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Cass Cityan settles for \$200,000 in lawsuit

A Cass City man has received \$100,000 in the settlement of a lawsuit in which he claimed a Thumb area hospital and doctor failed to diagnose and treat his wife's breast cancer, resulting in her death last year.

Huron County Circuit Court Judge M. Richard Knoblock approved the settlement April 28.

According to court records, Ernest Sowders, 4891 Northwood Circle, Cass City, filed the lawsuit Jan. 13 in Huron County Circuit Court on behalf of his deceased wife, Madeline Sowders. Named as defendants were Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, and Dr. David L. Carter, M.D.

Sowders claimed the hospital and doctor were negligent in the care and treatment of his wife, who underwent a routine mammography at Scheurer Hospital June 10, 1993.

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STRIKING BRICKLAYERS and cement finishers threatened to shut down construction of the new Cass City Middle School building. However, Keith Hammis (above), project superintendent, learned Friday that the workers would return to work early this week following a settlement, ending the 16-day strike.

Strike settled, middle school still on schedule

A strike that began early this month, threatening the planned completion date for the new Cass City Middle School building, apparently was resolved late last week.

Construction of the \$6.8 million, 76,217-square-foot school was initially slated for late this year.

Plans called for students to be in the new facility by the start of the second semester of the 1997-98 school year. And until a couple of weeks ago, work on the building had progressed without a hitch, with project Superintendent Keith Hammis giving the school board optimistic reports regarding the target date.

However, a strike by the Bricklayers and Allied Crafts Workers, Local 9, had Hammis very concerned.

The union, based in Lansing, represents both bricklayers and cement finishers. "They have been out now, going on 3 weeks," Hammis said Friday morning.

"We're talking about approximately 25 to 30 workers that are not working and are on strike. None of the (middle school) walls are going up and none of the floors are being poured."

"It will affect the completion date unless they come back. We have another week of work or so for carpenters on the project," Hammis explained, adding there is also some roofing work to be done.

After that, however, "They'll be caught up as far as they can go," he said. "Then we'll be pretty well shut down."

By Friday afternoon, a relieved Hammis reported he had received word that the bricklayers and cement finishers would be back to work early this week.

"By their going back to work Monday, we still should be done by December," he said.

"We lost 2 weeks and 2 days. We were somewhat ahead of schedule, but you need that float time for bad weather."

With some cooperation from Mother Nature, the full construction crew of 65 to 70 workers will soon begin what

Hammis called the most exciting part of the job: connecting the various wings — "putting it all together."

Hammis also had some other good news; the crew has continued to make good progress without a single lost-time accident at the site.

Plans complete for Memorial Day activities

Traditional Memorial Day activities promise to bring out area groups at this year's annual Memorial Day observances.

Sandy Haley, a Cass City Village Council trustee and Memorial Day chairman, said the parade will begin at 10 a.m., following a route on Main Street east to the Elkland Township Cemetery.

Local VFW members as well as the Cass City High School band, area cub scouts, girl scouts, boy scouts, brownies, and boys and girls little league players will be marching in the parade, she said.

Haley noted that any children wishing to decorate their bikes and follow the end of the parade are welcome to participate and should meet in the Little Caesar's parking lot.

Jack Esau, quartermaster of VFW Post 3644, Cass City, encourages as many veterans as possible to participate, either by marching or riding in the parade. Rides will be provided to those unable to march.

"All veterans are invited to march in the parade if they belong to the VFW or not,"

he said, adding veterans are encouraged to wear their uniforms.

Esau said it is important for veterans to take part in Memorial Day activities because of the holiday's history. "I think it captures the spirit of Memorial Day, the military element of it. It's always had a military tie to it."

The parade will end at the cemetery at about 10:30 a.m., according to Elkland Township Clerk Norma Wallace.

The Rev. Dave Edwards, pastor of the Missionary Church of Cass City, will be the guest speaker.

VFW members will also be on hand to fire a 3-round volley and to place a wreath in front of the flag as part of the ceremony.

Other activities in the area include the 58th annual Grant Township Memorial Day service, which will take place at the Grant Cemetery, Sunday at 2 p.m.

The Rev. Alice Sheffield of the United Methodist Church of Owendale and Gagetown will speak at the ceremony.

Ag agents report

Warm weather needed for crops

By Angela Cook
Staff writer

The unusually cold weather for this time of year is preventing farmers from getting into the fields, and slowing and even preventing the growth of some crops.

Carrie Andrich, agricultural agent of the Huron County Extension office, said most of the corn crop has been in 3 weeks but as a result of the cold temperatures, hasn't begun to grow.

"You don't want to see anything in the ground that long," she said.

She said most corn went in on time, with expectations the weather would cooperate, but because of the cool weather, the soil temperatures have remained in the

40's, too cold for corn to grow.

Furthermore, she said, if crops such as corn don't begin to grow soon, they could be at risk for insect infestation, fungus and disease.

"The longer it sits in the ground, the greater the risk is," she said.

Andrich said there are still some farmers in the area needing to plant remaining corn and begin planting their soybeans. If this does not occur soon, it could mean a later growing season and lower yields, particularly for the corn crop.

"The later they go in, the more risk you have of frost injury," she added. "Right now is the time to be getting those crops in. If we can't, we'll be in the same boat we

were last year."

Tuscola County agricultural agent, Tuscola County Extension office, Harold Rouget agreed with Andrich, saying crops in the area are definitely in need of heat.

"It's been cold and things have been growing slow," he said.

Rouget said warm weather is needed to warm the soil, and once this occurs, crops should be shooting up. "We need heat units, we need warm temperatures."

Andrich also noted that winter wheat is doing better than the previous year, but the growth is still slow.

The wheat doesn't look too bad," she said.

Sanilac County Agricultural Agent Martin Nagelkirk

commented the wheat was doing fair and because of the harsh winter, the wheat suffered.

"We do have some spotty stand," he said. "For those who were able to maintain a decent stand, those are growing."

Nagelkirk said alfalfa and oats were in his county, but these are not affected by the cold as other crops are. He commented, "Cool weather does not inhibit them as it does warm weather crops."

"Those are emerging slowly but at least they're emerging," he added.

Jeff Andresen, Michigan State University agricultural meteorologist, said the state is at least one to two weeks behind the 30-year normal in growing degree day accumu-

lations.

"The persistent weather pattern during a good deal of late April and much of May is somewhat unusual," he said. "Because normally we do not see April and May have similar anomalous conditions back to back. It's a transitional season."

Robert Braem, vice-president of agriculture at the Michigan Sugar Company, of Caro said sugar beets are doing extremely well, with 100 percent of the crop already planted.

He said the beets are usually planted the first of May, but this year they were planted, on average, around April 25.

"The ground got fit and the growers got out there, Please turn to back page.

Quartermaster stepping down

VFW post thrives under Esau's leadership

By Angela Cook
Staff writer

A man that has seen the VFW local post 3644 grow from the ground up is retiring from his post after 13 years of service.

Jack Esau, 79, is retiring from his position as quartermaster, which he has held for 13 years, a position which put him in charge of all financial affairs at the local post, and is handing his duties over to Ron Lomasney.

Esau served in World War II in the United States Marine Corps, stationed in the Pacific.

Esau, who has been with the post since its humble beginning 13 years ago, reflected on his service to the post and said he has seen it go from rags to riches in a sense.

He said he remembers when the post, which now has 120 members, began in 1984 with only 25 members.

At that time the post met in the basement of Charmont Restaurant and had little to call its own.

"We started from plain scratch, we owned no real

estate, nothing," Esau added.

The post met in the basement for one year before deciding to rent what is now Videomation in 1985, and began meeting there, Esau said.

Then in 1990, the post reached a goal they had set since the beginning. They purchased what was then a bowling alley and totally refurbished the building.

"We went right down to the bare walls," he said.

Prior to being the VFW hall, the building had also served a variety of other purposes, including a second hand store and a church.

But at the time of purchase it was vacant.

"It was kind of vacant and unoccupied when we bought it," he added.

The construction was overseen by the late Frank McComb, also a member of the local post. In fact, Esau said the plumbing, electrical work and carpentry was done by post members.

"The big share of the work was done by post members,"

he said.

He said the purchase of the buildings, and the feat of remaining debt free, is due to the post sponsoring weekly Wednesday bingo at the hall.

"That's our bread and butter, our chief money maker," he added. "Before that we lived from hand to mouth."

Esau pointed out that many bingo players from the central Thumb area within a 15 mile radius of Cass City come to play bingo at the local post.

"It's a pretty steady crowd," he said.

He added the post also makes a substantial amount renting the hall out for weddings and other social occasions.

He said the hall is in an ideal place, being located close to the downtown, making it convenient for all occasions and gatherings.

"This is the perfect place for us," he said.

Despite his retirement from his post, he maintained he will still remain active in other roles.

"It doesn't mean I'm quitting," he said.



RETIRING VFW Quartermaster Jack Esau is stepping down from his post after 13 years of service to the VFW local post 3644.

Approved: \$35,000 for Elkland Twp. roads

Elkland Township officials last week approved spending more than \$35,000 to improve gravel roads and keep them dust-free during the summer months.

The township board approved purchasing \$28,000 worth of patching gravel to be used on various township roads, Clerk Norma Wallace reported. In addition, she said, another \$7,336 will be spent on brine to be sprayed on 33.5 miles of roads.

"There will probably be other road contracts, but we have not done those yet," she added.

In addition, the board approved a bid of \$2,150 from PTI to blacktop the driveway at the cemetery sexton's residence and a bid of \$2,116 from Tri-County Seal to seal coat the fire hall parking lot.

In other business during the May 12 monthly meeting, the board accepted the resignation of Ted Morgan, who has served as cemetery sexton for the past 20 years.

Filling the vacancy will be Don Erla, one of 3 applicants who was also hired by the board to serve as township

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6 from area earn degrees at MSU

Six area students of higher education recently graduated from Michigan State University.

The area graduates are Heidi Hall, Roxanne Rutkoski, Stacey Krueger, Jeremy Peruski, Jessica Ligrow and Bradly Schelke. Schelke, a 1992 graduate of Ubyly High School and the son of Gloria and Larry Schelke, earned a degree in engineering arts. He is currently looking for a job in his field.

Jessica Ligrow, a 1993 graduate of Ubyly High School and the daughter of Fred and Mary Jo Ligrow, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in elementary education. She plans to begin a

student teaching job in the fall.

Roxanne Rutkoski, a 1993 graduate of Cass City High School, graduated with honors with a Bachelor of Arts in art history. She plans to attend Syracuse University in Syracuse, New York. Long term plans include earning a masters degree and teaching at a junior college or small university.



Roxanne Rutkoski

Crunchy

Commercial sales of crunchy snacks are growing, especially for low-fat items like pretzels, baked potato chips and baked tortilla chips. The American Dietetic Association said that for every \$100 we spend in the supermarket, nearly \$6 goes for snacks.

Cass City Social Items

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Jeffrey Jeung is one of over 450 Alma College students who have been named to the dean's list for outstanding academic performance during the 1997 winter term. Students listed achieve a 3.5 or better grade point average during the term.

Ryan Rockwell of Cass City has been accepted into Ferris State University's new Honors Program. The program, beginning in fall of 1997, is a residential program offering international enrichment to the college experience. Students selected for the Honors Program remain members of their chosen academic major while enjoying enriching global, cultural, social and community service opportunities. Honors Program students may reside in newly renovated Helen Ferris Hall with the assistance of a \$2,000 Residential Life Scholarship.

Susan and Tim Wooster of Flint were dinner guests Sunday of Mary and Dale Damm.

Stan and Melva Guinther visited their son and family, Mark and Shelley Guinther, Drew and Spencer, in Cranberry Township, Pa., from Wednesday until Sunday.

Announce engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bricker announce the coming marriage of their daughter Nancy to Urie Bender, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bender of Middlefield, Ohio, Thursday, May 22, 1997, at their residence on Kelly Road, Cass City.



Ronald Edgar Yoe and Trudy Ann Perkins, both of Caro.

Robert John Peters and Tracy Murrell Woodside, both of Vassar.

David Allen Kreil and Diane Elizabeth Kozak, both of Reese.

Robert John Molby and Audrey Ann Backus, both of Caro.

Bartley J. Ruckman, Indianapolis, Ind., and Sarah Anne Rogers, Clifford.

