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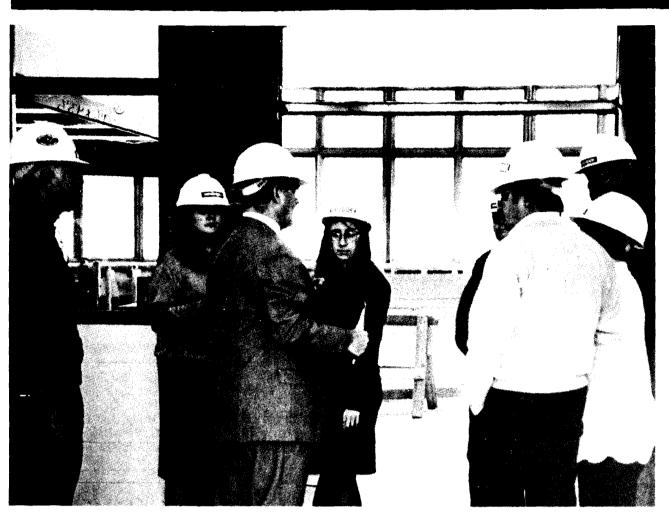
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CASS CITY ROTARY CLUB toured the new middle school building Tuesday. Explaining the floor plan of the building to the group were Keith Hammis, left, project engineer, and Superintendent Ken Micklash, center. A switch of desks and other items from the old building is scheduled before Christmas and the building will be opened on schedule to start school after the holidays. Asked how many workers were on the job, Hammis replied wryly, a lot less than would be here ordinarily. It was gun deer hunting season.

Village eyes sharp jump in water and sewer rates

Cass City residents will be \$50,000. paying higher sewer and wa- Residents last saw a sewer terrates if proposed increases rate increase in the early included in a preliminary 1990s, and it's been more 1998 budget are approved

The proposed spending plan, presented to the Village Council Monday night, calls for 5 percent increases in sewer and water rates in each of the next 5 years. Water and sewer hook-up fees would also go up, from \$400 to \$750.

Rate increases have been a regular topic of discussion at the council table for the past several years, both during budget and audit discussions. The biggest concern has been a trend in which the water and sewer funds have been unable to support themselves as they should, requiring in-1998 budget calls for the many years, he said. Wastewater Fund to subsi- Likewise, retiring Village dize the Water Fund by some Manager Lou S. LaPonsie

than 10 years since water rates were adjusted.

However, age and maintenance costs are the biggest reasons cited by village officials for the proposed rate hikes starting in 1998.

Village President L.E. Althaver cited maintenance costs at the wastewater treatment plant as an example. The plant continues to operate with few problems, he said. However, the reason is continued attention to maintenance and equipment replacement, and those costs have escalated as the plant, now 17 years old, ages.

The same is true for the creasingly substantial subsi-village's water tower, built in dies from other village funds. 1964, and the 2 older water For example, the proposed wells, both in operation for

effort to avoid major breakdowns in the system. It's an

on-going process, he added. "There's still work to be done. . .but I do feel the community has been keeping up with the utilities."

While village officials acknowledged the proposed rate hikes are aggressive, new Village Manager Jane A. Downing pointed out the additional revenue — \$6,355 in the Water Fund and \$17,644 in the Wastewater Fund in 1998 — will bring in just enough to enable the village to maintain its current maintenance and replacement program.

BUDGET

Turning to the preliminary 1998 budget, council members reviewed a rough draft

said, the village replaces of the spending plan totaling older water and sewer mains an estimated \$2.2 million. each year, such as when new Althaver estimated the bud-

roads are constructed, in an get will exceed 1997 spending by about 5 percent. However, he cautioned the figures are not yet complete, nor are accurate numbers available reflecting actual estimated 1997 expenditures and rev-

He explained the delay is due, in part, to the short time Downing has had to work with the spending plan and to incorporate her approach to budgeting, as well as the on-going challenges of restructuring the budget following a year that involved major projects such as the Seeger Street Construction.

"This is very much a work in progress," he told the council. "There will be at least one more and maybe 2 more revisions before we're done.

Complete versions of the new and revised budgets will be completed in time for review next month, when the council will hold its annual public hearing on the spend-

The hearing will be the first order of business during the council's regular December meeting, which is scheduled for Dec. 29 starting at 7 p.m. at the village municipal building.

In a related matter, the council met briefly in executive session to discuss salary increases for village employees. An increase of 3.5 percent is proposed, however, no formal action was taken Monday night.

Downing also proposed an increase in the pay for council members, however, trustees indicated they would not support an increase for themselves.

ANNEXATION

Turning to other matters Monday, the council passed resolutions asking the county board of commissioners to approve a pair of annexation requests involving parcels in Cass City.

Written requests for annexation from Micro EDM Inc., 4429 Doerr Rd., and Kelly Smith of Kelly & Co. Realty.

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Unique plan outlined

Move to new school set for Dec. 17-18

Plans for opening the new middle school building and its dedication were finalized at the regular Cass City District board meeting Monday night at Deford Elementary School.

The move from the current building will be completed Dec. 17-18 under a unique plan that calls for volunteer help from parents and other interested district residents to move the furnishings.

The fifth grade is scheduled to move in the morning of Dec. 17 and the sixth grade that afternoon.

The seventh grade moves the morning of Dec. 18 and the eighth that afternoon. Dec. 19 has been selected as an alternate date if weather forces a cancellation.

Supt. Ken Micklash stressed that once a grade's furniture is moved, the students will immediately start classes in the new building. The board also set the date for a dedication and open house for the new building.

The board also approved an addition to the custodial staff at a net cost of some \$15,000 a year.

It will be Sunday, Jan. 25, at

The additional employee will make it possible for Dave Barnes to be in charge

nance in all buildings. Bob If space is available, stu-

split his time on day shift program that probably will between the high school and be twice what in-district stumiddle school buildings. The dents are charged. complete staff includes a 5hour a day person at Deford and a day worker and a night worker with a part-time helper at Campbell. The middle school and high school each have 2 night cus-

The addition will bring the staff up to the number that worked before a tight school budget caused a cut, and enable it to complete maintenance that was delayed, Micklash said.

Driver education will be offered by the school, but it will be costly to the students. After much debate, it was decided that the program will be offered to students in the district at a cost that is expected to hover around \$60

of supervision and mainte-

Kozan will be transportation dents from outside the disdirector and have ground trict will be able to take the maintenance responsibilities. course, but will be charged The new person hired will for the complete cost of the

DRIVER EDUCATION

That is the amount that the state has reduced payment for the program. The school in the past had paid about 50 percent of the cost and will do so again, but only for district pupils.

MULTI-AGED CLASS

Several teachers from Campbell Elementary School brought the council up to date on a new teaching program, a non-grade multiaged class. The staff has been studying the program for 2 years and is ready to take the next step, which is to have a member of the board and others in the community join a committee to further plans. Marilyn Peters was appointed to represent the school board.

The multi-aged class concept calls for students in grades 1-2-3 to be taught together and pupils in grades 4 and 5 to be combined.

Micklash said that the system has worked in other schools, but cautioned that it won't be for all the students and the class will have the same student load as regular classes.

If things go as planned the system could start in the 1998-99 school year.

OTHER BUSINESS

 Cathy Cooper and Kelly Kastraba reported on the early elementary reading recovery program where 21 students received reading recovery tutoring and, or, attended first grade literacy groups

•Keith Hammis, project engineer at the middle school, reported that the new middle school building would be completed on schedule and

within its budget. •Teacher Chad Daniels was granted third year probation by the board.

•The Cass City-Caro basketball teams will play at the Palace in Auburn Hills Sunday, Jan. 11, at 2:30 p.m. Fans will be able to attend the Piston game in the evening at no extra charge.

•Trustees voted to join, at no cost, the Michigan Schools Energy Cooperative. In the future it is hoped that the cooperative will be able to buy gas or electricity at a reduced rate.

•At the request of trustee Jim Turner, a committee was formed to review the discipline policy at the school. Serving will be Turner, Danny Haag, and Randy

•The board authorized the purchase of 2 new school

Giant 3-ton magnet is heart of state-of-the art MRI center

A state-of-the-art MRI imaging center will be open for business in the Thumb in just a few weeks following the delivery of a vital — and heavy — piece of equipment.

A large superconducting magnet used in Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) was delivered Friday at the center, located in the former Wildwood Restaurant on M-53 just south of M-81.

A crane was used to hoist the 6,000-pound magnet, which is the heart of the MRI

"It's shaping up. We should be up and running by the first of the year," said Christopher Richards, vice president of sales and marketing for American Diagnostic Medicine, Inc., which will provide management services to the MRI Center, including staffing, scheduling, billing, collections and marketing, as well as overseeing the dayto-day operations of the facility.

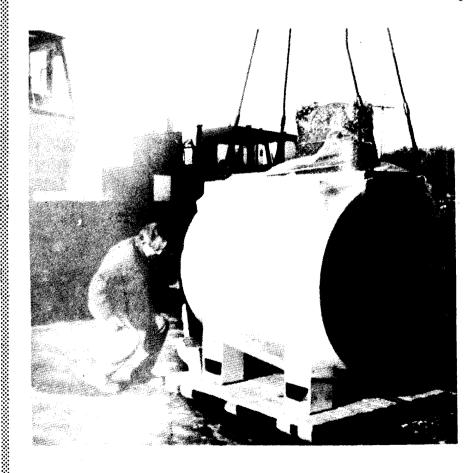
For area residents in need of the specialized diagnostic testing, the opening of the Thumb MRI Center will mean far less travel.

"MRI represents the leading edge in medical diagnosis. Many consider MRI to be the most revolutionary diagnostic imaging technique since the discovery of the X-ray in 1895," said Dr. David Carter, a radiologist for several hospitals in the Thumb area.

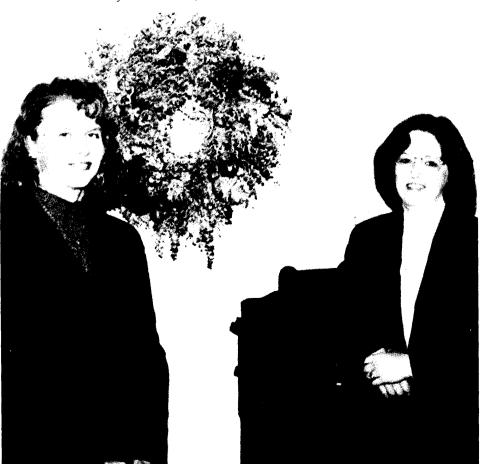
"With the future opening of the Thumb MRI Center, this state-of-the-art technology will now be available for all the residents in the tri-county

Originally developed more than 30 years ago, MRI uses a superconducting magnet some 30,000 times stronger than the magnetic force of the earth. The magnet, together with radio frequency pulses and a specially designed computer, enable the system to capture extraordinarily clear 3-dimensional images that are used by physicians to identify tumor masses and diagnose abnormalities in the head, spine, chest, abdomen and extremi-

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WORKERS USED a crane to lift the 6,000 pound magnet and position it inside the Thumb MRI Center, which will soon offer the latest in high tech diagnostic medicine to area residents.



