



IT TOOK THE JAWS OF LIFE for the Elkland Township Fire Department to remove Joshua Kratz and Jeffery Randall from the front seat of this car after it hit the tree.

# Driver may face charges in double fatality crash

Final rites were to be held today (Wednesday) for a pair of teenagers who were killed in a 2-car crash Saturday at 2:56 p.m. on Phillips Road, about one-half mile north of Deckerville Road.

Dead at the scene were Joshua Earl Kratz, 15, of Silverwood, the driver of the car, and Jeffery Allen Randall II, 13, of Kingston.

Treated and released from Hills and Dales General Hospital was Keven Smith of Kingston. Smith and Randall were passengers in the Kratz ve-

hicle, Smith in the back seat and Randall in the front.

The driver of a second vehicle, a van that crashed into the rear of the Kratz vehicle, was Richard Hampton, 37, of Deford. The police are investigating, but Hampton may face criminal charges.

According to the police report, both vehicles were traveling north on Phillips Road when the right corner of the Hampton van collided with the left rear bumper of the Kratz car, spinning it out of control. It left the roadway to

the right, then went back off the road to the left, reversed directions once again, went off the road to the right and hit a tree.

It was necessary to use the Jaws of Life to remove the passengers in the front seat.

The Michigan Secretary of State office said that Kratz has a level one graduated driver's license. That allowed the youth to drive a car, but only in the presence of a parent or guardian who possesses a valid driver's license.

Youths must be 17 or older to get a Michigan unrestricted driver's li-



Joshua Earl Kratz

cence. The obituaries of Kratz and Randall appear in today's obituary column on page 4.

# Fire marshal to probe 2 suspicious Monday fires

A pair of suspicious house fires kept Elkland Township fire fighters busy most of Monday night.

Fire Chief Ron Pawloski has sought the services of the state fire marshal to help investigate the 2 probable arson fires. Pawloski said officials would be at both scenes Tuesday.

Fire fighters were called to the first fire at 3070 N. Crawford Road, Cass City, 1/2 mile north of Severance Road, at 7:30 p.m. by Ron Jones, 38, of Avoca.

Jones, who was hunting state land to the north over

the weekend, said the house was engulfed in flames when he made the call.

"There have been a couple of pickup trucks hunting here over the weekend, but we haven't seen anyone at the house," said Jones.

According to Jones, the fire ignited from an addition attached to the rear of the house.

Cass City firemen, who remained on the scene until 10 p.m., were assisted by tanker trucks from Gagetown, Kingston and Caro.

The abandoned home, owned by Alvina Wilson,

was a total loss. Pawloski stated the house was uninsured. He estimated the loss at about \$40,000.

Two other structures on the premises escaped unscathed. Fire fighters prevented the flames from spreading south to a nearby garage and trailer. "We used about 28,000 gallons of water," commented Pawloski.

While battling the Crawford Road blaze, Elkland Township fire fighters were summoned at 8:40 p.m. to respond to another abandoned house fire at 5966 Shabbona Road. The house is owned by

Walter Kloc.

Occupied on Crawford Road, Pawloski had the Kingston fire department respond to the blaze.

"We send a couple of men over to help with the report, but Kingston handled the fire," says Pawloski.

Pawloski said there is little doubt the fire was set intentionally.

"We had to cut through a chain link fence to get to the house, so I am pretty sure it was set," said the chief.



ELKLAND TOWNSHIP fire fighters battled a blaze at 3070 N. Crawford Road Monday night.

## Best in science, math

# Cass City MEAP Test results told

Results of the changed Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) tests show that last year's Cass City High School junior students exceeded the state average in science and math and trailed slightly the state average in reading and writing.

This year's test was shortened considerably due to complaints received by the Michigan Department of Education.

Also changed was the en-

dorsement that last year was attached to the diplomas. This year the endorsements will be attached to the students' transcripts of records, Russ Biefer, Cass City High School principal, explained, and will record which of 3 levels were achieved in the 4 test areas.

Level one indicates the student exceeded Michigan standards. Level 2 indicates they met Michigan standards and 3 means endorsed at basic level. Level 4 means not

endorsed. All the students were taking the test for the first time last year as juniors.

Those who are not satisfied with the results can take the test again when it will be offered in late January or early February.

Also expected to take the test then are a few 10th graders who are currently taking some college classes together with the regular high school curriculum.

| Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP) |         |         |         |              |        |          |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--------------|--------|----------|
| Writing                                      |         |         |         |              |        |          |
|  | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Level 4      | Number | Total    |
|  |         |         |         | Not Endorsed | Tested | Endorsed |
| Cass City                                    | 5.4     | 40.9    | 35.5    | 18.3         | 96     | 81.8%    |
| State  | 10.3    | 46.3    | 27.2    | 16.1         | 69,088 | 83.8%    |
| Science                                      |         |         |         |              |        |          |
|  | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Level 4      | Number | Total    |
|  |         |         |         | Not Endorsed | Tested | Endorsed |
| Cass City                                    | 8.3     | 43.8    | 37.5    | 10.4         | 97     | 89.6%    |
| State  | 8.4     | 43.3    | 27.7    | 20.6         | 70,713 | 79.4%    |
| Reading                                      |         |         |         |              |        |          |
|  | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Level 4      | Number | Total    |
|  |         |         |         | Not Endorsed | Tested | Endorsed |
| Cass City                                    | 13.5    | 40.6    | 20.8    | 25.0         | 97     | 74.9%    |
| State  | 14.4    | 44.5    | 17.0    | 24.1         | 71,674 | 75.9%    |
| Mathematics                                  |         |         |         |              |        |          |
|  | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Level 4      | Number | Total    |
|  |         |         |         | Not Endorsed | Tested | Endorsed |
| Cass City                                    | 17.9    | 46.3    | 17.9    | 17.9         | 96     | 82.1%    |
| State  | 20.7    | 39.8    | 17.2    | 22.3         | 71,276 | 77.7%    |

## Santa arrives Friday Plan Christmas activities

The Christmas season gets off to its traditional start Sunday when the annual town-wide Christmas open house is scheduled from noon to 4 p.m.

Sponsored by the Cass City Chamber of Commerce and local merchants, the stores will feature holiday specials with the accent on ideal holiday gifts.

Next week the rest of the Christmas activities will

start. Santa Claus will make his first appearance Friday, Nov. 27, at 6 p.m. He'll be loaded with free candy and goodies for the kiddies. Look for him at the corner of Main and Seeger Streets in the village parking lot until 8 p.m.

He will return each Saturday in December from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Also returning will be the

popular free mountain bike give-away. Drawings will be held Saturdays, Nov. 28, Dec. 5-12-19, and Thursday, Dec. 24.

Shoppers are encouraged to enter as often as they like.

Other activities include free blood pressure checks conducted by Hills and Dales Hospital at Timeless Treasures Dec. 5, a blood glucose check at Cass City IGA Dec. 12 and a cholesterol check at

Health Mart/Book Mart Dec. 19.

Three Saturday matinees are offered Dec. 5, 12, 19, from 2 to 4 p.m. that are free to kids 12 and under. Teens and adults will also be admitted free with a Saturday shopping sales slip.

There will be story hours at Rawson Memorial Library Dec. 12 and 19 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. for children 4 years old and older.

## Loses 50 pounds to compete

# Jerry Knoblet runs first marathon



Knoblet today, marathon runner

Two years ago there was little resemblance to the Jerry Knoblet of 1966 when he was awarded the Paul Smarks award at Cass City High School for his prowess in football, basketball and baseball.

Two years ago he was 48 years old and 50 pounds overweight. Settled into middle age at Mt. Hope, West Virginia, where he is the New Testament Greek teacher at Appalachian Testament College. Before that he served as a pastor and part-time teacher at the college level in Pennsylvania.

But that was then and this is now. Knoblet writes that he used a verse of scripture to

shed 50 pounds and help get back in running condition. The motivating scripture verse was Isaiah 40:31. "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint."

With that to steel his determination, Knoblet entered and ran in the Marine Corps Marathon Oct. 25. He covered the 26.2 miles in 4 hours, 32 minutes. It was a crowded field with 18,300 runners and Knoblet placed in 6,406th place. That placed him in the top 35 percent of all the runners. In his age

group Knoblet placed number 332.

Knoblet writes that it was an incredible experience running around Washington, D.C., in one day. I was amazed at the number of men and women in their late 50s and early 60s that ran by me like I was standing still. For their age, they are in great shape.

Knoblet hastens to add that he isn't a super runner, just an ordinary guy, married to Linda, with 3 adult children, Heather, Benjamin and Don, who decided to tackle a marathon. Successfully.



Knoblet accepting trophy in 1966



Matt and Lindsey Weippert

# Guarascio and Weippert united

Ron and Chris Weippert of Cass City and Tom and Kathy Guarascio of Almont Township announce the marriage of their children, Matt and Lindsey. They were married Aug. 8, 1998, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Lake Orion. The Rev. James Van Dellen officiated at the 4:00 p.m. ceremony.

Maid of honor was Jennifer Guarascio, sister of the bride. Also attending the bride were her sister, Tracy Guarascio, Lynn Adkins, sister of the groom, and friends, Tammy Peters and Jennifer Gibbs. Junior bridesmaid was Alexandra Viney, cousin of the bride. Flower girl was Nina Castellana, also a cousin of the bride.

Best man was Darren Gyomory, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Andy Izadorek, Jeff Jeung, Steve Tuckey and Tim Englehardt, all friends of the groom. Junior groomsmen were Jason Weippert, nephew of the groom. Ringbearer was Jordan Formica, cousin of the bride. Ushers were Randy Guinther, cousin of the groom, Gary Becker and Craig Brown, friends of the groom.

Providing music for the wedding were Tom Guinther,

the groom's uncle, Bev Terry, the groom's aunt, and Chris Weippert, mother of the groom.

The reception was held at the Countryside Banquet Center in Inlay City for 200 people.

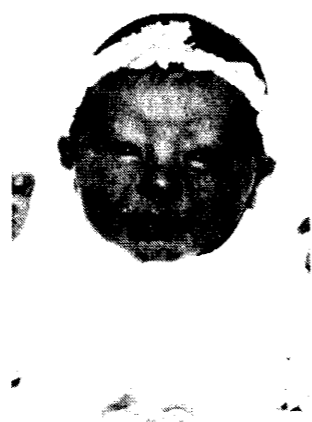
Matt is a police officer for Almont, and Lindsey is an assistant director for a day care center in Dryden. The couple reside in Dryden.

## Cass City Social Items

Bradley Russell, son of Don and Roseann Russell of Cass City, has been accepted to Northwestern College in Lima, Ohio, to begin classes in the June session. He will be majoring in the High Performance Technician program. Russell attended Cass City High School.

Huron Memorial Hospice, Bad Axe, welcomes 4 new volunteers to their program. Completing the Hospice Volunteer Training classes are Violet Wells, Sebewaing; JoAnn Alexander, Cass City; Chenoa Maxwell, Port Austin, and Phyllis Snider, Elkton.

## It's a girl!

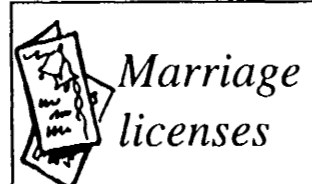


Ashley Michelle Braun

Matt and Kim (Morley) Braun announce the birth of a daughter, Ashley Michelle Braun, Sept. 4, at Covenant Healthcare - Harrison Campus. She weighed 6 pounds and 12 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Bob and Margie Morley of Cass City and Gerald and Lois Braun of Vassar, and the late Helen Morley.

Great-grandparents are Mary Sweeney of Bad Axe and Edna Klammer of Frankenmuth.



## Marriage Licenses

Peter Lee Rolston and Margaret Hazel Gray, both of Caro.

Mark James Eschtruth and Debra Ann Troop, both of Kingstown.