Duane Stewart Wilcox and Linda Marie Garbacz, both of Caro.

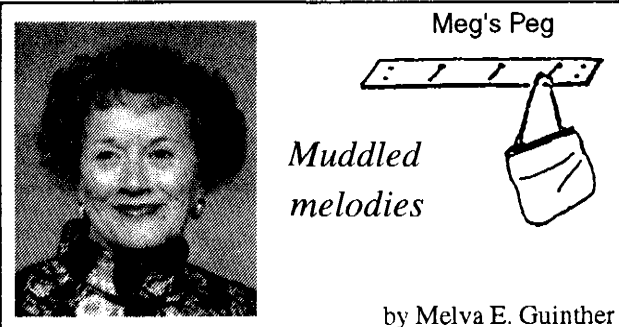
James Steven Will, Vassar, and Lisa Marilyn Tuckey, Caro.

Dana John Buchinger and Victoria Rose Sholes, both of Vassar.

David Allen Kemp, Unionville, and Kristi Ann Brink, Akron.

Uria W. Bender, Deford, and Nancy J. Bricker, Cass City.

Bayne Burke and Michelle Lynn Anders, both of Fostoria.



Remember the "Hit Parade"? For younger readers, it was a weekly radio program that played the top juke box records (pre-CD era) for the week.

When I was but a youngster, my older sister, who lived and worked in town, sometimes invited me to spend Saturday night with her, a real treat. We'd listen to the "Hit Parade" and try to catch all the words to the songs.

It was a cooperative effort. She'd write down one line and I, the next. Then we'd try to put the song together. The problem was that we didn't always get the words right, and occasionally, the outcome was pretty hilarious.

Singers today don't enunciate as clearly as they did back then, and the accompaniment is so loud, it's no wonder that listeners can get an equally distorted message.

Just note these examples gleaned from the internet.

> Creedance Clearwater Revival

Real lyric: There's a bad moon on the rise.

Misheard lyric: There's a bathroom on the right.

> Bachman Turner Overdrive

Real lyric: Takin' care of business.

Misheard lyric: Bakin' carrot biscuits.

> Beatles

Real lyric: She's got a ticket to ride.

Misheard lyric: She's got a chicken to ride.

> Rudolph, The Red-nosed Reindeer

Real lyric: All of the other reindeer...

Misheard lyric: Olive, the other reindeer, used to laugh and call him names.

> Madonna

Real lyric: Last night I dreamt of San Pedro.

Misheard lyric: Last night I dreamt of some bagels.

> Queen

Real lyric: Another one bites the dust.

Misheard lyric: Another one rides the bus.

> John Travolta

Real lyric: I got chills, they're multiplying.

Misheard lyric: I got shoes. They're made of plywood.

> Three Dog Night

Real lyric: Joy to the fishes in the deep blue sea.

Misheard lyric: Joy to the bishops and the deep blue sea.

> Row, Row, Row Your Boat

Real lyric: Row, row, row your boat, life is but a dream.

Misheard lyric: Row, row, row your boat, like the spider's cream.

> Elton John

Real lyric: Rocket man, burnin' out his fuse up here alone.

Misheard lyric: Rocket man, burnin' down the trees on every lawn.

Who knows? Maybe if you put all the misheard lyrics together, you'd have a hit.

Novesta Church to host patriotic cantata May 25

Novesta Church of Christ, 2896 N. Cemetery Road, will present a patriotic cantata titled "America" Sunday, May 25, at their 10 a.m. worship service.

The cantata is a tribute to all veterans who have served to keep our country free. This musical stems around a family celebrating the true meaning of Memorial Day. As you view this drama and musical you will see patriotism as seen through the power of the cross.

We encourage all veterans



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Senior movies slated

Cass City Rawson Memorial Library Senior Citizens movies will be shown Friday, May 23, at 1:30 p.m. They are:

"Kiwi Country, New Zealand." This film includes a tour of North Island attractions such as Cape Reinga, Te Pahi Stream, Kauri Forest, Auckland, The Volcanic Ring of Fire, White Island, the Agrodome, Rainbow Springs and Wellington and South Island attractions such as Pancake Rocks, Franz Joseph Glacier, Benmore Dam, Mount Cook, Christchurch, Dunedin and many of the lakes. Activities shown include bungy jumping, jet boating, trout fishing, Maori cultural singers and viewing the Kaikoura whales.

"The Winter Holiday (Durango and Silverton Colorado Narrow Gauge Railroad)": It's a special time of year when the Durango and Silverton narrow gauge railroad opens for the winter season. In this beautiful video presentation, you will ride through a winter wonderland in the San Juan Mountains. The Winter Holiday Train will take you on a journey that can only be described as "Incredible."

Refreshments will be served. This OlderAdult Program is offered free of charge.

Dance set for May 24

The Sandusky Thumb Dancers will hold their next open dance at the Sandusky Maple Valley School Saturday, May 24, from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Music will be by the Barney Schubring Trio.

Everyone is welcome. Those attending are asked to bring finger food and friends.



ERIC HANBY (left) and Dustin Mallory were recently awarded the "Cub Scout of the Year" award, which was established by the Gavel Club in memory of Dr. K. Ivan MacRae.

The Nurse Managers and their Staff at Hills and Dales Health Care Corporation express their **APPRECIATION** to the following merchants who made donations for National Nurses' Week. These donations were awarded through a drawing

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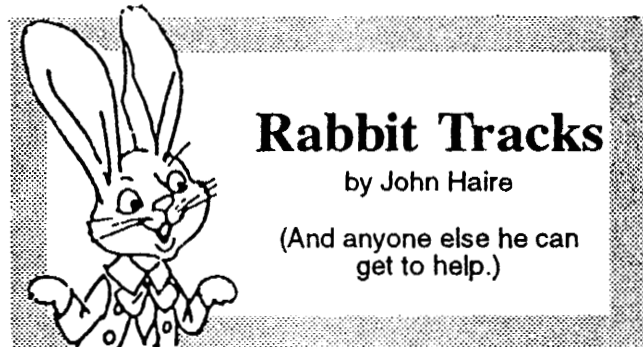
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

There are at least 9 individuals or concerns in Cass City that have money that they don't know they have.

It's money in accounts that have been forgotten that are being held by various banks and insurance companies and turned over to the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Nine of these accounts were listed in Monday's Detroit News. Others were to be listed Tuesday and Wednesday.

Accounts with money due in Cass City are: Brent Beecher, Albert and Naomi Bricker, Dolores M. Comment, Hills and Dales General Hospital, Richard Oneil, Maxine M. Read, Florence M. Tuckey, Franklin D. Venema and Howard Woodard.

The first major holiday of the summer, Memorial Day, is upon us although it doesn't seem that it should be, given the April-like weather we have been suffering with.

Regardless, predictions are for an increase in traffic this year and care is needed. If you play the percentages, buckle up. Nearly 60 percent of fatal traffic accident victims were not belted in 1995.

As usual with a Monday holiday, the Chronicle will be published a day later than ordinary, on the streets Wednesday instead of Tuesday.

Advertising and news deadlines remain unchanged.

When Mrs. E. B. Gardner of Port Austin died, it marked the end of an era. It will be the first time in 90 years that a member of the William Striffler family will not be a Chronicle subscriber. Mrs. Gardner was the daughter of William Striffler.

There are 2 kinds of surprises that commonly occur when writing a small-town newspaper, good and bad, and the bad exceeds the good, or at least it seems that way sometimes. It may be that the bad is remembered, the good sometimes forgotten.

All of which is a long-winded way to tell you of the good that happened last week that won't be forgotten.

Marilyn Erla called and asked if I would like some fresh-picked morels. She loves to find and pick them, but is lukewarm when it comes to eating them.

You are always writing about eating and I thought you might like some, she said.

Wow! A half-full freezer bag of morels. Delicious. Really, Marilyn, you didn't have to wash them.

The annual commemorative keepsake salute to the graduates sponsored by area business and the Chronicle has been delayed one week because of plans to include pictures of the graduation exercises in it.

The rationale for publishing it after ceremonies instead of before is that it enhances the section now and makes it better for the graduates as they refer to it in the years ahead.

The Weather

	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	57	32	0
Wednesday	56	39	.23"
Thursday	44	36	.90"
Friday	53	34	.20"
Saturday	57	36	.02"
Sunday	63	53	.55"
Monday	63	33	0

(Recorded at Cass City wastewater treatment plant.)



CASS CITY CHRYSLER salespeople, from left, Brian Wells, Cindy Smith and Boyd Morrison, pose in front of the new used car lot located across Main Street from the main lot.

New outlook

Cass City Chrysler a leading superstore

Chrysler Corporation has announced a new outlook and a new approach to leading the dramatic changes occurring in the automobile industry. Cass City Chrysler Plymouth Dodge/Dodge Truck Jeep/Eagle is not only a part of this new movement, but also a leader in it.

The new Cass City Superstore has the unique ability to provide one-stop, top-to-bottom shopping - everything the customer needs throughout the life of their vehicle. Plus a toll free phone number, 1-800-622-1312, for quick service. Cass City Chrysler has been operating its superstore since August.

Superstores are defined by completeness and comprehensiveness of products and services provided, not just by the number of cars and trucks on the lot.

The superstore is a dynamic program that will continue to look for ways to add to or change as the market and the customer dictate. Cass City Chrysler is determined to lead those changes in order to exceed the expectations of their customers.

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services, warranty repairs, major component repair or replacement, maintenance, free shuttle service and parts department featuring origi-

nal equipment Mopar parts.

The superstore provides complete sales and service for all Chrysler Corporation products.

The Haire Net



Part of a recent Saturday afternoon was spent watching soccer in a city park in Clarkston. Three fields filled with 7 to 12-year-olds complete with uniforms competing in city leagues. I was told that on other days the girls' soccer teams played.

In the Thumb, more and more schools are adding the sport to the curriculum.

So far, soccer has been a sport for participants, not spectators. That may change as today's players become tomorrow's parents and fans. Right now a school and the person hired to coach soccer will have minimum pressure. Provide a ball and a field and let the kids go at it. No pressure.

If soccer becomes a high school sport for all the Thumb, it will be interesting to see which school becomes the leader by which all others will be measured.

Now in football in the Thumb C Conference it's the Lakers. In cross country, Mayville has been a pace setter. In wrestling, Marlette produces good teams year after year. In recent years Mayville has produced strong baseball teams.

In basketball, a clear cut standout is harder to discern, but Cass City, USA and Lakers ordinarily win more than their share.

In girls' sports, finding schools that are head and shoulders above the pack is difficult, each school having its moment in the sun before fading in the shadows.

All of this rambling around was sparked by the situation in Bad Axe, where an outside consultant was called in to examine the school's athletic program. It was sparked by a rebellion of the basketball team, which refused to play a game on the regular schedule this winter.

There was nothing earth shaking about his findings. He pointed to the athletes, the coaches, the parents and the administration as the reason for the trouble.

What it really says is that if you are not winning in the "major sports", fans and supporters of the school look around to fix the blame.

Practice day after day that continues year after year in a losing effort can be wearing on the players, the coaches and their fans. What makes it worse is that at one

time Bad Axe was the team to beat in football and was a runner-up for the state championship.

There was a time that competition was keen for any head coaching job. That's not true today and finding a coach willing to devote the long hours necessary for success is a difficult proposition.

It will be interesting to see if Bad Axe will be able to find a coach willing to work to establish a winning program that starts in the lower grades and continues into the high school.

And if the Bad Axe fans and parents will have the patience necessary to make it work.



The back forty

by Roger Pond

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This era of medical miracles has created some confusion about aging, but there's no question exercise is good for a person. I look at some of the farmers and others who work outdoors and think, "There's no way that man can be as old as he says he is."

On the other hand, some folks just age better than others. My brother's Uncle Harry is a good example.

Harry was retired before I met him, and I have no idea what he did for a living. I know what he did for retirement, though: He went fishing.

And when he wasn't fishing, he was hunting. My first recollection of Uncle Harry was the time he and my brother Kenny came to my house for a quail hunt.

Uncle Harry was somewhere in his late seventies then, but one would never guess his age by watching him in the field. We started out at 9:00 a.m. and he was still going strong late in the day.

I owned 2 bird dogs at the time but generally hunted them one at a time. We hunted with the Brittany spaniel that morning and were close to limits by noon.

