing for any number of customers at one table.

Restaurants should make things convenient for customers, not vice versa. I suggest you snarl that the next time you're told separate bills are impossible.

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In order for the Cass City School district to save millions of dollars in interest costs with the upcoming building project, if approved by the public, special approval from the Department of Treasury had to be secured in order to pay off the project in less than 15 years. On July 31, 1995, Douglas Roberts, State Treasurer, signed an "Order of Approval" granting a waiver which allows Cass City to pay for a building project in less than the routinely allowed 15 to 30 years.

The exact wording of the waiver is as follows:

"And having determined that the waiver may be granted in conformity with the provisions of Section 4(1) (a) (i) of Act No. 108, of the Public Acts of 1961, as amended.

and having further determined that it is financially beneficial to the school district

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that approval is given."

This approval will result in a savings of over \$6,000,000 of interest costs from the previous proposal if the upcoming school bond issue is approved.

Questions can be sent to me at 4868 N. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726

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CASS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPEN

TUESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 29, 1995

(Check schedule below for time.)

General Information

The Cass City Public Schools will open Tuesday, August 29, 1995 with a full day session.

Kindergarten

Kindergarten classes in both elementary buildings begin on Tuesday, August 29th.

School Time Schedules

Table with 3 columns: School, Starting Time, Dismissal

Buses

Buses will begin the year traveling similar routes as last year.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. To observe classroom conduct (except for ordinary conversation) while getting on, getting off and riding the bus.

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. To take all precautions necessary for the protection of their children while going to and from the bus stop.

BUS DISCIPLINE PROCEDURE

- 1. First violation - The driver submitting the violation report will deliver it personally to the Principal of the building the student attends.

Cafeteria

Elementary and High School cafeteria will open on Tuesday, August 29th.

Board of Education

- James Turner President

Administration

- Kenneth Micklash Superintendent

Guidance

- Curtis Cleland High School Guidance and Counseling

Elementary - Campbell

- Kristine Milligan Developmental Kindergarten

Elementary - Deford

- Christine LaBerge Kindergarten (a.m.)

Middle School

- Judy Brown Library

Senior High School

- Julie Bitzer Special Education

Multi-Building Personnel

- Elizabeth Dillon Elementary Physical Education

Chapter I - Federally Funded

- Edlore Pasant Director of Federal Programs (Part Time)

School Nurse

- Germaine Tonti

Crossing Guards

- Myrtle Rabideau Andy Kozan Anna Wood

Bus Mechanic

- Charles Creason

Bus Drivers

- Lynwood LaPeer Marcia Hoffman Doug Hyatt

Secretaries

- Linda Bennett Bookkeeper to Superintendent

Teacher Assistants

- Mary Lou Cooper Darlene Parsell Connie Klinkman

Library Aide

- Joann Guinther

Early Childhood Aide

- Michelle Whittaker

Building Service Personnel

- David Barnes High School, Deford and Campbell Supervisor

Cafeteria

- Kathy Jewett Head Cook/Supervisor

Immunizations

Act 299, Public Acts of 1975, authorized the Director of the Michigan Department of Public Health to specify, by regulation, the immunizations and tests required of all children enrolling in Michigan schools for the first time.

Discrimination Prohibition and Student Information

It is the policy of the Cass City Public Schools to not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, or other prohibited matters in employment, or in educational programs.

Student Accident Insurance Policy

Student accident insurance is available for parents to purchase through the Guarantee Trust Life Insurance Company.

Guidance and Counseling

The school guidance program is designed to assist students who have personal and social concerns, and to help students design academic programs to meet their individual needs and abilities.

Free and Reduced-Prices Student Meals

The Cass City Public School's policy for free and reduced-price meals or for children unable to pay the full price meals served under the National School Lunch, School Breakfast or Commodity School Programs will be the following household size and income criteria to determine eligibility.

Table with 3 columns: Total Family Size, Scale for Free Meals or Free Milk, Scale for Reduced Price Meals

Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free and reduced price meals or free milk.

Application forms are being sent to all homes with a letter to parents or guardians. To apply for free or reduced price meals, households should fill out the form and return it to the school.

NON FOOD STAMP HOUSEHOLDS: An application which does not contain all or the following information cannot be processed by the school: (1) monthly source of income received by each household member (such as wages, child support, etc.).

FOOD STAMP/AFDC HOUSEHOLDS: If you currently receive Food Stamps or "Aid to Families with Dependent Children" (AFDC) for your child, you only have to list your child's name and Food Stamp or AFDC case number, and sign the application.

The information provided by the household is confidential and will be used only for the purpose of determining eligibility and verify-

ing data. Applications may be verified by the school or other officials at any time during the school year.

If children are approved for free or reduced price meal or free milk benefits, the household must report to the school increases in household income over \$50 per month (\$600 per year) and decreases in household size.

Households may apply for benefits at any time during the school year. If a household is not currently eligible but has a decrease in household income, an increase in household size or if a household member becomes unemployed, the household should fill out an application at that time.

In most cases foster children are eligible for these benefits regardless of the household's income. If a household has foster children living with them and they wish to apply for free or reduced price meals or milk for them, the household should contact the school for more information.

Under the provisions of the policy the building principal will review applications and determine eligibility.

Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official on an informal basis. The household also has the right to a fair hearing. This can be done by calling or writing the following official: Kenneth J. Micklash, Superintendent, 4868 N. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726

Emergency School Closing

Special announcements concerning school closing will be made through the following public service facilities: Radio WKYO - Caro, Radio WMIC - Sandusky, Radio WLEW - Bad Axe, Radio WHNN - Saginaw and Radio WIOG - Saginaw, TV-5-Bay City. Announcements will be made as soon as a decision is reached.

School Calendar

- Teacher Orientation August 28, 1995

What Cass City Schools Offer:

For the 1995-1996 school year you will find the following offerings to students in the Cass City Elementary and Secondary Schools.

Elementary School

- 1. Reading K-4

Senior High School

- 1. Art - Introduction to art methods and materials, including ceramics, painting, sculpture and jewelry.

Athletic Family Passes

Athletic Family Passes are available at the following prices from the high school or middle school principal's office.

7 to 15-year term

Teen sentenced as adult

A Fairgrove teen will spend the next 7 to 15 years in prison for his plea of guilty to third degree criminal sexual conduct during the commission of another felony (breaking and entering an occupied dwelling) June 18, 1994.

Allen D. Parrish, 17, received the sentence in Tuscola County Circuit Court last week after a hearing in which the court ruled he would be sentenced as an adult and not as a juvenile.

The crime took place in Fairgrove, 10 days after Parrish's 16th birthday.

In other circuit court proceedings last week:

•Gary R. Grieshaber, 33, St. Clair Shores, was sentenced to 3 years probation and 130 days in jail for a plea of guilty to attempted malicious destruction of a building (Charmont Motel in Cass City) Feb. 28.

The defendant was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totalling \$800, restitution of \$196.98, oversight fees totalling \$1,080 and a \$40 victim crime fee.

•Charles D. Strickland, 40, Caro, was sentenced to 4 years probation and 365 days in jail for a jury verdict of being an accessory after the fact of a felony (murder).

Strickland was accused of assisting his girl friend, Linda Mae Howell, 37, of Caro, after she fatally clubbed a neighbor, Michael J. Smith, 40, May 10, 1994, in Wells Township.

Strickland was ordered last week to pay \$1,000 in costs and fines plus \$320 in restitution, oversight fees totalling \$1,440 and a \$40 victim crime fee. His bond was ordered forfeited.

•Cory L. Walstead, 19, Caro, pleaded no contest to attempted larceny in a building March 15.

The plea was taken under advisement by the court, which continued bond at \$15,000 and ordered a pre-sentence investigation. Sen-

tencing is to be scheduled.

•Kenneth D. O'Brien, 33, Caro, was sentenced to 3 years probation and 365 days in jail (6 months deferred to the end of probation), with work release, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, March 24 in Caro.

O'Brien, who was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department, was ordered to pay \$1,000 in costs and fines plus attorneys fees, oversight fees of \$1,080 and a \$40 victim crime fee.

•Patrick J. Tucker, 41, Millington, pleaded guilty to manufacturing marijuana, second offense, March 30 in Millington Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$50,000. Sentencing is to be set.

•Allan L. Stephen, 20, Fostoria, was sentenced to 2 years probation and 60 days in jail, with work release, for a plea of guilty to attempted second degree home invasion Feb. 1 in Arabela Township, and larceny of firearms in a building.

Stephen was ordered to pay \$1,200 in costs and fines plus attorneys fees, oversight fees totalling \$720 and a \$40 victim crime fee. He was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

•David J. Brannam, 18, Millington, entered a plea of guilty to attempted unlawfully driving away an automobile June 23 in Vassar Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$2,500. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Joseph B. Garbacz, 39, Caro, pleaded no contest to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, March 18.

The plea was taken under advisement. A pre-sentence investigation was ordered

and bond was continued at \$10,000. Sentencing is to be set.

•Anthony J. Stephen, 19, Fostoria, was sentenced for a plea of guilty to attempted second degree home invasion and larceny of firearms in a building Feb. 1 in Arabela Township, and larceny under \$100 (tire and rim) Oct. 27 in Millington.

Stephen was sentenced to 2 years probation and 180 days in jail with worksite privileges. The defendant, who was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department, was ordered to pay \$700 in costs and fines plus attorneys fees, \$720 in oversight fees and a \$40 victim crime fee. Restitution is to be determined.

•Renee M. Rico, 23, Reese, received a one-year delayed sentence for a plea of guilty to possession of cocaine in January 1994 in Indianfields Township.

Rico was ordered to undergo substance abuse counseling, and pay \$200 in costs plus attorneys fee, oversight fees and a \$40 victim crime fee.

