



FIRE ROARED through a large barn at the Don Cummins farm last week, leveling the structure and destroying a pair of tractors, including an antique model. Elkland Township Fire Department officials estimate the loss at \$65,000. (Photo by Eric Eskelson)

Four departments respond

Barn fire loss set at \$65,000

Twenty fire fighters from 4 departments combined efforts to douse a large barn fire about 7 miles northwest of Cass City last Wednesday afternoon.

The barn at the Don Cummins farm, 5490 McAlpin Rd., was leveled, according to Elkland Township Fire Chief Ron Pawloski, who noted flames stoked by a strong breeze on

top of already extremely dry conditions made quick work of the structure.

"It didn't take long for the barn to go. The wind was just right, it was an older barn," he said.

"It was totally gone when we got there," the fire chief added. "A Huron County animal control guy either saw the smoke or was driving by and saw the grass on

fire, and by the time he made the call (to central dispatch), the barn was on fire. It just went that quick."

Fire fighters traced the blaze to an unattended burning barrel, which sparked a grass fire.

The loss, estimated at \$65,000, includes a pair of tractors - a 4010 John Deere and an antique Case tractor

- as well as a snowmobile. Pawloski noted Cummins is insured.

In all, fire fighters poured some 25,000 gallons of water on the blaze over a period of about 2.5 hours.

Elkland Township firemen were assisted by the Elkton-Oliver, Elmwood-Gagetown and Owendale fire departments.

Deputies arrest trio suspected in break-ins

Guns, cash stolen from a dozen area homes

Quick work by area law enforcement agencies over the weekend led to the arrests of 3 men suspected of burglarizing and ransacking several homes in Tuscola and Sanilac counties.

Deputies also recovered thousands of dollars worth of stolen property, including firearms, jewelry and cash.

Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies arrested the suspects - Chad C. Bills, 22, Caro; Brian J. Woodruff, 21, Fairgrove; and Lee R. Simmons, 20, Caro - early Saturday morning after investigating a civil dispute involving the suspects at a Lee Hill Road residence in Wells Township.

The trio were scheduled to be arraigned Monday on multiple counts of breaking and entering.

According to Detective Sgt. Patrick Woidan of the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department, the investigation involves 15 to 20 break-ins in eastern Tuscola County and western Sanilac County. Most of the crimes occurred last week and targeted unoccupied residences during the daylight hours.

Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies reported they received 5 separate home invasion complaints and another involving an attempted breaking and entering Friday when a lady answered her front door.

Deputies said 2 of the break-ins took place in Moore Township and the others were reported by residents in Argyle, Evergreen and Elmer townships.

Walbro faces 2 lawsuits

A pair of former Walbro Corporation employees have filed separate lawsuits against the company, claiming they lost their jobs as a result of discrimination.

Lois Mulrath of Cass City and Betty Scheil of Lapeer filed the suits earlier this month in Tuscola County Circuit Court. Both suits seek in excess of \$25,000 in damages.

According to court files, Mulrath was hired by Walbro as a personnel clerk/secretary May 7, 1986, and was subsequently promoted to executive secretary. She was promoted to administrative assistant in 1995, and she was given additional responsibilities and classified as a bargaining unit personnel administrator in 1996. The suit states she was given a merit increase and reclassified as human resource representative in 1998.

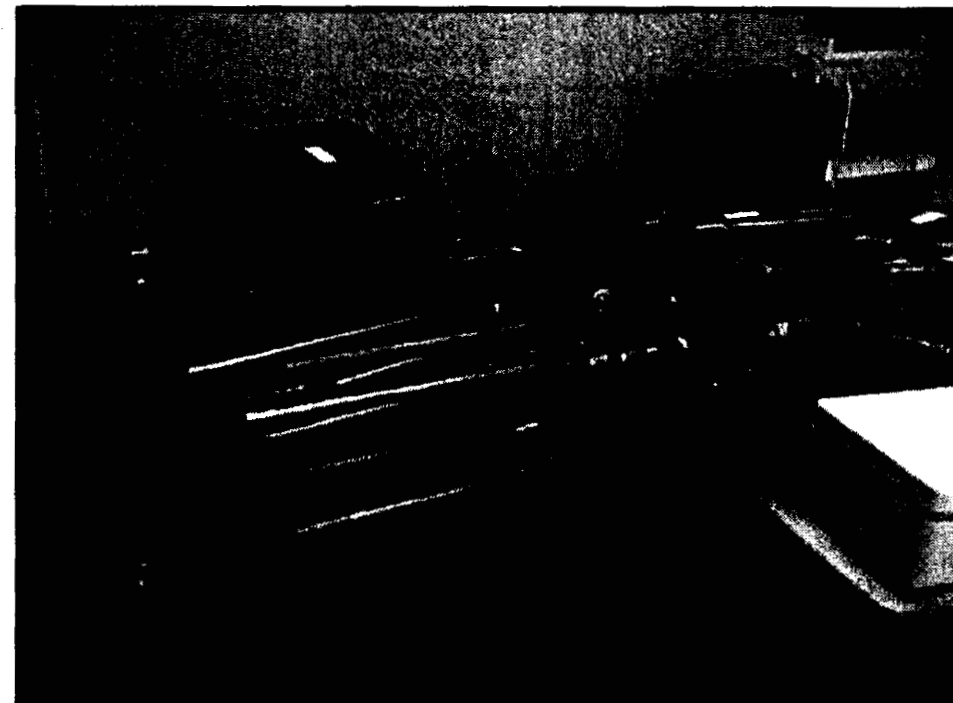
The suit states Mulrath's employment was terminated in April 1998, despite having received good to excellent evaluations throughout her tenure at Walbro.

Mulrath claims her age was a motive and factor in her dismissal, which came just 5 days before her 48th birthday. The suit states the reason for Please turn to page 7.

Woidan said Tuscola County deputies handled 6 or 7 break-in complaints and troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro have

received 2 or 3 complaints. He added the burglaries targeted homes in the Cass City, Caro and Kingston areas. Deputies from both Tuscola

and Sanilac counties worked throughout Friday night gathering evidence in an attempt to identify the suspects. Please turn to page 7.



TUSCOLA COUNTY Sheriff's deputies arrested 3 suspects and recovered these stolen guns along with other property while investigating a reported fight at a Wells Township residence early Saturday morning. Police say the property was stolen from more than a dozen homes in Tuscola and Sanilac counties.

Council eyes Renaissance Zone

Cass City officials hope to get a leg up on some other Michigan communities when it comes to attracting new business by seeking state designation as a Renaissance Zone.

The Cass City Village Council Monday unanimously adopted a resolution to apply for the status along with the village of Caro under an "umbrella" application to be sponsored by the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners.

Renaissance Zones are designed to provide selected communities with perhaps the most powerful market-based incentive - virtually no taxes - to spur new jobs and investment.

State taxes waived for businesses and residents within a Renaissance Zone include the Single Business Tax, personal income tax and the 6-mill state education tax. Local taxes waived are real and personal property tax on operating millage, local income tax and utility users tax.

Businesses still pay unemployment insurance, social security taxes, workers' compensation and sewer and water fees in addition to property taxes for local bond issues and special assessments, and the 6-percent state sales tax.

The duration of the zone designation varies from 10 to 15 years. In all cases, the tax relief is phased out in 25-percent increments over the last 3 years of the program.

Jim McLoskey, executive director of the Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation, told council members that the regional application may also include 3 communities in Sanilac County and one or 2 communities in Huron County.

McLoskey explained the Renaissance Zone program was established by the Engler administration 2 years ago in an effort to jump-start the state's

economy and encourage economic development in areas of the state that were not experiencing the renaissance that was occurring in the rest of the state.

Since the initial round of designations, renaissance zone programs statewide have resulted in 104 economic development projects that will result in the creation of 5,176 new jobs and private investment totaling more than \$259 million.

Based on the program's success, a second round of designations is planned this year, McLoskey said, adding applications must be completed and submitted this fall.

Village President L.E. Althaver noted the renaissance zone designation in Cass City would affect village-owned land in the industrial park and possibly the Nestles building property, although the parcel does not meet the state's minimum requirement of 5 acres.

Althaver acknowledged Renaissance Zones translate into a loss of local tax revenue in the short term, but he pointed out the tax incentive could also translate into economic growth that would more than offset the loss in terms of new employment and development.

"It's a major advantage," he said. "It's different from our usual tax abatements when we get 50 percent of the taxes... but it is clearly a competitive advantage."

"All the communities in the state are on a level playing field - we can all grant tax abatements," he added. "We're all looking for an advantage."

Aside from Cass City and Caro, McLoskey said communities that have expressed an interest in joining the regional application include Caseville, Owendale and Port Hope in Huron County, and Sandusky, Croswell and Lexington in Sanilac County.

McLoskey said the purpose of developing a regional Renaissance Zone application is to obtain a higher ranking among communities applying for the designation. Please turn to page 7.

Red Hawk royalty...



CASS CITY students crowned their own royalty during homecoming festivities Friday night. Above, 1998 King Dan Cuddie (far right) congratulates this year's king and queen, Ben Zimba and Katie Wood. Also pictured is 1998 Queen Katie Churchill.

Auditors give Cass City Schools clean bill of health

Cass City Schools are in healthy financial condition, a report from the school auditor Gary Anderson of Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt & Doran, P.C. revealed to the Cass City Board of Education at its regular monthly meeting Monday at the school.

Total revenues increased 4.5 percent from \$10,493,681 in 1998 to \$10,966,680. Total expenditures decreased from \$13.511 million to \$10.966 million, primarily because of a charge of \$3.296 million for capital outlay for school construction.

Anderson told the board that he recommends that the school carry a fund balance between 10 and 15 percent of the school's budget. The district added \$157,045 to its balance at the end of the school year, bringing the total in reserve in the general fund to \$1,253,416, which amounts to 11.43 percent of revenues.

Supt. Ken Micklash said that he feels the healthy fund balance is necessary because the school has not gone through down financial times in the state when sales tax revenues from which school moneys come from could sharply decline. Instruction costs increased from \$5,971,656 in 1998 to \$6,244,679 last year. A chart that shows where money came from and how it was spent appears in this issue.

POLICY ISSUES

Nancy Raythatha, a mother of 3 Cass City students, appeared before the board and challenged board policy that doesn't allow a student in a lower grade to take a course offered normally to students in higher grades without express permission from the school principal.

The reason, principal Dorland Kuntz explained, is the extreme problems it causes in scheduling stu-

dents. Each year there are as many as 80 students with scheduling difficulties that we can't solve, he added.

Raythatha said that after classes start and there are vacancies and the student is qualified, it makes sense to let him take courses at a higher level. Present policy is to let students in higher grades take courses at a lower level if they need them to graduate.

The board asked that other area schools be contacted to see what rules they have about students taking advanced courses.

Policy language to conform with a new state law about student suspensions and physical-verbal assaults were adopted. It is not expected that the changes will

materially alter the way these problems are currently handled.

Because the board has okayed the use of tracking dogs for school searches, the policy was changed to legally allow the searches without danger of violating students' rights.

OTHER BUSINESS

Deford Principal Ed Pasant presented the district wide student assessment plan. It showed the various tests that students receive from kindergarten through 12th grade. There are tests given each year, the report indicated, except in the 10th grade and senior year. The senior year Please turn to page 7.

Fall deer hunts follow record kill

Deer hunters enjoyed record success last year and the prospects for bagging a whitetail this year are decent.

That's good news for farmers and sportsman alike. On the other hand, hunters should expect to see fewer deer, next year if not this fall.

"We're going to see a decline in the number of deer and it's not going to be long before hunters begin to notice that, and they're going to start complaining," said Wildlife Biologist Bud Jarvis, who works out of the DNR's Cass City field office.

No doubt many hunters will aim those complaints at the DNR, despite a shift in the agency's strategy to manage the Michigan herd by allowing landowners to manage deer numbers - by deciding how many animals to harvest. Regulation changes last year included issuing unlimited antlerless permits to hunters who have access to at least 5 acres of private land. Previously, the minimum number of acres was higher and fewer permits were issued.

