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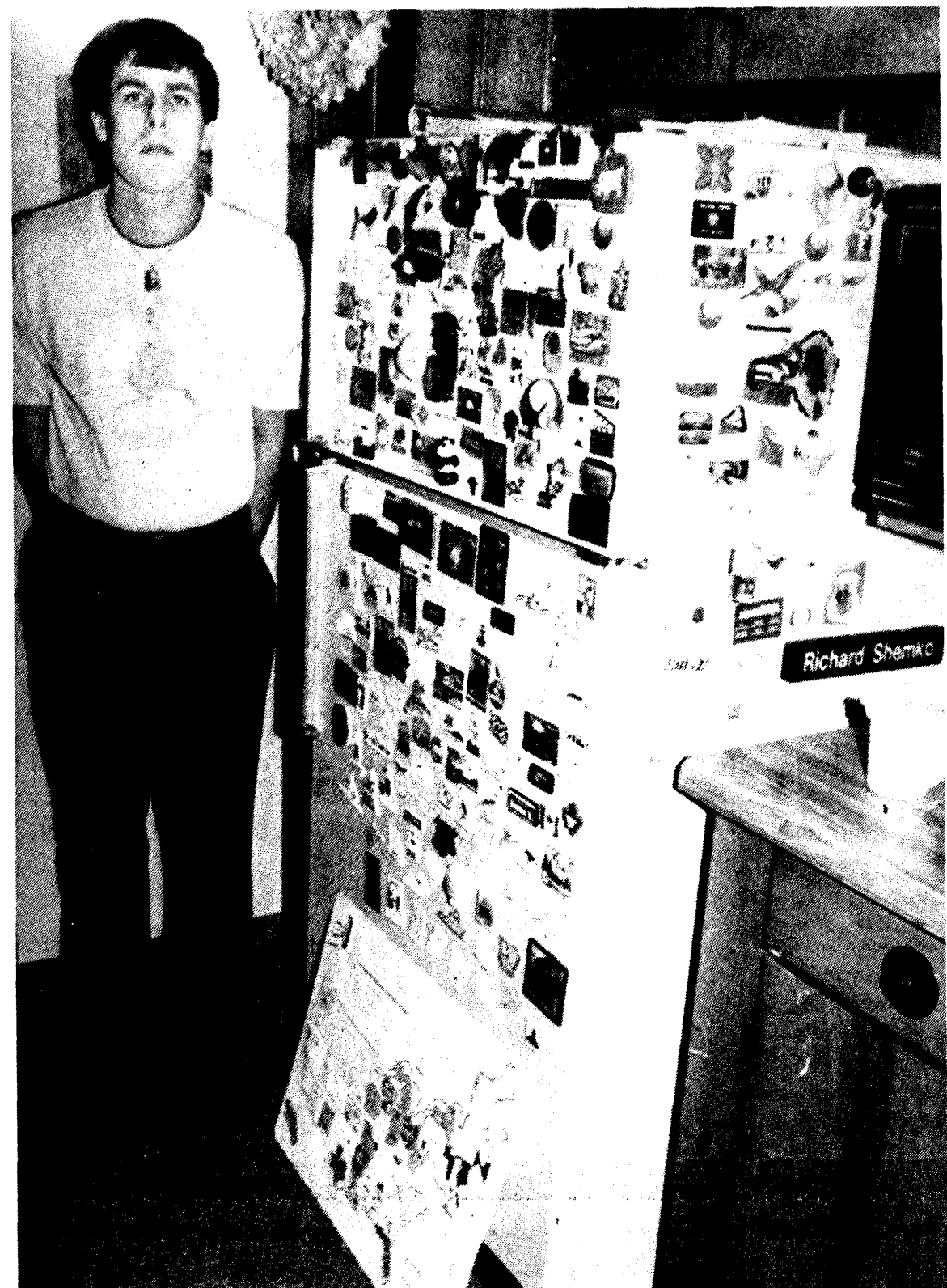
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THE REFRIGERATOR in Virginia Shemko's Cass City home is covered with more than 300 magnets collected by her son, Richard, while traveling throughout the world and across the United States. He plans to go to Antarctica. (Story page 8)

MMPA honors Severance

Predict slightly lower milk prices in 1997

A predicted shortage in cheese and butter was behind significant fluctuations in milk prices over the past year.

That's according to Walt Wosje, general manager of the Michigan Milk Producers Association (MMPA), who was the guest speaker during the annual meeting of the MMPA's Deford Local, held Saturday at the Shabbona United Methodist Church.

About 2 dozen people, including 10 local members, attended the annual meeting.

Wosje presented some charts that resembled a roller coaster, showing milk prices going from \$12.73 per hundredweight (cwt) to a peak of \$15.37 cwt, then dropping to \$11.34 beginning in October.

Wosje called 1996 "the most erratic year we've ever seen in marketing as far as grain prices and milk prices."

Years ago, a 25-cent fluctuation in milk prices was considered a big deal, but not anymore, he said. "The question is, why do we have this erratic movement?"

For many years, the Federal Support Price Program assured a steady price based on what it cost to produce milk. However, it also resulted in a big surplus of milk products, according to Wosje.

Dairy farmers simply out-produced themselves, he said, prompting the federal government to base the support price on supply and demand, rather than on the cost of milk production.

Since 1989, milk prices have gone up and down, and only once has the price dropped down to the support price level.

In early 1996, Wosje said, there were concerns among the major cheese and butter buyers that there would be a shortage of milk products, so they started bidding prices up.

Prices continued to rise until early fall, but when the shortage never developed, production caught up with demand and the price began to plummet, he added. "The market just got plugged up, no doubt about it."

Wosje said he believes the Basic Formula Price has bottomed out, citing a 9-cent increase per pound this month. However, he noted

the effects of market trends on the blended price received by farmers typically are 60 days behind.

Wosje predicted farmers will receive an average of \$13.96 cwt in 1996-97, compared to the 1996 average of \$14.60 cwt.

Wosje also briefly discussed a planned reduction of Fed-

eral Order Milk Marketing areas in the United States from 32 to 10.

Currently, area farmers belong to a milk marketing area comprised of Michigan's Lower Peninsula. Under the proposal, the area would be expanded to include two-thirds of the Upper Peninsula as well as Indiana, eastern

Ohio, western Pennsylvania and a portion of Kentucky.

Wosje indicated Michigan dairy farmers would benefit from creation of the new "Mideast" federal order milk marketing area, although farmers from some of the other states aren't happy about the proposal.

Please turn to back page.



MMPA FIELD Representative Richard Fluegge (right) presented area dairy farmer Leslie Severance with 2 awards Saturday, including one for outstanding quality milk production.

Suspension appeal denied by board

An appeal of a 10-day suspension for a 16-year-old junior student at Cass City High School was upheld in a special meeting of the Cass City School Board Monday morning.

The appeal was lodged by the mother of the student after he was given a point on the penalty scale for leaving school early without permission.

The mother told the board that she had forgotten to call the school in the morning and ask that the boy be released early. She said that she was busy at work. She did call later in the day after the boy had left the school.

Supt. Ken Micklash explained that the method for seeking a release has been well established at the school. The parent calls the school and the boy is issued a pass to leave.

Board member Randy Severance said that the reason for the rule is that the board is responsible for the safety of the student.

President Jim Turner said that part of growing up is to learn that you can't walk in or out of school or a job at will.

The infraction was important in that it was the 12th point for the student on the discipline scale and made the 10-day suspension auto-

matic.

A list of the previous penalty points earned was presented at the meeting. It included a statement by the youth about Mrs. Iwankovitch, "I'm going to kill her." That added 2 points on the discipline scale.

The board reminded the youth and his mother that in the next semester the youth doesn't add any points, he will start his senior year without any points against his record.

His mother said that would be great. A boy's senior year should be one of the greatest times of his life and I want him to enjoy it, she told the board.

You are invited

Planning meets slated

Cass City will host one of 6 town meetings presented by the Tuscola County Planning Commission as the first step in updating the 1974 master plan for the county.

The meeting is scheduled Thursday, Jan. 23, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Cass City Municipal Building at the corner of Main and Sceger streets.

Representatives from Earth Tech of Grand Rapids will

assist at the meetings. Citizens are invited to participate. Topics under consideration will be farmland preservation, unplanned development, drainage, road conditions, housing, zoning, recreational opportunity, ground water pollution and run off.

Sponsors say that it's an opportunity for residents to become involved in the development of Tuscola

County for the next 10 to 20 years.

Persons planning to attend are asked to call 517-672-3870 and register so that the commission can call if the meeting is canceled due to weather.

Besides the Cass City meeting, the other meetings were scheduled to be held at the following locations.

Jan. 21 - Fairgrove, 3:00-5:00 p.m. at the Fairgrove

Municipal Building, 5005 W. Center.

Jan. 21 - Vassar, 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Vassar Municipal Building, 287 E. Huron Ave.

Jan. 23 - Kingston, 3:00-5:00 p.m. at the Kingston Village Hall, 3655 Ross.

Jan. 27 - Caro, 3:00-5:00 p.m. at the Tuscola Tech Center, 1401 Cleaver Rd.

Jan. 27 - Millington, 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Arbel Township Hall, 8935 W. Birch Run Road.



SUE BAKER (RIGHT), pictured above in September with friend and co-worker Donna Lenhard, recently underwent a bone marrow transplant. The Cass City woman says the procedure left her worn out, but she's in good spirits and very glad to be home.

A new chance at life

New cell plant procedure stems cancer for Sue Baker

Sue Baker has battled cancer for more than 5 years, has undergone a host of treatments, including chemotherapy and radiation, and has been forced to leave her job of 16 years at the Tendercare nursing home in Cass City.

But the Cass City woman considers herself to be blessed.

In fact, Baker, 53, has a whole new outlook on life after undergoing a bone marrow transplant.

"I'm doing really well. I'm feeling very blessed," she commented Friday morning from her Houghton Street

home. "I think I surprised everyone; myself, the doctors and maybe even the good Lord."

Baker, an infection control and rehab nurse at Tendercare, was diagnosed with non-Hodgkins lymphoma in 1991, and in the years that followed, the disease caused cancerous growths to appear periodically on her body.

The symptoms were unpredictable, but without some form of treatment, the prognosis was certain — eventually, it would kill her.

Last year, Baker learned about a relatively new proce-

cedure called a peripheral stem cell transplant. The procedure involves collection of "mother" or stem cells (from which mature blood cells evolve) from the circulating blood, rather than from the patient's bone marrow.

The procedure is the treatment of choice if a patient's bone marrow is diseased, as is true in Baker's case, or if prior radiation makes collecting bone marrow from the pelvic area impossible.

The procedure is risky, requiring treatments that leave the patient's immune system vulnerable to infection.

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Still, Baker decided the transplant was her best chance at a cure, and in October she began what is typically a long, drawn out treatment at Harper Hospital's Karmanos Cancer Center in Detroit.

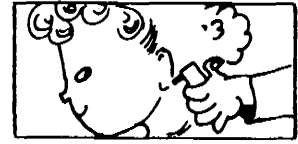
Baker, sounding tired but in good spirits, explained a catheter was inserted into the large vein above her heart Oct. 21. Three days later she received the first of several high doses of chemotherapy.

Over the next week, she was to have had blood drawn. Please turn to back page.

Cass City Area Social and Personal Items

Call your local news to the Chronicle office - 872-2010

Lynwood LaPeer and Patti and Debbie Timmons helped Gaylor LaPeer celebrate his birthday Saturday. Patti Timmons made the cake.



A sign in a jewelry store once told customers: "Ears pierced while you wait."