THE NEW FACE at the Little & Kranz Funeral Home in Cass City belongs to Jenny Leach (left), an Auburn resident who is completing a year-long apprenticeship under the direction of licensed Funeral Home director Debra Kranz. (See story page 4)



CELEBRATING VELTA STOCK'S birthday were: back from left - Connie Armbruster, Donna Schember, June Markert, Harlan Stock, Barbara Wald, Delphine Dillon. Front - Meta Ludwig, Velta Stock.

Children honor Velta Stock at 90th birthday party

Velta Stock was recently honored at Lindenhof Restaurant in Bay City to celchrate her 90th birthday with hter children, Harlan and Delphine, both of Colwood, Donna and Barbara, both of Caro, June of Rochester, Mich., and Connie of Jonesville, and also her 92year-old sister. Meta Ludwig and her children, Ralph, Dorothy and Mildred.

Velta was born Oct. 16, 1907, at Kilmanagh, the daughter of George and Mary Sonntag of Gagetown. She married Earl Stock of Unionville, Dec. 30, 1925. He died in 1976. Velta has 22 grandchildren and 26 greatgrandchildren.

Mrs. Stock lives in Cass City and is a member of the United Methodist Church of

Slide presentation highlights meet of historical society

The Cass City Area Histori- Christmas decorations, cal Society met Nov. 17 in sandwiches and Christmas the meeting room at Rawson Memorial Library.

About 45 people gathered to view a slide presentation of Christmas in Cass City in the 1950's. The program was teered to help select pictures opened by Jack Esau with for another series of historiremarks about Christmas cal postcards. Town, and the lively audience participation was fun and informative.

cookies put everyone in the holiday mood.

In other actions of the society. Sharon Fox, Jack Esau and Jackie Freiburger volun-

Jerry Cleland brought along a ship building tool used by his great uncles who worked at Forestville. President Jackson suggested that anyone should bring their family antiques to share with the society...like a show and tell.

The Historical Society display at the Municipal building will be changed this month with the help of Gil Schwaderer, Ann Elliott, Carol Connell and Katie Jackson to reflect the Holiday Season.







Doesn't it sound like some-

thing from a Chevy Chase

The following scene, abbre-

viated here for space, comes

from "More Holy Humor",

a collection edited by Cal and

The country church had no

plumbing, so the congrega-

tion improvised by building

a baptistry under the move-

able pulpit with stairs lead-

ing down to it, and filled it

with water hauled by a tank

Curtains hung on wires pro-

vided dressing rooms for

men and women on either

The first candidates for bap-

tism were an elderly man and

a heavy set woman. His bap-

tism completed, the old man

was getting dressed behind

the curtain, when the obese

woman slipped on the wet

top step and subsequently

bounced down the remaining

steps, one by one, into the

Bouncing and screaming,

she grabbed for the only sup-

port available, the curtains.

and pulled them down with

There, visible to the whole

congregation, stood the old

managed to grab a chair and

A deacon thoughtfully ran

to the back and turned off the

lights to give the respective

parties a chance to collect

Five minutes later, when the

lights were turned back on,

the man was still standing

there protecting himself with

the chair. The lady, still gur-

gling and bubbling in the

water, was fighting the cur-

And the young pastor, in

corner of the baptistry with

Marine Lance Cpl. Daniel

E. McIntire, son of Larry A.

McIntire of Snover, recently

reported for duty with 3rd

Maintenance Battalion, 3rd

Force Service Support

ate of Sandusky High

School. He joined the marine

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Rose Samra

How many times have you known you could have won big money on one of those Funniest Video shows if you'd only had a camera? These are a few that come to my mind:

The good Samaritan had volunteered to get rid of the bees nesting in the eaves of his neighbor's 2-story house.

It was a very hot July evening. (He waited till the bees were settled down for

Lacking any professional gear for dealing with bees, he donned a snowmobile suit for protection and confidently climbed the extension ladder with his trusty flashlight in hand.

Maybe you had to be there, but the passing motorists who saw this presumed idiot climbing a ladder by flashlight wearing a snowmobile suit at night in the middle of a heat wave, all did a double

Another incident involves a Halloween party.

Mother had done the party up right, with party favors, games, crafts, refreshments — and a jack-o-lantern pinata. The only problem was that the pinata was made too well. Try as they would, the 4- and 5-year-olds couldn't break the thing.

Finally Mom took on the challenge herself. After beating the poor pumpkin mercilessly with a bat, she finally knocked it to the floor and eventually punched a hole in

Then Grandma, eager to save the day, rushed to the upstairs balcony with the pinata and began shaking the goodies out.

The kids below cowered and ran for cover as the contents, including coins and some good-sized chunks of candy began pelting them from above.

It's a girl!



Born to Dean and Sandi Whittaker of Rockford on Nov. 1, 1997, a daughter. Olivia Grace. She weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Doug and Diane Jordan of Linden, Paternal grandparents are Wayne and Evelyn

Whittaker of Cass City. Excited and happy cousins are Eric. Kurt, Bradley and Kyle Hanby of Cass City and Emily, Benjamin and Jacob Crothers of Grand Rapids.

Cass City Social Items

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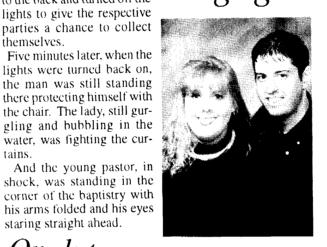
Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle McLoughlan spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Charlotte LaPeer.

Susan and Tim Wooster of Flint were guests of her parents, Mary and Dale Damm, from Thursday until Sunday. They were here because of the death of Tim's step-father, Wesley Frederick.

The "What's Trump" Euchre Club met at the home of Russ and Marilyn Biefer. Guest couple Ed and Carol Pasant won first prize after an evening of cards and conversation. Before the festivities ended for the evening, it was suggested that because of the poor quality and condition of the cards they were using, Biefer and Dave Hoard should purchase new decks of cards for the club at their own expense. The next meeting place in December will be at the home of Jim and Marilyn Mastie.

Michael Dohning, son of Craig and Josie Dohning of Cass City, has been accepted by Northwestern College, Lima, Ohio, to begin classes in the June 1998 session, where he will be majoring in the Automotive Technician man in his long johns. He Program. Dohning attended Cass City High School.

Engaged



Trudy Lasceski &

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lasceski of Ubly and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bushway II of Caseville announce the engagement of their children. Trudy Marie Lasceski of Madison Heights, to Earl Frederick Bushway III of

Trudy is a 1994 graduate of Ubly High School and a recent graduate of Michigan College of Beauty. She is employed at Shear Pointe of

ration.

A Dec. 27 wedding is planned and the newlyweds

Earl Bushway III

Eastpointe.

Birmingham.

Earl is a 1990 graduate of Madison High School and is employed at K-Mart Corpo-

will honeymoon in Florida.

Leonard and Marjorie Karr

Karrs celebrate 50th anniversary

Leonard and Marjorie Karr City Presbyterian Church celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with their family June 8, at Elias Broth-

ers Restaurant in Bad Axe. The couple were married Nov. 29, 1947, at the home of her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Alex Milligan of Cass City. The late Rev.

Melvin R. Vender of the Cass

officiated.

Their children and grandchildren are: Arnold and Jan Karr and Eric of Unionville; Dr. Dale and Mary Karr. Jesse, Grant and Luke of Milan, and Dr. Curtis and Cynthia Karr, Julia and Neil of Ann Arbor.

New books at the library

Angels Along the Way by Della Reese (nonfiction): This is the story of a remarkable woman whose life has been filled with surprises. Born in the Detroit slums, Deloreese Patricia Early went on her first professional tour at the age of 13, singing backup for Mahalia Jackson. By 1953 she was in New York with a recording contract and producing hits including "In the Still of the Night" and "Don't You Know." Reese was the first woman to host the "Tonight Show" and the first black woman to host her own nationally syndicated television talk show. Della credits the many miracles in her life to human "angels" as well as her "Partner" above. This book of joy and inspiration will leave readers with a belief in the human angels who give individuals guidance and support along life's way.

The Cobra Event by Richard Preston: This story begins in New York City when a teenage student wakes up one morning feeling slightly ill. In a few hours she is having seizures and is soon dead. When other similar deaths are discovered, the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta sends a pathologist to investigate. With her findings a federal crisis begins to unfold. The Cobra Event is the story of how that crisis develops and how it is brought under control.

Wizard and Glass by Stephen King (The Dark Tower IV): This is the fourth volume in Stephen King's Dark Tower series. Roland, The Last Gunslinger, and his group of followers have narrowly escaped one world, and slipped into the next. It is here that Roland tells them a long-ago tale of love and adventure about Susan Delgado, a beautiful and mysterious woman. The book contains shocking plot twists and a strong narrative force typical of King's works.

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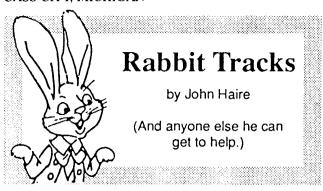
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SATURDAY FREE MATINEE: "BUDDY" PG



Our clerk had it wrong, says Kim Goniwicha, manager at People's Choice Market in Cass City. Ice cream sales will start again in the spring and there are no plays for a Taco Bell outlet at the market.

We discontinued the sale for the winter because of the lack of demand and the ice cream spoiled, Goniwicha explained.

Our special delivery to Santa Claus starts next week. Letters to Santa are welcome. We will also publish pictures if presented in wallet or snapshot size. Black and white is best, but most colored pictures can also be used.

Letters will be published in one of the editions before Christ-

Be warned. Be careful.

The Thanksgiving holiday period is a dangerous time to be on the road. In 1996, 23 persons died in 18 fatal crashes on Michigan roads. Six, 33 percent, were alcohol or drug re-

The talent on the girls' basketball teams has made quantum

strides in the last 10 years and right along with it has come increased fan interest. No longer is it just mom, dad and boyfriends only that at-

At the district finals at USA, the lower stands were comfortably filled and fans were rewarded with a close, hard fought game.



The high school English classes are busily working to prepare themselves for college life. To graduate, the State of Michigan requires that every student pass 4 years of English.

