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BANDANNAS ARE popular among gang members, and the way they are worn can say a lot, Det. Sgt. Patrick Woidan explained during his presentation at a gang awareness meeting Monday night at Owendale High School. Related picture, page 14

O-G citizens told fight to curb gangs proves effective

Det. Sgt. Patrick Woidan offered Owen-Gage School officials, parents and others a crash course on gangs Monday night, covering everything from criminal activities to identifying a gang member to the language of gangs.

About 40 people turned out for the 80-minute informational meeting, held in the Owendale High School cafeteria.

School officials say they aren't facing a serious gang problem, but at the same time don't want to wait to address the issue until something serious occurs.

That approach seems to be working, according to high school Principal Joanne Hopper, who opened the meeting by saying recent problems in the district, including property damage and students wearing gang colors and writing graffiti, have toned down since school of-

icials began confiscating gang-related paraphernalia and prohibiting students from wearing gang garb.

"Since we did take a strong stance against it... things have calmed down here tremendously."

Hopper said the school staff learned a great deal when Woidan spoke to them recently, and it was thought a public meeting promoting awareness of gangs would be a good step in nipping any problems in the bud.

Woidan acknowledged gang activity in rural areas doesn't compare with what the larger cities have to deal with. Saginaw, for example, has more than 25 known gangs, he said. "But there is gang involvement and some of the crime in our county."

GANG INCIDENT

Woidan cited an attempted murder last year in Tuscola County's Arbela Township.

gang members whether you realize it or not."

The key, he added, is to recognize signs of trouble.

Woidan explained there are 2 major gang nations in the Midwest: the Folks and the People. And there are a host of active gangs in each nation.

Distinguishing members of the 2 nations isn't difficult. Among the People gangs, members wear everything off center to the left, from belt buckles and hats to bandannas and shoes (leaving the left shoe untied), Woidan said.

Their colors of choice are black and gold or black and red, and their graffiti features 5-point stars and 3 to 5-point crowns.

FOLK GANGS

In contrast, he continued, Folk gang members wear everything off center to the right. Their colors are blue and black, and their primary symbols are a 6-point star, upraised pitchfork and a heart with wings.

Woidan presented a number of examples of gang graffiti, used to mark territory, and explained the meanings of each.

School officials have already seen examples on school property and other buildings in the district, and they've found that removing graffiti as quickly as it appears has been effective.

"If you allow graffiti to oc-

cur and don't take action, it is their turf," school Supt. Manuel Thies said.

Woidan agreed. "And they'll fight over it."

Woidan also pointed out college and professional sports teams jackets, hats and other items are very popular among gangs, which adopt a team's garb based on its logo and colors.

Kansas City garb featuring a prominent K.C., for example, has been adopted by a gang known as the King Cobras, and the Orlando Magic are popular with People national gangs because of the teams colors and a logo featuring 5-point stars.

Woidan acknowledged the Please turn to back page.

School to house problem students in special class

The Cass City School Board authorized additional steps in its campaign to end the reign of incorrigible students interrupting Cass City Middle School classes at its regular meeting Monday night at the school. The board approved the establishment of an alternative class for the 9 or 10 students who have not been reached by the 5-day in-school suspension program.

The in-school suspension program has helped, Principal Dr. William Snyder told the board. Since the program started Nov. 25, 35 students have been placed in the program and 22 have not been back.

The problem is with the students with which in-school suspension has not been effective. What the board okayed was moving pre-school students to the building approved for this purpose across from the high school and making a room available in the middle school building to teach students who haven't been reached in any other program.

The program means that a special teacher will need to be hired to teach these children (mostly eighth graders) and they will be segregated from the rest of the students.

An attempt will be made to get the parents involved in the program for this "last chance" for problem students. We don't want to expel these students if we can avoid it, the teachers and administration members present said.

CANCEL SUMMER PROGRAM

To pay for this new program, the school will use the "at risk" funds that formerly were used for the summer remedial program that enabled students who would have failed to get enough credits to enter the ninth grade.

It's possible that a summer program will be available if parents are willing to pay to have it. The free program is no more and any program that replaces it will probably be of a longer duration.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Supt. Ken Micklash outlined the work completed under a grant of \$10,000 for community outreach. School board members are in the midst of visitation to township boards to answer questions and explain what is happening at the school.

A series of VIP (very informed person) tours while school is in session is planned. The first will be

Tuesday, Jan. 16. Residents of Northwood Lake Condominiums have received a personal invitation to the tour. There will be a chance to chat with students and staff will answer questions. Residents will be transported by bus from Northwood Shores Restaurant.

Under the direction of Jerry Krzyckowski from the Tuscola Intermediate School District, small group meetings will be held and information about how residents

feel about the school obtained. Other activities will be planned.

BOND REQUEST

To place the upcoming bond issue for a new middle school on the ballot, a preliminary qualification application must be approved by a Michigan Department of Treasury official. The board approved sending for the ap-

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School nurse reports

Alcohol use less, drug use increases at school

Gerry Tonti, school health nurse for 12 years, told the Cass City School Board Monday night that the use of alcohol by students is decreasing, judging by the number of patients she cares for.

However, the decline is accompanied by an increase of the use of over the counter drugs. Occasionally we have to take students to the hospital to have their stomachs pumped, she explained.

Another change that Tonti noted was the use of precautions by persons treating sick children. Now while treating any child with a blood producing injury it is mandatory to have gloves on and sometimes a mask is also required, Tonti said.

There has been an increase in the use of drugs like Ritalin to control hyper-active children. Sometimes, she confided, I believe that too many of these drugs are ad-

ministered.

The requirements by the state health department are constantly changing and more immunizations are required and other new ones are on the horizon, Tonti pointed out.

One achievement that makes it easier to keep track of the health needs of students in Cass City is that all 1,636 of them are now on our computer, Tonti said.

Slash 13 vehicles' tires in Cass City

Cass City police are looking for vandals responsible for slashing tires on 13 vehicles, including 7 at the Board Chrysler-Plymouth-Dodge dealership in town.

The incidents all took place during the evening hours last Wednesday or early Thursday morning, according to reports, which state footprints left at the various scenes indicate 2 people were involved in the damage.

Filing complaints with village police were:

•Roberto Isaguirre, Cass City, reported he left his car parked in the South Alley near West Street, and later returned to find both driver side tires and a front passen-

ger side tire cut. Damage is estimated at \$150.

•Troy Benitez, Cass City, told police 2 tires were slashed on his pickup truck while the vehicle was parked at Walbro Corp., 6242 Garfield Ave.

•Lew Martin, Decker, reported a van owned by the Regional Educational Media Center #10, 4060 Seeger St., had 3 tires cut. Damage is estimated at \$300.

•Barbara Haas, Cass City, reported the tires on her vehicle were slashed while the vehicle was parked in a lot near 4404 Oak St. Damage is estimated at \$240.

•Roger Board, owner of Board Chrysler-Plymouth-

Dodge, 6617 Main St., reported a total of 7 tires slashed on 3 1996 Dodge vans, a 1996 Jeep and a 1996 Dodge pickup, as well as a Ford 4-door and another Dodge pickup. Damage is estimated at \$700. Board also reported \$50 in damage to a parking lot lamp.

•William Spencer, Cass City, told police someone slashed the driver side rear tire on his car while the vehicle was parked at his Pine Street residence.

•John Carlson, 4413 West St., Cass City, reported both tires on the driver side of his Jeep, as well as a spare tire were all slashed. Damage is estimated at \$318.

O-G to study bus privatization

Can a private company operate school transportation services more cheaply than the schools themselves?

Owen-Gage School officials aren't certain, but they are willing to spend \$600 to find out.

The Owen-Gage Board of Education Monday endorsed school Supt. Manuel Thies' recommendation to participate in a feasibility study to be conducted by the National School Bus Service Inc.

Thies explained all superintendents in the Huron Intermediate School District recently supported the company proposed study, which will explore privatization of all bus service within the

ISD.

Under the proposal, the company would take over responsibility for school transportation, including maintaining enough bus drivers, and handling routes, fuel and repairs.

The study is expected to cost \$10,000 to \$15,000, which will be divided up among the districts on a per pupil basis. For Owen-Gage, the cost will be \$2 per pupil.

National School Bus officials have assured the ISD that the study will belong to each of the participating school districts.

It's expected that the study will be completed and a proposal will be available for the

ISD to review by March.

Thies commented that a smaller school district such as Owen-Gage will probably not have a big impact on the outcome of the feasibility study. "It's the big schools that will determine whether this can be done."

Still, he pointed out, if it turns out the proposal is feasible, the district would benefit. "Transportation is a very costly problem for all schools," he said.

"If it doesn't work out, we are not obligated."

IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business during the Please turn to back page.



JEFFREY AND MELISSA Smith of Cass City welcomed the area's first baby of 1996. Ashlynn Aylish Smith was born at 12:55 a.m. Jan. 1 at Saginaw General Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 10 ounces. As the first new year's baby, Ashlynn, who has one brother, Shea, 2, will be showered with gifts donated by area merchants.



Kimberly & Matthew Braun

Morley, Braun exchange vows

Kimberly Morley and Matthew Braun were married Nov. 4 at 12:30 at St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Richville. The Rev. David Hakes and the Rev. Doug Krenge officiated at the ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morley of Cass City, and the late Helen Morley.

The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Braun of Vassar.

The bride wore a gown of white satin designed with a crystal sequin and pearl encrusted bodice, high illusion neckline, long sleeves and full skirt with cathedral-length train. The dress was adorned with scalloped shiffla lace. She carried a bouquet of white roses, orchids and stephanotis.

Organist was Dennis Fisher and soloist was Karen Rose. Maid of honor was Michelle Sting of Unionville, friend of the bride.

Bridesmaids were Sarah Keller, Orion, friend of the bride; Kristie Dobis, Chicago, Ill., cousin of the bride; Sheri Sweeney of Bad Axe, cousin of the bride, and Sue Atkerson of Caro, friend of the couple.

The couple. Their dresses were black velvet tea-length with off the shoulder bodice. Each carried a single white rose.

Best man was Kevin Born, of Cass City, friend of the groom.

Groomsmen were Tom Braun of Frankenmuth, brother of the groom; Brent Morley of Saginaw, brother of the bride; Mike Braun of Ft. Wayne, Ind., brother of the groom, and Brent Atkerson of Caro, friend of the couple.

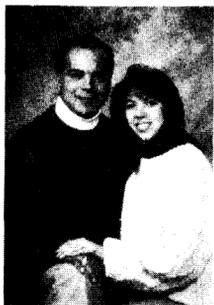
Ushers were Jason Ruggles, friend of the groom, and Joe Prather, step-brother of the bride.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at the Caro Eagles Hall. Two hundred and fifty guests attended from the Thumb area, Wisconsin, Ohio, California and Indiana.

The groom is a Project Engineer at Walbro Engine Management Corp. and the bride is a Junior Accounting Analyst at Walbro Engine Management Corp.

After a wedding trip to Las Vegas, the couple is residing in Caro.

Engaged



Carrie Tuckey Brent Kostanko

Mr. and Mrs. James D. Tuckey of Cass City wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Carrie, to Brent Kostanko, son of Ms. Marcie Kostanko of Bridgeport.

Both Carrie and Brent are graduates of Cass City High School. Brent is currently attending Delta College.

A Feb. 3 wedding is planned in Cass City.

Cass City Social Items

Call your local news to the Chronicle office 872-2010

The Euchre Club will meet Monday, Jan. 15, at 7:00 p.m. at St. Pancratius social hall.

The Business and Professional Women's Club will meet Jan. 22 at 6:00 p.m. at the Charmont.

Lyle Clarke to show slides of Europe

Lyle Clarke of Cass City will present a slide program Monday, Jan. 22, at 7 p.m. at Rawson Memorial Library. (Please note that this program has been rescheduled from the original date of Jan. 15.)

In October 1995 Clarke, along with his wife, Jean, turned a visit to their daughter in England into a tour of several other countries in Europe. They spent 3 weeks traveling through southern Germany, Austria and Switzerland staying at bed and

breakfasts along the way. The public is invited to come to see the slides and hear the story of the Clarkes' European trip. Refreshments will be served.

McLean retires after 33 years in education

Sharon McLean recently retired after nearly 33 years in education.

Those years included over 17 years at Marlette Community Schools; more than 5 years at the Sanilac Intermediate School District, and over 10 years at the Tuscola Intermediate School District, serving as assistant superintendent the past 4 years.

McLean looks forward to spending more time with family, friends and husband, Al Mahan, in Frankenmuth.

There will be an open house in her honor Jan. 29 from 3 to 5:30 p.m. at the Tuscola Technology Center (formerly Tuscola Area Skill Center) in Caro. Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP to Robie Crosby by Jan. 17, (517) 673-2144.



Mr. and Mrs. John Papp Jr.

Rita Volz, John Papp Jr. married in Caro

Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Caro was the site of wedding nuptials spoken between Rita Volz and John Papp Jr., both of Caro, Sept. 23. The Rev. Nancy Goyings and Father Michael Bell officiated at the double-ring ceremony for the daughter of Wesley and Shirley Volz of Unionville and the son of John and Mary Ann Papp of Caro. The groom is the grandson of Mrs. David Papp of Cass City.

Special wedding music was provided by Mark Jacoby of Unionville, accompanied by Dale Perz of Caro.

Roxanne Volz, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Jennifer Papp, sister of the groom, Margaret Ondrajka, Selina Hobson and Cindy Slosser. Junior bridesmaid was Alyssa Petiprin, cousin of the bride. Flower girls were Tricia Petiprin, cousin of the bride, and Ashley Weiss, cousin of the groom.

Eric Herdelle was best man. Groomsmen were Mike Macauley, Greg Mika, Mike Hobson and Chris Smith. Junior groomsmen was James Volz, brother of the bride.

Seating the wedding guests were ushers Matt McBride, cousin of the bride, and Tom Sokol Jr., cousin of the groom.

The newlyweds greeted guests at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Caro.

The wedding cake was made by the groom's aunt, Lois Papp.

The bride is an accounting assistant at Memtron Technologies, Inc. in Frankenmuth and the groom is a quality technician at Walbro Automotive Corp. in Caro.

Following a honeymoon in northern Michigan, the couple is residing in Caro.

Marriage licenses

John Anthony Scott Ralston, Akron, and Suzanne Marie Lane, Caro.

Bruce Alan Wright and Gaylene Roselyn Matuszak, both of Caro.

Yvan-Jung Foo and Stephani Marijke Furie, both of Vassar.

Nathan Todd Lowery, Bedford, Ind., and Jolene Carol Walker, Caro.

Hospital notes

PATIENTS LISTED MONDAY, JAN. 8:

Genevieve Bilicki, Lenora Wright, Caro; Helen Kubiak, Nadine Mosher, Gageton; Vernetta Monte, Kingston.

Historical Society sets meet

The Cass City Area Historical Society will meet Monday at 7 p.m. at Rawson Memorial Library.

The program for the evening will be the "History of Elmwood Township and the Colwood area" presented by Wayne Dillon. The public is invited to attend this meeting.