A virtually unlimited supply of antlerless permits is again available this year in a number of deer management units.

Hunters last year killed a record 597,988 deer, an increase of more than 100,000 deer over the previous record in 1995 (478,958 deer). The estimates are based on the DNR's annual mail survey of hunters who are selected at random.

The total 1998-99 deer harvest included 272,352 antlered bucks. It was the second time ever that Michigan hunters took more antlerless deer than legal bucks.

Thumb hunters enjoyed the same level of success as their fellow sportsman in other areas of the state, according to Please turn to page 7.

It's a girl!

Owendale Women's Club elects officers



Kelsey Ann Sholes

Angela Marie Martinez and Jeremy Sholes announce the birth of their daughter, Kelsey Ann Sholes.

She was born Sept. 2 at 9:21 a.m. at Huron Memorial Hospital. She weighed 10 pounds, 3/4 ounces and measured 22 1/4 inches long.

Her maternal grandparents are Douglas E. and Carol A. Mills. Her paternal grandparents are Nancy and Roger Sholes.

The first meeting of the 1999-2000 Owendale Women's Club year was hosted by Joyce Sheldon. The following slate of officers were returned to office: president - Joyce Sheldon, secretary, Jeannette McDonald, and treasurer, Bonnie Gaeth.

Members planned an interesting year despite their small number. A donation will be given to the Huron Co. Nature Center for improvements that are going on at the center. The ladies have enjoyed the center several times over the years.

The club will once again help sponsor the Owen-Gage Good Dawg Awards Program for both the elementary and junior/senior high school. The program proved a success last year and will continue again this year.

The group will not be sponsoring the annual blood drives anymore. They thank everyone who gave faithfully

for the many years they sponsored it. Please continue to give in other surrounding communities.

The October meeting will be a Halloween party at the home of Barb McCallum.

A dessert was served by the hostess and co-hostess Alice Ricker.

The Sheldon's gave each lady a lovely mum plant, grown by them, as they went home.

Soup supper slated

The Cass City Historical Society's annual Soup Supper will be held Monday, Oct. 25, the fourth Monday instead of the third Monday as previously announced, at Rawson Memorial Library at 6 p.m. The program for the evening will be presented by Robert LaBell, a Huron County historian and Civil War buff.

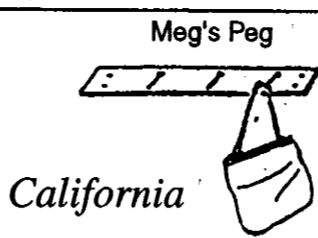
LaBell has recorded all of the Huron County township and church cemeteries. He and his wife have published this information and it will be available. It should be an informative evening. Everyone is welcome.

Women to host fall rally

The Thumb Zone of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League/Lutheran Women in Mission will hold a Fall Rally Oct. 12, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Caseville.

The rally will begin with registration at 8:30 a.m. The program will begin at 9 a.m. with Dr. Roy Kaiser speaking on the theme of "All Things Through Christ". Cost of registration is \$3 and there will be a cost for the luncheon. Child care will be available.

Good Shepherd is located on M-25 and Crescent Beach Road.



by Melva E. Guinther

We recently visited our son and his family in southern California. They lived in northern California a few years ago, which is a bit different from southern California.

It was a fairly brief visit, so we're certainly not experts regarding the California experience. Nevertheless, here are a few contrasts we've noted between rural Michigan and CA.

There is definitely a lot more to do. We didn't even scratch the surface. You could be on the go constantly and never exhaust the possibilities of things to do and see.

There are unlimited opportunities for my favorite pastime, shopping.

If you ate out every day for a year, you wouldn't cover half of the restaurants. And we're talking good food! We tried the crab cake sandwiches at the little Fresh Catch restaurant in Thousand Oaks, and they were just as good as those we sampled in Baltimore's Inner Harbor last spring.

The In and Out burger place has the best hamburgers we ever tasted. All they serve is hamburgers, cheeseburgers (made fresh, never frozen) and fries, and there's always a lineup at the drive through.

The orange chicken at the Cheeseecake Factory is to die for.

Enough of that. I'm making myself hungry.

The traffic is horrendous! It seems a miracle that the throngs going through the Los Angeles airport ever get where they're going. But they do. I could never drive out there, but our kids zip around on those multi-lane freeways like it's nothing.

The weather is a big plus — 80s during the day, cooling down to the 50s at night. Except for some fog a couple of mornings, which burned off within a few hours, there was nothing to complain about weather-wise while we were there. Because of the climate, grandson Drew's school has no cafeteria. The kids eat outside all year. They hang their book bags on pegs outside the school.

That weather feature's going to look mighty appealing in January and February.

Everything's pretty casual in southern CA. Clothing runs the gamut from what we might consider outrageous to

chic. But a lot more business is conducted in Dockers and jeans than in business suits.

Overall, though, except for a few eccentricities like juice bars in service stations, ads for a "Lube and Latte", a few beach bums, and millionaires' mansions, life in southern California isn't all that different from anywhere else.

The people work, go to church, help their neighbors, take their kids to school, buy groceries, etc.

Things are a bit more expensive in California, but by and large, people make more money there. So it evens out.

Our son and daughter-in-law have a lovely home in Thousand Oaks, their third house since being married 9 years ago. Two of them were in California, and one in Pennsylvania. They're becoming pros at this real estate/moving business.

We bought a house once — 32 years ago. We still live in it.

Back then it was a lot simpler. You learned somebody had a house for sale, looked at it, asked how much, shook hands, went to the bank and borrowed the money, signed a paper, moved in, and started making house payments.

Basically, moving 30+ years ago involved a couple of friends and a pickup truck.

Nowadays it's a much more complicated process. There are agents for the seller and agents for the buyer, all kinds of inspections, etc., etc., etc.

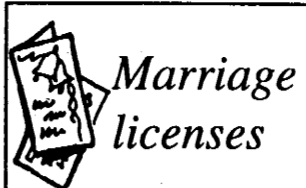
It's become such a complex procedure that we'll probably live where we are till we die.

Besides, after being in a place this long, a person accumulates an awful lot of stuff. We have 8 rooms, 2 big baths, a basement, back porch/store room, garage and shed full of stuff. The stuff isn't all that valuable, but it would be a lot of work to move or otherwise get rid of all of it.

The price of houses has changed a bit, too, since we bought ours. Our kids had to put more down just to begin the negotiation process than we paid for our house.

Given the complexity and price of moving, we're likely to remain with the simple life in rural Michigan.

But California is a great place to visit.



Kevin Kelly Tewksbury and Carol Lynne Guinther, both of Caro.

William Anthony Bulchak and Karen Elaine Bulchak, both of Deford.

Randal James Sommerfield and Starla Dawn Stark, both of Kingston.

Shaun Michael Day and Shannon Lynn Howell, both of Caro.

Kurt William Bliss, Cass City, and Crystal Lynn Skinner, Caro.

Larry Dale Burns Jr. and Julie Anne Marsh, both of Cass City.

Basil Forrest Vanderpool and Holly Danielle Nickens, both of Kingston.

Brian Michael Manszewski, Dearborn, and Shannon Marie Smith, Gagetown.

Joseph Arnold Langmaid and Jennifer DeRocco, both of Caro.

Christopher John Smith and Heather Lynn Deming, both of Caro.

Kenneth Edwin Joe Gark and Angela Elaine Thompson, both of Caro.

Mark Adam Gager and Glenda Joyce Larkin, both of Vassar.

James Kenneth Watros and Charleen Kaye Broyles, both of Deford.

Kevin John Cryderman and Jennifer Mae Hund, both of Kingston.

Robert Lee Cole and Tonya Kaye Cole, both of Vassar.

Bradley Thomas Roberts and Autumn Ruth Elizabeth Klinessmith, both of Cass City.

Harold Brian Ross and Ursula Dawn Curtis, both of Cass City.

Blake Wayne Germaine, Vassar, and Emily Jean Kilbourn, Millington.

Dennis Allen Hyatt and Cindy Jennette Tworck, both of Cass City.

Alfred Cejka and Michelle Yvonne McColl, both of Vassar.



Jim and Cynthia Rutkowski

Rutkowski, Miller married Sept. 11

Jim Rutkowski and Cynthia Miller were married Sept. 11 at their residence, 4647 Seeger Street, in Cass City, formerly the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Auten.

guests in attendance. The Rutkowskis were elated to hold their special day at their 1898 historic home.

The couple totally redecorated their home in preparation for the special occasion. Redecorating included all the home's floors, including the basement, where Jim and Cynthia have a kitchen and pub. They accented the area with special grout to enhance the historic look of the basement. They also remodeled an outside barn as an entertainment center in preparation for their wedding.

Jim, formerly from Elkton, is a real-estate developer, and maintains an office in Bad Axe. He has worked on many projects throughout the Thumb area, and is looking forward to working with Cass City on a proposed Senior Complex.

A reception followed the wedding service with 150

Cynthia is originally from Clinton Township, and is an award winning decorator. She will now be offering her complete decorating services from drapes and blinds to consulting on interior design throughout the Thumb.

Clothing give away set

The annual Church of Christ winter clothing give away will be held Sept. 30 from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. and Oct. 1 from 9 a.m. until 2

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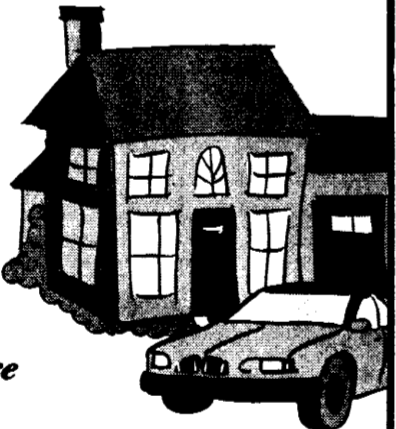
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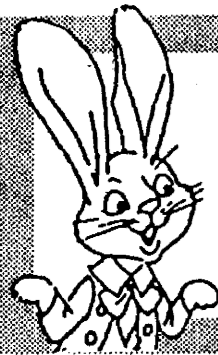
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

The Omelette Shoppe & Bakery, 1209 E. Front Street in Traverse City, is hard to spot and we drove by twice before finding it, even though we were looking for it. It's a business without a street sign located in a small strip mall and we searched for it on the advice of a friend who raved about it as the place to have breakfast.

The restaurant is open from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. While the casual tourist wouldn't be likely to eat there, the restaurant that probably seats between 75 and 100 was loaded the Sunday morning we ate there.

A menu features perhaps 40 different omelets, each which includes a choice of a fresh-baked item or specialty bread. We selected a corned beef omelet and a German-style potato omelet with juice and coffee. Total cost was under \$15. We were told that the lunch sandwiches and soups were also very good. Give it a 6 1/2 on the one to 10 scale.

Just when we were feeling great with the rest of the community about the effort and the cooperation that resulted in the new playscape on Cass City school property along comes an incident that jolts me back to reality.

Hiking the trail to the Cass River while appreciating not only the beautiful day but the effort it took to create the trail, I stopped at the pretty bridge that crosses the river and gazed into the river.

Sometime within the last week someone had thrown an old tire complete with rim off the bridge into the river. It's too heavy for me to get out, a young boy said when he noticed the disgust I showed when I spotted the polluting tire. It's not the first case of senseless vandalism the community has experienced. Two cases in point are the former exercise trail in the Recreation Park woods and the stealing of lights and the wrecking of Christmas exhibits at the park.

Train buffs can take a train trip to the Tuscola County Pumpkin Festival Saturday, Oct. 9. The Bluewater Michigan Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society is offering a trip from Marlette to Vassar and then to Caro. It starts at 8:30 a.m., arrives at Caro at 10:20 a.m. and leaves Caro at 4 p.m. Round trip cost for adults, \$35, and children, \$20 from Marlette. Trips from Vassar are \$20 adults, \$10 child.



