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## Union banks on 5-year Walbro pact for jobs

Labor peace at Walbro Corporation arrived last week with the signing of a 5-year pact between Walbro and Local 213 of the UAW.

The new contract was approved by a vote of 207 to 128, with one spoiled ballot. Although the details of the contract were not released, Robert Burlison, Walbro union chairman, said that there were raises of 2 and 3 percent in the contract.

The reason for the 2-level raises was to equalize wages in the plant. Those at a higher level received the lesser raise. The union also agreed to co-pay for the fourth and fifth year of the contract. Michael J. Leopold, Walbro's vice-president human relations, declined to talk about details of the contract except to say that he was very pleased with the spirit of cooperation in the negotiations.

However, Leopold said, the contract does not guarantee that jobs will remain at Caro and Cass City, where 360

union members are employed.

Burlison agreed that there are no guarantees in the contract, but we have a verbal understanding that every attempt will be made to keep them in the community.

I have worked at Walbro for 23 years, Burlison pointed out, and it's been a good place to work.

Leopold explained that the 5-year contract will give the company stability in costs. Burlison said that we know that the company hasn't been doing well and we hope that the contract will enable the company to bid competitively on jobs that were lost when the company was underbid.

Workers received a jolt when it was recently revealed that the lawn and garden care production was moving to Nogales, Mexico, and with it 100 factory jobs and 12 office positions.

All of the terms of the contract are retroactive to Nov. 9, when the former contract expired.



### A TIME FOR SHARING IN CASS CITY You're invited to the Annual Community Dinner

There will be over 300 free Thanksgiving dinners served in Cass City to families and individuals in a community event that started 13 years ago. The traditional fellowship event will be held at the Cass City VFW Hall starting at 12 noon Thursday.

When the event was organized, there were about 80 meals served. That grew each year for several years and now appears to be stabilized. Two years ago, 280 meals with 75 take-out dinners were served. Last year the tally was 240 dinners with 75 take-outs.

While the dinner is at noon, take-outs to shut-ins will be distributed starting after 2 p.m.

The meal requires a community-wide commitment from volunteers, churches, businesses, schools and civic groups.

The turkeys are furnished by the Knights of Columbus and the churches contribute the rest of the food for the banquet.

Sponsors stress that the meal is not something for just the poor and the needy, but for persons who don't have other plans for the holiday. A time for sharing with others in the community.

## Okay changes in 2 school policies

One of the quietest meetings of the year of the Cass City School Board Monday was highlighted by changes in 2 school policies and the decision not to change another.

In answer to a request at an earlier meeting to change the way non-certified staff members are hired, the board adopted a new procedure that mirrors the way the teaching staff is hired.

Now when a vacancy occurs, the vacancy, together with the job qualifications needed, will be posted in each building in the district, including the bus garage and the high school kitchen, for a period of 5 working days.

Supt. Ken Micklash explained that previously these positions were filled from a list of qualified applicants that he had on file.

The second policy change concerned the precautions to limit athletic injury and to handle them when they do occur. Already held this year and to be required in the future is a first aid meeting for

all coaches. Athletes will fill out a form showing medical data, including insurance coverage and any allergy to medication that may exist.

A proposal to limit the terms of board officers died for lack of support after board members' discussion. If it's not broke, don't fix it, one board member said.

#### CURRICULUM

Wayne Dillon, guidance counselor, outlined the activities under his direction. He said that he helped process 75 college applications for 53 students and said that a financial aid night is scheduled Jan. 13.

He explained that 90 students are taking courses at the Technology Center in Caro and told the board that the Center is loaded with excellent equipment.

One of Dillon's long-time responsibilities is handling the co-op program, which has been strong through the years.

Now there are about 120 students in the program who must work all but an hour a day after school hours. Dillon said that about 35 of them participate without taking the hour allowed by the state.

Dillon supervises some 26 local scholarships available to Cass City students. He also is involved with the school-to-work program and the career expo held each year.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

•Permission was granted to hold the annual Christmas concert presented by the Cass City High School and Middle School choirs on Sunday, Dec. 20, at 2 p.m. It was the only date open on the school calendar, Micklash reported.

•Chad Daniels, social studies teacher who handles the all school play and the debate team, was granted 4th year probation.

•Marilyn Peters, Allan Please turn to back page.

## Support group forms to ease adoption pain

Sharing the pain and the perils of adoption with others who are kindred spirits is what the "Truth in the Adoption Triad" is all about, says Marilyn K. Phillips of Caro.

Organized 15 years ago by founder Deanna Rogers of Mt. Morris, the Triad is a search and support group for birth parents, adoptees and adoptive parents. For the last 5 years, Phillips has been in charge of the meetings held in Bridgeport. Now she

hopes to continue in Tuscola County.

She is willing to devote her free time from her job teaching the disabled in Saginaw to the Triad because she credits the meetings for helping her cope with the trauma as a birth mother. I really couldn't have survived my search without the ties and great friends made in the group, people who listen to me, she said.

Searches sometimes bring

great, happy reunions. Sometimes they are sad and tragic. Phillips' search ended tragically. She found her daughter, Susan, who lived in Texas, 8 years after she committed suicide when 23 years old. She does have pictures shared with her by Susan's parents, gathered before she moved out of their home.

Sharing problems with others is basic for a Triad meet-

Please turn to back page.



**THE TRUTH IN ADOPTION Triad** is being organized in Tuscola County by Marilyn Phillips, Caro, to help others through a traumatic period like she experienced as a birth mother who found her 23-year-old daughter 8 years after she committed suicide.

### Sign regulations eased

## Planning Commission bows to merchants' requests

Providing that the council concurs, the group of Cass City merchants who vigorously protested an ordinance regulating signs in the business district has succeeded in securing major changes in the ordinance.

At a meeting of the Cass City Planning Commission Tuesday evening, Nov. 17, the commission bowed to most of the demands of the merchants.

The use of banners on the exterior of buildings in the business district was eased to allow them to be placed on any of the 4 walls of the building instead of just the front and back. The sign size was originally to be restricted to 100 square feet but the commission now will suggest that signs of any size be allowed providing that they do not occupy more than 10 percent of the total square feet of the building.

One particularly onerous regulation was a fee of \$25 to erect a portable sign. That fee will be reduced to \$5. In addition, portable signs will be allowed up to 4 times a year with a total of 80 days rather than 20 days. The fee is waived for non-profit firms.

In the open forum, the dispute over sign regulations led to a general discussion about business conditions.

Clarence "Bud" Schneeberger said that he thought the commission would be better off concentrating on bringing new business into town. Lambert Althaver asserted that very problem was one that has occupied the attention of the Downtown Development Association in every one of its meetings. The solution is hard to find.

Robert Papovich, a sign painter, said that once you allow government to get its head into business regulation, there is no stopping it. Gerald Prieskorn, Ben Franklin Store co-owner, said that government restric-

tions have not harmed his business one iota.

The consensus of the protesters was that signs properly maintained did not harm the appearance of the community. While admitting that a few signs were in need of attention, one business woman said that the way to handle it was to make a personal call.

Dennis Porter, owner of Timeless Treasures, said that he opened business in Cass City because he liked the town and thought it was a very fine place to live. Signs are necessary to stop people who are passing through, he feels.

Before this second meeting concerning the sign ordinance, the commission com-

pared the ordinance with those of 7 other communities, Bad Axe, Sandusky, Vassar, Frankenmuth, Caro, Harbor Beach and Marlette.

All of these communities have ordinances that are more rigid than ours, Jané Downing, village manager, said. Some of these prohibit banners of any kind, she added.



**IT WAS A HEARTBREAKING** loss for Cass City High School in the finals of the district tourney at Ubyl Friday. It also ended the brilliant career of senior Kara Mellendorf. (Story on page 7.)

## Cass City Area Social and Personal Items

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Carol Rutkoski, Cass City, Bunny Keyser, Fenton, and Judy Krolkouski, Almont, spent last week in Florida. They visited Pete and Mona Zawilinski and twins, Brent and Laci, at their home in Estero and at the Zawilinski's island cottage on the Gulf.

Mary Damm, Carmen Damm and Nancy Frederick of Caro visited Susan and Tim Wooster in Flint Saturday.

Patti Timmons, Mr. and Mrs. Lynwood LaPeer and Mrs. Gaylord Lapeer helped Debbie and Wayne Curry celebrate their birthdays with a decorated birthday cake at their Grandma LaPeer's Nov. 15.

Joyce Polega was a birthday dinner guest Tuesday evening of Charlotte LaPeer.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fay of Clarkston spent Tuesday and Wednesday with his sister, Charlotte LaPeer. All attended the Fraser Presbyterian Thanksgiving turkey dinner Wednesday.

Amy Russell, Cass City, is a new junior member of the American Angus Association, reports Dick Spader, executive vice-president of the national organization with headquarters in St. Joseph, Mo. Junior members of the association are eligible to register cattle in the American Angus Association and take part in Association sponsored shows and other national and regional events.

Sandy Welter of West Carrollton, Ohio, spent the weekend with her parents, Stan and Melva Guinther.

## Owen-Gage seniors air meetings

Thirty Owen-Gage Seniors met Nov. 5 at St. Agatha's Parish Hall for a potluck dinner. The table prayer was given by Ruth Kaake.

The meeting was opened by the president with the Lord's Prayer and the pledge of allegiance. Happy Birthday was sung for Beatrice Jones, Iva Volz, Bert Clineke and Fay Craig. November anniversaries are Phil and Mary Guza and Don and Fay Craig.

The nominating committee includes Mary Guza and Frances Harbec.

The door prizes were won by Amasa Anthes and Sybil Miller.

Dues for 1999 are being taken.

Ice cream and cake were furnished by Iva Volz at break time.

Bingo and cards were played after the meeting.

Thirty-three members were present Nov. 19 for the Thanksgiving dinner. The turkey was prepared by Johanna Miklovic, with the other members furnishing the rest of the food.

Freida Zeimh was a guest. Table prayer was given by Marge Zawilinski.

After the dinner, a short meeting took place. The members agreed to hold only one meeting in December.

Euchre winners were: Men's high, Homer Kretschmer; low, Richard Haney; ladies' high, Berenice Sowden, and low, Ruth Kaake. The traveling prize went to Berenice Sowden.

On the committee for December are Iva Volz, Hazel Kramer and Richard and Mazine Haney.

Door prizes were won by Orville Mallory and Estella Leyva.

Ice cream and cake were furnished by the Guzas at break time.



Meg's Peg

Being thankful

by Melva E. Guinther

You won't find me complaining that everybody's rushing the Christmas season. It can't start too early for those of us who truly love it.

We shop for gifts year-round, start wrapping in early autumn and decorating as soon as we think we can get away with it. The Christmas displays and music are for us like saying "sic 'em" to a dog.

Christmas is such a bright, happy season. It's hard not to get caught up in it.

The excitement of children, the music, plays, and feeling of good will unique to Christmas tend to counteract the gross commercialism.

One thing that troubles me, though, is that with Halloween becoming such a major holiday, second only to Christmas in decorations, retail sales, etc., Thanksgiving is pretty much ignored.

It's like a quick turkey dinner between orange and red sale displays.

And that's a shame. In this country especially, we have so much to be thankful for. It seems like we should take time to express it.

Back in October, 1863, in setting aside the last Thursday in November as "a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens", Abraham Lincoln said:

"We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth and power as no other nation has ever grown.

"But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us."

And 135 years later, we could say amen.

If the people in Lincoln's day had somewhat to be thankful for, we certainly have no excuse today.

It's the American way to gripe about government, politics, taxes, etc., but the people living in Kosovo or Honduras would undoubtedly trade places with us in an instant.

Maybe this year, in the midst of family get-togethers, feasts, football, etc., we can find a quiet moment to remember the reason the holiday was initiated.

And in our own way, be thankful.

On the lighter side, our daughter-in-law sent us a Thanksgiving card with the caption "Thanksgiving before TV." It depicted the Pilgrim women preparing and setting out the food for the feast, and the men sitting around staring at a tree stump.

Women everywhere can relate.

## Argyle Sox 4-H Club elects new officers

The Argyle Sox 4-H meeting was held at the Snover Heritage United Methodist Church Monday, Nov. 16, at 7 p.m.

Many members were present and officers were elected: President - Allison Nichol; vice-president - Mike Nichol; secretary/treasurer - Dana Shellenbarger, all of Deckerville; Reporter - Chad Thorley; Pledge Leader - Dennis Wheeler, both of Snover, and Member at Large - Brad Shellenbarger of Deckerville.

The meeting also concerned discussion of what members are going to do for the community service project this year. Many issues of community service were discussed but the club is still undecided. Club premiums were

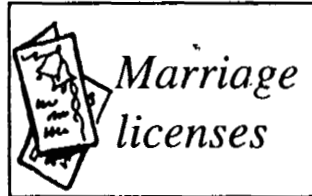
also handed out to those who participated in 4-H projects. The next meeting will be held Monday, Jan. 18, at 7 p.m.

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## It's a girl!

Jerrold and Shiloh Fitzgibbon announce the birth of their daughter, Allyson Rose. Born Sept. 4, 1998, she weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Paternal grandparents are John and Lynda Fitzgibbon of Harbor Beach. Maternal grandparent is Gerald Howard of Cass City.



Tim Blanchard Fitzpatrick Jr. and Christina Maria Baxter, both of Millington.

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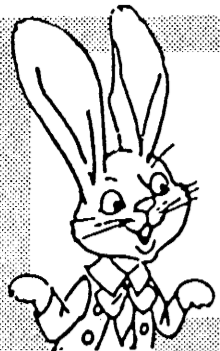
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## Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

Small world department. Last week's story concerning Jerry Knoblet's running in the marathon at Washington, D.C., sparked a response from Dotty Scollon, Cass City.

Her daughter, Suzy, also ran and completed the same race. No time or place of finish was recorded because someone in the team of which she was a member became ill and needed treatment.

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There's no doubt that artificial Christmas trees have cut into the real Christmas tree business, but the real trees are still big business. Michigan tree farms will produce 4 million trees this year. One million will be used in the state and 3 million will be exported across the United States and to several foreign countries.

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It may well be that the time is not far distance when deer hunters in Cass City will be able to roll out of their easy chairs and fill their deer licenses. At least that is the way it must appear to Rita Lovejoy, who lives on Hillcrest Street.

Wednesday afternoon last week she glanced out of her window and saw 3 deer peacefully grazing in her back yard.

No report on whether they were bucks or does.

## Laud Tuscola County mental health agency

Special Olympics Michigan selected Tuscola County Community Mental Health as its Outstanding Agency for 1998. The award recognizes the agency's commitment to the "whole person" of the clients they serve and their own involvement in Special Olympics as volunteers.

Approximately 150 individuals with mental retardation participate in Special Olympics Area 10 through Tuscola County Community Mental Health. Tuscola County CMH emphasizes vocational goals for their clients, but also encourages them to be healthy and active. The employees of Tuscola County CMH volunteer at Special Olympics

events, participate in planning the year-round sports program, and help coordinate fund-raisers for Special Olympics.

"Agencies and schools are 2 of our most important partners in getting Special Olympics athletes involved and keeping them involved," says Lois Arnold, Executive Director for Special Olympics Michigan. "Tuscola County CMH stands out for the commitment of its employees to the program and the number of athletes they have introduced to Special Olympics activities."

Dan Bristol of Tuscola County CMH accepted the state-wide award at a banquet Nov. 6 in Lansing.

## MEAP test results better at O-G

Owen-Gage students showed marked improvement in the Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP) tests from the previous year. However, it is probably impossible to draw solid conclusions about the improved scores since the test has been shortened and changed from the previous year.

Eleven of 14 last year's seniors took the test. Three passed all areas, 2 passed 3 areas, one passed 2 areas and 2 passed none.

Eighteen seniors took the test this year. Six passed all areas, 8 passed 3 areas and 4 passed 2 areas.

OWEN-GAGE MEAP RESULTS			
1998 Graduates 11 students			
No. Students			
Math	4	=	36%
Reading	7	=	64%
Science	6	=	55%
Writing	6	=	55%
1999 Graduates 18 students			
No. Students			
Math	13	=	72%
Reading	15	=	83%
Science	13	=	72%
Writing	15	=	83%

## The Weather

	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	48	36	0
Wednesday	53	42	.02"
Thursday	55	35	0
Friday	36	32	.02"
Saturday	43	26	0
Sunday	52	34	0
Monday	50	38	0

(Recorded at Cass City wastewater treatment plant.)

