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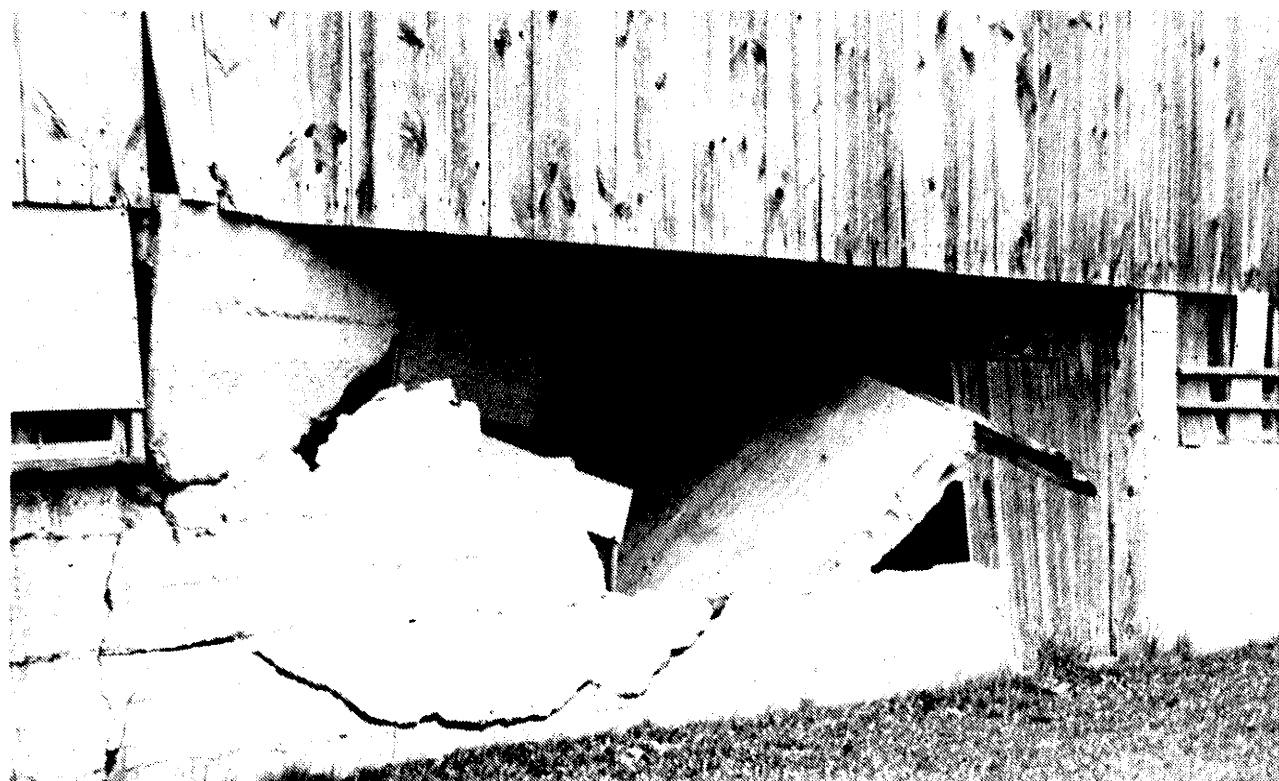
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A DEFORD AREA teen's joy ride on a Tuscola County Road Commission end loader resulted in damage to buildings at this deer hunting camp on Warner Road, just north of Severance Road last week.

## Boy's joy ride expensive

A Deford area boy's joy ride on a Tuscola County Road Commission front end loader was brief, but resulted in damage to several gates and at least 2 farm buildings last week.

The juvenile, whose name

was not released, took the equipment from a gravel pit in the Deford area near Warner Road last Wednesday afternoon.

According to Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies, the 14-year-old boy damaged

several Department of Natural Resources gates. He also struck a barn and an older, vacant farmhouse.

Road Commission employees later spotted the equipment on Keilitz Road. They

also spotted the boy, who fled into some nearby woods. The employees, along with deputies, apprehended the juvenile. Cass City police were also asked to assist. Charges are pending in the case.

## In St. Clair County

## Nab Sanilac jail escapee

Freedom lasted for only about 2 days for a Sanilac County Jail inmate who fled the jail building on foot Saturday, then stole a car that was recovered the next day in St. Clair County.

The inmate, Timothy Shawn Hinojosa, 22, was apprehended Monday afternoon by St. Clair County Sheriff's deputies after a short foot chase. He is now back in custody at the Sanilac County Sheriff's Department.

Sanilac County deputies reported they received a call at 2:53 p.m. Monday from a citizen advising that a friend of hers had just seen the escapee using a pay phone at Vinnie's Market on M-25. A call was then placed to the St. Clair County Sheriff's Department requesting assistance in arresting Hinojosa.

According to deputies, Hinojosa fled the jail during visitation Saturday at about 1:30 p.m. He escaped through an opening at a new construction site, according to reports, which state a corrections officer began a foot chase, but lost sight of the suspect in an alleyway.

Several county, state and city police units were called to assist in the search along with the K-9 unit from the Port Huron Police Department. After a ground search, a volunteer with assistance from an officer made an aerial search of the area.

The sheriff's department received a vehicle theft complaint about 2 hours after the escape, and following interviews with the victim and neighbors, it was determined that Hinojosa was the person driving the stolen 1978

Oldsmobile Delta 88.

On Sunday morning, Sanilac Central Dispatch received word that the St. Clair County Sheriff's Department had recovered the stolen ve-

hicle in the Black River.

A physical description of the inmate was given to local patrols along with other law enforcement agencies throughout the state.

## Sting pleads guilty to charges

A Tuscola County man who led police on a chase from Fairgrove High School to the village of Caro May 7, ramming a police car in the process, has pleaded guilty to 3 charges stemming from the incident.

Jeffrey E. Sting, 20, Fairgrove, pleaded guilty to attempted malicious destruc-

tion of police property, resisting and obstructing a police officer and fleeing and eluding police in Fairgrove and Almer townships, and the village of Caro.

He also faces a charge of attempted larceny April 24 in Fairgrove Township.

Sting's license was suspended. Please turn to page 14.

## Voters to select school board members Monday

Electors in 3 of 4 area school districts will decide races for board of education seats next week.

The annual school election will be held Monday. Polls will open at 7 a.m. and remain open until 8 p.m.

Candidates are battling for 4-year trustee seats in the Kingston, Owen-Gage and Uby school districts. In the Cass City School District, meanwhile, only incumbents Danny L. Haag and Allan Hartwick filed nominating petitions to run for office.

There are no bond issue requests or ballot proposals in any of the districts.

### KINGSTON SCHOOLS

In the Kingston School District, incumbents David W. Kolacz and Louis E. Wenzlaff, along with challenger Ellen McQuinn-Romosier, are vying for one of 2 available board of education seats.

Kolacz, 49, is employed as an insurance salesman. He is a lifelong resident of the district, and has served on the school board for the past 8 years.

Wenzlaff, 60, is a veteran trustee, having served on the

board of education for the past 32 years. He is a lifetime resident of the district.

McQuinn-Romosier, 46, is a mother and homemaker who has lived in the Kingston School District for the past 26 years. She moved to the area from Clawson, Mich.

### OWEN-GAGE SCHOOLS

Three candidates — none of them incumbents — are vying for a pair of seats in the Owen-Gage School District. They are Tom Mellendorf, Bill Perdue and Walter Swiastyn.

Current board President Terry Muntz and Trustee Mary Ann Abbe opted not to seek reelection.

Swiastyn, 39, is a lifelong resident of the district and former school board member, having served as a trustee for 8 years before narrowly losing a bid for reelection last June. A cooperative elevator employee, he is married and has 2 children.

Mellendorf, 42, is a machinist at the Romeo Engine Plant, where he has been employed for 22 years.

## Candidates give views on school questions

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### UBLY SCHOOLS

In the Uby Community Schools, 3 candidates are seeking a single, 4-year term. The candidates are incumbent Janice Schrader and challengers Justin Faber and Carol Peruski-Fess.

Schrader, 44, has lived in

the Uby District for 24 years. She is employed at MacEachin Insurance Agency, and was previously employed for 18 years at First of America Bank in commercial and mortgage lending. Schrader has served on the school board for the past 4 years.

### Alcohol involved

## Grad party ends in auto crash

Police say an alcohol party involving graduating seniors may have contributed to an accident early Monday morning in Tuscola County, where a vehicle entered a dredge cut and sank in 10 to 15 feet of water.

The accident occurred at about 3:30 a.m. in northwestern Akron Township, according to troopers from the

Michigan State Police post in Caro.

Troopers were called to an unknown traffic crash at the intersection of Kirk and Loomis roads, where they contacted the driver, David L. Duggan II, 20, of Caro.

Duggan stated he was traveling at about 50 miles per hour and lost control of his

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EVERYTHING FROM trays to stainless steel bowls and utensils, lighting fixtures to freezers, went on the auction block Friday as Sommers Bakery owners Charles and Debbie Wilt tried to recoup a portion of their loss from a devastating fire in March. (Story on page 5)



AS AN ALTERNATIVE to public school, the Goulds, from left, Jenna, Todd, Grant, Noah and Tara, have chosen to homeschool their children.

## Goulds: Homeschooling better than average public schools

By Angela Cook  
Staff writer

Parents looking for an alternative to public and private schools are finding it at home.

Homeschooling — children being educated in the home — is one measure some area parents have taken to ensure their children receive an education they academically and morally approve of.

Homeschooling is also sometimes used by some parents to protect their children from the violence and peer pressure some students feel in the public school system, said Todd and Tara Gould of Cass City, who homeschool their children.

According to Tara and Todd Gould, families taking advantage of the homeschool

option are obvious by the growing number of people attending conventions.

"Homeschooling is a major trend," Tara said.

The Goulds homeschool their three children, Grant, 15, Noah, 13, and Jenna, 11.

Tara said she homeschools her children primarily for academic and moral reasons.

She said while her family was still living in California, her children were not receiving the moral and academic education she thought they deserved.

So she said she began homeschooling and said as a result her children are receiving a better education than they would have received in the average public school.

"Homeschooling is really one on one tutoring," she said.

She said homeschooling also fit her family well because her family moves often because of her husband's ministry position.

Academically, she said her children are receiving an excellent education, and as their teacher, she said she is able to focus on their strengths and weaknesses to equip them with the best education possible.

"Who better to know the gifts of a child than the parents?" Todd added. "We have a definite interest in our children that the public school system would not."

Tara maintains she feels her children are her responsibility and as a result she should be responsible for their education.

"I'm trying to better prepare them for what I think they need to succeed in the world," she said.

### CHALLENGING CHILDREN

Karen Cox, a certified teacher, homeschooled her daughter Frances from the time she was in fourth grade until she was finished with high school, also for moral and academic reasons.

She said Frances was not being challenged at Deford Christian Academy, where she was attending.

Frances herself said she was often bored waiting for children to finish lessons she had already completed.

So Cox began

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Steven and Pamela Hurley

## Pair united in April 19 rites

Pamela Elaine Mason and Steven Michael Hurley were married in a 4 p.m. ceremony Saturday, April 19, 1997, at Rocky Hill Baptist Church in Statesville, N.C.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Mason of Statesville. She is a graduate of North Iredell High School and is employed by Mack Molding.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger F. Hurley of Cass City. He is a graduate of Cass City High School and has served 4 years in the U.S. Navy and spent 6 months overseas during Desert Storm. He is employed by Western Carolina Forklift in Conover.

Given in marriage by her parents and escorted to the altar by a close friend, Edward Bernier of Conover, the bride wore a satin candlelight gown featuring a modified Queen Anne neckline. The Renaissance sleeves and bodice were accented with insets of Venice lace, iridescent sequins and pearls. The detailed basque waistline enclosed by a keyhole flowed into a full satin skirt with a bustle effect accented with a bow. Her headpiece was a comb of silk florals and pearl filaments attached to a silk net pouff.

She carried a bouquet of ivory day lilies with pink and ivory roses, accented with silk net, ivory bow, and streamers.

Linda Phillips was matron of honor and Sandra Mason was bridesmaid, both from Statesville and sisters of the bride. They wore melon color, street-length dresses. They carried bouquets similar to the bride's with roses

and lilies.

Kaleigh Gober was flower girl. She wore an ivory lace dress and carried a basket of rose petals accented with ivory streamers.

The couple's son, Adam Mason Hurley, was the ring bearer.

Jeff Kosal of Cass City was the best man. Jeff Meires of Maringo, Iowa, was groomsman.

The Rev. James Ray Millsaps, uncle of the bride, from Roanoke, Va., officiated at the ceremony.

Jessica Mason, niece of the bride, attended the guest register and distributed the wedding programs.

Jill Russell provided the wedding music.

The bride's mother wore a royal blue street-length dress. The fitted waistline was accented with pearls with a gathered skirt.

The groom's mother wore a mauve dress with long sleeves and over the shoulder and down the front lace pattern.

Honorary attendants included Tammy Hurley and Wendy Hurley, sisters of the groom of Cass City, and Peggy Chapman, Sherri Honeycutt and Wendy Kiser, all of Statesville.

Special guests included Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bernier of Conover and the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Irene Millsaps.

A reception was held in honor of the couple following the ceremony in the church fellowship hall.

After a trip to Gatlinburg, Tenn., the couple is making their home in Taylorsville, N.C.

## Cass City Social Items

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Gloria Rockafellow of Olivet spent Tuesday through Thursday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Schneeberger.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord LaPeer spent Saturday with Debbie Timmons in Pinconning.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord LaPeer attended the graduation party Sunday at Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Curry's for Danny Curry, who graduated from Kingston High School. Danny will attend CMU in the fall.

The regular monthly meeting of Post 3644 VFW will be Monday, June 9, at 7:30 at the post hall.

Teams are needed for a men's Class "C" and below slow pitch tournament to be held July 12-13 in Cass City. The first 28 teams to pay the \$135 fee are in. For more information, call Chuck Erla at (517) 872-3734. Deadline is Saturday, July 5.

## Scholarship for Ceranski

Stacey L. Ceranski, daughter of James and Marilee Ceranski, Cass City, was awarded an Achievement Scholarship from Western Michigan University.

The Achievement Scholarship is given to students who have achieved academic excellence during high school.