Barcia aide to hold hours

An aide to Congressman Jim Barcia will be holding constituent hours in Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties in mid-January.

The program for the evening will be the "History of Elmwood Township and the Colwood area" presented by Wayne Dillon. The public is invited to attend this meeting.

Anyone with a question or concern about an issue before the U.S. House of Representatives, or who has a problem with any federal agency, is welcome to attend. Barcia's aide will meet with Thumb constituents on the following dates:

*Jan. 17 — From 10 a.m. to noon at the Huron County Courthouse, board of commissioners office, 250 E. Huron Ave., Bad Axe, and from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners Office, Courthouse Annex, 207 E. Grant St., Caro.

*Jan. 18 — From 10 a.m. to noon at the Sanilac County Conference Room (adjacent to the MSU Cooperative Extension Service Office), 37 Austin St., Sandusky.

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Meg's Peg
Who's normal?
 by Melva E. Guinther

An article in one of the dailies recently was excerpted from Bernice Kanner's book, "Are You Normal?"

It's based on a 2-year nationwide survey that reportedly shows what "most" Americans do.

I learned that I wasn't "normal" several years ago while on jury duty in district court. While deliberating a case that involved speeding on the part of the defendant, one of the jury members said, "Nobody observes the speed limit." And in all honesty, I had to admit that I did. The look from the rest of the panel was withering.

Since that time I have been known to go maybe a couple miles per hour over the limit, just to keep up with traffic, you know. But for the most part, I obey the law, always buckle up, use the directional signals faithfully, see my dentist twice a year and make sure Stan replaces the batteries in the smoke detectors regularly.

According to the survey, I was also among the minority with the "annoying habit" of Christmas shopping all year and having it done before Thanksgiving.

So I naturally wondered if I could be counted normal in other areas.

One of the questions asked was "Do you cheat in the grocery store express lane?"

Well, that depends on how you count "items," doesn't it? If you buy 3 cans of beans that are priced 3 for \$2.00, is that one item or 3? True to character, when in doubt, I usually opt for a regular lane. Cheating would rank right up there with parking in a handicapped spot.

Actually, the majority questioned apparently feel that way, because only 27.4 percent confessed to sneaking more items than allowed.

Another question asked was "Do you peek in your hosts' bathroom cabinet?"

My initial response was "Why would I?" Maybe some of us are naturally less

curious than others, but you needn't clean out your medicine chest when you invite me over, unless you go away and leave me with a headache.

"How do you deal with unwanted telephone calls?" was another question.

According to the survey, one person out of every 4 hears the caller out; 26.8% just hang up; 12.6% worry about hurting the caller's feelings and make up an excuse to hang up, and 45.5% politely interrupt and cut the caller off.

That last one's usually my strategy, although the telemarketers' nonstop spiel makes it difficult. How can they talk so long without stopping for breath?

The option of letting the answering machine screen your calls wasn't included in the survey.

Regarding annoying habits, respondents admitted that: 46% tap or jiggle their feet or legs; 44.5% chew on ice; 40% crack their knuckles; 27.1% regularly chew a pen cap or pencil; 38% peel the labels off bottles or cans; 30% twist or pull their hair; 26.1% twist the phone cord, and 20% grind their teeth.

Snapping fingers was the most common "special talent" among the respondents. Sixty-seven percent could roll their tongues; 18% cross their eyes; 32% flare their nostrils; 30% could raise one eyebrow at a time; 13.2% wiggle their ears....

Wait a minute! These are the "normal" people???

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Mr. and Mrs. Edward Souden

Soudens to celebrate 60 years of marriage

Edward L. Souden and Frances Souden of 6736 Third St., Cass City, will celebrate 60 years of marriage with their family at the Saint Clair Inn in Saint Clair Jan. 13.

The former Frances Fulcher and her husband were married Jan. 11, 1936, in Ohio. The couple has 6 children, Jim and his wife Marion of Waterford, Jerry and his wife Mary Louise of Pontiac, Dean and his wife Gwen of Holland, Mike and his wife Alice of Waterford, Mary Jane and her husband Jay Motz of Pigeon, and Don and his wife Phyllis of Auburn Hills. They also have 25 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Edward (Mickey) retired from Wrigleys Grocery stores in the Pontiac area after 30 years. Frances worked in the public school cate-

ria for 14 years. They retired to their birthplace, Cass City, in 1982.

Magazine sale set at library

The Friends of Rawson Memorial Library have scheduled a magazine sale at the library Thursday and Friday, Jan. 25 and 26. Anyone who has used magazines that are in good condition that they would like to donate may bring them to the library by Jan. 22. Decorating, hobby, hunting, home travel, antique, crafts, country living, etc., magazines are especially popular.

Old news magazines or magazines in poor condition do not sell well, according to library officials, and should not be donated.

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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

The DNR is asking residents in Michigan to participate in a 1996 winter bald eagle count Jan. 3-17.

If you live in the Thumb, especially Sanilac and Tuscola counties, don't hold your breath scanning the skies.

In the count period last winter 751 bald eagles were reported state-wide, none from Sanilac and Tuscola counties. One was reported in Huron county.

If you break the spell and spot one, send the information before Feb. 1 to: Winter Bald Eagle Survey, Department of Natural Resources, Natural Heritage Program, Wildlife Division, P.O. Box 30180, Lansing, MI 48909-7680.

It's time to consider candidates to be named citizen of the year in Cass City and the committee in charge is seeking your input to determine the best candidate.

Simply call or see Geri Tordai (872-4694) at Special Scents Flower Shoppe and tell why your candidate deserves the honor.

The annual Chamber of Commerce dinner where the citizen of the year will be honored along with the junior citizen of the year will be held April 20 at the VFW Hall in Cass City.

A few years ago several meals were enjoyed at the Elk's Club in Bay City when it was closed to other than members and guests.

That changed recently and the dining room is now open to the public.

We tried it on a Saturday night. It was similar to what is served in most restaurants in the area. Okay, not outstanding. Porterhouse steak and whitefish dinners, no dessert, cost \$21.00, plus tip. Give it a 5 on the 1-10 scale.

Incidentally, my campaign to try the Outback Restaurant is regressing. In the third try to get a seat without waiting Saturday night before we went to the Elk's Club, the wait stretched from the previous attempts of about an hour and then an hour and a half to a minimum of 2 hours.

Also incidentally, Bob Townsend, REMC director in Cass City, says do as he did and get there for the first seating at 3 p.m. and you can get a table right away.



ANN KOEPF, 19, of Cass City (above) was among 57 people who donated blood during a Jan. 2 blood drive at Hills and Dales General Hospital. The blood drive was sponsored by the hospital auxiliary.

57 donate blood Jan. 2

Area residents recently turned out in force to give the "gift of life" at Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City.

A total of 57 pints of blood were donated during a Jan. 2 blood drive sponsored by the Hills and Dales General Hos-

Owen-Gage board hires secretary

The Owen-Gage Board of Education filled a new position during a special meeting Thursday night in the Owendale High School library.

Judy Winchester was hired as a part-time secretary in the junior/senior high principal's office.

The special meeting was scheduled to address a student discipline matter, but the individuals involved did not appear at the session. The matter was tabled with plans to take action during the board's regular monthly meeting Monday night.

pital Auxiliary. Among those giving blood were first-time donors Ellen Retherford, Alvin Messing and Mary Hoppe; 2-gallon donor Paul Izydorek; and 3-

gallon donor Ellen Stoutenburg.

The local blood drive was held in conjunction with National Volunteer Blood Donor Month, Jan. 1-31.



Freshman Rep. Ray LaHood, a Republican from Illinois, says we have to keep the president's feet to the fire on the budget issue that has closed down the government.

Perhaps he is unaware that the ones really getting burned are the 75,000 plus workers who depend on job checks to keep afloat.

Republicans also overwhelmingly voted at a private meeting against a proposal of Washington-area GOP lawmakers to pay the affected workers.

Now in the Washington economic spending river, we are talking about an amount that could be siphoned off with no noticeable effect on the river of dollars that flow from the national budget.

The plight of the common worker is secondary in this battle. What's important is who will get the credit. Or, even more important, who will get the blame.

Believe me, there is enough blame to go around for both the Democrats and the Republicans.

While placing the government at a standstill over spending, some of the most obvious pork barrels go on and on.

For instance, we are now in the midst of a heated controversy about allowing cigarette companies to advertise on race tracks and have their logos appear at sporting events. Bad for our youth, supporters plead plaintively.

Yet the tobacco subsidy by the taxpayers goes on and on.

The reason for that, of course, is the senators and representatives from the tobacco growing states block any effort for reform. And because most of them have

long tenure in Washington, they control the power committees that control the purse strings.

I'd guess that voters are aware of this and that's one reason why term limits received the approval of the voters for Michigan politicians.

The idea is that with term limits the voters would be able to gain more control of the people representing them.

In reality all it does is diminish Michigan's clout in Washington.

And reduce the state's share of the pork that has been dished out from our tax dollars and will be again as soon as a budget is approved.



The back forty

by Roger Pond

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There's nothing like a good basketball game to create some excitement in a rural community. When the team is winning, everyone is a master of roundball strategy. And when we're losing it's only a matter of days before the same people who have been asking how many fouls a player is allowed will begin calling out defenses from the stands.

I try to keep quiet at the high school games. The only person I give any advice is my son; and he knows I'm full of bologna and doesn't let my suggestions bother him.

The game has changed so much, I'm not sure I understand it anymore. When I was a kid we didn't have all these terms like "power forward" and "point guard." In those days power forward was the first gear on the team bus, and a point guard was a short guy who never made more than one foul shot.

Every time I hear someone giving the players advice from the stands I think back to my first game in the sixth grade. Even though all of us kids had been shooting baskets since we could stand up, we weren't well-versed in the game.

The coach grabbed five kids off the bench and made two of them guards, two forwards, and one a center. That's the only way you played in those days: Two guards, two forwards, and a center.

Our center was a big kid named Jim, who had moved in from Arizona the year before. Jim's family moved a lot and he lost a grade or two in the process - that's one reason he was so big.

He couldn't shoot much and couldn't dribble a lick, but Jim could rebound, so in he went. We had one play: The forwards and center went after the defensive rebound, tipped it to the guard waiting at the foul line, and the guard took off down the floor while a forward and the other guard ran down the sidelines.

If we didn't get a shot on the fast-break we might as well give the ball to the other team and let them shoot it again, because that was "our play." But our play usually worked, and in this first game we were up by eight points

at halftime. Then, the coach put in the second string. (Eight points pretty well puts the game out of reach for sixth graders.)

So we all came out, and I'm sitting there on the bench beside Jim when he says, "Well, I got a 'C'" (and you could tell he was kind of proud of it).

"What do you mean you got a 'C'?" I asked.

"They gave me a 'C' for dribbling and shooting and stuff," he said.

Stanley was sitting on the other side and said, "They don't grade you in basketball, you dummy. What ever gave you the idea you got a 'C'?"

"You go up there and look at the book on the table," Jim shot back. "They've got a 'C' beside my name!"

"That's because you're the center, you dope," Stanley said. "They'd better not be grades, 'cause I got an F and Roger got a G!"

Right-to-Life candlelight vigil scheduled for Jan. 22

The public is invited to the first annual Candlelight Vigil, sponsored by Tuscola County Right to Life, to be held in Caro this month.

The event will start on the front steps of the Tuscola County Courthouse at 7:00 p.m. Monday, Jan. 22. This date coincides with the anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision which legalized abortions.

Serving as the guest speaker for the 10-minute first part of the vigil will be State Representative Mike Green. Following his speech, the participants will walk with candles and flashlights in hand to St. Paul Lutheran

Church, located a few blocks west of the courthouse on State Street.

Tuscola County Right to Life President C.J. Edgin said, "We are very pleased that Representative Mike Green will be joining us for our vigil, which is in the memory of the more than 2,000 aborted children from Tuscola, Saginaw and Genesee counties in 1994 and 1995."

All local churches and the public are welcome to take part in the opening ceremony at the courthouse, the walk and the serving of refreshments at St. Paul.

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Canceling school classes, or not canceling is usually a no-win situation. Part of the problem is that our district covers approximately 200 square miles. Each geographic area can and often does have a different ice, snow or fog condition on the same day. A diligent effort is exercised in order to arrive at a rational decision as early as possible.

On days in question regarding the opening or possible "early closings" of schools, I suggest you listen to one of the following radio or TV stations for our school closing announcements.

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Education must be considered as one of the most important functions of a community; therefore schools will be closed only when weather conditions are considered to be extreme. In any event, an honest attempt will be made to make the most rational decision as early as possible, between the hours of 5:45 and 6:45 a.m. During these times we ask for your patience and understanding.

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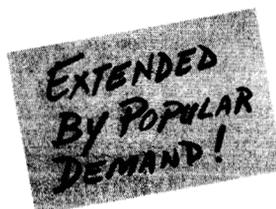
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Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cleland of Bad Axe were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cleland. Other evening guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Horton and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Robinson were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Robinson, Tracy and Chris.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Andersen of Westland and Mrs. Earl Schenk came home Friday after spending 2 days at the Andersen chalet at Higgins Lake.

Jim Hewitt visited Norene Mills in Bad Axe Monday.

Justin Miller spent from Dec. 26 to Jan. 1 with Jack Miller at Byron.

Allen Farrelly visited Laura Kulish Saturday and Thursday afternoon.

Clarence Depcinski was a Wednesday guest of Don Jackson and A.J. Battie.

Joe Konkel was a Monday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Konkel and Marney.

Mary Lou Harris of Auburn Hills was a Friday overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Meske at Port Hope and Saturday attended the funeral of Walter Stacer at McAlpine's Funeral Home in Bad Axe.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney was a Sunday lunch guest of Thelma Phillips at Decker.

Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming spent from Thursday till Saturday with Bob Cleland Sr. at Waterford.

Eugene Otulakowski was a Monday afternoon guest of Mr. and Mrs. Evans Gibbard.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt were Monday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Reese in Bad Axe and supper and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bredow.

Cory and Caitlyn Rickett spent Saturday and Sunday with Steve Rickett in Redford.

Mrs. Ralph Hoxie, Beth, Rob and Ryan spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ackerman in Illinois.

Laura Kulish and Allen Farrelly were Monday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bezemek in Uby.

Nine members of the Traveling Breakfast Club and one guest had breakfast at Stephanos in Bad Axe Thursday morning. They will meet at Coral Gables next week.

New Year's Eve guests of Don Jackson and A.J. Battie were Al Wagner, George Jackson, Jim Jackson, Steve and Jeff Niemiec, Jason Jackson and a friend.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Glaza were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Glaza.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Silver of Englewood, Ohio, and Lindsay Silver of Vernon were Saturday supper and overnight guests of Reva Silver.