## Cass City Public Schools PROGRESS IN EDUCATION

from the desk of Ken Micklash, Superintendent

### BASIC EDUCATION STILL THE PRIORITY IN CASS CITY

Though technology will play a major role in the future of all our lives, schools must provide a solid basic educational foundation for our children. The Cass City Public School District has, and still does emphasize the basics. Quality instruction in the areas of: Reading, mathematics, science and social studies is an essential ingredient of an excellent school district. The staff of the Cass City Schools understands this important concept and continually strives to provide the best basic educational opportunities they possibly can.

CASS CITY'S VISION includes the following:

\*To provide all students with basic and expanded learning opportunities to be successful in a global society.

\*To provide a SAFE and CARING learning environment for all students.

\*To emphasize the five character building blocks, which include: Integrity, Honesty, Respect, Responsibility and Courtesy.

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



**THE WINNERS of this 48" plush reindeer from Coach Light Pharmacy are Whitney, age 9, (front, left) and Angela, age 4, Braun of Uby. Also shown are store employees Sheila Guilds (back, left) and Laura Hill. The Braun sisters are the children of Joe and Nancy Braun.**

## Cass City police report several accidents

Several minor damage vehicle accidents, as well as 3 more car-deer accidents, bringing the total to 7 since the rifle deer season opened, were investigated by the Cass City Police Department during the week.

A car driven by Gary Frank Guilds, 6574 Elizabeth, was hit by a vehicle driven by Mary Alice McComb, 4292 Maple, Thursday at 2:56 p.m.

McComb was backing out of her driveway and ran into the car headed north on Maple Street.

A 2-vehicle crash was reported Monday morning at the corner of Seeger and Main Streets. Amy Jeannette Gedert, Decker, was traveling north on Seeger Street and collided with a car driven by Benjamin Allen Adams, 6859 Cass City Road.

The traffic blinker at the intersection was red for Gedert and yellow for Adams.

Monday, Nov. 16, a car parked in the alley south of Main Street, owned by Patrice Rochelle Arthur, 5400 Lampton Road, was hit by a car driven by Keith Thomas Rabideau, 3615 Hobart Road, Gagetown.

## Thanksgiving Eve services set

Thanksgiving Eve services are slated for 7:30 p.m. Nov. 25 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. The senior choir, junior choir and Sunday School children will participate in the service by singing anthems.

Those attending may bring canned goods or paper products to be distributed to needy families in the area. The community is invited to attend.

## The Haire Net



At one time in Bay City there were a half dozen or more parochial high schools, mostly Catholic. Now there is one.

The rest consolidated because there wasn't enough money to support them.

Today's conservative United States Supreme Court has ruled 8-1 that using tax dollar vouchers to pay for low income students at private and parochial schools doesn't violate the separation of church and state restriction in the U.S. Constitution.

Vouchers still are illegal in Michigan because the state constitution bans using tax dollars for parochial schools.

Voucher supporters want to get the restriction removed, but a vote is not possible until 2,000. That gives observers 2 years or more to evaluate how the Milwaukee program succeeded.

If vouchers were approved in Michigan, it would create a whole barrel of unanswered questions concerning who has supervision authority and courses offered.

I suppose that could all be worked out. Although in this electronic age when even small schools like Cass City have spent hundreds of thousands of dollars for hardware, it's hard to see how parochial or private schools can properly equip.

The school choice advocates answer, of course, if the public school has that much advantage, why would the students leave? One reason in many schools is the learning environment. Judging by the news of the day, that problem appears worse in the urban schools than it is in smaller communities.

Generally, the better the students, the better the educational environment. Every student that private schools siphon off from public schools makes it that much harder to provide a well-rounded education for the remainder.

On the face of it, that's what competition is all about, getting the biggest bang for your educational dollar.

Okay, but let's level the playing field. When private schools accept their first tax dollar, make it mandatory for them to accept, as public

schools do, the disabled, the marginal students and those who have police records of vandalism, stealing and assault.

When private schools use private, not public, dollars, they have the right to kick anyone out the school door at any time or to close the door before unwanted kids enter.

But there never should be an elitist school funded with our tax dollars.



## The back forty

by Roger Pond

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It seems everyone wants to drag us into the information age. I've made up my mind: I'm not going!

First we got faster computers, then call waiting and fax machines. Now it's voice mail, e-Mail, and the World Wide Web.

I can't complain about computers. I love computers, but some of this other stuff has been oversold it seems to me. Consider how folks would react if this technology were reversed. What if the internet was 50 years old, and the telephone was brand new?

Wouldn't it be great to call people up, listen to their voices, talk as fast as you want, and get an answer immediately. What a great invention — the telephone.

Then, imagine having to type a note or letter, leave it on someone's machine, and wait for them to type a note or letter in response. That's what we do with e-Mail: Send folks a note and then call them up to make sure they got it.

It's better than a telegram. At least we don't have to learn Morse Code.

How about fax machines? The fax machine always reminds me of public relations agencies I used to write for.

The PR agencies wanted everything by overnight mail. No matter what it was, it had to go overnight.

So, we mailed their stuff overnight and charged them another \$12. Then, when I hadn't heard anything for a couple of weeks, I would call them up.

Nine times out of 10, the person who received the overnight copy hadn't read it. He was on vacation, had his appendix removed, or his dog ate the mail.

That's where the fax machine comes in. The fax lets us transmit copy instantly — because we were too disorganized to mail it a couple of days sooner.

This week I read that companies in Italy and Japan are making refrigerators and ovens featuring internet access.

The Japanese "internet refrigerator" has more computing power than most PC's and keeps your vegetables cold at the same time. I don't know what a refrigerator computes, but it should be able to tell us when the cheese turns green.

This smart fridge is controlled by a touch panel on the door, or verbally through a built-in microphone. Experts say American consumers will prefer the touch panel over the microphone. Most of us are used to talking to an open fridge, but giving commands through the door is just another way to frighten the kids.

The "intelligent oven" is supposed to take over where the internet refrigerator leaves off. This oven will pull

a recipe from the internet and cook a roast for us. (Provided we remembered to buy the roast.)

How can we remember to buy the roast? I can't speak for others, but I just put a note on my refrigerator.

*Trying to find the Knot?*

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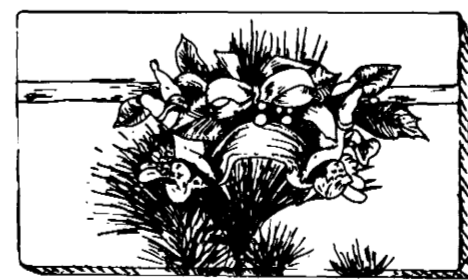
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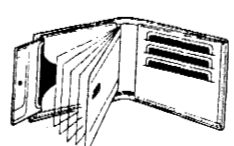
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## Preucil family to perform

# 20<sup>th</sup> and final Bach Festival underway

Highlighting the 20th, and final, Village Bach Festival, to be held in Caro and Cass City, Nov. 24-29, will be several performances by mem-

bers of the esteemed Preucil family. Of particular interest will be a presentation of "Concerto for Three Violins" of Johann Sebastian Bach,

with Doris Preucil (grandmother); William Preucil Jr. (son), and Alexandra Preucil (granddaughter) as soloists. Both Doris Preucil and her

son, William, have been Village Bach Festival participants since the inception of the festival in 1979. Alexandra, now 14 years of

age, will be featured for the first time this year. She has, however, been in attendance at each festival since the year of her birth.

Doris Preucil is an internationally renowned instructor of the violin, having founded the Preucil School of Music in Iowa City, Iowa, where she

still teaches. Her son, William Preucil Jr., is now the distinguished Concertmaster of the Cleveland Orchestra. He has also served in that capacity with the Nashville, Atlanta, and Utah Symphony Orchestras and as 1st Violin of the Cleveland Quartet. Alexandra now studies with her father and is a member of the Cleveland Youth Orchestra. This will be their first performance together of Bach's "Concerto for Three Violins."

Other members of the Preucil family performing in the 1998 Village Bach Festival are daughter, Jeanne Preucil Rose, and her husband, Stephen Rose. Both are violinists in the Cleveland Orchestra. Gwen Starker Preucil, also a violinist and wife of William Preucil Jr., will be a member of the festival orchestra, as will Violist William Preucil Sr., patriarch of the entire family.

He is former Chair of the String Department of the School of Music of the University of Iowa and a member of the Stradavari String Quartet at that institution. He has also served as Principal Viola of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

Festival Harpist, Anne Preucil Lewellen, Principal Harpist of the Ft. Wayne Symphony in Indiana, will be featured in the "Adagietto" from Gustav Mahler's 5th Symphony. Her husband, Michael Lewellen, will be the Festival orchestra's principal horn player.

All in all there will be 9 members of the same family participating in the 1998 festival. "This is most extraordinary, especially since they are all such highly respected musicians in the field," states Music Director, Don Th. Jaeger. "To think they have been with us for 20 years is a true testament to the spirit of the Village Bach Festival, its organizers, and the community of Cass City."

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#### PROGRAM

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Penelope Jensen, soprano  
Norman Paul, violin  
David Vanderkooi, cello  
Catherine McMichael, harpsichord

**FRANZ JOSEPH HAYDN**  
Six Pieces for a Musical Clock  
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Minnut II - Vivace  
Thomas Brown, organ

**LOUIS VIERNE**  
Berceuse (from "24 Pieces en style libre")  
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**THOMAS ARNE**  
Introduction and Fugue (Concerto I)  
Thomas Brown, organ

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The Festival Orchestra

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Love at 60: Send Her a Valentine  
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Joan DerHovsepian, viola  
Catherine McMichael, piano

**RICHARD STRAUSS**  
Cacilie, Op. 27, No. 2  
Befreit, Op. 39, No. 4  
Priscilla Peebles, mezzo-soprano  
Thomas Brown, piano

**CHARLES LOEFFLER**  
Four Poems, Op. 5  
Dansons la Cigue  
Serenade  
Timothy Jones, baritone  
Sally Chisholm, viola  
Thomas Brown, piano

**J.S. BACH**  
Brandenburg Concerto No. 1 in F Major, BWV 1046  
The Festival Orchestra

Sunday, November 29, 1998 - 2:00 p.m. Lecture - 3:15 p.m. Concert

#### PROGRAM

**J.S. BACH**  
Concerto for Violin and Oboe in C Minor, BWV 1060  
William Preucil, violin  
Elaine Douvas, oboe  
The Festival Orchestra

**GUSTAV MAHLER**  
Adagietto from Symphony No. 5 in C# Minor  
The Festival Orchestra

**J.S. BACH**  
Concerto for Three Violins, BWV 1063  
William Preucil, violin  
Doris Preucil, violin  
Alexandra Preucil, violin  
The Festival Orchestra

#### INTERMISSION

**CATHERINE MCMICHAEL**  
Selections from "The Seven Saints and Sinners"  
Mother and Child  
Temptation  
Eye, or the Knowledge of Good and Evil  
The Warrior Saint  
Penelope Jensen, soprano  
Priscilla Peebles, mezzo-soprano  
Quentin Quereau, tenor  
Timothy Jones, baritone  
Catherine McMichael, piano  
The Festival Orchestra

**J.S. BACH**  
Suite No. 4  
Overture  
Bourree I and II  
Cavatte  
Minuetto  
Repassance  
The Festival Orchestra

## Eberhard to speak at dairy banquet

Ron Eberhard, a professional motivational speaker and humorist, will provide this year's entertainment for Sanilac County's 63rd annual dairy banquet Dec 5, 7:30 p.m., at Sandusky High School.

Eberhard owns and operates Business and Estate Planning Services Unlimited in Grove City, Ohio. He is well-known throughout the midwest for his inspirational and humorous presentations and for his expertise in working with family farm businesses.

The title of his banquet speech is "Field of Dreams", which is a visionary approach to life, emphasizing strength through listening, creative-thinking, and risk-

taking. The presentation uses many actual scenes from the movie, "Field of Dreams", and places an emphasis on nurturing the relationship between fathers and sons.

Tickets are available at the Sanilac MSU Extension Office at 37 Austin Street in Sandusky or from the following committee members: Mike Bender and Dr. Rick Langolf of Crosswell, Dorothy Sanford, Dr. Mark Fox and Mary Nichol of Deckerville, Tom Stamp of Marlette, Art Glaza of Decker, Nancy Bartle of Brown City, Pam Thom of Peck, and any of the DHIA technicians. Tickets are \$10 per person if purchased in advance, or \$12 per person if purchased at the door.

Saturday, November 28, 1998 - 7:00 p.m. Lecture - 8:15 p.m. Concert

#### PROGRAM

**J.S. BACH**  
Cantata No. 211 "Schweig stille, plaudert nicht" (Coffee Cantata)  
Recitative (tenor)  
Aria (baritone)  
Recitative (soprano and baritone)  
Aria (soprano and flute)  
Recitative (soprano and baritone)  
Aria (baritone)  
Recitative (soprano and baritone)  
Aria (soprano)  
Recitative (tenor)  
Chorus (soprano, tenor, and baritone)  
The Festival Orchestra

**OTTORINO RESPIGHI**  
Ancient Airs and Dances, Suite I  
Balletto detto "Il conte Orlando"  
Cagliarda  
Villanella  
Passo mezzo e mascherda  
The Festival Orchestra

**JOHANNES BRAHMS**  
Intermezzo in A Major, Op. 118, No. 2  
Thomas Brown, piano

**LEONARD BERNSTEIN**  
Simple Song, from "Mass"  
Priscilla Peebles, mezzo-soprano  
Catherine McMichael, piano

#### INTERMISSION

**FRANZ JOSEPH HAYDN**  
Sinfonia Concertante in B Flat Major, Op. 84  
Allegro  
Andante  
Allegro con spirito  
Elaine Douvas, oboe  
Barry Stees, bassoon  
Julia Bushkova, violin  
Brant Austin Taylor, cello  
The Festival Orchestra

Reception following concert - everyone is welcome

## Family returns to speak at Missionary church Friday

Debbie Miranda of Bolivia will make her second visit to Cass City over the Thanksgiving holiday and it will be far different from the first time she was in the community where her father, the Rev. Paul Schember, was reared and attended Cass City High School.

The first visit was in November 1983, when Debbie was 11 years old. Since that time she finished school and married. She now teaches at the Christian University in Santa Cruz.

Like her parents, Debbie teaches at the university at a considerable financial sacrifice. She also walks a mile and a half daily to get to the school. The family does not own a car.

Her story and experiences in Bolivia will be one of the highlights of a special meeting Friday at 7 p.m. at the Cass City Missionary Church, 4393 Koepfgen Road, that will feature the entire family, which includes 4 children, Rev. Schember and his wife, Kaylene.

The public is invited to the meeting, Ruth Dorman, Cass City, the mother of Rev. Schember, said.

Friday afternoon the family is expected to hold a belated Thanksgiving dinner at the church.



VETERANS DAY CONTEST winners at the Cass City Middle School included: (from left) Jesse Tuckey, Nicole Froede, Tara Pomeroy. Missing is Beth Hoxie.

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## Down Memory Lane

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### 5 YEARS AGO

Michigan's first fatal deer hunting accident of the season was recorded Saturday in Tuscola County's Indianfields Township. The victim was identified as Richard D. Rich, 38, of Warren. Dale McIntosh, president of the Cass City United Way executive board, reports that donations to the local United Way have easily topped the 1993 goal of \$18,000, with several contributions yet to be received. So far, \$19,500 has been contributed with a possibility of reaching \$23,000.

Cass City placed 2 players on the Blue Bay League all-conference team last week. Leading the selection list was Jodi Schember, who is the team captain. Also named was Jodi LaRoche. Both girls are seniors. Senior Darcie Monroe and sophomore

Kelli Van Vliet, topped the honorable mention list.

Cass City bowed out of the district tournament Wednesday when they lost to Marlette, 31-26. It was all over for 4 Cass City seniors who in their junior high and high school careers posted a 93-19 record. They are Karla Zinnecker, Jodi LaRoche, Jodi Schember and Darcie Monroe.