Ceranski is a 1997 graduate of Cass City High School and will be attending Western Michigan University in the fall. She will be majoring in elementary education.

## Hulbert awarded scholarship

Recent Cass City High School graduate Heather Hulbert has been named the recipient of the Elmwood Sewing Circle's annual scholarship.

Hulbert, daughter of Jo Anne and the late Gene Hulbert, Cass City, will receive \$150 towards her education at the Bayshire Beauty Academy in Bay City, where she plans to train for a career in cosmetology.



Meg's Peg

Twilight Zone

by Melva E. Guinther

Am I weird or does everybody have strange, meaningless bits of conversation go through their heads as they drift off to sleep?

Most times the strange words are probably forgotten as a person sinks into unconsciousness, but once in a while an arthritic knee calls me back from the brink and I recall these ridiculous, nonsensical phrases before they're forever lost.

Then I can't sleep, wondering where they come from.

One that stuck with me the other night long enough to write it down was the following:

"Until this time, Balkan kids were indifferent. They struck doctors!"

What in the world does that mean, and why would it be floating around in my semi-conscious??? It boggles the mind.

The speaker was male, not a voice that I recognized, and the last phrase, "They struck doctors!" was spoken with great disgust.

Some experts on the subject believe that dreams are the result of the brain sorting and filing the day's new information while there isn't any incoming.

They explain that snatches of old data get mixed up with the new in the process, and some of the strange dreams we experience are the result. That makes sense, and seems a lot more reasonable than some of the other hypotheses. Perhaps the weird word combinations come about the same way.

Personally, I'd feel a lot better knowing that other people hear them too.

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On the medical front, there's good news for kids, and everyone else who fears the needle in the doctor's office of hospital!

An Associated Press article in one of the dailies reported that you may soon be able to get vaccinations without needles.

In fact, the needleless injections are already being used in the military and in a few civilian locations in the U.S.

Several companies are developing the devices that use air pressure or carbon dioxide to squirt a very tiny jet of liquid through the skin. It

makes a much smaller hole than the hypodermic needle.

In addition to doing away with needlephobia, the newer method also eliminates the problem of disposing of all those needles and syringes.

Another new medical maneuver is the use of glue instead of stitches in repairing cuts in emergency rooms.

Some doctors are using glue after appendectomies, hernia repairs, etc.

The medical glue is a lot like Crazy Glue, but don't try this at home. Crazy Glue is a lot more toxic and less flexible.

In a study involving 130 patients with 136 lacerations, the average wound repair with glue took 3.8 minutes, compared with 12.4 minutes for stitches.

Although it doesn't work well over joints or on the hands, the glue is reportedly less painful and the wound heals just as well. Plus, there's no need to return to the doctor to have stitches removed.

Now if they could just find a way to shorten the time in the waiting room....

## Correction

In an account in last week's Chronicle about Phyllis Linderman's birthday party, 50 family members attended.

## Sr. Citizens' Menu

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

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**Tuesday** - Golden baked chicken, sweet potatoes, peas, variety bread, mandarin oranges.

**Friday** - Stuffed green peppers, cole slaw, European veggie blend, rye bread, apple sauce.

## Engaged



Fran &amp; Drew

Mrs. Virginia Bennett and Robert Papp of Caro announce the engagement of their daughter, Frances Papp, to Andrew Brandimore. He is the son of Gary Brandimore of Bay City and Sherry Brandimore of Midland.

A Sept. 13, 1997, wedding is being planned at Sacred Heart Church in Caro.

The couple will reside in Grand Haven.



Mary &amp; Donald Buchanan

## Buchanans to observe 50th

Donald and Mary (Doerr) Buchanan of Caro will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary June 5.

They were married in the Presbyterian Church in Bad Axe.

They have 3 children: Diana (Roger) Luedeman of East Lansing, Daniel (Barb)

Buchanan of Bad Axe, and Donald (Lou) Buchanan of Phoenix, Ariz. They also have 7 grandchildren: Brian Buchanan of Bad Axe, Denise Buchanan of Detroit, Melissa, Jennifer and Amanda Buchanan, all of Phoenix, Ariz., and Michelle and Benjamin Luedeman of East Lansing.



William Harold Workman and Mary Theresa Rose, both of Millington.

Ronald William Prahin and Amy Ruth Sage, both of Reese.

Timothy John Vitu and Elizabeth Marie Keyes, both of Reese.

Craig Edwin Rupprecht and Terri June Carr-Knight, both of Richville.

Gregory Michael Newland, Brimley, and Milissa Ellen Zinnecker, Deford.

William Ernest Stebbins and Constance Sue Stebbins, both of Millington.

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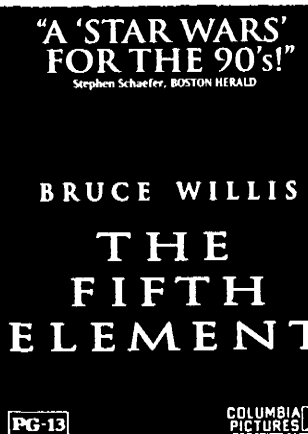
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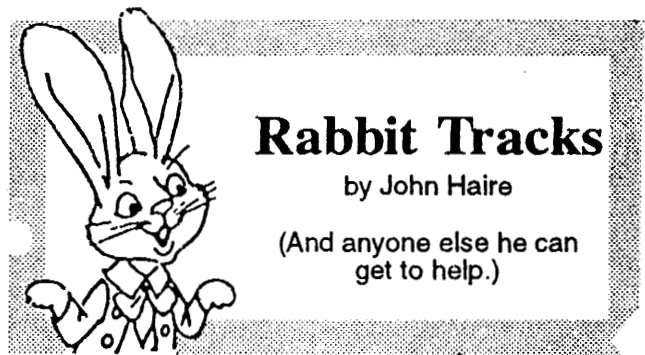
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## Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

It's been a cold spring. How cold? Well on Memorial Day weekend there were patches of snow on the Boyne Mountain ski runs.

Folks seem equally divided about the weather. One camp making dire predictions about how hot the summer will be when it gets here. The other asking plaintively if summer is ever going to arrive.

Which recalls the summer 3 years ago when there were 2 kinds of weather, bad and lousy. At Lake Charlevoix the weather discouraged swimming until the middle of August, when we had the first good weekend of the summer and even then the water was colder than most folks like to have it.

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Here's a tidbit from the Michigan Trivia book. It concerns the size of Lake Michigan. In size it ranks sixth among lakes in the world.

Did you know (or care) that Lake Michigan is the smallest of 3 of the Great Lakes, behind Lake Huron and Lake Superior? It's also smaller than the Caspian Sea, Lake Victoria and the Aral Sea.

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Bob Papovich is taking us to task again. (Letter to the editor.) For reporting that the middle school might possibly be sold and saying that army pilot Lt. Flinn's conduct should not be the determining factor in her army discharge.

Bob has a selective memory about the middle school. At the time the sale was listed as a possibility, the school also revealed that a bid was received for tearing down the building if it was not sold.

If you equate a soldier's personal life with ability to perform, Bob's right. By that standard we'd have lost several of our outstanding generals, too. But who will question the guys at the very top?

Why should anyone be required to reveal intimate sex activities that have no relation to the quality of their work on the job?

## The Weather

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| Friday .....    | 66   | 52  | 0       |
| Saturday .....  | 63   | 51  | 0       |
| Sunday .....    | 70   | 53  | 0       |
| Monday .....    | 69   | 53  | 0       |

(Recorded at Cass City wastewater treatment plant.)



**A COLD SPRING** may have delayed the annual morel mushroom season, but the harvest has been plentiful for those willing to hunt for them. Above, Pastor David Edwards of Cass City, along with son Shane, display some of the more than 1,000 morels they picked over a 2-week period.

## Family Fun Days June 6, 7

A traditional all-you-can-eat country breakfast will highlight an entire day of fun, fellowship and games at Bay Shore Camp's Family Fun Days, set to run from Friday evening, June 6, through Saturday afternoon, June 7. The public is invited.

Friday's schedule begins with a 7 p.m. softball tournament round, followed by a campfire and sing-a-long session. Those with RVs may use the campground overnight at no charge.

The country breakfast begins at 7:30 a.m. Saturday and continues through the noon hour.

Team registration for a 3-on-3 co-ed basketball tournament for youngsters 7-14 begins at 8:30 a.m. Volleyball teams may also register

at 8:30 a.m. for a co-ed beach sand volleyball tournament. A \$10/team fee is required for each tournament.

Children will find a shaded

playground for all day fun, and there will be organized games with adult supervision. Concessions and picnic facilities are available all day.

## The Haire Net



In an informal conversation, Ken Micklash, Cass City Schools superintendent, remarked that public education needs to change to prepare students for career opportunities.

That's undoubtedly one reason why the district is spending \$100,000 yearly for technology improvement.

Public schools have never been as challenged before as they are today. In Cass City and the Thumb, the clamor for change has not been as vociferous as elsewhere. Residents have taxed themselves for new buildings in most area districts.

Still there is evidence that public school supporters should not be complacent. There are some 60 families in the Thumb who have home schooling, kids who never attend a class at a public school. Deford Christian Academy rolls along, graduating 8 this June.

All of this was sparked by an article that appeared in the Detroit News, long a supporter editorially of charter schools. It revealed that Michigan charter schools have the most minorities in the United States and a study by the U.S. Department of Education revealed that minority students made up nearly 53 percent of charter schools' enrollments.

Using these figures, Joe Lehman, a spokesman for the ultra conservative Mackinac Center for Public Policy, charges that it proves that critics who claimed charter schools were elitist were dead wrong. Just the opposite is true, he says.

While the speaker may or may not be a racist, the conclusion reached borders on a racial stereotype. It says that a school can't be elitist and have 53 per cent minority students.

That's hogwash. Charter schools by and large have better students with no mandate to educate the trouble makers or the problem students.

Parents of the vast majority of charter and parochial students care about their kids and take an active interest in their education. Survey after survey has shown that adult involvement produces better schools.

That makes private schools elitist, elitist even if the enrollment were 100 percent minority.

It also leaves unanswered the question about what happens if a majority of the better students bolt to private schools.



## The back forty

by Roger Pond

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The sport of fishing gets more complicated each year. Times have changed since the day I walked into the hardware store to buy my first fishing rod.

I was earning 50 cents a week in those days, and Dad agreed to pay me several weeks in advance to put me in the market for a fishing outfit. I hiked down to the hardware store after school and selected an 8-foot fly rod with an automatic reel made by South Bend. Then, I bought some E-level line and a bunch of flies with beads on their heads.

There's no question that was the most miserable set of fishing equipment a kid has ever assembled. The line was much too light for the rod and those automatic reels were just like a runaway window blind.

I kept the reel wound as tight as I could get it - and each time I hit the retrieve lever the thing would guzzle line like an anteater eating spaghetti.

My rod cost \$10, and the reel was about the same, bringing the total outfit to around \$20. Looking back, I can see that rod and reel cost me almost a year's salary - about the same as my fishing costs me nowadays.

I caught fish on that rod, though; and the reel would bring them in, too. One push on that retrieve button and I had a fish with a rod tip half way to his belly button.

Those were the days before everyone had a bunch of fancy equipment. We just grabbed a pole and a few worms and rode our bikes down to the fishing hole.

Nowadays folks spend 2 days gathering up equipment and drive 300 miles looking for a place to fish - and a dock big enough to unload a 20-foot boat. Then we zip around the lake wondering where the fish are.

I can't speak for others, but I've learned a curious thing about fishing. I've noticed the more equipment I get, the

fewer fish I catch. I thought this was a coincidence at first; the fishing probably isn't what it used to be. Maybe I'm fishing in the wrong places.

The fact remains, though; the more I get, the less I catch.

Finally, I think I've solved the puzzle. A person who just jumps on his bike and heads for the fishing hole spends a lot of time fishing, whereas a guy who works 50 hours a week to pay for his equipment spends a lot of time in his cubicle.

Therefore, I've adopted the

philosophy of an old Swedish taxidermist my brother met years ago. My brother landed a very nice bass at a lake in Minnesota and took it to the taxidermist for mounting.

As he was leaving, Kenny asked the taxidermist, "How long will it take to get the fish mounted?"

"It all depends," the old Swede said. "It should be about 3 months - if I don't get too busy."

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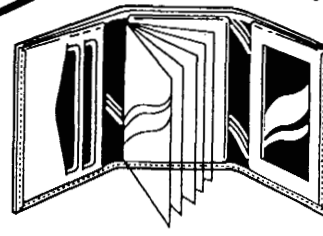
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# Holbrook Area News

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Mrs. Alex Cleland, Carol Laming and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cleland Jr. and A.J. spent Wednesday and Thursday with Bob Cleland Sr. at Waterford.

Mrs. Lynn Spencer of Arizona, Bonnie Spencer of California and Mrs. Curtis Cleland were Wednesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr.

Tom Wills of Las Vegas, Nev., spent a few days with Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bredow of Bad Axe and Edith Jackson were Monday afternoon and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt.

## EXTENDED HOMEMAKERS

Fourteen members and 6 guests met at the home of Mrs. Curtis Cleland for the Extended Homemakers meeting Thursday.

Mrs. Jim Doerr showed pictures and told of her recent trip to Japan. Bonnie Spencer of Los Angeles told of traveling in lots of cultural areas and things she had been doing. Mrs. Lynn Spencer told of different things she was doing in Tombstone, Ariz.

A potluck luncheon was served.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Frank Laming for a picnic dinner.

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Laura Kulish and Allen Farrelly had supper at Ugly Heights Country Club Saturday evening.

Mrs. Lynn Spencer of Tombstone, Ariz., and Bonnie Spencer of Los Angeles came Tuesday evening and spent several days with Mrs. Curtis Cleland. While there they visited Leah Hoxie and family and Wednesday met with friends and members of the Fraser Presbyterian church for a potluck dinner. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Brian Perry, Sophia and Sabastian May 31 and left June 1 to return home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski visited Mrs. Eugene Depcinski at Huron Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Particka and Mary Beno attended the buffet fish supper at Sherwood on the Hill Friday evening in honor of Mrs. Melvin Particka's birthday.

Mrs. Gerald Wills and Reva Silver were Tuesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ballagh.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney was a Sunday afternoon guest of Mrs. John O'Henley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cleland Jr. and A.J., Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming spent Sunday overnight and Monday with Bob Cleland Sr. in Waterford. Monday they visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cleland and family in Waterford and attended the memorial services at Waterford, coming home Monday evening.

