



State certifies petitions

State voters to decide voucher amendment plan

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Supporters of the "Kids First! Yes!" initiative say the proposal would guarantee higher per-pupil funding, statewide academic subject testing for all teachers, and funding to provide a better education for children in failing public school districts. Opponents say those claims amount to little more than a smoke screen for the initiative's real objective - to funnel public tax dollars into private and parochial schools, violating the principle of separation of church and state.

Michigan voters will decide the hotly debated issue in November.

The State Board of Canvassers last week voted unanimously to certify petitions submitted by Kids First! Yes! and place the proposal on the general election ballot. The organization collected the signatures of nearly a half-million residents in favor of putting the initiative to a vote of the people.

If approved, the proposal would amend a portion of the Michigan Constitution that now prohibits the "direct or indirect" use of public dollars to fund private, denominational and other nonpublic schools. A "yes" vote would allow indirect use of public dollars to fund private school educations.

According to Ed Patru, deputy communications director for Kids First! Yes!, the initiative guarantees a higher per-pupil funding level for every public school in the state, provides for teacher accountability through periodic academic testing, and allows parents whose kids attend failing schools - districts which fail to graduate at least two-thirds of their students - to choose "opportunity scholarships" worth one-half of the state's per pupil foundation grant (about \$3,100) for use at any non-public school.

Under the proposal, he explained, all schools would benefit because the minimum per-pupil funding level, which now stands at about \$5,200, would be locked in at the rate - roughly \$6,400 - approved by the state Legislature this year.

As for teacher accountability, Patru said academic subject testing would be mandatory for all public school teachers as well as instructors at non-public schools that participate in the opportunity scholarship program, although specifics have not been worked out yet. Patru noted the testing details would be left up to the Legislature.

As it stands now, Patru said, "Parents really have no way of knowing which teachers are qualified and know their

subject matter, and which teachers do not. This is really a first step in teacher accountability.

"The public overwhelmingly supports teacher testing, not only in Michigan, but nationwide."

The list of school districts in the "failing" category will be determined by statistics from the 1998-99 school year, which won't be available until September. However, Patru estimated the number of schools on that list will total 30 to 35 out of the state's 555 districts.

Initially, the opportunity scholarships will be available only in those failing districts, but students in other public schools could also participate if a local board of education votes in favor of the program. Residents can also put the

issue to a vote provided 10 percent of district residents who voted in the most recent school election sign a petition calling for an election on the matter.

NOT LIKELY

Cass City Schools Supt. Ken Micklash said he doesn't see that happening locally.

"We have certainly a strong, positive school system, and we have excellent support from our community for our schools," he added.

Micklash said Cass City Schools is not taking an official position on the Kids First! Yes! initiative because of rules governing the use of public funds to sway public opinion.

However, Micklash said he personally is vehemently opposed to the proposal because he strongly feels that public resources should go to public schools. "I've always been a strong believer in separation of church and state, and this certainly violates that principle."

Micklash voiced a number of other concerns, including a lack of specifics concerning the proposed testing of instructors.

"That's a good bandwagon to jump on, but nobody knows what they're talking about," he said. "Teachers are being tested now when they come into the program." He also questions the quality of education that could

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Heitkamp joins the Chronicle

Saginaw area resident Lynn Heitkamp, 20, has joined the staff of the Cass City Chronicle as a summer intern.



A senior at Central Michigan University, Heitkamp is majoring in journalism with a minor in psychology.

She has worked as a general assignment reporter for CMU's campus newspaper, CM LIFE, and is a 2-year staff member of The Chippewa, CMU's yearbook. Heitkamp will serve as editor of the yearbook publication in 2001.

During her summer internship at the Chronicle, Heitkamp will cover a variety of news and feature stories along with general photography assignments. She will also be responsible for producing and organizing copy and photos for the Chronicle's annual Cass City Fourth of July special section to be published in late June.

Heitkamp, a 1997 graduate of Heritage High School, plans to pursue a career in the news media or public relations after graduating from CMU.

In her spare time, she enjoys reading, kick boxing aerobics and music.

DAVE BURNETTE of Cass City spent some extra time with his granddaughter, Alyssa Nicol, Friday at Campbell Elementary School, where fourth graders invited their relatives into the classroom for Grandparents Day. About 90 students had guests in the annual event.

2000 recreation program set

Parks crew up and running

by Lynn Heitkamp
Staff Writer

Summer is almost here, and Cass City Parks and Recreation officials are gearing up for another busy season that promises something for everyone.

The village park complex annually draws thousands of area residents - young and old alike - who take advantage of a myriad of organized activities, from swimming and arts and crafts to a variety of sports leagues.

Packets containing program information and registration forms will be sent home to

local school children and can be picked up at the Cass City Municipal Building. Registration is required for most programs. Need-based scholarships are available.

The children's Arts and Crafts Day Camp is back for another year at the park. Parents can register children entering kindergarten in the fall, up to 13-year-olds.

A different project will be worked on during the morning and afternoon sessions each day, but children may not stay in the park over the lunch break. Snacks and craft materials are provided in the registration costs.

Children's field trips will return this summer after an absence, according to Jane Downing, village manager. Last year, she explained, transportation could not be arranged for the trips. This year, with the donation of the Church of God's bus, children and their parents will have the opportunity to enjoy roller-skating and bowling, as well as visits to Anderson Water Park in Saginaw, the Saginaw Zoo and the Delta College Planetarium in Bay City.

Arts and Crafts will not be offered on days when field trips are scheduled, but registration for the 2 are separate. The cost of each trip varies, but registration will be required at least one week in advance.

People of all ages can participate in Red Cross certified swimming lessons at the Helen Stevens Memorial Swimming Pool. The Infant and Preschool Aquatics Program is being offered for

young children. Red Cross levels one through 7 will also be offered.

Cost for children is \$20 a class. For teenagers, the cost is \$25. There is a discount for families with more than one child or for those taking more than one session. Private lessons are also available.

Adults who enjoy waking up early can buy passes for "Early Bird" swimming, starting May 30. The pool will be open from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. on weekdays and from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturdays. \$1 day passes or \$25 season passes are available.

Two new programs are being offered this summer at the pool, Downing said. The Red Cross Guardstart program informs 11 to 15-year-olds about lifeguarding.

"Our whole pool program is dependent on having enough lifeguards and water safety instructors," Downing said. Please turn to page 4.

Board to review fire run rates

Elkland Township officials will be reviewing the fees charged for fire runs during a future meeting.

The Township Board discussed the issue during a monthly meeting last week, according to Clerk Norma Wallace, who said the Elkland Township Fire Department rates are among the lowest charged in Tuscola County.

A township ordinance adopted in 1994 set the rates at \$150 for the first hour for vehicle fires, with a maximum charge of \$300. Structure and hazardous material fire rates were set at \$300 for the first hour, with a maximum charge of \$500.

"We've got to raise the rates. We're just too low," Fire Chief Ron Pawloski said. "We'd like to get (the rates) at least within the ballpark of the surrounding fire departments."

"The maximum we can charge for any fire run, regardless of how long we're out, is \$500," Pawloski added, noting his department spent 8 hours on the scene of the Sommers' Bakery fire in 1997, but could charge only \$500. "If you've got a car fire and you've got 5 guys out, and you're out there for an hour, you're losing money."

Pawloski cited figures that estimate the cost of manning fire trucks and rolling out of the fire hall - not counting the cost of actually battling a fire

at \$1,000, including equipment wear, fuel insurance and wages.

Sign, sign, everywhere a sign

Cass City Chamber of Commerce officials Thursday outlined an aggressive promotion designed to attract northbound M-53 traffic as well as tourists to the village through a series of attractive and informative signs.

"We've been talking about this for a long time. We're just now getting it off the ground," chamber Director Kay Warner said following Thursday's general membership/after hours meeting at Rolling Hills Golf Course.

The promotion will include installation of an informational sign about 4 of a mile south of M-81 on M-53.

The sign will be similar to those posted near exits on Michigan freeways, with a display of general services, such as restaurants and lodging. Warner said local businesses that join the promotion can purchase space on the sign for their logos.

In addition, a new billboard-type sign will be erected at the corner of M-53 and M-81, pointing the way to "Cass City... Your Historic Stop to the Shoreline."

"There's a lot of traffic on

Chamber promotion targets travelers

M-53 and we need to capitalize on that," Warner said. "Why should anybody turn off (onto M-81) if they don't know that there's something for them to turn off for?"

Also planned are new welcome-type signs at both the east and west village limits. According to Warner, the signs will list specific business names and services along with directions to help motorists find each location.

Finally, the chamber is planning to create a tri-fold promotional brochure focusing on Cass City. The brochure will identify several local businesses and will include a map with numbers identifying the locations of individual businesses. They will be available at all hours just outside the village municipal building, which houses the chamber office, Warner said. "People can stop and pick one up anytime."

The entire promotion will initially cost an estimated

\$12,300, with another \$2,500 per year in operating costs, including electricity and insurance.

The chamber designed the promotion to support itself

through rental fees paid by participating businesses, which can buy into a portion or the entire sign program. Judging by the interest generated so far, Warner said,

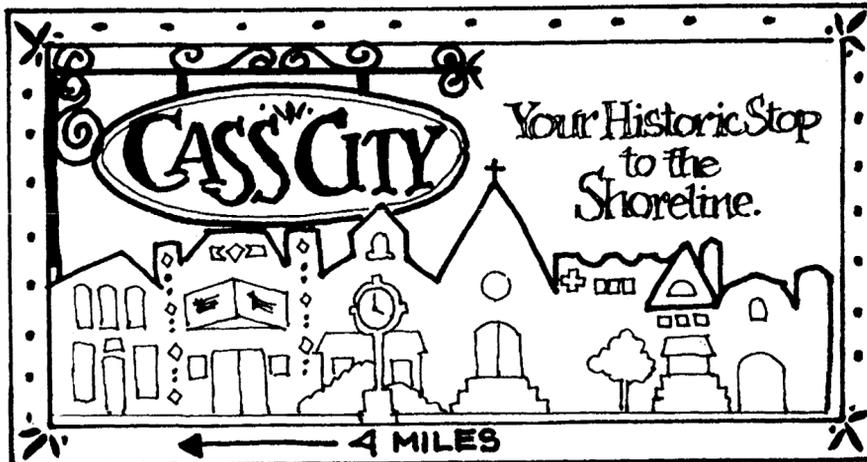
"we don't think we're going to have a problem."

"We just presented it, but we've had a real good response. We've already got 7 full packages sold, and the

full packages go for \$549 a year."

Officials hope to have the signs up by mid-summer.

Warner urged anyone interested in participating in the promotion to contact her office as soon as possible due to limited availability of advertising space. The chamber phone number is (517) 872-4618.



THE CASS CITY Chamber of Commerce's sign promotion will include installation of a sign with this attractive design at the corner of M-53 and M-81.

Owen-Gage seniors air It's a girl! monthly meeting minutes

The Owen-Gage Senior Citizens have been meeting twice a month from January-April at St. Agatha's Parish Hall in Gagetown.

The table grace has been given by Beatrice Jones for January; Ruth Kaake and Stella Erer for February; Beatrice Jones and Francis Hrabec for March, and Orville Mallory and Francis Hrabec for April.

The committees were: January - Orville Mallory, Johanna Miklovich and Estella Leyva; February - Lillian Jacoby, Beatrice Jones and Robert Schell; March - Richard and Maxine Haney and Lola Chippie, and April - David and Wilma Ashmore and Audrey Frankowski.

The January meeting was opened by Vice President Lola Chippie and the February, March and April meetings were opened by President Jack Doerr with everyone saying the Lord's Prayer and the pledge to the flag.

The secretary's report and the treasurer's report were given each time. Get well cards and a sympathy card were sent each month to our ill members and those who lost a loved one.

The January birthdays were: Pat Guza, Stella Erer, Jack Doerr, Elizabeth Bartholomy and Francis Hrabec. January wedding anniversaries were: David and Wilma Ashmore and Jack and Irene Doerr.

The February birthdays were: Johanna Miklovich, Lola Chippie, Lillian Jacoby, Estella Leyva and Irene Doerr.

The March birthdays were: Ruth Kaake, Clara Gaffney, Nat Tuttle and John Zawilinski.

The April birthdays were: Wilma Ashmore, Virginia Anthes and Stewart Merchant.

The door prizes were won by: January - Orville Mallory and Mary Guza; February - Jack Doerr, Pat Guza, David Ashmore and Francis Hrabec; March - Richard Haney, Florence Emmirs, Jack Doerr and Maxine Haney, and April - Bob

Schell, Beatrice Jones, Amasa Anthes and Maxine Haney.

Bingo was played the first Thursday of each month.

Euchre was played the third Thursday of each month with prizes won by: February - Men's high, Orville Mallory; men's low, David Ashmore. Women's high - Pat Guza; women's low, Lola Chippie. March - men's high, John Zawilinski; men's low, Stewart Merchant; women's high, Ruth Kaake, women's low, Audrey Frankowski, and April - men's high, Orville Mallory, men's low, Richard Haney; women's high, Irene Doerr and women's low, Nettie Doan. The travelling prize was won by: February - Orville Mallory; March - Jack Doerr and April, Richard Haney.

April 27, the group met for a roast beef and roast pork dinner with all the trimmings at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Bach served by the church ladies.



Laura Grace Swain

Rachel Swain announces the birth of her sister, Laura Grace Swain, born March 22 at Parkview Hospital in Ft. Wayne, Ind. Parents are David and Julie Swain of Ft. Wayne.

Paternal grandparents are Joe and Martha Swain of Rushville, Ind. Maternal grandparents are Jack and Mary Lou Burns of Cass City. Great-grandmother is Wanda Burns of Cass City.

Diabetic classes set

Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe, is offering a series of diabetic classes Tuesday afternoons, June 6 through June 27, from 4 to 6 p.m.

Whether you're a newly diagnosed diabetic or someone with diabetes who would like more information, this series of classes is for you.

If you need weight maintenance or gain, you will be given an individualized program to suit your needs. You'll find that we recommend healthy life-style choices to help you achieve normal blood glucose levels that will help you feel your best, while preventing and/or minimizing complications from occurring.

Ann Booms, R.N., certified diabetic educator, along with Denise Schmidt, registered dietician, and Sue King, R.N., will present the classes.

To register or for more information, please call Huron Memorial Hospital at 517-269-9521, (ext. 4346). Classes will be held in Hu-

ron Memorial Hospital's north conference room, and there is no charge.

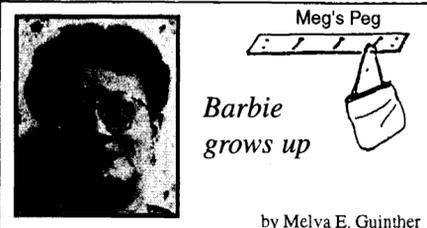
Owen-Gage students recognized

Owen-Gage School officials recently recognized several students as part of the district's monthly "adult role focus" honors program.

Students honored in May were chosen based on their abilities as technology users.

Honored in grades K-12, respectively, were: Nicholas Adkins, Mitchel LaPratt, Devin Prich, Samantha Radabaugh, April Nowaczyk, Grant Champagne, Nicole Nowaczyk, Kayla Zaleski, Hope Hunt, Michael McCue, Rebecca Hartman, Jenna Root and Kristen Mandich.

