



A HAZEL PARK MAN was killed Saturday morning when he pulled into the path of a semi-tractor trailer on M-53 near Seeger Road in Sanilac County's Greenleaf Township. Troopers said the victim passed the truck, then pulled over and attempted to make a U-turn.

Volunteers keep toy drive alive; is it the last year?

The annual Cass City Toys For Tots drive is no more.

The good news is that a scaled-down toy collection campaign called Cass City Area Christmas for Kids is underway, thanks to a small group of dedicated volunteers, including some Cass City High School students. The bad news is that unless

omeone agrees to take over

in the Cass City, Deford and Gagetown areas.

"The Marine Corps has insisted that if people use the (Toys For Tots) name, any cash generated has to be submitted to them, and then they would give us vouchers,' Werschky explained, adding a number of county groups have decided to sever ties with the corps.

only. This year's toys drive will

be substantially smaller in scale, according to Werschky. "I'd say we'll probably cut it by at least half because so-

cial services will take the other half. We'll be targeting the working poor --people who have a lot of children and can't make ends

toys from last year's campaign. After the 1996 drive, the area woman announced she could no longer run the program due to health problems and because of a lack

of adequate volunteer help. Since then, Werschky's health has not improved, and her mother has suffered a stroke, making the challenge of another toys project seem

Truck-van crash fatal for Hazel Park man

A Hazel Park man was killed and both of his passengers were injured early Saturday morning when he passed a semi-tractor trailer, then attempted to make a Uturn in front of the truck.

The accident occurred at about 7 a.m. at the intersection of M-53 and Seeger Road, about 4 miles northeast of Cass City. Troopers from the Michi-

gan State Police post in Sandusky identified the deceased driver as Arnold Paul Dohn, 51, Hazel Park.

Troopers said Dohn was following the semi-tractor northbound on M-53 in Sanilac County's Greenleaf Township when he passed the truck, pulled over to the right, then began making a U-turn. The truck driver, Marvin D. Churchill, 45, Brown City, drove into the southbound lane in hopes Dohn would see him, however, Dohn attempted to complete the turn and was struck in the driver's side door.

Troopers said Dohn, who was not wearing a seat belt, apparently forgot he had just Park, were both injured. tion on her condition was not check traffic before attempting the U-turn. Dohn's daughter, Tammy L.

Henry, 28, and her husband, eral Hospital, Cass City. She Fred H. Henry, 31, of Hazel was admitted, but informa-

natural gas line.

been a major disaster.

passed the truck and failed to Troopers said Tammy was wearing a seat belt. She was transported by MMR personnel to Hills and Dales Gen-

available. Fred Henry, who was not

wearing a seat belt, sought his own treatment. Troopers said Churchill was Please turn to back page.

Evacuate 125 after truck hits gas line

More than 100 Cass City to negotiate the curve at said Repshinska had struck residents were evacuated Elmwood Road, entered a from their homes early ditch and struck a telephone Thanksgiving morning after pole and gas line.

Cass City police and the a motorist struck a major Elkland Township Fire De-Officials said the accident, partment responded to the at the corner of Doerr and scene shortly after the 3 a.m. Elmwood roads, could have accident. Also responding

was Tuscola County Emer-According to reports at the gency Services Director Michigan State Police post in Patrick Finn. Caro, Kristopher P. Village police arrived to

Repshinska, 21, Cass City, find the pickup still running and the driver at a nearby was southbound on Doerr Road in a 1994 Chevrolet residence. pickup truck when he failed

a major, 8-inch natural gas line that was under 100 to 150 pounds of pressure. "It

was just roaring," he said. Southeast Michigan Gas Company officials were alerted and dispatched a crew to repair the damage.

In the meantime, 2 firemen volunteered to attempt to cork the line with a tapered wood peg, according to Pawloski. "But the pressure was so great coming out of that line, they couldn't even Please turn to back page.

Fire Chief Ron Pawloski

Village elections slates set; Dale McIntosh enters race

Cass City native Dale J. are seeking reelection. McIntosh will challenge in-Running unopposed for 2cumbent Cass City Village year terms are incumbents Village President L.E. Council trustees for one of 3 expiring seats in the annual Althaver, Clerk-Treasurer Joyce A. LaRoche and Asspring village election. McIntosh, who is seeking sessor Daniel Erla. The spring election is one of the 4-year terms as a scheduled for Monday, prompted his decision to run Democrat, was among the candidates to file nominating March 9. for office.

former school teacher, he has out a little if I can." been active in a host of com-In other area villages, the munity activities, including spring elections will bring local United Way campaigns new faces to the Gagetown and the Cass City Gavel and Ubly village councils, Club. while only incumbents filed McIntosh said a desire to be nominating petitions in more active in the village Kingston.

"It's not that I'm dissatis-

the project, this will be the local toy campaign's last year.

"It's not Toys For Tots anymore," said Cass City resident Sue Werschky, who for the past 9 years has spearheaded the local drive to collect toys for needy children

government red tape works, and we've always had a tradition of buying toys locally with money donated locally, for distribution locally," she added. "So, we just aren't doing cash this year. We're

asking for toy donations

"We know how the federal meet — and that sort of thing "We're eliminating the fli-

ers we did before, and we're going to have fewer collection boxes," she said. Werschky indicated there would be no drive at all this year if it weren't for leftover

overwhelming, especially with no one else coming forward with an offer to take over the annual effort.

"If it weren't for the leftover toys, I probably wouldn't have attempted it," she said. But Werschky is forging ahead, thanks largely to a small group of volunteer helpers, including high school students who have

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petitions by the Tuesday, Nov. 25, deadline. Incumbent trustees Elwyn Helwig, K. Michael Weaver and Leslie Karr, all Republicans,

McIntosh, 51, is senior vice-president at Thumb Nafied with anything that's gotional Bank, Cass City, where ing on," he said. "I just want he has been employed for to learn more about it. I'd more than 17 years. A like to get involved and help

GAGETOWN

In Gagetown, only one of 3 incumbent trustees is seeking reelection to a 4-year term. Please turn to back page.



CASS CITY High School senior Ryan Hutchinson (left) and junior Jim Dale are the student co-coordinators for this year's Cass City Area Christmas For Kids drive, formerly Toys For Tots.

Mixed reaction to boost in **Cass City's water-sewer rates**

Few Cass City residents welcome a plan to increase water and sewer rates in the village, judging by the comments of a handful of citizens polled last week.

But their opinions vary on what village officials should do, or should have done, to correct short-falls in water/ sewer revenues.

The Cass City Village Council last week reviewed a proposed 1998 budget that includes increases of 5 percent in both water and sewer rates in each of the next 5 years.

Currently, residents with a three-quarter or five-eighths inch meter pay \$39.73 for a minimum 10,000 gallons per quarter for sewer service. Another \$2.92 is charged per 1.000 gallons over the 10.000 minimum.

Water service charges are based on a graduated scale starting with \$11.62 for a minimum of 5,000 gallons. If the increases receive final approval, residents' water and sewer bills will be about 27.5 percent higher at the end of the 5-year period. For example, a household

of 5 currently charged \$39 for water and \$110 for sewer

per quarter will be paying \$50 for the same amount of water and \$140 for sewer per quarter in the year 2002. Some residents, including

Rochelle Brown, wish village officials had acted sooner.

"It should have been looked at a long time ago. It's obviously been a problem" for some time, she commented. Brown, who is employed at Marshall Distributing, resides at 6728 Houghton St. with her husband, Paul, who is self-employed. She said she understands the need for a rate hike, however, she would have liked to have seen officials implement the increase sooner and more gradually.

TOO MUCH

"Wow, that's a lot," said Pat Davis, 6559 Seed St., when he heard about the proposed rate hikes. "It just seems to me it's too much. What are we going to gain from it? Davis, who works at General Cable Co., also wonders why the village didn't increase rates before now.

"I don't suppose anybody's happy about an increase,"

said Geneva Richards, who along with her husband, Don, reside at 4642 Seeger St. "That's part of life whether we like it or not. If they take good care of the city sewer system, we shouldn't complain."

Still, Richards indicated she isn't satisfied with the quality of her village water, which she describes as very hard with an unpleasant odor. And, she would like to see a more complete explanation from village officials regarding why rates are being increased and what improvements are planned.

Louisa Cartwright, a Walbro Corp. employee and mother of 3 school-age children, also commented she isn't pleased with the quality of her water, which she says is discolored. "We don't drink the water here. It makes my kids sick.

"I'm kind of torn; if something effective was going to be done (to improve the water), that would be different," added Cartwright, 4631 Oak

However, she said any cost increase is going to hurt. "For us, we're at our limit as

far as utilities. The extra money is a hardship."

INCREASE OKAY

"I would go along with an increase. I think they probably need to update," said Ken Zdrojewski, 4311 Seeger St. Zdrojewski is employed at General Cable Co. and his wife, Michelle, works at Campbell Elementary School.

"I'm not opposed to an increase as long as it's not astronomical," he added. "We've got a real good system now and I'd like to see it stay that way."

Other residents, including John Cech Jr., 6107 Golf View Dr., a retired General Motors worker, have had enough with increasing costs.

Cech pointed out retirees have already been hit with the cost of building a new middle school.

"I'm not really familiar with the (village) expenditures, but I think we're getting overtaxed for the area," he said. "I'm very upset

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PAGE TWO

Owen-Gage senior citizens gather

The Owen-Gage Senior Citizens Club held its regular 2 monthly meetings at St. Agatha's Parish Hall with 29 members at the Nov. 20 Thanksgiving meeting and 26 members and 3 guests at the Nov. 6 meeting.

President Orville Mallory presided at the meetings. He introduced guests Pat Guza and David and Wilma Ashmore at the Nov. 6 meeting.

Happy birthday was sung for Beatrice Jones and Iva Volz. Phil and Mary Guza celebrated their wedding anniversary in November.

Johanna Miklovic agreed to prepare the Thanksgiving turkey and members were to supply vegetables and deserts for the Thanksgiving meeting.

Door prizes were won by Bert Clincke and Marge Zawilinski. Bingo and cards were played.

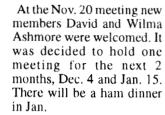
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Members are signing up for the new year. Get well cards were signed for Richard Haney ad Audrey Cummings. Iva Volz is on the November committee.

Euchre winners were: men's high, Phil Guza, and low, David Ashmore; women's high, Marie Clincke, and low, Iva Volz. Door prizes were won by Francis Harbee and David Ashmore and the travelling prize by Louis Ouvry.

Announce honor

students

Some area residents are among those recently named to academic honors lists at Great Lakes College for the 1997 spring/summer semester.