The first hunter to report to the Chronicle with a deer Tuesday morning was Frank Harding, 14, of Cass City. He downed a 9-point, 225-pound buck hunting east of Cass City.

### 10 YEARS AGO

Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies Monday continued their search for a man who robbed and knifed a Tuscola County motorist Friday night. The victim was stabbed several times after stopping to pick up a hitchhiker on M-46 near Bruisee Road in Indianfields Township. The woman is in satis-

factory condition at Caro Community Hospital.

There had been only 2 fire alarms since Aug. 14, but a rash of fire calls ended the quiet spell for Cass City firemen when they were called upon 7 times over a 5-day period. The worst of the alarms was a fire which destroyed the inside of the Dale Stevens residence on Severance Road, Friday afternoon. It resulted in an estimated \$40,000 in damage.

Cass City School and education association officials are at least \$600,000 apart on a new teachers contract, despite nearly 7 months of negotiations.

Village officials have asked the state to consider putting a traffic light at the Doerr Road and Main Street intersection where 2 accidents occurred last week.

After a 2-year loss in the lunch program, the Cass City School Board has decided to terminate Canteen, the organization that has run the program since 1981.

wooded area south of Minden City. Robin Torp, 16, and Brant Jerome, 20, were found at 8:25 a.m. in a peat moss area of the Minden Swamp, east of Cass City Road near Palms.

Fire did an estimated \$6,000 damage to the partially constructed home of Marvin Winter on M-53 Sunday night. The home, which was destroyed by fire last summer and had been partially rebuilt, sustained extensive smoke damage throughout.

The youth group of First Baptist Church had a hay ride Saturday night with around 25 persons participating. Refreshments were enjoyed at the home of sponsors, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rayl, afterward.

### 35 YEARS AGO

Shock, disbelief, agony and frustration of an entire nation were mirrored in the faces and actions of Cass City and area residents Friday and Saturday following the tragic, wasteful assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

A trophy sized bear was shot by Ira Osentoski at West Long Lake near Alpena Saturday morning. It took 5 shots with his 8 millimeter magnum to bring down the 300-pounder. It is Osentoski's first bear.

Tineke van Eerde, 17, of Overveen, Netherlands, is Cass City's most recent foreign exchange student. She is staying with the Leslie Profit family and will celebrate her first Thanksgiving Thursday. Thanksgiving is not celebrated in her country.

High winds Friday night did damage to a partially finished addition at the Clyde Wells home, and a large tree was blown across the driveway at Mrs. Casper Whalen's Third Steet residence.

### 25 YEARS AGO

State Police helped provide a happy ending to an otherwise serious incident late Thursday afternoon in a wooded area of Ellington township when a reported dead infant turned out to be nothing more than a discarded doll. The police said at first glance the object looked like a human body, but was, in reality, a life-size doll.

Hills and Dales General Hospital currently faces a doctor and patient shortage and employee layoffs. Discussions have begun with Caro Community Hospital designed to find ways of sharing services.

Two young Snover deer hunters were found safe Friday morning after being lost for about 15 hours in a

## Campbell honor roll announced

The Campbell Elementary School honor roll for the first marking period has been announced.

### 4TH GRADE

Nicole Baker, Brent Becker, Ryan Biddinger, Dennis Bowen, Whitney Braun, Sasha Cole, Brent Cooper, Nicole Crandall, Alyssa Cryderman\*, Terra Czekai, Joey Daneault, Andrew Devine, Joseph DiFrancesca, Jill Dillon\*, Brittany Dorland, Jeremy Farr, Aaron Fent, Jeremiah Fritz, Jimmy Froede, Travis Gere, Courtney Hacker, Jennifer Hacker, Jennifer Had, Brad Hartel, Danielle Hartel, Kyle Hartwick, Jaelyn Hendrick, Kati Hill, Allie Hillaker, Rachelle Hopper, Lauren Howard, Mark Hutchinson, Stephanie Jamieson, Andrew Jones, JT Ketterer, Ryan King, Meredith Kirn, Whitney Kirn, Lysa Knight\*, Galen Kuebli, Andrew LaFave, Ricky Lovejoy, Jimmy Luana, Andrew Martin\*, Chelsea McCallum, Laura McComas, Brandon Miller\*, Kate Miller, Thomas Mittlestat, Kyle Monroe, Lindsey Montgomery\*, Monica Montreuil, Deric Murphy, Adam Nerkowski, Megan O'Dell, Kevin Ouvry, Jessica Pachla, Lief Parr, Kevin Phillips, Katie Pine.

Jessica Pratt, Courtney Rabideau\*, Ashleigh Rabideau, Danielle Reed, Kyle Reif, Allie Richards\*, Eric Romain, Nick Sattelberg\*, Emily Schinnerer, Brad Severance\*, Kyle Sieradzki, Kane Smith, Beth Spencer, Kari Spencer, Preston Stec, Michael Stevens, Brent Stine, Philip Strong\*, Kyle Swanson, Rebecca Sweeney, Andrea Thane, Nancy Thane, Courtney Voss, Alex Walsh, Brent Weaver\*, Adam Wentworth, Leah Whittaker\*, Tyler Whittaker, Jason Wilder, Amanda Williams, Bobby Windsor\*, Nicholas Woodruff, Chris Zawilinski.

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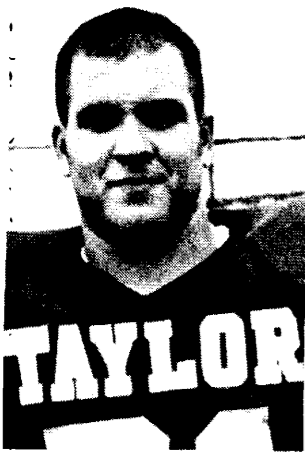
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## Rea on champion Trojans

John Rea, 21, a 1995 Cass City High School graduate, is completing his fourth year as a Taylor University Tro-



jan football player where he starts as an offensive right tackle. Rea has helped lead his team to an 8-2 season record, winning the Mid-States Football Association Conference Championship. Ranked 7th nationally, the Trojans earned a berth in the NAIA Division III National Play-offs against Azusa Pacific University Nov. 21 in Azusa, Calif.

Rea is a senior education major at Taylor. Taylor University is a Liberal-Arts Christian University located in Upland, Ind. He is the son of Mike and Shelda Rea of Cass City.



**RETURNING HOME FROM work, Dan Bolton, Cass City, spotted this 6-point buck as it ran across the road. He shot the deer from about 100 yards away and it fell immediately. It was shot south of Elkton on Maxwell Road about a half mile from Cemetery Road.**

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## Cass City Middle School STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

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Ivy Hiatt, daughter of Susie Rader  
Rob Hoxie, son of Leah Hoxie  
Chad Newton, son of John and Mary Joanne Newton  
Ivan Peruski, son of Kurt and Deb Peruski  
Jeff Stoutenburg, son of Ed and Susie Stoutenburg  
Shaun Thornton, son of Patrick and Deb Thornton

From the Sixth Grade these students are...

Zach Dorland, son of Dave and Kim Dorland  
Scott Duquesnay, son of Brian and Linda Duquesnay  
Chad Francis, son of Fred and Deborah Francis  
Michael Hill, son of Darrell and Charlene Hill  
Krista Homakie, daughter of Michelle Homakie and John Homakie  
Luann Laming, daughter of Louis and Anna Marie Laming  
Danny Mittlestat, son of Melvin and Carolynn Mittlestat  
Stephanie Richards, daughter of Scott and Janet Richards  
Tara Sherman, daughter of Allen Sherman and Sue Sherman  
Zach Voss, son of Ron and Sue Voss

From the Seventh Grade these students are...

Krystee Dorland, daughter of Tom and Kathy Dorland  
Kristi Fluegge, daughter of Richard and Ruth Fluegge  
Eric Hollis, son of Dawn Hollis and Richard Hollis  
Jeff McMahan, son of Brian and Linda McMahan  
Maegan Laurie, daughter of David and Stephanie Laurie  
Nathan Laming, son of Louis and Anna Marie Laming

From the Eighth Grade these students are...

Laura Auten, daughter of Lester and Donna Auten  
Heidi Cheng, daughter of Paul and Lily Cheng  
Jarred Glaza, son of Arthur and Suzette Glaza  
Courtney Green, daughter of Robert and Marilyn Green  
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Joe Hawley, son of Ron and Pam Hawley  
Cyndi Henn, daughter of Duane and Nancy Henn  
Brandon Speirs, son of Rodney and Ellen Speirs  
Ryan Thornton, son of Patrick and Deb Thornton  
Liza Volmering, daughter of Earl and Mary Volmering  
Andy Veneziano, son of James and Juliet Veneziano  
Char Walker, daughter of Emerson and Rhonda Horton



Front row, from left: Brandon Speirs, Sarah Childs, Cory Haag, Ivy Hiatt, Rob Hoxie, Chad Newton, Ivan Peruski, Jeff Stoutenburg and Shaun Thornton. Second row: Zach Voss, Chad Francis, Zach Dorland, Scott Duquesnay, Michael Hill, Krista Homakie, Luann Laming, Danny Mittlestat, Stephanie Richards and Tara Sherman. Third row: Kristi Fluegge, Andy Veneziano, Nathan Laming, Eric Hollis, Krystee Dorland, Maegan Laurie, Jeff McMahan and Cyndi Henn. Back row: Liza Volmering, Courtney Green, Laura Auten, Ryan Thornton, Joe Hawley, Jarred Glaza, Heidi Cheng and Tyler Harp.

## Few surprises at North Huron in Class D district cage play

Surprises were few Wednesday night in North Huron during Class D district cage action.

The Owen-Gage Bulldogs bowed from the state tourney when the host Warriors defeated Coach Dave Fritz's squad 48-36.

The youthful Bulldogs, who lose only one player in senior Kristie Radabaugh, end the season with a 5-16 record.

Owen-Gage stayed with the Warriors in the early going behind the offense of junior Erin Salcido, who recorded a pair of field goals in the early going.

But the Warriors turned up their defensive pressure midway through the period and outscored the Bulldogs 29-2 for the remainder of the initial half that gave the hosts a 35-8 margin at the break.

Warrior Coach Tammy

**OWEN-GAGE** - M. Ziehm 2-0 (0-0) 4; Fritz 3-0 (1-5) 7; Adams 0-0 (1-1) 1; Vargo 0-1 (1-5) 4; Salcido 6-0 (1-1) 13; Lemanski 2-0 (3-3) 7. **TOTALS** - 13-1 (7-15) 36.

**NORTH HURON** - Rice 3-0 (0-0) 6; Souva 1-0 (0-0) 2; DeBlois 2-0 (0-0) 4; O'Bee 3-0 (1-2) 7; Mazure 4-0 (0-0) 8; Brown 3-2 (1-2) 13; Gray 4-0 (0-0) 8. **TOTALS** - 20-2 (2-4) 48.

**KINGSTON** - B. King 3-0 (0-4) 6; Kaniszewski 3-0 (4-6) 10; L. King 3-0 (0-0) 6; Monte 5-0 (3-6) 13. **TOTALS** - 14-0 (7-16) 35.

**AKRON-FAIR** - Petiprin 1-0 (0-0) 2; Latimer 4-2 (2-2) 16; Tanton 2-0 (1-2) 5; Adams 0-0 (1-2) 1; Valentine 2-0 (0-0) 4; Miller 1-0 (2-5) 4. **TOTALS** - 10-2 (6-15) 32.

Kent went deep into her bench in the final half that allowed the Bulldogs to outscore their hosts 28-13 during the final 2 frames.

North Huron was led by Heidi Brown's 13 tallies, while teammates Kari Gray and Melissa O'Bee split 16 markers.

Danielle Fritz and Melanie Lemanski added 7 points apiece for Owen-Gage.

In Wednesday's late game at North Huron, the North

Central Thumb League champion Kingston Cardinals turned back Akron-Fairgrove with a narrow 35-32 decision.

In a defensive struggle, the Cardinals gained a 14-13 edge by the intermission behind Mandi Monte's 11 first half tallies.

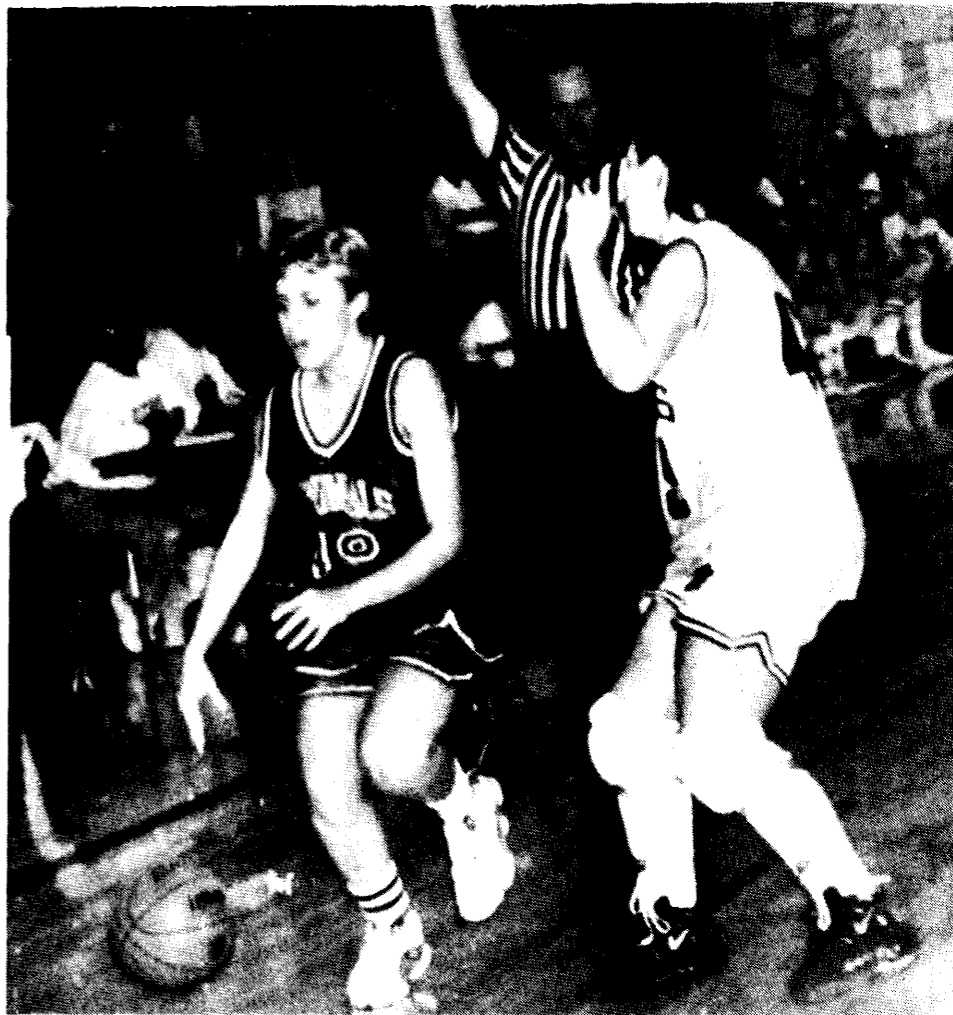
Kingston's Jesse Kaniszewski heated up from the perimeter in the 3rd stanza that helped the Cardinals extend their lead to 25-

18 with 3 hoops from the floor.