A DECKERVILLE motorist was injured last week near the intersection of Deckerville and Germania roads when she fell asleep at the wheel and her car left the roadway and rolled over. (Photo by Eric Eskelson)

Deckerville motorist injured

A Deckerville motorist escaped serious injury when her car rolled over on Deckerville Road in Sanilac County last week.

Troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Sandusky reported the accident occurred Wednesday at about 2:05 p.m. in southeastern Evergreen Township.

Trisha A. Dials, 18, told troopers she fell asleep while driving east on Deckerville Road, one-half mile west of Germania Road. The vehicle left the roadway and Dials woke up and attempted to swerve back into her lane, according to reports, which state the car overturned and continued eastbound, left the roadway and flipped back onto its tires as it struck a ditch.

Dials, who was wearing a seat belt, suffered minor injuries. She was transported by Cass City MMR Ambulance to Deckerville Community Hospital for treatment, troopers said.

The Haire Net



For over 25 years the Bureau of Land Management, a department of the United States Department of the Interior, has conducted a Wild Horse Adoption program to find homes for wild horses and burros removed from public range in the west.

The bureau is anxious for publicity about this year's program, listing a pair of free-cost phone numbers to contact them for an interview. Sounds good.

What better way to publicize this year's program than to interview someone who has already adopted a wild horse? A phone call to the bureau was warmly greeted and I was told, sure, we would be happy to supply the information, but the person in charge wasn't in and the information would be forwarded Monday.

Monday arrived and no call came. Must have been a slip, I was told, with assurances that the public relations department would get right on it. We are still waiting.

We have always endorsed the program designed to maintain an ecological balance on western grazing lands. It's a humanitarian way to remove excess animals. The animals are examined by a veterinarian, vaccinated, dewormed, blood-tested and then offered for adoption to good homes.

This year the horses arrive at the Ingham County Fairgrounds in Mason on Friday, Oct. 22, with viewing hours from one to 5 p.m. Horses will be offered for adoption from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and the remaining animals, if any, offered Sunday from 8 a.m. to noon.

The question that many prospective buyers surely are asking, is how much trouble are these horses and are they worth the trouble it takes to train them?

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The back forty

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by Roger Pond

Most of us have a negative image of salespeople — except for the ones we know personally. Then we like them just fine.

A couple of years ago I read a column by a man who gives sales seminars. At one session this fellow asked his audience, "How many of you didn't like salespeople before you got into sales?"

Nearly everyone raised their hands. Then he asked, "Now that you are a salesperson yourself, how many of you still don't like salespeople?"

Almost everyone raised their hands again. This fellow says this just proves salespeople should do their best not to act like salespeople.

A good example of this was a car dealer who tried to sell my wife and I an old junker soon after we were married. An old junker was all we could afford, so that wasn't a problem; but this guy rubbed me the wrong way from the beginning.

It wasn't just his brown and white saddle shoes or his funny little hat with the chicken feather in it. This salesman wanted to sell us a car and get us off the lot before the whole thing exploded.

We looked at a couple of vehicles and told the salesman we'd have to think about it. That's when he said, "These prices are only good for tonight. If you come back in the morning it will cost you more."

This man has become one of the biggest car dealers in the country, but I still wouldn't buy so much as a

floor mat from him. Some of the best salesmen I've known are retired farmers. Farmers have been selling things to each other for so long they know exactly what to say and when to say it.

My dad quit farming at the ripe old age of 44 and began selling appliances for a friend who owned an appliance shop. Like any good salesperson, Dad understood that some folks have a hard time buying things.

They know they need it, but they just can't decide on the model, or the color, or the payment plan. It's up to the salesperson to help them make up their minds.

That's what happened to a guy who walked into the appliance shop one day, look-

ing for a television. Dad showed him all the models and described the features for him; but the fellow couldn't make up his mind.

He wasn't real sure he needed a TV in the first place and all of the choices seemed overwhelming.

Finally, Dad said, "If you want to go home and think about the TV, that's probably a good idea; but you might as well buy an antennae while you're here. That way you'll be all set up when you get the TV."

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Bennett's Beat

by Cass City Senior, Emily Bennett

Good luck to all hunters!



In just a few days many people, adults and teenagers, will test their luck for that big deer with the big rack. October 1 is opening day for the all mighty bow hunters. Many men as well as women will take Friday off of their jobs, as well as school, to get a chance at the big buck. In school there are already 7 with prearranged excuses to go hunting. It is important for kids who do plan to take Friday off of school to get their prearranged excuses in to the principle's office.

Everyone who wants to hunt has to take a hunter safety course. It teaches all the rules and fundamentals of learning to hunt. The Cass City Gun Club offers classes throughout the year. The Gun Club is a great place. You can go there to shoot skeet and they have 3-D shoots and much more.

As for me, I've only been hunting a few times. The few times I've gone were during gun season, which opens November 15. This year will be the first time I'll have a chance to go bow hunting. I have to admit I've never gone hunting by myself and have never seen a deer being shot. I would probably be the wimpy one who would scream or turn my head. Not exactly the person any hunter would want with them when that 12 point buck came their way. The only deer I've ever shot was the 3-D deer on a computer game I have.

Hunters recently have been able to use tree stands during gun season. Before, tree

stands were only allowed during bow season.

For the last couple of weeks hunters have been baiting, getting their tree stands set and fine tuning their bows. They want to make sure that everything is in tiptop shape when opening day comes around.

I was surprised to find out how many kids go hunting and have a lot of bucks or does to claim. Matt Frappert says, "I shot a nine point buck." He said that he has that mounted on his wall. Bruce Horning, who's taking Friday off to test his luck on opening day, said "I like hunting, I've shot 5 deer so far."

Many girls also enjoy hunting. Cari O'Hara said, "If I would have prepared for bow season then I would take Friday off for hunting. I will definitely be taking the day off for opening day of gun season." When asked if she has ever shot a deer, she said, "No, but I hope to shoot the monster buck this year."

Along with many students, many teachers also like to hunt. As for the students and teachers, along with many other people who can't take work off, the weekend isn't far away.

Good luck to all you hunters!

In my last weeks column no, it wasn't Y2K, but yes there was a computer glitch. I like to think of it as it ate my column, chewed it up and spit it out. Sorry for the inconvenience.



AN estimated 200 area residents enjoyed a barn party held Saturday at the Bill Shagene farm north of Cass City in conjunction with the Barn Daze celebration. The week-long event, sponsored by the Barn Again! Committees, Cass City Chamber of Commerce and local businesses, included sales in town, a scavenger hunt and a slide presentation by historian Terry Shaffer.

Driver files suit in '96 crash

A motorist has filed suit against the estate of a Cass City man who was killed in a 2-vehicle accident south of

Cass City 3 years ago.

William E. Jenks of Saginaw filed the suit last

week in Tuscola County Circuit Court. He is seeking in excess of \$25,000 from the estate of the late Rev. Lewis L. Surbrook, who was named a defendant along with Edward Maciak, who is temporary representative of Surbrook's estate.

The suit stems from a fatal traffic accident that occurred Sept. 28 at the intersection of Cemetery and Severance

roads.

According to reports, Surbrook, 94, was driving west on Severance when he apparently failed to stop at the intersection and collided with Jenks' southbound vehicle.

The suit claims Jenks suffered injuries, damages and/or losses, including serious personal injuries as a result of the crash.

Grant goes to assault center

State Rep. Mike Green last week announced an \$88,690 grant to help the Thumb Area Assault Crisis Center in Caro.

"There is no excuse for domestic violence," said Green, R-Mayville. "This grant will help address an issue that strikes to the very core of society."

The funds are part of \$10.2

million awarded over the next 3 years by the state Family Independence Agency.

The grant will enhance collaborative efforts among local law enforcement, prosecutors and direct service providers as they focus on filling gaps in domestic violence service within their communities.

Matson faces jail time, costs

Cass City resident Raymond M. Matson was sentenced Friday to 365 days in the Tuscola County Jail for his role in a vandalism spree at the Cass City Wastewater Treatment Plant last March.

serve 36 months probation and pay \$8,827.23 in restitution plus \$780 in court costs and fines and \$874.50 in attorneys fees.

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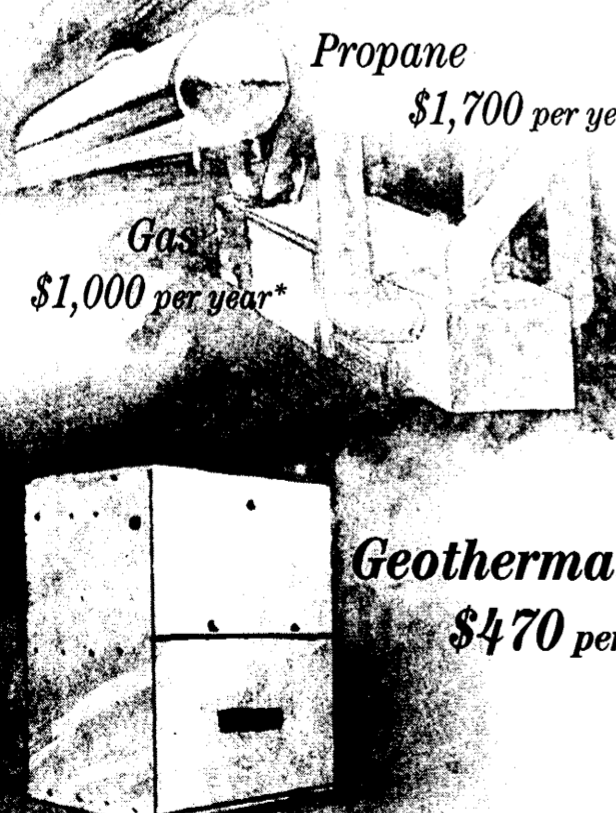


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Letters to the editor

No one is safe from accusations

Dear Readers,

There is a new evil under the sun. Not one of us is safe from it.

It was put in place, I'm sure, as a good thing to protect the helpless and let people report crimes and not have the criminal come after them.

It can also be used by a person with an evil tongue. Lies can be told about you, and soon some authority comes knocking at your door.

You stand in disbelief, at first, not quite believing what you're hearing. Then you realize the authority at your door is serious. You demand to know who accused you of such things. You are told that it was an Anonymous Call.

Then you must prove you are not guilty of the Anonymous Charges made against you. That can take varying amounts of time, money and humiliation.

After the total disbelief, comes anger. You know you can and will prove your innocence; but this is America, and you shouldn't have to prove your innocence. Life is hard enough, and now you have to deal with this because of someone whose

Kids make coaching worthwhile

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the letter from Deb Elliott in last week's edition, we do enjoy coaching soccer, but it is the children that make it most worthwhile, seeing their individual skills improve from week to week.

When we started coaching in 1998, we were told to teach good sportsmanship and to have fun, we pass this onto the kids at the games and at practice and it shows.

Having been residents of Cass City for the past 9 years, the community events such as soccer and Building Some Fun in the Thumb give us the feeling of belonging in the community.

Jim and SallyKay Acker

tongue is in touch with the fires of Hell.

An evil tongue that speaks evil of others continuously is easily recognized. We each should make it our personal responsibility to recognize and not listen to these people.

Do we have a legal defense against them? The answer to that is yes but very little.

Pertaining to false charges the law says: "A person who intentionally makes a false report of child abuse or neglect under this act knowing that the report is false is guilty of a crime as follows:

(a) If the child abuse or neglect reported would not constitute a crime or would constitute a misdemeanor if the report were true, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 93 days or a fine of not more than \$100.00, or both.

(b) If the child abuse or neglect reported would constitute a felony if the report were true, the person is guilty of a felony punishable by the lesser of the following:

(i) The penalty for the child abuse or neglect falsely reported.

(ii) Imprisonment for not more than 4 years or a fine of not more than \$2,000, or both."

Don't let this part of the law give you any feeling of safety. If the accusations against you are called in anonymously, you are on your own. You must prove your innocence. Even when you've done this, the caller's charges against you can stay on a statewide and local electronic registry.