Named to the president's list for achieving a perfect 4.0 grade point average were Tammy Distelrath of Kingston and Tera Albrecht of Snover.

Among those named to the dean's list, for achieving a grade point average of 3.5 or better, were Ryan King of Cass City, Connie Taylor of Deford, Joseph Dubs of Gagetown, Machell DeLisle of Kingston, and Victoria Tesluck of Snover.

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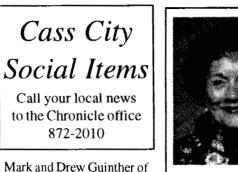
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ing with Shelley and Spen-

Sunday.

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Mrs. Ruth Dorman enter-

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Invitations!

Beginnings

help, here are some of the "unusual" gift selections cer Guinther. The Stan available through the prolif-Guinthers returned home eration of catalogs that come our way.

For that proverbial person Andrea Rea, daughter of has everything, who Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rea Hammacher Schlemmer feahas been accepted as a stutures the Two-Person Subdent at Taylor University, marine for a mere \$62,900. Upland, Indiana. She is now Or if baby makes three in a senior at Cass City High your underwater adventures, you can get the Three-Person Sub for \$10,000 more. Janis Mastie and Joshua

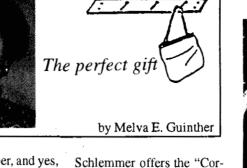
It has all sorts of nifty fea-Brinkman, seniors at Cass tures and I'm sure that if a City High School, have been person were inclined to go nominated for Wendy's High underwater to play and had School Heisman Award. over \$60,000 to part with, it Each school is eligible to would be their choice.

nominate a boy and a girl for Here's an item considerably the award and be judged in a less expensive and more useseries of eliminations that ful for the average person. ends with the finalists spend-From the Damark Company, ing Dec. 12-14 in New York it's "Easy Hang Up", deand national TV exposure on signed to stop those annoying phone calls trying to sell you something or otherwise get your money.

tained Friday, Nov. 28, for You connect it to your Thanksgiving, family and phone and when a phone sofriends, Rev. and Mrs. Paul licitor starts the sales pitch, Schember, Paul, David, you push a button and a pre-Philip and Ana, Lexington, recorded voice says, "I'm Ky., Mr. and Mrs. Daniel sorry, this number does not Deal and baby Samuel from accept this type of call. Van Cleave, Ky., Mr. and Please regard this message as Mrs. Clarence Schember, your notification to remove Lapeer, Mr. and Mrs. Brian this number from your list. Schember and Anyssa from Thank you.' Ray, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Bur-

Great idea! But I suspect den, Trisha and Jason, North that a person who has trouble Branch, Mr. and Mrs. Mark saying no would have just as Stover and Monica, Mrs. much trouble pushing the Evelyn Hendra, Mrs. Marcia button Schember and Ben Gruber of For the golf enthusiast,

there's "Schmeckenbecker Putter." It's a standard size putter with a built-in compass to help you find your way out of the rough, a candle to illuminate the 18th hole after dark, a rabbit's foot for luck, a level to help you read the greens, a 40-inch tape measure that eliminates arguments over "gimmee" putts, and an air horn to command silence or speed up slow golfers.



Meg's Peg

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rect-Posture Dog Feeder." Ordinary dog bowls require your pet to bend over, tighten muscles and stress joints. The price, \$44.95, is a mere pittance to protect Fido's posture, not to mention his dignity. How would you like to eat off the floor?

From the Frank Lloyd Wright Collection, you can get a 29" Weed Holder for \$1,800. And what person of breeding would put weeds in a plain vase? Actually, the description

says the holder looks equally impressive with or without a dried flower, so you don't even have to have weeds to show off. Too pricey? Well, here's

something more practical. Who wouldn't want to receive the Stainless Steel Tongue Cleaner to "keep the breath fresh and the mouth clean"?

It's just \$19.99 from Damark. Or how about the Shiitake

Mushroom Garden? It's an ideal gift for anyone who loves to cook. Just remove the fertile log from its plastic bag and follow directions, and you'll have delicious mushrooms with "full-bodied flavor" in a few weeks. Price \$24, from Norm Thompson. For the kid who has every-

thing, there's "My Own Baby", a totally lifelike newborn doll that could pass for the real thing, and it's only \$120. Or you might opt for "My Twinn", with custom matched eyes, hair and faces the complete with freckles, scars, glasses, etc., just like the recipient's. \$149.95

(\$169.95 poseable). To really get into the spirit of Christmas, you might want to order the 9-foot holiday walkway arch. The catalog picture is really beautiful, and when I make my first million perhaps we'll have one

It's \$1,999.95 plus shipping, but that includes extra



Marcy Clark and **Dustin Christner**

Marcy Victoria Clark and Dustin Allan Christner announce their engagement. They plan to be married April 3, 1998.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Nancy Victoria Gedney and Larry Douglas. She is a graduate of the University of Arizona College of Education in 1995 and is a 6th grade teacher at Rio Vista Elementary School.

The prospective groom is the son of Gary Lee and Janet Christner, formerly of Cass City. He received his Bachelor of Art degree in accounting and criminal justice in 1995 and is currently attending the University of Arizona College of Law.

New books at the library

Song of the River by Sue Harrison: Eight hundred years before our time in the place that will someday be called Alaska, a woman called K'os is attacked and raped by men from the Near River Village. She vows a vengeance on those who hurt her. The next day in the same place K'os finds an abandoned baby - a child with a club foot that has been left to die. She takes the baby in and names him Chakliux. When Chakliux is 20 years old K'os is ready to seek revenge. Chakliux is sent back to the Near River Village where he har been chosen to wed the shaman's daughter in order to bring peace between the Cousin and Near River people. Before he can gain the people's trust, 2 murders put his mission in jeopardy and force him to travel to distant lands.

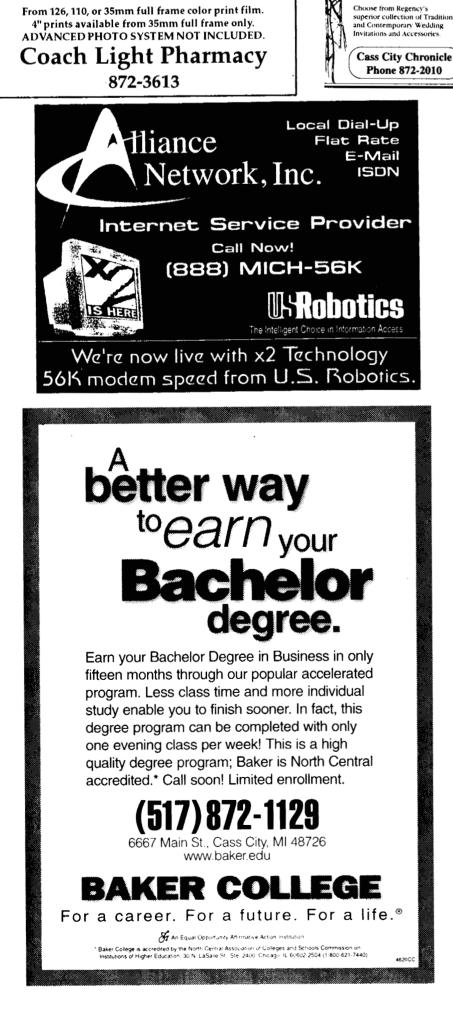
Violin by Anne Rice: This novel is about Triana - who wanted to be a great musician - and the evil fiddler Stefan, tormented ghost of a Russian aristocrat, who tries to involve her in his madness using his magic violin. But Triana understands the power of the music and tries to resist Stefan and fight for her life and sanity. The struggle brings them into a frightening supernatural realm. They battle all the way to the novel's surprising and unforgettable end.

Upon a Midnight Clear - A collection of holiday stories by Jude Deveraux, Linda Howard, Margaret Allison, Stef Ann Holm and Mariah Stewart: A spirited Irishwoman comes to a rugged Colorado town to take care of a young ruffian and learns a lesson of love from the boy's father...In the middle of a blizzard a snowbound woman offers shelter to a stranger, an expert at covering his tracks...Home for the holidays, an artist proves opposites can attract when she falls in love with a doctor...A holly berry-picking contest brings people together for the best prize of all: true and lasting love ... A family reunion on a Montana ranch brings back wonderful memories to a young writer - and during a winter storm an old love is renewed.



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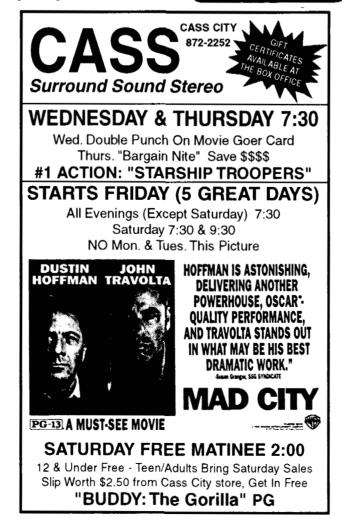
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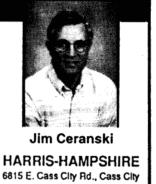
Monday - Oven fried chicken, roasted potatoes, lima beans, French bread, pineapple tidbits.

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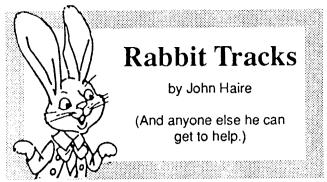


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The Cooker Bar and Grill chain came to the Saginaw area, 3870 Bay Road, in February and we finally visited it Sunday.

The service is good. We ordered a cup and a bowl of clam chowder. (Very good.) Entrees were whitefish (good) and shaved beef pot roast (adequate). Side dishes included squash and fruit cup with the fish, and macaroni and cheese and fruit cup with the beef. The fruit cups were nothing to write home about and the other side dishes average. One coffee was ordered at a cost of \$1.40.

The price for 2 was \$25.29, plus tip. Give it a 6 1/2 on the one-10 scale. And, yes, I would go back.

Winner of the first free bike drawing, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, was Shirley Strickland of Cass City. Drawings continue this week and the second bike drawing is scheduled Saturday.

Residents can sign up at any participating merchant. Santa Claus will be at his house at the corner of Seeger and Main from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

Other activities include a free story and craft hour at Rawson Memorial Library from 10 to 11 a.m. and a free movie at the Cass Theatre starting at 2 p.m.

There will be a series of free health exams. This Saturday free blood pressure screening is offered at Ben Franklin Store from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

When that Christmas tree is purchased this year, chances are overwhelming that it was grown in Michigan. The state ranks second in the nation, behind Oregon, for plantationgrown trees. Michigan's climate favors production of 13 different varieties of evergreen Christmas trees.

Trees are shipped to 38 states and about 17,000 trees went to other countries in 1995.