Mrs. Lynn Spencer of Arizona, Bonnie Spencer of Los Angeles, Bill Spencer of Cass City, Mary Lou Spencer of Ann Arbor, Donna Morris and Peggy Furtah, Jesse, Sarah, Richard and Amber of Marine City, Winnie Bombyh, Sandy and Dylan, Brenda Brown of Grand Rapids and Nancy Spencer of Cass City met at Liberty Lanes in Sandusky for lunch May 26.

Bobbi and Cheryl Allen and Allen Farrelly had supper at the China King in Bad Axe Wednesday.

Mrs. Evans Gibbard spent Monday with Stella and Leo Leszczynski at Cass City.

Mr. and Mrs. John Naples of Eastpointe and Jack Naples and son Nicholas of Detroit were Tuesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Konkell and Marney.

Mrs. Lynn Spencer of Arizona and Bonnie Spencer of California, Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cleland were Tuesday evening guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Canham of Niagara Falls,

Canada, came Wednesday to spend a few days with Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Bob Cleland Sr. and Jan McCune of Waterford spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

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

Mrs. Lynn Spencer of Tombstone, Ariz., Bonnie Spencer of Los Angeles, Bob Spencer of Allentown, Pa., Bill Spencer of Cass City, Donna Morris of Saline, Diann Underwood of Warren, Anna Marie and Andy Pierangelino of Plymouth were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Pierangelino at Plymouth May 25. May 26, Bob Spencer returned to Allentown, Pa.

Bobbie and Cheryl Allen of Bad Axe and Allen Farrelly were Thursday evening guests of Laura Kulish.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Terry of Elkton, Marvel Wilcox, Lois Cardenas, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Konkell and Marney had Sunday dinner at Bob Evans in Holt.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Campbell of Shelby Township and Allen Farrelly had dinner Sunday at Charming in Cass City.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Reed of Madison Heights spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Particka and Felix Osentoski.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Allen Sr., Chris Bean and friends Carl and Brenda, and Allen Farrelly spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Allen Jr.

Twelve members of the Traveling Breakfast Club met Thursday morning at Oliver T's in Bad Axe. They will meet at Franklin Inn in Bad Axe next week.

Memorial weekend guests of Mrs. Mary Beardsley were Mr. and Mrs. David Beardsley Sr. of Dryden, David Beardsley Jr. of Lapeer, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wills and son Joe Jr. of Cadillac, Connie Beardsley of Racine, Wis., Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wilson and children Merle, Chrystal and Nicholas of Muskegon, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Price and children Paul, Samantha and Silas of Spring Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Brady Wills of Obion, Tenn., and Mrs. Michele Beardsley and son Michael of Romeo.

## DELAYED IN MAIL

Bob and Ron Osentoski, John Pzyhak and Jim Tyrrell played in the Harmony Nights Band at the Silver Derby at Clumb.

Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming spent from Wednesday till Saturday with Bob Cleland Sr. at Waterford. Mrs. Gerald Wills and Reva Silver were Mother's Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wills at Port Austin.

Wendy Rickett, Cory and Caitlyn, Tom Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr and Jeff, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cleland and Mrs. Curtis Cleland went to Northwood Shores Restaurant in Cass City for Mother's Day dinner.

Bob and Carol Osentoski and family, Charlie and Therese Depcinski and family were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski.

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

Sixteen members of the Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Peppermill in Bad Axe Thursday morning. They will meet at the Peppermill again next week.

Jan McCune and Bob Cleland Sr. of Waterford spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming and had an early Mother's Day dinner at Ugly Heights Country Club Saturday evening. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Ken Osentoski.

Mr. and Mrs. Chet Leppek and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cook were Friday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs.

Clarence Rumpitz.

Laurie Osentoski and family and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tyrrell and family were Mother's Day guests of Eugene and Agnes Gorkowski.

Reva Silver was a Saturday supper guest of Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Richard and Cindy Depcinski, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski, Mrs. Cynthia Meldrum, Kenneth Meldrum and a friend, and Kim Depcinski had Mother's Day dinner at Ugly Heights Country Club.

Cheryl Allen and Allen Farrelly had lunch at the Peppermill in Bad Axe Monday.

Mrs. Jim Hewitt spent 5 days with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Karg and Jaimie and Randall Knowles at Westland and Mr. and Mrs. Danny Schultz and Shannon, Samantha and Sabrina at Canton. Jim Hewitt spent from Thursday till Saturday.

Bryce and Betty Hagen were Sunday evening guests of Ben and Donelda Meske at Port Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Iseler and family of Port Hope, Mr. and Mrs. Tom O'Henley and Mark, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Rutkowski and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Laming and family and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Depcinski and family were Mother's Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Depcinski and Ervin.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Karg, Jaimie and Randall Knowles of Westland spent from Saturday till Monday at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Karg in Bad Axe and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt.

Laura Kulish and Allen Farrelly had lunch at Ugly Heights Friday.

Charlene Hagen entertained at a surprise birthday party for Dennis Hagen at their home Wednesday for supper and cake and ice cream later. Guests attending were Betty and Bryce Hagen, Ellen and Mike Moorman, Mary and Ben Maurer, Clint Hagen and friend Melissa, Dorene and Jim Hagen, Nicholas and Jennifer, Beatrice Pickla and Rick Glaza.

Mrs. Dick Wallace was a Tuesday forenoon guest of Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim A. Sweeney visited Alex Ross at Grand Rapids Monday.

Mrs. Allen Depcinski and Mrs. Ray Depcinski attended the Tulip Festival at Holland with The Over 50 Club from Bad Axe Sacred Heart Catholic Church by bus. They left at 8 o'clock and returned home at 10 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Goodfellow of Utica spent a few days with Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Mary and Ben Maurer entertained at a Mother's Day dinner at Ugly Heights Country Club Sunday Bryce and Betty Hagen, Dennis and Charlene Hagen and Brad, Clint Hagen and a friend, Keith Hagen and a friend, Ellen and Mike Moorman, Jim and Dorene Hagen, Nicholas and Jennifer.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western, Ray English, Don English, Ron and Augie Wolschlager, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Salowitz, Chris, Julie and Tim, Allen Farrelly, Nelson and Marilyn and son Miles Sprengler had Mother's Day dinner at Colony House.

Betty Myers of Gladwin spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski and took Mrs. Depcinski to Cousins in Bad Axe for lunch Saturday.

Courtney Doerr of Cass City spent Friday with her great-grandmother, Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz came home Tuesday after spending a week with Ira Lepek at Reno, Nev. Other visitors were Jean Nicol and a friend and Judy Haymaker and a friend. While there the Rumpitzes went on a tour of the mountains, Bonanza, Carson and Virginia City.

Katha Chockley of Algonac, Wendy Rickett and Caitlyn, Mrs. Jerry Cleland,

Mrs. Curtis Cleland and Mrs. Jim Doerr attended a bridal shower for Amy Doerr at the home of a friend in Toledo, Ohio. A buffet luncheon was served. The afternoon was spent opening gifts and visiting.

Mrs. Cliff Goodfellow of Utica, Mrs. Gerald Wills and Reva Silver had lunch at Elias Brothers in Bad Axe Tuesday.

Sharon Depcinski of Lansing and Jason McRae of Mt. Pleasant were Tuesday overnight and Wednesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray

Depcinski.

Chris Dean of Elkton, Bobbi Allen and Allen Farrelly were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Allen Jr.

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**LONG-TIME** Sommers Bakery and Restaurant owner Stuart Merchant (left) chats with Charles Wilt during Friday's fire and demolition auction behind the bakery. Wilt and his wife, Debbie, purchased the business last fall, but the couple lost everything in a major fire that gutted the building March 19.



**FRIDAY'S AUCTION** featured several large items, including racks and display cases (above). And nearly everything was purchased during the auction, which lasted for more than 4 hours.

### Award \$38,000 grant

## Celebrate Life Day Camps set

The Adolescent Health Program of the Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola Associated County Health Departments is offering a unique opportunity for local 11-13-year-old students. The office of Drug Control Policy has awarded

the Sanilac County Health Department a \$38,000 grant to provide an educational summer day camp in each of the counties.

The Celebrate Life Day Camps will teach kids how

to "Celebrate Life" without the use of alcohol, tobacco or other drugs.

According to Kay Balcer, the adolescent health coordinator, "We are very excited about being able to bring this unique opportunity to the tri-county area. Many kids are under tremendous pressure to use alcohol, drugs and violence to solve their problems and have fun."

The camp is free to tri-county residents and will use videos, field trips, demonstrations, guest speakers and skill building activities to teach participants why to say no to drugs and how to say no. Some teens are more vulnerable to giving in to peer pressure and using drugs. The day camp will teach them more than the facts and

will show them that many teens are making healthy choices regarding alcohol, tobacco, drugs, abstinence

and conflict resolution.

The camps will be utilizing local high school students as teen mentors and role models. The camps will also be involving family members by holding a potluck picnic on the last day of the camp.

Only 40 students per county will be able to participate. Parents can enroll their child by contacting their school counselor or principal for an application or contacting Kay or Diane at 810-648-4098, ext. 500, for more information.

Application deadlines are June 12 in Sanilac County, June 30 in Huron County and July 4 in Tuscola County. Tuscola and Huron counties are also looking for high school students who are interested in volunteering as teen mentors. Interested teens should also contact Kay or Diane.

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# Bidders buy bakery history at Sommers fire auction

A piece of Cass City history went on the auction block Friday as Sommers Bakery owners Charles and Debbie Wilt tried to recoup a portion of extensive losses from a devastating fire that gutted their business last March.

The March 19 fire destroyed Sommers Bakery and Restaurant, as well as the adjoining Shetler building, which housed Tri-County Medical Equipment.

Friday's fire and demolition sale offered buyers a wide range of items, from stainless steel bowls and utensils to lighting fixtures and commercial appliances, to racks and display cases.

"Everything sold," commented David Osentoski of Osentoski Realty and Auctioneering.

Osentoski expressed surprise at the turnout — more than 100 bidders — as well as the gusto with which the buyers went after the various items.

"There were people from

all over, Harbor Beach, Flint, Imlay City, Port Huron, Lapeer," he said. "We had it advertised all over."

"We couldn't keep up with the bids. Some of it was sentimental; people wanted some items because it was an old time business in the community, so that helped."

"I thought we'd be done by 5 or 6, but it took time," Osentoski added, noting the

auction, which began at 3 p.m., wasn't wrapped up until after 7 p.m.

In the end, the only property that didn't sell were the 3 lots. The property didn't draw enough interest, according to Osentoski, who theorized potential buyers want to see the property after the buildings have been leveled and hauled away.

It was a difficult day for the Wilts, as well as for former

owners Stuart and Joan Merchant, who sold the business to the Wilts last October.

The fire marked the end of a long bakery tradition in the village. The Merchants had operated the bakery since 1967, and Joan's parents, Joe and Lucille Sommers, were the previous owners, establishing Sommers in 1937. Before that, the business was Heller's Bakery for nearly 30 years.

At least one tradition, however, will continue, according to Debbie Wilt, who along with her husband recently purchased a bakery in Sandusky.

"We're still going to have Irish Bread," she said, referring to the bread created and sold for years at the local bakery. "Once we get up and going, (Veronica's Restaurant) will be getting Irish Bread."

## Schott earns degree

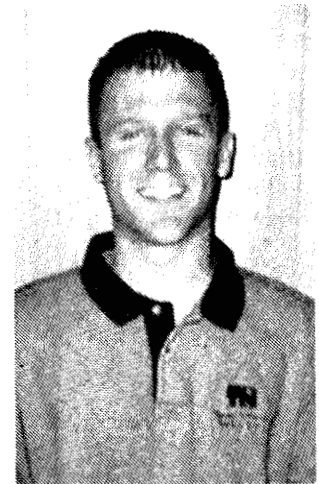
Benjamin F. Schott, Cass City, has graduated from Central Michigan University with a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration.

Schott, who majored in finance, graduated magna cum laude, signifying a grade point average of 3.75 to 3.89.

He was a member of the Cohort Program, a select group of students who took mandatory business courses as a group. He was also a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, the honor society for collegiate schools in business.

Schott was active in the Financial Management Association and received an All-American Scholar Collegiate Award for 2 years. He was also named to the national dean's list.

Schott, a 1993 Cass City High School graduate, is the son of Ken and Shari Schott of Cass City. He is currently employed at Thumb National Bank & Trust Co., Cass City.



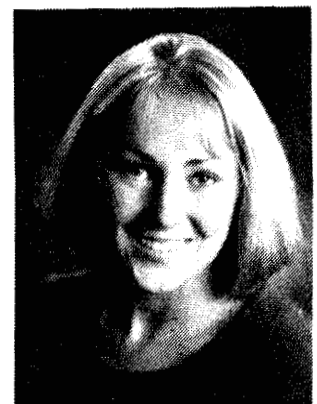
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## Local students honored

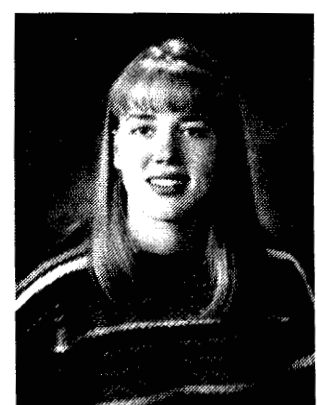
Students from all Michigan high schools are annually selected to represent their schools as the top scholars-athletes for publication in an annual Detroit Free Press special section.

The students will be feted at a June 20 baseball game at Tiger Stadium against Boston.

Selected from Cass City was Ashlie Chappel, daughter of Paul and Suzanne Chappel.