I will be writing my state senator. If you are a writer, please write and make your senator aware that once again something meant for good is also being used by evil. If you are not a writer, then send this, my letter. The next knock on your door could make it your turn to prove your innocence.

Remember, for evil to prevail, all good men have to do is nothing.

Sincerely,

Betty Girdaukas
Snover area



CAROL KESSLER came home from the Michigan State Fair with a first-place ribbon and plaque for her entry in the wood-working category. The recognition was especially satisfying for the Cass City resident, who finished the miniature log house in honor of her father, Carl, who died before he could complete the project.

Labor of love

Project judged the best at state fair

Carol Kessler is understandably proud of the craftsmanship her father, the late Carl Revis, put into a miniature log house he built. She knows his work was outstanding.

Now, wood crafters from throughout the state know it.

The miniature house recently earned the first-place Marie Harding Gold Ribbon Award and Best of Show honors at the Michigan State Fair, Aug. 24-Sept. 6.

Revis constructed each piece in careful detail without the advantage of a blueprint or factory kit instructions. Sadly, he died at the age of 56 before he could finish the one-of-a-kind project for his wife.

Last year, Kessler decided to finish what her father had started.

Many late night hours were put into the project, although much of the exterior of the 3-story house was already finished.

"He made everything by hand on the outside; the shutters, the shingles, each one of the logs," Kessler explained during an interview last summer at Rawson Memorial Library, where the house was on display. "Most of the furniture is handmade, and the staircase is handmade," she added. "It's his own design."

Kessler took care of some of the finishing touches, including gluing each tiny stone on the chimney, installing plastic windows and adding some hand-made shingles. She also completed the interior furnishings — wallpaper, carpeting, etc. — and her mother lent a hand by making all the curtains.

The finished product won first-place and Best of Show honors at the Ogemaw County Fair, which qualified the project for competition at

this year's state fair.

In time, Kessler said, the unique family treasure will be passed on to her sons, Christopher Revis, 21, and Adam Kessler, 14.

But for now, she is content to look back at what was truly a labor of love, one that will honor her father's memory for years to come. "I think I did the best I could with it," she said. "It was worth it."

Pickups damaged

Cass City police recently investigated complaints of vehicle damage and property theft.

Corey J. Ulfing, Cass City, reported Sept. 22 that someone had used a sharp object to put a 3-foot scratch along the driver's side front fender of his 1999 Chevrolet pickup truck while the vehicle was parked at Charmont Lanes, 6138 Cass City Rd. No damage estimate was available.

Filing a similar complaint Sept. 20 was Lisa G. Stanton of Elkton, who told police someone put 3 large scratches on the passenger side of her 1992 Chevrolet pickup truck, which was parked at 6285 Garfield Avenue. Damage was estimated at several hundred dollars,

according to reports. Clara M. Gaffney, Cass City, reported the theft of a spare tire from her pickup truck Sept. 20. Gaffney wasn't certain when the theft occurred.

Also recently, George J. Hurley, Cass City, reported the theft of a bicycle parked along Main Street. The thief(s) apparently used bolt cutters to cut a chain used to secure Hurley's bike and a bike belonging to someone else. Reports state the other bike was not taken.

Jail and bail

Local dealership to host MDA fundraiser Oct. 21

Prominent area residents and business executives will be serving time for a great cause Thursday, Oct. 21, in an effort to raise money for the Mid-Eastern Michigan Chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

This one-day event will involve representatives from businesses surrounding the Cass City community, volunteering an hour of their time behind bars at Cass City Chrysler Plymouth. The "jailbirds" will be contacting their family, friends and co-workers for donations to raise their bail of \$1,000, set by an honorary judge.

Cass City Chrysler Plymouth has agreed to provide the jail Thursday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. as well as courtesy cars with drivers to transport the "jailbirds" to and from Cass City Chrysler

Plymouth after completing their sentence.

The money raised from this event will stay in the Mid-Eastern Michigan area to help children and adults with one of the 40 forms of neuromuscular disorders.

Program services include an MDA Clinic at Genesys Regional Medical Center West Flint Campus, Support Group, extensive research at the University of Michigan, Michigan State University, and Wayne State University, a week of sunshine and smiles for kids ages 6-21, at Camp Cavell on Lake Huron in Lexington, and funding towards the purchase of wheelchairs and/or braces. All services are provided at absolutely no cost to the patient or his family.

Anyone with questions, concerns, or would like to

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DRAGGED OUT - The title Miss America took on a whole new meaning Thursday at Kingston High School as students and staff alike celebrated "Freaky Miss America Day" in conjunction with homecoming week activities. Above, Principal George Bednerek (third from left) poses with some of the better dressed participants.

Faye Adam special speaker

4-H Leader Banquet set

The 1999 4-H Leader Banquet will be held Monday, Oct. 11, at 7 p.m. at the Sanilac County Conference Room in Sandusky.

The Sanilac County 4-H Council is sponsoring this year's banquet. The purpose of the potluck dinner is to acknowledge and thank the leaders for their volunteer work, which they do year round to contribute to the development of the 4-H members.

The speaker for the evening will be Faye Adam, former chairperson of the Michigan 4-H Foundation.

Adam is a current Sanilac County 4-H Leader in the Lucky Stars 4-H Club and resides in Snover. She will talk about the Michigan 4-H Foundation and the role it plays in the Sanilac County 4-H program.

The 4-H program also hon-

ors a "Friend of 4-H", which will be announced at the Leader Banquet. The "Friend of 4-H" is chosen each year to honor an individual or group of people who have made significant contributions to the development of Sanilac County and the 4-H program.

The 4-H Leader Banquet is also a time to recognize several volunteers for their years of service. Those receiving special recognition are 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, and 45-year volunteers.

Fifteen-year service awards will be given to Martha Draper of Marlette, Dale Fischer of Snover, and Charlotte Romzek of Deckerville.

There are a number of individuals receiving a 20-year recognition, including Jim Alexander of Peck, Sherrie Armstead of Deckerville, Bonnie Bright of

Deckerville, Doreen Bright of Deckerville, Diane Kautz of Crosswell, Marilyn King of Decker, Everett Murdock of Minden City, Wallace Murdock of Minden City, and Carol Sharbowski of Palms.

Karol Alexander of Peck will be receiving special recognition on her 25 years of service, and 30-year service awards will be given to Janet Perry of Crosswell and Dorothy Wood of Marlette.

Knights to honor recycling educators

The Knights of Columbus Holy Trinity Assembly No. 2013 is sponsoring an Education Awards Dinner honoring Sharon Mika and Nancy

George Romzek of Deckerville will receive the 35-year award, and Laura Dale of Marlette will receive the 40-year award. Finally, Reta McQuarrie of Marlette will receive the award for 45 years of service.

To make reservations for the 1999 4-H Leader's Banquet, please call the Sanilac County Michigan State University Extension Office at (810) 648-2515.

Myers for their efforts in the conservation of natural resources and safeguarding of the environment through recycling education.

The benefit dinner for St. Elizabeth School in Reese is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 17, at 2 p.m. at the Caro Knights of Columbus Hall in Caro. Doors open at 1 p.m.

Dinner tickets are \$10 per person. For required ticket reservations and donations, call Robert Chisholm at (517) 673-3207.

Kovach 'student of month'

Jared Nathan Kovach has been named Owendale-Gagetown Schools' "Senior Student of the Month" for September. Kovach serves as



Jared Kovach

the Senior Class vice-president and the yearbook's editor-in-chief. He served as the Student Council vice-president his junior year and is currently president. He has been a participant in the Drama Club, French Club, Student Forum, and the Business Professionals of America. He has also held many class offices throughout his high school career.

Kovach was a Snowball Court representative his sophomore year and was recently nominated to represent his class as a Homecoming King candidate.

Kovach is the son of Albert and Liz Kovach of Owendale. He plans to attend college and pursue a career in theater/communications, journalism, or foreign language.

Cass City down 41 kids

Cass City School officials came up short - 41 students, to be exact - during last week's biannual student count conducted by schools statewide.

Other area school districts, meanwhile, reported small enrollment increases.

"We were down, but we were up 40 (students) last year," Cass City Supt. Ken Micklash said Friday. Despite the drop, Micklash said the local district continues to enjoy 17 years of relative stability in its student population.

The most recent student tally, conducted last Wednesday, revealed 1,642 students - 504 at the high school, 533 in the middle school, 520 at Campbell Elementary and 85 at Deford Elementary. The biggest decline in student numbers (20 students) was seen at the kindergarten level.

A year ago, Cass City's student population numbered 1,683 - the highest number recorded locally since 1983-84, when student numbers reached 1,725. In the years since, the number has remained in the 1,620s, 1,630s and 1,640s.

In other area districts: "Owen-Gage School Supt. Manuel Thies reported a total of 294 students - 152 in the elementary grades and 142 at the high school, which is virtually identical to the district's enrollment a year ago.

"We are 8 students above our February count," he said. "Our state aid is going to be just a little over \$6,000 (per pupil), we will be getting a little increase."

Uby Community School officials reported 924 students in class last week - 468 in elementary, 169 in junior high and 287 in high school. The district's count last February was 919 students.

Uby Schools will receive about \$5,550 per pupil in state funding this year, an increase of about \$380 per student.

Kingston School officials reported an increase of a few students, however, a specific

Enrollment up a little in Kingston, O-G, Uby

number was not available. The unofficial count last week totaled 734 students.

Area school officials have mixed opinions regarding the effects of the state's Schools of Choice legislation on their respective enrollments.

Under Schools of Choice, a student may attend the school of his/her choice within their own intermediate school district or in a contiguous intermediate school district, provided the school has an opening in the student's grade level.

Micklash indicated the legislation probably has little to do with the decline of students in Cass City. There's no way of knowing how many students have opted to attend school in other districts, he said, but records show 22 students from outside districts chose to attend Cass City this year.

"It hasn't been a significant change one way or the other for us," agreed Mark Tenbusch, business manager of the Uby Community Schools. "It hasn't made a big difference."

In contrast, Owen-Gage School officials say Schools of Choice has had a positive impact.

"Overall, it's been a plus for us," Thies said. "It has helped us because we have (students) now that are coming from USA and Cass City that we would have had to do haggling to get. Now, they can just come across the border."

Enrollment is a key factor in school funding since voters approved Proposal A, which essentially put the lion's share of local education funding into the hands of the state for distribution to schools.

Today, the state's schools receive the majority of their funding in the form of a state foundation allowance, which

is applied to the number of students enrolled in each district. The enrollment is determined by "blending 2 separate student counts; one conducted in September and the other done the previous February.

In recent years, the counts have been blended based on a ratio of 60 percent of the September tally and 40 percent of the February count. This year, however, the September count is worth 75 percent of the blended total.

Cass City's actual student membership loss this year is 34 students, according to Micklash, who pointed out the loss will be offset, in part, by a 7.23 percent increase in state aid this year. The district is slated to receive \$5,562.52 per pupil this year, compared to \$5,187.65 in the 1998-99 school year.

Micklash said local school officials will adjust this year's budget in response to the decline in student numbers, but the loss won't have a major impact on school finances. "It won't affect programs at all," he said, adding a major building project scheduled at Campbell Elementary next summer will proceed as planned.

The project is a 6,500-square-foot expansion that will add a library/media center, multipurpose room, restrooms and a general classroom. The project cost is estimated at \$500,000 to \$600,000.

Reading council to meet

The Thumb Area Reading Council will hold its October meeting Tuesday, Oct. 5, at St. Elizabeth School Hall in Reese. The featured speakers will be Carol Crane and Matt Faulkner who will present the program, "You Can't Take a Balloon to the Metropolitan Museum" - Immersing Art and Literature Into a Wordless Book.

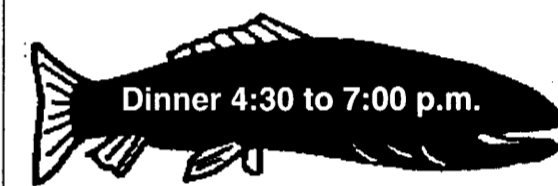
Registration and Book Sales (from Sterling Books) are from 4-5 p.m. Dinner will be served at 5:00 followed by the program.