Uncle Harry was pleased. "I think I'll buy that dog a bag of food. If it weren't for him, we'd be going hungry right now," he declared.

This made my day, of course. Anyone who owns bird dogs can tell you a lot of things are said about these creatures, and the majority of it isn't very nice. One tends to savor the good times.

We went to the house for lunch, and I put the Brittany in his pen. After lunch, I released my English setter, Goldie.

This dog was wired! She left the pen like a bullet and circled the house 3 times before touching down. If tornadoes were white and orange Goldie would have been a storm.

I read a lot of sports maga-

zines in those days and knew having a fresh dog is vital for quail hunting. The rich guys keep 4 dogs in their wagon and only hunt each one for an hour or so.

Uncle Harry looked at my brother and said, "What is that boy doing?! We just got one dog tired enough we could hunt with him, and now he gets out a new one!"

A couple of years later Kenny and Uncle Harry were pheasant hunting near our home town when they noticed a guy hoofing it across the field toward them. The 2 hunters had just crossed a creek bottom and didn't see this fellow until he was about a hundred yards away.

It was the game warden. He

had been following them for quite awhile and was huffing and puffing something fierce when he finally caught up.

The warden asked to see their hunting licenses. He looked at Uncle Harry's license and noticed his birth date was 1891. (This was nearly 30 years ago.)

"My God man, you're nearly 80 years old! It was all I could do to catch up with you!" the game warden said.

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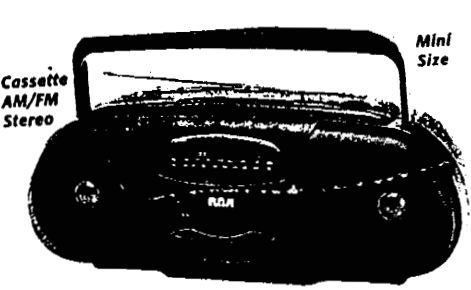
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- *This is the 111th graduating class of Cass City High School.
- *There are 97 graduates in this year's class.
- *42 seniors are graduating with a 3.00 G.P.A. or higher.
- *The average A.C.T. score of those students enrolled in a college preparatory curriculum is 22.6.
- *74% of our graduates are planning to advance their education by attending a college, university or trade/technical school after high school.
- *Five grads are planning to enter the military.
- *Eleven individuals are planning to go directly into the work force.
- *Twelve are undecided.
- *Some of the careers our graduates plan to pursue include:

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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

The search for an abducted 10-year-old Warren girl led investigators and various Detroit news media to the Cass City area briefly last week. Deanna Seifert, 10, was abducted from a slumber party at a house near her south Warren home during the early morning hours of May 10. Police arrested a 22-year-old ex-convict from Warren on suspicion of kidnapping.

Gerry Tibbits, a Cass City Middle School teacher, was named "teacher of the year" by the Tuscola School Board Association, at the organization's spring dinner meeting May 12 at the new



The opossum is the only marsupial (one that carries its young in a pouch) found in North America and the only marsupial not found in Australia.

Caro Middle School. A 28-year education veteran, Tibbits has spent her entire career with the Cass City School district, teaching grades 4 through 8 over the years.

Cass City became the first among 19 Thumb schools to endorse a new league comprised of schools in class D-C-B Monday night. The board also approved \$10,000 for the erection of new bleachers at the football-track facility.

After 9 years of leading parishioners of the St. Pancratius Church of Cass City, Father Julius Spleet is preparing to depart the area. He is heading for Gladwin. His last service in Cass City is July 5.

Jodi Hillaker was awarded the 1992 American Association of University Women's Outstanding Girl Athlete plaque and Mark Irrer received the Paul Smarks Award at the school's May 14 awards assembly.

10 YEARS AGO

Eugene E. Hocht, 23, of Unionville, died early Sunday morning when the car he was driving crashed near French Road in Columbia Township.

Don and Dave Loomis, local dairy farmers, have joined a program to provide milk for the needy in Mexico. The Loomises donated one heifer and sold another 5 to Project Heifer International, which will ship the animals along with others from the midwest to Mexico Thursday.

Dave Miller was awarded the Paul Smarks award at an awards assembly last week. High School senior Shannon McIntosh received the Outstanding Girl Athlete award. Miller and McIntosh each were also awarded the Outstanding Athlete/Scholar

award from the U.S. Army. The Cass City School Board bowed to the desires of the majority of parents in the district and voted in favor of split classes instead of busing at Evergreen and Deford Schools at its meeting Monday night.

25 YEARS AGO

In a project to fight pollution, about 140 seventh grade students collected 10 bags of litter from the park, intermediate, high school and downtown area in a 35 minute period last week. Posters and litter bags were distributed in the downtown area and students asked citizens to sign a pledge stating, "I promise not to litter and to do my best in keeping the city clean." About 400 signatures were obtained.

The first horse show to be held in Cass City since the days of the homecomings will highlight the activities of the 4-day Eastern Roundup June 15-18 sponsored by the Cass City service clubs.

The third member of the Fred Knoblet family, Tim Knoblet, joins his 2 brothers, Jim and Jerry, as the winner of the coveted Paul Smarks trophy. He received the award at the all-sports banquet at the high school Wednesday night.

A former car salesman, Ken Nienhuis, and his wife Lorraine, are starting a new career as helpers at Teen Ranch, 4 miles south of Kingston.

Twenty-three persons are among the members of Trinity United Methodist Church who have been a part of the fellowship for 50 years or more. They will be recognized at the Sunday worship service. Mr. and Mrs. Grant Hutchinson will represent the group and pass a lighted torch to Luann Gallaway and Donna Francis, representa-

tives of the 1972 Youth Membership Class. Guest speaker will be the Rev. Dudley C. Mosure, who served the Cass City Methodist Church from 1941-1944.

35 YEARS AGO

Oarie Lemanski is the new head football coach for Cass City, replacing Mike Yedinak. Lemanski was an outstanding quarterback on the great grid teams at Bad Axe from 1952-54.

A 500-pound heifer, attacked and maimed by dogs, was destroyed Thursday by Deputy Sheriff Carl Palmateer at the Enick Rutkowski farm on Severance Road. Eleven other head in the same herd did not seem to be injured.

Merle E. Cox, 22, and his wife Shirley and their 2 small children, Kim, 3, and Donna, one, recently returned from a 2-year stay at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Anchorage, Alaska. The Coxes left Alaska April 27 by car, driving down the 1,500-mile Alcan Highway. The road, "one continuous curve," is gravel for approximately 1,300 miles through Canada. The Alaskan portion is paved.

Douglas Funeral Home has finished a complete remodeling of their facility and is holding an open house Saturday and Sunday to show the work to the public.

Catherine Mellendorf and Nancy Helwig posted a 1343 series in a Marlette doubles tourney. Mrs. Mellendorf, who was given a 28-pin spot, bowled an actual series of 656. She posted games of 236, 225 and 195 without her spot, and came up with a 740 series. Mrs. Helwig registered a 603 series on games of 157, 131, 192. They are waiting to see if the tremendous series will stand up for the championship.

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Motorist hurt in vehicle crash

A Cass City motorist suffered minor injuries in a 2-vehicle accident in the village last week.

Cass City police reported Linda A. Edwards, 49, Cass City, was driving south on Seeger Street, south of Hillcrest Drive, when she stopped to turn east into a private driveway and was

struck from behind by another southbound vehicle.

The other driver was identified as Scott P. Hendrian, 30, Cass City.

Edwards sought her own treatment, according to reports, which state both motorists were wearing seat belts. Hendrian was cited for failure to stop in an assured clear distance.



MEMBERS OF the Thumb C Academic All-Conference Team, American Division First Team, are (front row, left) Rebecca Hoffman, Heather Janowski, Rachel Herp, Maicie Jones, Kathryn Elliott, (back row, left) Samuel Miller, Joe Allen, Jonathan Kelly, Brandon Kriesch and Carol Halifax.

Cream of the (student) crop honored in Thumb C

Area high school students were among those honored during an assembly recognizing the 1997 Thumb C

Academic All-conference teams from both the American and National divisions. Both divisions met last

week in Caro for lunch and the awards assembly.

First teams, second teams and honorable mention teams were announced. Each school submitted the names of 5 students based on combination of grade point average and ACT/SAT test scores.

Named to the American Division All-Conference First Team were: Joseph Allen, Sandusky; Kathryn Elliott, Uby; Carol Halifax, Uby; Rachel Herp, Uby; Rebecca Hoffman, Mayville; Heather Janowski, Mayville; Maicie Jones, Deckerville; Jonathan Kelly, Sandusky; Brandon Kriesch, Cros-Lex, and Samuel Miller, Cros-Lex.

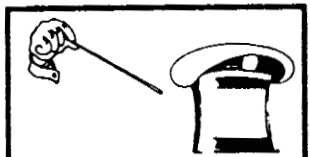
National Division First Team members are: Andrew DeFord, Bad Axe; Jeni Distelrath, Marlette; Jamie Gilbert, Bad Axe; Kurt Iwankovitch, Cass City; Joseph Khoury, Cass City; David Love, Lakers; Corey Packard, USA; Jeffrey Riegler, Bad Axe; Stacy Turschak, USA, and Sara Wagner, Bad Axe.

Members of the American Division Second Team are: Rebecca Booms, Harbor Beach; Robin Brechtelsbauer, Reese; Steven Caryl, Cros-Lex; Elizabeth Elsser, Reese; Kelly Gonnering, Sandusky; Amanda Gray, Cros-Lex; Shawna Halifax, Harbor Beach; Jamie McQuade, Reese; Ryan Roggenbuck, Harbor Beach, and Matthew Sommer, Reese.

Named to the National Division Second Team were: Jeffery Collings, Lakers; Jennifer Diebel, Lakers; Kristi Kozubal, BCAS; Matt Klinkman, Cass City; Angela Lang, Lakers; Matthew Liston, Lakers; Joshua Lounsbury, Cass City; Angela VanErp, Bad Axe; Ator Yocub, Marlette, and Sarah Zagata, USA.

American Division Honorable Mention Team members are: Tera Barr, Deckerville; Adam Belger, Deckerville; Elise Beyer, Sandusky; Sara Booms, Harbor Beach; Jonathon Coe, Reese; Michael Decker, Sandusky; Allison Detgen, Deckerville; Eric Hessling, Harbor Beach; Bryanna Johnson, Mayville; Michael Meyer, Mayville; Robert Mitchell, Uby; Phillip Nichol, Deckerville; Angela Puvallowski, Uby; James Repp, Cros-Lex, and April Teague, Mayville.

The National Division Honorable Mention Team is composed of: Ariane Abel, Marlette; Andrea Herek, BCAS; Lindsey Horning, BCAS; Carla Linzner, USA; Daniel Maltby, Marlette; Todd Milligan, Cass City; Keith Royal, BCAS; Rebecca Solon, Marlette; John Stoeckle, USA, and Carrie Williams, BCAS.



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THE 1997 THUMB C American All-Conference, National Division First Team, consists of (front row, left) Sarah Wagner, Jamie Gilbert, Jeni Distelrath, Stacy Turschak, (back row, left) Andrew DeFord, Kurt Iwankovitch, Corey Packard, David Love and Joseph Khoury. Missing is Jeffrey Riegler.



NAMED TO THE 1997 Thumb C Academic All-Conference, National Division Second Team, are (front row, left) Kristi Kozubal, Ator Yacoub, Sarah Zagata, Angela VanErp, (back row, left) Joshua Lounsbury, Angela Lang, Jennifer Diebel and Matt Klinkman. Missing are Jeffery Collings and Matthew Liston.

May 13 drowning

Foul play ruled out in death

Huron County Prosecutor Mark Gaertner has ruled out foul play in the death of a Caro woman whose body was found last week in the waters of Saginaw Bay near Bay Port.

Gaertner made the announcement Friday based on an investigation by the Huron County Sheriff's Department, and preliminary results of an autopsy performed at Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe. The autopsy indicated the cause of death was

drowning and the time of death was about 2 p.m. May 13.

According to police reports, Mary E. Ailing, 74, Caro, was reported missing Tuesday morning to the Caro Police Department by family members. A family member reported that Ailing had been distraught since another family member had died the previous week. She was last seen at 2:30 a.m.