Ashlie Chappel

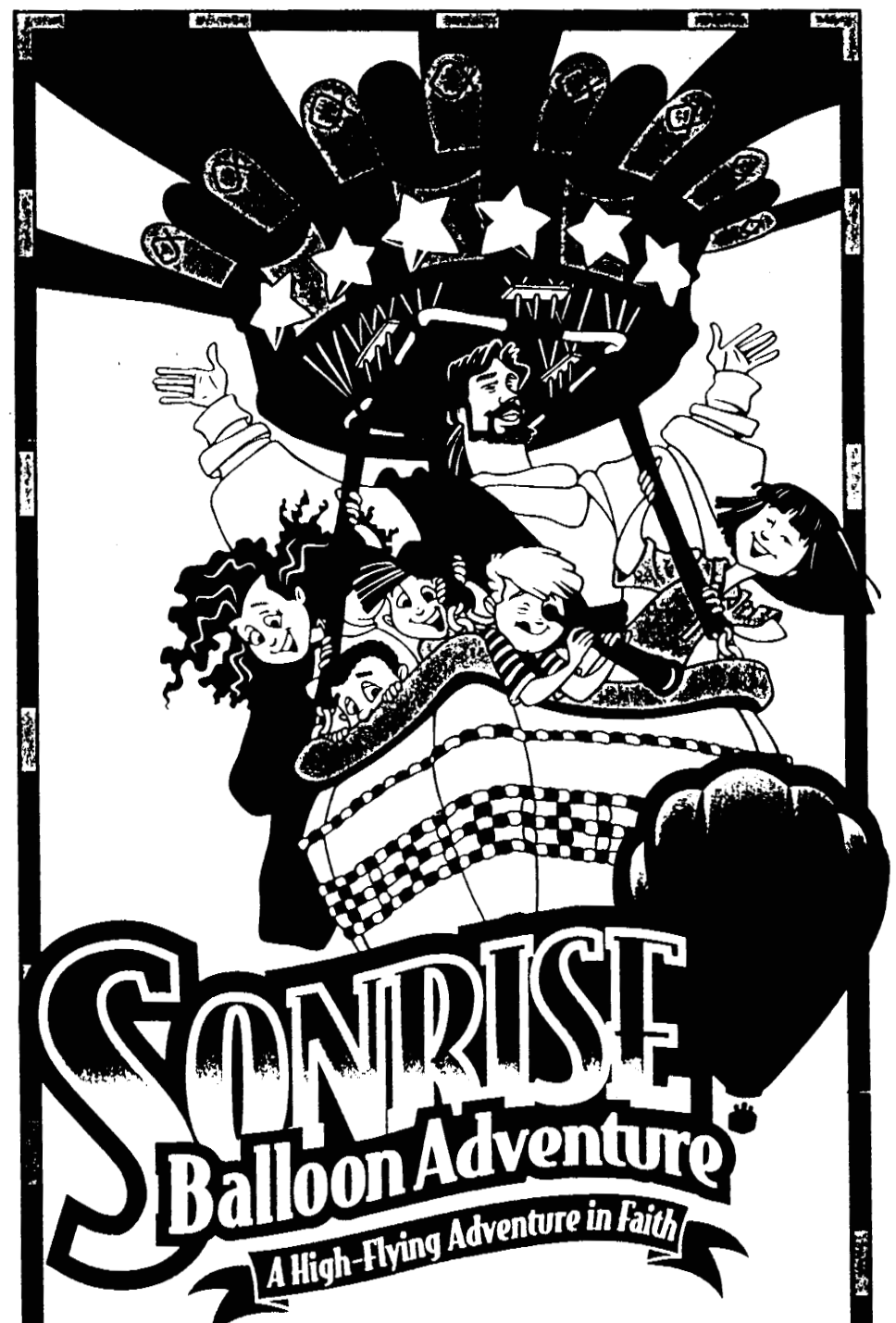


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# School board candidates answer questions

School board candidates in the Kingston, Owen-Gage and Ubyly school districts were asked to respond to 3 questions related to their interest in serving as a board trustee.

The following is a listing of the questions as well as each candidate's responses:

**1) Why do you want to serve on the board of education?**

**2) In what ways do you feel you could contribute to the school district as a board trustee?**

**3) Are there any specific policies or practices you would like to see implemented or discontinued in the district? Please explain.**

## Tom Mellendorf Owen-Gage

1. To be more involved with the school system.
2. Maybe some new and fresh ideas, also work as a team.
3. No. Don't know until I find out what the issues are all about.

## Bill Perdue Owen-Gage Schools

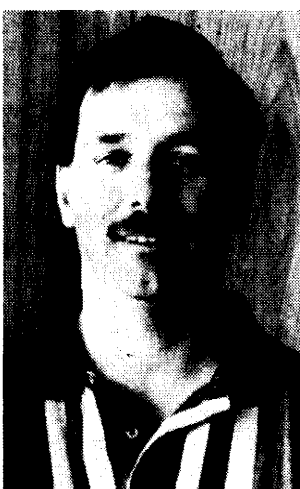
1. Because I feel right now the majority of the people serving do not fully represent the public to which they were elected to serve.
2. I feel I'm the most qualified because I've spent the past year making myself familiar with the Michigan School Code, Freedom of Information Act and the By-

laws and policies of the Owendale-Gagetown Area School system, which all govern the school.

3. Practices I'd like to see changed include: In March a little over a year ago there were over 200 signatures gathered and at that time the board ignored the signatures and voted opposite of the opinion of what the public wanted.

Beginning of the 1996-97 school year there was a survey done from the 7th-12th grades, over 60 students were interested in some type of shop class. There was also information supplied for a grant to upgrade the facility and equipment and as of this date no formal action has been taken.

I feel that the school is the heart of the community and the community should have the greater say of how the school is run.



Walter Swaistyn  
Owen-Gage Schools

1. I'm very interested in the school system and where it is headed. I feel, for the size of our district, we work very hard to offer our students the best education we can.

2. Being elected to the board, I feel my past experience, and knowledge, of working with the school board would be very important. I also could contribute to the students and staff by attending the many school functions as I have in the past to give my support, not only as a board member, but also as a parent and fan.

3. As for implementing or discontinuing any special policy or practice, we have to remember that the students come first. I will voice my opinion on any such matter in order to continue that to happen. I also feel in order to give the best possible education at Owen-Gage, the board has to work together to make this possible.



David Kolacz  
Kingston

1. I would like to serve on the Kingston Board of Education because I feel that it is necessary to provide the best possible education for the children of our school

district. I would like to be a member of the team whose job is to help our school district reach this goal. Our children are the future of our community.

2. I feel I can help contribute to our school district by being available to listen to concerns and questions that members of the school district might have concerning the operations and the goals of our school district.

3. In regards to specific policies of our district that I would like to see changed or implemented, the district has formed various committees and groups to review and discuss changes to our current policies. The committees and groups are comprised of a cross section of the community, so that input is acquired from all interested parties. I sit on the policy, building and grounds, HS handbook, and school improvement committees, which gives me a direct connection to all facets of school operations.



Ellen McQuinn-Romosier  
Kingston

1. Being a strong supporter of public education AND being the mother of a school age child, I want to have an active role in the decision making process of my school district. I can't think of any better way of doing that than being a member of the school board. I want to be part of the system that sees to it that Kingston children have the opportunity to receive a first rate education that will take

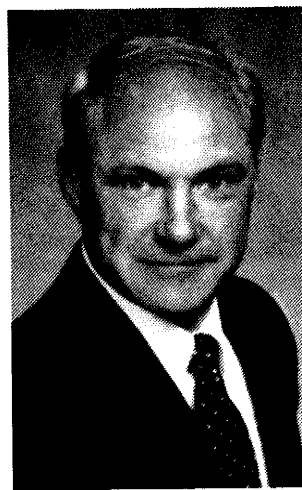
them wherever they choose to go when they leave Kingston Schools.

2. If elected to the Kingston Board of Education, I believe that as one of 7 members I could help make sound decisions. I've tried to pay attention to what is happening in our schools. I've been an active member of the Kingston Elementary PTO for 7 years, 2 years as President and 2 years as Vice-President. I've also been regularly attending our school board meetings for many years.

My educational background lends some knowledge for me to draw from. I have a BA in Economics, which includes studies in finance, labor relations, and other business studies.

Most of all I like to pay attention when I am at other schools or communities or when I'm talking with friends or family who are in the education profession. I look and listen for things that work or don't work and how problems are solved.

3. I'd like to see further curriculum development, especially in the language arts - English and foreign, reading, writing, and speaking, in the elementary and high schools. Actually, the schools are working on these things all the time.



Louis Wenzlaff  
Kingston

1. I believe that every child should have the opportunity to receive the best elementary and high school educa-

tion that can be provided academically, socially and extra curricular. The academic curriculum must be continually reviewed, technological education must be kept current, the teachers and administration must be continually improving their skills to be kept up to date. I feel these goals are happening in the Kingston School District and I would like to be a part in seeing that this continues to happen.

2. I have a college degree in education, I have experience as a teacher, was C.E.O. of a bank for 23 years and currently am the Administrator of a County Nursing Home. I feel I am up to date on employment laws, have a financial background and have been part of this community all of my life.

3. I look forward to the opening of the building addition to the High School and the new Technology Center.



Janice Schrader  
Ubyly Schools

1. I would like to serve a second term on the Ubyly school board because I feel I have done a good job my first term and know I will continue to do a good job a second term.

2. I have the experience of 4 years as a trustee on the school board. I have served on Hills and Dales Hospital Board, Sleeper Public Library Board and the Zoning and Planning Board for the Village of Ubyly. With 18 years of banking experience and the above mentioned

board experience, I feel I am qualified to help the Ubyly school board make sound financial decisions. The Ubyly schools will end the 1997 school year with an approximate \$900,000 fund balance.

3. By running for a seat on the school board you are making a commitment for the next 4 years. You should be making a commitment to be open and fair on all issues that will come in front of you in the 4 years you are serving on the board. I will look at all issues fairly.

Justin Faber  
(did not respond)

Carol Peruski-Fess  
(did not respond)

## SCD to assist teachers

The Teacher's Environmental School sessions will be held July 6 through Aug. 1. There are 3 sessions scheduled under the direction of the following universities: Central, Western, and Eastern Michigan, University of Michigan and Wayne State. The setting for the summer environmental school is the Ralph MacMullan Conference Center, the training facility of the Michigan DNR, located in Higgins Lake.

The Tuscola Soil Conservation District will give a \$100 scholarship to teachers who attend and complete a session. The teacher should contact the district regarding the session they are attending and after the session is completed bring in receipts.

The scholarship is open to all teachers in the Tuscola County School District. For further information about the sessions, the courses being offered and the dates they will be held contact the Tuscola Soil Conservation District at 1075 Cleaver Road in Caro or phone 517-673-8174.

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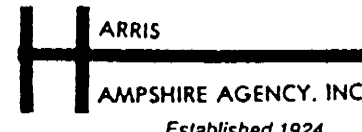
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## ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS OF  
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TUSCOLA, HURON AND SANILAC COUNTIES, MICHIGAN  
TO BE HELD  
JUNE 9, 1997

### TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the annual election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 9, 1997.

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING AND CLOSE AT 8 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

At the annual school election there will be elected two (2) members to the board of education of the district for full terms of four (4) years ending in 2001.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVE BEEN NOMINATED TO FILL SUCH VACANCIES:

Danny Lyle Haag  
Allan Hartwick

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#### PRECINCT NO. 1

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Marilyn Peters

Secretary, Board of Education

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# Rawson Memorial Library offers internet service

Rawson Memorial Library now has internet access.

On May 7 the technicians were at the library to install the new computer and other equipment provided through a special program offered by Ameritech, said Barbara Hutchinson, library director. "With the direct line, the library is on-line whenever the computers are turned on and the internet is available for multiple users at the same time. Also, the speed with which information is retrieved and transferred is enhanced considerably," she said.

The four computers which have access to the internet have a policy, Hutchinson said.

In order to access the internet, patrons must obtain a usage card at the circulation desk which indicates they have read the library's internet policy and are willing to abide by it. Written parental permission is also required of a minor, Hutchinson said.

"These forms are available at the library," she added.

Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult in order to have internet access, Hutchinson said.

Hutchinson said at the present time there is no charge, but this is subject to change.

In the future E-mail accounts will be available, Hutchinson said.

Hutchinson spelled out the basic rules for the use of the internet for Rawson Memorial Library, which are:

\*In order to access the internet patrons must obtain a usage card, which indicates they have read the library's internet policy. This card must be in sight on top of the monitor during the time a patron is using the internet. These cards will be kept at the circulation desk.

\*Patrons may use the internet for one 30 minute time period. If no one is waiting, an additional time period will be permitted.

\*Patrons under the age of 18 must have written parental permission to use the internet. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by a parent while using the internet.

\*Patrons may not download software or other files from the internet.

\*Patrons may sign up in advance to use the internet.



**RAWSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY now has access to the internet, which Terri Moore, library page, is shown here using. Four library computers have access to the internet.**

\*The internet may only be used for legal and ethical purposes. Inappropriate use of the internet or failure to follow guidelines will result in the loss of privileges.

Hutchinson added to meet the demand of learning how to use the internet, the library is scheduling an Internet Orientation series on three consecutive Thursday nights, June 12, 19 and 26. These will take place from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and will cost \$40 a person. It is limited to 8 people per session.

The classes will be taught by Scott Mellendorf, the reference and internet librarian at Saginaw Valley State University, Hutchinson said.

Those in attendance will be given a "hands-on" experience covering the following topics:

Class 1, June 12 - Internet overview and review of Rawson Library internet policies, navigating the World-Wide Web, using a web browser and using the Rawson Memorial Library home page.

Class 2, June 19 - Locating and evaluating internet re-

sources, using directories to locate information, using search engines to locate information and evaluating resources.

Class 3, June 26 - Electronic

communication - Email-pine and windows, listservs, newsgroups and chat, series reviews and tips.

Those interested may sign up at the library.

## Be safe - test dogs for heartworm

If you haven't had your dog tested for heartworms and started him on preventative medicine, don't delay any longer, urges the Tuscola County Humane Society.

Spread by mosquitoes, heartworm is prevalent in Tuscola County. A dog needs to be tested for heartworms during April or May. If heartworms are detected, the animal will be treated before starting on preventative medicine.

The test consists of the veterinarian drawing a small sample of blood from a pet's foreleg. If the test is negative, the dog is given a chewable pill or biscuit to prevent the disease.

Heartworm disease, caused by worms living in the dog's heart and major arteries of the lungs, causes serious

damage and will eventually kill a dog.

In this area, the preventative medicine should be given once a month from May through December. Since the medicine kills heartworm larvae 4 to 6 weeks after the heartworm has been introduced into a pet's system, it must be continued for at least a month after the end of the mosquito season.