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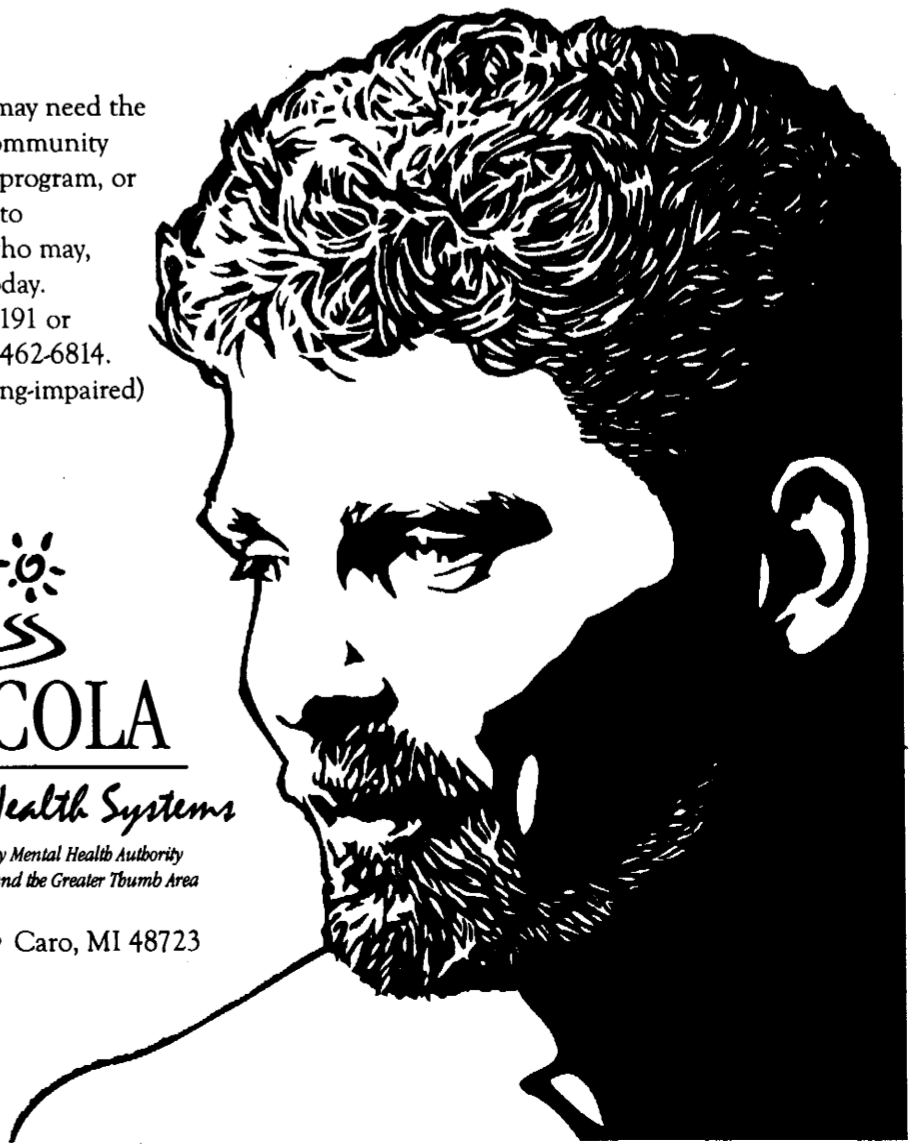
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Women suing Walbro

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The termination was that Mulrath had allegedly failed to follow an order regarding installation of certain phone lines, however, she claims the reason is merely a pretext for illegal discrimination.

Mulrath is also claiming breach of contract, alleging she was required to accept a contract revision allowing Walbro to terminate her employment solely on the will and whim of the company, rather than for cause and/or staff reductions necessitated by economic conditions.

In the other suit, Scheil also claims the company discriminated against her based, in part, on her age.

Scheil was hired in December 1979 as a purchasing sec-

retary and was subsequently promoted and given many merit raises, according to the suit, which states she was dismissed at the age of 54 in April 1998 in spite of good to excellent performance evaluations.

Scheil claims the company

also violated the Michigan Persons with Disabilities Act based on officials' perception of Scheil's health.

The suit notes Scheil suffered a number of medical problems in 1995, including a heart attack and gall bladder surgery. After a brief hia-

tus from work to recover, however, she claims she returned to work and performed good to excellent work.

Walbro officials declined comment, saying they have received no notice of the suits.

Deputies arrest 3 men

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involved.

Woidan said 2 Tuscola deputies went to the Lee Hill Road home to investigate a reported fight at a party. They subsequently received permission to search the resi-

dence, and they were able to recover some of the stolen property, including 14 shotguns and rifles. Deputies also recovered property from a nearby residence, and from the suspects' vehicles, he added.

"We've also located some of the property in Clare County and we're still recovering property locally," Woidan said. "There's probably going to be more people charged."

Woidan noted it's likely the

suspects will be charged with more than breaking and entering. "They did a lot of damage inside the houses, so there's probably going to be some MDOP (malicious destruction of property) charges."

Woidan said it will be a challenge to find some of the owners of the stolen property because in many cases, there are no serial numbers.

"We're going to end up with 20 long guns from 2 counties, so it's going to be hard to match (them) up."

Fall deer hunts follow record kill

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Jarvis.

"We took more deer and we took more antlerless deer - it was approaching 60 percent antlerless in the Thumb area," he said, noting an estimated 15 percent of the antlerless kill was composed of button bucks.

Those statistics, along with a decline in crop damage reports and car-deer accidents, are all indicators that the deer population is dropping, Jarvis noted.

He said crop damage permits were down by about one-third this year. Car-deer accident figures for 1999 won't be available until 2 or 3 months into the year 2000, he added, but a drop in accidents - roughly 10 percent - was seen in the Thumb in 1998.

Jarvis said there are few deer hunting regulation changes this year.

"The big change is in the baiting. You're limited to 5 gallons per day in any one location starting Oct. 1," he explained. Jarvis said baiting hasn't traditionally been a big issue in the Thumb, where "the biggest bait pile is somebody's field of corn or beans or alfalfa."

Michigan bow hunters will get the first crack at the 1999 deer herd when the archery season gets underway Friday morning. The season will continue through Nov. 14, followed by the regular firearm season Nov. 15-30. The muzzleloading season is scheduled for Dec. 3-12 in Zone One (Upper Peninsula) and Dec. 10-19 in Zones 2 and 3.

Hunters will also have an opportunity to bag a deer during a late firearm season (for antlerless deer on private land only) Dec. 18 through Jan. 2.

Village council eyes zone status

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IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business during the monthly meeting, the council:

- Endorsed an application of the Cass City Boosters to be recognized as a non-profit organization for the purpose of obtaining a gaming license and registration. The license will enable the club to conduct a raffle to raise money for school sports programs.

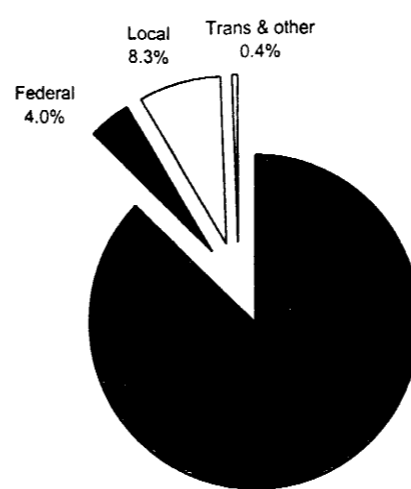
- Set "trick or treat" hours for 5:30 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30. The date change

was approved because Halloween falls on a Sunday this year.

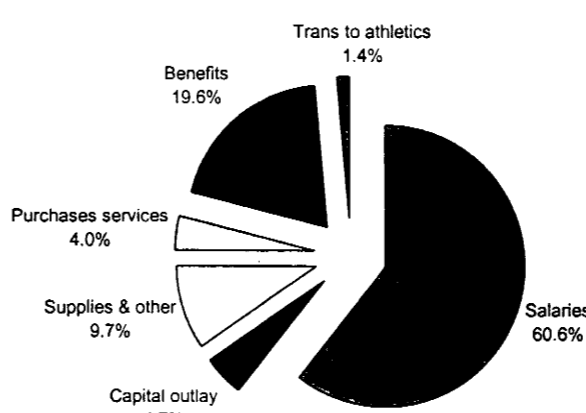
- Approved a motion to accept bids for the sale of a village-owned 1995 Dodge Intrepid that was used as a police car for about 4 years. Bids, which must total at least \$1,000, will be opened at the next village council meeting, Monday, Oct. 25, at 7 p.m.

- Authorized village administrators to hold a garage sale to get rid of obsolete equipment, supplies, furniture, tools, bikes and other miscellaneous items. The sale will be held during one of the last 2 Saturdays in October.

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Finances healthy

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is reserved for re-tests as needed.

The parent-teacher conference date was okayed for Thursday, Oct. 19. Conferences will be held in the afternoon and evening.

Nicholas Colwell was selected from among 9 candidates for the technical support specialist-computer clubhouse coordinator position. He will work 205 days

a year, meaning that basically he will not be at the school for the month of July. His salary this year, prorated for the time he will have missed before going to work here, will be \$42,000. That increases to \$45,000 next year. A grant pays \$35,000 of the salary with the remainder paid by the school. Colwell lives in Lapeer and comes to Cass City from Lake Orion Community Schools where he has been employed since 1995.

Telfarm available at half the cost for new enrollees

If ever there was a time to have a clear understanding about the farm's assets, liabilities and the rate of or potential for equity erosion, it is now, and Michigan State University's Telfarm Microtel accounting system may be crucial to the task.

Larry Borton, Telfarm Center manager, says new Telfarm enrollees who are recommended for the service by the local MSU Extension agent or district farm management agent will pay half

the normal fees for the first year's service.

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HAWK GOLFERS Brent Goslin (standing) and Nick Chappel eye a putt during Monday's match with visiting Bad Axe.

Hawk golfers whip Hatchets Monday

All that has happened before is merely a prologue for the Cass City High School golf team. Next week will determine if the Red Hawks will have a banner season or only an average to good year.

The big week starts Monday with a tune-up match with a strong Mayville squad. After that comes the league meet at Verona Hills at Bad Axe Wednesday, an all-day meet that starts at 8:30 a.m. On Friday the regionals are scheduled in Capac.

"I'd like to think each player could still improve a shot or two. That would make us competitive next week in the league and regionals."

Before the big week of golf,

the Hawks entertained the Bad Axe Hatchets Monday and are scheduled to compete in an all-day invitational at Vassar this Friday.

Against the Hatchets, Matt Ender posted medalist honors to lead the hosts to a lopsided 160-182 win. Ender's round was highlighted by one birdie and 5 pars enroute to a 2 over total of 37.

Ender received plenty of help from Brent Goslin and Joel Brinkman who scored 40 and 41, respectively. Nick Chappel fired a 42, despite recording a triple bogie on the fairly easy 7th hole at Rolling Hills Golf Course.

"Matt and Joel played well," said Coach Paul Chappel. "And Nick and Brent have been pretty consistent."

Also playing well for the Hawks Monday was Chris Maharg who tallied 44 and Derek Bellew who carded 50.

"I'd like to think each player could still improve a shot or two. That would

make us competitive next week in the league and regionals," says Chappel. Adding, "I'm very encouraged."

The Hatchets' were led by Rachel Peterson, Kerry Biarski, and Dennis Maschke who each tallied 45.

ALL SAINTS

The favorites in the Greater Thumb West league race will be Bay City All Saints which showed why it is picked to win the title in a match with the Hawks Monday, Sept. 20. Playing at the Bay County Golf Course the Cougars won, 157-166.

Eric Shark was the medalist with a sparkling 36 and the Cougars had 3 players in the thirties, Ryan Brandel, 39, and Justin Cherwin, 38. Jeff Grenow shot 44.