Ailing's body was found by a fisherman at about 5 p.m.

the same day on the outside bank of a channel at Bay Shore Marina in McKinley Township. The fisherman had previously noticed a car parked at the end of the breakwall at noon.

Ailing's cane, car keys and eye glasses were all found near the vehicle, according to police, who said her body was recovered about 20 feet down the breakwall towards the shore from where the eye glasses were found.

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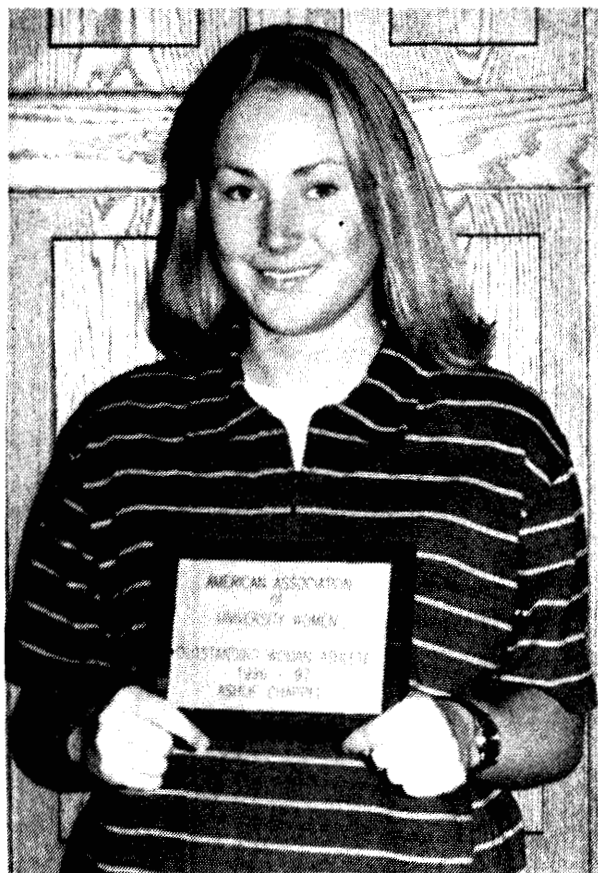
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Outstanding student-athletes

Chappel, Diegel win coveted athletic awards



CHAD DIEGEL, right, Cass City High School senior, receives the Paul Smarks award from last year's winner **Chris Revis**. He earned 8 varsity letters in football, basketball and baseball during his high school career.



ASHLIE CHAPPEL, senior, of Cass City High School was this year's winner of the American Association of University Women's Outstanding Woman Athlete award for her athletic accomplishments during her high school career.

By Angela Cook
Staff writer

The top 2 Cass City High School athletes were recognized for their accomplishments during the annual high school awards ceremony last Wednesday.

Chad Diegel, son of Michael and Christine Diegel, was awarded the Paul Smarks award, while Ashlie Chappel, daughter of Paul and Suzanne Chappel, was named the American Association of University Women's Outstanding Female Athlete of the year. Both are seniors.

Diegel has earned 8 letters throughout his athletic career.

His accomplishments include serving as co-captain of the football, basketball and baseball teams. He was awarded most valuable player at offensive back in football, all-conference honorable mention for offensive back, and second team all-conference at defensive back.

In basketball he received the Mr. Red Hawk Award, earned second team all-conference honors, and made the

Tuscola County Advertiser all-area honorable mention. In baseball, he served as co-captain and received all-conference honorable mention.

Diegel, who has a 3.2 grade point average, plans to attend Central Michigan University in the fall.

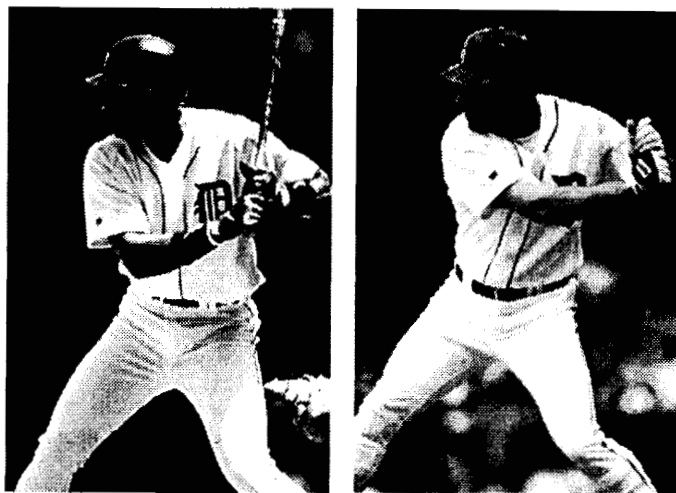
Chappel served as captain of the basketball team in her junior and senior years, received honorable mention all-conference and was awarded the coach's award for basketball her senior year. As a senior she was also the area's leading three-point shooter.

In volleyball she served as captain her senior year and was awarded most improved player her freshman and junior years. She was an honorable mention in the Huron Daily Tribune her junior year, and second team selection her senior year. She was also a Detroit Free Press Scholar Athlete nominee her senior year.

Chappel is planning to attend either Alma College or Albion College in the fall.

Busy week for baseball team

Hawks split games in Caro tourney



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The Cass City Red Hawk baseball regular season will draw to a close this week with the Hawks slated to play at Marlette Thursday in a season in which the team has posted an 18-8 record, but has had less success in the Thumb C National, with a 1-2 record.

Cass City chalked up a league win against USA and split games in the Caro tournament Saturday.

Against USA the Hawks won a dramatic 11-10 victory as Chris Hahn hit a

home run with 2 men out in the last inning.

To chalk up the win the Hawks were forced to come from behind with 4 runs in the fifth and 3 more in the sixth. The long ball was very much in evidence as Matt Oesch hit a circuit clout in the second and Shaun Gainforth and Charlie Wiltse hit homers for the Patriots.

Dave Murphy had 2 hits in 4 trips and Tim Micklash, 3 hits in 4 tries to lead the Hawks.

Chad Diegel was credited

with the win as he relieved Cuddie in the last inning. He gave up a run on a walk and an error. Cuddie allowed 12 hits and 9 runs.

TOURNAMENT

Cass City defeated North Huron and lost to the Lakers in the Caro tournament.

The Lakers jumped out in front with a 4-run splurge in the first inning on their way to a 6-4 win. Victim of the big inning was Diegel, who pitched the first 4 innings, giving up 8 hits and the 6

runs. Hahn pitched 2 scoreless innings in relief. Anderson got the win, allowing 7 hits.

Hahn had a big game at the plate with a 2-run homer in the first and a single in the third.

The Hawks topped North Huron in a slugfest, 11-7. Hume started and pitched the first 4 innings and allowed 3 runs on 5 hits and 2 walks. Andy Edwards followed and was racked for 3 hits, 2 walks and 4 runs in 1 1/3 innings. Dave Murphy came on in relief and got the win while allowing a run and 3 hits.

Kyle Daniel collected 2 hits and a walk in 4 trips and scored 3 runs for the Hawks.

SANDUSKY GAMES

The Cass City Red Hawk winning streak against non-conference foes came to an abrupt halt last week when the Sandusky Redskins won both ends of a doubleheader.

The Hawks lost the opener, 4-3, as Sandusky rallied in the sixth with a pair of runs to move in front for the first time of the game and then shut out Cass City in the last inning behind reliever Paul Solis, who came in for starter Josh Hund and pitched 2 scoreless innings. Hund allowed 6 hits and walked 3 in five innings. Dan Cuddie went the distance for Cass City and allowed 5 hits to go with 3 walks and 6 strikeouts.

The Hawks threatened to pull the game out in the last inning with 2 runners on base but it ended when Solis got out of it with a strikeout to end the game.

The Hawks had moved into an early lead as Chad Diegel walked and came around on a double by Chris Hahn in the first inning. The Hawks added a pair of runs in the second with 3 straight hits by Tim Micklash, Justin Humes and Dan Cuddie.

Cuddie and Micklash, with 2 hits each, led the attack.

Solis added a win to the save he racked up in the opener as he came on in relief of the starter to pitch 2 scoreless innings as Sandusky won, 6-3.

The Hawks scored 3 times in the first as Matt Oesch hit a double and Chris Hahn collected a triple.

Hahn took the loss and was touched for 10 hits and 5 runs in 5 innings. Chad Diegel pitched the final inning and allowed a hit and an unearned run.

Newton was 3 for 3 with an RBI for Sandusky.

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Chip Shots

SCRATCH FLIGHT

Jerry Toner	31
Dale McIntosh	29
Newell Harris	28
Bill Kritzman	28
Mike Murphy	24
Terry Wiseman	22
Clark Erla	21
Don Ouvry	21
Jason McCallum	19
Mark Swanson	19
Craig Helwig	18
Dave Hoard	18
Daryl Iwankovitsch	15
Rich Tate	15

FLIGHT #1

Fred Leeson	30
Jim Apley	28
John Maharg	27
Mike Becking	27
Jim Peyer	26
Elwyn Helwig	26
Rich Houghton	24
Dan Dickinson	24
Mike Randall	22
Dan Hittler	19
Ken Zdrojewski	18
Jack Burns	13
Ernie Bellew	13
Russ Biefer	4

FLIGHT #2

Gary Robinson	33
Rick Doerr	30
Gene Kloc	30
Dick Wallace	30
Craig Weaver	26
Jon Zdrojewski	26
John Riddle	24
Rick Hollis	23
Stan Gunther	23
Jack Hool	14
Jim Hobbs	14
Doug O'Dell	13
Dick Haley	12
Jim Smithson	10

FLIGHT #3

Jim Wirtz	33
Jep Bryant	31
Bill Ewald	28
Dave Hutchinson	22
John Niebrzydowski	22
Craig Bellew	20
Bob Stickle	20

Dick Patnaude	16
Duane Henn	16
Clayton Sawdon	**15
Pat Davis	12
Cas Pas/Peters	**7
**Points to be adjusted.	

FLIGHT #4

John Agar	33
Bruce LeValley	33
Phil Schimmell	31
Doug Lautner	30
Charles Tunis	29
Bert Althaver	22
Leonard Thompson	18
Anton Peters	18
Dickie Green	15
Mike Spencer	15
Bill Fader	12
Fred Mikolon	8

2-MAN GOLF LEAGUE

EARLY DIVISION

Wallace/Apley	36
Stickle/Iwankovitsch	29
Bliss/Baker	28
Kritzman/J. Burns	26
Strickland/Schelke	26
Harris/Wiseman	25
Henn/Peters	23
Smith/Regnerus	18*
Williamson/Rieman	14
Maharg/Pasieczny	14
Martin/Yost	9
W. Dillon/Retherford	7*
Herron/Miller	5*
Burns/Jeung	4*

LATE DIVISION

J. Hillaker/Murphy	31
LeValley/Morgan	28
C. Hillaker/Laming	27
Wright/Prieskorn	25
Doerr/Haire	22
Becking/K. Bliss	21
McCallum/Randall	19
Schneeberger/Kelley	17*
K. Smith/Biddinger	16
Hool/Toner	15*
Chappel/Pasant	13
Hartel/Comment	12*
M. Murphy/K. Martin	9*
Jones/Marshall	9
* Points to be adjusted	



RED HAWK track Coach Larry Robinson (center) poses at Saturday's Class C regional meet with his 2 state qualifiers, Ryan Brinkman and Andrea Rea.

Kingston - O-G in showdown for NCTL title

It will be showdown time in the North Central Thumb D League Friday when the undefeated Kingston Cards face the one defeat in the league (7-1) Owen-Gage Bulldogs.

Winning the title this year promises to be a huge chore for the Bulldogs. The team must defeat state-ranked Kingston twice to vault into the league lead. One win won't do it, says Coach Dean Roller grimly.

Roller was encouraged by the effort of his charges last week when they defeated a good Akron-Fairgrove team twice. We got some good hitting from our younger players and we played with spirit, coming from behind to win both games.

In the opening game, the Bulldogs scored 3 times in the sixth to edge the Vikings, 7-6. Andrea Ziehm supplied the key blow with a double that drove in 2 runs and scored the winning run in the big last inning rally.

Kate Powers pitched a 3-hitter and walked 2.

The nightcap ending was a carbon copy of the first game in that Owen-Gage scored what proved to be the winning runs in an 11-8 victory.

The runs were scored on 3 errors and a key single by Melanie Lemanski.