This year the 12th grade college prep English classes, taught by Dennis Meck, have studied Medieval English, Old English, read 2 novels, and are currently working on a research paper. The last novel they read was "The Catcher in the Rye". Following that test, they have started their 5 page thesis research paper. The paper must contain a title page, statement of purpose page, 5 typed pages of text, an endnote page, and bibliography page. The paper is created within about 4 weeks and is due on Decem-

ber 12. Jane Reif teaches the 11th grade college prep English classes. They were given a syllabus for unit 3 in the Elements of Literature book on November 3. Since then they have been studying various authors from Transcentalism. including Emerson and Thoreau. Following that. they studied Edgar Allan Poe, and will soon be startling to study various other authors. Every week they have vocabulary lists and workbooks due on Friday. Their unit exam is tentatively scheduled for December 11.

The 10th graders have also been busy studying literature under the direction of Krista Connolly, student teacher, and Nancy Folk, 10th grade English teacher. Connolly has been with the group since the beginning of the school year. A few of the stories that they have read are "Cold Equations", "The Piece of String", "Two Kinds", and most recently, "Sobel". In between all of the stories they have been writing journals and learning vocabulary

Second year 9th grade English teacher is Karin Pearson. The freshmen read the novel "The Outsiders". After completing this, their assignment was to write a comparative paper using the novel and "Radio Flyer" the movie. They have also been using Dream Writers, lap top word processors, to type their Type I and Type II writings. A Type I writing is an opinion or reflection of something. A Type II writing is responding to a question in written form.

The Weather

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Walbro chief explains restructuring plan

Walbro Corporation recently announced a plan for restructuring its operations. L.E. Althaver, chairman and chief executive officer, Walbro Corporation, made the announcement.

"The purpose of the restructuring plan is to allow us to better focus on our core activities, eliminate under-performing operations, lower our cost structure and enhance shareholder value," Althaver said. "As a result of the restructuring, Walbro will be better able to take advantage of growth opportunities in its core businesses."

"The restructuring is expected to result in special charges aggregating between \$20 million and \$25 million pre-tax in the fourth quarter of 1997, resulting in a loss for the quarter and for the year. In addition, the company will take a non-recurring charge of approximately \$5 million pre-tax for warranty costs which became known in the fourth quarter,"

Althaver said. "The actions outlined below are expected to increase margins and add to earnings before interest and taxes by approximately \$11-14 million per year," according to the Walbro chief executive. "We expect the full-year benefit of these actions to be realized within the next 18 months.'

"As part of the plan, Walbro"

will divest itself of its Ligonier, Ind., steel fuel rail production facility. The combination of lower volumes and extensive cost pressures has reduced profitability at this facility," Althaver said. "Walbro will continue to produce plastic fuel rails at its facility in Meriden, Conn.

"In response to strong pricing pressures and delays in customer programs, we will restructure Walbro's Asia-Pacific automotive activities," he said. "We will also consolidate our small engine operations in the Asia-Pacific region. These operations have been negatively affected by government policy changes, labor market conditions, strong local currencies and high logistical costs."

"In addition, we will restructure our European automotive fuel tank operations to include a write-down of certain over-valued assets,' Althaver said.

"Walbro will also dispose its interest in U.S. CoExcell Inc., a manufacturer of blowmolded plastic drums in Maumee, Ohio, and Saginaw Plastics, an injection molder in Saginaw. The ramp-up of fuel tank production in Ossian, Ind., and a new joint venture in Detroit have resulted in a shift of focus from these non-strategic operations," Althaver explained. "In addition, we will write off obsolete equipment and

 T_{he} Haire

A little of this and that. commentary on items culled from the news of the day. How it is, how it was and how it may be in the future.

Many deer hunters who trek north to the Upper Peninsula during deer season do it because it represents to them an opportunity to get back to the simple life, a respite from the cares of the day.

I couldn't help but think of that when a news report out of Gwinn appeared in the metro press. It stated that a 12-year-old boy confronted a middle-school teacher with a .22 caliber semiautomatic handgun during a geography

Tie that in with Indian casinos, ubiquitous fast food chains and you have problems similar to those in Detroit....with more snow.

Certainly it isn't hard for teenagers who want to buy tobacco to get eigarettes if they want them, but they are not as readily available as they were before the state started cracking down.

It's reported that 80 percent of retailers surveyed in 1997 were in compliance with the law banning tobacco sales to minors compared to 36 percent in 1995.

There was no data by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention concerning whether or not the crack down has reduced the trend towards more teen smoking

revealed in a previous survey. It showed that high school smoking increased from 27.5 percent in 1991 to 34.8 percent in 1995.

Sports fans who attempt to buy tickets on the street risk large fines and possibly 90 days in jail, according to a story in the metro press.

That was unheard of in the days that I made a regular practice of buying tickets from fans with extras.

A case could be made for nabbing scalpers out to make a buck on the games, but I always figured that if people want to pay outrageous prices, so what? No one puts a gun to their head.

Actually when I was buying, it was a point of pride not to pay a lead nickel more than the price on the ticket and it was not as hard to do as folks who never tried it would believe.

What it amounts to is that when stadiums are sold out months before the game, there are always some who just can't make it to the game because of unforeseen circumstances.

Folks with these tickets aren't out to make a profit. They just want to get their money back and go in and see the game.

Now it's illegal and sellers were subject to arrest at the U of M- Ohio State game for selling at face value.

It's a crazy law that deprives the seller of a legitimate way to get his money back and a fan a chance to see the game.

You Are Invited to a Video Presentation on Monday, Dec. 1 7:00 p.m. in the conference room at Rawson Memorial Library Larry Finkbeiner will show

> Features: **♦** Caribou Hunting **♦ Travel in the Mountains ♦ Fishing off Kodiak Island**

the video he made while

own light plane in Alaska.

spending 3 months flying his

inventory as part of the plan." "Finally, we expect to recorporate-wide headcount by approximately 10 percent including reductions related to the planned divestitures and restructuring," Althaver concluded.

39 donate blood

Area residents donated 39 pints of blood during the blood drive held Nov. 18 at Hills and Dales Hospital, Cass City.

First-time donors were Phillip Rice, Melisa Hinson, Susan Hoppe, Pam Powell and Catherine Vanarken.

Gallon donor was Alvin Messing; two-gallon, James Kranz; 3-gallon, Michael Kropewnicki; 4-gallon, Leonard Lowe, 5-gallon, Cheynne Klinkman, and 6gallon, Ron Geiger.

The next blood drive will be held Jan. 13.

Alaskan trip program set

Area resident Larry Finkbeiner will show a video of his 3-month trip to Alaska at Rawson Memorial Library, Monday, Dec. 1, at 7:00 p.m. in the library conference room. Finkbeiner left in mid-July 1996, flying his own light plane, and returned Oct. 5. His video features fishing off Kodiak Island, caribou hunts in the mountains northeast of Anchorage, a hunt near Lake Iliamna and the return trip through the mountains home.

The community is invited to come and view the scenery and wildlife of Alaska as Finkbeiner describes his travels.

A question and answer period will follow the presentation and refreshments will be served.

NEW SHERIDAN

HEALTH MART PHARMACY

Jonathan Shores, R. PH.



The back forty by Roger Pond

O 1997 Roger Pond

The Welfare Reform Act is posing new problems for rural communities. Just as small towns were puffed-up by public assistance during the past 2 decades, the Welfare Reform Act seems to be

Since the Welfare Reform Act took effect, my little town has seen a major exodus of folks looking for longer rainbows and greener pastures. Our school system has lost 50 students in the past 2 months (4% of the student body).

puffing us back down.

Why are people leaving? The new law's emphasis on getting folks off public assistance and back to work seems the major reason.

Why are so many leaving at one time? The Welfare Reform Act limits each individual to 60 months on public assistance over the rest of his or her lifetime. That may not sound like an emergency to most folks, but it is for some

"If people have 5 years to get a job, why are they all moving right now?" I asked my wife.

"Some states are implementing the law faster than others," she says. "People are hoping to extend their 60 months by moving to places where the law hasn't taken effect.'

"Well, I'll be durned!?" I thought. "Those folks are a lot smarter than Congress thinks they are."

I should point out many people who move into small communities, draw public assistance, and are now moving away, have done so with the best of intentions. They liked the area and were actively looking for jobs. Others were not.

I'm reminded of a comment I've heard from wheat ranchers many times over the years. A rancher and I would be standing on some desolate ridge top with the cold wind blowing down our necks and the sleet pelting us about the ears — when the rancher it wouldn't take any great would say, "I know the weather isn't all that great up here, but it keeps the riffraff

Congress changed all that with public assistance. We have so many social programs these days folks can live anywhere with little regard for work and other discomforts the locals have tolerated for generations.

Now the chickens are leaving the roost, and communities are feeling the impacts of people moving away. Some folks have lost their jobs as the demand for services decreases.

I can't say I told you so, but

genius to figure this out. Public assistance has made rural communities attractive in the wrong ways.

Our low cost of living, friendly atmosphere, and easy access to the post office is making us too appealing. I'm not saying we need to bring back inconveniences, but a nice, cold wind once in awhile wouldn't hurt anybody.

I don't know what the answer is, but you already know how I feel. I tend to agree with the rancher caught in a spring storm: We might see a silver lining to all of this in the long run.



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Funeral director apprentice

Jenny Leach at home in Cass City

The field of mortuary science is still largely a man's world, judging by the percentage of licensed funeral home directors who are women.

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ing in the field and has been remain a part of the local fuworking with Cass City area families since September.

Leach is an apprentice at Little & Kranz Funeral Home in Cass City, where she's working under the direction of licensed Funeral Director Debra Kranz.

It's a job Leach has come to love. In fact, she hopes to

years at least," she recently commented. For Debra and her husband, Jim, the feeling is mutual.

is finished.

"She's going to make a great addition to Cass City. We have big plans for her,"

neral home staff long after

her year-long apprenticeship

"I'd like to stay in Cass City

and work for a few good

Jim said. Debra agreed. "We're real happy. We hope that she'll

SATISFACTION

stay in the community,"

"I think the small town funeral home is, maybe not easier to work for, but much more friendly," Leach said. "You get a lot of satisfaction because you talk to people after the funeral is over. It's very comforting. It's not as rushed.

That isn't the case in the city, according to Leach, who spent some time working at a Chicago area funeral home while attending school. In an urban area, you're much less likely to see and get to know family members once the funeral is done, she said.

"That's what I've enjoyed, and I think that's why I like the small town rather than a large city.'

Leach is no stranger to life in a rural area, having grown up outside Auburn, next to her grandfather's farm. She's familiar with tractors and has hoed her share of beans.



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in the Auburn area, that she made the decision to make mortuary science her career.