Mrs. Doug Cleland, Erin, Michael and Sarah were Fri-

day afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hacker, Andrea, Rebecca, Elizabeth and Jessica of Bloomington, Ind., and Mr. and Mrs. David Hacker were Saturday guests of Mrs. Earl Schenk.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Hoxie of Sterling Heights, Michael Hoxie and son of Adol Island, Alaska, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Hoxie and Angela of Tennessee, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Older of Santa Ana,

Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hoxie, Beth, Ryan and Rob were Christmas dinner guests of Loraine Hoxie at West Bloomfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Campbell of Shelby Township and Allen Farrelly were Friday dinner and afternoon guests of Valerie Terwilliger in Bad Axe.

Marney Konkel was a Sunday evening guest of Valerie Ussery in Caro.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Glaza were Tuesday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Glaza.

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

Paul McKee and a friend from Cass City were Sunday afternoon guests of Reva Silver.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen were New Year's Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Meske at Port Hope and Saturday attended the funeral of Walter Stacer at McAlpine's Funeral Home in Bad Axe.



The Montezuma bald cypress tree has the thickest trunk, with a diameter exceeding 40 feet.

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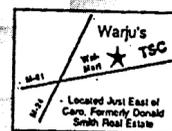
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CASS CITY'S ICE skating rink has received a lot of use this winter, thanks to plenty of cold weather and the efforts of the Cass City Lions Club. Above, Garrett Otulakowski, 10, and his brother, Brandon, 8, hone their hockey skills at the rink, located at the corner of Church and Ale streets. The Lions Club will treat skaters to free hot dogs and hot chocolate Sunday from one to 5 p.m.

Village police investigating

Report possible job ad fraud

Cass City police recently investigated a number of complaints, including one involving possible fraud.

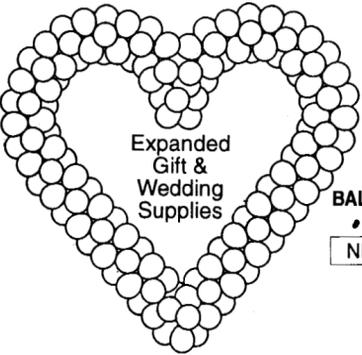
According to reports, Suri Rohini, Cass City, told police she contacted a job placement service through an ad in the New York Times, and gave her bank account number to a person who took her call. Rohini's account number was used without her signed authorization, and \$395 was withdrawn from her account at Team One Credit Union in Caro.

Reports state a representative of the job placement service, Management Placement Services, told Rohini that a contract would be mailed to her for her to sign and send back, and at that time money would be withdrawn from her bank account. However, Rohini never received the contract papers. She called the business again, and was told to wait for the contract to arrive. Later, she received a message on her answering machine regarding the contract, but the phone number included in the message was not valid. Police are continuing their

investigation. In other reports, John Walker, Cass City, told police the rear driver side window on his vehicle was smashed and the radio removed from the dashboard sometime Friday or Saturday. The radio is valued at \$200. The report was the latest in a string of larcenies involv-

ing stereo equipment being stolen from motor vehicles parked in the Cass City area. Also last week, Tina Giddings reported her purse missing from the Wash King Laundry, 6400 Main St. Giddings said she inadvertently left the purse at the laundry and later returned to find it missing last Wednes-

day. The purse's contents include hay fever medication, credit cards and her driver's license. Dawn Brooks, Cass City, reported the theft of gasoline from her pickup truck last Wednesday while the vehicle was parked at the McDonald's restaurant construction site in the village.



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School-to-work

Huron County partnership to benefit students, business

Implementation of a School-to-Work Partnership in Huron County is underway, and although it's still early, officials have high hopes the effort will better prepare students for the work force.

"According to the business community, Huron County suffers from the lack of qualified new employees. The problem is not just unique to Huron County, but is universal throughout Michigan and the United States," said David D. Burzyck, School-to-Work facilitator for the Huron Intermediate School District.

"In order to compete in today's global economy, we must have a high quality,

well educated and highly adaptive work force."

The United States has been the only major industrial country in the world without a formal system for the transition of its young people from school to work, Burzyck noted.

"The federal School-to-Work Opportunities Act along with other federal and state educational reform legislation provides the blueprints and the financial backing to create an effective School-to-Work system for Huron County.

"School-to-Work programs assist students in making the transition from school to a good first job or a high-skill, high-wage career and in-

crease their opportunities for further education," he explained.

Michigan's School-to-Work system will be achieved by combining local School-to-Work with school improvement and core curriculum, delivering them through programs that contain 3 elements: work-based learning, school-based learning, and direct connecting these activities between school and work.

Local School-to-Work committees from each school district in the county were combined into the Huron County School-to-Work Governance Board to avoid duplication and make

School-to-Work a county-wide effort, according to Burzyck.

Richard Roth, an Owendale area farmer, is the Governance Board chairperson. Burzyck noted the majority of Governance Board members must be from local business and industry, which will be the driving force behind the program.

The School-to-Work system is designed to serve all students. It includes high academic and occupational skill standards that match or exceed those of this country's major international competitors.

"According to a survey of Huron County students, a majority of our students 12 to 18 years of age are involved in work part time. However, most see no connection between the skills required at work and what they are learning at school," Burzyck said. "The School-to-Work system will help students see the connection."

The Huron County School-to-Work Partnership combines employers, parents and teachers to enhance student career knowledge and attitude.

"Employer classroom visits, field trips, job shadowing, employability skills in formation, work-based mentoring, and work experience (paid or unpaid) are examples of adult roles which students will participate in to enhance career focus and provide the means for a smooth transition from school to work,"

Burzyck added.

According to Lynn Babich, also a School-to-Work facilitator, officials are in the early phases of implementing the program in Huron County.

"Schools have adapted 6 cluster areas and are in the process of plugging their courses into each cluster," she said, noting the cluster areas are Business Services and Technology; Health Services; Human Resources; Natural Resources Systems, Science and Technology; Arts and Communication; and Industry and Engineering Services.

Babich explained the School-to-Work concept will affect students at all grade levels.

Pupils will be exposed to career choices at an early age, and the process will build into the high school years, when students will take part in activities such as job shadowing and actual work experience.

Additional information on the program is available by contacting Babich or Burzyck at 517-269-9284.



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O-G hoop team still winless in Thumb D after loss to Peck

If 1996 is going to be kinder to Coach Jim Brinkman's Owen-Gage cage team, it

wasn't apparent Friday in the Bulldogs' first contest of the new year.

Visiting North Central Thumb League foe Peck hammered the hosts, 65-47,

dropping the Bulldogs to 0-3 in NCTL action and 1-5 overall. The win improves the Pirates' mark to 3-1 in conference play and 3-5 overall.

After a Tuesday visit from North Branch Wesleyan, the last scheduled appearance from the academy, which has been removed from the 'Dogs' future meetings by the administration, Brinkman's squad will travel to face Port Hope this Friday.

If the Bulldogs are to be successful at the bay they will need to get more scoring from veterans Austin Brinkman and Mark Damm, who were held in check most of the night.

Owen-Gage remained close in the initial period Friday as Joe Tkacz and Peck's Rodney Thomas traded baskets in the early going.

Leading 14-10 entering the 2nd frame, the visitors went on an 18-6 run to gain a 32-16 edge at the intermission. Brinkman and Damm were held scoreless in the frame and combined for only 2 first half points.

Brinkman caught fire in the late stages of the 3rd period when he threw in 3 quick baskets off offensive rebounds that helped the hosts

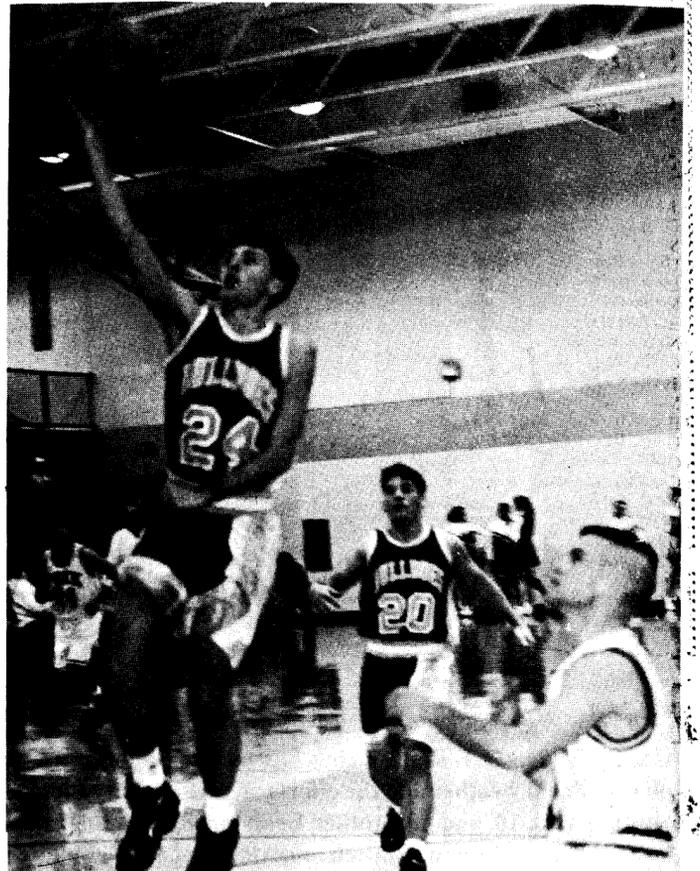
slice into the Pirates' lead. The final period turned into a free throw shooting contest as Peck scored 14 times from the stripe. Jeremy Stafford, who recorded game scoring honors with 24 points, connected on 8 of his 12 charity points in the frame. Meanwhile, Owen-Gage only made 10 freebies on the night as a team.

The Bulldogs were led by Tkacz's 18 markers. Teammate Chad Jahr collected 9 tallies, while Brinkman was held to 6 points and Damm, 4.

The Pirates got a dozen from Jason Leonard, the game's only other double digit scorer.

OWEN-GAGE - Austin Brinkman 3-0 (0-4) 6; Joe Tkacz 6-1 (3-3) 18; Erik Dietzel 1-0 (0-0) 2; Jason Anthes 2-0 (2-3) 6; Wade Tetil 1-0 (0-0) 2; Chad Jahr 2-0 (5-8) 9; Mark Damm 2-0 (0-2) 4.
TOTALS - 17-1 (10-20) 47

PECK - Jason Leonard 1-(4-4) 12; Mike Webb 1-0 (1-2) 3; James Welch 1-1 (1-12) 9; Mike Steinhoff 1-0 (3-4) 5; Kevin Reed 1-0 (1-2) 3; Jeremy Stafford 6-0 (12-13) 24; Ralney Thomas 3-0 (3-4) 9.
TOTALS - 14-3 (28-43) 65.



ERIC DIETZEL SCORED on one of the few uncontested shots in the 3rd period of Friday's contest with Peck. Trailing the action is Joe Tkacz (20).



BULLDOG AMANDA SALCIDO returns a serve in Thursday's match with Akron-Fairgrove. Salcido recorded a team high 10 digs in the hosts' straight games victory.

O-G Powers past A-F in league volleyball opener

Put Kate Powers in the front row of any North Central Thumb League volleyball team and it's going to mean trouble for the opposing team.

That was never more obvious than in Thursday's NCTL opener for Owen-Gage as they throttled visiting Akron-Fairgrove, 15-2, 15-5 and 15-2.

Add Powers to a line-up already consisting of Amanda Salcido (8 points, 7 attacks) and Jennifer Winchester (11 sets, 6 assists) and it's easy to see how that trio helped lead the Bulldogs to the state quarterfinals last year.

Coach Judy Campbell's spikers will now take their show on the road for the next 2 weeks, starting this Thursday with conference foe Port Hope.

Against the Vikings, Owen-Gage scored 15 unanswered points during the opening 2 games and never looked back.

Leading 5-2 in the initial game, the hosts closed out the game with 10 straight points. Several of those markers were recorded by Susie Roemer, the squad's only senior member, who had a fine opening outing, posting a team high 18 service points, including 11 aces.

Owen-Gage built a 7-1 lead in the match's middle game before Akron-Fairgrove rattled off 4 consecutive points to draw within 2 at 7-5.

However, Powers rotated back to the front row and helped close out the game as she governed the net play. Powers was credited with 11 attacks, 10 going for kills, and 3 blocks.

In the finale, Owen-Gage built a 4-2 lead and then reeled off 11 straight points to end the contest.

Sophomore Melissa Vargo followed Roemer in scoring, posting 9 points in her first varsity outing. Vargo also registered 13 sets.



KIRK WINTER, GAVEL Club secretary, showcases the Polaris Indy Lite 340 snowmobile and trailer the club is raffling off. The winning ticket, available from club members, will be drawn Jan. 19.

Candle Light Ski Events slated at Sleeper State Park

Cross Country Skiers, the snow is perfect and the trails are in good to excellent condition at both Port Crescent and Sleeper State Parks located in Huron County. Port Crescent State Park is located 5 miles west of Port Austin on M-25. Sleeper State Park is 5 miles east of Caseville on M-25.

Jan. 13 and Feb. 17. The portion of the trail that will be used for the candle light ski event will be accessed from the campground entrance off M-25.

Port Crescent State Park events are scheduled Jan. 27 and Feb. 24. The trail is located at the end of Port Crescent Road across the old Iron Bridge. All events begin at dusk and will include a bonfire and refreshments. The

trail length to be lit will be about one mile, with the novice in mind, no steep hills or sharp curves.

The State Park Motor Vehicle Permit is required for entry into the park and is available at the park office or from the ranger on duty. The trails are groomed and open 7 days a week. Call the park office at 517-856-4411 for trail conditions and event schedules.

Candle Light Ski Events will be held at Sleeper State Park

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Dec. 29	Cass City 64, Ubley 55
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Jan. 12	Lakers
Jan. 16	Caro
Jan. 19	Cros-Lex
Jan. 23	Marlette
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Broncos dispatch Hawk spikers in straight sets

The Cass City volleyball team proved no match Monday night for visiting North Branch as the Broncos defeated the hosts in straight games, 15-4 and 15-10, in the Hawks' home opener.

The loss drops Cass City to 1-2 in dual matches on the season with always tough Bad Axe on tap Thursday in the Cass City gymnasium.

Coach Sherry Bader's spikers spotted the visitors a 2-0 lead before Leann Deering put the Hawks on the scoreboard with a deep serve to the back left corner.

After 2 service points from North Branch's Susan Young, the Hawks gained a sideout and closed the margin to 4-2 on a Cori Britt serve.

North Branch sophomore Shawna Beattie extended the visitors' margin to 12-2 as she reeled off 8 straight service points that included 3 ace serves that barely cleared the nets down the Hawks' left side.

Red Hawk Shawna Long registered the Hawks' final 2 points in the opener before Crystal Sclood closed out the game for the winners.

Deering gave the hosts their only lead of the night in game 2 as the senior sparkplug opened the game with 2 quick service points.

The lead was short lived, however, as Young reeled off 5 points and teammate Sclood added 2 more tallies to give North Branch a 7-2 edge.

