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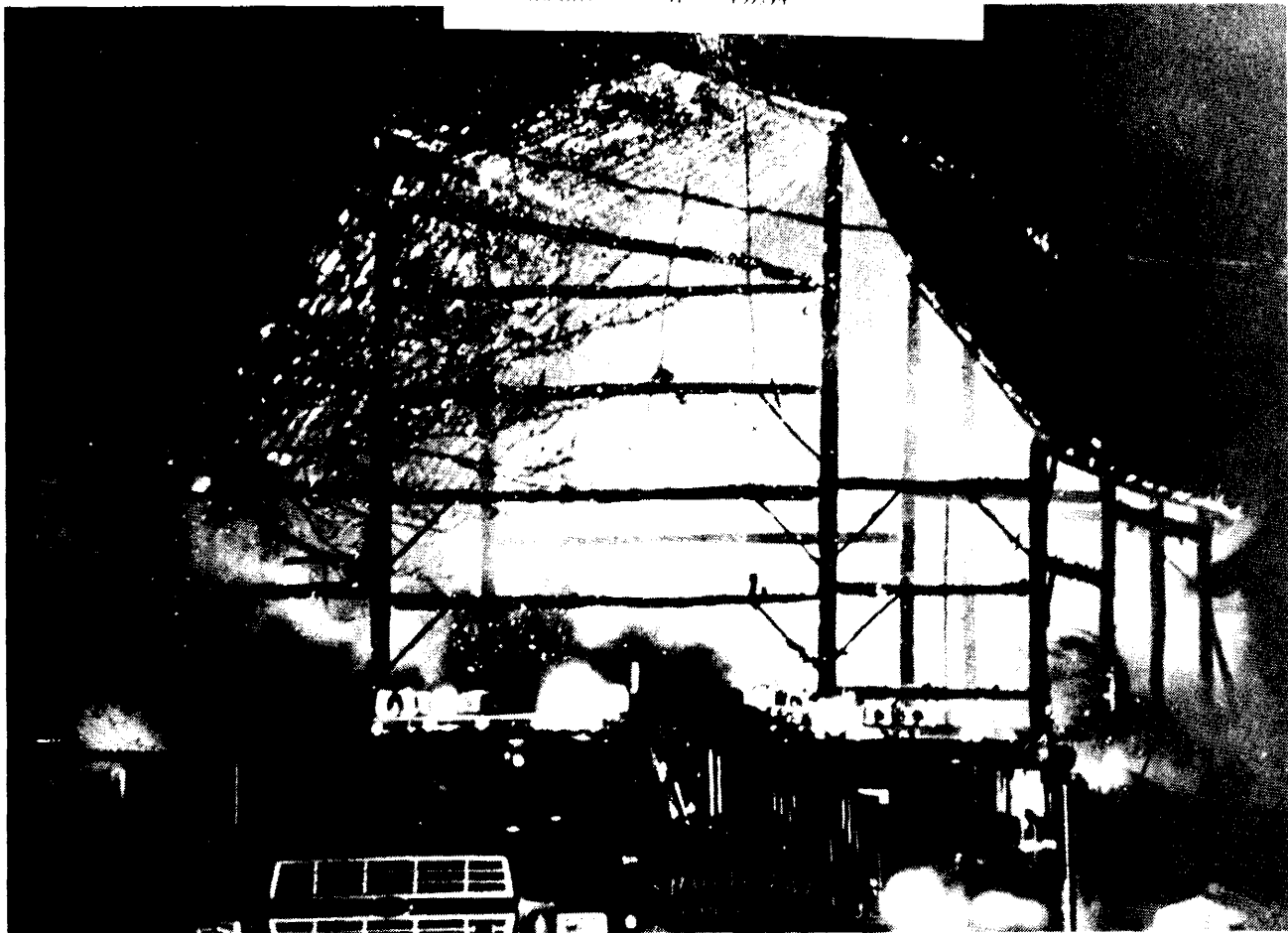
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**FIRE ROARED THROUGH** an Evergreen Township barn Sunday night, leveling the structure and killing 6 to 10 head of dairy cattle. The loss is estimated at a combined \$80,000. (Related picture page 9)

## Estimate loss at \$80,000 as fire razes Jones' barn

Fire swept through a Sanilac County barn Sunday night, leveling the structure and killing 6 to 10 head of dairy cattle.

More than 35 firemen from 6 departments battled the blaze, which lit up the night sky. Witnesses reported seeing the glow of the fire from 5 miles away.

Elkland Township fire fighters were called to Nancy Jones' Evergreen Township farm, located at 5675 Pringle

Rd., Decker, at 6:48 p.m.

"It was totally engulfed when we got there," said Fire Chief Ron Pawloski. "It was a typical barn fire; a lot of hay, and once that gets going, it really takes off."

Brown's son initially estimated there were 25 to 30 head of cattle still in the barn when fire fighters arrived.

"We rescued 16 animals out of the barn. Right now we're estimating they lost 6 to 10 head of cattle," Pawloski

said.

"It wasn't easy. They (cows) did not want to leave the barn. We had to literally carry them out."

There were no injuries, according to the fire chief, who estimated the loss, including livestock, at \$80,000. He noted Brown is insured.

Pawloski said the cause of the fire was not determined. "We're suspecting electrical wiring, but that's just a suspicion at this point."

Cass City firemen, who remained at the scene for 5 hours, were assisted by the Bingham Township, Argyle Township, Lamotte Township, Kingston and Caro fire departments.

Pawloski said the combined departments poured about 50,000 gallons of water on the blaze.

Fire fighters returned to the scene Monday morning and remained there for several hours after the fire rekindled.

## For students at school

## O-G votes to censor shirts

Owen-Gage School Supt. Manuel Thies has strongly resisted efforts by some to censor profanity from school

textbooks, but he draws the censorship line when it comes to certain expressions imprinted on students' clothing.

The issue was discussed during a monthly meeting of the Owen-Gage Board of Education Monday night.

Thies recommended a policy authorizing administrators to send home students who arrive at school or school-related events wearing shirts or other clothing imprinted with offensive slogans.

Thies told the board that he decided to make the recommendation after seeing a shirt with the expression, "An American by Chance, Antichrist by Choice" written on the garment. Thies noted the shirt was worn by an Owen-Gage student attending a ball game Friday night.

"I don't think that is appropriate in any way, shape or form at an extracurricular event" or any other school function, he said.

The school district's student handbook prohibits students from wearing garments imprinted with vulgar language or advertising products such as tobacco and alcohol. However, it does not cover expressions that are equally offensive, according to Thies.

He acknowledged his stand against censoring textbooks,

but said he feels expressions such as the one he saw Friday go too far. "I think this is way beyond what we should see in a class, in a school."

Board members agreed with Thies and approved his policy, which directs administrators to notify parents when a student has been sent home for violating the rules. Thies said he will send a letter home to parents explaining the policy.

### PROBATION?

Turning to personnel matters, the board tabled action on recommendations of third year probation for Karen

Schuetz, science teacher, and Paula Berry, band director.

Board members indicated they had some questions regarding the teacher review process and want to direct those questions to junior-senior high school Principal Tom Wade, who was unable to attend Monday night's meeting.

Thies said he will schedule a special meeting Feb. 23 at 5 p.m. to deal with the probation recommendations.

In a related matter, the board tabled action on Wade's contract for the coming year.

In other business Monday, Please turn to back page.

## Charge 3 Cass City youths in premeditated murder conspiracy

A Michigan State Police tracking dog sniffed out a pair of suspects in an attempted break-in of a Deford area man's home last week.

Police also have a third suspect in the bizarre case, which allegedly involved a plan to not only rob the victim, a 72-year-old man, but also to kill him and dump and his body in a pond. Two of the suspects then allegedly planned to use money from the robbery to purchase bus tickets to Wisconsin, where they would meet 2 girls they had met on the internet.

The latest arrest in the case came Friday, when police took Dean Austin McBride, 14, of Cass City, into custody. Although a juvenile, prosecutors have decided to charge McBride as an adult.

He was arraigned Friday in Tuscola County District Court on charges of con-

spiracy to commit first degree (premeditated) murder, conspiracy to commit armed robbery, conspiracy to commit first degree home invasion, attempted first degree home invasion, carrying a weapon (knife) with unlawful intent, and carrying a concealed weapon.

Bond for McBride was set at \$250,000. He faces a preliminary examination Feb. 20 at 9 a.m.

If convicted of conspiracy to commit first degree murder, McBride faces a maximum penalty of up to life in prison and a \$10,000 fine. Arrested following the Feb. 3 incident were Robert D. McPhail, 20, Cass City, and Richard L. Lesoski, 17, also of Cass City.

Both men were initially arraigned in district court on charges of attempted first degree home invasion and

conspiracy to commit first degree home invasion. Bond for each was set at \$50,000 cash, and preliminary examinations were scheduled for Friday at 9 a.m.

Conspiracy to commit first degree home invasion is punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a \$15,000 fine. Attempted first degree home invasion carries a penalty of up to 5 years in prison.

Mark Reene, Tuscola County's chief assistant prosecuting attorney, said Monday that McPhail and Lesoski will also be charged with conspiracy to commit first degree murder and conspiracy to commit armed robbery.

Sheriff's deputies knew the robbery was being planned, thanks to a tip provided by an informant, who reported 3 males were going to rob

Bruce Bartle, 1885 N. Cemetery Rd., Deford.

Deputies, who related the information to Bartle, were dispatched to his residence Feb. 3 at 7:56 p.m. to investigate a break-in in progress.

Deputies were met at the scene by Cass City Police Sgt. Craig Haynes, who assisted in the investigation.

Bartle told officers he was sitting at his kitchen table when he heard some noises outside his front window. He saw a subject in dark clothing, running south towards the back of his trailer, according to reports. Bartle, who kept a revolver in his kitchen, then walked to the back of his trailer and saw a subject running into a nearby field.

Deputies, Haynes and troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro be-

gan searching for the suspects. Some officers followed the suspects' footprints, while others searched in patrol units along Kingston, Deckerville, Shabbona and Phillips roads. Troopers later called in a K-9 unit from the Bridgeport post.

Reports state the tracking dog led officers south of Deckerville Road behind 6128 Deckerville Rd., then southeast through a woods and into an open field. After walking about 200 yards, the dog began tracking along a ditch, where officers found McPhail and Lesoski laying down on the north bank.

Lesoski told police the robbery had been planned for a week. he said the plan was to enter Bartle's trailer, threaten him with a knife and

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## Plans career on family farm

## Puterbaugh combines school, farm jobs

Probably few Cass City High School seniors are more prepared than Brian Puterbaugh to follow their career goals.

After all, Puterbaugh, 18, already has 10 years of on-the-job training under his belt.

Puterbaugh, the son of Larry and Denise Puterbaugh, 4380 Shabbona Rd., Decker, plans to complete a 2-year agriculture program at Michigan State University following graduation in the spring. After that, he'll return home to help carry on a family farming tradition started by his great-grandfather.

It's a job he's very familiar with, having helped out his father since he was 8 years old and needed a crate to stand on to put the milkers on a cow.

The job involves plenty of hard work, but Puterbaugh says he enjoys it. There are times when, he admits, it's a drag, but he could never pic-

ture himself wearing a paper hat and serving French fries in a fast food restaurant.

"I love being outdoors," he said. "You can pretty much set your own hours. When it's time to work hard, you work hard, and you can choose when to play."

The Puterbaughs milk 65 to 70 cows and have another 150 head of beef cattle. They also grow cash crops; corn, wheat, oats and soybeans.

Puterbaugh says balancing school work with his chores on the farm comes naturally. "It's a family responsibility and I also figure it's a job," he said.

During the winter months, the teen's days typically start at 6 a.m. He has an "early bird" government class in school that starts at 7:15 a.m. After school, he takes a break before starting chores at 3:30 p.m. or 4 p.m.

In the winter, that means spending about 2 hours milking in the afternoons on

weekdays, and milking a twice a day on the weekends. He fits in school work when the day's milking chores are completed.

It's a family affair, with brother Kurt, 16, feeding and tending to the calves, and sisters Renee, 12, and Ashley, helping out around the house.

Puterbaugh said time spent working on the farm varies. "I'd say somewhere between 10 and 20 hours a week in the winter," he said.

It's a different story when summer arrives, bringing with it some 12-hour days, picking stones, mowing hay, planting, working ground, pulling weeds, fixing fences and any number of other jobs that need to be done around the farm.

"During the summer I'm pretty much busy all day," he added.

Still, Puterbaugh finds time for other activities. He enjoys playing baseball, hunting and spending time with

friends and family.

And he enjoys learning about a career that will last him a lifetime. Puterbaugh said he began receiving pay for his work on the farm when he turned 16 years old.

But he isn't complaining; all the work he put in from the age of 8 years on provided the area high school senior with a wealth of knowledge about farming, not to mention a new pickup truck given to him by his parents about a year ago.

Although his summers are busier than those of many of his classmates, Puterbaugh indicated he doesn't feel he has missed anything.

"I get to pretty much do the same things as they (other students) get to. There are times when it gets to be head-ache — times when you want to be with your friends and you're stuck working — but most of the time it's alright."



**CASS CITY HIGH School senior Brian Puterbaugh plans to carry on a family farming tradition started by his great-grandfather. The Decker area teen says he hasn't had a problem balancing school work and his responsibilities on the farm.**

## Engaged



Juli Generous & Matthew Prime

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Generous of Caro announce the engagement of their daughter, Juli Margaret Generous, to Matthew Elmer Prime, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Prime Sr. of Unionville.

The bride-elect is a 1991 graduate of Caro High School and a 1995 graduate of Delta College where she received her associate degree in office management. She is currently employed as a deputy court clerk with the Tuscola County District Court. The groom-elect is a 1989 graduate of USA High School. He is currently employed as a farmer with Prime Farms, Inc.