When a mosquito bites a dog with heartworms, it acquires a tiny immature heartworm (microfilaria) which can then be passed on to another unprotected dog.

Once introduced into the dog, the parasite moves through the tissue and enters the heart. It can grow up to 14 inches long and the heart can be full of these worms.

Once in the heart, it starts to reproduce and release immature heartworms into the bloodstream. The next mosquito that bites this dog will pick up the heartworm and spread it to another unprotected dog.

Recent studies have shown that cats are also susceptible to heartworm disease, with about 10 percent of cats being affected.

# Letters to the editor

## Papovich says Chronicle has inaccurate opinions

To My Friend John,

Lately John, I've been doing some very serious praying. I've been praying that My Friend John would finally be right (correct) about something so I would not feel compelled to write letters which attempt to bring to light the inaccuracies in his opinions about past and current issues in the news thereby affording me the opportunity to become more deeply involved in good works programs designed to make things better.

Concerning Lt. Flinn, you again missed the point of this entire affair. (No pun intended.) Lt. Flinn is not suffering these consequences because of her "affairs," even though they are, and should be, against regulations in all branches of the Armed Service. She lied to an officer and disobeyed a direct order from her Commanding Officer. Any rational civilian would not consider either of those offenses serious enough to imprison a person or to destroy their career. But this is a not a civilian issue. This is a military issue of the utmost importance. Considering that Lt. Flinn is flying a bomber with enough nuclear power to annihilate tens of millions of people, she must have a clearance of at least "Top Secret." Now I don't know about you John, but I don't want anyone whose finger is on a button with enough power to create a nuclear holocaust lying to their superiors or disobeying a direct order. What if that disobeyed order had been to take flight in preparation for defending her country? What if that disobeyed order had been to push or to not push that button? What if that "lie" had been a denial about being questioned by her lover concerning military secrets? Lt. Flinn wants equal opportunity even though she's a woman, and she obviously received it, as well she should. Now she wants special treatment because she's a woman. She was given a second chance by her Commanding Officer but she chose her affair over her career and now she regrets the choice. She, not the military, has pursued the publicity and she will, more than likely, reap great financial rewards from Hollywood for committing adultery with the husband of her friend(?), lying to an officer, and disobeying a direct order. Unfortunately, benefiting financially from illegal or immoral deeds is not uncommon in the perverted decade of the Clintons. Realistically, all taxpayers should be very upset. The Air Force spent in excess of a million dollars to

train Lt. Flinn, and she threw it all away for a "roll in the hay."

Concerning the proposed razing of the old middle school, I find it rather curious that just before the last and final vote on the bond issue a rumor was circulating indicating that some local businessmen wanted to buy the building and convert it to senior citizens' apartments or something similar. The School Board, the City Planners, the Cass City Chronicle and yours truly knew there was never any substance to that rumor. We also knew that the rumor was intentionally spread to deceive a couple of hundred "swing voters" who didn't really object to the building of a new middle school, but would not vote "yes" if it meant destroying the old building which would, if left standing, undoubtedly outlast the new building by several centuries. The "end justifies the means" was definitely the order of the day, even if the "means" included a little underhanded dealing. That's not exactly what one

might consider setting a good example for our young adults. I find it rather curious that the Cass City Planning Commission never mentioned the village's policy against "spot zoning" when the rumor was circulating about the old middle school conversion. Their silence was absolutely deafening. This incident certainly proves my point that misrepresentation, deception, fraud, and just downright lying, oftentimes a result of the "withholding" of information, is no longer a monopoly held by state and federal governments. Local governments are most definitely cornering their share of that market. Is it any wonder that the "informed" Citizens of this Country harbor so much contempt and distrust for all levels of government? I find it rather curious also that the Chronicle has chosen to not expose this obvious deception and fraud perpetrated upon the voters in the Cass City School District. Respect and trust must be earned and it might appear to the objective observer that

our local government and local media are doing about as well in those categories as the federal government and the government's national media.

Your persistent critic,

Bob Papovich

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Ren Cramer  
Sue Kidney  
Tuscola I.S.D.

### Letters to the Editor The Chronicle welcomes letters to the editor.

Letters must include the writer's name, address and telephone number. The latter is in case it is necessary to call for verification, but won't be used in the newspaper.

Names will be withheld from publication upon request, for an adequate reason.

The Chronicle reserves the right to edit letters for length and clarity.

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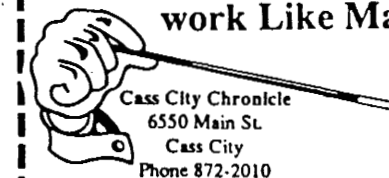
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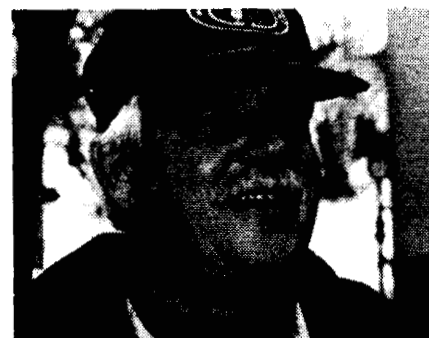
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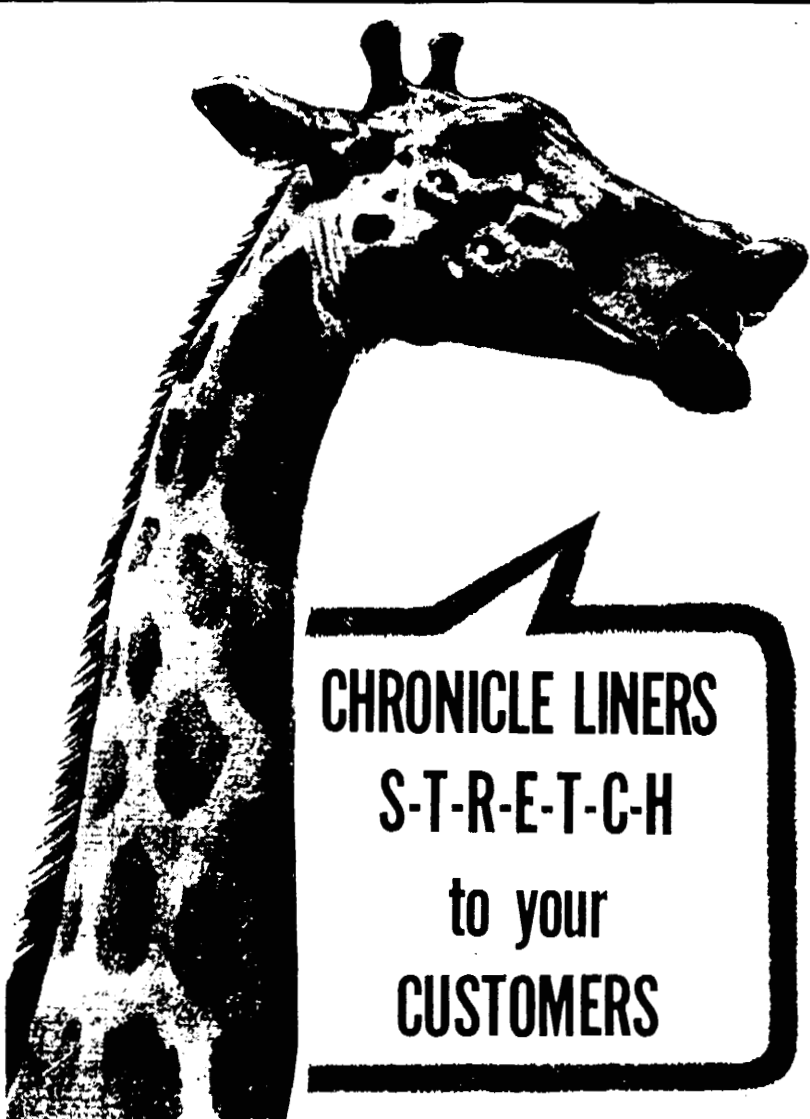
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#### LADIES GOLF

**1st Flight - 18 Holes**

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Mary Rabideau   | 22.5 |
| Joan Montgomery | 20.5 |
| Bunny O'Berski  | 12.5 |
| Fran Bellew     | 11.0 |
| Ardis Haist     | 10.5 |
| Jean Pasieczny  | 7.0  |
| Toby Weaver     | 0    |
| Nelle Maharg    | 0    |
| Kally Maharg    | 0    |

**2nd Flight - 18 Holes**

|                |      |
|----------------|------|
| Linda Helwig   | 27.5 |
| Bonnie Miller  | 23.5 |
| Millie Nadison | 17.5 |
| Peg Veldman    | 17.5 |
| Lil Jaroch     | 11.5 |
| Barb Wilson    | 9.5  |
| Candy Holdship | 8.0  |
| Geri Corcoran  | 7.5  |
| Vera Ferguson  | 3.5  |

**3rd Flight - 9 Holes**

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Marie Scott      | 31 |
| Eleanora Rees    | 22 |
| Blanche Rumpitz  | 22 |
| Mary Lou Maurer  | 16 |
| Arlene Regentine | 13 |
| Dee Pickett      | 12 |
| Phyllis Talaski  | 0  |
| Jane Hool        | 0  |

**4th Flight - 9 Holes**

|                 |    |
|-----------------|----|
| Phyllis Ridge   | 27 |
| Betty Zulauf    | 18 |
| Dani Hicks      | 17 |
| Virginia Ruthko | 17 |
| Audrey Schock   | 13 |
| Marian Harm     | 8  |
| Noreen Krug     | 0  |
| Enid Craig      | 0  |

#### GOLF

##### SCRATCH FLIGHT

|                    |    |
|--------------------|----|
| Jerry Toner        | 49 |
| Dale McIntosh      | 42 |
| Terry Wiseman      | 40 |
| Mike Murphy        | 38 |
| Clark Erla         | 36 |
| Newell Harris      | 36 |
| Don Ouvry          | 36 |
| Mark Swanson       | 36 |
| Bill Kritzman      | 32 |
| Craig Helwig       | 25 |
| Dave Hoard         | 25 |
| Daryl Iwankovitsch | 24 |
| Jason McCallum     | 24 |
| Rich Tate          | 19 |

##### FLIGHT #1

|                |    |
|----------------|----|
| Fred Leeson    | 45 |
| Elwyn Helwig   | 44 |
| Mike Becking   | 42 |
| Rich Houghton  | 38 |
| Mike Randall   | 38 |
| Ken Zdrojewski | 34 |
| John Maharg    | 34 |
| Jim Apley      | 34 |
| Dan Dickinson  | 32 |
| Jim Peyerle    | 32 |
| Dan Hittler    | 26 |
| Jack Burns     | 20 |
| Russ Biefer    | 19 |
| Ernie Bellew   | 17 |

#### FLIGHT #2

|                |    |
|----------------|----|
| Dick Wallace   | 43 |
| Jon Zdrojewski | 41 |
| Gary Robinson  | 40 |
| Stan Guinther  | 39 |
| Rick Doerr     | 38 |
| Rick Hollis    | 37 |
| Gene Kloc      | 36 |
| Craig Weaver   | 34 |
| John Riddle    | 33 |
| Jim Hobbs      | 30 |
| Jack Hool      | 28 |
| Doug O'Dell    | 23 |
| Jim Smithson   | 22 |
| Dick Haley     | 18 |

#### FLIGHT #3

|                    |    |
|--------------------|----|
| Jim Wirtz          | 49 |
| Jep Bryant         | 44 |
| Bill Ewald         | 42 |
| John Niebrzydowski | 38 |
| Clayton Sawdon     | 38 |
| Dick Patnaude      | 35 |
| Craig Bellew       | 32 |
| Bob Stickle        | 28 |
| Duane Henn         | 26 |
| Dave Hutchinson    | 25 |
| Cas Pas/Peters     | 21 |
| Pat Davis          | 18 |

#### FLIGHT #4

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Bruce LeValley   | 47 |
| John Agar        | 39 |
| Phil Schimmell   | 39 |
| Charles Tunis    | 38 |
| Doug Lautner     | 36 |
| Bert Althaver    | 36 |
| Anton Peters     | 34 |
| Leonard Thompson | 33 |
| Mike Spencer     | 31 |
| Bill Fader       | 25 |
| Dickie Green     | 23 |
| Fred Mikolon     | 15 |

#### 2 MAN GOLF

##### EARLY DIVISION

|                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| Wallace/Apley        | 61  |
| Harris/Wiseman       | 52  |
| Kritzman/J. Burns    | 51  |
| Henn/Peters          | 50  |
| Stickle/Iwankovitsch | 49  |
| Herron/Miller        | 49  |
| Strickland/Schelke   | 47  |
| Maharg/Pasieczny     | 43  |
| Smith/Rgnerus        | 40* |
| Williamson/Rieman    | 38  |
| Bliss/Baker          | 38  |
| Burns/Jueng          | 25* |
| Martin/Jost          | 19  |
| W. Dillon/Retherford | 10* |

##### LATE DIVISION

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Hartel/Comment      | 56  |
| Doerr/Haire         | 55  |
| K. Smith/Biddinger  | 50  |
| C. Hillaker/Laming  | 50  |
| LeValley/Morgan     | 48  |
| McCallum/Randall    | 48  |
| J. Hillaker/Murphy  | 46* |
| Becking/K. Bliss    | 42  |
| Wright/Prieskorn    | 38  |
| Schneeberger/Kelley | 37  |
| M. Murphy/K. Martin | 32  |
| Hool/Toner          | 29* |
| Chappel/Pasant      | 24  |
| Jones/Marshall      | 17* |

\*Points to be adjusted.

# Too much Manning - Hawks bow in districts to Mayville

It was too much Andrea Manning and too many errors at critical times. The Cass City Red Hawk softball team bowed out of the district high school tournament Saturday, falling to Mayville, 11-5.

It was obvious that Cass City was not going to score many runs as Manning opened the game by striking out the side. For the game she whiffed nine.

Despite that, it was very much a game for the first 6 innings. The Wildcats used a single and a long double to score in the first.

Cass City scored a pair in the fourth without benefit of a hit. Katie Anthony opened with a walk, Melissa Heinlein was safe on an error and Mandy Deering walked. They scored on infield outs and another error.

Mayville got those runs back in the fourth on a pair of errors and a single by Thomas.