Harold Blehm, Gagetown, and Sylvia June Gray, Caro.

## 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** - Pasta w/meat sauce, zucchini and tomatoes, salad bar, garlic bread, cream dessert.

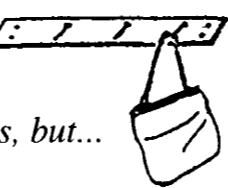
**Tuesday** - Golden baked chicken, tater patties, peas, variety bread, Mandarin oranges.

**Friday** - Closed.



Meg's Peg

Thanks, but...



by Melva E. Guinther

This is reportedly the actual response to a letter from a real person who has a habit of digging things up in his back yard in Newport, R.I., and sending it to the Smithsonian Institution. Edited only slightly for length, it's a real study in diplomacy.

Dear Mr. Williams:

Thank you for your latest submission to the Institute, labeled "93211-D, layer 7, next to clothesline post...Hominid skull." We have given this specimen a careful and detailed examination, and regret to inform you that we disagree with your theory that it represents conclusive proof of the presence of Early Man in Charleston County 2,000,000 years ago. Rather, it appears that what you have found is the head of a Barbie doll, of the variety that one of our staff, who has small children, believes to be "Malibu Barbie."

It is evident that you have given a great deal of thought to the analysis of this specimen, and you may be quite certain that those of us who are familiar with your prior work in the field were loathe to come to contradiction with your findings. However, we do feel that there are a number of physical attributes of the specimen which might have tipped you off to its modern origin:

1. The material is molded plastic. Ancient hominid remains are typically fossilized bone.

2. The cranial capacity of the specimen is approximately 9 cubic centimeters, well below the threshold of even the earliest identified proto-hominids.

3. The dentition pattern is certainly one of the most intriguing hypotheses you have submitted in your history with this institution, but the evidence seems to weigh rather heavily against it. Without going into too much detail, let us say that:

A. The specimen looks like

the head of a Barbie doll that a dog has chewed on.

B. Clams don't have teeth.

It is with feelings tinged with melancholy that we must deny your request to have the specimen carbon-dated. This is partially due to the heavy load our lab must bear in its normal operation, and partly due to carbon-dating's notorious inaccuracy in fossils of recent geologic record.

Sadly, we must also deny your request that we approach the National Science Foundation Phylogeny Department with the concept of assigning your specimen the scientific name *Australopithecus spiff-arino*. I fought tenaciously for its acceptance, but was ultimately voted down because the species name was hyphenated, and didn't really sound like it might be Latin. However, we gladly accept your generous donation of this fascinating specimen to the museum.

While it is undoubtedly not a Hominid fossil, it is, nonetheless, yet another riveting example of the great body of work you seem to accumulate here so effortlessly. You should know that our director has reserved a special shelf in his own office for the display of the specimens you have previously submitted to the Institution, and the entire staff speculates on what you will happen upon next in your digs at the site you have discovered in your Newport back yard.

We are particularly interested in hearing you expand on your theories surrounding the trans-positating fillification of ferrous ions in a structural matrix that makes the excellent juvenile *Tyrannosaurus rex* femur you recently discovered take on the deceptive appearance of a rusty 9-mm Sears Craftsman automotive crescent wrench.

Yours in Science,  
Harvey Rowe, Chief Curator - Antiquities

## Engaged



Ann Koepf & Steven Geiger

Mr. and Mrs. John Koepf announce the engagement of their daughter, Ann Marie, to Steven John Geiger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Geiger of Harbor Beach.

Koepf is a 1994 graduate of Cass City High School and is currently a senior at Saginaw Valley State University, majoring in elementary education.

Geiger is a 1993 graduate of Harbor Beach High School and is a self-employed farmer.

A May 8, 1999, wedding is planned.



Darren and Martina McDonald

# Exchange vows in Battle Creek

Mr. and Mrs. Gunter Weigel of Eschollbrucken, Germany, and Mr. and Mrs. Bud McDonald of Owendale announce the marriage of their children, Martina Stewart of Reading and Darren McDonald of Marshall, Friday, Nov. 6, in Battle Creek. Attendants were Darren's

parents. The newlyweds reside at 557 N. Madison, Marshall, MI 49068.

Both are employed at Litchfield Community Schools System. A belated honeymoon is planned in June to Germany.



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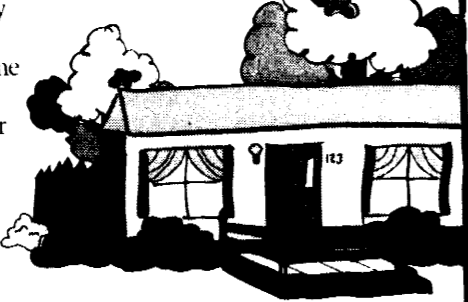
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## Warack O-G student-of-month

Nicole Lynn Warack has been named Owendale-Gagetown Schools' "Senior Student of the Month" for November. Warack has held many offices during high school. She has served as vice-president and is currently president of the Student Council, is the treasurer of the National Honor Society, a past parliamentarian of the Business Professionals of America Club, and is currently serving as the senior class president.

Warack is a member of the 3.0 Club, has participated in basketball, volleyball, softball, the Drama Club, and the French Club. She was a homecoming court representative her freshman year and a queen candidate for 1998.

Thanks for calling 872-2010 with feature story ideas



Nicole Lynn Warack

Warack is the daughter of Diane Warack of Sebewaing and the late Joseph Warack. She is currently employed at Form You 3 and McDonald's. Her future plans are to pursue a career in clinical psychology.

## Community Thanksgiving Dinner

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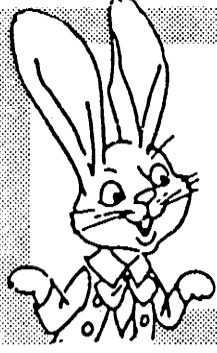
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**Rabbit Tracks**

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

I missed meeting Rocky Colavito last year when he came to Cass City to visit and hunt with his friend, Phil Nichols, and was pleased to be introduced to the former star Detroit-Cleveland major leaguer by Nichols last week when shopping at Erla's.

He's gray-haired, but looked to me as if he was in condition to step up and lash one of those long home runs he was famous for.

While he undoubtedly is in fine physical shape, he was not as big as I always figured he was. Not small, you understand, but not giant-sized either.

My view was obviously distorted by my remembrance of seeing him uncork a bullet throw from the outfield (not always accurate, but always with tremendous power) and his long home run blasts.

The celebrated trade that sent Colavito to Detroit for 1959 American League batting champion shortstop Harvey Kuenn in 1960 was the topic of baseball fans in both cities.

In Michigan, it appeared that it was about a 50-50 proposition, half approving and half disapproving.

I can remember sitting in the stands one afternoon when one beer-stoked fan would get up when Rocky came to bat and announced to everyone there and the world at large, "Don't knock the rock."

It sounds boring and foolish. Perhaps you had to be there, but it wasn't foolish or boring at the time. It's indelibly etched in memory and is one more minor episode about the player who always added excitement to the game.

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Helen Avery, Cass City, has grown organically a tremendous tomato plant. She was going to call and let us show it to you, but the frost got to the plant before she got around to it.

When the weather killed the plant, she confides, the plant was over waist high and had well over 100 green tomatoes on it.

She says that the plant discouraged bugs because of its "velvet-like" leaves.

She plans to grow another plant from similar seed and promises not to wait too long before giving us a photo opportunity.

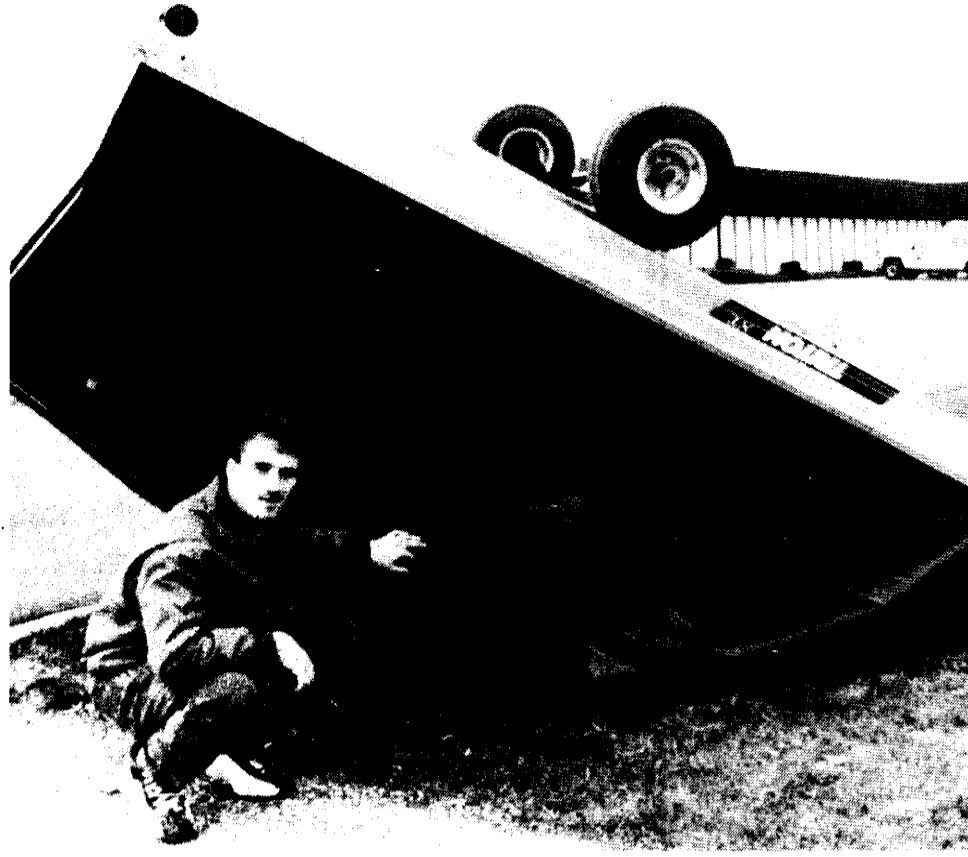
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A dozen years or so ago we rushed out to the Cass City Gun Club to take a picture and report on the Sunday breakfast and the volunteers operating it.

We wanted to tell about it while it was still operating. The thought was that any project of that dimension would soon be abandoned because of the work required.

Obviously, I didn't need to hurry, and it may well be that it will still be booming along at the turn of the century with most of the same guys doing the chores.

The 30-plus years that many of the same guys have been devoting Sundays to the club may not be a record. But if it isn't, let me know. Beating their record would be one heck of a story.



**HIGH WINDS** caused several problems for Cass City residents Tuesday night. Included among the casualties is this snowmobile trailer at Cass City Hardware. Inspecting the damage is employee Dave Grushka, who estimated the loss at around \$2,400.

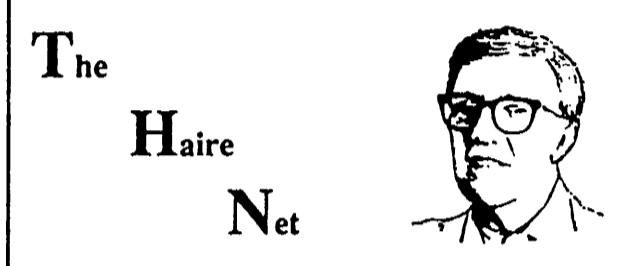
**Engler announces \$16,336 grant**

Governor John Engler recently announced that the Michigan Jobs Commission awarded \$16,336 to the Thumb Area Employment and Training Consortium, a Michigan Works! agency. The award is designed to fund model projects during fiscal year 1999 and will build upon and enhance existing School-to-Work programs for students with disabilities. The Thumb Area Employment and Training Consortium is based in Marlette, and serves the counties of Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac and Tuscola.

"These grants are being awarded to reinforce the importance of targeting the unique needs of students with disabilities, including those with severe disabilities," said Governor Engler.