John Phillips, son of Milton and Brenda Phillips of Cass City, has joined the Marine Corps. His address is REC. John Phillips, 373984960, 3rd RTEN, PLT 3062, Unit 5, 38990 Midway Ave., San Diego, CA 92140-5565.

Anyone wishing to send a get well card to Dr. E.C. Fritz, DDS, 1020 Armory, Champaign, IL 61821.

It's a girl!



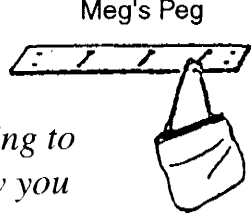
Sara Ann Wade

Born to David and Kimberly Wade of Cass City Thursday, Dec. 5, was Sara Ann Wade. Born at 12:36 p.m., Sara measured 20.5" in length and weighed 6 pounds, 14 3/4 ounces.

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Getting to know you



by Melva E. Guinther

The cold and snow have kept many of us cooped up indoors, and we're getting really tired of it.

Instead of just staring at one another or at the TV screen, here's a dialogue starter.

It may be surprising how much you can still learn about other family members even after all these years. If you live alone, it may help you get to know yourself better.

Answer each question honestly and without hostility. We certainly don't need to start a fight among people already suffering from irritability and cabin fever.

* I'm happiest when _____

* If given an all-expense-paid trip to any place in the world, I'd like to go to _____ because _____

* If I could change one thing about myself it would be _____

* If I could change one thing about you, it would be _____

* If I could change one thing about the world, it would be _____

* One luxury item I'd really like to have is _____

* If I inherited a million dollars, this is what I'd do _____

* The thing people do that irritates me the most is _____

* The most fun I ever had was _____

* Someone who has done a lot for me is _____

* A memory I really cherish is _____

* When spring comes, I'm _____

going to _____
* My favorite movie, or book, is _____
* My favorite food is _____

* The person I most respect is _____

* The quality I most admire in others is _____

* The funniest joke I ever heard was _____

Here are a few puns just for laughs:

Sign on a pickup camper: GONE WITH THE WHIM.

On a demolition company truck: EDIFICE WRECKS.

On a cabinet maker's truck: COUNTER FITTERS.

On a garbage truck: ALWAYS AT YOUR DISPOSAL.

On the back of a car: DON'T BE A BUMPER STICKER.

Note to the Class of '51: Several members have suggested that we have a class reunion this summer before our old high school, now the middle school, ceases to exist.

We've had suggestions such as having a catered luncheon, everybody bring a sack lunch and eat in the gym, and "maybe we can help tear the place down."

Anyone who has ideas or who would like to help plan a reunion can contact me. We'll try to start the ball rolling.

Ski run set for Jan. 25

The Huron County Park trustees are planning a candlelight Cross-Country Ski Run at the Wagener County Park.

A one-mile trail through the woods will be groomed for the run beginning at dusk Saturday, Jan. 25.

The trail is located 5 miles south of Harbor Beach at the Wagener County Park boy scout cabin. A bonfire will be part of the evening activities. Hot dogs and refreshments will be available. The hot dogs are complements of Commissioner John Hunt.

This activity will be held weather permitting, is free of charge and everyone is welcome.

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King named to dean's list

Tami S. King has been named to the dean's list at Calvin College, Grand Rapids, for achieving a 3.5 grade point average and a 3.3 cumulative grade point average.

King, a sophomore majoring in English and business, is the daughter of Boyd and Linda King, 2845 Germania Rd., Snover. She is a graduate of Marlette High School.

Sr. Citizens' Menu

Senior citizens are asked to make reservations on the day of the meal between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. by calling Berenice Sowden, 872-2397.

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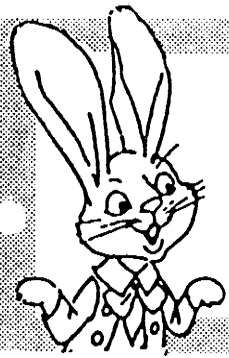
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

There's money out there for high school seniors looking for financial aid and every year millions of dollars are unused because students don't know where to look.

A toll-free hot line (800-243-0023) has been established to answer questions about financing of college. Members of the Michigan Student Financial Aid Association will answer financial aid questions and specific questions about completing a financial aid application. The phones will operate Monday through Thursday, 2 to 7 p.m., and Friday from 12 noon to 5 p.m.

The program ends Friday, Jan. 24.

After the first round in the Thumb C National League, it's a toss-up who will win the hoop title and it may very well end in a tie. Marlette has the best overall record, but this corner picks USA to take the title.

With the competition this close, it's fun to watch. It would be nice if Cass City were in the hunt instead of just a spoiler. Maybe next year?

Here are a couple of items from the Michigan Trivia book, of no particular significance, but maybe surprising.

The question, on what date did the Stars and Stripes fly for the first time over Michigan soil? Answer: July 11, 1876.

The first electric starter to appear on an automobile line came in 1912 on a Cadillac.

Chief decision delayed

The Elkland Township Board last week tabled the appointment of a new fire chief, with plans to seek input from fire fighters before making a final decision.

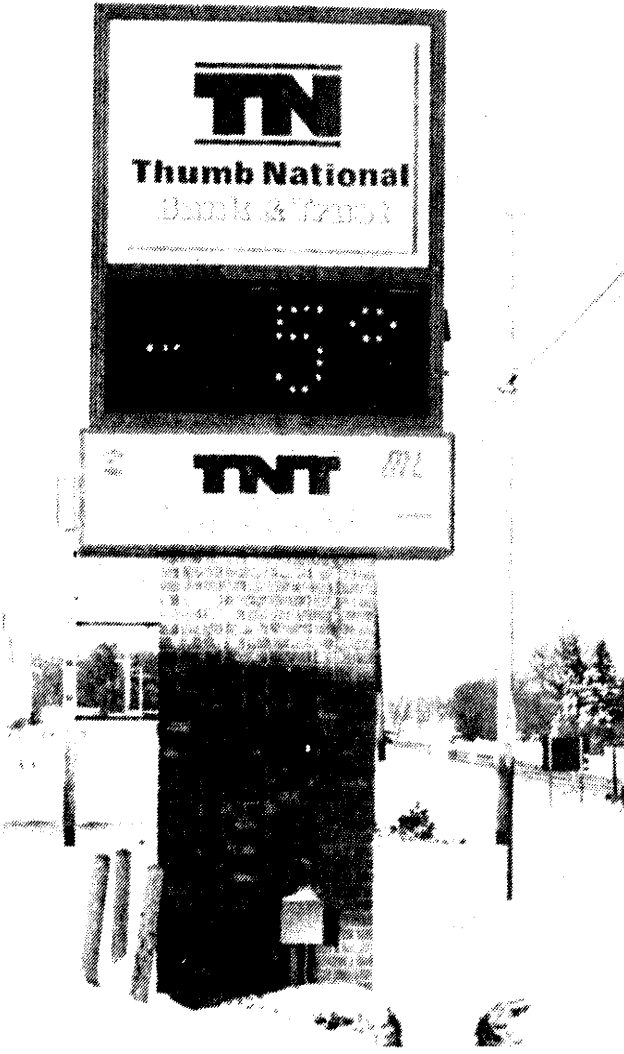
Township Clerk Norma Wallace said the board will name the new chief at its Feb. 10 monthly meeting.

Seeking the \$5,500-a-year post are Paul Fent, Dan Gee, Janet Hurley, Ross McCallum, Ron Pawloski and Mike Stec.

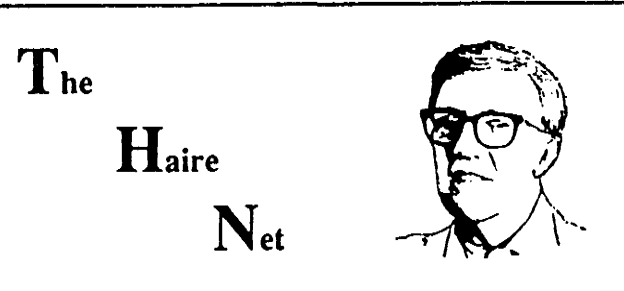
All of the candidates currently serve on the Elkland Township Fire Department with the exception of Fent, who is chief of the Elmwood-Gagetown Fire Department.

The vacancy was created with the retirement of Milt Connolly, who resigned after 32 years with the Cass City department.

In other business during the Jan. 13 monthly meeting, the board appointed Barb Stickle to fill a vacancy on the library board. Stickle, who will serve a 4-year term, replaces Nat Tuttle.



DECEIVING — The sign at Thumb National Bank read minus 5 degrees Friday morning, but bitter breezes sent the wind chill factor plummeting to a dangerous minus 30 to minus 40 degrees.



A little of this and that from the corner of Main and Oak. Items gleaned from the passing parade.

One of the latest crazes to hit the trendy set is cigar smoking. Smoking by women, that is. Men have always been dumb enough to do it.

According to a story in the Detroit News, the women meet on a set night at a designated restaurant to puff away at cigars that cost \$6 to \$7 each or more. One cigar aficionado in her thirties is quoted as saying, I love the smell, taste and warmth of a good cigar.

I can remember saying the same thing about cigarettes when about at the same age before I quit.

Anyway, if you rate this activity with other dumb things of a similar nature, it rates as better than cocaine sniffing and below goldfish swallowing or seeing how many bodies can be stuffed into a phone booth.

Hopefully, it too will pass.

Speaking of ratings, in case you didn't know it, the new TV rating system is now in effect and as far as I can determine, with no effect at all.

There are 6 different ratings, starting with TV-Y for all children to TV-M, mature audiences only.

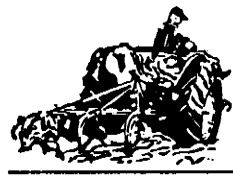
And the different networks have different ratings, and, of course, the special show networks like HBO or Showtime have R-rated movies uncut at most anytime of the day.

It seems to me that the rating system for TV will not be much more effective than the rating system for the movies.

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The back forty

by Roger Pond

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There's something about winter that puts folks in a bad mood. A newspaper editor told me years ago, "We get more complaints in January and February than any other time. People get mad about things that wouldn't bother them any other time of the year."

I try to consider this each winter. I strive to temper my sarcasm, lighten-up, and remember there is a fine line between being humorous or just a pain in the neck.

Psychologists say the shortened day length has a lot to do with the grouchiness many of us feel at this time of year. A lack of daylight affects our pituitary glands and nervous systems, turning us into a bunch of dwarfs — Dopey, Grumpy, Sneezy, etc.

Mental health experts suggest we should get outside, exercise more, and try to bounce back up when we flop down on the ice. That's easy for them to say. They're all in Hawaii this time of year.

I have noticed over the years that some winters are worse than others for causing depression and grumpiness. The really bad ones seem to last forever.

One way to reduce the harmful effects of winter is to try to forecast the arrival of spring by observing the signs of nature. Early American settlers had numerous techniques for forecasting the arrival of spring and the number of days before everyone went bonkers. Reading the signs of nature was one of them.

The old "groundhog and his shadow" thing is a good example. Folklore has it that the groundhog emerges from his burrow in early February and looks around for his shadow.

If he sees his image we can expect 6 more weeks of winter. If he doesn't, we are supposed to have spring immediately.

The pioneers knew better than that. They knew there would be 6 more weeks of winter if the groundhog sees his shadow. If he doesn't see a shadow we can expect 2 months of bad weather instead.

Besides, the groundhog never emerges from his burrow like he's supposed to. He's dragged out by a bunch of characters with video

cameras and dumb looking hats. What else can a person do in February?!

A second technique for forecasting spring is to look at the woolly worms. The same worm one reads in the fall will work just as well in late winter. They are a bit stiffer, however.

The pioneers thought a woolly worm with a dark front suggested a cold, early winter, and a red velvet behind indicated a mild end to the winter. I always thought a red velvet behind was more akin to a Santa Claus outfit,

but who am I to criticize.