Also honored was senior Andrea Ziehm, who was named the May "student of the month".



by Melva E. Guinther

Everybody knows, and many detest, Barbie, who manages to stay young, slender, glamorous and buxom even after 40+ years.

Well, according to an anonymous writer, they've finally come up with some more realistic dolls.

My daughter-in-law sent me this description of the new, more mature Barbie models:

1. Bifocals Barbie. Comes with her own set of blended-lens fashion frames in 6 wild colors (half-frames too!), neck chain and large-print editions of Vogue and Martha Stewart Living.

2. Hot Flash Barbie. Press Barbie's belly button and watch her face turn beet red while tiny drops of perspiration appear on her forehead. Comes with hand-held fan and tiny tissues.

3. Facial Hair Barbie. As Barbie's hormone levels shift, see her whiskers grow. Available with teeny tweezers and magnifying mirror.

4. Flabby Arms Barbie. Hide Barbie's droopy triceps with these new, roomier sleeved gowns. Good news on the tummy front, too — muu-muus with tummy-support panels are included.

5. Bunion Barbie. Years of disco dancing in stiletto heels have definitely taken their toll on Barbie's dainty arched feet. Soothe her sores with the pumice stone and plasters, then slip on soft terry mules.

6. No-More-Wrinkles Barbie. Erase those pesky crow's feet and lip lines with a tube of Skin Sparkle Spackle, from Barbie's own line of exclusive age-blasting cosmetics.

7. Soccer Mom Barbie. All that experience as a cheerleader is really paying off as Barbie dusts off her old high school megaphone to root for Babs and Ken Jr. Comes with minivan in robin-egg blue or white and cooler filled with doughnut holes and fruit punch.

8. Mid-life Crisis Barbie. It's time to ditch Ken. Barbie needs a change, and Fred, her personal trainer, is just what the doctor ordered, along with Prozac. They're hopping in her new red Miata and heading for the Napa Valley to open a B & B. Includes a real tape of "Breaking Up Is Hard To Do."

9. Divorced Barbie. Comes with Ken's house, Ken's car

and Ken's boat.

10. Recovery Barbie. Too many parties have finally caught up with the ultimate party girl. Now she does Twelve Steps instead of dance steps. Clean and sober, she's going to meetings religiously. Comes with a little copy of The Big Book and a 6-pack of Diet Coke.

11. Post-menopausal Barbie. This Barbie wets her pants when she sneezes, forgets where she puts things, and cries a lot. She is sick and tired of sitting on the couch watching the tube, clicking through the channels. Comes with Depends and Kleenex. As a bonus this year, the book, "Getting In Touch with Your Inner Self" is included.

Owendale women plan final dinner outing

The Owendale Women's Club enjoyed lunch in March at the Ole City Hall in Bay City. They purchased items for the Easter bags to be delivered to community people in the area. April 2 they packaged and delivered the bags at the home of Joyce Sheldon.

April 17, the group met at the home of Bonnie Gaeth where plans were made to give money to various community projects. Donations were given to Dawn Enderle who will be a student next year in Belgium; Kim Gaeth, Lions Band member to Hawaii; Owen-Gage Good Dawg Awards Program, Owendale Village for new Christmas garland, Owendale Girl and Brownie Scout Troops, Owendale Boy and Cub Scout Troops, Octagon Barn and Nature Center Arboretum at Oak Beach.

A few of the ladies volunteered to help Josh Erer with his blood drive May 3 at the Owendale High School. The group has sponsored this event for many years. Dessert was served by the hostess and co-host, Joyce Sheldon.

May 22, the club will close with a final dinner outing in Bad Axe. The Women's Club was formed in 1932 with 34 presidents presiding over the past 68 years. The group has sponsored many events in the

It's a girl!



Mikayla Anne McNeil

Mikayla Anne McNeil was born April 26 at 1:16 a.m. in Bad Axe at Huron Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 1/4 ounce and was 19 inches long.

She is the daughter of Robert and Tanya McNeil. She was welcomed home by her brother and sister, Nicholas and Natasha.

Grandparents are John and Linda Dillon of Cass City and Donna Walker of Lenexa, Kan.

King graduates from tracked vehicle course

Army Pvt. Eric S. King has graduated from the tracked vehicle recovery specialist course at Fort Knox, Radcliff, Ky.

The student was provided with the necessary training and knowledge to perform recovery operations with an M88A1/A2 tracked recovery vehicle. The course included field and classroom training in the proper use of tools, equipment, technical data, and applicable references needed to determine recovery methods, locate recovery sites, operate tactical communications equipment, and maintain recovery vehicle armament systems.

The trainee also learned to

drive, maintain and perform preventative maintenance on recovery vehicles; received operating instructions in recovery vehicle component equipment, auxiliary power units, and use of proper recovery safety procedures.

King is the son of Judy A. Lloyd of Akron and Gary S. King of Deford.

He is a 1999 graduate of USA High School.



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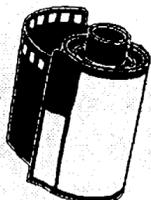


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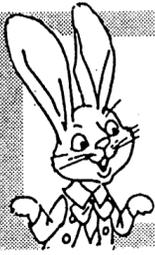
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

The State of Michigan has published a small brochure with an introduction to the Michigan Historical Museum System. It lists 11 historical sites with thumbnail sketches of each. Included is the Sanilac Petroglyph Park, which had its first free event of the summer Saturday. Also scheduled are special programs June 25, Aug. 5 and Aug. 13.

The booklet lists 10 other attractions and more information is available by calling 517-373-3559 or at the web site, www.sos.state.mi.us.

Other than a park permit at state parks sites, the programs are free.

It's probable that the boy about 10 years old will never have a fishing thrill greater than the one he experienced on a sunny day while dunking a worm from the covered bridge at the end of the Cass City walking trail.

The youth was the only one still fishing among 5 or 6 friends playing on the bridge. He hooked a carp, which was probably over a foot long. The boys gathered around to help land the prize and one of them produced a large 50-gallon size sack to bring home the trophy.

No word received on the reception the boy and the fish received when they showed off the trophy at home.

Saginaw Bay Resource Conservation and Development Inc. honored Detroit Edison with its sponsor of the year award for planting 25,000 trees last year in Sanilac and Lapeere counties.

Utility spokesmen say that Edison has planted 14-million plus trees in Michigan in the 1995-1999 period. It is also involved in national and international tree planting efforts. The programs have removed an estimated 300,000 tons of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere.

This is equivalent to removing more than 72,000 cars from the road.

Thief uses hanger in stereo rip-off

A thief apparently used a coat hanger to break into a car and steal more than \$1,600 worth of personal property last week in Cass City.

Isaac C. Ponder, Cass City, reported the theft to village police last Wednesday, saying the incident took place sometime between 10:15 and 10:50 p.m. in a village parking lot near the corner of Pine

and Leach streets.

Reports indicate police found a section of coat hanger between the driver's side door glass and the door frame of Ponder's vehicle, which had been locked.

Ponder reported \$1,059 worth of stereo equipment missing along with an engagement ring valued at \$610 and one set of side cutters valued at \$6.50.

The Weather

	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	66	45	.98"
Wednesday	68	43	.05"
Thursday	65	58	.10"
Friday	83	60	.18"
Saturday	66	45	0
Sunday	55	37	0
Monday	67	43	0

(Recorded at Cass City wastewater treatment plant.)

Drunken driving, seatbelt laws Drivers beware: police stepping up enforcement

Tuscola County law enforcement authorities are giving motorists fair warning: ignore the state's seatbelt and/or drinking and driving laws, and chances are good you'll have a first-hand opportunity to learn the hard way.

Tuscola County Sheriff Tom Kern says his department is uniting with police agencies statewide for the first major enforcement campaign since the new safety seatbelt law took effect this spring. The effort will target vehicles with unbuckled children over the upcoming Memorial Day holiday.

At the same time, Kern said his department will be stepping up its efforts to take drunk drivers off the road with extra traffic patrols beginning with the holiday weekend.

The patrols are the direct result of a \$15,000 federal grant from the Office of Highway Safety Planning in Lansing.

The money will fund a local "Operation Nightcap" campaign, a statewide effort designed to reduce traffic fatalities and injuries through increased enforcement and educational programs.

"We are warning people that there will be zero tolerance for alcohol related traffic offenses," said Lt. James Giroux, who will oversee the Operation Nightcap campaign for the sheriff's department.

Kern said only counties with the highest traffic crash rates qualify for the special Operation Nightcap funding. In Michigan, nearly 40 per-

cent of all traffic fatalities involve alcohol, according to the sheriff. In spite of more than a decade of education and enforcement, he added, drunk and impaired motorists are still a very real danger on the road.

Kern said the stepped up patrols will focus on selected "target" areas. "While their enforcement efforts will be focused on alcohol related offenses, deputies working this grant program will be enforcing all traffic related violations," he added.

Additional information on the grant program is available by contacting Giroux at (517) 673-8161 (ext. 5).

SEATBELTS

The statewide seatbelt law enforcement push comes at the same time as the national America Buckles Children Campaign. Stepped up enforcement will take place May 22-29.



The Haire Net

A field trip planned May 27 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. is not a victory march for environmentalists. But it does appear that groups supporting the preservation of the Minden Bog have a reason to smile.

David Jaroch of Uby, spokesman for the Friends of the Bog, says that the outlook appears favorable in a court case still pending. The Department of Environmental Quality is trying to prohibit any more mining of the topsoil by a company that purchased the rights many years ago. Peat moss extraction digs holes in the land that can reach 16 feet before the topsoil is exhausted.

There has been a partial victory in the preservation battle. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources purchased 800 acres. It will be restored to its original condition as much as possible.

The field trip includes a look at the area acquired by the DNR. It also should provide an excellent opportunity to learn about the issues concerning this unique natural resource.

Visitors will be able to learn from DNR personnel plans for the reclamation of the 800 acres. Also explained will be Black River spawning areas, pollution control and the ways to re-establish the lost ecosystem in the bog.

The trip, Jaroch says, will provide an excellent opportunity for residents to present their views for the operation of the bog to DNR officers.

The bog is a unique land formation in the Thumb. Friends of the Bog members like to let others know of the unique opportunities of a natural bog. Users include blueberry pickers, sports enthusiasts and nature lovers.

The field trip is a family affair and sponsors suggest bringing a picnic lunch and beverages. There will be guided walking tours. Details are available from

Michigan's new seatbelt law requires children under 4 to be in a child safety seat, in all seating positions. Children under the age of 16 must be properly restrained no matter where they are riding in the vehicle. And, front seat belt adult passengers are required to wear seatbelts.

"Parents who buckle up, buckle up their children. We have a responsibility to ensure that children are properly restrained to keep them safe while traveling in motor vehicles," Kern said. "Michigan's new safety belt law is intended to prevent injuries and save lives. And during this coming week, law enforcement officers will be strictly enforcing the law."

Traffic crashes remain the number one cause of death for children in Michigan and nationally. Surveys have shown that when adults buckle up, children are much more likely to be buckled up.

Jaroch, 517-658-2133, or Don McGregor, 810-622-8442. The staging area is 6 miles north of Deckerville to Palms Road and 4 miles west on Palms Road to the bog.

The day promises to be fun and educational. As more of us learn about the unique place in the environment the bog plays, the more public support it is likely to generate.

That support is essential if the bog is to be preserved for future generations to enjoy. The Friends of the Bog are to be congratulated for their efforts in the preservation battle.

The back forty by Roger Pond



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There's a lot of history in the old farm buildings around the country. The style and architecture of these buildings tells us something about the heritage of the original owners and the type of agriculture they were accustomed to.

Farm buildings contain a number of clues as to what sort of person designed them. The shed with small doors and 6-foot ceilings was built by a guy who stood 5-foot, 4 and never exceeded his kids to be any taller.

The big barn with a huge haymow was constructed when the milk price was good and there were 6 kids to help with the milking. The little tin shed went up after the fluid market went sour, and the farmer decided a few hogs could help pay the light bill.

The first buildings on most farms were the house and the barn. Others were added when prices were good, or after the farm made enough money to expand facilities. When a new barn was built the old one became a calfbarn or a shop and garage.

A friend tells about a fellow who wandered into his ranch after the traveler's car quit on the highway. This man needed water for his radiator.

The rancher gave him a water can and said, "You can get some water from a hose down by the house." The traveler looked at the big barn, the little barn, a tool shed, a shop, the garage, chicken house, and the bunkhouse. Finally he said, "Which one is the house?"

When I was a kid we rented a farm that had a round barn. That was about the strangest building I've ever been around.

This old barn was made of brick and had a silo in the middle, surrounded by a manger for feeding livestock. The circular arrangement made sense in the days of loose-hay and pitchforks. Because cattle are smaller at

the front than at the rear, a larger number of cattle can eat from a round bunk at any given time.

Modern technology changed the way people feed cattle, and the old barn fell into disrepute as a machinery storage. If you've ever backed machinery into a round barn with a silo in the middle, you can appreciate what a mess that is.

A person with this kind of storage has to plan his farming carefully. He is forever pulling out the baler to get to the mowing machine.

No till farming may have been invented by a fellow

who owned a round barn — just because he never could get to his plow.

Stacking hay in a barn like this wasn't any picnic, either. No matter how carefully you stacked the bales, there were holes and cracks big enough to drop a dog through. It's no place for a perfectionist, I can tell you that.

Along with the problems related to stacking hay and parking machinery, that old barn had a more serious flaw. My dad always said the worst thing about a round barn was you could never find a corner when you had to go to the bathroom.

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Cass City Public Schools PROGRESS IN EDUCATION

from the desk of Ken Micklash, Superintendent

Girls' Basketball Team — 3rd In the State Academically

Cass City High School was recently notified, by the Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan, that the girls' basketball team was named one of the top academic teams in the state. In fact, they placed third.

Each high school basketball coach was asked to calculate the team grade point average (G.P.A.) and submit it to the state office. 118 schools provided their team data. Cass City's team composite G.P.A. was an outstanding 3.810.

Congratulations to team members. Seniors - Lindsey Gaszczynski, Melissa Homakie and Brooke Ouvry. Juniors - Holli Cooper, Jaime Fluegge and Katie Hacker. Sophomores - Ashley Ouvry and Sara Homakie. Freshman - Deidre Deering.

Participating in athletic extracurricular activities can and should be very rewarding. But, the most important focus of student school involvement should be academics. It is obvious that this group of girls understand this important concept.

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

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Students will be honored



As the school year winds down, along with it comes the annual awards ceremony. This year they will be having 2 awards ceremonies. They will be having a senior awards night and an underclassman ceremony. The senior awards night will be Wednesday, May 19, at 7:00 in the high school cafeteria. This is the second time they have had the seniors program at night. The last time they had it this way was for the class of 1998. They have 2 different ones because of the length of the programs. There are so many awards and scholarships that it is too long for the students and teachers. Parents, family and friends are all welcome to attend. They will be giving out a variety of awards. They will be giving academic awards, as well as athletics and band awards. They will be giving

away extracurricular awards also. During the ceremony they will be naming scholarship award winners for academics, athletics, band and also the local scholarship winners. It should be very exciting. They will also show the senior slide show. This will be nice for the parents to be able to see. The underclassman awards ceremony will take place Thursday, May 25. It will start at 8:30 in the morning in the high school gym. Parents and family are also welcome to come. Both of the awards assemblies should be very nice. The senior awards ceremony will give the students that one last bonding time with friends and teachers before graduation. I hope that everyone will be able to attend. It should be a lot of fun.