Tonya Smith had a big day at the plate, scoring once and collecting 2 hits that drove in 4 runs. Powers won with a 6-hitter but had control trouble, walking 9.

NORTH HURON

Owen-Gage racked up a pair of NCTL wins in easy fashion over North Huron by identical 13-3 scores.

The first game was about decided by the time the first inning was over. Combining errors, walks and hits, the Bulldogs raced off to a 5-run lead. Powers was the winning pitcher and helped her own cause with a home run in the second.

It took a little longer in the nightcap. The Bulldogs opened with just a single run in the first inning, but unlimbered the bats in the next 3 to salt away the game, scoring 4 each in the second and third and 3 more in the fourth. Powers pitched a 2-hitter, struck out 4 and walked 5 in the game merced after 5 innings.

Cassie Vargo, Beth Nickerson, Salcido, Powers and Jen Winchester each had 2 hits for Owen-Gage.

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Track: 2 Hawks state qualifiers

Cass City qualified 2 athletes for the Michigan High School Athletic Association track finals at the regional meet held Saturday in Cass City.

Andrea Rea won the shot put with a toss of 36-feet, 8 1/2 inches and finished second in the discus with her personal best distance of 110 feet, nine inches.

Ryan Brinkman won the 300-meter hurdles in :41.91 and his 4th place finish in the 110-meter hurdles qualified on the basis of his time, :15.6. The winner's time, posted by Aron Gornowicz, was :15.18.

There were 17 schools entered in both the boys' and girls' competition.

Frankenmuth, 89 points, edged Reese, 85 points, for the boys' team championship. Cass City tied with Deckerville for 11th place with 16 points.

Other schools' results in order of finish: New Haven, 82; Mayville, 44; Marlette, 36; New Lothrop, 34; USA, 33; Montrose, 24; Sandusky, 19; Lakers, 17; Capac and Brown City, 12; Harbor Beach, 7; Armada, 1; Flint Hamady, 0.

In the girls' competition,

USA edged Frankenmuth, 65 to 61 points. The first 4 schools in the final standings were bunched. Marlette totaled 58 points and Mayville 56.

Cass City was ninth with 21 points. Other schools' results: Harbor Beach, 43; Deckerville, 38; Capac, 27; New Lothrop, 25; New Haven, 20; Brown City, 19; Montrose, 16; Sandusky, 15; Reese, 13; Lakers, 10; Armada, 9; Flint Hamady, 0.

U.S.A. takes titles in Thumb National

Host USA walked off with the top honors in the Thumb C National League meet last Tuesday, winning the boys' competition easily with 131 points, compared to second place Marlette's, 86. Bad Axe was third with 77 points, Lakers, fourth, 37 points, and Cass City fifth, 21 points.

It was a different story in the girls' competition, which went to the wire before the Patriots won over Bad Axe by a single point, 98-97. Marlette was third with 77 points, Lakers fourth with 31, and Cass City fifth, 29 points.

Best results by Hawk girls were posted by Rea, with a second in the discus (99-7 1/4), and Shelly Ulfig, second in the high jump (4-8). Both received honorable mention all conference.

Rea was also third in the shot put and Deanna Stine, third in the high jump (4-6). Heather Hulbert was fifth in the 100 and 300 hurdles.

Iwankovitsch and Brinkman led Cass City's boys. Iwankovitsch was second in the shot put (47-6) and Brinkman second in the 110-hurdles (:16.16). Brinkman also picked up points for the Hawks with a third in the

300-hurdles and a fourth in the 100-meter.

Others earning points for Cass City were Adam Dorland, fourth in pole vault, and Jason Wright, fifth in 400-meter.

Little League Standings

BOYS' LITTLE LEAGUE STANDINGS As of May 17

Kritzman's Cubs	2-0
Dr. Chappel's Giants	2-0
Charmont Dodgers	2-1
McDonald's Yankees	1-2
Little Caesar's Orioles	0-2
Martin Elec. Tigers	0-2

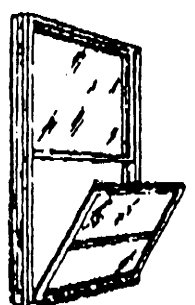
BOYS' MINOR LEAGUE As of May 17

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Mr. Chips Orioles	2-0
Cole Carbide Tigers	2-0
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Erla's Cubs	0-3

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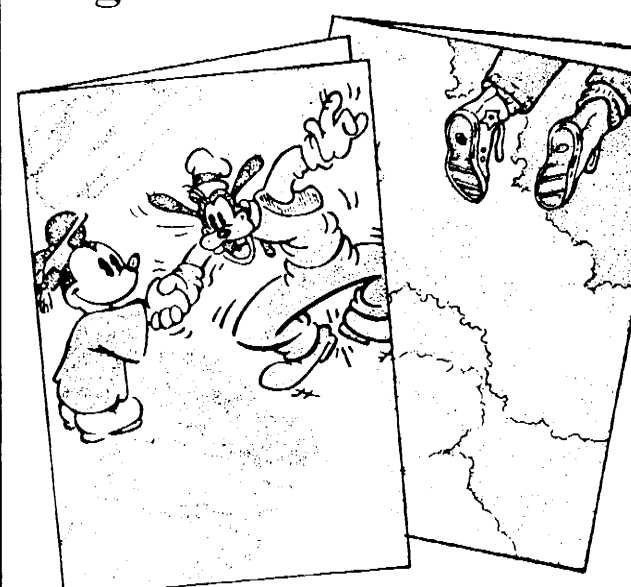


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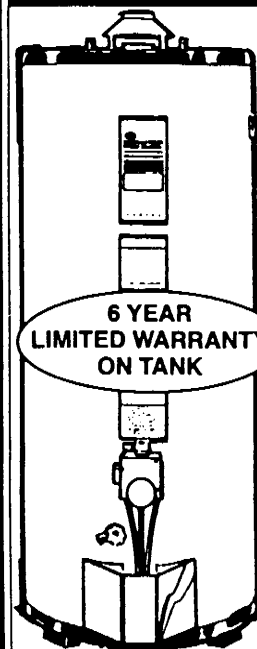
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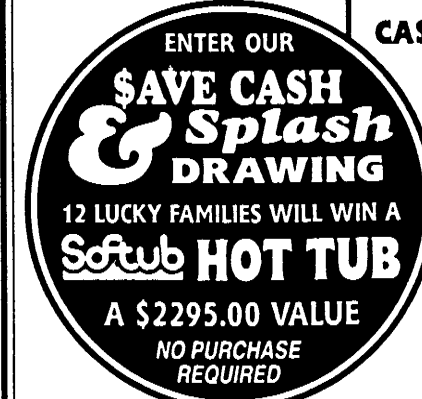
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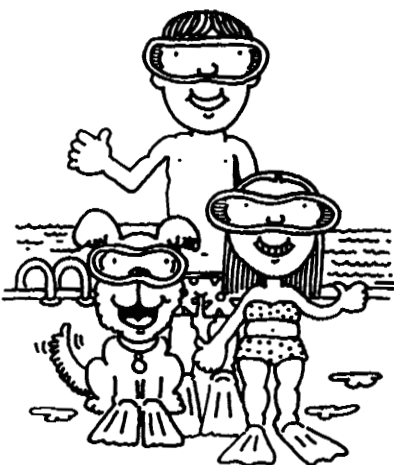
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Letter to the editor

Paying more, getting less

Road plan 'crisis management'

To My Friend John,

John, I've noticed that you have recently jumped right in

the middle of another "good works program designed to make things better." Although your intentions are

good because your intentions are always good, I would suggest that we all give your most recent "good samaritan campaign to raise taxes to fix the potholes" some serious thought before committing ourselves to the silent acceptance of a 12% (\$.04 a gallon) increase on our already outrageously high gas taxes. The \$.33 a gallon gas tax, which we all presume is what the government actually collects on each gallon of gas we consume, is really only the tip of the iceberg. There are import taxes, transport taxes, refinery taxes and, I'm certain, taxes that you and I can't even imagine designed by deceptive politicians which are reflected on the pump price when we buy gasoline. Has anyone considered just how much they really pay in gas taxes each year, not even including the hidden taxes? At \$.33 a gallon, I'd bet that most people pay somewhere between \$1,000 and \$2,000 annually!

And John, I think it would be difficult to argue that at \$.33 a gallon the government has been very inefficient at taking care of our roads. An observant person could accurately conclude that, over the

past 5 decades as taxes increased, the inefficiency of government at all levels has increased at approximately the same rate. If the state does raise our gas taxes by 12% any rational, thinking person should then accurately conclude that we can reasonably expect their inefficiency to increase by 12%. The more we give them the more they want and the less they do with what they get. And that is a fact of life, or a "fact of government" if you prefer.

You do realize, don't you, that the Feds are holding our gas tax money hostage until the State of Michigan further increases our gas taxes? Now why would you think they might do something like that, John? Why would the Feds force the State to extort more money from people by holding our money hostage and using the tax increase as a ransom? The fact that they are holding our gas tax money hostage is the prima facie evidence that the money is there. The fact that they have made no attempt to fix our roads even though we pay billions of dollars

annually in gas taxes should raise a red flag for even the most naive among us. Could it be that they are allowing our roads to remain in a state of serious disrepair until we demand they be fixed, to hell with the expense? "Please help us! Please, raise our taxes to fix our roads! It has to be done!" This is most certainly a "good works program designed to make things better," isn't it? Or is it?

When you really think about what's going on here it sounds more like just another government scam. Create or allow a crisis to happen and then come compassionately to our rescue when we beg for assistance...at our expense. The result is always that the government will control more of what you earn via a tax increase: a.k.a. Crisis Management.

Personally, I have a hard time trusting anyone or any entity resorting to a hostage situation resulting in ransom payments, blackmail, bribery, extortion, lying and just plain deception. It has been my understanding that all of the aforementioned activities have always been either illegal, immoral, fattening, or all of the above. Most, if not all of these actions would be considered a crime if they were initiated by you, me or any other mortal being. Why aren't our fearless leaders at all levels of government held to the same standards of law, morality and just plain old decency? Although these "qualities" are not necessarily untypical for our Washington District of Criminals, and all other levels of government for that matter, that "fact of government" doesn't make their most recent scam any easier to believe or to accept. If John Engler had any backbone he would stop all gas tax payments from the State of Michigan to the Feds until they abandoned their ransom and extortion scheme. If he does not stand up to them on our behalf, one could only believe that he approves of their deception.

Again John, you and many others have made a concerted effort to prove that Abe Lincoln was absolutely right when he said in part: "You can fool some of the people all of the time."

Your persistent critic,
Robert Papovich

3 from area earn degrees

Three area residents recently graduated from Saginaw Valley State University. The graduates are Kenneth Schott, Connie Sutter and Melissa Zinnecker.



Connie Sutter

Connie Sutter, Deford, graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree in secondary education. She is currently looking for a teaching position and is working as a substitute teacher in the Cass City, Caro and Kingston areas.

Kenneth Schott, Cass City, graduated with a Bachelor of Sciences degree in applied studies. He minored in general business. He currently works at the Cass City wastewater treatment plant.



SANDRA PARKS' second grade class at Gagetown Elementary celebrated Michigan Week by studying types of fish that live in the state, as well as conservation, ecology and the rules for being a good fisherman. The students also created their own fishing gear, including vests, rods, lures and flies.

Circuit court proceedings

The following people appeared last week in Tuscola County Circuit Court on various criminal charges:

•Jason A. Sanback, 19, Caro, was found guilty of probation violation — failure to complete boot camp — and was sentenced to 30 months to 4 years in prison. He was also ordered to pay \$407 in restitution.

•William D. Courtois, 37, Caro, pleaded guilty to attempted absconding or forfeiting bond Jan. 9 in Caro.

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 scheduled.

•Mark W. Timon, 32, Mayville, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, April 18 in Fremont Township.

The court revoked Timon's driver's license, continued bond at \$3,000 and remanded the defendant to the custody of the sheriff's department. He was granted worksite privileges. Sentencing is to be set.

•Karin Paris, 54, Brown City, was sentenced to 3 years probation and 120 days in the county jail, with work release, for a jury verdict of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, violating license restrictions, and resisting and obstructing a police officer March 28 in Koylton Township.