A third indicator of approaching spring in pioneer times was the amount of hair on the horses. An extremely hairy horse was considered a good indicator that winter wasn't going to be over for awhile.

A horse with a great amount of hair on his back, and lesser amounts on both ends could mean severe weather about January. More than likely, this horse has his saddle blanket on and doesn't know any more about the weather than the rest of us.

Volz LUTC Fellow

Charles Volz, Cass City, has earned the title of Life Underwriter Training Council Fellow. Volz is a district representative for Aid Association for Lutherans, a fraternal benefit society that provides insurance products to Lutherans and their family members.

awarded to individuals who have successfully completed courses on such topics as life, business and disability income insurance, as well as estate and retirement planning. All LUTC Fellows are members of the National Association of Life Underwriters.

Volz is an associate of the Midland Agency of AAL.

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Friday	8	0	0
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Sunday	28	22	0
Monday	34	0	0

(Recorded at Cass City wastewater treatment plant.)

SCD annual meet set for Jan. 23

Due to the weather, the Tuscola Soil Conservation District annual meeting has been re-scheduled to be held Thursday, Jan. 23, in the Caro High School cafeteria.

It will be a dinner meeting beginning at 7 p.m. Mike Berends will give a presentation on his experiences as a Peace Corps volunteer in Fiji.

Tickets are still available from the directors or Tuscola SCD office at 1075 Cleaver Road in Caro or phone (517) 673-8174.

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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Fire gutted a house about 4 miles southeast of Cass City Thursday morning. About 2 dozen firemen from 5 area departments braved bitter cold and a stiff west wind for more than 4 hours as they fought the blaze at 4821 Lamton Road, a half mile north of Severance Road. The loss was estimated at \$50,000.

Honored for years of service at Walbro Corporation with a choice of a \$500 savings bond or a gift were employees with 37 years with the company: Beverly Leidki, Shirley Zinnecker, Lambert Althaver, Mildred Kain, Donald Cummings and William Eberline, who has 39 years at Walbro.

Richard and Pamela Brooks Jr. recently received an answer to a letter he sent to the president outlining his concerns about the homeless and unemployment benefits. The letter was written by Shirley M. Green, special assistant to Bush.

It took Steve and Sandi Wright, 4842 Hemlock Lane, Cass City, 4 hours to dig out their vehicles blocked by snowdrifts as high as 5 feet in some spots after last week's snow storm.

Pat Blue of Millington, formerly of Cass City, fell at her home Thursday, breaking her right ankle and 2 bones in her left leg. She is a patient at St. Luke's Hospital, Saginaw.

10 YEARS AGO

Volunteer fireman Richard Root received a plaque from the Elkland Township Fire Department for his 35 years of service at a dinner held at Wildwood Farms Restaurant Jan. 17.

The Cass City Red Hawks defeated visiting Unionville-Sebewaing, the only team to defeat the Hawks this season, 72-64. High scorers were Mike Kelley with 20 points; Dave Miller, 14, Steve Ross, 13, and Kurt Bliss with 10.

It's Thumb's Up for Delta College's WUCZ-TV. Residents of nearly 70,000 viewer homes in the Thumb can now receive Delta College's public broadcast service over Channel 35 or via any number of cable connections. The new station is located in Ubley.

Contractors working for Detroit Edison are expected to complete conversion of Cass City's downtown lighting from 400-watt mercury vapor to 400-watt high pressure sodium this week. The project is expected to result in greater visibility at night.

A robin was spotted under a willow tree at the home of Ruth and Jack Esau of rural Cass City.

25 YEARS AGO

Firemen fought 2 fires last week. Fire razed a small building adjacent to a large barn Tuesday afternoon at the home of Ronald Haag, northeast of Cass City. A Sunday evening fire of unknown cause completely destroyed the barn and adjoining milk shed of Sanford Powell on Hartsell Road, 7 miles north of Cass City.

Crimes handled by the Cass City police force were up 40 per cent in 1971 over the previous year, with acts of vandalism heading the list.

Joe Male told deputies Saturday, that almost every weekend when he goes to his residence on Cemetery Road, south of Cass City, he finds some of the birds he has penned up behind a barn missing. Gone Saturday were 2 ducks, 2 geese, 10 chickens and 15 pheasants. A wire mesh cage had been torn apart and footsteps in the snow led to the road. There are no suspects.

Mr. and Mrs. Luis Arroyo and family returned Saturday from a 3-week vacation. They drove to Miami, Fla., and from there flew to Puerto Rico to visit his parents, and brothers and sisters and their families, some of whom he had not seen for over 15 years.

35 YEARS AGO

Walbro Corporation has opened a new plant located at the former Cass City Skating Rink. Founded in Toledo, Ohio, 2 years ago, the plant makes and assembles reflectorized driveway markers and safety equipment for commercial vehicles and mobile homes.

B.A. Calka, Cass City real estate broker, has been elected to membership in the Michigan Real Estate Association, according to a report from Harold M. Davis, association vice-president.

William Eberline was re-elected president of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church at an election held Sunday, Jan. 14, at the church.

Archie Sturton, 73-year-old area farmer, recuperating at Cass City Hospital after fracturing his hip in a fall, showed his appreciation for the care he is receiving by providing a goose dinner for the entire hospital staff. Two large geese were killed and cooked at the farm and then his son, Pat, brought the meal with all the trimmings to the hospital.

Sheriff William Tomlinson and his 12-deputy, one-matron staff had a busy year. The department made 195 arrests during the year. A total of 282 prisoners were received at the jail and 279 were released. Some 10,467 meals were served at a total cost of \$4,710.15.



CASS CITY RED HAWK

SCHEDULES

BASKETBALL - VOLLEYBALL - WRESTLING - GYMNASTICS




GYMNASTICS
THURSDAY, JANUARY 23
 Cass City at Vassar
MONDAY, JANUARY 27
 Cass City at Midland HS

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**WRESTLING**  
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22**  
 Capac & Bridgeport at Cass City (Parent's Night)  
**SATURDAY, JANUARY 25**  
 Cass City at Mayville Inv.

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VOLLEYBALL
THURSDAY, JANUARY 23
 Lakers at Cass City
MONDAY, JANUARY 27
 Cass City at USA


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**BASKETBALL**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 21**  
 Cros-Lex at Cass City  
**FRIDAY, JANUARY 24**  
 Bad Axe at Cass City




| Basketball Schedule                         | Volleyball Schedule           | Wrestling Schedule                    |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Dec. 10 ..... Cass City 61, Deckerville 38  | Dec. 16 A/F-Ubley at A/F 6:00 | Dec. 5 Caro/Bad Axe 6:00              |
| 13 ..... Cass City 59, Reese 64             | Jan. 6 North Branch 6:00      | 7 Cros-Lex 8:00 a.m.                  |
| 17 ..... Cass City 33, Sandusky 44          | 10 Bad Axe JV Tourney 4:00    | 11 Sandusky TBA                       |
| 19 ..... Cass City 57, Yale 54              | 11 Bad Axe V Tourney 8:00     | 14 Marlette Tourney 10:00             |
| 27 ..... Cass City 62, Caro 76              | 18 Laker JV Tourney 9:00      | 16 Vassar 6:00                        |
| <b>Jan. 3 ..... Cass City 56, Lakers 55</b> | 20 BCAS 6:30                  | <b>18 Mayville/Brown 6:00</b>         |
| 7 ..... Cass City 74, Bad Axe 53            | 23 Lakers 6:30                | Jan. 4 Yale Inv. TBA                  |
| 10 ..... Cass City 51, USA 68               | 27 USA 6:30                   | 8 Cros-Lex TBA                        |
| <b>14 ..... Cass City 31, Marlette 41</b>   | <b>30 Bad Axe 6:30</b>        | 11 Bridgeport Inv. TBA                |
| 17 ..... Cass City 45, BCAS 51              | Feb. 1 Laker Tourney 9:00     | <b>16 Lakers/Yale 6:00</b>            |
| 21 ..... Cros-Lex                           | 3 Marlette 6:30               | 18 Bad Axe inv. TBA                   |
| 24 ..... Bad Axe                            | 6 BCAS 6:30                   | <b>22 Capac &amp; Bridgeport 6:00</b> |
| 28 ..... Ubley                              | 10 Lakers                     | 25 Mayville Inv. TBA                  |
| 31 ..... Lakers                             | 13 USA 6:30                   | 30 Marlette 7:00                      |
| <b>Feb. 4 ..... Mayville</b>                | 15 Vassar V/JV Tourney        | Feb. 1 Imlay City Inv. TBA            |
| 7 ..... USA                                 | 17 Bad Axe 6:30               | 8 League Inv. at BA TBA               |
| 14 ..... Marlette                           | 20 Marlette 6:30              | <b>Home matches in bold</b>           |
| 18 ..... Genesee Christian                  | 24 Vassar 6:00                |                                       |
| 25 ..... Harbor Beach                       | 26 Caro 6:30                  |                                       |
| 28 ..... BCAS                               |                               |                                       |
| Mar. 3-8 ..... Districts                    |                               |                                       |
| 11-16 ..... Regionals                       |                               |                                       |

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**In circuit court**

# Kingston man acquitted of sexual assault charge

A Kingston man was cleared of a sexual assault charge last week in Tuscola County Circuit Court.

William L. Vanderpoel, 38, was found innocent of a charge of second degree criminal sexual conduct allegedly involving a child under the age of 13 years June 25 in Koylton Township.

A jury deliberated only about 30 minutes before returning the verdict on the second day of Vanderpoel's trial, according to court records.

In other circuit court proceedings last week:

•Cecil M. Randall, 37, Caro, pleaded guilty to attempted second degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim at least 13 years of age but less than 16 years July 19 in Caro.

The plea came after an order finding the defendant competent to stand trial was entered.

Sentencing in the case is to be scheduled.

•Wiley D. Byrd II, 17, Millington, pleaded guilty to attempted breaking and entering a vehicle with intent to steal property valued at more than \$5 Oct. 15 in Mayville.

Bond was continued at \$2,000. Sentencing is to be set.

•Anthony A. Long, 52, Burton, pleaded innocent to 2 counts of attempting to obtain a controlled substance by fraud Nov. 5 in Caro, and being an habitual offender — fourth felony offense.

Long was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. A pre-trial hearing is to be scheduled.

•Jason A. Sanback, 18, Caro, entered pleas of guilty to home invasion, second degree, and larceny in a building Nov. 28 in Ellington Township.

The pleas were not accepted by the court, which ordered

a pre-trial hearing scheduled in the case.

•Kathy A. Armstrong, 31, Mayville, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Oct. 11 in Fremont Township.

Armstrong's driver's license was revoked. A presentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$2,000.

•Louis Surles Jr., 40, Vassar, was sentenced to 24 months probation and 90 days in jail, with worksite privileges, for his plea of guilty to attempted possession of a controlled substance (cocaine) June 17 in Vassar.

Surles, whose driver's license was suspended for 6 months, was also ordered to undergo substance abuse counseling and alcohol testing, and to perform community service in lieu of paying \$600 in court costs and fines. He will be responsible for paying attorneys fees and a \$60 victim crime fee.

Surles was also ordered to pay another \$1,000 in costs and fines within 30 days or

spend an additional 90 days in jail for his plea of guilty to attempted possession of cocaine June 12 in Vassar.

•Christopher M. Bradley, 25, Grand Blanc, was sentenced to 24 months probation and 90 days in jail (deferred) for his pleas of guilty to carrying a concealed weapon and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor Nov. 3 in Millington.