•Andrew S. Oleksiw, 24,

Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence for a plea of guilty to altering a license plate and operating a motor vehicle without a license May 31 in Caro.

He was ordered to pay \$300 in costs and a \$50 fine plus attorneys fees, oversight fees and a \$40 victim crime fee.

•Michael S. Osterman, 37, Burton, pleaded guilty to larceny over \$100 (lawn and garden tractor) June 4 in Millington Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$10,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Richard V. Burnside Jr., 53, Unionville, was sentenced to 2 years probation and 60 days in jail for a guilty verdict to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor and resisting and obstructing a police officer Aug. 31, 1994, in Wisner Township.

Burnside was ordered to pay \$500 in costs and fines plus attorneys fees, oversight fees totalling \$720 and a \$40 victim crime fee. Bond was ordered forfeited towards costs and fines.

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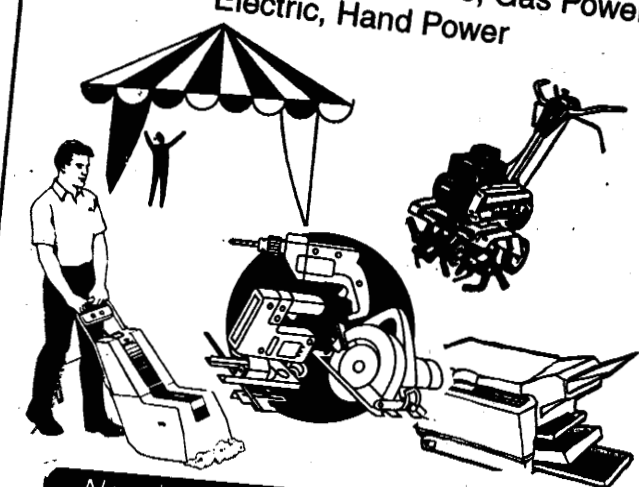
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Angie Meredith shares gospel during Italy tour

by Melissa B. Turmo
Staff Writer

Angie Meredith's faith in Jesus Christ and calling to share the gospel took her to the streets this summer.

The streets of Italy, that is. She and 6 other students from Cedarville College, a Baptist-accredited college in Ohio, spent a month touring the European country.

Although they didn't spend too long in any one place, the students' base was with a missionary family in Falconara, a village on the Adriatic Sea.

"Our whole purpose over there was to share the gospel," said the daughter of Snover residents Jerry and Penny Meredith.

They spent a week at a camp where Meredith, an elementary education major, enjoyed teaching the young children Christian camp songs. The students also cleaned up the campgrounds.

Much of Meredith's time was spent in main city squares, called piazzas, distributing literature in the afternoon or performing pre-recorded Italian puppet shows and English songs with a Christian message in the evenings.

The students conformed to Italy's later time schedule — their shows often lasting until midnight.

"We think of Italy as such a Christian country," Meredith

remarked. "My experience showed me no matter how many people there are that read the Bible or have a Bible in their homes, they are still lost. They still need the gospel as much as anyone else does."

DIFFERING VIEWS

Italy is a predominantly Catholic country — 96 percent of its inhabitants describe themselves as Catholic. As a result, the range of Christian denominations found in the United States does not exist in Italy.

Differing views of salvation divide the Evangelical and Catholic churches in Italy.

"It is not a matter of how many good works you do and praying to Mary," Meredith said of her faith. She shared the idea that a very strong faith and trust in Jesus Christ is the requirement for salvation.

Although some people were hostile toward what they seemed to think were the students' efforts to break down the Catholic Church, Meredith felt her efforts were successful.

The students took time after the puppet shows to talk with those interested in their message of salvation.

"Usually, we didn't bring it up much, because we didn't know if they spoke English," she explained.

But Meredith welcomed any opportunity to share the gospel. "I'd say it is a very major part of my life. I think it is the most important thing I can tell people."

Meredith's most memorable experience came near the end of a conversation with an Egyptian Muslim.

"He said if he could believe that Jesus was God, he would be converted; he would become a Christian."

ROAD TO ITALY

Although Meredith expressed interest last fall in doing missionary work, when the Missionary Internship Service contacted her this spring to join a puppet team, thoughts of a summer away from her family and a summer job made her somewhat reluctant to go.

She graduated from Ubyly High School in 1994 and was looking at the end of the first school year spent away from home.

But gradually, Meredith said she realized if Jesus gave his whole life, "the least I could do would be to spend a summer in full service."

She found monetary and prayerful support from her home church, Cass City First Baptist Church, as well as churches near Cedarville College.

The puppeteers began practicing in March, and by the end of the trip had learned lessons of flexibility and patience with each other and had developed a close friend-

ship. "It was hard to say goodbye to them," Meredith commented.

The students also spent 2 days in Rome where they saw sights including the Colosseum, the Old Roman Road, Roman Catholic cathedrals and the prison where Peter and Paul were held.

"It was just so neat to think those things were so old," she said.

Meredith was also reminded of history during the church services she attended in the missionary's home.

"There were times when anyone in the congregation could stand up and pray," she explained. "In the Bible, you hear of the early churches meeting in houses. It reminded me of that."

And Meredith looks forward to hearing from the missionary via electronic mail when she returns to college in September. He already has told the students about people that have contacted him for more information about the church.

For now, she is planning just over a month of giving private flute lessons, teaching a children's church and relaxing.

Her current career plans include teaching in a Jewish or inner-city school. She said she doesn't feel her future includes full-time missionary work.

"If I feel that is something I should be doing, I am very willing to do it," she commented. "I guess it depends on what I think God would like me to do."



ANGIE MEREDITH holds a replica of stone carvings found in the Roman catacombs. These carvings were made by early Christians as they hid from persecutors and celebrated Jesus Christ as the Savior.

Irene Ruggles 90 years young

Irene Ruggles has received her wish to see her 90th birthday. She was born Aug. 26, 1905 to Melville and Anna Graham and married Bruce Ruggles, residing in Kingston. He preceded her death.



Irene Ruggles

Mrs. Ruggles is an active member of the Methodist church and other community clubs.

Clayt, Barb, Al, Fred, Pat, Arlo and families ask that you help her celebrate at an open house Sunday, Aug. 27, at the Kingston Methodist Fellowship hall from 3 to 5 p.m.

Honor Irene with a card, but please, no gifts.

Cass City retirees meet

Twenty-five Cass City Retired Persons met Aug. 10 in the Hills and Dales Hospital meeting room.

President Edna Simcox had the group recite the pledge to the flag and sing a stanza of "My Country 'Tis of Thee." In the business meeting, the present officers were re-elected to serve another term. They are: Mrs. Simcox, president; Yvonne Burleson, secretary; and Deloris Fleming, treasurer.

The treasurer collected dues for the year, and Happy Birthday was sung to those with July and August birthdays.

Betty Ewald became a new

member. Mrs. Burleson and Mrs. Ewald read poems.

Bingo winners were Onnalie Heltsley, Deloris Fleming, Marion McClorey and Mary Kirton. Prizes

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The September meeting will be a drive to Caseville. Each member is to bring his own lunch.

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Aneita does not remember the barn when it was first built in the 1920s, but she and her husband Eldon used to travel from their home in Kingston while the barn was still being maintained. They knew it to be a unique and special structure.

"I'd like to see history restored," Aneita added. The Denhoffs were on vacation during last year's Octagon Barn Festival, but they might travel to Gagetown Saturday for the Second Annual Octagon Barn Festival if time allows.

Their end-of-the summer plans also include working as part of the Kingston United Methodist Church to prepare for Kingston Days, scheduled for Aug. 26, 27 and 28.

Aneita has lived in Kingston since she was a young girl. Eldon is a lifetime resident of the village.



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The board approved placement of 2 horse and buggy road signs, according to township clerk Kathy Newell, who reported the signs will be installed at the corner of Kelly and Cemetery roads, facing north and south.

Historical Society to meet

The Cass City Area Historical Society will meet Monday, Aug. 21, at 7 p.m. in the Rawson Memorial Library meeting room. A special program on the history of Greenleaf Township will be presented by Jerry Cleland at 8 p.m.

Refreshments will be served following the meeting. At present the historical society has 45 members and new members are always welcome.

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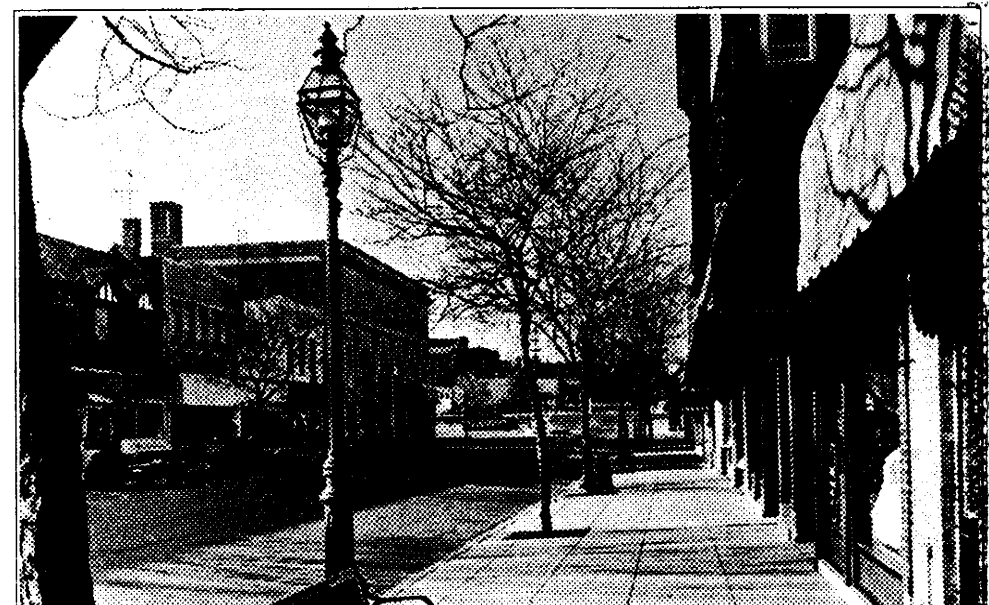
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Junior high hoop practice starts Aug. 29

Mandatory practice for seventh and eighth grade girls' basketball will begin Tuesday, Aug. 29, at 6:30 p.m. in the Cass City Middle School gym.