Paris, whose driver's license was revoked, was ordered to reimburse the county for expenses incurred in the case. She was also ordered to pay \$1,000 in court costs and fines, \$720 in oversight fees and a \$60 victim crime fee.

•Westley G. Atkinson, 20, Mayville, was sentenced to 3 years probation and 90 days in jail, with worksite privileges, for pleas of guilty to delivery of marijuana Nov. 13 and Dec. 10 in Fremont Township.

Atkinson, who was ordered to complete his GED, was also ordered to pay fines and costs totalling \$400 plus \$500 in attorneys fees and

\$535 in restitution.

•Rodney W. Withers Jr., 24, Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence for attempted uttering and publishing involving a \$170 check drawn on Independent Bank last December in Wells Township.

He was ordered to pay \$150 in costs plus \$120 in oversight fees and a \$60 victim crime fee.

•William M. Burnham, 21, Caro, was sentenced to 2 years probation and 6 months in jail, with school and work release, for his plea of no contest to fourth degree criminal sexual conduct involving a child at least 13

years of age but under 16 years last June in Caro.

Burnham was also ordered to pay \$1,000 in costs and fines, \$240 in oversight fees, \$500 in attorneys fees and a \$60 victim crime fee.

•James C. Noth Jr., 20, Fostoria, was sentenced to 2 years probation and 365 days in jail, with worksite privileges, for his plea of guilty to attempted receiving and concealing stolen property valued at more than \$100 March 21 in Indianfields Township.

He was also ordered to pay \$300 in costs and fines plus \$500 in attorneys fees and \$75 in restitution.

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5th Grade

Allyson Bell, daughter of Harvey and Marilyn Bell, Deford, would like to be a singer or dancer when she grows up. If that doesn't work out, she would like to be a travel agent.

Missy Erla, daughter of Dave Erla and Barb Peters, Cass City, says her favorite things about school are seeing her friends and learning.

Kayla Karr, daughter of Les and Barb Karr, Cass City, has a goal of one day becoming a teacher.

Lia Krantz, daughter of Lee and Vicky Krantz, Cass City, enjoys playing basketball when not in school.

Cole Mellendorf, son of Dan and Gail Mellendorf, Cass City, would like to become a doctor or a football player one day.

Hank Metzger, son of Dave and Patty Metzger, Owendale, would like to take over the family business of custom crop spraying after he finishes school.

Elizabeth Sobczak, daughter of Jack and Sue Sobczak, Cass City, enjoys being with her friends and playing basketball at school.

6th Grade

Jesse Comeau, son of John and Karen Comeau, Deford, would like to earn a master's degree one day, and become a police officer or a builder.

Wade Daley, son of Jim and Kathy Daley, Deford, states his favorite outside activities include basketball and football.

Brenden Frederick, son of Stephen and Julie Frederick, Deford, says his favorite classes at school are the CLAMP classes.

Heidi Hartwick, daughter of Richard and Donna Hartwick, would like to become a teacher or a clothes designer someday.

Lindsey Hendrick, daughter of Chuck and Kelli Hendrick, Decker, would like to be a teacher someday, also.

Tony Samons, son of April Wilcox, Cass

City, has set a goal of becoming a construction worker after he graduates from high school.

Matt Stoutenburg, son of Ed and Susan Stoutenburg, Cass City, enjoys drawing, rollerblading, playing sports, and riding his bike when not in school.

Amanda Sullins, daughter of Dale and Janet Sullins, Deford, has her sights set on doing missionary work someday.

Melissa Woodward, daughter of Bob and Renate Woodward, Deford, says, "...the kids at school are nice, the teachers always try to help, and the principal is always there for you".

7th Grade

Matt Ender, son of Hank and Barb Ender, Cass City, has a goal of attending college after receiving his high school diploma.

Jeremy Grimins, son of Lloyd Grimins and Judy Rife, Cass City, would like to become an author someday.

Eli Healy, son of Michael and Sue Healy, Uby, can't decide between becoming a movie actor, biologist, artist, or a pilot.

Rebecca Kruse, daughter of Dean and Cindy Kruse, Cass City, likes being with her friends, Language Arts and CLAMP classes the best at school.

Tim McFarland, son of Melvin and Genevieve McFarland, Caro, hopes to become a construction worker one day.

Paul Middaugh, son of Kathy Rosenberger, Cass City, would like to be an auto mechanic or an engineer after completing his education.

Elise Pasant, daughter of Ed and Carol Pasant, Cass City, says her goals are to become a neonatal doctor or play basketball.

Amber Reese, daughter of Ben and Pam Reese, Cass City, enjoys basketball, swimming, baseball, and babysitting when not in school.

Chenelle Smentek, daughter of John and Linda Smentek, Cass City, hopes to go to college after high school. She enjoys camping, rollerblading, and swimming.

8th Grade

Jim Boyce, son of Jim and Judy Boyce, Cass City, would like to own a business

someday.

Jody Champagne, son of Neil and Diane Champagne, Cass City, hopes to go to college someday and get a job.

Andy Dale, son of Michael and Helen Dale, Cass City, likes all kinds of sports, listening to music, and being with friends when not in school.

Kate Delong, daughter of Robert Delong, would like to be an ICU nurse or a Chemologist someday.

Randy Diebel, son of Randy and Jackie Diebel, Gagetown, wants to be an allergy specialist one day.

Josh Dillon, son of Rick and Betsy Dillon, Cass City, would like to go to college to study computers, nuclear physics, or electronic engineering.

Greg Festian, son of Lore Festian, Cass City, would like to study astronomy in college. His favorite class is algebra.

Jamie Fluegge, daughter of Rich and Ruth Fluegge, Cass City, would like to earn a track scholarship to college and play track or basketball for that college.

Brent Goslin, son of Brad and Ann Goslin, Gagetown, would like to become a medical doctor or a general surgeon.

Craig Haynes, son of Craig and Rhonda Haynes, Cass City, says being with his friends is what he likes best at school.

Kyle O'Dell, son of Doug and Kris O'Dell, Cass City, would like to study elementary education in college.

Megan Powell, daughter of Morris and Pam Powell, Cass City, says she likes Mr. Z's class, lunch hour, and her friends the best at school.

Kyle Ross, son of Don and Deb Ross, Cass City, would like a job that is enjoyable and well-paying after he completes his education.

Kim Vincent, daughter of Tanya Vincent, Cass City, enjoys science, literature, and her friends best at school.

Brent Wallace, son of Al and Charlie Wallace, Cass City, would like to work for UPS someday.

Brad Ypma, son of Rich and Ann Ypma, Cass City, has set an outstanding goal of becoming a veterinarian or a psychiatrist.



Pictured (front L-R): Elizabeth Sobczak, Hank Metzger, Melissa Woodward, Lia Krantz, Kayla Karr, Missy Erla, Allyson Bell. Row 2: Matt Stoutenburg, Tony Samons, Lindsey Hendrick, Heidi Hartwick, Cole Mellendorf, Wade Daley. Row 3: Paul Middaugh, Kim Vincent, Amanda Sullins, Rebecca Kruse, Elise Pasant, Megan Powell, Matt Ender. Row 4: Tim McFarland, Kyle Ross, Eli Healy, Jody Champagne, Amber Reese. Row 5: Greg Festian, Josh Dillon, Jamie Fluegge, Kate Delong, Brenden Frederick, Jeremy Grimins. Back row: Brent Wallace, Andy Dale, Kyle O'Dell, Jim Boyce, Brad Ypma, and Brent Goslin. Missing: Craig Haynes, Randy Diebel, Jesse Comeau, and Chenelle Smentek.

Obituaries

Marian Croft

Marian L. Croft, of Cass City, died Monday, May 12, 1997, in Saginaw General Hospital.

She was born in Palms, to Archie and Margaret (Varty) Thomas. She married Clifford A. Croft Aug. 30, 1941, in Indiana. He died Sept. 21, 1978.

She graduated from Harbor Beach High School, attended college and became a teacher. She taught school in Harbor Beach and Cass City. She was a member of Harbor Beach Chapter of Eastern Star, Ubyl Chapter 214. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Cass City.

She is survived by her daughter, Mary Jane (Richard) Van Vliet of Cass City; a nephew, who made his home with them, Robert (Linda) Morley of Williamston; 6 grandchildren, and nieces and nephews. Marian was preceded in death by a brother and a sister.

Funeral services were held Thursday, May 15, at Little & Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Rick Sheppard officiating.

Interment was in Elkland Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Cass City Schools, First Presbyterian Church of Cass City, or charity of donor's choice.

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

Rodney Hueter

Rodney Guy Hueter, 49, of Cass City, died Sunday, May 11, 1997, in Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

Born July 10, 1947, in Oklahoma City, Okla., he was the son of Clifford Diamond and Irene Lillian (Harvey) Hueter. He married Virginia Mayeran June 9, 1973.

He was a United States Air Force veteran and worked for U.S. Manufacturing in Bad Axe as a control engineer.

Surviving are his wife, Virginia of Cass City; a daughter, Theresa Hueter of Cass City; 3 sons, Clifford Hueter of Sault Ste. Marie, Eric Hueter and Bradley Hueter, both of Cass City; brothers, Kenneth (Beverly) Hueter of Albuquerque, N.M., Douglas (Sabina) Hueter of Pleasanton, Calif., and Dr. David (Judith) Hueter of Lake Forest, Ill.; a sister, Susan (Ron) VanNorman of Charlton, Mass., and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 31, at Cass City United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Rick Sheppard officiating.

The family will receive friends from noon until 1 p.m. at the church.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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

Elsie King

Elsie May King, 84, of Cass City, died Saturday, May 17, 1997, in Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

Born July 7, 1912, in Huron County, she was the daughter of William and Ada (Walker) Jackson. She mar-

ried George King Sept. 17, 1932, in Huron County.

Surviving are her husband, George, of Cass City; children, George (Phyllis) King Jr. of Cass City, Bette Lou (Calvin) Hunt of Ubyl, Glen L. (Janet) King of Auburn, Jerry (Bev) King of Bridgeport and James L. King of Cass City; 15 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren; a sister, Irene (Glen) Shagena of Ubyl, and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 19, at Little & Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with Chuck Emmert, of the Novesta Church of Christ, officiating.

Interment was in Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Memorials may be made to the family discretionary fund.

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

Dorothy Mulrath

Dorothy P. Mulrath, 69, of Cass City, died Friday, May 16, 1997, in Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

Born May 1, 1928, in East Detroit, she was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Signurey. She married John Mulrath April 28, 1979, in St. Pancratius Catholic Church, Cass City.

She had worked as a waitress for many years, and for Walbro, Saginaw Steering Gear, General Cable and Anrod Screen Cylinder.

Surviving are her husband, John; 5 children, Arthur (Helen) Bean of Caro, Pat Bean of San Antonio, Texas, Kathy (Mick) Feltman of Mt. Pleasant, Steven (Lisa) Bean of Cass City and Charles (Ruth) Damoth of Cass City; 12 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; 2 sisters, Evelyn Glais of Finley, Nev., and Mary Ann Wallace of Mt. Clemens; 2 brothers, Kenneth Signurey of Manistee and Richard Signurey of Ontonagon; a sister-in-law, Marge (Michael) Warden of Roseville, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a son, Kenneth Bean, and a brother, David Signurey.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 20, at St. Pancratius Catholic Church, Cass City, with the Rev. Paul Bala officiating.

Interment was in St. Michael's Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the family discretionary fund.

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

Elsie Small

Elsie H. Small, 88, of Cass City, died Thursday, May 15, 1997, in Tendercare Nursing Facility, Cass City.

Born Feb. 4, 1909, in Buchanan, she was the daughter of Henry and Hattie (Glossenger) Schult. She married Claud H. Small Nov. 27, 1927, in Buchanan. He died Aug. 22, 1990.

She attended the Novesta Church of Christ in Cass City.

She is survived by 3 children: Philip (Wanda) Small of Kalamazoo, Walter (Dolores) Small of Clinton Township and Wanda (Charles) McConnell of Pigeon; 11 grandchildren; 19

great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a son, Wayne, who died April 23, 1944; a brother, George Meyers, and sisters, Clarabelle Crawford and Mabel Huff.

Funeral services were held Sunday, May 18, at the Novesta Church of Christ, Cass City, with Chuck Emmert officiating.

Interment was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens in Mt. Clemens.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimers Association.