The couple will make their home in Unionville.

An April 18, 1998 wedding is planned.

## Engaged



Craig Sears & Tina Dubs

Ronald and Dianna Dubs of Pigeon and Tim and Pam Sears of Bay Port announce the engagement of their children, Tina Dubs and Craig Sears.

The bride-elect is a 1993 graduate of Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port School and attended Saginaw Valley State University. She is currently employed at S & S Tube in Bay Port.

The groom-to-be is a 1991 graduate of Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port School and attended Saginaw Valley State University. He is currently employed at S & S Tube in Bay Port.

A Sept. 19 wedding is planned.

**Thanks for calling 872-2010 with feature story ideas**



by Melva E. Guinther

Melva Guinther is on vacation. This is a rerun of a previous column.

The biggest Saint Bernard in the world is a relative of the one we used to own.

A Saint owned by Anne Irwin of Grand Rapids has been entered in the Guinness Book of World Records. Joshua Von Schwarzwald Hof weighs 350 pounds and is still growing.

Our Sir Samson Von Hof (We dropped the Schwarzwald) weighed a mere 180 pounds when we reluctantly sold him to a home in the country. Life with Sam was always interesting, sometimes trying.

We never figured out how he got out of his pen from time to time. When he did, someone would usually spot him and give us a call. Once, though, despite all our searching and calling, he was out all night and we were worried sick.

The next morning I found him lying in the neighbors' yard... in bad shape. The vet couldn't determine what was wrong with him, so we took him home and nursed him tenderly. By the next day he was fine.

Only later did we learn the truth. Sam had a hangover. It had been a hot summer night and the tavern doors were open. Sam caused quite a stir when he strolled in, and some of the patrons discovered he had a taste for beer. We don't know how much he drank or who picked up the tab, but poor old Sam suffered the consequences. Imagine that, and him a good Baptist dog!

One night Sam's mother and brother dropped by unexpectedly, with their owners and a huge Old English Sheep Dog. It was a joyous reunion as the 4 monsters romped through the house. Our grandmotherly live-in babysitter nearly had a heart attack when they bounded into her upstairs room and onto the bed where she was sleeping.

When we were getting the house where we now live ready to move into, the kids were small and Sam was a big, clumsy pup. They had great fun running through the

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**Friday** - Lemon herb chicken, parsley potatoes, variety bread, green beans, carrot cake.

house while I cleaned upstairs.

What we hadn't considered was that Sam had never experienced stairs before. While he had no trouble going up, coming down was quite another matter.

When it was time to leave, he stood at the top of the stairs and whimpered, scared to death.

We tried bribery with food. We tried showing him how to come down by example.

We even made a ramp with some boards. No deal. Sam would NOT come down the stairs.

Not knowing what else to do, we called our friend, neighbor and vet, Harry Crandell. With confident nonchalance, Harry put a makeshift leash around Sam's neck and tried to pull him downstairs with brute force.

Harry was not a small man, but Sam dragged him around the upstairs a few times before giving in.

Sam was a pussycat at heart. His biggest threat was accidentally stepping on your toes. Salesmen didn't know that, however.

One particularly obnoxious fellow who didn't want to take no for an answer, asked nervously when Sam strolled up beside me, "Does he bite?"

"Only if I want him to," I replied as he retreated down the steps.

## It's a girl!

Jeff and Deb LaBelle of Sioux City, Iowa, welcome a new daughter, Jordan Nicole, born Jan. 18, 1998, at St. Luke's Hospital, Iowa. She weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces.

Grandparents are Clayton and Dori Sawdon of Deford and Ed and Pam LaBelle of Cass City. Great grandparents are Harry and Irene Picklo and Leola Terbusch of Cass City.

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Andrew and Frances Brandimore

## Brandimore-Papp exchange vows

Andrew Matthew Brandimore and Frances Anne Papp were joined in marriage Sept. 13, 1997.

Parents of the bride are Virginia and Gail Bennett and Robert and Carol Papp, all of Caro.

Parents of the groom are Gary and Merry Jo Brandimore of Kawawlin and Sherry Brandimore of Midland.

The ceremony was celebrated at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Caro with Fr. Michael J. Bell officiating.

Frances was escorted to the altar by her father.

She wore a wedding gown of her own design and sewn by her mother. The bodice of the gown was fashioned with capped sleeves and slight-scoop neckline. It was made of re-embroidered, sequined and beaded Chantilly lace. Soft layers of chiffon flowed into a chapel length train. The below waist veil was secured with a matching headpiece.

Sister of the bride, Deborah Harris, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Melanie Franz, Carrie Lubaczewski, Lori Locffler, Susan

Schubel, Becky Branding, Mindy Muz, and Amy Grace Gierhart, family and friends of the bride.

Best man was Brian Boyd, friend of the groom. Groomsman were Rick Davidson, Clay Bearinger, Jason Van Boclaer, Brent Krauseneck, Pete Jacob, Trevor Landeryou and Tim Harris, family and friends of the groom.

Sydne and Sawyer Harris, niece and nephew of the bride, were the flower girl and ring bearer.

Rebecca Bennett and Jenny Starrine, step-sisters of the bride and groom, were the hostesses.

The reception was held at the Caro K of C Hall where guests enjoyed wedding cake baked and decorated by the bride's grandmother, Frances Muz.

Frances is also the granddaughter of Anna Papp of Cass City.

The couple went on a honeymoon cruise and now living in N. Muskegon.

## Cass City Social Items

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Named to the dean's list for achieving a minimum 3.5-grade average at Great Lakes College during the fall semester were: Rick Kerkau, Alisa Rick and Julie Wald, all of Cass City; Jonilla Kaye, Decker; Judy Lake and Peggy Rickets, Deford; Tammy Distelrath and Patricia Westerby, Kingston, and Joseph Dubs, Owendale.

Honor students at Michigan State University for fall term with a 3.5-grade average are: Angela Marie Kranz, Jeffery Alan Little, Joshua Reese Lounsbury, Todd Alan Milligan, Michelle Agnes Pisarek, Shivaugh M. Rayl and Andrea R. Speirs, all of Cass City.

Guests at the John Haire home Sunday were Linda Allen, Freeland, and Jane and Bob Zito and children of Clarkston. They attended a birthday dinner for Esther Allen Haire of Cass City. Linda and Jane are daughters of Esther.

## Name contest winners

The Business Professionals of America Regional competition was held at Baker College Jan. 23. 41 students from Tuscola Technology Center competed against 437 students representing 21 area clubs in Region VII. The following students from Cass City placed in business accounting, clerical, and computer competitive events:

Joel Nicol, computerized accounting, 1st; Jason Osantowski, COBOL programmer, 1st, and computer aided graphics, 4th; Cheryl Laming, computerized accounting, 5th; Justin Salas,

network administrator, 9th, and business spelling, 10th. Jason Osantowski received a \$500 scholarship to attend Baker College for his first place in COBOL Programmer.

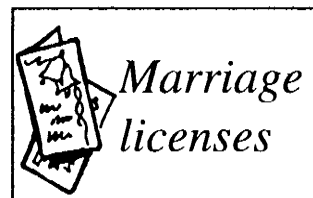
40 different events took place during the day and the winners in each event qualified to attend the State Leadership Conference. Competitions will be held on March 5-8, at the Renaissance Center in Detroit.

## Methodist women hold meeting

The United Methodist Women met for their monthly meeting Monday with 17 members in attendance. The luncheon was prepared by Group 4 with Margaret Czekai and Judy Profit co-hosting.

After lunch and a business meeting, Shirley Wagg passed out pledge cards and had the program from the magazine, "The Promised Land."

The next meeting will be March 2 at 6:00 p.m. for dinner.



Vernon Harry Schwab, Vassar, and Mary Louise Bohn, Fairgrove.

Scott Michael Huyghe and Angela Lynn Baxter, both of Vassar.

Larry Roy Bornham, Kingston, and Katherine Ann Powell, Caro.

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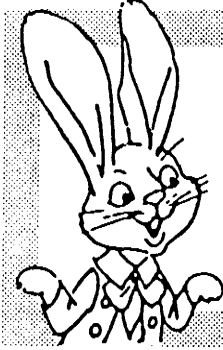
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### Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

How about a chuckle to relieve the boredom while we wait for the season to change and spring to arrive?

The wife sat waiting while the husband strode up to the 18th hole to finish a round of golf. He arrived and the pair went to a nice restaurant to relive the happy moments together on their 18th wedding anniversary.

Well, she gushed, are you ready for another 18? No, he said regretfully, it's gotten too dark.

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The American Liberty Elm tree is the only new elm that is a direct descendant of American elms that comes with a warranty against Dutch elm disease.

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Here's a question and answer taken from the Michigan Trivia book. Originally called Lamb's Corners, what Lapeer County community was renamed in honor of an English poet?

Answer: Dryden (for John Dryden).

Here's one more before I quit for the week. What country was the first to receive an exported U.S. automobile in 1893? (Yes, you will astonish me if you know the answer).

Answer: India (a steam car built by Ranson E. Olds).



### Red Hawk Recap

by Rachel Hoard



Valentines Day is almost here and the students in Rosie Bushong's first grade class have been preparing for the big day. I spoke with her eager class about their plans.

One project that Bushong's class is doing in cooperation with Kathy Iseler's third grade and Jeanine McGee's second grade classes are making Valentines to be delivered to Tendercare, Cass City. The students start out with a hollow circle of construction paper and turn it into a construction paper heart wreath. Josh Inbody explained that the cut out hearts are all different colors such as purple, pink, red, and white.

Between the 3 classes they will be creating over 90 Valentines for the Tendercare residents. The students work with their reading buddies, that have been assigned to them for the duration of the school year.

The students in Bushong's class will also be decorating "mail boxes" for the assorted Valentines they will receive

throughput the week from their fellow classmates. Josh Peters is going to color his and cut out hearts to glue on it. According to Jamie Sellers, the class will hold their Valentines Day party on Friday, Feb. 13, in the afternoon. Many of the children are making cards to share with the class. Daryl Pariso has Street War cards that he will be sharing with the class. Krystal Alexander is going to make her own Valentine cards to pass out.

Most students already have a snack picked out to share during their class party. Sarah Green will be treating the class to little heart candy SweetTarts. Chocolate hearts are on the mind of Melissa Milmoth. Matt Hallwood will be getting some help from his mom to make a snack. Abby Palmateer is very excited about sharing her cookie suckers with the whole class. Happy Valentines Day and may everyone else get a little something sweet!

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Wednesday .....	35	25	0
Thursday .....	32	23	0
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## Geri Tibbits resigns

# Board awards school auction to Osentoski

The former Cass City Middle School building moved closer to extinction Monday night when the school board approved an auction of the contents April 25.

Two bids were received for the business from Hillaker Auctioneers and Osentoski Auctioneers and the board

granted the work to the low bidder, Osentoski, for a fee of 5 percent.

Before the auction the board will remove all items that can be used in the new building, such as the lockers. Successful bidders will have until June 1 to remove items from the school so that demolition of the building can be completed during the summer vacation period.

Although no one knows how much the auction will bring, Supt. Ken Micklash said that it's hoped that the district will net between \$20,000 and \$30,000 from the sale.

The former building will be gone but certainly not forgotten. Trustee Marilyn Peters said she was asked to bring before the board the possibility of saving a floor of the former building for classrooms or other activities.

It was agreed that it would cost more to try and save a floor of the building than it

would cost to build it.

Although cost for demolition of the building is not known, the school had a bid of \$149,000 2 years ago. Vassar paid about \$90,000 for the removal of a school building, plus a fee for asbestos removal.

### TIBBITS RESIGNS

Geraldine Tibbits resigned effective Mar. 1, but the veteran, highly respected Cass City teacher for 34 years, has left the school now and will be on medical leave until her official retirement.

She told the board that she will serve as a part-time consultant for the Port Huron United Methodist Church.

While she has had numerous positions in the school system, she was teaching 8th grade at-risk students and handling the title one program when she retired.

Replacement for Tibbits has not been announced.

### The Haire Net



I'm not a hunter so I suppose that I should keep my mouth shut about the talk swirling around about changing the deer hunting law.

Surprise! I'm not going to do it.

It's not that I've never been hunting, anyway. I can remember one year that I went out with a borrowed gun for almost 2 hours. Why they insisted that I take a gun, I didn't know then or now.

My hunting career consisted of trying to drive the deer past some of my buddies who were waiting at likely spots. It was some consolation for me, after I naturally never saw so much as a fawn, let alone a buck, that they didn't either.

There weren't any Daniel Boones in our camp. I'd guess that our camp was similar to many others trekking north to get away from it all.

Maybe that's why the baiting of deer became almost as common as buying shells for the gun.

Now the baiters are paying a price for getting a trophy the easier way. Tuberculosis has been detected in 5 north-eastern counties in Michigan.

Since TB was first found it has doubled to 4.5 percent of the deer and may double again next year. It has also doubled to about 2.5 percent in parts of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency, Oscoda and Presque Isle counties.

Even more ominous for the state's dairy economy is that 3 Presque Isle County farms have shown positive reactions in preliminary TB tests. If TB is confirmed on only 2 farms, Michigan loses its TB-free status, costing the dairy and beef industry \$67 million over 5 years.

The DNR says that luring deer to bait piles places them nose to nose and tends to spread the dreaded TB.

That's a compelling argument for making baiting illegal. To me, shooting deer at a bait pile or a bear in a garbage dump takes a lot from the sport.

While I don't know what shooting a deer at a bait pile feels like, I can speak with authority of fishing in a stream just after the hatchery truck deposited a load of hatchery-raised trout in it.

There's more to fishing than that and it's the reason that

we never fished behind the hatchery truck.

Every hunter will tell you there is more to hunting than killing a deer. And that's as it should be.

If that's true then there should be overwhelming support for eliminating baiting.

It makes deer hunting more of a sport, places every hunter on an even footing and gives the best woodsman the best chance for success.