All girls wishing to participate must attend this practice with completed physicals. Each girl must be accompanied by a parent/guardian for this session. A meeting will be held to discuss rules and

expectations for the coming season. Actual practice will begin after the meeting. Girls may not participate until completed physical cards have been turned in to their coach. Physical cards are available from the high school and middle school offices. Any questions may be directed to Dan Derfiny (seventh grade) at 872-2069 or Kim Glaspie (eighth grade) at 872-5018.



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Mick Dawson	126
Ralph Albers	119*
Bert Althaver	112
Bill Berwick	88

*Points to be adjusted

TUESDAY MORNING LADIES' LEAGUE

FLIGHT #1 - 18 Holes	
Mary Rabideau	90.5
Bunny O'Berski	71.0

Chip Shots

Joan Montgomery	62.5
Nelle Maharg	59.0
Kally Maharg	55.5
Millie Nadison	54.0
Fran Bellew	47.5
Toby Weaver	43.0

FLIGHT #2 - 18 Holes

Barb Wilson	87.0
Linda Helwig	79.0
Peg Veldman	74.5
Shirley McMann	74.0
Lil Jaroch	68.5
Eleanora Rees	68.0
Mary Lou Maurer	62.5
Vera Ferguson	53.5

FLIGHT #3 - 9 Holes

Joann Brown	90
Blanche Rumptz	82
Marie Scott	75
Arlene Regentin	72
Phyllis Ridge	61
Betty Zulauf	54
Jane Hool	51
Evelyn Coaster	35

FLIGHT #4 - 9 Holes

Dani Hicks	88
Virginia Ruthko	59
Shirley Grifka	58
Marian Harm	55
Joyce McConkey	50
Verna Mae MacRae	42
Helen Grifka	28

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Methodists plan social in Kingston

The Kingston United Methodist Women will sponsor a country social at Kingston Park Pavilion from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26. Sloppy Joes, homemade pie, ice cream (and more) will be served.

Entertainment will include the "Bishop Dancers" at 5:00 p.m. At 6:00 p.m. Lori (Parker) Nordeen, a hometown girl, will be in concert with her Christian music.

Those attending should bring a lawn chair for the entertainment. In the event of rain, the above events will be held at the Kingston High School cafeteria.

Diet problem

A large percentage of children and young adults get less than two-thirds the recommended daily requirements for iron and zinc. Meats, as well as iron fortified breads and cereals, can help ease iron deficiencies.

In Tuscola County

Arraign 4 in district court

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

•Gary C. Oswald, 27, Richville, faces charges of assault/bodily harm less than murder and assault with a dangerous weapon (knife)

Aug. 10 in Denmark Township.

Bond in the case was set at \$25,000 and a preliminary examination was scheduled for Friday at 9 a.m.

•Owen L. Acord, 69, Vassar, was arraigned on 3 counts each of assault with a

dangerous weapon (pistol) and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony Aug. 10 in Vassar Township.

Bond was set at \$5,000 and a preliminary exam was slated for Friday morning.

•Keith R. Johnson, 25,

Caro, faces charges of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, and driving while his license was suspended or revoked Aug. 5 in Caro.

He faces a preliminary exam Friday morning. Bond was set at \$200.

•Larry Jenkins, 44, Silverwood, was arraigned on charges of carrying a concealed weapon (revolver) and driving while his license was suspended or revoked Aug. 4 in Juniata Township.

Bond was set at \$10,000 and a preliminary exam was scheduled for Friday morning.

79 at Crawford reunion

The Clayton Crawford family reunion was held at the home of Marion McClorey Sunday, Aug. 6, with 79 attending.

Marion McClorey, 84, was the oldest, and Alyssa Crawford, 1 1/2, was the youngest in attendance. There were no deaths the past year, but one birth, Bridgett Mable, daughter of Laura McDaniel.

Members attended from Troy, Caro, Detroit, Roches-

ter Hills, Dryden, Harsen Island, Saginaw, Sebewaug, Mt. Clemens, Deford, Cass City, Arizona, Rochester, Florida, Gagetown, Missouri, Bad Axe, Gloucester,

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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Cass City's last remaining dairy, Wesley's Milk Plant, will close its doors this month after 60 years of dairy processing at the corner of Maple and Main streets. The shutdown, which will eliminate 10 jobs, was announced in conjunction with the retirement of long-time plant manager Gerald Stilson.

Dissatisfaction with on-going contract negotiations prompted teachers in the Owen-Gage School District Monday to stage their second informational picket in 3 months.

A \$30,000 award to Cass City is among \$14 million in grants from the Protecting Michigan's Future Recreation Bond Fund. Cass City will add a \$10,000 local match to it for a combined project budget of \$40,000 to be used to develop a walking trail along the old Grand Trunk Railroad right-of-way in the village.

After a 2-hour discussion, the Elkland Township planning board Wednesday night voted unanimously against changing the zoning that would have allowed an asphalt plant to operate on property located west of Cass City and south of M-81.

Susan Gimble and Ronald Crandell were married Saturday at Church of the Straits in Mackinaw City.

10 YEARS AGO

Sister Nancy Ayotte has been appointed as the parish administrator of Gageton's St. Agatha's Catholic Church. She is the first Sister to be appointed to the parish since the school closed in 1969.

Instead of going to school for the traditional half-day session, kindergarten students in the Kingston School District will be attending full-day classes when school begins this fall.

The mobile home of Glenda Mester, 5033 Rescue Rd., Owendale, was destroyed by fire Monday afternoon.

Six persons required medical treatment at Hills and Dales General Hospital for injuries sustained in an Aug. 6 2-car accident on Kelly Road. Injured were James Haley, 20, Deanna Spencer, 15, both of Cass City, Paula Gerzeski, 13, of Davison, Stephanie Schultz, Arnold, Mo., Brent Szarapski, 19, and Paul Szarapski 15, both of Cass City.

Louis Wenslaff Sr. and Irene Ruggles were selected as the Kingston Village Celebration's King and Queen.

25 YEARS AGO

For 60 years Stanley Edzik Sr. has been raising pigeons. On his 66 acre farm west of

Cass City he has more than 100 pigeons, with more hatching every day. Most of Edzik's pigeons are sold to families as pets and he reports that business is booming.

Shortage of rental units is plaguing the entire county.

Dale Iseler underwent an emergency appendectomy in Hills and Dales Hospital Saturday night.

Gagetown and Cass City firemen fought a fire at Evans Products in Gageton Thursday for 2 1/2 hours. The fast action of the fire departments was credited for preventing a major fire on company grounds, according to John Weber, plant manager.

Playing for a full week at the Cass Theatre is "The Out-of-Towners" with Jack Lemmon and Sandy Dennis.

35 YEARS AGO

The first baby to be born in Hills and Dales General Hospital almost as soon as the doors opened for business Monday morning was a bouncing 9-pound boy, David Wayne, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Blasius of Vassar.

Erla's Food Center this week is celebrating its seventh anniversary in Cass City. Today it takes 25 to 30 persons to handle the store and meat packing business, the owners report.

Cass City will receive \$3,614.83 from second quarter collections of the Michigan Highway Fund, according to Highway Commissioner John C. Mackie.

Paul Schriber, 12, and Mrs. Rosella Giddings and one-month-old twin daughters, all of Caro, are in Cass City Hospital as the result of a 2-car crash at the intersection of Remington and Akron roads about 5 miles northeast of Caro.

The Rev. and Mrs. George Getchel and family attended the funeral in Owosso Friday for his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Linzey of Owosso, who were killed in an auto accident Aug. 9 near St. Johns. Mr. Linzey was 69 and his wife, 67.

Bible school slated

Vacation Bible School will be held Aug. 21 through Aug. 25, from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the St. Pancratius Catholic Church in Cass City.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF FARMLAND

Kenneth Hobart Land Company, a Michigan co-partnership, intends to offer for sale by private bid a 159 acre parcel of farmland situated in the NW1/4 and the NE1/4 of Section 31, Elmwood Township, Tuscola County, Michigan. This parcel contains approximately 155 tillable acres. There are no improvements on the property. The successful purchaser will be required to tender payment in full by certified check or bank money order at the time of closing, which shall be accomplished on or before November 1, 1995. Persons or entities wishing to submit a bid for the purchase of this property should send a written request for the specific terms of bidding and sale to the Kenneth Hobart Land Company, c/o Marvin Hobart, 2205 E. Hutchinson Road, Unionville, MI 48767. The deadline for submission of sealed bids is September 1, 1995. Seller reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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SUMMERTIME FUN — (from left) Caitie Barnes, 7, Kerry Shagene, 11, Laura Barnes, 10, and Andrew Shagene, 7, mixed some business and fun Thursday with a lemonade/baked goods stand. The young entrepreneurs set up shop in front of grandmother Naomi Barnes' home at 4822 N. Seeger St., Cass City.

Tuckey earns PFS designation

Robert L. Tuckey of Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt and Doran, P.C., Cass City and Caro, has been awarded the Personal Finance Specialist (PFS) designation by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA).



Robert L. Tuckey

The PFS designation, established in 1987 by the AICPA, recognizes CPAs with considerable professional experience in financial planning. Currently, more than 1,000 CPAs hold the PFS designation.