"It is important that we support comprehensive, creative approaches to inclusion of all students in School-to-Work activities," said Engler.

Michigan's School-to-Work program is being implemented through the Michigan Jobs Commission, the Michigan Department of Education, and local Michigan Works! agencies. Funding is made available by the School-to-Work Opportunities Act, which is administered through the Michigan Jobs Commission.



The Haire Net

It's been a good many years since I have personally attended and reported on the affairs of the Cass City Village Council.

When I came on board in 1951, there was no one covering the council meetings and there was a good deal of friction because the paper was determined to report the news and tell the debate that preceded the decisions.

One time the council called me on the carpet for reporting the affairs concerning the village before they officially voted on it. My reply then and today is that it's our money being spent and we have a right to know how and why decisions are reached.

Recently the council went into closed session and came to some sort of decision about a land purchase or lease and has not yet revealed anything about it. Except to say all of the council members approve whatever action is being taken.

Whether or not this violates the open meetings act is a gray area. Even if it skirts successfully the intent of the law, keeping you informed, trustees might better be served if they take a tip from the Cass City School Board.

It frequently goes into legal closed sessions, but when decision time is reached, they do it in open meetings and most often allow enough time for the public to digest and comment on the proposed action.

With this regard for the taxpayer, the school has successfully negotiated some rocky shoals, including closing Evergreen School and securing funding for the beautiful new middle school building.

It's easy to see why the law allows negotiations for the purpose of buying, selling or leasing land to be conducted in secret. Public debate could increase the cost to the taxpayers.

In Cass City, at least, council members conduct the affairs of the village as a duty. Certainly not because they

are paid enough to make it worthwhile. Far from it. Most of them are persons for whom their personal welfare is directly connected to the welfare of the community.

That's always been true. But that doesn't negate their responsibility to keep us informed and give us the opportunity to voice our opinions on decisions reached in private.

We hope that this closed session is just a blip on what has been, in recent years, a smooth open-to-the public decision-making group.

Not only is it the right thing to do but, in the long run, the one that makes the most sense.



**The back forty**

by Roger Pond

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I'm not looking forward to winter. It seems like only yesterday we were having spring!

Scientists say winter gets us down because we don't get enough daylight, and most folks exercise less during the winter months. The shorter days of winter affect the pituitary glands of animals, causing bears to hibernate, chickens to lay fewer eggs, and people to become grouchy. Only recently, however, has science recognized people will become grouchy anytime their chickens quit laying eggs.

The relationship between shorter days, fewer eggs, and grouchy people was well-known when I was a kid. Kids fed the chickens in those days, and winter always meant fewer eggs and grouchy people; especially when they found out we didn't take time to thaw the waterers.

Even the old excuse, "It's a darn poor chicken that can't break through a couple of inches of ice," couldn't get us off the hook in that situation.

In addition to shorter days and fewer eggs, exercise plays a role in how a person feels during the winter. If a person doesn't get enough exercise, he develops a layer of fat around his pituitary gland and becomes grouchy.

Everyone has a favorite way to exercise, but dragging hay bales across a muddy barnlot remains one of my favorites. We had two barns when I was a kid - and always managed to put the heifers in one barn and the hay in the other. Then we had to drag the hay.

Nobody got fat in those days. The fat guys sank down and disappeared.

Modern machinery has changed all that, and folks don't drag bales like they used to. Besides, a fellow dragging a bale of hay gets some nasty looks on suburban sidewalks. So he has to

take up something more respectable.

The trend in modern exercise is to buy a work-out video. There's something about buying an exercise tape, plugging it into the VCR, and watching other people sweat that makes a person feel good regardless of what's going on outside.

I used to scoff at work-out tapes when they were made by people like Richard Simmons. Richard always gives me the feeling he wouldn't drag a bale of hay if his life and 40 cows depended on it.

But now tapes are made by movie stars and athletes. That's the main point in buying a video. Get one that's done by someone you can identify with.

The second thing to remember when starting an exercise program is to set realistic goals. Don't expect to create muscles or lose weight all at once (especially if you don't do the exercises).

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**Cass City Public Schools**  
**PROGRESS IN EDUCATION**

from the desk of Ken Micklash, Superintendent

**Cass City Schools Keeping Pace with Technology**

During the early part of the 1900's our country made a transition from primarily an agricultural centered society to that of an industrial based one. Now, as we are about to enter a new century we are in the midst of another transition. Our world is moving to an informational based society, which emphasizes computerization and instant communication of data. This does not mean that agriculture and industry will not remain important parts of our lives, because they certainly will. This evolving transition into an informational based society means that technology will be a driving force in all walks of life.

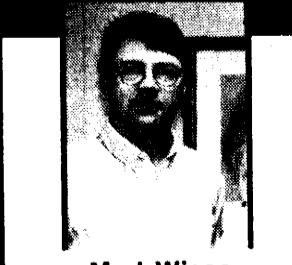
The Cass City Schools have been planning for this technological based transition since 1992. Many, many things have been accomplished throughout these past few years in order for us to put our schools in a position to aid our children with the world of computerization. Here are just a few of the accomplishments relating to this issue.

- All classrooms have been equipped with a voice, video and computer distribution system.
- There is at least one computer in every classroom. Many classes have more than one station.
- The high school and middle school have computer laboratories (two in the high school, one in the middle school) which can accommodate up to 28 students each.
- Every building has at least one computer mini lab on a cart with 30 micro-word processors. These mini labs can be taken into any classroom for large group usage.
- Internet access is available in 95% of our classrooms. We are currently working on access for the final 5%.
- All of the buildings are connected via a local area network.
- All of the Cass City buildings are connected with a fiber optic wide area network for instant sharing of data and communications. We are currently working on a wireless connection to Deford Elementary, which would then connect that building to our wide area network.
- All of our libraries are being developed into media and information centers as well as traditional libraries.
- Our district has been awarded a national middle school Computer Clubhouse grant which will provide over \$260,000.00 of technical equipment and support over the next two (2) years.
- The vast majority of these upgrades were developed using budgeted general fund resources. Our budget is being coordinated to sustain this technology and make continual advancements as we move into the future.

These technological enhancements are being made so that we can provide our children with every available resource, within our means, in order for them to be successful in our global society.

Questions can be sent to me at 4868 N. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726. Thank you!

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# Obituaries

## Harold Crane

Harold Raymond Crane, 82, of Cass City, died Saturday, Nov. 14, 1998, in his son's home in Waterford.

He was born Jan. 31, 1916, in Cass City, to James and Ella (Ball) Crane. He married Wanda Seekings June 18, 1935, on the farm in Cass City.

Crane worked at General Motors, retiring in 1973 after 30 years. He attended the Novesta Church of Christ. He was learning to be a pilot.

Surviving are his wife, Wanda; a son, Rodney (Marie) Crane of Waterford; 4 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; a brother, Jay (Elaine) Crane of Cass City; sisters-in-law, Marilyn Crane of Milford and Vernetice Gremel of Clio, and 3 nieces. He was preceded in death by a grandson, Zephania Walker; a brother, Vern; 2 infant sisters, a brother-in-law, Nelson Gremel, and 2 nephews.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with Chuck Emmert of the Novesta Church of Christ officiating.

Interment was in Ellington Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

## Willard Dodson

Willard L. Dodson, 82, of Winfield, Ala., died Wednesday, Oct. 7, 1998, at his home.

He was born in Winfield April 2, 1916, and married Nella Franks there June 29, 1935.

The couple had 9 children. The family moved to the Detroit area in 1951, where he worked as a boiler maker, and eventually moved to Cass City in 1972 with the 3 youngest children, Vicki Dodson Guernsey, Pamela Dodson and Valarie Dodson Garcia.

He was a part-time preacher for both the Cass City and Bad Axe congregations of the Church of Christ. The Dodsons returned to Winfield in 1990. His wife has moved to Tucson, Ariz., where their daughters, Vicki and Valarie, live, and will soon be in her new home at 8053 Surprise Drive, Tucson, AZ 85743. Her phone number is 520-579-9169.

## Harry Foster

Harry A. Foster, 85, of Caro died Oct. 30, 1998, at Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City.

He was born April 17, 1913, in Colwood and was a life-

long resident of Tuscola County.

Foster and Pearl Putnam were married April 17, 1982, at Wahjamega.

He retired after 43 years of employment as parts man for John Deere dealers, first with Bieth Implement, then Bradley, and finally Laethem Equipment Company. He was a Caro High School graduate and a member of Colwood United Brethren in Christ Church.

Surviving are his wife, Pearl; 2 sons, Wesley Foster and Maude (McCallum) Hartt. He married Gladys Pringle Aug. 29, 1932, in Lake Orion. She died July 22, 1993.

Hartt worked in the dairy industry most of his life. He worked at the Detroit Creamery, as a dairy inspector, on several dairy farms, and finally at Apache Ranch in Lapeer.

Surviving are 3 children, Richard (Alix) Hartt of Jamesville, N.Y., Robert (Linda) Hartt of Placentia, Calif., and Diane Hartt of Lake Orion; 6 grandchildren; 2 step-grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; 2 step-great-grandchildren; 3 brothers, Mac (James McCallum) (Blanche) Hartt of Florida, Jay Hartt and Richard Hartt, both of Bay City; 2 sisters, Betty (Russ) Ludemann of Lake Orion, and Juanita Cooksey of New Jersey, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by bothers and sisters, Harry, Marion, Audrey and Walter.

Funeral services were held Monday at Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston, with the Rev. Margaret Passenger of Kingston United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment was in Kingston Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the Colwood United Brethren in Christ Church.

Arrangements were made by Collon Funeral Home, Caro.

## Bertyl Hartt

Bert Hartt, 95, of Lapeer, died Thursday, Nov. 12, 1998, at Medilodge in Yale.

He was born March 18, 1903, in Wilmot to John and Maude (McCallum) Hartt. He married Gladys Pringle Aug. 29, 1932, in Lake Orion. She died July 22, 1993.

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Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Rick Douville officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Southeast Georgia.

Arrangements were made by Edo Miller-Dekle-Wainwright Funeral Home, Kingsland, Ga.

## Jeffery Randall II

Jeff Allen Randall II, 13, of Caro, died Saturday, Nov. 14, 1998, in an automobile crash.

He was born Feb. 7, 1985, in Caro to Jeff and Dawn (Champaigne) Randall.

An eighth grader at Kingston High School, he played basketball, football and baseball.

Surviving are his mother, Dawn (Cort) Hartwick of Deford; father, Jeff Randall of Caro; older sister, Crystal; younger brother, Micah, both at home; grandparents, Linus (Connie) Champagne of Deford, Art (Peggy) Randall of Caro; aunts and uncles, Sherrie (Randy) Dibble and Jim Randall; several cousins, and many good friends.

Funeral services were scheduled at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 18, at Kingston Wesleyan Church with the Rev. Douglas Koglin of the Caro Free Methodist Church officiating.

Interment will be in St. Michael Cemetery, Wilmot. Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston.

## Margaret Warack

Margaret Rose Warack, 71, of Rochester Hills, died Nov. 15, 1998.

She and her late husband, Peter, lived in Gagetown at one time.

She is survived by a son, Peter and Margaret Warak; 2 granddaughters, and 2 brothers, Steve and Ernest Eney.

A scripture service was to be held Wednesday, Nov. 18, at 7:30 p.m. at the Potere-Modetz Funeral Home, Rochester.

Mass of Resurrection will be Thursday at 10 a.m. at St. Agatha Catholic Church, Gagetown.

Burial will be in St. Agatha Cemetery.

Suggested memorials are to the American Heart Association, or the American Cancer Society.

## Paul Wright

Paul L. Wright, 87, died Friday, Nov. 13, 1998, at Tuscola Medical Care Facility in Caro.