A deer taken that way is something to be proud of.



# The back forty

by Roger Pond

Much has been written and said about the "White House scandal" the past few weeks, and I'm pretty sure we haven't heard the end of it. There is ample evidence the woman involved in this debacle is not the First Lady, and she probably won't be the last.

When the White House scandal first broke, I promised myself I wouldn't write about it. I didn't promise anyone else, however, and that should provide some "wiggle room," as they say in politics.

It's like one congressman said last week, "Political figures are held to a higher standard, and that makes this a serious matter if these allegations are true."

"Holy Cow!" I thought. "The rest of us had better get our standards up. How did we get below political figures?!"

The general public doesn't seem to care, though. The polls show most folks figure, "As long as the economy is good, the President's private life is his own business." Besides, foreign diplomats, who may wonder if America can be trusted, should remember our stock market is still a lot better than theirs.

We can't jump to conclusions every time there's a right-wing conspiracy like this. Common sense tells us the story about a young woman sneaking in and out of the White House in the middle of the night is almost certainly a hoax.

There is no way a 21-year-old woman can sneak into the White House without being seen by the Secret Service people. (Especially the male Secret Service people.) No matter what time of day or night, there is always someone around who could help the President throw this woman out.

I know there are people who believe the Secret Service couldn't track an elephant with a nosebleed in 2 feet of snow. (That's what

one of our local cattlemen used to say about the sheriff's deputies.)

But that's why President Clinton got a dog. He may have suspected folks were getting past the Secret Service.

Sure, the President could have made an emphatic denial when this story first broke, but we have to look at it from his point of view. High-ranking officials are so used to taking credit for things they had nothing to do with, they really have to watch themselves.

After talking with the White House staff for a few days, the President realized this wasn't something he wanted credit for. So then, he denied

it. Most of us would have blurted, "Why that chubby, little so and so!..." and lost a lot of votes right off the bat.

Besides, the President didn't know what all he was being accused of. There's no point in denying stuff you haven't been accused of.

We just need to be patient and the facts of this case will eventually come out. I expect the President will be found not guilty (or "no worse than the republicans and a lot of other people") in the public opinion polls. It's hard to tell how the courts will see it.

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Calendar of Events

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

**Wednesday, February 11**  
Duplicate Bridge 7 p.m. at Charmont. Everyone welcome. Last week's winners: Bill and Alice Lovejoy.

**Friday, February 13**  
Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8 p.m.  
Town and Country Square Dance Club will host a square dance at the new Middle School in Cass City. Rounds at 7:30 p.m. and Squares at 8 p.m. All square dancers welcome.

**Tuesday, February 17**  
Thumb Area Parkinson Support Group meeting, 1 p.m., Hills & Dales Hospital.

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CASS CITY VARSITY debaters (front row, from left) Becky Oesch, Rose Hoelzle, Kristy Ryan, (back row, left) Anthony Ingrao, Luke Frederick and Josh Dillon finished second in the state Class C Varsity Debate Tournament held over the weekend in Novi.

April 18 in Cass City

Tri-County Business Expo set

Michigan Directory Co., Thumb Cellular, Detroit Edison, and the Huron Daily Tribune have joined forces to present the first ever Tri-County Business Expo. Scheduled for April 18, the event will bring together businesses from Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties. "It will be a place to share ideas with potential customers in a very nonthreatening way," said event Chairperson Sue Geiger of Michigan Directory Co. "The expo will be a topnotch place to showcase businesses in Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac counties." The expo, centrally located at the North Area Energy Center (Detroit Edison building) in Cass City, will kick off at 9 a.m. At this time, renowned businessman John Powers will take center stage to deliver the keynote address.

Best finish ever

Cass City debaters 2nd in Class C tournament

It was by the slimmest of margins, but a final round loss over the weekend prevented Cass City debaters from realizing their goal of claiming the school's first Class C varsity debate crown. "It was so close that none of the judges went to their ballots right away. We thought we won it, but we didn't," said Cass City Debate Coach Chad Daniels. Cass City entered the weekend State Class C Varsity Debate Tournament, held Feb. 5, 6 and 7 in Novi, ranked first in its class. Daniels said the Red Hawks dispatched its first opponent, Napoleon High School, 3-0. At the same time, 2-time defending Class C champion Gross Pointe University of Liggett beat its opponent, McBain High School, 3-0, setting up the final competition against Cass City. "It was a close one. I really thought we had it," Daniels said, adding even some Liggett team members thought Cass City had won. "The kids, they worked really hard and they deserved it," he said. "We'll just have to try again next year. And we will." Despite some measure of disappointment, Daniels and his squads have plenty to smile about. By all accounts, this year's debaters brought home a record number of trophies (about 55 at last count); the novice team defended its Class C crown, outranking all Class B schools and finishing fifth overall among Class A schools in the state novice tournament; and the varsity team's performance at the state tourney marked the best finish ever for a Cass City varsity team (last year's squad finished fifth in the state tourney). "As a whole, I don't think anyone can be disappointed," Daniels said. "It's been a really good season." With Liggett suffering heavy losses to graduation, Daniels said, Cass City will be a strong pre-season favorite to capture the Class C title in 1998-99. And he believes his charges, mostly underclassmen this year, will be hungry to win it all. "The thing now is, we've tasted it (victory). We sat down at the table and we liked what we ate," Daniels added, grinning. The coach said his debaters will now take a couple months off before they begin preparing for the next season. In the meantime, there's plenty to do, including organizing fund raising activities that will hopefully enable several students to attend debate camp.

Reese man

arraigned

A Reese man was recently arraigned on charges of assault with a dangerous weapon and assault or assault and battery in connection with an alleged incident Jan. 14 in Gilford Township. James L. Rothwell, 58, Reese, was formally charged in Tuscola County District Court. Bond in the case was set at \$25,000 and a preliminary examination was scheduled for March 6 at 9 a.m.

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This scenario happens more often than many people think.

Just ask Emergency Medical Technician Sue Pawloski, who long ago stopped counting the number of times she inadvertently passed the address of someone in need of emergency medical care, only to have to turn around, wasting precious seconds.

Pawloski and her fellow Elkland Township Fire Department Women's Auxiliary members hope to prevent such episodes in the future

by offering residents an opportunity to purchase reflective address signs.

At the same time, the auxiliary organization hopes to raise money to purchase specialized garments for Cass City firemen.

The signs, which can be mounted on a home or mailbox post, are available for \$12 (house sign) and \$15 (rural mailbox sign).

"You can really pick these up at night," commented Pawloski, who is president of the women's auxiliary. "I know these would help because of the number of ambulance runs I've been on."

"It's a matter of saving time, and it will save time."

"It's a good idea, and we'd like to see it out in the rural area. Even in town, said Ron

Pawloski, Elkland Township fire chief. "It's going to be beneficial for fire, police and ambulance crews."

When a structure is burning, there is little problem finding the right address, he added. However, when someone has called in to report their house is full of smoke, that's a very different situation, especially at night.

"We live in an area where there are a lot of rural people out there," he said. "What's really frustrating is dispatch will send the fire department out and they'll say, 'they (residents) have they're porch light on'. Well, do you know how many people have their porch lights on?"

Of course, Pawloski noted, people are just trying to be helpful when they tell a dispatcher their porch light is on, or there is a blue pickup truck parked in front of their home. But so much time would be saved if emergency crews didn't have to struggle to find a numbered address, and the reflective signs will make it much easier for everyone.

Proceeds from the fund raiser will be used to purchase "Nomex" shirts for fire fighters. The specialized gar-

ments are designed for use at grass fires and similar warm weather incidents, where the lighter weight fabric protects firemen and helps to prevent

heat exhaustion.

Anyone interested in purchasing a reflective sign is encouraged to contact Jill Golbeck (872-2697).

Roseanne Russell (872-4514) or Beth McCallum (872-5159), or any fire fighter or women' auxiliary member.



EMERGENCY MEDICAL Technicians Gail Hutchinson (from left) and Sue Pawloski, and Fire Chief Ron Pawloski display one of the reflective address signs being sold by the Elkland Township Fire Department Women's Auxiliary.

New books at the library

**Paradise by Toni Morrison:** As this book begins in Oklahoma early one morning in 1976, 9 men from the small town of Ruby assault the nearby convent and the women in it. Paradise tells the story of people of this town and the evil surrounding its history, from its origin in 1890 until the day of the attack. Richly imagined and elegantly composed, Paradise weaves a powerful mystery.

**Petals on the River by Kathleen Woodiwiss:** Shemaine O'Hearn, the outspoken daughter of one of England's most successful businessmen, has made powerful enemies. Those who hate her have her falsely convicted of stealing and force her aboard a crowded slave ship on its way to America. She becomes an indentured servant to Gage Thornton, a ship-builder with a young child in need of a nanny. Shemaine falls in love with the man not knowing that some condemn him for the untimely death of his wife. Thornton also realizes he wants this beautiful woman, but there is danger which reaches out from across the ocean and threatens to destroy them both along with their growing love for each other.

**The Investigators by W.E.B. Griffin:** Special operations detective Matt Payne and his colleagues are forced into the middle of 2 important cases at the same time. They are pursuing an ongoing investigation of a squad of dirty cops when a brutal crime is committed and these cops are suspected of being involved. Then Payne meets a woman at a party who may be a link to an urban terrorist group and he has to follow that lead before it disappears. Juggling both cases becomes very complicated and dangerous for Payne and he needs all his skills just to survive.

Seek volunteers for foster care review board

The State Court Administrative Office of the Michigan Supreme Court is seeking volunteers to serve on the Saginaw/Tuscola Foster Care Review Board.

The Michigan Legislature established the Foster Care Review Board Program in 1984 in an effort to improve children's foster care programs through the state utilizing citizen review boards.

The 5-member board meets one day each month to review a representative sample of cases of children who have been removed from their homes and placed in foster care due to abuse or neglect. At these reviews, board members interview parents,

foster parents, case workers, attorneys, and other interested parties who may be involved in planning for the ward.

Advisory recommendations are formulated and mailed to the court, child welfare agency, prosecuting attorney, parents, and other interested parties. The purpose of the review is to insure that all agencies, including the court, have established a plan for the ward and progress is being made toward achieving permanency.

The Foster Care Review Boards are comprised of citizens who reflect a broad cross section of their communities. The program is seeking volunteers who have demonstrated leadership in other settings. Employees of the Family Independence Agency, court, or private child placement agencies are prohibited by law to serve on Foster Care Review Boards.

Currently, Foster Care Review Boards operate in Allegan, Clare, Genesee, Ingham, Isabella, Jackson, Kent, Lenawee, Macomb, Midland, Muskegon, Oakland, Ottawa, Saginaw, St. Clair, Van Buren, Washtenaw and Wayne counties.

Each volunteer who is selected must attend a 2-day orientation training in Lansing March 26-27. This training is a requirement to serve on a board. Also, board members attend yearly training which is held in different locations throughout the state. Expenses for training are reimbursed.

Citizens interested in volunteering for the Saginaw/Tuscola Foster Care Review Board should call (517) 373-1956 for an application. The deadline for receiving applications is Feb. 20 and interviews with prospective candidates will take place in February.

Spring bazaar slated

The Ugly Lioness Club will be sponsoring their 9th Annual Spring Bazaar Saturday, March 28, at the Ugly Fox Hunters' Club from 9:00 a.m.-4 p.m.

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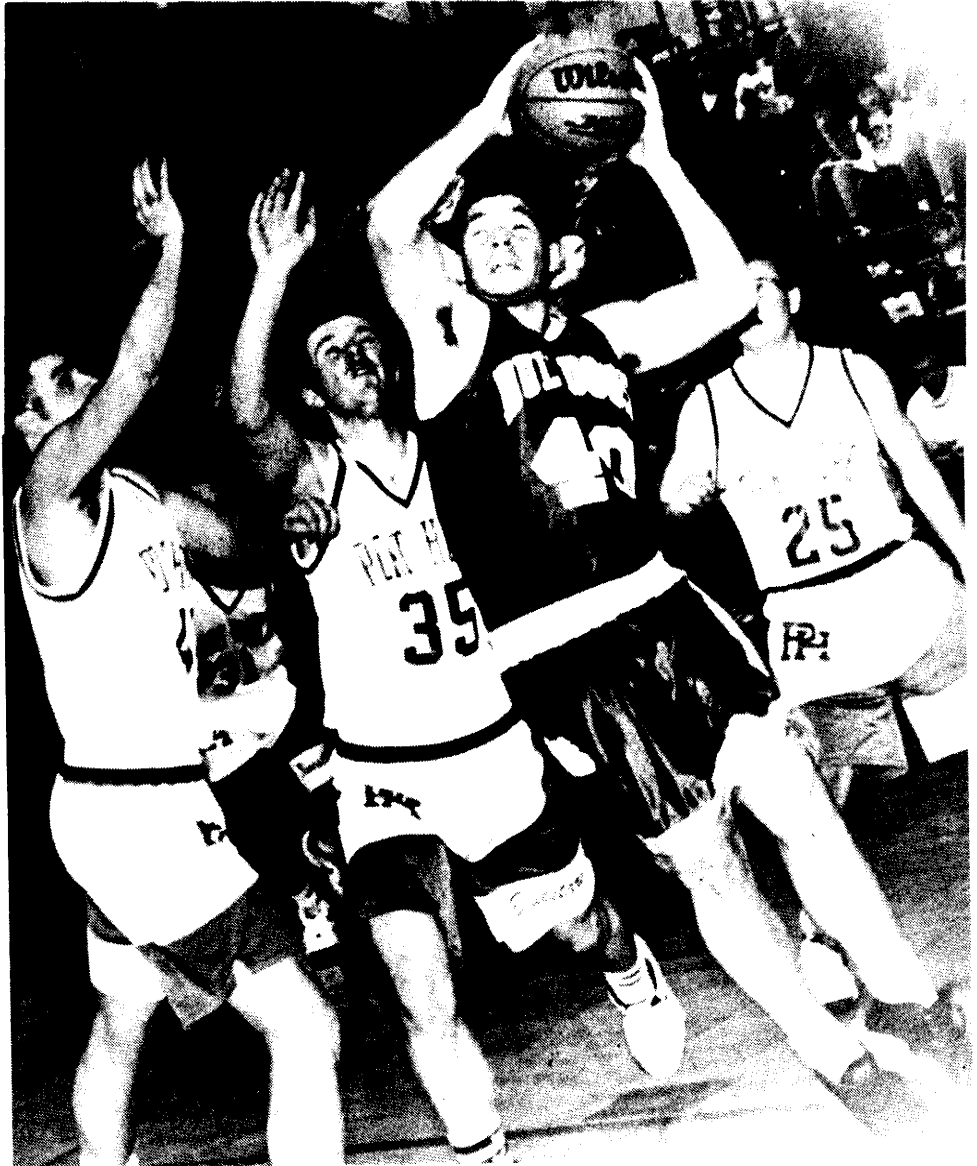
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Five tough games ahead