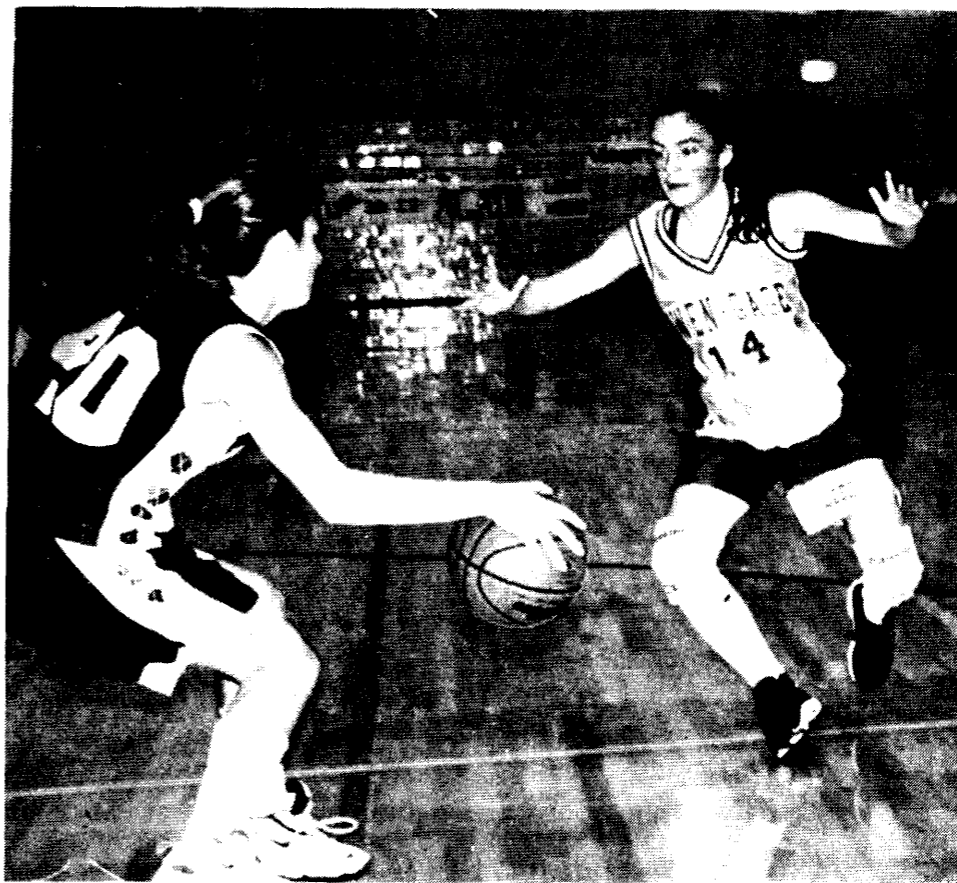
However, Akron battled back with a 6-2 run to open the final frame.

Kingston put the game on ice with a pair of baskets from Bobbi King and Laura King down the stretch.

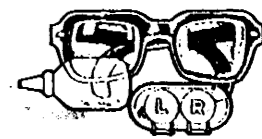
Danielle Latimer recorded game scoring honors with 16 points for Akron-Fairgrove. Monte and Kaniszewski led the winners with 13 and 10 points, respectively.



**KINGSTON'S BETH HUNTER** gets by a Viking defender in Wednesday's Class D district tilt.



**FULL COURT PRESSURE**, applied by Bulldog Danielle Fritz, wasn't enough to turn back North Huron Wednesday in Class D district action. The Warriors ended Owen-Gage's season with a 48-36 victory.



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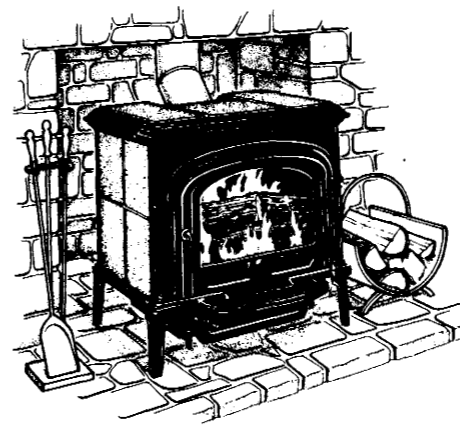
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# Hawks lose thriller in District final

The Class C district championship cage tilt between Greater Thumb West Conference co-champs Cass City and Elton-Pigeon-Bay Port proved worthy of its fanfare Friday night in Ubyly.

The Lakers rallied from 8 points back with just over 6 minutes remaining to claim the district crown with a thrilling 50-46 victory.

The win puts EPBP into regional play this week in Sandusky. The Hawks enter the record books with a 16-5 mark.

Coach Jim Mastie's troops expanded a 35-32 margin into an 8-point bulge at the start of the final frame on Becky Dore's jump shot from behind the 3-point arc and a basket by forward Shelly Ulfig.

But the Lakers rallied behind their star guard, Kristen Gehrs. Gehrs, who was held to just 2 points through 3 quarters, connected on back-to-back treys that narrowed the Hawks' advantage to 40-38.

Red Hawk senior Tara McNeil answered Gehrs' triples with one of her own from deep in the corner, giving Cass City some breathing room at 43-38.

Staying with the long ball, the Lakers were able to knot the score at 43 when Jessica Weidman found all net from 18' for her only field goal on the night.

Cass City was able to keep their composure, however, as Kara Mellendorf converted an old-fashioned 3-point play for what would be the Hawks' final points.

Leading 46-43, Laker guard Robin Rathje hit her 4th triple on the night with 1:16 to play to even the score.

Rathje led all scorers with a season best 18 tallies. Rathje also passed for 5 assists.

Following a Hawk miss, Lakers' Laura Dubey recorded the game's winning basket when she converted from under the basket with just 17 seconds remaining. Dubey was fouled on the shot by Ulfig, which disqualified the Hawks' top gun on fouls.

Dubey missed the ensuing charity toss, but Gehrs gathered the rebound and converted the basket to give EPBP their 2nd consecutive district title.

Gehrs, who faced a box-and-one defense, finished with 10 points, including 8

in the final period.

The contest was a see-saw battle throughout the initial half. The Hawks led after one period 10-9, and took a 20-19 edge into the intermission. The game saw 14 lead changes in the opening half. The biggest lead by either squad prior to the break was 3 points that came at 10-7 on an offensive rebound by Ulfig.

Ulfig, who picked up her 4th personal foul with 9 seconds remaining in the 3rd stanza, led Cass City with 15 markers.

With the Laker defense concentrating on the Hawks' twin towers, Cass City called on sharp shooters McNeil, Nicolette Zawilinski and Dore for offense. The trio responded by hitting on 5 of 13 shots from 3-point land, including 2 from Zawilinski to end the 3rd period that vaulted the Hawks from a 32-29 deficit to a 35-32 advantage entering the final period.

Mellendorf was the only other player to reach double digits and finished with a dozen points and 12 rebounds.

**CASS CITY** - Dore 0-1 (0-0) 3; McNeil 1-2 (0-0) 8; Zawilinski 1-2 (0-0) 8; Ulfig 6-0 (3-6) 15; Mellendorf 5-0 (2-3) 12.  
**TOTALS - 13-5 (5-9) 46.**

**LAKERS** - Rathje 3-4 (0-2) 18; Gehrs 2-2 (0-0) 10; Weidman 0-1 (1-2) 4; Drury 3-0 (0-0) 6; Ertman 1-0 (0-0) 2; Weisenbaugh 1-0 (0-0) 2; Dubey 1-0 (0-1) 2; McKenzie 2-0 (0-0) 4; Tate 0-0 (2-2) 2.  
**TOTALS - 13-7 (3-7) 50.**



**RED HAWK SHELLY ULFIG** eyes the basket during Friday's district final in Ubyly. Ulfig's 4-year career ended with a heartbreaking 50-46 loss to the Lakers. Ulfig led Cass City scorers with 15 points.

## Strawberry growing tips

Soggy soil and strawberries don't mix — but organic matter and raised beds may keep these plants from suffering. Strawberry and raspberry plants have similar growth requirements, and experiments are being done to protect the plants from too much water. By planting the crops on a raised bed system, more protection is provided and makes the plants less vulnerable to disease. Root-rot diseases, such as red stele, black root and phytophthora are common problems that affect strawberries and raspberries. When the plants are grown on raised beds, the entire system grows above standing water and it drains more quickly.

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

# Hawks oust USA, 60-50

The 3rd time proved to be the charm for the Cass City cage team Wednesday night in Ubyly as the Hawks ousted Unionville-Sebewaing from the Class C district with a 60-50 win.

After splitting games during the regular season, the Hawks used a balanced offensive attack to turn back the Patriots.

To open the contest, senior Tara McNeil scored consecutive treys to give the Hawks a 6-0 lead that the Hawks would not surrender.

McNeil continued her outside artistry and nailed her 3rd triple of the opening period near the 4 minute mark that extended the Greater Thumb West Conference co-champs' margin to 13-2.

However, the Patriots clawed their way back into the game behind Shannon Schafer. Schafer scored the Patriots' final 7 points of the initial frame, including a 3-point bomb at the buzzer, that ended with Cass City clinging to a 17-15 edge.

Cass City worked the ball inside to center Kara Mellendorf to start the 2nd quarter and the all-conference center responded by registering the Hawks' first 8 points of the frame.

While Mellendorf was hot, the Patriots were not and managed only 7 points during the 8 minutes preceding the intermission.

Leading 27-21, Becky Dore gave Cass City a double digit advantage with back-to-back hoops, including one from behind the 3-point arc. The Hawks enjoyed a 34-22 lead at the break.

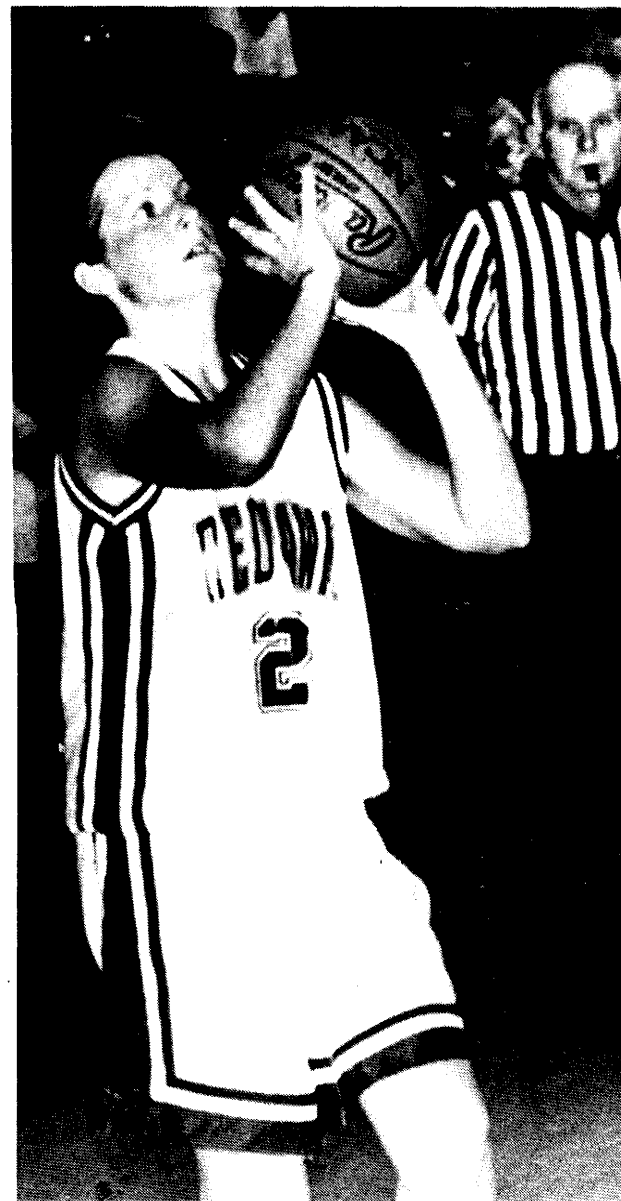
During the final half, Hawk forward Shelly Ulfig went to work. Ulfig single-handedly outscored the Patriots during the 3rd period, pouring in 9 of her game high 19 tallies that helped put the Hawks in front 46-30 heading into the final period.

Besides Ulfig, Cass City had Mellendorf and McNeil with 14 points. Dore chipped in with 10 for the winners.

The Patriots, who played without their star guard Jamie Stahl - who is scheduled to undergo surgery - got 9 points apiece from Schafer and Jessica VanBevern.

**CASS CITY** - Gaszczyński 0-0 (1-2) 1; Dore 2-1 (3-6) 10; McNeil 1-4 (0-0) 14; Walsh 1-0 (0-0) 2; Ulfig 4-0 (11-16) 19; Mellendorf 5-0 (4-6) 14.  
**TOTALS - 13-5 (19-34) 60.**

**USA** - Ewald 0-1 (1-2) 4; Hoppe 2-0 (0-0) 4; Houthoofd 2-0 (0-0) 4; Eisengruber 2-1 (1-2) 8; Neu 2-0 (0-0) 4; VanBevern 3-0 (3-4) 9; Geiger 2-0 (0-2) 4; Gremel 2-0 (0-0) 4; Schafer 2-1 (2-2) 9.  
**TOTALS - 17-3 (7-12) 50.**



**CASS CITY senior Tara McNeil** was a force from the perimeter against USA in district play at Ubyly. McNeil tallied 14 points in the Hawks' 60-50 win, that included 4 hoops from 3-point range.

## Calendar of Events

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

### Thursday, November 26

Community Thanksgiving Dinner, VFW Hall,

### Friday, November 27

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

### Monday, November 30

Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building.

### Tuesday, December 1

Rescheduled - Empowering Mothers for Girls' Success, registration 6:30-7 p.m., program 7-9:30 p.m., Cass City Middle School.  
Rotary Club, noon, Charmont.

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**THE CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS** program, spearheaded by the Cass City Rotary Club, got a helping hand from middle school 7th graders Apryl Stancliff and Heidi Vatter (right), who are busy wrapping gifts.

## Tractor operation classes offered in Sanilac County

4-H Safe Tractor Operation classes will be offered in Sanilac County beginning Monday, Feb. 1, 1999, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the County Conference Room in Sandusky.

A class will be offered for youth 10-12 years old, "Introduction to Safe Tractor Operation". It will meet 2 hours per week for 3 weeks. It will provide basic information on farm and tractor safety issues. This is a safety education class geared for the younger student.

For youth over 12, there will be the regular 7-week 4-H Safe Tractor Operation Course, which will provide a "Certificate of Training" for those youth who successfully complete the requirements, which include weekly homework assignments, a written exam and a practical driving test. These courses are classroom instruction only. Tractor operation must occur at home under parental supervision. This class begins Monday, Feb. 1, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the County Conference Room in Sandusky.

Also being offered will be a Farm Machinery Course for youth who are 14 years or older and have successfully completed, or are currently

enrolled in the 7-week Tractor Safety Course. A minimum of 10 students must be pre-enrolled for a class to meet. Farm Machinery Courses and driving tests will be announced at a later date.

There will be a \$5 fee for each class. You must be pre-enrolled, and the fee must be pre-paid by Jan. 22. Enroll by calling Aletha Mahaffy at 810-648-2515.

Parents are encouraged to attend the sessions with their youth. Several parents who have attended in the past have indicated that the course is a "good refresher" for any tractor operator.

If your child is working for a farmer (even if it is only "Granddad"), is under the age of 16, and drives tractor or does any of the other jobs that have been identified as "hazardous" by the Federal Department of Labor, he/she must have a "Certificate of Training".

For more complete information about Federal regulations regarding youth employment in agriculture, contact the MSU Extension Office and ask for bulletin AEIS #598 "Youth Employment in Hazardous Jobs in Agriculture".

## Letter to the editor

### Kranz addresses tragedy

In the midst of a terrible situation this week, many wonderful things happened. Fortunately the small community of Kingston had not been faced with the tragic death of two of their students before. But the recent auto accident which killed Josh Kratz and Jeff Randall left the principal, counselors, advisors and staff confused as to what to do.

After a great deal of discussion, a special time was set for Josh and Jeff's classmates to visit the funeral home. Some school staff members were understandably afraid they wouldn't know what to do with all those children and their grief. These students needed a place to focus their emotions and they needed to

be able to do it with each other. Both boys' families encouraged this special time and wanted their sons' schoolmates there. They knew having them there would help them and the students. The special visitation was a success and helpful to the students.

The next difficult decision the school made was to close school the day of the funeral services. Many staff members and students needed to attend the services. Both funerals were beautiful and meaningful. They offered an opportunity for family, friends, teachers and fellow students to express their feelings, their grief and to say good-bye.

The Kingston Community Schools, families of Josh and Jeff, area clergy, citizens and students are all to be com-

mended. The support you all gave each other will do more to help reduce this grief than any other gesture. The students' behavior at the visitation and funeral was beyond reproach. The hugs and love offered this week were needed and helpful. We need to remember that next week, next month, next year these families will need this support even more.