Tuckey met 6 requirements to earn the designation, including passing a technical exam covering the basic areas of personal financial planning: personal income tax planning, risk management and insurance planning, investment planning, retirement planning and estate planning.

In addition, Tuckey completed 250 hours of experience per year for 3 years. All PFS candidates must hold a valid CPA certificate and be an AICPA member in good standing.

"Given their formal education and technical training in the areas of accountancy, taxation and general business, CPAs are the most qualified, knowledgeable and objective financial planning professionals," said James A. Shambo, chairman of the AICPA's Personal Financial Planning Division.

and a PFS. "Supplementing this background with the PFS designation demonstrates a CPA's commitment to providing consumers the highest level of financial planning services." CPAs who have earned the PFS designation must be accredited every 3 years to maintain the credential.

Calendar of Events

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

Thursday, August 17

Girl Scout registration and parent meeting, 7 p.m., VFW Hall

Friday, August 18

Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8:00 p.m.
Senior Citizen movies, Rawson Memorial Library, 1:30 p.m.

Monday, August 21

Cass City Historical Society meeting, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.
Euchre Club meeting, 7 p.m., St. Pancratius Hall.

Tuesday, August 22

Tuesday Night Ladies' bowling league meeting, 7 p.m., Charmont.

Wednesday, August 23

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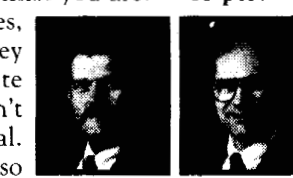
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TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the Board of Education of Cass City Public Schools, Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac Counties, Michigan, has called a special election to be held in the school district on Monday, September 18, 1995.

TAKE NOTICE that the following proposition will be submitted at the special bond election:

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Persons planning to register with the respective city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' offices are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Cass City Public Schools, Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac Counties, Michigan.

Randy Severance
Secretary, Board of Education

Frederick offered scholarship

Eastern Michigan University recently offered its Recognition of Excellence scholarships to 385 graduating high school seniors, including a Cass City High School graduate.

The local scholarship winner is Erica L. Frederick, daughter of Nora and Gordon Frederick, 6349 Church St., Cass City.

The Recognition of Excellence scholarships, valued at \$3,000 each, provide \$1,500 per year for 2 years. They are offered to students based on scores earned in EMU's annual \$2.8 million Presidential Scholarship Competition, and to academically talented high school students based on their American College Test/Scholastic Aptitude Test scores and high school grade point averages.

To maintain the scholarship, students must complete 12 credit hours each semester and have at least a 3.3 grade point average. They also must live in EMU residence halls during their first 2 years of college.

Students may reapply to receive the award in their junior and senior years at EMU.

Senior movies set Friday

The Rawson Memorial Library Senior Citizens movie will be shown Friday, Aug. 18, at 1:30 p.m. at the library.

Shown will be "Queen of the Elephants." A journey with Mark Shand. Embark on a 300-mile odyssey by elephant with award-winning author Mark Shand and Parbati Barua, daughter of a Rajah and India's only female elephant driver and trainer. Barua leads this intriguing journey to trace the traditional migratory routes of these endangered animals.

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Due to the length of this feature only one film will be shown.

Refreshments will be served. This Older Adult program is offered free of charge.

Annual bow shoot planned

The Mid-Thumb Bowmen's group is having its annual bow shoot for the Muscular Dystrophy Association Aug. 27.

There will be 28 McKenzie targets, novelties and lots of fun. If you'd like to participate, call: Carol Fisher (810) 346-3507 or Rodney Schmidt (810) 648-9903.

The dollars raised will stay in the Tuscola, Sanilac and Lapeer County area to help children and adults with one of the 40 neuromuscular diseases. Program services provided include a MDA clinic, support groups, research, summer camp and wheelchairs.

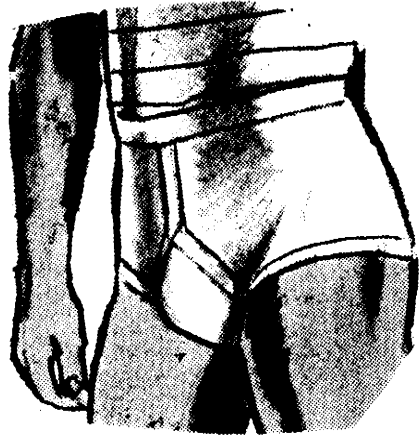
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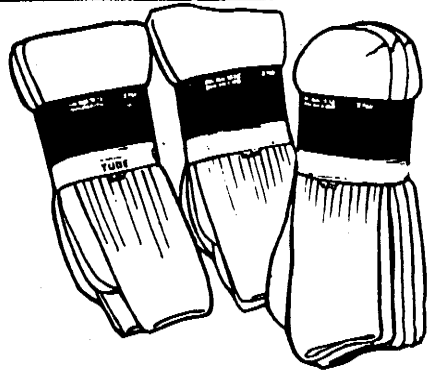
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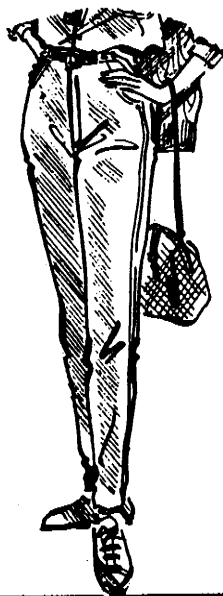
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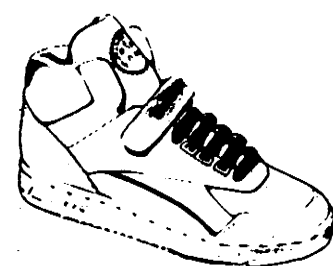
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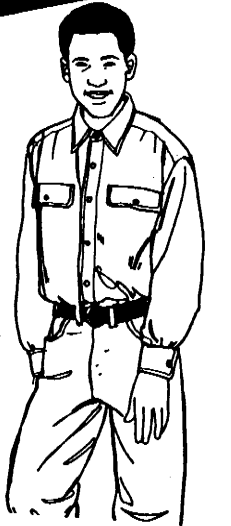
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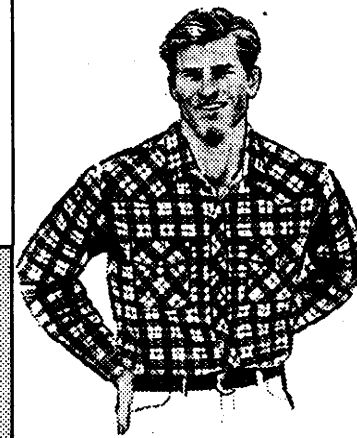


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County bars, stores cited for selling alcohol to minor decoys

At least 4 Cass City businesses were among several in Tuscola County that were cited for selling alcoholic beverages to minors following a sting operation Friday night.

Troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro and members of the Thumb Narcotics Unit conducted the undercover operation — the first such sting in about 2 1/2 years — in an effort to identify establishments that sell to minors, post Commander Ft./Lt. Doug Lautner said.

"Some 72 establishments were randomly checked during this operation by having a teenage youth attempt to purchase alcohol," he explained. "Of those licensed establishments checked, 21, or 29 percent, sold alcohol to an underage youth."

D/Sgt. Michael L. Larsen of the Caro post said the county was split up into 4 quadrants, with a team consisting of 2 plain clothes officers and one decoy assigned to visit bars, party stores and grocery stores in each region. "We basically were out at-

tempting to purchase from about 6:30 to 10:30 p.m.," he added.

Larsen pointed out the decoys, ages 18 and 19 years, were carefully selected to ensure they had no features, such as facial hair on males, that would make them appear to be older than they are.

"We had hoped that we would be able to report that all businesses checked during this operation would sell alcohol only after making the 'diligent inquiry as to whether the person is less than 21 years of age' as required by law," Lautner said.

"Unfortunately, that was not the case. Our undercover teens were usually not asked for any identification when sold alcoholic beverages. In several instances the youths were served alcohol in spite of displaying their actual identification showing them to be under 21 years of age."

"The lack of complete compliance with the law in these instances is very disturbing to me," Lautner continued. "Owners of licensed establishments can expect that we

will perform more undercover operations of this type in the near future."

According to Larsen, business employees who sold to a decoy during the undercover operation will be cited for furnishing alcohol to a person under the age of 21, a 90-day misdemeanor.

In addition, a formal complaint will be filed with the Michigan Liquor Control Commission against each violating business.

Police declined to name the stores where alcohol was sold to a minor during the sting operation.

"When the investigation is complete, a list will be published to show those establishments that were checked and found to be in compliance with the law," Lautner said.

"Owners of those businesses deserve recognition and public support for demonstrating that they do not furnish alcohol to the youth of Tuscola County."

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front entrance Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 11:00 a.m. o'clock, on September 29, 1995.

Said premises are situated in Township of Koylton, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of Section 2, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, running thence S 89 Degrees 17 Minutes 47 Seconds W. 1320.0 feet along the East-West 1/4 Line, thence South 330.0 feet, thence N 89 Degrees 17 Minutes 47 Seconds W. 1320.0 feet, thence North 330.0 feet along the East Section Line to the point of beginning, being part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 2, Town 11 North, Range 11 East.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 16, 1995

FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION

Trott and Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30300 Telegraph Road, Suite 201 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025 File #95082821

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LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGE SALE — Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by REGINALD L. BROADWORTH and BILLIE JO BROADWORTH, husband and wife to NBD MORTGAGE COMPANY, a Delaware Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 9, 1993, and recorded on July 12, 1993, in Liber 643, on page 1289, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-one Thousand One Hundred Thirty-four Dollars and 34 Cents (\$51,134.34), including interest at 7.875% per annum.