Goslin led the Hawks with 39. Chappel and Brinkman followed with 41 each. Ender posted a 45 followed by Bellew and Maharg each with 46.



THE FIRST HILLS & Dales General Hospital Golf Benefit was captured Wednesday by the Thumb National Bank team of (l-r) Kevin Mika, Ben Schott, Garen Hallwood, and Kent Winter. Congratulating the team, which recorded a winning 9-hole scramble score of 29, is Ray Prill, Hills & Dales Human Resource manager.



ALL DECKED OUT - Representing Cass City High School's underclassmen on this year's homecoming court were (from left) juniors Brent Wallace and Joy Haddix, sophomores Jeff Storm and Kari Lowe and freshmen Nick Turner and Amanda Frederick.

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Hawks no match for powerful USA Friday

The Cass City Red Hawk football fans had one chance to cheer Friday as it faced state-ranked number one Unionville-Sebewa in its homecoming game and after that it was all downhill as the Patriots administered a 51-6 shellacking to the Hawks in the Greater Thumb West league contest.

The moment of joy came the first time Cass City touched the ball when Adam Dorland took the USA kickoff and raced 78 yards to score. That made the score 8-6 in favor of the visitors who took the game opening kickoff and scored in 3 plays from their own 42-yard line, Kevin Vermeersch scoring from 32 yards out. The extra points run was good by Stephen Gruehn.

The loss was the fifth in a

row for Cass City and little is known about the team's next foe, Morenci, a school in the southern tip of the state which was carded to fill a blank for the date. They have a losing record for the season, but do have a couple of wins. It will be Morenci's homecoming and the game is slated Saturday at 2 p.m.

It's not likely that the Morenci homecoming will be as disheartening for its fans as the game with USA was for Cass City. After that touchdown jaunt by Dorland, the Hawks took nothing against the Patriot defense and the team's defense was unable to stop the USA juggernaut.

Cass City was held to just 2 first downs in the half. On its next series with the ball USA moved from its own 40

to the Hawks 9 before being stopped by a fumble. But it was only a temporary reprieve. As USA regained possession on the Cass City 37 and drive to the touchdown at the 4:50 mark in 5 plays with Gruehn going over from the from the 2.

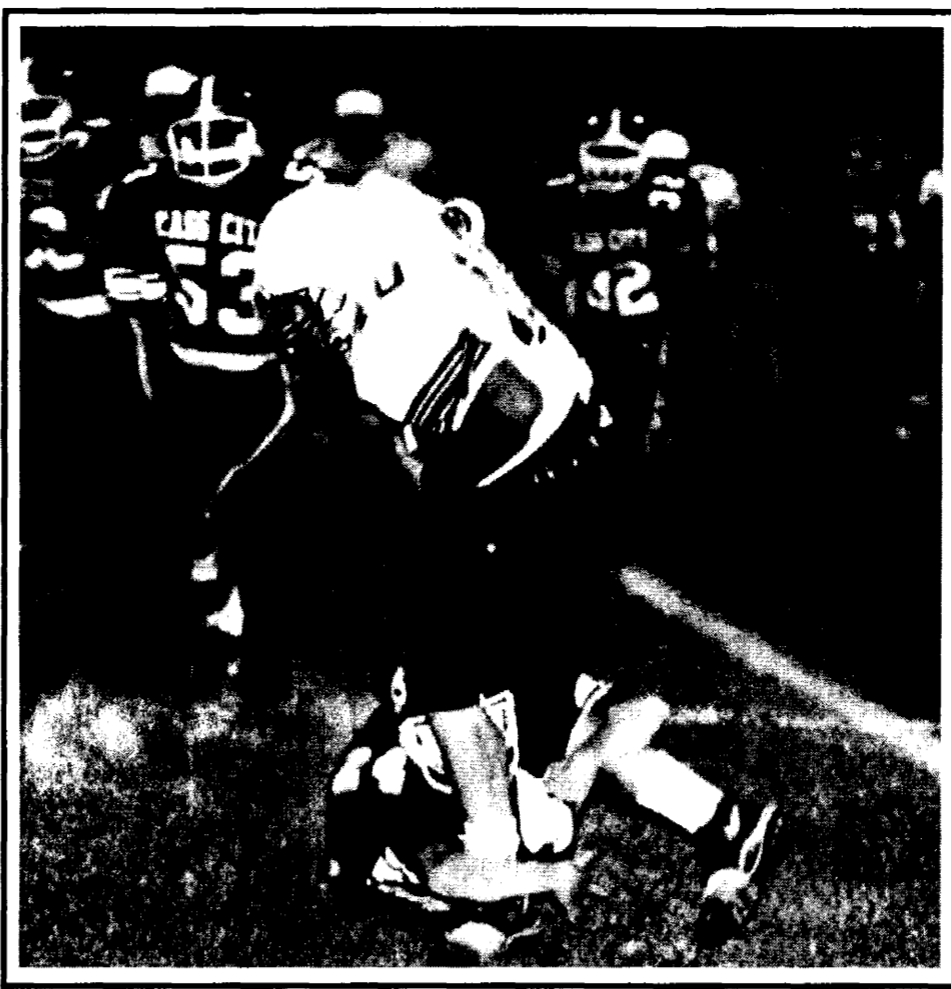
The Patriots started another touchdown drive the next time they got the ball on their own 40, scoring at the 11:06 mark when Vermeersch went over from the 8-yard line. USA moved 80 yards on its next drive to score at the 3:06 mark. A 25-yard run by Vermeersch with a face mask penalty at the end of it ate up most of the yardage. Nathaniel Gokey ran it in from the 9-yard line.

The final USA score of the first half came with just 55 seconds left. Isaiah Gainforth found Vermeersch all alone behind the Hawk secondary and he took the pass and rambled into the end zone untouched. The pass-run covered 65 yards.

The Patriots added second touchdowns in each of the last 2 quarters. Gruehn scoring from 4 yards out in the third and Gokey covering 35 yards for the final touchdown of the game.

The Hawks were forced to play without the services of Bryce VanVliet out with an injury who is the starting quarterback and valued defensive player. Ryan Ouvry led the team in tackles with 13, 2 unassisted. Dorland picked up 40 yards in 19 attempts, a 2.1 average.

	CC	USA
First downs	8	16
Rushing attempts	35	49
Rushing yards	73	350
Passing complete	3	5
Passing attempts	9	9
Passing yards	26	110
Total offense yards	99	460
Penalties/yds.	2/20	10/110



CASS CITY'S Zach Glaspie brings down the Patriot's Stephen Gruehn Friday night. With the exception of Adam Dorland's first-quarter kick return for a score, the Red Hawks continued to struggle on offense, falling to USA by a score of

Bulldogs steal gridiron thriller against Pirates

Owen-Gage coach Joe Candela's Bulldogs remained in the hunt for the North Central Thumb League gridiron title Saturday, stealing a come-from-behind victory at Peck. The Pirates had entered the contest with an unblemished

showing on the clock, sending the contest into overtime. In the overtime frame, Bulldog Matt Rogers scored from 4 yards out. That set up Howard's game winning kick.

Peck's Affer answered Rogers' score, but Affer's

"We gave a solid team effort. I told the kids we still have a shot at the league (championship)."

Bulldog Coach Joe Candela

mark in conference play. Senior Derek Howard's point after kick proved to be the game winner as the visitors knocked off the league's co-leaders with a dramatic 19-18 overtime win.

"We gave a solid team effort," said Candela. "I told the kids we still have a shot at the league (championship)."

Both the Bulldogs and Pirates now stand at 2-1 in conference play, one game back of undefeated Kingston. Owen-Gage will seek their 3rd NCTL win Friday when Akron-Fairgrove (0-3 NCTL) visits Owendale.

Leading 12-6, with under a minute remaining in regulation, the Pirates handed their guests the game.

The Pirate defense stuffed what appeared to be the Bulldogs' final drive and took possession of the pigskin on downs near mid-field. With no Bulldog time outs remaining, the Pirates needed only to kneel to run out the clock. However, the hosts opted to run the ball up the middle.

That strategy backfired when Jeff Affer's fumble was recovered by Earl McKee, setting the stage for the come-back win. Moments later Howard found Jeremy Kady open in the Peck secondary with just 28 ticks

point after run was thwarted by Howard and Georg Janssen, giving the visitor the win.

"We turned in our best defensive game of the year," said Candela.

The Bulldog defense held Peck to only 5 first downs and recorded a season high 5 quarterback sacks. McKee led the guests with 11 solo tackles and 2 assists. Howard recorded 8 solo stops and 7 assists, while Nathan Dale was credited with 7 solo tackles and 6 assists.

After a scoreless opening frame, Mark Gordan punched Peck on the scoreboard first when he picked off an errant Howard pass and raced 65 yards to paydirt.

It didn't take long for the Bulldogs to strike back as Shane Mellendorf scored from 11 yards out following the ensuing kickoff Mellendorf's tally was set up by a 65 yard kickoff return by Jeremy Story.

Deadlocked at 6 at the intermission, Peck opened the final half scoring after pinning the Bulldogs deep into their own territory. Affer accounted for the marker on a 10 yard run with under 4 minutes remaining in the 3rd period. Affer led all rushers with 136 yards on 28 carries

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Last week's results Season's Results	10-4 40-25 (62%)	12-2 43-22 (66%)	10-4 45-20 (69%)	10-4 41-24 (63%)	12-2 50-15 (77%)

**NOTICE OF AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 129
VILLAGE OF CASS CITY, MICHIGAN
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
EXPANSION OF DISTRICT BOUNDARIES**

Please be advised that the Village Council of the Village of Cass City, Michigan, Elklind Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, after a Public Hearing, conducted on Monday, August 30, 1999, at 7:00 PM, the Village Council amended Ordinance No. 129, providing for the "Expansion of the District Boundaries for the Downtown Development Authority."

The DDA District boundaries are revised to include the following Parcels: A) Cass City IGA, 6121 Cass City Road, Cass City, Michigan; and, B) Parcel owned by Micro EDM, north of the existing facility currently occupied by a residential dwelling unit, 4429 Doerr Road, Cass City, Michigan, as legally described by the following:

Legal Description Parcel A:
Commencing at a point 328 feet west of the southeast corner of the southwest 1/4, thence west 200 feet, thence north 20 rods, thence east 200 feet, thence south 20 rods to the point of beginning.

Legal Description Parcel B:
Commencing at a point 460.00 Feet south of the North 1/4 Corner of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, Thence West 165.00 Feet, Thence South 99.00 Feet, Thence East 165.00 Feet, Thence North 9.00 Feet to the Point of Beginning, Being in Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 33 Town 14 North, Range 11 East.

Enacted by the Village Council of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan this 30th day of August, 1999. This ordinance amendment will be effective twenty(20) days from the date of publication.

Joyce A. Bemus, Village Clerk/Treasurer

Please contact the Village of Cass City, Jane Downing, Village Manager, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan 48726, Telephone (517)872-2911, Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM, for more information and or questions concerning this ordinance amendment.

SUCCESSFUL HUNTER -----

Roy "Bud" Jeffery, 69, of Au Gres, formerly of Cass City, recently shot his first bear in Seney, Michigan. His guide was Tim Maziarz of Tawas.



AUCTION SALE

Vehicles, Household Tools & Guns
Owner: Shoreline Tire

Having commissioned Osentoski Auction Service to sell at public auction the following equipment at the place located 2 3/4 miles East of Cass City, MI on M-81 to (Double D's).