Once again this year students from the high school have organized project F.E.T.C.H., Feed Everyone This Christmas Holiday. F.E.T.C.H. is a program that was organized to gather food for the needy.

Back in 1990, Melanie Churchill started the program through the debate team. Since then, the duties have been turned over'to the student council. Heading up the committee this year is Mandy Board, a junior in high school.

4 they will hit the south side of town. Both nights collection will begin at 6:00 P.M. and run through 8:00 P.M. Residents are asked to leave their porch light on if they have any non-perishable items to donate. Carolers will provide entertainment along the route. Anyone not living in town that would like to donate items may bring them to the high school.

Nov. 21 the second mark- and Board Chrysler ing period ended in the dealerships. He also worked

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DENNISAND BUNNY Porter recently opened Timeless Treasures in the former All Season Rent-All building in Cass City. The shop specializes in unique gifts for all occasions.

Timeless Treasures

Porters open business

The Cass City School

have turned their love of crafts and the unique into a business.

Dennis and Bunny Porter recently opened Timeless Treasures in the former All Season Rent-All building at 6585 Main St., Cass City. The store offers "unique,

hard-to-find gifts for all occasions, not the same old boring stuff," Dennis said. "We're going to change the stock all the time. We don't want the same old stuff every day.'

"We're trying to have something for everybody's budget, too," Bunny added.

The couple's shop features a variety of items, many imlife. ported. The line includes ceramic figurines, specialty gift boxes and bags, handcrafted blown glass, baskets, priate site in the village. scented candles and candle holders, teddy bears, and shirts, hats and mugs with the event to be at the school. sports logos and country and outdoors themes.

Board granted permission for The Porters are no strangthe Caro trek. I'm sure that ers to Cass City; Bunny is a most of them had concerns about the kids on the road. native and Dennis has lived in the community since 1979 hepped up for a big night in and has been a familiar face their high school careers. at the former Cass City Ford The question is how much free rein is right for the students and should a line be for Orbital during the drawn? company's joint venture with There has been no parent Walbro Corp. outcry over the new setting This is the couple's first infor the prom. So evidently, dependent business venture. for this community, the "We decided that since we board's decision was the like this sort of thing, we right one. might as well get paid for it," The question of prom night Dennis said. "We've always safety came up in a casual been into crafts." conversation with a son-in-Dennis put his skills to law. He is the extracurricuwork on the interior of the lar activities director for a building in mid-September. Livonia high school. That's all he does, moved from the spending weeks to give the store a new look. class room, where he taught math. Now, the Porters, in their At his school they have third week of being open for pretty strict rules. Tickets are business, are hoping for good sold in advance. Every stuthings and plenty of customer traffic. The goal, Dennis said, is to be able to offer customers. reasonable prices everyday. rather than having to depend on discounts or sales.

a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sundays 4 p.m.

Graduation and junior-senior prom and banquet times are periods extremely hazmaining restraints. ardous for students. There There is concern about the have been local accidents causing death and debilitat-

ing (lifelong) injuries to kids just entering the prime of school. I couldn't help but think of

that when the site for this year's prom was set in Caro due to the lack of an appro-The students seemingly are unanimous in not wanting over.

Cass City has the no in and out provision, but not the re-

trip to Caro and back. But there was concern when the kids held the bash at the Colony House and at the

Parents and others have voted with their silence that the school's middle-of-theroad stance is appropriate. Let's hope that their faith is justified after the prom is



Weather forecasters say we're in for a streak of bad weather.

Oh sure, the weather may be fine where you are, but it surely is bad other places. That's because of this El Nino, global warming, ozone layered thing.

Much of the country is hav-ing a mild winter this year, but we have to realize that's bad. We need snow, ice, and wind to keep the rivers flowing, lakes stirred up, and

duck hunters frozen. Some areas are expecting a nasty winter, and that's bad, too. Nasty weather is bad because - well heck, they don't call it nasty for nothing.

I heard on the news this week that it's snowing in Maine. Now there's some bad news for you. I didn't know it snows in Maine. Then I read folks are expecting floods, drought, and hot weather in Oklahoma. After it quits snowing. Last night my TV predicted a shortage of snow for ski areas of the West. A couple of weeks before that news-

casters reported a blizzard in Denver. Weather forecasters have grabbed hold of global warming and El Nino and are milking them for all they're worth. They say the main thing we can expect from these 2 phenomena is erratic and abnormal weather.

I'd have to agree with them there. The chances of erratic weather are very close to 100%. The weather has always been erratic.

The chances of abnormal weather are 100%, too. The (only way we could have av-(erage temperatures, average Irainfall, or average anything jis to round things off very obtusely.

I can remember when the TV stations first realized weather is big news. It was February 1972. My wife and

Isn't this weather awful?! I and our 3-year-old daughter were moving from Ohio to Washington in a

Volkswagen Beetle. The night before we left, the TV newscasters were drooling over a big blizzard in the Great Plains. They had some footage of snow plows, snow blowers, and truck drivers with snow clear up to their axles. (Gosh, I hope the typesetter is careful with that

one.) So we took the southern route — through Missouri and Kansas. Our first night out, we rolled into Columbia, Missouri in the middle of an ice storm.

Then, we called friends in Nebraska to ask, "How much snow you got up there?"

"Snow?" they said. "We haven't seen any snow since Christmas.

That was my first lesson in geography and ΤV weathercasting. The weather people had decided Minnesota was in the heart of the Great Plains.

I've never believed them since, and I don't plan to start now. Listening to those weathercasters was one of the biggest mistakes I've ever made.

Selling that Volkswagen Beetle was another one.



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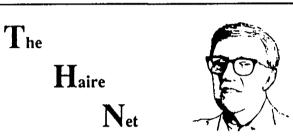


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In previous years the nonperishable food items have been taken to the food pantry in town, but since its closure the items are now distributed to community churches. Dec. 2 students will be collecting food on the north side of town, and Dec.

school district. This week all students should be receiving their report cards. The third marking period and the first semester will end Jan. 16 with a half day of school. Exams at the high school will begin Jan. 14 and conclude Jan. 16 at noon.

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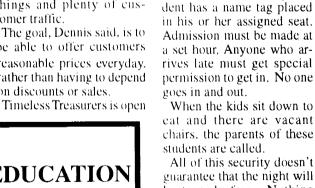
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Moving Date Set - Volunteers Needed

Plans to move middle school students into the new building are being finalized. 5th grade students will move during the morning of Dec. 17, while 6th grade students will move that afternoon. On December 18th the 7th grade will move in the morning and the 8th grade will make the transition in the afternoon. December 19th will be used as a make-up day in case there is poor weather on either of the 2 previous days. In the event weather conditions are poor during the last school days of December, the move will take place on January 5th and 6th. Once a grade level is moved, their classes will be held in the new school. Lunches will be served in the old building through December, but will begin in the new school on January 5th for all students.

If we attempted this move by only using our staff, a great deal of time would be required. This is why we are asking for volunteers to help with the move. If you can lend a helping hand, please call the middle school office at 872-4397 in order for the staff to organize an efficient schedule for volunteer helpers. Our goal is to make the move into the new school in an organized, efficient and safe manner.

Ouestions can be sent to me at 4868 N. Seeger Street, Cass City, Michigan 48726. Thank you.



students are called.

a highlight event of the

PAGE FOUR Tuscola deputies get new contract

Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies, corrections officers, mechanics, cooks and other support staff have a new, 3-year contract following action by the county board last week.

County Controller/Administrator Michael Hoagland said the board approved a pact offering raises of 78 cents per hour the first year, 20 cents per hour the second year and 25 cents per hour the third year for about 40 employees represented by the Police Officers Association of Michigan.

The contract is retroactive to July 1, 1997, when the employees' previous contract expired.

Hoagland said the county okayed higher raises in the first year of the new pact in an effort to bring the employees' wages closer in line with sheriff's employees working in departments of similar size in the state.

He noted the county's ne-

gotiation team compared salaries and found that Tuscola County's pay rates were on the low side.

In addition to the pay increases, employees will receive an improved retirement package effective July 1, 1998, and a full day off Christmas Eve.

A new vision package has also been added, effective Jan. 1, according to Hoagland, who noted there is a \$130 cap per year per employee, and the benefit will be available only to employees who are not covered by another vision plan.

The employees, meanwhile, agreed to enroll in a Community Blue PPO health plan, which is expected to help contain escalating health insurance costs for the county. Workers also agreed to limit the accumulation of sick leave days to 90 for new employees. Current employees may accumulate 120

days.

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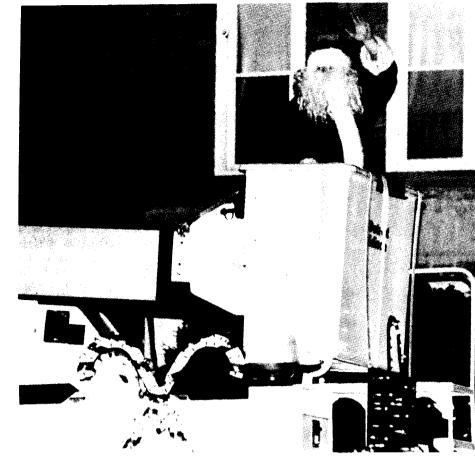
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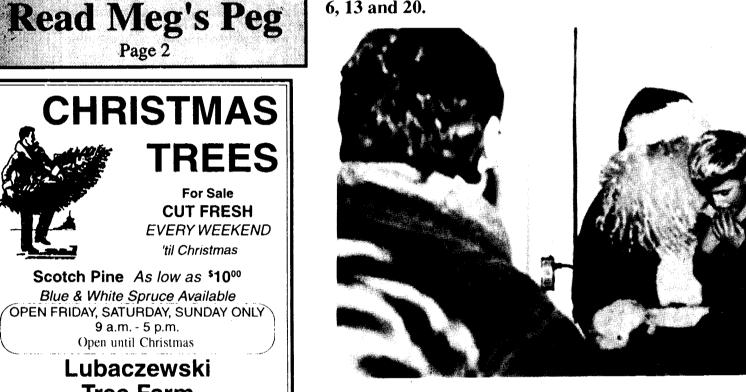
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EVERY WEEKEND

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SANTA CLAUS arrived in Cass City aboard the Detroit Edison Christmas Truck Friday night as a host of area youngsters looked on. Santa will be at his temporary home, at the corner of Main and Seeger streets, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 6, 13 and 20.



AARON ROBLES, 5, of Cass City was among several youngsters who enjoyed a brief chat with Santa following the jolly old elf's arrival in Cass City Friday night.

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Negotiations continue

Caro site to host new state police post facility

On-again, off-again rumors that the state police might consolidate the agency's Thumb posts and relocate in Cass City apparently have been put to rest.