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Said premises are situated in Township of Dayton, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 7, Township 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan. Described as the North 60 feet of so-called "Parcel A" of a previously recorded survey (recorded in Liber 618, Pages 801-802 of Tuscola County records) and beginning at the Northwest corner of said "Parcel A" which is N89°25'13"W, along the South line of said Southwest 1/4, 1297.59 feet and N01°46'39"W, 919.62 feet and N20°43'38"W, 237.46 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 7; thence N89°30'10"E, along the North line of said "Parcel A", 301.15 feet to the Northeast corner of said "Parcel A"; thence S01°46'39"E, along the East line of said "Parcel A", 60.01 feet, thence S89°30'10"W, parallel with said North line, 280.38 feet to the Westerly line of said "Parcel A"; thence N20°43'38"W, along said Westerly line, 63.94 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: August 16, 1995

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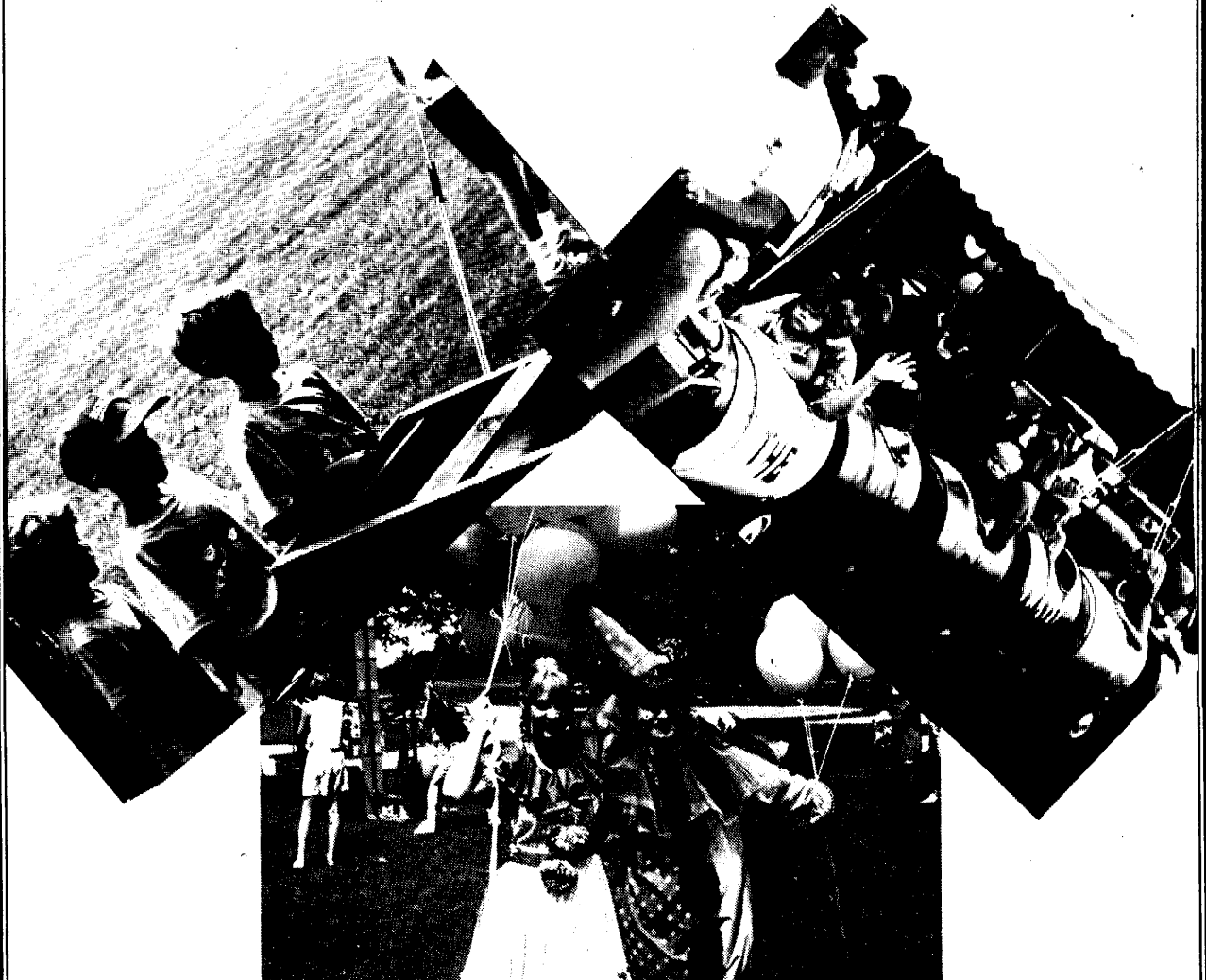


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Obituaries

Clinton Hagar

Clinton Hagar, 80, of Cass City, died Friday, Aug. 11, at Hills and Dales Hospital, Cass City.

He was born May 5, 1915, in Rockwood, Tex., to John D. and Mary Hagar. He married Maude I. (Hughes) Simmons June 22, 1968, in Jackson, Mich.

A U.S. Army veteran, Hagar worked for Grants (Sysco) for 30 years. He was a member of Amvets in Higgins Lake, Teamsters Local 486 and Farm Bureau.

Surviving are his wife, Maude; children, Judy (Arthur) Dunham of Saginaw, Rhea (Richard) Lumsden of Somonauk, Ill., Jeanice (Frank) Jastrzembowski of St. Charles, Mich., Kenneth Hagar of Saginaw, Ruth Ellen (Jim) Singer of Northville and David (Diane) Hagar of Saginaw; stepchildren, Delores (Carlton) Hancock of Pensacola, Fla., Don (Lola) Simmons of Wewahatchka, Fla., and Fran (Tony) Bishop of Haleyville, Ala.; 12 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; 4 step-grandchildren, one step-great-granddaughter.

Also surviving are many nieces and nephews; brothers-in-law, Lloyd Hughes of Shepherd and Floyd Hughes of Bay City, and sisters-in-law, Mary Proudfoot of Cass City and Annabella Cook of New Town Square, Pa. Three

brothers died previously. Funeral services were held Monday at Little and Kranz Funeral Home, with Rev. Carol Blair of the Gagetown United Methodist Church and Stanley Beach, retired U.S. Navy chaplain, officiating.

Burial was in Elmwood Township Cemetery, Gagetown.

Memorials may be given to the Michigan Heart Association or the Gagetown United Methodist Church.

Bernice Muntz

Bernice I. Muntz, 89, of Cass City, died Thursday, Aug. 10, at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

She was born Dec. 21, 1905 in Elmwood Township, the daughter of Hiram and Alice (Winchester) McKellar. She married Leslie A. Muntz Aug. 8, 1925 in Elmwood Township.

Mrs. Muntz was a member of First Baptist Church of Cass City.

She is survived by her husband, Leslie A.; 2 daughters, Dorothy Crawford of Caro, and Ruth Ann (Wally) Czekai of Cass City; 2 grandchildren, Kim and Kevin Czekai; many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by an infant daughter, infant brother, and sister, Iva Smith.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Aug. 13, in First Baptist Church of Cass City with the Rev. Dale Byers officiating.

Interment was in Elkland Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimers Association or the First Baptist Church of Cass City.

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



MICHIGAN BEAN QUEEN Tanya Muntz, Cass City, looks over a photo album chronicling her year-long reign. The title brought her a \$1,500 scholarship and, she says, "tons of memories."

Great Lakes fish info available

Accurate answers to questions about Great Lakes fish are now easy to understand and simple to obtain.

Two publications recently released by the Michigan Sea Grant College Program -- Freshwater Fish Preservation and Eating Great Lakes Fish -- provide clear and concise information on how to prepare and preserve Great Lakes fish. The bulletins serve as updated guidelines for anglers and food preparers. They also pay particular attention to the health concerns of today's fish consumers, including fat and sodium content.

Freshwater Fish Preservation explains how to maintain quality while preserving fish by canning, freezing, smoking and pickling. How to's include recipes for sauces, brines and pickling solutions. The publication provides useful tips on safe handling, cleaning and dressing, and it deals directly with concerns about chemical contaminants. Both guides recommend methods of cleaning and cooking that minimize risk.

Eating Great Lakes Fish further explains the nature of contaminants, the amounts of such substances in the Great Lakes, how they get into fish and the potential health effects of eating fish.

It includes results from a 1993 study by Michigan State University and the Michigan Department of Public Health, which con-

sumers, including fat and sodium content.

Obtain both guides by contacting your local Michigan State University Extension office of the MSU Bulletin office, 10B Agriculture Hall, East Lansing, MI 48824-1039. Michigan residents may receive one free copy of Eating Great Lakes Fish (E-2028). For additional copies or out-of-state residents, the prepaid cost is 35 cents. Prepaid copies of Freshwater Fish Preservation (NCR 498) are \$1 each.

Food safety experts said that eating raw cookie dough is a bigger gamble than it used to be. The reason is the possible presence of Salmonella microorganisms. Salmonella is killed by cooking, which is why makers of Raw Cookie Dough Ice Cream use pasteurized liquid eggs.

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Say 'no' to dough

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Reign nearly over

Muntz: year as bean queen productive, fun

The past year has been a blur of sorts for Tanya Muntz, whose reign as Michigan's bean queen will soon come to an end.

Since her crowning at the Michigan Bean Festival in Fairgrove last Labor Day, the 20-year-old Cass City area resident has been kept busy nearly every weekend, appearing in nearly 30 parades — from Traverse City to Holland — and representing the state's bean growing industry at a host of dinners, meetings and special events.

She's met the governor and U.S. secretary of agriculture, as well as Miss Michigan and the state's sugar, potato, honey and mint queens.

In between, she has gained some experience in public relations through letter and poster campaigns in which she has thanked farmers and agri-businesses for investing their time on the farm.

"It's a little more work than I thought it would be," she recently commented at her Koepfgen Road home.