Fire fighters kept busy

Funnels, fires Friday

Cass City escaped significant damage when strong thunderstorms rolled through the area Friday night. But the storms made for some tense moments.

Eikland Township fire fighters spotted a funnel cloud shortly after being sent out to keep watch following the issuance of a tornado warning by the National Weather Service.

Fire Chief Ron Pawloski said firemen parked at Hills and Dales General Hospital reported seeing a funnel cloud 2 to 3 miles north of the village and moving east/northeast. One confirmed sighting placed the funnel cloud near Bay City-Forestville and Hadley roads and, later, near the intersection of Ivanhoe and Atwater roads, he said. "It was up there and moving, it just never came down."

Portions of Huron County sustained flooding and road washouts, and there were reports of downed trees.

FIRES

The tornado warning marked the beginning of a long night for Cass City fire fighters, who were called out at 9:30 p.m. to assist the Elmwood-Gagetown Fire Department at the Kappen Sawmill, 4518 Hurds Corner Rd.

Gagetown Fire Chief Paul Lopez said burning wood scraps at the business could be seen for miles. The business was not damaged, according to the chief, who described the fire as an illegal burn because it involved open burning of cut wood. While fighting the blaze,

Cass City firemen were called to what Pawloski described as another illegal burn at 1726 Mushroom Rd. Pawloski said the fire involved brush as well as debris from a house. Fire fighters remained at the scene for about an hour. There were no injuries.

Farm safety camp slated

Protecting youth on the farm and in the home will be the focus as children ages 8-12 are invited to participate in the first annual Farm Safety Day Camp, May 20, at the Tuscola County fairgrounds in Caro.

The day long workshop will last from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. "We tried to identify safety topics that kids in the area would be exposed to," said Barb Enos, county administrative manager for Tuscola County Farm Bureau.

The camp, coordinated by Tuscola County Farm Bureau, Tuscola MSU Extension Service and Tuscola County Farm Service Agency, is open to children in Tuscola and surrounding counties.

According to Enos, participants will hear from more than 40 volunteers and learn about safety pertaining to electricity, lawn mowers,

tractors, ATVs and animals, as well as witness a grain flowing demonstration. Lessons on first aid and what to do in case of a house fire will also be covered. Applications must be submitted for children to attend.

Interested participants can call the Tuscola County Farm Bureau office to have an application mailed to them. A small fee will be charged to cover the cost of lunch, snacks, T-shirts and lesson materials.



MOREL mushrooms are easy to pick - the trick is finding them. The Rev. David Edwards, pastor of the Cass City Missionary Church, isn't saying where he harvested an armful of dandy morels like this one over the weekend, but he is quick to share his bounty.

Voters to decide plan

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result from allowing any and all non-public schools to accept public tax dollars.

"Not only would these vouchers go to... the traditional type of private schools, but everything and anything. Once the door's open, it's open."

Tuscola Intermediate School District Supt. John T. Moore shares that concern.

"It could have a major impact. If it (proposal) was passed, the Legislature would be free to enact other issues," he said. For example, Moore added, any corporation could set up its own school and receive a tax credit for educating their employees' children, rather than paying taxes to the state.

"My concern is that someone would want to set up their own school, and there's only so much money in the state school fund," Moore continued.

QUALITY?

He agreed that quality of education is a key issue. "Anyone could set up their own school," he said. "It's your tax dollars and my tax dollars - what control do you have over that school? There's no checks and balances on the quality of education. Who can predict what's going to happen?"

Moore said public school teachers already are tested to receive their certification as educators. The Kids First! Yes! initiative calls for additional testing, he added, but it says nothing about requiring teachers to pass that testing.

"The public schools have been improving for many years now. All 9 K-12 districts are doing an excellent job in Tuscola County," said Moore. He pointed out that parents who are not satisfied with their children's school can already send their kids to another system through the Schools of Choice law.

Patru emphasized that the Kids First! Yes! proposal targets only failing school districts. "We don't look to fix what's not broken," he said. Still, he isn't surprised at the opposition voiced by what he described as the "educational leadership" in Michigan. "We can certainly understand why they're opposing it, because it represents a reform. We're getting into their turf now," he added.

Among those embracing the proposed reform are officials at Deford Christian Academy, which currently has an enrollment of 61 stu-

dents in grades K-12.

"We're pretty excited about it," Principal Kathy Wice commented. "As far as our enrollment here, the parents are very excited."

Wice, who noted Deford staff members signed petitions to put the Kids First! Yes! initiative on the November ballot, said tuition at the Deford Academy -- \$1,800 annually for church members and \$1,900 for non-members - has proven to be a hardship for many families, even those with 2 incomes.

"In this county... the economy is not the best, and most of our parents are working in the area, so it is a hardship to come up with that kind of money," she added. "We're all aware of parents who want to send their children here. We see this as alleviating those hardships."

Asked if school officials are concerned about government intervention via mandatory testing of teachers, Wice indicated she's confident in the quality of the academy's staff and the education provided at the school, based on student test scores and the success achieved by students after graduation.

"We have a high level of expectancy for our staff here," she said. "We feel that our teachers are just as well qualified as those in public schools."

"There's some concern... in how much the government is allowed to control," she added. "But we just try to keep up our standards and what we expect of our students."

Senior fair set June

The Tuscola County Senior Fair will be held Friday, June 16. It will feature vendors, games, prizes, workshops and much more.

The fair will be held from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Caro High School on Hooper Street.

Parks crew ready

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said. Guardstart will hopefully ensure enough young people will take lifeguard courses in the future, she added.

The course will only be offered if enough people show interest, she noted.

Also new are "The Wet Workout" water aerobics classes for adults and teens. Michigan Athletic and Rehabilitation Center instructors will teach these classes. The ability to swim is not necessary to enjoy the "aquatic kickboxing" and "splash aerobics" moves introduced during the sessions.

The center instructors will also teach a "Walk-N-Tone" class for adults. The two-hour class will meet twice a week during June and July at the village walking trail.

A partnership with Hills and Dales General Hospital makes cooperation with the MARC instructors possible, Downing said.

Adult leagues in softball, basketball and volleyball will also be opening in the coming weeks.

BIG CROWDS

The parks will be filled with activity and hundreds of people, judging by attendance figures collected during the 1999 summer season. Officials estimate over 60,000 people used the park system last summer, averaging 4295 people a week. This number includes the estimated 34,045 sports team players and spectators, those attending parties and reunions in park pavilions, the 93 children registered in Arts and Crafts camp and 5010 pool users. Individual park use in the off-season was not included in the figure.

Cass City residents are not the only ones to take advantage of all the park has to offer, Downing is quick to point out. People from all over the area come to Cass City to use these facilities, she said.

Calendar of Events

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

Wednesday, May 17

WCTU meeting, 1 p.m., Detroit Edison Building. Duplicate Bridge, 7:00 p.m. at Charmont. Everyone welcome. Last week's winners were Bill and Alice Lovejoy and Wendell Wood and Wally Taylor.

Thursday, May 18

Arthritis Action Day, sponsored by the Arthritis Foundation and the Michigan Athletic & Rehabilitation Center (M.A.R.C.) of Caro. For more information please call M.A.R.C. at 517-673-4999. Free Breast Cancer Awareness Seminar, Uby United Methodist Church, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, May 19

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

Monday, May 22

Art Show, May 22-27, Rawson Memorial Library, during regular library hours. Village Council, 7 p.m., Municipal Building. Hills & Dales Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 12 noon, Charmont. Cass City School Board meeting, high school, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 24

Reception for artists of Art Show, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

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Art show scheduled

The tenth annual art show at Rawson Memorial Library is slated for May 22-27 in the Pinney Room during regular library hours. Members of the community are invited to come in and view work created by local artists in several mediums - watercolor, oil, acrylic and pen and ink. A reception for the artists is set for May 24 at 7 p.m. This is an opportunity to meet the artists and talk about their paintings with them.

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O-G student leaves in August Enderle headed for Belgium

Dawn Enderle enjoyed her first taste of traveling abroad last summer, when she spent 10 days in Europe with the Owen-Gage High School French Club. Now, she can't wait to go back.

And the 16-year-old will have another opportunity, but this time her stay will be considerably longer - 11 months in all.

Enderle, the daughter of Arlene Jamieson of Cass City and Frank Enderle of Caro, has been accepted as

an exchange student under the sponsorship of the Sebawa Rotary Club. She leaves in mid-August for Belgium, where she will spend the next year living with 2 or 3 different families, attending school and soaking up the culture.

"I'm very anxious, scared, nervous, everything in the book," Enderle, a sophomore, recently commented.

Enderle's interest in the exchange program was sparked, in part, by her French teacher Sandy Juengel. "(She) and her hus-

band have been involved in Rotary, and she saw the potential that I could be an exchange student," Enderle explained.

"It was in the back of my mind when I went to Europe last June. When I got back, I knew I loved it and wanted to go back. That pretty much did it."

"I love and enjoy studying other cultures and how they compare to ours," she added. "I love traveling and I knew this was at my fingertips."

Enderle's enthusiasm doesn't surprise Juengel, who describes the teen as an excellent student. She indicated Enderle's willingness to try new things and her ability to meet new people makes her an outstanding candidate for the Rotary Exchange Program.

"I think she just got so much out of it (European trip) because she is so mature and open minded," Juengel said. "She's very self-motivated. She's very conscientious about her work."

"I am so proud of her and so excited for her."

Enderle said some of the details involving her stay still have to be worked out, but she's hoping to live in southern Belgium where French is spoken. Even then, she confided, language will probably present an obstacle of sorts, although she's been studying French for 4 years.

"It will be a challenge, a major challenge," she said. "But it will come, it will come, because I'll be forced to learn."

"I'm going to be, probably, 90 percent independent, so I'm kind of anxious about that," she continued. "I think culture shock is going to be the big thing."

Enderle has been told that the exchange program can be toughest on American teens, but she doesn't plan to let any preconceived notions take away from her experience. "It's so hard for us to get out of our own little world," she said of American teenagers. "I don't want to go over there and change them - I'm over there to adapt to their culture."

Enderle said her parents have offered their full support. "I don't think it's even fazed her (mother) yet," she said. "I will miss home, but it's going to happen so fast

and I'm going to be back home before I know it."

Among Enderle's plans while abroad are to spend some time in Brussels, Belgium's capital, and to take part in a tour of other European countries at the end of her stay.

But first she'll have to raise enough money to cover all of her expenses, including airfare, travel and insurance. Enderle, who estimates the tab at about \$3,000, is already working towards the goal. She has 3 housekeeping jobs and is no stranger to babysitting as well as picking rocks and hoeing farm fields.

Interestingly, while she is gearing up for the adventure of a lifetime, her mother, stepfather Ronald Jamieson and sister, Laura, an eighth grade student at Owen-Gage, are preparing to host an exchange student from Indone-

sia. The visitor will also spend some time with Pam and Randy Howard of Owendale, and officials are still looking for a third host family.

As for Enderle, she is looking forward to a year she believes will bring about many positive changes.

"It will definitely change me and my perspective on other cultures," she said. "Personally, I think I'll become much more independent. I'll just grow to a whole other level of maturity. "What I'll get out of it will be just endless."

Editor's note: Anyone interested in learning more about the exchange program, or who would like to make a donation towards Enderle's expenses may write her at 4168 Rescue Rd., Cass City, MI 48726, or contact Owen-Gage High School at (517) 678-4141.

OWEN-GAGE sophomore Dawn Enderle plans to put 4 years of French studies to good use when she arrives in Belgium later this summer for an 11-month stay as a Rotary Exchange student.

Johnson earns nursing degree

A Cass City student will graduate from Goshen (Ind.) College during the school's 102nd annual commencement at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 21.

Jennifer J. Johnson will receive a bachelor's degree with a major in nursing. A 1991 graduate of Cass City High School, she is the daughter of David and Connie McNaughton of Cass City.

About 225 graduates from 22 states and 12 countries will participate in commencement activities May 20-21, including an evening reception for graduates and parents with President Shirley H. Showalter May 20. Nursing graduates will have their pinning ceremony at 1:30 p.m. May 20.

Other May 20 events include a student art show from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Art Gallery, located on the lower

level of the Good Library, departmental open houses from 2 to 5 p.m., dinner for graduates, faculty and guests in the Westlawn Dining Hall from 5 to 6 p.m. and a senior class program at 7:30 p.m. in the Church-Chapel.

Showalter will lead baccalaureate services at 11 a.m. May 21 in the Church-Chapel.

The 2000 commencement speaker is Sister Helen Prejean, a Roman Catholic nun whose opposition to the death penalty earned her 2 Nobel Peace Prizes. Prejean wrote "Dead Man Walking" about her relationship with a death row inmate and the families of his victims. The book became an Academy Award-winning film starring Susan Sarandon and Sean Penn.

The theme of the 2000 commencement is "Embracing Jubilee."

Johnson lives in Elkhart, Ind., with her husband Randy and daughter Heather. She will be working at Goshen General Hospital in the Family Care Unit.

Several appear in circuit court

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

•Richard J. Pincumbe Jr., 39, Clifford, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, April 2 in Koylton Township.

Bond in the case was continued at \$2,000, a pre-sentence investigation was ordered and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing was scheduled for July 7.

•Gale C. Edwards, 26, Deford, pleaded innocent to attempted arson of a dwelling house April 11 in Kingston Township.

Records indicate the alleged offense involved Edwards' Wilcox Road house trailer.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered in the case. Bond was continued at \$5,000.

•James F. Kitchen, 20, Akron, pleaded guilty to retaining a financial transaction device without consent of the device holder between July and February in Almer Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$5,000. Sentencing was scheduled for July 7.

•Wiley D. Byrd II, 21, Vassar, pleaded guilty to 2 counts of writing a no-account check Feb. 18-25 in Vassar, fleeing and eluding a police officer March 23 in Watertown Township and April 10 in Vassar Township.

and unlawfully driving away an automobile April 6 in Vassar Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at a combined \$40,000. Sentencing was scheduled for July 7.

•Rex C. Sparks III, 19, Standish, was sentenced to 72 days in the county jail, with work release and worksite privileges, for his plea of guilty to probation violation. His probation was continued and extended by one year.

•Jeffrey E. Worden, 27, Millington, was sentenced to 6 months probation and 40 days in jail for his pleas of guilty to fleeing and eluding a police officer, fourth degree, and operating a motor vehicle while impaired Jan. 1 in Vassar.

Worden was ordered to undergo mental therapy/counseling and pay \$1,360 in court costs and fines.

•William D. Ferree, 50, Clarkston, was sentenced to 60 months probation and 90 days in jail (deferred to the end of probation) for his plea of guilty to attempted abandonment/desertion of a child or children in June 1997 in Indianfields Township. He was also ordered to pay \$660 in costs and fines.

•Matthew J. Tuttle, 35, Brighton, was sentenced to 18 months probation and 90 days in jail (deferred to the end of probation) for his plea of guilty to attempted home invasion, second degree, Jan. 4 in Watertown Township.

He was also ordered to undergo mental therapy/treatment and pay \$640 in costs and fines plus restitution totaling \$2,880.

•Richard A. Sturgeon, 38, Lapeer, was sentenced to 60 months probation and 365 days in jail for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Jan. 29 in Dayton Township, and to having 2 prior felony convictions.

