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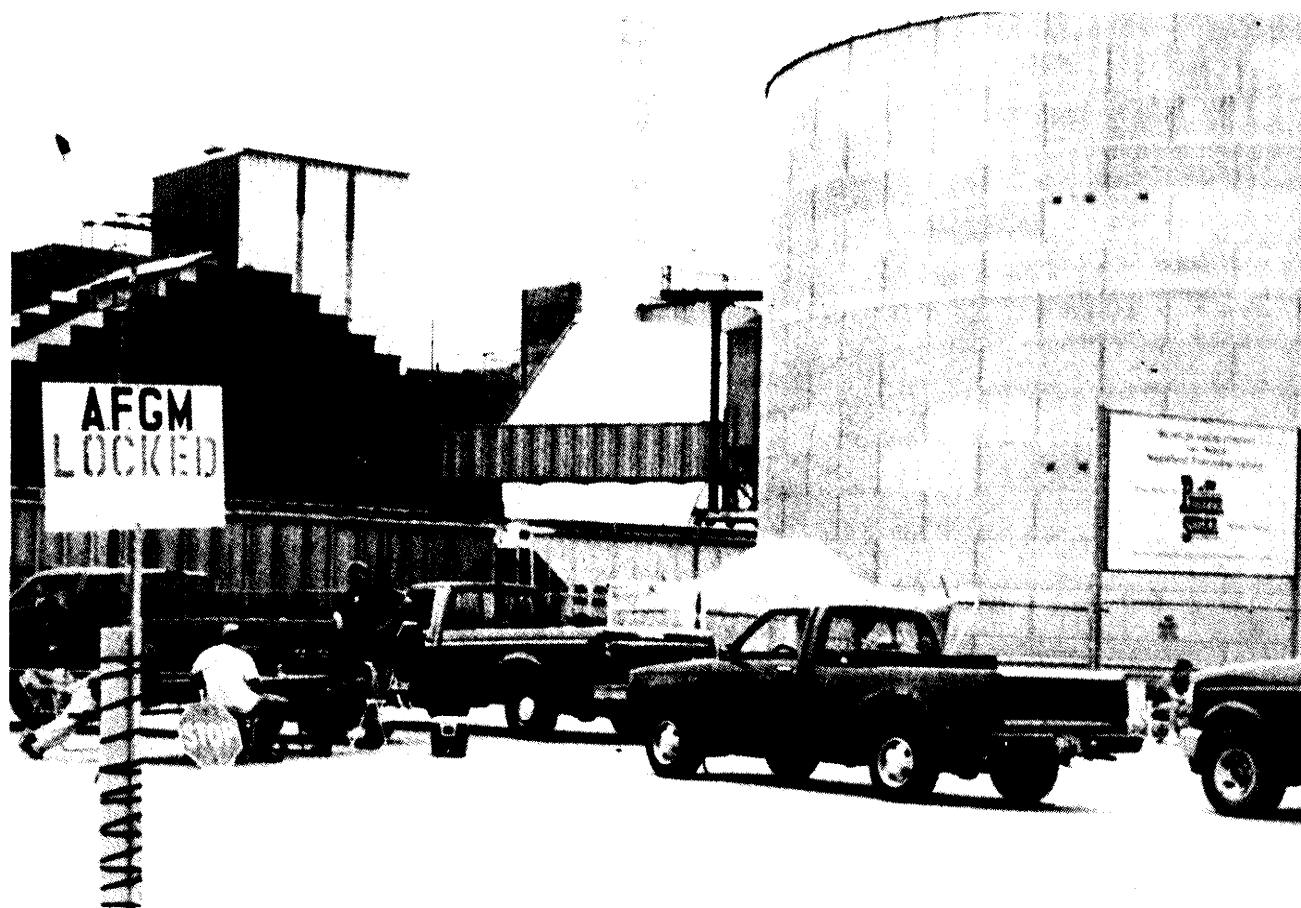
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WORKERS FROM the Michigan Sugar Company sugar beet processing plant in Caro sit outside after they were locked out Monday morning.

Academic standards toughened

O-G salaries increase 2.8%

The Owen-Gage Board of Education Monday approved a one-year contract extension for the district's teachers and non-certified staff, and adopted tougher academic standards discussed last month.

The one-year contract extension gives both the district's 21 teachers and about a dozen non-certified staff members a 2.8-percent increase in the 1998-99 school year.

The teachers have been working under a 2-year contract that included raises of 3.75 percent in 1996-97 and 2.8 percent in 1997-98. Non-certified staffers — cooks, bus drivers, custodians — worked under a one-year contract.

An estimate on the combined cost of the raises approved Monday was not immediately available.

TOUGHER

Turning to the academic standards, the board approved a revised recommendation drafted by an ad hoc committee composed of

school Supt. Manuel Thies along with an administrator and a board member.

Under the new grade requirements, junior-senior high students will be required to earn a minimum "D" grade in the first 9-week marking period, and improve that grade to at least a "C" in subsequent marking periods in order to pass a class.

During discussion last month, Thies expressed frustration with the grade policy in place last year.

Under the district's "point system", he told the board, a student who passes his or her first 9-week exam with just a D-plus grade could go on to fail the next 9-week exam and the final exam, and still receive a passing grade in the class.

And some students were using the system to their advantage, doing as little as necessary to pass, he added.

Thies last month proposed setting a minimum marking period grade of C-minus in each of the 9-week exams. However, board members and district Athletic Director

Joe Candela voiced concern that some students would be unfairly penalized.

At the same time, board members stressed the importance of parents being made aware when their child is struggling in the classroom.

One parent expressed other concerns Monday, saying there are instances where students who normally do well in school will struggle in an individual teacher's classroom. There needs to be more communication between students and staff and administrators, she said.

Thies acknowledged problems in the past, and he vowed to work with teachers to avoid communication problems in the future.

Thies also agreed to dump the new grade policy should it prove ineffective.

"Unless you set high standards, you're going to have students who...work up only to the minimum requirement," he said.

"I would like to try this. Let's see if we can work it out," he added. "If it doesn't work out, I'll be the first to throw it out."

In a related matter, the board approved revisions in the district's Athletic and Academic Eligibility section of the student handbook.

The revisions, discussed last month, focus on athlete eligibility based on student grade evaluations every 3 weeks, instead of every week as was the case last year.

Students must pass 6 out of 7 classes, which means a student athlete who receives consecutive "D" grades in 9-week marking periods will not be eligible to participate in sports. Students will remain ineligible for 3 weeks, until the next progress report is issued.

IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business during the monthly meeting, the board: *Approved the hiring of Ken Maher to fill a vacancy left by counselor Pat Starr, who resigned. Maher, who has worked for Owen-Gage part-time in the past, has held a number of administrative positions, including principal

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Four plants affected

Sugar company sees lock out spurring settlement

By Leah Nixon
Staff Writer

Michigan Sugar Company locked its doors to employees in 4 different plants Monday morning fearing a strike would ensue from recent contract negotiations.

Negotiations began between Michigan Sugar Company and the American Federation of Grain Millers on June 3 and concluded on July 31, according to communications manager Mitchell Reno.

Negotiators left the bargaining table under the agreement union negotiators would take the contract to workers for ratification, he said.

"On the seventh (of August) the union informed us that the workers rejected the settlement," continued Reno. "We believe we made a generous offer, and that we addressed all the needs of employees."

Strike authorization had already been received by employees when negotiators initially met, Reno added. "We took that seriously."

There is no longer a strike clause which protects the company from employee walking out because the former 3-year contract expired at midnight on July 31 according to Reno.

"At that time, we felt we were forced to make a decision," he said, noting as each day passes the harvest season gets closer and closer.

"Around the Thumb that would infringe on the company's ability to deliver sugar," Reno said when referring to a possible strike by workers.

"We offered to extend the previous contract through the

end of this year's campaign, but the union bargaining team ignored it," he said.

The extension of the contract would have ensured the company a work force and people, a job, added Reno. "If we were to wait until the strike, customers and growers would have been more vulnerable."

"We feel we will come to a resolution faster with the lockout," Reno said. "One of our goals is to maintain completion of all commitments to growers and customers."

"We are very eager to get back to the bargaining table," he stated. "We want to get back as soon as possible."

A federal mediator came into negotiations in the final days of bargaining and has issued a cool-off period, ac-

cording to Reno. "It looks as if it was intended to be a week. We went to the mediator and said we are willing to go back to the table."

"Both sides want what's best for the employees," Reno added. "We hope to reach that soon."

Workers aren't as optimistic. One worker from the Caro plant, Gary Touchette, said, "We don't like the way the company treated employees or the way they handled things in negotiations."

"They decided on things that meant no money to the company, but meant hardships on our people," he continued.

Workers from 4 plants located in Caro, Carrollton, Croswell and Sebewaing voted down the new contract by 80 percent of the 235

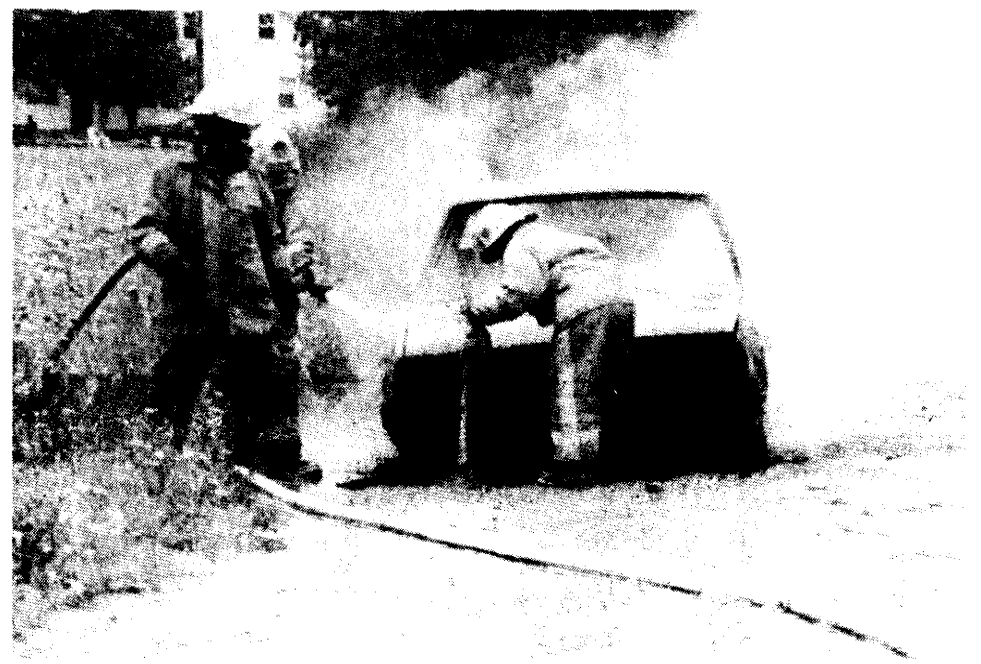
workers.

"We didn't want to ratify the contract offered," Touchette said.

Another worker, Tim Smith, who has been with Michigan Sugar for 13 years, said workers are seeking changes in workman's comp, the retirement pension fund, consideration for seasonal workers to make a "decent wage" and family medical leave.

Touchette, who has been a Michigan Sugar employee for 20 years, added, "There hasn't been a labor stop since 1971, and if the company doesn't get the plants put back together soon there's going to be a late harvest."

"We want to work and they won't let us in," he said. "We're not getting paid and there is hardship for everyone."



FIRE DESTROYED a 1986 Pontiac 6000 last Wednesday on Shabbona Road about a quarter mile west of Kingston Road. Elkland Township Fire Chief Ron Pawloski reported Matt Weisserman was working on the vehicle, owned by Dave Johnson, Deford, when the blaze ignited in the engine area. The loss was estimated at \$4,000.

Little damage in hospital fire

Elkland Township fire fighters were summoned to Hills and Dales General Hospital Saturday morning after some electrical equipment shorted out.

Fire Chief Ron Pawloski said there apparently was a short in the electrical equipment that powers the hospital's CT Scanner, causing the mechanical room to

fill with smoke.

Fire fighters remained at the scene for about 90 minutes.

Hospital officials confirmed a short in the scanner's "power conditioner." How-

ever, officials said there was no damage to the scanner itself, and the electrical damage was minimal. The unit was repaired and back in working order in a couple hours.

Scholarships available as selected EMTs earn, learn

Add health care to the myriad of businesses and industries feeling the pinch of labor shortages throughout the country.

And rural areas aren't immune to the problem, according to Mobile Medical Response (MMR) officials, who are looking for a few good people to join their team as emergency medical technicians (EMTs).

In fact, MMR officials are offering scholarships to a select few individuals willing to complete the necessary training in exchange for a commitment to work part-time for the company's bases in Cass City, Fairgrove or Vassar.

Admittedly, working as an EMT has its ups and downs, but it's a job that offers a lot, according to Ron Pawloski, a veteran EMT-Specialist

and supervisor of the MMR base in Cass City.

"If you're looking for fun and games, then this is not the job to get into, but it can be very rewarding," he said.

"It's an excellent part-time job. The hours are very flexible," Pawloski added. "The room for advancement is out there. It depends on your ambition."

Randy Gerber, MMR regional director, agreed. "If you want to make a real career out of it, you can."

Gerber pointed out that young men and women fresh out of high school aren't the only ones who can qualify to train as an EMT. Housewives, retirees and others not only qualify, but often turn out to be some of the best EMTs out there, he said.

In terms of eligibility, prospective EMTs must be at

least 18 years of age, have a driver's license "and the ambition, the willingness to be able to take severe hardships — to be able to handle people out at the scene," Pawloski said.

He added many people share the same first reaction when they consider becoming an EMT: They don't think they could handle seeing someone injured. However, he continued, it's surprising how many of these same people find out they can handle the job using the training they receive.

But that doesn't mean the job doesn't have extremely difficult moments, such as when a child is injured or dies, he noted. "I've been in this for 25 years and it doesn't get any easier over the years."

MMR officials encourage interested residents to attend the next 20-week basic EMT training session, scheduled to get underway Sept. 1 at the Great Lakes College campus in Caro.

The classes, held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 10 p.m., provide the minimum certification to treat patients in an emergency setting. The training teaches basic anatomy and physiology, emergency care in a variety of situations, patient interactions and field work procedures.

The classes include lectures and hands-on practice for field work and state testing. Upon showing competency, students begin shift rotations at hospital emergency rooms and on ambulances. Students work under the direc-

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MMR AMBULANCE officials, including (from left) Regional Director Randy Gerber and Cass City MMR Supervisor Ron Pawloski, are looking for a few good men or women to train and work as emergency medical technicians.



TEACHERS AS well as members of the graduating class of 1948 posed for a commemorative picture. They are (from left to right, row 1) Mrs. Don Borg, Dave Ackerman, Lenora Gingrich, Harriet Hartwick, Marjorie Arnott, Marilyn Morgan, Belva Kuhl, Mrs. Evelyn MacRae. (Row 2) Mary Gjomory, Mary Ann Edsall, Emma Clement, Laura Oji, Mary Ann Cooper, Betty Miller, Edith Rae, Lois Sugden. (Row 3) Victoria Wolak, Don Borg, Harold Whittaker, Sally Patnaude, Bob Edmondson, Pat Wells, Yvonne Chamber, Lois Demo, Shirley Geiger, Vera Nichol. (Row 4) Clair Little, Carl Reed, Pat Rabideau, Dr. Alex Murray, Roy Jeffrey, Bill Demo, Don Buehrly and Ed Golding Jr.

Class of 1948 tours village

The Cass City High School class of 1948 held their 50 year reunion Saturday night at the new middle school. Sixty-five attended, including 33 classmates.

Former teachers attending were Mr. and Mrs. Dave Ackerman, Mr. and Mrs. Don Borg and Mrs. Evelyn MacRae.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Edmondson of Upland, Calif., came the farthest to attend.

Before the dinner, the class took a bus tour of the village, visiting Rawson Memorial Library, the park, Kranz Funeral Home's new building, the condos, etc.