Bradley's driver's license was suspended for 6 months, but he will receive a restricted license after 30 days. He was ordered to undergo alcohol testing/treatment, and to pay \$1,000 in costs and fines plus attorneys fees and a \$60 victim crime fee.

•Ozie Swinton, 39, Vassar, was sentenced to 30 months probation and 90 days in jail, with worksite privileges, for his plea of guilty to attempted possession of cocaine Aug. 1 in Vassar.

He was also ordered to undergo alcohol counseling/testing, and pay \$1,000 in costs and fines plus attorneys fees, \$180 in restitution and a \$60 victim crime fee.

•Michael G. Knapp, 20, Millington, was sentenced to 365 days in jail, with worksite privileges, for his plea of guilty to resisting and obstructing a police officer Oct. 10 in Arbela Township.

Knapp was ordered to pay \$200 in costs and fines plus \$291.50 in restitution.

•Barbra A. Smith, 48, Vassar, was sentenced to 60 days in jail and \$200 in costs and fines for her plea of guilty to attempted possession of cocaine April 30 in Vassar.

She received another 60-day jail term, with work release/worksites privileges, for a plea of guilty to an attempted possession charge May 14 in Vassar.

Her driver's license was suspended for 6 months, and she was ordered to pay \$200 in costs and fines plus \$450 in restitution and a \$60 victim crime fee.

•Shawn L. Sherman, 23, Decker, was sentenced to one year in jail (6 months deferred to the end of probation), with school release, for probation violation — failure to report to his supervising probation agent.



**SNOWFALL AND GUSTY winds were enough to close Cass City Schools Thursday, but it didn't keep Bethany Chappel, 8, and Velvet Wilt, 6, both of Cass City, from taking advantage of this snow hill near the corner of Oak and Pine streets.**

**For spring hunts**

## Turkey deadline approaching

For those who plan to take part in Michigan's spring wild turkey hunt, the application deadline is quickly approaching.

Hunter applications for the spring hunt must be submitted to the Michigan Department

of Natural Resources by Feb. 1.

The mail-in application form will not be used this year. Hunters can apply for a spring turkey hunting license at any DNR office that sells licenses or at any one

of the 1,700 license agents throughout the state. Prospective hunters can also apply by telephone with a VISA or Master Card by calling 1-800-898-MDNR. There is an additional fee for those applying by telephone.

To apply, hunters will need one of the following customer identification cards: a valid Michigan Driver License, a State of Michigan Identification Card (issued by the Secretary of State) or a DNR Sports Card. Applicants must be 12 years of age or older during the season for which they apply and must be 12 years of age when hunting.

Applicants may apply individually or with one partner. Hunters may apply only once, regardless of whether applying individually or with a partner. If applying with a partner, both participants will receive a license or neither will receive a license. The DNR has License Application Guides available for prospective hunters which contain complete information on the rules and application procedures, plus a worksheet to complete before contacting a license agent.

Michigan's wild turkey population is continuing to

grow, and now encompasses 76 of the state's 83 counties. Since 1983, thousands of wild turkeys have been released in the state after being live-trapped in other states and transported to Michigan. It is estimated that almost 94,000 wild turkeys now roam the state, and that number is expected to increase to over 125,000 by 1999.

If wild turkey licenses are still available after Feb. 1, the remaining permits will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis to unsuccessful applicants from the spring lottery. Applicants may apply in person for these permits at any license-issuing agent beginning March 27.

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# Undefeated O-G spikers continue to dominate NCTL

The Owen-Gage volleyball team is picking up right where they left off last season.

Winning. And winning often.

Coach Judy Campbell's defending North Central Thumb League champion Bulldogs have registered wins in their first 14 contests of the 1997 season and remain unblemished heading into Thursday's tilt at Carsonville-Port Sanilac. The 'Dogs were to have

faceted Kingston Monday. The Bulldogs stand at 3-0 in the NCTL and 14-0 overall. They have one tournament championship under their belts (Bad Axe Invitational) that included wins over Kingston, Mayville, Bad Axe, Ubyly and Crosswell-Lexington.

Their latest victims were the Caseville Eagles, who were defeated in straight games Monday, Jan. 13, in a rare doubleheader in Owendale. The scores in the first match

were 15-6, 15-1 and 15-0. Owen-Gage had little trouble disposing of the guests in the 2nd match, winning by the scores of 15-3, 15-10 and 15-1.

Melissa Vargo led the Bulldogs at the service line against Caseville with 23 points that included 10 ace serves. Tonya Smith registered 20 points while Amanda Salcido chipped in with 18 service points. Both Salcido and Smith were credited with 11 aces.

At the net Owen-Gage got a strong game from their all-stater, Kate Powers. Powers had a team high 22 kills on 30 attacks. Vargo followed Powers with 12 kills on 20 attacks, while senior Jennifer Winchester had 11 kills on 17 attacks. Winchester also led the Bulldogs with 30 sets over the match.

Coach Campbell praised the effort of Lisa Warack, who had 7 points and 3 ace serves.

## Standings

| THUMB C NATIONAL |   |   |   |   |
|------------------|---|---|---|---|
| SCHOOL           | W | L | W | L |
| Marlette         | 4 | 1 | 8 | 2 |
| USA              | 2 | 1 | 5 | 3 |
| EPBP             | 3 | 2 | 6 | 3 |
| BCAS             | 2 | 2 | 5 | 4 |
| Cass City        | 2 | 3 | 4 | 6 |
| Bad Axe          | 0 | 4 | 2 | 7 |

| THUMB C AMERICAN |   |   |   |   |
|------------------|---|---|---|---|
| School           | W | L | W | L |
| Sandusky         | 4 | 1 | 7 | 3 |
| Reese            | 4 | 1 | 6 | 1 |
| H. Beach         | 3 | 2 | 5 | 5 |
| Deckerville      | 3 | 2 | 3 | 6 |
| Cros-Lex         | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| Ubyly            | 1 | 3 | 2 | 6 |
| Mayville         | 0 | 6 | 1 | 9 |

| NORTH CENTRAL THUMB |   |   |   |   |
|---------------------|---|---|---|---|
| School              | W | L | W | L |
| Kingston            | 6 | 0 | 8 | 1 |
| CPS                 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 3 |
| N. Huron            | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Peck                | 2 | 2 | 2 | 5 |
| A-Fairgrove         | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Port Hope           | 2 | 4 | 4 | 5 |
| Owen-Gage           | 0 | 2 | 0 | 7 |
| Caseville           | 0 | 4 | 1 | 6 |

**FRIDAY'S RESULTS**  
 EPBP 65, Bad Axe 58  
 BCAS 51, Cass City 45  
 USA 45, Marlette 35  
 Harbor Beach 50, Ubyly 42  
 Cros-Lex 75, Mayville 62  
 Reese 62, Sandusky 52  
 CPS at Caseville (ppd)  
 North Huron at A-Fairgrove (ppd)  
 Owen-Gage at Peck (ppd)  
 Kingston 87, Port Hope 35  
 Byron 77, NBW 67

**TUESDAY'S GAMES**  
 Reese at Bad Axe  
 Cros-Lex at Cass City  
 EPBP at Ubyly  
 Deckerville at USA  
 Mayville at Marlette  
 Sandusky at Bay City All Saints  
 Caseville at Owen-Gage  
 Peck at Akron-Fairgrove  
 NBW at CPS

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 Peck at Caseville  
 CPS at North Huron  
 Owen-Gage at Port Hope  
 Akron-Fairgrove at Kingston

CASS CITY HAD 5 medal winners at the Bad Axe Invitational Saturday. Adam Dorland, 125 pounds, finished second.

## Hawk wrestlers bounce back at Bad Axe meet

After a poor performance in the preceding week, the Cass City Red Hawk wrestlers bounced back to capture fourth place in the 11-team Bad Axe Invitational Saturday.

Coach Don Markel said it was the team's best overall performance of the season. Many Cass City wrestlers defeated opponents that they had lost to earlier in the season.

The team results: Cros-Lex, 183 points; Mayville, 150; Yale, 133; Cass City, 129 1/2; Flushing, 111; Brown

City, 107 1/2; Vassar, 100; Marlette, 61; Bridgeport "B", 33; Almont, 23; Lakers, 23.

Five Hawks earned medals, led by Dennis Pisha, 130 pounds, and Chad Wolschlagler, 215 pounds, who finished first.

Adam Dorland, 125 pounds, finished second. John McNaughton, 119 pounds, was third and Chris Dubai, 275 pounds, fourth.

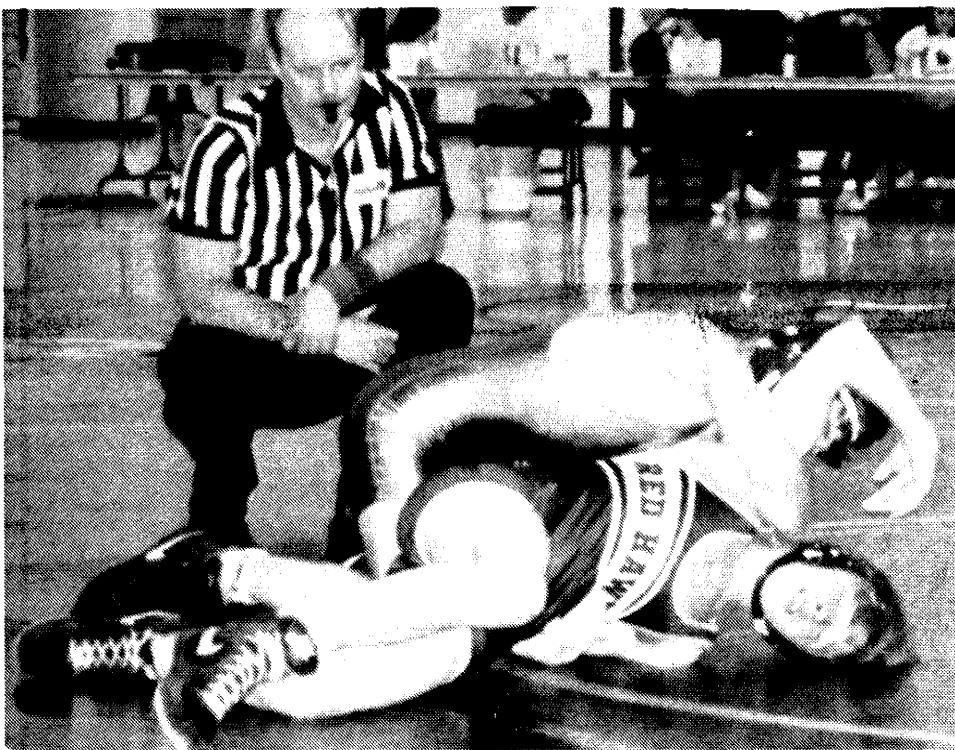
There is a change in the schedule for the wrestlers this week. Bad Axe has discontinued wrestling for the season because of a lack of wrestlers.

The Hawks will meet Capac and Bridgeport at home Wednesday, which will be parents' night.

Last Thursday's match with Lakers and Yale at Cass City was postponed because of weather and is expected to be rescheduled.



JOHN McNAUGHTON, 119 pounds, finished third.



TIM KING, 112 pounds, failed to place.