"It's very time consuming because I organized all my own parade (appearances) and all the other activities. But it was so much fun; it was nice to represent something I've been raised with all my life."

Muntz, who won the state title after being named Tuscola County Bean Queen, said her goal has been to promote an understanding of bean growers as well as the nutritional value and versatility of beans.

She also worked hard to dispel the idea that the bean queen program is a shallow beauty pageant, and that the bean queen is little more than a figure head.

"That's what I wanted to get away from," she said, "and show them that (the bean queen) does have a brain and

is intelligent. I think I've interested the farmers a little more in letting them know I want to help them."

The 1993 Owen-Gage High School graduate recalled a recent conversation she had with a farmer during the 69th annual Governor's Day Luncheon at the Ionia Free Fair. "I think he was very surprised that I was able to carry on an intelligent conversation about agriculture and bean farmers and the bean industry as a whole," she said.

Communication is a big part of being the bean queen, according to Muntz, the daughter of Janet and the late Howard Muntz.

"I think I've gained in my communication with other people in dealing with good situations and bad. I learned how to openly start a conversation and I have met some really super people," she added. "And I have really gained a lot of confidence this year."

Muntz plans to put those skills to good use when she begins her career. A junior at Ferris State University, she will continue her study of dental hygiene this fall.

Muntz, who will crown her successor during the next Michigan Bean Festival,

slated for Labor Day weekend, commented she would encourage others to consider running for bean queen in future years.

"It's not just a chance to get into a parade and wave your hand; it's a chance to promote understanding," she pointed out. "It's a chance to get out and talk to people."

And to learn to deal with situations that aren't comfortable.

"It's hard to go to a city parade," she noted. "A lot of city people don't understand how farming works; they think the beans just show up on the shelf."

Still, for the most part Muntz has enjoyed warm receptions.

She's looking forward to her final parade appearance, Aug. 19 at the Octagon Barn Festival in Gagetown. "I'll be finishing up right around home, so that will be nice."

Looking back, Muntz indicated she really hasn't had much of a chance to think about what life will be like after she passes on her title. But she knows she'll be sorry to see her reign end.

"I'll have tons of memories," she concluded. "It was very exciting and very rewarding because I feel I did a good job."

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Jean Clarke, Geraldine Laming, Velma Cleland, Martha Keyser, Lillian Gibbard and Charlotte Particka met Olga Schneeberger at the Schneeberger cottage on Sand Point Thursday for a potluck lunch. The afternoon was spent playing games and visiting.

Allen Farrelly was among a group who attended a wedding reception and open house for Mr. and Mrs. Paul Salowitz at Kingston Saturday evening.

Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. Earl Schenk were Reva Silver, Dale Champagne, Arlene Champagne and Pam. Mrs. Walter Kasprus of Peck visited Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Jackson and Mrs. Mike Maurer and went to the Zinger-Smigielki Funeral Home to pay respects to Henry Sofka.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wills were Wednesday supper and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Vills at Port Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Meske of Port Hope entertained Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Moorman

and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hagen at the Rapson Sport man annual chicken barbecue at Rapson Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Marty Chockley, Christopher and Amy of Algonac and Anna McCartney returned home Thursday after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Cleland, Anna and Amy in Kansas City, Kans.

Mark and Allen Farrelly golfed Wednesday afternoon at Northwood and later had supper at Charmont.

Larry Silver of Bay City was a Tuesday supper guest of Reva Silver.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Konkel and Marney, and Lois Cardenas were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Terry at Elkton.

Jim Hewitt was among a group of around 15 of the Cass City High School class of 1942 who met at Charmont for a get-together Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Morrish were Saturday evening guests of Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Andersen of Brighton and

Mrs. David Hacker were Tuesday lunch guests of Mrs. Earl Schenk.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kulish of Arkansas, Laura Kulish and Allen Farrelly were Friday dinner and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bezemek in Ubyly.

Mrs. Anna McCartney, Mrs. Curtis Cleland, Jerry Cleland, Mr. and Mrs. Marty Chockley, Amy and Christopher met at the Tom Chockley home at Croswell.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kulish of Arkansas left Sunday forenoon after spending a week with Laura Kulish.

Beverly Rockefeller was a Wednesday forenoon guest and Alice McComb of Cass City was a Wednesday afternoon guest of Reva Silver.

Arnold Glaza was a Wednesday supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Glaza.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt spent from Wednesday through Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Ross and family at Frankfort.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Andersen of Brighton and Mrs. Earl Schenk visited Mr.

and Mrs. Jack Ross in Ubyly Tuesday afternoon.

Those who visited Edanna Sweeney at Huron Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe last week were Mrs. Walter Kasprus of Peck, Elsie Engelhart and Sue Dingel of Sebewaing, Rev. John Mullett of Ubyly, Lorraine Holz, Valerie Fisher, Alice McComb, Reva Silver and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Shagena.

Bud Baker of Elkton, Ida Sageman and Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen went to the Staphish East Funeral Home in Essexville Monday to pay respects to Leland Noble.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cleland spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Cleland, Amy and Anna in Kansas City, Kans.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Majeski of San Diego, Calif., and Allen Farrelly were Tuesday evening guests of Laura Kulish.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Glaza and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Glaza spent from Thursday till Saturday at Lewiston.

Mrs. Frank Terry, Mrs. Larry Konkel and Marney, and Lois Cardenas attended

a baby shower for Laura Tibbitts at the home of Sandy Samczyk Sunday afternoon. Games were played and a potluck lunch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Don McKnight were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Osentoski were Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hacker were Sunday supper guests of Mrs. Earl Schenk after paying respects to Henry Sofka at the Zinger-Smigielki Funeral Home in Ubyly Sunday afternoon.

Allen Farrelly was a Sunday afternoon guest of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Farrelly and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Meske of Port Hope and Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen went to the Zinger-Smigielki Funeral Home to pay respects to Henry Sofka.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Seagan of Florida and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hind were Tuesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Players to present Chinese fantasy

The Port Austin Community Players are presenting a Chinese fantasy to help kick off the Great Event this year. Since China is the theme, this play will delight young and old.

"The Land of the Dragon" by Madge Miller is a stylized Chinese play produced in the ancient and delightful Chinese manner.

The lovely princess Jade Pure (Linda Gottschalk) is held captive by her jealous, scheming step-aunt (Marie Bates) and her chancellor (Bill Pietscher).

Road Wanderer (Matthew Arneson), a minstrel, passing through the country with his pet dragon (Fred Bluckhorn) learns of her plight and plans

to rescue her. But much scheming by other characters, 21st cousin (Catherine Kennedy), 22nd cousin (Marcy McKenzie), 23rd cousin (Penny Pearson) and 24th cousin (Kelly Prill), add to the hilarity and the problems.

False dragons arrive to confuse the plot, even though the stage manager (Don McKenzie) and the Property Man (Ernie Ruff) try to keep things in order.

"The Land of the Dragon" will be playing in the air-conditioned PACP theatre in Port Austin Aug. 19 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Aug. 20, at 2 p.m. It is general admission, adults \$4.00 and children \$2.00.



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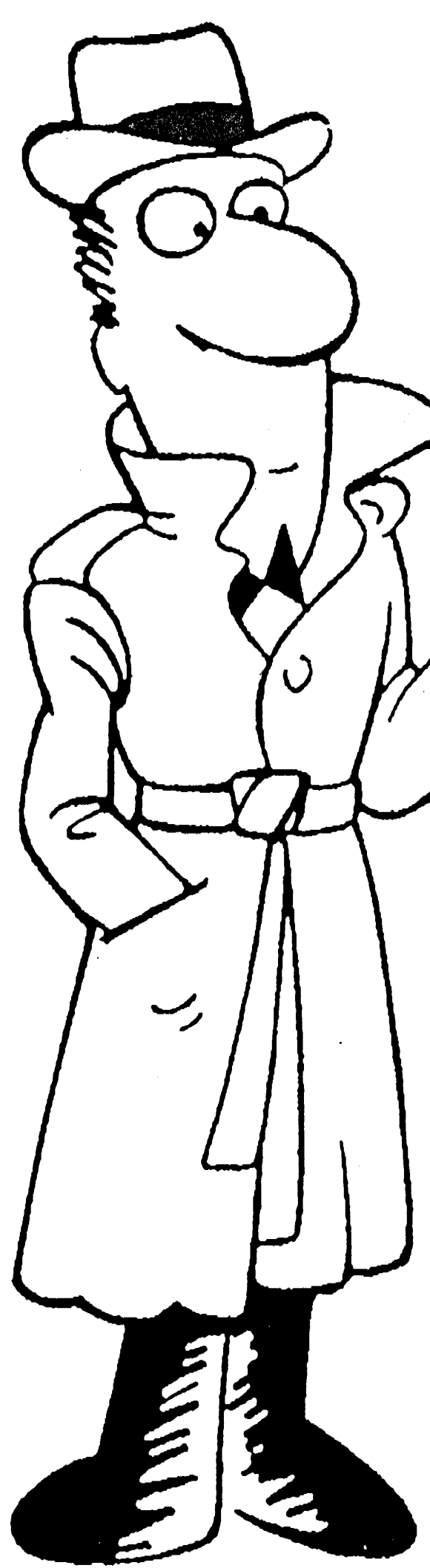
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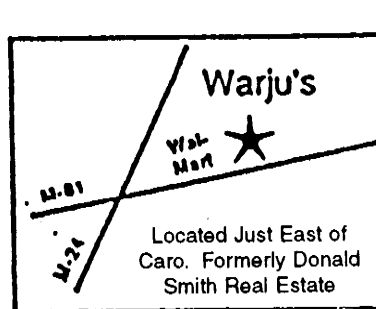
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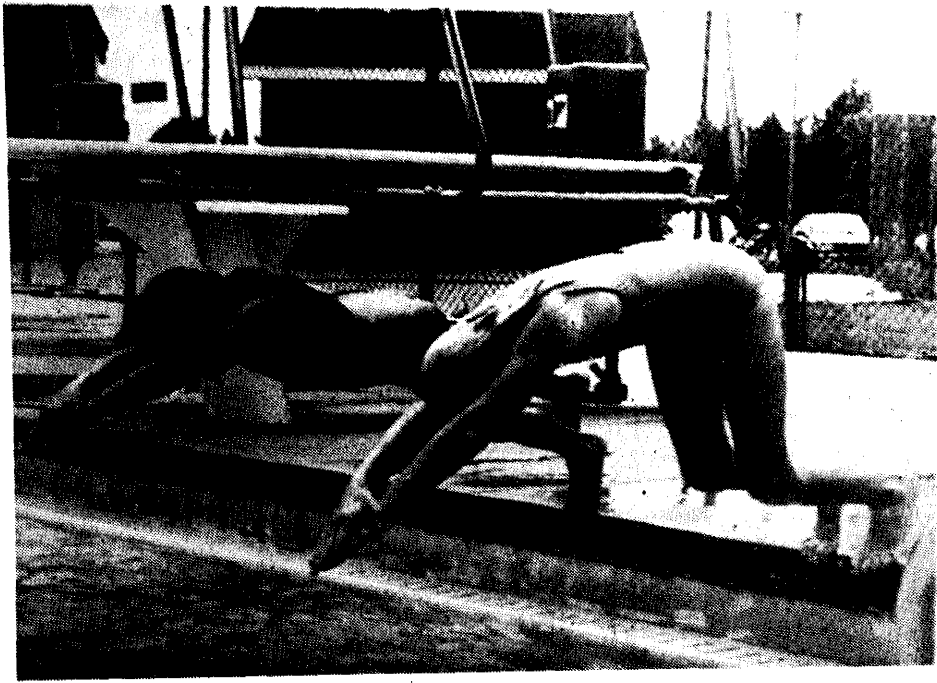
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BEATING THE HEAT, Sarah Yax, 11, and Raven Clemens, 9, dive into the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool Friday. Like other children, the girls spend many of their summer days at the pool.