Pat Wells was mistress of ceremonies.

Harold Whittaker gave the invocation and benediction. School Superintendent Ken Micklash addressed the group, giving comparisons between 1948 and 1998.

Calendars and copies of

faculty pictures from '48 were provided for each class member, as were bricks from the old school.

The class voted to purchase a memorial brick for the downtown park.

A card was signed for Jean Borg Bird, who is very ill.

A memorial board was made in honor of 12 deceased class members.

The committee in charge of planning the reunion included Marilyn Morgan, Lois Sugden, Mary Gjomory, Vickie Wolak, Edith Rae, Yvonne Chambers and Pat Wells. The same committee will plan the next reunion, to be held in 5 years.

Sr. Citizens' Menu

Senior Citizens are asked to make reservations before 9:00 a.m., on the day of the meal, by calling Clara Gaffney, 872-2875.

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Monday - Polish sausage, carrots and potatoes, beets, variety bread, tropical fruit mix.

Tuesday - Beef stew with carrots, potatoes, onions, stewed tomatoes, biscuit, banana pudding.

Friday - Baked cod, mixed vegetables, cukes and sour cream, whole wheat bread, dessert chef's choice.

Cass City Personal Items

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Virginia Auslander and Arthur and Janet Severance attended a 90th birthday party Sunday for Arlene (Meredith) Hyatt in Wixom. She is the widow of the late William Hyatt. Also attending from this area were Larry and Marilyn Ferguson of Bad Axe.

Frank, Marion McClorey, Beatrice Cellner and Linda Barron. They helped Beverly Frank celebrate her birthday. Mary Damm was a guest for ice cream and cake.

It's a boy!



Macie & Tanner Graham

Macie Graham announces the birth of her brother, Tanner Scot Graham. Tanner was born June 9 to Greg and Terri Graham of Naples, Fla.

Grandparents are Al and LuAnn Graham of Cass City and John and Dusty Gibson of Waterford.

Miss Lessel Crawford of Rochester Hills spent from Saturday, Aug. 1, to Monday, Aug. 3, with her sister, Marion McClorey. They attended the Crawford reunion at Cass City Park Sunday.

Patrick and Chris Crawford and children, Tyler and Niki, of Pensacola, Fla., spent from Sunday, Aug. 3, till Thursday, Aug. 6, with Pat's mother, Onalee Crawford, in Cass City. They all attended the Crawford reunion Sunday, Aug. 2.

Guests of Marion McClorey from Friday till Monday were her sister-in-law, Beatrice Cellner, and her daughter, Linda Barron, of Shelby Township. Saturday they attended the Old Settler's Reunion in Deford.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Bootz and family had as dinner guests Sunday, George and Beverly Frank, Sandra

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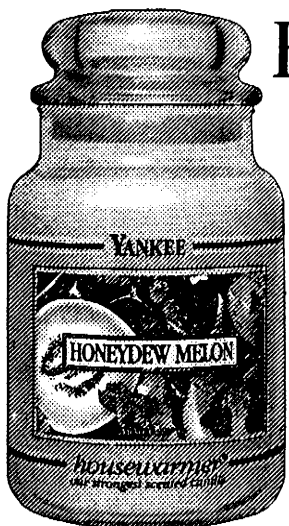
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Meg's Peg

Cat bathing

by Melva E. Guinther

If you don't have, know, or care about cats, skip this column.

If you do, this article by Bud Herron, which came over the Internet, will be appreciated.

"Cat Bathing As A Martial Art"

Some people say cats never have to be bathed. They say cats lick themselves clean. They say cats have a special enzyme of some sort in their saliva that works like New Improved Wisk — dislodging the dirt where it hides and Wisking it away.

I've spent most of my life believing this folklore. Like most blind believers, I've been able to discount all the facts to the contrary — the kitty odors that lurk in the corners of the garage and dirt smudges that cling to the throw rug by the fireplace.

The time comes, however, when a man must face reality; when he must look squarely in the face of massive public sentiment to the contrary and announce: "This cat smells like a porta-potty on a hot day in Juarez."

When that day arrives at your house, as it has in mine, I have some advice you might consider as you place your feline friend under your arm and head for the bathtub:

*Know that although the cat has the advantage of quickness and lack of concern for human life, you have the advantage of strength.

Capitalize on that advantage by selecting the battlefield. Don't try to bathe him in an open area where he can force you to chase him. Pick a very small bathroom.

If your bathroom is more than 4 feet square, I recommend that you get in the tub with the cat and close the

sliding-glass doors as if you were about to take a shower. (A simple shower curtain will not do. A berserk cat can shred a 3-ply shower curtain quicker than a politician can shift positions.)

*Know that a cat has claws and will not hesitate to remove all the skin from your body. Your advantage here is that you are smart and know how to dress to protect yourself.

I recommend canvas overalls tucked into high-top construction boots, a pair of steel-mesh gloves, an army helmet, a hockey mask and a long-sleeved flak jacket.

*Prepare everything in advance. There is no time to go out for a towel when you have a cat digging a hole in your flak jacket.

Draw the water. Make sure the bottle of kitty shampoo is inside the glass enclosure. Make sure the towel can be reached, even if you are lying on your back in the water.

*Use the element of surprise. Pick up your cat nonchalantly, as if to simply carry him to his supper dish. (Cats will not usually notice your strange attire. They have little or no interest in fashion as a rule.)

If he does notice your garb, calmly explain that you are taking part in a product-testing experiment for J.C. Penney.)

(To be continued)



Marriage licenses

Clifford Wilton Anderson, Vassar, and Ethel Prudy Tompkins, Flint.

Chad William Gaeth, Sebawaing, and April Renee Stilson, Vassar.

Jeffery Russel Hartsell and Mary Anna Stadlberger, both of Kingstown.

Thomas Michael Halasz and Charity Lee Hull, both of Gagetown.

Patrick Thomas Bertrand, Mayville, and Kathleen Joann Hayes, Caro.

Paul Edward Trisch and Sandra Lynn Lefler, both of Caro.

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It's a boy!

Richard Jr. and Pamela Brooks announce the birth of William Robert Brooks, at 11:06 a.m. Aug. 7. He weighed 6 pounds, 13 1/2 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

He will join siblings, Butch and Brandy Bee Brooks.

Maternal grandparents are Robert and Kathy McPhail of Cass City.

Paternal grandfather is Richard Brooks Sr. of Cass City.

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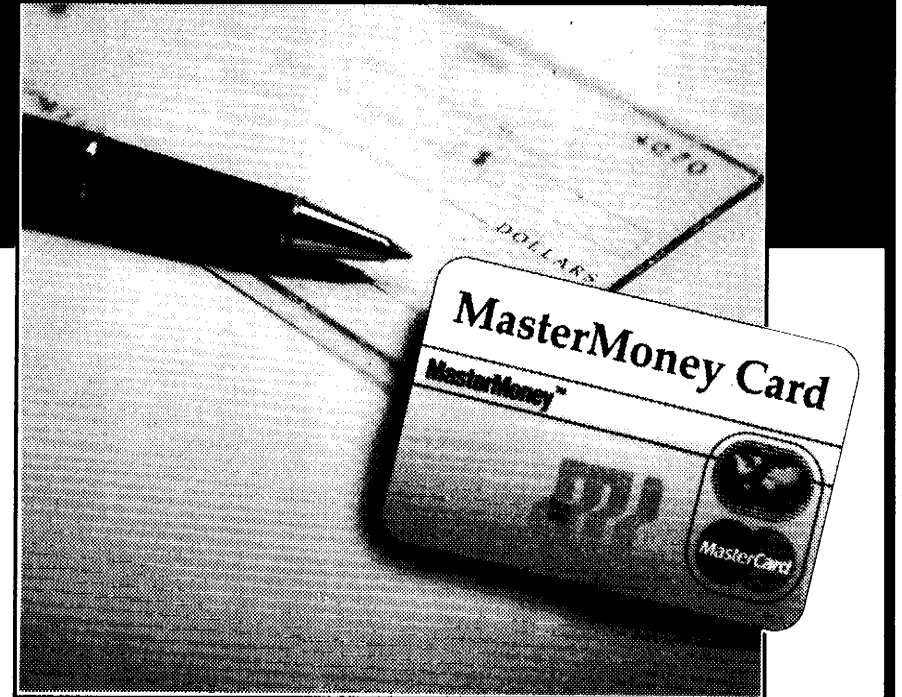
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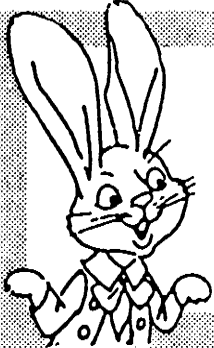


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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

The new computer aided voting machines were in action for Elkland Township for the first time at last week's primary election.

The good news, Elwyn Helwig, one of the election officials, said, is that the machines were much faster than the previous ones and resulted in less wait at the polls.

The bad news is that it took an hour to count the vote after the polls closed and that wasn't much faster than the old method.

Oh so near and yet so far. Chad Tate, Cass City, attempted to qualify for the Buick open and shot a 73. It took a 69 to make it into the elite field.

Maybe next year?

William Toner dropped into the Chronicle with copies he unearthed of the 1954 and 1956 Chronicles. He also has the classified section of a 1942 issue.

I've often wondered just how ancient a copy of the Chronicle is kicking around the homes of area folks.

Just for fun, if you have copies prior to 1954, give us a jingle and we'll pass it on in this column of trivia.

Visitors and members of the Cass City Missionary Church received an unexpected bonus at the church's Sunday service.

After the service they were invited to help themselves to fresh sweet corn from a truck in the parking lot.

The corn was donated by Jim Tuckey, Sr.

Here's another chapter in the small world department. Clarence "Bud" Schneeberger and his wife, Opal, attended the Buick Open golf tourney Thursday at Grand Blanc.

While there, they were interviewed by a writer from the Flint Journal.

It was Matt Bach, who informed Bud that he worked at one time at the Chronicle, next door to Schneeberger's Furniture Store.

Bach was one of the many excellent summer interns from Central Michigan University that have worked (and are working) at the paper.

He's remembered here for his passion for the movies. If everyone were like Matt, Dick Hendrick would probably be sold out every night at his Cass Theatre.



THE FRIENDS OF the Octagon Barn were on the receiving end of a Pinney Foundation grant Monday. Above, foundation representative Bev Perry (center) presents a \$4,000 check to Friends' members Norma Wallace (left) and Margaret Sergeant.

At Walbro Corp.

Mathues vice president

Thomas P. Mathues has been named vice-president-engineering for Walbro Corporation's North American region. The announcement was made by Lawrence C. Ward, president, North American region.

As vice-president-engineering, Mathues will be responsible for automotive and small engine product design and development. He will be based at Walbro's North American regional headquarters in Auburn Hills.

"We are pleased to welcome Tom to Walbro," Ward said in announcing Mathues' appointment. "His extensive

background in engineering, systems and program management will be a tremendous benefit to Walbro as we integrate our resources more globally."

Mathues comes to Walbro after 6 years with ITT Automotive, where he served most recently as director of engineering for the North America Brake & Chassis Group. He also served as worldwide engineering director of brake and apply systems and headed the coordination of engineering design and development between Europe and North America.

Prior to joining ITT,


Mathues spent 19 years at General Motors, where he held a variety of positions in component and vehicle engineering.

Mathues holds a BS in mechanical engineering from General Motors Institute, Flint. A resident of Clarkston, he is married and has 4 children.

Pressure

If you are diagnosed with high blood pressure, your doctor is likely to suggest more bananas and potatoes in your diet because they have hefty portions of potassium. That's important because some blood pressure medications have an unfortunate side effect. They cause potassium levels to dip. Other foods high in potassium include fruits and vegetables, baked beans and yams, milk, carrot juice, fish and lean meat.

The Haire Net



A little of this and that on items culled from the news of the day.

It's rare that the Detroit Free Press and the Detroit News agree editorially about anything on the political front. Basically the News is a supporter of the Republicans and the Free Press leans towards the Democrats.

An exception is the candidacy of Geoffrey Fieger for Michigan governor. It's thumbs down on Fieger from both papers.

And Fieger is a Democrat, so it figures to be a no-brainer that Ronna Romney, a GOP activist, would scorn Fieger when he asked her to run for Lieutenant Governor on the Democratic ticket.

Instead of a flat-out immediate refusal of Fieger's offer, Romney delayed replying until early this week.

Politics makes strange bed-fellows.

It's died down now, but cer-

tainly you can remember the brouhaha early this year about an anti-tobacco bill. National Republican Congressional Committee Chairman Rep. John Linder, Republican from Georgia, is reported in news stories as saying good-bye to a tobacco bill. It's gone.

Meanwhile, the tobacco industry continues its massive national advertising campaign against a comprehensive measure.

Who said that advertising doesn't pay?

In the battle to allow more skilled foreign workers into the country to relieve the shortage, President Clinton wants the Department of Commerce to have more regulatory powers if a bill is passed.

In the debate Craig Barrett, Intel CEO, writes the president that if the administration's demand for arbitration hearings, etc., are included in the proposed legislation allowing more foreign skilled workers, it will be simpler and easier just to move the jobs offshore.

Easier for the companies, sure, but how about the current employees? Given the track record of many big business concerns in the "global economy" competition today, their fate doesn't seem to be a top priority.

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The back forty

by Roger Pond

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Keeping in style has always been a problem for me. The only way I can keep up with fashions is to wear cowboy clothes all of the time. Those never go out of style.

My biggest problem is finding jeans that fit. There are several reasons for this, but the clothing manufacturers certainly deserve part of the blame.

My waist size hasn't changed much. It just moved down a few inches. Why can't clothing manufacturers compensate for things like that?

I could try suspenders, but I grew up in the days when suspenders were for sissies - and bib overalls were considered "barn clothes." Nobody would have been caught dead in a pair of suspenders when I was a kid.

All that has changed. The biggest thing going with kids today is baggy pants and suspenders. These kids had better wear suspenders, because there's no way to hold those pants up if they don't.

My daughter tells me she has seen 2 kids lose their drawers in the past few months. One was talking on the phone in front of the grocery, and the other was trying to get on his bicycle.

Nobody wore baggy pants when I was a kid. Our jeans were called overalls, and we made sure they were tight in the hips and pegged at the cuff. Anyone who could put his pants on without lying on the floor didn't have enough taper.

Our jeans weren't full of wrinkles, either. That's because my mother had a mangle iron.

A few readers may remember the old mangle irons. Mother called hers the "automatic iron," but there was nothing automatic about it.

This iron had a big, round drum that rotated against a concave to press the clothes. Mother sat in front of it, feeding pants into the machine, much like one would feed a wringer-washer.

The drum was operated by a foot pedal. Each time the concave was pressed against

the clothes, a big cloud of steam would belch toward the ceiling. Talk about power; using a mangle iron for wash day was like taking a road-roller to a cookie bake.

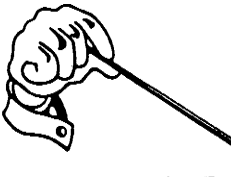
There were 5 boys in our family, and Mother was dedicated to keeping all of our clothes clean. Wash day often looked like an explosion at a Levi's factory.

The automatic iron would press any type of clothes, but Mother only used it for overalls. If you put a tan shirt through this iron, it came out looking like a brown grocery bag.

Jeans rolled from the automatic iron like paper from a typewriter. These pants were brittle. You had to bend them over a chair or slam them in a door a few times to loosen them up so you could crawl in.

Styles change, I guess. Clean, well-pressed clothes were a lot more important in those days than they are now.

I'll tell you one thing, though. Those loose, cotton pants kids are wearing these days wouldn't have lasted 2 weeks at our house. Mother's automatic iron would have eaten them alive.