Sturgeon was also ordered to pay costs and fines of \$1,920, restitution totaling \$675 and a \$150 forensic fee.

WCTU to meet

Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet at the Detroit Edison Building Wednesday, May 17, at 1 p.m. Mrs. Jackie Stull, National Youth Temperance Council president, will be the guest speaker. All are welcome.

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"Love bug" sign of deeper problems

Computer viruses, like the one known as the "love bug" that struck millions of Internet users earlier this month, are a sign of deeper social problems, according to Bob Kitchen.

"Since the love bug came along, I've thought about how the environment is degenerating," he said.

Recent problems with violence in the country's schools also reflect the change for the worse, he said.

"There are deep sociological problems for which society is trying to find surface solutions." Lack of respect is the real issue, he added.

Computer viruses don't worry Kitchen that much on a personal level though, he said. "Although he owns a computer, it isn't hooked up to the Internet."

"I'm affected by the human love bug," he said. Kitchen and his wife Marjorie both grew up in Cass City but moved away in the 1950s. They have been married 45 years and have 7 grown children. Now retired, they are considering moving back to their hometown.

The Kitchens currently live in Cincinnati, but they make frequent trips to Michigan. Taking care of property in the area has brought them to town a lot since Bob's parents died a few years ago.

"Probably about 25 percent of our time has been in Cass City the past year," he said.



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Front - (L-R): Andrea Badgley, Nicole Crandall, Kristi Curtiss, Chelsa Deluyck, Amber Hadd, Jennifer Hadd, Micah Little, Tyler Mabe, Monica Montreuil, Deric Murphy, Rachel Putnam, Bobby Windsor.
Row 2 - (L-R): Nichole Albrecht, Sarah Childs, Andrew Klcio, Sarah Langmaid, Derrick Mallory, Alex Papp, Tarah Pomeroy, Klyn Puterbaugh.
Row 3 (L-R): Holly Angle, Jessica Chappel, Danielle Dohn, Lee Hutchinson, Pat Reed, Steven Steely.
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MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE

FLIGHT #1 (all scratch)

Jason McCallum	27
Don Ouvry	26
Scott Richards	26
Rich Tate	26
Terry Wiseman	24
Rick Holis	23
Brad Goslin	22
Dieter Roth	22
Clark Erla	17*
Mike Murphy	16*
Craig Helwig	15
Newell Harris	13
Dave Hoard	13
Dale McIntosh	8*
Jerry Toner	8*
John Maharg	*

FLIGHT #2 (all scratch)

Jim Peyer	33
Jim Apley	29
Dan Mosher	29
Ken Zdrojewski	28
Fred Leeson	23
John Riddle	23
Frank Miller	21
Daryl Iwankovitsch	20
Mike Randall	20
Russ Biefer	16*
Kurt Dennis	15*
Ernie Bellew	13
Elwyn Helwig	13
Craig Bellew	10*
Pat Curtis	9
Jim Hobbs	8*

FLIGHT 3 (all scratch)

Jim Fox	34
Craig Weaver	23
Duane Henn	20
Jon Zdrojewski	20
Dan Dickinson	19
Dan Hittler	18
Mike Ware	18
Jack Hool	17*
Dick Wallace	16*
Jim Hempton	14*
Brian Reinhardt	14
Gary Robinson	12*
Rick Doerr	9*
Corey Ulfing	8*

FLIGHT #4 (all scratch)

John Niebrzydowski	33
Bruce LeValley	32
Roger Cooper	30
Bob Stickle	29
Anton Peters	26
Don Erla	24
Doug Lautner	22
Kevin Bliss	21
Doug O'Dell	13
Kelly Smith	13
Jim Smithson	11
Clate Sawdon	10

FLIGHT #5 (handicap)

John Agar	30
Asa Apley	30
Jeff Krol	30
Dave Keller	25
Charlie Tunis	23
Dennis Meck	18
Bill Ewald	17
Jim Mastie	17
Leonard Thompson	16
Brian Rutkoski	15
Bert Althaver	13
Brian Cuddie	8

WEDNESDAY 2-MAN LEAGUE

EARLY DIVISION

Wallace/Apley	51
Williamson/Rieman	46
Herron/Tuckey	39
Maharg/Pasieczny	39
Bliss/Baker	38
Harris/Hogan	37
Kritzman/J. Burns	35
Henn/Peters	30
Burns/Hutchinson	28
Zdrojewski/Bryant	21
W.Dillon/Retherford	19
Stickle/Iwankovitsch	12
Strickland/Glaspie	12
Berwick/Greenlee	9

LATE DIVISION

Ypma/deBeaubien	44
LeValley/Morgan	38
Jones/Marshall	35
Hartel/Comment	35
P.Peters/K.Bliss	34
Wright/Prieskorn	33
Chappel/Pasant	32
J.Hillaker/S.Murphy	32
McCallum/Randall	30
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K.Smith/Biddinger	22
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Schneeberger/Ulfing	21
Hool/Toner	18



THE CASS CITY BOOSTERS Club received a \$700.00 donation Monday from the Masonic Lodge. Presenting the proceeds earned during the club's fish dinner is Worshipful Master Carl Palmateer. Accepting the check is Boosters President (right) Jeff Hartel.

Hawk softball team endures tough week

It was a disastrous week for the Cass City Red Hawk softball team and its fans. The Hawks dropped 3 doubleheaders, all played in a 4-day span last week, that turned the season from average to dismal. The season's record is now 8-16 overall and 3-7 in the Greater Thumb West league.

The pounding started in the only league games played, when Cass City lost to Bay City All Saints. In both games the reason for the defeats was clear. The Hawks could not solve the slants of Botts, who pitched both games and chalked up 7-0 and 7-1 decisions.

In the first game, Cass City managed just singles by Katie Wood and Elise Pasant. Deidre Deering allowed 7 hits and walked 5 to take the loss. All Saints scored 4 times in the second, more than enough for Botts to take the decision.



Katie Wood
Hawk offensive leader

Botts wasn't quite as effective in the nightcap, which the Cougars won, 7-1. She allowed 3 hits in the game,

called at the end of the fifth because of rain. Wood drove home the only run Cass City scored all day with a single in the second that scored Manisha Raythatha, who walked.

Danielle Guilds took the loss, giving up 9 hits and 4 walks.

WHITEMORE-PRESCOTT

It was a long trip to play Whittemore-Prescott last Tuesday and it probably seemed to be a longer trip back home after the Hawks were mercied twice.

The Hawks lost the first game, called with nobody out in the fifth, 12-2. Deering started and took the loss with relief by Becky Hartel in the fifth. Deering was touched for 8 hits and 11 runs while walking 3. Harrison was the winning pitcher. She allowed just 4 hits, all singles except for a triple by Kayla Wolschlagler that led to a run in the second. Whittemore-Prescott scored in every inning on its way to the win.

In the nightcap, the Hawks bowed 15-1 as Johnson mowed down Cass City with regularity. She walked none and allowed just one hit, a single by Deering in the third.

Hartel started for the Hawks and was charged with the loss. She pitched effectively, allowing 3 hits and 3 runs in three innings. Guilds pitched the last 3 innings and was charged with 12 runs, giving up 8 hits.

SANDUSKY GAMES

The Hawks fell one run short of breaking the losing streak in the first game at Sandusky, dropping a 6-5 decision.

The Hawks had overcome an early 4-2 lead with a 3-run rally in the sixth only to have Sandusky bounce back with 2 runs in the last inning to win. Victim of the uprising was Guilds, who came on in relief of Deering in the fourth. The winning runs came on a pair of hits and a Cass City error.

Paape and Kaufman each collected 2 hits to pace Sandusky's 9-hit attack. Pasant, with 4 hits in 4 trips and 3 runs batted in, led the Hawks. Kayla Wentworth, Kayla Wolschlagler and Raythatha each had 2 hits for Cass City.

Measter kept the 6 hits she allowed Cass City well scattered as the Redskins won the nightcap, 6-2. Deering started and pitched 4 innings. She allowed 7 hits, walked 4 and was responsible for all of the Sandusky runs. Guilds had her best outing of the year in relief. She allowed no runs and no hits in the 3 innings she was on the mound.

But the relief job came too late to help the Hawks to victory. Cass City's total offense was a run by Wood in the second. She walked, Deering followed with a single and Wood came home on an infield out.

The final run for Cass City came in the fifth when Wentworth walked and scored on an error. Deering, with 2 hits in 3 trips, was the only Hawk with more than one hit.

Cass City bows to Whittemore-Prescott, All Saints, Sandusky, on baseball diamonds

The best that the Cass City Red Hawks were able to accomplish in 3 doubleheaders played last week was to avoid being charged with losses in a pair of games that were suspended because of darkness.

The week that no Cass City fan will want to remember started with a pair of losses at Whittemore-Prescott.

In the opener, the winners jumped off to a 6-1 lead in the first 3 innings and then held on as a Hawk rally fell short and the host team registered a 10-7 decision.

Cass City scored all of its runs in 3 innings. In the third Randy Diebel singled, Roy Davis sacrificed and Dave Sutter drove him home.

Cass City's 4-run fourth started with Travis Eyer reaching first on an error. Matt Frappert walked and Nate Brinkman singled both home. Anthony Brinkman walked, advanced on an error and scored on a fielder's choice. Nate Brinkman scored on an error.

In the fifth, Matt Frappert singled home Nick Anthony, who got on on an error and

later scored on a fielder's choice.

In the second game, Whittemore-Prescott jumped off to an 8-0 lead in the first 3 innings and coasted in for an 8-2 decision. Cass City scored its only runs in the fourth inning. Anthony and Eyer singled, and Nate Brinkman drove in both runners with a single. Dave Sutter posted 2 hits in 2 tries and Roy Davis singled in the game.

BAY CITY ALL SAINTS

The first game was decided in the first inning as Bay City All Saints racked up 10 runs on the way to an 11-1 decision in a game mercied after 5 innings. The big inning was made easy for the Cougars as the Hawks committed 5 errors as the winners were chasing runs across the plate.

Cass City scored its only run in the first as Roy Davis walked and scored on Sutter's single.

In the second game, the Cougars were ahead 9-5 after 4 innings when the game was suspended by darkness. The Hawks jumped off to an early 3-1 lead in the first inning, then stretched it to 5-1 in the second before All Saints roared back with 4 runs in the third and fourth innings to lead 9-5 when the game was called.

The Hawks' 3 runs in the third came after the first 2 batters were retired. Sutter singled and later scored on a passed ball. Anthony and Frappert reached first on errors and Eyer singled both home.

The Hawks scored runs in

the second when Anthony Brinkman reached first on an error, Davis singled, Diebel sacrificed and Sutter singled both runners home.

SANDUSKY GAMES

The starting time of the games with Sandusky were delayed by weather and it was decided to play 6-inning games. The first game was well played, with the Hawks bowing 3-1. Nate Brinkman pitched his best game of the year and was backed by strong defensive play.

Unfortunately for Hawk fans, the Redskins benefited from some great pitching of their own to take the decision.

The Hawks scored their only run of the game in the second as Anthony Brinkman and Joel Brinkman singled and Davis singled Anthony Brinkman home.

Anthony collected a single and double to lead the Hawk attack. Other Hawk hits were

by Sutter, Nate Brinkman and Joel Brinkman.

In the nightcap, it looked as if the Redskins were going to post an easy win on the heels of a 7-run first inning, but the Hawk offense kicked into gear to score 3 times in the first and 6 times in the second. Sandusky countered with 2 runs in their half of the second and the score was tied at 9-all when the game was suspended after 2 innings.

Wasted was Cass City's most potent offensive play of the season. In the first inning, Davis reached first on an error and Sutter was hit by the pitcher. Anthony singled home Davis, and Eyer's hit scored Sutter and Anthony.

In the second inning 3 walks started the rally. Sutter singled for 2 RBIs and Anthony's single drove in the third run. Eyer's single drove in 2 more runs and singles by Eric Brown and Anthony Brinkman accounted for the last 2 counters in the big inning.

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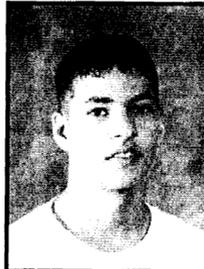
Tendercare of Cass City has recently joined forces with Companion Radio to bring an all-new service to residents of the facility.

Companion Radio of Rochester, New York, will broadcast music, entertainment and activities for the enjoyment of all 117 residents.

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Roy Davis
Hawk offensive leader

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VILLAGE OF CASS CITY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held at 7:00 P.M., Monday, May 22, 2000, at the Municipal Building, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan, on the proposed 2000 Street Improvements and Special Assessment District for Curb and Gutter, to be made on Hunt Street, from Brenda Drive to Spruce Street, and, Spruce Street, from Hunt Street to Hemlock Lane (See location map).

Those persons wishing to comment may appear at the Public Hearing, or if unable to attend, may make written comments, directed to the Office of the Village Clerk, 6506 Main Street, P. O. Box 123, Cass City, Michigan 48726-0123.

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Joyce A. Bemus
Village Clerk/Treasurer

Summer camps offered

The Tuscola County Health Department will be offering a unique opportunity for local 9-14-year-old students.

Through a grant awarded by Michigan Abstinence Program, the health department will be offering educational summer day camps in 3 locations in Tuscola County.

The "Celebrate Life Day Camps" will teach kids how to "Celebrate Life" without the use of alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs, and encourages sexual abstinence. The education is presented in a fun, non-judgmental approach. The camps will also be involving family members by holding a potluck picnic on the last day of the camp. Each participant also receives an award for participation.

The camps are free, however, transportation is not provided; participants will need to bring a sack lunch -- snacks are included.

If students participate in all 3 days, they will be entered into a drawing for a free 13-inch color television with a remote. There will also be incentives and prizes so each student will receive an award for their participation.

The Cass City "Celebrate Life Day Camp" will be held June 6-8, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Cass City Middle School.

The Caro "Celebrate Life Day Camp" will be held June 26-28, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at the middle school.

The third camp is pending. Information should be available by May 26.

For more information or registration forms, please contact the Tuscola County Health Department at (517) 673-8114 (ext. 133).

FRESH coupon pick-up planned

Project FRESH coupon pick-up will be held Tuesdays, June 20 and 27 as well as July 11, 18 and 25, at 10 a.m. and again at 2 p.m. at the Huron Expo Center (use Soper Road entrance), fairgrounds, Bad Axe. WIC participants who are pregnant, breast-feeding or have children ages 1-4 are eligible for Project FRESH coupons.

Project FRESH is a farm market nutrition program and coupons are redeemed at authorized markets for Michigan fruits and vegetables. The coupons are distributed by the Huron County WIC program. The nutrition education class is provided by Michigan State University Extension.

During the class session participants learn about the importance of including fruits and vegetables in their diets, as well as using and storing them. Samples and prizes are also included for the families attending. Following the class session each family receives \$20 worth of coupons to be redeemed at a farmers' market.

For more information on the Project FRESH Program, call MSU Extension - Huron County at 517-269-9949 or the WIC Program at the Health Department at 517-269-9721 (toll free 1-800-833-8550).



TAKING A BREATHER at third base is Bulldog Andrea Ziehm in the opener of Thursday's NCTL doubleheader in Gagetown. Owen-Gage rallied for wins of 10-6 and 12-6 over visiting North Huron.

Bulldogs rally to sweep visiting North Huron

The Owen-Gage Bulldogs probably will not win the North Central Thumb League title this year. Kingston appears to have the horses to run away with the title, but Barb Adams' charges showed that they are a team to be reckoned with in 2 doubleheader wins over league foes last week.