**Saturday, October 2nd, 1999
Commencing at 10:00 A.M.**

VEHICLES
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1989 Ford, Tire service truck, 25' Ext boom
1986 Ford F350 Tire service truck, power tail gate, tire gauge, air compressor, hose reels, 89,234 miles
1986 Ford 4X4 Pick up, rebuilt 7-3 D
Ford 3/4 Ton 4X4 w/ plow
1974 Chevy Blazer w/ Myers snow plow
Jeep w/ Myers snow plow
Jeep for parts

TRACTORS
John Deere A Tractor
John Deere B Tractor
International BN Tractor
Oliver 2255 mechanical ft. assist, Cat motor

TRAILERS
1980 Trailmobile 45' flatbed trailer
Freuhau 50' x 102' trailer
Freuhau converter tandem dolly
Non detachable Low Boy trailer w/ 22' well, tandem axle w/ 15" tires.
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1995 S&H 2 place Horse trailer, padded inside
16-18' Storage box
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EQUIPMENT
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2-3 Ton 3pt. Plow
3-Freeman 3,000 Loader
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8ft. Rubber 3pt. Scraper
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2-Running gears
Sickle mower 3pt.
Hyd. fork lift -Mast
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Coats 50-60 Tire changer
Coats 40-40 Tire changer
IMT hyd. Bead breaker
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Acetylene oxygen outfit
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Poly calcium tank (outside)
2-Coats care tire spreaders
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6- Orange plastic tote containers
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Misc. Storage racks-stackable

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11R21-5 Dayton & Bud
Misc. truck tires
Cat 116V8 motor

TOOLS
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Jack stands
Air hose
Chain
Ext. cords
Tire vise
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Quantity of new bolts

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Holbrook Area News



Mrs. Thelma Jackson
Phone 658-2347

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Eric weeney an 8-pound son, Brett Edward James weeney, Tuesday, Sept. 21, at Huron Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe. Brett was 20 1/2 inches long. Grandparents are Jim and Carol Peters of Bad Axe and Jim and Kay weeney. Maternal grandparents are Carol and Don Clark, Helen Peters, Mary Osentoski and Joe Millot of Snover. Paternal great-grandparent is Francis Schirhart of Bad Axe. Allen Farrelly attended the St. Joseph Parish broasted chicken dinner at Argyle Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Keyser visited Gene Becker at Hills and Dales General Hospital Wednesday.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Gillis Brown, Mabel Fisher and Leo Lemanski at the Huron County Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe Thursday.

Ed Schember of Elkton, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel and daughter Sharon of Atlanta, Ga., Margaret Cook, Doris Western and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's for breakfast Monday morning.

Eleven members of the Traveling Breakfast Club met at Big Boy in Bad Axe Thursday morning. They will meet at the Peppermill next week.

The Young Ideas Farm Bureau met at the home of Clarence and Pat Heleski. After the meeting, cards were played and prizes were won by Delores Bouchard and Joe Wolschlager. Low prizes were won by Dorothy Heleski and Ducey Holz. The next meeting will be held at the home of Stanley and Dorothy Heleski, Oct. 21.

Mary Lou and Robert Harris of Auburn Heights and Betty and Bryce Hagen spent a few days with Connie and Ron Grey at Gladwin.

Phyllis Pelton and Mrs. Alex Cleland visited Irene Nicol in Cass City Sunday.

Thelma Jackson was a Fri-

day lunch guest of Mrs. Martin Sweeney.

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

Al Schember of Elkton, Doris Western and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's for breakfast Saturday morning.

Melvin and Charlotte Particka spent a week in Lincolnshire, Ill., baby-sitting their granddaughters, Laura and Amy Godell, while their parents, Doctors William and Melanie Godell, attended a medical conference in Montreal, Canada. While they were there, they visited cousin, Edward Micklasc and family, and were buffet dinner guests.

Albert and Ann Depcinski, Steve and Andrew and Heather and Ervin Depcinski attended a wedding reception for Mr. and Mrs. Mike Gonowiecha at the K of C Hall in Bad Axe Saturday. Jeannie Long and Mike Gonowiecha were married at St. John's Catholic Church in Uby Saturday at 1 o'clock.

Mike Zauner of Indiana spent a few days with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pelton.

Mrs. Curtis Cleland and Mrs. Gerald Wills were Saturday evening guests of Thelma Jackson.

Ed Schember of Elkton, Margaret Cook, Doris Western and Allen Farrelly had breakfast Tuesday at McDonald's in Bad Axe.

WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson, Mrs. Gerry Grifka, Mrs. David Grifka and daughter Grace, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rumpitz and daughter Jolene, attended the wedding of Karrie Mergyl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mergyl, and Kevin Michael Hope at St. Joseph's Church at Lake Orion at 5

o'clock Friday evening. Around 150 guests attended from Lake Orion, Shelby Township, Sterling Heights, Chicago, Ill., and Uby.

A reception followed at Club Monte Carlo in Shelby Township.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western, Margaret Cook and Allen Farrelly had supper at the Verona Tavern Monday evening.

Mrs. Hiram Keyser spent Thursday with Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr and Mrs. Curtis Cleland attended

the broasted chicken dinner at St. Joseph's Hall in Argyle Sunday.

EUCHRE CLUB

The Euchre Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Decker Sept. 18.

High prizes were won by Harold Copeland and Genny Gracey. Low prizes were won by Jane Fuester and Helen Copeland. The traveling prize went to Harold Copeland.

The group later went to the Methodist Church dinner in Kingston.

Oct. 9, the club will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Gracey in Bad Axe.

Circuit court proceedings

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

•Charles W. Mitchell, 39, North Branch, pleaded no contest to writing a non-sufficient fund check of \$200 or more April 12, 1998, in Mayville, and guilty to attempted absconding or forfeiting bond Feb. 26 in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was set at \$5,000 for the defendant, who was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing was scheduled for Nov. 5.

•Eric G. Kirkpatrick, 21, Vassar, was sentenced to 30 days in jail, with work/school release, for his plea of guilty to attempted fleeing and eluding a police officer, third degree, June 8 in the village of Fairgrove and Juniata, Fairgrove and Akron townships.

Kirkpatrick was also ordered to complete his high school education and pay \$1,420 in court costs and fines.

•George R. Donovan, 41, Deford, pleaded guilty to being a felon in possession of a firearm Aug. 27 in Kingston Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$5,000. Sentencing was scheduled for Nov. 5.

•Billy L. Manning, 21, Kingston, pleaded guilty to

probation violation.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Kenneth C. Gamet, 21, Vassar, pleaded guilty to probation violation.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was set at \$5,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing was scheduled for Oct. 8.

•Daryl L. Ostrander, 46, Millington, pleaded guilty to manufacturing marijuana (less than 20 plants) June 17 in Watertown Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$5,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's

department. Sentencing was scheduled for Nov. 5.

•Mark J. Evans, 50, Millington, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, July 4 in Vassar Township.

Bond was continued at \$1,000 and a pre-sentence investigation was ordered. Sentencing was scheduled for Nov. 5.

•Mark R. Swiecicki, 45, Waterford, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, July 4 in Indianfields Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$2,000. Sentencing was scheduled for Nov. 5.



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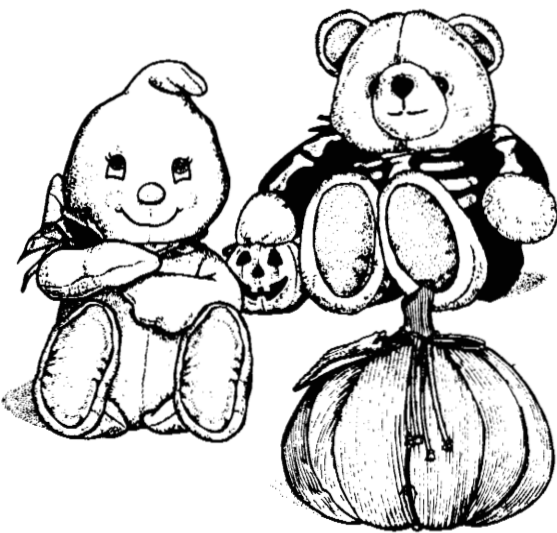
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Cable-ettes	5
Wild John's	5
Cass City Tire	4
Team #7	2

High Team Series: J.B.'s Crew 3028.

High Team Game: Cable-ettes 1085.

High Series: S. Hutchinson 539, V. Patera 510, B. Ware 500, M. Moore 490, D. Sweeney 481, T. Middaugh 478, D. Gornowicz 492, T. Avery 471, N. Davis 470.

High Games: T. Middaugh 194, B. Kilbourn 190, S. Hutchinson 190, V. Patera 189, D. Sweeney 188, D. Gornowicz 186, B. Ware 182, T. Avery 170, M. Moore 170.

MERCHANTS' LEAGUE

All Season Video	12
Hollywood & Vine	10
Charmont	10
Triple R	10
T Furness Builders	8
S S Builders	7
R H Body Shop	6
New England	6
Wicks	6
Trisch Septic	5

High Team Series & Game: Charmont 3088 (1130).

Individual High Series & Games: J. Krol 691 (239-267), J. Langenburg 665 (235-237), M. Gettel 663 (232-245), M. Jackson 641 (221-229), R. Diebel 622 (232), R. Koch 617 (238), M. Lutz 602 (230), B. Anthes 599, T. Summers 590 (214-214), C. Anthes 583, D. Johnson 582, R. Wright 580 (224), B. Rutkoski 578, G. Robinson 236, D.C. Ashton 223, R. Hull 213, S. Kelley 213, J. Storm 211.

THURSDAY NITE TRIO

Sept. 23

Marlette Oil & Gas	9
Mycogen Seeds	8
Babich Farms	8
Schmaltz Construction	7
BICC General	6
New England Financial	6
Cass Tavern	5
Thumb Auto Wash	5
Terra	4
Generally Low	4
Martin Electric	2

High Series & Games: E. Schmaltz 736 (267-234-235), D. Beecher 673 (223-246), Doug O'Dell 656 (232-224), J. Krol 652 (243-217), R. Rabideau 633 (236-223), T. Babich 613 (230-231), G. Smith 609, W. Laming 603 (246), D. Doerr 604 (233), J. Langenburg 602 (220), K. Pichla 601 (224), S. Osentoski 591 (226), D. Roth 592 (219-216), B. Biebel 591, R. Hull 226, R. Doerr

229, R. Carpenter 221, D. Heleski 225, R. Root 214.
High Team Series: Schmaltz Construction 1853.
High Team Game: New England Financial 708.

MERCHANETTE LEAGUE

Sept. 23

Health Mart Pills	11
Osentoski Trucking	9
Caro Chiropractic	7
J.B.'s Crew	7
Adamczyk Masonry	6
LaFave Steel	5*
Thumb Auto Wash	4
Hills and Dales Hos.	4
All Season Rent-All	3
Detroit Edison	3*

*To be adjusted

High Games: J. Bemus 233, C. Brown 217, J. Lapp 201.

High Series: J. Bemus 538, B. Englehardt 525, D. Potrykus 509, L. Erla 506.