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Thursday	80	71	.45"
Friday	84	71	.70"
Saturday	92	71	0
Sunday	87	60	.50"
Monday	87	64	.02"

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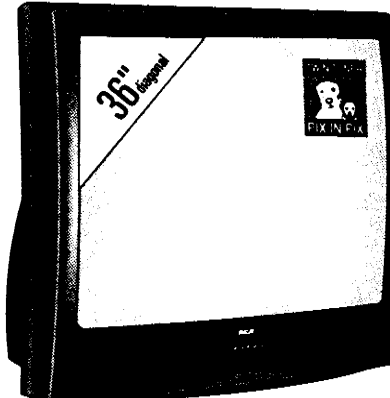
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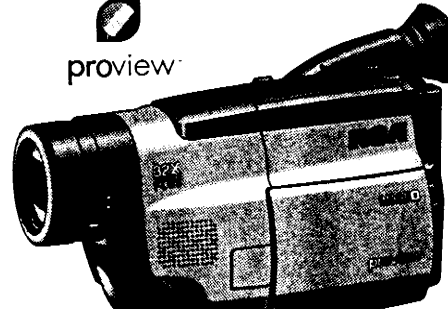
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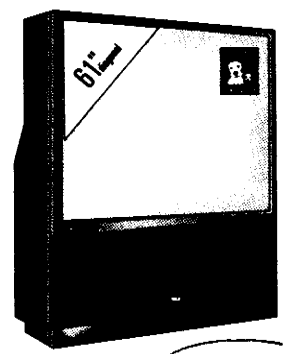
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EXTENDED HOMEMAKERS

Eleven members and 2 guests of the Greenleaf Extended Homemakers met at the Cass City Park Thursday for a potluck lunch at the gazebo.

The next meeting will be an organizational meeting with Jean Clarke as hostess Sept. 10.

The Evans Gibbard families spent the weekend camping at Wadham Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen were Sunday guests of Ben and Donelda Meske at Port Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Day of Wyoming, Mich., and Mrs. Martin Sweeney were Thursday supper guests of Margaret Miller in Ubyly.

Jim A. Sweeney and Kay were Sunday guests of Mary Louise and Jim Booms at Harbor Beach.

Dan Franzel and Allen Farrelly visited Larry Adams before going to the Peking Chinese restaurant in Sebawaing Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Britt were Saturday evening guests of

Mrs. Earl Schenk.

Sally and Pat Bell and Laurene of Carp Lake spent the weekend with Jim A. and Kay Sweeney.

Allen Farrelly spent Wednesday afternoon with his daughter, Julie Koroleski, and daughters in Bad Axe.

Alice and Allen Depcinski, Rita and Ray Depcinski and Marie Black attended the funeral of Shirley Ann Klimaszewski at St. Lawrence Catholic Church at Utica Friday.

Mrs. Ken Osentoski was a Monday and Thursday afternoon guest of Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Around 30 friends and relatives attended a pink and blue shower for Mrs. Randy Webber at Ubyly Heights Country Club at Ubyly. After a luncheon, cake and ice cream were served. Prizes were awarded to everyone present.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Day of Wyoming, Mich., came Wednesday to spend a few days with Mrs. Martin Sweeney and visit other friends and relatives.

Larry Silver of Brighton spent the weekend with Reva Silver.

Dr. and Mrs. John Zauner

of Los Altos, Calif., spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. John Pelton.

Allen Farrelly attended the funeral of Sally Abraham at St. John's Catholic Church in Ubyly Wednesday morning.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Patieka were Dr. Melanie Goodell, Laura and Amy of Lincolnshire, Ill., Ted Particka, Kim Willoughby and daughters, Stephanie and Ashley.

Rita and Ray Depcinski attended the chicken dinner at the Sportsman Hall at Rapson.

Mrs. Curtis Cleland received word that Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hosner arrived at their new home in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Sweeney of Brown City and Mr. and Mrs. Jim A. Sweeney had dinner Friday at the Ubyly Heights Country Club. Afterward they went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sweeney in Ubyly for ice cream and cake in celebration of Phil Sweeney's birthday.

Florence Watson, Thelma Jackson, Mrs. Curtis Cleland and Mrs. Gerald Wills enjoyed a picnic dinner at Oak Beach Sunday.

Dianna Yurenka and friend of Romeo were Wednesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pelton.

Eighteen friends were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, where they celebrated Dan Franzel's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Depcinski, Albert Depcinski, Albert and Steven, and Ervin Depcinski were among those who attended the funeral of Eugene Flannery at St. Ignatius Catholic Church at Freiburg Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Bouck attended the Bouck reunion Sunday at Oak Beach.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited her aunt, Susie Grzybowski, and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Cielinski in Ubyly Monday evening.

Laura Goodell of Lincolnshire, Ill., is spending a week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Particka.

Mrs. Gerald Wills was a Friday evening guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ballagh.

Ira Leppek and Ann Meredith of Las Vegas are spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. Chet Leppek and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz and visiting other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hanby visited Thelma Jackson Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Mark Farrelly and sons and Allen Farrelly were Sunday evening guests of Julie Koroleski and girls.

Rita Depcinski and Alice Depcinski visited Loas Wolschlagier and Mrs. Don Near at the Huron County

Thanks for calling 872-2010 with feature story ideas

Medical Care Facility and Mrs. Charlie Messing at Minden City Tuesday. They also visited Violet Holdwick.

Fred Goodwin and Irene Kippen of Port Huron were Monday guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Briolat of Memphis are vacationing at Traverse City for a week, where they will celebrate Ronald's birthday.

Clara Bond and Thelma Jackson were Tuesday lunch guests of Mrs. Arnold LaPeer.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown and Mrs. Curtis Cleland were Thursday evening guests of Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Mary Kay and Dan Ritter, Alex and Beth of Elkton were Tuesday afternoon guests of Jim A. and Kay Sweeney.

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

Seventeen members of the Breakfast Club met at the Peppermill in Bad Axe Thursday morning. They will meet at the Franklin Inn in Bad Axe next week.

Monday and Tuesday guests of Mrs. Mary Beardsley were Mrs. Debra Wilson and children, Chrystal and Nick. Chrystal and Nick spent a week with their great-grandmother.

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday guests of Mrs. Mary Beardsley were Mr. and Mrs. David Beardsley Sr. and Trinity. Thursday guests were David Beardsley Jr. of Metamora and Mr. and Mrs. Jason Wills and sons, Thomas and Michael.

Weekend guests of Mrs. Mary Beardsley were Mr. and Mrs. Roger Price and children, Paul and Samantha, of Spring Lake.

Farm Bureau sets annual meeting Sept. 3 in Caro

The Tuscola County Farm Bureau will hold its annual meeting Thursday, Sept. 3, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 903 Ryan Rd., Caro. The dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting starts at 8 p.m. Local farmers will discuss, debate and approve policy on issues affecting Tuscola County.

The Tuscola County Farm Bureau Policy Development Committee, chaired by Myron Ortnor of Reese, will recommend policies dealing with township zoning ordinances and railway safety. The farmers will also pass policy on state and national issues, to be forwarded to the Michigan Farm Bureau Policy Development Committee.

Recommendations to be considered include state bottle return, purchase of development rights, TB in the Michigan deer herd, state drain code and agricultural support.

Tickets for the annual meeting are available from the Tuscola County Farm Bureau office in Caro and cost \$5.50 per person. To order tickets, call 517-673-4155.

Health dept. sets hearing, vision tests

The Tuscola County Health Department will be offering hearing and vision screening for any child who may have missed kindergarten round-up, and who will be entering school in the fall.

Screening will be done Aug. 17 and 18 at the Tuscola County Health Department, 1309 Cleaver Rd., Caro, from 8 a.m. until noon, and 1 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. Please call the health department at (517) 673-8114 to schedule an appointment.

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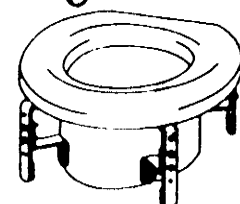
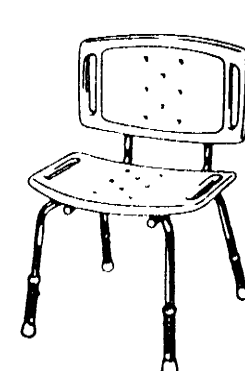
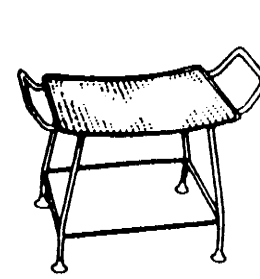
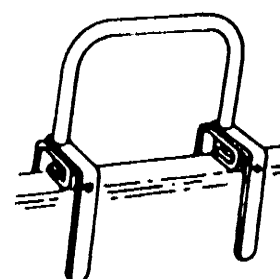
- ◆ Dr. Aly was born in Menoufia, Egypt. He received his M.D. and M.Sc. Degree from Cairo University.
- ◆ Dr. Aly has been in the U.S. since 1987. From 1987-1991 he worked on his Research Fellow in Immunology at Holland Lab, American Red Cross in Maryland. From 1991-1994 he was a resident in Pediatrics at Penn State University in Pennsylvania and from 1994 to present Dr. Aly has been at Wayne State University Children's Hospital of Michigan.
- ◆ Dr. Aly belongs to the American Academy of Pediatrics and American College of Cardiology. He has his Ph.D. in Genetics from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. and his Pediatric Advanced Life Support Certification.
- ◆ Dr. Aly is married with three children. He and his family will be residing in Cass City.

Call now to schedule appointments for August!
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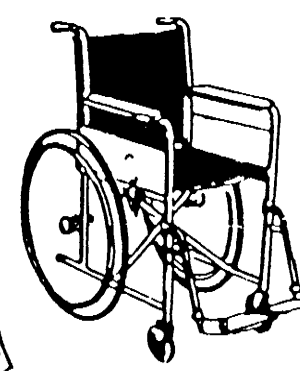
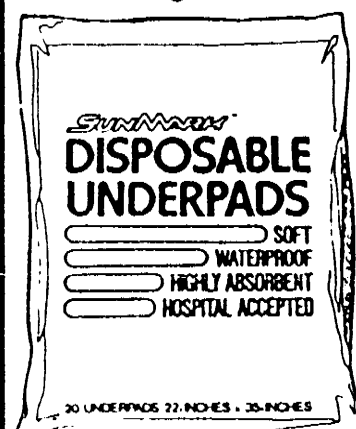
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5 YEARS AGO

Glenn R. Minard, 39, Deford, was fatally attacked by a 2,000-pound bull on the family's Crawford Rd. farm Saturday morning.

Sandra J. McCoy, 30, of Cass City, died from injuries sustained in a one-vehicle accident early Friday morning in Sanilac County's Marion Township.

In an announcement Monday, the Owen-Gage School Board named high school Principal Manuel Thies to the post of superintendent to replace Supt. Harley Kirby, who will retire effective Sept. 30.

New, safe playground equipment has been installed just east of the Cass City Elementary School, thanks to a major fund raising effort sponsored by school officials and the Cass City PTA. Cost of the equipment was \$32,000.

Work on the \$152,000 Division Street project is well underway. The 1,400-foot extension, connecting the Cass City Industrial Park to Seeger Street, is expected to be completed by Sept. 15.

10 YEARS AGO

Bob Battel's grand champion steer weighed in at 1,265 pounds and was purchased at \$1.13 per pound by the Cass City State Bank. Battel is a member of the Cass City Livestock Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Withey joined Mr. and Mrs. Rod Krueger and left Saturday from Caseville on a month's cruise. The Witheys plan a visit with their son Mike, stationed at Norfolk, Va.

The first theater group to form locally in years is busily preparing its debut performance. The Cass City Players will present the Broadway farce, "Never Too Late", Aug. 19 and 20 at Cass City High School.

Former Cass City resident Janet Laine recently completed flight attendant training at the American Airline Learning Center, Dallas/Fort Worth. She is a 1971 Cass City High School graduate and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Weippert of Cass City.

The Cass City High School class of 1928 held its first reunion Thursday at the Charmont. Some 30 persons, including 16 class

members and 4 teachers, attended. Teachers present were Esther (Tarnoski) McCullough of Cass City, Lois (Rainey) Folkert of Bay City, Louise (Watrous) Coates of Southfield, and Helen (White) Baker of Cass City.

25 YEARS AGO

Dean Allen Stover, 10, of Milligan Rd., lost his life in a farm accident Wednesday afternoon.

A group of property owners in the Owendale-Gagetown school district will proceed with an appeal to the State Board of Education after their request for transfer into the Cass City school district was turned down Thursday night.

Mary Hanby was honored at First Baptist Church Aug. 5. Miss Hanby has served as Christian education director at the church for 6 years and recently resigned to accept a position as vocational counselor at Shepherds Home and School, Union Grove, Wis. A potluck dinner and program were held in the church social hall. Tributes to Miss Hanby were presented by Steve Wells, Mark Guinther and Mrs. Walt Zmierski.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Connell and daughter Gail of Frankenmuth are vacationing in Europe. While there they plan to visit Mrs. Connell's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hulien, in Rota, Spain.

A group of 30 youth from Good Shepherd Lutheran Church attended the Tiger ball game in Detroit Sunday, accompanied by Robert Ridenour, Eugene Nicholas, Mrs. W.G. Hacker and Gerald Guinther.

35 YEARS AGO

After reviewing the 4-week summer reading program, the Cass City School Board reports that next year there will be a 6-week course offered at the school. The board would like to see a math course and a typing course offered during the summer months.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Kelley have an open house policy. One of many nationalities to visit the Kelley home will leave soon. Mr. and Mrs. Watson Hau-Tsung Soong and baby Grace will be missionaries in Hong Kong in the near future. The Kelleys have entertained students from China, Rhodesia, Mexico, Nigeria, Sweden and Argentina.

Hills and Dales General Hospital has cared for 6,000 patients in less than 3 years. Donna Hutchinson, 5, of Unionville, was admitted last week as the 6,000th patient since the hospital opened Aug. 15, 1960. Dr. H.T. Donahue treated Donna for a fractured leg.

Thomas C. Hulien, electronics technician (navigational) second class, re-enlisted for 4 years Monday, Aug. 5, at the U.S. Naval Radio Station Cutler. Hulien, who first enlisted in the Navy at Flint, is formerly from Cass City.

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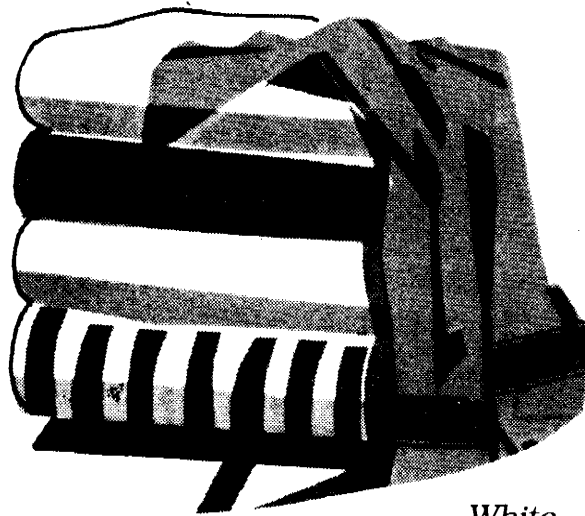
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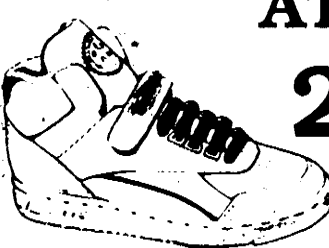
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Anita Bryant has said of the Good Twins, "I have been blessed to have worked with the Good Twins in the 13 concerts we have worked together... Their devotion to

our Lord is evident to all who hear them."

The public is cordially invited and a nursery will be available. For further information, call the church at 872-3658.

Frank family gathers

Descendants of the late Albert and Ethel (Popp) Frank held their annual family reunion Aug. 1, with 45 family members and 5 guests attending.

Theresa (Popp) Scott of Allenton was the oldest present and Benjamin Bootz, infant son of Erik and Michelle Bootz of Cass City, the youngest.