The victory parade started with a 10-0 decision over Akron-Fairgrove. Andrea Ziehm pitched the shutout in the game called after 4 1/2 innings. Although she was touched for 8 hits, she was tough in the clutch and was supported by some excellent defensive play by her teammates, who were charged with just one error.

O-G scored in every inning, starting with a 4-run first inning, and took control of the game. Several Bulldogs had a multi-hit game. Dee Fritz and Ashley Adams banged out 3 singles each. Kelly Tomich's 2 singles resulted in 3 RBIs and Erin Salcido contributed a double, single and 2 RBIs.

While the opening game was well played defensively, the nightcap, won by Owen-Gage 13-7, was marked by many errors by both teams.

It was a slugfest in the first inning as the Bulldogs chased 6 runs across the plate and Akron-Fairgrove answered with 4 runs of their own.

But after that it was all Owen-Gage. The Bulldogs scored 4 in the second and added 3 more in the third to lead 13-4 and take control of the game.

Ziehm racked up her second win of the day. She allowed 13 hits, walked 2 and struck out 4. Burnison was the loser. She allowed 12 hits and struck out one.

Adams said that the Bulldogs' 3 substitutes entered the game in the top of the fourth inning and played very well.

Fritz was the leading Bulldog hitter with 3 singles. Tomich's 2 singles produced 2 RBIs and Ziehm's pair of hits added another RBI. Salcido had a single, double and 2 RBIs.

Akron-Fairgrove was paced

by Rodrequiz with 3 hits and Burnison with 4.

NORTH HURON GAMES

The Bulldogs came up with the big innings when they needed them to register a doubleheader sweep of Kinde North Huron.

The first game started in the rain but the wet ball didn't appear to bother Ziehm as she didn't walk a batter and the Bulldogs came from behind to win 10-6. Ziehm allowed 11 hits.

Owen-Gage was behind 4-3 after 3 innings, but came to life with 3 runs in the fourth and a 4-spot in the fifth to win. Amanda Souva allowed 9 hits and walked a pair. Adams was pleased with the win over the Warriors as she said that they are a good team, not to be taken lightly.

Providing the offensive punch for the Bulldogs were Fritz, 3 singles and an RBI; Sarah Rievert, 2 singles, 2 RBIs; Ziehm, single, double and one RBI; and Kelly Zaleski, 2 singles and one RBI.

A big fourth inning proved decisive for Owen-Gage in the nightcap. The Bulldogs were tied going into the fourth when they scored 5 times to take control of the game. The final score was 12-6.

Ziehm pitched a 7-hitter to get credit for the win. Adams said that despite cold and damp weather she pitched well and was effective defensively, throwing out runners at first as they attempted to bunt. Becky Tait took the loss. She pitched the first 4 1/2 innings and allowed 6 hits. Amanda Souva finished the game and allowed 3 hits and walked 2. The Warrior pitchers were hurt by errors at home plate.

Fritz had a big game for the Bulldogs with 4 singles and 2 RBIs. Ziehm added 2 singles and a RBI and Ashley Adams' single drove in a run. North Huron's attack was led by Rice with 2 singles and an RBI. Mazure and Deprekel each tripled and drove in a run.

The victories moved the Bulldogs' record to 6-2 in the NCTL.

Ziehm named May's student of the month

Andrea Marie Ziehm has been named Owendale-Gagetown Schools' "Senior Student of the Month" for May.



Andrea Ziehm

She has participated in various sports throughout high school, such as basketball, volleyball and softball. She

Fund raising concert slated

Christmas in July will hold their annual fund raising concert Sunday, June 25, at 7:00 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Caro.

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Owen-Gage remains on top of NCTL race with victories over Warriors and Vikings

The Owen-Gage Bulldogs remain on top of the North Central Thumb League baseball standings following a pair of twin bill sweeps over league foes Akron-Fairgrove and North Huron.

The defending NCTL champs extended their conference mark to 8-0 Thursday with a pair of pitching gem victories over North Huron in Gagetown.

Coach Al Dadacki's Bulldogs will take to the road for their next 2 conference outings, starting Thursday in Port Hope against the Blue Stars, preceding Monday's tilt with Peck.

Shane Mellendorf went the distance in the opener against the Warriors and earned a 3-1 decision. The Bulldog ace scattered 2 hits and fanned 9. Paul Nienaltowski was handed the loss, despite whiffing 10.

The hosts broke out from a one-run deadlock with 2 tallies in the bottom of the 5th frame. Earl McKee, Nathan Kain and George Janssen all had safeties for the winners.

In the nightcap, Janssen handled the mound duties and recorded a 4-1 win.

Janssen held the visitors scoreless over the opening 5 frames and allowed just 2 hits and 2 free passes.

The Bulldogs scored 4 times in their half of the 5th inning to earn the win. Ryan Fritz supplied the game's big

blow, a 2-run game winning double during the 5th frame rally. Jeremy Kady also doubled for the Bulldogs.

AKRON-FAIRGROVE

Earlier in the week, on Monday, the Bulldogs handed Akron-Fairgrove its first league setback with wins of 7-0 and 16-1.

Bulldog hurler Shane

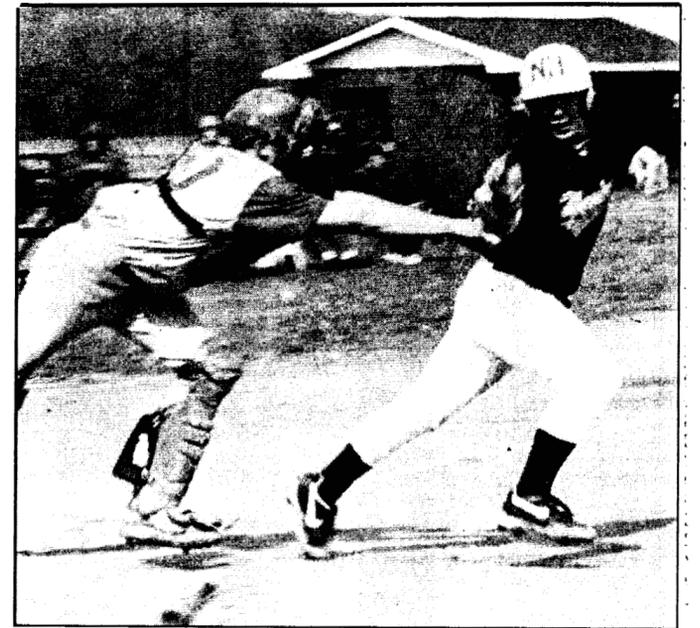
Mellendorf bested Viking Mike Hickey as he tossed a 2-hit shutout that included 10 strikeouts.

Leading 2-0, the hosts exploded for 5 markers in the 5th inning. Earl McKee tripled in the decisive frame, while Janssen added an RBI single.

In game 2, the Bulldogs' bats came alive as the hosts pounded out a 16-1 win.

Janssen collected the victory on the rubber. He fanned 4 and limited the Vikings to a pair of singles.

Several Bulldogs contributed at the plate. Derek Howard was credited with a single, double and triple, while Janssen helped his own cause with a double and home run. Corbin Swaistyn added 2 doubles for the winners.



OWEN-GAGE CATCHER Nick Warack runs down a North Huron runner during NCTL action Thursday in Owendale. The Bulldogs remained undefeated in conference play with wins of 3-1 and 4-1.

Hawk thinclads compete Saturday in Bad Axe invite

Twelve schools competed in the annual Hatched Invitational Saturday with host Bad Axe winning the boys' competition with 164.5 points and Cros-Lex taking the girls' championship trophy with 135 points.

Cass City's girls finished tenth and Hawk boys were eleventh. The boys' results:

Bad Axe, 117; Ubyly, 98; Marlette, 47; Millington, 39; North Branch, 37; Cros-Lex, 35.5; Lakers, 35; Mayville, 26; Deckerville, 23; Cass City, 20; Harbor Beach, 19.

The girls finished in the following order: Cros-Lex; Harbor Beach, 87; Mayville, 78; Bad Axe, 62; Deckerville, 59; Ubyly, 56; North Branch, 44.5; Marlette, 37.5; Caro, 33; Cass City, 30; Millington, 24; Lakers, 12.

Cass City's points were won with 3 first place finishes. The 3200-meter relay team of Melissa Homakie, Lindsey Mills, Holli Cooper

and Sara Homakie won with a time of 10:27.7. The 800-meter team's time of 1:58.89 by Melissa and Sara Homakie, Jaime Fluegge and Jessica Tenbusch won that event, and Fluegge won the 100-meter dash in 12.33.

The boys points were earned by an eighth-place

finish in the 600-meter relay and several lower placements in the field events. Jason Barrigar was eighth in the shot put. Barrigar was sixth and Chris Ziehm seventh in the discus. Adam Dorland was second in the pole vault (12:06) and Scott Moore, third (11:06).

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Session Dates:

Session 1 - June 5th - June 16th - Registration Deadline - May 26th
Session 2 - June 19th - June 30th - Registration Deadline - June 9th
Session 3 - July 10th - July 21st - Registration Deadline - June 30th
Session 4 - July 24th - August 4th - Registration Deadline - July 14th

SESSION STARTING TIMES

Levels 1 & 2 - 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30
Levels 3 - 7 - 8:00, 9:00, 10:00
(45-minute lessons)

You will be contacted if the time you have selected is not available.

SWIM LESSON COSTS:

Swim Lessons (children under 12): \$20.00/session
Teenagers (13-18): \$25.00/session
Additional sessions: \$10.00/session
Family Lesson Package (2+Children): \$35.00/session
Additional sessions: \$12.50/session
Private Lessons by Appointment: \$12.50/hour/person

WATER AEROBICS

The Parks and Recreation Department, in cooperation with Hills & Dales General Hospital through its Michigan Athletic & Rehabilitation Center (M.A.R.C.), will offer a new series of 3 classes over a six week period, for teenagers and adults. "The Wet Workout" Classes will begin on June 19, 2000 and end on August 3, 2000. There will be no classes July 3 - July 7, 2000. The classes will meet:

Aquatic Early Bird	Tuesday & Thursday	6:00 AM - 7:00 AM
Aquatic Shallow Water	Monday & Wednesday	6:45 AM - 7:45 AM
Aquatic Deep Water	Tuesday & Thursday	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM



INFANT AND PRESCHOOL AQUATICS PROGRAM

Session 1: June 19 - July 14 (off July 3-7)
Registration deadline is June 9
Session 2: July 17 - August 4
Registration deadline is July 7
Cost: \$20.00
ADULT MUST ACCOMPANY CHILD IN WATER

POOL RENTAL

Reserve for birthdays, family reunions or corporation picnics.
Up to 50 swimmers @ \$100.00
Over 50 swimmers @ \$125.00
There is a 2 hour maximum rental time.



ARTS AND CRAFTS SUMMER DAY CAMP

JUNE 12 - AUGUST 18 Monday through Friday 8:30-11:30 and 12:30-3:30

Children will not be allowed to stay through the lunch time.

ARTS -N- CRAFTS

*Be sure to pick up your child by 11:30, as the employees will be leaving for lunch.

A point system will be used to judge certain crafts throughout the summer, and the top three artists will be rewarded with a special prize at the end of the summer.

CHILD SAFETY:

For your child's safety, we will be enforcing a rule that restricts the children from playing in the woods. First offense will result in a warning. Second offense will result in a 1 week suspension. If a third offense should occur, the child will not be able to attend for the remainder of the summer. Please explain this policy to your child before he or she arrives.

In the case of weather emergencies, please pick your child up as soon as possible. Our plan, in the event of a tornado, is to take the children into the boy's bathroom of the arts -n- crafts building or to the pool building. A sign will be placed on the door of the arts -n- crafts building directing you to our location.

AGES 4-13
(Children must be entering kindergarten in the fall)

Any questions, please call the Village Offices Monday through Friday at 517 872 2911

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Village of Cass City will make available to families, based upon need, scholarships for summer parks and recreation programs.

Contact:
Village Manager, Jane Downing
517-872-2911

Field Trips

There will be no regular Arts-n-Crafts at the building on the day of field trips.

Be sure to register your child at least one week in advance of the field trip, because the maximum number of children we can take is 30. Children under 6 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. If the child is over 6 years and a parent wants to come along anyway, we more than welcome it.

June 28th we will be Rollerskating in Caseville. Children may bring their own skates if they wish to. We will be meeting at the Arts-n-Crafts building at 8:30 a.m. and we will be returning around 1:30 p.m. Arts-n-Crafts will resume as scheduled upon our return. The cost will be \$10.00 with or without skates. Lunch will be provided. Looking forward to skating with you!

July 14th we will be visiting Anderson Water Park in Saginaw. Join us for a day filled with fun and laughs. We will be meeting at the Arts-n-Crafts building at 9:30 a.m. and we will be returning around 3:30 p.m. The cost will be \$12.50 and that will include your child's tube rental. Lunch will also be provided.

July 17th we will be bowling at Charmont. We will meet at Charmont at 1p.m. and we will be finished at 3 p.m. Parents will need to drop their children off and pick them up. The cost will be \$4.00 and a snack will be included.

July 28th we will be going to the Delta College Planetarium in Bay City. We will be meeting at the Arts-n-Crafts building at 8:30 a.m. and will be returning at regular scheduled time, 3:30 p.m. The cost will be \$10.00 and a lunch will be provided. Look forward to learn and see a bunch of interesting creatures.

August 11th we will be visiting the Saginaw Zoo. We will meet at the Arts-n-Crafts building at 8:30 p.m. and return at 3:30 p.m. The cost will be \$10.00 and a lunch is provided. Your child will need to bring spending money if they want to buy a souvenir in the gift shops. Plan on having a great time and seeing lots of neat animals.

