

Calendar of Events

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

Wednesday, May 20

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

Friday, May 22

Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8 p.m.
Senior Citizen Movies 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Sunday, May 24

Memorial Day service at Grant Township Cemetery, 2 p.m.

Monday, May 25

Memorial Day Parade and service at Elkland Cemetery, 10 a.m.
Memorial Day service at Novesta Township Cemetery, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, May 26

Cass City School Board meeting, high school, 7:30 p.m., will include special meeting to decide what to do with \$125,000 Durant funds.

AUCTION REMINDER!
Contents of
Colony House
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Joins SVSU team
Jerry Cleland back to work

Jerry Cleland started his counseling career in secondary education before anyone really knew what a high school counselor was supposed to do. "That's going way back to the very beginning (1966) when the requirements for a counselor were only 8 hours of graduate work," Cleland said. "Counseling was so new that nobody really knew how well a counselor should be trained or what the job duties should be. Besides, very few students were going to college back then." Born and raised in Cass City, Cleland said he is the fifth generation from his family to graduate from the Cass City school district. After high school, Cleland completed his B.S. in education and a master's in guidance and counseling from Central Michigan University.

"I thought I wanted to be a vocational ed teacher, then decided after teaching it for 2 years that it wasn't my bag," Cleland said. He taught science for a few years before returning to Cass City High as a counselor, a role that he held for more than 30 years before

retiring July 1, 1997.

After enjoying retirement for 5 months, Cleland was approached by the Saginaw Valley State University administration about an opportunity to manage the University's off-campus and community education programs in Cass City.

"I was enjoying retirement very much," he said. "However, I really missed school and the kids. After I heard what SVSU was planning to do out here, I got excited because it's the same pro-

gram that I want for our community."

His new job duties require Cleland to coordinate not only off-campus undergraduate classes, but also provide assistance to students seeking graduate studies and professional training for career promotion and enhancement.

"Community education, of course, is concerned with a lot more than credit courses," he said. "I plan and provide numerous workshops. I also stand in as a proctor or teacher's aide when they need a local person to help out."

SVSU has offered credit courses in Cass City since 1981. During that time, hundreds of Thumb-area residents have completed courses leading to bachelor's degrees. Many recently have participated in continuing education programs and graduate-level courses. Enrollment figures from the fall 1998 semester show a 12 percent increase over fall 1997 in undergraduate students taking SVSU credit courses at Cass City.

In addition to assisting high school graduates who wish to enroll in college courses, Cleland also coordinates dual-enrollment opportunities for current high school students.

"As part of my role with the school system, I had started a dual-enrollment program where I worked quite actively with SVSU to offer college courses for our students," Cleland said. "This started about 5 years ago when the state legislature first allowed tuition diversion for high school students to take college courses."

Two current Cass City High School seniors who are participating in this dual-enrollment arrangement are Becky Lowe and Emily

year," Lowe explained. "Courses that I know I'll have to take in college are offered by SVSU here at my high school, so I might as well go ahead and take them now."

"I've always wanted to study nursing — the profession has been a part of my family for a long time," she said. "College courses are a little more difficult than a high school class might be, but I can handle it."



Emily Hopper

Hopper and her family moved to Cass City from Lapeer during the second semester of her senior year.

"When I set up my class schedule, the counselor suggested that I take a college-level class," Hopper said. "And I thought it was really neat because I wasn't able to

participate in a program like this at Lapeer, which is a big plus for Cass City."

"We're really out in the middle of nowhere when it comes to the availability of graduate studies," Cleland said. "My feeling is any graduate-level opportunities that we can get out this way...we need to do it."

Cleland said students will benefit by knowing which courses will be offered in advance.

"Students need to know 2 to 4 years ahead of time which classes they'll be able to take because they're working during the daytime," he said. "Students like to be on a predictable schedule, so that's what I've been pushing for."

According to Cleland, students eventually will be able to satisfy general education requirements for a 4-year degree at Cass City, then as juniors attend classes at the main campus.

"I'd also like to go one step further by offering some selected upper-level undergraduate courses," Cleland said. "This idea has been well received by everyone involved."

"At some point, we're going to pull this whole thing together," Cleland said. "Then my job becomes simple — all I'll have to do is go out and find students. And that I know I can do."



A BIG THANKS - The Cass City Gavel Club was recently recognized for 50 years of continual support of the Cass City Cub Scouts. Accepting a plaque from scout leader Deb Ross is Gavel Club President Cas Pasiieczny. Also pictured are Cub Scouts Ryan Ross (far left) and Derrick Mallory. The Gavel Club's scout chairperson is (far right) Dick LeValley.

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Becky Lowe

Hopper. The 2 finished an SVSU sociology course during winter semester that will count toward their high school diplomas and college baccalaureate degrees.

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