He was born Sept. 2, 1911, in Cass City, the son of Luke and Lovina (Markley) Wright. He married Sarah Schell June 25, 1938, in Fremont, Ind.

Wright lived in Mayville for 53 years and was previously from Kingston and Cass City.

He was a member of the Mayville United Methodist Church, past member of the Kingston United Methodist Church. He owned and operated Western Auto Hardware in Marlette for 10 years, Mayville Hardware 6 years, built the Triangle Bowling Lanes in Mayville and operated it for 2 years. He also worked for Guerdons Industries in Marlette and built several homes in the area.

He is survived by his wife, Sarah of Mayville; a son, Jeffery and Victoria Wright of Beverly Hills; 4 daughters, Judith and Dan Fischer of Marlette, Lovina Huffman of Marlette, Patricia Oberle of Caro, and Lori Lau of Mt. Pleasant; 14 grandchildren, and 23 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a baby son, Robert, and sister, Mary Drake.

Funeral services were held Monday at Marsh Funeral Chapel in Marlette with the Rev. Bonny Lancaster officiating.

Burial was in the Kingston Cemetery in Kingston.

Memorials may be given to the Mayville United Methodist Church or donation of your choice.



**OWEN-GAGE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY members who participated in the "Penny Wars" contest for Cystic Fibrosis: (Front row, l to r), Melanie Lemanski, Kristen Mandich, Nicole Warack. Back row: Mrs. Krzysaniak, Karen Kretzschmer, Cassie Vargo, Chad Mellendorf, Jennifer Loewe, Cara Bickel, Theresa Richmond and Mrs. Sutter.**

## O-G "Penny War" raises Cystic Fibrosis' funds

The Owendale-Gagetown chapter of the National Honor Society sponsored a "Penny War" during the month of October to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. A total of 134 7th-12th grade students participated in the "Penny War" with donations totaling \$275.14.

The class totals were as follows: Seventh Grade - \$102.61; Seniors - \$81.39; Juniors - \$58.73; Freshmen - \$19.10; Eighth Grade - \$8.89, and Sophomores - \$4.06. The seventh grade class won a pizza party, donated by the NHS, for having the most money donated.

The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation offered T-shirts to be raffled off to the top 3 finishers: Seventh Grade, Seniors and Juniors. The NHS members will also have a

chance to win the T-shirts. The raffle will be held at a later date.

Cystic Fibrosis (CF) is the number-one genetic killer of children and young adults in this country. Approximately 30,000 people in the United States have CF. A defective

gene causes the body to produce an abnormally thick, sticky mucus. This abnormal mucus leads to chronic and fatal lung infections and impairs digestion. Currently, there is no cure. Promising new treatments are being developed.

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Proposals are now being taken for a new township hall in Evergreen Township. Information can be obtained from address listed below. Proposals shall be submitted in duplicate and shall be in sealed opaque envelope and hand delivered or mailed, to be received no later than 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 10, 1998.

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# Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

**5 YEARS AGO**

Cass City will lose a long-standing real estate business this year with the retirement of B.A. "Curly" Calka after more than 41 years of serving the Thumb area.

Awards were announced last week for members of the Cass City Red Hawk football team. The 1993 player of the year is John Phillips. Jason Morgan was named team

captain for 1994 and also the offensive back of the year. Defensive back of the year was Tavis Osentoski.

Cass City Police are investigating the theft of several pieces of mail. Richard Patera, owner of Bob's Bump Shop on Cemetery Rd., found mail in a dumpster from the Charmont Restaurant. Cass City Hardware, Eaton Environmental, UPS, and the GTE warehouse.

The Cass City Red Hawks and Marlette tied for the championship in the Blue Bay League. The final 2 games of the season were thrillers when Cass City bested the Lakers 41-40, only to lose to Marlette 29-28.

Ben Hobart became the 19th person named a Paul Harris Fellow from donations made through the Cass City Rotary Club.

**10 YEARS AGO**

Over 500 friends and neighbors attended the benefit supper and bake sale Saturday night at Evergreen School to

give a helping hand to George Sangster, 45, of Decker. A total of over \$5,000 was raised to help defray medical expenses for Sangster, who is suffering from cancer.

Theresa McElhinney, 25, of Mayville, was killed in a traffic accident on M-24 Thursday, about 6 miles from where her husband, David McElhinney, 26, was killed in a motorcycle accident July 22, at the intersection of M-46 and Cat Lake Road.

Lyle Clarke, who retired from the Cass City School District last spring after a teaching career spanning 35 years, and his wife Jean, a substitute teacher in the Tuscola Intermediate School District for the past 5 years, will leave this week for a 2-year Peace Corps assignment in Botswana.

Hills and Dales General Hospital will again offer smoker "survival kits" in conjunction with the Great American Smokeout, set for Thursday across the country.

**25 YEARS AGO**

During the energy crisis many Cass Cityans responded to President Nixon's call Nov. 7 by turning down thermostats, driving slower, and watching fuel gauges on oil tanks and automobiles. Officials at Cass City High School reveal that supplies of number 4 fuel oil for the Intermediate School have been terminated. No other source presently is available and the school faces a Dec. 1 shutdown.

Chester Sieradzki was the only Cass City griddler named to the 22-man Thumb B All-Conference team.

About 200 persons turned out Tuesday night to hear the Owendale-Gagetown School district present its case for the proposed \$2.66 million junior-senior high school bond issue set for a Dec. 3 vote.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles

Wright, Mrs. Theda Seeger, Mrs. George Jetta and Mrs. Alex Greenleaf attended Eastern Star officers installation at Sebawaing Saturday evening.

**35 YEARS AGO**

Hal Willard, 31, head football coach at Wayne State University, announced his resignation this week in a surprise announcement to his players. Willard, a former Cass City resident and a graduate of Cass City High School, said that Wayne has nothing to offer a coach under its present policy.

Vandals made the work of repairing the steps at the south entrance of the Cass City High School building more expensive this week. An investigation is underway to try to determine who wrote

obscene words in the wet cement, forcing the school to redo the work.

Another addition and a complete remodeling of Erla Food Center will be celebrated this weekend when the grand opening of the market on Church Street will be observed. The recently completed addition about doubles the floor space of the expanded market.

Richard Carpenter, 25, has assumed the reins of the Cass City Livestock Club, replacing Alfred Goodall, who retired last week.

Fire destroyed the Partaka Sunoco Service Station, located about 7 miles south of Ubyly on M-19 and the Cass City Road intersection. Loss on the building and contents was estimated at \$27,000.

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| Cass City                 | 10 | 4  | 13  |
| Bad Axe                   | 8  | 7  | 6   |
| BCAS                      | 7  | 5  | 7   |
| USA                       | 3  | 9  | 13  |
| Reese                     | 3  | 9  | 5   |
| Mayville                  | 1  | 11 | 2   |
| * Clinched share of title |    |    |     |

| GREATER THUMB EAST |    |    |     |
|--------------------|----|----|-----|
| School             | W  | L  | PTS |
| Dickerville        | 10 | 3  | 16  |
| Sandusky           | 10 | 3  | 16  |
| Cros-Lex           | 9  | 4  | 13  |
| Brown City         | 7  | 7  | 11  |
| Marlette           | 7  | 7  | 9   |
| Harbor Beach       | 6  | 8  | 13  |
| Vale               | 2  | 12 | 3   |
| Ubyly              | 0  | 14 | 0   |
| * Clinched title   |    |    |     |

| NCTL             |    |    |     |
|------------------|----|----|-----|
| School           | W  | L  | PTS |
| Kingston         | 12 | 3  | 16  |
| North Huron      | 11 | 3  | 16  |
| Peck             | 11 | 3  | 13  |
| A-Fairgrove      | 9  | 4  | 14  |
| CPS              | 6  | 8  | 10  |
| Port Hope        | 11 | 4  | 14  |
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**CASS CITY BOY SCOUT Troop #594: (l to r), Robert Damoth, Jonathon Bock, Patrick Reed, Jeremy Weippert, Eric Hanby, Dustin Mallory, Michael Zmierski II, Chris Brinkman. Kneeling in front is Kenny Spencer.**

**Scout activities aired**

The Cass City Boy Scout Troop #594 has been active in a number of activities throughout the summer and fall. The troop held a Court of Honor in June to present the merit badges the scouts had earned during the winter and spring months. A total of 30 badges were given out to 6 boys. The Cass City Rotary Club is the charter organization for the Cass City Boy Scouts. With the help of the Rotary Club, the troop was able to purchase a 20'x40' dining fly to be used at campouts and other functions. A great deal of effort went into the game tent on the 4th of July. After marching in the parade, the scouts used the new dining fly as the shelter and spent many hours running games for the children in the park that day. In the heat of the summer a hot dog sale was held in Erla's parking lot, with a total of 597 hot dogs roasted and consumed. The boys spent the first week of August camping out and working on various merit badges during the annual trip to Camp Rotary in Clare. The Order of the Arrow is the service branch of the Boy Scouts. The Cass City boys had 5 scouts and one leader called out at Camp Rotary. The Ordeal Weekend was held at Paul Bunyon Scout Reserve in Rose City. Four boys were inducted into the Order of the Arrow. Jonathon Bock, Jeremy Weippert, Eric Hanby and Chris Brinkman. A joint campout with the Cass City Cub Scout Webelos was held at Brian and Renee Mallory's property. This gave the Webelos the opportunity to participate with the Boy Scouts in several skill and learning events as well as enjoying outdoor cookery and the fun of scout camping. A Court of Honor was held at the campfire that night. Merit badges earned during the summer were presented to the scouts. Jonathon Bock received 4 badges; Eric Hanby, 5; Dustin Mallory, 5; Robert Damoth, 5; Jeremy Weippert, 7; Chris Brinkman, 3, and Kenny Spencer, 1. Also in the presentation were the recent rank advancements. Jeremy Weippert advanced to the rank of Life, Jonathon Bock to the rank of Star. Eric Hanby and Dustin Mallory, both became First Class. Robert Damoth rose to Second Class, while Michael Zmierski became Tenderfoot. Patrick Reed and Kenny Spencer achieved the rank of Basic Scout. The fingerprinting merit badge was worked on. Deford Boy Scouts were invited to the meeting. Commander Doug Lautner of the Caro State Police Post presented the material for the boys. The Thumb District Fall Camporee was held at Camp Pine Acres in Caro Oct. 16-18. The scouts visited many demonstration sites set up in the camp. Different organizations from throughout the area were present. A Webelos Camporee was held in conjunction with the Boy Scout Camporee. This gave the Cass City scouts the opportunity to serve as host site for some of the activities.