OF CASS CITY ATION PROGRAMS

TO REGISTER CALL
872-2911
OR STOP BY THE VILLAGE OFFICE

June

2000

Sunday	Monday	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY					
				1	2	3					
4	5	6	7	8	9	10					
11	Flower Pots Fish Magnets	12	Bead Necklaces All About Me Books	13	Craft Straws Shell Picture Frames	14	Vases Fathers Day Cards	15	Hawaiian Day Grass Skirts and Leis	16	17
18	Macaroni Pictures Pencil Holders	19	Airplanes Tissue Pictures	20	Pen Pals Jungle Jutt Bracelets	21	Thumb Print Pictures Pocket Teasers	22	Yarn Dolls P.M. Swimming at Cass City Pool	23	24
25	Kaleidoscope Calenders	26	A.M. Wooden Playmates P.M. Go to Park and get Ice Cream	27	Field Trip Caseville Rollerskating	28	Tye Dye Shirts	29	Straw Bracelets P.M. Police Day	30	



July

2000

2000

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY					
30	31					1					
2	4th of July Party	3	Independence Day	4	Woodsie's Fish Stone Frames	5	Colored Sand Bottles Buttons	6	Tile Coasters Light Switch Plate Covers	7	8
9	Copper Tooling Nuttu Note holders	10	A.M. Gak P.M. Swimming at Cass City Pool	11	Leather Projects Tambourines	12	Puppets Pet Rocks	13	Field Trip Anderson Water Park	14	15
16	Fuse Beads Bowling at Charmont 1-3p.m.	17	Glitter Pictures Plaster Molds	18	Bird Feeders Sidewalk Chalk	19	Chalk Pictures Scavenger Hunt	20	A.M. Journals P.M. Go to Park and Get Ice Cream	21	22
23	Bright Brim Visors Chalk Posters	24	Spoon Flowers Mask	25	Puzzles Craft Sticks	26	Friendship Bracelets Show-n-Tell	27	Field Trip Delta Planetarium	28	29

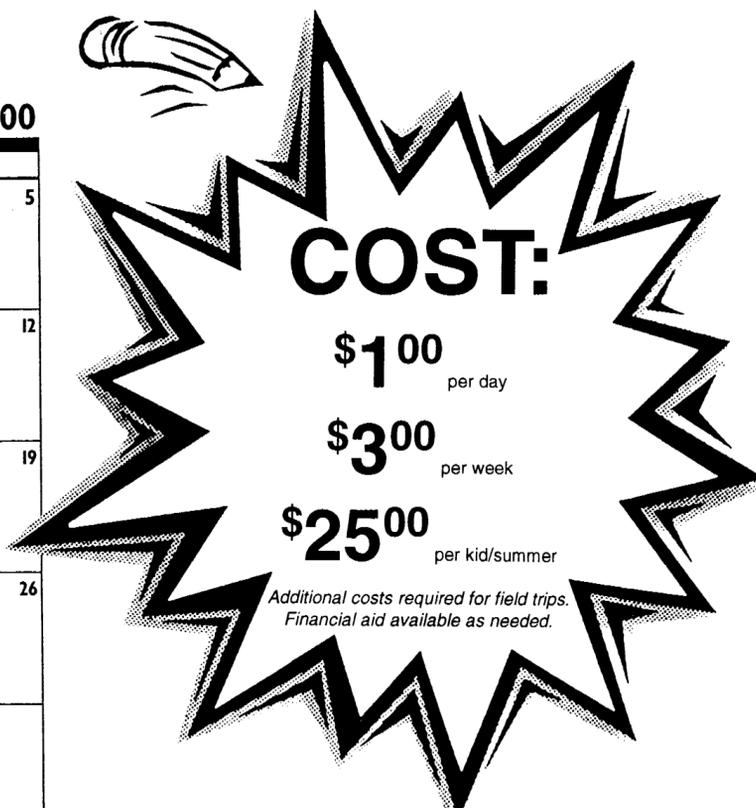


August

2000

2000

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY					
		Raffia Picture Frames Craft Sticks	1	Fun Sticks Paint, Chalk, Fuse Beads	2	Hillbilly Day Dress Up!!	3	Sun catchers P.M. Swimming at Cass City Pool	4	5	
6	Holiday Day Ornaments, Egg Hunt, Hand Turkeys	7	Leaf Placemats Plaster Molds	8	Millefiori Rings Watercolor Pictures	9	Silly Spiders Woodsies	10	Field Trip Saginaw Zoo	11	12
13	A.M. Movie & Popcorn P.M. Olympic Day	14	A.M. Any Project! P.M. Go to Park and Get Ice Cream	15	Left Over Projects	16	Clean Out Closet Day	17	End of the Year Picnic at Park 1:00 p.m.	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26					
27	28	29	30	31							



Legal Notices

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael E. Sneden, a married man and Kim M. Sneden, his wife (original mortgagors) to Bay Creek Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated June 14, 1995, and recorded on June 15, 1995, in Liber 674, on page 1264, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Standard Federal Bank, A Federal Savings Bank, as assignee by an assignment dated June 14, 1995, which was recorded on June 15, 1995, in Liber 674, on page 548, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO AND 17/100 DOLLARS (\$60,122.17), including interest at 8.250% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 10/1 of every year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m., on June 30, 2000.

Said premises are situated in VILLAGE OF CARO, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 9, Block 8 of W.E. Sherman's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the plat recorded in Liber 11 of Deeds, page 491, except a piece of land in the Westerly corner described as: Commencing at a point on line common to Lots 8 and 9 that is 74.5 feet Northwest of the Southeast end of said line, thence Northwest on said line 48 feet to Southerly line of Frank Street; thence East on said South line 14 feet; thence Southeast 40 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning, also a part of Lot 8 of said Block 8, described as: Commencing at a point common to Lots 8 and 9 that is 74.5 feet Northwest of the Southeast end of said line, thence Southeast 77 feet to the place of beginning.

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

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Dated: May 17, 2000
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: 248-593-1309
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200015297
Panthers
5-17-5

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael G. Abraham, a single person (original mortgagor) to Standard Federal Bank A Federal Savings Bank, Mortgagee, dated April 9, 1996, and recorded on May 7, 1996 in Liber 690, on page 007, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY-ONE THOUSAND FIFTY-FIVE AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$41,055.00), including interest at 8.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 16, 2000.

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

Part of the South 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 7, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, described as: beginning at a point on the centerline of East Dayton Road which is North 89 degrees 59 minutes 13 seconds West, 1170.33 feet along the East and West 1/4 line and along said centerline, South 26 degrees 31 minutes 53 seconds East 54.97 feet and along said centerline, South 26 degrees 19 minutes 08 seconds East, 944.67 feet along said centerline, South 11 degrees 34 minutes 08 seconds East, 121.65 feet from the East 1/4 corner of said Section 7, thence continuing along said centerline.

South 11 degrees 34 minutes 08 seconds East, 160.00 feet; thence at right angles to said centerline, North 78 degrees 25 minutes 52 seconds East, 218.00 feet; thence parallel to said centerline, North 11 degrees 34 minutes 08 seconds West, 160.00 feet; thence South 78 degrees 25 minutes 52 seconds West, 218.00 feet to the centerline of East Dayton Road and the Point of Beginning.

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

Dated: May 3, 2000
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: 248-593-1303
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200015183
5-3-5

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy R. Paquette, a married man (original mortgagors) to American Financial Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated April 3, 1998, and recorded on April 6, 1998 in Liber 734, on Page 500, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Community Mortgage Services, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated April 3, 1998, which was recorded on April 6, 1998, in Liber 734, on Page 509, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND NINETY-THREE AND 11/100 DOLLARS (\$47,093.11), including interest at 9.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 16, 2000.

Said premises are situated in VILLAGE OF CARO AND TOWNSHIP OF INDIANFIELDS, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 11, Block 15 of the Plat of Centerville, now Caro, according to the plat recorded in Liber 11 of Deeds, Pages 362-363, now being Liber 1 of Plats, now being 59A.

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

Dated: May 3, 2000
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: 248-593-1306
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200015535
Mustangs
5-3-5

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Warren R. ALVORD and Angelic M. ALVORD his wife (original mortgagors) to Flagstar Bank, FS, Mortgagee, dated July 18, 1996, and recorded on July 22, 1996 in Liber 694, on Page 462, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. f/a Northwest Mortgage, Inc., a California Corporation, as assignee by an assignment dated July 25, 1996, which was recorded on October 29, 1996, in Liber 699, on Page 1352, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVEN AND 76/100 DOLLARS (\$77,807.76), including interest at 8.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 23, 2000.

Said premises are situated in VILLAGE AND TOWNSHIP OF MILLINGTON, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 55, of ENO SUBDIVISION, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 2, Page 39, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

Dated: May 10, 2000
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: 248-593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 990404909
Falcons
5-10-5

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James D. Walker, a married man and Donna Walker (original mortgagors) to Atlas Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 10, 1994, and recorded on February 10, 1994, in Liber 654, on Page 160, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to First Union National Bank as successor by merger and or name change to Atlantic Residential Mortgage Corporation, a Maryland Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated March 13, 1995, which was recorded on March 27, 1995, in Liber 671, on Page 986, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-NINE THOUSAND THREE AND 58/100 DOLLARS (\$59,033.58), including interest at 7.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 9, 2000.

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

Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of Section 7, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, thence South 87 degrees 03 minutes East, 1311.0 feet along the South line of Section 7 to the point of beginning, thence South 87 degrees 03 minutes East, 378.45 feet along the South Section line; thence North 03 degrees 00 minutes East, 920.80 feet; thence North 87 degrees 03 minutes West, 378.45 feet; thence South 03 degrees 00 minutes West, 920.80 feet along an old existing fence adjacent West line of the East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 7, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, excepting land described as beginning at the Southwest corner of a previously recorded survey by Kay Engineering Co. (recorded in Liber 1 of Surveys, page 371 of Tuscola County Records) which is South 87 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds East, along said South line of said Southeast 1/4, 1311.00 feet to the South 1/4 corner of said section 7. Thence continuing South 87 degrees 3 minutes 00 seconds East, along said South line, 173.4 feet to the Southeast corner of the previously recorded survey by DuPont Land Surveying (recorded in Liber 578, page 39 of Tuscola County Records); thence North 02 degrees 22 minutes 17 seconds East, along the East line of said survey, 920.85 feet to the North line of said Kay Engineering survey; thence North 87 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds West, along said North line, 7.24 feet to the Northwest corner of said Kay Engineering survey; thence South 03 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, along the West line of said Kay Engineering survey, 920.80 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 26, 2000
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: 248-593-1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200013498
Cougars
4-26-5

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Anthony L. Boyd and Jenny E. Boyd, husband & wife (original mortgagors) to BankAmerica Housing Services, a Division of Bank of America, FS, Mortgagee, dated January 23, 1998, and recorded on January 29, 1998 in Liber 729, on Page 007, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-ONE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE AND 09/100 DOLLARS (\$71,495.09), including interest at 9.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 23, 2000.

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

Commencing at a point on the North line of Section 2, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, which is East 931.00 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 2, thence East along the North Section line 87.50 feet; thence South 495.00 feet; (thence West 87.50 feet); thence North 495.00 feet to the point of beginning. Including the following manufactured home: Liberty Homes' (Make) Leader (model) 28x52 (size) 1997 (year) O1L33778XU (serial numbers)

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

Dated: May 10, 2000
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: 248-593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200015336
Tigers
5-10-5

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Randy Creason a/k/a Randy S. Creason and Roxann Creason to Long Beach Mortgage Company, a Delaware Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 13, 1998, and recorded on February 17, 1998 in Liber 730, on Page 485, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, said mortgage was assigned to First Union National Bank, as trustee, by an assignment dated February 17, 1998 and recorded in Tuscola County Records on May 4, 2000, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty One Thousand, Three Hundred Ninety-Six and 56/100 Dollars (\$61,396.56), including interest at 9.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse of the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, at 10 o'clock A.M., on June 23.

Said premises are situated in Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Northeast corner of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 23, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, thence south 550 feet; thence East 80 feet; thence North 550 feet; thence East 80 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 5 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 5, 2000
First Union National Bank, as trustee, Assignee of Mortgagee
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
36250 Dequindre Rd. Ste. 410,
Sterling Heights, MI 48310
(810) 795-4400
5-17-5

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Candace R. Taylor single woman (original mortgagors) to CONSCO FINANCE SERVICING CORP. f/a Green Tree Financial Servicing Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 27, 1998, and recorded on December 15, 1998 in Liber 758, on Page 597, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY-NINE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO AND 35/100 DOLLARS (\$49,622.35), including interest at 12.400% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 16, 2000.

Said premises are situated in VILLAGE OF FOSTORIA & TOWNSHIP OF WATERTOWN, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse of the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, at 10 o'clock A.M., on June 23.

Said premises are situated in Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Northeast corner of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 23, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, thence south 550 feet; thence East 80 feet; thence North 550 feet; thence East 80 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 5 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 5, 2000
First Union National Bank, as trustee, Assignee of Mortgagee
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
36250 Dequindre Rd. Ste. 410,
Sterling Heights, MI 48310
(810) 795-4400
5-17-5

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Eileen M. Sage and Robert H. Sage wife and husband (original mortgagors) to World Wide Financial Services, Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 5, 1998, and recorded on October 16, 1998 in Liber 753, on Page 396, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the GE Capital Mortgage Services, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated October 6, 1998, which was recorded on May 18, 1999, in Liber 771, on Page 1136, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of TWENTY-NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN AND 19/100 DOLLARS (\$29,267.19), including interest at 12.550% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 16, 2000.

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

Commencing at the Southeast corner of the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 32, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, 153 feet North, thence West 133 feet; thence North 40 feet; thence East 133 feet; thence South 40 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: May 3, 2000
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: 248-593-1309
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200010593
Dolphins
5-3-5

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Terry D. Kage a single man and Mary E. Willis a single woman (original mortgagors) to Gehrk Mortgage Corporation, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 30, 1996, and recorded on September 4, 1996 in Liber 696, on Page 1093, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Midfirst Bank, Assignee by an assignment dated April 1, 1999, which was recorded on July 21, 1999, in Liber 777, on Page 680, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-TWO AND 78/100 DOLLARS (\$54,382.78), including interest at 9.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 9, 2000.

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

Parcel 1: That part of the Township of Koylton, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the West half of the Southwest quarter of Section 27, Township 11 North, Range 11 East; thence North 12 rods; thence East 12 rods; thence South 12 rods; thence West 12 rods to the point of beginning. Subject to the Right of Way for Cemetery Road over the Westerly side and Mayville Road over the Southerly side thereof.

Parcel 2: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 27, Town 11 North, Range 11

East, Koylton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes East 198.0 feet along the South line of said Section 27 to the point of beginning; thence North 0 degrees 01 minutes 50 seconds West 198.0 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes East 22.0 feet; thence South 0 degrees 01 minutes 50 seconds East 198.0 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes West 22.0 feet along the South line of said Section 27, to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Southwest quarter of Section 27, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, Koylton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan. Subject to the Right of Way for Mayville Road over the Southerly side thereof.

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

Dated: April 26, 2000
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: 248-593-1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200015138
Cougars
4-26-5

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MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Eileen M. Sage and Robert H. Sage wife and husband (original mortgagors) to World Wide Financial Services, Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 5, 1998, and recorded on October 16, 1998 in Liber 753, on Page 396, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the GE Capital Mortgage Services, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated October 6, 1998, which was recorded on May 18, 1999, in Liber 771, on Page 1136, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of TWENTY-NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN AND 19/100 DOLLARS (\$29,267.19), including interest at 12.550% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 16, 2000.

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

Commencing at the Southeast corner of the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 32, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, 153 feet North, thence West 133 feet; thence North 40 feet; thence East 133 feet; thence South 40 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: May 3, 2000
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Dolphins
5-3-5

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MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dennis L. DeLong and Melissa L. DeLong, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Bay Creek Mortgage a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated November 21, 1996, and recorded on November 26, 1996 in Liber 701, on Page 1338, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated December 17, 1996, which was recorded on June 4, 1997, in Liber 712, on Page 258, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE AND 99/100 DOLLARS (\$50,165.99), including interest at 8.875% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 4/1 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 30, 2000.

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

Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Southeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 31, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, thence North 265 feet; thence West 300 feet; thence South 265 feet; thence East 300 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: May 17, 2000
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Mustangs
5-17-5

Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson
Phone 658-2347



GREENLEAF EXTENDED HOMEMAKERS

The Greenleaf Extended Homemakers met at Woodland Hills Golf Club in Sandusky for a luncheon Thursday at noon with Charlotte Particka as hostess. After a business meeting and discussion, they went shopping.

Geraldine Laming will be hostess for the next meeting, June 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson were Saturday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Mergyl at Lake Orion.