O-G falls to Port Hope, AuGres

Owen-Gage's offense played a version of hide & seek last week during a pair of home cage contests. The games included a well-played, high-scoring defeat on Tuesday, followed by a horrifying North Central Thumb League loss on Friday. It was Friday's loss to Port Hope that leaves Coach Jim Brinkman's Bulldogs in sole procession of the league's bottom spot. It's unlikely that Owen-Gage will be able to escape from the basement of the NCTL standings in the near future. The Bulldogs tangle with the league's best this week in games at Kingston, and home Friday with North Huron. Owen-Gage jumped out to a 12-10 lead entering the 2nd quarter against the Blue Stars, as they connected on 7-10 charity tosses in the opening period. Port Hope was able to take a 22-17 edge at the intermission, however, as the guests outscored the Bulldogs with a 12-5 run to the intermission. Owen-Gage managed only 4 fields goals in the initial half that included 2 treys by Derek Howard. Following the break, Owen-Gage's offense couldn't be found. The Blue Stars used 6 points from Chad Johnson during a 15-9 scoring advantage to extend their margin to 37-26 entering the final frame. The Bulldogs managed only 5 tallies in the game's final 8 minutes. Howard registered game scoring honors with 12 points that included a perfect showing at the foul stripe in 6 tries. He also had a team high 4 steals. Chad Mellendorf finished with 7 markers and a team best 12 rebounds. Port Hope got 8 points each from Johnson and Brandon Bender. The Blue Star defense held Owen-Gage to just 15% from the floor.



BULLDOG CHAD MELLENDORF slides the baseline looking for a shot Friday against visiting Port Hope. Mellendorf finished the night with 7 points and 11 rebounds during the NCTL tilt.

O-G tops Port Hope, fails in tourney

Owen-Gage kept its league leading North Central Thumb League record unblemished Thursday with a standard 3-game victory at Port Hope. However, Owen-Gage turned in a mediocre Bulldog outing at Saturday's USA Invitational where they failed to advance from the pool play rounds. Owen-Gage suffered losses on the day to Crosswell-Lexington (15-12, 15-9) and Ubyly (15-2, 15-7). At USA, the Bulldogs started the day by outlasting Mayville by the scores of 15-5, and 15-8. It would be Coach Judy Campbell's only wins on the day. "You have to remember I just have babies," said Campbell referring to her team's youth. They just don't hit the ball hard enough yet. They're a little tentative." Senior Tonya Smith and freshman Erin Salcido led the Dawgs at the service line in Unionville with 13 points and 7 ace serves apiece. The pair also combined for 23 kills and 49 digs during the day. Melissa Vargo was credited with a team best 34 digs in the tourney and added 15 assists and 10 kills. Melanie Lemanski turned in a team best 7 blocks. At the net, the Bulldog offense got 12 kills from Cassie Vargo and 8 from Lemanski. Defensively, the guests had Melissa Vargo with 16 digs, and Smith with 8. Smith also earned in 7 kills on 15 attacks. Owen-Gage will host North Huron this Thursday in their next scheduled North Central Thumb League game.



NICOLE DOERR showcases her style on the beam against Midland Dow and Midland High during the Hawks' final home meet.

AUGRES GAME

Visiting AuGres grabbed an early lead at Owendale, on Tuesday, and held on for a 66-62 non-conference victory. Joel Bolzman kept the hosts close throughout the maiden half with 10 of his game high 17 points. Leading 28-26, AuGres poured in 23 third period points to take a 51-44 edge into the final period. Howard helped the Bulldogs keep pace with the visitors in the frame with 7 points. Chris Redburn led AuGres with 15 points, one better than teammates Mark Shillair and Cale Wittse. Justin Anthes turned in 14 points for Owen-Gage and passed for 3 assists. Howard was the game's only other player to post double digits with 12.

All Saints sweep 3 games from Cass City's spikers

Bay City All Saints needed just 3 games to turn back visiting Cass City Thursday during a Greater Thumb West volleyball tilt. The scores of the match were 15-13, 15-1, and 15-12. Coach Beth Howard's spikers played the Cougars even for most of the night, however, shabby receiving prevented the Hawks from recording their first conference win. Against the Cougars, game one could have gone either way according to Howard. "The girls played well," commented Howard about the opener. Jamie Englehart led the guests at the service line where she recorded 8 points. Howard was happy with the Hawk effort at the service line as they completed 86% of their attempts. Englehart also was the Hawk's top receiver in the initial game with 6 good passes. Benefiting at the net from Englehart's passing, was teammate Shelly Ulfig with 4 kills in 7 attacks. Kara Mellendorf chipped in at the front line with 2 kills in 3 attempts. During the middle game, reception errors gave the hosts an easy win.

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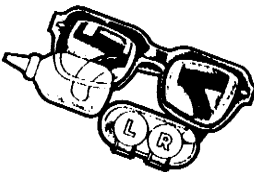
The Cass City gymnastic team turned in their best showing of the year last Monday during a triangular meet with visiting Midland High and Midland Dow. Cass City finished 2nd on the night with a score of 116.80. Midland High took top honors with a score of 125.65, while Dow finished at 115.35. The Hawk's total of 116.80 is significant. It's Cass City's first regional qualifying team score. A school must topple the 116 mark 4 times to advance into the regional competition. Unfortunately, Cass City has only 2 meets remaining including Saturday's journey to Saint Johns. Cass City's top finish, on Monday, was recorded by Danielle Laming on the beam. Her 7.65 score was only better by High's Laura Swafford who won the event with a score of 7.7. Johanna Hoelzle was top for Cass City in the floor routine. Her score of 8.7 was good for 4th place honors. Hoelzle also placed 3rd in the vault with a score of 8.05 best among Cass City gymnasts. On the bars, Amber Angle placed (6th) for the hosts with a score of 6.7. Although the Hawks will not advance as a team into regional play, several individuals have earned that right. They include: Laura Laming-vault, Johanna Hoelzle-vault and beam, Danielle Laming-vault, Michelle Kropewnicki-floor and vault.



RED HAWK Manisha Raythatha displays her style on the beam Feb. 2.

Fabulous Four's Fearless Forecast

February 10	Yale Bad Axe BCAS Brown City at Cass City Cros-Lex at Lakers Mayville at H. Beach North Huron at USA Deckerville at Peck Akron-Fair, at C-PS Owen-Gage at Kingston	Yale BCAS Cass City Lakers Harbor Beach USA Peck C-PS Kingston	Bad Axe BCAS Cass City Lakers Harbor Beach USA Peck C-PS Kingston	Bad Axe BCAS Cass City Lakers Harbor Beach North Huron Peck C-PS Kingston	Yale BCAS Brown City Lakers Harbor Beach USA Peck C-PS Kingston
February 13	Bad Axe at Cass City Deckers at USA Mayville at Reese Marlette at B. City (2/11) Deckerville at H. Beach Cros-Lex at Yale Port Hope at N. Huron Peck at Armada (2/12)	Cass City Lakers Reese Brown City Harbor Beach Cros-Lex North Huron Peck	Cass City Lakers Reese Brown City Harbor Beach Cros-Lex North Huron Peck	Cass City Lakers Reese Brown City Harbor Beach Cros-Lex North Huron Peck	Cass City Lakers Reese Brown City Harbor Beach Cros-Lex Port Hope Peck
Last Week's Totals Percentages	(13-7) (101-34) 75%	(14-6) (103-32) 76%	(14-6) (107-28) 79%	(12-8) (98-37) 73%	



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# Hawk rally falls short, Lakers take over league lead

A gallant last period rally fell just short as the Cass City Red Hawks fell before the visiting Lakers Friday, 53-50, in a battle for the Greater Thumb West lead that featured 2 previously undefeated teams in the league.

The loss came after the Hawks easily defeated Yale in a non-league contest last Tuesday, 66-40.

The Lakers were propelled to victory with a big second quarter when they used an over-all size advantage to take a 33-25 half-time lead.

The big splurge was paced by sophomore Matt LePage who hit shots from the top of the key for 5 field goals and then added a hoop from 3 point range to single-handedly outscore Cass City in the period.

Cass City played most of the period without Heath Zawilinski who sat out with a quick foul.

The Laker half-time lead might have been greater except for the shooting of Andy Edwards. He connected for 4 treys in the first 2 periods and forced the Lakers to go into a box and one with 4 players in a zone defense and the other playing Edwards wherever he went on the floor.

The Lakers' size kept us from penetrating, coach Jeff Hartel said, and that hurt us. But the kids played their hearts out.

That was evident in the final moments of the game. The Lakers were coasting with a 9-point lead with 2 1/2 minutes left when Cass City switched to a trapping full-court defense that caused several turnovers. The turnovers coupled with 4 missed Laker free throws in a row allowed the Hawks to close the gap to a single point, with the ball, with 12 seconds left. But Cass City turned the ball over without

getting a shot and LePage put the game away by converting 2 free throws.

The game was played before a packed gym, the largest crowd to see a game in Cass City in recent years. The Laker victory leaves them all alone on top of the league a game ahead of Cass City and Bay City All Saints.

Edwards led the Hawks with 17 points followed by Zawilinski with 12. LePage scored 22 and Scott Anderson 20 for the Lakers. Craig Emmert was credited with 5 blocked shots. The teams' rebounding was identical with 25 each, 16 on the defensive boards.

## YALE GAME

Cass City jumped off to a quick lead when Yale was ice cold from the field and failed to score in the first quarter to give the Hawks a 12-0 lead on their way to the 66-40 decision.

It appeared to be an easy victory for Cass City after the first 8 minutes, but that all changed in the second quarter. Yale came alive with balanced scoring to score 19 points while Cass City limped along with just 10 and at the intermission the early Cass City lead was down to 3 points, 22-19.

Threatened, the Hawks put the game away in the third quarter, outscoring the host team, 21-8, led by Zawilinski with 10 of his game high 26 points. Zawilinski had a banner night with 11 rebounds, 4 blocks and 3 assists.

Cass City made sure of the win with a 23-13 fourth quarter advantage.

Tim Micklash had 8 assists and Emmert 7 blocks. Cass City won the battle of the boards, 39-24.

The Hawks were to have another test Tuesday against

Brown City which leads the greater Thumb East and has lost just one game this season.

## CC-YALE

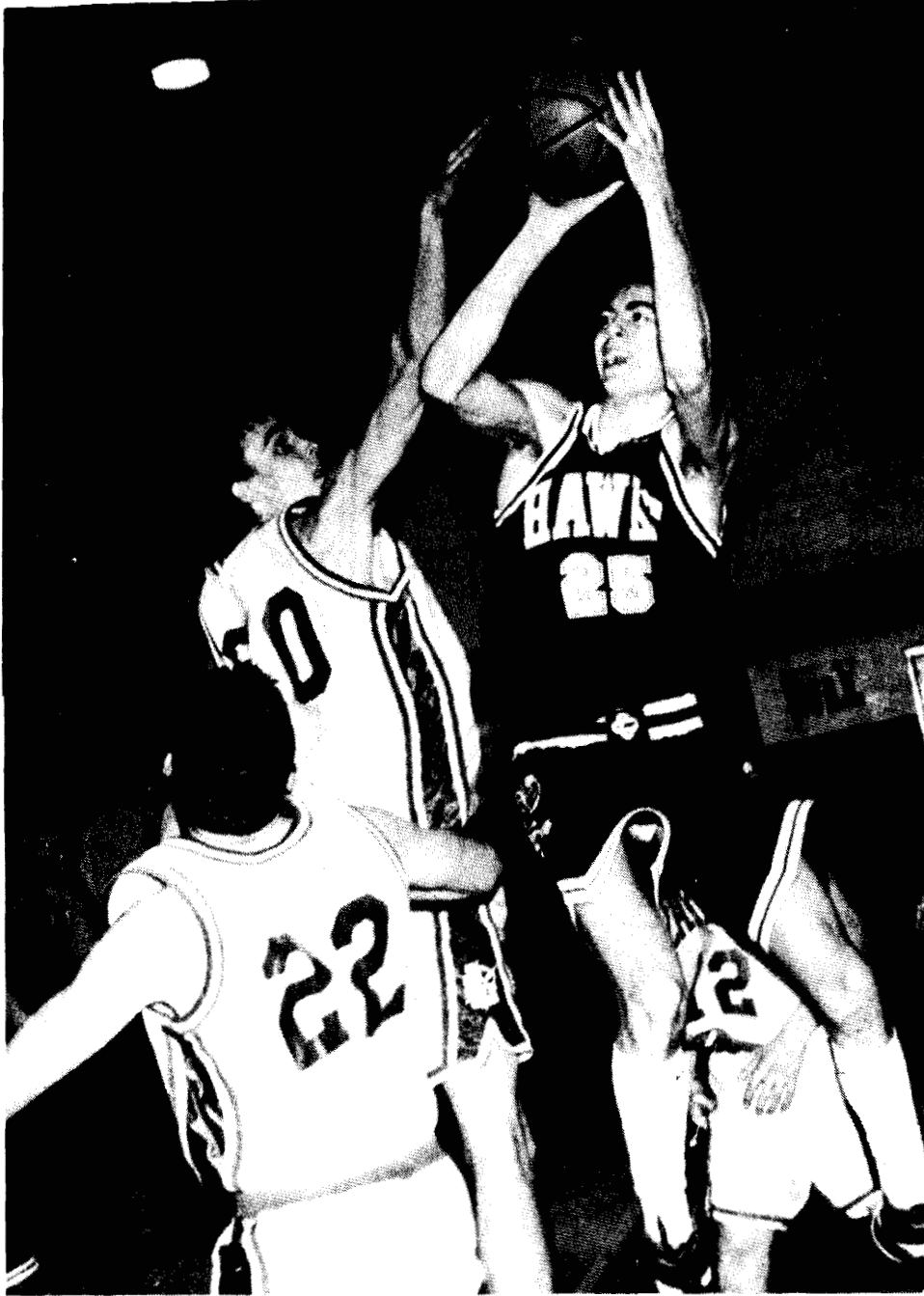
**CASS CITY** - Goodall 2-0 (5-7) 9; Cuddy 4-0 (0-0) 8; Micklash 1-0 (0-0) 2; Zawilinski 13-0 (0-1) 26; King 1-0 (0-0) 2; Brinkman 1-0 (2-3) 4; Edwards 1-2 (1-1) 9; Emmert 3-0 (0-0) 6. **TOTALS - 26-2 (8-16) 66.**