**Bulldogs take win into Class D District at Kinde**

The Owen-Gage Bulldogs ended their regular season on a positive note Friday, defeating visiting Armada 42-35. With the win, Coach Dave Fritz's Bulldogs will take a 5-15 mark into Wednesday's Class D district at North Huron. Owen-Gage is scheduled to face host North Huron at 6 p.m. Against the Tigers, the Bulldogs took a 23-20 lead into the intermission and never looked back. The Bulldogs turned up their defensive pressure in the final half that helped the hosts take a 32-26 edge into the game's final 8 minutes. Owen-Gage displayed balanced scoring in the opening frame, with Cassie Vargo and Erin Salcido each posting a pair of field goals from the floor. Salcido continued to score from the perimeter throughout the initial half and finished with 10 tallies at the break. Tiger Lisa Volckaert was the guests' primary offensive weapon and matched Salcido's first half scoring output. Salcido led all Bulldog scorers with 14 points. Salcido was also credited with 10 rebounds. Melanie Lemanski added 10 points and recorded a team high 13 rebounds. Volckaert recorded game scoring honors with 15 tallies. Carla Piensky added 6

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| FRIDAY NIGHT MIXED DOUBLES<br>Nov. 13 | SATURDAY SPINNERS YOUTH BOWLING<br>Nov. 14 | Men's High Games: P. McIntosh 235-227, A. White 218. | High Games: B. Watson 205, V. Patera 196, H. Perkins 183, L. Gaymer 179, D. Sweeney 185, L. Kilbourn 176, H. Karr 175. |
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| Rolling Thunder 54                    | JRS.                                       | Women's High Series: J. Meredith 492.                | MERCHANETTE LEAGUE<br>Nov. 12  |
| Easy 7 43                             | Pinheads 13                                | Women's High Game: C. Brown 208.                     | Caro Chiropractic 4  |
| Pinheads 36                           | Team #4 12                                 | High Team Series and Game: Pinheads 1943 (711).      | LaFave Steel 3   |
| Rocketeers 34                         | Team #2 7                                  | CHARMONT LADIES<br>End of 1st Round                  | Hills & Dales Hospital 3   |
| The Family 33                         | Team #1 1                                  | Cable-ettes 26                                       | Silver Birch Kennel 3  |
| Bye 17                                |  | J.B.'s Crew 23                                       | A Cut Above 2 1/2  |
|                                       |  | Pizza Villa 21 1/2                                   | All Season Rental 1 1/2  |
|                                       |  | Dee's M.P. Rockets 2/1                               | J.B.'s Crew 1  |
|                                       |  | Team #7 20 1/2                                       | Health Mart Pills 1  |
|                                       |  | Live Wires 20  | Thumb Auto Wash 1  |
|                                       |  | Sister Act 19  | Detroit Edison 0   |
|                                       |  | Cass City Tire 18                                    |  |
|                                       |  | Dott Manufacturing 16                                | High Actual Team Series & Game: A Cut Above 1967 & 714.  |
|                                       |  | Wild John's 15                                       | 500 Series: P. Vaughn 568, C. Smith 562, L. Hanson 560, C. Wallace 530, C. Guilds 528, K. Lackowski 511.               |
|                                       |  |  | 200 Games: C. Smith 226, P. Vaughn 223-207, L. Hanson 222, C. Wallace 202, C. Adamczyk 200.                            |

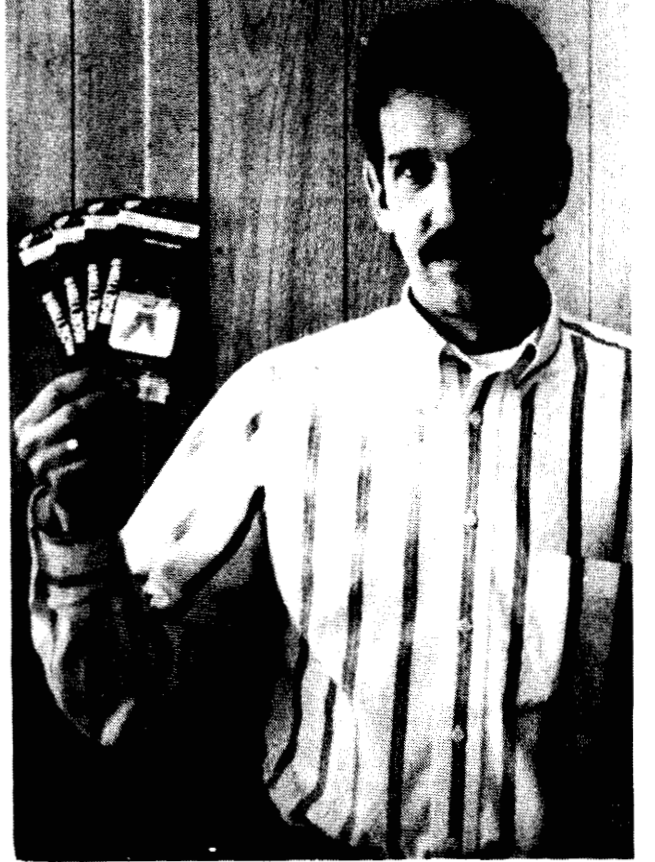
**Calendar of Events**

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

**Friday, November 20**  
Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8 p.m.  
Senior Citizen Movies 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

**Saturday, November 21**  
Kingston Wesleyan Church Cookie Walk, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Free admission. Lots of baked good, crafts and bazaar items.  
Christmas Auction, 9 a.m., Bad Axe Junior High School benefiting Bluewater Thumb Youth For Christ. Includes bake sale, craft sale, children's area, silent auction and door prizes. Call (517) 269-2022 or 269-5100 for more details.

**Monday, November 23**  
Lions Board, 7:30 p.m.  
Cass City Women's Club, 6 p.m., Charmont.  
Hills & Dales Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 12 noon, Charmont.  
Cass City School Board meeting, Deford Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.



**CASS CITY Rotary member Craig Bellew holds the tickets to 4 front row Red Wing seats that some lucky raffle winner will claim Dec. 1. Also included with the tickets is limousine service to and from the Feb. 17 game against San Jose. An autographed Steve Yzerman game stick is the club's 2nd prize.**

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**Lakers fall 58-45 - districts next**

**WOW! Top effort nets Hawks title share**

The Cass City Red Hawk hoop squad is celebrating winning a share of the Greater Thumb West championship after disposing of the Lakers Thursday, 58-45. The win was keyed by some outstanding defense by Nicolette Zawilinski and domination in the paint by Shelly Ulfig and Kara Mellendorf.

The win was especially sweet for Cass City in that it was a key game between the 2 schools, the same schools

that met for the championship in 1997, when the Lakers prevailed and walked off with the league title.

Both teams were ice cold in the opening 4 minutes of the game. The Lakers netted a free throw and the Hawks tallied their first field goal of the game when Tara McNeil connected for a trey with 3 1/2 minutes gone to put Cass City into the lead that it never lost.

After that, Ulfig took charge with four baskets in a row

and the Hawks streaked to a 15-8 lead at the end of the first period.

The second quarter was a Mellendorf, 10 points, and Ulfig, 12 points, show. Ulfig was especially effective, scoring 20 of her 26 points in the first half.

At the half the Hawks were comfortably in front, 33-17, and when the defense collapsed on Ulfig in the third quarter, Becky Dore, with a pair of treys, and Mellendorf, with 3 hoops, kept the Hawks in charge.

Using a pressing defense with a half court trap, the Lakers caused numerous Hawk turnovers to cut the final victory margin, but never closed closer than 9 points in the rally.

Coach Jim Mastie pointed to Zawilinski's defense on Laker star Kristie Gehrs as a big reason for the Hawk victory. Cass City used a box and one defense with Zawilinski following Gehrs all over the court and the remainder of the team playing a zone defense. Zawilinski limited Gehrs to 5 points, none in the last half.

Mastie said that he was surprised that the Lakers allowed the Hawks to get the ball into the middle as often as they did. We were prepared for a lot of outside shooting, but it didn't prove necessary.

Although Robin Rathje led the Laker attack with 13 points, she suffered from a

cold shooting night, missing several shots from her favorite spot at the top of the key.

The Hawks posted some gaudy shooting percentages. The team hit 13 of 16 from the free throw line for 81 percent; 18 of 32 2-pointers for 56 percent, and 3 of 8 treys for 38 percent.

The Lakers were just 7 of 12 from the charity circle for

59 percent. The Hawks were to have played USA Tuesday in the

district tourney at Ubyly and if they win, will probably meet the Lakers, who will be

avored to get by Ubyly and Harbor Beach to the Friday night finals.



**KARA MELLENDORF BLOCKS** out the Laker defenders to control the ball. Watching, far right, are Nicolette Zawilinski of Cass City and Robin Rathje of the Lakers. Mellendorf notched 18 points in the Hawk win.



**THERE WAS NO STOPPING** Shelly Ulfig, especially in the first half, when she notched 20 of her 26 points to lead the Hawks to victory and a share of the Greater Thumb West league title.



**OWEN-GAGE GOLF TEAM** members selected to NCTL All-Conference teams: (l to r), Chad Mellendorf, Shane Mellendorf, Corbin Swiastyn and Earl McKee.



**OWEN-GAGE GOLF TEAM** members who completed a successful season: (l to r), front row: Shane Mellendorf, Earl McKee, Nathan Dale, Corbin Swiastyn. Back row: Ryan Fritz, Chad Mellendorf, Joe Salcido, Joel Bolzman, Justin Anthes and Ray Salcido.

**O-G golfers end successful season**

The Owen-Gage golf team recently finished another successful season. For the second year in a row, the Bulldogs took second in the North Central Thumb League.

They were victorious in the league tournament held at

Huron Shores in Carsonville, shooting a 356. However, the effort fell just short of earning the NCTL title, coming in second to North Huron by 2 points.

The golf team, coached by Dave Salcido, finished the season with a 5-0-1 record.

**Society sets fund raiser**

The Humane Society of Tuscola County is offering the opportunity to have your pet's picture taken with "Santa Claws." According to Patricia Trisch, who heads public relations for the Humane Society, the event will

take place Saturday, Dec. 5, from 10 to 4 at the Caro Tractor Supply Co. store located east of Wal-mart.


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### EUCHRE CLUB

The Euchre Club met Saturday afternoon at the Gaylord LaPeer home. High prizes were won by Frances LaPeer and Helen Decker. Low prizes were won by Mrs. Leonard Beulla and Ron Gracey, and Leonard Beulla won the traveling prize.

The group had supper at Charmont.

The next party will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Decker.

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Gary Wills of Port Austin was a Monday evening guest of Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Euchre was played at the home of Jean Reid Thursday afternoon. Prizes were won by Marge and Leo Feebish, Mrs. Martin Sweeney and Helen Ellicott. The next party will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ballagh Dec. 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cleland of Bad Axe, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cleland and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr were Saturday supper and evening guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Rita Powell spent Friday at the home of Mrs. Martin Sweeney.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Andersen of Brighton spent the weekend with Mrs. Earl Schenk. Other Saturday supper guests were Mr. and Mrs. David Hacker.

Bill Cleland and Alex and friend Graham of Walled Lake were Saturday guests of Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson and Thelma Jackson were Sunday afternoon and supper

guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Richardson and Brenda.

Archie and Penny Guigar were Sunday dinner guests of Charlotte and Melvin Particka. Also a supper guest was Alex Particka.

Reva Silver was a Friday afternoon guest of Mrs. Gerald Wills.

### BRIDAL SHOWER

Around 70 relatives and friends attended a bridal shower for Melissa Barry at the Farm Brueau Building in Bad Axe Sunday. A luncheon was served.

Melissa Barry, daughter of Margo and Tom Barry of Elkton, will become the bride of Clinton Hagen, son of Bryce and Betty Hagen, Jan. 9.

Guests attended from Howell, Auburn Hills, Grosse Point Woods, Elkton, Ubyly and the surrounding area.

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Larry Silver of Brighton spent the weekend with Reva Silver. Mrs. Gerald Wills was a Saturday supper guest.

Betty Myers of Gladwin and Mary Smith of Mansville, Ohio, spent the weekend with Ray and Rita Depcinski.

Ron Wolschlager and Allen Farrelly were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel.

### EXTENDED HOMEMAKERS

Eleven members and 3 guests of the Greenleaf Extended Homemakers met at the home of Nancy Braun Thursday for a potluck Thanksgiving dinner.

After the meeting they went

to Joe Hillaker's woodwork shop at Deford, where he carves wood into furniture and novelty pieces.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Marilyn Rosenberger Thursday, Dec. 10.

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Tom and Sally Ruthko hosted a surprise 25th year anniversary party for Sharlene and Dennis Hagen at their home Saturday. Around 50 relatives and friends from Lansing, Elkton, Bad Axe, Ubyly and the surrounding area attended the potluck supper.