## Six Swift Sports Seers

|                   | John Haire                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Clarke Haire                                                                                            | Tom Montgomery                                                                          | Doug Hyatt                                                                                      | Gary Robinson                                                                                   | Jim Hillaker                                                                                    |
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| <b>January 24</b> | Owen-Gage at Pt. Hope<br>Bad Axe at Cass City<br>Peck at Caseville<br>Deckerville at Ubyly<br>Lakers at USA<br>C-PS at N. Huron<br>Sandusky at Mayville<br>Brown City at Capac<br>Marlette at BCAS<br>Cros-Lex at Reese<br>Last Week's Totals<br>Percentages | Port Hope Cass City<br>Peck Ubyly<br>Lakers USA<br>North Huron Sandusky<br>Brown City Marlette<br>Reese | Port Hope Cass City<br>Peck Ubyly<br>USA<br>Sandusky<br>Brown City Marlette<br>Reese    | Port Hope Cass City<br>Peck Deckerville<br>USA<br>C-PS Sandusky<br>Brown City Marlette<br>Reese | Port Hope Cass City<br>Peck Deckerville<br>USA<br>C-PS Sandusky<br>Brown City Marlette<br>Reese | Port Hope Cass City<br>Peck Deckerville<br>USA<br>C-PS Sandusky<br>Brown City Marlette<br>Reese |
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Only tournament competition left

# Hawks fall out of title race with losses to Marlette, Cougars

All that is left now for the Cass City Red Hawk basketball team is to try to improve and become a factor in the district tournament in March. A pair of losses to Marlette and Bay City All Saints last week effectively eliminated any chance Cass City had of contending for the Thumb C National title.

Games this week against Cross-Lex (non-conference) and Bad Axe (conference)

are games that will determine if the Hawks are on the way back after the 2 disastrous losses. Cass City fell to league-leading Marlette last Tuesday, 41-31, and strangely enough, played a very good game with one exception.

The team just could not put the ball through the hoop. The inability to score ruined a fine defensive effort in which the Hawks caused nu-

merous turnovers and gave up very few easy baskets.

Marlette also played an aggressive defense, possibly causing some of the 15 turnovers by Cass City.

But when you take 16 shots, including 5 layups, and fail to score, it's hard to win. From the middle of the first period until the 6 minute mark in the second period, Cass City scored just 2 free throws and was behind 23-11 at the half.

The Hawks finally hit a few shots in the third quarter behind Chad Diegel and Matt Oesch to move within 5 points going into the last period, but the Red Raiders opened with a pair of buckets and then played control ball to salt away the win.

The numbers tell the story of the game. Cass City hit just 10 of 44 2-point shots for 23 percent and 2 of 8 3-point shots for 25 percent. The Hawks had a 31-27 edge in rebounding. Oesch contributed 8 rebounds and 3 steals in the losing cause.

Cass City won the junior varsity game, 76-70.

ALL SAINTS GAME

While you can blame the loss to Marlette on poor shooting, the loss to All Saints can't be explained that easily. The Hawks were dominated in every phase of the game in the loss to the Cougars, 51-45.

We took a giant step backwards, Coach Jeff Hartel

said. Cass City got just 5 offensive rebounds and lost the battle of the boards, 28 to 17. The Hawks also had 20 turnovers.

The coaches need to find a more effective offense, Hartel said. It would be great, too, if the team would get off to a better start than it has in recent games.

All Saints rushed off to a 12-5 lead in the first quarter and was never headed.

Cass City bounced back in the second quarter behind Dave Murphy's pair of treys and a 2-pointer to close the gap to 22-18 at the intermission.

But the Cougars took control again in the third period with a 17-point spurge on balanced scoring to lead 39-29 going into the final period.

A bright spot in a dismal outing for Cass City was that Murphy broke out of his scoring slump with 15 points and Tim Micklash had a nice game with 7 points, 3 assists and 4 steals.

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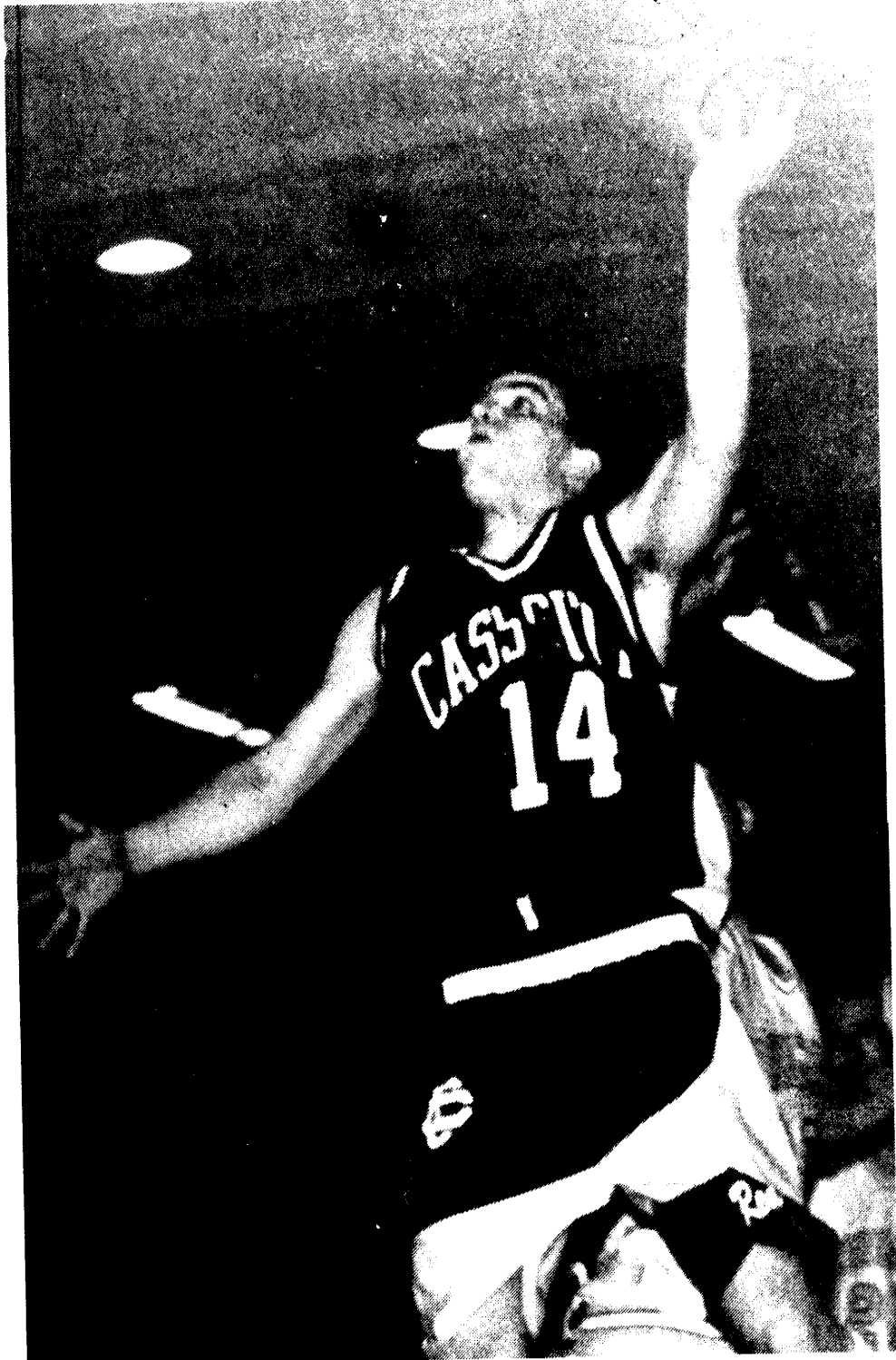
CASS CITY - Micklash 1-0 (1-2) 3; Wallace 1-1 (1-2) 6; Lenhard 0-0 (1-2) 1; Oesch 3-0 (0-0) 6; Diegel 5-0 (2-3) 12; Edwards 0-1 (0-0) 3. **TOTALS - 10-2 (5-9) 31.**

MARLETTE - Barnes 1-0 (0-0) 2; Sowa 1-1 (2-2) 7; Root 2-0 (4-4) 8; Schmitt 1-0 (0-0) 2; Rosser 1-0 (0-0) 2; Perales 3-0 (2-2) 8; Kolenda 5-0 (2-3) 12. **TOTALS - 14-1 (10-11) 41.**

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CASS CITY - Murphy 3-2 (3-3) 15; Micklash 3-0 (1-2) 7; Wallace 1-2 (0-0) 8; Diegel 4-0 (3-3) 11; Edwards 0-1 (0-0) 3; Brinkman 0-0 (1-2) 1. **TOTALS - 11-5 (8-13) 45.**

BCAS - Royal 1-1 (1-4) 6; Pydik 0-0 (2-2) 2; Guzman 3-0 (4-6) 10; Francis 8-0 (1-1) 17; Bannigan 4-0 (4-4) 12; Beyan 2-0 (0-0) 4. **TOTALS - 18-1 (12-17) 51.**



TIM MICKLASH scores from close-in against Bay City All Saints. The Hawks played one of their poorer games against the Cougars.



SCOTT WALLACE MADE a pretty move to the basket past Marlette's Tom Kolenda but missed the shot, one of many that Cass City failed to convert in the game.

Kingston wins early

# Weather postpones games for winless O-G Bulldogs

The blizzard like conditions of 1997 couldn't have come at a better time for Coach Jim Brinkman's Owen-Gage Bulldogs.

Winter's recent fury has postponed 2 of the reeling Bulldogs' last 3 contests, including Friday's tilt with Peck. The Pirate/Bulldog make-up date has been set for Saturday, Feb. 15.

The 'Dogs' adjournment from the hard court, where they stand at 0-8, could be just what these young hoopsters needed. However, Saturday night's make-up tilt with league leading Kingston offered little proof to that effect.

John McLaughlin and Tim Lyons combined for 45 points to lead the host Cardinals to a 91-40 North Central Thumb League win.

Coach Mike Rea's Cardinals vaulted to a 23-9 first period margin and then rode the backs of teammates McLaughlin and Lyons to the intermission, where they were in front 50-19.

Lyons and McLaughlin traded baskets during most of the 2nd stanza while the hosts' defense held Owen-Gage to just 3 fields goals. McLaughlin tallied 8 of his game high 25 markers in the frame, while Lyons whipped in half of his 20 point game

total. Sophomores Joel Bolzman and Chad Mellendorf gave Bulldog backers a glimpse into a promising future following the break as they helped Owen-Gage keep pace with the conference leaders. Leon Kaniszewski led the way for the winners, recording 8 of 16 points that included a pair of treys to help offset the efforts of Bolzman and Mellendorf, who split 10 third period markers.

Leading 68-31, Kingston closed out the contest with a 23-9 run over the final 8 minutes.

Bolzman was the only Bulldog to reach double digits and finished with 11 points. Mellendorf and senior John Richmond each chipped in with 8 points for the guests. Kingston's Lane Walker was the only other player to post double digits, with 14.

CPS GAME

Earlier in the week on Tuesday, Carsonville-Port Sanilac kept within one game of the NCTL Cardinals with a 54-21 victory over the Bulldogs. The visitors held Owen-Gage to a single free throw from Joel Bolzman in the initial period to help gain a 15-1 margin heading into the



Joel Bolzman top scorer

2nd period.

The Tigers' defense never allowed Owen-Gage back into the contest, creating 17 turnovers and holding Owen-Gage to just 24% shooting from the field. Owen-Gage shot only slightly better from the foul strip (3-7) and missed all 3 attempts from behind the 3-point arc.

In front 23-8 at the halfway point, CPS outscored the hosts 15-7 and 16-6 over the final 2 periods.

Dan Vogel had a game high 12 points for the winners, while Joe Sherman netted 11. The Bulldogs were led by Bolzman, with 9.