**YALE** - Kendall 2-0 (0-0) 4; Lappin 1-1 (1-2) 6; Willard 3-1 (0-0) 9; Wood 4-0 (0-0) 8; Pierce 0-1 (2-2) 5; Silverthorn 1-2 (0-0) 8. **TOTALS - 11-5 (3-4) 40.**

## CC-LAKERS

**CASS CITY** - Cuddy 2-0 (2-2) 6; Micklash 0-1 (0-0) 3; Lenhard 1-0 (1-1) 3; Zawilinski 2-2 (2-2) 12; Edwards 1-5 (0-0) 17; Emmert 3-0 (3-4) 9. **TOTALS - 9-8 (8-9) 50.**

**LAKERS** - LePage 6-2 (4-4) 22; Maust 2-0 (1-4) 5; Anderson 8-0 (4-4) 20; Bouverette 2-0 (0-1) 4; Schulze 1-0 (0-0) 2. **TOTALS - 19-2 (9-13) 53.**



HEATH ZAWILINSKI goes up for a shot against the Lakers' Josh Bouverette and Matt LePage.

## Hawk grapplers bow to Yale, Cros-Lex, prep for tourney

The Cass City Red Hawks entertained 2 undefeated in the league teams Wednesday and lost to both of them, dropping to third place in the Greater Thumb League with a 6-2 season record.

The defeats were administered by Cros-Lex and Yale. Following these losses, the Hawks split 2 non-league matches Thursday with Birch Run and Millington.

While losing 3 of 4 matches is not good news, Cass City fans can be cheered that losses came to larger schools which the team will not face in the state tournaments. All of the schools are in division 3 and Cass City is in division 4.

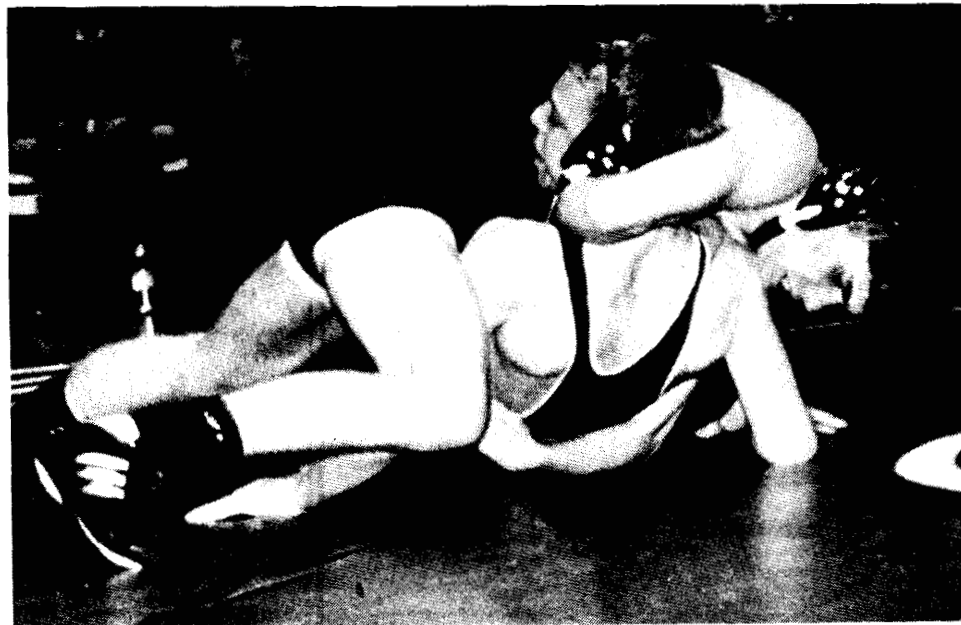
The Hawks entertain Vassar and Essexville Garber Wednesday in preparation for the league meet Saturday at Brown City.

Cass City lost to Yale 50-24 and to Cros-Lex, 52-21. Roy Davis started a banner week in which he won every match with a pin over Shawn McGarvey of Cros-Lex. Other points earned against the Pioneers were by Cory Mayer, 135 pounds, a pin over Jeret Seres; and an 8-2 decision by Chad

Wolschlag, 215 pounds, and a pin by Chris Dubay over Mike Arnold, 275 pounds.

Davis earned an 18-11 decision over Dovin Arnold of Yale. Scott Moore, 119 pounds, pinned Adam Sopha and Adam Dorland, 130 pounds, won with a pin followed by Mayer's win over Chad Rachmayer, 135 pounds. Dubay won by forfeit in the 275-pound class.

## MILLINGTON MEET



RED HAWK Adam Dorland pinned Yale's Mike McFadden with 38 ticks remaining on the clock in the opening period of Wednesday's Greater Thumb League match.

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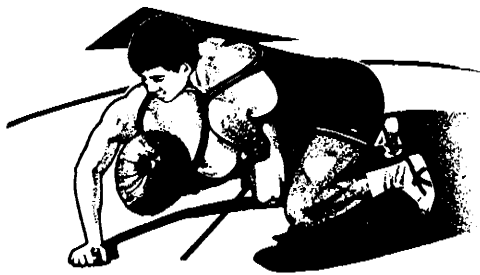
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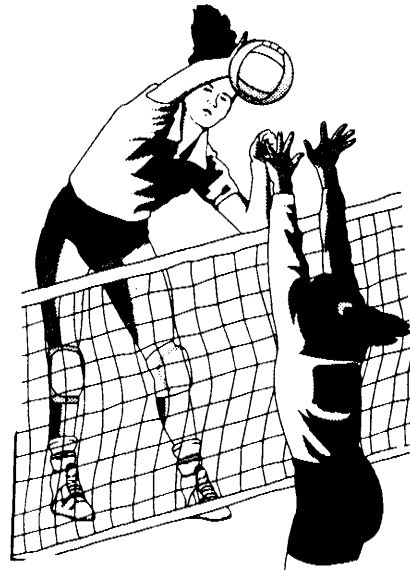


**BASKETBALL**  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10**  
Brown City at Cass City  
**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13**  
Bad Axe at Cass City

**WRESTLING**  
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11**  
Vassar/Garber at Cass City  
**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14**  
League Meet

**GYMNASTICS**  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10**  
Cass City at Hartland  
**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14**  
Cass City at Saint Johns

**VOLLEYBALL**  
**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14**  
Cass City at Laker Varsity Tournament  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16**  
Brown City at Cass City



**CASS CITY BASKETBALL**

Jan. 6 ..... Marlette  
9 ..... Reese  
12 ..... **Caro - Frosh and JV**  
11 ..... Caro - Varsity at the Palace  
16 ..... BCAS  
20 ..... **Deckerville**  
23 ..... **Mayville**  
27 ..... Sandusky  
Feb. 3 ..... Yale  
6 ..... **Lakers**  
10 ..... **Brown City**  
13 ..... **Bad Axe**  
17 ..... **USA**  
20 ..... Reese  
24 ..... **BCAS**  
27 ..... Mayville  
28 ..... **4 p.m. Mayville**  
March 6 ..... **Lakers**  
**Home games in bold**  
Freshman games at middle school, 6 p.m.  
JV games at high school, 6 p.m.

**VOLLEYBALL**

Dec. 13 ..... Laker JV Tourney  
15 ..... Ublly/AF  
Jan. 7 ..... Caro  
9 ..... Bad Axe JV  
10 ..... Bad Axe Var.  
15 ..... Bad Axe  
19 ..... Brown City  
22 ..... USA  
29 ..... **Reese**  
Feb. 5 ..... BCAS  
9 ..... **Yale**  
14 ..... Laker Var. Tourney  
16 ..... **Brown City**  
19 ..... **Mayville**  
21 ..... Vassar Var. Tourney  
21 ..... JV League Bad Axe  
26 ..... **Lakers**  
27 ..... Vassar JV Tourney  
28 ..... League  
March 2 ..... **Vassar**  
6 ..... Districts  
**Home games in bold.**

**WRESTLING**

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

**GYMNASTICS**

Dec. 11 ..... Vassar  
Jan. 10 ..... Plymouth Salem  
14 ..... Midland Dow  
17 ..... Hartland  
22 ..... **Vassar**  
26 ..... Midland HS  
Feb. 2 ..... **Midland High/Dow**  
7 ..... Freeland Inv.  
10 ..... Hartland  
14 ..... Saint Johns  
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## Down Memory Lane

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### 5 YEARS AGO

Authorities are continuing their investigation of last week's break-in at Owen-Gage High School as well as similar break-ins at Akron-Fairgrove High School and USA High School. Thieves ransacked offices at Owendale High School, stealing nearly \$1,000 in cash and caused several hundred dollars in damage.

The Jan. 31 blaze, which gutted the Croft-Clara Lumber/Siding World, remained under investigation early this week as workers continued clean-up efforts at the site.

David McPhail, 19, a Special Olympics downhill skier for more than a decade, was named Michigan Special Olympic's 1993 Rick VanderSloot Memorial Winter Sports Awards winner. He received the award during Opening Ceremonies of 1993 Michigan Special Olympics State Winter Games, Feb. 3 at Sugar Loaf Mountain Resort in Cedar.

The Cass City Red Hawks moved into a tie for first place with a 62-47 victory Friday over the visiting Bad Axe Hatchets. Paul Ulfig scored 23 points and Maurice Evans had 14 for Cass City.

### 10 YEARS AGO

Cass City Postmaster William Zinnecker recently announced a slight reduction in business hours, due to compliance with the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act adopted in December. Hours have been changed from 8:15 a.m.-4:45 p.m. to 8:30-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 8:15 a.m.-noon to 8-10 a.m. Saturdays.

After Cass City's Col. Brewster Shaw completed his second space flight in 1985, it was announced that Shaw will pilot the new space shuttle the "Atlantis" when it flies sometime in early 1989. William Czewski, 29, of Gagetown, was killed in a multi-vehicle accident north of Pigeon last week. A semi-tractor struck a stranded trailer he was standing near on Caseville Road, pinning him under the front axle of the first vehicle.

Cadet Donald A. Herron, a student at Kemper Military School and College, Boonville, Mo., has been promoted to the cadet rank of Cadet Private. He is the son of Thomas and Linda Herron of Cass City.

The family of Mrs. Irene Bader held a surprise birthday party at the Masonic Temple Saturday evening for her 80th birthday. Around 200 guests attended.

### 25 YEARS AGO

Volunteers are expected to be rapping on doors sometime this month in an effort to raise some \$210,000 to build a 4-man clinic on Hill Street directly east of Hills and Dales General Hospital and to fund the doctor acquisition program.

It's a Thumb B conference race again after the Cass City Red Hawks defeated Frankenmuth, 71-60, Friday night, and Caro upset league

leader Sandusky. Dave Hillaker led all players with 22 points. Jerry Toner scored 15, Nick Gibbas, 6, Scott Hartel 4, and Randy Wright 8.

Two employees of Walbro Corporation, Maynard Helwig, machine foreman, and Jerold Little, assembly foreman, completed Unit II of Wittenberg University's Management Development Program. The Program consists of a series of 5-day on-campus courses.

At Erla's Food Center - Kraft Miracle Whip, qt. jar, \$.49; Colgate family-size toothpaste, \$.79; Florida Temple oranges, \$.69 doz. Saginaw News sports write. Ken Tobascko presented the 1972 Class C Championship football recognition award to Coach Roland Pakonen last week. The champion Hawks were undefeated.

### 35 YEARS AGO

Fired up by the many problems besetting Cass City voters have shown more than ordinary interest in the village primary election Monday. Lee Rabideau is unopposed in his bid for the village president's seat. Six men are vying for the 3 open trustee seats left vacant by Rabideau, Leo Ware and Jerome Root Jr. Root is seeking reelection. Also seeking the posts are: Lambert Althaver, Ken Eisinger, Bernard Freiburger, Dean Hoag and R.M. Hunter.

The Junior Women's Club of Cass City celebrated its 10th anniversary Thursday, with an informal tea and open house reception at the home of Mrs. Richard Erla. Around 45 past members were present.

George Murray, vacationing in Florida, is in the hospital for an operation after he fell and broke his hip.