Larry Silver of Clinton Township, Mrs. Gerald Wills and Thelma Jackson were Friday evening guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Jim Lewis, Jack and Wayne Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's in Bad Axe for breakfast Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Pitcher and family, Jeff Doerr and Savannah and Mrs. Curtis Cleland were Thursday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr.

Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming spent a week with Bob Cleland Sr. at Waterford.

Rick Stuart, Jack Kennedy, Ron Wolschlag, Jim Lewis, Allen Farrelly, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western and Ed Schember met at McDonald's for breakfast at Bad Axe Monday and Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Curtis Cleland was a Monday evening guest of Mrs. Hiram Keyser.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpzt and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rumpzt were Saturday overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bukowski at Lake Orion.

Mark O'Henley of Chicago, Tom and Linda O'Henley, Allen and Alice Depcinski attended the graduation of Paul O'Henley at Central Michigan University at the Rose Arena, Saturday.

Allen Farrelly was a Monday afternoon guest of Cheryl Allen.

Mrs. Gerald Wills and Mrs. Curtis Cleland were Thursday afternoon and supper guests of Thelma Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris of Gladwin were Tuesday guests of Ben and Donelda Meske of Port Hope and Bryce and Betty Hagen.

Cheryl Sweeney of Brown City, Margaret Bentley of Livonia, Linda Falk of Romeo and Kay Sweeney met Helen Sweeney in Inlay City for lunch Friday.

Bob Cleland Sr. of Waterford spent Friday and Saturday with Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpzt, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rumpzt, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry

Video on ponds available

The MSU Extension office in Huron County has just received a new video on pond renovation. This video is designed for all those interested in learning more about how to manage their pond or small lake. The renovation of the 3-acre pond at the Michigan State



PHYSICAL THERAPIST Barb Hollenbeck gives John Marshall a grip strength test Thursday as part of Hills and Dales Hospital's Community Day. Participants were able to take a variety of medical tests for free or reduced cost at the event.

Walbro changes structure

Officials at Walbro Engine Management, a subsidiary of TI Group Automotive Systems, have announced a new internal structure to more effectively serve its customers. The new structure includes changes in the organization of Walbro Engine Management's Commercial and Engineering Groups. "The reorganization of our commercial and engineering activities is designed to give the customer a focused voice within the company and access to the concentrated developments in both carburetor/ignition and EFI systems technologies," said Andrew Masterman, president, Walbro Engine Management. "The goal of this activity is to amplify our service, information and coordinated development with the customer base."

Walbro Engine Management's Commercial Group for North America and Europe has been restructured to a number of business units, each focused on an individual market. Thomas L. Jarboe, director of Sales and Marketing, announced the heads of each of the business units: Don Ross, business unit manager, Hand-Held Market; Bob McCue, business unit manager, Industrial Market; Tony

Kueffner, business unit manager, Recreation Market; Dave Radeka, business unit manager, Marine Market, and Giorgi Fiori, business unit manager, Europe region. All Business Unit managers report to Jarboe. "This change will empower business unit managers and their dedicated teams to focus on the commercial and program management activities within a specific market," Jarboe said. "Each business unit will contain the resources needed to provide effective application engineering and program management for its customers." Walbro Engine Management's Engineering Group for North America and Europe has been restructured into technology groups in support of the new business units.

"The establishment of technology groups will provide improved focus, along with enhanced technical and project management support in order to assure on-time and on-target project completions," noted Ron Roche, director of engineering for Walbro Engine Management. Roche announced the heads of technology groups: Roger Smith, principal engineer, Fuel Injected Engine Prod-

ucts; Mark Swanson, principal engineer, Carbureted Engine Products; Art Rollend, principal engineer, Ignition & Electronic Products; Sherry Bader, manager, Design Services; Paul Verhines, area manager, Laboratory Services, and Steve Hammett, Rapid Prototype Center. All report to Roche. Walbro Engine Management is the world's largest manufacturer of small engine carburetors for hand-held power equipment, and a major manufacturer of small engine ignition systems and other products for outdoor power equipment and recreational products. Walbro Engine Management has facilities in the United States, Mexico, Italy, Japan and China.

TI Group Automotive Systems, a business unit of TI Group plc, was formed following the acquisition of Walbro Corporation. The combination of Bundy (fluid carrying systems) and Walbro (composite fuel tanks and modules) creates a unique global supplier of complete fluid storage and delivery systems. The new unit would have had 1999 annual revenues of more than \$2.3 billion with 20,000 employees at 150 facilities around the world.

Letters to the editor

Memorial Day is necessary

Memorial Day, where has it gone? Was/is it really necessary?

I think back to Memorial Days of the past and wonder what is in store for the first Memorial Day of the year 2000. Does the now designated holiday for Memorial Day really serve a purpose in this hi-tech fast pace world of ours, or has it become outdated, like the celebration of Washington or Lincoln's birthday?

In my heart I would like to think not, but being realistic I fear it has. We as a society have taken many of the values and traditions of the past and lumped them into these generic long weekends in an attempt to wind down from the daily rigors of our fast pace life, or is it just some form of modern day pacification, but for whom, and should we?

Remember years ago, when Memorial Day was on a specific day, not a Monday? That was a day of the parade down Main Street, the school band marching and playing John Philip Sousa and other marching music renditions. The Veterans of past wars dressed in the uniform of their times, their blouses beaded with ribbons reflecting battle field bravery and a small recognition of their heroic actions, and the risks they had taken in their youth and in the name of their country. Now they are not as sharp and crisp in their marching as in years gone by, the step is slower, the ranks not quite as straight, but they are rightfully proud of the duty they served when called on by and for a grateful nation. They marched directly behind the colors, which stood out with pride. Re-

member, all along the sidewalks stood friends and family members who were just as proud as they watched the men passing in review. They were marching to the cemetery for a fitting speech reflecting the cost of our freedom, "the price we as a nation paid", the greater price, the many sacrifices that families were called upon to make and endure. These were proud times, we as a Nation had much to be thankful for, and this was a time to pay tribute to those who made it possible. What happened to that pride and remembrance in the years that followed???

In 1868 General John A. Logan originally established Memorial Day, when he encouraged Americans to cherish "the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foe." And for years that's what we did, what happened? Where did this civic pride go, who's to blame?? Well I guess we are, we defaulted our responsibility. Do you remember the last time a parade went down main street, what were the people doing on the sidewalk, what were the actions of the bystanders. Now we don't have the pride, or if we do, we don't display it, apparently it is no longer "in" respect and pay homage to the Veterans, or the Flag. You don't see folks get up out of the chairs when the flag passes, they keep the ball caps on, they talk and laugh to the person beside them, and nary a one puts their hand over the heart. I remember observing one of the parades a couple of years ago, when I was home (July 4th). I was shocked and hurt by what I observed on the sidewalks. Nobody seemed to care about the flag, or those

Veterans marching behind it. I rose for the flag and rendered appropriate honors. After serving 28 years defending this great country, I still get goose bumps when I see and hear the band playing marching music, Veterans marching and our Flag passing in review. What a great country we have, in spite of some of the difficulties we exhibit, we have more opportunities and freedoms than anyone else.

I am also reminded of the cost this country has paid in the name of defending freedom, not just ours, but those countries that are not strong enough to defend themselves. We have through declared or undeclared wars paid with the finest this country has to offer, 616,000 KIA, 1.13 million wounded out of 35 1/2 million who responded to the many calls by this Nation over the past 140 years. Many did not want to go, but the duty to the country was a greater calling, a call which they answered. We and millions throughout the world today enjoy the freedoms we know, because of those who responded to that call. They were the ones who paid the supreme sacrifice, those who were severely wounded, and carry scars long after the battles were won, and long after their service is no longer needed, when peace was at hand.

They are what Memorial Day should be about. It is not about a 3-day weekend, cookouts, going to the beach or just relaxing and forgetting about work. Memorial Day is a day of remembrance, ask a Veteran about what that day means to him or her. Ask about the buddy in the foxhole, the one out on point, the listening post, or those that never made it back from a mission. Maybe one

of the Veterans is alive today because a buddy took the round with their name on it. Ask them what Memorial Day means, the flag, the parade, the service to the country, and I will bet you they will not be able to respond with a dry eye. But they will stick the chest out a little farther, march a little smarter, and stand a little taller, they have been to the limits of human endurance in combat and returned. They know what the cost of freedom is and what Memorial Day is all about; they have the scars and the memories to prove it.

So this year when the parade marches on Main Street, show them and the flag the respect they deserve. If you get a chance to talk to one of the veterans, shake their hand and tell them thanks, thanks for a job well done and be glad they answered our nation's call. This day is not

for personal preference, but one of reverence to those who stood up to the dictators and tyrants of the world. We as a nation vowed that freedom will survive whatever the cost, and we will pay the price, whatever the price, insuring those who follow us will continue to enjoy the fruits of liberty and freedom. So, I guess the answer to the question "Is Memorial Day really necessary?" is a resounding yes, Memorial Day is necessary. We must always remember the staggering cost of material and manpower we are willing to put in harms way to protect that cherished right to life, liberty and freedom, and we must also remember Gen. Logan's remarks, "to cherish the memory of our heroic dead"

Frederick J. MacKay
VFW Post 3644
Life Member

Attendance uproar a warning signal

Letter to the Editor,

If you've ever had the notion "I'd like to change the world", like I have, here's your chance. We need the support of parents in a proposed change of curriculum in our school. That's where it all starts - to change the world - in our schools! I am the parent of a high school student and I know firsthand that there is an urgent need for a change.

There have been too many good kids deprived of direction and the excellent education they deserve. The warning signal was the "attendance policy" uproar. The seed of this problem will

grow if not attended to. An option will be presented at the high school Monday, May 22, at 6:30 p.m., prior to the regular school board meeting. The presence of concerned people in our "world" will surely bring about the "change." Look what we did as a group for our children's physical benefit, that large wonderful playground!

Let's do something for their mental benefit. Not only for their future, but ours. Please attend this very important meeting. One hour of your time will be very well spent for all the children in Cass City.

Beth Spencer

Protective eyewear important

Dear Editor:

They're popping up on professional athletes more and more often. No, not tattoos, protective eyewear. They're wearing it because they got the message - protective eyewear protects careers; it doesn't hinder performance.

And yet if it's good enough for the pros, why isn't it good enough for our kids?

In honor of Sports Eye Safety Month, which is celebrated throughout the month of April, ophthalmologists are urging the public to stop endangering their eyes and start wearing protective eyewear.

According to the American Academy of Ophthalmology, sports are a leading cause of eye injuries in children, but most sporting leagues do not require their young athletes to wear eye protection. Yet when they do, the occurrence of eye injuries virtually disappears.

When Alabama's Dixie Youth baseball league mandated the use of face guards for all batters and runners in 1994, the number of eye injuries was reduced to zero that year. The same thing happened in Canada when its amateur hockey league required its players to wear facemasks in 1976.

Baseball and hockey aren't the only sports that contribute to the thousands of eye injuries to children every year. Football, basketball, soccer, tennis, and squash are also dangerous to their eyes. These sports require different types of protective eyewear. Your ophthalmologist can recommend the right kind of eyewear for your sport.

Until mandatory eye protection comes to your child's sporting league, it's up to you to lobby for and protect your young athlete.

Sincerely,

David B. Krebs, M.D.
Great Lakes Eye Institute

Announcing



Curtis Chrysler-Plymouth - Dodge - Jeep would like to announce the new service manager at the Cass City dealership

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THIS YEAR'S "Young Authors" representing Owen-Gage Schools include (front row, left) Tom Thorp, Michael Pawlak, Joshua McLaren, Amber Pillsbury, Rebecca Schmidt, (back row, left) Levi Adams, Nathan Rogers, Cassie Plowman, Whitney Brown and Nicole Ruiz.



SECOND AND third grade Owen-Gage "Young Authors" are (front row, left) Amanda Faist, Andrea Zimmerman, Amy Aldrich, Samantha Radabaugh, Carin Seibel, Kelsey Quick, (back row, left) April Nowaczyk, Joshua Starks, Kayla Neal, Courtney Lester and Bethany Kovach.

At Owen-Gage

'Young Authors' honored

Twenty-one Owen-Gage Elementary students selected as "Young Authors" recently attended this year's Young Authors Conference at Highland Pines/Tuscola ISD in Caro.

Other activities included projects and entertainment, and a presentation from this year's guest author, Peter Roop.

A former Wisconsin "Teacher of the Year", Roop has been published in both "Cricket" and "Cobblestone" magazines. He has authored 50 fiction and non-fiction books, including 7 that were featured as "Reading Rainbow" books. His wife, Connie, also an author, also presented at the conference.

State agency honors HDC

The Human Development Commission (HDC), along with 2 of its housing specialists, were recently honored by the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) in Lansing for their achievement in processing the highest number of Property Improvement Program loans in the state.

Sue Sattelbeg and Wendy Ruggles received special recognition for the production of property improvement loans totaling over \$142,000 through MSHDA's Property Improvement program (PIP) which is designed for low to moderate income households.

Several lending institutions and communities participate in the PIP; 21 agencies and individuals were recognized throughout the state for their outstanding efforts.

MSHDA's Executive Director James L. Logue III praised those who worked hard to earn the honors. "These communities and their employees have been rewarded for their dedicated efforts to help lower income people fix up their homes. By participating in MSHDA's Property Improvement Program, they are helping make a difference to individuals and their local neighborhoods and communities," he said.

Through the Property Improvement Program, homeowners earning up to a maximum annual household income of \$43,575 may qualify to borrow up to \$25,000 and take up to 20 years to repay the loan. Rental properties may also be eligible to receive loans through the program.

Interest rates vary between one and 8 percent based on household income while loans for rental properties have an 8 percent interest rate.

HDC has been working with individuals to improve their living conditions for over 30 years and has served a number of families in Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac and Tuscola counties.

For additional information on any of HDC's housing programs, please contact the Human Development Commission at (517) 673-4121, or toll-free at 1-800-843-6394.

Senior movies slated

Rawson Memorial Library will show the following senior citizens' movies Friday, May 19, at 1:30 p.m.:

Touring New Zealand: A land of awesome beauty with 3 million people, New Zealand is fast becoming the most visited island country in the South Pacific. Slightly larger than Great Britain, New Zealand is 1200 miles east of Australia and 6500 miles southwest of America. This fascinating video tour covers over 100 historic, scenic and cultural sites on both the North and South Islands. You'll visit bustling Auckland, known as the "City of Sails", where one in 4 homes owns a boat. The capital, Wellington, located on a magnificent harbor, with its hills and cable cars, is reminiscent of San Francisco. Rotorua, a center of Maori culture, is a land of geysers and boiling mud pools.

San Juan Islands: Take a 30-minute video tour of Lopez, Orcas and San Juan Islands to visit the major scenic and historic sites, see wildlife and explore recreational activities. Catch a ferry at Anacortes and travel through the beautiful San Juan Islands to see blue skies, emerald isles, crystal clear water, wildlife habitats of Orca whales, bald eagles and harbor seals. Find out how explorers, Indians and pioneers all influenced San Juan Islands' contemporary names and places. Join the sailors, vacationers, fishermen, whale watchers and beachcombers,

Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Building problems have delayed completion of Homestead at Northwood Lake, a planned full-service senior citizen community just west of Northwood Shores Golf Course in Cass City. Officials involved in the development say construction will resume soon, with completion of a 52-unit congregate community set for next year.

New requirements for Michigan schools will result in major changes in the curriculum at Cass City Schools, and up instruction cost by some \$60,000, Supt. Ken Micklash says. The school must increase total instruction hours by 10 percent from 900 hours to 990 hours yearly.