O-G - C-PS

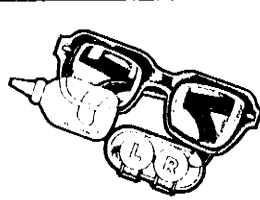
OWEN-GAGE - Anthes 2-0 (0-0) 4; Mellendorf 1-0 (2-5) 4; Bolzman 4-0 (1-2) 9; Dorsch 2-0 (0-0) 4. **TOTALS - 9-0 (3-7) 21.**

C-PS - Rosenberg 2-0 (0-0) 4; Sherman 4-1 (0-0) 11; Noelke 2-0 (2-2) 6; Seifferlein 1-0 (0-0) 2; S. Vogel 0-0 (1-2) 1; Peeling 2-0 (0-1) 4; Schommer 2-0 (0-0) 4; P. Vogel 1-0 (4-4) 6; Schneider 1-0 (2-2) 4; D. Vogel 3-2 (0-2) 12. **TOTALS - 18-3 (9-14) 54.**

O-G - KINGSTON

OWEN-GAGE - Anthes 1-0 (2-2) 4; Mellendorf 3-0 (2-4) 8; Bolzman 4-0 (3-9) 11; Rochefort 2-0 (1-3) 5; Koch 2-0 (0-0) 4; Richmond 4-0 (0-0) 8. **TOTALS - 16-0 (8-18) 40.**

KINGSTON - Walker 5-1 (1-2) 14; McLaughlin 10-1 (2-6) 25; Bastian 1-1 (0-0) 5; James 1-0 (1-2) 3; Lyons 10-0 (0-0) 20; Michalski 2-0 (0-0) 4; Kaniszewski 5-2 (0-0) 16; Kramer 2-0 (0-0) 4. **TOTALS - 36-5 (4-10) 91.**



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AT 28 YEARS of age, Richard Shemko has already visited six continents and is preparing to visit the seventh — Antarctica — next month. Above, he displays some of the souvenirs he's picked up during his travels over the past few years.

### Doctor: be alert to the dangers of hypothermia

As bone-chilling temperatures sweep down on Michigan, residents should be alert to hypothermia, a potentially dangerous condition caused by a steep drop in body temperature. "The condition occurs when body temperature drops to 95 degrees Fahrenheit," said Dexter Shurney, M.D., corporate medical director for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. "Seniors are especially susceptible because their bodies are less able to resist and react to cold temperature." Many medications that seniors take also can make them more susceptible to the cold.

fall, or the victim's heartbeat may slow or become irregular. Breathing may become slow and shallow. One way to detect hypothermia is to take the person's temperature. To get an accurate reading from an oral thermometer, it should be shaken down to at least 95 degrees Fahrenheit. A faulty reading may result if this is not done. For example, if a thermometer that reads 98 degrees is placed in the mouth of a person with a temperature of 95, the thermometer will still register 98. A physician should be called immediately if hypothermia is suspected. Death is likely if the victim's body temperature drops too far below normal, especially for an older person. Between 80 and 90 degrees, the chances for recovery are better, but some type of lasting damage is possible. While waiting for help, the

victim should be protected from the cold and passively rewarmed by, for example, applying mild heat to the torso - - a blanket, or a hot water bottle filled with warm, not hot, water. Aggressive rewarming should only be performed by a medical expert to avoid complications. Rewarming that is done too quickly can put an individual into shock. Everyone should avoid extended exposure to cold temperatures. The elderly should dress warmly, maintain adequate heat in their homes and keep plenty of blankets on the bed. A hat or cap is a good idea, indoors or out, because about 40 percent of the body's heat loss is from the head. Persons on medication should check with their doctor to find out whether prescription drugs could interfere with the body's ability to feel cold.

# Six continents explored World traveler Shemko sets sights on Antarctica

While many area residents who travel this time of year are visiting or planning to visit a warmer climate, Richard Shemko is gearing up for a different kind of vacation. Shemko is leaving Feb. 4 for a 2-week excursion to Antarctica, where he plans to see "places where humans have never been." The trip will be a special one for the 1986 Owen-Gage High School graduate, who has already visited the world's other 6 continents: North America, South America, Africa, Europe, Asia and Australia, as well as a majority of the United States. Not bad, considering Shemko is only 28 years old and before 1989 had never stepped foot aboard an airplane. An accounts receivable analyst at Textron, a major automotive parts supplier in Troy, Shemko recalled it was another world traveler, a former supervisor, who encouraged him to explore the world. Which led to his first trip to Hawaii in the spring of 1990. "Hawaii is beautiful, pure and simple, a paradise," he commented Monday while visiting his mother, Virginia Shemko of Cass City. "I've been back there 3 times since." "From there it just snowballed," he added. "I had the time and the money, so I just went." Later in 1990, Shemko continued his travels during a whirlwind tour that included stops in South America, Australia, New Zealand, Tahiti, and Egypt, all within a 2-month period.

ALASKA Not long after, he spent a few days in Washington, D.C. "Then, in December of that year, I went to Alaska," Shemko said he flew to Pt. Barrow, Alaska, the northernmost point in North America. It was an eerie trip from Anchorage to Barrow, he recalled, noting he

observed the beauty of a land contrasted by poverty and real danger. This is a continent where farmers are kidnapped and shot for their land, he said, adding he spoke to 50 other tourists in Rio de Janeiro who related stories of being mugged. The experience left an impression with the former area resident. "We should all be thankful that we live in the United States of America." Shemko said his visit to New Zealand revealed a small but beautiful country "that has everything." A highlight of the year was his 9-day tour of Egypt, which included a cruise of the Nile, from Abusimbal to Cairo. Seeing the pyramids and other architectural wonders there was incredible, he said. "I consider that one of my best vacations. Everyone in their lifetime should visit Hawaii and Egypt." On his way back from Egypt, Shemko stopped in Europe, where he spent New Year's Eve in Paris. Highlights of the visit included seeing the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral. He returned to Hawaii in 1991, but a new job in 1992 put his traveling plans on hold until July 1993, when he embarked on a 15-day trip to China. His tour included stops in Beijing, the Summer Palace and the Great Wall.

watched the sun set, rise and set again during a 70-minute flight. Because of the time of year (daytime temperatures didn't top minus 20 degrees), Shemko was the only tourist at a hotel in Barrow, a town with a population of about 3,000 people, where all the buildings are constructed on stilts due to permafrost. Shemko said he enjoyed walking on the frozen Arctic Ocean just across from his hotel. In 1994, Shemko left for a 3 1/2-week road trip across the United States. The trip, which took him as far west as Utah and as far south as Mexico, covered more than 8,700 miles, 23 states and 4 time zones. In the course of the trip, he experienced temperatures ranging from 25 to 90 degrees. He was sunburned in Colorado, and survived a blizzard in Arizona. "This trip was interesting," he said. "The only problem I had was (someone) almost stole my rental car in Juarez, Mexico. I was there 10 minutes."

65 other golf courses. "It did get expensive and it took all my weekends. It was great though," he said. "I've played every public course east of I-75 from Standish to the Ohio border." Looking ahead, Shemko is anxious to begin his next big travel adventure, but he indicated Antarctica won't be his last trip. "I love it. I can't stop," he said. "The rest of the United States is a big priority — I have 12 (states) yet to visit. I could see me doing that in a year. "I've sacrificed a lot to do this," he concluded, "but I don't regret it."

## HDC gearing up for annual walk

The Human Development Commission (HDC) is seeking volunteers to participate in the seventh annual Walk for Warmth, scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 22. The Walk for Warmth is a voluntary effort on the part of area citizens, who gather pledges and walk a pre-determined one-mile route. The money raised by the event aids residents with fuel and utility emergencies. The funds are returned to the communities from which they were raised, assisting seniors, the handicapped and the "working poor." Individuals and groups who

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  - Soundz by Greg 16
  - Cole Carbide 15
  - Wickes 14\*
  - Homesteaders 14
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  - Brentwood 9
  - Pro Temp 9
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High Series & Games: J. Milletics 746 (257-255-234), S. Hammett 718 (246-238-234), M. Lutz 700 (246-235-219), T. Comment 661 (258-226), A. Reed 654 (250-210), J. Johnston 652 (265-B), Rutkoski 650 (225-224), R. Salcido 635 (221-213), D. Shannon 631 (218), D. Englehardt 620 (222), D. Kirkbride 607 (245), M. Jackson 599 (247), D. Orton 595 (246), P. Martin 593 (241), D. O'Dell 583, R. Lewis 582, J. Mushenski 568, D. Salcido 563, T. Babich 562, P. Harmer 558, R. Byrnes 557 (221), J. Krol 554, G. Robinson 552, T. Davis 222, C. Anthes 212, K. Bliss 211.

High Team Series & Games: Milletics Surveying 3155 (1081).

## MERCHANTETTES Jan. 16

- Caro Chiropractic 16\*
  - J.B.'s Crew 16
  - Nel's Kitchen 16
  - Thumb Auto Wash 13
  - All Season Rental 13\*
  - Detroit Edison 13
  - Rolling Hills 12
  - Northwood Golf 12\*
  - Heartland Home Care 11\*
  - Form You 3 10
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High Actual Team Series & Game: Caro Chiropractic 1933 (685).

500 Series: Phyllis McIntosh 565, J. Morell 529, K. O'Dell 509.

200 Games: K. O'Dell 212, S. Greenlee 203.

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- IGA 29
- General Cable 22
- County Wide Builders 22
- Pioneer Seeds 22
- Martin Electric 19
- Marlette Oil & Gas 19
- Mycogen Plant Sciences 19
- NEIC 16
- Killers Auto Parts 16
- Hyatt Farms 16

High Team Series & Game: Pioneer Seeds 1818 (677).

High Series & Game: D. Beecher 680 (210-225-245), G. Robinson 679 (227-244), Duane O'Dell 622 (211), R. Pringle 617 (231), K. Pichla 615 (226-233), D. Doerr 598 (212), E. Schmaltz 598, K. Martin 595 (245), S. Osentoski 255, K. Kilbourn 218, R. Doerr 213, J. Hacker 212.

## CHARMONT LADIES

- Cable-ettes 23
- Live Wires 22
- Wild John's 22
- Team #7 21
- Dee's M.P. Rockets 19
- Dott Manufacturing 17
- Pizza Villa 16
- Cass City IGA 8
- Cass City Tire 6
- JB's Crew 6

High Team Series: Team #7 3101.

High Team Game: Dee's M.P. Rockets 1044.

High Series: E. Romain 549, D. Mathewson 541, J. Stevens 504, B. Kilbourn 501, N. Davis 485, B. Watson 479, M. Horne 476.

High Games: E. Romain 214, J. Stevens 208, D. Gibson 189, M. Haley 180, M. Horne 180, B. Watson 177, B. Kilbourn 175, N. Davis 170.

## FRIDAY NIGHT MIXED DOUBLES Jan. 17

- 7-10's 27
- Gators 27
- "Cut Throat" 24
- US 22
- Misfits 18
- The Family 16
- Grumblers 16
- Easy 7 15
- Split Happens 13
- Jegsters 12
- 9-N-A Wiggle 11
- Rare Form 11

Men's High Series & Games: G. Smith 648 (234-171-243), T. Smith 578, J. Ridge 565 (224).

Women's High Series & Game: D. Potrykus 522 (191).

High Team Series & Game: Gators 2075 (725).

# Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson  
Phone 658-2347



## DELAYED NEWS

Mrs. Curtis Cleland was a Wednesday supper guest of Wendy Rickett, Cory and Caitlyn and Tom Bailey.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney was a Wednesday lunch guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kerelewski in Bay City and later visited Mrs. Steve Sweeney in Bay City and Mabel Garner in Unionville.

Jason Baker and Tiffany Silver of Bay City were Sunday afternoon and supper guests of Reva Silver.

Cheryl and Bobbi Allen and Allen Farrelly had dinner at the Peppermill Friday.

Cory and Caitlyn Rickett were among those who attended a birthday party for Courtney Doerr at the home of Angie Sontag Sunday.

Mrs. Fritz VanErp and Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Della Guewa Sunday.