Leach recalled she was a junior in high school and interviewed a funeral home director for a public speaking assignment. That led to a summer job with a funeral home to explore whether it was the right job for her.

Since then, Leach's training has included earning a 2-year degree from Delta College in Bay City and completion of one year at Worsham College of Mortuary Science in Chicago. She also worked at the Cunningham-Taylor Funeral Home while attending Delta College.

REQUIREMENTS

Her final requirement, after completing her apprenticeship, will be passing a state exam.

"The state requires that you take a national board exam and a state board exam," Leach explained. "I've already taken the national board exam and I passed it."

Once she passes the state exam, Leach will join a growing number of women who are licensed funeral directors. Only about 12 percent of funeral home owners are women, but interest in the field is expanding, she said. "It's increasing a lot. I think our (college) class was 30 to 35 percent women,"

Leach doesn't believe women funeral home directors have a significant advantage over male funeral home directors. What counts, she said, are sensitivity and honesty when dealing with someone who has suffered a loss. "They're at one of the

It's also there, while living lowest points you can have in your lifetime."

neral home.

for that."

Debra said.

Leach is enthusiastic about

each opportunity to learn

more about her chosen ca-

reer, although she isn't ready

just yet to go out on her own.

"I don't know if I'll open

my funeral home anytime

soon," she said. "That takes

a lot. I'm not nearly ready

But she will be in time, ac-

cording to Debra and Jim,

who are looking forward to

an extended working rela-

tionship with Leach as they

prepare to move into their

"She's going to make an

excellent funeral director,

and that's important because

not everyone who goes to

mortuary school does,"

new facility next year.

Leach's career choice has led to some double-takes from family and friends. But most people are really just curious about the job and what it entails, she said, adding, "It brings out a lot of interest in people."

As an apprentice, Leach handles all of the duties of a licensed funeral director, which has been a big help, according to Debra Kranz.

"She can take a lot of pressure off me, and the longer she's here, the more she can do," she said.

GREAT EXPERIENCE

So far, the apprenticeship has been a great experience, Leach indicated.

"Every now and again, you get a difficult case, but it's interesting," she said. "I hope that it gives me a wider span of knowledge. There are some things you can't learn in school. It's a very hands-on experience."

"And I don't think you can learn about working with people until you're right there," Debra agreed.

Leach is also getting a lot more experience in the area of public speaking, having accompanied Debra on a host of speaking engagements in which she explains the funeral home business to students and other groups. Debra also hosts a number of tours each year in an effort to take the mystery out of the funeral home and what a fu-

With Leach's assistance. Debra hopes to make more follow-up contacts with families served by the fu-

neral director does.

Fire damages barn

Fire caused minor damage nited some wooden shingles. to a small barn in the Deford area last Wednesday.

Elkland Township fire fighters responded to the blaze at 6770 Gilford Rd., between Cemetery and Englehart roads, at about 6:08 p.m.

Fire Chief Ron Pawloski said a small barn owned by about 20 minutes, were as-Leo Gotwalt caught fire sisted by the Kingston Townwhen a chimney spark ig- ship Fire Department.

"It was pretty much contained," Pawłoski said. "It burned through the roof, but (there) wasn't much damage inside.

He estimated the damage at \$1,000.

Elkland Township firemen, who were at the scene to

Owendale women meet

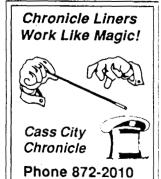
the Owendale Women's Club met Monday, Nov. 19, for their annual cheese ball making. Proceeds from this project are used for community projects and needs.

Before leaving for home after their work detail, a short business meeting was conducted by President Joyce Sheldon. A thank you was read from the Owen-Gage Schools for the club's recent

donation to the cafeteria. The December Christmas gathering will be at the Northwood Restaurant in Cass City Dec. 16. Ladies are to bring a gift for a baby layette in lieu of a traditional

The November meeting of This will be given to the Huron Health Department for a new project that will begin January 1998 for all newborn babies in Huron County.

> The door prize was won by Mrs. Sheldon, Faith Fahrner was hostess for the evening.





Calendar of Events

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

Friday, November 28

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

Sunday, November 30

Christmas Community Hymn Sing, Living Word Worship Center, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, December 1

Band Boosters meeting, room 300, high school, 7 p.m. Video presentation on Alaska, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial

Lions Club, 7 p.m., Charmont Novesta Twp. Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 2

Rotary Club, 12 noon, Charmont,

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Duplicate Bridge 7 p.m. at Charmont. Everyone welcome.



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regarding social security and veterans benefits, how to transfer preplanned service details from one funeral home to another, and Medicare requirements regarding funeral arrangements. We hope to see you on December 3rd! Give an advanced call so

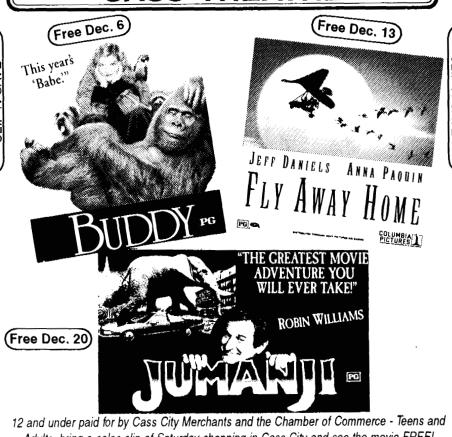
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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

The rate of child poverty in Tuscola County has soared nearly 58 percent since 1980, according to a new study that shows 16.8 percent of the county's 15,826 children, or one in 6, is poor.

Jodi Schember, a junior, and Jenny Storm, a senior, anchors on Cass City's 18-3 basketball team, were named to the Blue Bay All Conference team by league coaches.

A group of Northwood Lake Condominium residents are lending a hand to repair the papier mache figures and nursery rhyme scenes that were damaged last year because of heavy winds on the set-up day. The display will be set up in the

village park Dec. 12. Governor John Engler stopped at Walbro Corp. in Cass City last week during a tour of the Thumb that fulfilled his promise to visit all of Michigan's 83 counties for his second year in office.

Melva Guinther returned home Saturday night after spending 10 days with her son and family, Mark and Shelley Guinther and son, Drew, in Concord, Calif.

10 YEARS AGO

Nearly 900 low income families in Tuscola County are among those who probably will receive less federal surplus cheese, butter, milk and rice in the near future because of dwindling supplies nationwide.

Philip F. Brzezinski. 52, of Kingston, was killed Nov. 18 when the vehicle he was driving collided with the rear of a corn truck about 3 miles east of Reesc.

Sgt. First Class Susann Guinther and Sgt. Linda Roose, both of Cass City, are among 39 Michigan National Guard members with the 207th Engineer Battalion, Bay City, who recently participated in "Reforger '87," a training exercise held in

West Germany. Cass City came to the end of the tournament trail at Deckerville Friday when the Hawks lost a heartbreaker to

Singers to present concert

The Tom Thumb Singers will present their 15th annual concert, "REFLECTIONS -Turn Back the Hands of Time" Dec. 6, 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 7, 3:00 p.m. at the Cass City Presbyterian Church, corner of S. Seeger and Church streets.

The public is invited to join in the festive opening of Advent season. The concert is free of charge. A free will offering will be received.

The concert will consist of selected songs from the past 15 years' presentations plus some new pieces. Glenda Wilson will direct and Jan Roll will accompany.

The choir is made up of members from 7 communities: Caro, Cass City, Deford, Gagetown, Kingston, Sebewaing and Unionville.

Mayville in the district class C opener, 34-35.

A complaint involving some \$2,000 in damage to Erla's Food Center trucks last week remains under investigation by the Cass City Police Department. Vandal(s) cut 8 tires on 2 large stake trucks used for meat delivery. The trucks were parked at 6233 Church St. when the incident happened.

25 YEARS AGO

Wallace "Wally" Kappen of E. Cass City Road, Cass City, was treated for burns at Hills and Dales Hospital Friday following a fire at his lumber mill at the corner of Hurds Corner and Cass City roads. Kappen was just starting the gasoline engine used to provide power to the wood saw, when the engine burst into flames and exploded.

The Thumb's first and only lady basketball official is Mrs. Harriet Richards of Cass City. Not only is she the lone lady official in the Thumb, she may be the only woman anywhere who works basketball games with her husband, Russell Richards, as a co-official. Russ is principal at Cass City High School.

The theft of between 500 and 800 bales of hay was reported Tuesday morning by Calvin Wright of E. Deckerville Rd., Cass City.

The ecology class of Cass City High School recently designed and constructed a foot bridge and a small fortlike cabin in Orr Woods where persons can rest and enjoy the natural woods.

35 YEARS AGO

Construction on the new \$135,000 St. Pancratius Catholic Church is nearly two-thirds done, according to a progress report from Fr.

Arnold Messing. The recently concluded sales campaign conducted by the Chronicle has boosted circulation to over 2,800, another all-time peak, as area boys and girls sold over 100 new subscriptions in the month-long campaign. Mike Klinkman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Klinkman of Cass City, qualified for a new bike when he sold the required 25 new subscriptions. Several others earned \$10 or more by

selling new subscriptions. Coach Wayne "Speed" Wilson has indicated his starting quintet will feature a pair of sophomores, a junior and a senior. Expected to carry much of the load in the Hawks' quest for a Thumb B Conference championship are Walter Hempton, Jim Champion, Roger Parker, Ed Retherford, Roger Karr and

Jim Knoblet General Telephone Company will hold open house Monday, Dec. 3, from 9:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the former IGA Foodtown store on Main Street. General Telephone Company will switch to dial service Tuesday, Dec. 4. The new services represent an expenditure of approximately \$209,600 for a new building, equipment and facilities.

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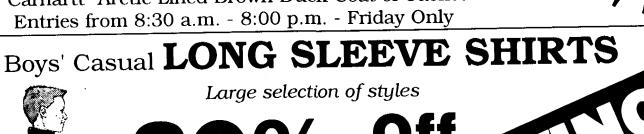
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Kingston shuts down Bulldog offense to grab district title

The Kingston Cardinals recorded their 3rd straight district title Friday in Owendale with a 42-19 win over host Owen-Gage.

The win advances Coaches Jim and Dave Green's Cardinals into the Class D regional at Bay City All Saints with a 16-6 record.

The Bulldogs, who won only twice during the regular season, finished with a 4-17 mark thanks to a gutsy effort in district play where they defeated Akron-Fairgrove and Caseville to advance into the championship tilt.

For one period Friday, Coach Dave Fritz's Bulldogs look poised to give Kingston all it could handle in the district final.

Tied at 9 entering the 2nd stanza, Kingston scored 13 unanswered points to gain a 22-9 edge by the intermission.