Lynn Atwell, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Atwell, Cass City, won the first place trophy in the 10-year-old and under category at the Michigan Sk Meet at Holly, Saturday.

At Cass City IGA - Chicken of the Sea chunk tuna, 4 cans for \$1.00; thick sliced bacon, 2 lbs. for \$.99 IGA flour, 5 lbs. for \$.39.

## Leitermann

### on Albion

### dean's list

Lily A. Leitermann has been named to the dean's list at Albion College for the fall 1997 semester.

Students named to the dean's list must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above at the completion of the semester. To qualify, students must take at least 3 units in graded courses and successfully complete 4 units.

Leitermann is a freshman at Albion College. A graduate of Owen-Gage High School, she is the daughter of Barbara Leitermann of Sebewaing and Clyde Leitermann of Gagetown.

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## SPECIALS OF THE WEEK





**FIRE FIGHTERS FROM 6 departments, including Elkland Township, battled a barn fire Sunday night in Evergreen Township. Firemen were unable to save the structure, but helped spare the lives of several dairy cows. (See story, page one).**

## Present alfalfa feasibility study results at area meets

Many farmers have discussed the need for putting alfalfa back into the rotation to improve soil tilth and to grow as a high value crop. A feasibility study has been conducted, and now the results of that study will be reviewed with local farmers at a series of meetings scheduled for February. The meetings will be held on the following dates: Feb. 6 at 10:00 a.m. at the Extension Conference Room in Sandusky; Feb. 10 at 9:30 a.m. at the Gratiot-Isabella RESD in Ithaca; Feb. 23 at 9:30 a.m. at the Expo Center, Huron Community Fairgrounds, Bad Axe; Feb. 23 at 1:30 p.m. at the Tech Center in Caro; Feb. 26 at 9:30 a.m. at MBS Airport in Freeland; also, Feb. 26 at 1:30 p.m. at Citizens Bank in Standish.

During the past summer, several members of the initial steering committee visited 3 processing facilities in Nebraska. The information gathered on that visit will be shared at these meetings. Jim LeCureux, MSU Extension, will present the information from the feasibility study and the local start-up Board members will lead a discussion of the study following the 2 presentations.

The study was funded by Project GREEN through Michigan State University Agricultural Experiment Station and the Huron County Economic Development Corporation.

Producers from throughout central Michigan are invited

to attend the meetings and learn more about the proposed project. The study was based on an initial survey of sugar beet producers in Michigan. The survey was sent to 1,180 producers with

## Urge farmers to send in census forms

Your agriculture census report form wouldn't be hiding, would it? If so, USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service urges farmers and ranchers to complete and return their forms. The Nation's agricultural community has a stake in this Census of Agriculture.

Although the Feb. 2 deadline has passed, and most farmers and ranchers have sent in their forms, "We are trying to reach those who may have set theirs aside," says Dave Kleweno, State Statistician.

He points out that an accurate report of the farm operations in Michigan will help put together a complete picture of the Nation's agriculture. All farms in the nearly 3,100 counties across the Nation must report by law. Snapshots of U.S. agriculture, dating from 1840, are a

valuable resource to farmers, farm organizations, agribusinesses, farm magazines, agribusinesses, farm magazines, and officials at all levels of government. Here are some examples of how the reported data is used:

\* To examine long-term trends.

\* To allocate funds for national farm programs.

\* To help agribusiness develop sales territories and marketing plans for commodities such as fertilizer, seed, and equipment.

\* To help State and Federal Government agencies evaluate effects of changes in farm legislation.

\* To access patterns in water use and irrigation to determine resource and management needs.

\* To help allocate Cooperative Extension resources and research activities.

Results from the 1997 Census of Agriculture will be published starting in early 1999. They will be available through your local NASS State office as well as from many Land Grant universities (Michigan State University is one), and libraries. Individual reports are confidential in accordance with Title 7, U.S. Code.

vey. The final project, if it moves to that point, will be open to all producers. The goals of the informational meetings are for the start-up Board of Directors to gather input from prospective members and measure the amount of serious interest in the project. If there is interest, the Board will hire a consultant to fine-tune the feasibility study into a business plan. A legal team will be hired to start the work needed to formally organize.

The entire project is a series of "goes" and "no goes." Each step has to be measured and evaluated. Therefore, the first step is getting the results of the study out to potential investors.

For more information, please contact your local MSU Extension Office or Jim LeCureux at the MSU Extension-Project Office in Bad Axe at 517-269-6099.

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# Cass City Bowling Leagues

## SUNDAY NO ROLLERS Feb. 1, 1998

Leftovers	9
We'll Get Back To You	8
Raz-ma-taz	8
CWD's	8
C B's	7
Smithsky & Hutch	5
The S.H.L.	2
D & J's	1

Men's High Series: R. Meredith 583, T. Betzold 582.

Men's High Games: T. Betzold 234, R. Meredith 210.

Women's High Series: D. Witkovsky 498.

Women's High Games: J. Krol 197, C. Brown 183.

High Team Series & Game: C B's 1822 (649).

Skakle 442 (177), V. Bilicki 170, M. Gyomory 165, E. Bell 161.

## MERCHANETTE LEAGUE Feb. 5, 1998

Thumb Auto Wash 15  
Health Mart Pills 15  
J.B.'s Crew 10  
Caro Chiropractic 9  
Detroit Edison 9  
Silver Birch Kennel 8  
Hills & Dales 8  
All Season Rental 6

High Actual Team Series:

Thumb Auto Wash 1793.

High Actual Team Game:

Hills & Dales 642.

500 Series: L. Erla 545, J. Lapp 508.

200 Game: J. Lapp 206.

## CHARMONT LADIES

Dott Manufacturing	11
Wild John's	9
Pizza Villa	8
Sister Act	7
Cass City Tire	5
Dee's M.P. Rockets	5
Live Wires	5
Cable-ettes	4
Team #7	4
J.B.'s Crew	2

High Team Series: Sister Act 3005.

High Team Game: Wild John's 1031.

High Series: M. Horne 491, J. Stevens 478, D. Mathewson 485, B. Kilbourn 464.

High Games: B. Kilbourn 190, B. Peyerck 176, J. Stevens 188, S. Hutchinson 172, M. Horne 167, N. Davis 170, D. Mathewson 179.

## THURSDAY MORNING COFFEE LEAGUE

K R E W	18
Golden Oldies	14
Dee's M.P. Rockets	10
Alley Cats	10
STAR	7

High Team Series & Game: Golden Oldies 1638 (586).

High Individual Series & Games: C. Slaughter 484 (176), L. Wolak 450 (178), D. Mathewson 444 (166), W.

## MERCHANTS Feb. 4, 1998

Charmont	12
R & H Body Shop	8
Cass City Sports	8
Wickes	8
Gemini Plastics	7
Independent Bank	7
New England Life	7
Brentwood	7

Team High Actual Series and Game: Cass City Sports 3018 (1096).

Individual High Series and Game: J. Krol 714 (270-245), B. Rutkoski 678 (254-215), R. Salcido 670 (243-236), M. Jackson 669 (237-228), J. Langenburg 662 (245-233), J. Storm 658 (258-244), L. Morgan 647 (237-225), M. Lutz 627 (234), D. O'Dell 624 (245-234), G. Robinson 610 (245), B. Kingsland 605 (225), C. Kelley 599 (221), S. Fobear 594 (223-222), K. Zawilinski 568, P. Martin 558, R. Wright 555, D. Englehardt 211.

## THURSDAY NITE TRIO Feb. 5, 1998

General Cable	31
Martin Electric	29
Marlette Oil & Gas	25
Pioneer Seeds	24
NEIC	19
Schmaltz Construction	19
Mycogen Plant Sciences	19
Hyatt Farms One	18
Hyatt Farms Two	17
Thumb Auto Wash	16 1/2
Babich Farms	13

High Team Series & Game: General Cable 1807 (664).

High Series & Games: Doug O'Dell 686 (234-264), D. Roth 653 (220-236), G. Robinson 617 (217), R. Pringle 611 (212), D. Heleski 594 (221), E. Schmaltz 589 (211), S. Osentoski 589, K. Kilbourn 584 (213), G. Smith 577 (219), T. Czekai 239, K. Pichla 223, J. Hacker 223.



CROWNED SNOWCOMING king and queen for Cass City High School Friday night were Kristy Hicks and Chad Tate.

## Beware of carbon monoxide poisoning in farm shops

Sealing the farm shop against winter drafts and using fuel-powered heaters while working on equipment could put workers at risk of carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning.

Howard Doss, Michigan State University Extension agricultural safety leader, says statistics show that 3 of every 5 CO accidental deaths involve motor vehicles or equipment and one of every 5 deaths involves heating or cooking equipment.

"When equipment is operating or unvented, fuel-powered space heaters of any kind are used in outbuildings, make sure the work areas have good ventilation," Doss says. "Even with all the building's doors open, it is possible that the CO buildup could reach dangerous levels."

CO is an odorless, colorless gas that is produced by all types of combustion, including gasoline-, propane- or diesel-powered motors, furnaces, non-electric space heaters, wood stoves, welders and acetylene torches.

Everyone is susceptible to carbon monoxide poisoning, but the risk can be greater for young children, senior citizens and people who have heart or lung disease or are pregnant.

CO poisoning symptoms may include mild headache, inability to concentrate, nausea, fatigue and dizziness.

As the length of time and the degree of exposure to CO increase, the severity of the symptoms increase to progressive weakness, confusion and, ultimately, coma or death, Doss says.

He says that one of the first steps in preventing CO poisoning is to install either battery-powered or permanently wired monoxide detectors. The latter is preferred because batteries are likely not to get changed.

"Use fuel-powered, unvented portable space heaters only in well ventilated areas and follow the manufacturer's safety precautions, including fueling the unit outside the building and only when the unit is cool," Doss says.

He recommends that all non-electric heating equipment be ventilated to the outside of the building. Maintain heating system by cleaning and inspecting the venting system for cracks, blockages or leaks in the stovepipe or the chimney.

"Portable unvented, non-electric space heaters should not replace a central heating furnace system in buildings that are to be occupied by humans," Doss says.

## Recycled

Researchers are using space age chemistry to create home construction materials from recycled waste products. Paper can be molded and mixed with plastic to replace some applications of plywood. Right now less than 5 percent of the components of a new home come from recycled materials.

## Letter to the editor

### Let he who is without sin cast the first stone

To the Editor,

I can only say I'm so glad to still get my letter from home, Cass City Chronicle that is. The week of the 28th of last month, "The Haire Net" was just great, in fact, it made my day.

Years ago I happened to read a large book on the lives of the Presidents and what do you know, there were quite a few bedroom cowboys. The three you mentioned went on about their business and were for the people of the United States and just think how many times F.D.R. was elected into office. Think about it. Are you people going to railroad President Clinton into his grave? Give the man a chance to run the country. I think it's about time we quit acting like a bunch of little kids and support him in what he is trying to do.

Do you remember what our Lord said? "He who is without sin, let him cast the first stone." It would be so nice to turn on the news or pick up the paper and find something

good for a change besides all this mud slinging on a person's character. I just think it would be wonderful. What do you think?

Madelyn Heron Rawlings

#### Letters to the Editor

The Chronicle welcomes letters to the editor.

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

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

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

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Gram

Crystal-Happy Valentine's Day

Love, Charlie

Happy Valentine's Day Aaron, Christi, Lesli

Gram

Happy Valentine's Day Grandpa & Grandma Kessler

HUGS & KISSES  
Love, Ryan Allen

Happy Valentine's Day Carrie and Allie

Gram

Happy Valentine's Day Mom, Dad and Brad

Love, Sean

Happy Valentine's Day Jason & Ethan

Love, Grandpa & Grandma

Happy Valentine's Day Sean & Bradley

Love, Mom & Dad

Great Grandma & Grandpa Anthes in the bikini state. Haven't seen you since I was teeny. You just wait!

Love, Libby

Happy Valentine's Day, Mama I Love You

Parker

Happy Valentine's Day Rebecca Wass

Roses are red  
Violets are blue  
Sugar is sweet  
And so are you.  
Dad

B.D. I still love you!

Happy Valentine's Day C.L.

Happy Valentine's Day I Love You

Grandma Janet & Papa Love, Bradley

To T.F. Happy Valentine's Day

Love A.J.H.

Happy Valentine's Day Grandma Janet and Papa

From: Sean

To J.C. Knight I Love You Mom

Happy Valentine's Day Mrs. Stec

From: Brad

Happy Valentine's Day Nicholle Alizabeth

Love, Grandpa & Grandma

Happy Valentine's Day Sean & Brad

Love, Papa & Grandma

Happy Valentine's Day Laiken Mary

Love, Mom & Dad

Happy Valentine's Day Day Brent

Love, Grandpa Arthur and Grandma Janet

Happy Valentine's Day Kelsey Marie

Love, Laiken

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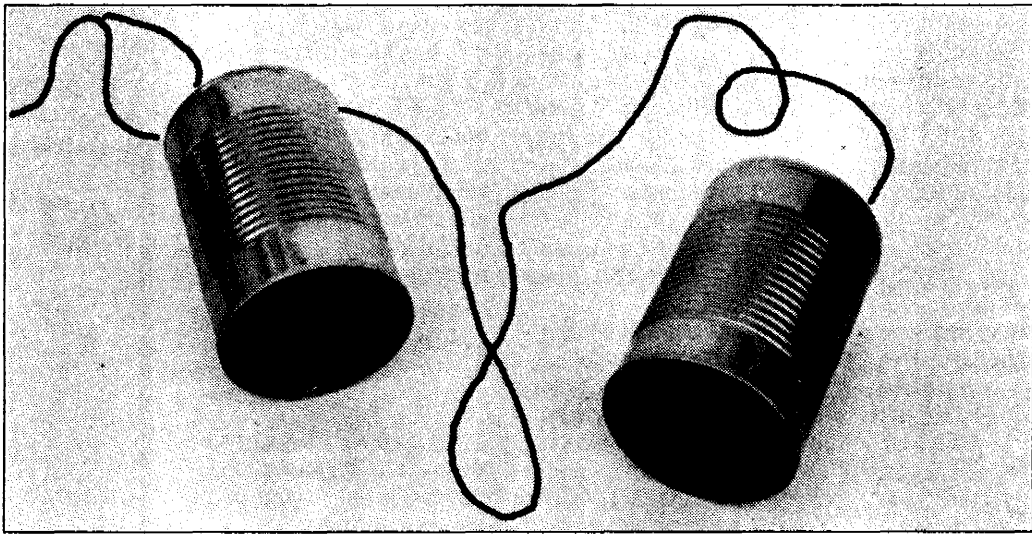
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# Obituaries

## Arleon Retherford

Arleon Cooper Retherford, 81, of Cass City, died Tuesday, Feb. 3, 1998, in Tendercare Nursing Facility. He was born Nov. 15, 1916, in Deford to Howard and Carrie B. (Cooper) Retherford. He married Leola Boyne June 4, 1941, in her parents' home in Kingston.