Allen Farrelly spent Saturday and Sunday afternoon with Laura Kulish.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Silver of Englewood, Ohio, and Lindsay Silver of Vernon spent the weekend with Reva Silver.

Eleven members of the Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Peppermill Thursday morning. They will meet

at the Peppermill next week on Thursday, Jan. 16.

Caitlyn Rickett, Mrs. Curtis Cleland, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Puterbaugh, Janet Hacker, Lana Puterbaugh and Klyn, Dalton Puterbaugh, and Alex Cheranowski were oyster supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ryerson Puterbaugh.

Ray English, Dale Ignash, Allen Farrelly, Doris Western and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel met at McDonald's Saturday morning for breakfast.

The Greenleaf Extended Women's group met Thursday, Jan. 16, at noon.

Jamie Doerr and Courtney, Cory and Caitlyn Rickett and Mrs. Curtis Cleland were Thursday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr, where they celebrated Courtney Doerr's fifth birthday.

Bobbi Allen and Allen Farrelly were Monday and Wednesday afternoon guests of Cheryl Allen.



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## Resident of the Month



**Aloys Armstrong**

Aloys is truly a blessing to our facility. She volunteers to help with whatever is needed - pushing residents out to meals; reading to other residents; helping in activities. We sure are glad to have Aloys as part of our family. Congratulations, Aloys!

## Employee of the Month



**Lisa Domenick**

Lisa has been a nurse assistant with Tendercare Cass City since May of 1995. Her co-workers say "she is so helpful." "she takes time to help new employees learn their job." "I am so impressed with her attitude towards her job and the residents." Lisa is a wonderful asset to Tendercare Residents and family members often comment on her kindness and compliment her performance. Thank you Lisa - we are proud to have you on our Tendercare team!



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### Tips for beef producers' profits set for Cass City meet

What beef operations can do to increase profits and sales potential will be the focus of the 2-day short course for professional cattle producers that is being offered by Michigan State University Extension.

The sessions will take place Feb. 6 and 27 at the Colony House near Cass City and Feb. 7 and 28 at the Kellogg Biological Station near Hickory Corners. The program will run from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. both days in each location.

The program the first day will focus on new developments in antibiotic therapy, minimizing shipping fever to maximize performance, and minimizing health costs for cattle entering feedlots.

There will also be a producers' panel discussion on receiving programs that work well in their respective feedlots.

The second day's program will contain a 1997 corn price outlook, a discussion on market opportunities — niche markets, alliances and branded products — new ideas on the use of implants, suggestions on reducing feed expenses and a look at consumer expectations for beef products.

Registration is \$60 for the first person and \$50 for the second person from the same farm or business.

More information on the short course can be obtained from Steve Rust at MSU by calling 517-432-1390.

### Calendar of Events

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

#### Friday, January 24

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

#### Saturday, January 25

Octagon Barn Fund Raiser Dinner Dance, at the Colony House. Dinner at 6:30, dancing at 8 p.m.

\$5,000 Pike Ice Fishing Contest to benefit The Fowler Center, Harmon Lake, Mayville, Michigan. For more info call 517-673-2050.

#### Monday, January 27

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

Cass City Women's Club, 6 p.m., Charmont.

Cass City School Board meeting, high school, 7:30 p.m.

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

#### Wednesday, January 29

Duplicate Bridge, 7 p.m. at Charmont. Everyone welcome. Last week's winners: Toby Weaver and Mary Rabideau.

### Tougher seat belt laws reduce risks

Traffic safety advocates in Michigan are encouraged by a recent Louisiana poll that shows 3 months after that state's standard safety belt law has been in effect, a majority of motorists understand the law, agree that safety belts reduce the risk of injury in a crash and believe law enforcement agencies are ticketing motorists who do not buckle up.

Louisiana safety officials believe that belt use has increased due to the new amendment to the belt law and the public's increased understanding of the importance of buckling up.

This is the same reaction which occurred in California,

the first state which changed the status of enforcement law to be the same as all other traffic offenses. In the first year after the California law passed (1994), 66 percent had read, seen or heard about the change; 75 percent felt the law was strictly enforced and 55 percent said that they were wearing a belt more often than the previous year.

"Standard enforcement is a much-needed wake-up call to the one third of Michigan motorists who do not buckle up and cost Michigan millions of dollars annually in insurance, medical Medicaid and emergency response resources."

# Safety first tips for state's 264,000 registered snowmobiles

Owners of more than 264,000 registered snowmobiles in Michigan should ensure that safety is their copilot before they hit the trail this winter, advises AAA Michigan.

"Though most snowmobile riders safely enjoy Michigan's popular outdoor sport, rising crash and injury numbers are a major concern to all snowmobilers, said AAA Community Safety Services Manager Jerry Basch. "Excessive speed, alcohol and rider inexperience is a formula that last season combined to produce record tragic results," said Basch.

During the 1995-96 season, a record 45 persons died in 42 crashes. Compare that to the 1994-95 winter, when 18 crashes claimed 18 lives. Alcohol and speed were principal factors in last winter's accidents, he said. Alcohol was involved in two-thirds of

the fatalities.

Excess speed was a factor in 36 of the 42 reported fatal crashes last season. "Operating a snowmobile involves more than just knowing how to start it," Basch said. "It takes coordination of balance and weight transfer with throttle control."

"Snowmobiles can easily travel more than 50 mph. Vision and control become problems, especially on rough terrain, when snow is falling and during periods of low light," Basch added. The mix of highway vehicles and snowmobiles frequently leads to disaster. Steering can be imprecise, especially on ice.

According to the State Department of Natural Resources, snowmobile registrations have jumped 26 percent since 1990 with an estimated 20,000 to 25,000 added in Michigan as re-

placements or new machines each winter. "Some sleds are literally hotrods on tracks," Basch added. "High-performance snowmobiles can produce upward of 155 horsepower, more than many cars," he said. "Drivers can get overconfident and go faster without realizing the possible consequences."

The State Department of Natural Resources and the Michigan Snowmobile Association are joining to help curb the rise in deaths and injuries through more enforcement, pressing for mandatory safety classes in the state Legislature, and emphasizing some common-sense rules of the trail. AAA urges snowmobilers to:

- Wear a helmet: If a "full-face" model isn't available, wear eye protection and face mask to guard against frostbite. Headlights must be turned on even in daylight to

be more easily seen.

- Dress warmly, preferably in a snowmobile suit, with insulated boots and mittens. Don't wear scarves and other loose clothing that can tangle in equipment or passing objects.

- Avoid snowmobiling alone in frigid weather or in dangerous wind chill conditions. Use the "buddy system" and let someone know your itinerary.

- Pack a first-aid kit, compass, map, matches, an aluminum foil-type survival blanket, tool kit, rope and extra ignition key.

- Never drink alcohol before or while snowmobiling.

- Travel on approved trails, or where allowed, on the right shoulder of the road. Be considerate of private property.

- Avoid bodies of water es-

pecially if the ice is less than 6 inches thick. Never travel on rivers, where ice thicknesses can vary. Watch for animals, fences, tree stumps and stretched wire that may be concealed by snow.

Like a car, snowmobiles are often theft targets. Take the ignition key when the machine is parked, and chain and padlock your snowmobile. Never leave a snowmobile running unattended.

Twenty maps showing more than 5,500 miles of state-maintained snowmobile trails are available free by calling the State Department of Natural Resources' Forest Management Division at 517-373-4175, or by writing to Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Forest Management Division, P.O. Box 30452, Lansing, MI 48909-7952.

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Feb. 25 in Saginaw

# Meet targets beet decline

What growers need to know about arresting the yield decline in sugar beets will be the focus of the Sugar Beet Symposium Feb. 25 in Saginaw.

The 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. program, at the Horizons Conference Center on State Street in Saginaw, will feature some of the top growers and researchers in sugar beet crop management and production.

The program will focus on new sugar beet planting technology being used by growers in the United Kingdom, the advantages of growing sugar beets in narrow rows and minimizing sugar beet

seedling diseases.

There will also be a panel discussion on sugar beet production, suggestions for developing a sugar beet production system and an overview of the Sugar Beet Revitalization Initiative (SBRI). The symposium will also have a trade show of more than 100 exhibitors of supplies and services related to production of sugar beets and other cash crops.

SBRI co-chair Steve Poindexter, Michigan State University Extension agricultural agent in Saginaw County, says the SBRI was initiated Dec. 4 in Frankenmuth during a meet-

ing of 25 sugar beet growers, industry representatives and MSU Extension agronomists.

Statistics show that per-acre yields of sugar beets have been gradually declining since the mid-1980s. Some growers say their per-acre yields have declined more than 25 percent in the past decade.

"There is no single reason for the sugar beet yield decline but a combination of factors," Poindexter says. "So we are working together as a group to prioritize the 2 or 3 biggest factors that may be contributing to the decline while not overlooking other

factors that are affecting production systems and management. The symposium is one of the steps we are taking to help growers review production systems and management."

More information about the symposium and the goals of the SBRI can be obtained by calling Poindexter at 517-799-2233 or Harold Rouget, MSU Extension agent in Tuscola County, at 517-672-3870.

## Snowfleas

Does your snowman have fleas? Snowfleas, about the width of a sharpened pencil tip, love to sun themselves on the surface of snow on warm winter days. To find snowfleas, look for patches of snow that look like a rust stain or sprinkled pepper. The patches will look like they're moving too. Don't worry though. Snowfleas don't suck blood like animal fleas. They only eat decaying plants and fungi.

## Program set on feeding forages

Optimal nutritional management and feeding of forages to dairy cattle is the focus of the statewide educational program currently offered by the Michigan State University Extension Dairy Team.

The program is being held in 12 locations around the state. The cost is \$35 for the first person from an operation and \$15 for each additional farm employee or family member.

Checks should be made payable to MSU and mailed to the Department of Animal Science, c/o Rita House, MSU, 220 Anthony Hall, East Lansing, MI 48824-1225. Registration forms and program brochures are available from MSU Extension - Huron County (517) 269-9949 or from Rita House at MSU (517) 353-4570 — call-in registration also possible.

The main theme of the program is efficient utilization of forages in nutrition and feeding of dairy animals. As ruminants, dairy cattle must have fiber in their rations to be healthy and productive. Forages provide needed fiber, energy, protein, and other nutrients. The nutrients

in forages are expensive! Therefore, optimizing the production, harvesting, preservation, and feeding of forages is extremely important to the economic position and potential profitability of dairy farms.

The morning session focuses on the Forage Management Decision Tool Kit, a topic aimed to help dairy producers make economically sound decisions about forage feeding, and what to grow and when to harvest various forages to optimize quality and feeding.

The afternoon session emphasizes use of managed intensive grazing for heifer re-

placements, silo management and additives to optimize nutrition, and feeding forages for maximum profit. There also will be presentations by producers on their forage management practices.

The program offered in the Thumb Area will run from 9:30 a.m. through 3:15 p.m. Feb. 4 at the Colony House, 8430 N. Van Dyke Rd., near Cass City.

Preregistration forms for the program can be obtained from MSU Extension - Huron County at (517) 269-9949 or from Rita House at (517) 353-4570.