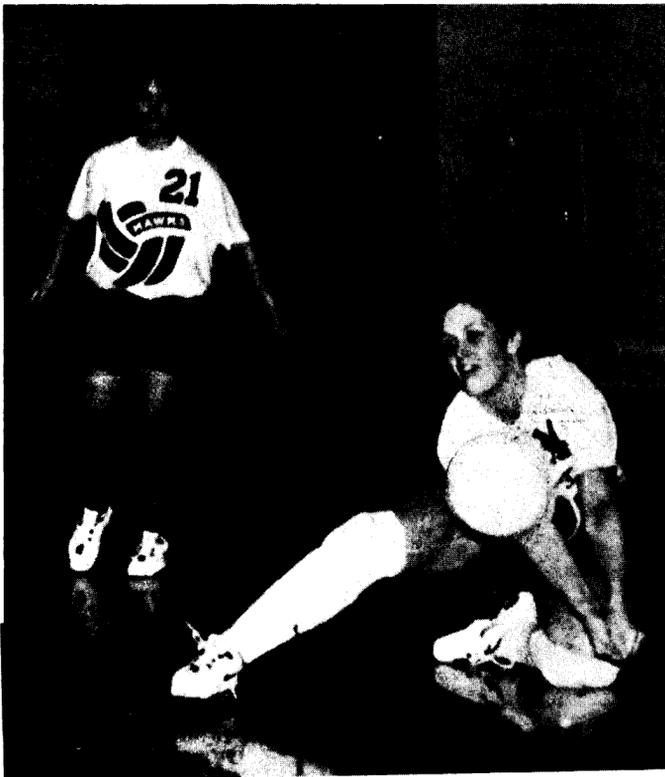
Senior Kelli VanVliet brought the Hawks back even with North Branch as she helped Cass City record the next 5 points from the service line that included one ace.

North Branch tri-captain Sarah Piwinski countered VanVliet's efforts with 6 points of her own that ex-

tended the score to 13-7. Deering recorded the Hawks' final points, includ-

ing a spike from the middle row that brought Cass City to within 14-10 before North

Branch registered the game winner on a Beattie shot from the net.



CORI BRITT goes to the floor to dig a spike in Monday's match with North Branch. Watching is Hawk teammate Jodie Hurd.

Gymnasts 2nd in 3-team meet

Cass City fans will have only 2 opportunities to see the Cass City High School gymnastic team in action at home this season.

The first will be Wednesday, Jan. 17, at 6:30 p.m. when class A Midland Dow will furnish the competition.

Midland Dow Chargers was one of the teams in a 3-team meet held Thursday. Cass City finished second with 100.5 points. Dow won with 109.10 and the Vikings from

Cadillac were third with 95.70 points.

Top individual performers for Cass City were:

Courtney Turner, 4th on vault and balance beam.

Heather Hulburt, 3rd on balance beam.

Cheryl Laming, 3rd on uneven bars and the vault with a qualifying regional score of 7.65.

Gia Mellendorf, 4th on vault, uneven bars and all around event.

Cass City High School

Wrestlers sparkle in first meets after holiday break

The Cass City Red Hawk wrestling team started the new year right with performances at a 3-team meet Wednesday and an invitational Saturday that had Coach Don Markel beaming.

The Hawks won the double dual meets Wednesday defeating Mayville, 60-21, and Vassar, 58-18.

Markel said that his charges had a number of tough practices during the holidays and wrestled the best that they have so far this season. Mayville came into the meet with a 7-2 season's record.

There were a host of Hawk wrestlers who won both of their matches by pins. They included: John McNaughton, 119 pounds, over Carl Nagy of Mayville and Kevin Moncman of Vassar. Dennis Pisha, 125 pounds, over Nathan Kapa, Mayville, and Autumn Clinesmith, Vassar. Jeremy Dillon, 145 pounds, over Luke Steele, Mayville, and Marc Rolando, Vassar. Chris Ravis, 152 pounds, over Tracy Sansote, Mayville, and Matt Bradley, Vassar. Nathan Hendrick, 171 pounds, over Hank Self, Mayville, and Dustin Shannon, Vassar.

In addition, 2 other Hawks were double winners. Eric Hoelzle, 162 pounds, pinned Johnson Hager, Mayville, and was unopposed against Vassar. Jeremy Markel, 140 pounds, pinned Mayville's Tony Divalpa and decided Vassar's Marc Rolando.

YALE MEET

The Hawks finished second in the tough 11-team Yale Invitational with 127 1/2 points behind Algonac, which won with 151 points.

Following Cass City in the final standings with points earned were: Harper Woods, 116, Cros-Lex, 112 1/2, Yale, 106 1/2, Bad Axe, 104, Mayville, 84, Memphis, 52, Richmond B, 34 1/2, Ar-

mada, 31 1/2, and Dryden, 18.

The Hawks had one winner, 5 seconds and 2 thirds in the meet. Hoelzle, wrestling at 160 pounds, finished first. Finishing second were John Freundt, 189 pounds; Jeremy Dillon, 152 pounds; Chris Revis, 145 pounds; Dennis Pisha, 125 pounds, and John McNaughton, 119 pounds. Third places were earned by Jeremy Markel, 135 pounds,

and Nathan Hendrick, 171 pounds. All of these wrestlers earned medals.

BASKETBALL

School	W	L	W	L
EPBP	0	0	6	0
Marlette	0	0	6	0
BCAS	0	0	3	3
Cass City	0	0	3	3
Bad Axe	0	0	1	3
Cros-Lex	0	0	1	5

School	W	L	W	L
Uby	2	0	5	2
Reese	1	0	4	1
Harbor Beach	1	1	4	3
Sandusky	1	1	3	5
Deckerville	1	1	1	6
Mayville	0	1	2	3
USA	0	2	1	4

School	W	L	W	L
CPS	3	0	7	1
Kingston	3	1	6	1
Peck	3	1	3	5
North Huron	2	1	2	3
Port Hope	1	2	3	3
A-Fairgrove	1	3	2	4
Caseville	1	3	1	7
Owen-Gage	0	3	1	5

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

EPBP 55, Reese 48
Cros-Lex 47, Algonac 45
Sandusky 51, Deckerville 49
Harbor Beach 77, USA 59
Uby 70, Mayville 44
Peck 65, Owen-Gage 47
North Huron 61, A-Fairgrove 50
CPS 57, Kingston 45
NBW 67, Caseville 54

Schember 3-point ace at Delta

Coach Chuck Lord of Delta College's women's basketball team describes Cass City's Jodi Schember as the team's 3-point ace. Schember is the team's leading scorer (17 per game) and assist maker (3.5) and as co-captain of the team has played an important leadership role.

Delta is off to its fastest start in history with a 9-2 mark, including a 5-game win streak as it prepares for the opening of the conference season Jan. 10 at Oakland Community College.



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Independent Bank	3

High Series & Games: M. Jackson 840 (285-278-277), T. Comment 728 (280-255), J. Millettics 699 (247-237-215), S. Hammett 684 (247-224-213), K. Pobanz 676 (246-223), R. Lewis 663 (279), C. Anthes 654 (226-218-210), J. Smithson 653 (248), M. Lutz 649 (248), L. Morgan 640 (237-214), K. Beachy 631 (237-222), M. Bauerschmidt 630 (224-213), J. Storm 616 (225), A. Reed 596 (237), K. Kritzman 585 (215), D. Orton 581, R. Byrnes 580 (213), T. Davis 579 (215), B. Kingsland 578 (212), G. Robinson 572, J. Langenburg 570, L. Tomaszewski 570 (210), R. Salcido 562, L. Summers 560 (211), B. Anthes 558, B. Rutkoski 552, J. Krol 551 (213), M. Gettel 550, C. Karr 550, D. Little 550 (267), P. Robinson 236, C. Abbe 218, G. Truemmer 214.

High Team Series: Charmont 3114.
High Team Game: Charmont & Millettics Surviving 1061.
High Series of Year: M. Jackson 840.

Allen Home Care	16
Rolling Hills	13
The Village Diner	10
Cass Tavern	9 1/2*
Thumb Auto Wash	9
Form You 3	9
Nel's Kitchen	8 1/2
Northwood Shores	8*

* Points to be adjusted.
High Actual Team Series & Game: Caro Chiropractic 1966 & 716.
500 Series: J. Morell 534, C. Davidson 526, L. Leiterman 502, K. O'Dell 501, P. Rienas 501.
200 Games: P. Rienas 225, J. Morell 206, L. Leiterman 202.

CHARMONT LADIES

J.B.'s Crew	20
Live Wires	17
Cable-ettes	15 1/2
Cass City Tire	14 1/2
Dot Manufacturing	14
Wild John's	14
Thumb Nat'l Bank	13
Dee's M.P. Rockets	12
Walbro's	11
Pizza Villa	9

High Team Game: Dott Manufacturing 1058.
High Team Series: Live Wires 2943.
High Series: B. Kilbourn 519, E. Romain 517, L. Comment 510, B. Postma 494, B. Wilson 474, J. Stevens 476.
High Games: J. Stevens 197, B. Kilbourn 192, E. Romain 190, L. Comment 187, T. Avery 177, B. Wilson 181, S. Hutchinson 177, M. Moore 170, B. Postma 176, V. Humes 179, C. Hill 191.

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Fabulous Four	8

Dee's M.P. Rockets	7
Sal's Country Clipper	7
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Dairy Barn	3
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High Series & Game: Margie Gettel 479 (199).
High Team Series & Game: Fabulous Four 1903 (678).

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Marlette Oil & Gas	13
Martin Electric	11
Mycogen Plant Sciences	7
County Wide Builders	5

High Team Series & Game: General Cable 1941 (741).
High Series & Game: J. Langenburg 763 (244-263-256), D. Doerr 709 (225-241-243), Doug O'Dell 704 (279-222), K. Pichla 691 (238-215-238), Duane O'Dell 627 (249), W. Guinther 617 (254), D. Dickinson 616 (251), Dennis Hyatt 611 (235-212), G. Robinson 610 (244), G. Smith 610 (226), K. Martin 608 (222), T. Babich 598 (210-210), D. Beecher 589 (213), R. Kerkau 575 (210-216), E. Schmalz 575, Doug Hyatt 223, R. Root 222, G. Barnes 213, W. Northon 213, J. Morell 210.

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Plea entered in assault case

A St. Clair Shores man who allegedly chased another man with a knife in Cass City pleaded innocent Friday in Tuscola County Circuit Court.

Dennis P. Hoey, 34, is charged with assault with a dangerous weapon and carrying a concealed weapon.

A pre-trial hearing was scheduled for Hoey. The court, which granted a motion to reduce bond to \$4,000, remanded him to the custody of the sheriff's department.

Hoey is accused of chasing Mark Copeland with a knife Nov. 17 on Leach Street, south of Main Street. Hoey denied threatening Copeland.

In other court proceedings Friday:

•Thomas M. Louks, 25, Caro, was sentenced to 5 years probation and one year in the county jail, with work release or worksite privileges, for his plea of no contest to attempted home invasion, second degree, and attempted assault/bodily harm less than murder.

He was also ordered to pay \$1,000 in court costs and fines, \$720 in oversight fees and a \$40 victim crime fee. Restitution is to be determined.

Court records state the charges stem from a July 9 incident at a Caro residence.

•James P. Bond, 22, Millington, pleaded innocent to charges of safe breaking, conspiracy to commit safe breaking, second degree home invasion, conspiracy to commit home invasion, breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny, larceny of jewelry and/or a safe containing \$8,000, and receiving and concealing stolen property

valued at more than \$100.

The offenses allegedly took place Sept. 29 in Millington Township, according to court records, which state a pretrial hearing will be scheduled for Bond.

Bond in the case was continued at \$50,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

•Inmae Aundry D. Gilmore, 22, Detroit, pleaded guilty to prison escape Dec. 7 at the Camp Tuscola Correctional Facility.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$10,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be set.

•Drake A. Waines, 33, Bay City, entered a plea of guilty to uttering and publishing stemming from an Aug. 27 incident in Cass City involving a \$100 check drawn on First of America Bank.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$1,000. Waines was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be set.

•Terry L. Holcomb, 30, Caro, pleaded guilty to delivery of marijuana, second offense, and possession of cocaine Sept. 28 in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$50,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's

department. Sentencing is to be set.

•Mark A. Rouse, 19, Clio, pleaded guilty to attempted third degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim at least 13 years of age but under 16 years July 27 in Arbella Township.

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

•Terry W. Hodgkinson, 17, Millington, entered a plea of guilty to malicious destruction of property (1995 Chevrolet pickup) over \$100 Oct. 9 in Arbella Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$1,000. Sentencing is to be set.

•Edward M. Palmer, 18, Caro, stood mute to a charge of possession of metallic knuckles Dec. 1 in Fremont Township.

A pre-trial hearing is to be scheduled. Bond was continued at \$5,000.

•Allan L. Stephen, 20, Fostoria, pleaded guilty to first degree retail fraud Dec. 5 in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$1,000. Sentencing is to be set.

•Owen L. Acord, 70, Vassar, pleaded innocent by reason of insanity to 3 counts of assault with a dangerous weapon (pistol) and 3 counts of possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony

Aug. 10 in Vassar Township.

The court ordered the defendant transferred to the Center for Forensic Psychiatry in Ann Arbor. Bond was continued at \$5,000.

•Robert P. Stamp, 39, Hudson, Fla., was sentenced to one year probation and 90 days in jail (deferred to the end of probation) for pleas of guilty to 3 counts of possession of metallic knuckles.

Stamp was also ordered to pay \$700 in fines and \$400 in costs.

•Michael C. Reinert, 29, Millington, was sentenced to 3 years probation and 365 days in jail, with work release, for a plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, April 1 in Arbella Township.

Reinert was ordered to undergo substance abuse counseling and pay \$1,000 in

costs and fines plus \$1,080 in oversight fees and a \$40 victim crime fee.

•Larry W. Maxwell, 33, Clio, was sentenced to 36 months probation and substance abuse counseling for a plea of guilty to being a felon in possession of a firearm May 23 in Vassar Township.

Maxwell was ordered to pay \$400 in costs and fines, plus \$1,080 in oversight fees and a \$40 victim crime fee.

•Jeffery L. Engelhart, 35, Vassar, was sentenced to 90 days in jail for a plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, and driving while his license was suspended.

He was also ordered to complete 227 hours of community service work in lieu of paying \$1,132.50 in fines, costs and fees.

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Wednesday, January 10

Eastern Stars meet at Masonic Temple at 8:00 p.m.

Friday, January 12

Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8 p.m.
Last day of registration for Ubyly Centennial Kick-Off Dinner, Ubyly Fox Hunters Club, Jan. 20, 1996. Social hour: 5:30 p.m., dinner: 6:30 p.m. Entertainment "Music Through the Years" following dinner. \$12.50 per person. Tickets available from any of the various club members. No tickets will be sold at door.

Sunday, January 14

Indian Historical Association meeting, 2 p.m., at Therese Tringali home, 2252 S. Lakeshore Rd., Applegate Corners. For information call (810) 376-6695.