The deaths of Nicholas Popp and Mary (Popp) Witzgall occurred during the past year.

Shirley (Frank) Short of North Carolina traveled the farthest to attend, with other family members coming from Ohio and Michigan.

Prizes for the games played were provided by Dave and Pam Howden of Caro, and George and Beverly Frank of Cass City.

Josh Kilbourn of Deford won the door prize.

The next reunion will be held in the year 2000.



The only game show to become the season's top-rated series was *The \$64,000 Question* in 1955-56.



AFTER LOSING their opening 2 games, the Cass City team ran off 13 straight wins to capture the Vassar Fastpitch Softball League title. They are: (front l-r) Mike Diegel, Dan Cuddie, Matt Irrer, Mark Irrer, Jurgen Roth, Nick Bliss, Chad Diegel. (Back l-r) Coach Marv Irrer, Dave Murphy, Andy Gray, Jim Baker, Joe Langenburg, Leigh Langenburg, Tim Babich. Missing is Dave Wright.



THE CASS CITY Rotary Club recently donated \$1,500 to the Cass City football program from proceeds earned during the club's annual July 4th Fire In The Sky basketball tournament. Accepting the check from Rotary member Craig Bellew (right) is Head Coach Tom Esch.

Sugarbeet tour set for Aug. 26

The Sugarbeet Advancement Project is sponsoring a Sugarbeet Variety Tour Aug. 26 beginning at 5 p.m.

The tour will begin at the Richard Sylvester farm, located 1 3/4 miles north of M-138 on Vassar Road. The Sylvester location will feature Grower Select Varieties and the Monitor Sugar Research Trial.

The second stop will be at the Rick Ryers farm, located one mile north of M-138 on Bradford Road at the corner of Darbee and Bradford roads. This location has the regular variety trials, which include pelleted seed trial.

Steve Poindexter, MSU Extension sugar beet specialist, will discuss the various varieties and the observations that he has made during the

growing season.

Current crop concerns will also be discussed by company sugar beet agriculturalists and Extension personnel.

Family farms survive

The family farm is alive and healthy in the United States and corporate held farms are still small, with 10 or fewer stockholders. Data from the U.S. Bureau of the Census show that 86 percent of the 1.9 million U.S. farms are sole proprietorships that generate 54 percent of farm product sales. Family corporations equal 3.4 percent of the total number of farms with a sales share of 21 percent. Non-family held corporations account for about .4 percent of all farm numbers with a tiny 6 percent sales share.



Chip Shots

MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE Aug. 9

SCRATCH FLIGHT

Mike Murphy	173
Craig Helwig	162
Rich Tate	147
Jerry Toner	146
Bill Kritzman	143
Don Ouvry	143
Terry Wiseman	135
Jason McCallum	133
Ken Zdrojewski	121
Dale McIntosh	119
Newell Harris	116
Mike Randall	109
Clark Erla	106
Dave Hoard	95

FLIGHT #1

John Maharg	159
Rick Hollis	158
John Riddle	147
Ernie Bellew	141
Mike Becking	141
Jim Peyer	135
Elwyn Helwig	131
Daryl Iwankovitsch	129
Jim Apley	128
Fred Leeson	128
Jack Burns	125
Jack Hool	123
Jon Zdrojewski	116
Dan Dickinson	87

FLIGHT #2

Craig Weaver	162
Russ Bieler	153
Jim Hobbs	151
Stan Guinther	149
Craig Bellew	146
Gene Kloc	141
Dan Hitler	136
Rick Doerr	134
Dick Wallace	125
Dick Haley	120
Gary Robinson	112
Don Erla	107
Doug O'Dell	106
Kurt Dennis	92

FLIGHT #3

Ken Schott	153
Bob Stickle	151
Jep Bryant	147
Anton Peters	141
Duane Henn	*141
Phil Schimmell	140
Clate Sawdon	135
Dave Hutchison	134
Jim Wirtz	133
Cas Pasieczny	126
Blaine deBeaubien	115
Frank Miller	113
Jim Mastie	*99
Bill Ewald	98

FLIGHT #4

Pat Davis	154
Bruce LeValley	157
Bert Althaver	147
John Niebrzydowski	142
Jesse Salas	*128
Jeff Trepkowski	140
Doug Lautner	136
Roger Cooper	133
John Agar	128
Kelly Smith	120
Brian Cuddie	118
Asa Apley	*101
Charles Tunis	102
Fred Mikolon	106
* Points to be adjusted	

TWO-MAN GOLF LEAGUE

EARLY DIVISION

Maharg/Pasieczny	177
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LATE DIVISION

J.Hillaker/S.Murphy	148
Hool/Toner	145
Hartel/Comment	142
Schneeberger/Kelley	142
McCallum/Randall	139
Wright/Prieskorn	135
Doerr/Haire	128
Becking/K.Bliss	128
Chappel/Pasant	126
M.Murphy/K.Martin	120
C.Hillaker/deBeaubien	115
LeValley/Morgan	113
K.Smith/Biddinger	109
Jones/Marshall	95

TUESDAY MORNING LADIES' LEAGUE As of 8-4

1st Flight - 18 Holes

Fran Bellew	114.0
Mary Rabideau	113.0
Nelle Maharg	110.0
Joan Montgomery	105.5
Ardis Haist	95.5
Toby Weaver	88.5
Kelly Maharg	88.5
Bunny O'Berski	83.0

2nd Flight - 18 Holes

Bonnie Miller	127.5
Millie Nadison	121.0
Lil Jaroch	110.0
Linda Helwig	101.5
Marie Scott	97.5
Barb Wilson	93.5
Candy Holdship	77.0
Dee Pickett	70.0

3rd Flight - 9 Holes

Eleanora Rees	97
Jane Hool	93
Arlene Regentin	84
Joann Martin	78
Peg Veldman	74
Blanche Rumpitz	67
Mary Lou Maurer	67

4th Flight - 9 Holes

Pearl Parsell	89
Phyllis Ridge	81
Noreen Krug	77
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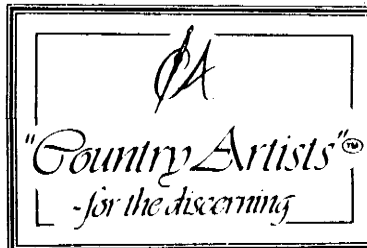


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JUDI HAAS showcases samples of local art work that will be auctioned off Saturday during the 5th annual Octagon Barn Festival.

Unique art auction to highlight celebration

By Leah Nixon
Staff Writer

Friends of the Octagon Barn are hoping to raise nearly \$2,000 at their upcoming auction Aug. 15. The auction is scheduled to take place at 1:30 p.m. on the grounds of the Octagon Barn near the house.

Drawings from local artists are going to be featured at the

auction along with painted saw blades, clocks in the shape of Michigan and a hand carved storage chest, said Friends of the Octagon Barn member Judi Haas.

"These are all original pieces of art," Haas explained. "They will be highly collectable."

Some of the art featured are pictures of area barns which are featured in a yearly cal-

endar produced by the group. Since 1996 area artists have drawn different local barns for a calendar to raise money for restoration of the Octagon barn, Haas added.

"We are going to expand it (barns) to the whole state of Michigan for the 2000 calendar," she continued. "This is one of the major money making projects for restoration of the barn."

"We just finished the roof," she said. "The main objective is to restore the barn to its prime."

Hopefully it can become a museum for adults and children, but group members are just talking about that now, she added.

Your neighbor says

Small town stores offer convenience

Small town business owners can offer convenience to many community members, even though there is less of a selection of products and goods.

"I think people use a small town store for convenience when they are not major shopping," said Gerald Prieskorn, who owns the Ben Franklin Store with his wife Geraldine.

"Everyone has the mindset that prices are cheaper and assortments are better in cities," he continued. "They don't think some of the local merchants can supply their needs."

Prieskorn calls it the "mall mentality." "I had high school kids who worked on Sundays and one came in with new loafers."

The student said the loafers were purchased at a store located in the city, Prieskorn explained. "They didn't go to Kritzman's first."

People get into the idea they can go to the mall, he added. "We try to convey to the public what we have through advertising and circulars, which are advertising."

"I wouldn't have had it any other way, or I wouldn't have stuck around for 40 years," Prieskorn said. "It's the greatest job on earth."

Having a small town business depends on where someone wants to live and the atmosphere they desire, he added. "In a small town there is less competition."



Plans set for stamp cancellation

O.I.C. Linda Downing has announced that the Gageton Post Office will have a temporary postal station at the Octagon Barn Festival Aug. 15.

The station will be open from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. During this time an official stamp cancellation will be available to commemorate the event. Other services available include: commemorative stamps, Celebrate the Century stamp series and Loony Tune products.

Pictorial cancellations can be applied to any article bearing postage. Many event attendees and stamp collectors alike save the cancellations as souvenirs or keepsakes.

The postal station will be located at 6483 Lincoln St., in front of the post office.

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Plenty to do, see, Saturday

Octagon Barn Fest on tap

A summer celebration focusing on the past and future of the historical Octagon Barn near Gageton continues this year with the fifth annual Octagon Barn Festival, slated for Saturday.

The festival features a host of activities both in the village of Gageton and at the site of the Octagon Barn, located on Richie Road.

The event has grown in popularity over the years, with an estimated 5,000 people attending last year's festival.

"We expect a big crowd," said Rose Putnam, president the friends' executive committee. "We have some new souvenirs this year and we've changed some things."

Putnam noted Gageton businesses and residents have really come together to help make the annual festival successful. "We're really excited about their support," she added.

The fun gets underway Saturday morning with opening ceremonies at 10:30 a.m. in Gageton. The annual parade is slated to begin at 11 a.m. in the village.

Activities in town include a special U.S. Postal cancellation, a raffle and display

sponsored by the Elmwood Township Fire Department, Methodist Church annual bazaar, historical tours from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Agatha Catholic Church, crafters during the day and entertainment at night at the Gageton Inn, and mule team wagon rides.

Local food vendors will offer a variety of taste treats, from popcorn and candy to foot-long hot dogs, brat burgers and Navajo tacos. Also slated is a chicken barbecue at Sherwood on the Hill.

At the barn, a pet contest will get underway at 12:30 p.m., with an art auction to follow at 1:30 p.m.

The auction will be held on the front porch of the Purdy home adjacent to the barn and will feature original sketches from the Friends of the Octagon Barn 1998 and 1999 calendars plus other art objects.

There will also be kids games and a watermelon eating contest, an Amish bake sale, farm animal display, entertainment by Mid-Michigan Music Makers, wagon rides and crafters.

Octagon Barn souvenirs available for sale will include T-shirts with some new designs, trinket boxes, denim caps and one-piece infant rompers.

Barn and house tours will be available throughout the day, with the Lions Club planning a brat and corn roast, and local Girl Scouts serving up nachos and pop.

At the center of the celebration is the Octagon Barn itself, which has undergone an extensive facelift thanks to some very dedicated volunteers.

The unique, 8-sided barn was built back in the 1920s by workers hired by then-owners James and Cora Purdy, who also constructed a 12-room craftsman-type bungalow on the Richie Road property.

Both structures were in disrepair until the Friends of the Octagon Barn was established in 1994. Since then, the friends have raised some \$113,000 and completed several repair projects. Extensive work on the barn roof

was completed last May, a full 18 months ahead of schedule under the committee's 5-year plan.

Workers are now putting a new roof on the garage and have started scraping and painting the exterior of the house, Putnam said.

Through an agreement with the Department of Natural Resources, the Friends of the Octagon Barn has unlimited access to and sole use of the barn, adjacent farmhouse and outbuildings, as well as

an 8.25 acre parcel surrounding the barn for the purpose of preservation, restoration and maintenance.

The agreement expires at the end of this year, but Putnam noted the friends have already met with the DNR and submitted a draft proposal that would continue the arrangement.

The DNR maintains ownership of the barn and surrounding land and has made it part of the 1,000-acre Gageton State Game Area.



GOOD FOOD is a part of the annual Octagon Barn Festival, slated for Saturday in Gageton and at the site of the historical barn. Above, Mike and Nel Wald were among the groups that served up tasty treats to last year's crowd, estimated at some 5,000 people.

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SCHOOL STARTS THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 27, 1998

General Information

The Cass City Public Schools will open Thursday, August 27, 1998 with a full day session. All students are to report to their respective buildings. All fourth through twelfth grade students from the Deford and Evergreen areas will be attending school in Cass City.

Kindergarten through third grade students from Evergreen Township who reside north of Argyle Road will attend Campbell Elementary School or Cass City Early Childhood Education Center, while Kindergarten through third grade students residing south of Argyle Road will attend Deford Elementary School.

School offices will be open the week of August 10th to register new students. Considerable waiting time may be saved if appointments to register the students are made.

Kindergarten

Kindergarten classes in both elementary buildings begin on Thursday, August 27th. Kindergarten parents will be notified by letter when to come for parent conferences.

Parents should present the child's birth certificate, health record, and enrollment sheet before school starts if they have not already done so.

School Time Schedules

School	Starting Time	Dismissal
Campbell Elementary	8:12 a.m.	3:08 p.m.
Deford Elementary	8:12	3:08
Early Childhood Ed. Center	8:12	3:08
Middle School	8:15	3:01
High School	8:20	3:13

Buses

Buses will begin the year traveling similar routes as last year. Adjustments to balance the bus loads and to provide for the transportation of new students will be made as soon as possible. The following bus policies have been adopted by the Board of Education.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- To observe classroom conduct (except for ordinary conversation) while getting on, getting off and riding the bus.
- To occupy the seat assigned by the driver and remain seated in an erect position with both feet on the floor while the bus is in motion.
- To be at the pickup place designated at the scheduled time.
- To wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before attempting to get on or off.
- To keep all parts of your body inside the bus at all times.
- To cross a traveled highway, if necessary after leaving the bus, by walking in front of the bus.
- To leave or board the bus only with the consent of the driver and only through the proper door.
- To immediately report to the driver any damage to the bus.
- To help keep the bus clean, sanitary and orderly and the aisles free of any obstructions.
- To obey the driver cheerfully and to refrain from unnecessary conversation with the driver while the bus is moving.

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- To take all precautions necessary for the protection of their children while going to and from the bus stop.
- To work in a cooperative manner with those responsible for pupil transportation.

BUS DISCIPLINE PROCEDURE

- First violation - The driver submitting the violation report will deliver it personally to the Principal of the building the student attends. The Principal will arrange a conference at which the student, driver and Principal will be in attendance. A written communication regarding the violation and disciplinary action taken will be sent to the parents.
- Second violation - The same procedure as in the first violation. The minimum disciplinary action will be three (3) day suspension from riding the bus.
- Third violation - The same procedures as above with a five (5) day minimum suspension.

Cafeteria

Elementary and High School cafeteria will open on Thursday, August 27th. The price for lunches at Campbell and Deford is \$1.10. Weekly lunch tickets are available on Mondays for students at a cost of \$5.50. The price for middle and high school is \$1.15. Milk is available for all students who carry their own lunch at a cost of 25 cents a carton.

Lunch Ticket Incentive Option:

The lunch ticket incentive option is to encourage a balanced hot lunch for students and to assure that they will not have to charge. Parents will have the peace of mind knowing that the money they send for hot lunch will be used for a balanced diet and not snack bar items. For each 43 day ticket purchased per quarter students will receive two (2) free days.

*Example-Pay for:	Receive free days:	Total days on ticket:
43	+	2
86	+	4
129	+	6
172	+	8
	=	45
	=	90
	=	135
	=	180

The school breakfast program will begin in all schools on Thursday, August 27, 1998. Student cost for breakfast is 90 cents. Students who wish to participate in the breakfast program will be allowed in each building's cafeteria approximately 15 to 20 minutes prior to the beginning school time.