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- Denise Sprague, RN, BSN, Director of Nursing, Caro Community Hospital
- Dr. Don Carr, Carr and Associates
- Dr. Ray Johnson, Professor, Central Michigan University
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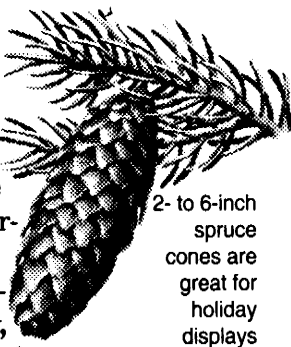
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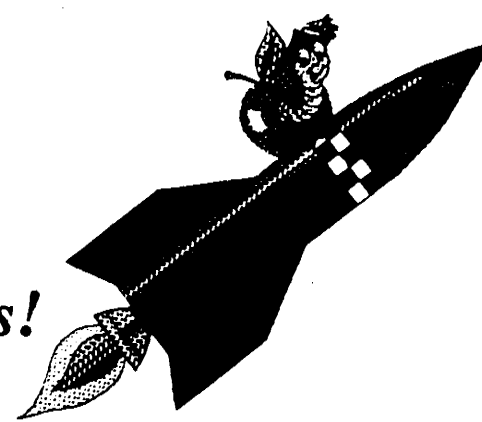
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## Alzheimer's group to meet Feb. 12

Human Development Commission (HDC) officials recently announced that the Tuscola County Alzheimer's Support Group will now be hosted by Tuscola County Adult Day Services (ADS), a program of HDC that provides care for older adults in need of assistance.

The group will continue to meet on the second Tuesday of each month, with the next session scheduled for Feb. 12 from 1:30 until 3 p.m. New location for the meetings will be the HDC Green Street Senior Complex, 435 Green St., Caro, between Wells and Almer Streets.

All who have previously attended these sessions are most welcome, as is any new guest with an interest in issues related to Alzheimer's Disease.

Persons who would like more information about these sessions, or about any program operated by HDC, are invited to contact ADS Coordinator Kim Wasik or Program Specialist Heather Hammett at (517) 672-CARE (2273).

## 4-H tractor safety classes set for Feb. 24

4-H Safe Tractor Operation classes will be offered in Sanilac County beginning Monday, Feb. 24, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the County Conference Room in Sandusky.

A class will be offered for youth 10-12 years old, "Introduction to Safe Tractor Operation." It will meet 2 hours per week for 3 weeks and provide basic information on farm and tractor safety issues. This is a safety education class geared for the younger student.

For youth over 12, there will be the regular 7-week 4-H Safe Tractor Operation Course, which will provide a "Certificate of Training" for those who successfully complete the requirements, including weekly homework assignments, a written exam and a practical driving test. These courses are classroom instruction only. Tractor operation must occur at home under parental supervision. This class also begins Monday, Feb. 24, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the County Conference Room in Sandusky.

Also being offered will be a Farm Machinery course for youth who are 14 years or older and have successfully completed, or are currently enrolled in the 7-week Tractor Safety Course. A minimum of 10 students must be pre-enrolled for a class to meet as scheduled. Farm machinery courses will be Saturday, March 22, and Saturday, April 5, with driving tests April 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.




There will be a \$5 fee for each class.

Students must be pre-enrolled, and the \$5 fee must be pre-paid by Feb. 3. Enroll by calling Aletha Mahaffy at (810) 648-2515.

Parents are encouraged to attend the sessions with their youth. Several parents who have attended in the past have indicated that the course is a "good refresher" for any tractor operator.

If your child is working for a farmer (even if it is only "granddad"), is under the age of 16, and drives tractor or does any of the other jobs that have been identified as "hazardous" by the Federal Department of Labor, he/she must have a "Certificate of Training." For more complete information about federal regulations regarding youth employment in agriculture, contact the MSU Extension office and ask for bulletin AEIS #598 "Youth Employment in Hazardous Jobs in Agriculture."

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THE Ray Graichen family would like to express their gratitude to all who helped and attended the memorial service or sent cards. A special thanks to the Cass City VFW and the Rev. Stu Roy of DeFord Community Church, who officiated. Everyone's thoughts and prayers were greatly appreciated.  
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# Milk prices focus of meet

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All of the new federal order marketing areas are to be finalized in 2 years.

## IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business Saturday, Harold Gremel, District 9 board member, presented a brief overview of MMPA's financial standing.

Gremel reported MMPA marketed 3 billion pounds of milk valued at \$450 million in 1996.

Accounts receivable totaled

\$22.5 million, and the cooperative had an inventory of milk products totalling \$6.2 million. Net fixed assets totalled \$43.6 million, total equity is \$39.2 million, and net savings totaled \$6.3 million.

Gremel said MMPA's long-term debt stands at \$18 million, however, the actual debt is closer to \$8 million because MMPA has to borrow additional funds to meet state requirements regarding the cooperative's asset to liability ratio.

Also Saturday, the local membership:

•Learned Deford Local President Leslie Severance has been awarded an Outstanding Quality Milk Production award, as well as a 100 percent score on compliance with the Pasteurized Milk Ordinance. Also honored for an outstanding score on compliance with the Pasteurized Milk Ordinance was the Raymond Wolak Farm.

Awards were presented to both farmers by Richard Fluegge, MMPA field representative.

In accepting his awards, Severance was quick to credit several people, including his wife, Kay, and full-time employees Tim Willis and Ken and Merry Steely.

•Relected Severance as president of the Deford Local. Keith Brown and Alice Zajac were elected vice-president and secretary treasurer, respectively, while Martin Venema and Keith Wood were named delegates, and Venema was elected to the nominating committee.

Edward Zimba was elected to represent the local in the Outstanding Young Dairy Cooperator program.

•Reviewed the local's annual financial statement, which showed a beginning balance of \$665,59, revenues of \$1,310,34 and expenses of \$444,78, and an ending balance of \$865,56.

\*Voted to maintain local dues at \$15.



**MICHIGAN MILK Producers Association General Manager Walt Wosje spoke about milk price trends in 1996 during Saturday's annual meeting of MMPA's Deford Local. Also pictured are Harold Gremel, District 9 board member (left), and Deford Local President Leslie Severance.**

## Meet set on groundwater contamination

How to minimize groundwater contamination by petroleum fuel spills or leaks will be the focus of a workshop Jan. 30 from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Bavarian Inn in Frankenmuth.

"The purpose of the workshop is to provide farmers with an overview of potential fuel contamination problems and how to avoid them," said Charles Gould, Michigan State University Extension District groundwater agent.

"Fuel storage is often a major issue for farmers concerned with the potential for risk to groundwater on their farmsteads," added Joyce Muz, Tuscola Water Quality agent.

Workshop discussion will focus on fuel storage secondary containment, proper fuel storage location, the merit of a fuel storage shelter, handling fuel-contaminated soil, and what can be done with old fuel tanks.

There is no registration fee for this workshop. A complimentary lunch will be provided. The registration deadline (for meal planning) is Jan. 22. To make reservations, contact the Tuscola MSU Extension office or call Charles Gould at 616-456-6988.

# Food prices down in late '96

Consumers got a break at the supermarket line during the fourth quarter of 1996, according to the American Farm Bureau Federation's latest informal survey of retail food prices. Farm Bureau's Marketbasket Survey showed a 52-cent drop in selected grocery items during the fourth quarter.

Americans paid \$32.27 for 16 select items on the survey during the fourth quarter, down from the third quarter's \$32.79 figure. It marked the first decrease of the year as food prices inched higher during the first 3 quarters. The cost of Farm Bureau's marketbasket is \$1.96 higher than a year ago.

While pork products were a big factor in price increases earlier in the year, they also contributed to the drop during the fourth quarter. A pound of bacon, which jumped 68 cents during the first 3 quarters, dropped 23 cents this quarter. Shoppers paid \$2.34 a pound for bacon this quarter, compared to

\$2.57 during the third quarter. A pound of pork chops cost \$3.27, down 9 cents.

Ken Nye, director of Michigan Farm Bureau's commodity and environmental division, isn't surprised by the downturn in bacon prices, which normally fall this time of year. "Bacon is still somewhat of a seasonal product," said Nye, "It is a summer-demand product. The high demand for bacon is still for sandwiches. We are out of the bacon, lettuce and tomato season."

Nye said the trend is changing somewhat with fast-food restaurants such as McDonald's and Burger King adding bacon to many of their popular items.

Of the 16 items surveyed nationwide, 7 jumped in price from the third quarter. Following a trend of the past year, dairy prices increased during the fourth quarter. A pound of cheddar cheese increased 22 cents to \$5.21. A

gallon of whole milk, which jumped 13 cents during the third quarter, slowed down a little this survey with a 4-cent increase to \$2.58.

The higher milk and cheese prices partially reflect increased grain prices farmers had to pay during the past year. Other increases include ground chuck, \$1.66 per pound, up 12 cents; mayonnaise, \$2.56 per 32-ounce jar, up 12 cents; sirloin tip roast, \$2.77 per pound, up 8 cents; eggs, \$1.10 per dozen, up 4 cents; and cereal, \$2.62 per 10-ounce box, up one cent.

A 5-pound bag of flour represented the sharpest price decrease during the fourth quarter, dropping 27 cents to \$1.17. Other decreases included Russet potatoes, \$1.53 per 5-pound bag, down 24 cents; apples, 92 cents per pound, down 18 cents; whole fryers, 91 cents per pound, down 6 cents; white bread, \$1.09 per 20-ounce loaf, down 6 cents; corn oil, \$2.36

per 32-ounce jar, down 6 cents, and vegetable oil \$2.17 per 32-ounce jar, down 6 cents.

# Baker recovering from bone marrow transplant

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on 3 separate days to determine her blood counts. "My counts had to be up to a certain level before they would start to draw off the stem cells," she explained.

However, she was hospitalized on the second day due to problems with the catheter, which affected the range of motion in her shoulder and arm.

On Nov. 3, Baker was connected to a special cell separation machine that draws blood, collects the stems and returns the remaining cells to the patient's body.

The process, which requires the patient to lie still for 4 to 6 hours per day, typically is repeated for up to 10 days. In Baker's case, however,

enough stem cells were collected after just one day. "They (doctors) were flabbergasted," she recalled.

## CHEMOTHERAPY

Baker was discharged from the hospital Nov. 4, but continued outpatient visits until Nov. 27, when she was again admitted to start 4 consecutive days of high dose chemotherapy, followed by 4 consecutive days of full body radiation treatments designed to kill all the cancer cells in her body.

"Amazingly enough, it went much better than I thought it would," she said. "I feel that I tolerated it well, and the doctors thought I did, too."

Despite the treatments, Baker was required to get up each day, shower and walk laps in the hospital hallway. She noted the exercise helps in the recuperation process.

After the treatments, Baker said she was placed in isolation to protect her as much as possible from any infection. "Everyone coming to see me had to wear a mask, and any time I left the room I had to wear a mask."

On Dec. 6, Baker underwent the actual transplant, when her own stem cells were injected back into her body.

"That's considered my second birthday," she said. "I didn't realize how emotional it was going to be. It's like you've been given a new chance at life."

## DISCHARGED

Baker was discharged Dec. 16. In all, transplant patients are told to expect a hospital

stay of 4 to 6 weeks, but Baker's stay totaled only 3 weeks. Likewise, her post-discharge stay near the hospital was unusually brief. After discharge, patients typically remain within a 100-mile radius of the hospital for 50 to 100 days. "I ended up spending 4 nights there, then I came home and have been home ever since" she said.

It was a joyous Christmas and New Years, spent at home with family and friends, she added.

And although Baker's prognosis is good, she is still not out of the woods. The future holds periodic check-ups and tests to monitor her progress. "They tell me if you make it through 2 years, you can begin to breathe a little easier," she said, noting a patient isn't considered cured until he/she makes it 5 years without the cancer reappearing.

Baker is optimistic. The mother and grandmother is also thankful for the support of her family as well as friends and others, who have raised \$8,000 to help her out with expenses. The support was doubled by the Aid Association for Lutherans, which matched the donations through its Helping Hands Program.

Baker acknowledged she feels tired, and the walls of her home seem to close in on her at times, but she feels good.

"I still have a long road to go, and we have no idea when I will be able to go back to work, but things are really looking good," she concluded.

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