Monday, January 15

Euchre Club will be held at 7:00 p.m. at St. Pancratius social hall.
Cass City Area Historical Society, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Tuesday, January 16

Elkland Township regular zoning meeting, 7:30 p.m., firehall.
Thumb Area Parkinson Support Group meeting, 1 p.m., Hills & Dale Hospital.

Wednesday, January 17

Duplicate Bridge 7 p.m. at Charmont. Everyone welcome. Last week's winners: John Haire and Bill Dupuis.
Sanilac County Democratic Party meeting, 6:00 p.m., Liberty Lanes Conference Room, Sandusky.

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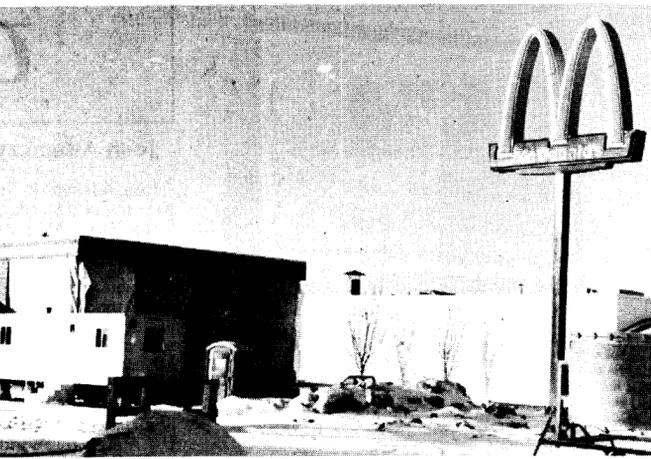


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A NEW McDONALD'S Restaurant added a \$660,000 boost to new construction in Cass City last year. In all, there was more than \$3 million in new construction in the village in 1995.

Cass City Honor Roll

The Cass City Middle School honor roll for the second marking period:

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All A's - Laura Barnes, Jason Barriger, Rebecca Dufresne, Gail Dyer, Amanda Frederick, Courtney Green, Sara Henderson, Dara Iwankovitch, Jessica Lester, Jessica Nicol, Alissa Pasant, Rajen Raythatha, Scott Sheppard, Matt Stoutenburg, Nick Turner, Kristen Wiles, Melissa Zmierski.

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All A's - Tara Bryant, Melissa Doerr, Grant Frank, Danielle Guilds, Sara Homakie, Chuck Keiser, R.J. Klaus, Jamie Leiterman, Karl Lowe, Elise Pasant, Julie Roche, Chenelle Smentek, Stephanie Stevens.
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7TH GRADE

All A's - Michelle Derfny, Randy Diebel, Josh Dillon, Amy DuQuesnay, Jeremy Klinkman, Laura Laming, Andrew Nahernak, Anand Raythatha, Manisha Raythatha, Christine Sheppard, Andy Stoeckle,

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8TH GRADE

All A's - Justin Caraballo, Nicole Doerr, Jalal Khoury, Brad Roche, Kristy Ryan, David Sutter.

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1995 building figures

New construction tops \$3 million in Cass City

New construction figures in Cass City didn't set any records in 1995, but builders enjoyed a prosperous year in the village just the same.

A host of building projects and additions boosted new construction totals to nearly \$3.1 million last year, which ranks third among the village's best years in that category.

The new construction figures were boosted, in part, by continued growth in housing, including 4 new units at Northwood Lake Condominiums built at a combined cost of \$640,000, and 5 new houses totaling \$465,000.

Another \$105,000 was for a new ambulance base for Cass City Mobile Medical Response.

Construction last year also included a number of building additions.

Under the industrial category, Walbro Corp. doubled the size of its Aftermarket Service Building at a cost of \$750,000, an addition at Wright's Painting added \$45,000 to the total, and another \$75,000 went for the new Thumb Area Television tower.

Among \$258,100 in commercial additions, an expansion at Marshall's Distributing accounted for \$200,000, and another \$50,000 went for construction of a drive-through at Chemical Bank.

Last but not least, a new McDonald's restaurant now under construction added another \$660,000 in new construction, and Cellular One built a new storage building at a cost of \$28,100.

In all, new construction in 1995 totaled \$3,094,562, which translates into nearly \$1.55 million in new State Equalized Valuation (SEV).

Meat snacks

Meat snacks have surpassed pretzels as the fastest growing segment of the snack food industry, according to the December issue of Good Housekeeping magazine. The king of meat snacks is beef jerky, which is seeing a resurgence in popularity thanks to more flavor seasonings and lower fat content.

Soybean trial results

A 1995 Michigan State University planting trial using 14 varieties of soybeans on Capac loam found little yield difference between conventionally planted and no-till soybeans.

The yield averages for no-till and conventional plots were 56.1 and 57 bu/A, respectively, reports Maury Vitosh, MSU Extension agronomist.

Yields in the no-till plot ranged from 49.4 to 61.9 bu/A, and in the conventional plot, from 61 to 50.0 bu/A.

Both trials were planted May 19. Seed was inoculated with Rhizobium. The surface residue on the no-till plot was estimated to be 65 percent. The no-till plot was harvested Oct. 11 and the conventional plot Oct. 16.

The highest yielding variety in the no-till plot was Terra TS253 (maturity group II), which produced 61.9 bu/A. The highest yielding variety in the conventional plot was NK S19-90 (maturity group II), which produced 61 bu/A.

Vitosh noted that most varieties performed similarly under the 2 tillage methods but some did slightly better under one practice than under the other.

For instance, Terra TS253 produced approximately 1 bushel less per acre in conventional tillage than in no-till, and NK S24-92 (group II) produced 58.8 bu/A in no-till, and 55.6 bu/A in conventional tillage.

NOTICE

The regular meetings of the Cass City Village Council are scheduled to be held at 7:00 p.m. on the last Monday of each month at the Municipal Building, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, unless otherwise advertised.

The regular meetings of the Cass City Village Planning Commission are scheduled to be held at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the Municipal Building, 6737 Church Street, Cass City, unless otherwise advertised.

Joyce A. LaRoche
Village Clerk

or about \$28,619 in added tax revenue based on the tax rate of 18.5 mills.

Cass City enjoyed a record year for new construction in 1994, when building permits listed a combined

\$5,008,150 in building projects. The previous record — \$4,552,332 — was set in 1992 and included Detroit Edison's \$3 million North Area Energy Center complex.

New construction in Cass City

1995	
New residential (houses and condos)	\$1,210,000
Residential additions	\$65,362
New commercial	0
Commercial additions	\$258,100
New multi-family housing	0
New industrial	\$688,100
Industrial additions	\$873,000
Totals for past 5 years	
1994	\$5,008,150
1993	\$1,914,355
1992	\$4,552,332
1991	\$1,291,764
1990	\$1,135,557

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Legal notices

Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

TROTT AND TROTT IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Matthew R. LAHAIE, a married man and Denise M. LAHAIE, his wife to UNION FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK OF INDIANAPOLIS, Mortgagee, dated May 15, 1995 and recorded on May 22, 1995, in Liber 673, on page 1122, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY FIVE THOUSAND FORTY THREE DOLLARS AND FIFTEEN CENTS (\$65,043.15), including interest at 10.000% per annum.

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 February 16, 1996.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF FREMONT, TUSCOLA County, Michigan, and are described as:

All that part of South 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 15, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, lying East of Beach Drain EXCEPT the North 70 feet of the East 330 feet thereof.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale.

Dated January 3, 1996

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UNION FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK OF INDIANAPOLIS

Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by TIMOTHY G. TAGGETT, a single man to Express Fund Inc. db/a EFI Funding, a Nevada Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 13, 1995 and recorded on February 15, 1995, in Liber 670, on page 359-365, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to BANKER TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee for holders of DLJ Mortgage Acceptance Corp., Mortgage Pass - Through Certificates by an assignment dated November 17, 1995, and recorded on December 12, 1995, in Liber 683, on page 508, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY EIGHT DOLLARS AND 48 CENTS (\$37,298.48), including interest at 15.550% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage interest rate may change on 09/01 and 03/01 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage 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 10:00 a.m. o'clock, on February 9, 1996.

Said premises are situated in VILLAGE OF CARO, TUSCOLA County, Michigan, and are described as:

PARCEL 1:
Commencing at a point 46 rods 1 foot West of the Southeast corner of Section 34, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, thence West 8 rods 10 feet; thence North 12 rods; thence East 8 rods 10 feet; thence South 12 rods to the place of beginning, except the East 60 feet thereof.

PARCEL 2:
Commencing at a point 820 feet West of the Section line and 12 rods (198 feet) North of the Southeast corner of Section 34, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, thence West 82 feet; thence North 33 feet; thence East 82 feet; thence South 33 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) 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: December 27, 1995

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BANKERS TRUST COMPANY, as TRUSTEE for holders of DLJ Mortgage Acceptance Corp., Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates

Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gary James Temple and Gloria J. Temple, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to First Central Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated November 14, 1975, and recorded on December 10, 1975, in Liber 455, on page 500-503, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION by an assignment dated December 11, 1975, and recorded on December 23, 1975, in Liber 455, on page 906, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTEEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND 82 CENTS (\$13,188.82), including interest at 8.500% per annum.

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 10:00 a.m. o'clock, on February 2, 1996.

Said premises are situated in TWP OF TUSCOLA, TUSCOLA County, Michigan, and are described as follows, to wit:

A parcel of land in the Southeast 1/4 of Fractional Section 29, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, Tuscola Township, Tuscola County, Michigan described as follows: Commencing on the South line of said Section 29 at a point 151.40 feet, N. 90°-00'-00" W., of the Southeast corner of Section 29, thence N. 90°-00'-00" W., on the South line of said Section, 122.05 feet, thence N. 06°-15'-00" W., on a line which is parallel to and 275.10 feet, measured parallel to said South Section line, Easterly of the West line of a parcel conveyed by Dennis Harrison to John V. Harrison as defined in Liber 1, page 616, 251.50 feet, thence S. 90°-00'-00" E., parallel to said South Section line, 149.43 feet, thence S. 00°-00'-00" W., perpendicular to the South line of Section 29, 250.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Subject to the rights of the public, and of any governmental unit in any part thereof taken, used or leased for street, road or highway purposes.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) 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: December 20, 1995

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BRRRRRR — Old Man Winter's icy grip on the Thumb is expected to loosen a bit, according to forecasters, who say temperatures should reach a balmy 30 degrees or so by the weekend.

So far, winter '95 the snowiest, coldest since '89

If it seems like winter began months ago, there's good reason; November and December 1995 were the coldest and snowiest in Cass City since 1989.

The 2 months combined saw nearly 20 inches of snowfall, with the average highs and lows reaching only 39 degrees and 27 degrees, respectively, in November, and 30 degrees and 18 degrees in December, according to weather statistics compiled at the Cass City Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The actual highs and lows were 63 degrees and 4 degrees in November, with a total of 9.6 inches of snowfall, and 45 degrees and minus 5 degrees in December, with 9.9 inches of snow recorded.

Compare those numbers to November and December the year before, when snowfall totalled just under 10 inches. The average highs and lows in November were 51 and 34, respectively. For December, the high averaged 41 degrees and the low, 26 degrees.

An even greater contrast could be seen in 1993, when there was no snowfall in November and less than 2 inches in December. Again, the average highs and lows were warmer — 44 degrees and 32 degrees in November and 34 degrees and 24 degrees in December.

Average highs and lows for November and December from 1992 back to 1989 are comparable to 1993, although snowfall varied — 16.3 inches in 1992, 15.55 inches in 1991 and 10.4 inches in 1990.

In 1989, however, a 5-inch snowfall in November was followed by another 14.7 inches in December.

The average high in November 1989 was only 38 degrees and the average low, 25 degrees. In December, the average high and low were 36 degrees and 21 degrees, respectively.

Not surprisingly, Cass City posted a record for road salt use in 1989, with a whopping 284 tons spread on village streets, according to Village Manager Lou S. LaPonsie.

On the other end of the scale, the smallest amount of salt used in recent years was 100 tons in 1992.

Over the past several years, the village has used 140 to 150 tons of road salt annually, "but I'd say since 1988, we've averaged about 160 ton," LaPonsie said.

The salt, purchased from Saginaw or Bay City, today costs about \$33.50 per ton. So far this winter, LaPonsie reported, the village has spread 104 tons of salt on village streets and hauled 447 loads of snow, compared to 24 tons of salt and 148 loads of snow hauled last year at the same time.

And village officials are prepared to handle plenty more of the white stuff if necessary.

When a significant snowfall arrives — 6 inches, for example — a village crew of 6 men is dispatched along with a trio of blade trucks, a grader and loader.

It takes just hours to open up village streets and parking lots, with a full clean-up completed in about 2 days, LaPonsie said.

Obituaries

John Adamczyk

John Adamczyk, 76, of Kingston, died Monday, Jan. 8, at St. Mary's Medical Center in Saginaw.

He was born June 5, 1919, in Denora, Penn., to Stanley and Lottie Adamczyk, and has been an area resident since he was 5 years old.

He married Mihalina Mary Lewicki Sept. 20, 1947, at St. Patrick's Church in Clifford. Adamczyk served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a member of UAW Local #400 and St. Michael's Catholic Church. He retired from Ford Motor Co. in 1988 after 20 years. Adamczyk was also an electrician, but his hobby was farming.

He is survived by his wife, Mary; a daughter, Nancy (David) Barrios of North Branch; 7 sons, John Adamczyk, Ronald (LaWanda) Adamczyk, Allen (Carol) Adamczyk, Larry Adamczyk, Lenny Adamczyk and Randall Adamczyk, all of Kingston, and Donald (Diane) Adamczyk of Marlette; 19 grandchildren; one great-grandchild due in April; 3 sisters, Lottie (Mancer) Bosbous of Phoenix, Ariz., and St. Helen, Mich.; Frances (Frank) Lis and Emily (Dave) Albrecht, both of Kingston, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Helen Fairbrent, and a granddaughter, Jennifer Adamczyk.

Visitation will be today (Wednesday) from 7 to 9 p.m. and Thursday from 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. at Little & Kranz Funeral Home in Cass City.

A scripture service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, and funeral services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Friday at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Wilmot, with the Rev. Richard Bokinskie officiating.

Interment will be in St. Michael's Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the family discretionary fund.

Kathleen Dalton

Kathleen Dalton, 63, of Caro, died Sunday, Jan. 7, at Tuscola County Medical Care Facility.

She was born April 18, 1932, in Cass City. The former Kathleen Kelly, she was a lifelong resident of Tuscola County. She lived in the Cass City-Deford area until moving to Caro some 37 years ago. She was employed at Midwest Rotary until her retirement.

She is survived by one son, Stacy Dalton of Saginaw; her mother, Althea Kritzman of Caro; a sister and brother-in-law, Shirley and Robert Bills of Bunker Hill, Ind.; a brother and sister-in-law, Howard and Gerry Kelly of Cass City; 2 granddaughters, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Kenneth Kelly. Funeral services were

John Adamczyk

scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 9, at Collon Funeral Home, Caro, with the Rev. Calvin Blue officiating.