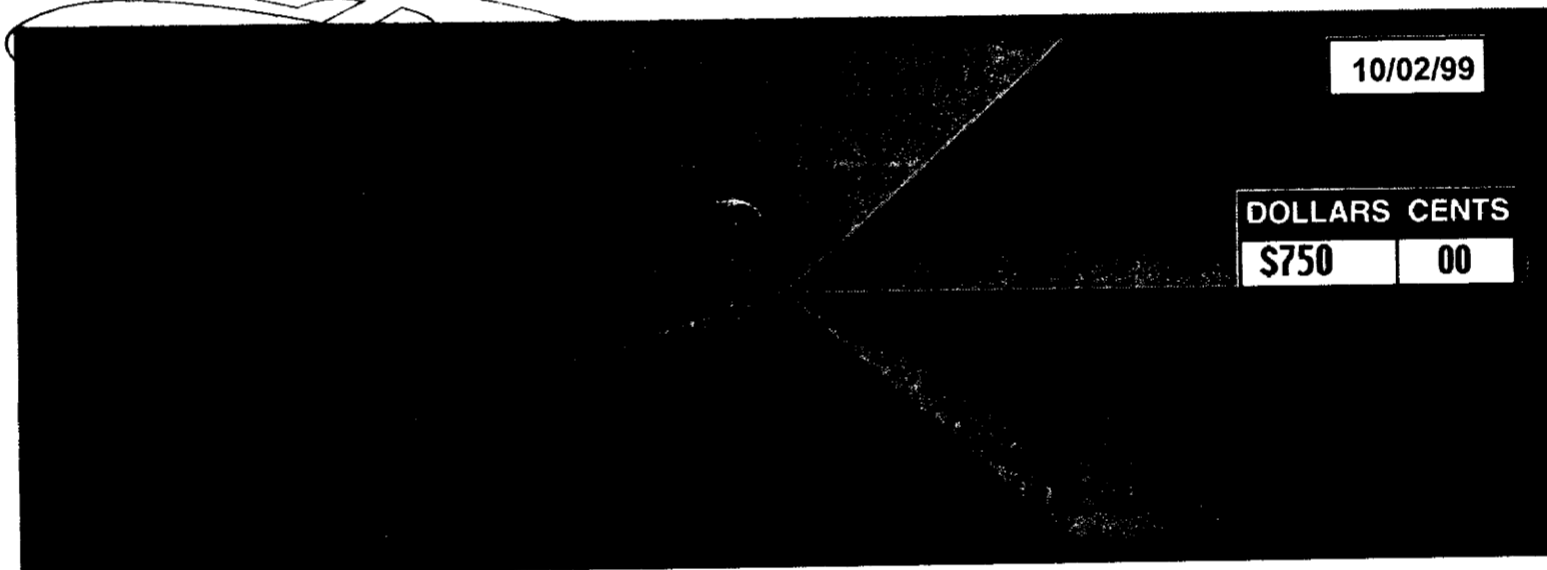


AND THE WINNER IS...? High School Principal Dorland Kuntz kisses a pig during the homecoming pep assembly Friday. Kuntz helped raise money in conjunction with the Cass City homecoming as students filled his jar with the most money, earning him the smooch during last week's spirit week.

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College night Oct. 7

The Tuscola County Counselors Association will be hosting a College Night Program Thursday, Oct. 7, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Tuscola Technology Center, one mile north of M-81 on Cleaver Road in Caro.

Representatives from the large public universities in Michigan, area community colleges, many private colleges and vocational schools, and branches of the military will be on hand to provide information to students and parents. A special session on financial aid will explain how college can be affordable.

There will be no better opportunity for students and parents to get so much information on so many schools at one time.

For more information, please contact Lenore Lemanski, counselor at the

Tuscola Technology Center, (517) 673-5300, or Wayne Dillon, Cass City High School, 872-2148.

There are also College Night presentations Monday,

Oct. 4, at Bad Axe High School, and Monday, Oct. 11, at Sandusky High School, both from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Railroad show set

The 22nd Annual Model Railroad Show and Swap Meet will be held at Delta College Midland Center, 1025 East Wheeler, Midland, Sunday, Oct. 17.

The show will feature a large H O Gage operating layout provided by the Saginaw River Valley Model Railroad Club, and a N Gage layout provided by the B.E.A.M. N Scale Club. Lionel and scale model railroad items as well as railroad

collectibles will be available for sale.

A consignment table will be available also.

The event will be open to the public from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults, \$5 per family.

The show is sponsored by the Tri-County Model Railroad Club (a non-profit organization). The club draws membership from Midland, Bay City, Saginaw and adjoining communities.

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Automotive
FOR SALE - 1972 Chevelle, 355 ci motor, 3,000 miles, have original 307. \$3,600. 872-4721, ask for Matt. 1-9-29-3

Automotive
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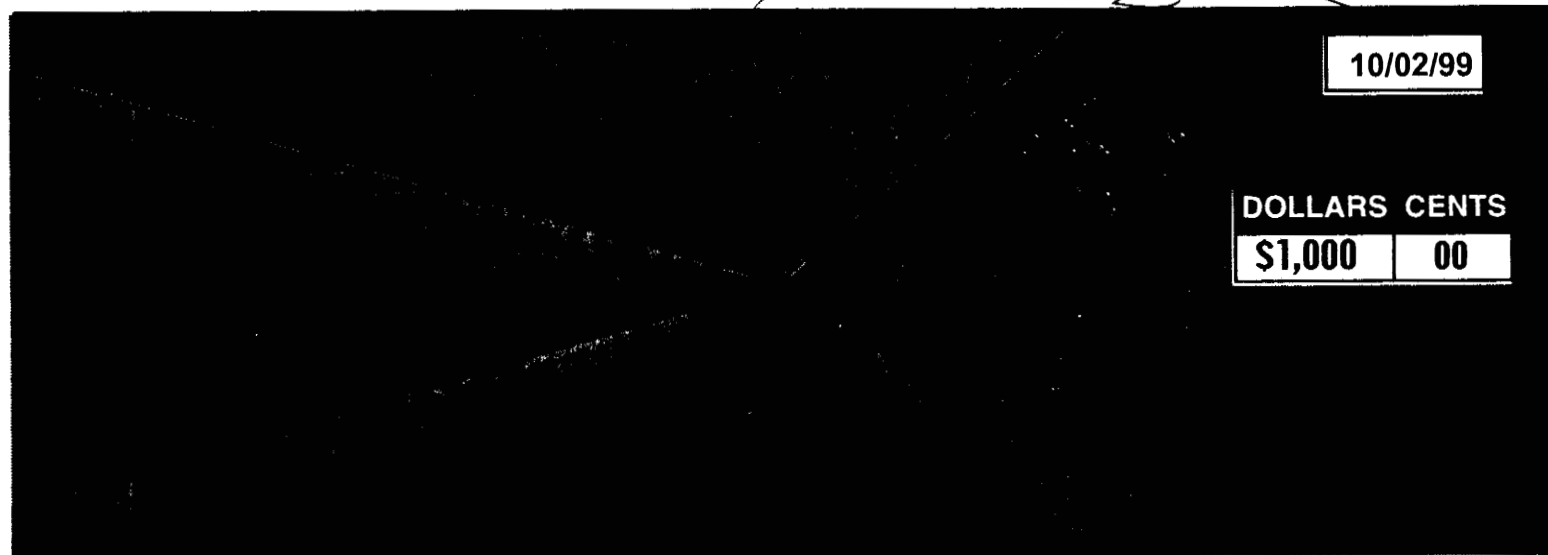
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5 YEARS AGO

Long-time Cass City DPW employee Eldon Stoutenburg, now retired, was honored during the village council meeting Monday night. Village President Pro Tem Mike Weaver presented a plaque to Stoutenburg in appreciation of his 34 1/2 years of service to the village.

Police are looking for 3 men, 2 of whom reportedly

attempted to force a Caro woman to go with them as she was walking just outside of Cass City last week. The woman told police one of the suspects struck her on the side of her face, and her clothing was torn, but she was not injured.

Senior Angie Wildman highlighted the Owen-Gage homecoming half-time show when she was crowned the school's 1994 queen. Matt Jaworski was voted king.

The 15th annual Bay Shore benefit auction brought in a record breaking \$26,000. A candy bar donated by 12-year-old Ross Sherman of Cass City went for \$78.

Trudi Malthouse, the Australian exchange student at Cass City High School, reports that in Australia there are no school days for snow, just heat days.

Police Department range in Jackson. He received a stainless steel Smith and Wesson 357 magnum revolver as top prize.

Two of Cass City's 3 full-time police officers have been trained to use the new 9mm semiautomatic pistol that has replaced the 357-magnum revolver.

25 YEARS AGO

Members of Cadette Girl Scout Troop 958 enjoyed a 6-day trip to Ontario this summer. Attending were Linda Rands, Jennifer Knowlton, Jessica Langley, Nichole Marker, Ann Urban, Laura Jamison and Wendy Hurley, as well as leader Pat Jamison and assistant Janet Hurley.

Cass City resident Sherri Horner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Horner, Cass City, will present her work with the U.S. Peace Corps Sunday at the Novesta Church of Christ. Horner has served 14 months in the Central African Republic village of Yolaki, teaching health to teachers.

A veteran Cass City police officer was named top shooter in his class following a statewide target shooting competition held earlier this month at the Jackson

Two Massachusetts women died Friday morning when their car slammed into a vehicle driven by James Wilson, 21, of Decker, at the intersection of M-53 and M-46. Mrs. Wilson, 20, remains in serious condition in Port Huron Hospital from injuries sustained in the crash. Mr. Wilson was treated for injuries at Marlette Hospital.

The cost of instruction at Cass City Schools will edge past \$1 million for the first time during the 1974-75 school year following agreement on a new contract with the Cass City Teachers' Association.

Among 31 lettermen returning to football action at Albion College this year is junior defensive end Tim Knoblet of Cass City. Knoblet's outstanding high school career was capped following the 1971 season when he received the Paul Smarks trophy for athletic excellence.

Cass City played host to 12 Rotary exchange students last weekend. Students included Elvia Pozzi of Brazil and Jan Grenholm of Sweden, both staying in the Cass City area.

About 30 senior-high Methodist youth from both Trinity and Salem churches enjoyed a hayride Sunday evening at the Gerald Auten home which was followed by a hot dog roast.

35 YEARS AGO

Property owners in Gagetown Monday approved borrowing \$53,000 to pay for the replacement of the village's ancient wooden mains.

The strike against South-eastern Michigan Gas Company by some 83 members of Local Union 339, Teamsters, now in its 55th day, continues with no end in sight.

Cass City's centennial next year will be big, spectacular and expensive. Cass City Community Centennial Corp. members learned Tuesday night as they approved a centennial budget of \$13,260.

Caro has not defeated Cass City in 13 years, but it will take maximum effort by the Hawks to get by the Tigers again this year. Coach Oarie Lemanski reported this week.

There will be no extension of the Cass City water service to residents outside the village unless they are willing to be annexed and share the tax burden. This was the consensus of the village council members at their September meeting.

New hours at health department

The Huron County Health Department has new business hours. The office will be open from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4:30 p.m. beginning Oct. 1.

Clients who have appointments scheduled between 4:30 and 5 p.m. should keep their appointments unless contacted by health department staff.

The health department will continue to meet the needs of the community by maintaining evening clinic hours for programs such as Family Planning Immunizations and WIC.

For more information about evening clinics or any health department service, please call (517) 269-9721.

At Ubyl Heights

Thumb Dementia Coalition will host workshop Friday

The Thumb Area Dementia Coalition will be hosting a workshop entitled "Advanced Issues in Dementia Care" Friday, Oct. 1.

The workshop will be presented by Dr. Shelly Weaverdyck of the University of Michigan School of Nursing and Eastern Michigan University's Alzheimer's Education and Demonstration Program.

The workshop will take place Friday, Oct. 1, at the Ubyl Heights Golf and Country Club in Ubyl. The workshop has been de-

signed to provide participants an advanced overview of Dementia, including the perspective of the person with Dementia and the brain pathology that is involved. Dr. Weaverdyck's primary focus will be on how to relate the changes in the brain to the environment, communication, and daily schedules of routines of dementia sufferers.

Health care professionals, social workers, family members, adult foster care staff, custodial caregivers, as well as first responders, including

police officers, are encouraged to attend this workshop.

Participants completing the one-day session are eligible to receive continuing education credits, adult foster care staff will be eligible to receive 6 credits. An application for 6 credits has been submitted for RNs, LPNs, CENAs, nursing home administrators and physicians, and is awaiting approval.

A registration fee of \$20 per person will include informational materials, lunch, and break refreshments. To register, or for additional infor-

mation, please contact Elsi Kelly at Sanilac Community Mental Health at (810) 648-4450.

The Thumb Area Dementia Coalition is comprised of the following Thumb Area agencies providing specialized services to people with Dementia: Human Development Commission, Sanilac and Tuscola counties, Huron Behavioral Health, Huron County Health Department, McKenzie Memorial Hospital, Sanilac Community Mental Health, and Tuscola County Health Department.

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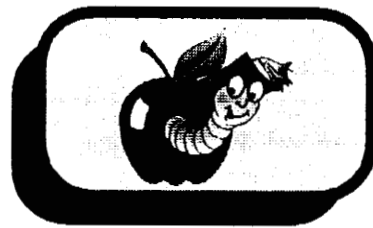
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