The people of Kingston were devastated, scared and taken totally off guard by this tragic accident. But together offering themselves, flowers, donations, food and an outpouring of love everyone made it through. Now one minute, one hour, one day at a time, these families and friends will go on.

Debra L. Kranz



**ASSEMBLING BOXES** for the Christmas for Kids campaign are Cass City 7th graders (clockwise from left): David Strickland, Kyle Lowe and Greg Dillon. If you know of any family that could benefit from this program, contact Rotary President Colleen Langenburg at 872-4311.



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## 84TH BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson entertained at a birthday dinner at Charmont in Cass City for Thelma Jackson Sunday. A decorated cake centered the table.

Guests were Clara Bond, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Decker and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz. They spent the afternoon visiting at the home of Clara Bond.

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Mrs. Gerald Wills and Reva Silver were Sunday afternoon and supper guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland. Jerry Cleland was an afternoon guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Andersen of Brighton left Monday evening after spending 4 days with Mrs. Earl Schenk. Other Saturday supper guests were Mr. and Mrs.

David Hacker.

Rita and Ray Depcinski attended the over 50 card party at Oswald Hall in Bad Axe Sunday.

Mrs. Mark Farrelly visited Al Farrelly Tuesday morning.

Matt Particka and Brad Underwood spent the weekend deer hunting at the Melvin Particka home.

Don Kramer of Apple, Wis., spent from Saturday till Tuesday with Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming. Other guests over the weekend were Bill and Alex Cleland and Graham Griffen of Walled Lake. They all got a deer.

Mrs. Gary Andersen, Denise McLean and Mrs. David Hacker attended the craft show at the Ubyly Fox Hunters Hall Saturday forenoon.

Reva Silver was a Wednesday afternoon guest of Norene Krug in Ubyly.

Dan Franzel and Allen Farrelly enjoyed a turkey dinner with Larry Miller Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cass Grifka were Tuesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Particka.

Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Codling of Cass City were Tuesday afternoon guests of Thelma Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson.

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

Mike Schenk of Tucson, Ariz., called his mother, Mrs. Earl Schenk, to tell her he had returned from a 3-week trip to Amsterdam, Netherlands.

Doris Western and Allen Farrelly were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel.

Ten members of the Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Big Boy in Bad Axe Thursday. They will meet at the Peppermill in 2 weeks.

Allen Farrelly spent Thursday forenoon in Lapeer.

Mrs. Larry Konkel and Marney went to the Port Austin Community Playhouse to see "Fiddler on the Roof" Sunday.

Allen Farrelly spent Monday afternoon at the Dan

Franzel home.

Elaine Lansing of Mesa, Ariz., left Saturday after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Maurer, and other friends and relatives. While Elaine was in Michigan she attended a surprise birthday party for her sister, Lana Gordon, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Greg Gordon Saturday evening.

Mrs. Curtis Cleland was a Tuesday supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Cleland and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson

and Thelma Jackson had dinner at the Peppermill in Bad Axe Wednesday for the Bob Jacksons' 35th wedding anniversary.

Bill Cleland of Walled Lake and Bob Cleland of Waterford were Tuesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wallace.

Rita Depcinski and Alice Depcinski visited Bernetta Messing, Loretta Drowespi and Helen Scrae at Harbor House in Harbor Beach Wednesday.

Allen Farrelly was a Tuesday afternoon guest of

Cheryl Allen.

John Naples of Eastpointe and Jack Naples and 2 sons of Detroit were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Konkel and Marney.

## Ubyly announces honor roll

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

### 9TH GRADE

Kala Briolat, Erin Cleland\*, Megan Decker, Kelley Dekoski, Katherine Eilers, Barry Essenmacher, Alayna Gentner, Shelda Guigar, Tina Kincaid, Ashley Klee, Keith Longuski, Troy Macker, Ryan Marks, Andrew Maurer, Crystal Messing, Mallori Messing, Michelle O'Berski, Steven Peruski, Rachel Pettinger, Darcie Philp, Lesley Pionk\*, Jackie Puvalowski, Kyle Recker\*, Christopher Rivard, Laurie Sadro, Joshua Schumacher, Kelsey Smalley\*, Nathan Stomack, Deanne Sweeney, Coray Symond, Crystal Vieau, Lindsay Walleman.

### 10TH GRADE

Tiffany Badger\*, Nathan Bock, Jessica Bonnema\*, Stacey Brahmaer, Jenni Butch, Joshua Czewski, Carrie Dekoski, Andrew Duemling\*, Martin Gentner, Stacey Helewski\*, Alicia Jevahirian-Kovacic, Mackenzie Kerr, Aaron Kirsch, Adam Klee, Andrea Kolar, Timothy Kramer, Katie Kubacki, Pamela Lackowski\*, Heather Langley, Danielle Lautner, Jeanna Link, Kyle Maurer, Nicho: M. Messing, Gina Morell, Justin Morrison, Heather Movish\*, Daniel O'Connor, Erin Oberski, Andrea Osentoski, Todd Osentoski, Leslie Peters, Jessica Pollum, Elizabeth Prill, Nathan Prill, Scott Romzek, Megan Ruthko\*, Brenda Rutkowski, Bobbie Sierzputkowski, Scott

### 11TH GRADE

Carl Block, Nicole Booms\*, Charles Bragg, Travis Chinoski, Michael Cook, Carol Dekoski, Christopher Eilers, Laura Gentner, Candice Gliniecki\*, Courtney Gordon, Michelle Green, Julie Heilig, Jeralyn Herp, Kathi Jackson, David Jaroch\*, Garrett Jurges, Paul Kneffel, Jane Kolar, Jacob Maurer\*, Miranda Maurer\*, Joshua Mausolf\*, Trish Mausolf, Kimberly Particka, Julie Puvalowski\*, Tracy Puvalowski, Rebecca Rivard, Timothy Roberts, Adam Romzek, Kari Roth\*, Meagan Shields, Andrew Sweeney, Ryan Symonds, Katie Vogel, Alicia Walsh, Margaret Weltin, Felisha Young, Jeffrey Zulauf.

### 12TH GRADE

Maria Ahearn, Bryanne Bensinger, Gerilyn Bischer\*, Rebecca Creguer, Joseph DeLong, Leslie Deo\*, Jenny Greyerbiehl\*, Jessica Greyerbiehl\*, Jeffery Grifka, Michael D. Halifax, Ryan Hernalsteen, Talisa Klee\*, Tricia Klee, Laura Kramer\*, Jill Kubacki, Jonathon Ligrow, Angela Maurer, Ellen Messing, Timothy O'Malley\*, Amy Page, Rose Peruski, Tammy Peruski, Rebecca Pettinger, Christopher Pollum, Robert Romain, Jamie Romzek, Connie Rutkowski, Crystal Smalley\*, Debora Smalley, Janis Tibbetts, Thomas Warchuck, Michael Weber.

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## MERCHANETTE LEAGUE Nov. 19

Caro Chiropractic	7
Silver Birch Kennel	7
Hills & Dales Hospital	6
LaFave Steel	5
Health Mart Pills	5
A Cut Above	3 1/2
J.B.'s Crew	2
Detroit Edison	2
All Season Rental	1 1/2
Thumb Auto Wash	1

500 Series: C. Smith 544, J. LaRoche, D. Potrykus 540, P. Vaughan 531, J. Morell 529.  
200 Games: B. Howard 201.

High Actual Team Series: Silver Birch Kennel 1905.  
High Actual Team Game: Hills & Dales and Thumb Auto Wash 670.

## FRIDAY NIGHT MIXED DOUBLES Nov. 20

Rolling Thunder	56
Easy 7	48
Rocketeers	39
The Family	38
Pinheads	38
Bye	19

Men's High Series: D. Montreuil 580, T. Smith and P. Smith 548.  
Men's High Game: D. Montreuil 236.

Women's High Series & Game: S. Soldan 470 (180).  
High Team Series & Game: Easy 7 1818 (640).

## MERCHANTS' LEAGUE

S.S. Builders	4
New England	4
Charmont	3
R.H. Body Shop	3
Gemini Plastics	2
Trisch Septic	2
Wickes	1
Thumb Welding	1
Hollywood & Vine	0
Triple R	0

High Team Actual Series & Game: R.H. Body Shop 3072 (1039).

Individual High Series & Games: J. Langenburg 678 (256-233), P. McIntosh 675 (233-245), C. Kelley 673 (214-217-242), M. Lutz 627 (211-213), D. Engelhardt 653 (224-225), G. Robinson 656 (223-247), C. Anthes 637 (213-232), M. Gettel 631 (222), D. O'Dell 623 (233), T. Potrykus 616 (210-215), R. Salcido 599 (214), R. Hull 595 (224), T. Pattingill 583, J. Storm 577 (223), L. Summers 225, P. Voss 223, B. Kingsland 223, J. Lefler 217, V. Trisch 215, B. Rutkoski 214, T. Summers 212, R. Wright 211.

## CHARMONT LADIES

Dott Manufacturing	4
Pizza Villa	4
J.B.'s Crew	3
Live Wires	3
Team # 7	3
Dee's M.P. Rockets	1
Sister Act	1
Wild John's	1
Cable-ettes	0
Cass City Tire	0

High Team Game & Series: Team # 7 1059 & 3057.  
High Series: B. Kilbourn 555, B. Doran 504, J. Stevens 497, V. Patera 473, L. Hanson 478.  
High Games: B. Kilbourn 215, L. Gaymer 201, D. Sweeney 192, B. Doran 182, J. Stevens 188, M. Haley 186, A. Skrent 182, M. Burns 179.

## YOUTH BOWLING SATURDAY SPINNERS Nov. 21 JR.

Pinheads	21
# 4	20
# 2	7
Tazmanian Devils	1
PREPS	
Pink Ladies	20

Deford Dollies 20 #8  
Disney Kids 1

Jr. High Games: B. Vargo 121, J. Harbin 127-89-96, E. Hanby 80-71-68, J. Guc 111-91, C. Haag 100-90, J. Kingsland 89-96-70.

Jr. High Series: J. Kingsland 255, J. Guc 274, E. Hanby 219, C. Haag 256, B. Vargo 286, J. Harbin 312.

Prep. High Games: B. Haley 59-63-70, M. Potrykus 79-69, Z. Potrykus 76-76, M. Dooley 92, R. Biebel 80-78-109.

Prep High Series: B. Haley 192, M. Potrykus 169, Z. Potrykus 171, M. Dooley 190, R. Biebel 267.

## THURSDAY NITE TRIO Nov. 19

Cass Tavern	30
Mycogen Plant Sciences	28
New England Financial	27
Schmaltz Construction	
	25 1/2
Marlette Oil & Gas	24
Terra	23
Martin Electric	23
General Cable	22 1/2
Thumb Auto Wash	21
Hyatt Farms	18
Babich Farms	13
Generally Low	9

High Team Series: General Cable 1861.

High Team Game: Cass Tavern 640.

High Series & Games: Dennis Hyatt 614 (295), Doug O'Dell 675 (263-227), W. Laming 653 (219-225), E. Schmaltz 647 (244-214), D. Beecher 633 (239), Duane O'Dell 628 (231), J. Krol 620 (235), R. Rabideau 613 (235), B. Biebel 612 (214), K. Martin 607 (243), D. Dickinson 580 (235), J. Roth 234, R. Root 212, T. Babich 211, D. Heleski 238, S. Osentoski 225.



**MITTENS ARE WHAT WE WANT** - Daisy Girl Scouts (from left) Ellie Jolly, Julie Grover and Brooke Hartwick are asking community members to drop off mittens and hats for the annual mitten tree starting Dec. 1 at Chemical Bank, Coach Light Pharmacy or the post office. The items donated will be distributed to kids at Campbell Elementary School.

## Cass City police respond to damage complaints

Cass City police responded to a pair of complaints over the weekend involving damage.

Robert Lee Tuckey, 4738 Schwegler Road, reported that there was a small fire Saturday in the woods behind the Stevens Memorial Pool.

Tuckey tried to douse the fire, but couldn't and contacted the department. Cass City police then requested the help of the Elkland Township Fire Department, who extinguished the fire around 6:30 p.m. The fire damaged a tree 18"-24" in diameter.

Tuckey stated there were 4 juveniles in the woods before the fire started.

Also filing a complaint was Tami Ritchie, 6724 Main Street, who reported that vandal(s) threw a pumpkin

through her south side garage door window. The incident was reported Friday.

According to the report, broken glass from the window struck the vehicle parked inside, causing scratches on the trunk. The window was valued at \$40.

Earlier in the week, Cass City police responded to a pair of complaints from 2 Cass City businesses.

Monday, Erla's Food Center, 6233 Church, reported that someone committed larceny to the store's '84 Ford van that was parked on location.

Stolen were 14 gallons of gas from an external tank, 2 calculators, and a fire extinguisher. The combined value was estimated at \$82.

Also stolen from the van

were the personal items of Don Smith, Fairgrove, driver of the van.

Reported missing were Smith's Carhartt jacket, Timex watch, black flashlight, and sunglasses with a hard case. The items had an estimated value of \$278.

Tuesday, the police were called to Peoples Choice Market, 6144 Cass City Road, to investigate a \$10 drive-off.

Clerk Amanda Sheufelt stated a white male pumped \$10 worth of gas and drove off before paying.

## Chemical declares stock split

Alan W. Ott, Chairman of Chemical Financial Corporation, announced that Nov. 16, the Board of Directors of the corporation declared a 5 for 4 stock split to shareholders of record as of Dec. 2. The 5 for 4 stock split is payable Dec. 16. The ex-dividend date is Dec. 17. In announcing the stock split, Ott indicated that this action was prompted mainly by a desire to increase the number of shares outstanding for the purpose of effecting a reduction in their unit market price.

No fractional shares will be issued. Fractional shares will be sold by the authorized agent and the proceeds will be remitted to the shareholder. At the time of the declaration of the 5 for 4 stock split, the Board of Directors indicated their intent to establish the 1999 quarterly cash dividend at \$0.21 per share on the increased number of shares outstanding. Ott stated that this level of cash dividend would have the effect of a 9.4 percent increase in cash dividends paid to shareholders during 1999.

## Honor Roll

The Deford Christian Academy honor roll has been announced.

### KINDERGARTEN

A Honor Roll - Dillon Hollosy, Ethan Mercer, Michael Parker.

### FIRST GRADE

Roy Ceci, Ashley Moore.

### ELEMENTARY

A Honor Roll - Austin Babich, Shane Bloomfield, Chase Collins, Jordan Cotton, Joey Cotton, Andrea Hollosy, Tyler Little, Whit-

ley Mercer, Jordan Pennington, Tristan Pennington, Megan Raatz, Ashley Shutz, Melody Tait, Chantell Toner, Justin Toner, Adam Torres, Trent Willis.

### JR. HIGH

A Honor Roll - Candy Collins, Lindsey Kilbourn, Amanda Little, Laura Rudich, Amanda Torres.

B Honor Roll - Tim Green, Alecia Little, Zachery Monson.

### SR. HIGH

A Honor Roll - Melannie Allen, Ruth Kilbourn.

B Honor Roll - Jeff Kilbourn, Sally Lockwood, Bethany Strait.

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## Assault charge dropped against school teacher

A student's charge of assault by a Cass City Middle School teacher was found to have no merit after investigation by Mike Gebauer, Cass City Police officer.

The student said that the teacher, Lisa Marie Green, hurt her ear. According to the report, the teacher took the phone from the ear of the student and then called the parents' answering service.

Green said that the student was causing a disturbance in the class. After the investigation, the student was suspended and ordered to write an action plan for her future behavior when she returns to class.

The police were also called to Hills and Dales General Hospital where an envelope was involved in sending hate mail and was turned over to the United States Postal authorities.

Evidently the envelope had been used for mail from the hospital to an unknown individual. The envelope was then stuffed with white supremacy, Ku Klux Klan material and sent back to the hospital.

When discovered by administrator Dee McKrow, it was given to the Cass City Police, who sent it to postal authorities.