Interment will be at Novesta Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Beatrice Little

Beatrice Blanch Little, 82, of Cass City, died Sunday, Jan. 7, in St. Luke's Hospital, Saginaw, after a short illness.

She was born July 3, 1913, in Decker to Joseph and Anna (Yager) Swinson. She married Verne "Mike" Little May 3, 1933, in Cass City. He died March 27, 1959.

Mrs. Little was a member of Novesta Church of Christ and worked for Walbro for 6 years. She was a former member of Deford Good Neighbors Club. In her early years she farmed along with her husband.

Mrs. Little is survived by 2 daughters, Jacqueline Warju and Phyllis (George) King, both of Cass City; a son, Thomas (Norajean) Little of Cass City; 15 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; a sister, Mattie Valentine of Sanford; 2 brothers, Robert Swinson (Beatrice) of Union Lake and Harold Tyrrel (Marylou) of Gladwin, and a sister-in-law, Mable Swinson. She was preceded in death by 4 brothers, Jay, Ed, Charlie and Hurb Swinson; 3 sisters, Avis Swinson, Dottie Burns and Carrie Holcomb; a grandson, Dennis Warju, and a great-granddaughter, Lynsey Shaw.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11, at the Novesta Church of Christ with Chuck Emmert officiating.

Interment will take place in the spring in Novesta Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Sanilac Co. I.S.D.

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

Donald Ross

Donald Ross, 68, died suddenly Friday, Jan. 5, in AuGres.

He was the son of the late Hector and Mary Ross of Sheridan.

He is survived by his wife, Mary; a son, Donald Ross and wife Donna; 2 grandchildren; 2 sisters, Florence Fox and Mary Jeffrey of AuGres, and one brother, Edward Ross of Novi. One sister, Catherine McDonald, preceded him in death.

Funeral services and burial were scheduled for Tuesday in Sterling Heights.

Frederick E. Wagner

Frederick E. Wagner, 67, of Cass City, died Tuesday, Jan. 2, in Michigan Capital Medical Center, Lansing, after a long illness.

He was born Aug. 22, 1928 in Royal Oak to Ernest and

Dorothy (Eastham) Wagner

and has lived in the Cass City area since 1955. He married Patricia J. Hyde Sept. 7, 1950 in Caro. She died Aug. 27, 1995.



Mr. Wagner graduated from Imlay City High School.

He was an over-the-road truck driver for most of his life. He worked at different times for Buskirk, MJ Bender, Bliss Milk and retired from Fuelgas.

Mr. Wagner is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Brenda Sue (Val) Fezatte of Lansing; 2 grandchildren, Aaron Frederick and Kimberly Sue Fezatte; a sister, Pat (Ervin) Wilson of Fairgrove; an uncle, Glen (Anna) Eastham of Caro; an aunt, Viola Rowland of Marlette; mother-in-law, Laura Hyde of Lapeer; sisters-in-law, Norma (Wilford) Hook of Walled Lake and Janice Paul of Shelby Township, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 6, in Little & Kranz Funeral Home with Chuck Emmert of Novesta Church of Christ officiating.

Interment will take place in the spring in Elkland Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.

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1995 tax forms mailed

Michigan Department of Treasury officials recently announced taxpayers will begin receiving their tax booklets and forms (MI-1040 and MI-1040EZ) the second week in January.

Over 4 million income tax forms will be mailed this year, according to Treasury's Bureau of Revenue. Taxpayers should expect to see their state income tax forms in their mailboxes beginning mid-January.

The 1995 MI-1040 form contains several changes from previous years. Among the changes are:

- * The income tax rate has been lowered from 4.47 percent to 4.4 percent.
- * The personal exemption has been increased from \$2,100 to \$2,400.
- * The 1995 Headlee Amendment Refund will lower income tax liability by 2 percent.
- * The pension and annuity income deduction has been increased.
- * There is a new College

Tuition Credit for tuition and fees paid to eligible universities and colleges.

* The interest and dividend income deduction for seniors has been increased.

Another change is that taxpayers will no longer have the option of applying the Home Heating Credit to income tax due on the MI-1040 form. Decisions are pending on the federal budget and how much federal aid will be available to fund the Home Heating Credit. Once those decisions are made in Washington, eligible individuals should file a Home Heating Credit form separately from the MI-1040 form.

The Department of Treasury recommends that, to ensure prompt processing of returns and refunds, taxpayers remember to:

- * File early.
- * Check returns for errors.
- * Use the pre-printed mailing label (if it is correct) when submitting their return.

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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Patsy K. Hoppe, 48, and her daughter, Susan B. Hoppe, 17, both of 2151 Elmwood Rd., Caro, were southbound on Colwood Road near the intersection of Akron Road at about 10:10 a.m. Saturday when they were involved in a 2-vehicle accident. Both mother and daughter died in the crash.

New District 2 Tuscola County Commissioner Mary Lou Burns, Cass City, took her place on the board last Wednesday after being sworn in, along with other commissioners, by circuit Judge Patrick Joslyn.

Workers have been busy on and off for the past couple weeks preparing to move the old Grand Trunk Railroad bridge. The bridge, located a mile and a half southwest of Cass City, has been purchased by a Caseville area man who plans to relocate the old structure to Caseville.

A Gagetown area woman and her 3 small children escaped injury after the family's mobile home caught fire Thursday afternoon. The home owned by Patrick and Pearl Kubiak, was a total loss.

Lila Arroyo returned from a week's stay in Sacramento, Calif., where she visited her brothers, Elvin Neiman and family and Harold Keisner and family, whom she hadn't seen in 23 years.

10 YEARS AGO

Joshua Richard Fields was the first baby of the new year born at Hills and Dales General Hospital, at 6:38 p.m. Jan. 1. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fields of Cass City.

Mrs. Margaret Boag celebrated her 90th birthday Sunday at Provincial House in Cass City. Over 70 guests attended the open house held to honor the occasion.

Isabelle Seeley was honored at a retirement party Friday at Hills and Dales General Hospital. Mrs. Seeley is a certified dietician and started work at the hospital 2 weeks before it opened. Prior to that she had worked in food preparation at Pleasant Home Hospital for 20 years, from 1940-1960.

Dr. and Mrs. H.T. Donahue celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Dec. 21, with a family get-together at Bay Valley Inn.

Local lending institutions and representatives from Farmers Home Administration (FHA) offices in Bad Axe and Caro are optimistic the severe financial plight of small farmers in Michigan and the Thumb area will soon take a turn for the better.

25 YEARS AGO

Kelly Lynn Barrios, the

new daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Barrios of Silverwood, arrived at Hills and Dales Hospital at 8:52 p.m. Jan. 2 and was the first baby of the new year.

A petition has been filed with the Cass City village clerk asking for a referendum in the March 8 election to decide whether or not liquor by the glass should be allowed within the village limits.

In a mild upset Tuesday night the Cass City Red Hawks staged a last half rally to whip the visiting Sandusky Redskins, 71-60. Richard "Zike" Miller led the attack with 24 points. Scott Guernsey followed with 17 and Rob Alexander had 12.

Amy Erla, Deann Deering and Amy Doerr were guests of Sandra Guinther at a New Year's Eve pajama party.

Because he feels that another year is vital for the program he has started in Paraguay as a Peace Corps vol-

unteer, Jim Fritz will return Saturday to this South American country for his third year of volunteer duty. The area where Fritz has served is primitive. The average annual income is \$17 per year and the citizens are 90 percent illiterate.

35 YEARS AGO

Ronda Sue Posluszny was the first baby to be born at Hills & Dales Hospital for the new year. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Posluszny of Deford.

Memorial services were held at the Cass City Presbyterian Church Monday for community leader Mrs. W.E. Walpole, who died Saturday.

Stuart Copeland of Kingston announced this week that he has started a mobile food processing service for area farmers. A mobile machine will come to the farm and mix and grind feed to farmers' specifica-

Jan. 20 in Sandusky

Horse workshop set

MSU Extension of Sanilac County will be sponsoring the second in the Horse Management Series. The second workshop will be held Saturday, Jan. 20, from 10:00-12:00 p.m. at the Extension Office Conference Room in Sandusky.

The emphasis of this workshop will be on the health care of the horse. Specific topics include hoof care, vac-

inines, developing a parasite program and record keeping. Ways to cut costs in all of these topics will be discussed. Dorothy Wilson, will be conducting the workshop with the cooperation of guest speaker, Don Koglin, a Farrier from the area.

The information included in this workshop will be particularly helpful to 4-H members and leaders, but anyone

interested in the Health Care of their horse is encouraged and welcome to attend. Anyone interested in attending this workshop should contact the MSU Extension Office at

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Council proceedings

The regular meeting of the Cass City Village Council was held December 18, 1995, at 7:00 p.m. All Trustees were present with the exception of Trustees Karr and Weaver.

As advertised, a Public Hearing concerning the 1996 budget was opened at 7:00 p.m. After discussion on sidewalk improvements and hearing no objections to the 1996 budget, a motion was made by Trustee Helwig and supported by Trustee Kropewnicki that the public hearing be closed. MOTION CARRIED 5 yeas and 0 nays.

The minutes of the regular November meeting were approved as presented.

The November financial statement was reviewed.

A motion was made by Trustee Kropewnicki, supported by Trustee Haley, to adopt a resolution authorizing the Village of Cass City to enter into an installment purchase agreement with Chemical Bank Bay Area, Cass City, Michigan, a Michigan Banking Corporation. Roll call vote: Kropewnicki-yea, Haley-yea, Prieskorn-yea, Helwig-yea, Althaver-yea. MOTION CARRIED 5 yeas 0 nays.

A motion was made by Trustee Kropewnicki, supported by Trustee Haley, that the bills be approved as reviewed by committee. MOTION CARRIED 5 yeas 0 nays.

The Streets and Parking Committee reported on the recent sidewalk survey indicating that there is approximately 7,000 lineal feet of good sidewalk, 35,000 lineal feet of fair sidewalk and 16,600 lineal feet of poor sidewalk within the Village.

It was recommended that we accelerate the sidewalk replacement program, but continue replacing sidewalk on a first come first serve basis. If that doesn't produce

the expected results, consideration would then be given to other means that would bring about the desired results.

The adoption of the 1996 budget was then considered. It was noted that a 3% increase in wages & salaries for all employees was included. After discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Prieskorn, supported by Trustee Helwig that the 1996 budget be adopted as presented, with the exception that sidewalk construction be increased from \$8,500 to \$25,000. MOTION CARRIED 5 yeas 0 nays.

The Parks and Promotion Committee reported that the installation of the new fencing on the Minor League diamond is very near completion. A plaque has been placed in the park in recognition of the Pinney Foundation for their donation of \$24,000 to the Cass City Park program.

A motion was made by Trustee Helwig, supported by Trustee Haley, that the 1995 revised budget be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED 5 yeas 0 nays.

A motion was made by Trustee Helwig, supported by Trustee Kropewnicki, to establish the 1996 regular meeting dates of the Village Council as the last Monday of each month. MOTION CARRIED 5 yeas 0 nays.

The Council acknowledged Joyce LaRoche for successfully completing the educational program on "Roles and Responsibilities of the Municipal Clerk" and a course on "Windows 3.1".

A motion was made by Trustee Helwig, supported by Trustee Prieskorn, that the meeting be adjourned. MOTION CARRIED 5 yeas 0 nays.

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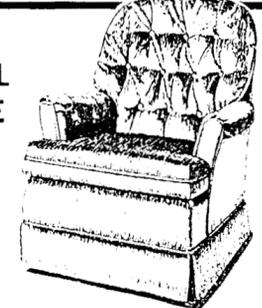
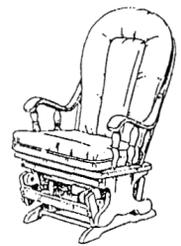
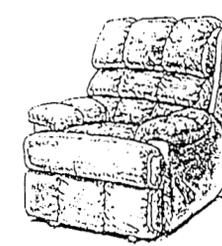
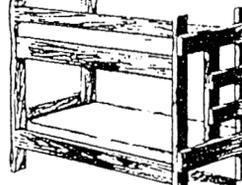
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Letter to the editor

No excuse for neglecting other area school athletes

Dear Editor,

We are writing in response to the article in the New Year's paper titled "Residents saw the best and worst of 1995". Many Cass City athletes were disappointed that you neglected to recognize teams other than Cass City varsity football and Owen-Gage volleyball teams. While not winning any "crowns" you failed to mention many of the success stories that came out of Cass City. Examples of these are the gymnastics team went to Regionals, JV football team finished 8-1, Chris Revis went to State for Cross Country, JV softball recorded 20-9, Chad Tate finished 5th in the state for golf, and the wrestling team finished 2nd

in the league; this is only the beginning of a long list. While we realize the boys' sports draw the crowds and money, that is not an excuse for neglecting the rest of the athletes. So, the next time our community wants to hear about Cass City's sports programs, we hope we can turn to the Chronicle and not the Tribune or the Bay City Times.

Rachel Hoard
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Editor's note: All of the activities cited were covered in detail in the paper as they occurred. In a review we mention only championships won.

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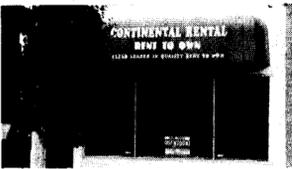
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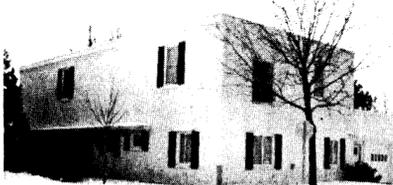
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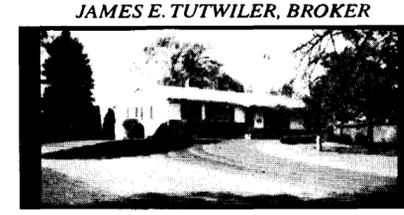
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Tough stand on gangs paying off

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wearing of sports teams jackets doesn't mean a student is a gang member. However, if that same student also wears a bandanna around the left or right leg and is writing gang graffiti in his or her notebook, there may be reason to be concerned.

Falling grades may be another danger sign, he said, noting not all gang members are dropouts or disadvantaged kids.

One audience member asked if much of the gang problems seen in the Thumb are the result of kids moving to the area from urban areas, either by choice or as wards of the court.

Woidan indicated that is often the case. He also acknowledged the spread of gang activity in rural areas is due, in part, to law enforcement pressure on gangs in the cities. "They're always recruiting, always looking for new areas."

POWER, WEALTH

He said gangs offer potential members power through

Board okays study

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40-minute monthly meeting, the board:

- Approved a confidentiality policy emphasizing the importance of keeping minors' records confidential. School employees who violate the policy can face possible legal action as well as termination, Thies said.

- Adopted a policy prohibiting nepotism in the district. The policy applies specifically to hiring relatives of school board members and administrators, but doesn't affect anyone already working for the district.

- Approved the hiring of teacher Donna Robinson as the senior class advisor, and Vicki Ricker as the junior high girls volleyball coach.

- Noted the district will be hosting the Huron County School Boards meeting and meal Jan. 17 in the Owendale High School cafeteria.