The Tuscola County Board of Commissioners last week approved a bid from Landmark Design Group, Grand Rapids, to design a new post to be constructed in the Caro area.

The firm, one of 4 architect firms vying for the project, submitted the low bid of \$50,000.

Nothing has been finalized yet, but the county is considering a lease agreement in which the state would pay the county enough to cover bond

Carter to face trial

> A Mayville man charged in the sexual assault and beating of a Tuscola County child, who later died of her injuries, has been bound over to Tuscola County Circuit Court for trial.

> Timothy D. Carter, 22, faces arraignment in circuit court Friday at 8:30 a.m.

Following a preliminary examination last week, Tuscola County District Court Judge Kim Glaspie ruled there is probable cause that a crime was committed Sept. 10 and that Carter was the one who committed it, according to court records.

Carter is charged with felony murder, first degree criminal sexual conduct and first degree child abuse in connection with the death of one-year-old Cheyenne L. Irvine, who died Sept. 12 at St. Luke's Hospital in Saginaw. An autopsy performed the next day revealed the cause of death was severe blunt force trauma to the head.

Investigators said Carter, a friend of the victim's mother, covered. This all-day workwas baby sitting the girl in shop will begin at 8:00 a.m. her Indianfields Township with registration and will

payments and related costs to Lautner said there is a statebuild the new post, accordwide effort to modernize ing to county Controller/Adstate police post facilities, ministrator Michael and the Caro post, located at Hoagland. 120 Millwood St., Caro, is one of the older buildings

Under the agreement, among the state's existing Hoagland explained, the posts. state would make payments equal to construction and other costs over a period of just under 4,000 square feet, 10 years or more. After that, was constructed at the turn of the state could continue to the century and housed the lease the building, providing Tuscola County Road Coma source of revenue to the mission prior to the opening county, or the county could of the post in 1974. convert the space to its own use or lease the facility to someone else.

ward to the move.

"It's come to the point

where we've outgrown this

facility," Lautner said. When

the post first opened more

than 20 years ago, there were

8 or 9 troopers and a few ser-

geants — 12 officers in all.

it will be around 6,000 to 7,000 square feet," Lautner The goal is to break ground said, adding the proposed next spring, although site is at the southwest cor-Hoagland emphasized everyner of Deckerville and thing depends on ironing out Cleaver roads, just north of an acceptable final lease Caro. agreement with the state.

He estimated the new building will cost \$850,000 to \$1 First Lt. Doug Lautner, million. commander of the Caro post, indicated he's confident the Lautner said state police lease agreement will be finalofficials have been talking ized. and he's looking for-

about moving into another facility for the past 2 years. Officials first looked at existing buildings that would be suitable to house the post, but none were found. Then, Caro village officials expressed some interest in possibly building a facility. However, Lautner added, the numbers simply didn't work

Pesticide workshop set for Thursday

"The Tri-County MSU Extension Service offices will offer an all-day Pesticide Workshop at the Colony House in Cass City Dec. 4," states Harold Rouget, Tuscola County MSU Extension Agricultural Agent.

Such topics as insect and

grass identification, drift control and management and pesticide exposure - symptoms and treatment will be

Today, Lautner noted, the post has a staff of 20 or 21. out.

> \$8 per session and \$8 for the lunch. If you plan to register at the door, an additional \$2 will be charged for each of the 2 sessions as well as the lunch.

> > Anyone who needs additional RUP credits before Jan. 1 should take advantage of this workshop. Three RUP credits will be available for each session.

You may register by calling the Huron County MSU Extension office in Bad Axe at 517-269-9949, or you may

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"When we build a new post,

Santa Claus will be available to visit with children at the Santa House, on the 🕅 corner of Main Street and Seeger Street, on Saturdays during the month of December. The Santa House will be open for Santa on Saturdays from 11 a.m. till 3 p.m. on the following Saturdays:

December 6th, December 13th, and December 20th THE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR SANTA ON SATURDAYS INCLUDES:

10 a.m. till 11 a.m. ALL THREE SATURDAYS -Christmas Story Hour at Rawson Memorial Library.

Christmas stories, and a Christmas craft project will be provided for

children of ages four years and older FREE OF CHARGE. Plan to attend one Saturday with your child. Call the Rawson Memorial Library for participation details. Christmas Story Hours will be hosted by the Cass City HS Debate Team, with special financial support form the Cass City Lions Club.

11 a.m. till 3 p.m. ALL THREE SATURDAYS

-Healthy Holidays health screening events, hosted by Hills and Dales General Hospital. Health screening for an assortment of health problems, (blood pressure, diabetes, cholesterol), will be offered at different locations throughout town, one health screening per each Saturday. See the weekly advertisement in the Cass City Chonicle for details, or call Hills and Dales General Hospital.

11 a.m. till 3 p.m. ALL THREE SATURDAYS -SANTA WILL MSIT WITH CHILDREN AT

THE SANTA HOUSE, located in the parking area of the Cass City Village Hall, on the corner of Main Street and Seeger Street. (Jan Moore's Community Choir

2 p.m. till 4 p.m. ALL THREE SATURDAYS

-FREE children's movie at the Cass Theatre. Children admitted free. Adults admitted with a cash register receipt from any Cass City business. Verify movie details with the Cass Theatre.

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Detroit Edison customers will see a credit of \$0.0008507 per kilowatthour (kWh) on their electric bills from January through December 1998.

In arriving at the amount of the rate reduction, the expenses associated with the March 14 ice storm, the April 6 wind storm and July 2, 1997, wind storm and tornados were audited by commission staff. The storm-related expenses, adjusted for straight time labor and department overhead, were netted out against cost of service reductions resulting from the expiration of accounting treatments of a 1988 rate settlement.

Detroit Edison residential customers using 500 kWh of electricity per month will see a monthly credit of about \$0.43, for a total annual credit of about \$5.16. Individual customer credits will vary, based on actual customer electric use. Commercial and industrial customers, excluding special manufacturing contract customers. will also see a monthly credit on their electric bills in 1998.

Detroit Edison, headquartered in Detroit, provides electric service to about 1.9 million customers in Michigan.

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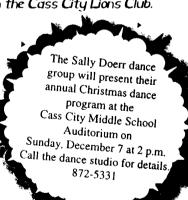


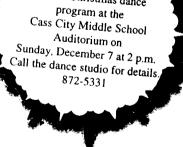
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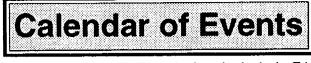
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Friends of the Library meeting, 9:30 a.m. at library. **Friday, December 5**

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

Broasted Fish Dinner, Masonic Temple, 6:00 p.m. The Sebewaing Sportsman's Club will sponsor a country dance, 1 mile west of the stop light in Sebewaing, 7:30 p.m. - midnight. Cost: \$5.00. Charlie Roode will be giving lessons for \$2.00 from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 6

Story time 10:00 - 11:00 a.m., Rawson Memorial Library. Christmas Town Home tour, 1-5 p.m. Tea for ticket holders at Rawson Memorial Library 3-6 p.m.

Tom Thumb Singers annual concert, 7:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church.

Sunday, December 7

Tom Thumb Singers annual concert, 3:00 p.m., First Presbyterian Church.

Fairgrove United Methodist Church will be hosting the 5th annual live nativity "A Journey To Bethlehem", at 5:00 p.m. The Journey will take place rain or shine. Refreshments to be served in the church basement afterwards.

Monday, December 8

Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7:30 p.m. Elkland Township Board meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 9

Rotary Club, 12 noon, Charmont. Gavel Club

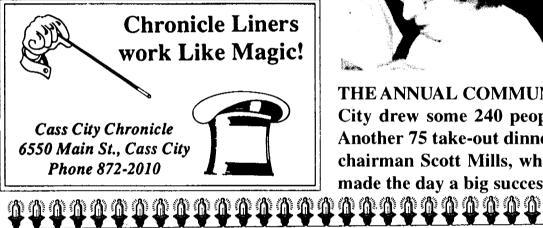
D.D.A., 7:00 p.m.

Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7:00 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown.

Wednesday, December 10

Representatives from Great Lakes College will hold a Financial Aid Workshop in the Owendale-Gagetown Jr./Sr. High School library. The program will begin at 7:00 p.m. All interested potential college students and their parents are invited to attend this meeting. If more information is needed, please call (517) 678-4141.

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



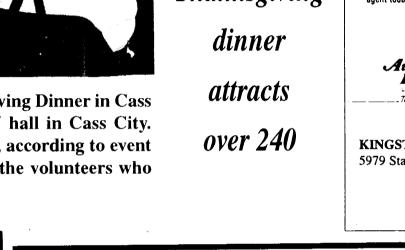
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A CREW OF volunteers, including Curt Strickland (second from right) were on hand to help serve and clean up Thurs-



THE ANNUAL COMMUNITY Thanksgiving Dinner in Cass City drew some 240 people to the VFW hall in Cass City. Another 75 take-out dinners were served, according to event chairman Scott Mills, who lauded all of the volunteers who made the day a big success.





DAWN ENGLEHART and her daughter, Katrina, were among those who gathered for the 12th Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner Thursday at the VFW hall in Cass City.

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Ben Franklin, Cass City McDonald's, Cass City Rawson Memorial Library Friendly Harvest Chemical Bank, Cass City

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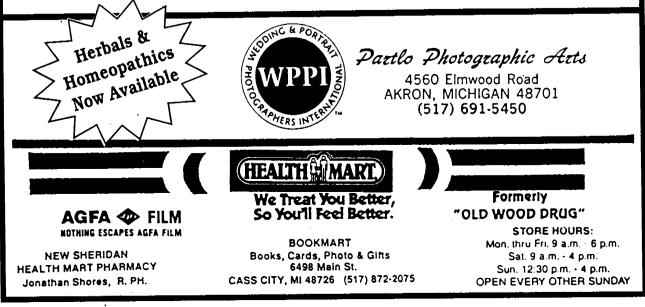
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Season opens Tuesday

Depth, quickness strength of Cass City's hoop squad

It promises to be an interesting year for the Cass City Red Hawk basketball team with what coach Jeff Hartel says has the best over all talent from one through 12 as any squad he has coached.

The down side of this assessment is that much of the talent has yet to be tested in varsity competition and the opening game Dec. 9 pits the Hawks against Harbor Beach, one of the strongest teams in the Thumb.

Hartel says that because of the depth, he plans on using a lot of players early in the season seeking the best team combinations.

He points to team quickness which translates into good defense as one of the club's strengths.