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

Shirley Stuart

Shirley Helton Stuart, 62, of Deford, died Wednesday, May 14, 1997, in Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

He was born March 12, 1935, in Charleston, W.V., a son to Ray Helton and Dorothy Lee (Bostic) Stuart. He married Grace E. McPhail June 12, 1971, in Taylor.

He worked at S.K.W. in Melvindale for over 20 years. He retired from Teamsters Local 299 in 1992.

He is survived by his wife, Grace Stuart of Deford; brothers: Floyd O. (Iva) Stuart of Southside, W.V., Ray E. (Pat) Stuart of Crab Orchard, W.V., and Haven C. Stuart of Charleston, W.V.; sisters: Dorothy Thompson of Charleston, W.V., and Yvonne (Ronald) Brown of Charleston, W.V.; brothers-in-law: Robert D. and Katherine McPhail and Charles A. and Joyce McPhail, all of Cass City; father-in-law, Archie McPhail of Cass City; many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews and friends.

Shirley was preceded in death by one brother, Robert G. Stuart, and 2 sisters, Winnie A. Smithson and Bernice Stuart.

Funeral services were held Saturday, May 16, at Little & Kranz Funeral Home Chapel, with the Rev. Elvin

Harden of Cass City First Baptist Church officiating. Interment was in Novesta Township Cemetery, Cass City.

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

Ethel Smith

Ethel M. Smith, 69, of Vassar, formerly of Marlette, died Wednesday, May 14, 1997, at Saginaw General Hospital.

She was born July 13, 1927, in Lapeer, to Harry Watson and June (Blair) Watson. She married John Smith Nov. 14, 1953, in Lapeer. He died Nov. 23, 1967.

She is survived by a daughter, Wannetta and William Garrison of Cass City; a brother, Delbert and Lela Watson of Lapeer; 2 sisters, Joyce Johnson of Lapeer, and Esther David of Gladwin, and 3 granddaughters.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; 5 brothers, Orville, Roger, Stewart, John and Sgt. Elvin Watson, and a sister, Celestia May.

Funeral services were held Saturday, at the Marsh Funeral Chapel in Marlette with the Rev. Mark Nieman officiating.

Interment was in the Marlette Cemetery.

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7 arraigned on felony charges

Seven people were recently arraigned on separate felony charges in Tuscola County District Court.

•James W. Rhodes Jr., 35, Saginaw, was charged with domestic violence, third offense, May 12 in Caro.

Bond in the case was set at \$5,000. A preliminary examination was scheduled for Friday at 9 a.m.

•Roger D. Broadworth, 26, Caro, was arraigned on charges of resisting and obstructing a police officer and malicious destruction of a building May 15 in Caro.

Bond was set at \$25,000 and a preliminary exam was slated for May 30 at 9 a.m.

•Matthew L. Ross, 35, North Branch, faces charges of malicious destruction of personal property and domestic violence April 13 in Koylton Township.

Bond was set at \$5,000. A preliminary exam will be held May 30 at 9 a.m.

•Rodney B. Luther, 39, Caro, was charged with possession with intent to deliver marijuana Feb. 21 in Almer Township.

Bond was set at \$10,000 for the defendant, whose preliminary exam is scheduled for May 30 at 9 a.m.

•William R. Little, 33, Akron, was arraigned on charges of possession of a weapon by a felon, torturing a dog and reckless use of a

firearm May 7 in Wisner Township.

Bond was set at \$10,000 and a preliminary exam was slated for June 6 at 9 a.m.

•Brandon L. Hillaker, 17, Chesaning, faces a charge of third degree criminal sexual conduct allegedly involving use of force or coercion April 22 in Gifford Township.

Bond was set at \$5,000. Hillaker faces a preliminary exam June 6 at 9 a.m.

•Richard J. Dennis, 36, Cass City, is charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, driving with a suspended or revoked license, and possession of an open intoxicant in a motor vehicle May 2 in Caro.

Bond was set at \$10,000. A preliminary exam is to be held Friday morning.

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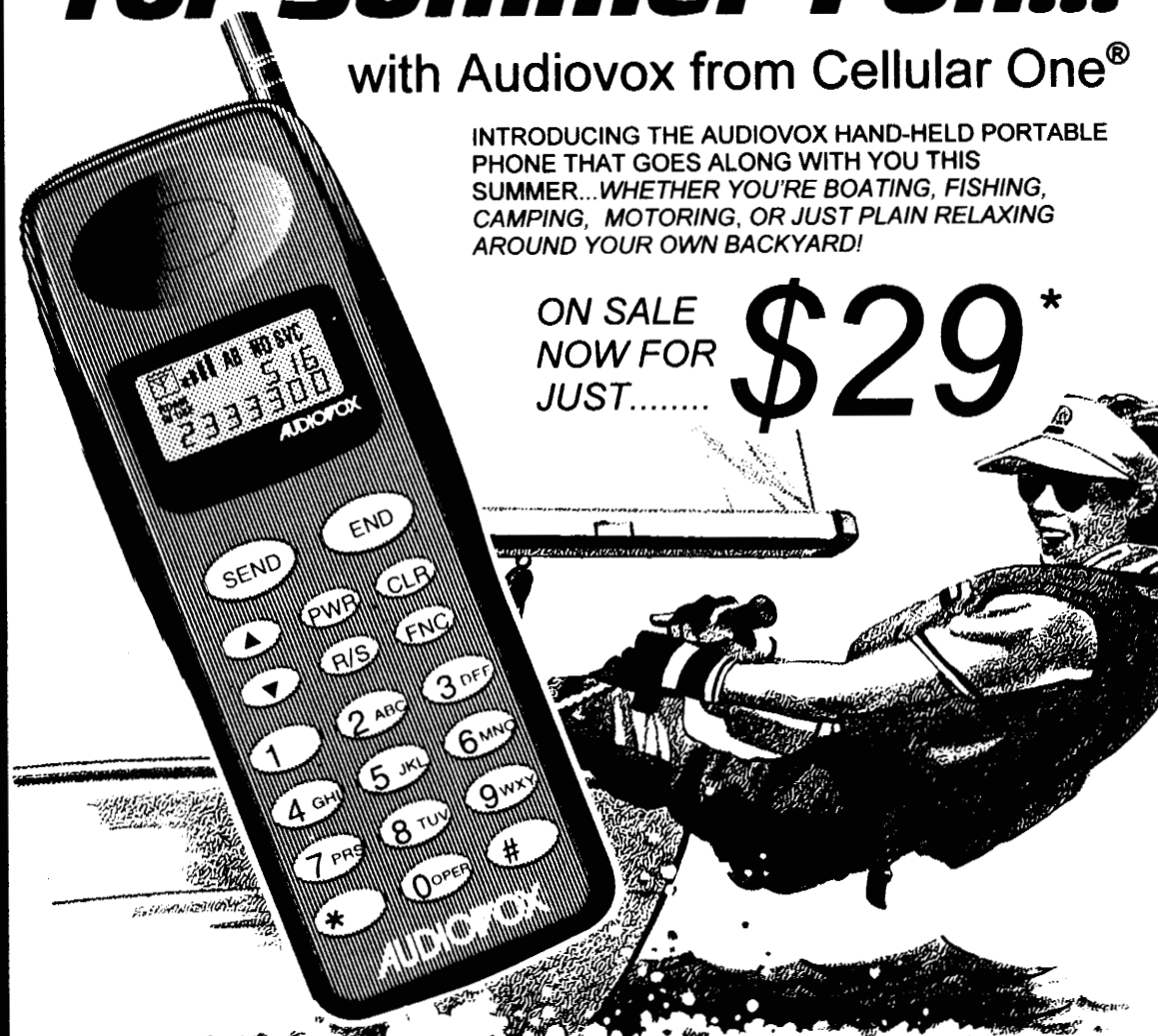
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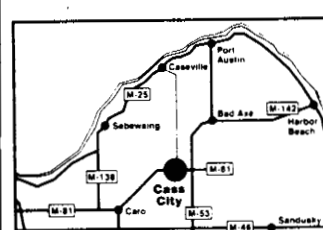
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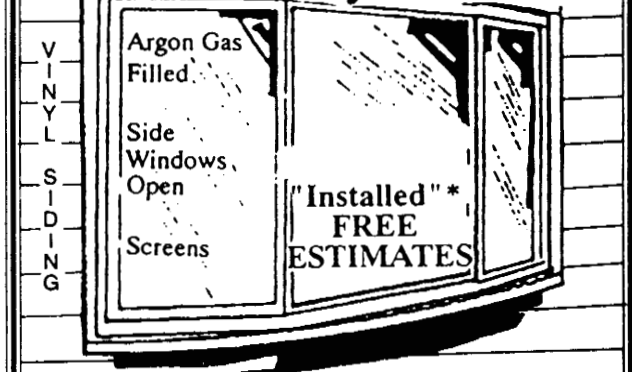
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At Owen-Gage

Salcido 'student of month'

Amanda Salcido, daughter of Joseph and Sandy Salcido of Owendale, has been named May Student of the

Month at Owen-Gage. Salcido is currently the senior class secretary and working on the yearbook

staff and school newspaper. She is also serving as a student council representative. She has been involved in basketball, volleyball and softball throughout her high school years.

Salcido will be attending SVSU in the fall to study social work.



Amanda Salcido

Students confirmed, honored

Eighth graders Katie Hacker, Guy Nanney and Joey Hess were received into communicant membership by rite of confirmation Sunday, May 18, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

Cass City High School graduates Beth Bashur, Jessica Frederick, Chris Hahn, Josh Lounsbury, John McNaughton, Gia Mellendorf, Brent Ruggles and Terri Moore, and college graduates Krista Connolly, Mac Connolly, Jennifer Hoard, Eric Hoard, Connie Sutter and Kathy Wildman were honored during the worship service.

A breakfast was served to these young people and their families by the Ladies Aid and Aid Association for Lutherans Branch 7607 prior to the church service.

40 attend OES meeting

About 40 attended the Order of Eastern Stars regular meeting Wednesday evening when Echo chapter entertained their sister chapter, Kedron chapter OES from Caro.

Worthy Matron Maxine Profit welcomed the guests. A program followed the meeting with the Furness boys and Glenda Wilson and Glen Eastman entertaining with musical selections.

Lunch was served in the dining room by Ruth Whittaker, Betty Greenleaf, Joan Merchant, Peggy Nordquist and Shirley Wisenbach.

Fourth grade honor roll

The Campbell Elementary School 4th grade honor roll for the 5th marking period has been announced.

Holly Angle, Jonathan Baasch, Chancy Balk, Ashley Barrigar, Carissa Bass, Jessica Bellew, Britanny Brinkman, *Tasha Bryant, Aaron Bulla, Gilbert Burns, Jessica Chappel, Matt Cronk, Patti Dale, Danielle Dohn, Zach Dorland, Scott Duquesnay, Marla Duval, Allison Ellis, *Jared Ferris, Casey Forrest, Chad Francis, Thomas Galloway, Samantha Glaspie, John Guc IV, Caleb Hanby, Brandon Harmon, Sonja Hartwick, Michael Havens, Bryan Hill, *Carrie Hillaker, Paul Hoelzie, *Krista Homakie, Beth Hoxie, Lee Hutchinson, Corey Johnson, Danielle Johnson, Joshua Kilbourn, *Rose Krug, *Luann Lam-ing, Bethany Langlois, Stacy McCallum, Nichole McComas, Sean McFarland, James McKnight, Kayla Middaugh, Tim Mills, Danny Mittlestat, Christina Montgomery, Kayla Morrish, Christina Osentoski, Delores Rabideau, Jesse Rader, *Stephanie Richards, *Lauren Rowe, Andrew Schinnerer, Sean Severance, Leah Sherman, Kristina Spaulding, Jason Speirs, Jessie Spencer, Steven Steely, Angela Stoeckle, Nick Stoutenburg, Jeffrey Tenbusch, Keith Truemner, Jessie Tuckey, Andre Voss, Zack Voss, Michael Waltons, Aime Warack, Andrew Whittaker, Tara Whittaker, Jake Wilder, Heather Wilmoth, Traci Woodward, Sarah Zawilinski, Michael Zmierski.