Cass City threatened to take the lead in the sixth when Deering opened with a walk and Long doubled. After Deering scored, Long was out at the plate on a close play for the run that would have tied the score.

Mayville added a run in the sixth and then the roof caved in in the last inning when the Wildcats scored 7 times to turn a close game into a rout. In the inning Mayville collected 4 hits and benefited from errors.

The Hawks scored a meaningless pair of runs in the seventh. Anthony collected a double in the inning, one of 2 hits the team scored all night. Jodi Hurd took the loss, allowing 14 hits.

In other games in the tournament, Reese opened with a 2-1 win over USA in 14 innings and then went on to top Mayville for the championship.

The Hawks ended the season with a 13-9 mark, with 2 wins in 7 games in Thumb National competition.



FELICIA LAKE, a condo resident in Cass City, registered a hole-in-one Wednesday at Northwood Golf Course. She used a 5 iron to score the ace on the 93-yard number 2 hole.



### Brinkman, Rea in final meets

The 1997 track season at Cass City High school officially came to an end last week with a pair of Hawk thinclads competing in the Caro Meet of Champions and the state track meet at Comstock Park.

Representing the Hawks at Caro Tuesday were Ryan Brinkman, who won the 300-meter hurdles and finished sixth in the 110-meter hurdles, and Andrea Rea, who was third in both the discus and the shot put.

In the state meet Saturday, Brinkman finished 17th in the 300-meter and 18th in the 110-meter hurdles. Rea was 11th in the shot put and 19th in the discus.



Ryan Brinkman

## Standings

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|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
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| Erla's Cubs 2-3                    | Charmont Dodgers 3-2                |
| Cole Carbide Tigers 2-3            | Little Caesar's Orioles 2-2         |
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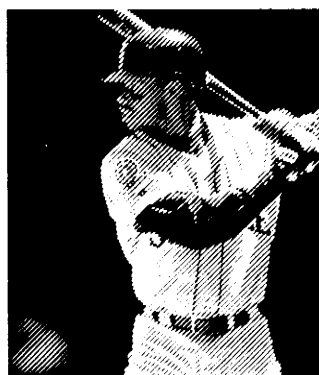

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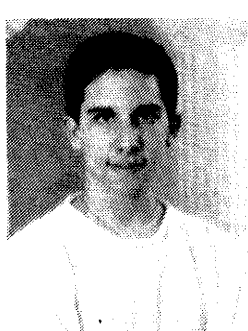
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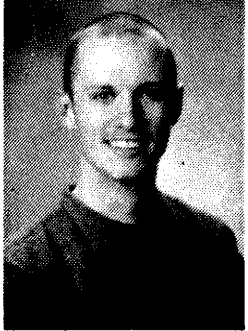
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Parents: Russ & Shirley Barriger  
Future Plans: Olivet Nazarene College

### HATS OFF




Matt Colwell  
Parents: Rod & RaeAnne Colwell  
Future Plans: Work this year & college in Fall '98


### SALUTATORIAN




Toby Kilbourn  
Parents: Jim & Cheryl Kilbourn  
Future Plans: Northern Michigan in Marquette



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Parents: Cliff & Carol Collins  
Future Plans: Baker College



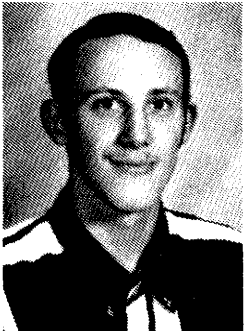
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# Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

### 5 YEARS AGO

Shoplifting has always been a problem at the IGA Foodliner in Cass City, but owner Harry Lenda says the problem has gotten worse in recent months. He is fighting back with a simple yet effective tool; he leaves notes around the store to would-be thieves, letting them know he knows what they're doing and suggesting that they shop elsewhere.

Tree limbs, weighted down by rain, were the reason about 150 Cass City area residents and businesses lost their power for several hours Saturday. The limbs brought down wires near Main and Downing Streets. Area businesses left without power included Hardee's, Erla's and China King Restaurant.

Corie Churchill has been chosen to perform in the prologue of this year's Chesaning Showboat July 14. She will be singing "Think of Me" from "Phantom of the Opera." Jan Moore of Cass City will be accompanying her on the piano. Churchill is the daughter of Dale and Patty Churchill of Deford.

Owen-Gage teacher, Jackie Goodell, will retire after 36 1/2 years of teaching. She has been with the Owen-Gage school system for 27 1/2 years.

### 10 YEARS AGO

Patrick Peters, 20, Cass City, is listed in serious condition Monday at Saginaw St. Mary's Hospital after his motorcycle collided with a car at the intersection of Main and Seeger Streets.

Dick Root was hired at the Elkland Township board meeting as the township's new fire chief. He replaces his brother, Jerome Root Jr., who retired as chief.

Amy Hoppe and Cindy Opanasenko, both of Cass City, will attend the Michigan Special Olympics State Summer Games slated for Thursday through Sunday at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant. They will be competing on a volleyball team.

The Fourth Annual Bowler of the Year Tournament of the Thumb Area Women's Bowling Association was held this year at the Crazy Horse Saloon, Ubyly, May 11-13. Top bowler was Delores Mathewson, Deford; second, Norma Wallace, Cass City; third, Dody Yahn, Pigeon;

fourth, Bea Harwood, Port Hope, and fifth, Sharon Schornack, Filion. Karl J. Phelps, 89, from Vassar, drowned May 27 when a boat he was fishing in capsized in the Cass River about 1/4 mile south of Romain Road in Almer Township.

### 25 YEARS AGO

Edward Golding Sr., incumbent commissioner, has decided not to seek reelection from District Two, which includes Ellington, Elkland, Novesta and Elmwood townships. Maynard McConkey of rural Cass City, supervisor of Elkland Township, has already filed petitions for the post.

The Curtis Clelands of Ubyly have developed an interest in the history of the vicinity, and included a dig last summer for mastodon bones near Deckerville. This year a plan is being formulated to excavate a mammoth "somewhere between Bad Axe and Cass City."

William Dobbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard (Tom) Dobbs of Cass City, will be the speaker challenging the high school graduates who are members of Trinity United Methodist Church Sunday at the 11 a.m. worship service. In mid-June Dobbs will enter the United Methodist Evangelical Theological Seminary at Naperville, Ill., and also become a student pastor of one of the United Methodist churches in the West Michigan Conference.

The 26th annual convention of the Michigan Twin Association will be held at Southfield June 24 and 25. The association's co-secretaries, twin sisters Mrs. Carolyn Blades and Mrs. Cathryn Okerstrom of Cass City, won the most look-alike contest in their age division last year.

Drum majors and majorettes were chosen for the 1972-73 school year. Drum major is Ken Hampshire, 16. Majorettes are Deb Loomis, 16, LaDonna Brown, 16, Sandy Eisinger, 13, and Evelyn Merchant, 16.

### 35 YEARS AGO

Cass City and Elkland Township Library is getting too big for its britches. A steadily increasing number of books and a steadily increasing patronage in the

present cramped quarters are severely limiting operation of the facility, reports Librarian Reva Little.

A plea from 2 Caro area school districts to send high school tuition students to Cass City was turned down Monday night by Cass City's 7-member school board at a special meeting. The turn-down came after a 45-minute interview with 5 members of the George School, Ellington Township, and the Parsals School, Almer Township. The request from the 2 districts, both just over 5 miles from Caro, involved a total of 18 students.

Rotarians elected a new president and vice-president to take over at the end of the current term of President

Dick Erla at the end of June. The new president is Almer Krueger and the vice-president is Jim Bauer.

The winner of a PF Flyer bike contest, sponsored by Kritzmans' Inc., was Cheryl Kozan, whose guess that there were 1160 pennies in the PF Flyer, was the closest to the correct answer of 1170.

Dick Albee and Jim Ross returned to Cass City Tuesday from Alma, where they have completed the college year. They will spend 10 days at their home here and will then go to Mackinac Island, where they will again be employed for the summer.

## Children's summer reading program set

Sign-up for the summer reading program, "Be Eager About Reading," begins Monday, June 9, at Rawson Memorial Library.

Children who enroll will receive a reading log to record titles of books read, a bookmark and a book bag. Rules for the program are available at the library. A certificate will be awarded upon completion of the requirements. A closing picnic is set for Aug. 7 for all those enrolled in the program.

Ronald McDonald will be a guest that day.

In conjunction with the summer reading program, a story hour for children 4 years old and up will be offered Thursdays, June 12, 19 and 26, at 1:30 p.m. Children are invited to attend and listen to stories and participate in special activities based on the theme of "Be Eager About Reading."

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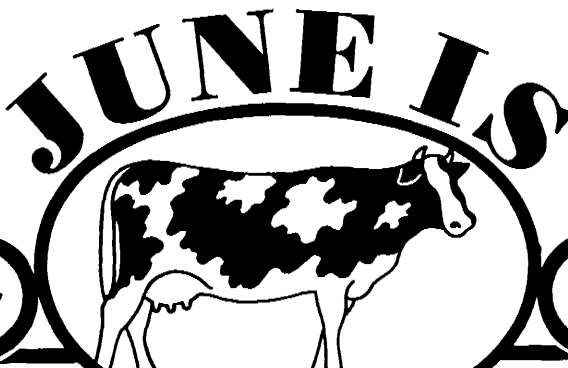
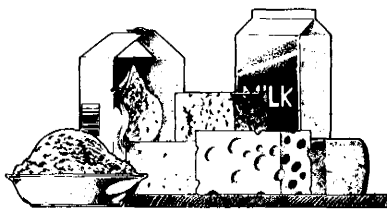
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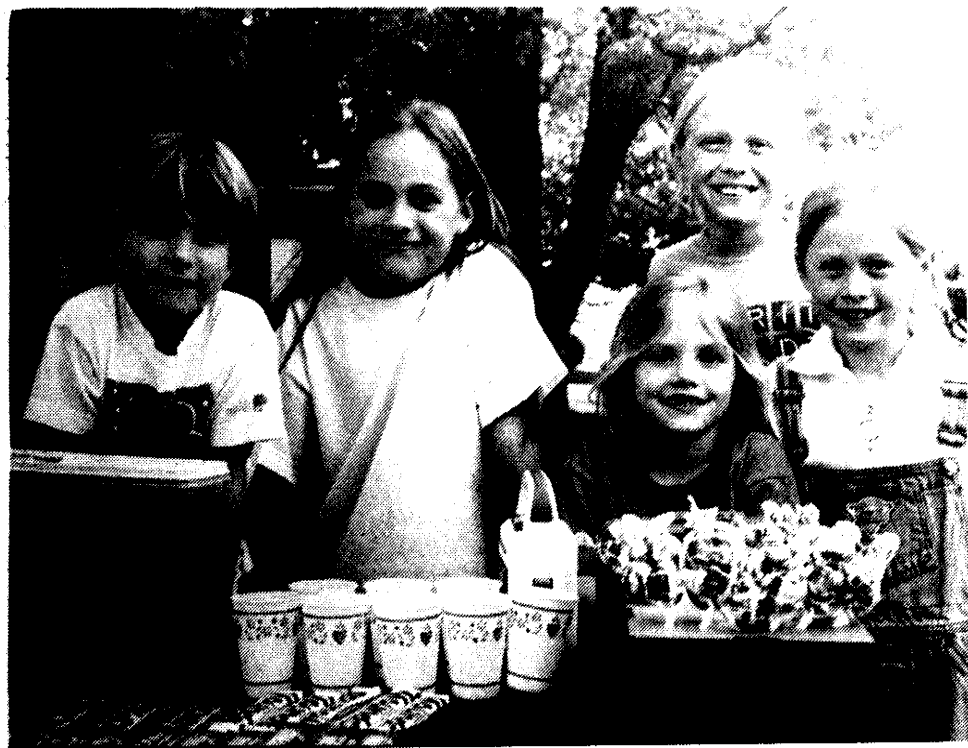
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## Sex crime trials

# Juries find 2 innocent

A pair of recent Tuscola County Circuit Court jury trials ended in verdicts of innocent for the defendants.

Kevin M. Harns, 35, Bridgeport, was found innocent on a charge of second degree criminal sexual conduct involving a child under the age of 13 years June 1995 to July 1996 in Denmark Township.

The jury deliberated for only 12 minutes before returning the verdict following a one-day trial, according to court records.

A 2-day trial ended the same way for Kevin E. Wright, 33, Caro, who had been charged with 2 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct involving a child at least 13 years of age but under 16 years March 1 to June 15, 1996, in Wells Township.

The jury in that trial deliberated for more than 4 hours before returning the verdict. In other circuit court proceedings last week:

•Paul D. Robinson, 22, Vassar, was found guilty of

3 counts of delivery of cocaine (less than 50 grams) March 22, March 27 and June 3 in Vassar. A jury returned the verdict on the second day of the trial, after nearly 4 hours of deliberations.

Bond was continued at \$10,000 for Robinson, who was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Allan N. Harvey, 35, Fostoria, pleaded guilty to 2 counts of fourth degree criminal sexual conduct last year in Watertown Township.

Bond was continued at \$5,000 and a pre-sentence investigation was ordered. Sentencing is to be set.

•Brian R. Bullard, 26, Caro, pleaded no contest to attempted insurance fraud April 20 in Indianfields Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered by the court, which remanded the defendant to the custody of the sheriff's department.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on July 11, 1997.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF INDIANFIELDS, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

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Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Richard J. Dennis, 36, Cass City, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, May 2 in Caro.

Dennis' drivers license was revoked and he was ordered to attend Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Bond was continued at \$10,000 and sentencing was slated for July 11.

•Shawn D. Chapel, 26, Caro, was sentenced to 5 years probation and 365 days in the county jail, with work release or worksite privileges, for his plea of guilty to receiving and concealing stolen property valued at more than \$100 March 4 in Caro.

Chapel will be allowed to enter a residential treatment program in lieu of jail time, and he will receive 6 months credit if the program is successfully completed.

He was ordered to reimburse the court its expenses

in the case, and pay restitution totalling \$8,350 and oversight fees of \$1,800.

•Richard G. English, 35, Warren, was sentenced to 36 months probation and 180 days in jail, with work release, for his pleas of guilty to 2 counts of attempted second degree criminal sexual conduct involving a child at least 13 years of age but under 16 years in February-December 1996 in Tuscola Township.