The Cardinal defensive

held Owen-Gage scorepicked off an errant Carless from the field in the dinal pass and drove the 3rd period and entered length of the floor to the final frame in front, open the scoring in the 32-10. The Bulldogs' final frame. lone point during a 23-The Bulldogs, who

1 Kingston run in the took a 9-7 lead on middle 2 periods was Cassie Vargo's 15' jump recorded by senior shot, were lead by Tonya Smith with 19 Smith, Fritz, and ticks remaining till the Melanie Lemanski who split 12 markers. Owen-Gage's Danielle

Kingston was led by senior Tammi Williams drought from the floor who registered 10 points for the hosts when she and 14 rebounds.

Third place finishes for hockey teams

A pair of area Special Olympics teams won medals at the 1997 Michigan Special Olympics State Poly Hockey Finals, held Nov. 14-16 at the Apple Sportsplex in Lansing. The Highland Pines School Highlanders and Lady Highlanders each placed third in

final period.

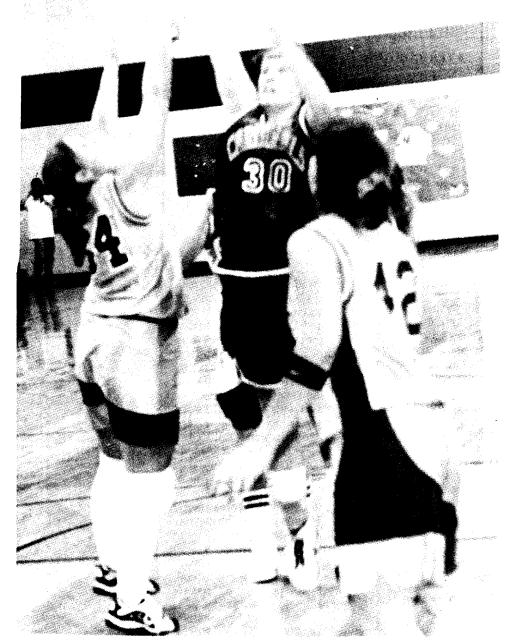
Fritz broke a 2 period

the tournament. The Highlanders, who posted a 7-1 season record, were among 88 teams in the tournament. They are coached by Eddie Crosby.

The Lady Highlanders,

coached by Kathy Johnson, were among 14 women's teams competing in Lansing. They finished the season with a record of 6-1.

The Michigan Special Olympics State Poly Hockey Finals is one of several sports competition events offered year-round as part of the Michigan Special Olympics program for children and adults with mental retardation and related developmental disabilities.



KINGSTON DANA ZYROWSKI finds room for a shot between Owen-Gage defenders Melissa (34) and Cassie Vargo in Friday's Class D district final. Kingston registered a 42-19 win.



THE LADY Highlanders team is composed of (front row, left) Paulette Kuhn, Ginnifer Kidney, Jamie Summerfield, Sarah Spencer, (back row, left) Nicole Yates, Stacy Schmitt, Robin Ginther and Kim Procunier. Missing is Flora Willoughby.



MEMBERS OF THE Highland Pines Highlanders are (front row, left) David McPhail, Kevin Szewc, Richard Summerfield, Andrew Vargo, JuWan Delorey, Josh Wimble, (back row, left) Ben Delorey, Tim Harrison, Geoff Morgan, Jarlath Robinson, Jimmy Woodhull and David Lynch.

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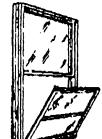
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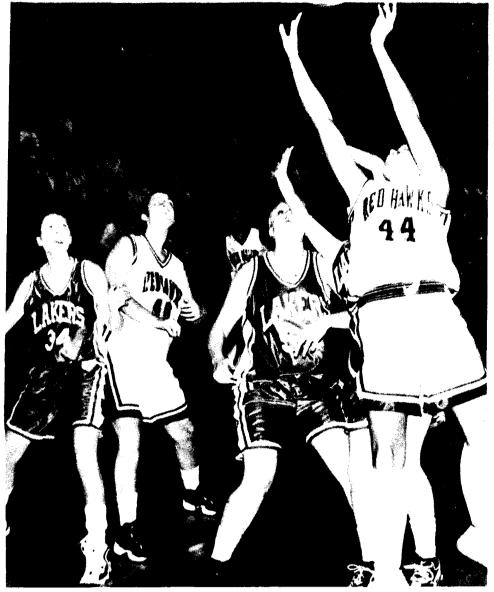
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THE BATTLE ON THE boards was fierce with Kara Mellendorf, 45, and Shelly Ulfig, 44, battling with Rebecca Kolar, 34, and Marie Hurren for control of the boards. Both Hawks are juniors and both Lakers are seniors.

Plan tractor safe operation 4-H course in Sandusky

4-H Safe Tractor Operation classes will be offered in Sanilac County beginning Monday, Feb. 2, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the County Conference Room in Sandusky.

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

For youth over 12, there will be the regular 7-week 4-

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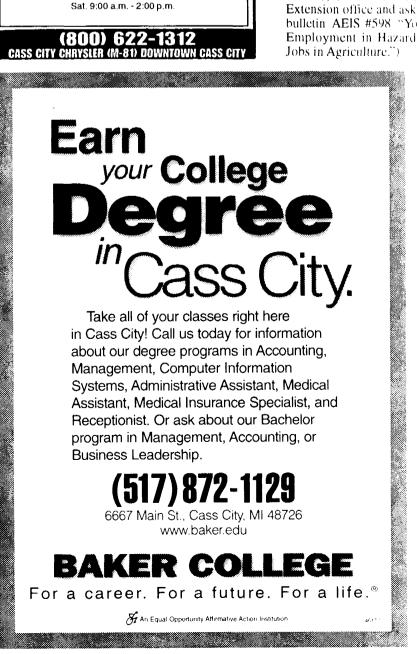
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of 16, and drives a tractor or does any of the other jobs. that have been identified as "hazardous" by the Federal Department of Labor, he/she must have a "Certificate of Training." (For more complete information about federal regulations regarding youth employment in agriculture, contact the MSU Extension office and ask for bulletin AEIS #598 "Youth Employment in Hazardous



Early shooting was fatal

Cass City bows to Lakers in district finals, 47-40

through the hoop and sometimes it doesn't, and it didn't often enough for the Cass City Red Hawks Friday to win the class C district tournament at Unionville-Sebewaing High School.

The Hawks bowed to the Lakers, 47-40, in a game a lot closer than the final score indicates.

Cass City went stone cold from the perimeter in the first half when the team converted just one of 13 shots and allowed the Lakers to jump off to a 21-15 lead at the half and then turn back a pair of Hawk rallies to take the champion-

The Hawks played on even terms through the first quarter as the team controlled the

Sometimes the ball goes boards behind Kara Mellendorf and Shelly Ulfig

CC-LAKERS

CASS CITY - Maharg 0-1 (0-0) 3; B. Dore 1-2 (0-0) 8; Mastic 0-2 (1-2) 7; Rea 4-0 (0-0) 8; Ulfig 3-0 (6-9) 12; Mellendorf 0-0 (2-2) 2. TOTALS - 8-5 (9-13) 40.

LAKERS - Damm 2-0 (6-7) 10; Rathje 2-2 (2-2) 12; Gehrs 0-0 (3-6) 3; Miller 3-0 (2-3) 8; Kolar 2-0 (2-2) 6; Dubey 1-0 (0-0) 2; Tate 1-0 (0-0) 2; Hurrer 2-0 (0-3) 4.

to counteract the cold shoot-

The Lakers opened the second quarter with 7 unanswered points, paced by a 3 and a 2 by Robin Rathie, and never trailed after that although Cass City pulled within 2 points 3 times and trailed by just a point, 36-35, with 3:42 left in the game.

The Lakers salted away the victory with some excellent foul shooting in clutch time. Rebecca Kolar, Richelle Miller and Kate Damm each converted both ends of one and ones and suddenly the Laker lead was 5 points with just 1:25 left in the game. After that the winners converted 5 of 6 more from the TOTALS - 13-2 (15-22) 47. charity circle to ice the win.

It was a game between 2 evenly matched teams. Besides the poor shooting nights, the Hawks were hurt by the loss of Mellendort for

a good stretch of the game

because of foul trouble.

Cass City was able to shut down the Lakers' big offensive gun, Kristy Gehrs, as Janis Mastie prevented her from whipping in her favorite jump shot from the top of the key and held her without a field goal.

The Lakers proved again that they are a very good team with the game on the line. They converted 13 of 16 shots from the charity circle and 2 of the misses were in the dying seconds after the

game had been decided.

WILL CONTINUE

Basketball fans can expect to see a continuation of the rivalry next season when both schools should be vying for the title. Both clubs will lose key players. Gone from the Lakers will be Kate Damm, Kolar, Miller and Marie Hurren.

Among Cass City's losses will be Lindsay Maharg, Andrea Rea and Mastie. Both teams have quality replacements waiting in the wings and it wouldn't be surprising if the championship is decided on which team has the hot shooting night.

Cass City uses balanced attack to top Pirates

It took awhile for the Cass City Red Hawks to swing into high gear Wednesday, but when they did they took control of the game to defeat the Harbor Beach Pirates, 59-38, and advance to the finals of the district class C

tourney at USA. The Pirates played a packed in zone defense, the defense that most clubs are using to negate the Hawks' inside strength, and it worked for awhile.

But the defense all came apart when the Hawk guards, paced by Lindsay Maharg, connected from out court forcing open the center for Shelly Ulfig and Kara Mellendorf.

It was an even game for the first quarter and a half. The Pirates opened with a pair of buckets before Becky Dore countered with a three to put the Hawks on scoreboard.

After that the lead changed hands twice and the Pirates edged in front 8-7 at the end of the quarter.

Maharg opened the second period with her first of 4 trevs and Cass City never trailed after that. The score was tied twice before Cass City counted 7 unanswered points to lead, 23-17 at the half.

The Hawks started the second half with a pair of treys by Maharg and Janis Mastic followed by a bucket by Mellendorf and with 5:48 left in the quarter were comtortably ahead 31-19.

The outside shooting forced Harbor Beach from its tight

zone and Mellendorf and Ulfig took over. The 2 Hawk post players accounted for 23 of the next 28 points scored to stop any hopes for a Pirate rally.

The Hawks wee led by Ultig with 20 points, most of then coming in the last quarter and a half. Mellendorf netted 14 and Maharg counted 16.

The Pirates were led by DeAnna Wolschleger with 12 points and Stephanic Hurren with 10. Harbor Beach's season ends with a 16-6 record.

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Be prepared for winter driving

is here a little earlier this year, and it's amazing how many drivers quickly forget their winter driving skills.

For example, everyone should know they cannot stop as fast on an icy or snow-covered road as on dry pavement, and that often the most slippery surfaces do not appear hazardous, like on bridges, overpasses, and underpasses.