The Cass City United Way board of directors recently distributed a record \$25,000, representing most of the monies collected during the local United Way campaign last fall. New officers elected for 1995 are: president, Dawn Prieskorn; vice-president, John Maharg; secretary, Nina Davis; and treasurer David Burnette.

Tracy Robinson, whose parents live on Huron Line Road near Uby, recently spent a 12-week study adventure in Vienna, Austria, which included a course on the Holocaust. While there, she met Simon Wiesenthal, an author and death camp survivor who is active in the prosecution of Nazis. Robinson recently completed her second year at Saginaw Valley State University.

10 YEARS AGO

Strong winds Thursday knocked down the back wall of a barn at 6128 Deckerville Rd., Deford, causing the roof to collapse. Owners Joyce and John Schwartz said last week's storm also blew 2 plexiglass windows out of the back porch of their home and broke off the top part of a large tree in their yard.

Brewster Shaw Jr., a native of Cass City and an experienced shuttle pilot who has flown on 3 shuttle flights, now chairs NASA's mission management team, a committee of government officials and contractor executives who give the go-ahead for a shuttle launch after a lengthy review of its systems.

The area's best bowlers gathered Wednesday night at Charmont Lanes to determine the men's and women's "Bowler of the Year." Copping top honors in the 3rd annual tourney were Elaine Romain and Doug O'Dell.

Susan Papp, outstanding girl athlete for 1990, was honored at the annual awards ceremony Thursday at Cass City High School. Senior Jason Robertson received the Paul Smarks award at the awards ceremony.

Earning the highest award in Cub Scouting, "Arrow of Light", recently were Josh Little, Todd Milligan, Matt Klinkman, Richard Priestap and Kurt Iwankovitsch.

25 YEARS AGO

A fire of undetermined origin destroyed a 2-story house 7 miles northeast of Cass City Friday morning. The house was owned by Martin Davis of Detroit. Loss was set at \$16,000.

The Cass City School Board moved to enforce no smoking rules at its regular meeting Monday at the high school. A \$75 fine will be levied for groups whose members violate the rules. Actually, smoking will be allowed 2 places in the building. The outer lobby and the teachers' lounge have been designated for the purpose.

The local National Farmer's Organization is selling ground beef at the west Cass City village limits. The NFO began sales as a protest against high consumer prices and inflated profits for middlemen. Sales will continue at varied points throughout the Thumb as part of a nationwide NFO protest.

The Cass City Chamber of Commerce will take another stab at its ill-fated tree-planting project this year after it was announced that 31 of the original 33 trees planted last summer died. The replacement trees will not cost the Chamber additional funds, Chamber President Harry Little said, as the original trees were guaranteed.

Fifty-two members were present when the AARP met Thursday at the Elkland Township Fire Department. Larry Kolb presented pictures and narrations of his trip through the Colorado rapids and the canyon lands.

35 YEARS AGO

A lengthy career in business in Cass City ended this week when Dave Matthews of Decker announced that he was closing M & M Plumbing and Heating Company at its Main Street location. Matthews first arrived at the business scene in Cass City in June of 1926.

The 1,500-pound jail that disappeared under mysterious circumstances several weeks ago appeared in the alley behind Cass City Oil and Gas service station

Wednesday night, May 12. But sometime Thursday night, pranksters, with the aid of a tractor, hauled the jail to the intersection of Main and Seeger streets. The tractor, owned by Leonard Damm and Son, was found in the alley behind the fire hall, stripped of its coil and spark plug wires. Damm had brought the tractor to Cass City Oil and Gas to have chloride put in the wheels.

Don DeLong, 38, is challenging 2 incumbent members for a seat on the Cass City School Board in the regular election slated in June. Previously announced candidates are Horace Bulen and Donald Reid.

Cass City parents who allow their children to roam village streets past specified curfews are subject to imprisonment or fines. That's the word from Police Chief Carl Palmateer in reviewing a curfew ordinance passed in 1952 and still in effect.

Cass City High School will have 106 graduates this year. The annual senior trip will be a visit to the World's Fair. Included in the trip will be a cruise to the Statute of Liberty and a visit to Radio City Music Hall.

Wheat tour scheduled

In 2 programs June 5-6, wheat experts will assess the vigor and quality of the wheat crop in Monroe County and the greater Saginaw Valley.

The June 5 session will take place from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Paul Vergote farm on Rouget Road, 2 miles west of Blissfield in Monroe County.

The free program will feature wheat production experts from Michigan State University and agribusiness. An evening meal will accompany the discussion.

Advance registration is requested. Contact Ned Birkey, Monroe County MSU Extension, by telephoning 734-240-3173.

The June 6 program will

begin at 9 a.m. at the Floyd Hauck farm on Weidman Road, 1/4 mile west of Meridian Road in Isabella County.

The other stops will be at 11 a.m. in Midland County, at Merrill/Home Road at LaPorte Road, 5 miles north of M-46, at 1 p.m. in Saginaw County, at M-83 and Bradley Road, one mile south of M-46; at 3:30 p.m. in Huron County, on Ivanhoe Road, 1/4 mile north of Wadsworth, and at 6 p.m. in Sanilac County, on Banner Road, 3/4 mile south of M-46.

Details of the tour can be obtained from Mark Seamon, Saginaw County MSU Extension, by calling him at 517-799-2233.

VILLAGE OF CASS CITY NOTICE OF PROVISIONS OF THE WEED ORDINANCE

TO: All owners, occupants or possessors of land in the Village of Cass City

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Ordinance Numbers 51 and 142 of the Village of Cass City. All noxious, poisonous or injurious weeds, or other weeds, grass or brush exceeding a height of (12) inches upon any property, in the Village of Cass City shall be cut down, destroyed or removed, as the case may be, to prevent growth in excess of (12) inches.

In the event the owner or occupant, or any person; persons, agent, firm or corporation having control or management of any lot, place or parcel of land within the Village of Cass City shall fail, refuse or neglect to comply with the above mentioned noxious, poisonous or injurious weeds or other weeds, grass or brush exceeding twelve (12) inches to be cut down, destroyed or removed.

A charge of \$40.00 per hour shall be charged for cutting, destruction or removal of same and will be levied and collected against such property in the manner provided by Local and State Law.

This provision for weed control shall be in effect from May 22, 2000 through and including October 1, 2000. Such weeds must be cut by the property owner, tenant, or occupant of the property on or before June 1, 2000, and again thereafter on or before August 15, 2000.

In accordance with Village Ordinances, property owners must maintain their properties at all times.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the following lands shall be exempt from the provisions of this section provided that the owner of the land petitions for exemption from the provisions of this section in writing to the Village Manager of the Village of Cass City.

- (1) Undeveloped wooded areas where tree growth is in excess of ten (10) feet in height.
- (2) Undeveloped parcels of four and one-half (4 1/2) acres or more in non subdivision areas.
- (3) Lands where occupied lots have been developed without removing the original natural cover.

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'Pathways' presentation set May 22

Parents, students and community members are invited to attend a presentation about Career Pathways High Schools Monday, May 22, at 6:30 p.m. in the Cass City High School speech room. It will take place prior to the regularly scheduled school board meeting so board members have an opportunity to hear the presentation. Many educational professionals, parents and students feel schools are not meeting the instructional and future needs of students and that students are not making a connection between school and their future. A Career Pathways High School helps to address these concerns. It is a model whose philosophy is embedded in the new field of brain research that tells us students learn best through their interests, aptitudes, and with application of skills. A Pathways High School is for all students. Instruction is organized around 6 career pathways adopted by the state of Michigan. These pathways are broad interest fields that encompass hundreds of careers. Students explore all of the pathways and eventually narrow their focus to a pathway of their choice.

Elaine Howard, assistant director of Curriculum and Special Projects for the Tuscola Intermediate School District, will present the Pathways information. She has worked extensively with the USA High School staff to institute Career Pathways in their high school this year.

The Cass River Genealogy Society, Frankenthuth, will hold their monthly meeting at Frankenthuth High School, 525 E. Genesee, at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 23, Room 30 (use west entrance and follow directional signs). The program for the evening will be "Genealogy on the Internet", part of Community Education. Cost for the evening will be \$5 for Cass River Genealogy Society members and \$8 for non members.

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Reunited...

ED ROSS COORDINATED a "mini" class reunion with fellow classmates from Cass City High School Class of 1949 at a restaurant in Punta Gorda, Fla. Most of the classmates, now retired, spend their winters in Florida and their summers in Michigan. Pictured with Ross (left, front) are Chuck Kercher, Elmer Rayl; (back row, l-r) Bruce Little and Don Karr.

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Obituaries

Ann Frederick

Ann E. Frederick, 83, of Florida and formerly of Rapson, died Monday, May 8, 2000, at Port Huron Hospital.

She was born Nov. 16, 1916, in Parisville, daughter of Lawrence and Veronica (Ginther) Miller. She married George Frederick Jan. 15, 1938, at St. Mary Catholic Church of Parisville.

She attended Sigel Country School. She moved to Detroit and did domestic work for a few years. She resided in many areas of Michigan before moving in 1943 to Rapson. She farmed until 1973 and then moved to Florida where she resided for 27 years.

She is survived by her husband, George, of Port Huron; one son, John Frederick and his wife, Tina, of Garden; 3 daughters, Janet Bischer and her husband, Melvin, of Ruth, Doris Frederick of Uby, and Ann Dudas and her husband, Donald, of Port Huron; 7 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Veronica Ann Frederick; 2 grandchildren, Melvin Joseph and Phyllis Maria Bischer; 3 brothers, Edward, Louis and Ignatius Miller; 2 sisters, Theresa Woychowski and Dorothy Dezelski.

Mass of Christian burial was held Wednesday, May 10, at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church of Ruth. The Rev. Ronald Wagner, pastor, officiated.

Burial was in Our Lady of Lake Huron Cemetery of Harbor Beach.

Arrangements were made by Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home, Uby.

Frederic Hartman Jr.

Fred W. Hartman Jr., 73, of Cass City, died May 9, 2000, in his home.

He was born July 17, 1926, in Detroit to Frederic W. and Beatrice (Perrett) Hartman Sr. He married Lorine Muntz Raess Aug. 7, 1976, in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

Hartman was a retired sales representative for W.W. Grainger. He graduated from Kent State University in 1949 and served on the Alumni Board for many years. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta, Denison Chapter, and served on their Alumni Board as both treasurer and president.

He is survived by his wife, Lorine; daughter, Andrea (Alan) Haberecht of Ocean Springs, MS.; 3 grandchildren; daughter-in-law, Karen Hartman of Rockford; 4 stepchildren, Dr. Daniel H. (Lisa) Raess of Indianapolis, Ind., David W. (Sharon) Raess of Loveland, Ohio, Christine J. (Thomas) O'Boyle of Charlotte, N.C., Douglas L. (Tammy) Raess of Akron, Ohio; 9 step-grandchildren; sister, Prof. Emerita Beatrice P. Hartman of Kalamazoo, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his son, Frederic Welborn Hartman III, March 27, 1999.

Funeral services were held Saturday at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Richard W. Ingalls of Mariners' Church, Detroit, officiating.

Interment was in Elkland Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society.

Marcus Siemen

Marcus J. Siemen, 79, of Harbor Beach, died Thursday, May 11, 2000, at Harbor Beach Long Term Care Facility, after an extended illness.

He was born Feb. 20, 1921, in Harbor Beach, son of William and Anna (Geiger)

Siemen. He married Ferry Weber May 29, 1943, at Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church of Harbor Beach.

He was a graduate of the Pumpkin Center country school. He worked at Mueller Brass of Port Huron and at Booms Silo. He farmed and retired from farming in 1981. He was a lifelong parishioner of Our Lady of Lake Huron Parish and a former member of the Michigan Milk Producers Association. He was the owner of Siemen Saw Mill for many years and wintered for years in Florida.

He is survived by his wife, Ferry; 5 sons, Don and his wife Agnes, Carl and his wife Susan, Jim and his wife Lillian, and Dale and his wife Nancy, all of Harbor Beach, and Tom and his wife Joy of Kissimmee, Fla.; 8 daughters, Patricia Tenbusch and her husband Allen of Jonesboro, Ind., Linda Hill and her husband Dennis of Harbor Beach, Shirley Klaska and her husband Mark of Bad Axe, Christine Veldman and her husband Dave of Jeddo, Janet Nowiski and her husband Marc, Sheila Hagedon and her husband Paul, Jean Burkhard and her husband Richard, and Lisa Sweet and her husband Larry, all of Harbor Beach; 48 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; 3 brothers, LaVern Siemen, Clements Siemen and his wife Marge, all of Harbor Beach, Allen Siemen and his wife Mabel of Marion; 2 sisters, Alma Woychowski and Doreen Hagedon, both of Harbor Beach.

He was preceded in death by 2 brothers, Sylvester Siemen and Raymond Siemen, and by 2 sisters, Lillian Essenmacher and Mildred Siemen.

Mass of Christian burial was held Saturday, May 13, at Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church of Harbor Beach. The Rev. Edward Koniczka, pastor, officiated.

Burial was in the church cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home, Uby.

Rains boost crop growth, but...

Moisture stress a concern

by Lynn Heitkamp
Staff Writer

Recent rains have given Thumb area crops a good start on the growing season, but dry spells this summer could spell trouble, according to one meteorologist.

Things are looking much better for the early summer after the rainfall the past few weeks, Jeff Andresen, MSU

growing conditions and should have an early harvest, Stein said. It shouldn't be as "phenomenally early" as last year's wheat, though. Acreage is down slightly, Stein added.

"The wheat came through the winter in very good shape," Nagelkirk said. "We're looking at a very good crop. It's thick and lush."

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extension agricultural meteorologist, said.

But it may not be enough, he added.

The past year and a half have been very dry so soil moisture is very low, Andresen explained. Crops dip into soil moisture when they don't get enough surface precipitation.

That's like taking money out of the bank without putting any in, he said. Michigan's crops need more water than the annual precipitation. The soil moisture helps get them through when they need it, he said.

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"Moisture stress could become a problem very, very quickly," he cautioned.

Dennis Stein, district farm management agent for the Saginaw Valley, said recent rains have recharged the soil after a dry winter.

Rains over the past few weeks have brought much-needed moisture to crops, he said. Fields, in fact, are well saturated. If much more falls, it will likely just run off.

"We'd rather have it in the middle of the summer," he added.

Martin Nagelkirk, MSU extension director for Sanilac County, agreed. "I think the whole Thumb region has received a nice dowsing," he said.

"We've had almost ideal growing conditions this spring so far as a whole," Stein said. He pointed out, however, that crops still have a lot of growing to do before harvest time.

CROP OUTLOOKS

Wheat has had optimal

market changes.

Alfalfa should be harvested around the same time, Nagelkirk said. Even though

the alfalfa weevil has bothered some fields in the area, the majority of the crop should be good, he added.

The hay crop should be more than ample, Nagelkirk announced, since the market price is depressed.



EVELYN ZIEHM and Sharon Dunn (right) look through American Association of University Women scrapbooks Saturday. The Cass City branch of the organization invited charter members and past presidents to a luncheon at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Cass City to celebrate the 35th anniversary of its charter.



INCOMING American Association of University Women president Jeanne Lohela (left) received the president's gavel from her predecessor, Janet Bryant, at the conclusion of the luncheon.

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