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	(funded by State grant)

Early Childhood Education Center

Diane Tuckey	4 yr. old Early Childhood
Frances Lovejoy	Developmental Kindergarten
Paula LeValley	Kindergarten
Shirley Tuckey	Kindergarten

Elementary - Deford

Kelly Ball	Kindergarten (a.m.)
Linda Rose	First Grade
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Linda Stec	Third Grade

Elementary - Campbell

Marion Binder	First Grade
Rosemary Bushong	First -Third Multi-age
Sherry Dillon	First Grade
Marlene Erla	First Grade
Nancy Leino	Second Grade
Jeanine McGee	First-Third Multi-age
Martha Butcher	Second Grade
Nancy Walker	Second Grade
Brenda Fulcher	Third-Fourth Multi-age
Kathreen Iseler	First-Third Multi-age
Barbara Tuckey	Third Grade
Kristine Milligan	Third Grade
Robyn Powell	Third-Fourth Multi-age
Peggy Gogola	Fourth Grade
Linda Gray	Fourth Grade
Mary Jo Mantey	Fourth Grade
Yvonne Sherman	Fourth Grade
Linda Guza	Special Education
JoAnn Bowman	Special Education
Colleen D'Arcy	Special Education

Middle School

Judy Brown	Library
Jenifer Green	Fifth Grade
Barbara Kirm	Fifth Grade
Marilyn Mastie	Fifth Grade
Sally Milhoin	Fifth Grade
Nancy Hutchinson	Fifth Grade
Linda Derfny	Sixth Grade
Deb Hobbs	Sixth Grade
Michael Gogola	Sixth Grade
Carol Pasant	Sixth Grade
Ronald Woloshen	Sixth Grade
Michelle Anscomb	5/8th Grade Music/Drama
Mary Anne Cross	7th Grade Language Arts
Daryl Iwankovitsch	7/8th Grade Computers
Kurt Dennis	8th Grade Science
Sandy Post	5/8th Physical Ed./Careers
Linda Volz	8th Grade Language Arts
Kally Maharg	8th Grade Social Studies
James Mastie	7th Grade Science
Kay McCrea	5/8th Grade Life Management
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Sarah Satchell	Special Education

Senior High School

Julie Bitzer	Special Education
George Bushong	Computers, Yearbook & Technology Coordinator
Chad Daniels	Debate, Forensics, Theater and Social Studies
Nancy Folk	English 10
James Green	Science, Physics & Chemistry
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Joseph Guza	Mathematics, Trigonometry and Calculus
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Kathy Tuckey	Spanish, French & World Studies
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Craig Weaver	Geometry & Algebra
Nancy Weippert	Science
Sean Zawilinski	Biology & Science
Jacque Zawilinski	World Studies, Sociology and Psychology
	Library

Multi-Building Personnel

Elizabeth Dillon	Elementary Physical Education
Donna Emerson	Elementary Library
James Hobbs	Elementary Vocal Music
Christine LaBerge	Elementary School Art
Jason Smigell	Instrumental Music
Diane Tuckey	Early Childhood (Funded by State Grant)

Chapter I - Federally Funded

Edlore Pasant	Director of Federal Programs (Part Time)
Cathy Cooper	Reading Specialist/Reading Recovery
Laura Schinnerer	Reading Specialist/At Risk Teacher
Kelly Ball	Reading Specialist/Reading Recovery

Bus Drivers

Lynwood LaPeer	Marcia Hoffman	Doug Hyatt
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Lona Piaskowski		

Teacher Assistants

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Technical Support Specialist

Amy Schuette

Crossing Guards

Kathy Daneault Barb McComb Kim Dorland Connie LaPeer

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Charles Creason

Library Aide

Joann Guinther

Early Childhood Aide

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Building Service Personnel

David Barnes	Building Maintenance Supervisor
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Randy Schuette	Ass't. Building Maintenance Supervisor
Mark Stover	High School
Norbert Rheel	High School
Wendy Dickson	Middle School
Robert Rockwell	Middle School
Timothy Jewett	Campbell Elementary School
Joe Krol	Campbell Elementary School & Early Childhood Center
Donald Loomis	Campbell Elementary School
Clayton Sawdon	Deford Elementary School

Cafeteria

Kathy Jewett	- Head Cook/Supervisor
Carol Parrott	- Cook
Andrea Shagena	- Cook
	Wendy Dickson - Cashier/Part Time
	Karen Turner - Cafeteria Secretary/ Cashier
Tina Rabideau	- Part Time
Rita Rockwell	- Part Time
Jeanette Langenburg	- Part Time
	Marcell Vatter - Cashier/Part Time
	Linda Mellendorf - Part Time

Immunizations

Act 299, Public Acts of 1975, authorized the Director of the Michigan Department of Public Health to specify, by regulation, the immunizations and tests required of all children enrolling in Michigan schools for the first time. This year the following immunizations are required: Diphtheria, Tetanus, Rubella, Pertussis, Measles and Poliomyelitis.

In addition, each new school entry must have had a vision screening test.

The parent or guardian who, because of religious or other convictions, does not want his child protected from these diseases must submit a signed statement to that effect.

As part of our school admission procedure for your child, we must enforce the law stated above. We must have the health record or a similar statement in order to admit your child officially to school. If you have questions about this, please contact your local school, your doctor, or the Thumb District Health Department.

Discrimination Prohibition and Student Information

It is the policy of the Cass City Public Schools to not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, or other prohibited matters in employment, or in educational programs. Anyone who feels that a violation of rights has occurred should notify: Edlore Pasant, Civil Rights Coordinator, (Secion 504/Title IX), Cass City Public Schools, 4868 N. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726, (517) 872-2148.

On occasion the Cass City Public Schools does release the names of individual students and directory information such as grade level, honors and awards. If any parent or adult student wishes to not have such information released, notification, in writing, must be sent to: Kenneth J. Micklash, Superintendent, Cass City Public Schools, 4868 N. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726.

Student Accident Insurance Policy

Student accident insurance is available for parents to purchase through the Guarantee Trust Life Insurance Company. This low cost insurance plan can provide coverage for students at both school and home. Forms for participation will be given to all students to take home during the first week of school. Please review this information carefully and contact your child's principal if you have any questions.

Guidance and Counseling

The school guidance program is designed to assist students who have personal and social concerns, and to help students design academic programs to meet their individual needs and abilities. College admission and financial aid assistance is provided for students interested in continuing their schooling after graduation. One of the programs designed to benefit both the student and the community is the cooperative education program. Under this program, some students are placed in on-the-job-work situations for part of each school day. Students and parents desiring more information are encouraged to contact the guidance offices.

Free and Reduced-Prices

Student Meals

The Cass City Public School's policy for free and reduced-price meals or for children unable to pay the full price for meals served under the National School Lunch, School Breakfast or Commodity School Programs uses the following household size and income criteria to determine eligibility.

Family income criteria to be used for the 1998-99 school year for FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE MEALS or FREE MILK

Total Family Size	A.			B.		
	Scale for Free Meals or Free Milk			Scale for Reduced Price Meals		
	Year	Month	Week	Year	Month	Week
1	\$10,465	\$873	\$202	\$14,893	\$1,242	\$287
2	14,105	1,176	272	20,073	1,673	387
3	17,745	1,479	342	25,253	2,105	486
4	21,385	1,783	412	30,433	2,537	586
5	25,025	2,086	482	35,613	2,968	685
6	28,665	2,389	552	40,793	3,400	785
7	32,305	2,693	622	45,973	3,832	885
8	35,945	2,996	692	51,153	4,263	984
Each additional family member	+3,640	+304	+70	+5,180	+432	+100

Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free and reduced price meals or free milk.

Application forms are being sent to all homes with a letter to parents or guardians. To apply for free or reduced price meals, households should fill out the form and return it to the school. Additional copies of the application form are available at the principal's office in each school. Households should answer all questions on the form.

NON FOOD STAMP HOUSEHOLDS: An application which does not contain all of the following information cannot be processed by the school: (1) the total income by source for each household member (such as wages, child support, etc.); (2) names of all household members; (3) social security number of the adult household member who signs the application; and (4) the signature of an adult household member.

FOOD STAMP/FIP HOUSEHOLDS: If you currently receive Food Stamps or Family Independence Program (FIP) for your child, you only have to list your child's name and Food Stamp or FIP case number and sign the application.

The information provided by the household is confidential and will be used only for the purpose of determining eligibility and verifying data, or qualifying children for other federal and state programs, as authorized by the United States Department of Agriculture. Applications may be verified by the school or other officials at any time during the school year.

If children are approved for free or reduced price meal benefits, the household must report to the school increases in household income over \$50 per month (\$600 per year) and decreases in household size.

Households may apply for benefits at any time during the school year. If a household is not currently eligible but has a decrease in household income, an increase in household size or if a household member becomes unemployed, the household should fill out an application at that time.

In most cases foster children are eligible for these benefits regardless of the household's income. If a household has foster children living with them and they wish to apply for free or reduced price meals for them, the household should contact the school for more information.

Under the provisions of the policy the building principal will review applications and determine eligibility.

Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official on an informal basis. The household also has the right to a fair hearing. This can be done by calling or writing the following official: Kenneth J. Micklash, Superintendent, 4868 N. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726. (517) 872-2200

Emergency School Closing

Special announcements concerning school closing will be made through the following public service facilities: Radio WKYO - Caro, Radio WMIC - Sandusky, Radio WLEW - Bad Axe, Radio WHNN - Saginaw and Radio WIOG - Saginaw, TV-5-Bay City. Announcements will be made as soon as a decision is reached.

School Calendar

Teacher Orientation	August 26, 1998
First Day for Students (Full Day Session)	August 27, 1998
Labor Day - (No School)	September 07, 1998
Teacher In-Service - (No School/Students)	October 19, 1998
Parent/Teacher Conf. - (No School/Students)	To Be Scheduled
Thanksgiving Break - (No School)	November 26 & 27, 1998
Christmas Break - (Begins at end of day)	December 22, 1998
School Resumes	January 04, 1999
Records Day - (1/2 day/Students)	To Be Scheduled
Last Day of First Semester - President's Day - (No School)	February 15, 1999
Spring Break - (Begins at end of day)	April 01, 1999
School Resumes	April 12, 1999
Memorial Day - (No School)	May 31, 1999
Last Day for Students - (1/2 day/Students)	June 03, 1999
Teacher Record Day	June 04, 1999

What Cass City Schools Offer:

For the 1998-1999 school year you will find the following offerings to students in the Cass City Elementary and Secondary Schools.

Elementary School

Reading K-4	Spelling K-4	Penmanship K-4
Math K-4	Science K-4	English K-4
Social Science K-4	Art K-4	Health K-4
Remedial Reading K-4	Speech Therapy K-4	
Special Education K-4	Vocal Music K-4	Physical Education K-4

Middle School

Grades five and six include: Reading, Spelling, Math, Science, Language Arts, English, Handwriting, Music, Social Studies, Health, Art, Band, Computer Literacy, Physical Education and Library Science and Industrial/Technical Education.

Basic classes in grade seven include: Language Arts, English, Math, Science and Social Studies. Exploratory classes offered are: Physical Education and Health, Band, Computers, Careers, Life Management, Industrial/Technical Education and Library Science.

Basic classes in grade eight include: Language Arts, English, Math, Science and Social Studies. Exploratory classes offered are: Physical Education and Health, Band, Computers, Arts/Crafts/Cooking, Music/Drama careers, Life Management, Industrial Technical Education and Library Science.

Senior High School

Art - Introduction to art methods and materials, including ceramics, painting, sculpture and jewelry.
Business - Typing, Record Keeping, Accounting, Business Math and Computer Science.
English - English 9, English 10, English 11, English 12, Public Speaking, Publications, Debate, Forensics and Theater.
Foreign Languages - Spanish and French.
Life Skills/Home Economics - A four year program is available.
Instrumental Music - A four year program in instrumental music is available.

Vocal Music - A four year program in vocal music is available.
Mathematics - Applied Math, Algebra I and II, Geometry, Trigonometry, Analytic Geometry, Business Math and Calculus.
Physical Education/Health for boys and girls. A four year program is available.

Science - Life Science, Physical Science, Earth Science, Biology I and II, Chemistry and Physics.
Social Studies - Geography, World History, Psychology, Sociology, Michigan History, United States History, American Government and Economics.

Industrial Education - An introduction to the use of basic tools, lathe, welding, woods, carpentry, and cabinet making. Also, basic drafting, architectural and machine drawing.

Tech Center Offerings - The following programs are offered to Cass City Juniors and Seniors at the Tuscola Area Technology Center. All of these programs are at least one (1) year in duration with the exception of a few that are two (2) year programs. Students enrolled in the programs attend the Tech Center on a half-day basis and are transported to and from the Tech Center on school buses.

Agriculture Mechanics
Auto Mechanics
Body and Fender
Building Trades-In-House
Business Data Processing
Child Care
Commercial Arts
Cosmetology
Drafting (Computer Aided Design)
Food Management
Distributive Education
Graphic Arts
Health Occupations
Heating and Air Conditioning
Machine Metals
Nursing Aide
Steno-Clerical
Welding and Cutting
Electrical/Electronics
Management Information Systems
Greenhouse Management and Floriculture
Landscaping and Turf Management

Extracurricular activities including interscholastic athletics for boys and girls.

Excellent library facilities are available.

Athletic Family Passes

Athletic Family Passes are available at the following prices from the high school or middle school principal's office.

Full Family	\$95.00 + \$5.00/child over 5
Individual	\$65.00
1998-99 Fall or Winter Pass only	50% of total cost
Senior Citizen Pass - (age 60 & over)	\$75.00 couple
	\$50.00 single

Earl Tiffin arraigned

The older brother of a Mayville man recently charged with 31 counts of criminal sexual conduct has been arraigned on one count of criminal sexual conduct.

Earl W. Tiffin III, 22, Mayville, was formally charged in Tuscola County District Court.

Earl Tiffin was charged with third degree criminal sexual conduct, allegedly involving a victim at least 13 years of age but under 16 years, and possession of marijuana in November-December 1997 in Mayville.

Bond in the case was set at \$10,000. A preliminary examination is scheduled for Sept. 11 at 9 a.m.

Earlier this month, Dennis C. Tiffin, 19, Mayville, was arraigned on 31 counts of third degree criminal sexual conduct, 5 counts of sodomy, delivery of marijuana to a minor, selling/turning alcohol to a minor, falsely reporting a misdemeanor, and making an obscene phone call.

The offenses allegedly occurred between 1994 and May 1998 and involved 5 teenage girls, according to court records.

Dennis Tiffin faces a preliminary exam Friday at 9 a.m. His bond has been set at \$50,000.

In other recent district court arraignments:

•Jason A. Ruppert, 17, was charged with breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny, conspiracy to commit breaking and entering, unlawfully driving away an automobile, larceny in a building and receiving and concealing stolen property valued at more than \$100 June 7 in Caro, and larceny of property valued at more than \$100 and conspiracy to commit larceny over \$100 June 5 in Novesta Township.

Bond was set at a combined \$5,000 and a preliminary

exam was slated for Friday at 9 a.m.

•Jim Davis, 35, Silverwood, was arraigned on charges of fleeing a police officer, third degree, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, and driving without a valid license plate July 28 in Dayton Township.

Bond was set at \$10,000 and a preliminary exam was scheduled for Aug. 27 at 9 a.m.

•Linden Demott, 35, Mayville, was charged with possession of a narcotic/cocaine (less than 25 grams) and possession of marijuana July 25 in Mayville.

Bond was set at \$50,000. Demott faces a preliminary exam Aug. 27 at 9 a.m.

MMPA payments to members top \$4 million

Michigan Milk Producers Association made cash payments of over \$4 million last week in equity retirements.

These cash payments represent the 1986 equity retains and allocated earnings. This

is in addition to the \$1.8 million in cash patronage from 1997 earnings paid to members earlier this year.

Combined, MMPA has paid \$5.8 million in addition to the monthly milk check to its dairy farmer members in the first 7 months of 1998.

“Our well-managed plants and diverse product mix allow us to continue to revolve back millions of dollars each year while still maintaining a strong competitive pay price in the market,” said Walt Wosje, MMPA general manager.