English, who was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department, was ordered to register as a sex offender. He was also ordered to pay \$1,000 in court costs and fines, \$1,080 in oversight fees and a \$60 victim crime fee.

•Ellis H. Montgomery, 34, Gary, Ind., was sentenced to 270 days in jail, with worksite privileges, for his pleas of guilty to unlawfully driving away an automobile and resisting and obstructing a police officer March 29 in Cass City.

## Driver charged in fatal crash

A Caro man was formally arraigned last week in Tuscola County District Court in connection with a fatal traffic accident that claimed the life of a Livonia man on Memorial Day.

David L. Hall, 38, was charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor — causing death, homicide — manslaughter with a motor vehicle, and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense.

The first 2 offenses each carry a maximum penalty of 15 years in prison and/or a fine of \$2,500 to \$10,000.

Bond was set at \$250,000 for Hall, who faces a preliminary examination Friday at 9 a.m.

According to police reports, Hall was westbound on Dutcher Road in Almer Township when he ran a stop sign at the Colling Road in-

tersection and collided with a vehicle driven by George C. Christie, 36, of Livonia, then struck a third vehicle.

Christie later died of his injuries. Four other people, including 2 children, were treated for minor injuries.

In other recent felony arraignments:

•Tony L. Bergman, 20, Cass City, was charged with larceny in a building April 16 in Kingston Township.

Bond was set at \$100 and a preliminary exam was slated for June 24 at 10 a.m.

•Deborah M. Belemonti, 37, Caro, was charged with larceny in a building March 21 in Fremont Township. Her bond was set at \$1,000. A preliminary exam will be held June 24 at 10 a.m.

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3 FAMILY Garage sale - Sunbeam grill, Singer shop vac, pull golf cart, toys, lots of country crafts, household items, girls' clothes sizes 4-8, adult clothing, large Christmas wreaths and Christmas items. Wednesday, June 4, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Thursday, June 5, 9:00-5:00. 4897 N. Seeger St., across from high school. Asher and Hillaker. 14-6-4-1

MOVING SALE - furniture and miscellaneous. 2 1/4 miles east of M-53 on Cass City Rd. Thursday and Friday. 14-6-4-1

FAMILY GARAGE sale - Thursday, June 5, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Clothing, household items, toys and miscellaneous. 6644 Seed St. 14-6-4-1

MOVING SALE - June 6-7-8. Furniture, clothes, 3-wheeler, tractor lawn mower, miscellaneous. 2695 Tomlinson Rd., Caro. 14-6-4-1

HUGE GARAGE SALE - June 5-6-7. Everything reasonable. AKC German short hair puppies. 1 1/2 miles south of Cass City. 14-6-4-1

YARD SALE - 4930 Deckerville Rd., Deford. Friday, Saturday and Monday, 9-4. Clothes, bikes, books, etc. 14-6-4-1

### Household Sales

GARAGE SALE - June 5-6, Thursday and Friday, 9-5. Adult, clothes, typewriter, household items, dishes, coats, country items and a whole lot more. 4842 Hemlock Lane. 14-6-4-1

GARAGE SALE - June 5-6, 7, 9 a.m.-7. Big men's sizes, clothes, dishes, tools, etc. Germania Rd. between Cass City Rd. and Bay City-Forestville Rd. 14-6-4-1

GARAGE SALE - June 4 and 5, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. 4 miles south, 3 east and a half-mile south on Lamton Road. Kids' clothes, boy's and girl's, all sizes; oak table and chairs, game gear and more toys, battery-operated Barbie Corvette car, Bissel carpet cleaner, hunting clothes and much more. 14-6-4-1

YARD SALE - Mini washer and dryer. Outdoor pump with PVC, runs 4 hoses. Sleep sofa, recliner, round maple dining table with 4 chairs. Yard equipment, household items. June 5-6-7, 9-4 p.m. 4266 Oak St., Cass City. 14-6-4-1

GARAGE SALE - counter-top stove, built-in oven, dishwasher, refrigerator, large antique table and dresser, 2 outboard motors, small boy's and adult clothes, knick-knacks, crafts, baby items, tires, bar stools, 2 TVs, and many other items. 4138 Cass City Rd., June 4-5-6, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 4 1/2 west of Cass City on M-81 (before DNR office). 14-6-4-1

### Real Estate For Sale

HOUSE FOR SALE - 2-bedroom ranch in Cass City. Call Sally at 872-3968. 3-6-4-3

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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

FOR SALE - Building lot with 100' of frontage on paved road. Located 2 miles from Cass City. 517-872-3991. 3-4-9-9

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2-BEDROOM upstairs apartment, \$325 month, \$200 deposit. No children, no pets. 872-4785. 4-6-4-3

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FOR RENT - Cass City Mini Storage. Call 872-3917. 4-3-13-1f

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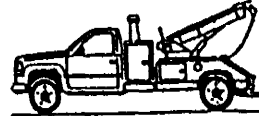
VFW HALL available for rental occasions. Call Jim Ceranski at 872-4351. 5-2-21-1f

BINGO - Every Wednesday night. Open 6:00-early bird 6:30 - regular bingo 7:00. Post 3644 VFW, Weaver St. 5-2-26-1f

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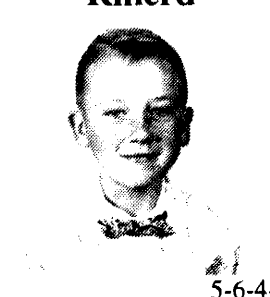
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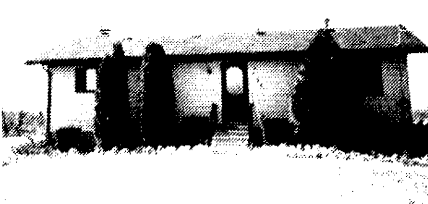
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# Driver pleads guilty

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pend by the court, which remanded him to the custody of the sheriff's department and ordered a pre-sentence investigation. Sentencing is scheduled for July 11.

Several police agencies worked together in attempting to apprehend Sting during the high speed chase. The vehicles slowed after entering Caro, however, Sting rammed a police officer's vehicle before losing control of his own car and slamming into a tree.

The suspect suffered minor injuries along with 2 officers, according to reports.

# Alcohol involved in crash

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vehicle, which left the roadway and entered a large dredge cut. The vehicle remained afloat long enough for the driver and his 2 occupants to exit the vehicle and swim to shore, reports state.

Duggan was arrested on suspicion of being a minor with a blood alcohol level of .02, troopers said. Duggan's passengers, Brian M. Dell, 20, Sebewaing, and September S. Duggan, 18, Sebewaing, were cited for being minors in possession of alcohol.

Troopers said the accident appears to be the result of a very large alcohol party that had occurred earlier near the crash site.

# Rotation

Why don't farmers plant the same crop in the same field every year? Because insects tend to munch on just one kind of plant, like corn, soybeans, wheat or alfalfa. If farmers planted corn in the same field every year, the corn wouldn't grow very well because of the ever-increasing number of unwanted bugs. By planting a different crop, or moving the same crop to a different field (also known as crop rotation), farmers are using integrated pest management to control insect damage to the plant.



A BEANIE BABY silent auction was offered by McDonald's of Cass City, in which Jennifer Brinkman, left, and her mother, Marcy, were winners of the coveted beanie baby collection distributed by McDonald's. The proceeds of the silent auction go to the Ronald McDonald house.

# To road funding plan

# Farm Bureau says "yes"

Michigan Farm Bureau's Legislative Committee has voted to formally support Gov. John Engler's \$570 million road-funding package. The endorsement includes the somewhat controversial prospect of the state assuming control and responsibility for an additional 23,000 miles of Michigan roads.

Michigan Farm Bureau President Jack Laurie points out however that the proposal does allow county road commissions to competitively bid on local road projects, meaning that efficiency and accountability will be rewarded.

"Certainly our organization has had a long-standing history of supporting local control. We believe there's been a lot of opportunity for the current system to address the problems we have," Laurie said. "If this competitive bid process is a better idea and will ultimately get the job done quicker and more effi-

ciently - then that's the route that we should take."

Laurie said the proposal will allow the state to take responsibility for primary roads while still allowing county road commissions to do the work through a competitive bid process. "If they can't bid competitively, then perhaps a private contractor will," he said. "Farm Bureau members feel strongly that the work has to be done with the fewest dollars necessary, and if that means letting the state bid it out, then that's what has to be done."

According to Michigan Farm Bureau Associate Legislative Counsel Tim Goodrich, the state would assume control of all roads receiving federal aid. "This will allow the state to attract more federal dollars," he said. "The department has indicated that they would turn many of these roads into all-season routes, which is

certainly good news for Michigan farmers that have to get perishable commodities to market as well as receive inputs."

While there's been no new legislation introduced at this point, Goodrich expects the governor will seek to have legislation introduced soon, to meet the July 1 objective.

"The governor is willing to put some muscle behind this," Goodrich said. "The importance of this being taken care of now is crucial. Basically, we've lost the construction season for this year. In order for the state and local roads to be able to attract competitive bids for the next construction season, we need to have the revenue raised this summer and this fall. So it's crucial that this proposal see some immediate attention and action by the state Legislature."

# Area parents endorse homeschooling approach

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homeschooling. During the years of homeschooling, Cox said she chose a Christian curriculum and Frances followed a schedule. During this time they set goals for her daughter to accomplish.

"I always made her do her math at 9 (a.m.)," she said.

Tara Gould also said they use a Christian curriculum, which they ordered from a catalog which sells homeschool curriculums.

In fact, the Goulds use a variety of curriculums to fit their needs and the children are set at their own pace.

"We don't go to the next page until they correct all their work," she maintained.

# MORAL REASONING

Cox said she and many other parents have chosen to homeschool chiefly for academic reasons, and for religious and moral reasons as well.

According to Cox, public schools have taken God out of their curriculum and are chiefly relying on humanism, a belief that man has to answer only to himself and not to God. This is something she said she disagrees with.

"I wanted my child to learn, especially history and science, from a Christian world view."

Tara Gould also said she wants her children's education to be from a Christian perspective rather than humanism.

"I'd like to have my children have a belief system based on God," she added.

Cox demonstrated this point by using the example of a fossil. She pointed out a public school would teach a fossil is evidence of evolution, while she would teach it was evidence of the biblical flood.

"Your history of the real world depends on your religion," she said.

# ACADEMICS AND COLLEGE

Despite this, Cox maintained most homeschool because of the academic aspect.

"There are a lot of people that pull their kids out because they are not getting the academics," she added. "If you have a good academic program you wouldn't have many homeschoolers."

When finished with homeschool studies, Cox said students were more than ready for college because they have disciplined themselves to be independent learners.

"To get good grades in college you have to be an independent learner," she said.

Todd Gould also maintained homeschool children gain entrance to colleges through ACT scores, and the fact they did not attend a public school does not pose a problem when applying for colleges.

# SOCIALIZATION

Cox maintained that homeschooled children, while not subject to large classroom environments, do not lose anything by not experiencing this aspect of growing up, and learn social skills through other means.

Both the Coxes and Goulds belong to the Thumb Area Christian Homeschooler's group, a group comprised of about 60 families in the area.

This group attends field trips together, allowing them to interact with children of all ages which allows them to develop the needed social skills, Cox said.

"We don't care if we're not like everybody else," she said. "What we care about is if our kids are an asset to so-

ciety from a Christian point of view."

Todd Gould also said he feels his children are not missing out socially.

He pointed out that nowhere in life is one thrown together with a group of people their same age except in a school setting.

"Where else does this happen in society? It doesn't," he said.

# ADJUSTMENT

Todd Gould said the stereotypical thought of a homeschooled child being removed from society is simply not the case.

"That's probably the farthest thing from the truth," he said. "I resent some people who say that homeschoolers are outcasts of society."

He went on to say his children are being exposed to many different age groups, which helps them to deal with a number of people in society.

In addition to the Thumb area homeschool group, Grant and Noah Gould play on the Cass City football, baseball and basketball teams.

Grant also attends Baker College of Cass City.

Grant said he feels he is not sheltered or missing out on anything by being homeschooled and said he's not interested in some social activities such as drinking and partying, which is often a part of high school life.

"What they do, I don't want to be a part of," he maintained.

Cox, who now provides consultation for parents who are interested or are currently participating in homeschooling, pointed out discipline is the key to homeschooling.

She said it is important for parents to set criteria within their school and for students

to take diagnostic tests included in the curriculum to see where they should start.

Cox also said there are many different curriculums to choose from and parents can easily find one through homeschool published curriculum catalogs.

According to Jean Shane, an education consultant of the Michigan Department of Education, parents who homeschool may register with the state but are not required.

Shane said those who do have a slight advantage because it may make them eligible for services such as speech therapy if the need arises. This also makes them eligible to participate in programs in choir or band in cooperative school districts.

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# Morgan ends lengthy career

By Angela Cook  
Staff writer

After 29 years of working within the Cass City school system, Marilyn Morgan had decided to retire.

Morgan, currently a secretary at Deford Elementary School, said she first started her career in the school system in 1966 at Evergreen Elementary School as a teacher's aide.

As an aide, she said, she had a number of jobs which included watching the kids at recess, helping children to read, and doing tasks in the office.

"I did whatever they wanted me to do," she said.

Then in 1979 she became the secretary at Evergreen Elementary School. Besides being the secretary, she also served the hot lunch, which

was sent over from the high school.

"At that time you helped everywhere and did all kinds of things," she added.

In 1990, Evergreen Elementary was closed and she was moved to Deford Elementary School.

She said she does a variety of jobs as secretary, including taking care of the students' lunch money and acting as the nurse when the need arises.

She said sometimes her job

calls for her to Band-Aid, bandage and take temperatures of hurt and sick students.

"You just do the best you can," she remarked.

She said after her 29 years she is going to miss the students the most.

"You grow to like them," she said.

Now with retirement on the horizon and her husband Ted planning to retire as well, they are planning to move back to her childhood home

east of Cass City on Pringle Road.

She said the home requires some repair and renovations and that is exactly what they plan to do with their retirement.

She added that it will be a change for her to move back to the country after living across from Elkland Cemetery for so long.

"It's going to be nice and quiet out there. I don't know if I can stand it," she said.