Among those attending a pink and blue shower for Cindy Depcinski Sunday were Mary Smith of Mansville, Ohio, Betty Myers of Gladwin, Sue

Krozek and Samantha of Filion, Carol Osentoski, Kristin and Kimberly Depcinski of Bad Axe, Anita Isler of Port Hope, Theresa Depcinski and Nicole, Elaine Laming, Linda O'Henley, Karen Rutkowski, Alice Depcinski, Cynthia Meldrum and Rita Depcinski. The shower, at St. John's Catholic Church hall in Ubyly, was given by Cynthia Meldrum and Rita Depcinski. Carol Osentoski made and decorated a Winnie the Pooh cake for the luncheon. Relatives and friends from the surrounding area attended.

Jan McCune and Bob Cleland Sr. of Waterford spent from Thursday till Saturday with Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

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## "Ag in Action" set in Ubyly

"Ag in Action 1998", formerly known as Thumb Ag Day, is scheduled Dec. 9 at Ubyly Heights in Ubyly.

The program this year will feature numerous educational opportunities, along with a chance to visit with over 60 local agribusinesses that will have exhibits at this year's program.

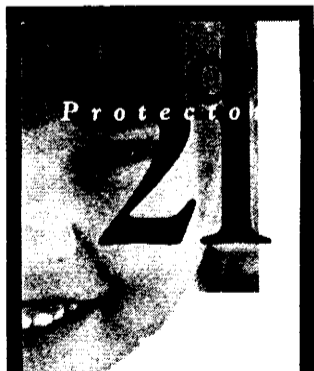
Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. to view exhibits, and educational programs will start at 10 a.m. This year's educational programs will include: Growing Alfalfa in the Thumb; New Crops and the Potential for Growing New Crops; Restricted use Pesticide Workshop (2 RUP credits); Economics of Dairy Farming; Innovative Farmer Report and Added Value Update; How to Figure the Cost of Crop Production and Ag Markets...When Will They Improve?

Pre-registration is \$6, which includes your choice of educational programs and lunch. You may register or get further information by calling the Tuscola, Huron or Sanilac MSU Extension offices.

### WCTU meet

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will have their Thanksgiving potluck gathering Wednesday, Nov. 18, at noon at the Detroit Edison building on Division St. All are invited.

Mrs. Debbie Montgomery is leader of the YTC group. They entertained the youth at the Cass City Missionary Church on Koepfgen Road Nov. 8-9. The youth are planning a bake sale at the Living Word Church Nov. 21.



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### O-G students in Huron Honors Band

Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac County area schools sent over 100 of their finest junior high band musicians to participate in the 13th Annual Huron Area Junior High Honors Band Sunday, Nov. 8. The concert was held in the Ubyly High School gym.

Owendale-Gagetown was represented by 4 junior high band members: Laura Enderle, Tim Kain, Justin McLaren and Bridget Stirrett. They took part in the all-day rehearsal Saturday and in the performance Sunday afternoon.



**OWEN-GAGE JR. HIGH Band members who participated in the 13th Annual Huron Area Junior High Honors Band: (l to r), Tim Kain, Laura Enderle, Bridget Stirrett and Justin McLaren.**

### Anthes earns engineering scholarship

Jason Anthes of Cass City received an H&S Die engineering scholarship and an Outstanding Student Award for the technical drafting and tool design program at this year's Ferris State University design, manufacturing & graphic arts student awards assembly. Mark Hill, professor of technical drafting and tool design, made the presentation.

Anthes, who received tuition for one semester and a plaque, was selected for the honor based on his excellent grade point average and character and with recommendation from technical drafting and tool design faculty members and peers.

He is a graduate of Owen-Gage High School and the son of Bud and Beth Anthes.



**JASON ANTHES, right, receives the Outstanding Student Award from Mark Hill.**

### Burns has new view of Costa Rica after study

Alma College senior Amy Burns, a 1995 graduate of Cass City High School, returned to Alma from her winter term in Costa Rica with enthusiasm and a yearning to revisit the country.

Burns studied in Costa Rica through Boston University's School for Field Study, a school in Heredia, Costa Rica, focusing on sustainable development in agriculture, tourism and industry. The program was field-based, where students spent most of

their time talking to people and doing studies of the environment.

For her own study topic choice, Burns examined the ecosystem health of the Rio Grande Protected Zone. After studying different aspects of the area's Costa Rican ecosystem - such as the amount of forest by the river, the different types of forests, soil drainage and shaded pasture areas - Burns then plotted maps of the Protected

Zone area.

Commenting that the program was educational and wonderful, Burns said that living in Costa Rica really changed her thinking about developing countries because she saw how different the priorities of Americans and Costa Ricans were. Before Alma's school year began in September, Burns was one of 4 student panel members to share her experience with faculty and administrators at the Pre-School Conference.

A biology major at Alma College, Burns is the daughter of Jack and Sherry Burns of Cass City.

### Laud Moore for attaining Eagle rank

One of the most coveted awards issued by the Boy Scouts of America is the Eagle rank.

Scott Moore, 17, earned Eagle rank last year and his achievement was noted with a plaque received June 5 from Gov. John Engler. He also received congratulations from President Bill Clinton and his wife Hillary.

Eagle rank is significant because it takes many years to earn. On his way to the top, Moore earned 33 merit badges. He was a member of Deford troop 593 and has been active in scouting since in the kindergarten.

He also attended summer scout camp at Camp Rotary near Harrison.

### Cass River Genealogy Society meets Nov. 24

The Cass River Genealogy Society will meet Nov. 24 at the James E. Wickson Memorial Library, 359 S. Franklin, Frankenmuth, at 7 p.m.

The program will be an open discussion on researching your family roots. The panel is made up of experi-

enced genealogists that are more than willing to give help and advise.

Everyone is welcome to bring questions and problems they are having in their quest of family history. This will be the last meeting of 1998. The society resumes in January with the 1999 schedule.

### Six area homes featured in tour for library's benefit

Because the inaugural home tour sponsored by the Friends of the Library was an unqualified financial and artistic success, a second tour will be offered to interested residents Saturday, Dec. 5, from one to 5 p.m.

The charge for visiting 6 area homes remains unchanged from the fee last year, \$8, and includes a special tea at Rawson Memorial Library served from 2 to 6 p.m.

Homes that owners have graciously opened for public display are:

**Marian and Bob Keating, 6401 Huron Street.** A Cape Cod house built shortly before World War II from blueprints drawn by Gar Wood, famous for his manufacture and sale of speed boats. It's Christmas all through the house with trees on all 3 floors and an array of Sebastian ornaments. Throughout the house is Marian's collection of Santas.

**Jean and Bill Ewald, 4716 Hunt Street.** A Cape Cod home with cedar shakes was built in 1971 and purchased by the Ewalds in 1997. Highlights in the home are the porcelain dolls hand-painted by Jean and decorative plates that hang throughout the house. They were purchased from the late W. E. Walpole.

**McGregory Manor Bed and Breakfast, 4607 North Seeger Street.** Owned by Val and Frank Kemp, this Victorian home was built in 1894 by P.S. McGregor. It features a wrap-around porch. On the inside, a large sitting area features a bay

window, fireplace and a winding stairway to the second floor. Previously it was used as a general store and for the Douglas Funeral Home.

**Pat and Don Ouvry, 6886 Herron Drive.** This Cape Cod home is ablaze with color in the summertime with a galaxy of flowers. The home has been completely remodeled since purchased in 1983. Collections include Pat's Rowe Pottery and Snowmen and Don's miniature automobiles.

**Brenda and Tom Fulcher, 6754 Main Street.** The Fulchers purchased this English style cottage built in 1938 at auction this year for the express purpose of restoring it to its original grandeur. It features brass lighting fixtures, brass switch plates, brass sconces over the fireplaces, friezes around the walls of the dining and living rooms and an 11-foot ceiling. On display will be Brenda's Santa collection that includes many pieces from Europe.

**Cindy and Gary Bader, 4681 Schwegler.** The Georgian-style home was built in 1972. You will find several Christmas trees in full trim throughout the house and Cindy's collection of Dept. 56 Dickens Village with many accessories.

Tour guides, that also serve as admission to the homes, are available at the library. Homes can be visited in any order desired.

All proceeds will be used for library projects.



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### Workshop for chefs held

At the Detroit Edison's Demonstration Kitchen in Cass City Nov. 9, chefs from local restaurants attended the "Health on the Menu Workshop" to create new items that are as good for you as they are delicious.

The workshop was presented by Greg Harrington, registered dietitian at Caro Community Hospital; Betty Pattullo, MSUE home economist, and Edith Ewald, assistant with MSUE. The workshop was in cooperation with the Michigan Public Health Institute - Restaurant Nutrition Project.

Health on the Menu demonstrated the use of herbs, spices, grains, fruit and vegetables to increase flavor and reduce the need for butter, oil, and shortening in menu items. According to the National Restaurant Association, 71% of the general public say they look for healthier food in restaurants. They also say it must taste good.

Along with restaurant owners, employees of Detroit Edison, Cass City, volunteered to taste test the menu items. Typical comments from the participants were, "I thought all the entrees were very delicious, you would never know that they were low fat, the black bean soup was very good, I would encourage ordering it in a restaurant."

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# Letters to the editor

## Government intervention inhibits progress

A belated letter to my friend John.

Re: The Haire Net - Sept. 30, 1998, you stated that "It's a disturbing trend... Using the law to get a result that can't be obtained any other way. Or worse yet, using the law to put a crimp in a program already approved by the majority for personal reasons."

It has been my observation that government routinely gets the example by using the statutes and ordinances they write to "throw a monkey wrench into the spokes" of the "will of the people." It's not uncommon for government officials to use taxpayer money to block the will of the majority if the majority doesn't agree with the opinion of government officials.

A perfect example of this is millage or bond proposals offered by school boards across the state and, quite probably across the country. If the proposal is defeated the first time, they use taxpayer money to put the issue up for vote again, and again, and again and as many as necessary until the proposal passes, generally and understandably, due to voter apathy or just plain frustration. The voters don't have the same option if the millage passes on the first, second or even the tenth attempt. So any number of citizens, even the vast, vast majority, are at a distinct disadvantage if they disagree with anything proposed by our "representatives(?)." And if a citizen does use the "law" to challenge any issue with which "he" disagrees, "he" is

automatically labeled a "bad guy" which is evident by your expressed opinion in The Haire Net.

A more recent example of this "concept" has to do with the sign ordinances restricting banners and temporary signs in Cass City. Having attended some recent Village meetings concerning these new ordinances, it would appear to me that a majority of persons lobbied either the Advisory Board or the Village Council or both to adopt the ordinance basically using the Village Council as an enforcer to compel other business/property owners to comply with what "they" perceive to be an appropriate means of advertising. Again, this is yet another example of using the law to "throw a monkey wrench into the spokes," this time, of private business promotion.

One of the more upsetting but not surprising issues about this proposed sign ordinance is that the Village exempted itself from their own ordinance. And we're not talking about street and directory signs here. We're talking about banners and temporary signs. The Village, an entity whose livelihood and existence does not depend upon banners or temporary signs, has no restrictions on the banners they can display or on the length of time they can display them, evident by the nineteen banners waving from the street-lamp-posts identifying the town as Cass City, just in case you missed the sign on the way into town and have no idea where you are. The obvious intention of the

ordinance is to severely restrict and then impose a "permit expense" upon those businesses whose very existence often times depends upon effective and in some cases continuous banner or "temporary" signage. If that kind of an ordinance makes sense to you then perhaps you also belong on the Village Council because it makes no sense whatsoever to anyone with any "common sense." It's not uncommon for government to set their standards for operating much lower than the standards they set for everyone else. Is it any wonder that today, more than ever, rational, vigilant citizens hold government "officials" in contempt? Their attitudes and their actions are, in fact, contemptible.