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## THANKSGIVING

As those of us at The Knee and Orthopaedic Center of Lapeer celebrate Thanksgiving and give thanks for our health and personal blessings, we would like to express our thanks to the patients who have entrusted us with their care over this past year. We consider it, too, a blessing that we have had the opportunity to care for you.

"In everything give thanks" I Thes. 5:18

We would also like to thank those of you who have assisted in this endeavor throughout the year, including our patient's families and friends, hospital staff and nurses, and physicians and their staff.

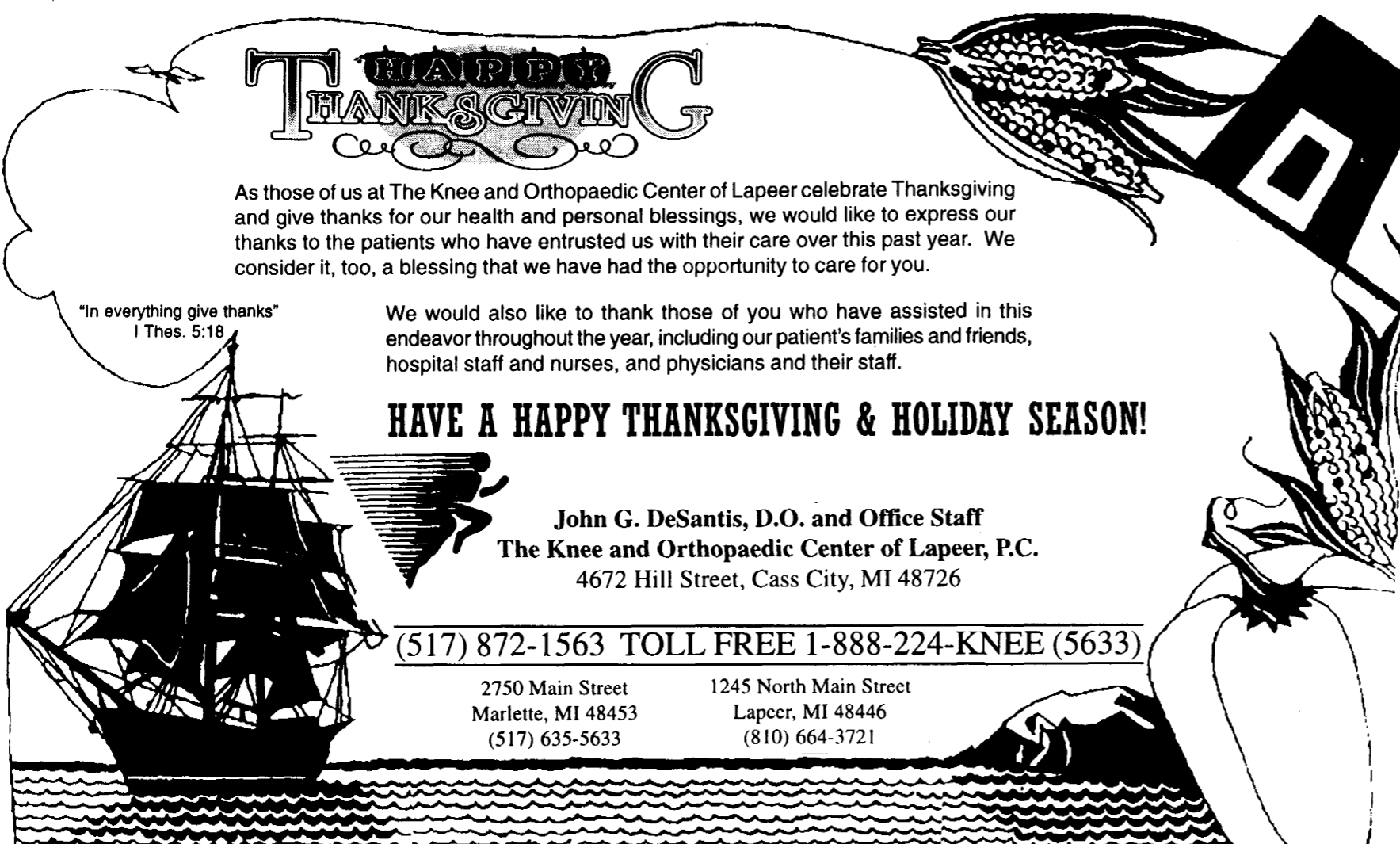
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# Obituaries

## Gertrude Gray

Gertrude Annabelle Gray, 85, of Cass City, died Thursday, Nov. 19, 1998, in Marlette Extended Care, Marlette.

She was born Oct. 5, 1912, in Bad Axe to Hugh and Elizabeth (Kelley) Gray. She worked as a Cashier and Accountant in Auten Bank for many years.

She is survived by her brothers, Norman (Josephine) Gray of Cass City and Irving Gray of Ferndale, and many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. She was preceded in death by a sister, Esther Gray; brothers, Arnold E. Gray and Arlington E. Gray.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Nov. 21, in Kranz Funeral Home with the Rev. Mark Todd of Living Word Worship Center officiating. Interment was in Downing Cemetery, Deckerville.

Memorials may be made to Cass City VFW Post #3644.

Sue; grandchildren, Dustin, Cheyenne; brother, Raymond, and sister Neva.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Nov. 19, at Marsh Funeral Chapel in Marlette with the Rev. Kenneth Boileau officiating.

Burial was in Kingston Cemetery, Kingston. Memorials may be given to Kingston Rescue or the United Hospice Service.

## Betty Neu

Mrs. Betty Jean Neu, 75, of Unionville, died Saturday, Nov. 21, 1998.

She was born in Akron March 5, 1923, the daughter of Bruce and Esther (Mauger) Tobias. She married Arnold O. Neu Dec. 4, 1946. He died Oct. 14, 1997.

She was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7486 Auxiliary, Fairgrove, and the Unionville Moravian Church.

Surviving are a son, David (Mary Jo) Neu of Unionville; 2 daughters, Linda (Fred) McAlpine of Lapeer and Marsha (Earl) Mar of Unionville; 6 grandchildren, and a brother, Lorraine 'Rink' (Eunice) Tobias of Akron. She was predeceased by a brother, Bill Tobias, and a sister, Beth Partlo.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Nov. 24, at Unionville Moravian Church with the Rev. Terry Weavil officiating.

Interment followed in Demorest Cemetery. The family has suggested memorials to the Unionville Moravian Church.

Unionville Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

## E.J. Powell

E.J. Powell, 69, of Kingston, died Tuesday, Nov. 17, 1998, in his home after a long illness.

He was born Feb. 16, 1929, in Millington to Lewis and Mabel (McCall) Powell. He married Marlene Rocheleau July 31, 1969, in Caro. She died Feb. 15, 1991.

Powell served as a PFC in the United States Army in Austria and Germany. He visited Hitler's Eagle's Nest during the war. He received the Army Occupation Medal in Germany and the National Defense Service Medal. He received his certification as an Acetylene and Electric Arc Welder through Wolverine School of Trades in Detroit. Powell retired from GM Pontiac after over 22 years. He owned his own backhoe service since the mid 1970s. He was a member of the Kingston VFW Post #5317.

He is survived by his children, Robin McIntosh of Swartz Creek, Lewis (Ronnie) Powell of Fairchild A.F.B., Spokane, Wash., Richard Powell of Mayville, Jon (Tracy) Powell of Kingston; step-children, Doreen (Dan) Williams of Cass City, Leah Pabst of Marlette, Paula (Steve) Osentoski of Utica, Chris (Brian) Brown of Decker, special friend and companion, Bonnie Barrons of Kingston; sisters, Thelma Felice of Rochester Hills, Doris (Bill) Jackson of Lewiston; brother, Gerald (Sue) Powell of Kingston; 12 grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a brother, Donald; wife, Marlene, and his parents, Lewis and Mabel Powell.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Nov. 21, in Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston with the Rev. Keith Mead officiating.

Interment was in East Dayton Cemetery, Caro, with Military services under the direction of the Kingston VFW Post #5317. Memorials may be made to the McLaren Hospice or Kingston VFW Post #5317.

## Clifford Seeley

Clifford Seeley, 71, of Cass City, died Tuesday, Nov. 17, 1998, in Huron Medical Care Facility, Bad Axe.

He was born March 15, 1927, in Clio to George H.

## Flour genes rebuild

Tomorrow's wheat plants might yield designer flours for making delicious, wholesome new breads, pastas and other appetizing foods. To produce these innovative flours, scientists are using genetic engineering techniques to rebuild key flour genes. The genes cue wheat plants to make proteins called high-molecular-weight glutenins. In one experiment, increasing the length of some glutenin genes increased the time required to properly mix the dough, making it very appealing to bakers as the increased dough-mixing time is a key indicator of dough strength. Dough strength is an asset because it leads to high-quality yeast-raised breads.

## Read Meg's Peg

and May (Ewald) Seeley. He married Winifred Sworder Short June 22, 1968, in Cass City. She preceded him in death Aug. 21, 1982.

Seeley was a United States Army Veteran serving during World War II. He worked for Auten Motor Sales, Pioneer Michigan Sugar and did electrical contracting all over the State of Michigan. He was a member and former Post Commander of Caro VFW Post #4164.

He is survived by his daughter, Barbara (Charles Sr.) Creason of Cass City; 2 granddaughters; 2 great-grandsons; one great-great grandson, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Raymond Seeley and Richard Wheatstone, and a great-granddaughter, Stephanie Lyn Dewey.

Funeral services were held Friday, Nov. 20, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Todd Gould of the Evangelical Free Church officiating.

Interment was in Elkland Township Cemetery with military rites under the direction of Cass City VFW Post #3644.

Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.

## Leo Weber

Leo John Weber, 63, of Sterling, formerly of Kingston and Millington, died Sunday, Nov. 22, 1998, at Hurley Medical Center, Flint.

He was born Feb. 23, 1935, in Detroit to John and Bernice (Essenmacher) Weber. He married Mary Lou Taylor Oct. 23, 1954, at St. Michael Catholic Church, Wilmot.

Weber worked for Great Lakes Mobile Homes for 10 years, and for AC Delco as a pipefitter, retiring after 30 years. He was a member of the K of C in Millington and Resurrection of the Lord Catholic Church in Standish. He and his wife were commissioned as lay ministers in 1982 and were very active in the lay ministry for the Saginaw Diocese.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Lou; 5 children, Jacqueline and Myron Kelley of Caro, Sandy and Charlie Schlaud of Marlette, Randy Weber of Lapeer, Paul and Gena Weber of Atascadero, Calif., and Eric and Michele Weber of Flint; 8 grandchildren, and one great-grandson. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Nov. 24, at St. Michael Catholic Church, Wilmot, with the Rev. Rich Szafranski of St. Bernard Catholic Church, Millington, and Sr. Ruth Adamites of St. Michael Catholic Church, officiating.

Interment was in St. Michael Cemetery, Wilmot. Memorials may be made to the Diocese of Saginaw Center for Ministry Fund or the American Cancer Society.

Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston, was in charge of arrangements.

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the condition of a mortgage made by Jim L. ANDERSON and Rose ANDERSON, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Mutual Savings Bank, f.s.b. Mortgage, dated August 8, 1996, and recorded on August 23, 1996 in Liber 696, on Page 342, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX AND 70/100 DOLLARS (\$45,926.70), including interest at 8.750% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 A.M. on December 11, 1998. Said premises are situated in VILLAGE OF GAGETOWN, TOWNSHIP OF ELMWOOD, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at a point 566 feet West of the South quarter corner of Section 1, Town 14 North, Range 10 East, thence North 198 feet, at right angles to South line of said section, thence West 66 feet, thence South 198 feet, thence East 66 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of Block 8 of the original plat of the Village of Gageton, as recorded in Liber 24 of Deeds, Page 2 of Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: October 28, 1998

Mutual Savings Bank, FSB  
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
(248) 642-4202  
Trott and Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys for Mutual Savings Bank, FSB  
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In reading and writing we will give her an "A". But in math she is not so great. She says she is "37". But she is really "48".  
11-23-50  
  
Happy Birthday, Jan  
Love, Mom 5-11-25-1

**Happy Birthday Dawn**  
We're proud of you  
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**NOTICE**  
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# Group forming in Caro Adoption Triad eases pain

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ing. Experience has enabled the group to establish ground rules for success. First, points out Phillips, is that confiden-

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tiarity among group members is essential.

It's important to listen without interruption. Letting people express their feelings for the first time is a key to success. Never use the "should" statement, saying you should do this or should do that, the group leader stresses.

A support group is a place to heal, Phillips said. If you want to begin a search, talk about a search before deciding, want to tell how you felt

being adopted, want to tell about losing a child to adoption, want to tell how adoption has affected your life, these meetings are for you.

In addition to conducting the meetings, Phillips has available information concerning search procedure. They include:

- Books that reveal the many facets concerning adoption search and reunion.
- Many Internet addresses for on line information groups.
- Blank petitions to enlist a

confidential intermediary to conduct a search, become the contact person to see if they are willing to meet or share information such as medical history and nationality.

•Free Michigan registry and ISSR forms.

### WHERE TO GO

Since moving to Caro, Phillips has been working to establish a group in Tuscola County. Plans are to hold meetings the third Thursday of each month from 7 to 9

p.m. Initially the meetings will probably be held in Phillips' home in Pinecrest Mobile Homes, 1815 Sunrise Drive.

Further information is available by calling Phillips at 517 672-2054.

While she has spent most of her adult life in the Detroit area, Phillips' roots are in the Thumb. She was born in the Snover area and lived there until she was 11 years old. She has a sister, Carol Lester, who lives in the Cass City area.



ANCIENT HISTORY came to life for students in student teacher Dave Houxwell's class at Cass City High School. He asked the class for a small project to illustrate what was studied and this chariot was the answer. The chariot was built by Eli Bang, front, in toga; Chris Hyatt, left, and Corey Gilliam. The axe was built by Marc Nizzola, right, and Josh Sorenson.

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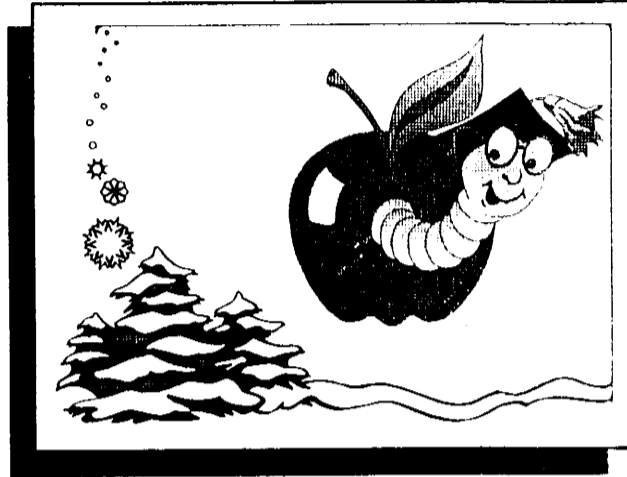


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## School board meeting

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Hartwick and Dave Knight will attend the student leadership forum at the Tuscola Technology Center Jan. 12.

•The son of Shannon Ferguson was given permission to continue to attend school in Marlette this year, where he is in the second grade. The Fergusons moved into the Cass City district re-

cently.

•The board voted to take bids to purchase 2 new buses. They will replace 1988 and 1989 gas-operated Chevrolts. With the new units, the bus fleet will have just 4 gas-operated units remaining among the 21-bus fleet.

•The annual round-table meetings with members of

the school staff have been scheduled. Representatives of the board will meet with all the teachers in the schools, the food service staff, the custodial staff, the bus drivers, the teacher assistants and the secretaries.

There will be 9 meetings in December and January.