While a strong junior class will help fill the void, 5 seniors who saw lots of playing time will be missed. The losses include Scott Wallace, deadeye out court shooter, and Chad Diegel who was the team s most consistent help with the rebounding. player. Others gone include Matt Oesch, Dave Murphy and Kurt Iwankovitsch. For the first time in years a

freshman has won a spot on the varsity. He's Craig Emmert, 6-5 center. Emmert has quickness and shot making ability. But at 160 pounds he will be facing older players that outweigh him in most games. How he adjusts to the varsity pound-

ing will be one of the keys to

the Hawks' success this sea-At the guard spot will be Tim Micklash who alternated in a starting role last year. Andy Edwards (6 feet) at forward exhibited a good outside shot coming off the bench.

Among the players up from the junior varsity, Dan Cuddie (5-11) has been impressive at guard and Heath Zawilinski (6-4) showed that he can score while on the junior varsity and should

lists Reese and Lakers as fa-Hartel says that the Greater vorites.

Thumb West is very strong If we play unselfishly toagain and feels that any team gether we can be a contender, can win on a given night. He he added.

> CASS CITY BASKETBALL 1997-98

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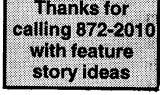
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THE CASS CITY RED HAWK basketball squad is long on talent, short on experience. From left, front row: Jason Wright, Chad Lenhard, Josh Brinkman, Brad Hartel, ball boy, Tim Micklash, Bill Goodall, Dan Cuddie. Back row: Jack Hool, coach, Ryan Brinkman, Heath Zawilinski, Craig Emmert, Nick King, Dave Hobbs, Andy Edwards, Jeff Hartel, coach.



THE HAWK JUNIOR VARSITY basketball squad. Front row, from left: Matt Perry, Joel Brinkman, Tory Glumac, Justin Caraballo, Scott Rutkoski. Back row: Bryce VanVliet, Matt Frappart, Zack Bouck, Nick Anthony, Paul Langmaid, Craig Weaver, coach.





Markel: green Hawks matmen facing toughest schedule

City wrestling team posted a surprisingly successful season last year when in pre-season estimates the club was expected to be average at best

This year the veteran mentor says that Cass City has a young and talented squad. The question is whether or not it can produce like last year's squad which finished 4-1 in the league and 10-4 overall.

Gone are some key people who helped in the team's success last year. Three with gaudy records who have graduated are John McNaughton (20-8), Don Pisha (18-15) and Dennis Pisha (28-8). Also gone are a pair of wrestlers who have

Coach Don Markel's Cass transferred to other schools: John Williams and Tim King. This year's young Hawk squad will depend on the leadership of senior co-captains Cory Mayer and Nathan Matt. Mayer (140 pounds) was 19-21 last year and Matt (145 pounds) was 16-21.

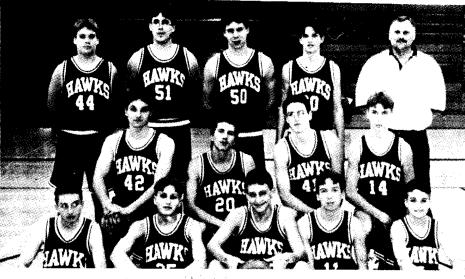
The success of the team will be determined by a talented group of sophomores who lettered as freshmen. They include Scott Moore, 119 pounds; Adam Dorland, 130 pounds with a 27-14 record; Dave Sutter, 152 pounds; Jalal Khoury, 171 pounds and an 18-18 record; Chad Wolschlager, 215 pounds, and Chris Dubay, 275 pounds and a 20-19 record. Markel says that the squad

this year is intelligent with a very good work ethic. Many of them attended summer camp to improve their skills. Markel says that one of the tasks ahead is to find wrestlers in the middle and lighter weights, where graduation losses are heavy.

Another problem is the schedule, which Markel terms as one of the toughest the school has faced. He lists Cros-Lex, Yale, Brown City and Mayville as teams to beat. All have solid programs, the coach said, with experienced lettermen re-

WRESTLING SCHEDULE

Dec. 4 Caro/Capac 6 Cros-Lex Tourn. 13 Marlette Tourn. 17 Bendle 3 Yale Tourn. Jan. 10 Sandusky Tourn. T 14 Mayville/Lakers E 17 Bridgeport Tourn.7 21 Bad Axe/Sand. 24 Mayville Tourn. 28 Marlette/ Brown City 31 Imlay City Tourn.1 Feb. 4 Cros Lex/Yale 5 Millington/BR 11 Vassar/Garber TBA 14 League TBA 18 Districts 21 Ind. districts TBA



THE HAWK FRESHMAN basketball squad, front row, from left: Zach Glaspie, Sam Stewart, Brent Goslin, Randy Diebel, Kyle Ross. Second row: Chris Ziehm, Steve Rhoades, Eric Brown, Brad Ypma. Back row: Nate Brinkman, Josh Sherman, Casey Spencer, Kyle O'Dell, Coach Havens.



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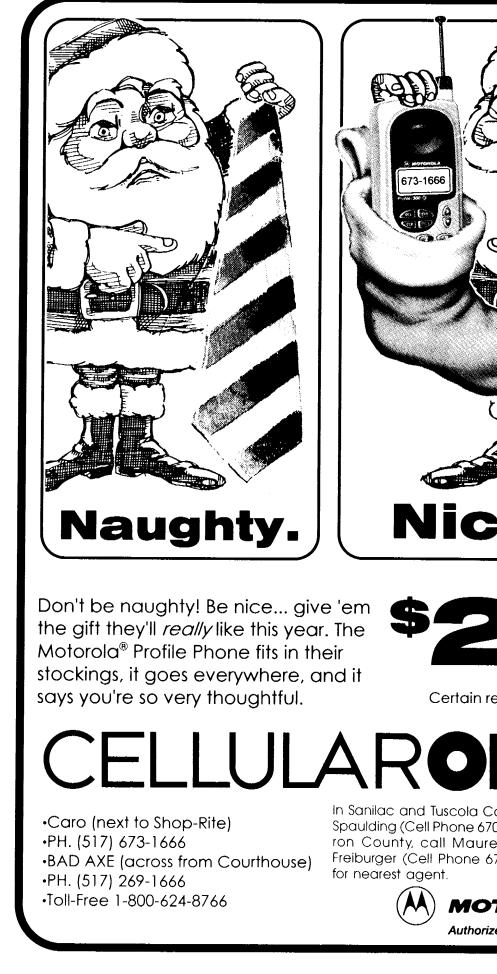
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The season gets underway Thursday with a dual meet with Capac and always tough Caro.



THE RED HAWK WRESTLING team will depend on a talented group of sophomores this season. From left, back row: Luezern Dickson, Steve McIntosh, Jalal Khoury, Chris Hyatt, Chris Dubay, Phil Mathewson, Wesley Gibbard. Second row: Nathan Matt, Dave Sutter, Ryan Cooper, Cory Mayer, Chad Wolschlager, Jeff Craig. Front row: Richard Abasso, Roy Davis, Jeremy Klinkman, Scott Moore, Adam Dorland, Jon Fritz, Anand Raythatha.







Certain restrictions apply.

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THE OWEN-GAGE varsity basketball squad for the 1997-98 campaign includes: Front row (from left) Derek Howard, Justin Anthes, Joel Bolzman, Chad Mellendorf, Joe Salcido. Middle row (from left) Anthony Brinkman, Donimetre Davis, Jason Rochefort, Jeff Maxson, Coach Jim Brinkman. Back row (from left) Ray Salcido, Chadd Rhodes, James Lemanski, Dan Dorsch.



OWEN-GAGE'S JUNIOR varsity team members are: Front (from left) Shane Mellendorf, Al Roe, Jesse Powell, Ryan Fritz. Back row (from left) Matt Rogers, Cory Fritz, Coach Joe Candela, Nick Warack, Markeith Davis.

Veteran Bulldog hoop team kicks off season at AuGres

The Owen-Gage cage team opens their season next Tuesday at AuGres under the direction of Coach Jim Brinkman, now in his 4th year at the head of the Bulldog program.

And this year's bunch could be Brinkman's best. Brinkman has several returnees from last season's squad. However, that group tasted victory only once. Working in the lane for the

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High Team Actual Series

and Game: Charmont 2935

Individual High Series and

Games: M. Lutz 697 (256-230-211), G. Robinson 630

(238-215), J. Langenburg

622 (214). D. Englehardt 609

(264), P. McIntosh 603 (216-

212), M. Jackson 596 (215),

D. O'Dell 585 (211), D. Roth

576 (215), W. Guinther 576,

M. Dubs 558, M. Gettel 555

(217), B. Rutkoski 554, R.

Roberts 553, J. Lefler 552

(210), J. Krol 550 (228), A. Ellis 224, T. Kuck 219, C.

Storm 218, B. Kingsland

212, C. Kelley 212.

Leftovers

Raz-ma-taz

The S.H.L.

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Bulldogs this campaign will be proven juniors Chad Mellendorf and James Lemanski. Both are rugged rebounders. Mellendorf, 6'1", 205 lbs., will use his bulk to screen defenders off the glass. Lamanski, 6'2", 190 lbs., rebounds with his quickness and strong leaping ability. If either gets his

hands on the round ball, he usual keeps it. In the back court for Owen-

the team's fastest player. He should be able to get a step on most man-to-man defenses. When he penetrates down the lane, Bolzman must find Lamanski and Mellendorf when doubleteamed. The Bulldogs' best weap-

ons from the perimeter will lie in junior Justin Anthes and senior Jason Rochefort. Anthes will need to improve on his rebounding numbers, especially on the offensive end, if the Bulldogs hope to compete in the North Central Thumb League. Rochefort showed a nice touch from the outside at the end of last year and Bulldog backers would like nothing better than to see Rochefort pick up where he left off last season.

Owen-Gage also has a trio of letter winners returning in

Gage, Joel Bolzman returns seniors Dan Dorsch, Jeff as play maker. Bolzman is Maxson and Chadd Dorsch. Although none are likely to start on a regular basis for Coach Brinkman, he will rely heavily on their leadership roles. Brinkman may get help on

junior varsity team last year. Anthony Brinkman, another junior varsity player last year, is a physical type player that should help on the defensive end.