Board reviews handbook

Kindergarteners to attend all-day classes at O-G

Kindergarten students in the Owen-Gage Schools will attend school all day 3 days a week this year — Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays — rather than attending half-day sessions.

The new scheduling was briefly discussed during a routine monthly Board of Education meeting Monday night in the Owendale High School cafeteria.

School Supt. Manuel Thies explained the change was made due to numbers; school officials are anticipating only about 13 kindergartners in the 1995-96 school year.

Attending full-day sessions will save on bus transportation, Thies said, adding once parents get used to the new arrangement, it's believed they will like it better than sending their child to morning or afternoon sessions.

Teachers in other Thumb districts already utilizing full-day kindergarten classes say they prefer the arrangement and are able to get more accomplished, Thies told the board.

The board also attended to a number of other back-to-school issues Monday night.

The board unanimously approved the appointment of veteran football coach Arnie Besonen to continue in his role as head football coach, and approved Joel Douglas as assistant coach.

The board also accepted the resignation of counselor Jeff LaLonde, who has been with the district for one year, and reviewed an updated student handbook.

High school Principal Joanne Hopper noted a number of changes in the handbook, many of them related to new or revised policies adopted by the board over the past year. Other changes, such as those involving weapons on school property, reflect changes in state law, she said.

Hopper told the board a

high school open house has been scheduled for Aug. 28 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. The district's annual education report will be presented at 7:45 p.m., and again Aug. 29 at 9:30 a.m. at Gagetown Elementary School.

In other business Monday, the board:

- Recognized a \$200 gift

from the Cass City Knights of Columbus for the district's Special Education programs.

- Approved a formal resolution authorizing the sale of the school-owned home in Gagetown for \$3,200.
- Adopted a board policy related to expenses incurred by board members in discharging their official duties.

Detroit Edison plans solar electric facility

Detroit Edison customers can plug into the sun and meet a portion of their electric energy needs from a solar electric generating facility the utility plans to build next year.

The company announced that residential customers will be able to sign up for a special 2-year "SolarCurrents" rate at an additional \$6.59 per month on average for each 100 watts of service. This will provide a customer about 140 kilowatt-hours of electricity per year.

The \$250,000 solar or photovoltaic (PV) generating facility will produce 28.4 kilowatts (kW) of electricity at peak solar conditions. The utility plans to install the system at the Michigan Electric Power Coordination Center site near Ann Arbor, and it is expected to begin operation in May 1996.

Detroit Edison will be among the first utilities in the United States to offer solar energy service to any residential or small commercial customer through its electrical system.

Detroit Edison's system will include 100 rigid crystalline silicon PV modules on 4x6 foot glass panels. The PV system will produce as much electricity as 14 roof-

top residential solar installations. It will generate power for at least 10 years. The system will reduce the utility's carbon dioxide emissions by about 8,650 pounds annually.

Because Detroit Edison will supply the PV-generated energy into its electric system, any residential or small commercial customer can sign up for the service. Customers may subscribe now through Sept. 30 or obtain more information by calling 1-800-435-5132.

"The program will introduce an option that many customers have sought -- the opportunity to use a renewable resource to provide some of their electric energy needs," said Frank E. Agosti, Detroit Edison senior vice-president for Power Supply.

The success of the project depends on its popularity with customers and their willingness to pay a small premium to fund development of a renewable power resource, he said.

Residential customers signing up for the 2-year period can extend their agreements. If they move to another residence within Detroit Edison's service area, customers can transfer their PV service contracts to their new residences. Commercial cus-

tomers will subscribe for 10 years but have options to end agreements.

"At this stage of development, PV costs are high," Agosti said. "The U.S. Department of Energy wants to know whether customers are willing to pay more to support the cost of introducing this technology in Michigan. Without a sufficient number of subscribers, the project cannot become reality."

Because PV costs are higher, the Michigan Public Service Commission July 31 approved special residential and commercial rates for the solar portion of service provided to "SolarCurrents" subscribers.

The utility will use \$113,600 in federal funds to pay a portion of construction costs for the facility. The Utility PhotoVoltaic Group (UPVG) has selected Detroit Edison's "SolarCurrents" program for funding and is negotiating related contracts. This is part of UPVG's effort with the Department of Energy to encourage new PV installations.

"The federal funding makes PV energy a little more affordable both to build and for our customers to buy," Agosti said. "That's allowing us to introduce PV energy to our customers."

Solar PV energy comes from the direct conversion of sunlight into electricity. A PV system will produce energy most efficiently in Michigan from May through August. PV systems today cost about \$8,000 per kW to install versus \$300 to \$1,000 per kW for conventional power sources.

This project is among 8 nationwide undertaken by 20 utilities in 12 states and funded by UPVG, a consortium of 90 electric utilities including Detroit Edison. Formed in 1992, the group's mission is to increase and accelerate electric utility use of small- and large-scale PVs for the benefit of both utilities and customers.

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by Melissa B. Turmo Staff Writer

Sticking her feet in a bucket of ice water or drinking a cup of hot coffee — Cass City resident Betsy Dillon will take just about any action necessary to keep cool when the temperatures turn hot.

"The stuff I do is so weird," Dillon commented.

And her husband Rick Dillon gets into the act with his squirrel cage fan, removed from an old furnace. Last week, the fan cooled the Dillons' garage, keeping a 4-family garage sale as pleasant as possible.

"It works great if you can sit in front of it," Rick commented, adding the desired

spot usually is occupied by the family's black Lab.

Earlier in the summer, Rick tried doubling the cooling power of his fan by stacking 2 on a cart. The cart blew across the garage, prompting Rick to give one fan to Bayshore Camp in Sebewaing.

"I just love his fans," offered Barb Kirn, who also sold things at the garage sale. With summer temperatures reaching as high as 101, according to the Cass City Wastewater Treatment Plant, the Dillons have not been the only ones developing ways to keep as cool as possible.

Kirn laughed at herself for spending the hot summer afternoon folding baby clothes at the garage sale, adding people tend to hit the sales earlier in the day to avoid the midday sun.

"Just stay out of the sun and do as little as possible. And drink a lot of water," she offered.

Her 6-year-old daughter, Whitney Kim, spent Friday afternoon with her friends playing with Barbie Dolls under the protection of a shade tree. They hoped to go swimming later.

According to a registered nurse at Hills and Dales Hospital, people should begin taking these precautions as soon as the warm weather hits.

"In the summertime, you should start drinking the fluids, especially when you start hitting 80s and the humidity," she said.

Heart problems among the elderly can be complicated by the heat, and young children can experience dehydration. Heat exhaustion or stroke are less common, the nurse explained.

"When they get into the extremes like that, they need to

seek medical treatment," she said.

According to the National Safety Council, people should schedule strenuous activity for cooler times, dress in light-colored, loose-fitting cotton clothing, take periodic breaks in a shaded area and drink lots of non-alcoholic beverages.

And many Cass City residents have yet another idea — Sarah Yax and Raven Clemens were among the many children taking refuge from the heat in the waters of the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool.

These neighbors said they swim at the pool nearly every day — sometimes staying for more than one session.

Rose Ann Ramirez also found her way to the pool with her family. She says her

husband Mario and son Ryan swim in the evening to cool off before going to bed.

The Ramirez family moved to Cass City from California roughly one month ago. Rose Ann says she is experiencing a new kind of misty heat in Michigan.

"Drink a tall glass of lemonade — that's what you should do," Ramirez offered. She said she is looking forward to the beautiful Michigan fall she's heard about.

But Cass City resident Emilia Romain has a different outlook.