He retired from Marlette Homes in 1980 after 26 years. He was a member of the Deford United Methodist Church and a former member of the Cass City Laymen's Club.

He is survived by his wife, Leola Retherford; children, Larry (Chris L. Hinz) Retherford of South Haven and Sandy (Randy L.) Kozan of Delton; 7 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his sisters, Joyce Smith and Vera Coleman; and brother, Keith Retherford.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 7, in Little & Kranz Funeral Home with the Rev. Margaret Passenger of Deford United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment was in Novesta Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to

Bay Shore Camp or Deford United Methodist Church.

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

## Ronald Susalla Sr.

Ronald T. Susalla Sr., 55, of Gagetown, died Monday morning, Feb. 9, 1998, at his home following a 2-year illness.

He was born Jan. 22, 1943, in Bad Axe, son of Raymond and Rita (Coyne) Susalla. His father preceded him in death.

He married Marie V. Peyok June 10, 1967, in Kinde.

Ron had been a custodian at the Owendale-Gagetown Area Schools for 22 years. He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam Conflict.

He attended St. Agatha Catholic Church in Gagetown and had served on the Brookfield Township Fire Department. He was a former member of the Owendale Lions Club.

Surviving besides his wife, Marie, are 4 sons, 2 daughters and spouses, Ronald T. Susalla Jr., and his wife, Kim, serving in the U.S. Marine Corps at Camp Lejeune, N.C.; Jay J. Susalla, Owendale; Bradley J.

Susalla, Gagetown; Melissa R. Susalla, Cass City; Jill M. Susalla, Sebawaing, and Eric C. Susalla, serving in the U.S. Marine Corps at Camp Pendleton, Calif.; his mother, Rita Susalla, Ruth; 2 granddaughters, Sarah Susalla and Rachel Sigmund; 2 sisters, Sandra Drews, Bad Axe, Bonnie Susalla, Ruth; one brother, Raymond and his wife, Connie Susalla, Harbor Beach, and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

There will be a Scripture Service at the funeral home at 7:00 p.m. Thursday.

The Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, at St. Agatha Catholic Church in Gagetown. Fr. George Serour will officiate. Cremation will follow.

Interment will take place at St. Agatha Catholic Cemetery in Gagetown.

Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the American Cancer Society or the American Red Cross.

## Robert Wheeler

Robert (Bruce) Wheeler, 71, of Custer Township, Sandusky, died Saturday, Feb. 7, 1998, at McKenzie Memorial Hospital in Sandusky.

He was born April 8, 1926, in Snover to Bruce and Margaret Isabel (McLellan) Wheeler. He married Marjorie Hirsch Oct. 4, 1947.

He resided in Custer Township for 7 years and is formerly of the Snover area.

He graduated from Sandusky High School in 1945. He farmed and drove truck for Saginaw Machine Systems for 15 years, retiring in 1986.

He and his wife attended the Shabbona United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Marjorie Wheeler of Sandusky; 2 sons, Bill and Kathy Wheeler of Snover, and Jeff and Kathleen Wheeler of Carsonville; 2 daughters, Sandy Wheeler of Sandusky, and Normalene and Cecil Navarro of Sandusky; a sister-in-law, Vera Ferguson of Snover; 3 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren, and an adopted daughter, Pia of Denmark.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Mary Shima.

Funeral services were scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 10, at 1:30 p.m. in the Marsh Funeral Chapel in Sandusky with the Rev. Jean Rencontre officiating.

Burial will be in the Elkland Cemetery in Cass City.

Memorials may be given to the McKenzie Memorial Hospital.

Arrangements were made by Marsh Funeral Chapel, Sandusky.

# Several appear on charges in circuit court

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

•Joshua R. Potterf, 16, Reese, pleaded guilty to armed robbery Nov. 11 in Denmark Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered for the defendant, who was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Bond was continued at \$30,000 and sentencing was scheduled for March 13.

•Victor P. Racosky, 26, North Branch, pleaded guilty to second degree home invasion involving a residence at 5944 Denhoff Rd., Kingston, Jan. 14.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$20,000 and Racosky was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing was scheduled for March 13.

•Robert H. Vias Jr., 28, Fostoria, pleaded no contest

to fleeing and eluding a police officer Oct. 5 in Ellington Township, and having 2 prior felony convictions.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing was slated for March 13.

•William J. Gouine, 19, Millington was sentenced to 5 years probation and one year in the county jail for his pleas of guilty to unlawfully driving away an automobile July 4 in Millington, breaking and entering a motor vehicle with intent to steal more than \$5 worth of property Aug. 13 in Millington, and attempted breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny Aug. 13 in Millington.

Gouine was ordered to complete his high school education and pay \$400 in court costs and fines plus attorneys fees, \$600 in oversight fees and a \$60 victim crime fee. Restitution is to be determined.

•Earl W. Wilson, 46, Caro, was sentenced to 3 years probation and 90 days in jail, with work release, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Nov. 14 in Caro.

He was ordered to pay \$1,000 in costs and fines, \$517.50 in attorneys fees, \$1,080 in oversight fees and a \$60 victim crime fee.

•Paul F. Astley, 43, Kingston, was convicted of resisting or assaulting a police officer Sept. 24 in Kingston.

The conviction was handed down by a jury Feb. 2 following a 2-day trial.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$10,000. Sentencing was scheduled for March 27.



CASS CITY STUDENTS whose artwork was selected for display at the Saginaw Art Museum are (from left) Garrett Wichert, Ivan Peruski, Eric Reed, Jennifer Brinkman and Ashley Hendrick.

## At Saginaw Art Museum

# Students' art on display

Some Cass City students' artwork will be on display all this month at the Saginaw Art Museum.

The students, all fourth graders in Chris LaBerge's classes, are Jennifer Brinkman, Ashley Hendrick, Ivan Peruski, Eric Reed and Garrett Wichert.

According to LaBerge, the

students' work is being exhibited in conjunction with a student art show conducted by the Michigan Art Education Association, Region II.

Cass City students have been studying Michigan history, and LaBerge's art classes have been learning about Michigan lighthouses. One of their projects was a watercolor lesson in which

students created a scene featuring sky, water and a lighthouse of their choice as the focal point.

The 5 students listed above were chosen to represent the Cass City Schools. The artwork of one of those students, Ashley Hendrick, has also been selected for display at the state capitol building in Lansing.

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# Announce dean's list students

Baker College of Cass City announces their President's and Dean's Lists students for the fall 1997 quarter.

The President's List consists of students who earn a 4.0 grade point average during a quarter in which 12 credit hours or more were completed. These students will be invited to attend the President's Luncheon held in their honor.

Pamela Bechler, Mark Harris, Bad Axe; Sommer Page, Jeffery Smithson, Caro; Constance Wedge, Cass City; Linda King, Decker; Jeffrey Swish, Deford; Sandra Menzel, Gagetown.

The Dean's List consists of students who earn a 3.5-4.0 grade point average during a quarter.

Elizabeth Anderson, Justine DeGrandt, Thomas Hanselman, Renee Keehn, Vicki Labuhn, Rachelle Longtine, Christopher Prill, Delilah Reinke, Shelly Sowles, all of Bad Axe; Jane Himmel, Bay Port; Kathleen Kozar, Stacy Kundering, Jennifer Lademan, Jody Newsome, Shawn Parsell, all of Caro; Jennifer McKnight, Caseville; Amy Chamberlin, Grant Gould, Julie Grady, Jamie Peasley, Travis Schneeberger, Lyle Severance, Stephanie Tate, Jodie Tordai, Donna Witkovsky, all of Cass City; Martha Alexander, Decker; Melissa Bezemek, Deckerville; Bethany Baughman, Rebecca Cherry, Destiney Biskner, Terri Graichen, Mark Kilbourn, Angela Sanford, Sharon Storce, all of Deford.

Kristi Rosenthal, Elkton; Wendy Salgat, Adam Shue, of Fairgrove; Karen Learman, Filion; Shelly Burke, Fostoria; Debora Lewis, Kinde; Patricia DeRoseau, John Dooley, Steven Gottler, Shelly Stoll, all of Kingston; Chris Gikerson, Shawn Macklin, Holly Schroeder, Bonnie Stempel, all of Marlette; Danielle Beebe, Karen Fackler, Jennifer Fritz, Jackie Fryers, Dawn Root, all of Mayville; Evelyn Heger, Metamora; Gene Hincumb, Mt. Morris; Eric Eggert, Nichole Graves, Barbara Gross, all of Sandusky; Shauna Dunckle, Sebawaing; Cari Ferkowicz, Silverwood; Deborah Aleck, Amy Brown, Amanda Lowe, Vanessa Pendygraft, all of Snover; Amy Lugo, Vassar.

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#8829 '96 GMC SIERRA 1/2 ton, 4WD.	\$11,995	\$10,495	#8526 '96 BONNEVILLE SE, dark green, 37K.	\$14,995 \$13,695
#8855 '96 CHEVY, 1/2 ton, red.	\$7,795	\$7,495	CARS - CARS - CARS - CARS	WAS NOW
#8805 '91 GMC 1/2 TON, Sierra Special.	\$7,695	\$6,695	#9119 '97 BUICK LESABRE, White w/white 1/4 top, 25,500 miles.	\$17,995
#8905 '88 GMC 1/2 TON, Sierra pickup	\$6,295	\$5,995	#9040 '97 BUICK CENTURY, Bordeaux red, 13,100 miles, V6	\$15,995 \$15,695
#8786 '92 FORD RANGER, Ext. cab, dark red.	\$6,495	\$5,495	#9099 '96 CHEVY CORSAIC, Dark red, V6, auto., air, 4 dr, 19,663 mi.	\$9,995 \$8,995
SPORT UTILITY/VANS			#9076 '95 BUICK CENTURY, 50K, V6.	\$8,195 \$8,195
#9048 '96 CHEVY BLAZER, 4WD, 4 dr, SL, red, CD player, air, auto, cruise	\$18,995	\$17,995	#8956 '95 MERCURY COUGAR, 2 dr., white, V8	\$11,695 \$10,995
#9074 '96 GMC JIMMY 4 DR., 4WD, dark red, SLT.	\$19,995	\$18,695	'95 BUICK REGAL, Dark blue, 2 dr., loaded, leather, 3.8 V6, 35K	\$15,995 \$11,495
'96 GMC SUBURBAN, Dark green, 2WD	\$19,995	\$18,695	#8840 '94 BUICK CENTURY, beige, V6, 68,525 miles	\$7,495 \$6,795
'95 GMC CARCO VAN, White, Vandura.	\$13,295	\$12,945	'94 BUICK CENTURY, Maroon, 4 cyl., 63,000 miles.	\$7,295
#8794 '94 GMC SAFARI, AWD, LT, teal, 55K	\$12,495	\$11,195	#9019 '94 BUICK REGAL, 4 door, maroon, 57,558 miles	\$9,195 \$8,795
#8820 '96 GMC SUBURBAN, 2WD, black & silver 6.0Ls.	\$16,995	\$15,795	#8785 '93 MERCURY COUGAR, V8, auto., brt. teal	\$7,495 \$5,995
#8708 '95 GMC JIMMY, 4WD, 4 door, green	\$12,795	\$11,995	#9006 '93 OLDS CUTLASS, 90,125 miles, 4 dr., red.	\$5,695 \$5,395
#9148 '95 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER, Green, 74,637 miles	\$7,795	\$7,495	'95 CHEVY LUMINA, Red, 2.34 V6, auto., air & more	\$9,495 \$9,495
#9118 '92 CHEVY ASTRO EXT. VAN, Dark red w/gray int	\$5,995	\$5,495	#9152 '93 OLDS CUTLASS, 4 DR., 75,899 miles, white	\$6,295 \$5,995
#9127 '96 DEER CROOKER, 480, right red, very clean	\$7,495	\$7,495	#8987 '92 BUICK ROADMASTER LTD, Ruby red, leather, V8	\$9,695 \$9,195
'96 GMC JIMMY, 2 DOOR, Black w/gray, V8, full size	\$6,995	\$6,495	#8660 '92 CADILLAC DEVILLE, Sedan, 87K, lt. beige w/beige leather	\$10,195
#8967 '95 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER, Silver, 79,629 miles	\$2,795	\$2,295	#9169 '91 CHEVY CORSAIC, 4 dr., 4 cyl., dark gray	\$2,295
PROGRAM CARS - PROGRAM CARS - PROGRAM CARS			#9124 '91 BUICK REGAL LTD, 4 DR., Lt. blue, 91,217 miles, 4 door	\$2,495
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#8929 '96 CHEVY CORSAIC, 4 door, V6, air, gray	\$8,195	\$8,195	#9085 '90 BUICK LESABRE, Gray, 85,982 miles	\$5,295
#8449 '96 CENTURY, Silver	\$9,995	\$8,995	#8667 '89 PONTIAC GRAND AM, 2 dr., black, 90,813 miles	\$4,295 \$3,495
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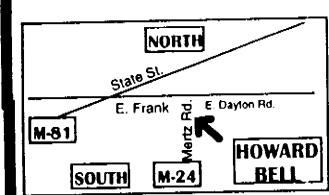
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# Announce Cass City Honor Roll

The first semester honor roll at Cass City High School has been announced.