- Learned 100 percent of all new elementary and junior/senior high students in the district meet Michigan Department of Education immunization requirements.

- Approved the nomination of senior Kelli Kretzschmer as the "student of the month" for January.

- Recognized 6 students who have exemplified the January Adult Role Focus of being "critical, creative thinkers." The students, in grades 7-12, respectively, are Stephanie Lowry, Andrea Ziehm, Joe Salcido, Melissa Vargo, Heather Ross and Rick Merchant.

- Noted January is "School Board Recognition Month."

weapons and unity, wealth and last, but not least, a feeling of family.

"What these gangs try to convey is, 'Look, there's nobody who's going to care for you; we'll take care of you.' And they're able to persuade some of these kids."

Woidan agreed with a statement made by Hopper, who commented parents can do all the right things and still find themselves dealing with a child involved in gang activity.

The important thing, Woidan said, is to recognize signs of trouble, try to provide adequate supervision and maintain communication with the child. "If you recognize it, you can play a large role in preventing it."

School officials' efforts to curb any gang activity, including holding informational meetings, was lauded by Huron County Prosecutor Leslie Hagen, who was in attendance Monday night.

"I don't think it's hysteria on the school's part," she commented. "It is a real concern and I think you've taken a great step tonight."

"It's something we should be aware of, and that's what this meeting is all about," Thies said.

"If you're not proactive, then you become reactive and that's a losing situation," added the superintendent, who made it clear school officials want to deal with any potential problems before they become serious problems.

Once a student is hurt or worse because he or she wore the wrong color or type of clothing to school, it's time to install metal detectors and hire security to patrol the halls, he concluded.

"When you react to something, that's when you've lost control."

Alternative classes approved

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plication for the \$6.825 million issue which will be voted on, probably March 26.

Finally, board members were honored with certificates of appreciation as one of the highlights of "School Board Recognition Month in Michigan."

Two members of the student council, Whitney Osentoski and Gia Mellendorf, attended and explained what the council was doing at the school and presented each member with a "Pay Day" candy bar attached to a balloon.



ABOUT 40 PEOPLE turned out for a gang awareness meeting held Monday night in the Owendale High School cafeteria. Above, parents as well as school board members, teachers and administrators listen to guest speaker Det. Sgt. Patrick Woidan of the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department.

\$113 million income tax refund set

Michigan taxpayers will soon feel the benefits of a \$113 million income tax refund and a change in the way that the Michigan Single Business Tax is determined following final legislative action, Senator Joel Gougeon (R-Bay City) announced.

Taxpayers will receive a refund because the amount of revenue the state may collect under the Headlee Amendment to the Michigan Constitution has been exceeded.

Michigan's strong economic performance, coupled with the lowest unemployment rate in 25 years, has increased state tax revenues above expectations. Because the Headlee Amendment to the Michigan Constitution limits the total amount of revenue that the state can collect, this, the 18th tax cut of the year, will refund Michigan taxpayers part of the taxes already paid during 1995.

This 2 percent tax refund is

reflected on the 1995 Michigan 1040 income tax return -- in addition to 7 other income tax cuts. The total 1995 income tax savings will amount to an average of \$151 per tax payer. By acting now on this refund, the state will save millions of dollars in administrative costs and will ensure that taxpayers see their refund in 1996 instead of 1997.

This legislation will:

- Change the SBT apportionment formula to 80 percent sales, 10 percent payroll and 10 percent property in 1997 and again change the formula to 90 percent sales, 5 percent payroll, 5 percent property in 1999. This puts in place an apportioned Michigan-based Capital Acquisition Deduction to provide less of an overall deduction for most Michigan-based firms than the current scheme of apportionment. The net result of this is a significant tax cut for Michigan-based multistate firms and

the 19th tax cut since 1991.

- Significantly increase the deduction for dividend, interest and capital gain income for seniors to \$7,500 and \$15,000 (filing single and joint, respectively) in 1998. This is the 20th tax cut.

- Increase the compensation threshold for application of the small business credit to a maximum of \$115,000. The credit is diminished by 20 percent for each \$5,000 increment of compensation

over \$95,000 and less than \$115,000, making this the 21st tax cut.

"This is great news for the families of Michigan," Gougeon said. "We have a commitment to the taxpayers of Michigan to return excess revenues when they exceed constitutional limits. I'm pleased that for the first time in Michigan's history, the taxpayers are getting back what they worked hard to earn in the first place."

Timber theft widespread

The days of widespread cattle rustling in Texas are gone, but a new expensive type of rustling -- timber theft -- has come to the forefront. The problem is so widespread in the south and southwestern part of the country, that some estimates show annual losses of \$75 million to raw timber theft. The offending loggers often

trespass or ignore neighboring property lines to cut down trees because the price of logs has nearly doubled over the last 2 years and the number of absentee landowners also has increased. Unlike cattle, trees are not readily identified as individuals and catching a tree rustler, who often performs his work late at night, can be difficult.

Thumb health task force sets priority issues

Thumb Partnership for Health officials recently announced their task force, a community coalition representing hospitals, health departments, human service agencies, businesses, educational systems, and local citizens from Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties, has chosen 3 issues for action.

These issues are:

- * Promoting appropriate comprehensive health education for all ages.

- * Improving access to care through promoting and increasing awareness of existing services.

- * Addressing lifestyle choices that contribute to health problems, especially substance abuse issues.

The task force has met regularly during the last 12 months to discuss various issues that affect the area's health care. The task force also contracted a telephone survey of Thumb area resident's perceptions on health care, and compiled a statistical profile on the health status of the Thumb.

With the information compiled from the survey and the profile, task force members reached a clear consensus on these issues.

The next step, according to Project Coordinator Joel Strasz, is the formation of committees to address these priority issues and draw up a comprehensive implementation plan. "We'll be meeting for the next few months to do further research on existing resources and potential collaborative efforts," he said.

"The Partnership is a new program, and we want to develop innovative strategies which involve the entire community. The old way of dealing with a community issue was for one or two agencies or organizations to address it by themselves, which sometimes led to duplication of services."

The Thumb Partnership for Health is one of 4 rural health projects in Michigan. It is funded by a grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation and various providers from the Thumb area.

If you are interested in serving on a committee that addresses on the priority areas, or would like more information, contact Strasz or Lisa Ringle at (517) 673-8114.

Juvenile justice bills passed

The Michigan State Senate recently passed a 16-bill package of legislation that makes a sweeping change in the way the state handles juveniles who commit violent criminal offenses to require adult sentencing for the most violent of offenders.

Some of the proposals in the package include creating special privatized juvenile facilities and boot camps, allowing for juvenile line-ups, lowering the age of automatic juvenile waivers to 14, expanding the list of waivable juvenile offenses, and making parents more accountable with regard to education, treatment and court proceedings for juveniles.

"We in the Legislature faced the difficult task of how to balance the punishment for the most violent juvenile offenders and getting help for those who can be rehabilitated," state Sen. Joe Gougeon (R-Bay City) commented.

"I think we have completed this task with the passage of this juvenile justice package. It's time we took some tough steps toward dealing with the problem of juvenile crime."

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(MPS) — Those first few days after a wedding provide moments that will last a lifetime. However, picking the perfect honeymoon is often easier said than done. Cruising is among the favorite choices for newlyweds, but finding the right cruise requires a little forethought. Steve Shulem, owner of Strictly Vacations in Santa Barbara, Calif., recommends that future newlyweds eyeing a cruise discuss several options before seeing their travel agent, think about destinations they would like to visit and sit down to discuss different cruise products with their travel agent before making a decision.

According to Shulem, one of his most popular cruise honeymoons is to French Polynesia, or Tahiti, aboard Windstar Cruises' 148-passenger Wind Song cruise ship. An often overlooked destination, French Polynesia is a couple of hours further from the West Coast than Hawaii, yet offers the unspoiled, crowdless Hawaii of yesteryear.

"French Polynesia fits the definition of paradise to a T," says Shulem. "I've been several times and have sent

several couples to the islands for honeymoons and vacations. They're never disappointed.

"The Wind Song has sails and is very intimate — like your own private yacht," adds Shulem. "There are no formal dress codes, and you can sit by yourself at dinner or with whomever you choose. It's one of the best ways to visit several islands without a lot of worry."

"On my last trip in June, there were about 12 newlywed couples on board who found each other. It was really sweet to see them enjoying each other's company at dinner, toasting each other with champagne and becoming friends. Those couples won't forget their honeymoons."

Pat Eilermann, manager of Altair Travel in St. Louis, Mo., suggests that honeymooners who are considering a cruise look at the size of ship and experience when planning.

"The size of ship is often very important for honeymooners," comments Eilermann. "Smaller, intimate ships mean more time together without a lot of other background

hubbub. That's very important for many couples.

"The true test comes when you talk with a couple who has just returned from their honeymoon," continues Eilermann. "I spoke with the bride of a couple I sent aboard the Wind Song recently, and I could hear the joy and relaxed calmness in her voice. That's when you know you've helped the newlyweds make the right choice."

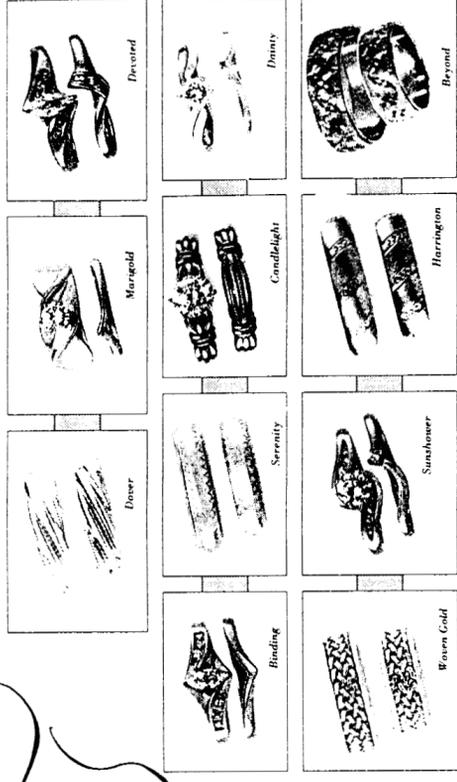
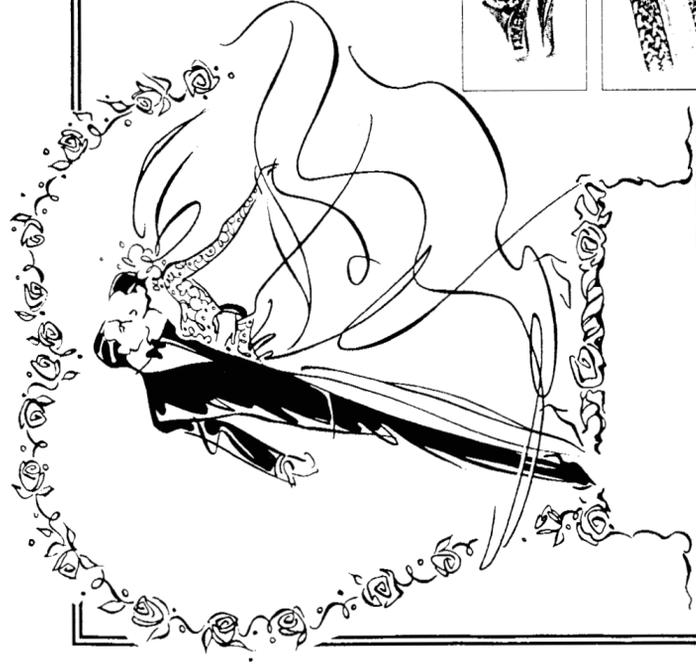
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The rehearsal dinner provides an opportunity for the bride, groom and attendants to rehearse the wedding ceremony and then join in a celebratory dinner. Few people know that the actual rehearsal is not really necessary unless the wedding party numbers more than 20 people.

The first step in planning the dinner is to figure out a guest list. The length of the list often is determined by the budget allotted by the couple for this gathering. It used to be that the groom's parents paid for the rehearsal dinner.

Whether or not the bride couple chooses to have a "rehearsal," a dinner with family and friends marks the beginning of the wedding festivities. Dinner provides the perfect opportunity to enter-

tain out-of-town guests, family members and the attendants' significant others. It also provides the bride and groom time to give thank-you gifts to their attendants for playing an important part in the wedding. Often, guests use this occasion to toast the twosome.

but that doesn't always hold true. More often than not, the couple pays for the cost of the wedding, including the rehearsal dinner, with the parents contributing what they can.

If the guest list is extremely long or the budget is limited, a casual setting is suggested.

This type of celebration could be more like an extended cocktail party - serve plenty of hors d'oeuvres and bite-size desserts.

The most cost-efficient way to hold the rehearsal dinner is to have it in a home, rather than a restaurant or catering hall. An important thing to remember is that the dinner should not upstage the wedding. The food and decor should in no way resemble that of the wedding. Whatever will be done at the wedding should be done opposite at the dinner; for example, if the wedding colors are black and white, make the color scheme for the rehearsal dinner electric blue and white.

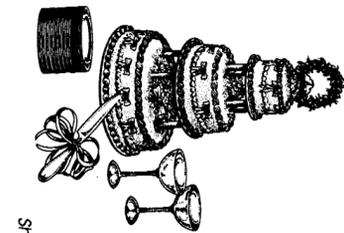
Just as there is no such thing as a typical wedding, there is no such thing as a typical rehearsal dinner. Whether it is casual or more upscale, the dinner should reflect the couple's individuality.

The rehearsal dinner should be a relaxing time for both the bride and groom. It should provide time for the bride and groom to begin to relax with their brides and grooms before the busyness of the wedding-day festivities. The most important thing to remember when planning the dinner is that the love and warmth experienced at rehearsal dinner make jitters melt away. Today, rehearsal dinners are really nothing to be nervous about.

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• **Carat** — Carat refers to the weight of the stone. There are 100 points in a carat. Therefore, a diamond of 50 points weighs one-half of a carat.

Deciding how much to spend on a diamond engagement ring is very personal and obviously depends on income. Most people find the two incomes' salary guideline to be helpful in determining how much to spend.

Most importantly, choose the finest quality diamond affordable, because a diamond engagement ring is a unique symbol of commitment that will be treasured for many years.

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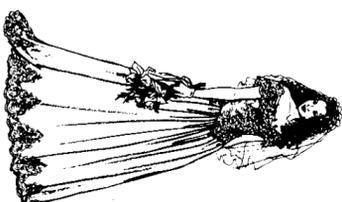


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One of the most important tasks that the bridal couple must complete is the overwhelming job of writing thank-you notes to all who sent gifts. The job of sending these notes is so time-consuming, because they must be written; a verbal thank you is not enough. The only verbal note that can be sent is a telegram, which can get costly when sending to a large number of guests.

Wedding gifts are given to both the bride and groom. When writing a thank-you note, be sure the signature reflects both of them. Writing the notes is not just the task of the bride, so be sure to put the groom to work. One idea is for the groom to write to his friends and the bride to hers. It is fine to sign only one name, so long as the writer says, for example, "Tad and I thank you for the wonderful toaster."