At intersections, the moisture emitting from the exhaust of cars waiting at a traffic light quickly freezes on the pavement and can be especially hazardous. And don't be overly confident if your vehicle has anti-lock brakes, they are no substitute for using caution when traveling on slippery roads.

Just as important as good driving skills, however, are some common sense issues that could save your life in the event you become broken down or stranded. A good place to start is with some 'preventative maintenance.'

Make sure your car is in good mechanical condition. Temperature extremes always bring out the worst in your car, like dead batteries, soft tires, gasoline freeze, and carburetor and heating problems. Make sure that your antifreeze is at the proper level and that your wiper blades are new and your washer reservoir is full.

Prepare an emergency kit for your car. Include things that prepare you for the unexpected - what would you need if you found yourself stranded miles from help during a snow storm? Include things like warm clothing, boots, stocking cap, gloves or mittens, flashlight with fresh batteries, flares, small shovel, sand or kitty litter, blankets, and fresh

first-aid supplies. You may also want to include candy bars or other nutritious snacks, as well as a supply of small candles and matches to light them with. A single lit candle in your vehicle can provide warmth that will help you survive for many hours, and with precautions is much safer than letting the engine run.

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The winter driving season travel, and when you expect to arrive. Cell phones are a great safety insurance against breakdowns and getting stranded — but they do little good if you don't know where you are! Stay alert and know precisely where you are at all times in the event you need to call for help. Watch for road signs and

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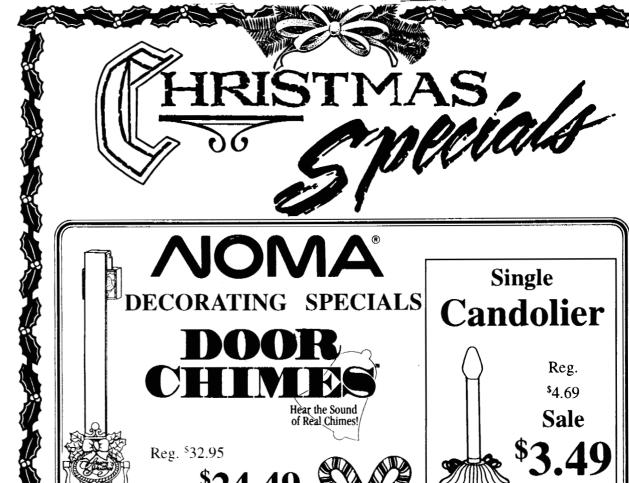


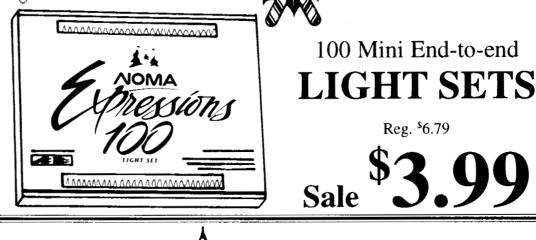
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Stroke support group meeting

Heart attack, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases in the United States have killed more women than men every year since 1984.

According to the American Heart Association Michigan Health Statistics 1995 and the American Heart Association Heart & Stroke Facts 1997, in 1995, 14,253 women died in Michigan from diseases of the heart, compared to 13,754 men.

Recent research conducted for the American Heart Association concluded that American women are not aware of their extraordinary risk for cardiovascular disease — only 8 percent believe that "heart disease," "heart attack" or "stroke" is the one greatest health problem facing women today. In area counties, the statis-

tics were recently released for 1997. In Huron County, with a

population of 35,203, there were 405 deaths, 201 (50

Arrest driver

Cass City police arrested a Deford man over the week-

Reports state officers stopped a vehicle for defective equipment on Seeger Street near Seventh Street Sunday at about 3:50 a.m. The driver, Steven P. Sattelberg, 22, Deford, was arrested for driving while his license was suspended, and on suspicion of possession of marijuana.

percent) of them from cardiovascular disease. In Sanilac County, with a population of 41,565, there were 434 deaths, 260 (44 percent) from cardiovascular disease. In Tuscola County, with a population of 57,006, there were 460 deaths, 195 (42 percent) from cardiovascular disease.

Marlette Community Hospital's Center for Rehabilitation is now providing additional resources and support to survivors of cardiovascular events, with its new Stroke Support Group which meets monthly.

A stroke is now referred to as a "Brain attack". A stroke may be devastating to individuals and their families as it can rob them of their independence. Each year more than half a million adults or one a minute — have a stroke. Strokes also represent the most common cause of adult disability.

There was a need identified in the area to start a support group to help stroke victims increase their functional ability to perform activities of daily living, increase awareness and knowledge of strokes, increase awareness of support systems, increase their understanding and develop their ability for goal setting, and increase control and independence in the home setting.

The stroke group is open to the public and meets every fourth Tuesday at the Center for Rehabilitation dining

For more information, call Judy Pfaff at (517) 635-

Street paving tops '98 village projects

The proposed 1998 Cass City Village Budget includes \$402,600 worth of construction and capital outlay projects ranging from pool repairs to street work.

Not surprisingly, the greatest single expense, \$86,200, stems from road maintenance.

Planned paving projects in 1988 are: Church Street, Weaver and Seeger Street intersections (\$1,600); Comment Drive (\$6,200); Garfield Avenue, from Seeger to Oak (\$2,900); Church Street, from Seeger to Scotty McCullogh Drive (\$18,100); Herron Drive, Elclare to Houghton (\$8,600); Third Street, from Seeger to Ale (\$16,700); Oak

(\$4,500); and Houghton Street, Seeger to Herron (\$27,600).

Another \$56,000 is earmarked for water main replacement along the village's walking trail to the Huntsville Mobile Home Park.

Also planned are the purchase of a grader and utility vehicle totalling \$57,000 for the Department of Public Works, and improvements to the municipal building, arts and crafts building and village pool totalling \$43,000.

A new heating system will be installed in the municipal building at an estimated cost of \$11,000, while restroom fixtures will be replaced at the arts and crafts building at

mated \$20,000 will go towards new pool building showers, pool finish and siding for the pool building.

Other major expenditures include payments of \$32,000 and \$25,600, respectively, for the village municipal building and construction of a new, third water well; \$32,000 for a new patrol car and computer equipment; \$28,200 for new equipment and maintenance at the wastewater treatment plant; \$10,000 for 10-year maintenance work on the village's number 2 well: \$16,000 for compute and office equipment; and \$7,600 for water hydrant and valve replacement.

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Sanilac 4-Hers earn Fall achievement honors

The 1997 Sanilac County 4-H Fall Achievement was held Nov. 17 at the County Conference Room in Sandusky. Over 75 4-H members were honored for their work in specific project areas.

A 4-H member participates in the project area 3 years before they can receive a recognition award. The event is sponsored by the Sanilac County 4-H Council.

4-H members attending state and national trips were also recognized. Participants in the horse winter projects,

for their achievements. Regional and state award winners from Sanilac County were saluted.

Special award winners for

the evening include Teresa Nichol, Sandusky, winner of the Diane Markel Memorial Foods Award; Garrett Hrlic, Carsonville, winner of the Kevin Kerbyson Outstanding Young Cattleman's Award; and Stacy Cunningham, Applegate, winner of the "I Dare You" Award. Recipients of the 1997 Key Club for 1997 include Jessica Kunna of Melvin, Scott Moore of hippology, judging and quiz Cass City, and Erica Noelke bowl, were acknowledged of Port Sanilac.

Forest land management focus of upcoming series

\$4.49 For the past several years, \$ n/a loggers throughout Michigan have been participating in the \$7.49 Sustainable Forestry Educa-\$10.49 tion Program, a series of clinics that improves skills in and knowledge of forestland har-

vest and management. The program is intended to improve the professionalism

Landowners are also encouraged to attend.

"Landowners need to understand the loggers' perspective on the harvest, and loggers have to become more aware of landowner concerns and perceptions of harvest practices," says Douglas Lantagne, Michigan State University Extension forest specialist. "The discussions we have often dispel a lot of misconceptions and lead to

a better relationship." Program topics focus on forest ecology, forest management practices, forestry and water, and worker safety. The final segment of the program is a 6-hour field workshop with a focus on safety. Participants observe forest management practices and observe and discuss best management practices as they relate to roadways and

water quality protection. The session in Lapeer will be Dec. 3 and 15 from 3 to 9 p.m. To register, call the MSU Extension office at 810-667-0341. The program in Barry County will be Dec. 9, 10, 16 and 17 from 6 to 9 p.m. To register, call 616-948-4862.

There is no charge for the program because it is supported by the Sustainable Forestry Initiative established by forestry associations and industry.

Erosion

USDA says water erosion on cropland was reduced by 24 percent over the past 10 years. Two-thirds of the soil saved can be attributed to conservation practices being used on highly erodible land.

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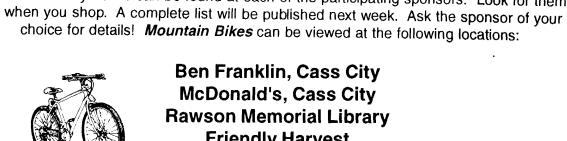
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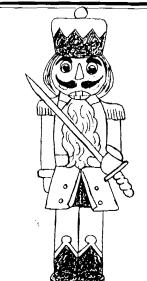
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Topics for each session include the importance of dairy herd biosecurity, treatment and prevention of lameness, control of contagious mastitis and infectious diseases, neonatal calf management, and the effect that housing and ventilation have on optimum animal health. The program is being sponsored by the Michigan State University Extension Dairy Programming Team and the Dairy Programs Group.

The program will be conducted at 12 sites, including Jan. 23 at the Ubly Heights Country Club, 2409 E. Atwater Rd., near Ubly.

Early registration, at least 10 days prior to each session, is requested for meal planning and educational material preparation. The cost will be \$40 per person plus \$20 for each additional person from the same farm. On-site registration will be \$50 and \$20 for each additional person from the same farm. The noon meal will not be guaranteed for on-site registrants. Brochures and registration forms are available at the

Details about the program can be obtained from David Beede at MSU by calling 517-432-5400.

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Wash it!

It's always a good idea to wash fresh fruit and vegetables, even if they are grown without synthetic pesticides. A thorough rinsing reduces microbes that might be on the surface of the food, whether it's conventionally grown or organic. Soap is not necessary and could even be hazardous if it is absorbed by porous foods. Keep in mind that most produce contains no discernible pesticide resi-



THUMB NATIONAL BANK employees Kelli Hendrick and Ben Schott visited Thursday with 6th grade students at the Cass City Middle School. Afterwards the students enjoyed ice cream treats.