In many ways government intervention inhibits progress. Progress results not from the collective action of government but from the self-interested thought of individual men and women. Throughout history there has been a conflict between the "makers," the men of the mind who produce values, and the "invaders" or "takers," the men of force who use the machinery of government to seize values. The original American system of capitalism flourished in an environment of individual rights, and then became corrupted by the collectivism and the pressure-group warfare of what some consider to be modern, progressive democracy. Even though our fearless leaders typically pat themselves on the back giving themselves credit for a progressive economy, I can assure you that the American businessman has succeeded, not because of government intervention, but in spite of government intervention. George McGovern, a modern hero to most liberals, discovered that "fact of life" when he retired from the Senate and went into business for himself. He has expressed his regrets to the American businessman for the business ignorance he displayed while in office.

You could say that some people use government to impose their opinions on other people. Government officials routinely use their statutes to impose their opinions on the majority, particularly business owners or those involved in commerce. Is it any wonder that people are finally getting wise, reading the law books and fighting back? Generally speaking, John, people are very tolerant, allowing government to do what they will with very little resistance. But after more than a century

of corrupting our laws and seizing our property rights through statutory legislation and "ordinances", which are really nothing more than a "voluntary jurisdiction", citizens, through legal research, are finally discovering how we've been hoodwinked by the "invaders" and the "takers."

I must say that I am extremely proud of the citizens and business owners of Cass City and thrilled that they attended the meetings and stood up for their "Rights" as property owners. They, along with millions of others across this Nation, are finally entering the "New Age of Enlightenment."

And John, if the concept of citizens using the law to throw a monkey wrench into the spokes of government really annoys you, to coin a phrase, "you ain't seen nothin' yet."

Your persistent critic,

Robert Papovich

## Rawson Library movies

Rawson Memorial Library Senior Citizen movies to be shown Friday, Nov. 20, at 1:30 p.m. are:

**Athens and the Greek Spirit:** Visit the bustling city of Athens. Enjoy the sights and sounds of the Plaka and the Changing of the Guard. Hear the words of Socrates and Homer while marveling at the Acropolis with its Parthenon, Eretheion and Amphitheater. View the Temple of Poseidon, then set sail to the islands of Skiathos and Santorini with their donkey trails and quaint white-washed houses. Continue to Rhodes with its walled city and the jet set beaches of Lindos. Discover the cosmopolitan harbor town of Piraeus and the Monastery of the Kessiaani. Enjoy the superb food and lively music all with the Greek Spirit. (30 minutes)

**Hawaii, Insider's Guide of Oahu:** Here's a detailed tour of Oahu and highlights of the spectacular Neighbor Islands. Your host is long time resident Jim Nabors, joined by some expert Hawaiian "Insiders" who amuse and entertain you while providing helpful information about how to enjoy their island paradise. Relive the real story of Hawaii's growth from tribal kingdom to 50th state. Visit the Bishop Museum, Iolani Palace and the Polynesian Cultural Center. Witness the attack on Pearl Harbor. You'll see Hawaii as never before from the ocean depths to high above the volcanic mountains. (60 minutes)

Refreshments will be served following the movies. This older adult program is offered free of charge.



CASS CITY village employee Bob O'Dell hangs Christmas decorations along downtown Main Street for the upcoming season that kicks off Sunday with a Holiday Open House.

## Dorsch basic training grad

Army Pvt. Daniel W. Dorsch has graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo.

During the training, the trainee received instruction in drill and ceremonies, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, weapons, map reading, tactics, first aid, and army history and traditions.

Dorsch is the son of Donald R. Dorsch of Owendale.

He is a 1998 graduate of Owen-Gage High School.

## Car-deer accidents reported

Reflecting the opening of deer season, Chief Gene Wilson reported that in the first day and a half of the season the Cass City Police Department had received 4 reports of car-deer accidents.

Other than that, it was a quiet week for the department. Janice Hunt of Cass City reported Nov. 9 that a 40-channel CB radio was taken from Hunt's Gravel Pit on Doerr Road.

It was probably taken, the report said, around Oct. 23, and was discovered missing Oct. 31.

Patrolman Michael Gebauer stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation on Seeger street and the alley south of Main Street at 11:20 p.m. Saturday. There was a warrant for the driver's arrest from Lapeer and he was turned over to authorities there.

## Circuit court proceedings

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

•Johnny E. Crump III, 22, Millington, plead guilty to breaking & entering a warehouse located at 4698 E. Main Street in Millington Feb. 26, 1997. Crump also plead guilty to breaking and entering with intent to commit larceny at a Bar & Grill located at 10399 State Road, Millington, March 19, 1997, and to breaking & entering a building located at 4698 E Main, Millington Feb. 16, 1997.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered. Bond was continued and sentencing has been set for Jan. 15, 1999.

•William B. Colver Jr., 20, Essexville, plead guilty to first degree retail fraud on Sept. 28, and to dangerous weapon possession on Sept. 20, 1998.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered. Bond was continued at \$5,000. Sentencing was scheduled for Jan. 15, 1999.

•Jeremy S. Brown, 20, Mayville, plead guilty to attempted unlawful driving away a Chevrolet pickup belonging to another on April 26.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, and Brown was remanded to custody of the sheriff. Bond was set at \$5,000. Sentencing is set for Jan. 15, 1999.

•Bryan L. Doud, 36, Fairgrove, plead guilty to attempted dangerous weapon charges and third degree child abuse on Oct. 8.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered. Bond was continued at \$15,000. Sentencing was scheduled for Jan. 15, 1999.

•Jim Davis, 25, Silverwood, entered a plea of no contest to third degree fleeing a police officer and to OUIL-2nd July 28.

Davis was sentenced to 90 days in the Tuscola County jail with credit for one day served. He was also ordered to pay fines of \$240, cost of \$240, oversight fees of \$180, and victims crime right costs of \$180.00. Davis's license was revoked. Work release

privileges were granted. •Nicholas H. Guthrie, 20, Mayville, plead guilty to receiving and concealing stolen property in excess of \$100 on March 11.

Guthrie was sentenced to 90 days in jail with credit for 47 days served. He was ordered to pay fines of \$150, costs of \$150, attorney fees of \$467.50, oversight fees of \$720, victims crime right fees of \$60 and restitution of \$12,208.84.



THE FRIENDS OF Library elected new officers Thursday at Rawson Memorial Library. The new officers are (left to right) Margaret Feebish, president; Helen Dale, vice president; Shelley deBeaubien, treasurer; and June Thomas, secretary.

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# Gun Club breakfast tradition marching towards fourth decade

It's hard to believe, but it has been going on now for at

least 30 years and perhaps more. Sunday after Sunday after Sunday, the year around, the same 8 guys have come marching in to cook breakfast for 75 to 100 hungry residents who know a good deal when they see it.

How many eggs?, asks Dwaine Peters. Six pancakes?, inquires Joe Steadman, while pointing to the sausages on the counter. And if you want more, says Charles McPhail, all you have to do is ask.

All of this for a suggested price of \$4. A set price was established because a few took advantage of the original system where all that was needed was a donation. After awhile, that didn't pay for expenses and the set price was established. It's a suggested price because a visitor coming in a buck short wouldn't be turned away.

The 8 volunteers must have a personal pride in all of the

advancements that their Sunday chores have brought to the club that's located about a half mile north of Severance Road, on Englehart Road.

Added to the \$30 a year membership dues for around 100 members, the money has resulted in a new shoot house, a spacious building with kitchen equipment, tables, a pool table and windows looking out at trap and skeet shooting units.

The club has improved the rifle range and added an outdoor pavilion to the clubhouse.

Despite the money earned, the club is still paying for some of the additions, due perhaps to the cost of a legal suit that the club endures.

### SAFETY FIRST

While safety has always been a priority at the club, written rules have been adopted since the suit. It's about the same as it always has been, McPhail explains, but now we have it on paper. When there is shooting going on, we have rangers out. The club does not serve alcohol. This afternoon, McPhail continued, we are hosting hunters who want to sight-in their shotguns and we will have 4 rangers there to supervise and assure safety.

Also closely monitored are the turkey shoot, held the first Sunday of every month, and the Wednesday night open shooting.

One of the public services is the hunter safety course offered twice a year in April and September. Classes for the 11 and 12-year-olds have ranged in size from as low as 5 or 6 to as many as 80 in the 25 years the class has been offered.

Club members conduct the courses and the only charge to the students is for patches, certificates, films and lunches. The volunteer instructors are: McPhail, Bob McKay, Ed and Meredith Nizzola, Dave Dunn, Duane O'Dell and George Lapp.

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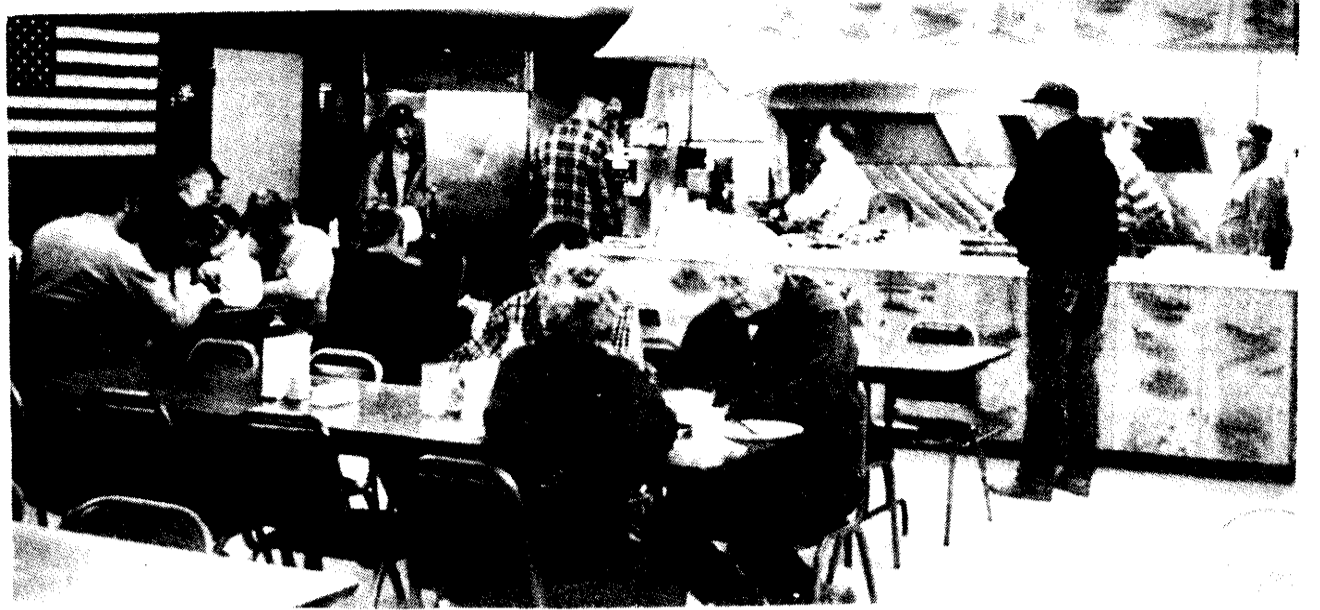
Over the years there has been an increased emphasis on making the club attractive to families. On the premises are swings and slides and a large pond stocked with fish, especially for the kids.

Family picnics are held and a Christmas party for members and their families is held.

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Area residents appointed

# Organic food advisory committee

Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) Director Dan Wyant recently announced his appointments to the newly-created Michigan Organic Foods Advisory Committee.

Seventeen members were selected, including one each from Deford, Kingston and Cass City, to develop a state-wide strategic plan for the organic food and agriculture industry.

"We were very pleased at both the caliber and quantity of individuals who volunteered to develop the plan that will lead Michigan's organic agriculture industry into the 21st century," Wyant said. "The Organic Foods Advisory Committee represents a good cross-section of Michigan's organic community, from producers of organic milk, beef and crops to food processors, a marketing consultant, a journalist and consumers."

"The U.S. organic food market is projected to more than triple in value in the next 4 years, and we hope to position Michigan to be very competitive in that market."

place," Wyant concluded. Sally Page of Cass City, Shirley Hampshire of Kingston, and Ed Zimba of Deford will serve on the committee, which meets for the first time in Novi in mid-October.