When the heat gets to be too much, Romain spends time in her basement. Although her house has air conditioning, she seldom uses it.

"I don't mind the heat," Romain said. "I hate to see it go. Once this hot weather is gone, it's gone — that's it."

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Second Octagon Barn bash slated Saturday

by Melissa B. Turmo
Staff Writer

Children's activities at the Octagon Barn site, a longer parade and a Western-style street dance are expected to make the second annual Octagon Barn Festival bigger and better than last year's event.

They're also making preparing for the festival a lot more work, according to Friends of the Octagon Barn chairwoman Rose Putnam.

This year's one-day festival is slated to begin at 10 a.m. Saturday with opening ceremonies featuring a speech by Sen. Joel Gougeon.

"He's been a supporter of ours since we've started the process of securing the barn," Putnam said.

Gougeon also will serve as Grand Marshall in the 11 a.m. parade, which travels from the grain elevator to the park.

The downtown area will come alive as early as 9 a.m. with all day events such as an arts and crafts sale, all-town garage sale, art auction, farmers' market, quilting demonstrations, dunk tank, wool spinning, face painting and children's activities.

Live music and dancing will entertain festival-goers from noon until dusk, including Ed Stekley — "The Whistler," the Crestwood Line Dancers, Early American Fiddle Music by Terry and Becki Bell, a one man band, and Ronald and Susan Badgerow.

"Most things are returning," Putnam said of this year's festival. "The parade has probably doubled. We've added Western Dancing and the activities at the barn... It seems like triple the work."

Committee member Norma Wallace agreed. "We've had more time to organize, so this year should be a little bit bigger and better."

The barn complex will host old-fashioned children's games and a petting zoo.

Other scheduled events include a pet contest following the parade, the Owendale

Lions Club chicken dinner from noon to 2 p.m., a husband calling contest at 12:30 p.m. and a Western street dance at 8 p.m.

Souvenirs, including a calendar with artist's renditions of ThumbArea barns, will be sold during the festival. "Save the Octagon Barn" t-

shirts, sweatshirts, caps and buttons also will be sold — proceeds will go toward continuing efforts to stabilize the barn. Donations can be made at First of America, Gagetown Branch.

Putnam said Friends of the Octagon Barn hopes to raise \$10,000 through this year's festival.

Downtown revitalization focus of town hall meet

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nesses, local banks could offer low-interest loans for business improvements or a local investment group could direct private monies toward development.

In addition, Michigan offers grants for commercial or industrial rehabilitation — monies that originate from federal community development block grants. However, McLoskey warned that most of these monies go toward industry and generally require the village to match funds.

Althaver offered a possible source for such matching funds in revenue from the lease of the Baker College building. In 2 years, some \$50,000 will be available to the village, he said.

"There's no reason that money or part of that money couldn't be used as the matching funds if we can develop a project that would facilitate improvements in the downtown area," Althaver said.

Many people at the meeting argued that physical improvements were not enough to revitalize Cass City's downtown.

"We need more people to buy and live and come to Cass City," remarked village resident Rob Sopo. He suggested the Chamber of Commerce start marketing Cass City as a good place for business.

Roger Board of Board Chrysler expressed a similar opinion. If Cass City attracted more large franchises such as McDonalds, those companies would spend money on physical improvements, Board said.

Partlo disagreed, saying smaller, focused businesses should be encouraged to locate in the village.

"You can't compete with a WalMart; you can't compete with a K-Mart," he said. "You have to find a niche."

Village resident Al Wright said more rental housing needs to be developed in Cass City. If more people live here, businesses will follow, he reasoned.

Village resident Jane Hittler suggested encouraging more professionals to open offices downtown, while realtor Kelly Smith suggested creating first-floor apartments downtown.

But real estate agent Jim Tutwiler said too much money would be required to create a professional atmosphere in many of the downtown buildings.

Some said Cass City residents and business people should develop the positive aspects of the village.

Lois Keller, who moved to Cass City 6 weeks ago, praised the small-town atmosphere and nice people she has discovered.

The local bakeries are charming and Cass City residents need to realize they take for granted much of what the village has to offer.

Hittler agreed, citing the recent growth in condominium sales as evidence that Cass City attracts many people.



A FIRE fighter runs a hose while 2 others emerge from the smoke-filled Walbro Corp. Aftermarket Division Building Sunday.

Announce top 1995 performers in MSU wheat variety trials

The top performers in this year's Michigan State University wheat variety trials in Lenawee, Saginaw, Ionia, Ingham, Huron and Tuscola counties were Pioneer 2552 and Wakefield.

Pioneer Brand 2552 produced 102.5 bushels per acre in Tuscola County and averaged 83.7 bushels per acre across the test counties.

Wakefield produced 94.9 bushels per acre in the Tuscola trials and averaged 79.5 bushels per acre across the test sites.

Other varieties in the field trials that produced an average of 75 or more bushels per acre across all test sites were Stewart Seeds X8735 (79.6 bushels), VPI Wakefield (79.5), Agra GR942 (79.2), Lynx Navigator (78.2), OSU Freedom (77.3), VPI Madison (76.8), Terra Seeds SR204 (75.5), MSU DO256 (75.5), Pioneer 2545 (75.4), and MSU Mendon (75.3).

The average per acre yield in the 36 other varieties in the trials ranged from 74.5 to 50.7.

Varieties in MSU's 5-year trials that produced an average of about 69 bushels per acre are Frankenmuth and Agra's GR876.

Varieties that averaged between 70 and 78 bushels per acre in the 5-year trials are Cardinal, Karena, Augusta, Harus, Dynasty, Twain, Wakefield, Madison, Chelsea, Lowell, Sawyer and Pioneer 2548. Mendon averaged 80 bushels per acre.

The varieties tested in MSU's field trials for 6 years and their per acre yield averages are: Mendon (79.6), Wakefield (78.7), Lowell (77.6), Madison (75.9), Chelsea (75.3), and Pioneer 2548 (75.1).

MSU agronomists Rick Ward and Larry Copeland say that year-to-year field trial results may be interesting but they should never be used as the basis for selecting a seed variety.

The agronomists recommend choosing a variety based on several years of field trial data. Growers should choose a group of varieties that have shown good past performance and

agronomic characteristics that indicate they will perform well in the next growing season.

Planting 2 or more varieties can reduce losses from disease and insects that may affect varieties differently during the growing season.

The 1995 variety trial plots were 12 feet long and had 7 rows with 7-inch spacing. Seeding rates were standardized to 1.8 million seeds per acre. Planting dates were normal for the region. Fall fertility varied with cooperator practice. Eight pounds of nitrogen as urea were applied per acre at spring green-up. No fungicides were applied. All plots were harvested on a single day.

Details about MSU's 1995 wheat variety trials can be obtained from the MSU extension county office or from Rick Ward or Larry Copeland, Department of Crop and Soil Sciences, Plant and Soil Sciences Building, MSU, East Lansing, MI 48824.

School board to establish 'charity' fund

There are uncounted worthy charities that seek donations from public spirited people and now there is one more.

The Cass City School Board voted Monday night at its regular meeting to establish a fund that will accept tax deductible donations. The money could be used for a variety of purposes, Supt. Ken Micklash told the board. It can be used to offset costs of items associated with a new building or items in it. It can be for a purpose designated by the donor. It may be used to make payments for new building costs, making loans paid more quickly and reducing the cost of interest.

Money given will be placed in a separate account and subject to regular school audits.

The board also denied a request by the mother of Rick Lesoski to have her son passed into the ninth grade rather than being required to take the 8th grade over again.

Discussion revealed that Lesoski had missed 70 1/2 days of school. He was entered in the summer program designed to help at risk students. However, he attended just 3 of the 12 days the class was offered. Mrs. Lesoski claimed that the reason Rick didn't attend was because of the seating arrangement. She also said that she thought that her son could make up missed time after the session. She was told that a student missing a day or 2 could probably make arrangements, but that it was impossible to make up 9 days missed.

Because golf is attracting more players, the board authorized hiring a junior varsity coach. This year 24 students have signed to try out

for the team. The new coach will be paid \$821. Micklash said that if numbers dropped to 10 or fewer in the years ahead the junior varsity coach would not be hired in those years.

OTHER BUSINESS

• Five bids for the school's vehicle insurance were received. The low bid was by Harris-Hampshire for \$7,424.01 and the company will be awarded the business if all the terms of the contract are met.

The cost is much less than it was last year when the insurance cost was over \$10,000.

The favorable bid was because of the low number of claims submitted. In the last 5 years insurance companies have had to pay about \$500 in claims. It's a tribute to our drivers, Micklash said.

• A resolution was passed concerning the early childhood program, necessary to make the school eligible for financial aid.

• The agreement to have the adult high school completion program run by Caro Community Schools for another year was signed.

• The 2 children of Mike and Debi Justice were granted permission to attend Caro Schools for the 1995-6 school year.

• The school approved the federal guidelines for providing free and reduced lunches for the year. They are up slightly. Incomes that meet the guidelines are determined by the number in the family. For a family of one the maximum income for free lunch, \$13,820 a year.

For a family of 8, it's \$33,007 for milk and \$46,972 for lunches.

Renovation of barn continues

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George and John Munro. The land was purchased by the DNR to prevent complaints that might arise from hunters trespassing on what otherwise would have been private land, Reeves explained.

Other groups have expressed interest to the DNR to move the barn to a location "out of the area," Reeves said.

According to Friends of the Octagon Barn member Norma Wallace, the 1 1/2-year-old committee originally worked to have the barn moved to Caro, but the costs were high and the barn would have lost some of its historical value at a different site.

A complete renovation of the barn complex would cost roughly \$1 million, Putnam said, adding the group has not made final decisions on plans for the barn complex.

"It's really hard for us to continue making plans and getting bids and things until the DNR gives us their position," she explained.

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