Artists return for 19th Bach Festival

Artists from all over the midwest, many of them who have been returning year after year, will be staying at homes in the community as the 19th annual Bach Festival gets underway for the annual Thanksgiving weekend feast of classical music.

The event started Tuesday with the Festival Recital at the First Presbyterian Church in Caro. The concert starts at 8:15 p.m.

The traditional 3 performances in Cass City will be at the First Presbyterian Church Friday and Saturday with 7 p.m. lectures followed by the concerts at 8:15 p.m. and Sunday with the lecture at 2 p.m. and the concert at 3:15 p.m.

Rehearsals are scheduled all day Thursday and Friday free of charge.

Bach's "Brandenburg Concerto No. 5", the last in this distinguished series of great instrumental compositions, will be offered as the finale to the 1997 Village Bach Festival Sunday in the First Presbyterian Church of Cass City.

Soloists in this brilliant and

popular concerto will be Violinist Jeanne Preucil Rose; Flutist Carl Ellenberger, and Harpsichordist Layton James. Rose comes to the Village Bach Festival from Cleveland, where she is an active free-lance performer. Born the youngest into a musical family, Jeanne started violin lessons at the age of 4 as a student of her mother, Doris Preucil. She soon joined the rest of her family in performances

United States and Japan, including a New York debut in 1980. Formerly a member of the Everest String Quartet, she is a graduate of the Cleveland Institute of Music and the Eastman School of Music where her teachers have been David Cerone, David Updegraff, and her brother, William Preucil Jr., now Concertmaster of the

Cleveland Orchestra. Dr. Carl Ellenberger, both a physician and flutist, completed premedical studies at the University of Rochester and graduated with a performer's certificate from the Eastman School of Music. During medical school at Yale, he was a member of the New Haven Symphony and the Yale Collegium

and are open to the public throughout much of the Musicum. He founded Music at Gretna, a summer music festival in Mt. Gretna, Penn., which celebrated its 21st anniversary in 1996.

Harpsichordist Layton

James has been principal keyboardist with the St. Paul Orchestra since 1969. He is the featured Harpsichordist on Robert Shaw's 2 recordings of Handel's "Messiah" and has been a guest artist with the Atlanta and St. Louis Symphonies. James has taught at the University of Hawaii, Macalaster College, Stanford University, and Westminster Choir College. He also serves as Cantor at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in St. Louis Park, Minn., where he plays the organ and conducts the choir.

Ubly Community Schools honor roll

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11TH GRADE

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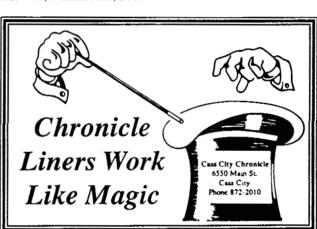
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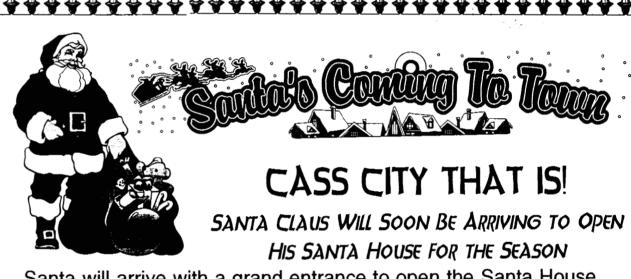
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Obituaries

Wesley Frederick

Wesley W. Frederick, 68, of Caro, died Wednesday, Nov. 19, 1997, at his residence. He was born Aug. 25, 1929, in Greenleaf Township, Sanilac County.

He was a graduate of Cass City High School.

He married the former Linda Neu Inglis in 1962 and she preceded him in death in 1986. He and Nancy Wooster were married in 1991.

In 1967, he purchased Cumings Memorials in Caro, and operated it in partnership with his brother, Aurey, until 1995. He served as Caro Village Councilman from 1969 to 1990 and Caro Village President since 1990. He was a member of Michigan Municipal League, life member of Rotary International, and a Paul Harris Fellow. His pet project was the Rotary Student Exchange Program. He was past president of Michigan Monument Builders' Association and has held several positions at St. Paul Lutheran Church, including elder.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy; 6 children and spouses, Maurice and Sylvia Joy Inglis of Cleveland, Tenn., Joyce and Robert Peterhans of Essexville, Douglas and Elaine Inglis of Lapeer, Maureen and Gary King of Caro, Terry and Deb Inglis of Westland, and Timothy and Susan Wooster of Flint; 16 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; 3 brothers, one sister and spouses, Melvin and Rosalind Frederick of Grosse Point Farms, Jeanette and Jesse Ballew of Holly, Joe and Terri Frederick of Gas City, Ind., and Aurey and Carol Frederick of Caro; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one and one brother, Edward.

son, Kevin Mark Frederick Funeral services were held Saturday, Nov. 22, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Caro. Pastor David Hollender offici-

Burial was in St. Peter's Lutheran Cemetery, Bach. Memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church or its Altar Guild

Anna MacRae

Anna Marjorie MacRae, 90, of Cass City, died Monday, Nov. 24, 1997, at the Tendercare nursing facility following a short illness.

She was born March 14, 1907, in New Greenleaf to Kenneth Wm, and Sarah Ann (McLellan) MacRae. She

never married. MacRae was a teacher for a total of 5 years, serving Stone School, Wheeler School and McConnell School before attending nursing school. She was a

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1934 graduate of Harper Hospital School of Nursing and became a public health

nurse in 1937 in Detroit. In 1955 she was named "Nurse of the Year" by the Detroit District Nurses Association. She was also nominated for the "Award of Merit" presented by the American Association of

Social Workers. MacRae was a Detroit retired city employee and a charter member of the Detroit Soroptimist Club. She was a member of the Park Presbyterian Avenue Church, Detroit, for many years, and the American

Nurses Association. She is survived by her brothers, Calvin W. (Verna May) MacRae of Cass City and F. Bruce (Lois) MacRae of Cass City; sisters, Lorna Belle (Keith) Karr of Grosse Pointe Woods, Dr. T. June MacRae, D.O., of Gagetown, and Margaret E. (Eaton) Kelly of Detroit; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by 3 brothers, L. Douglas MacRae, M.D., K. Ivan MacRae, D.O., and A. Raymond MacRae; sisters, D. Evangeline MacRae, C. Alexandria MacRae and Lela Irene Hall, and 3 infant sis-

Funeral services will be held today (Wednesday), Nov. 26, at the Little & Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Mark Morningstar of the Sandusky Presbyterian Church officiating. Visitation was scheduled for 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to

9 p.m. Tuesday. Interment will be in Elkland Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Anna M. MacRae (nursing) Scholarship Trust.

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

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.

DEC. 1-2-5

Monday - Pork chops, mashed potatoes, marinated cukes and tomatoes, biscuit, peach cobbler.

Tuesday - Old fashion pot roast, sliced zucchini, carrots, onions, and potatoes, variety bread, coconut cake. Friday - Breaded fish, scalloped potatoes, cole slaw, hot roll, apple slices.

Bake sale planned

The Tuscola County Humane Society will be having a bake sale Dec. 7 and Dec. 14 from noon until 4 p.m. in the foyer at Walmart in Caro.

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SERVICE DIRECTORY

FLOWERS

Investigate bus garage break-in

Cass City police are investigating a break-in at the Cass City Public School Bus Garage over the weekend.

The garage's alarm system was set off at 10:16 p.m. Friday, according to reports, which state an officer was in the vicinity of the high school at the time.

Upon arrival at the garage, police found a door on the east side of the garage partially open, with a muddy footprint on the exterior of the door. There was no other apparent damage, nor was any property missing.

There were no other vehicles in the area, however, officers were able to collect tire and footprint impressions at the scene.

The burglary remains under investigation.

6 face felony charges

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

District Court: •Michael C. Plodzien, 45, Caro, is charged with first degree criminal sexual conduct allegedly involving a victim under the age of 13 years July 5, 6 or 7 in Denmark Township.

Bond in the case was set at \$20,000. A preliminary examination was scheduled for Jan. 25 at 9 a.m.

•Timothy R. Davis, 34, Mayville, faces a charge of possession of marijuana, second offense, May 13 in Day-

ton Township. Bond was set at \$1,000 and a preliminary exam was slated for Dec. 12 at 9 a.m. •Jill R. Bergeron, 35, Caro, was arraigned on charges of possession of cocaine (less

sion of marijuana July 9 in Bond was set at \$2,500 and a preliminary exam was

than 25 grams) and posses-

scheduled for Dec. 5 at 9 a.m. •Gary A. Sterling II, 32, Millington, is charged with operating a chop shop and receiving and concealing stolen property valued at more than \$100 Nov. 19 in Arbela

Township. Bond was set at \$5,000 and a preliminary exam was

slated for Dec. 12 at 9 a.m. •Ronald H. Forsyth, 26, Caro, faces a charge of conspiracy to receive and conceal stolen property valued at more than \$100 Nov. 19 in Arbela Township.

Bond was set at \$10,000 and a preliminary exam was

scheduled for Dec. 5 at 9 a.m. •Chad C. Williams, 24, Vassar, was arraigned on a charge of possession of mari-

juana, second offense, Nov. 8 in Tuscola Township. Bond was set at \$200 and a preliminary exam was slated

for Dec. 12 at 9 a.m.

cently attended a "Cookie **ATTENTION** Connection Badge" work shop at Camp Oak Hill,

MEMBERS OF TROOP 1081 are: (left to right) Lauren

Bryuchovsk, Ivy Hiatt, Jennifer Brinkman, Jerica

Fenniagsdorf, Valerie Schsney, Klyn Puterbaugh, Amber

Burns, Ashley Teller. The 2 leaders are Lena Teller and Marcy

Girl Scouts attend workshop

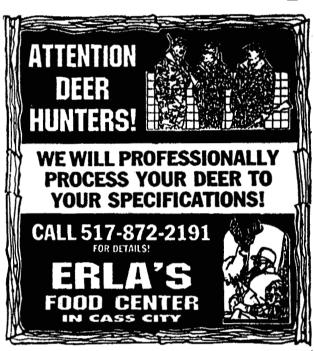
Girl Scout Troop 1081 re-Harrison.

Brinkman.

They enjoyed meeting new girls in the Mitten Bay area. About 90 girls attended the

During the day the girls were involved with the Dow Chemical Centennial Environmental Learning Center ground breaking ceremony. The center enables Mitten Bay Girl Scouts to provide year-round education opportunities to girl Scouts, families and community mem-

The Dow Chemical Centennial Learning Center will be dedicated the spring of 1998.