Rounding out the roster for Owen-Gage are Joe Salcido, Ray Salcido and Donimetre the offensive end from Derek Howard and Anthony Davis. All 3 will compete for Brinkman. Howard was a minutes as the season 20+ scorer on the Bulldog progresses.

| Dec. 9 | AuGres | 6:00 | Α |
|--------|-------------------|------|---|
| 16 | Port Hope | 6:00 | Α |
| 19-20 | Tom Thumb Tourney | TBA | Α |
| Jan. 6 | North Huron | 6:00 | Α |
| 9 | Kingston | 6:00 | Н |
| 16 | Peck | 6:00 | Н |
| 20 | Caseville | 6:00 | Н |
| 23 | Akron-Fairgrove | 6:00 | н |
| 30 | CPS | 6:00 | Α |
| Feb. 3 | AuGres | 6:00 | н |
| 6 | Port Hope | 6:00 | Н |
| 10 | Kingston | 6:00 | Α |
| 17 | North Huron | 6:00 | н |
| 20 | Peck | 6:00 | Α |
| 24 | Caseville | 6:00 | Α |
| 27 | Akron-Fairgrove | 6:00 | Α |



THE HAWK VARSITY cheerleading squad. Front row from left: Amber Phillips, Adrainne Keller, Becky Lowe, Amy Butler, Laura Truemner, Jessica Markel. Back row: Coach Diane Lowe, Colleen Cartwright, Rose Hoelzle, Becky Oesch, Amber Rienstra, Melissa Biskner. Missing is Coach Marilyn Truemner.

Cass City Bowling MERCHANTS LEAGUE Men's High Series: B. Nov. 26, 1997 Brown 644, T. Betzold 632. Men's High Games: T. Betzold 235, K. Witkovsky 15 14

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234, B. Brown 219-214-211, D. Mathewson 207. Women's High Series: J. Hutchinson 515, T. Rabideau 511. Women's High Games: D. Williams 213, T. Rabideau

199, J. Hutchinson 193. High Team Series & Game: The S.H.L. 1927 (707).

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High Games: V. Patera 188, M. Horne 187, D. Mathewson 182, J. Stevens 183, T. Avery 175, N. Davis



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REPEAT PERFORMANCE - Red Hawk senior Chad Tate recently received a plaque recognizing his all state status in golf. Tate was also a member of the Class C team as a junior.

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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Police are investigating the damage to the new gazebo built over the old railroad track bed at the end of Cass City's walking trail. An estimated \$1,000 damage was done to the structure Thursday or Friday.

A benefit is planned for 1st Sgt. Richard Vandecar of Cass City. Vandecar is suffering from a rare tumor that is causing his bones and internal organs to grow at an abnormal rate.

Fire gutted a mobile home in the Walnut Trailer Park in Cass City Saturday night. Donations are being accepted on behalf of Art Remsing and his 4-year-old daughter, who lost nearly everything in the blaze.

Al Klco, one of the organizers, reports that the annual free Thanksgiving turkey dinner held at the St. Pancratius Church drew a record 206 persons Thursday.

Plans to build a new road connecting Cass City's Industrial Park to Seeger Street will proceed next summer, thanks to a state grant that will cover 75 percent of the construction cost. The total cost of the extension is estimated at \$131,500.

10 YEARS AGO

Authorities for a food processing plant have shown interest in Tuscola County and the Thumb, and Cass City is one of 4 locations in the county that could meet the criteria set by the company, according to Jim McLoskey, Economic Development Director for Tuscola County. The area suggested for the plant if it came to Cass City is near the corner of Schwegler Road and M-81. a mile east of Cass City.

Robert Custard received a gold ring he earned by bowling the Mid-Thumb Association's first 300 game Monday, Nov. 23. at the Charmont.

Gloria Hartwick, Cass City, was named the Cass City **Business and Professional** Women's Club "Woman of the Year" during the group's monthly meeting Nov. 23 at the Charmont.

Bishop Kenneth Untener of the Saginaw Diocese took time out last week to celebrate Mass at the H & M Retiree Home, 8550 Van Dyke Rd., Cass City, Nov. 23. The 11 a.m. Mass was enjoyed by the home's 11 residents.

Lena Maleck of Cass City was the winner of \$100 in lucky bucks Saturday in the first of 4 drawings sponsored by the Cass City Retail Chamber.

25 YEARS AGO

Mrs. Malvina Profit, a teacher of 32 years, will retire at the end of the coming school semester.

A Ferndale man was appar-ently robbed by his befrienders last week when his tool kit was found missing from the trunk of his car after 4 youths helped him get his car out of a ditch on Mushroom Rd, at Hurds Corner Road.

Dr. Herbert Niggs of Caro has been appointed medical examiner to begin Jan. 1. Rick Erla was home from Albion College to spend the Thanksgiving holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Erla. Yvonne Erla of Northwood Institute, Midland, is spending the week with her parents, the Richard Erlas, during term break. Two freak does have been

shot this season. Lee Kilbourn, 20, of Deford, accidentally shot a doe east of Cass City Saturday when he thought it was a buck. The doe had a small rack of 10 points. The other was taken in Ellington Township.

35 YEARS AGO

Cass City's switch to dial and direct distance dialing came off without a hitch early Tuesday morning. Village President Curt Hunt made the first call on the new system when he phoned his daughter, Sally, in Madison, Wisl, shortly after 6:00 a.m. When an unexpected capacity crowd filled the Cass Theatre Sunday, the building became so heated that turning off the furnace was not enough. The warm weather and the filled auditorium made it necessary to turn on the air conditioning. Christmas in Cass City will be a new experience for Amelie Claus, Swedish exchange student at Cass City High School, Miss Claus arrived in Cass City Aug. 19 and until Sunday, was staying at the Clinton Law farm, northeast of Cass City. Sunday she moved to the Warren Kelley home in Cass City. Army Specialist Four Adrian L. Hutchinson, 28, whose mother, Mrs. Iva Peterson, lives on Route 3, Cass City, recently participated with other personnel from the 96th Transportation Company in Exercise Marnerock, a 2-week field training exercise conducted in Southern Germany. At Erla Food Center - Banquet beef, chicken, turkey pies, 5 for 89 cents. Frozen lobster tails, \$1.09 pkg. Fresh ground beef, 3 lbs. for \$1.15.

BASKETBALL **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9** Harbor Beach at Cass City

WRESTLING **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4** Caro/Capac at Cass City

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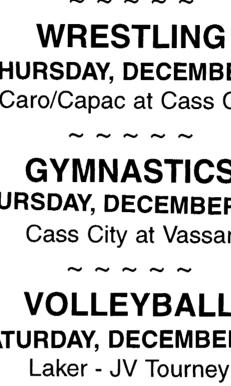
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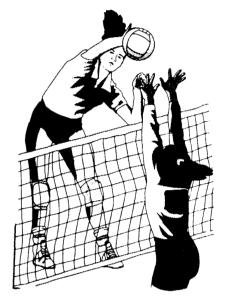
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Verneta Law

Verneta Richardson Law died Nov. 29, 1997, where she resided at St. Andrews Estates North, Boca Raton, Fla.

Dr. and Mrs. Albert Law moved to Leisureville of Boynton Beach, Florida, in 1972 after living in Grosse Pointe for 30 years. Dr. Law pre-deceased her in 1974.

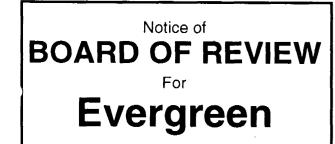
She was active in community projects at First Presbyterian Church of Delray Beach.

Surviving are 3 sons, David and wife Bonnie of San Francisco, Calif., Richard and wife Madelyn of Chatham, N.J., and Donald and wife Carol of Olympia, Wash., and 7 grandchildren. A memorial service will be

held Thursday, Dec. 4, at 1 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Delray Beach. Interment will be held in

Cass City. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the





Boynton Beach Women's Club Educational Scholarship Fund, 1010 Federal Highway, Boynton Beach, FL 33435. Lorne & Sons Funeral Sugden of Cass City, Marian Home, Delray Beach, was in Hendrie of Mesa, Ariz., and

John Leroy Sefton

charge of arrangements.

John Leroy Sefton, 68, of Decker, died suddenly Wednesday, Nov. 26, 1997, at his daughter's home in Corydon, Ind.

Born March 30, 1929, in Detroit, he was the son of Lee and Marie (Trudeau) Sefton He married Vivian Martin

Sept. 16, 1950, in Marlette. A member of Local #816 Flint Plumbers and Pipefitters Union, he served in the US Army during the Korean Conflict.

Surviving are his wife Vivian; 4 children, Gary (Donna) Sefton of Carsonville, Roy Sefton of Frankenmuth, Paul Sefton of

target low income Canton, Ohio, and Dyan (Alan) Feller of Corydon, families Ind.; 3 grandchildren; a brother, Hugh Sefton of North Branch; 3 sisters, Lois

Catherine Hogue of Fostoria,

and many nieces and neph-

ews. He was preceded in

death by his parents and a

Funeral services were held

Sunday, Nov. 30, at Little &

Kranz Funeral Home with

the Rev. Jean Rencontre of

Shabbona United Methodist

Interment was in Elkland

Memorials may be made to

the American Heart Associa-

Martha Susalla

Mrs. Martha Eleanor

Susalla, 79, of Ubly, died

Saturday morning, Nov. 29,

1997, at St. Luke's Hospital

in Saginaw, after a short ill-

ness. Born June 18, 1918, in

Parisville, she was the daugh-

ter of Albert and Stella

She married William Susalla Jan. 19, 1941, at St.

Mary's Catholic Church of

Parisville. He died Dec. 24,

A graduate of the Sigel #6

Country School, she worked

with her family in Bad Axe.

After moving to Detroit in

1941 with her husband and

living in the Detroit

Poletown area and Warren,

they returned to live in Ubly

rishioner of St. John Parish

of Ubly since 1981 and a

member of the Christian

Mothers of St. John's Circle

Surviving are 3 brothers,

wife, Mary, of Cass City,

Henry Leppek of Ubly and

Raymond Leppek and his

wife, Betty, of Ubly, and

Funeral services were held

Tuesday, Dec. 2, at St. John's

Catholic Church of Ubly.

The Rev. Randy Kelly, pas-

Arrangements were made by the Zinger-Smigielski

(Wettlaufer) Toner, He mar-

ried Betty Auvil (Palmer)

March 20, 1965, in Cass City.

dustries in Vassar.

He worked for Means In-

Surviving are 3 children, Bryan (Annette) Toner of

Cass City, Brett (Alison)

Toner of Vancouver, British

Columbia, and Brandon Toner of Cass City; 3 grand-

children; grandmother, Norma Wettlaufer of Bad

Axe; 2 sisters, Kathy (Larid)

Densmore of Mayville and

Janice (Michael) Alexander of Rochester; a brother,

Grant (Donna) Toner of

Elkton; an uncle, Donald

Wettlaufer of Bad Axe, and

many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by

Funeral services were held

Tuesday, Dec. 2, at Little & Kranz Funeral Home with

the Rev. Mark Todd of Living Word Worship Center

Interment was in Elkland

Memorials may be made to

the Family Discretionary

his parents.

officiating.

Township.

Fund.

Cemetery of Parisville.