## Calendar of Events

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

### Thursday, June 5

Friends of the Library meeting at Rawson Memorial Library, 9:30 a.m.

### Friday, June 6

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

### Monday, June 9

Sign-up for summer reading program at Rawson Memorial Library begins.

Band parents' meeting, high school band room, 7 p.m.

Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday, June 10

Thumb Area Writers Club (TAWC) will announce the winners of their winter contest at their regular meeting. The TAWC meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 a.m. in room #259 at the Sandusky High School, 1919 Pine Tree Lane, Sandusky. Public invited.

### Wednesday, June 11

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

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AFTER 29 YEARS of service to Cass City school district, Marilyn Morgan is leaving her desk to try her hand at retirement.

# Obituaries

## Ella Bauer

Ella Mae Bauer, 73, of Saginaw, died Friday, May 30, 1997.

Born Aug. 31, 1923, in Ashville, N.C., she was the daughter of Thaddeus and Emma (Dills) Mull. She married Harold Bauer April 23, 1945. He died in 1971.

She worked for General Cable Company for 25 years and was a member of the United Steel Workers Union of Cass City. She was a volunteer at Hills and Dales General Hospital.

Surviving are her children, Paul C. (Linda) Bauer of Romano, Calif., Jacqueline (Bruce) Molden of Sioux City, Iowa, Connie V. Davis and special friend Jim Grant, Harold F. Jr. (Pat) Bauer of Sebewaing, Richard T. Bauer of Cass City, Diana (Paul) Weber of Memphis, Tenn., Robin A. (Kent) Bach of Bay Port, Dennis J. (Hoon Suak) Bauer of Fort Dix, N.J., and Nona (Pat) Foley of Saginaw; a brother, Paul (Ruby) Mull; niece, Patricia (Tony) House; her mother-in-law, Meta Gall; several brothers and sisters-in-law; 14 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren.

Funeral and committal service were held Monday, June 2, at the Reitz Herzberg Funeral Home, Saginaw. Fr. Donald Christensen officiated.

Private interment took place at Columbia Township Cemetery in Unionville.

Memorial offerings may be made to St. Luke's Hospital Foundation.

## Jack Hirsch

Jack Hirsch, 90, of Decker, died Monday, June 2, 1997, at Marlette Community Hospital in Marlette.

Born Nov. 3, 1906, in Decker, he was the son of Wesley Hirsch and Maggie (McCauley) Hirsch. He married Vera Fifield March 24, 1926, in Argyle.

He farmed and worked for Marlette General Coach for

25 years. A lifelong area resident, he attended the Decker United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Vera Hirsch of Decker; a son, Lee and Linda Hirsch of Decker; 2 daughters, Delia and Walter Rayl of Snover and Lula Lindsay of Decker; 6 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Charles, and sisters, Hattie McQueen and Dolly Watson.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, June 5, at 11:00 a.m. in the Marsh Funeral Chapel, Marlette, with the Rev. Edward Grant officiating.

Burial will be in Mooretown Cemetery, Snover.

Memorials may be given to the Marlette Community Hospital or the donation of choice.

## Anna Klee

Anna M. (Erlenbeck) Klee, 87, of Saginaw, died Thursday, May 29, 1997, at her home.

Anna M. Jammer was born April 13, 1910, in Bay County. She married Edward A. Erlenbeck Dec. 22, 1934. He died Aug. 29, 1973. She married Joseph C. Klee May 6, 1978. He died Oct. 27, 1995.

She was a member of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Saginaw.

Surviving are 3 daughters and 4 sons and their spouses, Shirley Zieroff of Saginaw, Nancy and Ray McCollum of Birch Run, Lois Balley of Saginaw, Lyle and Kathy Erlenbeck of Fall River Mills, Calif., Vern and Rosalind Erlenbeck of Bay City, Richard and Sharon Erlenbeck of Freeland and Gerald and Marilyn Erlenbeck of Saginaw, and a daughter-in-law, Ann Erlenbeck of Saginaw.

Also surviving are 10 stepdaughters and their husbands, Ethelene Ritter of Kinde, Bernice and Kenneth

Gay, Elaine Ritter, Eve and Bob Griggs, Lorraine and Virgil Jaskowski, all of Bad Axe, Linda and Robert Parish of Cass City, Marge and Phil Maurer, Sharon and Michael Loudin, all of Bad Axe, Karen and Jerry Oswald of Warren, Debbie and Don Hewitt of Bad Axe; 6 stepsons and their spouses, Joseph and Billiette Klee of Flint, Francis and Roxanne Klee of Troy, Bernard and Gigi Klee of Clawson, Charles and Dawn Klee of Gaylord, Edward and Sandra Klee of Chicago, Ill., and Robert and Nancy Klee of Warren.

Other survivors include 26 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; 5 great-great-grandchildren; 59 step-grandchildren; 55 step-great-grandchildren; one step-great-great-grandson; one sister, Emma Pacholke of Saginaw; a sister-in-law, Noreen Patten of Bay City; a brother-in-law, Elmer Kuch of Bay City, and many nieces and nephews.

A great-granddaughter and several brothers and sisters predeceased her.

Funeral services were held Monday at St. Luke's Lutheran Church with The Rev. Ronald A. Semro officiating.

Burial was in Roselawn Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be given to St. Luke's Lutheran Church or the V.N.A. Hospice: Partners in Caring.

Arrangements were made by the W.L. Case & Company Funeral Chapel, Saginaw.

## Vern McConnell

Vern McConnell of Cass City, 101, died Tuesday morning at St. Luke's Hospital in Saginaw.

Funeral arrangements, being handled by Little & Kranz Funeral Home, were incomplete at press time.

Full obituary will appear in next week's Chronicle.

# Cass City girl injured

A Cass City girl was hurt in a 2-vehicle traffic accident last week.

According to Cass City police, Carol A. Guza, 20, Cass City, was driving southbound

on Ale Street at about 7:30 p.m. May 27 when she stopped at the Church Street intersection, then drove into the path of an eastbound vehicle driven by Jane M. Wass, 41, Cass City.

A passenger in Wass' vehicle, Rebecca L. Wass, 10, Cass City, suffered minor injuries. She was transported by MMR ambulance to Hills and Dales General Hospital for treatment.

Guza was cited for failure to yield.

# Name Great Lakes honor roll students

Great Lakes College has released the names of students who earned listing on the college's honor rolls.

## "Paleoart" program set June 18

The Caro Area District Library will feature Lawrence Tribula in a program entitled "Paleoart", the Art of Dinosaurs, June 18 at 7 p.m.

Tribula has been interested in dinosaurs for many years, and is now a well accomplished sculptor. He holds a Masters Degree of Science from Eastern Michigan University, and teaches human development and psychology at St. Clair Community College.

A collection of Tribula's work will be on display at the library for the month of June.

## Watrousville Museum to open June 10

The Watrousville Museum will officially open June 10 with a potluck dinner and meeting of The Watrousville-Caro Historical Society at the Watrousville Methodist Church.

Bring a dish to pass and own table service and enjoy an interesting program presented by Mark Keller, Historical Consultant from Caro on the history of Watrousville.

Dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

The president's list includes students who achieved a perfect 4.0 record. From the area are: Dennis Catlin, Cass City, and Timothy Broyles, Connie Taylor and Suzanne Tietjens, all of Deford.

The dean's list includes all students with a 3.5 or better average. They are: Steven Reed, Gagetown; Susan Black, Berton Brinkman, Judy Grimins, Robin Horiski, Jeffrey Loomis and Jeffrey Tuckey, all of Cass City; Barbara Abke, Machell DeLisle and Tammy Distelrath, all of Kingston; Judy Fenton and Brenda Parrish, both of Decker, and Jennifer Baker, Joyce Cleland and Nicole Melnik, all of Ubly.

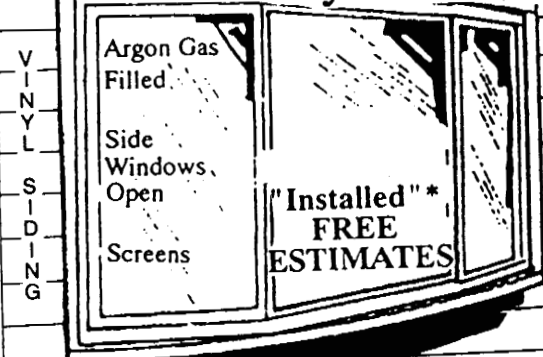
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# Identify suspects in pot operation

Arrests are still months away in the investigation of a multi-million dollar marijuana growing and processing operation in Sanilac County's Evergreen Township.

But at least 4 suspects have been identified, according to investigators, who say they're confident arrests will be made.

"We're very confident right now that the principal people involved here are going to be indicted and convicted," said William Gray, director of the Sanilac County Drug Task Force.

The marijuana farm, called the largest, most professional growing/processing operation investigators have seen in Michigan, was discovered last Halloween by Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies looking into a complaint involving horses running loose at the farm, located at 5647 Argyle Rd., Decker.

What investigators found was an operation capable of producing more than 20,000 pounds of marijuana worth several million dollars annually. Police found screen marijuana drying racks covering more than 1,400 square

feet in a large barn on the property, and remnants of dried marijuana were strewn across the entire floor of the structure.

Officers also discovered a sophisticated final drying and processing room that was fully heated, insulated and had more than 2,048 square feet of final drying racks built into the walls from floor to ceiling.

It's believed the operation had been in existence for about 6 months prior to the October raid. An itemized list found in the processing room indicated that 19,000 marijuana plants, grown in an adjacent corn field, had been processed in 1996.

Since then, drug task force officials have continued their investigation in cooperation with the federal Drug Enforcement Agency.

"It's moving forward, slow but sure," Gray said Friday. "We're getting information on the people involved. We know we have identified, right now, 4 criminal suspects. Everybody is from out of state. That's what is slowing down the criminal investigation."

"I would hope at the end of this (investigation), we may have between 6 and a dozen suspects, but it's a long process. We're dealing with several states here."

Gray said the drug task force has succeeded in winning forfeiture of equipment seized from the farm, including tractors, trailers, brush hogs, welders and appliances.

The equipment is estimated to be worth a combined \$30,000 to \$40,000, however, nothing has been sold

yet because the property will be needed as evidence, Gray noted.

About 2 weeks ago, Gray said, the property owner was served with a notice of intent to have the land and buildings forfeited to the drug task force as well.

"We feel to a very high degree of probability that the owner's involved and that he specifically purchased (the farm) with this operation in mind," added Gray, who said the name of the owner, an Indiana man, is not being released at this time.

The drug task force director indicated officials hope to identify "higher-up" suspects who stood to gain the most from the dope operation.

But that's easier said than done. Gray said those responsible put a lot of time, planning and effort into the operation. And into not getting caught.

For example, investigators are convinced that all of the suspects used false names while doing business in the Thumb. "We know we have at least 3 people using one alias," he said.

"Everything they purchased was with cash," said Gray, who cited \$89,000 in cash payments made to purchase

the farm. In addition, cash purchases were made for fertilizer (\$2,600) and a used tractor (\$9,500).

Despite the road blocks, investigators remain confident the suspects will be caught and convicted. Suspects who are arrested will face federal prosecutors in Bay City, according to Gray, who said federal prosecution means much stiffer penalties than if the suspects were to be prosecuted under state law.

For now, Gray said, arrests are still weeks away, although a break in the evidence gathering process could hasten the process.

"It's probably going to be another 6 or 7 months before we get to where warrants will be issued for anybody, but that could change," he concluded.

"Somebody made a lot of money this year, and hopefully we're going to get to the bottom of it."

## Police arrest 2

Cass City police made a pair of arrests over the past week.

Antonio D. Conklin, 21, Palms, Mich., was arrested June 1 on a warrant alleging he deserted from the U.S. Marine Corps.

Conklin was stopped at 6:25 p.m. near the intersection of Houghton and West streets for an expired registration on his motorcycle. He also had no driver's license in his possession, reports state.

Police arrested Cheryl L. Stine, 23, Cass City, early Saturday morning for driving while her license was suspended. Stine, who was cited for having no proof of insurance, was stopped at the intersection of Main Street and Woodland Avenue.

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## Your neighbor says Grubba expected guilty verdict

With the Timothy McVeigh case now in the hands of the jury, many Americans have already reached their decision, including a resident of Kingston.

Erika Grubba, Kingston, said she thinks McVeigh is guilty. "Even if he's not the main guy, he's involved somehow," she commented. "There is too much coincidence."

Grubba points out the Ryder truck as one of the major pieces of evidence that points to his wrongdoing. She said the evidence of the people identifying him as the renter of the truck and seeing him near the truck in Oklahoma City is evidence of his guilt.

She also said she thinks he will be convicted of the crime by the jury, even though she commented one never knows what may happen after what happened at the O.J. Simpson trial.

Nevertheless, no matter what punishment he may receive, she said she doesn't think it will be much comfort to the survivors or those people who lost loved ones in the bombing.

"No matter what happens, it's not going to bring those people back," she said.



## Barcia supports exemption bill

U.S. Congressman Jim Barcia (D. Bay City) has joined with Congressmen Buyer, Poshard and Ewing in introducing H.R. 1619, the Agricultural Transportation Relief Act of 1997, which exempts farmers and farm retailers from regulations recently adopted by the U.S. Department of Transportation.

"The Agricultural Transportation Regulatory Relief Act lifts the potentially burdensome and costly regulations that farmers and farm retailers will have to operate under when the new U.S. Department of Transportation rules go into effect this October," Barcia said. "These new rules supersede state regulatory exemptions, and restrict the freedom of farmers in transporting pesticides, fertilizers and fuel during crucial planting and harvesting periods."

"Without exempting the farm industry, family farmers will have to abide by time-consuming, onerous and expensive regulations," Barcia said. "Such regulations will not make our rural roads safer, but only increase the cost of doing business, cause confusion, and require useless paperwork. In addition, the penalty for not abiding by the regulations can cost \$2,500 to \$10,000 per violation."

Barcia said, "The one-size-fits-all approach fails to recognize the unique seasonal and rural nature of agribusiness. States have already weighed the concerns presented by these agricultural exceptions and have found the risks to be minimal. The Agricultural Transportation Regulatory Relief Act will allow each state to determine if they want to continue the exception for agricultural vehicles."

The Agricultural Transportation Regulatory Relief Act was referred to the Transportation Committee, of which Barcia is a member.

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