Legal notices

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kenneth WOOLWINE and Jenny L. WOOLWINE, husband and wife, to Old Kent Bank, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 30, 1996, and recorded on May 31, 1996, in Liber 691, on Page 703 and Modified with a Loan Modification dated February 1. 1997, recorded February 14, 1997 in Liber 705 on Page 599, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the OLD KENT MORTGAGE COMPANY as assignee by an assignment dated February 1, 1997, which was recorded on February 14, 1997, in Liber 705, on Page 602, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-NineThousand

Five Hundred Eighty-One and 66/100 dollars (\$89,581.66), including interest 7.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on January 16, 1998. Said premises are situated in TOWN-

SHIP of VASSAR, Tuscola County,

Parcel B-Part of the Northwest 1/4 of the

Section 15, Town 11 North, Range 8 East,

described as beginning at a point on the

Michigan, and are described as:

North line of said Northwest 1/4 which is N88 deg 59'27" E (previously recorded as N88 deg 59'53" E) along said North line, 1610.00 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 15 (said point being the intersection of said North line and the East line of a previously recorded survey recorded in Liber 433, Page 130 of Tuscola County Records): thence \$00 deg 51'37" E along said East line and parallel with the West line of said Northwest 1/4, 330,00 feet; thence N88 deg 59'27' E parallel with the said North line, 133.00 feet; thence N00 deg 51'37" W, parallel with said West line, 330.00 feet to said North line; thence S88 deg 59'27" W, along said North line to the point of be-The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance

with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: November 19, 1997

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Meg's Peg

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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., December 19, 1997. Said premises are situated in CITY of VASSAR, Tuscola County, Michigan, and PARCEL 1 - Commencing at a point on the North line of River Street in the City of Vassar, 4 rods Easterly from the South west corner of Lot 11, Block 2 of T.

said mortgage and the statute in such case

made and provided, notice is hereby given

that said mortgage will be foreclosed by

thence Easterly along the North line of River Street, 4 rods; thence North 8 rods; thence West 4 rods; thence South to the point of beginning, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 20, now being page 21 A. PARCEL 2 - Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 11, Block 2 of North's Addition to the Village (now City) of Vassar, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 20, now being page

North's Addition to the City of Vassar,

21A, on Grant Street, thence running Southerly 6 rods, thence Easterly 8 rods thence northerly 6 rods, thence Westerly along Grant Street 8 rods to beginning, except commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 11, Block 2 of North's Addition to the Village (now City) of Vassar. according to Liber 1 of Plats, page 20, now being page 21A, on Grant Street thence running Southerly 6 rods, thence Easterly 4 rods, thence Northerly 6 rods, thence Westerly along Grant Street 4 rods to beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, un-

less determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: November 5, 1997

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File # 97108543

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Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025 11-5-5

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by LICIA J. BANK and ROBERT C. BANK, wife and husband, to Morttion, Mortgage dated November 12, 1996, and recorded on November 25, 1996, in Liber 701, on page 1268, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Industry Mortgage Company, L.P., a Delaware Limited Partnership, by an assignment dated November 12, 1996, and recorded on December 16, 1996, in Liber 702, on page 1011, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty Five

Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Eight and 80/100 Dollars (\$35,948.80), including terest at 13.50% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on January 16, 1998. Said premises are situated in the town-

Tax ID # 019012300320000 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless deter-

ship of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michi-

Lot 32 of HAINES SUBDIVISION, ac-

cording to the plat recorded in Liber 2 of

mined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from

Dated November 19, 1997

the date of such sale.

Plats, Pages 15 and 16.

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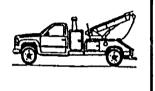
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When I was a young child and became restless sitting in church, my Father would let me hold his great strong hands. I would slowly examine them, intently following the road maps on his palms, secret treasure maps, taking you to places unknown. The back of his hands were dark, almost red black with suntan, with a forest of burly hairs that tickled. I would look for the latest cut or injury, whispering, "does that hurt?" He would whisper back, "SHHHHH" while shaking his head no. They would have a wonderful manly scent, a potion of oil, grease, and boraxo. Hands to be proud of. Hands that gently carried me home, long after the sermon had put me to

My Father's hands can do anything. While they could do important tasks like fixing doll buggies and adjusting bike handles, I learned the most by watching my Father's hands perform more mundane tasks. They are skilled at fixing anything. It is true. Any mechanical problem gave Dad a challenge to conquer. Electrical or refrigeration complexities held fascination for him. He always did all his own work and still

Our family worked together. All of us had a special task, accessories to the center stage - my Father's hands. Hands that skillfully filled dixie cups to the exact level, ice cream drumsticks to the exact twist, dozens of them in precision time. In awe and mesmerized by the speed, I would watch until scolded that I was falling behind in my portion of responsibility.

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Written by: Becky Parrott Marlette, daughter of J.W. Parrott, owner and operator of Parrott Ice Cream Co.

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No one hurt in rollover accident

A Sebewaing area minister and his 3 children escaped injury when their vehicle collided with a tractor pulling a wagon about 5 1/2 miles south of Cass City Monday

Elkland Township Fire Chief Ron Pawloski said it was a miracle no one was

Fire fighters arrived at the scene shortly after the 7:18 p.m. alarm to find a 1984 Chevrolet Suburban flipped over on its top in the roadway. Pawloski said the driver, the Rev. Jeffrey Walsh, and his 3 children, were uninjured. All 4 occupants were wearing seat belts, he added.

According to witnesses, Walsh was traveling on Cemetery Road about a half-mile north of Deckerville when his vehicle, towing a small travel trailer, collided with the tractor and wagon owned by Allan Hartwick of Deford. It was unclear what caused the accident.

Troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro are investigating.

Propose tree stand hunting

Rep. Mike Green, R-Mayville, has introduced House Bill 4862 to allow firearm deer hunters to use tree stands.

'This change is long overdue in Michigan," Green said. "This is one of only 2 states in the nation that still prohibits the practice of shooting from elevated stands.

"At the same time, Michigan continues to produce enormous deer herds, and we are considered among the most popular places to hunt in the country. It's time for Michigan hunters to get an

equal shot at bagging a deer." Current law prohibits firearm deer hunters from using any elevated surface that increases the hunter's field of

"We allow deer archers to use raised platforms for more effective hunting," Green said. "That privilege comes with the expectation that hunters will wear safety harnesses. This legislation requires firearm hunters to

wear harnesses "I have little doubt that this bill will increase hunters' success without ieopardizing their safety. I urge House leadership to move swiftly to provide this option for next year's hunt."

Lawmakers meet Dec. 13 to debate the measure. For more information on the bill or the public meeting, call Green toll-free at (888) 254-



MIGHTY MAGNET — A magnet some 30,000 times stronger than the magnetic force of the Earth, used in Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), was delivered Friday to the new Thumb MRI Center. Above, workers position the magnet inside the MRI room at the Cass City area facility, which is slated to open for business in just a few weeks.



THE FORMER Wildwood Restaurant has undergone an extensive facelift inside (above) and out as officials prepare to open the Thumb MRI Center, a cooperative project involving American Diagnostic Medicine, Inc., and several Thumb hospitals.

MRI center to open soon

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Area hospital officials say Magnetic Resonance Imaging offers many advantages

The procedure does not expose a patient to radiation nor is it necessary, in most cases, to inject a contrast agent. MRI is more comfortable than most other procedures; examination time is shorter and MRI is typically performed on an out-patient ba-

The Thumb MRI Center will be unique in Michigan, according to ADM officials who say the magnet used is the latest, most compact model made, compared to conventional MRI magnets

weighing 3 times as much.

and piped-in music should ease Thumb patients' fears and claustrophobic reactions as they undergo the MRI pro-

Customers of the former Wildwood Restaurant wouldn't recognize the building today following months of renovations inside and out, plus an expansion

housing the magnet. Total cost of the project is estimated at \$2.7 million, including about \$1.5 million for the magnet.

The Michigan Department of Community Health gave the Thumb Area Consortium of Community Hospitals approval last April to proceed with the development of the Thumb MRI Center.

The center is a limited liability corporation consisting of ADM and 6 Thumb area hospitals; Caro Community Hospital, Caro, Hilis and Dales General Hospital, Cass City, Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe, Marlette Community Hospital, Marlette, McKenzie Memorial Hospital, Sandusky, and

Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon. According to Hills and Dales CEO Dee McKrow, ADM has put years of work into making the Thumb MRI Center a reality. She explained that establishment of an MRI center requires minimum patient demographic

figures. "We (Thumb hospitals) all realized that none of us had the demographics, but if we put all of our demographics together, we might qualify,"

Even combined, the hospitals' demographics still didn't measure up, but McKrow said the standards were revised thanks to support of legislators and agen-

ADM is funding the MRI center. The Thumb hospitals have no up-front cost, however, each has agreed to assume a certain percentage of

risk.
"It isn't something we're going to make a lot of money on. The reason we did this was for the community,' McKrow added, noting patients currently have to travel long distances for MRI test-

"It's going to be a huge benefit to the community. When you need an MRI, you don't need to be driving over an hour (to get one).'





Council eyes rate hikes

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6451 Main St., were reviewed Monday night. Micro EDM President Robert Bredemeyer asked that a parcel adjacent to his business, known as the Gremel house, be annexed by the village. Bredemeyer stated he

plans to expand the business. Smith, meanwhile, requested that a planned development of modular home sites now under construction just north of the Huntsville Mobile Home Park be an-

nexed by the village. Both requests and the

Deford Academy honor roll

The Deford Christian Academy first quarter honor roll has been announced.

ELEMENTARY

Shane Bloomfield, Candy Collins, Chanse Collins, Joey Cotton, Jordan Cotton, Tiffany Cybulski, Lauren Halcomb, Kristen Keller, Erica Kortman, Amanda Little, Tyler Little, Ashley Mathews, Tristin Pennington, Megan Raatz, Melody Tait.

JUNIOR HIGH

All A's - Lindsey Kilbourn, Laura Rudich.

B or Better - Tim Green, Sarah Jones, Alecia Little, Jeff Long, Ryan Michalski, Bethany Strait.

SENIOR HIGH

All A's - Melannie Allen, Ruth Kilburn.

B or Better - Carrie Cybulski, Jeff Kilbourn, Sarah Long, Amy Luana, An-

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Jonathon Allen, Austin Babich, Andrea Hollosy, Rebecca Kortman, Jordan Pennington, Alicia Willis, Trent Willis.

council's endorsement will now go to the county board, which will hold a public hearing and then act on the

proposed annexations. In other business, the coun-

ministrator, Act 51 streets administrator and pension administrator. Also approved were retirement benefits for the new village manager in the form of a deferred cil appointed Downing to compensation plan and a serve as village zoning ad- 401a money purchase plan.





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