Funeral Home, Ubly.

many nieces and nephews.

#2, St. Monica.

(Warchuck) Leppek.

brother, Joe Sefton.

Church, officiating.

Township Cemetery.

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1989.

The USDA-Rural Development Agency in Flint, is now serving Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac Counties. This Federal Government agency funds home loans for low income families. The program is targeted for households that do not currently own a home and who would not be able to afford normal bank financing.

In Tuscola County, low incomes are under the following limits (based on family size): 1 - \$22,000, 2 -\$25,000, 3 - \$29,000, 4 -\$32,500, 5 - \$35,000, 6 -\$38,300. House payments are subsidized and usually in the \$400-\$550 range.

In both Sanilac and Huron counties low incomes are under the following limits (based on family size): 1 -\$20,000, 2 - \$22,700, 3 -\$26,000, 4 - \$29,500, 5 -\$32,000, 6 - \$35,000.

Office Manager, Mary Capizzo, said, "This year we are targeting some funds for the areas farthest away from our office. There are funds set aside for Sanilac, Tuscola and Huron Counties. Currently, we have no waiting list, as the 1998 Federal Budget just passed this week. We welcome anybody who meets the income guidelines to apply as soon as possible to cash in on the new funds. More information and applications are available at 810-230-8766 or 800-944-8119. Rural Development is the result of a massive reorgani-

zation that downsized and streamlined USDA. RD took over the functions of the old Farmers Home Administration. The Flint Office has replaced former Farmers Home county offices in Bad Axe, Sandusky, Port Huron, Lapeer, Caro and Standish.

Barcia aide to

Burial was in St. Mary's visit

next week.

An aide to Congressman lim Barcia is holding constituent hours in Huron,

Sanilac and Tuscola counties



THE TOM THUMB Singers were busy Monday night at the First Presbyterian Church in Cass City, rehearsing for their 15th annual concert entitled "Reflections — Turn Back the Hands of Time." The singers will perform Dec. 6 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 7 at 3 p.m. at the church.

Training funds

Anrod among grant recipients

The Michigan Jobs Commission has approved a \$470,713 economic development training grant for Tuscola, Huron, Lapeer and Sanilac counties. The grant, funded through the Michigan Renaissance Fund, is to provide training

to 11 companies. In total,

1,093 employees will ben-

Companies to receive train-

ing include Anrod Manufac-

turing in Cass City and Re-

Also listed as recipients are

gency Plastics in Ubly.

multi-sheltered workshops in Lapeer, Deckerville and Caro; Peters Manufacturing, Vassar Industries and Wilson Stamping, all in Vassar: Plastech Manufacturing, Caro; Die Tech, Imlay City; Camtron Coatings, Lapeer, and Lear Corporation, Marlette.

The training will be conducted by the Tuscola and Huron intermediate school districts, Mott Community College and St. Clair Community College.

"Upgrading the skills of our

Project F.E.T.C.H. in full swing at high school

Project F.E.T.C.H. - Feed Everyone This Christmas Holiday, is in full swing. The Student Council and National Honor Society will be having a group of students'

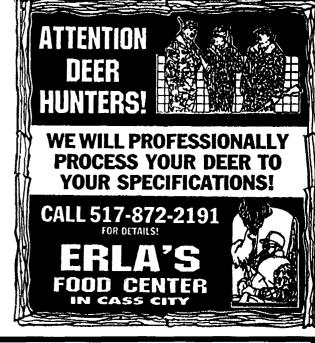
from the high school go caroling and collecting food for the needy.

The students will go around the north part of town Dec. 2 from 6-8 p.m. and the south side of town Dec. 4 from 6-8 p.m.

Please leave your porch lights on and have some nonperishable food ready.

workers to match available Thumb Plastics, Bad Axe; jobs is vital to our economic development efforts and helps Michigan businesses become more competitive in this global economy," said Doug Rothwell, CEO and department director for the Michigan Jobs Commission.

The jobs commission, which administers the Michigan Renaissance fund, works in partnership with local communities and businesses to retain and expand job opportunities and improve Michigan's overall business climate





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Notice of **BOARD OF REVIEW** For Greenleaf Township Will Be Held **DECEMBER 9TH** 8:00 p.m.

Greenleaf Township Hall Gilbert Road

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Todd C. Toner

tor, officiated.

Anyone with a question or Todd Clarence Toner, 51, of concern about an issue be-Cass City, died suddenly Frifore the U.S. House of Repday, Nov. 28, 1997, at Caro resentatives, or who has a Community Hospital. problem with any federal Born Oct. 3, 1946, in agency is encouraged to visit. Elkton, he was the son of Barcia's aide will meet with Clarence and Vivian constituents:

*Wednesday, Dec. 10, 10 a.m. to noon at the board of commissioners office, Huron County Courthouse, 250 E. Huron Ave., Bad Axe.

*Wednesday, Dec. 10, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the courthouse annex, Tuscola County Board of Commissioners Office, 207 E. Grant St., Caro.

*Friday, Dec. 12, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Sanilac County Conference Room, 37 Austin St., Sandusky.



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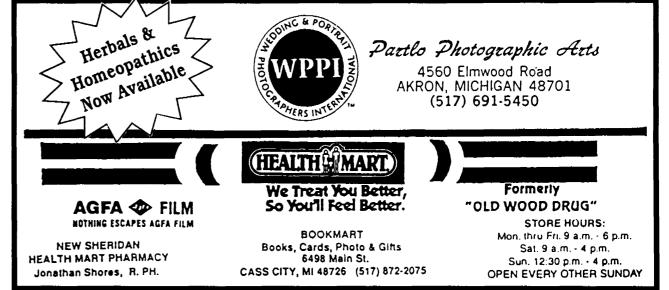


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CASS CITY, MICHIGAN **Baumgardner on** Walbro board

Dwane Baumgardner, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Donnelly Corporation, Holland, has been elected to the board of directors of Walbro Corporation, a manufacturer of precision fuel system products for automotive and small engine markets. The announcement was made by L.E. Althaver, chairman and chief executive officer, Walbro Corporation.

Baumgardner is also a dⁱ rector of SL Industries, Slign Furniture and Scanlon Plan Associates. He is a member of Business at Grand Valley State University. He also serves on the IMC Top Management Advisory Committee and the Aquinas College Executive Advisory Board.





Dwane Baumgardner

"We are extremely pleased to welcome Dwane to the Walbro board of directors," said Althaver. "His experience in managing a technology-oriented, manufacturing company similar in many ways to Walbro Corporation should prove especially valuable.'

Baumgardner joined Donnelly Corporation, a manufacturer of automotive vision systems, modular window systems and coated glass products, in 1969. He was named vice president, technology in 1977 and was elevated to president and chief operating officer in 1980. He received the title of chief executive officer in 1982 and was named chair-

Baumgardner holds a Ph.D.

of the Dean's Advisory Board at the Seidman School

Firemen deserve praise To the Editor:

I wish to thank the people of the Cass City Fire Department who braved the cold on Thanksgiving morning to knock on our doors and evacuate Huntsville Mobile Park and averted a near terrible disaster due to the eruption of a gas main so close to

I know we all have so much more to be grateful for. Thank you. God bless all of you.

Genevieve Bessler Cass City

Irradiation

Irradiation is a technique that uses gamma rays to kill harmful bacteria in food, like E. coli, salmonella and listeria. There is little or no change in the taste or texture of the food. The process has been approved for pork, poultry, fresh produce and spices. Even though the foods are entirely safe for consumption, marketing has been a difficult task.

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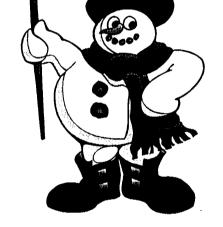
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in Engineering Optics from the University of Rochester and a B.S. in Engineering Physics from the University of Missouri.



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Writers to meet Dec. 9

The next regular meeting of the Thumb Area Writer's Club (TAWC) will be held Tuesday, Dec. 9, in the

ndusky High School, 191 Pine Tree Lane, Sandusky. Follow Pine Tree Lane east to the end, turn left, park by double doors at east end of school. Upon entering the school, take first hallway to the right and go to room #259. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. All writers needing encouragement in their creative endeavors are urged to attend.

Everyone is welcome. You do not have to be a member to attend any meeting. If you do decide to join, membership is open to poets and fiction and non-fiction writers.

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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 Cor-

poration, 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

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.

Michigan, and are described as:

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

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 be-

ing the intersection of said North line and

the East line of a previously recorded sur-

vey recorded in Liber 433, Page 130 of

Tuscola County Records); thence S00 deg

51'37" E along said East line and paral-

lel 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, un-

less determined abandoned in accordance

with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case

the redemption period shall be 30 days

OLD KENT MORTGAGE COMPANY

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from the date of such sale.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy M. Gill, a married m and Rosalee E. GILL, his wife, to BAY CREEK MORTGAGE, Mortgagee, dated August 14, 1996, and recorded on Au-gust 23, 1996, in Liber 696, on Page 326, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and

assigned by said mortgagee to the S1ANDARD FEDERAL BANK, as assignee by an assignment dated August 14, 1996, which was recorded on August 23, 1996, in Liber 696, on Page 336, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Six and 45/100 dollars (\$54,336.45), including interest at 8.50% per annum. Adjustable Rate Mortgage. Interest rate may change on 1/1 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case de and provided, notice is hereby given said mortgage will be foreclosed by le of the mortgaged premises, or some * it of them, at public venue, at the front itrance 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 are described as

PARCEL 1 - Commencing at a point on the North line of River Street in the City of Vassar, 4 rods Easterly from the South-"est corner of Lot 11, Block 2 of T. rth's Addition to the City of Vassar. 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 21A

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 21A, on Grant Street, thence running Southerly 6 rods, thence Easterly 8 rods ance 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 p 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, unss determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

RON CYBULSKI took this trophy whitetail hunting Tuesday west of Cass City. The 14-point, 200+ lb. buck had a 19 3/4" spread.

Letter to Santa Claus Santa Claus - here's my list

Baby new born

Fantasy Faces

Ice Age

Carriage

Marinet

It's time to send those leters To Santa Claws

to Santa. The Chronicle will publish the letters in an issue between now and Christmas. Wallet-sized photos will be published. Black and white is best, but most colored pictures can be used. The deadline to submit letters is Dec. 18.

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Dated: November 5, 199

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File # 97108543

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 Mortgage America, Inc., a Michigan corpora tion, 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 interest 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 township of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as

Lot 32 of HAINES SUBDIVISION, according to the plat recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 15 and 16.

Tax ID # 019012300320000.