“Our financial goals are 3-fold. First, we want to maintain as high a pay price each month as possible. Second, we work to pay back the allocated equity to our members, and third, we need to maintain a strong bottom line to continue efficient operations,” Wosje explained.

In 1997 these goals were met. MMPA maintained a competitive pay price; over \$7 million was paid to dairy farmers in additional equity cash payments, and a net savings of \$6.3 million was realized at the end of the fiscal year.

MMPA has operated without an equity capital retain, relying on the association's plant operations, milk marketing and member dues to fund the cooperative.

Michigan Milk Producers Association is owned and controlled by over 2,900 dairy operators in Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio and Michigan.

Obituaries

Helena Etzler

Helena M. Etzler, 91, lifelong resident of Dwight Township and Hume Township, died Tuesday, Aug. 4, 1998, at the Huron County Medical Care Facility.

She was born April 9, 1907, in Dwight Township near Kinde. She was the daughter of Frederick and Alice (Russell) Moeller.

She and Reuben F. Etzler were married Oct. 20, 1925, at the Frederick Moeller farm, by the late Rev. Martin Luther Luecke. Mr. Etzler preceded his wife in death May 2, 1985.

Etzler was a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Kinde, a member of the church choir and the ladies aid society. She had been a member of Kinde High School girl's basketball team, the Pinnebog Child Study Club, project leader for Hume Township Extension Club and a 4-H leader for many years.

Surviving are 2 daughters, Betty Schuman and her husband, Harold, and Arvilla Schuman and her husband, Donald, all of Bad Axe; one son, Milton Etzler and his wife, Judy, of Port Austin; 13 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; 2 step-great-grandchildren; one sister-in-law, Ceila Moeller of Kinde, and several nieces and nephews.

Etzler was preceded in death by one daughter, Annabell Etzler; one sister, Winifred Case, and 3 brothers, Carl Moeller, Gordon Moeller and George Moeller.

Funeral services were held Friday at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Kinde. The Rev. Randolph J. Sckneck, pastor, officiated.

Burial was at Colfax Cemetery, Bad Axe.

Memorials may be offered to St. Peter's Memorial Fund or the donor's choice.

Arrangements were made by Gage Chapel MacAlpine Funeral Home, Kinde.

Manford Osburn

Manford Osburn, 89, of Marquette, died Sunday, Aug. 2, 1998, at the Norlite Nursing Center in Marquette.

Born May 14, 1909, in Kingston, he was the son of James and Carrie (Tewksbury) Osburn.

Osburn farmed all of his life except for 3 years spent working at the Michigan Sugar Company in Caro. He moved to the Marquette area in 1982 from Deford.

He is survived by one nephew, Larry (Frances) Wilson of Marquette; one great-niece, Tammy (Jeff) Girard of Sarasota, Fla., and several cousins.

Preceding him in death, besides his parents, was a sister, Myrtle Wilson.

Funeral services were held Thursday at Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston.

Interment was in West Burlington Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Howard Rexin

Howard O. Rexin, 77, of Chico, Texas, formerly of Cass City, died Monday, Aug. 10, 1998, at the Fort Worth Osteopathic Medical Center in Fort Worth.

Rexin was born Dec. 28, 1920, to Otto and Mary (Kent) Rexin. He married O. Mary Osburn Nov. 28, 1943, in Detroit.

He was a heavy equipment operator for several years before retiring in 1988. A member of the Morris Memorial Methodist Church in Chico, he was a former mem-

ber of the Cass City United Methodist Church and was a very active member of United Methodist Men. The Rexins have lived in Chico, Texas, since 1982.

Surviving are his wife, O. Mary Rexin; a son, Wayne and Barbara Rexin of Heriston, Ore.; a daughter, Mary and Mac McAnay of Birch Run; a brother, Floyd Rexin of Detroit; a sister, Alice and Norman Schroeder of Toledo, Ohio; 4 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, George.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Aug. 14, at 2 p.m. at the Marsh Funeral Chapel in Marlette, with the Rev. John R. Allan officiating.

Interment will be in the Christian Memorial Cultural Center in Peck.

Memorials may be given to the Marlette United Methodist Church.

Alexia Roose

Alexia M. Roose, 97, of Cass City, died Thursday, Aug. 6, 1998, at Hills and Dales General Hospital.

Born Aug. 4, 1901, in Belgium, she was the daughter of August and Loonie (Vandecasteele) Vermeersch. She married George A. Roose May 6, 1922, in Detroit. He died April 23, 1981.

Roose came to the United States in 1920. She and her sister married brothers. She was a member of the Legion of Mary for nearly 25 years, and a member of the Ladies Sodality, Altar Society, and St. Pancratius Catholic Church. She was a former member of St. John Berchmans Catholic Church in Detroit.

Surviving are 6 children, Jack A. (Virginia) Roose of Stanton, Henry (Evelyn) Roose of Yale, Edward (Pat) Roose of Metamora, Theresa Sarnacke of Las Vegas, Nev.,

Virginia "Ginny" (Thomas A.) Sutter of Cass City and John (Linda) Roose of Seneca, S.C.; 44 grandchildren; 72 great-grandchildren; 4 great-great-grandchildren; a sister, Marie Vanneste of Warren, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by sisters, Germaine Roose and Urbanie Pattyn; a brother, Cyriel Vermeersch, and 2 grandsons, Chris Waitkus and Gerald Roose.

Funeral services were held Monday at St. Pancratius Catholic Church. Fr. Paul Bala officiated.

Interment was in Elkland Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Our Lady of the Snows Missions or Capuchian Missions.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Dwight Walker

Dwight H. Walker, 57, of Caro, died Friday, Aug. 7, 1998, at Bay Medical Center.

Born Dec. 12, 1940, in Deckerville, he was the son of Harvey and Caroline (Field) Walker. He married Gladys Thom Nov. 13, 1959, in Sandusky.



Walker graduated from Deckerville High School in 1958. He operated a dairy farm in Deckerville for about 12 years. The Walkers

moved to Caro in 1971 and co-founded B & W Auto Sales and Tuscola Car Wash. In 1989 he opened Dwight's Auto Sales, which he operated until spring of this year.

Surviving are his wife, Gladys; 2 sons, Todd and Tonya Walker of Phoenix, Ariz., and Anthony and Jennifer Walker of Pierson; a daughter, Renee Walker of Albuquerque, N.M.; grandchildren, Dwight Ray Walker of Caro and Bailey and Mackenzie Walker of Phoenix, Ariz.; 2 brothers, John Walker of Caro and Gary Walker of Deckerville, and a sister, Rebecca and Dave Stauffer of Sandusky. He was preceded in death by his parents and a granddaughter, Sandra Louise.

Funeral services were to be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with John Byers, John Wilbur and Peter Mousseau officiating.

Interment will be in Almer Township Cemetery, Caro. Memorials may be made to the MD Anderson Cancer Center.

Harriet Grace Wheeler

Harriet Grace Wheeler, 94, of Snover, died Thursday, Aug. 6, 1998, at Sanilac Medical Care Facility, Sandusky.

Born Oct. 4, 1903, in Argyle Township, she was the daughter of James and Minnie (Morrison) Wheeler.

She was a member of the Shabbona United Methodist Church and the Sandusky Farm Bureau.

Surviving are a brother, Alex and Willerton Wheeler, Sandusky; a sister, Mrs. Mable Kyser, Mt. Pleasant, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by 3 sisters, Mary Wheeler, Nell Vroman and Helen Bullock, and 2 brothers, Albert and Clayton Wheeler.

Funeral services were held

Saturday at the United Methodist Church, Shabbona. Pastor Jean Rencontre officiated.

Burial was in Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Memorials may be made to the Shabbona United Methodist Church.

Arrangements were made by Hacker Funeral Parlors, Sandusky.

Marjorie Wheeler

Marjorie W. Wheeler, 69, of Sandusky died Thursday, Aug. 6, 1998, at Port Huron Mercy Hospital in Port Huron.

Wheeler lived in Sandusky the past 9 years and was previously from the Snover area. She was born May 11, 1929, in Cass City, to Charles and Blanche (Travis) Hirsch.

She graduated from Cass City High School in 1947, and married Robert B. Wheeler Oct. 4, 1947, in Snover. He died Feb. 7, 1998.

Wheeler attended the Shabbona United Methodist Church, was a former employee of Snover Stamping and recently was manager of the Human Development meal site in Argyle.

Surviving are 2 sons, Bill and Kathy Wheeler of Snover and Jeff and Kathleen Wheeler of Carsonville; 2 daughters, Sandy Wheeler, and Normalene and Cecil Navarro, all of Sandusky; a sister, Vera Ferguson of Snover; an aunt, Eva Hoagg of Decker; Pia, an adopted daughter, of Denmark; 4 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were to be held Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the Marsh Funeral Chapel in Sandusky, with the Rev. Jean Rencontre officiating.

Interment will be in the Elkland Cemetery, Cass City. Memorials may be given to McKenzie Memorial Hospital, Sandusky.

Arrangements were made by Marsh Funeral Chapel Inc., Sandusky.

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Independent Bank--Popcorn

Methodist Church--Sloppy Joes

and Ice Cream Social

The Eagle Dance--Navajo Tacos

Sherwood on the Hill--CHICKEN BAR-B-QUE

11:00 a.m.--1:00 p.m.

Octagon Barn Souvenir Table

AT THE BARN

10:00 a.m. --5:00 p.m.

Pet Contest-----12:30

(Carol - 872-2334 to enter)

ART AUCTION---1:30

(Osentoski Auctioneering Service)

Kids' Games and

Watermelon Eating Contest

Amish Bake Sale

Farm Animal Display

Mid Mich. Music Makers

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Wagon Rides

Crafters

Octagon Barn Souvenirs

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Calendar of Events

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

Wednesday, August 12

Duplicate Bridge, 7 p.m. at Charmont. Everyone welcome. Last week's winners: George and Phyllis Ridge.

Thursday, August 13

Quilt Exhibit continues Aug. 13-15 at Rawson Memorial Library.

Friday, August 14


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

Saturday, August 15


Sanilac County Democratic Party's Fall convention to elect delegates to the state convention, 12 noon at the Riverside Restaurant, 27 N. Howard St., Crosswell. Monthly meeting to follow.

Tuesday, August 18

Rotary, 12 noon, Charmont.
Planning Commission 7 p.m.
Thumb Area Parkinson Support Group meeting, 1 p.m., Hills and Dales General Hospital.



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Crawford family reunion held Aug. 2

The family of the late Clayton Crawford met for a reunion with 72 members and 7 guests present, Aug. 2 at the Cass City Park. Ellen Crawford was the oldest and Vincent Leo DeRocco, the youngest present.

There were 2 deaths during the year, Lewis Crawford and Gerald McComb, and 5 births, Gregory James, son of Lisa and Bill Stepp, Hayle Irene, daughter of Monica and Roland Wallace, Benjamin Taylor, son of Michele and Eric Bootz, Vincent Leo, son of Andrea DeRocco, and Brian Matthew, son of John and Kristina Mayros.

In attendance were 3 sets of twins: LuAnn and Tom, children of Joann and the late Lewis Crawford; Sharon Maurer and Sharla Crow, daughters of Virginia and the late Norman Crawford, and Whitney and Kayla, daughters of Jon and Kelly Crawford.

Members attended from Detroit, Harsens Island, California, Florida, Lincoln Park, Coleman, Rochester Hills, Troy, Saginaw, Gagetown, Sebawaing, Grand Rapids, Caro, Argyle, Dryden, Almont, Missouri, Uby and Cass City.

Historical society to meet Aug. 17

The Cass City Area Historical Society will hold their Aug. 17 meeting Monday at 7 p.m. in the meeting room of the Rawson Memorial Library.

The program for the evening will be a showing of local collections belonging to Dave Ackerman, John Agar, Carol Connell, Mary Hutchinson and Marian Keating.

Those attending are urged to bring something they might have that would be of interest to the group, a "Show and Tell" for all to enjoy.

The reunion will be held next year the first Sunday of August at the same place.

88 attend family reunion

Eighty-eight attended the annual Lowe/McAllister reunion Saturday, July 18, at the Cass City Park pavilion. Eighty-four relatives and 4 guests enjoyed grilled bratwurst and hot dogs at the potluck dinner.

During this past year, there was one death, Orwood Lowe, eldest son of James and Norma McAllister Lowe. There were 3 births.

Traveling the farthest were Richard and Doris Lowe with 11-month-old daughter, Julia, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Youngest member was Olivia, 7-month-old daughter of Jeff and Suzanne Lowe Fleet of Hemlock.

News was received of the serious automobile accident that badly injured Dave Powers, husband of Julie Helwig Powers of Mason.

An enjoyable afternoon was spent visiting, swimming and playing games, organized by Karen Hillaker Ouvre with treats provided for all.

Attending were the late Norma McAllister Lowe's brother, Bruce McAllister, and wife Lois of Indian River, 2 sisters, Marjorie Rankin and husband Wallace of Sandusky and Marie Boyd of Crosswell, plus niece, Candice VanDyke, and husband Jerry of Grand Rapids.

Descendants and guests came from Cincinnati, Ohio, Bay City, Caro, Crosswell, Deford, Grand Rapids, Hemlock, Indian River, Port Sanilac, Sandusky, Snover, Sand Point, Uby, and the Cass City area.

The 1999 reunion is scheduled the third Saturday of July at the Cass City Park pavilion.

MORTGAGE SALE

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in Mortgages given by Richard L. Powell and Sharon K. Powell, husband and wife, to the United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture:

1) Mortgage dated and recorded on January 27, 1993, in Liber 636 on pages 847 to 850 of the Tuscola County Records;

2) Mortgage dated and recorded on April 26, 1978, in Liber 486 on pages 36 to 39 of the Tuscola County Records together with Extension Agreement dated and recorded on January 27, 1993, in Liber 636 on pages 851 and 852 of the Tuscola County Records;

3) Mortgage dated and recorded on October 18, 1982, in Liber 528 on pages 75 to 78 of the Tuscola County Records together with an Extension Agreement dated and recorded on January 27, 1993, in Liber 636 on pages 853 and 854 of the Tuscola County Records;

4) Mortgage dated September 3, 1985, and recorded on September 5, 1985, in Liber 553 on pages 198 to 201 of the Tuscola County Records together with an Extension Agreement dated and recorded on January 27, 1993, in Liber 636 on pages 855 and 856 of the Tuscola County Records; and

5) Mortgage dated September 27, 1985, and recorded on October 7, 1985, in Liber 554 on pages 207 to 210 of the Tuscola County Records together with Extension Agreement dated and recorded on January 27, 1993, in Liber 636 on pages 857 and 858 of the Tuscola County Records; and

6) Mortgage dated and recorded on January 27, 1993, in Liber 636 on pages 843 to 845 of the Tuscola County Records.

No proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt which is now One Hundred Eighty Five Thousand Three Hundred Ninety One and 66/100 (\$185,391.66) Dollars.

The Mortgages will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held September 25, 1998, at 10:00 a.m., local time, at the front entrance of the Court House in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, which is located at 440 N. State Street, Caro, Michigan, which is the location of the Tuscola County Circuit Court. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest at the rate of 7.75% per year, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in the Kingston Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, and is more specifically described in the Mortgages as:

Parcel 1: Commencing in the Southwest corner of the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 2, Township 12 North, Range 11 East, thence North 297 feet, thence East 165 feet, thence South 297 feet, thence West 165 feet to point of beginning.

Parcel 2: The East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 11, Township 12 North, Range 11 East.

Parcel 3: The West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4; Northwest 1/4 of Southeast 1/4; East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 Section 11, Township 12 North, Range 11 East, except commencing at the Northwest corner of the West 1/2 of Northeast 1/4 of said Section 11, thence East 1287 feet, thence South 438 1/4 feet, thence West 1287 feet, thence North 438 1/4 feet to beginning.