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Household Sales

GARAGE SALE - 6848 Herron Dr. Thursday, 8-11 a.m., Saturday, 8-7. Girls' clothes, toys, miscellaneous. 14-5-21-1

GARAGE SALE - 6748 E. Kelly Road, just off of Cemetery. 4 family. Thursday and Friday. Low prices and free stuff. 14-5-21-1

GARAGE SALE - one day only, Memorial Day, 9-5. No early sales. Corner of Seeger and Huron. 14-5-21-1

GARAGE SALE - May 23-24-25, 9-6. Things for everyone. 5217 W. Cass City Road, Cass City. 14-5-21-1

3-FAMILY garage sale - May 23-24, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. 4627 Schwegler Rd., 1/4 mile north of Self-Serve Lumber. Antiques, tools, men's clothing, electric barbecue and miscellaneous. 14-5-21-1

BASEMENT MOVING sale - May 22-23-24-25, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 4893 Northwood Circle, Cass City. Living room chairs, sofa bed, end tables, lamps, coffee table, small youth bed and mattress, TV and stand, miscellaneous. 14-5-21-1

YARD SALE - Friday and Saturday, 9-6, corner of Seeger and Church St. Clothes, knickknacks, toys, treadmill and much more. 14-5-21-1

50% OFF many items. New items added! Big indoor garage sale, with guns. Monday, May 19, 6 p.m.-9 p.m., Tuesday, May 20, through Wednesday, May 28, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. (Closed Sunday). 127 N. Heisterman, Bad Axe, MI. 14-5-21-1

GARAGE SALE - May 23, Friday, 4 p.m.-8 p.m., May 24, Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., May 25, Sunday, 1/2 price noon-3 p.m. Electric typewriter, DP Gym Pac 2500 exercise machine, oak side board buffet, T.V. antenna, toys, puzzles, books, large table of free items and clothing. 9 miles north of Cass City or 6 miles south of Elkton. 3575 Elkton Rd. 14-5-21-1

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SALE - Thursday, May 22, 9 a.m.-2. Antique bed with brass knobs, other furniture, file cabinet, clothing and books. 6755 E. Elmwood Rd., Cass City. 14-5-21-1

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FOR SALE - 3-bedroom home in Cass City. New natural gas furnace and roof in 1993. Carport and private back yard. Immediate occupancy, \$40,000. 872-3757. 3-5-21-3

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FOR RENT - Upstairs 2-bedroom apartment. \$325/month, \$200 security deposit, no children, no pets. 872-4785. 4-5-7-3

ONE-BEDROOM apartment on Main Street, \$275 a month, security deposit required. Also store front available. Call 872-3366. 4-5-21-tf

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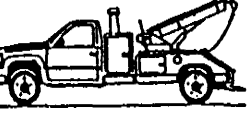
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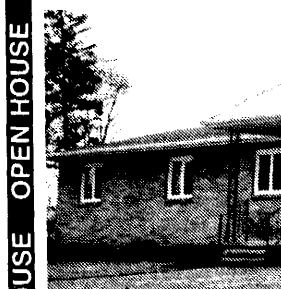
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Area: Cass City Stories: 1 Square Feet: 1800+ Lot Size: 132x132 Year Built: 1962 Taxes: W954.07, V700.48 Exterior: Brick Basement: Full Heating: Gas Cooling: 3 Wall Air Conditioners

Water heater: Electric School District: Cass City Fireplace: Living Room Water: City Sewer: Public Bathrooms: 2 Full Bedrooms: 4 Master: 14x12.6 1: 13x9 2: 9.6x10.7 3: 11x9.6

Living Room: 22x13.6 Dining Room: 12x11.6 Kitchen: 14x15.6 Extras: Stove, Ref., DW, Washer and Dryer Laundry: 1st Floor Garage: 2 Car Occupancy: Immediate

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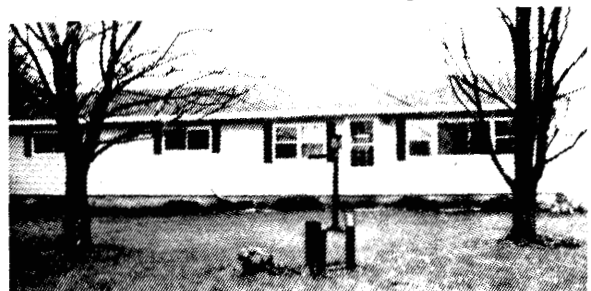
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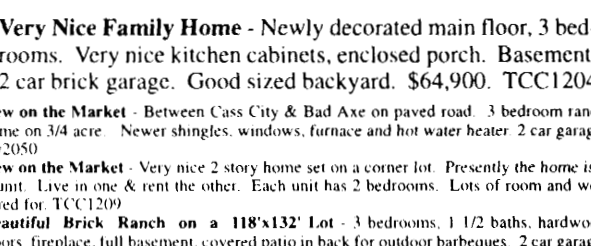
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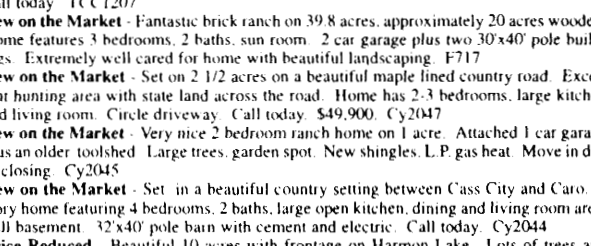
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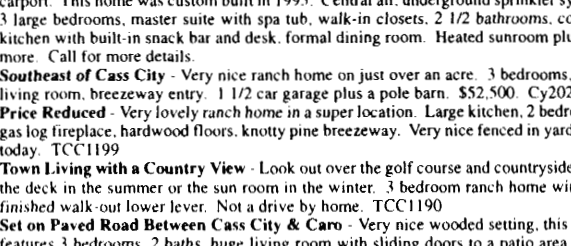
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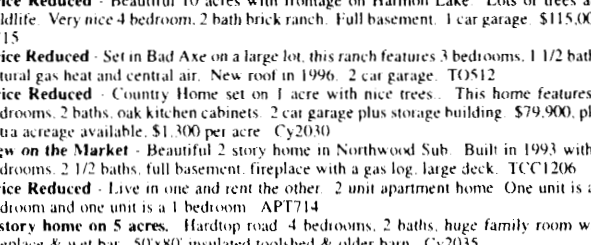
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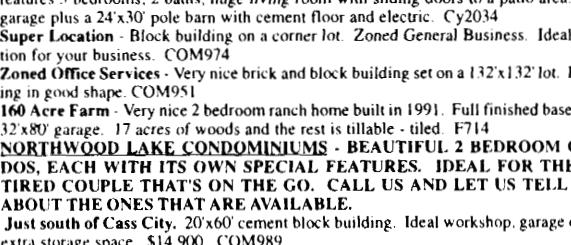
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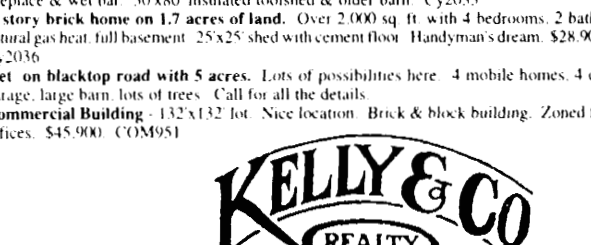
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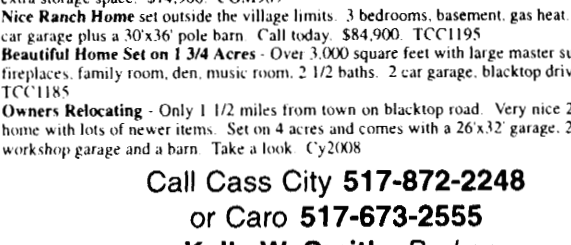
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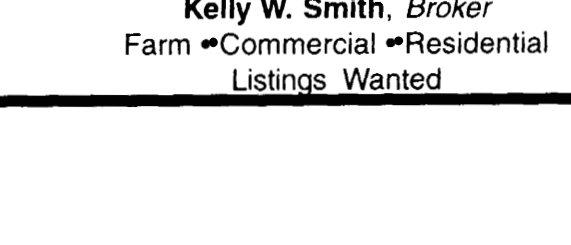
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Calendar of Events

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

Friday, May 23

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

Monday, May 26

Memorial Day Parade 10 a.m., followed by service at the Elkland Cemetery.

Tuesday, May 27

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

Wednesday, May 28

Duplicate Bridge 7 p.m. at Charmont. Last week's winners: John Haire and Bill Dupuis

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UNSEASONABLY COLD WEATHER and excessive rain is preventing some area farmers from getting into the fields to plant. Weather conditions are also slowing or preventing the growth of some crops already in the ground.

Ag agents: farmers need warm weather

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worked hard and got a lot of beets in in a short time," he said.

He said the cold weather has slowed up the growth process of the beets as it has in other crops. However, he added, "I'm not worried about it at all. Things look good. We're just hoping for some warm temperatures and sunshine to come soon."

Rouget agrees with Braem and also said there is relatively little to worry about. In

Tuscola County, Rouge noted, the sugar beets and corn were planted early, which could mean a better crop for beets. "The early sugar beets have a potential for a good yield."

Rouget said even though it looks good now for sugar beets, farmers shouldn't be getting their hopes up just yet.

"There is still a long time to go and a lot of things could happen," he concluded. "We aren't behind by any means, but we aren't ahead."

Board okays road work

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zoning administrator, which became vacant when Danny Gee resigned effective April 1.

"Don will work with Ted beginning in June, with full responsibility (for the cemetery) Aug. 1," Wallace said. As sexton, Erla will be paid \$15,000 and receive use of the sexton's residence. The zoning administrator's post pays \$1,000 annually.

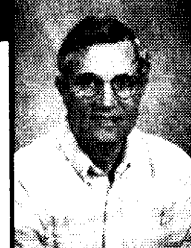
Also last week, the board:

•Accepted a mutual aid agreement between the Elkland Township and Lamotte Township fire departments. Under the pact, the departments agree to assist one another, when the need arises, at no cost. Elkland Township has a similar agreement with the Elmwood-Gagetown Fire Department, Wallace noted.

•Learned the township's annual workman's compensation audit has been completed, and the township's annual audit is slated to begin this week.

•Named the Rev. David Edwards, pastor of the Cass City Missionary Church, as the guest speaker at this year's Memorial Day ceremony, which will follow the annual parade from the village to the cemetery.

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Sowers' attorneys, Lopatin, Miller, Freedman, Bluestone, Herskovic, Heilmann & Domol, Southfield, stated in court records that the mammography revealed a lesion on Mrs. Sowers' left breast. The attorneys argued the lesion should have been investigated further, but wasn't, resulting in Mrs. Sowers' death April 20, 1996.

Attorneys for the hospital and Dr. Carter, a radiologist, argued in court records that neither had been negligent in the treatment of Mrs. Sowers.

Under the motion to approve the settlement and dismiss the case, Earnest Sowers was awarded half of the total \$200,000 settlement. Sowers' son, Edward R. Cass, received \$32,108. The remaining \$67,892 went to the law firm representing Sowers to cover costs and attorneys fees.

Micklash, Sugden graduate

Two area residents, Melissa Micklash and Rachel Sugden, have graduated from the University of Michigan.



Melissa Micklash

Micklash, daughter of Theresa and Ken Micklash and a 1993 graduate of Cass City High School, graduated magna cum laude, earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology and communications.

She is currently working at the Neurology Research Center in Ann Arbor. She is also applying to graduate schools to study clinical psychology, with plans to obtain her PhD.

Sugden, daughter of Joyce and Rick Sugden, a 1993 graduate of Cass City High School, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in engineering. A 1993 graduate of Cass City High School, she will begin a job in Midland, Texas, July 14 as a field engineer at Schlumberger Engineering.

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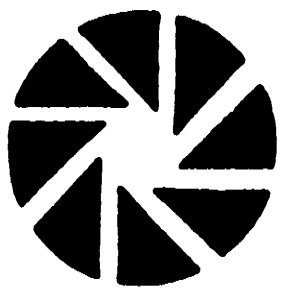
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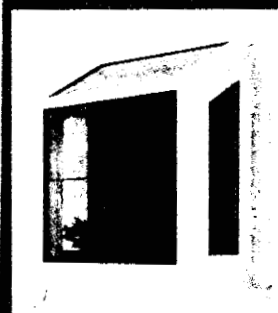
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