## Vent pipes dangerous

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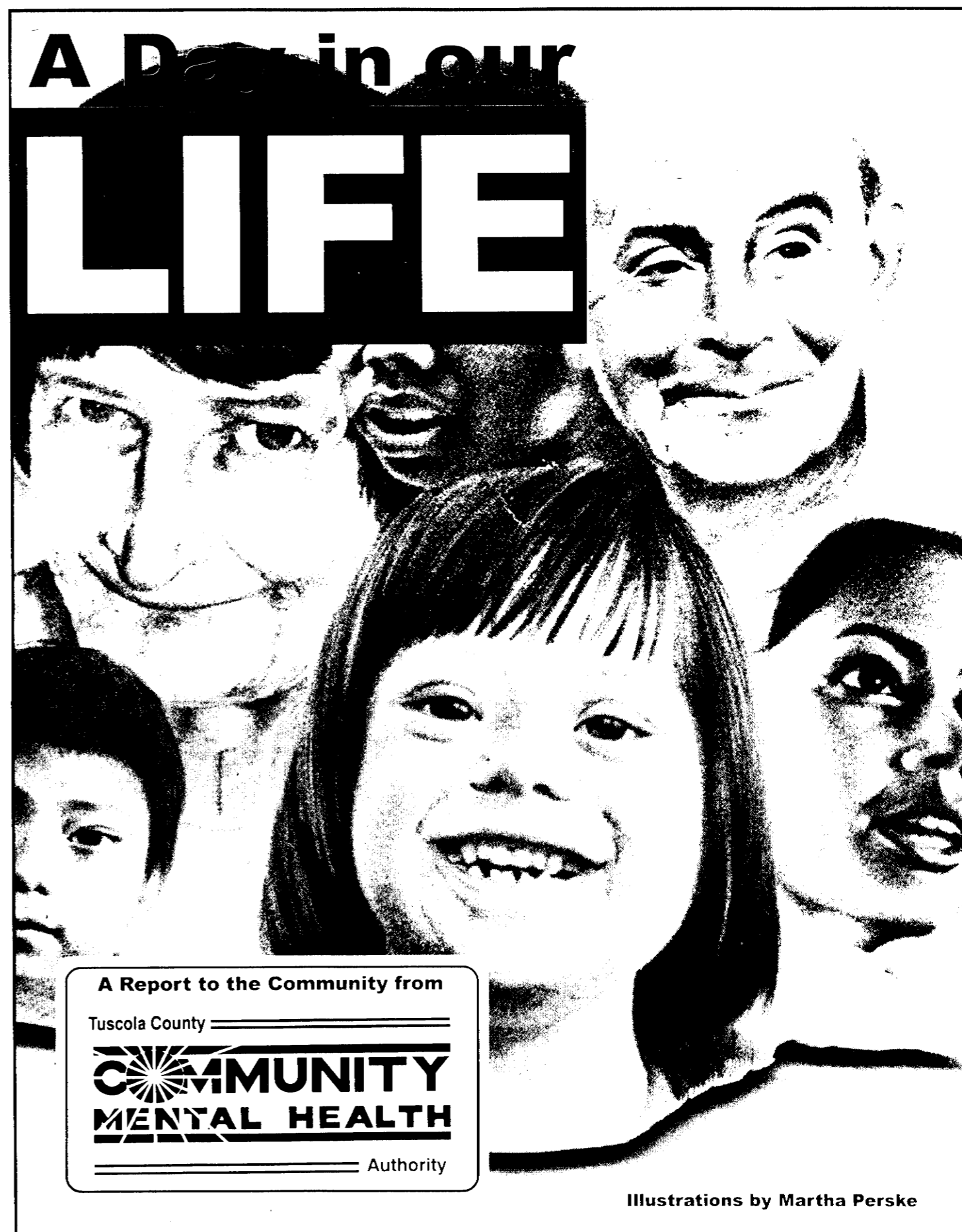
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# TUSCOLA

## Behavioral Health Systems

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Please watch for future announcements.





## One Final "Point":

Tuscola County Community Mental Health Authority believes in the power and the benefits of collaboration. This is why we are involved in many programs and services which involve other agencies, businesses, government, churches, civic and fraternal organizations, and so on. We also need **YOU**...to support our programs and our Consumers' efforts, and to lend a hand or an ear when you are called upon. We are professionals in the field of serving the public good...we are accountable to the public...and we welcome **YOUR** input.

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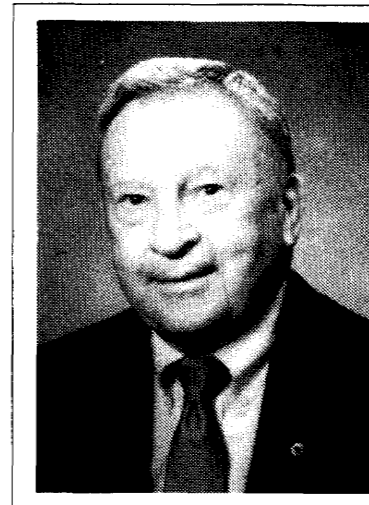
## THUMB AREA BEHAVIORAL SERVICES CENTER

Substance Abuse treatment and prevention are provided in a professional setting by staff members of Thumb Area Behavioral Services Center (TABSC). Integrating themselves and Consumers into a team for delivery of services, these staff members attempt to provide the ultimate in access to prevention-focused groups dealing with drugs, alcohol, tobacco, anger, domestic violence and sexual abuse, and more. Also available are professional counseling in the one-to-one setting, crisis intervention, services to other human-service agencies as well as correctional facilities, and more.

TABSC is located in the Tuscola County Health Department Building on Cleaver Road in Caro. Phone number to dial the program directly is (517) 673-7575.



Robert E. Chadwick, II, CEO



Alan "Duke" Sward, Chairperson

Greetings! It is with great pleasure that we present our annual Report to the Community on behalf of the Staff, the Administration, and the Board of Directors of Tuscola County Community Mental Health Authority (hereafter referred to as TCCMHA). As is our custom, we will be sharing highlights with you from our programs during the most recently-completed fiscal year (1996-1997), as well as developments of significant impact that occurred during the current calendar year.

This year's report is a little different, as you may have already noticed. We've decided that an effective way to show you what goes on around here would be to recreate a "typical" day in the life of TCCMHA. What follows is a diary, of sorts, logging the many activities in which our Staff, our Consumers, and our Board Members involve themselves. As you read it, we hope you will recognize the depth and the breadth of TCCMHA's programs and services. We also hope that you will be aware that they are here to serve YOU, and your fellow citizens, throughout Tuscola County.

Sincerely,

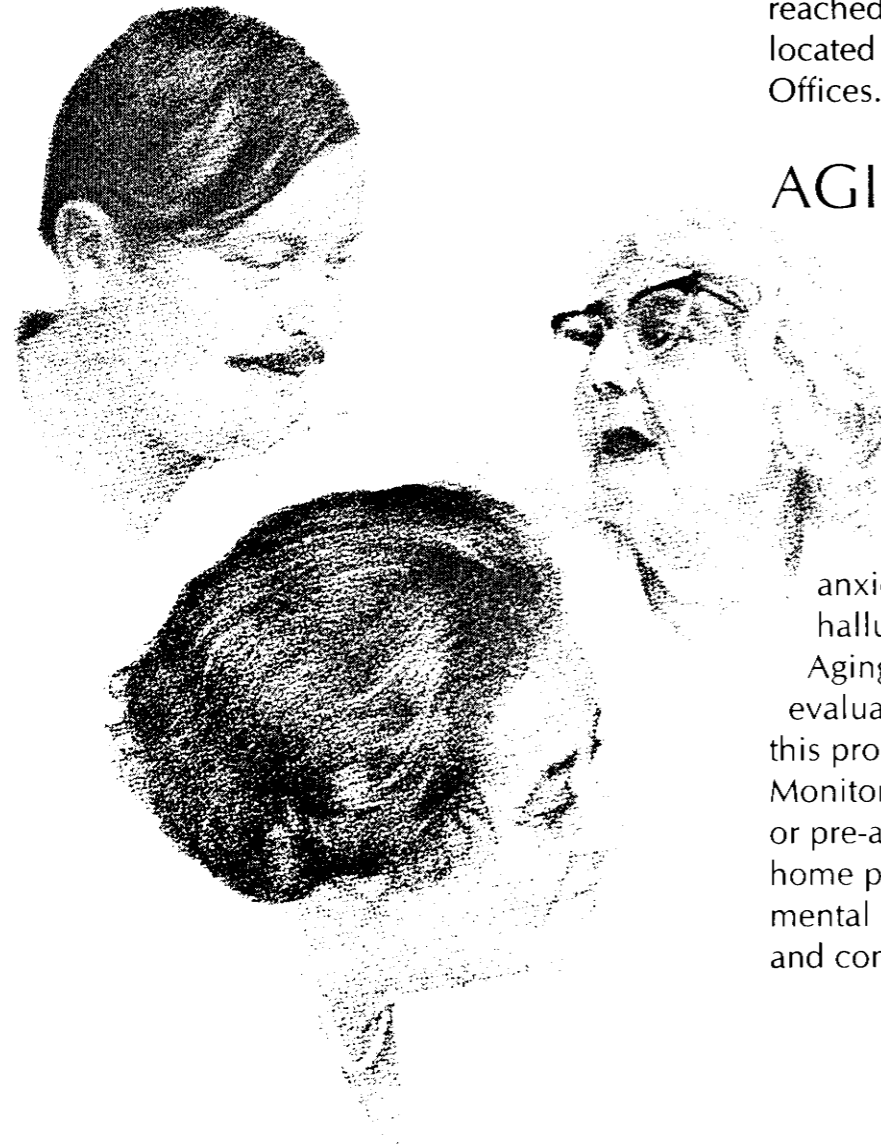
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# PROGRAMS AND SERVICES SUMMARY



## ACCESS CENTER

The Access Center is the TCCMHA entry point for all services provided to those who are Developmentally Disabled or Mentally Ill. It is staffed by professionals experienced in both assessment and referral. They have formed themselves into a smoothly-functioning team and an integral part of the larger Agency team.

It is through the Access Center that the TCCMHA 24-Hour On-Call system is coordinated and overseen; other functions include assessment, as mentioned above, and authorization for psychiatric hospitalizations when they are needed.

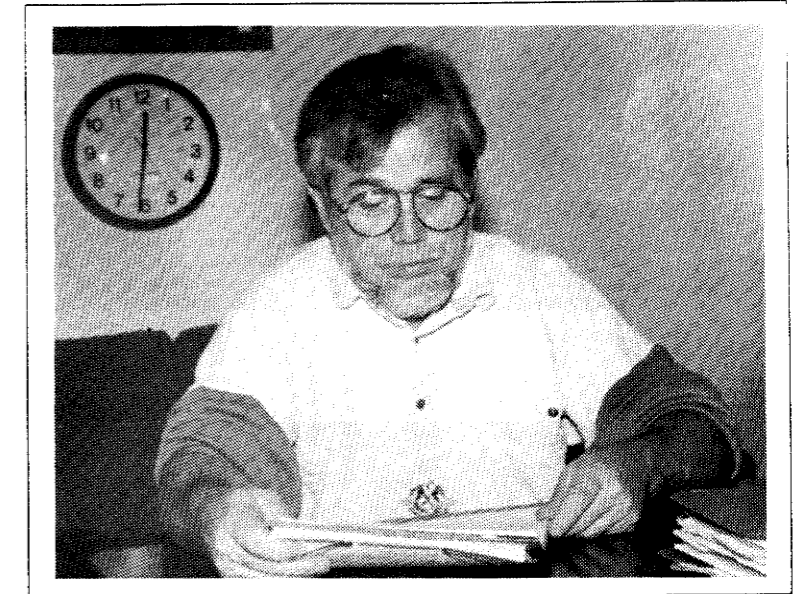
The Access Center, which may be reached any time at 1-800-462-6814, is located within the Agency's Almer Street Offices.

## AGING SERVICES

Help for the elderly in Tuscola County is available through the Aging Services Program provided by Tuscola County Community Mental Health Authority. Any person who is over 61 years of age and who is experiencing the symptoms of depression, severe anxiety, delusional thinking, or hallucinations, may be referred to the Aging program for assessment and evaluation. Regular services provided by this program include Nursing Home Monitoring, Counseling and Therapy, annual or pre-admission assessments (for nursing-home patients who have a diagnosable mental illness or developmental disability), and consultations with nursing-home staff.

## 12:00 PM

The third shift, which is familiar to many workers in Tuscola County, is a fact of life for some at TCCMHA as well. Here, Greg Riccardi, Residential Technician, checks in at the Ridge and checks progress notes and the medications book. He then performs regular tasks, including bed checks, cleaning, and monitoring, to assure the safety and well-being of the Consumers.



Naturally, there are many more activities which occur on a daily basis within the Tuscola County Community Mental Health Authority system. Professional staff members are on call 24 hours a day, so that visits to hospitals, nursing homes, correctional facilities, and other sites are not uncommon even in the wee hours of the morning.

Likewise, as suggested by the text above, there are TCCMHA staff members on-site 24 hours a day at both Crisis Residential Homes (The Ridge and Pineland). The needs of our Consumers are not regulated by any clock, so the services we offer them must be available when they are required.

Thus, during the hours of midnight and 6:00 AM on this "Day In Our Life", our staff members may be diligently seeing to Consumers' needs at the Residential Facilities, making a late-night (or early-morning) emergency visit, or even doing something as mundane as meeting with security personnel to quiet an errant building alarm which was inadvertently activated.

The common theme among all activities, day or night, is DEDICATION.

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## PINELAND

Pineland is an Adult Foster Care licensed home providing 24-hour residential services to those who are developmentally disabled. This facility is now owned by Tuscola County Community Mental Health Authority.

Services provided by TCCMHA staff to residents of Pineland include supports coordination, psychiatric consultation, psychological services, nutrition education, 24-hour nursing, physician services, and more. The team approach taken by staff is designed to maximize the benefits to Consumers while providing them with stimuli that lead to enhanced quality of life and satisfaction with their daily lives.

## RECIPIENT RIGHTS

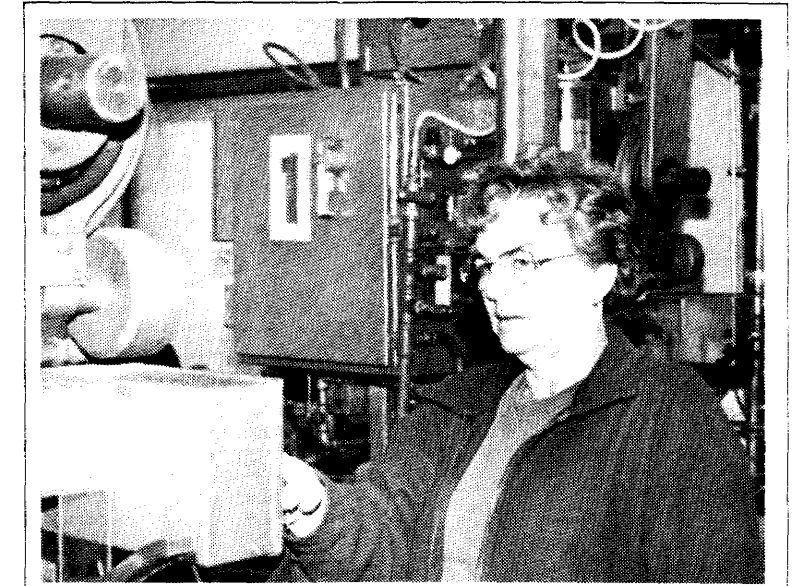
This is the department within the Agency whose main charge is to see that the rights and the individual dignity of Consumers are protected as they receive services here. Supervisor Cindy Chambers receives and reviews complaints, conducts investigations (when warranted), provides training to staff members and others, participates in regular meetings of the Consumer Advocacy Committee, and generally lends a listening ear to members of society who have all-too-often been ignored.

## THE RIDGE

This is a crisis residential home which serves the needs of those who are mentally ill. It exists to provide a safe environment for Consumers, offering respite, medication monitoring, and as an alternative to hospitalization. Staff members provide 24-hour care that includes meal preparation, transport, interaction with case workers and doctors, and household chores. The Ridge, like Pineland, is now owned by TCCMHA.