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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 Pannela G. LIKENS, and Albert S. HARMON and Norma HARMON, husband and wife (Original Mortgages) to GREAT LAKES NATIONAL BANK MICHIGAN as successor by merger to Great Lakes National Bank, f/k/a First Savings and Loan Association of Saginaw, Mortgagee, dated September 12, 1978 and recorded on September 14, 1978 in Liber 490, on Page 353, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighteen Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Five And 88/100 dollars (\$18,285.88), including interest at 10.25% 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 Friday, September 11, 1998.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF FREMONT, TUSCOLA County, Michigan, and are described as:

Part of the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 7, Town 11 North, Range 9 East commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 7, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, thence S89 degrees 41' 40" W, 992.89 feet along the North Section line to the point of beginning; thence South 260.00 feet; thence S89 degrees 41' 40" W, 331.04 feet to the East 1/8 line; thence N0 degrees 00' 45" E, 260.00 feet along the East 1/8 line to the North Section line; thence N89 degrees 41' 40" E, 330.97 feet along the North Section line to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

DATED: July 15, 1998

USDA, RURAL DEVELOPMENT Mortgagee

ATTORNEY FOR: Mortgagee

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7-15-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Perry L. BARANIC and Janelle BARANIC, husband and wife (Original Mortgages) to GREAT LAKES NATIONAL BANK MICHIGAN as suc-

ber 4, 1998.
Said premises are situated in VILLAGE of CARO, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 16, Block 2, Westdalk Subdivision to the Village of Caro.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241(a), in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 22, 1998

GREAT LAKES NATIONAL BANK MICHIGAN

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

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Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys for GREAT LAKES NATIONAL BANK MICHIGAN,

30150 Telegraph Suite 100

Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025

File # 98076672

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by ROBERT G. SCHIPINSKI and BARBARA E. SCHIPINSKI, HUSBAND & WIFE to A.A.A. MORTGAGE & FINANCIAL CORPORATION, A MICHIGAN CORPORATION Mortgagee, dated October 14, 1996, and recorded on January 8, 1997, in Liber 703, on page 924, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to THE CIT GROUP, by assignment dated December 13, 1996, and recorded on July 30, 1997, in Liber 716, on page 1052, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred seventeen thousand four hundred fifty nine and 74/100 Dollars (\$17,459.74), including interest at 15.600% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and approved, 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 of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola, MI, at 11:00 A.M. on September 18, 1998.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF DAYTON, TUSCOLA County, Michigan and are described as:

THE SOUTH 400 FEET OF THE WEST 544 FEET OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 10 EAST.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be 90 days from the date of such sale.

DATED: August 5, 1998

THE CIT GROUP

Assignee of Mortgagee

ATTORNEY FOR: Assignee of Mortgagee

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.
401 South Old Woodward Avenue
Suite 300
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by CHARLES WELCH and BECKY L. WELCH, HIS WIFE to UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH THE FARMERS, HOME ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE, now known as USDA, RURAL DEVELOPMENT Mortgagee, dated July 7, 1983, and recorded on July 7, 1983, in Liber 533, on page 473, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty eight thousand nine hundred fifteen and 58/100 Dollars (\$58,915.58), including interest at 7.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and approved, 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 of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola, MI, at 11:00 AM on September 11, 1998.

Said premises are situated in VILLAGE OF FOSTORIA, TUSCOLA County, Michigan and are described as:

LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 2 OF THE VILLAGE OF FOSTORIA, ACCORDING TO THE PLATS RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGES 23 AND 27, NOW BEING PAGES 45A-46A OF TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

DATED: July 29, 1998

SOURCE: ONE MORTGAGE SERVICES CORPORATION

Assignee of Mortgagee

ATTORNEY FOR: Assignee of Mortgagee

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jonathan M. BURTON and Tonya M. BURTON, his wife (Original Mortgages) to Citizens Commercial and Savings Bank, Mortgagee, dated December 20, 1993, and recorded on January 4, 1994, in Liber 652, on Page 344, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the COASTAL BANC, ssb, as assignee by an assignment dated August 17, 1995, which was recorded on September 26, 1995, in Liber 679, on Page 678, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-One And 95/100 dollars (\$46,651.95), including interest at 7.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on September 11, 1998.

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

Commencing 395 East of the Southwest corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 22, T10N, R7E, thence East 130 feet; Thence North 325 feet; Thence West 130 feet; Thence South 325 feet to the place of beginning.

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sor by merger to Great Lakes National Bank, f/k/a Great Lakes Bancorp, Mortgagee, dated May 7, 1993 and recorded on May 27, 1993 in Liber 641, on Page 856, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-seven And 92/100 dollars (\$57,677.92), including interest at 7.25% 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 September 4, 1998.

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

The West 1/2 of land described as: part of the Southeast 1/4 of fractional Section 18, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, described as: beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 18, which is North 89 degrees 54 minutes 38 seconds East, 665.65 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said Section, Thence continuing along the South line of Section 18, North 89 degrees 54 minutes 38 seconds East 665.65 feet; Thence North 00 degrees 24 minutes 15 seconds West 2624.84 feet; Thence along the East-West 1/4 line of said Section 18, South 89 degrees 39 minutes 17 seconds West, 667.47 feet; Thence South 00 degrees 26 minutes 39 seconds East, 2621.87 feet to the South line of said Section 18 and the point of beginning.

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

Dated: July 22, 1998

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Letter to the editor

Area 4-H kids need community support

The past few years I have noticed how Cass City has taken a "back seat" when it comes time to support the local 4-H kids at the fair.

I have addressed several business places on the main stem over the years, about donating to this vital program, only to be turned down. It's always the same old lingo, "We've donated to so many functions already!" Then I ask you, "What's wrong with one more?" It's all deductible.

If one is more concerned about Bingo, Lottery Tickets, or Golf, so be it. But whether you realize it or not, we still

need to support these "future farmers", or the livestock sales at the fair will become a failure. It's also about the only way a farm kid can put money away for college, or purchase farms in the future. Granted, there are a few farmers who can afford to put their kids through college, but I have known a lot more who have borrowed the money, and paid high interest on the loans, just so their kids could have a better chance. There aren't too many people that sacrifice more for their kids, than the farmer. If you're wondering who gets the credit for put-

ting all that good food on your table every day, they're called farmers. And if you believe in those who paint such a rosy picture about the economy, show me the true stats! How many people does that involve? Do you know how many farmers are being forced out of "business" every day, that they worked hard all their lives to keep? Of course not.

You keep wondering why so many people are going "out of town" to do their shopping. The answer is two words: Cut costs. Maybe the kids haven't approached you, maybe you've turned them down, I don't know.

One thing I do know, if a farm kid comes a begging next year, for a little support for a very worthwhile cause, don't use some excuse, cause farmers are a big part of "your business" every day.

MacRae earns show honors

The Michigan Holstein Association recognized award winners at the 1998 All-Michigan Holstein Show, held July 25 at the Michigan State University Livestock Pavilion. Held in conjunction with the Michigan Dairy Expo, the 51st annual Holstein show exhibited 228 Holstein dairy.

After the official judge of the show, Ron Heffner of Jefferson, Md., reviewed 119 heifers, he selected to be Junior Champion the spring heifer calf, Creamline GMB Emmy, shown by Barry Bush of Swartz Creek.

Reserve Junior Champion honors went to Tri-Koebel Astre Freedom, a summer yearling owned by Ava Koebel of Three Oaks.

Receiving Champion Bull honors was R-Pine Astre Joe, a yearling bull shown by William Schilling of Decatur.

After sorting through 105 cows, Judge Heffner awarded Grand Champion banner to the 5-year-old "beauty queen", Ac-O-Acres Logic Sammy-Red, exhibited by William Schilling.

Several awards went to entries from Cass City.

Sara MacRae showed the 2nd place bull calf, 5th place spring heifer calf, and 5th place spring yearling heifer.

Soybean tour set for Aug. 21

Michigan State University Extension in Tuscola County is planning a Roundup Ready Soybean Variety Tour, which will also include narrow row corn varieties, according to Harold Rouget, MSU Extension agricultural agent for Tuscola County.

The tour will be held Friday, Aug. 21, beginning at 11 a.m. Gruber Farms, located on Van Geisen Road, just east of Quanicassae Road, will be hosting the tour. It will begin with narrow row corn varieties, followed by over 24 Roundup Ready Soybean varieties.

Keith Reinholt, executive director for the Michigan Soybean Promotion Committee, will make some comments on behalf of the committee, and Joyce Muz, Tuscola County Extension agent, will discuss how an emergency farm plan can help in the event of a fire or other disaster.

The tour is free and is open to all. No pre-registration is required. Lunch will include brats and all the trimmings.

For more information, call the MSU Extension office in Caro at (517) 672-3870. There will be 2 RUP credits given for attending this program.

Officers named for Windy reunion

The 20th annual Windy family reunion was held at the Windy farm Aug. 9, with 59 members attending.

Officers for 1998 are: President, Ruth Langlois; secretary, Ron Pabst; co-treasurers, Mary Doerr and Barb Merchant; games, Sarah Windy and Bridgett Evans; refreshments, Jimmy Windy and Rick Doerr.

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AUG. 13 AND 14, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. 5877 Main St., Deford, one block south of Deckerville Rd. Toys, miscellaneous items. No early sales. Phillips. 14-8-12-1

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GARAGE SALE - Many household items, dishes, many books, children's and old books, small appliances, some kids' clothing. Other items too numerous to list. Thursday, Aug. 13, and Friday, Aug. 14, 10 a.m. till 5 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. till noon. Kirm, 4317 Maple St., Cass City. 14-8-12-1

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Card of Thanks

WE WOULD LIKE to express our deepest gratitude to our dear friends of the community for all the cards, flowers and concerns and a special thank you to Lyle Clarke, Cass City Church of Christ and Deb Kranz of the Kranz Funeral Home for their special kindness during the illness and death of our dear father. The Robert Wright Family. 13-8-12-1

WE WOULD LIKE to thank all the neighbors, friends and relatives who sent flowers, cards, food and memorials. A special thanks to the Masons for their memorial service Wednesday night and Don Greenleaf for his music Thursday. Thanks to Rev. Rice for his words of encouragement, the ladies for the delicious meal and Kranz Funeral Home for being so kind and helpful. The family of Les Profit. 13-8-12-1

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Area teens have tales to tell after week in Hawaii

Chuck and Chad Keiser may not be asked to write a "what I did on my summer vacation" paper when they return to school this fall, but if they do, chances are good their stories will be hard to top.

After all, how many of their classmates swam with sea turtles or probed the ocean depths in a submarine?

The sons of Chuck and Ann Keiser, Cass City, Chuck, 15, and Chad, 12, returned home last Wednesday from a week-long, whirlwind vacation in Hawaii.

"My uncle called and said, 'Would you like to go to Hawaii,'" Chuck recalled Friday with a grin, still groggy from jet lag.

The phone call came 3 months ago from the boys' uncle Charles and aunt Jill Ramsey, who reside in Vancouver, Wash., and have a condominium on the island of Oahu, the elder Chuck explained. He indicated his sons couldn't have had better tour guides. "Jill lived there (Hawaii), she grew up there," he said. "They know right where to go. There's not a minute wasted."

And the boys spent much of their time around the locals in areas less likely to be frequented by tourists.

The adventure, which included a few days at a Waikiki hotel, began in late July. The boys, armed with a calling card and best wishes from mom and dad, set out for their 5,000 mile journey.

The first stop was Metro Airport, then on to San Francisco, Calif., where they caught a plane to Honolulu Airport.

"The plane trip took almost 11 hours to get there," noted Chuck, who will be a freshman at Cass City High School this year.

He recalled seeing palm trees and getting his first taste of tropical weather. "It stays pretty much the same; sunny and 85 to 88 (degrees)."

"The air has a different fragrance — the flowers, the vegetation, the ocean," added his father, who visited Hawaii some years ago.

The great weather wasn't wasted on the brothers, who visited a host of sites, including the U.S.S. Arizona Memorial at Pearl Harbor, Aloha stadium, a mansion — formerly owned by Elvis Presley — nestled on a cliff, Chinatown, and a Dole Plantation.

Then there were road trips exploring the island's rugged terrain, the open air restaurants and, of course, the beaches. And Bellows Beach was a favorite, according to Chuck, who along with his brother spent hours there, enjoying body surfing and other activities. Beachgoers have to keep an eye out for

stinging jellyfish, but that isn't the only danger, Chuck noted. "There were big waves, 10 feet or more."

"You don't really see many tourists because of the waves," Chad added.

He and his brother agreed snorkeling in Hanauma Bay was a highlight. The boys recalled swimming with sea turtles, parrot fish and other exotic species in water 50 to 60 feet deep.

The boys also had the opportunity to see ocean life at depths of 120 feet during a ride in a submarine.

And they enjoyed some of the local cuisine, including fresh shrimp. "I had

mahimahi fish, and then I had smoked marlin," Chuck said.

Chad proved even more adventurous, sampling a rice and raw fish dish. He didn't care for the taste.

Both teens turned down the octopus.

It was an adventure, one Chuck and Ann were thrilled their sons were able to experience.

"We're real happy they were able to go," the teens' father said, adding he would like the whole family to revisit Hawaii sometime in the future.

Ann nodded. "They were pretty fortunate. I don't think it's settled in — what they experienced."

Although the trip was the farthest away from home for the boys, both indicated they wouldn't hesitate to do it again.

"Now they're ready to go anywhere," Ann said. "They're ready to travel."



CHUCK AND CHAD Keiser were still suffering from jet lag Friday, 2 days after returning from a once-in-a-lifetime vacation in Hawaii, where they picked up a few mementos.

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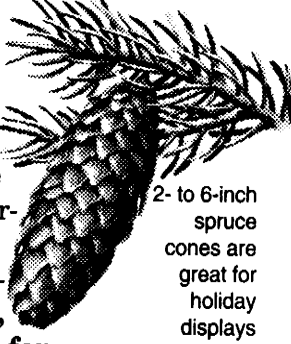
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Hartwick descendants gather

The descendants of Edward and Ruth Hartwick held the 40th annual Hartwick reunion Aug. 9 at the Cass City Park north pavilion.

It was hosted by Rick and Kay Armstrong and Bob and Cathy Williams.

Sixty-three attended. Leland Hartwick, 78, of Cass City was the oldest present and McKenzie May Kus, 11 months, also of Cass City, was the youngest.

Present were relatives from Marlette, Davison, Lapeer, Clifford, Manistee, Fairgrove, Caro, Owendale, Port Hope, Metamora, Saginaw, Columbiaville, and Zephyrhills, Fla.

Guests included Bernie Roberts, fiancé of Jennifer Jaworski, and Tonya Howard, fiancée of Troy Armstrong.

Traveling the greatest distance were Bob and Pat Hartwick of Florida.

The 1999 reunion will be hosted by Bruce and Beverly Mellendorf.



THIS WAS THE view down under as brothers Chuck and Chad Keiser snorkeled in Hanauma Bay.



THE SCENERY was breathtaking and rugged on Oahu, according to the brothers, who had the opportunity to take in many natural and historic sites during their week-long trip.

Innovative Farmers Tour set

The annual Innovative Farmers (IF) Tour will be held Wednesday, Aug. 26.


Tour participants will visit IF members' farms to see how they are incorporating reduced tillage into their operations. Visits will also be made to the Michigan State University alfalfa variety plot and a farm that established alfalfa both in the fall and in the spring.

Participants will also visit the IF site southwest of Bad Axe to observe a manure management plot, the ongoing tillage trials, a sugar beet tillage and planter comparison study and a soybean variety plot.

Preregistration is required for all tour participants. A registration fee of \$10/person will be charged to cover materials, bus expenses and lunch.


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Most incumbents survive primary

Sanilac County voters reject 911 telephone surcharge hike

Sanilac County voters last week turned down a proposed telephone surcharge increase that would have fully funded the county's central dispatch enhanced 911 operations and equipment over the next 5 years.