The redemption period shall be 6 months 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

INDUSTRY MORTGAGE COMPANY. Assignee of Mortgagee

JACK F. GARDNER Attorney for Suite 215-21415 Civic Center Dr Southfield, MI 48076-3953 (248) 352-7020

11-19-5



The brown Indian muntjac, or barking deer, barks like a dog when excited. The buck is 30 inches tall and has two-tined antlers, about four inches long

Trott & Trott, P.C Attorneys for OLD KENT MORIGAGE COMPANY. 30150 Telegraph Suite 100 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025 File #97108801 11-19-5

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MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David CHURCH, a married man and Nina CHURCH, his wife, to MICHI GAN MORTGAGE LENDERS CORP. Mortgagee, dated October 4, 1996, and recorded on October 4, 1996, in Liber 698, on Page 728, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ten Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Three And 91/100 dollars (\$10,863.91), including interest at 6.99% 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 venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, a 10:00 o'clock A.M., on January 30, 1998. Said premises are situated in TOWN-SHIP of MILLINGTON, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as

Part of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 9, Town 10 North, Range 8 Fast, described as: Beginning at a point which is N89/26'40"W, 1271.18 feet along the South line of said Section 9 ind along the East line of the West 172 of the Southeast 1/4 (also the East line of Bostick's Addition to the Village of Millington) N00/08'49"E, 909.48 feet along the North line of said Bostick's Addition, N89 20100"W, 334.38 feet to the Northeast corner of Lot 2 of Block B of Bostick's Addition and parallel to the East hne of said West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/ 4, Not/08'49"E, 2:00 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 9, thence par dlel to the North line of said Bostick's Addition: N89 201907W | 127.62 teet; thence parallel to the East line of said West 172 of the Southeast 174, N00 081497E

64 00 teet; thence \$89 20'00"E, 127.62 feet; thence \$00.08'49"W, 64.09 feet to the point of beginning The redemption period shall be 6

month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale

Dated December 3, 1997

MICHIGAN MORTGAGE LENDERS

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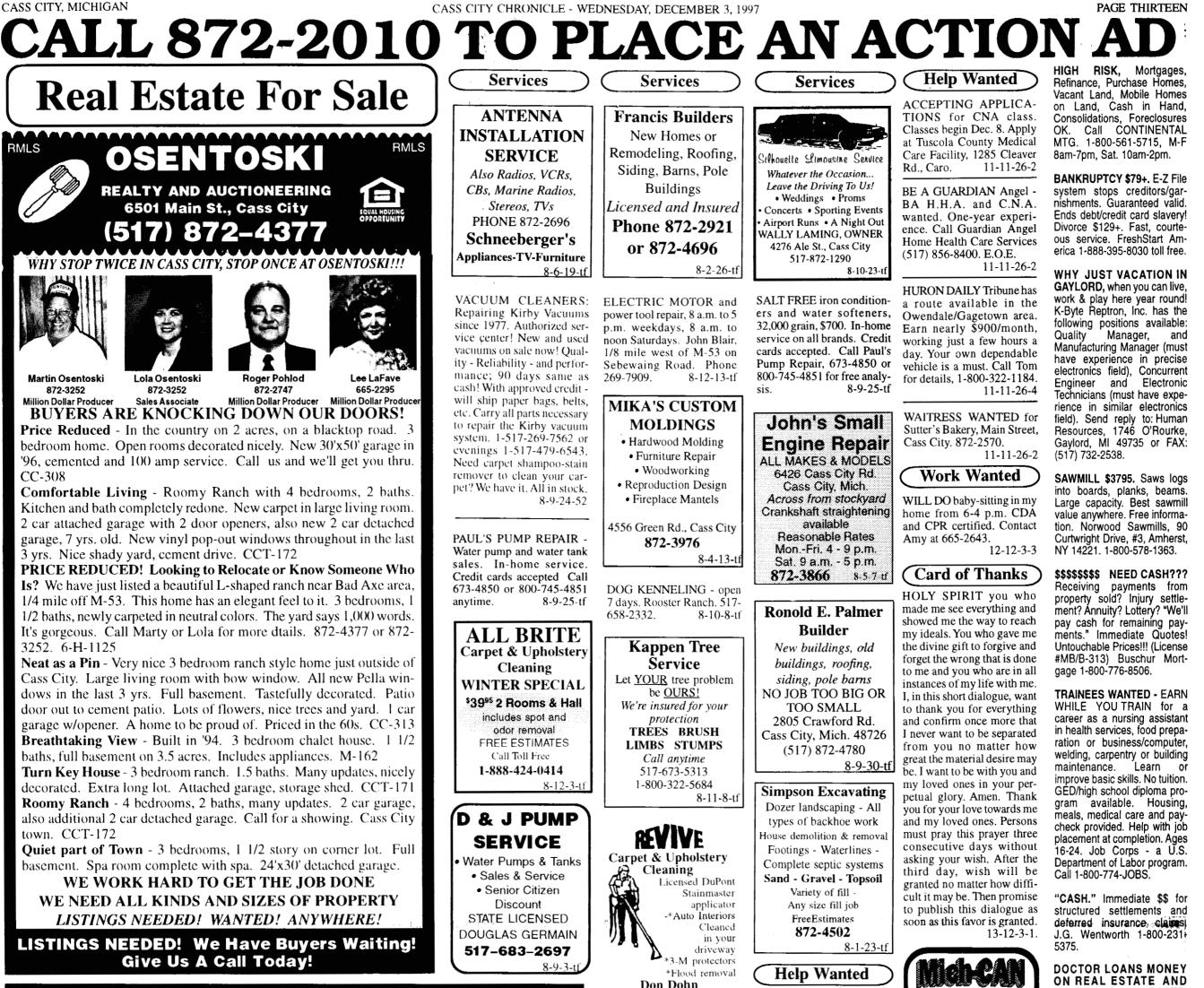
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Saturday on M-53 **Crash claims one life**

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wearing a seat belt and was not injured.

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Four people were injured in a 2-vehicle accident Sunday afternoon in Sanilac County's Marlette Township.

Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies reported a semitractor trailer driven by Richard G. Bujnowski, 37, Cass City, was southbound on Decker Road at about 3:20 p.m. when it collided with a southbound vehicle

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driven by Asim Ticevic, 39, of Hamtramck. Deputies said Bujnowski

was unable to stop when Ticevic attempted to make a right turn onto Walker Road. Reports indicate Ticevic was not injured, however, 4 of his passengers were hurt. Aida Ticevic, 12, Selma Ticevic, 9, and Mina Ticevic. 35, all of Hamtramck, and Munira Haliovic, 49, of Detroit, were all transported by Marlette Ambulance to a hospital for treatment. The

name of the hospital was not

Deputies said Asim Ticevic

available.

and his four injured passengers were not wearing seat belts. Seat belt information was not available for a fifth passenger, Meho Haliovic of Detroit, who was not hurt. Bujnowski, who was wearing a seat belt, was cited for being unable to stop in an assured clear distance.

Volunteers keep toy drive alive

Continued from page one. taken over the responsibility of decorating the project headquarters at Howard's Heating in Cass City, as well as collecting and transporting toy donations.

"We have some adult vol-unteers, too," Werschky noted. "We've got 4 or 5 people who are dedicated and they went way above the call of duty last year."

When Werschky first coordinated the former Toys For Tots campaign 10 years ago, toys and cash donations used to purchase toys were distributed to 64 area families. At the peak of the program, more than 200 families were served by the program. Last year, more than 100 families received toys.

Over the years, the number of volunteers has dwindled, which has prompted Werschky to call it quits after this Christmas season.

"Unless another group comes forward to do it, there probably just won't be one" next year, she said.

"We're hoping to do a good job this year, deplete our supplies and go out with a good 10 years of service to the community.

Anyone interested in helping out with this year's campaign, or who has any questions, can contact Werschky during the evening hours at



THE 19TH ANNUAL Village Bach Festival returned to Cass City over the weekend. Above, Jeanne Preucil Rose, Carl Ellenberger and harpsichordist Layton James (not pictured) rehearse J.S. Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 5 during an open rehearsal Friday. "We had a good crowd and certainly very responsive audiences," said Holly Althaver. "We are just so pleased with their dedication to us and what they bring to us as musicians."



TAKING THEIR turn during an open rehearsal Friday at the First Presbyterian Church were Bach Festival performers Allen Krantz, noted classical guitarist and composer, and vo-

CASS CITY, MICHIGAN **Reactions** mixed to rate increases

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about any more tax increases. Being retired and on a fixed income, I think they're bleeding us.

"We're losing our benefit, tax-wise, of coming here. .from the city. We're probably within 10 percent of the taxes we were paying in Sterling Heights," he added. "Somewhere along the line, somebody's going to have to do some belt tightening."

REDUCE COSTS

Another retiree, Robert R. Haselhuhn, 4888 Northwood Circle, agreed.

He suggested the village could save money by clamping down on some home construction practices. "If they would clean up and regulate the building of homes in the Cass City area so that we do not have storm water entering the sanitary sewer system, they could reduce some ing costs related to annual water main replacements, no. to mention the recent completion of a third, backup water well. The bottom line, officials say, is that the village's water and wastewater funds are not supporting themselves and haven't for some time. The council will take action on the rate increases, as well as the proposed 1998 spend-

Village officials have not

raised sewer rates since the

early 1990s, and water rates

have remained the same for

In the meantime, the cost of

maintaining Cass City's 17-

year-old wastewater treat-

ment plant has increased.

And, there have been on-go-

more than 10 years.

ing plan during its rescheduled monthly meeting in December, which will be held Dec. 22 starting at 7 p.m. at the village municipal building.

McIntosh among council candidates

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Incumbent David Abbe filed a nominating petition, as did newcomer William J. Ehrlich Jr., while incumbents Paul Hunter and Eugene Comment did not file. The remaining 4-year term is expected to be filled by a writein candidate.

Running unopposed for a 4year term is incumbent Village President Charles Wright.

UBLY

Ubly will have a new village president and clerk next spring

Incumbents President Dan Lackowski and Clerk Tricia Grifka opted not to seek reelection. Seeking their seats, respectively, are Democrat

are incumbents Rose Allen and A. Ruth Olshove, both Democrats, and Republican challengers Mark Brown and Janice Sageman. Incumbent Trustee Ken Sweeney is not seeking reelection.

Village president and Huron

County commissioner, and

Running unopposed is

Treasurer/Assessor Florence

Seeking 3 expiring trustee

seats, each for 4-year terms,

Schrader.

Republican Judy Messing.

KINGSTON

In Kingston, all incumbents are seeking reelection to 2-

year terms unopposed. They are Village President Arlo O. Ruggles and Clerk-Treasurer Beverly J. Heron, and trustees Robin L. LaFond, Paul Lalko and



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