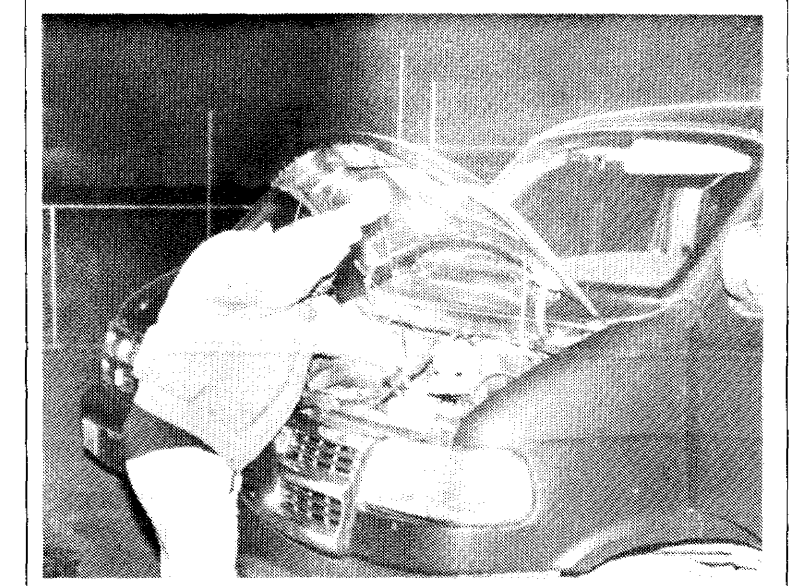
## 6:00 AM

Between 6:00 and 6:30 AM each day, Cass Valley Enterprises staff members begin to arrive and prepare for the day. Lights and equipment must be turned on, getting ready for another shift of manufacturing and assembly operations. Staff member Betty Hecht accomplishes these daily tasks, as well as checking the security of buildings and greeting other staff and consumers.



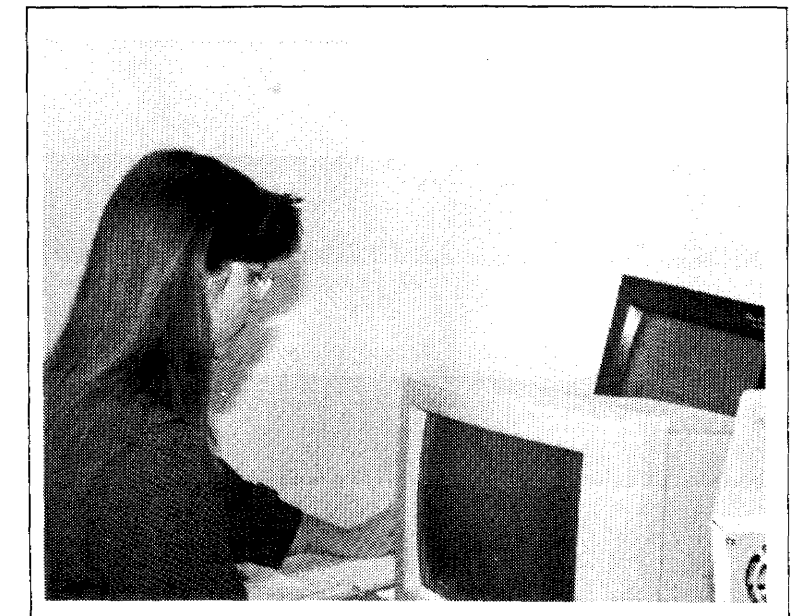
## 7:00 AM

It's early morning here at the Personal Independence Center (PIC), as drivers prepare for another day of transporting Consumers to and from the various programs offered here in Caro's Industrial Park and elsewhere in the Tuscola County Community Mental Health Authority (TCCMHA) system.



## 8:00 AM

Each day, a computer shutdown of the ECHO system must be accomplished in order to prepare for another day's heavy volume of entries. Before 8:00 AM, the shutdown is complete and the system is backed up and ready for staff usage. Cathy Kratz, Reimbursement Specialist, is shown here completing this task.



## ASSERTIVE COMMUNITY TREATMENT (ACT)

The Assertive Community Treatment team is designed to work with persons who have a serious and persistent mental illness, and who may be at high risk for psychiatric hospitalization. ACT staff perform a number of important duties, including: assuring that Consumers receive needed medications and have other basic needs met; providing or coordinating access to other service providers and collaborating with staffs from these other agencies to maximize benefits available to Consumers; attending numerous professional development activities. The ACT team especially wishes to acknowledge the support of St. Pancratius Church of Cass City for material goods needed by Consumers.

## CASS VALLEY ENTERPRISES

CVE is a Community Rehabilitation Organization which offers work training and a manufacturing setting, both designed to enhance Consumer skills. Located in Caro's Industrial Park, Cass Valley provides opportunities to nearly 150 individuals in the areas of production, supported employment, and school-to-work transition. Current assignments in these areas include: assembly contracts with Walbro Corporation and Vassar Industries; several production and assembly contracts with the US Government; worker placement in several local businesses, including fast-food establishments, grocery stores, and more; janitorial services provided to TCCMHA and other commercial customers; and contacts between schools and employers to develop work opportunities.

### 9:00 PM

Dr. Usha Movva provides Psychiatric services to the Agency, an important function in the overall plan of treatment for those who are Mentally Ill. On this evening, she is holding office hours for Consumers to review their progress and their list of current medications. Staff members from the crisis residential home accompany the Consumers on this visit.



### 10:00 PM

Because Tuscola County Community Mental Health Authority provides services on a round-the-clock basis at some of its locations (and a Consumer can *always* contact the Agency after hours), there is 24-hour activity within the system. Here at Pineland, it is 10:00 PM and time for bed as staff members see to the Consumers' final needs of the day.



### 11:00 PM

Meanwhile, at the Ridge, second-shift staff members are making final entries in their paperwork requirements. Here, Residential Technician Kathy Jaster charts in progress notes for the Consumers under her care. Because the treatment of persons who are Mentally Ill or Developmentally Disabled is a complicated process, meticulous record-keeping is crucial.



## PERSONAL INDEPENDENCE CENTER

The Personal Independence Center provides a daytime program of immersion in living skills and other challenging endeavors for persons who are developmentally disabled. Currently serving approximately 150 individuals, PIC has experienced growth and expansion in the past year, and many of its Consumers are enjoying new successes in paid work environments. Daily living skills such as cook-

ing, budgeting, social interaction, exercise, use of public transportation, and more. Classes are held daily in the PIC Building in Caro's Industrial Park, with TCCMHA's **Transportation Department** providing Consumers rides to and from their places of residence. This Agency program transports about 150 individuals daily, always keeping in mind the dual objectives of Consumer safety and Consumer convenience.

The **DD Residential Program**, which serves approximately 200 adults who are developmentally disabled, works cooperatively with some 40 homes to maximize the benefits of independence and enhanced quality of life for all Consumers involved.

The PIC **Support Staff** works together with all other staff members to enhance professional services, assure smooth flow of daily office and programmatic tasks, interact positively with the public, meet the demands of heavy schedules, and, ultimately, serve the needs of the Consumers.

### 9:00 AM

It's just about time for another day of classes to begin here at the Personal Independence Center. Consumers who are Developmentally Disabled receive instruction in the many skills needed to excel in daily living as independently as possible. Consumers Mike Sattler and Cindy Opanasenko prepare pizzas for cooking in the microwave.



### 10:00 AM

The morning is progressing smoothly at the Ridge, a crisis residential home for individuals who are experiencing mental health problems. Here, Jody Hauxwell, who is a Licensed Practical Nurse and Assistant Home Supervisor, checks the blood pressure of a Consumer as part of her regular duties.



Meanwhile, back at the Lincoln Street Administrative offices of TCCMHA, Secretary/Receptionist Marie Pfaff greets one of the many guests who grace this location each day. Visitors will find here a pleasant, professional environment that houses the Agency's Administrative and Finance staff, Boardroom, and meeting rooms (some used by the public).



## CONSUMER SERVICES DEP'T.

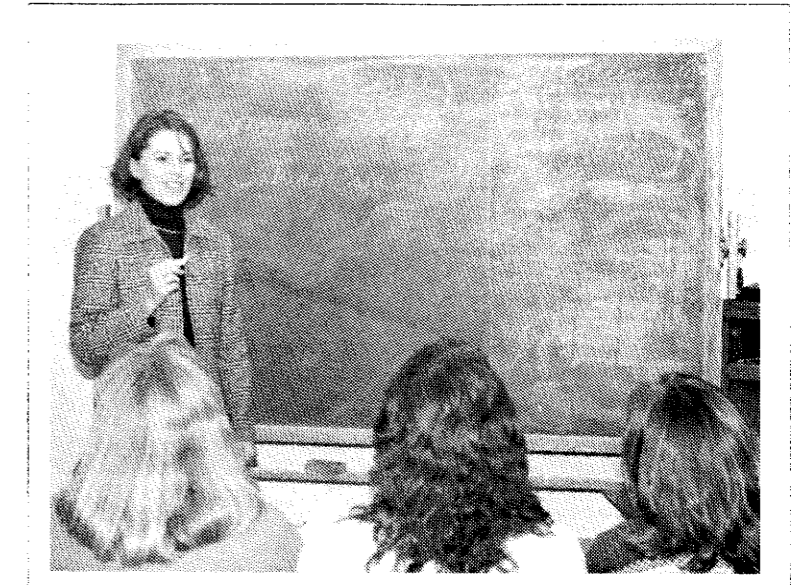
Consumer Services is dedicated to one very simple proposition: *assuring access for all who need the services of an often-complex mental health system.* In this role, Consumer Services assists with the orientation of Consumers who are new to the Agency, and supports the efforts of TCCMHA's Marketing Department in promoting the Agency's programs and services to the general public. Consumer Services Coordinator Sue McElroy has also become an advocate for Consumers, through her first-hand knowledge of their circumstance, and through her involvement in the Agency's newly-formed Consumer Advocacy Committee (which is a collaborative effort with the Recipient Rights Department).

## DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY SERVICES

These services are designed to help develop, plan, support, and supervise life-management for persons with developmental disabilities using the "Person-Centered" approach. This program includes Case Management (Supports Coordinator), Residential, and Family Services for adults and children who are developmentally disabled. Services are provided in several settings, including: AIS, Home and Community-Based Waiver, OBRA, extended home placements, Children's Foster Care, Adult Foster Care, and more. DD Residential 's focus is to provide training and to foster a sense of independence for the Consumers it serves.

### 6:00 PM

Another service offered by Thumb Area Behavioral Services Center (TABSC) is a group dedicated to issues that are of special interest to women. Staff member Mande Franzel is shown here as she facilitates this weekly group. Other such groups provided by TABSC include Adolescent Education, Adolescent Anger Management, and a Family Life Parenting Class.



### 7:00 PM

TCCMHA staff undergo an extensive amount of training themselves, and they provide a fair amount for others, too. Such is the case here, as Recipient Rights Coordinator Cindy Chambers prepares to present an informational session on Recipient Rights for Consumers, Guardians, and Family Members. Other trainings are offered to staff, to colleagues, and to the general public.



### 8:00 PM

The TCCMHA Board of Directors meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Lincoln Street Administrative Services division. Following a regular agenda of financial and administrative business, members set overall policy by which the Agency conducts itself. By eight o'clock on this evening, they are well into the heart of the evening's business.



## MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

As technology has advanced, and the need for voluminous record-keeping and reporting has increased, TCCMHA has responded by creating a Management Information Systems Department. The coordinator of this department, Krystal Crosby, is responsible for the overall Agency network of computers, and engages in a variety of statistical reporting, including Department of Community Health reporting requirements per the Agency's contract with this organization.



## MEDICAL RECORDS

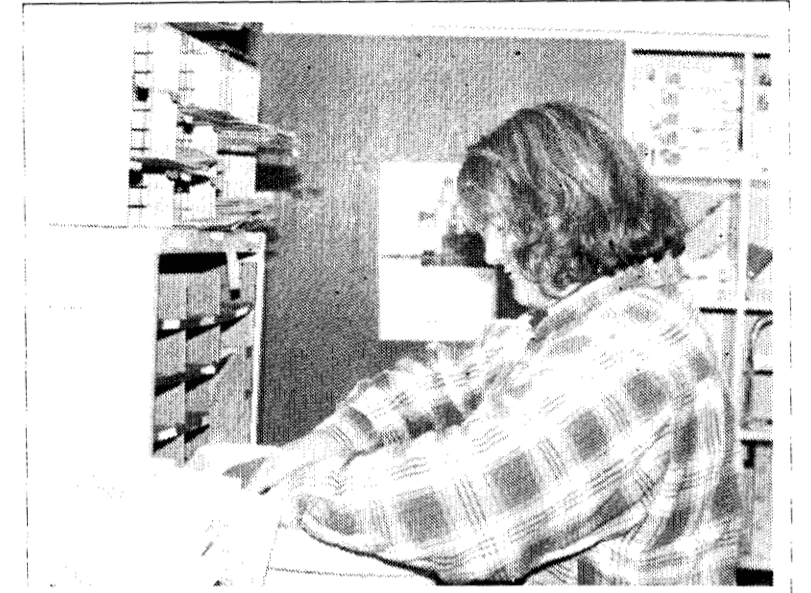
With the onset of managed care looming ever more closely during this fiscal year, the importance of quality medical record-keeping has increased even

further. Fortunately, Coordinator Norma Fredericks is equal to the task. Possessing the highest credentials one might have in this field, she brings both professionalism and utmost capability to her job of ensuring prompt response to staff requests for information, paperwork processing, and maintenance of systems that allow quality service on behalf of TCCMHA Consumers.



## 12:00 PM

Inter-Office mail delivery is just one of several ways that TCCMHA staff members keep in touch with each other (as well as e-mail, telephone, voice mail, and personal visits). Here, Vehicle Operator Billie Jo Davies distributes letters, memos, and packages in the Lincoln Street mail and copy room. Material circulates among all TCCMHA locations on a daily basis.



## 1:00 PM

One of the newer professional functions performed by TCCMHA staff is that of Management Information Systems (MIS). Essentially, this task, under the direction of Coordinator Krystal Crosby, involves the linking of TCCMHA's 79 PC's into an integrated unit for reporting and record-keeping purposes. Here, the MIS Monitoring Committee meets to review current activities and discuss future plans.



## 2:00 PM

Consumer Services Coordinator Sue McElroy is responsible for assuring consumer access to an often complex mental health system, and advocating for those consumers as they make their way through the system. Here, she prepares for another meeting at which she will discuss services and treatment options available to Consumers.





## Family Support Services

This program is designed to provide support to parents who have a child with developmental disabilities living at home. Through the use of casemanagement, recreational activities, consultation, and respite care, staff members seek to promote healthy family functioning. As in all TCCMHA programs, Family Support Services seeks to promote the independence of Consumers while helping them achieve an enhanced quality of life.

## FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The main objective of the Finance Department is to provide support to all TCCMHA programs, so that professional staff may concentrate on providing services to Consumers. This support includes revenue collection, billing, reimbursement, insurance processing, accounts receivable and payable, payroll, banking business, and a variety of other tasks designed to assure the smooth flow of TCCMHA financial and business operations. FY 1996/1997 Revenues and Expenditures were as follows:

REVENUES:	EXPENDITURES:
Local Match.....581,120	Board Admin.....884,988
State of MI - DCH...5,762,694	MI Child.....473,520
Substance Abuse.....378,739	MI Adult.....1,776,803
Federal Medicaid....3,778,069	DD.....7,289,476
Grants & Contracts....659,529	Other Populations.....438,389
Other Revenue.....137,723	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>REVENUE.....11,288,874</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES.....10,863,446</b>
	<b>INCREASE IN</b>
	<b>FUND BALANCE.....425,428</b>

After their day of work, study, and social interaction, TCCMHA consumers return to their current residence at Pineland. Located in a wooded setting in the rural Caro area, Pineland offers adults who are Developmentally Disabled a home-like setting, dependable routine, professional monitoring, and access to medical care. The home is now owned by TCCMHA.

## 4:00 PM

A daily infusion of funds is needed to support the many programs and services offered by TCCMHA. This income, derived from a combination of local, state, federal, and private funds, supports quality employment for some 200 individuals and reinforces TCCMHA's importance to the local economy. Here, Delana Rowbotham, Reimbursement Clerk, makes a daily deposit at a local bank.

## 5:00 PM

Many unique services are offered by TCCMHA. Among them are the programs available through Thumb Area Behavioral Services Center, which provides substance abuse treatment, prevention, and special mental health services. Here, staff member Heather Hammett interacts with area youths who are members of the Adolescent Education series offered by this program.