## 9TH GRADE

All A's - Kaylee Bell, Holli Cooper, Randy Diebel, Josh Dillon, Craig Emmert, Shaun Engler, Katie Hacker, Anthony Ingrao, Laura Laming, Emily Rayl, Anand Raythatha, Manisha Raythatha, Josh Sherman, Andy Stoeckle, Brad Ypma.  
B or Better - Brandon Albrecht, Joel Brinkman, Jamie Bulla, Jody Champagne, Ryan Cooper, Andy Dale, Michelle Derfany, Amy DuQuesnay, Greg Festian, Jaime Flugge, Tara Gage, Zach Glaspie, Brent Goslin, Joyy Haddix, Johanna Hoelzle, Eric Hueter, Heather James, Jason Johnson, Jeremy Klinkman, Erin McMahan, Andrew Nahernak, Laura O'Dell, Amy Polega, Megan Powell, Theresa Raymond, Kyle Ross, Ross Sherman, Adina Speirs, Stacy Sullins.

## 10TH GRADE

All A's - Melissa Homakie, Jalal Khoury, Leann Outalowski, Brad Roche, David Sutter.  
B or Better - Justin Caraballo, Jason Damm, Adam Dorland, Amber Dunn, Travis Eyer, Sally Finkbeiner, Alyssa Glaspie, Andrea Gohsman, Sheila Guilds, Jesse Hillaker, Christina Kababik, David Kolb, Paul Langmaid, Phil Mathewson, Ryan McIntosh, Jessica Meeker, Justin Miller, Lindsey Mills, Kim Morrish, Melissa Myers, Melanie Nizzola, Cari O'Hara, Brooke Ouvre, Jenny Parsell, Matt Perry, Stephanie Pierce, Kristy Ryan, Kimberly Ryno, Travis Schneeberger, Tracy Talaski, Aaron Volz, Andrea Walsh, Katie Wood.

## 11TH GRADE

All A's - Aaron Barrigar, Aaron Bell, Amanda Board, Jim Dale, Ryan Downing, Sheri Foster, Dave Hobbs, Rose Hoelzle, Danielle Laming, Susan O'Hara, Becky

Oesch, Adam Stoeckle, Marissa Sweeney, Amy Venema, Nicolette Zawilinski.

B or Better - Melissa Albrecht, Mandy Chappel, Carey Chard, Kyle Daniel, Harry Deck, Rebecca Dore, Brenda DuQuesnay, Luke Frederick, Nathan Fritz, Kara Gaymer, Nathan Haag, Arlene Hoppe, Jeremy Kilbourn, Nicholas King, Amanda LaPeer, Nicole Matheny, Tara McNeil, Kara Mellendorf, Nicole Missovich, Amanda Morrish, Joel Nicol, Paul Powell, Matt Ross, Kevin Schott, Jon Sherman, Shelly Ulfig, Carrie Wentworth, Julie Westfall, Eric Zawilinski, Heath Zawilinski.

## 12TH GRADE

All A's - Tammy Acker, Joshua Brinkman, Lori Brown, Christian Doerr, Andy Green, Cyrus Healy, Melissa Heinlein, Shelly Hendrick, Kristy Hicks, Ryan Hutchinson, Janis Mastie, Monique Matheny, Laura Osantowski, Andrea Rea, Leah Shagene, Heather Woidan.

B or Better - Jessica Apel-Mifsud, Becky Bennett, Ryan Bennett, Andy Brown, Amy Butler, Colleen Cartwright, Benjamin Ducoeur, Jamie Englehart, Julie Erla, Jennifer Eyer, Jonathan Fobear, Maria Garety, Cara Graichen, Scott Haag, Shannon Haley, Andrew Hartwick, Jennifer Haynes, Serena Healy, Shawn Henn, Rachel Hoard, Ann Horton, Chris Irvine, Richard Kessler, Aaron Kunding, Cheryl Laming, Chad Lenhard, Rebecca Lowe, Lindsay Maharg, D.J. Malone, Jessica Markel, Brent Martin, Nathan Matt, Cory Mayer, Tim Micklash, Jason Mohr, Charles Myers, Jason O'Dell, Jason Osantowski, Amber Rienstra, Kurt Russell, Marie Russell, Dan Sherman, Chris Smith, Deanna Stine, Brad Sweeney, Craig Swiderski, Chad Tate, Randy Whittaker, Adam Willis, Anna Yost, Tina Younglove.

## Hospice volunteer classes scheduled

Volunteers are needed to assist Hospice Team care for people who are terminally ill. Anyone interested must be caring, compassionate and committed. Training classes begin Tuesday, March 3, at 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday, March 4, at 9 a.m. A special training will be held Tuesday,

Feb. 26, at 7 p.m. for volunteers who would like to assist others through the grief process.

For more information or to register, please call Susan Gentle, volunteer coordinator, at Heartland Hospice, (517) 892-0355.

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## Notices

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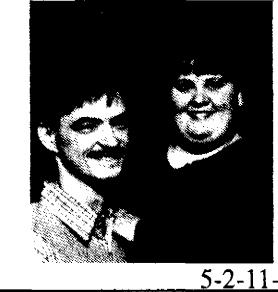
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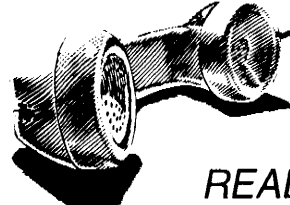
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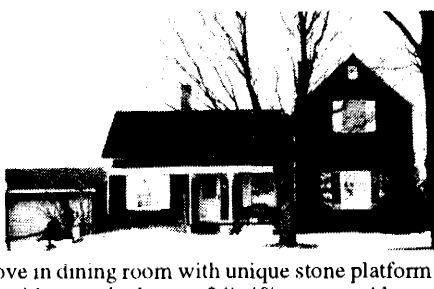
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If you would like answers to any of these questions, attend the "Farm Business Analysis Seminar" sponsored by MSU Extension Dairy Specialists Craig Thomas and Kurt Anderson. The 2-day seminar will be held

Monday, Feb. 16, and Monday, Feb. 23, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m., at the Detroit Edison Service Center Community Room, 4100 Doerr Road, Cass City.

This seminar will help you begin to build the year-to-year financial history you need to regularly analyze your farm business and track your financial progress. Basic information will be provided on the concepts of management accounting and financial record keeping. Every farm business attending will be provided with a complete FinPack financial analysis of their farm business for 1997.

Other topics covered will include: collecting balance sheet information (feed and supply inventories, assets, liabilities), preparing a balance sheet, comparing your farm business performance to similar farms, and setting your future financial goals. The workshop will also provide information to producers desiring to set up computerized systems to track production costs and financial success on their farms.

A fee of \$50 per farm (plus \$10 for each additional person from the farm) will be charged for the program. The fee includes class materials and morning refreshments. Lunches will be on your own at local restaurants. Preregistration is required by Feb. 6 and enrollment is limited to the first 15 farm businesses. To register contact MSU Extension - Huron County (517/269-9949) or mail your check to MSU Extension - Huron County, 104 County Building, Bad Axe, MI 48413.

## Charge 3 in Tuscola District Court

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demand his money, then tie him up and steal his car.

He told police the trio planned to split the money, and that he and McPhail were going to buy bus tickets and travel to Wisconsin to visit 2 girls they had met while surfing the internet at Rawson Memorial Library in Cass City.

McPhail offered a similar story, but also told investigators there was also a plan to attempt to kill Bartle by suffocating or stabbing him, then dumping his body in a pond.

During the course of the investigation, police recovered a black knit mask, a 4-inch knife and an 8-inch knife, all believed to be connected to the case.



**FROSTED FOREST** — a blanket of fog lifted Sunday morning to reveal a delicate coating of frost on tree limbs, branches and brush throughout the Cass City area.

## O-G board censors shirts

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the board:

- Tabled action on a parent's request to allow her daughter to transfer to the USA School District.
- Nominated Mr. and Mrs. Ron Good as the district's "friend of youth" representatives at the annual Thumb Track and Field Meet of Champions
- Approved the nomination of senior Tara McKellar as "student of the month" for February.
- Honored a student from each grade who were selected as best exemplifying the district's February "adult focus role" of being effective communicators.

The students, in grades K-12, respectively, are: Nicholas Zaleski, Cole Mroz, Jennifer Mihacsi, Kendra Guilds, Whitney Brown, Nicole Schmidt, Laura

Enderle, Ashley Pawlak, Guthry Laurie, Jenna Root, Corey Wiederhold, Nicole Warack and Amy Joles.

- Learned that 3 students have been honored by a Thumb newspaper as all area athletes. They are Dan Dorsch (linebacker, first team), and Tonya Smith and Melanie Lemanski (honorable mention, basketball).
- Received a presentation on

the FACTS (Facing Alcohol Concerns Together Sensibly) Coalition. Volunteer Bob Haldane described the program, its goals and how school officials can utilize FACTS programs and literature.

- Approved a resolution to hold the annual school election Monday, June 8. The last day to register for the election will be Monday, May 11.

### More fatalities

## Snowmobile use increasing

Remember snowmobiling's heyday in the pre-oil-embargo days of the late 1960s and early 1970s?

While the current boom hasn't yet reached the level of those times, when more than 400,000 machines cruised Michigan's snow country, registrations are climbing each year. Unfortunately, says AAA Michigan, so are snowmobile-related fatalities.

Improvements in rider comfort, from better suspensions to warmer clothing and such amenities as optional built-in hand warmers, combined with the state's booming economy, have made snowmobiling appealing and

affordable to thousands of new riders. Michigan has more than 5,700 miles of trails, according to Michigan Department of Natural Resources records.

Since the 1991-92 season, when 206,000 machines were in use, snowmobile registrations have jumped 31 percent to more than 271,000 now.

"Sadly, last winter, 44 persons died in snowmobile-related crashes. While that figure is down slightly from 47 fatalities recorded during 1995-96, last winter's count is double the average for the previous 10 years," according to Jerry Basch, AAA Michigan Community Services manager.

## Legal notices

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

**MORTGAGE SALE:** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Keith R. BECKROW and Kristine M. BECKROW, his wife as tenants by the entireties to ASSOCIATES HOME EQUITY SERVICES, INC. (f/k/a Ford Consumer Finance Company, Inc., Mortgagee, dated August 4, 1995 and recorded on August 22, 1995 in Liber 677, on Page 1296, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Six And 95/100 dollars (\$32,776.95), including interest at 13.80% 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, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on March 13, 1998.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP of VASSAR, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at a point 350 feet West of the Northeast corner of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 30, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, thence South 28 rods; thence West 100 feet; thence North 28 rods; thence East 100 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: January 28, 1998

ASSOCIATES HOME EQUITY SERVICES, INC.

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: (248) 642-4202  
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File # 98010233

1-28-5

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The word "accord" comes from the Latin *ad corda*, meaning "heart to heart."

**MORTGAGE SALE:**Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard M. DILLEREE, JR. and Sharon K. DILLEREE, husband and wife to GREAT LAKES NATIONAL BANK MICHIGAN (f/k/a Great Lakes Federal Savings and Loan Association), Mortgagee, dated December 9, 1983 and recorded on December 9, 1983 in Liber 537, on Page 845, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Ninety And 34/100 dollars (\$48,390.34), including interest at 6.84% 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, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on March 6, 1998.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP of ELLINGTON, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Part of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of Section 31, Town 13 North, Range 10 East, described as: Beginning at a point N 00 degrees 08' 12" W, 1311.74 feet and N89 degrees 59' 39" E 535.86 feet from the Southwest corner of said Section 31; thence continuing N89 degrees 59' 39" E, 524.00 feet to the occupational East line of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of said section 31; thence along said East line, S00 degrees 37' 41" E, 415.67 feet; thence S89 degrees 59' 39" W, 524.00 feet; thence N00 degrees 37' 41" W, 415.67 feet to the point of Beginning. (Parcel D of survey recorded in Liber 478, Pages 482-488).

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 21, 1998

GREAT LAKES NATIONAL BANK MICHIGAN

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File # 97042738

1-21-5

**MORTGAGE SALE:** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Otto C. NIMBACH and Cindy A. NIMBACH, his wife to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated December 29, 1994 and recorded on January 18, 1995 in Liber 669, on Page 510, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to NATIONS-BANC MORTGAGE CORPORATION successor by merger to NationsBanc Mortgage Corporation of New York as assignee, by an assignment dated October 27, 1995 which was recorded on February 23, 1996 in Liber 686, on Page 500, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Five Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Six And 25/100 dollars (\$55,346.25), including interest at 10.00% 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, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on March 20, 1998.

Said premises are situated in CITY of MARLETTE, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 25, T11N-R11E; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 53 seconds West 350.0 feet along the South line of said Section 25 to the point of beginning; running thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 53 seconds West 443.0 feet along the South line of said Section 25; thence North 0 degrees 00 minutes 07 seconds East 450.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees 59 minutes 53 seconds East 447.01 feet; thence South 0 degrees 30 minutes 44 seconds West 450.02 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 25, T11N-R11E.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 4, 1998

NATIONS-BANC MORTGAGE CORPORATION successor by merger to NationsBanc Mortgage Corporation of New York

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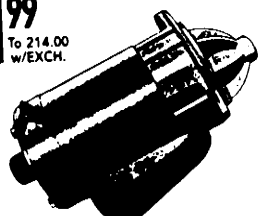
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