Voters also approved a trio of renewal questions, and decided a number of county-wide races, with one of 2 incumbent county commissioners losing a seat to a challenger.

In all, 7,281 residents, or 24.18 percent of the county's registered voters, cast ballots in the election.

The proposed surcharge increase totaled 13 percent and would have boosted the total assessment to 17 percent. However, voters defeated the measure, 3,745 to 2,933.

The additional funding would have been used to increase the number of dispatchers on duty at all times, as well as create a sinking fund to replace dispatch equipment as needed.

RENEWALS

Voters were more generous with 3 renewal measures.

Residents said "yes" to a renewal of .5 of a mill for 4 years to fund the Sanilac County Drug Task Force. The levy, approved on a vote of 4,111 to 2,598, is expected

to raise about \$423,000 in 1998.

The task force provides locally controlled county-wide drug law enforcement, and drug education and in-school substance abuse counseling in each of the county's 7 public school systems.

An additional .2 of a mill will be levied for another 4 years to maintain and improve the county's parks in Delaware, Evergreen, Forrester and Lexington townships. The renewal narrowly passed, 3,305 to 3,277.

Likewise, voters approved renewal of .125 of a mill for 6 years for veterans services. The measure passed on a voted of 3,955 to 2,767.

RACES

There will be a number of new faces in county government following the primary election.

The races included a 3-way Republican battle for the District 3 county board seat representing Lamotte, Marlette and Flynn townships. The winner was Robert Wood, Marlette, who received 317 votes. His challengers, Donald Redman and Charles Zampich, also both of Marlette, garnered 285 votes and 213 votes, respectively. Wood faces no competition in the general election.

District 3 incumbent Richard E. Thrall opted not to seek reelection.

In District 5, comprised of Sanilac and Lexington townships, incumbent Carl D. Black of Croswell was unseated by Republican challenger Robert A. Fabian of Lexington. Fabian, who is expected to run unopposed in November, received 377 votes and Black, 348 votes.

In District 6 (Buel, Elk, Maple Valley and Speaker townships), Incumbent Republican Eleanor L. Groat, Croswell, defeated Brown City Republican William H. Walters IV to retain her seat. Groat received 367 votes to Walters' 167 votes. Groat is not being challenged in the general election.

In the race for register of deeds, a post vacated by retiring Esther Lee, Michelle Van Norman, Deckerville, bested a field of 3 Republican candidates. She received 2,696 votes, while challengers John C. Phillips, Deckerville, and Loraine Keller, Sandusky, garnered 1,445 votes and 534 votes, respectively.

Also on the ballot was a 2-way Republican race for a road commission seat. Incumbent Jerome G. Essenmacher, Carsonville, won the nomination with 2,695 votes, more than

enough to defeat challenger Croswell Republican Lynne A. Noll. Essenmacher faces a challenge from Julius A. Dudzinski, Carsonville, in the general election.

LAMOTTE VOTE

In other primary votes, Lamotte Township residents approved a one-mill levy for 4 years, 38 to 26. The levy, expected to generate \$16,979 the first year, will be used for road construction, improvements and maintenance in the township.

Engler, Fieger face off in November

Incumbent Republican John Engler, who defeated Gary Artinian in the primary election Tuesday, will face off against Geoffrey Fieger in November elections.

Fieger, a West Bloomfield Democrat, defeated Larry Owen and Doug Ross to run for governor.

The 49-year-old Engler has served 2 consecutive, 4-year terms as governor since 1991.

Democrat Tom Alley, from West Branch, defeated Essexville opponent Bobby J. Snyder, and Republican Joel Gougeon defeated his opponent, Jim Harwood, who is from Harbor Beach, for the Michigan Senate.

Alley and incumbent Gougeon will battle it out in the fall. Gougeon, a 55-year-old from Bay City, has served as a Michigan senator for 2 consecutive, 2-year terms.

Also meeting in November are incumbent Republican Mike Green and Bad Axe Democrat Ed Markham. Green and Markham are running for the House of Representatives.

Green, who is 50, has served 2 consecutive, 2-year terms as a House representative. He is from Mayville.

Tuscola voters renew millages for road patrol, roads, seniors

Tuscola County voters assured continued funding for law enforcement, road improvements and assistance for senior citizens during last week's primary election.

A total of 4,511 residents — a voter turnout of 10.7 percent — overwhelmingly approved 3 county-wide renewals at the polls Aug. 4.

Among the renewals was .9 of a mill for 6 years for the sheriff's road patrol. The issue passed on a vote of 3,246 to 1,829. The levy, in place since 1988, will generate about \$812,000 in the coming year, representing the lion's share of the road patrol budget.

Voters also handily approved a renewal of .9721 of a mill for 2 years for improvements to county primary roads and major streets. The vote, 3,274 to 1,794, translates into \$878,000 in funding next year for the county. Shares of the funding are also passed down to

the county's villages and the city of Vassar, while townships will continue to benefit from a \$300,000 allocation from the road commission. The special road levy has been on the books since 1990.

The senior citizens millage, meanwhile, passed by the largest margin — 3,596 to 1,467. The levy, .2 of a mill for 6 years, has helped to fund services provided by a host of agencies for the past several years. They include the Caro-based Human Development Commission,

which administers a myriad of assistance programs, including home-delivered meals to seniors.

generate \$37,000 in the first year.

RACE DECIDED

As promised, the primary was a quiet one in terms of races, with only one commissioner facing a challenge.

Incumbent District 4 Commissioner Norma Bates, who represents Indianfields and Wells townships, defeated Republican challenger William Campbell, 259-226. Bates is expected to run unopposed in the general election in November.

KINGSTON VOTE

Township voters throughout the county proved equally generous, saying "yes" to various millage questions.

In Kingston Township, voters approved a 2-mill levy for 3 years for road maintenance projects. The measure passed by 23 votes, 96 to 73. The millage is expected to

Challenger unseats Huron County Board chairman

The Tuesday, Aug. 4, primary election proved to be a great day for most Huron County incumbents, 2 of whom emerged victorious and face no opposition in the November general election.

The day proved upsetting for board of commissioners Chairman Gary Krug, who was unseated by his Republican challenger.

Winners in races for county commission seats included District 5 incumbent Henry W. Weitenberger, a Bad Axe Republican. Weitenberger received 436 votes, while Bad Axe Mayor William C. Cleland and former Huron County Sheriff Richard V. Stokan garnered 238 votes and 85 votes, respectively. Weitenberger faces no opposition in the general election.

District 5 is comprised of Verona and Sigel townships. In other county board races, District 2 Commissioner Gary Krug, Bad Axe, who represents Grant, Sheridan, Bingham, Paris and Sherman townships, was upset by Republican challenger E. Duane Jurgess, also of Bad Axe. Jurgess received 347 votes and Krug, 271 votes. Jurgess is expected to run unopposed in the general election.

District 4 Commissioner Warren J. Krohn, Elkton, meanwhile, defeated Republican challenger Fred Duggan, 230 votes to 122 votes. The district is comprised of Chandler, Meade, Oliver and Colfax townships. Krohn will face Democrat Orville Liedke in November.

Finally, in District 7 (Lake, Hume, Dwight, Lincoln and Point Aux Barques townships), Commissioner Martha Thuemmel, a Port Austin Republican, defeated challenger Albert A. Kish, also a Port Austin Republican. The vote was 384 to 209, and Thuemmel faces no opposition in the general election.

In all, 4,854 county residents cast ballots for a voter turnout of about 17 percent, Huron County Clerk Peggy

A. Koehler reported.

BINGHAM LEVY

Also on the primary ballot was a request of .75 of a mill for 10 years in Bingham Township. Voters overwhelmingly approved the measure, 212-47.

The millage, expected to raise \$24,888 in the first year, will be used to purchase, equip and maintain fire and ambulance equipment for the township.

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"During the past year, Congressman Barcia was a strong leader in the Michigan delegation lobbying for the TEA-21 legislation and remains committed to enhancing the local role in transportation planning," Karl Schmidt, MAR president, said.

"He introduced H.R. 1799, the Local Input in Transportation Planning Act, which was included in TEA-21 and which strengthens the role of

small metropolitan and rural area elected officials in transportation infrastructure policy making. This successful provision provides for stronger local elected official participation through regional councils.

"Congressman Barcia was also recognized for his TEA-21 efforts by the Washington-based National Association of Development Organizations, which represents small metropolitan and rural areas."

The "local input" language authored by Barcia in the TEA-21 transportation legislation gives communities with less than 50,000 in population a role in the transportation planning process. It requires states to develop a process for consulting small and rural communities on planning decisions. Previously, small communities had no formal role in the process.

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in Vassar and superintendent in the Peck School District. The board also accepted "with regret" the resignation of veteran junior-senior high school secretary Helen Sontag, who is retiring after 19 years in the district. Kay Swiastyn, an aide at the elementary school, was hired to fill the vacancy, and Jennifer McLaren was hired to take Swiastyn's place in Gagetown. The board also learned math teacher Joseph Willsey has resigned.

*Approved the purchase of a new bus at a cost of \$47,800 from Osentoski Equipment, Pigeon. *Briefly discussed, then tabled the possibility of selling the district-owned house in Owendale. The home, previously used to house superintendents, is in need of an estimated \$6,000 in roof and other repairs, according to Thies, who was directed to obtain an appraisal of the house prior to the board's next meeting. *Approved a motion, recommended by Thies, to pay an additional \$3,000 towards the district's sewer service debt in Gagetown. Currently, Thies said, the district is spending \$400 in principal and another \$1,200 in interest annually towards the debt. He proposed saving interest payments by paying off the debt within in 3 years.



AN UNEXPECTED windfall came Marie High's way last week when she received a check for \$1,000 from First Capital Consumer Membership Services of Buffalo, N.Y. Her name was drawn July 30 in a free prize company membership drawing. High, who lives at the Cass City trailer park, said that she plans to invest the money.

First in nation OK Medicaid mental health plan

Governor John Engler's office has released a statement indicating that Michigan has received a waiver from the Department of Health and Human Services, Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), for Medicaid prepaid specialty mental health and substance abuse services, and a combination waiver for Medicaid prepaid specialty services and supports for persons with developmental disabilities. Under the plan, the Michigan Department of Community Health will contract with Community Mental Health Service programs to provide Medicaid mental health, substance abuse, and developmental disability services and supports under a prepaid, shared-risk arrangement. The waiver for persons with developmental disabilities will continue so that qualified individuals on this waiver will also receive the new waiver services. The provider of such services in this area is Tuscola County Community Mental Health Authority (TCCMHA).

Michigan is the first state in the nation to offer the new plan, and expectations are high at the state level that it will help maintain high levels of care for persons with mental illness and developmental disabilities. Local reaction to the announcement of the waiver approval is generally positive, as well, though tempered by practical considerations. TCCMHA Chief Executive Officer Robert E. Chadwick II called the plan "a healthy early approach to providing services in the managed care environment." He explained that the waiver will require Community Mental Health boards to run "tight ships", since the prepaid funding for Medicaid services will not be

supplemented once target levels have been expended. "I have no fear that Tuscola County Community Mental Health Authority can operate successfully in this environment," Chadwick added, "since we have essentially proven it already by the efficient manner in which we have come to manage our financial operations." TCCMHA Chief Financial Officer Sharon Blovsky added, "This system will change the way we are funded for the majority of our Medicaid services, since we'll be operating with a new capped rate rather than fee-for-service as in the past." Blovsky further indicated that there is a degree of uncertainty at the moment about the exact levels of Medicaid funding involved. This will likely continue until the state clarifies fully the formula and the procedures involved in calculating prepayments to TCCMHA. The waiver is in effect for a 2-year period beginning Oct. 1. It will involve a state-level, independent assess-

ment which will examine access to care, quality of services, and cost-effectiveness, and stipulates detailed requirements regarding data collection and quality assurance. The Department of

Community Health is currently finalizing agreements with all 49 Community Mental Health Service programs in the state, and anticipates negotiations will conclude by Oct. 1.

Thieves target cellular phones

Three Cass City residents recently reported their cellular phones stolen. Cass City police are investigating the thefts, 2 of which occurred after midnight Aug. 2. Cheryl Spencer reported a cellular phone valued at \$200 was stolen from her husband's pickup truck. Rebecca A. Perkins reported the theft of a cellular phone handset during the same time period. No estimated was available on the value of the handset. The theft of another cellular phone was reported Aug. 3. The phone, valued at \$100, was taken from a ve-

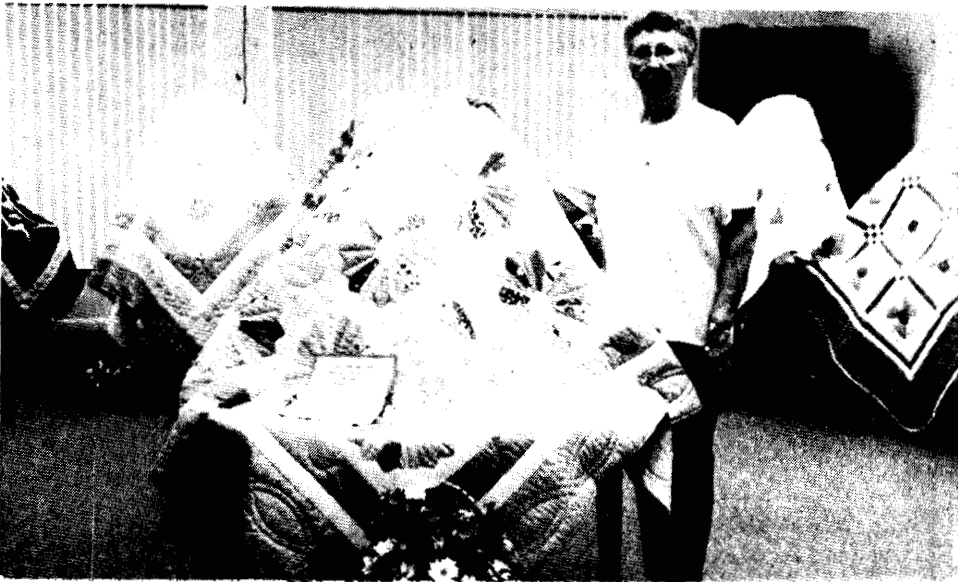
hicle owned by Darren D. Wallace, Cass City. Also last week, Kevin Mika, Cass City, reported Aug. 3 that someone "keyed" his 1998 Chevrolet pickup truck while the vehicle was parked at the Charmont. No damage estimate was available.



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Circus coming in Caro Aug. 28

The Caro Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring 2 performances of the largest traditional circus in the world. The performances by the Carson and Barnes 5-Ring Circus are slated for 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 28, at the Tuscola County Fairgrounds. Described as the "Biggest big top on Earth", the Carson and Barnes 5-ring circus travels in a caravan numbering more than 100 vehicles, with 17 elephants, lions, tigers, stallions, basketball playing bears and a lot more. Advance tickets — \$4 for children ages 2 to 11 years and \$8 for those 12 and older — are available at a number of locations, including the Caro Chamber of Commerce Office.



FLORENCE KARR TUTTLE donated this quilt to the Friends of the Library in memory of Ruth Grassman Houghton and her father, Preston Karr. Tuttle will have her quilts on display at the Rawson Memorial Library from Aug. 10-15.

EMTs needed in Thumb area

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tion of hospital staff and experienced paramedics. When the training is complete, students are eligible to take the state licensing exam. The basic EMT course costs \$400, but MMR officials are offering 5 scholarships that will cover the training cost provided the student completes the training and passes a state board exam. Scholarship applicants must also commit to working on-call for MMR 48 hours per month for 2 years.

Scholarship applicants could choose to work for MMR bases in Cass City, Fairgrove or Vassar. Gerber said EMTs who live within a 3-mile radius of their chosen base can stay at home and carry a pager. Those who live too far away still qualify, but would have to stay at the ambulance base during their working hours. Anyone interested in becoming an EMT is encouraged to contact Gerber at 1-800-232-5216 (ext. 317), or Pawloski at 872-5005.

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