Page is an organic foods consumer and administrator of the Thumb Farm Chapter

of the Organic Growers of Michigan. Hampshire is an organic grower and co-owner of Hampshire Farms and Bakery. Zimba is an organic crop grower and milk producer.

Wyant has requested the committee to develop a strategic plan for expanded pro-

duction, processing and marketing of organic foods in Michigan. The committee is also expected to analyze a second draft of proposed federal organic standards that should be released later this year. The committee is expected to complete its work and submit a final report next

spring. The Michigan Department of Agriculture is the official state agency charged with serving, promoting and protecting the food, agriculture and agricultural economic interests of the people of the State of Michigan.

## Detroit Edison team

# Wins lineman's rodeo again

A team of Detroit Edison linemen recently earned a nearly perfect score at the 15th annual International Lineman's Rodeo in Kansas City, Mo., beating competitors from around the world to recapture the senior division championship title they won in 1996.

About 550 linemen from 80 utilities in 49 U.S. states, Jamaica, Great Britain and 3 Canadian provinces participated in the one-day event sponsored by the utilities.

More than 4,000 spectators, including several Detroit Edison employees and retirees, watched the linemen compete in 6 events that were judged for safety, skill and efficiency.

One of the events required the linemen to speedily climb up and down a utility pole with such delicate finesse that they did not crack a fresh egg that each carried in his mouth. Another event challenged competitors to ascend a utility pole to rescue a 150-pound dummy strapped to the top of the pole.

The rodeo includes 4 other "mystery" events — other linemen skill challenges posed to the competitors a day before the events begin. The events — done under simulated energized wire conditions — involve repairs, maintenance and installation of conductors, insulators, jumpers and other electrical equipment. All are

tasks performed daily by electric utility linemen.

"The reason Detroit Edison linemen do so well at the competition and in their daily work is the communication among the members of the team," said Bill Berwick, an area leader at Detroit Edison's North Area Energy Center (NAEC) in Cass City. "That constant communication between the linemen stationed on the ground and the men up the pole regarding the positioning of the lineman's head, hands and feet in relation to all wires is what keeps a lineman safe on the job."

Detroit Edison linemen are

highly trained professionals in what is generally regarded as hazardous work, Berwick said, emphasizing that safety is Detroit Edison's top priority both for the linemen and the public.

The winning team comprises NAEC employees Dennis Mike Hill, 48, of Gladwin, who has been a Detroit Edison lineman for 24 years, and Butch Dicks, 51, and Jim Will, 50, both Caro residents, who have been linemen with the utility for 26 and 20 years, respectively. They scored 596 out of a possible 600 points, trouncing the competition in the rodeo's senior division for linemen 45 years and older. Their team finished 19th overall out of about 200 teams of all age divisions.

Even though the 3 men have been together for competitions since 1990, they are assigned to different crews during their daily work.

"It feels extra special to win when we are competing against teams who work with each other every day," Hill said.

The men said that competitions provide Detroit Edison with the opportunity to talk with linemen from around

the world, comparing similarities and differences in how they work.

"We learn some things we think are good and worth incorporating in what we do on the job and sharing it with our co-workers. But some things we feel would not be beneficial," Dicks said.

Will added, "For example, the British linemen do not wear a tool belt or take tools up the pole with them. The groundman determines what they need and sends the tools up to them in a bucket on an as-need basis."

The competitors included teams from other utilities that serve western Michigan and Canada; these are among many places that Detroit Edison crews have assisted following devastating storms that knocked down wires.

Also, the team of Hill, Dicks and Will — with a perfect score of 600 — was both the overall winner and the senior division champion of the Michigan lineman competition in Lansing in August. Four other Detroit Edison teams that finished within the top 10 in the Michigan competition also excelled at the international competition.

## Commission seeking volunteers

The Human Development Commission is currently looking for individuals interested in being a part of Tuscola County's First Annual Holiday Cheer Celebration, co-sponsored by Caro Community Hospital and Detroit Edison. The event will take place Dec. 4, 5, and 6 in the Caro village parking lot located at the corner of Burnside and Sheridan Streets.

The Holiday Cheer Celebration is based of the idea of celebrations commonly known as Festival of Trees or Festival of lights, in which evergreen trees, holiday wreaths, and centerpieces are decorated and displayed for the enjoyment of onlookers. Interested parties have the opportunity to purchase the displayed wreaths and centerpieces and bid on trees in a silent auction. Craft activities for the children are scheduled throughout the event as well as visits with Santa.

Currently the Human Development Commission is looking for volunteers to assist with various activities during the celebration. Volunteers are needed to help in a variety of areas, including decoration set-up, premier night activities, children's activities such as face painting and crafting, snack area servers, and tear down.

Those interested in volunteering, or learning more about the Holiday Cheer Celebration are encouraged to contact Brenda Bigham at the Human Development Commission at (517) 673-4121, or toll-free at 1-800-843-6394.

## First marking period

# Kingston honor roll

The Kingston High School first marking period honor roll has been announced.

### 7TH GRADE

Julie Bishop\*, Kristen Boyle\*, Martin Brooks, Ashley Farver, Andrew Brzezinski\*, Megan Clapsaddle, Justin Diegel, Sarah Dupre\*, Sara Farley, Melissa Hill\*, Chad House, Michael Lalko, Tyler Lyons, Amy Mahan, Eric Marquardt, Jessicah McLellan, Cody Mehney, Brianne Ross\*, Lydia Rowinski, Daniel Seddon, Chris Smith, Marie Watson, Richard Westerby, Wendy Wood, Julie Wylie.

### 8TH GRADE

Lisa Adamczyk, Tiffany Adams, Samantha Anger\*, Jenna Azarovitz, Jeremy Bouchard, Coren Crane, Jeremy Distelrath, Melissa Ford, Brian Heeke, Chanda Kelley\*, Andrea McCoy, Dennis Meyer, Gabriel Romosier, Edgar Ross, Philip Szczygiel, Christy Willis, Brian Wolak\*.

### 9TH GRADE

Debbie Albin, Mikhael Blackwell, Candice Boyle, Jonathan Brief, Andrew Brzezinski\*, Megan Clapsaddle, Justin Diegel, Sarah Dupre\*, Sara Farley, Melissa Hill\*, Chad House, Michael Lalko, Tyler Lyons, Amy Mahan, Eric Marquardt, Jessicah McLellan, Cody Mehney, Brianne Ross\*, Lydia Rowinski, Daniel Seddon, Chris Smith, Marie Watson, Richard Westerby, Wendy Wood, Julie Wylie.

### 10TH GRADE

Alisha Blomquist\*, Aimee Brzezinski\*, Andrea Congdon, Karrie Cummings, Jennifer Ford, Amanda Haarz, Denell Harneck, Holly Harp, Maranda Hathaway, Jackie Hockstad, Chris Jaynes, Jennifer Jobson\*, Kristen Jones, Angela King\*, Elizabeth Mashike, Jordan Robinson, Aaron Rodenbo, Jessica Ross, Anthony Steff, Nicole VanAllen\*, Misty Waun, Tim Wolak.

### 11TH GRADE

Kevin Clinesmith, Kate Collins, Ethan Dereszynski\*, Autumn Filipek, Beth Hunter, Amanda Jacques, Dana Jones, Jesse Kaniszewski, Amanda Mahan, Amanda Monte, Vanessa Nowak, Jeremy Rayl, Rebekah Szczygiel, Danica Willis, Jeremy Wylie.

### 12TH GRADE

Jacob Bastian, Rocky Benavides, Matt Borek\*, Jeff Chappel, Laura Collins, Nick Dupre\*, Jennifer Easlick, Amanda Farley-Mourello, Sheila Froede, Michael Germain, Paul Gohs, Roxanne Groosbeck, Bethany Gomory, Colleen Harp\*, Tim Hunter, Bobbi King\*, Laura King\*, Lisa King\*, Ralonda Manning, Rebekka McLellan, Amber Myers, Jeffery Phillips, Wendi Sims\*, Starla Stark. \* Indicates all A's.

## Winners told

The Humane Society announced the winners of their recent McDonald's Teenie Beanie Baby Raffle. The grand prize winners of the complete set of McDonald's Teenie Beanie Babies were Donna Jennings of Otter Lake, Connie Jacob of Kingston and Peg Austin of Caro.

Winners of 22 second place individual beanie babies were Crystal Blasius, Sandy Daenzer, Linda Dunham, Neuman Erskine, Linda Joles, Teri Kata, Theresa Lundsted, Jan Steele, Jan Swarthout, Beth Tetil, Carol Thies and Shelley Wiederhold, all of Caro. Winners from neighboring towns were Deb Nagy of Kingston, Marlene Carley and Patricia Abke of Mayville, Darlene Kraa of Millington, Judy Pray of Otisville, Lisa Coyer of Saginaw, Kay Hutchinson of Unionville and Tim Woern of Vassar, who won 3.

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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 A.M. on December 4, 1998.

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Dated: October 21, 1998

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Dated: October 28, 1998

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## Food distribution

The Human Development Commission (HDC) announces that it will hold its Tuscola County Temporary Emergency Food Distribution (TEFAP - yellow card registration) Friday, Dec. 4, at the following locations:

Thursday, Dec. 3 - Civic Center in Sandusky, 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.  
Friday, Dec. 4 - HDC Warehouse on Butler Street in Caro, 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

## Survey reveals Americans' diet

Americans are eating more grains and less saturated fat - but not enough vegetables, according to the 1994-96 Continuing Survey of Food Intakes by Individuals.

For example, between the late 1970s and 1994-96, Americans increased their consumption of ready-to-eat cereal by 60 percent and their consumption of snacks, such as crackers, popcorn, pretzels, and corn chips by 200 percent, according to the survey, commonly called the "What We Eat in America" survey.

Consumption of vegetables decreased slightly, however, and Americans still consume only small amounts of dark green and deep yellow vegetables, despite recommendations to do otherwise.

The food consumption survey was conducted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Research Service and provides dietary data on about 16,000 individuals nationwide. Data were obtained by 24-hour recall. The 1994-96 survey also revealed that:

- Adult females failed to meet the Recommended Dietary Allowances (RDA) for 5 nutrients - calcium, vitamin E, vitamins B-6, magnesium, and zinc. Adult males fell short of the RDA for vitamin E, magnesium, and zinc.

- Fat accounted for 33 percent of calories in the American diet. This represents a continued decrease from 34 percent in 1989-91 and 40 percent in 1977-78. Despite this decrease, in 1994-96 only one-third of adults met the 30 percent or less of calories from fat recommended by nutrition experts.

- About one in 3 adults were overweight based on self-reported height and weight, compared with about one in 5 in the late 1970s. Twenty-eight percent of adult males and 44 percent of females reported that they rarely or never engage in vigorous exercise.

- About 85 percent of Americans ate breakfast, about the same as in previous USDA surveys. Coffee and fluid milk are still the most popular foods consumed at breakfast. Breakfast provides 18 percent of Americans' daily intake of calories and 12 to 28 percent of their daily intake of vitamins and minerals.


- Among young children, consumption of fluid milk has decreased by 16 percent since the late 1970s, while consumption of carbonated soft drinks has increased by 16 percent. Consumption of non-citrus juices including grape- and apple-based mixtures, increased by 280 percent.

- About 57 percent of Americans ate away from home on any given day. Food eaten away from home accounted for more than 25 percent of total calorie and fat intakes. The percentage of individuals who eat away from home on any given day has increased by a third since the late 1970s. In 1994-96, the most common sources of food away from home for children age 5 and younger were from someone else, fast-food outlets, and day care.

- For Americans, beverages, particularly carbonated soft drinks, were the most popular food item consumed outside the home. French fried potatoes and grain mixtures such as pizza, lasagna and ravioli, and Mexican foods are among the foods popular at home or away.

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