Make sure the gift is specifically mentioned in the note, keeping in mind that monetary gifts should never be referred to by dollar amount. A guest should be able to see that the couple appreciated, as well as remembered, the gift that was given to them.

The note should say exactly how the gift will be used. Additionally, if the gift needed to be returned, either because it was a duplicate or it simply could not be used, never inform the sender; a simple thank you is enough.

Be prompt in sending thank-you notes. Although it is perfectly acceptable to send a thank you up until three months after the wedding, couples should start writing before the wedding for gifts received in advance. This eliminates a lot of work and informs guests that the gifts were received and not lost during shipping.

Finally, couples should share any special memories they have of their guest from the wedding. Not only will they be thanking the guest for the gift, but most importantly, they'll be thanking him or her for coming to and celebrating the happy occasion with them.

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Growing up, many people envision the wedding of their dreams. After years of dreaming, when people finally get to plan their own wedding, they want every aspect of the day to be perfect.

The majority of couples marry in a place of worship, a hotel or a catering hall; however, some are starting to become a little more adventuresome when planning their weddings. Since this will be one of the most important days in their lives, they want it to be exactly the way they always dreamed it would be.

As people have started to look for unique places to get married, new and creative sites to hold nuptials are turning up each day.

For those who have always dreamed of exchanging vows in a theme park, like Walt Disney World, the opportunity is now available. Many theme parks offer wedding packages, complete with a staff member who works exclusively on planning the wedding of people's dreams. Some couples choose to spend their honeymoon partying with the friends and family members who attended the wedding — hotel accommodations are available.

Sports enthusiasts are considering sports arenas and stadiums as spots for their nuptials. Whether it be between periods at a hockey game, on an empty baseball diamond or during halftime at a football game, many couples choose

to go this route. Those interested can call up individual stadiums to see if this type of wedding is possible.

Resorts like those in the Caribbean, Hawaii, the Poconos and Europe offer all-inclusive packages for the wedding and honeymoon. A popular choice for couples is to marry, shoeless, on the beach, often in bathing suits. They

will have to bring their own clothes, but the resort wedding planner will take care of all the details. People who are interested can contact the resort, itself, or the local tourism board to find out information on required blood tests and licensing information.

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Many of the guests coming to your wedding have attended various other weddings during their lifetime. So, you probably will want to give them something to make your special day stand out in their memories. There are many different favors you can give your guests, the most common being personalized bud vases, picture frames and silk flowers in vases. It is wonderful for guests to receive wedding favors to help keep the memory of the night alive.

Seeing as it takes a lot of thought and time to find the right favor for your wedding, you might as well choose something that the guests will want to take home. There is no sense in buying favors that will be left at the end of the night. No couple wants to be stuck with 50 leftover favors.

While there is nothing wrong with giving flower vases, some couples want to give out something a little more unusual. One way to help ensure that all favors will be taken and enjoyed by guests is to order unique gifts that your guests may not have seen before. Creative

favours do not necessarily mean expensive favors. There are plenty out there that you and your guests will enjoy and, surprisingly, cost very little.

Giving out creative favors not only improves the chances that every guest will leave with a gift, but that your wedding will be remembered for a long time to come.

Because most couples need to buy between 50 and 100 favors, keeping down the amount spent on them is important. The money you save on favors is money that can be spent on some other aspect of the wedding.

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Many couples choose platinum rings

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Platinum is as traditional as weddings themselves. Its radiance and color beautifully showcase a diamond's natural sparkle, and its rarity adds to its appeal. In fact, platinum is the rarest metal on earth, and wearing this precious metal on your finger exemplifies the uniqueness and value of your lasting love.

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The best way for a couple to remain calm while planning the big day is to get organized. By making a list of things they need to do, they can allot time in their schedules for each task - and they can feel a sense of accomplishment and relief each time they cross something off the list.

This basic checklist can get them started on their way to a beautiful wedding day.

- Set the date - As soon as possible after getting engaged, the couple should select a wedding date and decide on the type of wedding they would like to have.
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- The couple should select one whose arrangements they like and who offers them helpful, creative ideas about bouquets, corsages and centerpieces.
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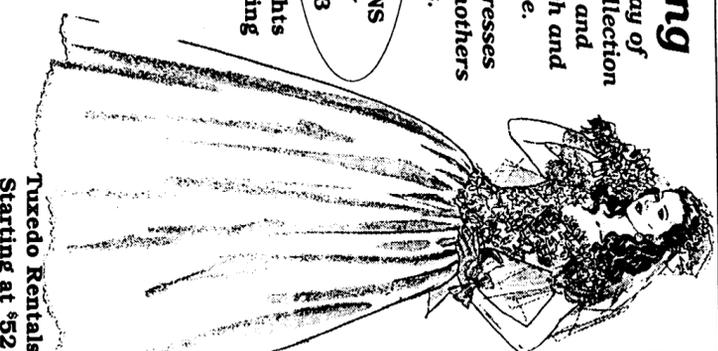
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To get the appearance of fuller, more sensuous lips, line the lips with a pencil toned to your natural lip color. With your mouth open, start lining at the cupid's bow as close as possible to your natural lip line. Close mouth to check the shape. Fill in with lipstick (try The Body Shop's Colourings Continual Lip Color, \$9.95). Continual Lip Color is perfect for the bride, since it is long-lasting and won't kiss off on your groom, guests or glass.

As your wedding day approaches, you may feel overwhelmed, since you will be dealing with so many decisions. After all, you'll be the star at your own wedding and, like all stars, you should definitely look the part. After you receive a little help, you'll be surprised to find that choosing makeup for your wedding is not too stressful.

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For added definition, apply a smudge of brown/black eye liner between the lower lashes. Finish off with two coats of black/brown mascara.

THE BLUSHING BRIDE

When blush is properly applied, you barely notice it, yet it makes your eyes brighter and your whole face come alive. Using a good brush is the key to a picture-perfect application. Once you've used a good brush, you'll never want to be without it. The ideal brush is round, so its sides can be used to blend the blush. Choosing the right color is most important. For most skin tones, natural and rose shades are great. So if you can't decide, choose one of these.

Now that you selected the right brush and shade, the only concern is to get it on the right part of your face. Apply your blusher to your brush (if you've put too much, swish it through a bit of translucent powder), put the

After you've invested so much to make your wedding day unforgettable, the last thing you want is a makeup mishap!

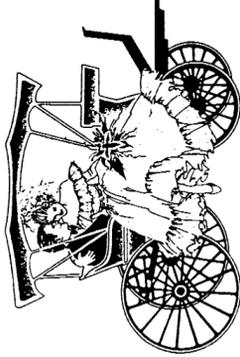
To avoid any potential of a makeup disaster, treat yourself to a consultation. Many salons offer makeup consultations and even lessons for a nominal fee. There are even places like The Body Shop that offer a makeover service and lessons completely free of charge. Best of all, the makeup specialist actually will listen to your needs and give you what you want. You won't have to worry about leaving the shop looking like a victim of the latest fad or like Tammy-Faye's twin sister!

The following list of makeup tricks was created by Colourings makeup specialists at The Body Shop to ensure that you are a vision of loveliness on your special day.

COVERING ALL BASES

Start with a clean, moisturized face. Go for the natural look. Many people mistake the term "natural look" for no makeup at all, but it actually means that you wear basic shades of makeup that maximally enhance your best features. The secret to natural-looking makeup is wearing a foundation and concealer that exactly matches your skin. Always test a shade on your forehead or jawline and not on the back of your hand. If you can't see it, then you've got the right one. Make sure that your makeup is blended into your neck, so there is no line of demarcation. If one appears, smooth it out with a sponge, then buff. After applying foundation and concealer, use a cotton puff to touch translucent powder all over the face to set the foundation and to absorb excess oils.

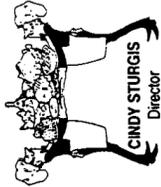
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Simple Solutions Can Help Reduce Wedding Expenses

Brides' (St. Martin's), suggests that, when planning a budget, couples should allow an additional 25 percent more money for extras that they have yet to come across, but that are bound to come up. Some of these "unexpected extras" include tips, hairdresser fees, wedding favors, meals for the band and photographer during the reception, and presents exchanged between the groom and bride.

To help keep costs down, Kresse offers some simple ways to save on wedding expenses:
 • Trim the guest list — shaving off five to 10 names can save a lot of money.
 • Consider having fewer attendants in your bridal party.
 • Make your honeymoon plans when special air-fare programs are advertised.

Handmade accessories are special

The wedding day is one of the most important days in a woman's life. She wants everything, from her gown to the flowers to the food served at the reception, to be perfect.

Most of all, she wants her memories of the big day to be special. Personal, handmade bridal accessories can help make those memories special. A lace-trimmed ring pillow, made out of the same fabric

pieces together along an 11-inch edge. Stitch a 1/2-inch long seam at each end. Press the seams, and insert a zipper or Velcro strip between them. Open the zipper part way.

RING PILLOW

3/4 yard of 24-inch-wide silk voile for pillow back and front
 1 11-inch square of silk satin for front lining
 1 10-inch square knife-edge pillow form
 2 1/2 yards of 2 1/2-inch-wide lace for ruffle
 1 1/4 yards satin piping
 1 10-inch zipper or 10-inch Velcro® strip
 1 yard of 1/4-inch-wide satin ribbon
 1 1/4 yards of 2 1/2-inch-wide insertion lace

Directions: (1/2-inch seams allowed)
 1. **Cutting:** From voile, cut an 11-inch square pillow front and two 6-inch-by-11-inch pillow backs.
 2. **Pillow Front:** Symmetrically space two vertical and two horizontal 1 1/2-inch lengths of insertion lace on the voile pillow front; pin and edgestitch. With small, sharp scissors, cut away the voile behind the lace. Place the right side of the satin square against the wrong side of the pillow front, with edges even. Baste the edges.
 3. **Piping:** Pin the piping 1/2-inch from the edges of the pillow front, with right sides together and raw edges outward, clipping to the piping seam at each corner. Stitch over the piping seam.
 4. **Ruffle:** Seam the short ends of the ruffle lace together; press seam open. Fold the resulting loop with the seam at one end, and mark the opposite fold. Fold the loop in half again, and mark those two folds. Stitch a gathering row at each quarter (mark to mark) of the loop. Pin the lace to the pillow front with the seam or quarter mark at each corner; have right sides together and sides even. Pull up gathers to fit pillow. Stitch along the piping seam.
 5. **Pillow Back:** With right sides facing, pin the two back



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4 MONTHS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Engage your minister, rabbi or priest. Discuss customs of his sanctuary. If your wedding is to be held in a hotel or club, make reservations.
- Start preparing your lists for the ceremony, the reception, announcements. Ask your fiancé to start his.
- Make your arrangements with the caterer.
- Make arrangements with musicians, florist, photographer.
- Order your invitations and announcements. Have envelopes delivered first.
- Shop for your wedding gown, veil and headpiece.
- Register in gift and department stores as to china, silver, glassware patterns.

3 MONTHS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- With the aid of your family and your fiancé, select your attendants, and invite them to serve. Freely discuss with your bridesmaids the approximate cost of their gowns and accessories.
- Determine the cost of your trousseau. Include linens and clothes. \$_____.

- Begin the wonderful experience of hunting for your new house or apartment, with your fiancé.
- Discuss your honeymoon with your fiancé.

6 WEEKS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Begin to plan for your new home.
- Re-check your invitation lists and ask your fiancé to do the same with his.
- Help your maid of honour and your bridesmaids select their gowns. By now, your mother and your fiancé's mother should decide on their gowns, bearing in mind that their attire should not only complement each others but yours too.

10 WEEKS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Begin addressing and stamping your invitations and announcements. These should be hand addressed in dark ink only. Invitations should be mailed four weeks before the wedding.
- Remind your fiancé to purchase the wedding band. If you're having a double ring ceremony, purchase his.
- Shop for your going-away outfit.

6 WEEKS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Have fittings for your wedding gown. Check your accessories. Inquire also about gowns and accessories for your attendants.
- Purchase luggage.
- Select gifts for your attendants.
- Check with your florist about the color scheme both for the ceremony and the reception.
- Remind your fiancé about his wardrobe requirements.
- With your musicians, decide on number of people to be hired, types of numbers to be played, the selection of the wedding march, etc.
- Firm up your sitting with the photographer.
- Decide on date and other details of the bridesmaids' luncheon, and remind your fiancé about reservations for the bachelor dinner, if any.

3 TO 4 WEEKS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Send out wedding invitations.
- Check florist, photographer, and caterer for all final arrangements.
- Remind your fiancé to order your bridal bouquet, your going-away corsage, corsages for his mother and yours, and all necessary boutonnières.
- If you intend to buy a gift for your future husband, now is the time to do it.
- Check bridal costumes for yourself and attendants, making sure all will be ready a week before the wedding.
- Another bridal fitting.
- Arrange lodging for out-of-town guests.
- As gifts come in, acknowledge them immediately.
- Order the bridal cake.
- Finish shopping.

2 WEEKS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Before you give the caterer the final count, have your mother contact people who have not responded to your invitations.
- Give caterer the final count.
- Send notices and glossy photos of yourself to newspapers in your city and in the groom's, if he is from out of town. Be sure to include date of your wedding.
- Check deliveries in your new home.
- Write thank you notes for gifts received.
- Have the final fitting of your gown.
- Make appointment with hairdresser for a day before the wedding.
- Check and re-check every item.

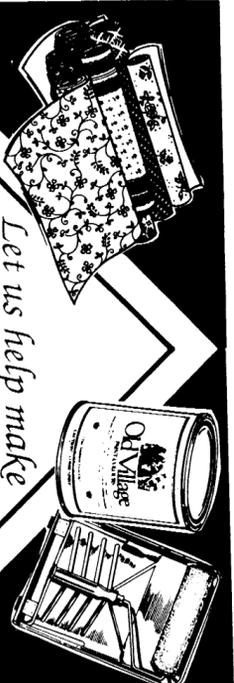
1 WEEK BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Invite close friends and relatives to see your trousseau and gifts.

- Review all duties with participants of the wedding party.
- Entertain your bridesmaids at a luncheon, tea or dinner.
- Keep writing thank-you notes.
- Arrange to spend the night before the wedding with your family.
- Have your portrait taken.

Big Day Arrives

- Indulge yourself on the Big Day, even to the extent of having your breakfast in bed!
- Do everything leisurely, allowing yourself plenty of time for the important details.
- One hour before the ceremony be completely dressed, except for veil and gloves.
- Rest and relax for at least a half hour beforehand.
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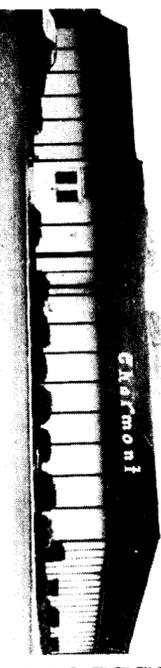
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